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east, visiting New England cities, New York and probably Washington. She is teaching in Lorain, Ohio, the stricken steel city, largely torn to pieces a few weeks ago by a cyclone.

From M. O. Leedy, I learned that his mother, widow of Aaron B. Leedy, is in fine health and had spent the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Stickler, in Mansfield, Ohio.

Cousin Clement Leedy is becoming an old timer in Bellville. He is one of the Aaron A. Leedy family. He has a fine home and tends strictly to his home affairs. His daughter keeps the home. Clement has the build and physiognomy of the genuine old line Leedys, and their ways, less the fighting quality that some of them possessed.

I turned in at Horatio Garber's for a chat and a good supper. He is in the predicament of many retired farmers. He has the farms and his tenant can not get needed help in harvest exigencies. Farm labor is so expensive that it becomes a financial loss to hire all the time and there are few to respond for occasional service in time of pressing need. So Cousin H. was spending the week in the harvest work. He has an interesting family of ambitious children. His wife is a daughter of John L. and Leah Swank and is a mother of enthusiasm and versatility. Gladys graduated at the Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, and is engaged to teach in Mt. Gilead, Ohio, the coming season. Leora has been teaching a season or two.

Bellville is rather on the back track at the present time. Several of the ambitious young men had started a foundry industry and a bunch of people were employed and there was promise that a new life would come into the old town. Some miss hits spoiled the enterprise.

After spending the night with brother E. L., his good wife Ida spread a real health breakfast, and then he and I were on our way to Butler; he to keep his engagement with eight or ten music pupils and I to call upon some of the friends in the burg.

I dropped my grip at the hospitable home of Lovina Garber. After Bro. Frank passed and she sold part of the old farm to her son Win. she moved to Butler. I found her in jolly spirit, but suffering a little from an accident. She has a driving horse and buggy, and it

happened she had it tied by her residence. A fierce storm came on and she went and untied it to drive to the stable a little distance. The horse turned as she was about to get in and cramped her between the buggy and wheel and she could neither get up or down. A little girl ran to her assistance to lead the horse to the stable and it started forward in a way to pull Mrs. G. down and the rear wheel ran over her and bruising her side. Most of the time her two single sons are away from home, but she seems contented to be alone.

Frank Lanehart continues to live at his old home and is a philosopher, studying the subjects agitating the thot of the world. He is writing essays and comments on various subjects. I met an unusual experience. It was late noon and he had not taken his dinner. He asked me to be excused till he prepared a bite to eat. This is the first time of life a man offered to prepare a meal for me and I did wish I had not eaten that I might have enjoyed the experience of dining with him on his own prepared meal. Cousin Lanehart's oldest daughter lives on Pioneer Lewis Leedy's old farm which he owns. Her name is Kunkel. Another daughter, Sabra, married C. P. Willacker and they live in Toledo, Ohio. Another lives in Massachusetts.

Dorah H. Leedy belongs to the Pioneer Daniel Leedy family. He has the best store in Butler, a very complete department store kept in commendable condition. He is crippled in his lower limbs and a jeweler by trade, which he still follows, giving to the town the advantage of that business which is not enough to keep up an exclusive store. He has one of the best radio outfits and his store is a resort of entertainment to the people.

Charles and Martha Beal's son, Floyd, if we have not missed his name, has a fine garage, which he built and is doing well. He works himself, like a Trojan and has four or five employees.

John Long lives in the east wing of Butler and was busy on a carpenter job. He is well into the seventies of age, but is the same John Long he was when we were in school together, and I tried to tussle him down. He was older, bigger and stronger, but I was quick, wiry and overgrown for my age, and the boys of like age had no show with with me and

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I sought the older boys for sport of this kind. He spent years in Mansfield as a faithful employee, and has children there and wishes to sell his Butler property, and move back. He takes special pride in his garden; the soil is rich and his garden looks fine. His family has a great charge with a feeble little child. John and I chatted for an hour on the times of the past, and it is a bright spot in the ramble we made to tell The Chronicle readers about a few of the friends in the settlement of the pioneer Leedys.

I visited the home of another old schoolmate, Cousin Mary Swank. She enjoys a solid home; solid, materially because it is made of cement blocks. She was as happy as a queen and looks twenty years younger than she is. Her consort was Jacob L. Swank, a brother of John L. He fell asleep several years ago. I learned that there are only several of the large Yarger family left. She has a commendable pride of her family. They are all enterprising and thrifty. Harry Swank is a partner in a lumber yard in Loudonville, Ohio, and Rev. Orin is a pastor in the Evangelical Association and will preach the Reunion Sermon. Come and hear him.

After a little car ride I was in the home of J. S. and Ida Leedy in old Ankenytown. They have come into the ranks of the old people, but they are not yet disposed to grant that it is so. Vest had a round of about a month in bed in the winter with influenza and at this time Ida is suffering with ear trouble. Vest is hard at work on his farms and Ida will be all right soon. Her daughter, Mrs. Gatton, has been with her much of the time during the spring.

I learned that Aunt Lovina, Mrs. Isaac Leedy, was not very well, and was having severe trouble in her back. She was with a daughter in Mt. Vernon. We learned also her daughter Emma, in that city, was sick.

Aunt's son, Alva, now resides in Newark, Ohio. He has a long special job of work for a telephone company, for which he has been working for years. Near the tenth of July, his daughter Belva was married to Mr. Fred Herman. Also his son, Isaac Daniel, has joined the Navy and is about learning how to manage Uncle Sam's fighting ships. If he has some of the grit and snap of his

grandfather, Uncle Isaac, he will in time be heard from in the navy.

I found Dean and Lizzie Martin hustling along as usual. Lizzie is looking much improved in health since I saw her last. I have a special interest in her good health because she is a good limb from which to pick Chronicle news.

She is wise. She tells me she now eats but little meat, the bane of old people, and has about quit drinking coffee which is an injury to old people, if strong, because it excites nerve activity and promotes hardening of the arteries. Free meat eating, coffee or tea, vinegar and excessive use of salt and sugar make old age miserable.

Their daughter Pearl, who lives in Bellaire or a city near it visited Atlantic City, expecting that sea air would benefit her health. Her daughter, Leona is visiting her grand parents and other relatives.

Cousin Paul Debolt and wife, Uncle Isaac family, are happy over a new baby girl. This is no unusual event in most families, but it is for them. He counts his children five boys, and the adding of a girl is a special joy.

Father D. C. Debolt means not to be lonesome. In the fall he married a Mrs. Catharine Algire. They are residing at his old home. They have bought property in Florida and expect to move on it in the fall. His daughter Ethel expects to go with them and is engaged to teach school in Florida.

Helen Merrin has become the wife of a Mr. Bruce, a mail clerk located in Pittsburg, Pa.

The young grow up quickly and are soon gone to themselves.

Cousin Addie Leedy is closing out her store in Ankenytown. The property is sold and perhaps a new store keeper will come in. Her consort, Cousin Albert Leedy had fairly started the store when life left him. She may give some of her time to nursing when she is again free.

Saturday, July 19th, a few earnest workers gathered in the Leedy Park after dinner to start the preparation for the Reunion. Three trees blew down and limbs were broken off of other trees. Two were broken some distance up and a large sugar tree was pulled over by the root. They were rapidly cut up for removal from the ground. Otherwise

the park looks inviting, except the drive needs some repairing.

Saturday evening I visited the silent city of relatives, the cemetery. Five of us are yet alive and four are there sleeping. Not long and the dead will be more than the living. After all, what a trifle human life is. A little time of childhood joy, a struggle for a living amidst joys and sorrows, the anguish of old age, then the long sleep in a prison of earth. How true that we are like grass and its flower of beauty, that fades and falls.

Sunday morning found me in the place of an absent Sunday School teacher, a new experience of an old one. Over fifty years ago, I was the first Sunday School superintendent of the Dunkard people in all that region. Then I was a blushing lad of less than 20 years old. Here my nephew, Winfield Lina Garber was my superintendent. They have a nice and beautiful little school, and we wish we might cause them to abide in enthusiasm in maintaining it. The country and village churches now have heavy burdens in most places and it must become more so. We wish the old Dunkard practice might prevail. For many years my old Leedy Uncles and myself held religious services in a large circle about Ankenytown and did the people great good and they were at no expense. We preached the Gospel free. There is great need for preachers like they were. Truly, the people never appreciated the sacrifice they made to give religious privileges to them, but it does not matter now. Often the most worthy are least honored.

The Ankenytown cemetery is now well kept. A Brother Bechtel, whose name is out of memory now, lead in gathering an endowment fund, and he should be praised for the devotion he gave to the task.

A summer revival was in progress and we remained to share the service.

One thing I took note of was that the Lord Almighty put a reminder in a corner of the church house; a stroke of lightning pealed a slice of plaster down one corner of the wall, during a recent storm. Some are wont to read such things as evidence that the Lord is displeased at the doings passing therein. We view them as reminders that the Lord is yet mighty and is able to do according to his will; able to save property

and destroy property, to save lives and destroy lives.

Soon after Sunday school, we were at the old home of a thousand memories, and on the soil that has a tinge of sacredness to our mind. There a thousand Leedys trod about. The murmur of the old spring continues that has poured its unceasing stream of cold, sparkling water out for more than a hundred years we know of—the same kind of water in the same way.

Cousin Win and his wife Bertha are jolly entertainers, and their daughter, blooming into young womanhood, is full of social enthusiasm.

There we had a little reunion of our own. My wife Mrs. A. L., her daughter Ruth and family, Lester Burns and the little Burnses, Margerie and Frances; and son Ora, wife Edna, and children, Elizabeth and Lucile. Then Ward and Virgil came to meet their mother, Lovina Garber, Mrs. Frank L. Garber. Her daughter Pauline Senseman, her children and sister-in-law, Miss Senseman, came over from Ashland to enlarge the number like an old time gathering at the old home. We spent a happy afternoon together. Restful conversation occupied the time, flavored with a dash of ice cream of the old time kind.

Stella Leedy and her daughter Tessa Brubaker and little girl are all that remain in the locality of the Uncle Aaron Leedy family. They lived with Stellas' sister, Maud Grubb during the winter, who was in poor health.

In several places we learned that E. R. Leedy and family, except his wife, who is in a hospital, were expected to arrive about July 21st and later, to remain for the Reunion. We may know more before this goes to press.

#### BELLVILLE, OHIO

7-22-24.

Dear Editor of the Leedy Chronicle:—Considering the late cold wet Spring the health and the Leedy connections in our Town and surrounding community is very good at the present time. All kinds of crops are at least 3 weeks later than the average season, yet if we are blest with good growing weather moisture and a late fall, the farmers may still harvest a fair crop in this locality which they so richly deserve for their labor.

Dr. Jennie Keith, a well known and highly respected physician of our town

passed away on the 19th, after a long illness from paralysis. Funeral services were held at her late home conducted by the Rev. Mitchel. Interment in the Bellville cemetery.

Tally one more grand child to J. L. and L. C. Swank, a daughter, born to John C. and Pearl Swank, of Butler, Ohio, named Leah Ilien, born Apr. 25, 1924. A great grand daughter was born to Clark and Lucile Robinson, June 29, 1924, Christened Marie Lucile.

As the Historian of the Long family I wish to correct the editor's note in the May Chronicle about the origin of the George W. Long, of Baldwin, Ia. His Father was one of the famous Long family, born, March 25, 1815; married Elizabeth Zook and moved to Iowa in early day, and G. W. Long was the eldest of family of 14 children, 9 Sons and 5 daughters. I wish to inquire of him through the Chronicle if E. R. Long of Dallas, Texas, is a brother or a cousin of his? He is having a History of the famous Long family compiled by a F. m in Washington, D. C. I sent them nearly all the Chronicles I had to work on and am anxious to learn what progress they are making, or to receive the completed Book.

The time for the annual Leedy Reunion for 24 is nigh at hand and from present indication we will at least have some in attendance from quite a distance, as E. R. Leedy and daughter, Irma of Calif. drove into our Berg yesterday Eve and his Son-in-law and daughter Lula are visiting relatives in Mich., on their way here.

I was just thinking that if we had all the Leedy connections together on the 20th, that the great deadlocked Democratic convention recently held at Madison Square Garden would look like 30 cts. compared to our great throng.

J. L. Swank.

#### NAPPANEE, IND.

708, East Lincoln St., May 25, 1924

Dear Editor and all the Readers of the Leedy Chronicle, Greeting: This is the first time I have endeavored to write for The Chronicle. My wife was Miss Jennie E. Leedy, the youngest of five daughters of John A. and Mary Ann Smith Leedy, of Paintertown, Ind.

My companion has gone to her reward, Feb. 26, 1922, at the age of 60

years and 7 days. Two children were born to us. Alta Constance died at the age of 4 months and 20 days. Edwin Leedy now of Ft. Wayne.

I enjoy reading The Chronicle very much, although I don't know very many. I take it for granted they are relatives. I will always have a warm spot in my heart for the Leedys and if any should come to Nappanee, would be glad to have them come and see me. I am living all alone. I sometimes feel lonely, but under the circumstances it is the best thing to do. Yours in love.

B. F. Stutzman.

Note—We are glad to have this letter and to know of our Cousin. We had almost forgotten about Jennie, whose association we enjoyed many years ago when we made a good stay at Uncle John Leedys. Aunt was a woman of fine culture and deep religion, and we had many inspiring talks with her, and she was a devoted reader of my prophetic journal, The Prophetic Age.

#### LEON, IOWA

June 17, 1924.

Dear Brother:—Answering your communication of 14th, will say John Garber of Jefferson Co., Iows, was my Grandfather. He was the first Dunkard Elder ordained in Iowa and the second west of the Mississippi. He had seven children who lived to maturity;

Susanna Teeter,  
Catharine Hutton,  
Phoebe Evans,  
Sarah Eselman,

The boys were David, Samuel, who was my father and a Dunkard Preacher, and Daniel. All are dead. I can give you the names and addresses of most all of their children if you wish later. I have three brothers, J. F., Leon, Ia.; L. D., Leon, Ia.; M. P., 1815 9th St., Des Moines, Ia. My sisters are Josie Shy, Carlisle, Ark.; Fannie John, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Mattie Kamp, Udell, Ia.

I am surely glad to find some relatives in Ohio and will be pleased to hear from you again. I can give you quite a bit of family history but am awfully busy just now I would like to have some of your family history. I will write more later.

F. A. Garber.

Note—This Cousin Garber had several children attending Ashland College

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and by them we obtained the Iowa address. We intended to have his children at College to visit us and when we went to invite them, they had finished their school work and left before the college commencement was over. We did not know that they were third cousins to our children or we would have made acquaintance before. Cousin F. A. is a second cousin to Prof. L. L. Garber, of Ashland College, and as far as we know, they spent months there, not realizing that they were under the instruction of a relative.

Our Garbers are a part of the great family of Garbers and Garvers (one name) but the connecting link was lost by the editor's family, when the Pennsylvania grandfather became a soldier of the war of 1812 and went to Canada to fight the British and probably drowned in Lake Erie and was no more. He wrote letters regularly to his family until lost, and no information was obtainable from any source.

The mother of the three little boys, John, Samuel and David, married again and the three boys drifted westward. Our grandfather, Samuel, walked from Pennsylvania to Ohio and carried all his earthly belongings on his back.

## TIGARD, ORE.

July 7, 1924.

Dear Cousins of the Leedy Chronicle: It has been very dry here all summer. We had a few very hot days but it is real cool now, only 40 this morning. My family is still increasing. I have 14 grand children living. The last one was born to Chas. & Alice Young, Apr. 3, 1924. His name is Allan Leedy Young.

A short time ago I visited Mrs. Ruth Leedy Hess, at Hubur, Oregon. She is a great grand daughter of Lewis K. Leedy. Her father is Wm. Leedy of Rapid City, N. Dakota and her grandfather was Jacob Leedy.

We had a short visit with John Leedy Spayde and wife last August, as they were on their way to Calif.

I do not get the Bellville paper now, so do not often hear from the eastern friends, suppose they are too busy to write.

Find enclosed check for \$2. for The Leedy Tabernacle. Flora Leedy. Tigard, Ore.

## GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Dear Cousin—I write you the sad news of the death of my brother Newton, May the 27th, and am sending the notice and obituary as printed in the Nashville news.

I am enjoying good health and the rest of the folks are enjoying the same blessing.

I am intending to come to the reunion which comes the 20th of August if I am not mistaken.

Harvey A. Leedy.

## FLAT ROCK, OHIO

May 9, 1924.

The Chronicle is at hand and was much pleased again to read its pages. Only the obituaries. It always pains me to read of so many of the Leedy cousins passing. If I could only get some breathing spell for work on the Leedy history and complete it before the families get so broken up. My it grieves me so much and how interested I am in this work. But my pastorate here keeps me so busy that I get little time for outside work. Just now we are laying plans for remodeling our church this summer to an amount of \$15,000 and this will mean much additional work. I hope in a year or so to take a year or so off and finish up my historical work both for the Leedy family and the history of our church in Ohio.

Roy B. Leedy.

## CASEY, IOWA

July 8, 1924.

Dear Leedy Chronicle:—The Leedy cousins are all well in this part of the country.

There is an error in the note about my Father Jacob E. Long. He was a Son of Big John Long. I am G. W. Long's brother. I'll be 68 years old the 25th of July. There are four of Jacob Long's family left, three sons and one daughter.

Casey is located on the Great White Way, No. 7, about 50 miles west of Des Moines. If any of my friends or Leedy cousins happen along this way, of course they will stop.

But let us so live that when the Master calls we will be on the Golden Shore where no more parting will be said. Yours in His name. A. J. Long.

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## KEY TO THE LEEDY TRIBES OF AMERICA

Emigrant Father from Switzerland, ABRAHAM  
LEEDY, 4 Sons and 1 Single Daughter.

Branch 1. JACOB LEEDY—Leedy of Franklin Co.  
and Perry Co., Pa., and Youngstown, O.\*

Branch 2. JOHN LEEDY—[b. 1742 South W. Va.]\*

Tribe 1. Abraham Leedy, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 2. John Leedy, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 3. Joseph Leedy, b. 1786, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 4. David Leedy, St. Joseph, Ill.  
Tribe 5. Jonithan Leedy, S. W. Va. and Ky.

Branch 3. SAMUEL LEEDY [b. about 1745] Rocking-  
ham Co., Va.

Tribe 6. Samuel Leedy, b. 1779, Ind.  
Tribe 7. Jacob Leedy, b. 1784, Ind.  
Tribe 8. John Leedy, b. 1788, Va.  
Tribe 9. Daniel Leedy, b. 1795, Va.  
Tribe 10. Betsy Wise, [Unknown]  
Tribe 11. Suay Miller, [Unknown]  
Tribe 12. Sally Brower, [Unknown]  
Tribe 13. Katy Garber, [Unknown]  
Polly Leedy, died single, age 98.

Branch 4. ABRAHAM LEEDY—[b. about 1753] Bedford  
Co., Pa.

Tribe 14. John Leedy, b. 1779, Ohio.  
Tribe 15. David Leedy, b. 1781, Ohio.  
Tribe 16. Susannah Long, b. 1783, Ohio.  
Catharine Hedrick, b. 1785.  
Tribe 17. Abraham Leedy, b. 1787, Ohio.  
Elizabeth Hedrick, b. 1789.  
Tribe 18. Jacob Leedy, b. 1791, Ohio.  
Tribe 19. Samuel Leedy, b. 1792, Ohio.  
Tribe 20. Daniel Leedy, b. 1794, Ohio.  
Tribe 21. Margaret Grow, b. 1796 [?], Ohio.

\*Facts are not available to justify conclusively that  
these branches are descended from Jacob and John.

## THE REUNIONS

The Twenty-ninth Annual Leedy  
Reunion

In the Leedy Park, Ankenytown, Ohio,  
Wednesday, Aug. 20, 1924

## PROGRAM

10:00 A. M.—Call to order.  
Music—Hymn.

Report of Trustees.

10:20—Business, and election of officers.

10:40 A. M.—Religious Worship—Sing

ing, Bible Reading, Prayer and Gos-

pel sermon by Rev. Orin D. Swank.

A Blessing asked on the Reunion dinner.

12:15 P. M.—Announcement of Din-

ner.

General Collection to be taken at the

tables by appointed waiters.

## Afternoon Program.

2:15 P. M.—Call to Order by Pres.  
Martha Leedy Beal.

Song by Quartette.

Address of Welcome, Paul Debolt.

Response, Mrs. Lulu Haynor.

Reading by Gladys Garber.

Twenty minute Address, Judge Louis

B. Houch, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Duet, Wayne Guthrie and Reba

Thompson.

Violin Solo, Eulala Amos.

Three Cheers to Eugene R. Leedy, past

Reunion President, now of California

and his response.

Miscellaneous matters.

Hymn—God be with you till we meet

again.

Benediction.

Recess 5 minutes.

## As You Please Program.

Short Talks by Relatives.

Music, recitations, short addresses, etc.

as the friend may elect.

Relatives choosing to contribute to  
the program are invited to notify the  
officers of the reunion, that their favors  
may be properly announced.

A large invitation is extended to  
the friends everywhere.

## THE GARBER REUNION

The Garber Reunion is held the next  
day after the Leedy Reunion. By this

arrangement, friends can attend both reunions in one trip.

It is held in Bellville, usually on the school grounds, and if rainy in the Grange Hall.

Come and share in the dinner. Don't come as a visitor after dinner. These meetings are held to keep up our acquaintance with one another; it is an annual visit and let us make it interesting and useful in exalting the family name.

We expected particulars, but they have not arrived in time.

#### THE INDIANA LEEDY REUNION

Will be held at Community Building,  
WARSAW, INDIANA  
SUNDAY, AUG. 24, 1924.

Write for particulars to Mrs. Perl Weigner, Elkhart, Ind., for particulars.

The Indiana Leedys ought to make this gathering a very special occasion of the year, and be sure to attend and be interested.

#### THOTS ON PIONEER LIFE

It seems incredible that one hundred years ago the pioneer grandfathers began to drift into the Leedy Settlement of Ohio, and a change so wonderful has been wrought since then.

In 1811 Big John Leedy moved to Ohio. In 1814, 1816, 1818 on to 1829 other members of the Pennsylvania family came.

The house wagon, known as the Pennsylvania covered wagon, pulled up to some chosen spring of water, the ax stowed away among the household equipment was pulled out, a small tree cut down and stakes or forks, driven in the ground a pole put across and then fire was developed from a spark made by striking a piece of flint to make a family fire, which was watched with a careful eye that it should not go out. The game was put in the iron kettle, and life in the new home began.

The next move was to cut down trees and into even lengths to make a house to live in. Near the end of the lengths notches were cut that they would lie close together, and they were built up in a pen. Short cuts of trees were split into slabs which were nailed fast to small trees used as rafters to cover the new log house.

This is the way the Grandfather Leedys began life among the Indians, snakes, bear, wolves, etc. about Ankenytown, Ohio.

The scenes were forests, forests, forests in all directions at that time and the tall trees reached upward many feet and were like camps of singing birds, roving wild animals and rippling creeks wound about the roots of trees and underbrush and gangs of fish kept busy catching flies that ventured too near the surface water.

Acres of timber were cut down and the little spots between stumps were crudely plowed and corn, wheat and other varieties of food producing plants grown to live upon.

Now the forests are few and small, good roads for travel cross the land everywhere, fine, convenient houses line them with large barns for domestic animals, fruit trees grow large quantities of fine fruit, automobiles flit along the roads belching fire and smoke and hundreds of other things make life so different that it does not seem possible that so great a change could be made in so short a time.

Now we are wondering what great changes will be made in the next hundred years.

Other nations of the earth have continued on in their worn habits of life and have made only minor changes for thousands of years. There women lived the same style for centuries and the thot of what is now called progress had no share in their experiences.

The progress of the last hundred years is not exactly new in the experiences of some tribes of men. Old Egypt had attained a high place by progress; but sin eat out the vitals of that people and the nation died like an old tree, and the people drifted back to a state of semi-civilization. Its history is a standing lesson, but who will benefit by it?

May our people hold on to one lesson of our pioneer fathers of a hundred years ago. The lesson of industry, which expressed in blunt words means hard work early and late for months and years. Add to it economy and thrift, and you have success.

The first lesson taught to the young was work, work daily and every day and all the time. Now the minds of the young are captivated by sports and their education spells and inspires do

nothing. Get smart and live without work; let the foreigner do the work.

Our pioneer fathers were practically self supporting. About all they bought was a little metal, powder, salt, and crude tools.

They grew flax and wool for clothing, tanned leather for shoes and harness; and produced on the land and found game in the forests for food. They enjoyed the industrious life and the delight of their conversation was how they performed their work and the experiences they had in pioneer living.

#### NEWS AND NOTES

Writing is like other employment, there is a spirit that goes with it that comes back when a person gets at it again.

The Leedy Park has many needs. We hate continual pounding for money, but we have never asked big gifts. Bring your little favors to the reunion, and give them from a ready mind. Our relatives have lost many thousand dollars on bad investments. Give a little for good things you can enjoy and life will have more satisfaction. We want to begin an endowment fund for keeping up the park, that in time, there will be no soliciting for that purpose. We want to provide comfortable seats, repair fences, etc.

Uncle John Swank is still a live wire as Historian of the Long Family.

We see in the history of C. N. Leedy that there are really a number of Leedys in Michigan. There are a lot of them somewhere.

It is a big satisfaction to know a lot about our relatives. This is better to know as history than a lot about the prehistoric races and the origin of man.

Come to the Reunion under a big R.

Mrs. Bell Keiser and her niece Miss Cora Crain are spending the summer in California. They belong to the Aunt Susie Garber Dyer family. They live in Columbus, Ohio.

Cousin John L. Spayde sends us pointers on other subjects in addition to the

articles in this issue. He would have us refer to his country as South Western South Dakota. He says land sells from \$5 to \$15 per acre, and claims the locality of Rapid City is the richest hundred miles square in the world in mines and land; and that out there they can plow a furrow from east to West fifty miles long without a break. A crop of flax, the first year, usually sells for enough to pay for the land. Cousin Spayde evidently is interested in having the country settled and we venture a good opportunity is open there to industrious, thrifty relatives.

The Hill Family put out a six page folder announcing their Reunion. The first article is from it.

Send your 10 cents for the Fall Chronicle. Most of the subscriptions expire with this number.

Cousin D. W. and Stella Campbell and daughter came over from Sandusky Ohio on July 27th and visited Cousin R. A. and Chlora Hazen and family, here in Ashland. They called at the editor's home and we were glad in passing words of greeting. They belong to the Jacob Leedy family, Fostoria, Ohio. Cousin Campbell is a U. S. Revenue Collector and travels in three states.

The Leedys are really becoming few in the famous Leedy Valley, and it looks as tho in time the name will be no more there as it is in Morrison's Cove in Penna. We seem to be drifters.

Mrs. Olive Walker is chairman of the Program Committee of the Garber Reunion.

Mrs. Sarah Keim of the Long and Hill families, has been living in Ashland for some time. On July 24th she went among her relatives to be ready to share in the Hill Reunion which was held on the 26th at Brady's lake, not far from Kent, Ohio.

Harry Eugene Bechtel was born Feb. 9th, to Harry and Florence Bechtel, grand son of Charles and Martha Beal.

When you have read this item, stop and write the record of the births and



deaths you know of in the relationship and bring the paper to the Reunion. We want to publish all of them. We ought to have pages of them. Those who can not come ought to write a letter, giving them.

Cousin A. J. Long favors us with fifty cents for the Leedy Park. This is commendable. A good many little sums make a big one. There is nothing small about giving small sums for a good cause, if there is greater honor in giving large sums.

As only one Chronicle will be printed each year hereafter, it will be necessary to print a four page announcement of the Reunion, containing particulars. The Reunion can afford to pay the expenses of it.

The editor gave a full week of time preparing the copy of this issue, including his trip. Editors usually get more than \$40.00 a week. Add to this the general city price of \$40.00 for printing and mailing an issue and you get some idea of the expense of printing such a paper, if it was issued by hired people. We did the work, nearly all in spare time and as an odd job when the office hands were not very busy. The number of subscribers never reached 400, and this number at 25 cents each would pay only \$25 for each number as a quarterly. Now the list of subscribers is hardly 150. Last year we cut off about half of the list as delinquents from one to five years. The parents of children would die and they would receive the paper and no doubt enjoy it, but when statements were sent no one was responsible, and no one paid. Well, we are human and it is easy to forget little obligations and big ones where we are allowed to do it.

After some consideration we concluded to make the Chronicle price for the one yearly issue, 10 cents. It is easily paid and easy to remit, and there ought to be enough interested relatives to about pay the expenses, at that price.

Sports, games and amusements are rapidly deteriorating manhood and the old time family loyalty is passing away. The children of many families have come to regard their parents as slaves

to help them. It is good that the New Age, is near at hand, or our good land would repeat the fate of old Egypt.

Get up early on Reunion day and be on hand at 10 A. M. Our programs are always long, and we will begin early.

Cousin Roy B. Leedy is like every other person of philanthropic instinct. He has more to do than he can get done. We have plans for many things and our old age will be very busy as long as we last.

Old Age begins at seventy years; so you can tell whether you belong to the old people or not. More people die in the 71st year of age, after they reach sixty years than any other year from that age on. Seventy-one is the crisis year, established by the records of life insurance companies.

When you make up your Reunion basket, avoid so much time and expense on pies, sweet cakes and beans. Beans are all right, but chicken is very nice and beans and chicken together at one meal puts entirely too much protein element in dinners. Bring more milk, raw cabbage with no vinegar, lettuce, cooked beets, graham crackers, new pickles, fruits and butter and bread. If you have no meat, string beans are immense in its place, or boiled beans are a fine substitute for meat. Eggs are fine in place of either.

We gather at the Reunions to visit one another. The feast is incidental; a pledge of fealty to one another, and there is no reason why it should be extravagant.

#### RAPID CITY, S. D.

Time surely does fly! In the passing of the spirit of our dear Cousin Mary Garber Rummel ("Blessed be the dead who die in the Lord") recalls to me very vividly her marriage or wedding, also her brother Wash (I believe). It was a double wedding, Cousin Mary Garber to Mr. Rummel, Cousin Wash to Miss Amanda Rummel. I was not there, but the four of them had their wedding tour to their Aunts, my mother, Margaret Leedy Spayde, in the thick woods

of Indiana. To me, they were two *fine* jolly couples.

There was one thing that attracted my attention also, my sisters; the girls both had their hair shingled which looked very queer to us in the back woods, but it was the style back East. Rather strange that 56 years after this wedding the girls are having their hair bobbed and shingled. Well, I rather like it.

Cousin John L. Spayde.

#### COUSIN EDITOR

I am out for a scrap and am going to put in a charge against *all* of the young Leedys from 35 years down to 10 years and that charge is, You are all "*Pikers*". Have you no interest in a family of kin that, (I really believe) can be traced back to one of the 12 tribes of Israel i. e. one of the two tribes, not one of the 10 tribes lost. The two tribes were looked after, the 10 tribes went—some one tell where? We know our late ancestors came from Switzerland. (Will our Historian please dig a century on five further back?)

You should not expect your father and mothers, grand parents or great grand parents, to keep up the family publication when you high school girls and boys of to day can write better and more interestingly than we of 60 to 90 years.

I will excuse any or all of those who are doing their duty in writing for The Chronicle.

Shame on the hundreds of you older than high school for not "taking up the mantle" and going forward. *You* of the state of Ohio, where more relatives live than any other state? Organize or Incorporate. "The Leedy Publication Co."

Elect your President, Sec. and Treasurer, then select your Editor-in-Chief, with reporters from *every* state where there are Leedy's. When you get thoroughly organized and will publish 4 Chronicles a year, draw on me for \$5 and \$1.00 a year thereafter. Go down, take over the Leedy Chronicle and give Cousin Editor a rest. He is entitled to one after 25 years of faithful service for the love for his people, family and kin; not for \$ \$ \$ No. No. Now, say something or write something for the Chron-

icle, then I will recall "*Pikers*" and lay down the pen.

Cousin John Leedy Spayde.

#### EAST CLEVELAND, OHIO

April 22, 1924.

Dear Leedy Relatives:—Realizing the need of a rest and having had several invitations to visit among the relatives, I decided to spend from two weeks to a month in the central part of the state. Having such a splendid time and visit, time went on until I had spent two months instead.

On the morning of February 12th, I left Cleveland. My first stop was made at Cousin Sadie Humphery's at Bellville. I received a royal welcome. Did not find Cousin Sadie very well. She has been taking chiropractic adjustments for some time but they do not seem of much benefit to her.

Of her children, Clyde is the only one at home. All the others are married with the exception of Lewis, who works in Mansfield.

Nela has bought a home and has moved from the farm to Mansfield. They were having their sale the day I arrived.

Audrey has just moved. She is living on a farm near Jeromeville.

Floyd and Glen are both living in Shelby.

Lee is working on a dairy farm not very distant from his mother. He has only just recently moved. He had been living in Bellville.

After spending eight very pleasant days with Cousin Sadie and seeing several of her children while there, I left for Ankenytown.

When I arrived at Ankenytown, I stopped at Cousin Lizzie Martin's for a short chat before being taken to Miss Flora Farquhar's by Cousin Dean. I found Aunt Lovina and the rest of the folks very well. They were all greatly surprised to see me as they did not know of my coming.

I visited with Miss Farquhar for twelve days. On my first Sunday there, I attended church at Ankenytown and went over to the cemetery afterwards. I had not been there before and found it very interesting.

On Wednesday evening, February 27th the Leedy brothers entertained at Fredericktown and one of the Leedy

cousins was kind enough to take me to hear them.

On Saturday, March 1st I was entertained at dinner at the home of Frank Amsbaugh. He is related on my grandmother's side but is well known among the Leedys. I also spent a few hours on Sunday afternoon with them and had a very enjoyable visit.

On Monday evening, I left Miss Farquhar after having been very finely entertained and meeting many cousins at various places. From there I went to Cousin Lizzie Martin's for a few days. None of them will ever age in spirit. Aunt Lovina seems as young as any of them.

While there I visited considerable with Cousin Ethel Dishong and Martha Thompson. Ethel was moving back on the farm near Butler. She is full of life and we had some very good times together. I was entertained there at supper one evening.

On Thursday, March 6th I was entertained at dinner by Cousin Martha Thompson. In the afternoon we spent some hours in the cemetery. Both of us felt that it was time quite profitably spent.

After leaving there we went over to Cousin Dean Martin's sugar camp. I had never been in one before and found it very interesting and oh how good the syrup was. They had 640 buckets hung, so were kept very busy.

I was invited by Cousin Edna Guthrie to her home but did not get to go. Her daughter Ruth had just recently married.

I did not get to see Cousin Will Leedy and his family though he was at Ankenytown one evening while I was there. I saw Cousin Vest but did not have much of an opportunity to visit with him. I did with Cousin Ida however. On Saturday, March 8th I went back to Cousin Sadie's at Bellville. Nela had been there for a short time but went to Mansfield to stay on Sunday. The roads had been so bad that they had been unable to move everything before. On Monday, Cousin Sadie and I went to visit her sister, Cousin Cora Bowman. We found her well and had a very pleasant visit. On Tuesday, we returned to Bellville.

On Thursday night I was called out on a case which kept me for ten days.

Cousin Cora Bowman and Cousin

Ethel Dishong were both in Bellville for a day and as I was nearby came to see me. It seems a shame that the relatives do not get around more often. To see one another, being so close.

On the 24th I left my case and on Thursday afternoon Cousin Sadie and I went to Mansfield to visit Nela. We found them very comfortable in their new home. We left there Friday afternoon for Shelby where we visited at the homes of Floyd and Glen until Sunday. We found them all well and had a very pleasant time and visit.

On Wednesday, April 2nd I left for Pavonia to visit at the home of my half uncle, Otto Leedy. None of them had seen me for nearly eighteen years and not knowing I was coming, were very much surprised. They have not known much about the relatives since grandfather's death and vice versa.

Otto has been married for a number of years and has three lovely children. His mother had been there for a couple of weeks, making herself very useful the while. She is doing something for someone all the time. I was having a wonderful time there but as the roads were good and Otto was driving his mother to the home of her sister Mrs. Gault the next day, I felt it wise to get on the way to Lloyd's. As I wanted to see my grandfather's burial place, we stopped at the cemetery. He is resting in a beautiful spot in the Ashland Cemetery. Lloyd is married and lives on the old farm. They have one child, a beautiful curly haired little girl. On Sunday we went out to dinner and in the afternoon I went to Gault's to visit again with my grandmother. On Monday, after having had a very enjoyable time at Lloyds, he took me to Dorothy's home, near Ashland. She is married to an Edgar Swinehart and has a lovely baby girl. On our way there, we stopped to see Cousin A. L. Garber's publishing house where I received a very cordial invitation to visit at his home. I stayed at Dorothy's home until Thursday when they drove me to Ashland to Cousin A. L.'s home.

On our way, we met Otto and his family who had driven from Pavonia to spend the day with Dorothy. I was very nicely entertained at Cousin A. L.'s home and he was kind enough to take me thru the publishing house and box factory and explain all as we went

along. I found it all very interesting. I met many of the cousins while there.

Everyone did their utmost and I was always so well fed that I had no chance to become hungry. When I returned I found that I had gained four pounds. My only regret is that the weather and roads would not permit me to cover more ground. I now feel far better acquainted with the relatives and hope to see them occasionally. I returned to Cleveland on Saturday the 12th of April and my trip will always be a very happy memory. When I had been back a week I was called back by my former employer for night duty. Now she has no need for a night nurse so I expect to do private duty elsewhere. I have had several offers since my work has ended here.

God willing, I hope to attend reunion this year and will try to have my sister and her little family go also. If any of the relatives should ever be in Cleveland, I would be very much pleased to see them, so just drop a card.

Frances H. Harris.

5710 Bridge Ave., Cleveland, O.

#### BLOOD POISING FATAL TO C. N. LEEDY

The people of the community were shocked Tuesday to hear that C. Newton Leedy, prominent farmer and well known citizen of West Kalamo, had passed away at a hospital at Battle Creek, where he had been for the past two weeks. Mr. Leedy had been suffering all winter from blood poisoning, caused by getting a sliver in a finger. Two weeks ago he went to Battle Creek for treatment at a hospital. He had undergone an operation, in which a section of bone had been removed from his arm, and for a time it was thought he was improving, but he took a turn for the worse and passed away Tuesday.

His remains were brought here Tuesday evening by Undertaker W. D. Feighner and the funeral is to be held Friday afternoon at one o'clock, at the home, with interment in the Kalamo cemetery.

Casper Newton Leedy was born in Jefferson Tp., Richland Co., O., October 3, 1858, and departed this life May 27, 1924, aged 65 years, 7 months and 24 days.

He came to Nashville in 1885, and

lived in this vicinity the remainder of his life, with the exception of nearly three years in Chicago and Milwaukee.

He was married to Mary I. Showalter September 26, 1893. To this union were born a son, Azor, and a daughter, Amy. The daughter preceded him to the Spirit World nearly five years ago.

He leaves to mourn their loss, his wife, son Azor and granddaughter, Mildred, of Wayland, one brother, Harvey of Grand Rapids, and many relatives and friends.

Those from away who attended the funeral were Leonard Leedy, William Cassell and Mr. Moss from Toledo, Ohio; Arthur Leedy, Windsor, Ontario; Clyde Cassell, Lansing; Glenn Leedy and family, Howard Sutton and wife, William Ledingham, Byron Showalter and wife, Elmer McKinnis, wife and son Leland of Battle Creek; Walter Leedy and family, James Cook and wife and daughter Dorothy, H. A. Leedy and Webb Jowsma and wife of Grand Rapids, and Azor Leedy, wife and daughter, of Wayland and Florence Beard.—Local paper.

#### HEALTH NOTES

I wonder whether you would be able to give me and wife a little advice, especially regarding diet for our better health. We are both 71 years of age and were never rugged.—S., Iowa.

Note—Yes. We began to publish advice in diet in 1877, and we are very stupid if we have not learned a few things.

The hard feature about advice is to follow it. Especially aged people have fixed habits, tastes trained to certain practices and the organs of the body and nerves are habituated to ways difficult to abandon. Again, the systems of many are so that there is some reason to say that what is one person's food is poison to another. Hence in giving advice, some foods advised may turn right back on the user.

Some people can't eat dairy butter, others almost gag at milk. Some feel to vomit at mutton, yet eat it with delight if served under the name of veal or beef. The trouble is in the thinking or notion, provoked by some unpleasant past experience or habit.

Well, the diet of old age must be quite different from the diet of ordinary people

to get good results, and special attention must be given to bodily care. We can not do better than to name the best foods for old age and the reader can discard what does not prove desirable, after a good trial.

These foods every old person should eat daily. Four or five teaspoons of cooked bran at two meals.

Raw cabbage, or saurkraut, lettuce or onions, or for a substitute catnip, spinach, celery, chard or other leafy foods. Eat a good mouthful, and more if the taste is inviting. The appetite knows how much after trained awhile. This is life for the body, and be sure to keep at it, but don't eat much at a meal.

Raw fruits—Grapefruit, oranges, and all the others in their seasons, one kind at breakfast, one at supper, and not much at a meal.

Stewed dried fruits, a little once or twice daily, or raw ones, figs, dates, raisins, or any others that please.

One pint of new milk, one teaspoon of honey, one level teaspoon of fresh dairy butter.

One teaspoon, piling, of raw mixed meal, one of Uncle Sam's Health food, one shreaded wheat biscuit or another whole wheat bread or rice.

Four to eight almonds or a teaspoon of pine nuts or english walnuts.

Cut this out and paste it where it will be easy to see for reference, that some part is not forgotten.

The Bran—Go to your mill and get two pounds of clean new bran. Put it in a kettle with plenty of water and cook half an hour. Strain the water out with a sieve of some sort, then pour the kettle full of cold water, stir it well and let it set in a strainer ten hours. Then spread in pans and dry the bran in an oven with low heat. This bulk will last some time and it is free from the vegetable glue that makes graham bread and the market brans harmful foods for old people.

The Mixed Meals—Three cups of cracked wheat, two cups of sifted new mill middlings, one cup of almond nut meats, two cups of seedless raisins. Mix the meals and nuts and run thru the food chopper, family grinder or coffee mill. Then stir in the raisins. Keep covered to keep out weevil.

Now for occasional foods—Meat a little at noon, only or morning; Egg two to four a week, morning or noon. Po-

tato not more than one meal a day, best baked. Carrots, Parsnips, etc. and bits of cream cheese.

Special important foods—Black figs, dates, seeded raisins, olive oil, vegex. Season foods—Mellons, green corn, string beans, etc.

The diet curse of old age is cereal mushes, puddings, cakes, too much meat, too many eggs, free use of salt, sugar and vinegar.

The failing, vital powers demand a juicy diet in place of strong nourishing diet. One that is abundant in waste matter or bulk without much nutrition. The system can not prepare it for blood, and has not the vigor of life left to use it if it was made into blood.

Meats and eggs make acid blood and fatigue poisons in the system.

The cereals and potatoes past up the bowels and make the blood thick and the arteries get hard and over-burden the heart, and the tissues become stiff.

Make a rule to take a mild herb laxative once a week. The Health Supply Co. Liver Remedy is very desirable, made of herbs and roots that are as harmless as onions. The cry against laxatives is a false one. They are no more injurious than the habit of injections which are unnatural. A little herb laxative once a week, rouses up activity in the liver and bowels that cleanses them and removes accumulations that impair health. But avoid all large doses and rash cathartics like calomel and jalap.

Brown Rice is the old man's fine cereal diet. Eat it with milk, butter, honey, celery or lettuce or onion for supper with a little fruit.

Buy a fireless cooker. Montgomery Ward & Co. sell one for \$8.00. Heat the stone half an hour, take a cup of rice, wash it and drain the water off. Then put two cups of water over it, quarter teaspoon of salt and dairy butter as large as a big cherry. Bring to a boil on the open fire, then put the stone in the cooker and the rice pan on top of it, then close. Let it alone till you want to serve. It may be started in the morning or at noon and left till night for supper.

The remaining column and a half of this article will be sent for 5 cents, in The Prophetic Age, for which it was written.

A. L. Garber, Ashland, Ohio.

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# The Leedy<sup>x</sup> Chronicle.

JULY, 1925

A Second Cousin of the Crow relationship just called and gave us the tradition that Pioneer Crow, who married a sister of Big John Leedy, left England to escape death by Catholic persecution and to escape detection in this country, decided he would name himself after the first bird he would see in America. That first bird he was told was a crow, hence his name, Crow. Now it follows that all the human Crows in this country are in the Leedy Relationship.

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THE LEEDY CHRONICLE

H. S. GARBER

Horatio Seymour Garber, a well loved member of this community, died in his sixty-first year, at Mt. Carmel Hospital, Columbus, at ten o'clock in the evening, the fourth day of June, 1925, after an illness of five weeks.

Mr. Garber was born July 5, 1864 on the farm near Bellville, where he lived until his recent removal to this village. He was the son of Mr. Jehu L. and Rebecca Wallace Garber.

He attended Ashland College and was graduated from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy in the class of 1894. His teaching experience extended over a number of years, after which he took up farming as a vocation and therein he was eminently successful.

November 10, 1898 he married Sylvia Catherine Swank, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Swank, who are now residing in Bellville. To this union were born four daughters and two sons, the eldest of whom, Jay L. died April 4, 1917.

The deceased is survived by his widow; and four daughters, Mrs. Clark Robinson of Lexington; Leora Gladys and Marguerite, at home; one son, Vance, at home; two grandchildren, Harold Clark Robinson and Marie Lucille Robinson, both of Lexington; by his mother, Mrs. Garber, three sisters, Mrs. Clara Oyster, Mrs. Ella Watson and Miss Ida Garber, and numerous other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2:30 in the Universalist Church, Rev. Betts of Norwalk officiating. The body was laid to rest in the Bellville cemetery. —Bellville Star.

MRS. LEEDOM OYSTER

Mrs. Leedom Oyster died Saturday March 28, 1925 at her home in Bellville. Death followed a lingering illness caused by heart trouble. Funeral services were held at the home, Monday at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. L. R. Mowry of Mansfield. Burial was made in the Bellville Cemetery.

Zeruah Garber was born in Richland county, March 24, 1855. Her entire life was spent in this vicinity. December 30, 1888 she was married to Leedom Oyster. To this union four children were born. The deceased is survived by her husband and the follow-

ing children: Dare Oyster, Neal Oyster and Mrs. Clarence Long; five grandchildren; two sisters; Mrs. Geo. Durbin, Mrs. Walter Moses; one brother, S. M. Garber.

Mrs. Oyster was a charter member of Jefferson Grange and a member of the Universalist Church since her girlhood. She attended the Walnut Hill school and Bellville High School.

In addition to the immediate family a number of distant relatives survive the deceased. Mrs. Oyster's friends were legion. Her life is a memory to cherish, and her absence will be keenly felt. Friends mingle tears with those who are bereaved.—Bellville Star.

Dear Zeruah is gone, and another wound is made on the memory of the past. Zeruah was a kind, noble cousin and her life was like a pleasing flower. Innocent, harmless, true, guileless and beautiful.

It is a relief to think of such a life amidst the agonies of the times.

Zeruah gave up the struggle at a younger age than we have reached. We can only wipe aside a tear that another companion of childhood life has gone the general way, and we are left to struggle on.

ENDOWMENT.

The Leedy Park has become a great community center, and relatives having wealth will do well to give to an endowment fund.

LEEDY PARK FINANCES

Received in 1924:	
Mrs. Elizabeth Durbin, Bellville, Ohio.	\$ 5.00
Bertha Gibson, Fostoria, Ohio.	.75
Flora Leedy, Tigard, Oregon.	2.00
Jennie Lee, Columbia, Ohio.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Byers, Shelby, Ohio.	2.00
Eugene R. Leedy, Los Gatos, Calif.	1.00
Dora H. Leedy, Butler, Ohio.	5.00
Alva Leedy, Newark, Ohio.	5.00
Mrs. Bell Keiser, Columbus, Ohio.	5.00
Total.	31.00

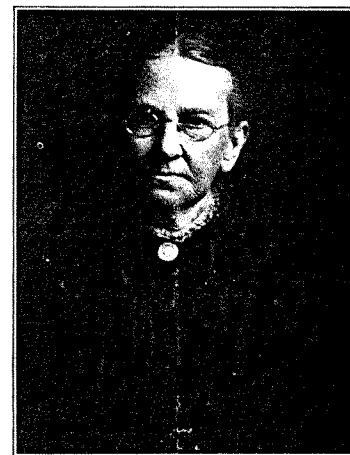
Collected by J. S. Leedy	
Grange Picnic.	2.00
Moree Reunion.	2.00
Grubb-Bechtel Reunion.	5.00
Brubaker Reunion.	2.00
Phillips Reunion.	10.00
Stull Reunion.	3.00
Less for decorating Park.	5.10
Balance.	18.90

The Leedy Park is now out of debt and in the next Chronicle the Editor will make a full report of his Park stewardship.

The Leedy Chronicle.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.—UNITED WE STAND.

Annual. Ashland, Ohio, July 1925. Year 28.



MRS. LOVINA WOLF LEEDY.

AUNT LOVINA LEEDY

The departure of Aunt Lovina Leedy has closed the first chapter of another Leedy family.

Her life was a model life in all that contributes to make perfection in possible human conduct as a wife, mother, homemaker and church member.

The following was published in the local newspaper.

Mrs. Lovina Leedy an aged resident of Ankenytown died Sunday morning at 4:30 a. m. at the home of C. D. Mar-

tin, after a two weeks illness, at the age of 86 years. Mrs. Leedy attended the Leedy reunion on August 20, and her health had been failing ever since.

She leaves to mourn her death three children, Alva Leedy, of Newark, Mrs. Fred Merrin and Mrs. J. F. Amos, of Mt. Vernon, three step-children, C. B. Leedy of Palmyra, Mrs. C. O. Miller of Mt. Vernon and Mrs. C. D. Martin of Ankenytown; 26 grandchildren, and 31 great-grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral services were conducted

by Rev. R. D. Barnard, Tuesday at 2:00 p. m. at the Brethren Church, and burial in the Ankenytown cemetery.

A complete family record of Elder Isaac Leedy family was printed in The Chronicle years ago written by himself up to the time of writing, and the record of Aunt Lovina's family is reprinted here.

Uncle Isaac was a notable and familiar name and character in the doings and history of the Leedy Reunion and Chronicle from their beginnings to the time of his death.

Isaac Leedy was born Dec. 23, 1827. Died April 4th, 1915. Isaac Leedy and Lovina Wolfe were married Oct. 26th, 1866.

Lovina Leedy was born March 16, 1838. Died Sept. 7, 1924. She was the daughter of John and Margaret Wolfe.

#### Children

Manerva B. Hess, born Oct. 21, 1867. Died Oct. 16, 1922.

Noah M. was born Oct. 2, 1870. Died May 16, 1873.

Mary Emma Merrin was born Dec. 5, 1872.

Normanda A. was born June 11, 1875. Died Nov. 20, 1879.

Infant son born and died April 15th, 1876.

Samuel Alva was born July 14, 1879. .

Verda Alice Amos was born April 8, 1882.

Aunt Lovina Wolf Leedy's parents resided on the Johnny Long farm when she was born. From there the family moved to Williams county, Ohio and later to near Mexico, Ind. and from there she came to Ankenytown as a bride.

Her mother, Margaret Long, was the ninth child of the 22 children of the famous Long family and was married to John Wolf, who lived at the old Long homestead a short time.

There is a tinge of romance hinted at in the marriage of the two Isaac Leedy's. We never heard whether there was real purpose and planning back of the occurrence, nor do we know whether there was a "deal" between the Uncle and cousin, or whether pure romance spread her winning wings to reach the result.

The fact is the two Wolf Sisters, Lovina and Mary, came to Ankenytown to visit their relatives. They were two beautiful, blushing, blooming maidens

from the backwoods of Indiana. Later Lovina became Mother in the home of Rev. Isaac Leedy which had been desolated of its mother by death, and Mary became the wife of Isaac B. Leedy, the Son of Rev. Samuel Leedy, who at that time lived at home on the old Long farm.

Aunt Lovina filled the sphere of a noble step-mother and a mother as few women can. Her kind impartiality and loving disposition endeared her to her step-children as to their real mother.

Her last years were spent in living in turns with her step-daughters and her own daughters. She fell asleep in Jesus in the home of her oldest step-daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Martin, in Ankenytown, which was the home of Uncle Isaac when he passed to the blissful rest.

Aunt Lovina's name is blessed.

#### THE JOSEPH LEEDY FAMILY

We have a thot of delight in presenting this group of the Banner Leedy Family before The Chronicle people. We have in memory that at the last Reunion, Miss Frances Harris, who is now Mrs. Humphry caught a kodak of the family that is perfection and sent one card as a compliment to the editor. We had it enlarged to serve this purpose, at some expense, but we will get even when we meet again.

Mrs. Humphry is a grandchild in the Rufus Leedy group, and made the picture for fun and incidentally for virtue, and this is why the features of all were caught with the expression of pleasure and delight broadcasted over all, to become an heirloom to the thousand children hereafter. There is only one lack and that is the portrait of Josephus who died years ago, which will likely be tacked on when the picture is printed again.

We will name them in rotation from left to right as they appear without regard to ages.

The group is the family of Joseph and Lizzie Leedy who spent life at the old Leedy Home in Ankenytown during his life.

1—Jacob Sylvester Leedy lives in Ankenytown, and is one of the dependable Leedy Park helpers and a trustee.

2—Nancy Conrad, mother of the family now, lives in North Liberty, Ohio.

3—George W. Leedy, Reunion Presi-



dent, and patriarch of the group, resides near Butler, Ohio.

4—Cereida Cocanower, lives in Newark, Ohio, a jolly good soul.

5—William Leedy lives on a farm east of the pioneer Johnny Long farm, a little way from Ankenytown. He is a preacher by birth but nobody ever put the robe on him.

6—Leonora Fry lives in Morrow County, Ohio, is a little woman with big children.

7—Cora Bowman lives in Butler, Ohio, who has done the best she could.

8—Sadie Humphry lives near Bellville, Ohio, wears the features of her mother and is building honor on the name of Humphry.

9—Dennis Leedy lives in Newark, Ohio, is a man of affairs, but became a railroad conductor in place of a banker.

10—Caleb Leedy lives at Centerton, Ohio. He was named after a preacher evangelist, but he is the doctor of the family, but he was not steered in the right course. No joke about this. His mother's people, the Keyzers, were a group of doctors, physicians and dentists.

At the Leedy Reunion of 1924, there were around 100 of the family at their reunion table.

Now ten cheers for the Banner Leedy Family!

Make The Chronicle a family record.

#### THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEEDY REUNION

August 16, 1923.

Notes of the Leedy Reunion of 1923 were made in a little memorandum book which was altogether different from the former practice of the editor and when he undertook to write a report he sought to find a tablet. Not until he began to look up accounts in preparing for the Reunion of 1924, did he make the discovery of a change.

The Twenty-eighth Leedy Reunion opened with a hymn and prayer.

In the election of officers, the present ones were continued and A. L. Garber was re-elected trustee. The rule is to elect one trustee each year to continue in office three years.

Mrs. Sarah Keim, cousin of the John Long family preached the sermonette, in a very acceptable manner, to an attentive audience of relatives. Cousin Sarah is a very earnest speaker, and presents good thot.

The big dinner followed. This part of the doings is an unusual feature of a family reunion. The grove is ornamented with six to ten tables laden with the best that the best of farmer mothers can prepare for big dinners, and the conversation of relatives at each table makes a hum in the old grove.

President Martha Leedy Beal called the people to order after the dinner was



over. America was sung and Rev. Roy B. Leedy offered prayer. Cousin A. L. Garber spoke a word of welcome and Cousin Roy responded.

Eight year old Wayne (?) sang a solo in a nice way and answered an encore.

Bryan Leedy sang a solo in three parts, representing each one of three characters in the performance. Bryan is a success in acting songs.

A friend, Miss Clark of Delaware, Ohio, presided at the piano.

Mrs. W. A. Ashbrook, the daughter of John L. Swank sang a solo. She is a beautiful singer and is an honor to the Leedy relationship. In her past, she entertained many by song and instrument. Her husband Hon. W. A. Ashbrook, was Congressman at the time of their marriage, and during her residence in Washington, she did fine service in entertaining congressional people.

Roy B. Leedy addressed the audience, having for his subject a picture of an old Pennsylvania wagon and a log cabin. He also discussed the Leedy History project and the purpose to make an effort to secure guarantee subscriptions.

The expense of publishing so large a book is now so much, that it is not financially safe to undertake it without some assistance financially.

Mrs. Leah Long Swank and Mrs. Sarah Hill Keim sang the Dutch Song, for many years a feature of the programs. Aunt Tena Mock was the leader in this until age took her away.

The collection, amounting to \$17.03, was gathered.

An immense throng was present in the afternoon, and automobiles were parked on the public road for half a mile, and the park was packed full.

One particular visitor to this reunion was Ezra Leedy, of Wise, Mo. He is the only survivor of Rev. Samuel A. Leedy of the Pioneer Abraham family. He left Ohio when a boy and has spent his life in the vicinity of Wise, Mo.

**THE TWENTY-NINTH LEEDY REUNION.**

August 20, 1924.

The Twenty-ninth Leedy Reunion was a time of delight. The weather was pleasant, the Cousins were happy and the exercises of the day passed with out any chagrin or mortifying disappointment.

After singing a hymn and a prayer, the officers were elected.

George W. Leedy, of the Joseph Leedy family was elected President, and Verda Amos, of the Isaac Leedy family, Vice President.

Cousin George has always been a good and loyal reunion man, and is the Leedy Patriarch of the Leedy Family in the locality. He has never been in the way of appearing before public audiences, but he is now old enuf to learn.

Cousin Verda is a real live woman and worker, earnest, able and ought to persuade herself to be a speaker. She can take care of the entertaining part of the program in an efficient way.

The chairman of this part of the proceedings assumed the privilege of suggesting the name of Dean Martin as Park Trustee, known as the Coffee Man. For many years he has cooked the coffee in the big old copper kettle. A breeze of amusement came over the audience and we were about forgetting to vote for him, accepting silence as consent, and he amusingly suggested he would be pleased to feel that he had been voted in. It was done with a shout of 's

The Leedy Chronicle editor has been the acting Secretary for years, and the reunion has drifted away from the formality of electing one. The editor stated that he had found his notes of last year and a brief report would be given in this Chronicle, for preservation of the continuous history.

Arrangements were made to take the general collection at the tables. The arrangement was loosely made, but it worked well and but one larger collection was taken in the history of the reunion.

The result was as follows:

Joseph Leedy Table.....	\$5.55
Isaac Leedy Table.....	5.17
Sylvester Leedy Table.....	3.01
Susie Leedy G.-D. Table.....	2.65
John Swank Table.....	2.75
Aaron Leedy Table.....	2.57
David Leedy Table.....	2.60
A. B. Leedy Table.....	2.20
Jacob Swank Table.....	2.78

\$27.28

This is a good sum to be received without any plea or urging to liberality, or special effort. Let it be known that the Jacob Swank family is a small family

and in proportion to number counts equal with the others.

J. Sylvester Leedy belongs to the Joseph Leedy family, and his table includes the Mahala Leedy Swank relatives. The Susie Leedy Table is rather the Garber table, being Susie Leedy Garber Dyer table.

After the business features were out of the way, a hymn directed the thot of the audience to the annual sermonette.

Rev. and Cousin Orin D. Swank of the Daniel Leedy Family responded to the announcement, and agreeably preached the first time to a large audience of his relationship. He is a minister of the Evangelical Association and is now located at Kenmore, Ohio, near Akron.

His manner as a preacher is dignified and easy and his speech carries a sincerity and quiet earnestness that is convincing and persuasive. The audience was large and very attentive, and honored their Cousin speaker with good attention, and many expressed their appreciation of the good things he said.

There is a majesty in this feature of the program that merits high praise. The influence upon the young is so valuable for good that this part of the program can not be praised too highly. Let fathers and mothers make it sacred in their understanding of a great family reunion and each year, religiously and scrupulously arrange to come early and attend it.

We missed getting a count of relatives at each table this year. Some estimate of the number may be suggested by the nine tables which lifted a collection. Besides these there were other groups of relatives that did not act on the suggestion of a table collection. There are always 500 to 600 at the tables, and the promiscuous attendance adds a few hundred more. The relationship attendance is increasing each year, but the outside attendance is decreasing. Old timers have passed away and there are few of them to make our reunions an occasion to meet old friends. Further, the old families in the territory now have their own reunions, and the Leedy Reunion is not so much a community and general neighborhood occasion as it formerly was.

President Martha Leedy Beal called the people to order after the dinner, and the Ankenytown Choir, led by J. S.

Garber sang a fine song in a spirited way, rather a new feature at a Leedy Reunion. A short cheery address of welcome was given by Paul DeBolt, of the Uncle Isaac family, and a like response by Lulu Haynor, of California, daughter, of E. R. Leedy.

Judge Hough, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio delivered an excellent address, following moral lines, and services we can render to others, in good that we may do. He has a clear vision of a good and useful life, and possesses the personality that enlists the interest of his hearers. He has the reputation of being an orator, and sustained it commendably in his address, and the relatives thank him. One of his strong statements was that if the people generally were people of good will and peace as the Leedys are there would be no demand for lawyers.

Another good song was sung by the Choir, and an encore response.

A pleasing violin solo was given by Eulala Ames, of the Uncle Isaac family.

An acted song followed by Bettie Pogue, of the David Leedy family. She has the quality of an artist.

The audience gave E. R. Leedy of California, three hearty cheers. He was several times reunion president. He responded in a few words of greeting.

His daughter, Erma, sang a solo, in a beautiful way, and answered an encore. She teaches music in a California school.

Elizabeth Carpenter gave a recitation in a dignified and delightful way, for one so young. She is of the Frank Garber family.

The Leedy quartette, which has entertained the Reunion several years in its matchless way favored the audience with several songs.

Rev. Roy B. Leedy's two little daughters, Rosabell and Dorene, gave declamations in splendid style, and spoke with strength of voice equal to speakers.

The closing hymn of many reunions was sung, "God be with you till we meet again", and Rev. Roy B. Leedy pronounced a prayer of benediction.

It is good to say a word of praise over the nice way in which Mrs. Martha Leedy Beal presided. She was the first woman to carry the dignity of Reunion President here. She took great interest to do the best and she has made a record that is to be commended.

The program was a real honor to the Leedy reunion, and all passed so pleas-

antly, just as tho it was intended to be so. Even the behavior of the audience was much better than it was last year.

### THE GARBER FAMILY

My great grandfather's name was Samuel Garber. He must have been born about 1765. He lived in Maryland. His wife was Anna Mock. He had two or three sons, John, Samuel and I have heard it said there was another. John was my grandfather. He was married in Pennsylvania to Sarah Albaugh. He came to Iowa about 1840.

I have always been told that grandfather's brother Samuel settled in Ohio and I have heard that some relative of father's was killed in Ohio on a load of hay by having a horse kick up and running the fork into him. This may not be authentic however.

The names of Grandpa's family were: Susanna, David, Samuel, Catharine, Sarah, Phebe and Daniel.

Grandpa was ordained to be an elder in the church.

Susanna married Cyrus Teeter and lived and died in Appanouse Co., Iowa.

David was married twice. He went back to Pennsylvania and lived for a while but later came to Iowa then to Bozine, Kansas and to Ft. Collins, Colorado where he died. His children were John and Anna by his first wife, and Levi, Sada, and some others. He was a minister.

Samuel, my father, was born Jan. 1st, 1832. In West Moreland Co., Penn. He was a minister in the Dunkard church. He was married to Nancy Reebler and moved to Decater Co., Iowa, where he lived until his death. He was killed by lightning June 14, 1888. He has seven living children, Josephine Shy, Carlile, Kans., L. D. Garber, Leon, Ia., J. F. Garber, Leon, Ia., F. A. Garber, Leon, Ia., M. P. Garber, 1815 9th St., DesMoines, Ia., Fannie John, Udell, Ia., Mattie Kemp, Udell, Ia.,

Bro. John is a minister in the Brethren church. I am an Elder in the Church of the Brethren. I have served two terms in the Iowa Legislature and two terms as legislative committeeman for the farmers in the legislature.

Bro. Lewis D. has seven children: six girls and one boy, Sam. R. of Leon, Ia.

Bro. John has two Boys; Frank W. of Leon, and S. E. of Fairfield, Ia.

Daniel, father's youngest brother was a soldier in the 3rd Iowa cavalry during the war of the rebellion. He died a few years ago at Fairfield, Ia. His widow still lives there. He had two sons; Ed. of Fairfield, and sons, whose address I don't know.

Bro. Mike, of DesMoines has a history of the trip of Grandpa and family from Penn. to Iowa. They came down the Ohio and up the Mississippi rivers in steamboats.

Grandpa Garber and his wife are buried in the old Dunn Cemetery, East of Batavia, Iowa.

Father and Mother are buried at the Franklin, cemetery five miles north east of Leon, Ia.

I can get the address of any of Grandpa's descendants.

Sada Rigg, Uncle David's daughter lives at Granfield, Iowa and has quite a bit of family history.

Father's brothers and Sisters are all dead.

I have just sketched the foregoing from memory and without any attempt at system, but I will be glad to give you any further data I can if you wish. I would like to have you send me what you can in regard to your branch of the Garber family.

F. A. Garber.

Leon, Iowa.

Note—The tradition that has come down to us is that the common grandfather went to Canada, during the war of 1812 as a soldier, and after sending a few letters to his wife, was never heard from again. He left three sons, small boys, John, Samuel and David. John went to Iowa and Samuel and David settled in and died in Ohio. The editor is a grandson of Samuel Garber, hence a second cousin to our correspondent. We wish Cousin F. would write more about his family. Four of his children were honored students at Ashland College this spring.

### ANKENYTOWN, OHIO

April 29, 1925

Dear Cousins and Readers of the Leedy Chronicle. It seems like a long time since we have had the pleasure of reading The Chronicle, and to hear from

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our many cousins who are scattered for miles and miles around in this old world of ours. I always enjoy reading the good letters from the dear cousins, even though they are as strangers, never having met them.

I am the oldest daughter of Isaac Leedy. Father died in 1915 and since his death Mother and two Sisters have passed to the great beyond. Mother died Sept. 7th, 1924, at the age of 86 years, 5 mo. and 21 da. We all miss her so much, as she was of a kind and loving disposition. She left six children and 26 grand children; eleven great grand children.

Sister Susie DeBolt died Jan. 16th, 1922, and in October 16, of the same year Sister Manerva died. So the grim reaper, "Death", visited our family circle four times in nine years, taking our loved ones from us. But we hope to meet them again in the "sweet by and by".

My family has four daughters and one foster son. All married and have families of their own. We have thirteen grand children, so that makes quite a house full when they all gather in at the old homestead, to spend the day with us, and occasionally two or three extra ones with them. What a chattering and clattering when we all get to talking at once; both great and small; but we enjoy it just the same only they don't come often enough.

Brother B. C. DeBolt, wife and daughter, Ethel, spent the winter in Florida, at New Smyrna. Ethel is teaching school. She expects to get home in June.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ober Leedy, May 4th, a son; weight eleven lbs.

We are about as well as usual; nothing to brag of.

Cousin Ida Leedy is improving.

With best wishes.

Lizzie E. Martin.

### BELLVILLE, OHIO

F. L. Garber still makes a very efficient Sec. of the P. M. R. A. at more than 4 score years of age.

E. L. Garber makes his weekly trips to Butler to instruct his class in instrumental music.

J. K. P. Russel one of our old school-mates past away at Toledo and was

brought to Butler and buried at Four Corners.

The health of our people here has been fairly good. Wife and I both had a tussle with the grip, but at present the relatives and friends in and about our village is good with exception of Mrs. Zeruah Oyster who has been failing during the past six months and is in a very serious condition.

L. M. Garber, the long time cashier of our Savings Bank is now located at Birmingham, Ala.

Our grand daughter Miss Margaret Garber, for the second successive year, won the 1st prize in our County Spelling contest in the 7th and 8th grades.

S. M. Garber our model farmer and champion pork producer brought 3 loads recently and found the day too short; had to leave a load for the next shipment.

A good many people are changing their place of residence in town and a number of farms have changed owners; so there will be quite a lot of moving.

Bryan Leedy is going to have an Adm. Sale of Albert O. Leedy's personal also some of the real estate in the near future.

To the editor and the many readers of the Chronicle, Greeting.

J. L. Swank.

### DETROIT, MICH.

April 13, 1925.

Some time ago I decided to find out what I could about the family history before all the last generation was gone. I wrote my cousin, Blanche Innis Russell and she sent my letter all over the west I think. My relatives were all anxious to help and a cousin, Lizzie Imrie of Dakota, Iowa, sent me the Leedy Chronicle of January, 1898 and 1905, besides considerable other information. I had never even heard of her before and it seemed wonderful to me to get such an interested response.

You asked me to write of my mother and her children. She was born Carrie Gambrill, daughter of Arthur Gambrill and Sarah Leedy Gambrill. And her grandfather was this same "Big John" Leedy of whom I have been reading with so much interest. They lived in Plymouth, Indiana. My mother married Schuyler Colfax Fulmer, a Baptist clergyman, who preached in Elkhart, Ind., later in Montpelier, Ind., then

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occupied the position of District Secretary of the American Baptist Home Missionary Society. I am the oldest child of this marriage. I was graduated from Franklin College, Indiana, and taught for some years prior to my marriage. My husband's name is Charles H. Leonard and it is his fault that I launched in this study of family history. He is a Son of the American Revolution and of course I do not want him to get ahead of me so I am hunting for a Revolutionary ancestor. If anyone reading this letter can tell me anything about where grandmother Elizabeth Keith Leedy was born or Catherine Long Leedy, I shall be obliged.

There was a Ware Long of Culpeper, Virginia, born in Wales in 1691 dying at the age of 112 in 1803. He had six sons in the Revolution and this family includes some names very well known in national history. Sir Wm. Keoith came from Scotland and was made governor of Pennsylvania under Wm. Penn. He was born in 1680.

George Keith, born in Scotland in 1640 and Rev. James Keith born in Scotland in 1644 emigrated to this country at different times. They came from an ancient clan called Catti, later changed to Keith.

Going on with my own history, I am head of the English Department in the Neinas Junior High School and Mr. Leonard is teaching in the Department of Special Education.

Fern, the second daughter, married Howard Stewart and is living here in Detroit. He is a contractor. They have one daughter, Dorothy, who is now a Freshman in Hillsdale College, Michigan. Gladys, the third child, married Paul McConnell who is now an incurable invalid, so her life has not been cast in pleasant places. She seems to have inherited some of her grandmother Keith's gumption for she is carrying her burdens in pretty heroic fashion. She lives in Indianapolis, 1808 Ruckle Street. I hope some of the Leedy's will write her when they have time.

My mother died very soon after the birth of this daughter, Gladys. We were all quite young and this is probably one reason why we have not kept in very close touch with her family.

I do not know where all of Sarah Leedy Gambrill's children are but will

tell of those I know. Charles Gambrill is merchant in Wellington, Kansas. Horace Gambrill is a merchant in Rapid City, South Dakota. Mollie G. Inn's lives in Sutherland, Iowa. I expect to write her daughter, Blanche Russell, asking her to write more fully of her family. Alice G. Wickizer died a number of years ago in Florida.

You may use as much or as little of this letter as you wish. Will you please mail me six copies of your next Chronicle. Let me know what you can send me in the way of a file of old copies and I shall be glad to send the price. Yours for a complete history.

Fay Fulmer Leonard.

6172 Commonwealth, Ave.,  
Detroit, Mich.

Note—The Editor remembers that he performed the marriage ceremony at the wedding of Cousin Alice Gambrill, and to know what to say, bought an Episcopal prayer book in Plymouth for instructions.

#### TOLEDO, OHIO

420 Euclid Ave.

I was sorry we could not be at the Leedy Reunion. Would have liked very much to have met all the relatives, especially Eugene Leedy and his family whom we have not seen since he left Ohio. We certainly would have enjoyed being there.

But there is one great day that awaits us all; there will be a Reunion where we can meet our loved ones with glad hearts and all God's children, never more to separate. What a happy meeting that will be. May God be with us till we meet again is my most humble prayer.

Anna Leedy.

We thought we had a name all our own in the world; but A. L. Garber, of Cleveland, Ohio, is a Jew with five strapping athlete boys.

John Leedy Spayde, Rapid City, South Dak., wrote a card, June 11th, saying, We are 400 miles on our way to the Leedy Reunion—hope to arrive there in time for the big dinner. Are now with a sister of Mrs. Spayde whose husband is a cousin of Vice Pres. Dawes. All right, come along, Cousin; we'll fill you with fat Ohio chicken.

## The Leedy Chronicle.

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### A GREETING

We greet the grand Leedy Relationship everywhere and we wish blessings upon all and praise the Lord for his goodness.

### THE CHRONICLE

We have decided that the best time of the year to issue the Annual Chronicle is the last of June. At this time arrangements can be made partially for the Reunions of the year, announcements made that will not be forgotten, concerning reunions, and welcomes extended that will be remembered.

### THE TRAGEDY OF OLD AGE

We realize we are getting old. Not far from thirty years have passed since the first Leedy Chronicle went out to its readers.

The sear and yellow leaf of life is upon us. The playmates of early life are nearly all gone. No Aunt by birth remains and only two uncles.

The schoolmates of early life are only a few and the recollections of boyhood association is becoming lonely. If life continues with us awhile longer, the fond recollections of childhood will flit only over the graves of the loved ones of the departed. Father and mother, and brothers, uncles and aunts, lovers and beloved sleep silently as we

tremble in steps alone the borders of the repose and heated tears warm the tender grass upon the little mounds of their repose.

This is not the only chapter of the Tragedy of Old Age. There are ever present reminders of sinking down in the meshes of death. There are many strange feelings and experiences. Our hands are trebling at times and are not always dependable. A few hours of old time work make the fingers crampy. The grip of former years lets go at half the pressure. Tramping upstairs a dozen times a day makes the legs tired and sore. The dependable teeth are nearly all gone. The hearing is dull and uncertain. The sight is enfeebled and weak. The breathing is cramped after an hour or two of exertion. Ah! We are getting old, and can't avoid it.

But there is a beauty in hope; the glad day when we will be with Jesus.

### BRING YOUR GIFT

The Trustees are not done improving the Reunion grounds. It is not necessary to bring big money, unless you have plenty and from a generous heart you choose to give liberally to this enduring monument to the Leedy name, but every one should cultivate the good practice of giving, a little every year. Make yourself feel that it is your obligation to give to the general collection, or in listed contribution for the Park.

Parents, teach your children to do things—earn something to give on Reunion day.

### DON'T FORGET SALAD

The foods prepared for reunions are generally very faulty. For comfort of stomach and health we want to urge strongly upon our Cousin Daughters to give special attention to providing leafy or salad foods as one item of reunion dinners.

For good health and long life salad foods are first in importance, the year round.

Gather a small bunch of lettuce, spinach, sorrel or other varieties for each person. Grated cabbage is very nice. Bring them raw—no salt, vinegar or anything else on them, and eat with the meat or with butter.

Thousands of people would know no sickness if they made raw salads a part of every meal.

Beans are good and meat is good, but eaten together they make an unbalanced meal; but we do not want to abandon the delectable chicken, so forget the Beans.

### THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL LEEDY REUNION

In The Leedy Park, Ankenytown, Ohio  
Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1925

#### PROGRAM

Will be opened at 10 o'clock.

Hymn—Nearer My God to Thee.

Prayer

Hymn

Appointment of Committees.—The nomination of officers, the General Collection to be taken at the tables, by appointed persons etc.

Sermonette, Eld. A. L. Garber.

Report of Committees.

Election of Officers.

A General Blessing asked on the Reunion Dinner.

12:15—Announcement of Dinner.

#### Afternoon Program.

2:15 P. M.—Call to order by

Pres. Geo. W. Leedy.

Song by the Leedy Orchestra.

Address of Welcome,

W. H. Cocanour.

Response,

Reading, Ruth Poor.

Music, Merrin Sisters

Volunteer Numbers, arranged by Vice

President, Mrs. Verda Amos.

Short Talks by Relatives.

Hymn, God be with us.

Benediction

Come Leedy Relatives, one and all. We extend to you a hearty welcome; come, let us make this Thirtieth Reunion our best reunion. There are some of us passing each year; we do not know who will be next; so come and let us make this the Banner Reunion.

George W. Leedy, President.

### THE INDIANA REUNION August 23, 1925

The twenty-second Leedy Reunion of Indiana will be held in the Goshen City Park, Goshen, Ind. Aug. 23, 1925.

At the last reunion it was voted to hold it at the Blosser Park South of Goshen but when the officers heard that we could have the City Park alone on that date, deemed it feasible to go there because of a better location.

We hope every Leedy in Indiana will be present and all others that can come. All are welcome.

The Secretary does not have the name of all Leedys in Indiana and probably never will have so they do not get a personal invitation as we would like to give them but each of you invite any that you know and in that manner will get more interested ones.

The numbers are good but we want them better and are always anxious to know others.

Come with your little baskets of good things to eat and spend a pleasant day with us.

Mrs. H. E. Wiegner, Sec.  
Elkhart, Ind.

### THE GARBER REUNION

The Garber Reunion will be held at Bellville, Ohio the second Saturday in August—

SATURDAY, AUG. 8, 1925

Look at the date and be sure to come.

This is some departure from the past. Instead of having it the next day after the Leedy Reunion, when we were full and tired, it will be at a week end before the Leedy Reunion.

Come along relatives and let us make it a big time. Not big in what we eat, but big in what we say, what we do and in the visiting together.

### NOTES AND NEWS

A father sends subscription for two of his children, saying, I want to get them interested. We commend this purpose. The Leedys have not honored themselves and one another as much as they should have done, because they are a very humble people. Let every Leedy father do as this Cousin is doing; try to get the children interested in the relationship. It is an incentive to higher life. In speaking of relatives, we usually speak of their good qualities especially, in The Chronicle and to the reader, it will suggest a higher and nobler life. No relative can confer a better legacy, in the value of ten cents,

upon his children than to have them to know about the good deeds of their relationship.

Win. L. Garber and wife are the heads of a Center Grove Community Club. The club held an interesting home coming in August, last, and meetings are held occasionally. This is a good practice among farmer neighborhoods now. There use to be singing schools, spelling school's and apple-cuttings that brot the farmers together. Now they are seldom heard of, and it is good for localities to have substitutes.

On Oct. 5, the home of Cousin Joshua and Pearl Garber Plank, was a day of birthday celebration, for them. Relatives of Ashland, Lovin Garber of Butler, Ohio, and the family of her Son Win. L. came over to share in the joys of the occassion.

Mrs. Bell Keiser, of Columbus, Ohio, came to Ashland, Nov. 26, as the guest of her niece Mrs. Ruth Burns, and gave us a general visit. She is a sister of A. L. and L. L. Garber, here in Ashland. She went the circle and sat at the dining tables of A. L., L. L., and Ora and Edna Garber, Ben. and Miriam Zercher; and did what she could at the Thanksgiving dinner given by Lester and Ruth Burns. She returned on the 30th. During the summer she made an extended visit in southern California. She is delighted over the visit and is planning to make home in the congenial territory of Los Angeles at some future time. Her niece, Miss Cora Crane accompanied her and became a teacher in a school with some fifty other teachers, devoted to the service of teaching, Mexicans and foreigners how to become Americans.

Ward Garber, son of Frank L. and Lovina Garber is now employed in The Chronicle office.

Friday, March 6, about 9 p. m. Cousin Charles A. Leedy of Youngstown, Ohio, gave a funny talk and whistle for broadcasting. We sat in our parlor and listened with delight. His talk was as distinct as his speech at the Leedy Reunion years ago. Cousin C. has become famous as a writer of mirth. The Radio is a tremendous device.

We used to be able to work all day and write a lot at night, but we are now out of that game. When the day is over, and we undertake to read or write, it goes asleep of itself, and we can't help it.

The old writers of the Chronicle are rapidly passing under the sear and yellow leaf of life, and no new ones are coming on to take their places. The altruistic spirit dwelling in our family relations is passing as we scatter, and our habitations of the past are taken over by strangers. Time works changes everywhere.

We observed in the Bellville Star, that Cousin Frank Lanehart was to deliver an address in the Universalist church, in the afternoon, May 10th. He taught school in early life, has been a thinker and large reader and is a good talker; but rather too profound for the common audience. He is connected with the Lewis K. Leedy family.

Cousin John L. Spayde, Rapid City, South Dak. under date of Dec. 13, 1924, sent the following intersting card, I am sending School of Mines Magazine. Look at pages 226-30—pictures of Deadwood. Cousin Henry M. Leedy, son of Lewis K. Leedy, delivered hay there in 1876 and 1877 by "Bull team," from Rapid Creek Valley and received \$120 a ton. You may find some interesting reading about the wonderful Black Hills. We did learn a few facts. One is that a large per cent of the gold mine in our country comes from the Black Hills.

We have lost a dependable correspondent in Sister Lovina Garber, who has followed her children, Pauline, Pearl and Ward, to become a citizen of Ashland. So we have lost with the relatives in the old Leedy Valley, and have gained with the friends of Ashland; so we sympathize and rejoice together.

On Aug. 31, Donna Belle Lois Garber was added to the great Leedy relationship. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Garber claim her as theirs. Her weight was 7 lb., 12 oz; and we just add two pounds of congratulations. Cousin Lee lives near Mansfield, Ohio.

Cousin John Sullivan sent us a dollar subscription. Let us say to friends, do not send subscriptions far in the future, we may not discharge the obligation, and it is some chore to return money to the senders.

Cousin Elijah H. Leedy, Milan, Mich. sent us a note Feb. 10th. We surmise from it that he is well. He has been deaf sometime, and with poor eyesight he is largely shut in from the outside life.

John Sullivan, Twelve Mile, Ind. is one of the great Long family relationship. He is well up in years, but he still remembers the Chronicle. Wish he would write or have some of that household write where all of the large family are located.

A yearly Chronicle appears far between, yet we urge all to write family history when they are in the spirit and mail it to The Leedy Chronicle, Ashland, Ohio, and in time it will appear in print. If you fail to do it while you have the thought, you will forget.

Miss Beth Garber, supervisor of music at the O. U., Athens, O. spent Easter in the home of her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Garber. Miss Garber had as her guest Miss Christine Johnson, who is a Freshman at the University, Bellville Star. We are glad to know that Cousin Beth is making a mark in life.

Prof. Stanley Garber has engaged for the fourth year as teacher of music in the Martins Ferry Public schools. He belongs to the E. L. Garber family.

On Sunday, May 17th, the family of Elizabeth Garber Byers came to Ashland to visit her people, her mother Lovina Garber (Mrs. Frank L.) and her two sisters, Pauline and Pearl. Incidentally they called at the editor's home and pleasantly we passed a few moments together. Cousin Ed. is still in a signal crew of the Big Four R. R. They reside in Shelby, Ohio, and with a fast automobile have become neighbors.

Cousin J. L. Swank informs us that Barbary Hill, one of the original 22 Johnny Long children, died, Sept. 23, 1896, on the day the first Leedy Reunion was held.

The letter from Cousin Leonard, of Detroit is very interesting. Really, we know little about the Gambrill relatives. In our time as a young preacher, we performed the marriage ceremony of a Cousin Miss Gambrill, near Plymouth, Ind. We heard that she moved south and died leaving her family. We hope the enthusiasm of Cousin Fay will bring into print the history of the Gambrill families. We are confident the Keiths were live Revolutionary actors. People with the chivalry of Grandmother Leedy could not stay out of a war when one is on, but we know of no history about it.

That is a fine little report of the Indiana Reunion. Will be glad to know more about the speakers in future reports.

A new boy makes glad the home of Ober Leedy, near Ankenytown, Ohio.

While we are telling things, we want to say that Miss Frances H. Harris, of Cleveland, Ohio, was married to Mr. W. Clyde Humphrey, Aug. 16, 1924, at the home of her sister Mrs. Wm. E. Taylor. Cousin Frances belongs to the Rufus Leedy family, who was a son of Eld. Samuel. Cousin Humphrey is a grandson in the Joseph Leedy family. Large happiness and big prosperity be upon them, and the daughter who was born to them, May 21, 1925 and named Marie Eleanor Humphrey, and weight, seven pounds.

The Rapid City Daily Journal, Dec. 20, 1924, reported that John L. Spayde had received an invitation from Des Moines, Ia., to attend a birthday party for three of his cousins whose combined ages total 249 years, or an average of 83 years each. The dates are December 20, January 13 and January 27.

Mrs. Elizabeth Myers Coleman, 93, was nurse when Mr. Spayde came into this world May 4, 1849. Her brother, Samuel Myers, aged 83, and Mary Myers Cottell, a sister, aged 73, are the other two.

Mr. Spayde visited the Myers relatives near Tipton, Ia., in 1871. There were six girls and three boys and an aunt and uncle. There are now only three left to be at the party.

The Butler and Ankenytown W. M. Societies, gave a farewell surprise to their Sec. and Treas. on her birthday, Apr. 14. They all came with well filled baskets. The Ankenytown and Palmyra ladies stayed for supper and went home on the evening train. They brought valuable presents. One was a telephone installed in our new home, a gift from the children and the rent paid for a year. The gifts are highly appreciated. The Butler Evangelical S. S. Class of which I was a member also gave me a farewell party with a large attendance and a supper. We always had devotional service and programs of a helpful and profitable nature. Mrs. Alice (Phiel) McCuen was our Teacher. This is from Mrs. Lovina (Frank) Garber who recently moved from Butler, Ohio to Ashland.

Our Cousin, Estella Leedy, somehow knew our birthday, and send us this delightful Birthday Thought.

New blessings come with every year,  
New gifts of love and friendship dear;  
Of joy and gladness, hope and cheer,  
A birthday marks the passing days,  
And bids us pause to offer praise,  
To Him who guides our earthly ways.

Well, we have the social brain, small,  
and do not make friends in this realm of life, but we are proud that the distinction of sending her aged Cousin, the only birth-day card he ever received, belongs to her, and we thought the blessing of the Lord upon her, in her unfortunate and crippled condition.

John L. Swank, long time resident of this vicinity observed his seventy-eighth birthday anniversary Wednesday, Oct. 18, by visiting with his children and grand children at his home. Mr. Swank was born near Ankenytown and has lived in Bellville thirteen years. During his life he has followed the occupation of farming; for twelve and a half years he was Justice of the Peace, for two years he was township assessor, for two years was township trustee and in 1910 was land appraiser.—Bellville Star.

Ashland will soon be a rendezvous of Leedy relatives. A late addition is Lovina Garber, mother of Bro. Frank L. Garber's family. We are glad to have Sister L. as a neighbor.

Relatives are conspicuous in the work of the Grange, of Bellville, Ohio. The following appeared in the local paper: An interesting program will be presented, Saturday, January 17 at the regular meeting of the Grange. W. C. Garber, Lecturer, has arranged several very interesting numbers for the occasion. Miss Lephia Walker will give a review of a book or story and A. T. Leedy will speak on township taxes.

Mrs. Olive Walker is the first of the Garber daughters to get the distinction of being examined for a jury in a murder trial. She was the first one called for examination on the case of Wilbur Pettit, at Mansfield, Ohio, and the only one the prosecution and defense passed of fifteen first examined. Cousin Olive is notable in many relations. She belongs to the John Garber family, daughter of Geo. and Elizabeth Durbin.

Bring your 10 cents for the Leedy Chronicle, and fill out an envelope.

Susan Wise, one of the Hill-Long family died in Cleveland several months ago. We are promised an obituary and portrait for the Chronicle, but not in time for this issue; it will be valuable history for the future.

Kermit Leedy now writes from 1204 Fifteenth St., Altoona, Pa.

It is with sympathy we say that Cousin Elizabeth Ramsey was sorely afflicted during the Spring. She is the daughter of Uncle David Leedy, and one of the noble and blessed of the Leedys. She lives in Butler, Ohio.

Sadness now seems to be on the path of the H. S. Garber family. Cousin Horatio, had been sick some time in a serious way, and then an automobile backed on his wife, crushing her knee cap, in a severe way. Later Horatio died. See obituary from the Bellville Star. Our sympathy goes out to them.

The Garber family is breaking away from the old time demureness, and is letting its ability shine out. Prof. L. L. Garber is in Europe, sent by Ashland College, in research work. Miss Edith L. Garber is editor of a department of the Woman's Outlook, of the

Woman's Missionary Society of the Brethren Church. She won the Lichty Scholarship for 1926. Her sister Esther, also a student of Ashland College, a cousin of high ideals and splendid character. Their father is a second cousin to the editor of the Chronicle. They belong to the Eld. John Garber family of Iowa. Children of the H. S. Garber family, Bellville, Ohio, continue to carry off the honors in spelling contests. The daughter of Essie Garber Carpenter, South Bend, Ind., Dorothy, is the champion speller in her township. Margery Burns, editor's granddaughter, went thru the winter without missing a word in the spellings, and in the final test of the term after the class was all down but her teacher quit. Dr. D. C. Garber was recently engaged on the permanent staff of the Ford Hospital as assistant pathologist. His sister Katharyn, a graduate of Oberlin College, was elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappie, an exclusive society of distinguished scholarship. Her ambition is journalism. Their father is Dr. Jerry Garber, Mansfield, Ohio; of the Lewis Garber family. Prof. L. L. Garber's daughters, Helen and Josephine, are winners as debaters. The other side of the Houses share well in these honors, but here we speak of Garbers.

Ora M. Garber, editor's son, and family visited a week in June and in July with Mrs. G's parents in No. Dak.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Leedy have come east and are visiting the Ohio relatives. Cousin Clyde is a son of B. G. Leedy family and resides in Portland, Oregon.

Aaron L. Garber is the only preacher left of the Leedy Church, which continued from about 1860 to 1883 when it became a part of the Brethren Church. The Reunion will perhaps be the only opportunity of a lifetime to many to hear a Leedy Church preacher.

Friends tell us that the wife of Eugene R. Leedy, Los Gatos, Calif., died some time ago. We have received no further word to this time.

Write a note of your family history and give it to the editor at the Reunion that family interests may not be forgotten and the relationship lines lost.

### INDIANA LEEDY REUNION

The 21st Annual Reunion of the Leedy Family of Indiana, was held in the Community Building at Warsaw, Indiana, Aug. 24, 1924.

135 were present at the noon hour at which time all were happy and at their best. The tables were laden with many good things to eat. The dinner was served cafeteria.

A business meeting was called soon after the dinner by the President, Noble Headlee, of Pierceton.

The meeting was opened by singing, Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow, led by Dr. Wiegner and followed by prayer by the President. The report of the Secretary and Treasurer was approved.

The election of officers for the following year was held and the following persons were elected:

President, Homer Leedy, of Goshen. V. Pres., Jacob G. Leedy, of Goshen. Secretary & Treas., Mrs. Pearl Leedy Weigner, of Elkhart.

A committee had made arrangements to hold the next reunion at Blosser's Park, South of Goshen but that has been recalled and the reunion next year will be held in the Goshen City Park which is a very desirable place. Every body come and see what a good time we are going to have. There is room for all and we expect to have the park all alone and all for Leedys, relatives and friends.

After the business was all transacted several made short talks. Mary Leedy Miller was sorely missed and we hope she will be with us next year. None of the Family from New Paris were there and there are so many living there. Illinois was represented by eleven members.

Everybody is welcome and urged to the Reunion of 1925.

Mrs. Pearl Leedy Wiegner, Sec.  
232 Haynes Bldg., Elkhart, Ind.

### THE HILL REUNION.

The Twenty-first Annual Reunion of the descendants of Richard and Mary Dawson Hill will be held on the last Saturday in July (July 25, 1925) at North Canton, formerly New Berlin, in the park, which is just back of The Hoover Sweeper Factory.



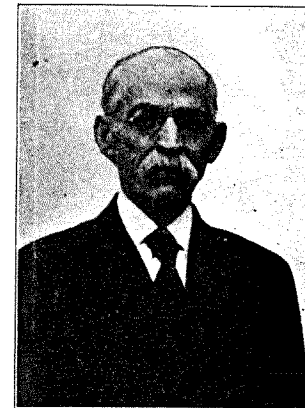
SUSANNA HILL WISE

1844-1924

FRANKLIN WISE

1841-1923

Mention of his death was in last year's Hill Reunion.



HENRY HOMER HILL

1854-1924

Son of Thomas Hill Jr. and Sarah Mills Hill. His death notice was in last years Hill Reunion.

### OBITUARY OF SUSANA HILL WISE.

Susannah Hill Wise, 2nd. daughter of Thomas Hill, Sr. and Barbara Long Hill, was born near New Berlin, O., now North Canton, on Dec. 24, 1844. This was about the time when the people were changing from their pioneer ways. Aunt Susan, as we all called her, had a very meager chance of getting an education, and likely part of what she had was gotten in an old log school-house without window panes, but oiled paper to let the light in, and hewed logs to sit on.

Aunt Susan, like all girls at that time, when old enough had to work away from home, doing all kinds of house work, besides milking a number of cows morning and evening; she was up long before the gray streaks of the morning appeared on the eastern horizon, the days were long and lasted long after the shadows from the western hills had vanished amongst the stars.

Aunt Susan was very handy with the needle and she did a good bit of sewing for other people. In 1866, she with her sister Catharine, we all called her Aunt Kate, went to Knox Co. O., and stayed about a year working amongst the Leedys, the Longs and the Garbers around Ankenytown. Be it remembered, that their mother, Barbara Long Hill, was the 13th child, their being twins, her partner dying in infancy, of the John Long, Sr. and Susan Leedy Long family. In this extensive family there were 22 children, 21 of whom grew up to man and womanhood. John Long, Sr. and Susan Leedy were born in Penna. in 1780, emigrated to Ohio in 1816 and located in Knox Co., where they cleared up a farm out of the dense forest and raised this large family. It took 500 yards of cloth a year for their various needs, some of the girls were spinning and weaving all the year through. They raised the wool and the flax. It was quite a task to keep your sheep when there were wolves all through the timber land; they had to be watched by day and corraled near by the house by night. Their mother used to tell about the kicking parties they had when they wanted to shrink the cloth before making it up; she also told about the cow standing before the

fire place one morning, as they used a blanket for a door in their primitive log cabin. The cow, one bleak stormy night when the wind was howling through the branches of the tall trees, pushed the blanket aside and was standing by the open fire when the folks awoke in the morning.

Mrs. Long was a large and stout pioneer woman, weighed about 300 lbs. and could carry the pioneer grain sack, which held from 3 to 3½ bu. of wheat, on her shoulders.

Susannah Hill was married on July 21, 1867, to Franklin Wise of Greentown, O. After which they moved to Canton, O., where 6 of the children were born. From Canton they moved to Greentown, O., on the old Wise homestead, where 2 more were added to the family. From Greentown they moved to Geauga Co., O., where 2 more were added to the fold, making 10 children, all of whom grew up to man and womanhood and all living except Harry B. who died at the age of 22 at Concord, O. Leaving Geauga Co. they moved to Collonwood, now East Cleveland. They built a home on Castalia Ave. where Aunt Susan made her home until her demise. Franklin Wise passing away Oct. 28 of the previous year.

Aunt Susan worked hard all her life, she missed one reunion out of 20. We all loved her. In her home life she expressed the rugged simplicity of a great soul, seeking her happiness in the hearts and affection of her family. She is shrouded in the hearts of those that loved her and who are saddened by her death.

Last fall Aunt Susan took down with pneumonia, after which she could not regain her former strength, she expressed the wish to join her husband, so there was nothing to do but watch the purple and gray streaks in the western sky unfold themselves into a golden sunset of a useful and well spent life., and on Dec. 14, ten



days within reach of the 80th mile stone, she passed through the Pearly Gates into the unseen City. At her passing out she leaves behind her 9 children, Cornelius Wise, of Chardon, O., Mrs. Ethalinda Hazen of Cleveland, O., Mrs. Nora B. Rothermel, of Cleveland, O., Miss Elizabeth H. Wise, Cleveland, O., James I. Wise of Cleveland, O., Mrs. Mary A. Short, Youngstown, O., Edgar Roy Wise, Cleveland, O., Mrs. Sarah J. Prior, Mentor, O., Mrs. Grace M. Racey, of Willoughby, O., 30 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. One grandchild dead, Chester Clinton Prior.

"Still, Still with Thee, when purple morning waketh.  
When the dawn breaketh and the shadows flee,  
Fairer than morning lovelier than the day-break.

Dawns the sweet consciousness, I am with Thee."

Uncle Frank and Aunt Susan were members of the Collonwood Christian Church, where they were regular attendants for a number of years.

Aunt Susan was buried besides her husband, Franklin Wise, at Knowlwood Cemetery, Mayfield Rd., where her little mound was covered with a profusion of flowers.

And thus the final curtain fell upon a christian mother, a dear grandmother, a precious great grandmother, our beloved Aunt Susan.

"One by one we miss the voices

That we loved so well to hear;

One by one their kindly faces

In the darkness disappear.

No one hears the door that opens:

Thus they pass beyond recall,

Soft as loosened leaves of roses,

One by one our loved ones fall."

—From the Hill Reunion Folder.

#### RUTH MAXINE BOWMAN

Ruth Maxine, Bowman, the beloved and only daughter of James A. and Edna Guthrie, was born in Richland County, Ohio, May 19, 1907 and departed from us to be with Jesus on Friday evening September 5, 1924; age 17 years, 3 months, and 17 days.

Ruth was widely known and greatly loved by a large circle of friends. She always met us with a sunny smile, the outward expression of her inner sincere and pure heart.

Ruth confessed her love and faith in Christ her Lord and Savior and was received by the rite of christian baptism unto fellowship with the Brethren Church at Ankenytown, Ohio, at the tender age of 8 years. Ruth was a regular attendant and an earnest willing worker in the church. Ruth loved life and enjoyed living. She loved the companionship of her many friends both old and young who will sadly miss her cheery smile and her merry laughter. Ruth lived a life of the sweetest and tenderest faith in Christ and her loved

#### JOHN YOUNG

John Young, a distant relative to the Pioneer John Leedy family became a victim of an accident in Bellville, Ohio. The local paper contained this—

"John", as he was familiarly known among his friends, sustained fatal injuries Tuesday evening when he was enroute to the evening train with mail. An auto driving north on Main Street stuck him in the back, throwing him to the ground. He was taken to his home and as his condition became serious, he was removed to the General Hospital, Mansfield, where the best medical skill was secured. His death however occurred at the hospital Saturday, Oct. 2.

The deceased was born near Bellville on January 23, 1860. He was the son of Simon B. and Olive M. Young. He was united in marriage to Hortense Garber in February, 1882, the death of the wife occurring November 16, 1918. One son, Harry G. Young survives, a son Lee, dying in infancy.

June 30, 1921 Mr. Young and Mrs. Alice Gaton were married.

For the past seventeen years Mr. Young has been the local drayman. The past year he has also carried the mail between the post office and the trains.

#### JACOB B. LONG

Jacob B. Long, son of Allen and Susan Long was born March 7, 1869 Departed this life on his 56th birthday March 7, 1925.

He was united in marriage to Miss Anna Rummel, December 25, 1895. To this union were born ten children, four sons and six daughters—Verney, Elwood, Jonivan and Chester; Mrs. V. Shambaugh, Mrs. Hazel Norris, Mrs. Oval Cronckilton, Chloea and Ester Long, survive him. One daughter, Bercy died in infancy. He leaves his wife, aged mother, two sisters and five brothers, and ten grandchildren to mourn his departure.

Note—We can not tell how we obtained the above clipping from some paper. Friends will be able to remember particulars.

The Leedy Reunion has been the greatest observance in the Leedy family for thirty years; esteem it.

ones; and like a sweet tender plant she has been transplanted into God's Paradise there to bloom and brighten heaven, untouched by the blighting frost of sickness and death.

Ruth was united by marriage to Roy Bowman, Nov. 17th, 1923. She made her home with her parents expecting to establish herself in her own home this fall. A darling little baby daughter was born to this couple and named by the dear mother, Vera Jean.

Ruth leaves to mourn their loss her dear parents, her husband, her baby daughter, three brothers, Paul, John and Wayne and a host of loved ones and friends who will sadly miss that cheery sweet face and her kind and helpful life.

The funeral services were conducted by her former pastor, Rev. A. L. Lynn, assisted by her present pastor, Rev. R. D. Barnard.

#### NETTIE LEEDY

Josephus Leedy was a son of Joseph Leedy who spent his life on the Abraham Leedy homestead, Ankenytown, Ohio.

Josephus married Miss Nettie Lett, who lived by the Leedy settlement. She died Feb. 1, 1925, so to say worn out, which doctors usually pass under the term of a complication of diseases. She was a woman of intense energy and undertaking, had a large family, and her husband, died several years ago.

The names of her children and grandchildren are as follows.

Ora Leedy has two daughters, Blanch and Gladys.

Zella Leedy Bechtel, two daughters, Arlene and Edith; three sons, Harold, Howard, and Eldon who died two years ago.

Dory Lewis Leedy, three daughters, Marie, Esther, Ruth, two sons, Raymond and Dale.

Floyd Leedy married and lives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Glenn Leedy died in infancy. Iva Leedy Dawson has two sons, Raymond and Walter.

Jay Leedy is single.

Floyd Leedy is single.

Raymond Leedy died at the age of four years.

The mother was 57 years, 4 months and 3 days old and she was laid to rest

among many relatives in the Ankenytown cemetery.

She did the best she knew in life in company with her husband while they lived and they leave a large family to keep in memory their names. They spent their life in the vicinity of the Leedy settlement, mostly in Morrow County, west of Knox Co.

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## THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL LEEDY REUNION

Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1925, was a faultless day for a Reunion, and there seemed to be no need for the friends to hurry to the Leedy Park. Cousins from far distant Newark, Ohio, were about the first ones on the ground.

A few minutes before 12 o'clock a hymn was sung, prayer offered and the officers for 1926 were elected. This has been done on short order the last several reunions. One candidate for each office is nominated and by vote of the Reunion, the President casts the ballot electing them.

The officers for 1926 are:

- Ora Leedy Pres.,  
Mt. Gilead, Ohio.
- Mrs. Verda Amos, Vice Pres.,  
Mt. Vernon, Ohio.
- Mrs. Tessa Brubaker, Sec.,  
Bellville, Ohio.

J. S. Leedy was re-elected trustee for the term of three years.

Eld. A. L. Garber, the last of the preachers of the little band of Leedy relatives who kept up an independent organization of Dunkard people from about 1860 to 1883, and were known as the Leedy Church spoke. Elder Samuel A. Leedy of the Pioneer Abraham Leedy and Eld. Abe Leedy, of the Pioneer Daniel Leedy family were the first preachers. Eld. Abe continued with the new organization a short time and then saw proper to resume his ministry in the old organization.

Brothers of Samuel, Jacob, of Fostoria, Ohio, and Isaac of Ankenytown, Ohio, (Uncle Isaac) were soon elected to the ministry, and served well and faithfully while they were able. A. L. Garber was elected in 1874, and at the Reunion he repeated the text he spoke from in his first sermon 51 years ago. Simon B. Leedy, son of Eld. Samuel, was one of the active preachers of the Leedy church.

After the Sermonette, the dinner

hour was at hand, and recess for it was announced.

This feature of religious exercises as held for several late reunions, will likely not be continued longer. Young people are not taught religion as they were in former years, and will not be concerned about this exercise, and the time is here when they must take affairs in hand. A hymn or two, reading of a passage of scripture, short exhortations and prayer, will suffice as a beginning before the dinner hour.

The Reunions are becoming more and more a relative meeting. Years ago the Leedy Reunion was a community gathering. There was no other reunion in the locality and the people from all around came to see one another. Now all of the big families have reunions of their own, and do not make the Leedy Reunion an occasion of meeting.

The park was well marked with tables and became larger each year with several families. The exclusive family relatives continue to increase year by year.

The "eats" were set out in super-abundance as usual and more was taken home than was eaten. It does seem advisable to reduce the quantity, but this seems to be nobody's business, and it would be an awful humiliation to eat all that was brot as the Cousin Sisters would view it. So we guess it is expedient to let a good thing go on.

After the big dinner was cleared away and a large round of visiting was passed, the people were called to order and the Leedy Quartette gave the audience two songs in their matchless way.

Cousin W. H. Cocanower, of Newark, Ohio, gave the address of welcome, and surprised the friends in the nice way in which he did it and by the appropriate speech he gave.

A surprise to the Reunion came in here. Hon. A. D. Leedy, 1004, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Portland, Oregon gave the response. He came among the relatives a short time before, like a man who had dropped from the clouds,

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unsuspected, unthot of and unknown. He belongs to the Virginia family of Leedys, the offspring of Samuel Leedy. His father was the first Dunkard preacher in Oregon. His remarks were very appropriate and interesting. He is an orator of prominence in Oregon and is frequently called to deliver addresses. He saw in the Leedy Reunion more than a social meeting of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Walter Leedy and children, two little girls and son entertained the congregation with vocal and instrumental music.

Ruth Poor and Elsie Thomson gave readings.

Next in order came an address by Rev. Wyatt, of Mt. Vernon. He commenced his discourse with a bunch of stuff that was real funny and then followed with eloquent good sense on practical living, making a very instructive and entertaining address.

A song was sung by Reba Thompson, Catharine Beal and Margery Bollinger and they gave an encore.

Short talks by relatives was opened by Uncle John L. Swank. His voice is weakened by age and few were able to hear him at all. When he ended, it was apparent the audience could not be kept longer and was dismissed.

The number present was apparently some less than last year. The enthusiasm of nearly all the relatives remains at the high point, and the desire to visit one another has become the real big number of the reunion. The possibility of so many friends visiting one another in a private way no longer can exist and the Leedy Reunion needs to adapt itself to the needs of the relationship, and allow most of the day for mass visiting. The short talks by relatives was introduced into the program years ago for that purpose, but has been pressed down by too many other numbers.

An Endowment Motion was heartily passed, as follows:

"The Leedy Reunion Association in this gathering of 1925, by acclamation, directs its trustees to establish a permanent Leedy Park Endowment Fund, and apply it as follows:

1st. To loan to the financing of the Publication of the history of the Leedy Family, to be returned as the History Books are sold.

2nd. To loan on first mortgage real-estate security at the usual interest rate.

3rd. The income from loans to be expended in maintaining the park and enlarging the endowment, as ordered by the Leedy Reunion Association.

A. L. Garber invited as many as were pleased to unite with him in a free-will charter endowment subscription of one dollar each to give him their names at the close of the meeting. The result was as follows:

D. K. Leedy, Newark, Ohio.

C. W. Hoffman, Jeromeville, Ohio.

Mrs. Bertha Gibson, Fostoria, Ohio.

C. K. Leedy, Centerton, Ohio.

Dora H. Leedy, Butler, Ohio.

Asa R. Beal, Butler, Ohio.

S. M. Garber, Bellville, Ohio.

A. D. Leedy, Portland, Oregon.

Bell D. Keyser, Columbus, Ohio.

A. L. Garber, Ashland, Ohio.

The Editor of The Chronicle hopes to have a good push for the Endowment in 1926. He will soon be out of the race and wants to see the Leedy Relationship have a meeting place where they can go with no money feature attached.

The letter following seemed to have been written under inspirational influence just at the right time to introduce John L. Spayde and wife, of Rapid City, South Dak., and A. D. Leedy of Portland, Oregon, who sat in the audience and heard it read:

Huber, Oregon, Aug. 11, 1925.

Dear Leedy Relatives: This is our first letter to you, although we have received the Chronicle for years.

Our home is in Rapid City, S. Dak., but we came here just lately to visit a daughter, Mrs. Philip Hess, and went to call on Mrs. A. B. Leedy of Tigard, Oregon, a dear old lady. She lives alone now, her husband, Byron G. Leedy died two years ago. Her children are all married. She has a nice, pleasant home. We surely enjoyed our visit there. We met two of her children, Jay and Alice. Both have nice families.

Mrs. A. B. Leedy has fourteen grandchildren.

My husband is Thomas William Leedy, son of Jacob M. Leedy. Jacob M. is the son of Lewis K. Leedy whose father was Big John Leedy.

We have four children living and two dead.

The living are: Cassius Irwin Leedy,

who has twin boys, three years old, Daniel Cassius and David William.

Marion Elizabeth Campbell has two children, Carrie Ellen, four, and William Philip, two.

Ellen B. Leedy, a graduate nurse, now in Mitchell, S. Dak.; and our daughter here. Helen Ruth Hess, who has one daughter, Elizabeth Ellen, five grandchildren in all.

John Spayde and wife of Rapid City will be with you this reunion, a jolly couple. After we lost Aunt Mollie, wife of Alonzo M. Leedy, he was the one to do the visiting and try to keep us together.

We haven't been in Oregon long enough to say whether we like the country or not, but would like to stay here this winter.

There is one Leedy here we haven't seen, but will before we leave. Lawyer A. D. Leedy of Portland, Oregon.

Well, think this letter long enough for our first introduction to all.

With love and best wishes to all the Leedy family, I am,

Carrie Le Gro Leedy.

Prof. Levi L. Garber was sent to Europe by Ashland College, Ashland, Ohio, on research work, and wrote the following to the Reunion.

Geneva, Switzerland,

Aug. 4, 1925.

Dear Leedy and Garber Relatives:— I am writing you greeting from far off Switzerland. I am happy to greet you from Bonnil, Switzerland, the Home of Liberty; one of the few countries that for many centuries has successfully resisted the efforts to reduce her people to bondage. We Americans can congratulate ourselves that we are living in a country so free as ours; in a country where we are not ground down by a king; where we are not the bond servants of aristocrats; where we do not support a large army to consume the products of our labor.

When I see the toiling millions laboring in hard places or eking out a scanty existence on a few acres of land with primitive tools and without modern conveniences, I feel that we Americans are especially favored and to be congratulated upon our good fortune.

I shall be glad to get back to Uncle Sam's Country where it is dry and I can get water. Water is the scarcest com-

modity in European towns, the beer, ale, stout and wines are plentiful; and except in Switzerland, one has to fight to keep them off his bill of fare.

Well, I hope you all are having a prosperous year and are living life to the full. With high regards, I remain, Your fellow-fraternal Leedy-Garber.

L. L. Garber.

P. S.—I move that we hold the next Leedy Reunion in the Capital of the World, Geneva, Switzerland.

Arrived at Geneva, Switzerland, I am pretty well filled up on art galleries and mountain scenery. Will look up the tracks of John Calvin today. G.

It seems well in place here to add a few remarks that Cousin A. D. Leedy told the writer at the Reunion; that a Leedy in Texas, wrote to him that he had read in a history that the Leedys came into Switzerland, as apostate Jews who were driven out of Jerusalem, and they became notable as mountain climbers. We will be glad to learn when they were converted to Christianity. This is a hint why the pioneer Leedy families all had a John, Sam, Dan, Jake, Abe, Joe, Dave, etc.

This information connected with the fact that Garbers are living in Switzerland at this time and that some of them engage in feats of mountain climbing, links the two families as a like people in the mother country, and suggests there has been a reason for them intermarrying so much in the past.

It would be an inspiring piece of history to discover that the Leedys indeed were once prominent people in Jerusalem, the city of Abraham, David and Jesus.

The collection was taken at the table this Reunion as it was last year, and reports were made as follows:

Isaac Leedy Table.....	\$2.25
Lanehart-Lewis K. Leedy Table	1.25
Susan-Dyer-Garber Table.....	2.00
David Leedy Table.....	2.20
Aaron Leedy Table.....	3.00
J. S. Leedy-Swank Table.....	3.69
John L. Swank Table.....	4.06
Joseph Leedy Table.....	6.14

The writer did not have opportunity to look the families over this reunion. But from general appearance, the Uncle Isaac Leedy family, Joseph Leedy family are making a high record. The David Leedy family is holding on well,

and the Christ Swank-J. S. Leedy is also. The Susie Leedy-Garber, Dyer attendance was delinquent somewhat. The Frank Lanehart-Lewis K. Leedy attendance was rather a surprise this year and were a happy lot together. Uncle John Swank, was "Johnny on the Spot" this year, and his people represent the Pioneer Daniel Leedy family.

We failed to get a list of relatives from a distance.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Everett, of Boston, Mass., were visitors from the Atlantic coast, and Attorney A. D. Leedy represented the Pacific coast, being a citizen of Portland, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Spayde, of Rapid City, South Dak., were distinguished visitors. He is related in the Big John Leedy family, his mother being a daughter of the famous pioneer.

The soothing weather of the day made the Reunion a most congenial occasion.

#### THE INDIANA REUNION

The Twenty-Second Annual Reunion of the Leedy Family was held in the Goshen City Park, Goshen, Ind., August 23, 1925.

225 were present to enjoy the pleasant day and renew fellowship and friendship in the family circle.

Words cannot express the pleasure of so many meeting at one time and the greetings expressed.

A bountiful dinner was partaken of as usual at the noon hour.

The president, Homer Leedy of Goshen called the business meeting at 2:00.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow was sung followed by prayer by Rev. Stuckman of the First Brethren Church of Goshen.

The report of the Secretary and Treasurer was approved.

Election of officers followed which was a re-election of all officers.

Homer Leedy, President  
Jacob G. Leedy, Vice-President  
Pearl Leedy Wiegner, Secretary and Treasurer.

Many short talks were given by those present.

Mary Leedy Miller has regained her health so she was present and gave an inspirational talk. Every reunion should have a Mary Miller.

Rev. Stuckman gave a short address which was appreciated.

Cousin A. D. Leedy of Portland, Ore. who has never been on this side the Rocky Mountains before was given a cheerful applause after his eloquent talk. We certainly will look for him again.

Among others who answered for short talks were:

Joseph Leedy, Kansas City, Mo.  
Dore Garber, Bellville, O.  
Ira Leedy, Cerro Gordo, Ill.  
Mrs. Ellen Leedy, Cerro Gordo, Ill.  
Mary Markel, Toledo, O.  
Nora Rice, Battle Creek, Mich.  
John Leedy, Andrews, Ind.  
Ezra Leedy, New Paris, Ind.  
Henry Leedy, Goshen, Ind.  
Mr. Stusman, Nappanee, Ind.  
Mrs. Homer Leedy, North Manchester, Ind.

Mrs. Wm. Beachler, South Bend, Ind.  
Glen Carpenter, South Bend, Ind.  
Seventeen subscriptions were taken for the Leedy Chronicle.

The meeting closed with prayer by May Leedy Miller.

Pearl Leedy Wiegner, Sec.  
116 Sycamore St., Elkhart, Ind.

#### U. S. NAVAL HOSPITAL

Great Lakes, Ill.

April 26, 1926.

Dear Cousin:

I am glad, in reply to your letter of the 14th to give some idea of where I "hang in" in the Leedy relationship. My connection, tho remote, is in the following line. Daniel Leedy married Susannah Holsinger. Of this couple Miss Catherine married Casper Swank. Christian Swank, son of Casper and Catherine married Mary Adeline Stelts. Their daughter Maria married Jacob S. Garber. I am the youngest son of Jacob and Maria. There you have it complete.

For a number of years I have read with interest the issues of the Chronicle. It fulfills a wonderful purpose. There are few families that have the advantages of a publication to record from time to time the vital statistics and intimate happenings of a clan.

The following information that has come to hand in the past year or so might be of interest as it concerns

earlier Leedy generations. I pass it along for what it is worth.

"The name of Abraham Leedy appears as a 4th. Corporal on a Muster Roll of A Company of Infantry in the Service of the United States commanded by Jacob Dietrich in the 2nd. Regiment 1st. Brigade of Pennsylvania Militia under the command of Colonel Adam Ritcherch at York, Pa., 5th. Sept. A. D. 1814."

"In 1761, Elizabeth Leedy (Leady), widow of John Leedy, deceased, late of Hallam Township, York County, ask that the Court appoint a guardian, or guardians for Barbara, Eve, Samuel, and Abraham, they being children of the said John Leedy deceased. The children at that time were too young to choose their own guardians."

"In 1761, John Leedy, (minor orphan, son of John Leedy, late of Hallam Township, yeoman deceased), aged fourteen years on the 9th of September last chose Philip Fishburn of York Township as guardian."

"In the same year, Jacob Leidy (Leedy) came into court (eldest son and heir-at-law of John Leedy deceased) and asked the court to appoint someone to sell a certain tract of land, owned by his father, John Leedy."

In York County, Pennsylvania there are no records of Leedy wills on file. The following is, however, a list of administration reports to be found there.

"Jacob Leedy (Leedy) died without a will in York County in 1779. His administratrix being Mrs. Mary Leedy (Leedy)."

"Mary Leedy died in York Borough in 1808. George Sheffel was her administrator."

"Jacob Leidy (Leedy) of Manchester Township, died in 1829. Susan Ledy (Leedy) and Daniel Ginder were the administrators."

"George Leedy died in Newberry Township in 1844. Charles H. Bishop was the administrator."

In the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of York, County, are to be found the following:

"On May 8, 1787, George Attick and Jacob Hart deeded to George Ledy (Leedy) of Newberry Township, a tract of land in Newberry Township."

"On March 15, 1792, Christian Reish of York Township deeded to Jacob Leidy (Leedy) of the same place, farmer,

seventy-five acres of land in York Township.

"In 1809, John Leady (Leedy) (eldest son of George Leedy (Leedy) deceased) and Elizabeth his wife, deeded to David Leady (Leedy) of Fairview Township, ten acres of land."

In a list of immigrants from Germany who landed at Philadelphia September 3, 1739, there appears the name of John Marte Leidy aged forty-five. The name is spelled Leedy, Leady, Leidy, Liedy and Leedy.

It will probably be found if further verification of his residence at Fredrick, or Hagerstown, Maryland can be had, that our Abraham Leedy served as follows in the Revolutionary War:

"The name of Abraham Leedy appears as a Private in a Muster Roll of Captain John Kersher's Company, guarding the prisoners of War at Fort Fredrick, Maryland, June 27th, 1778." D. W. Garber.

#### DETROIT, MICH.

May 24, 1926

My delvings into genealogical history have been strikingly rewarded in the Gambrill direction, as this is an old planter family of Maryland and quite complete records have been made of many southern families. You may be interested to know some of the original immigrants. I am indebted to the books for information enabling me to trace back in unbroken succession to the names to which I refer.

I can only get a tradition concerning the first Gambrill who is supposed to have come to Maryland about 1660 from Wales as an Episcopalian clergyman.

John Baldwin, a descendant of John Baldwin, called the hero of 1622, because of some military incident in Scotland, was issued a patent for Baldwin's addition near South River, Md., in 1660. He was converted to the Quaker faith after coming to America.

Col. Ninian Beall, another of the Gambrill progenitors, was born in Fifeshire, Scotland, about 1625. He fought in 1650 against Cromwell at Dunbar and was captured and transported to Calvert Co., Md. He was called "The Covenanter" and was supposed to have been implicated in the killing of the Episcopal Bishop Mont-

gomery in an effort to keep the Episcopacy out of Scotland. He served in the French and Indian Wars in this country.

Fay Fulmer Leonard.

ST. JOSEPH, ILL.  
July 22, 1925

We have been interested for some time in the Leedy Chronicle as we are the descendent of Catherine Leedy, the daughter of Samuel Leedy. We would like to send in an article for publication but would like to hear from you just what is necessary. Catherine Leedy was married to B. F. Connelly and their son, Henry C. Connelly, is my father.

Pearl Connelly Olson.

Note—We will be pleased to know the place of residence of relatives, about the families and number in each and how they are employed.

TWELVE MILE, CASS CO., IND.  
May 26, 1926.

Dear Cousin:—I am one of the offspring of the John Long family. I, John Sullivan, was born in Knox county, Ohio, close to Ankenytown, Mar. 5, 1842, on a farm then owned by Abraham Leedy, just below the old Thomas Brown hill.

When I was eight years old my parents moved from Knox county to Williams county. We lived there two years and then in 1852 we moved to Indiana and settled on the Abe Leedy farm on the Weasaw Creek. I lived in the neighborhood of Mexico until 1868. Then I went back to Ohio for a visit and stayed until the first week of March in 1868.

I then came back to Indiana and began working on the Ezra Jones farm and continued working there for three years.

I was married to Miss Samantha E. Cox, Jan. 22, 1871. One child was born, William Walter, who died in infancy. My wife died Feb. 2, 1872.

I was again married to Miss Mary Ann Cox, Oct. 15, 1874. To this union were born three children, Etta Luella, Gilbert Andrew, and Nancy Jane. Death again visited the home and the mother was taken away Nov. 8, 1882.

I married again, to Mrs. Dora A. Willson, Nov. 18, 1883. To this union

were born two children, Rosa Dean, who died at the age of one year and John Tedford. Dora died June 9, 1921.

I have lived in Cass County, Indiana, since my first marriage in 1871 and at present am living on the same farm that I purchased about fifty years ago.

In the year of 1866 I was very ill with the typhoid fever. It was at this time that Rev. Isaac Leedy and Lovina, just newly married, came to visit me.

Since that time I have never been sick enough to have a physician call on me but now I lie down occasionally to rest.

My sister Louisa, is living in Michigan with her daughter; Martha is staying with her son Elbert at Denver; Noah is living on his farm East of Twelve Mile; Sarah lives in Chicago, and Isaac lives with his niece, Mrs. Etta Grable north-west of Twelve Mile.

At the present time my daughter Nancy and husband John Swank and family are farming my farm and I am living with them.

My daughter, Mrs. Etta Grable, has one son, Marvin; Gilbert has one son, Ivan; Mrs. Nancy Swank has one daughter, Verda, and four sons, Lester, Orel, Everett and Raymon; Tedford has one son, Lloyd. I have four great-grandchildren.

I was 84 years old Mar. 5, 1926.

The farmers around here are not done planting corn as the last few weeks have been rainy. Spring was late this year making all the planting behind time. Wheat is looking good.

John Sullivan.

NEW PARIS, IND.

Dear Cousin:—It has been a long time since I wrote a letter to you. I am getting old and it is hard for me to get down to letter writing. So much of the time I am not at all well, my hearing is so poor also my eyesight, that there is not so much pleasure in life as when one is young.

Brother James' daughter wrote me that the Chronicle is so intensely interesting to her that she would like to subscribe for it, she loves to read them but when it comes to writing she does not like it at all. She is bookkeeper and stenographer for a wholesale coffee and Tea Co., of New Orleans, La.

I must write you something about our

family. Martha Rodibaugh's oldest son Edgar lives on the home farm and does the farming. He is married and has one little son, Alonzo named after his father, and the second son is married and lives in South Bend; has employment in the Studebaker Automobile works and he is the father of four children: Robert, 9 years of age, Donnabelle 6 yrs. and George 4 years, and James 4 months old.

Mary's oldest son Arthur is Telegraph operator at Hobart, Ind., has one daughter, Evelyn. She is 17 yrs. old. She is in college and the other son Porter Charpie lives in Detroit. He has employment in the P. O., also owns an apartment house.

Melissa Violett lives in Goshen. Her two oldest daughters, Ethel and Wilma, live with her as Melissa's health is poor. Her son John M. Violett is married and is chief chemist at the steel works in Breemen, Ind., and Anna the youngest daughter is married to Hugh Castetter. He is manager of the Goshen Electric Material Co's store.

George Leedy has one little daughter, Mildred; lives in Toledo, Oregon, or rather six miles out on a ranch. His oldest son runs it. His son George is a missionary at Singapore and his daughter Florence is married and has two children. Her husband's name is Manley. He teaches school. John died nearly three years ago and left a wife and a son, Harold 24 and a daughter, Katherine, 16 years old and is in third year high school.

Maurice lives at Weiser, Idaho, has a wife and one adopted daughter married who has two children

James lives in New Orleans, La.

Well I must not get my letter too long or you will tire of reading.

Mrs. Sophronia Leedy Frame.

VACAVILLE, CALIF.  
July 29, 1925.

Dear Relatives, one and all:—It has been a long time since I last wrote to the Leedy Chronicle.

We saw by the Chronicle about the death of Aunt Lovina and it made us feel sad, because we heard so much about her from Grandmother Elizabeth Cripe. We miss our dear Grandmother, and her visits with us, so much.

We have heard so much about Cousin Lizzie Martin and all of the Leedy rela-

tives and we would like to see them all. My Mother tells me a lot about our relatives.

Will and Maud Leedy were here July 28. They were just returning from a short camping trip to the coast, and stopped on their way home.

I am working in the telephone office and I like my work fine. Mother and Father and Brother James are running a store and camp ground, and we would be glad to have any of you camp with us for a night or more. Brother Marvin is in Texas. He has joined the army and he likes it much.

He says: "I went for a ride yesterday," March 7," and we ran into a sandstorm. It was something awful. You could hardly see your hand before your face the sand was so thick."

"I like the army work fine but I don't care much for Texas. There is too much sand blowing around. One day Texas goes down to Mexico and the next day Mexico comes back into Texas. The only nice thing about it here is that you can go abroad for six cents car fare.

June 4, Dear Mother:—I suppose that you will think that I am never going to write, but I have a little time this morning, June 4th. I am at the Headquarters of the Summer Training Camps now and I have to be at the office at seven o'clock in order to open up and see that the office is cleaned up. By that time it is nine o'clock and it is time to get to the office work. We are just getting the camp ready to open and we haven't much time as the camp starts next Saturday. We work every evening until about five.

There is very little news around here now, the only thing is that the weather is very warm.

Well, I have two prisoners here now to take charge of so I must close for this time.

May 10, 1925—Dear Mother:—I saw the loveliest sight tonight that I have seen for some time and I am going to tell you about it. We were sitting outside this evening and someone said look up there. We all looked and saw a huge meteor coming out of the south. It was blazing brightly and every little ways a part of it would break off and seem to slow down, leaving a perfect path of fire through the sky. The main body seemed to burn itself out as it sped on in-



to the North and finally dimmed so that it was lost to view. It was probably many miles, although it looked to be only about half a mile. From the rate it was moving I should judge that it was traveling at a rate of about three hundred miles a second.

March 28, 1925—Dear Mother:—I saw an article in the paper last night which said that a few clouds appeared Thursday and were gazed upon with wonder by the children. So you can see what this country is like.

We had a big rainstorm last night. It rained for about ten minutes, nearly wetting the sidewalk. But the water evaporated from the cement as fast as it fell.

July 4, 1925—Dear Mother: Today is the Fourth of July. The morning nearly all the troops participated in a parade through El Paso, which is six miles away. At noon the Field Artillery fired a national salute of forty-eight rounds, one round for each state in the Union. This afternoon it started to rain and it is about six o'clock now and shows no sign of letting up. The rain is worth millions of dollars to the people around here.

A few days ago I saw a man leap from a parachute when he was about ten thousand feet in the air. The plane was so small that it could hardly be seen. It took the man nine minutes to get to the earth. He now holds the record altitude leap in the Eighth Corps Area.

This last one is the last letter we have received but as you know from reading the letters the Military Training Camps are open now and he is very busy.

With love and best wishes.

Mary Mann.

LEEDYS, SPAYDES AND THE  
GAMBRILLS  
Rapid City, S. Dak.

Of the Leedys who came to the Black Hills only two are living. William Leedy who came in 1876 and his sister, Mrs. Jennie Leedy Brennan, who came in 1879.

C. M. Leedy, brother of William—his wife, Mrs. C. M. Leedy is a widow.

Of Will's children, two are here, C. I. Leedy, City Auditor, his wife and twin sons, Daniel and David; and Marion

Leedy Coe, three children, Carrie, William and Patrick.

Mrs. Brennan's children—Paul, a farmer, Ruth Brennan Hill, two children. Helen and John, Mr. Hill, dry goods dealer.

Of the Spaydes, two are here—John and his wife Eliza, retired; one son Kenneth who is in charge of the office of the Rapid City Gas & Heating Co.

Of Alfred Spaydes, one son, Fred Spayde, dry goods, wife and son Sidney, a college student.

Of Arthur Spaydes (brother of Fred) His wife and two girls, Shirley and Margaret, (Arthur dead).

The Gambrills—Horace Gambrill, his wife and daughter. She was recently married to Waldo Uecker. Horace does well dealing in real estate.

Carrie Le Gro Leedy.

J. L. SWANK FAMILY REUNION

The annual Swank family reunion was held recently at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Robinson north of Lexington. Sixty-three members of the Swank family representing four generations were present. All were descendants of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Swank. Ten of their eleven children, their wives and husbands, a large number of grandchildren and two great grandchildren attended.

A well chosen program followed the family picnic dinner. The Superior Male Quartette, Bryan and Leon Leedy, Walter Woodward and Clark Robinson furnished music. Harold Robinson, little four-year old grandson sang several songs. J. L. Swank played the piano and he and his wife sang several old time songs and hymns.

Short talks were given by grandfather Swank, William A. Ashbrook and John H. Gongwer.

On March 2, 1926, we held an intense visit with Herman Leedy and family. He hailed us from his auto on the street in Ashland and he introduced his wife and daughters and we chatted with enthusiasm a few minutes. Herman is a concert troupe all by himself and was on his way to Delaware, Ohio to give an entertainment. He is a high class and typical singer. Hope he may drop on the Leedy Reunion.

The Leedy Chronicle.

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THIRTY FIRST ANNUAL LEEDY  
REUNION

In Leedy Park, Ankenytown, Ohio,  
Aug. 18, 1926.

Old People's Greetings and Talks,  
Testimonies and Devotion.

Program will be opened at 10 o'clock.  
Hymn—Nearer My God to Thee.

Invocation.  
Appointment of committees.

Nomination and election of officers  
and other business.

12 o'clock—Announcement of Dinner.  
2:15 P. M.—Call to order by Pres. J.

O. Leedy.  
Address of Welcome,—W. H. Cocanour.

The program will be largely volunteer  
numbers and short talks. Bring  
your own musical instruments.

Come Leedy relatives and all who  
wish to hear a short spicy program of  
Vocal and Instrumental Music, Old  
time Fiddling, and have a good visit.  
Joseph Ora Leedy, Pres.

INDIANA LEEDY REUNION

This is just to remind the Leedys that  
the 23rd Family Reunion in Indiana will  
be held in Goshen City Park, Sunday,  
August 22, and we hope all of you are  
planning to attend.

Our family seems to grow larger each  
year and we believe everyone has a  
better time. The park is very nice, the

dinners are especially fine and the fel-  
lowship is ideal, so come with your pic-  
nic dinner or if you live too far away  
come and you shall have your dinner in  
exchange with a few words of greeting  
in our program.

This invitation is to Leedys in any  
state and not only in Indiana. Come  
and enjoy the day with us.

Pearl Leedy Wiegner, Secretary.  
Elkhart, Ind.

GARBER FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of Samuel and Cath-  
arine Leedy Garber will hold their  
16th annual reunion at the home of  
S. M. Garber, Saturday, August 14,  
1926, south of Bellville.

Tessie Brubaker, Secretary.

FUTURE OF THE CHRONICLE

One issue of The Chronicle a year  
proves to be a long wait, and we have  
decided to issue one in the coming fall  
and one next year and return to the  
price of 20 cents a year.

If there is not enough interest among  
the friends to make a subscription list  
worth while, toward meeting the ex-  
penses, we will ask devoted family  
friends to contribute for the purpose,  
that The Chronicle may go on for years  
to come.

Be sure to gather your 20 cents for  
1926-7 and bring it to the Reunion, to  
save yourself the necessity of sending a  
special letter.

The present is a great age of spending  
money and every relative can easily  
arrange to give 20 cents for two issues  
of The Leedy Chronicle.

Urge your children to subscribe and  
keep the Family Zeal burning.

NO STAND

The friends are notified that there  
will be nothing sold in the Leedy Park,  
Reunion Day, Aug. 18th, and all of the  
families will please remember to take  
with them whatever they wish to eat  
and drink.

The constant tendency to sell things  
the old time Leedy economy, prudence,  
righteousness and temperance disallow-  
ed make this necessary.

Further, groups of relatives were in  
some way involved in the transactions

and deprived themselves of interest in the reunion and their relationship.

We will return to the general custom of family reunion gatherings and picnic occasions of each family taking what they want to eat and drink.

The meanest feature about a stand is that the children waste money and gormandize on stuff that is always bad and especially so after eating heartily at the reunion dinner.

When we began the reunion thirty years ago, the father carried the money, and the children were given no money to spend.

#### NOTES AND NEWS

One Chronicle a year seems too far apart. Come to the reunions this year with your decision, to support two a year; one dated November and the other July. This will keep us in closer relation than only one a year, and not put a heavy duty on any one to prepare the copy for it, which must be a gratuitous service.

We have printed a good number of extra copies of this issue to accommodate anyone who may wish to get one.

A live interest in your relationship makes you a better man or woman and a better citizen.

There are now ten families of our relatives here in the city of Ashland. We hope to have a picnic reunion of our own sometime this summer.

Mrs. Frank Garber and two of her daughters have homes here in Ashland and her other children living away make frequent visits a pleasure among them.

Come to the Reunion this year with a desire to pray in the Leedy Park; we are drifting away from the piety of our fathers and mothers who are with us no more. With them there was small pretence but large reality.

After receiving Cz D. W. Garber's splendid letter, we felt like going to a Leedy Reunion right away. We had not expected that we would ever have the quotation of so many records as D. W. presents. We notice with great interest that our common great grand-

father served as a guardsman during the Revolutionary War. Again his letter goes right back to our home life when "Christley" Swank and Miss Stelts were our schoolmates.

The Chronicle has always supported high ideals and Bible morality and right doing and merits the encouragement and support of the relatives everywhere. The price has been reasonable, and for the honor of the family, friends should feel a partnership in the effort to circulate it in the relationship.

That is a fine letter Cousin Frame sends. We are pleased to learn so much about the location of Uncle John Leedy's family. He was the oldest son of Pioneer Abraham.

We have requests for back numbers of the Chronicle by several relatives. We hope to gather together during the summer the back numbers we have and then we can answer such requests. It is a long job to get them out of the mess of twenty-five years' accumulation

Cousin M. P. Garber, Des Moines, Iowa, informed us that their Garber Reunion was held Aug. 8, 1925, at the home of L. D. Garber, near Leon, Iowa, on the birthday of his Brother Lewis. These are the generation of John Garber the oldest brother of our Grandfather Samuel.

Dear Editor:—I was so glad to get the 1925 numbers tho I don't know the people personally they are my relatives. We are leaving La Junta, for the Sunny South via Buick. Don't know just where we will locate but will go first to our son Robert at Davis, Fla., near Miami. He has been down there for a year and likes it fine. My husband will do carpenter work. Best regards to all the Cousins.—Mrs. Margaret Leedy Seaton.

Bring 20 cents to the reunion for the Chronicle.

Philip Knight Leedy is a new Cousin, born to Cousin J. M. Leedy, Jan. 17, 1926, in Altoona, Pa. He writes, that the next youngest boy is past 17, and that his children are all boys. Good, they will sow the Leedy name.

When you are figuring up your benevolences, count in a dollar or more for the Leedy Park Endowment Fund. Come to the Reunion this year prepared to give it a lift.

This letter has a helpful and pleasing ring:

St. Joseph, Ill., July 28, 1925.

The Leedy Chronicle: Please accept my subscription for the next Chronicle, also \$1.00 for whatever purpose you wish. Sincerely, Pearl C. Olson.

Note—This is the class of letters that have real push in them. Thanks.

Bellville, Ohio, has a Potato Club and Cousin S. M. Garber is the president. Good business S. M.

Mrs. Cordelia Loose, sister of Mrs. Aaron B. Leedy, and last of that Oldfield family, died, July 26, in Butler, Ohio, at the age of 92 yrs. and 3 mo.

Cousin Martha Beal is the Evangelistic Superintendent of the Ankenytown W. C. T. U.

Dec. 6, '25, Cz Herman U. Leedy gave one of his fine entertainments at the Congregational church in Ashland. He is a brother of Rev. Roy B.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Swank won the premium offered by Lacey's Clothing Store for the largest family. Twelve members of the family visited the store, in the time of the Home Coming Oct. 1-3, 1925.

Cz C. B. Leedy, living a couple of miles from Ankenytown was afflicted with paralysis Dec. 14, 1925, and was not able to work during the winter. When last heard from he was much improved. Hold fast, Caleb; we are getting to be few, and we don't want to lose your company.

That is a wonderful record Cz John L. Spayde made during the year past with his noble wife and dependable Dodge touring car. The trip registered 13,000 miles with no accidents and no serious motor troubles. He was here with us at the last Leedy Reunion and visited a few of his many relatives in the old Leedy rendezvous and home of his mother, a daughter of Big John Leedy.

Then he journeyed east to the Atlantic ocean, visited some of the great cities and traveled the coast down to Miami, Florida and spent the winter in centers of resort. On March 19, he was a thousand miles on his way home to Rapid City, South Dak., from Tallahassee, Florida and visited Bainbridge, Georgia, Montgomery, Ala.; Maridian, Jackson and Vicksburg, Miss.; Shreveport, La., and from there on to Dennison, Tex. From there they went to Kansas City, then to Des Moines, Iowa and to their home. A recent letter states that they found the Hills beautiful about their Rapid City home, with fine weather and promise of good crops. He has favored us with a fine, illustrated pamphlet of scenes and opportunities for settlers in South Dakota.

On June 20th, a good spirit moved upon Uncle Theo. L. Garber to visit the editor's home. He so seldom visits Ashland that his appearance was a real surprise. He reported that his Son, Lloyd is now in Florida, managing operation of a road-building corporation, with marked success. The move from Birmingham to central Florida was made some time ago. Uncle T. is still secretary of the Patron's Mutual Relief Association, a position he has filled for about thirty-four years.

J. Ora Leedy, as Reunion President, is a break into a new generation of Leedys. He is a great grand child of Pioneer Abraham. He writes with a lot of vim and would write well with practice.

We are not able to catch the items as we did twenty years ago. Old age tells against remembering.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 16th, Cousin Chas. Leedy, who lives at Youngstown, Ohio, when he is at home, entertained a club and a radio audience in Ohio, and we sat at home and listened to his humorous address, and his famous whistling. There is real originality in listening to a Cousin Humorist talking in an original way many miles distant. Later he came to Ashland to speak before a men's club and was entertained by Ora Garbers. He had the satisfaction of seeing where the Chronicle is

printed, and to see the little printing press we began to use in 1875.

That was a fine deed of Cz John Sullivan in giving the recent departure of several members of the Rosanna Long Sullivan family. Cz Noah Long of Pioneer, Ohio was of like mind and sent in several.

Bring 20 cents to the Reunion for your subscription to the Chronicle.

Uncle Jackson L. Garber, Webster Grove, Mo., writes that he is getting old—sure we are. He is now the Patriarch of our Garber family.

Cz Alva Leedy is working as a lineman for the Star Telephone Co., and is sent here and there in central Ohio. Recently his family moved back to Fredericktown, Ohio.

Cz John Spayde has persuaded Carrie Le Gro Leedy, wife of Will Leedy, of the Lewis K. Leedy family, to write for The Chronicle. We extend to her the hand of editorial fellowship greeting.

Charles Spayde of Kansas City, Mo., died March 22, 1926; son of C. J. Spayde, Humbolt, Iowa.—John Spayde.

Write your family items, births and others, and hand them to us at the Reunion. It is a task for some to go the round of sending a letter.

Cz means Cousin. A freak of economy has hit us and we want to save time in writing and printing and Cz is shorter than Cousin, and saves space.

The dedication of the new Brethren Church, in Ashland, Ohio was the occasion for the gathering of a number of relatives, among them, Byron B. Leedy, Alice Leedy, Ezra Leedy's widow, her daughter and other Fostoria people were here with other near relatives, May 23, last.

Bring all of your own eats and drinks to the Reunion in the Leedy Park this year; the stand is abandoned and nothing will be sold in the Park. The stores in Ankenytown will supply you with what you may want if you place your order with them in time.

We spent a few hours in the Leedy Park, July 31st. We found it in good condition.

Cz Lizzie Martin and Ida Leedy are not very strong, we learned, in our recent call at Ankenytown. Caleb B. Leedy has recovered somewhat from his disability during the winter.

Cz Ora Leedy is a live wire Leedy, and he takes hold of the Reunion interests in a commendable way and to do the best he can as President.

Island Home Park,  
Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 16, 1925.

Dear Cousin:—Enclosed is a dollar to pay for Chronicle. I enjoy the Chronicle and am loyal to the Relationship, although I feel so little acquainted with it except along the Garber lines.

Someday when we are living in Bellville I will have better opportunity to improve in fellowship. But so many are slipping away that soon I will know more on the little hill in Bellville than anywhere else. Cousin Horatio's death came as a great shock. He was seemingly so well and strong.

We are well and keeping pretty quiet here to endure the heat—the hottest and driest summer in 55 years. Last Thursday reached 100, and we are 17 inches short on rainfall—with no relief in sight.

With best wishes to you and the family I am yours cordially,  
Alberta Garber Scott.

We will be glad to see some of you this year. We will be here until Aug. 15th after that date will be on way to Glendote, Cal., to spend the winter with Brother A. H. Spayde. Ever yours,  
John and Eliza Spayde.  
Rapid City, S. Dak.

#### FROM PRESIDENT J. O. LEEDY

Mt. Gilead, Ohio, July 26, 1926.  
Editor and Relatives: There is much truth in the saying "Procrastination is the thief of time." I have been trying to write something for the Chronicle, for a year, but all fell in procrastination. This letter breaks the ice and I hope to do better in the future.

The writer and sister, Iva Dawson and families motored to Newark, O., yesterday, July 25, where we joined the

Uncles, Aunts and Cousins of the D. K. Leedy and W. H. Cocanour families. We then drove to Harbor Hills—located at east end of Buckeye Lake—for a basket dinner. There were 23 relatives present and we spent the day in boat riding, pitching horse shoes, playing ball, visiting and eating. I must mention the eating for that is one of the outstanding characteristics of the Joe Leedy family.

Cousin Elmer is going up into Canada on a fishing trip soon. I hope he tells us through the Chronicle of the fish he catches and the Big one that got away.

Brother Floyd was with us during the week end. He is attending Bliss College at Columbus, O.

Bro. Lloyd and wife of Cleveland, O., are planning to visit her folks in Ill. They expect to return home in time to attend the Reunion, August 18. Please find enclosed partial announcement of the Thirty-first Annual Reunion.

Note—Erma Gene is the name of a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Zella Leedy Bechtel, Dec. 24, 1925.

Mr. and Mrs. Dory L. Leedy are the proud parents of an eleven pound daughter named Neoma Belle.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Iva Leedy Dawson, a 9 pound daughter, answering to the name of Mary Jane, born June 28, 1926. She is the only grand daughter of the fourteen Dawson grand children.  
J. O. Leedy.

#### LEEDY REUNION SONG

Tone of Joy-Bells

By Mary (Miller) Crunkilton  
You should hear the laughter upon a certain morn;

Little children rising up at early dawn.  
This and that they've quickly done;  
Everything is turned to fun;  
All because it is Leedy reunion morn.

CHO:

Greetings, ringing through the park,  
Greetings, ringing through the park,  
Here a cousin, there an aunt;  
Pass them by you can't, you can't.  
One could stand around and talk till nearly dark.

Gaily we speed along, then Ankenytown draws near.

A fourth mile west on Uncle Joe's old homestead, dear.

This is where we love to meet;  
Here our friends we love to greet;  
And we hope to do so each succeeding year.

Here the tabernacle stands in dainty huc;  
Lending cheer and comfort; always looking new.

'Tis a mark of Leedy thrift;  
Built and maintained by their gift.  
It is an example, what good folks will do.

More than thirty years have come and passed away,  
Since our fathers planned that first reunion day.  
Some dear ones have gone before;  
Over on the golden shore.  
We shall greet our loved ones, that great r'union day.

Cho. to last Verse  
Greetings, ever evermore;  
Good-byes, never, nevermore,  
In that great reunion day,  
Where all night has passed away.  
We shall greet our loved ones, ever, evermore.

#### THE DEPARTED

Mary Oldfield Leedy—Died Monday afternoon at 3:35 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. M. Stiehler, 568 Bowman Street, Mansfield, Ohio.

She, with a twin brother, Silas Oldfield, were the youngest children of Richard Oldfield, a pioneer of Southern Richland County, who settled on the farm along Honey Creek where L. D. Durbin now lives.

Mrs. Leedy was born May 23, 1844, and grew to womanhood on this farm.

On March 24, 1867, she was united in marriage to Aaron B. Leedy and their entire married life of 54 years was lived at the Leedy Homestead, five miles southeast of Bellville.

The deceased is survived by five children, Mrs. G. M. Stiehler, Mansfield, Silas and Melvin Leedy, Bellville, Noah Leedy, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and Mrs. C. L. Mishey, Bellville, five grand-children and one great grand-child, also sister, Mrs. Cordelia Loose of Butler, who is 91 years old.

The funeral will be held at the old homestead, now the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Mishey, Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by Rev. Moore of Mansfield.—Local paper.

Another kind friend of early life has left. She and the Editor were school children together in the 1850's, and neighbors for years after her marriage. She was a noble woman, wife and mother. She was laid to rest in the Ankenytown cemetery.

Charles W. Leedy—Aged 21 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Leedy, of near North Liberty, Ohio, and a teacher in the fifth and sixth grades of the Newman street school, died Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mr. Leedy graduated from the Butler schools June, 1924, and secured the position of instructor in the Mansfield public schools. He was assigned last August to the grades in the Newman street school, and was successful in his work. Thursday he was taken ill with a malady which caused his death two days later.

He was born near North Liberty, Oct. 2, 1904, and until reaching young manhood he attended the village schools, and later took a full course at the high school at Butler, where he was well known and greatly admired.

Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Leedy, he is survived by four brothers, Paul, Leland, Daniel and Russell, and two sisters, Mrs. Harley Teeter and Miss Sylvia Bele Leedy, all

of the vicinity of North Liberty. Buried in the North Liberty cemetery.

**Philip S. Sullivan**—Son of Philip and Rosanna Long Sullivan, was born in Miami county, Ind., near the town of Denver, on October 20, 1856, in which county he lived out the days of his natural life. At the early age of sixteen he began teaching in the public schools of the county and adjoining county of Cass, with a record of forty-three years of teaching. During his years of public service he served two terms as trustee of Peru township and four years as superintendent of schools of Miami county. He enjoyed as a diversion the tilling of the soil, having purchased a farm in the neighborhood of old Weasaw where for thirteen years this was a delightful pastime. On December, 29 1877, he was united in marriage with Mary Ellen Lantz. To this union were born two sons, Elvin O., of Peru, and Claude R., of Cleveland, Ohio. On April 13, 1879, he was initiated into the membership of Mexico Lodge, No. 400, I. O. O. F. During the time of his active life he graduated from the University of Valparaiso, in the year 1877. This summer he re-entered his Alma Mater for the purpose of qualifying for further and better service, being for the past five years principal of the Deedsville schools. Very suddenly he was stricken, and departed this life October 23, 1922, at the age of sixty-six years and three days. He leaves in their loneliness and sorrow the widow and two sons, seven brothers and sisters: Louisa Zook, Mexico; John Sullivan, Twelve Mile; Martha Kline, Mexico; Lydia Berkheiser, Mexico; Noah Sullivan, Twelve Mile; Sarah Dick, Chicago, and Isaac Sullivan, Twelve Mile, besides a very wide circle of friends and associates in business and social circles. A grandson of John Long.

**Dora Sullivan**—Mrs. Dora Sullivan, daughter of Ezra and Matilda Jones, was born Oct. 16, 1853, in Miami county, Indiana, and died June 9, 1921; aged 67 years, 7 months and 23 days.

She was united in marriage to Leonidas H. Willson, May 12, 1870. To this union were born two children, Chas. Ernest, who died in infancy, and Edith who survives her. After the death of Mr. Willson she married John Sullivan. To this union were born Rosa Dean, who died in infancy and Tedford.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, John Sullivan, two children, Mrs. Edith Grable, and J. T. Sullivan; three step children, Mrs. Etta Grabel, Gilbert Sullivan and Mrs. Nancy Swank; one sister, Mrs. Fannie Bell, and three brothers, Alfred, William and Eube Jones.

She united with the Twelve Mile Christian Church in 1881 and lived a consistent Christian until she was called to her reward.

These Sullivans belong to the John Long Family.

**Lewis Long**—died on April 14, 1925, at his home in Ravenna, Ohio. He was a grandson in the large John Long family and for years was an enthusiastic Reunion cousin. He was a public official during part of his life, and if the facts were in hand a full biography would be inserted here.

**Harvey Long**—Son of Jessie and Nancy Long was born in Amboy township, Hillsdale

county, Mich., May 12, 1867, and departed this life at the home of Howard Loomis in Pioneer, March 21, 1926, aged 58 years, 10 months and 11 days.

He was joined in marriage to Miss Mary Winkler, Nov. 11, 1893, and to this union six children were born; two sons and four daughters. One son died in infancy and one daughter, Marie when three years old. His wife was taken from him by death in 1914.

Most of his life was spent in and near Pioneer. He leaves to mourn their loss three daughters, Verlie of New Haven, Conn.; Waive of Los Angeles, Cal.; Bessie of Grand Rapids, Ohio; one son, Charles, of Pioneer; two brothers, Daniel of Pioneer and Orlando of Blissfield; two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Loomis of Pioneer and Mrs. Mary Miller of Hudson, Mich., and other relatives and friends.

He was a grandson of Daniel Long and a great grandson of John Long.

**Ruth Irlene Long**—Daughter of Ira E. and Della M. Long, was born in Fostoria, Ohio, and died at the home of her parents near Goshen, Ind., Feb. 9, 1926, aged 21 years and 28 days. She was a student in Manchester College for two years and had taught two years in the school at Andrews, Ind. She was teaching at Jamestown, Ind., when on returning home she was struck by an automobile and suffered a fracture of the skull. For nine weeks her condition continued to improve and she was planning to resume her school work in a short time when an infection developed and rapidly grew into cerebro-meningitis. She was taken to the Goshen Hospital, where an operation was performed for brain abscess. She became a member of the Church of the Brethren at nine years of age and lived a beautiful, consistent, spiritual life. She was a teacher in the Sunday-school and regularly gave a tithe of her income to the Lord's work. Interment in Rock Run cemetery.

A great-granddaughter of Daniel Long and a great-great-grand daughter of John Long.

**Ezra Long**—Aged 59 years, a farmer residing north of Fredericktown, is dead as the result of a fall from a load of wheat, July, 1925.

Funeral services were held at his late residence. Mr. Long is survived by his wife, two sons, Cletus Long, of this city, John Long, of Butler, his mother, Mrs. Susan Long, of Butler, two sisters, Mrs. Fred Shuster and Mrs. Frank Bowman, of this city, four brothers, Samuel and Harvey Long, of this city, Riley Long, of Ashland and Dora Long of Wooster.

He was born and reared on a farm south of Butler, Ohio, and lived in that locality for many years during his early life. Great grandson of John Long.

**Edith Grable**—Edith, daughter of Leonidas and Dora Willson, was born April 21, 1875, and departed this life April 28, 1925 age 48 years and 7 days.

She was united in marriage to Joram Grable May 20, 1896, who died about one year after their marriage.

She leaves to mourn her loss a stepfather, John Sullivan, half brother, John Tedford Sullivan, two step-sisters, Mrs. Etta Grable, and Mrs. Nancy Swank, one step brother, Gilbert Sullivan, and a host of relatives and friends.

**George G. Burns**—Infant son of Lester L. and Ruth Garber Burns, Ashland, Ohio, was laid asleep on June 1, 1926, at the side of his two uncles, little sons of A. L. and M. E. Garber, till the resurrection morning.

**Mary Gambrill Innis**—Of Sutherland, Ia. died March 26, 1926. She was born Aug. 11, 1856, the daughter of Arthur and Sarah Leedy Gambrill, grand-daughter of John Leedy. She married David Innis in Dec., 1875, and lived for some years in Dysart, Iowa, later moving to Sutherland. She is survived by five sons and three daughters.

**Edna Leedy**—Daughter of Stanton Leedy died at the hospital in Toledo, Ohio, April 2, 1926. Friday morning, death coming from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

The deceased was aged 37 years, 2 months and 19 days at the time of her death.

Funeral services were held at the Ankenytown Church. Burial was made in the Ankenytown cemetery.

**George W. Bohner**—Only son of Nathan and Cathren Bohner, was born in Amboy township, Hillsdale County, Mich., April 22, 1866, and died at the University Hospital at Ann Arbor, Mich., April 14, 1926, aged 59 years, 11 months and 22 days.

May 24, 1888, he was married to Saloma Koch of Jefferson township, William County, Ohio. To this union were born three sons, namely Royal and Ellsworth of Amboy, Mich., and Lorin who died in infancy.

In his early life he was converted and joined the Church of the Brethren and died in the Triumph of a Living Faith.

In the death of Brother Bohner the family has lost a loving husband and kind father, the church a loyal member, and the community one of its most honorable men.

There remains a wife, two sons, four grandchildren, a mother, one foster brother, two sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his departure.

His father preceded him November 13, 1878. George spent his entire life in the home in which he was born.

A grand son of Daniel Long and a great-grandson of John Long.

#### HEALTH NOTES

Health rules are like all other good rules; they need to be repeated like the laws of the Lord: Precept upon precept and line upon line.

For commercial advantage the literature of the world has little to say about the best rules of health. There is no money in it and it don't pay.

We repeat often the experience of the Columbus, Ohio, association of physicians, years ago. There was a rage of diseases, and a spirit of altruism came over the doctors. They began to advise patients how to have good health, by diet and bodily care. The people got

well, and the doctors were sad; they had nothing to do, worth while and were soon on the border of poverty. They decided to leave their altruism and emphasized the logic of their profession, namely to prescribe for the sick.

We can't exactly blame writers on diet, dealers in and manufacturers of foods for practicing good business and being thrifty. They can not be expected to play at the game of altruism while they work for success and prosperity.

Recently the famous author of the Daily Dozen, who made good money printing a system of contortions, twisting of the body and swinging of the limbs, went to bed in health and went dead during the night, and was several years less than 70 in age. He taught exercise for money, and got it; but with him it was all for profit.

Now the fact is that ten minutes chopping wood as our pioneers did, is better and more healthful exercise than the daily dozen. But if that author had put this paragraph in his advertising he would be living today and healthy, but poor in money from that source.

In 1874 the writer entered a college of hygienic therapeutics. In the opening the president told us that the two years' course might be condensed to a two month's course, and a diploma of graduation given; but no confidence would be built in the minds of the people and the profession would be unprofitable.

This paper is printed under a sentiment of altruism, and what is regarded as best, is said without respect to pay or any other consideration, except that it will pay the expense of the paper, printing and mailing. The writing and knowledge utilized are given free for the good that it will do.

The first great health habit is to boil all the water used for beverage purposes. Keep the old tea kettle supplied with plenty of water that had been heated to boiling, and be finicky about using, when a drink is wanted. No water coming out of the dirty ground may always be sure and safe. As we look out of the window we see a residence, where the family drank water from the well for more than fifty years. A couple years ago the mother became sick. The sons and daughters came home to see her. She developed a case of typhoid fever and died. One son

died and the daughter and another son were serious sick for some time. The *habit* of drinking boiled water would have prevented all of the distress. In warm weather, boil the water and keep it in a cool place.

You see man was made to live about a thousand years, even tho he had sinned. He was organized to eat raw herbs, raw fruits, raw seeds and grain. We have found that it takes a long time to chew down a mess of raw cabbage and old corn grains. We get there, but it is an enduring task, especially with a few mill worn teeth aided by an allotment of store teeth. Because we have ceased to eat natural foods in a natural way is why we need the leafy foods to help out. When we eat strong nutritious food, cooked, baked and seasoned, to the full, we get twice or more nutrition than we need and it is readily digested and the blood is overloaded and life is crowded out. A man could not possibly chew up cabbage and corn, rice or wheat grains if he kept busy all day an equal amount of nutrition that a hearty eater would take at one big meal.

Good health depends upon good food. Eighty to ninety per cent of disease is due to wrong food. The potentiality of life yet remains to those who are born right in body up to 1000 years, and has been so. We have cut it down to about 100 years. Let us turn and build it up again. Where we know to do better let us do it. Eat natural foods in a natural way. Look after the purity and quality of what we eat and drink as we look after the quality of the merchandise we buy.

Knowledge has increased wonderfully in subjects of health foods, care and protection of the body and long life. But the people refuse to learn. Nation after nation has lived and then died on account of some national intemperance.

#### RAPID CITY, S. D.

May 19, 1926.

The Leedy Chronicle: A short account of our trip from Rapid City, S. D. to Florida and return may be of some interest.

To the Many relatives and friends who gave us such a glorious time while visiting and attending the 30th Reunion of the great Leedy Family in Knox Co., Ohio, we send Greeting and Thanks.

It was a wonderful trip of 13000 miles. Not sick one minute, and no accidents; passing thru 23 states, and one day in Canada, stopping in and passing thru 200 of the principal cities and many towns. Arrived at Auburndale, Fla., Oct. 1st, 4 months after leaving Rapid City.

On the way stopped 2 weeks at Piercetown, Ind., my home, when a boy. Also 1 week at Rochester, Ind., with my only sister who is 84 years old.

In Florida, took trip from Jacksonville south to Palm Beach, then went to the "Divide," High Land where the Citrus Fruit is grown; also along Lake Okeechobee, 2nd largest fresh water lake in U. S., then north to Orlando, Lake City and Tallahassee. 2nd trip south from Tallahassee to Lake City, Gainesville, Ocala, Plant City, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Arcadia and to Auburn-dale. Again, after 10 days, traveled the way to Tallahassee, 2nd time.

March 8th started for home. A few of the towns—Bainbridge, Ga., Montgomery, Ala., Jackson and Vicksburg, Miss., Meridian, La., Dallas, Fortworth Denison, Tex., Oklahoma City, Ok., Wellington, Orichota, Topeka, Kan., Kansas City, and St. Jo, Mo., Des Moines, Iowa, then Rapid City, 11 months after starting.

We sure were sorry to miss the Indiana Reunion.

I do hope the younger people of our family will write and support The Leedy Chronicle, and get 2 publications of it a year, Jan. and July.

Look up your ancestors, learn where they came from and when they came to America. Do you know Royal Blood runs in the veins of many of you? Especially on grandmother's side, *Keith* Leedy.

Hope to see many of you in this *Switzerland* of America, the *wonderful Black Hills*, where you can buy good land from \$1 per acre up.

John L. Spayde.

As a closing item, we want to say to all, Meet us at the Reunion, if the Lord wills. We have an interest in our young people and delight to meet all, even tho we are too old to remember the names of the young.

A financial report will be published in the November Chronicle.

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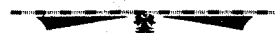
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## THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL LEEDY REUNION

The Thirty-first Annual Leedy Reunion passed in the Leedy Park, Ankenytown, Ohio, Aug. 18, 1926.

The attendance was about as large as usual, there being more relatives and not so many visitors, as at former reunions. The wear of time has removed many from the surrounding country, who were regular attendants as friends of the Leedy.

The thirty years of the past have removed all of the old father pioneers, and their children have become old. The old fathers and mothers who made the reunions notable have gone to their clay beds, except the remnant who can be counted by one, two or three. To us who have become old and gray, there is a sense of loneliness.

Pres. J. O. Leedy was on hand full of purpose to do the best he could, and he did well and worked well as a beginner.

Cousin W. H. Cocanower, of Newark, Ohio, gave the address of welcome in his nice way and Harvey Leedy, of Michigan responded in an enthusiastic speech along patriotic lines. Bryan Leedy was on hand and sang in his delightful way. Daughters of Pres. Ora's and other bright young relatives gave recitations and sang, to the delight of the many relatives. Also, he and his brothers treated the audience with old-time violin music.

Mrs. D. L. Leedy and her Sister, Noma Graham, gave a fine piano duet, and her daughter and Bertha Fry gave a recitation that pleased.

Roy B. Leedy opened the five-minute speeches and gave us a good talk as he always has. He was followed by Theo L. Garber, Uncle John Swank and Rev. O. D. Sewank.

This letter was read  
Bellyville, Ohio, Aug. 18, 1926.

Dear Leedy Relatives:

Altho it falls to my lot to remain at home this reunion day, I am thinking of you and send you greetings.

I hope too that the weather has not dampened your spirits any.

There is something bearing on my mind of which I wish to speak, that is the endowment fund.

There may be those who must count their pennies, but who is there who cannot afford a dollar for this great cause.

There are others who could easily give two and others who might give even a hundred dollars.

The refreshment stand has been abandoned this year. What have you formerly spent there? Figure up and give it for the endowment fund this year.

Perhaps some of you would like to give but feel that you cannot give as much now as you would like.

May I or will some one move that pledge cards be printed for distribution for the purpose of obtaining pledges to the endowment fund. Yours sincerely,

Frances H. Humphrey.

The matter of the refreshment stand created a diversion before the audience, and it was voted that all bottled beverages should be kept away from the reunion stand of 1927. See editorial for further explanation.

A decision was made to purchase an outfit to make coffee. Ye scribe did not learn how much money was received by a collection that was taken.

The old officers were reelected.

Now, for Reunion 32.

## INDIANA LEEDY REUNION

The 23rd Annual Reunion of the Leedy Family was held at the City Park, Goshen, Ind., August 22.

The numbers were not so large as last year but the spirit was all there. The day was so pleasant that it put a good time in the heart of all there. Of course we missed those who have come for years and then had to miss this one but we hope they will be with us next year. We welcomed those from Michigan, Ohio, and Illinois for there were many present.

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150 sat around the table at the noon hour and it is then that we get the best acquainted.

Homer Leedy of Goshen, the President called the business meeting at 2:30.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow was sung followed by Prayer by Cousin Mary Miller of Bourbon.

Two letters of Greeting from Cousin A. L. Garber were read. We wished he could have been with us.

Mary Emma Shumaker of South Bend gave a recitation.

A dozen or more gave short talks that were interesting and especially expressed there pleasure of being at this reunion.

The election resulted in the following being elected:

President—DeFoe Leedy of Goshen;  
Vice President—Ralph Rodibaugh of South Bend,  
Sec.-Treas.—Pearl Leedy Wiegner of Elkhart.

Many subscribed for the Leedy Chronicle. We are so glad there will be two issues this year.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Miller.

Pearl Leedy Wiegner, Sec.  
(Mrs. H. E. Wiegner)

### SAMUEL GARBER FAMILY REUNION

Saturday, Aug. 14th was decidedly rainy in the morning, and the near friends were suspicious that the relatives farther away would not brave the storm for the reunion. But they came and near a hundred gathered in the old farm house in the yard of Samuel M. Garber's nice residence, and a splendid reunion was held.

The old officers were continued and a program committee was added, composed of Miss Leese Garber, Mrs. Miriam Zercher and Mrs. Olive Walker.

A. L. Garber, on behalf of the Ashland, Ohio relatives invited the reunion to Ashland, for Aug. 13, 1927.

O. M. and Edna Garber built a cottage in a grove near Ashland and the Ashland relatives will entertain the reunion there.

Prof. L. L. Garber gave a fine address about his trip in Europe.

Mrs. S. M. Garber was the chief hostess of the reunion, and a rousing

vote of thanks was given her for her cordial welcome and fine arrangements to make it pleasant for the friends, in, out of the rain.

Jovial remarks were made by several friends. The big dinner was set out in cafeteria style, and we were jolly feasters.

Theo. L. Garber reported a nice balance in his hands as treasurer.

Our host, S. M. Garber made us happy in his suave manner of dispelling the gloom of the rainy morning.

All aboard for Ashland, Aug. 13, 1927.

### HILL REUNION

The Hill Family, of the Johnny Long relationship held a fine reunion July 31st, at the Grange Hall, near Darrowville, Ohio, in the region of Akron, Ohio. The reunion of 1927 will be held at the same place on the last Saturday in July. The same officers were continued. C. M. Hill, 234 North Second St., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, is president, Barbara Long Hill's children have nearly all gone before.

### INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

2342 Central Ave., Apr. 1, 1926.

Just a line to let you know I am enjoying good health at present. Am so thankful to my Blessed Savior for all his loving kindness. I have now come to the age that I devote the greater part of my time to Bible study, watch and pray that through the grace of God he will receive me and I can join our loved ones who have gone before, in that beautiful city of God. Hope we may all meet there.

I wished to attended the last Leedy Reunion so much but on account of being with my daughter Jessie, now residing in Indianapolis could not be there. I expect to spend the winter here; it is a very nice place and I like it here. My Daughter, Etta has been very kind to me for 13 years and I think about home. If I were young in years I certainly would enjoy helping to keep up the Chronicle with plenty of news. We have many young Leedy relatives that have both the talent and money to carry on the good work. Hope I may be able to receive the Chronicle again.

Aunt Anna Leedy.

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## FROM ROY B. LEEDY

Amanda, O., Jan. 29, 1927.

Dear Cousin:—If you find room the following letter from Mrs. Cattell and old correspondent will be of interest.

Ames, Ia., Jan. 6, 1927.

Dear Cousin Roy B. Leedy:—I am leaving Ames the 12th of this month and will move to Des Moines. My address will be 4001 Amick Ave. I lost my last brother, Samuel Myers, the last of November. I have one sister still left. Elizabeth Coleman. She was 94 years old in December 20th. She is very well. Sews quilt blocks all the time. Washes her own clothes and irons them. Makes pies and cooks, etc. She is a child of the King. She is the next oldest in the family of Susan Leedy Myers, a daughter of Big John Leedy.

Mrs. Mary Cattell.

Note—Cousin Mary Cattell sent me a photo of Big John Leedy and one of his wife, and also one of their oldest son Lewis K. Leedy, who died aged 89 the year of the first Leedy Reunion. The latter two never appeared in the Chronicle and if some interested friend will furnish the funds I will have a cut made for each for the next Chronicle. It will be 100 years next August since Big John Leedy entered the last quarter of his whole section of land in Richland county. I would like to see a write up and will prepare one for the next Chronicle, giving some interesting things about Big John and his family.

I promised to write something for the next Chronicle and I want to make my word good. After the Reunion I was very busy getting ready for our Annual Conference and then had the extra inconvenience of a move and getting started on a new field of labor.

After the Reunion last fall I called on Mr. D. W. Garber who was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Garber at Butler, O. and had an interesting interview relating to our common ancestry and historical pursuits. Mr. Garber is in the Government service and has an important position at the U. S. Naval Hospital at Great Lakes, Ill.

*Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution*

I was especially interested in the historical data he had procured and published in the last issue of the Chronicle.

He obtained these facts in his effort to establish connection with a Leedy Revolutionary ancestor, in his affiliation with the Son's of the American Revolution.

Two other inquiries had been sent me about the Revolutionary war record of Abraham Leedy, ancestor of the Richland and Knox county Ohio Leedys, and not having the name I urged them to have a search made of the Maryland war records, to which I had never had access.

Now cousin Garber makes this statement: "It will probably be found if further verification of his residence at Frederick or Hagerstown, Maryland can be had, that our Abraham Leedy served as follows in the Revolutionary War:

"The name of Abraham Leedy appears as a Private in a Muster Roll of Captain John Kersher's Company, guarding the prisoners of War at Fort Frederick, Maryland, June 27, 1778."

Here is a valuable discovery to me. I have already verified Abraham Leedy's residence at Hagerstown by various sources, among which I would name the copy of the will I possess of his wife's father John Long which was probated at Hagerstown in 1791, and a copy of a release of property executed there by Abraham and Catharine Leedy, then of Bedford Co. Pa., in 1805, after the death of her mother Margaret Long.

I have found no other Abraham Leedy in Revolutionary times and it is my firm conviction that this is conclusive proof that the Abraham Leedy of this military record, is the same one who moved from Hagerstown, Md. to Bedford county, Pa., in 1786, and whose family later settled in Richland and Knox counties, Ohio, and one son David in Montgomery county.

In a later issue of the Chronicle I would like to publish the records of all the Leedy Revolutionary War ancestors, and the line of descent which will serve as a key for any one who wishes to become a member of the Son's or Daughter's of the American Revolution. Will all Leedy descendants who are already members please inform me as I would like to give all names of such members with my article.

*First Leedy Family In America*

In all my search for Leedy History in the past fifteen years, I have never

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found more than tradition about the first Leedy family in America. The earliest published tradition appeared in the Richland Star, Belleville, O., Oct. 1879 by our cousin A. L. Garber. David Long who gave him the information, was a man of remarkable memory, and was 27 years of age when his grandfather Abraham Leedy died, one of the original family.

This tradition stated that one Leedy family came to America, parents and five children, four sons and a daughter. Our ancestor Abraham settled in Bedford Co. Pa., and another brother settled in Virginia.

On this basis I prepared the Key to the Leedy Tribes in America which has been published in most of the issues of the Chronicle since 1919. There I gave four original brothers Jacob, John, Samuel and Abraham.

In taking time to study over the records published by Mr. D. W. Garber, mentioned above, in the July, 1926 Chronicle, page 5, and also the original correspondence from York, Pa. which he sent to me, to my great delight I look for the first time on a genuine record of our first Leedy family in this country.

Putting together these records of the year 1761 in York Co. Pa., we have the first family record: Parents, **John and Elizabeth Leedy**; Children, Jacob, John, Barbara, Eve, Samuel and Abraham.

Jacob was then of age, John aged 24 and the rest too young to choose their own guardian in the year 1761 in which their father died. This record coincides with our hypothesis so well that we can now discard the traditions and hypotheses and have the facts.

Our Virginian cousins, descendants of Samuel, had the right traditional name of the first father, JOHN.

The Youngstown Leedy's should have furnished us with a good tradition since they came from the oldest son Jacob, while both Samuel and Abraham were but small children when the original father died.

*Leedy History*

Just recently I received the following letter from Mr. Frank Leslie Bailey, a descendant of Big John Leedy. He is a senior in Drake University, DeMoines, Iowa and writes as follows:

"I am the only son and youngest

child of Mary Cattell's oldest daughter, Janette, wife of Seymour Bailey.

"My recent discovery of our connection with the noble and hardy stock of the Leedy ancestors, gave me great happiness. To maintain disinterest in one's ancestors, is, in my mind, to commit folly. In building a life and character, the foundation is all important.

"You mention in a letter to my grandmother that you are writing a history of Big John Leedy. Is the volume published? If not, are there any other volumes of the family history that you can refer me to. The scraps of information that I have been able to pick up have only served to increase my interest. Our city Librarian has not been able to find any trace of the family in volumes of genealogy at her disposal."

This is a stirring inquiry. It is a misfortune that our Leedy history is still unpublished. Here is a young cousin who would search its pages with keen interest. Even though the Leedy name is not in his branch nearer than his great grandmother, Susan Leedy Myers. How my heart longs to give our Leedy youth a published history of our great family!

The longer this is put off the harder it will be to finish it and the more danger of loosing what we have gained. I have no fire-proof safe for my records and could never duplicate them.

If there are five or ten Leedys who will arise as patrons of this cause and say we will each give \$100 to see this thing through; or if there are twice that number who will say fifty dollars apiece; or if there is but one noble Leedy who would say, here I want to endow this project, then I would retire from the ministry for a year and devote my whole time to this cause.

I am ready to give my name for the first one hundred dollars to this cause, and that is only a small thing to what I have already done for the Leedy history and am willing still to do.

Probably we have some Leedy financier in our connection that can propose and promote a better plan that would put our Leedy history in print within another year or so!

*The Leedy Chronicle*

The letter I quoted above from Mr. Bailey, reminded me of the unfortunate

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fact that there is not a single bound set of the issues of the LEEDY CHRONICLE in any Genealogical Library or other library anywhere in the country. We should have such a set in all the leading Genealogical libraries. My own file is the only complete one I know of at present.

Mr. D. W. Garber, whom I mentioned above, asked me for any copies of the Leedy Chronicle I might have to make up his file. I sent him 16 copies of 1910 and before, one of which No. 2, Vol. 11, 1900, was partial. With the exception of this defective copy, and two others Vol. IV, No. 4, 1903, and Vol. VII, No. 4, 1906, his file is complete. Can any one help with these?

Now I would like to determine whether any one of the Leedy family has all the Chronicles from the beginning. I will give below the complete list of all published copies for comparison. Will you kindly compare your copies with this list and report to me just what you have? If we can locate enough sets, I will prepare an index which I believe our editor will publish in the Chronicle and we can locate and preserve a number of complete sets in various parts of the country.

## Chronicles to date

- 1897 Vol. I, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4.
- 1898 Vol. I, Nos. 5, 6, 7.
- 1899 Vol. I Nos. 8, 9.
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- 1920 Vol. XXIII, Apr., July, Aug., Oct.
- 1921 Vol. XXIV, Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall (cover) Nov.
- 1922 Vol. XXV, Winter (cover) Mar., June (Spring on cover), Aug. (Summer on cover)
- 1923 Vol. XXVI, Mar., July.
- 1924 Vol. XXVII, May, August.
- 1925 Vol.—Annual, July, Year 28.
- 1926 Annual, July, Year 29.

The numbering was irregular, particularly from 1914 on when the month is given. For Sept. 1914, the cover has Dec.; for Oct. 1915 the cover gives Sept. and so for the last issue of 1916. In 1911 there are two No. 2 issues, and in 1913 two No. 1 issues.

Roy B. Leedy.

## BOURBON, IND.

October, 1926.

Dear Cousins and Readers of the Chronicle:—I am glad for two papers a year. Hope the young folks will write that we have them full of news from all over the States where our relatives live. I hope to see you next year at the Ohio reunion, if God spares my life. God bless the Family.

After spending two weeks with my nephew in North Manchester and attending the reunion at Goshen I came home, Sunday eve and Monday, received my long looked for Chronicle and I finished reading it and dropped every thing and commenced writing: found a tablet 16 years old among son Charle's books. So I have plenty of paper. I realize I had not written to the Chronicle for two years. I think I will commence in time, will write chapters. This is chapter I. Will try and write so our good cousin Editor can drop out a chapter if he wishes.

Chapter II—I was so glad to read our Cousins John Spayde's letter. I really was uneasy for fear he and wife were lost. Glad for the Chronicle for keeping me posted. I am sure if you cousins were all away from your relatives like I am you would write letters and keep the Chronicle supplied with news and money to keep up the expenses if you can. Hope the moneyed cousins will think this over and send a dollar or \$5.00 once a year to our Editor who has given so much of his time and money for our dear Leedy Family and paper.

Chapter III—I know some of my cousins will wonder how I can take the time to be away from home two weeks and write to the Chronicle. Well I am not young, can work too much then rest. That is what I am doing now after riding from North Manchester to Goshen, then home, quite a ride for one of my age; was 73 years old the 3rd of September, and you know going to reunion and trying to shake hands and talk to everybody there and make them welcome is tiresome. Will make this short; I had a nice time and was glad to see our people again.

Chapter IV—Our Leedys from Pierceton were not at the reunion this year; we missed them so much. The Warsaw Leedys failed to be there and the Illinois Leedys were kept away by the rains; could not, get their threshing done. We missed them all. The attendance was not as large as usual, but I think they all enjoyed it that were there and will be there if they live to next year. It will be the same place, Goshen Park, a beautiful place for a reunion.

Chapter V—How time flies; here is the 2nd day of October and my letter it not finished, the Pierceton Leedys, Uncle Dave's family have a reunion today, north of Pierceton at Nancie Wards; quite a few of them. Mrs. Emma Greer is the youngest one of Uncle Dave's family. She is very sick at the Hospital in Warsaw. Her niece was to see me Friday and told me of her sickness; that is why she was not at reunions.

Chapter VI—Owen, my youngest boy, and wife went to France. Sailed the 17th of August and started back the 11th of September; was home last Sunday. Was glad to see him back to our good old U. S. A. Things are different now than they were when he was in the World War. Owen was there 22 months this time. His firm sent him over on business. Son Charles was home last week; his wife's father was buried recently. Both were at the funeral.

Chapter VII—I will spend my winter with Charles and family. They live at 463 Florence Ave., Webster Grove, Mo. Hope our Garber Cousins will call at that place when I get there. Charles works in St. Louis. I will leave home after the election; want to vote dry. If I live I will write a letter

for our next Summer Chronicle. With Love to all.

Mary E. Miller.

### MT. GILEAD, OHIO

Oct. 19, 1926.

Dear Chronicle Readers:—

I received a few lines from the Editor asking me to write for the Chronicle. Only one thing I think of at this moment. I dislike writing letters. This being the second letter for the Chronicle it is some effort to write.

Our family pay each other many visits, but it is very seldom we write a letter. The Editor has promised us two Chronicles a year and I will try and do my bit to make it the grand family paper it should be.

The writer, wife and daughters, Blanch and Gladys, spent a most enjoyable week end visit among Mrs. Leedy's relatives in Summit County, Ohio, the last week in August. Our hostess informed us that big John Leedy is not the only large ancestor my daughters have to brag about, for she weighs 300 lbs. and her Grandfather and mother tipped the scales at 700 lbs. on their wedding day.

Being a farmer I couldn't help noticing the large number of farms around Akron, Ohio, producing nothing but weeds and briars. On asking why, I was informed that land lords are receiving more cash rent for the house alone when rented to men working in the rubber factories than they could get for the entire 160 acres of land the house is located on if rented for agricultural purposes. Thus the houses are rented and the land grows up in weeds. To a common hay seed this thing seems getting greatly our of balance.

Brother Lloyd and wife returned home safely from their month's visit with her people in Ill. Lloyd reports some great sport fishing in the Illinois river. He has the patience to be a good fisherman and he and wife spend many week ends at some lake or river camping and fishing. They spent Sat. Oct. 9th at Lakeville, Ohio, and landed quite a number of fine fish, among them being two cat-fish weighing 5 lbs. each. Myself and family joined them at the lake Sunday morning and all motored over to sister Zella Bechtels, southwest

of Butler, Ohio, for luncheon. On arriving there we found a house full of relatives paying them a visit.

Among those present were Mrs. Frank Leedy and two sons of Newark, O.; Mrs. Evelyn Leedy Wittle, husband and family of Mansfield, O.; Mrs. Iva Leedy Dawson, husband and family of Mt. Gilead, O.; and J. J. Leedy of Cleveland, O.

On counting noses we found 28 present and greatly enjoyed the day chatting together.

Since leaving the farm, Lloyd and Jay Leedy have both been working in the Otis steel mill of Cleveland, O. Lloyd is employed as heater and Jay as heater's helper. Jay has recently been promoted to extra heater and reports making \$18.00 the first eight hours he heated. A regular heater receives near \$15.00 per day.

If our forefathers had received half this amount for a day's labor they would have laid the greater part of it by for that proverbial "rainy day," but the younger generation seem to be inclined to spend their money at the present time and trust to the future to provide for itself. Brother Floyd is making good in his College work and has received some very complimentary remarks on his left hand penmanship. The loss of his right arm six years ago caused him to think of obtaining an education.

The remainder of our family have a very poor education and must depend on main and might for a livelihood. I wanted to say something in regard to reunions in this letter but as it is becoming to lengthy I will bring it to a close and try and write something for the next Chronicle. This letter leaves us all enjoying the best of health.

J. O. Leedy.

### TRENTON, MO.

Sept. 13, 1926.

I have received the last issue of the Chronicle and have enjoyed reading about the reunion, and all the news in general, but very sorry to know of so many passing away.

There are so many, I can not place them, do not know to whom they belong to.

Would like to know who the publisher's parents are?

If I live to Nov. 5th I will be 86 years old. I am the daughter of Lewis K. Leedy.

Enclosed a dollar for the next two issues, and the balance for the continuance of the Chronicle. I am

Samantha Leedy Collier.

1113 Westlawn St.

Note—A. L. Garber, publisher of the Chronicle, is a grandson of Catharine a sister of Lewis K. Leedy, and his father was a cousin to you.

### LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA

December 19, 1926.

I am wondering if the proverbial little bird's message was told to you that I was married? Any way it is true. The date is July 28th and the lady's name, Irene M. Hurley, a neighbor and acquaintance of the family for some time. She has two daughters of grammar school age; a native born of the Golden State and reared on a farm. (they call them ranches in California.)

Lula is in Manila at present. She will sail for the U. S. A., Jan 8th and will arrive in Seattle, Feb. 1st. After a few days in Los Gatos, she will go to Exeter where Erma is teaching and her son Robert has been staying and going to school. After the end of the school term, they will return to Los Gatos.

In the mean time, I will build a new house for Lula very near where we now live and where they will be at home. Lula's husband will return to the States later in the year.

After we were married, we took a trip south, going as far as San Diego, Cal., and across the line into Mexico. On our return trip we spent about a week in Yosemite National Park. We were gone three weeks and had a very nice trip.

Wishing you God speed in your work and a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, all the whole year thru, I will close.

Eugene R. Leedy.

Note—We will just shout a big congratulation for ourselves and all the Chronicle readers, and think no end of joy and happiness. Well, Cousin, we are mighty lonely, alone, after our children are all away doing for themselves and family. Every thing is all right, except we would delight to have the portrait of E. R. Leedy and his wife

Irene, of 1927, for the Chronicle for a little visit together.

#### REEDLEY, CAL.

Nov. 2, 1926.

It is quite a task for me to write letters, but a few lines with the obituary on another page may interest readers. Mrs. Leedy passed to the great beyond on the 18th of August, following a stroke of paralysis. She had a stroke several years ago, but, until a short time before her death, she seemed to enjoy a fair degree of health.

Agnes, the only single member of the family, took care of her after her first stroke and is now keeping house for me.

The growing of fruit is getting to be pretty much of a joke, especially, table grapes, freight rates, packing charges, commissions, etc. often leave the grower nothing but red ink.

I read of so many of the kinfolks, being in California; I wonder why they never come to see me. Eugene Leedy and daughters called on us about a year ago and I expect to visit him this winter if possible.

Edna Grantham, a niece (Bob's youngest daughter) and her husband visited us about a year ago. I hope the relatives in Cal. and visitors from the east will look us up.

I have just returned from casting my vote, but I don't expect to vote many more times. I cast my first vote for R. B. Hayes not being quite old enough to vote at the Grant-Greeley election.

H. C. Leedy.

#### MT. VERNON, OHIO

Oct. 26, 1926.

Mr. J. F. Amos has prechased and is operating a meat market in Mt. Vernon, on North Main Street.

Mr. J. Clifford Hess of Fredericktown was married a few weeks ago to a Mrs. Levering, also of that village.

After visiting his home in Mt. Vernon for a few days, Lee H. Miller of Toledo, (a grandson of Isaac Leedy), took a motor trip through the East, passing through the famous Shenandoah Valley, and visiting Gettysburg, Cumberland, Washington, D. C., Baltimore and other points of interest including the Sesqui-Centennial at Philadelphia.

A daughter, Grace Ernestine, was

born October 11, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel T. Crunkilton of Bellville. The little lady's mother is a daughter of Hannah Leedy Miller who is a daughter of "Uncle Isaac" Leedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sherwood of Cuyaboga Falls, Ohio, called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Miller of Mt. Vernon, Saturday, October 23. Mrs. Sherwood is a daughter of Elias Davy of N. Dakota, who is a son of the late Eld. Henry Davy.

Hanna Leedy Miller.

#### BELLVILLE, OHIO

There are only five of the Jehu L. Garber family left. Mother, Ella and Clara in Bellville, J. W., the owner of a fruit orchards which has borne an abundant crop this year.

H. S.'s widow and family still live on the farm at Bellville.

Leora, a daughter is teaching school in Plymouth—is principal.

Gladys and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Gongwer, are teaching in the Mt. Gilead school this year where Mr. Gongwer is principal.

Vance Garber is attending to the farm work.

Marguerite, the younger one of the family—will enclose clipping from The Mansfield Journal that tells what she is doing and her school work.

Mrs. J. Murray Garber is in Public Welfare work and Lyman, their son is working in the office of the Great American Fire Insurance Co., in New York City.

Marguerite Garber, Jefferson township farm club girl, the daughter of Mrs. H. S. Garber, will leave Thursday for Detroit, where she will be the guest of the Detroit Land Bank and attend the National Dairy show, October 7-13.

Miss Garber will receive the free trip to Detroit and the dairy show as the result of winning the first prize in an essay contest which was open to club boys and girls in seven counties in North Central Ohio, Richland, Wyandot, Crawford, Marion, Morrow, Delaware and Knox.

The essay was on the subject "Advantages of the Amortization Plan of Farm Loans."

Ida M. Garber.

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#### REUNIONS HEREAFTER.

The Leedy Reunions are now thirty years old and have held thirty-one reunions. The shifts of time have changed many conditions and a new order of affairs is necessary.

An endowment is now in order and a beginning has been made. In the July Chronicle, we intend to make a full statement of the funds we have handled, and what the kind, benevolent relatives have given for an endowment.

It is in order to get away from the entertaining feature of the reunions that has come down to this time. The day is too short for the social intercourse of the many relatives and a long program. Many things are good and nice but there is no time for them. Radios and numerous other entertaining devices now abound and entertainment is a daily experience with many, and the high order of the same, make the efforts of relatives, crude and inferior.

A simple business session and the little talks by relatives are all that time allows.

The disposition to make sacrifice by time and labor is departing from the local relationship, and hereafter, the care of the park will need to be made a paid service; hence the endowment. My aim was to have the park a community possession, and we shall ask

the community to aid in making it a place of free use.

The tilt about the drink stand was a sort of puzzle to many; they could not comprehend what it was all about.

We started to handle the park project as an individual, supported and sanctioned by the reunion. It became the practice of most of the relative to regard us as a sort of dictator, and when they desired to know what to do, they went to old Garber.

Years ago, we gave relatives of the Brethren Church the stand privilege for \$10 or a division of the profits. They paid the cash. Later it drifted into the hands of children associated in church affairs. They begin to sell the soft drink *rot* and we made it emphatic that it was objectionable. But they gave no heed and in 1925, they had the stuff there again, and they gave the reunion no cash nor division of the profits. Perhaps the church people did favors to fully equal them.

We made a special trip, in the spring and called Pres. Ora, and he came and we sat in the tabernacle and talked it over, and he granted that the old dilapidated stand be abandoned. A young lady cousin asked us for the privilege for the last reunion and we answered No! So we printed in the Chronicle that there would be no beverage stand, and expected to get it away without this publicity. But the Lord has willed that the guilty be rebuked, the good-meaning young people of the church taught a great lesson and that the dear, innocent young relatives shall not be betrayed to bad things by the glorious Leedy Reunion.

Some one thoughtlessly said the reunion would be a failure without the stand. If that comes to be true, then the sooner the Leed Reunion is dead, damned and forgotten the better.

The church young people and perhaps others hatched up a conspiracy to have the thing their way. They importuned Pres. Ora Leedy and he yielded to their desires and so we had the print lie that was taken up before the reunion, and a ban put against the bottled *rot* which no one should drink, and much less peddle out "for the church," and at our Reunions.

We do not know who is to blame and I do not want to know; we hate to know cousin relatives, by person, who forgot

their virtue to such an extent that they treated us with contempt. to have their own way, and even disgrace the church our noble Leedy Uncles and myself developed in long years of sacrifice. The youngsters are forgiven; they don't know what they do, and President Ora did not understand the situation.

We made a serious error in turning the stand over to relatives. It created two interests in the reunion. The stand group were all absorbed about the stand affairs and the money they could make off of the other relatives. At the last reunion they were in the park first, and we older ones far away had to arrange the tabernacle for use.

We mean to ask the Reunion to cut it out next year. It is no good. It is a curse on the children to eat a lot of popcorn and other stuff and drink on top of the big reunion dinner. Relatives, regard the health of your children.

Further, we wish that we might adopt a common table for the whole reunion, and eat on the self-help style, the cafeteria. We would thus encourage the filial feeling of true relationship ties. Come next year ready to vote for one reunion table for all.

#### NEWS AND NOTES

On Aug. 24, Cousin D. W. Garber visited The Chronicle Office for the purpose of filling out his file of Leedy Chronicles. We gave him the copies he could find free. In the generosity of his nature, he gave us \$2.00 on the park endowment Leedy history fund. He was accompanied by his father, J. S. Garber, and Jacob Garber, an uncle. We are pleased at the interest Co. D. W. is taking in the history of the Leedy people.

Miss Helen Leedy has sent in her subscription to The Chronicle. Wish she would write and tell us about her family, how many and the names. We think she belongs to the John Leedy family, son of pioneer Abraham.

On Aug. 9th a new baby girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Humphrey, living near Bellville, Ohio. She weighed 8 $\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. and was named Juanita Celeste, and is of the Joseph and Rufus Leedy families, both of the Abraham Leedy tribe. Congratulations.

Notice the reports on the Jehu Garber and Theo. L. Garber families, in this number. We shall be very glad for like reports from the hundreds of families of the Leedy relationship. Attention to this by energetic relatives of each family will keep the relationship in touch with their relatives and doings, and make the Chronicle valuable to thousands in years to come.

If you do not receive all you have paid for, do not neglect to write. Your old editor never had any memory power to spare and old age, he finds, makes the memory still more feeble. We can't help overlooking and neglecting.

The Hill relationship put out a very nice folder of four pages, announcing their reunion on the last Saturday in July.

Mary Weeks, writes that they are reasonably well, Nov. 4th. Her people reside in the vicinity of Fostoria, Ohio Write more the next time.

Our Sister, Mrs. Bell Keiser, Columbus, Ohio, informs us that Cora Crain, now Mrs. Wm. L. Humphreys, became mother to a son, Sept. 25, and named him Robert Leslie. She lives in Westwood, a suburb of Los Angeles, Cal. Her sister, Bessie Horn and family drove thru to Calif. and made their home at Willmington. These sisters are grandchildren of Susie Leedy Dyer, and nieces of the editor.

Miss Lucille Schroeder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schroeder and J. Bryan Leedy were united in marriage Thursday in Mansfield by Rev. Roehner of the First Lutheran Church.—Bellville Star. Bryan Leedy is a grandson of Aaron A. Leedy, the editors uncle, and Cousin Shroeder is a relative of the pioneer David Garber family. Congratulations are extended.

That is a fine letter by D. W. Garber. This is quite a Garber number. The Garber's are keen literary people. Cousin D. W. wants a Chronicle of July, 1900; Oct. 1903; and Oct. 1906. Any one who has these numbers will make him glad by helping him to complete his file.

We expected to publish this Chronicle in the early fall, but many chores shifted us on and on till January. Now we propose to date The Chronicles January and July each year and the friends will learn to get their copy in before the dates are past. In the early fall we had nothing from friends to print, and waited till we became busy getting ready for winter.

On August 21, at 7 p. m., Miss Florence Jones of Henrietta, O., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones, became the bride of Elmer L. Garber, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Garber of Leon, Iowa at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Garber were popular students of Ashland College last year and will be at home to their friends at No. 37 Columbia Avenue, Mansfield, after Sept. 1, 1926. Elmer G. belongs to the Eld. John Garber family, of Iowa, the editor's great uncle.

Uncle John L. Swank, our elder cousin could not stand the grind of idle hours, and he put in a filling station by his residence in Bellville, Ohio. The old time thrift is now engaged and we know life is more delightful than the nothing to do way.

There is a lot of interesting news in the family report of Uncle T. L. Garber. Make note of it and let us have a good number of like letters for the July number.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Frances Marguerite the daughter of Mrs. Cora M. Bowman, Butler, Ohio to Mr. R. Jack Drinkwine of Albany, New York, December 18 at 10 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neill S. Jones, 229 Richards Road, Columbus, Ohio. Rev. D. C. Coburn officiated.

The couple left immediately for a trip to New York. They will be at home to their friends after January 5th at 2665 Summit Street, Columbus.—Exchange.

The article by Roy B. is great. We held this Chronicle some time to receive his *copy*. We would enjoy writing a lot about what he says, but the paper is full and we will let you think a long list of nice things.

The Bellville Star published the following:

In the government service Mr. Garber is a doctor, principal, teacher, reindeer supervisor, post-master and weather prophet. Mr. Garber and his wife and family have been in the government service in Alaska for the past two or three years. His father is J. S. Garber and he is a brother to D. W. Garber, and all are apart of the Daniel Leedy relationship.

The editor passed his 75th birthday, Jan. 18, and is now living his 75th year. We can't realize that 74 years of life are spent. Old age brings many unusual experiences, in physical freaks, lapse of memory, weakness of limbs and power of endurance. Come along, young relatives and write for the Chronicle. We can not say so much about nothing as we did, and what we say requires more time so we need your help:

Bryan Garber, son of W. H. Garber, cousin of the Editor, was shot by a neighborhood boy in a sort of bantering way, over two months ago. The shot cut blood vessels in the pit of one arm and at last report he was still in a serious condition.

Win L. Garber and family paid us Ashland folks a splendid little visit on the 21st of Jan. Lovina, his mother, returned with them for a brief stay on the old farm home.

Mr. Daniel Keller aged 74 years died Sunday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lola Workman in Fredericktown. He leaves his wife, four daughters and two sons and four grandchildren and two sisters. Bellville Star, Oct. 28. He was a son of Preacher Henry Keller. Another of the friends of boyhood has left the stage of olden times.

After you read this Chronicle; write what you have in mind for the July number. When summer begins, you will be too busy to write; then we will have copy to begin the next issue.

We are very busy this winter. Age does not seem to lessen the things to be done.



Before you forget, write what you have in mind to send in for the next Chronicle. You have time now, while in May you will be very busy.

That is an immense record John R. Garber has gotten to us. Cousin Spayde is lining a lot of us up and making us acquainted.

Cousin Frances H. Humphrey became a mother a short time before the reunion; hence her letter that appears on another page. She has a true big interest in the reunion.

#### BELLVILLE, OHIO

Dear Leedy Folks:—My nephew, A. L. Garber, publisher of the Leedy Chronicle, has asked me to write him an account of my visit to the Leedy reunion at Goshen, Indiana, and state where my children and grandchildren are located at present; for the Chronicle. There were not as many in attendance at the Indiana reunion, as last year. A large number of names were called for remarks, but most of them merely stated that "they were glad they were there, and expected to come again." Dinner was abundant, and fine quality. No stunts, or contests, were staged. Just a good old fashioned visit together. Voted to meet there next year.

On my way there and back I stopped over night, Sat. and Sun. nights with Mrs. Louie Maddaugh and her sister Dollie, who are daughters of Jack Philpott and who lived many years in Bellville. They live in Milford, Ind., about half way from Warsaw to Goshen, on the Pa. R. R. and Trolley lines. I stopped over Mon. at Winona Lake, hoping to see my daughter Mabel and Rev. W. H. Beachler and family, who were to be there to attend a Conference of the Brethren Church; but they had not arrived, yet.

My son Glenn and family live in Bucyrus, and he is helping the Dairy Products Co. to distribute milk, ice cream, and other products to the people of the city and surrounding towns. Possibly his son Paul, is South distributing flavoring extracts, as he did that last winter. Rev. W. H. Beachler and his wife, Mabel, began work at the Dayton Brethren Church Sept. 1. Possibly Russell and Lorene may still

be in South Bend, Ind., where the family were last located. Lloyd is in Florida helping make pike roads. His wife is in Bellville, O., at the home of the writer. She expects to go to Florida the last of Oct. Louise, her husband and six children live in Mt. Vernon, and the husband, Sterling Johnson helps in the Jewell Dairy plant, supplying milk, ice cream, butter, and cottage cheese to the city and surrounding towns; and bosses his farms, also. W. C. Garber, his wife Lucile, and three boys live on our farm at the Gatton Rocks station on the B. & O. 2½ miles east of Bellville.

My name is not "Leedy" but I have as much Leedy blood as any of the readers of the Chronicle except those who have inbred. Am the son of Catharine the oldest child of Big John Leedy who was the first to locate in Ohio. There were 12 in the family: all are dead except my Brother Jack near St. Louis and myself. Ten of the Samuel Garber family married, and raised families. Six of them lived with their married partners, over fifty years. My brother Jack is 84 years old; I am 81, and busier than I have ever been before. Am doing all of the business now of a \$11,700,000 Insurance Association, at its Home Office, at Bellville.

Am feeling "bully", and very much interested in the work.

Theo. L. Garber.

#### RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAK.

October 23, 1926.

In former letters about the Leedys of Rapid City, the names of Alonzo and Mary Leedy's sons were overlooked.

Harry K. Leedy and wife have three sons—John, David and Robert.

Carl H. Leedy and wife have one son, Vern and one daughter, Mary Louise.

Harry is a machinist for S. D. Cement plant. Carl is in an Art Store.

Uncle John and Aunt Liza Spayde left for California on Sept. 14th. Their son Kenneth left the last of October, to join them.

Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Todd presided as host and hostess at a party given in honor to Kenneth Spayde before he left for California, and he was favored by a gift from the guests.

Died, Sept. 1, 1926, infant son of Marion L. Coe.

Carrie Leedy.

#### ANKENYTOWN, OHIO

Oct. 27, 1926.

As it has been a long time since I have written any news for the Chronicle I will try and write a little. On September 3rd, my sister Mrs. Emma Merrin, my husband and myself left Ankenytown enroute to Mexico, Indiana to attend the Sullivan Reunion, which was held at the home of Cousin Lizzie Zartman's, on Sunday, the 5th. We met a host of cousins whom we had never met before and I must say we just had a royal good time. Cousin Martha Cline was among the number present and all who know her know that where she is, you can expect a good time. We made our stopping place at her home. We staid with her at night and visited other relatives during the daytime. Cousin Martha is 82 years old but she is as spry as a kitten yet and jolly as ever.

On account of it being a rainy day, the reunion could not be held in the grove, their regular meeting place, so it was held at Cousin Zartman's. They have a good big house (and hearts as well.) After the dinner and program were over, our cousins, Zartman and Church, treated the crowd to water-melons, all we could eat, and when we were ready to start home, Cousin Church gave us two great large ones to bring home with us and they were just fine. I think they haul them in by the wagon loads from the looks of the pile of melons we saw in the yard, and we did not see how many there were in the cellar.

Cousin Lyda Burkholder is their president and she is a good one for that office. She is a sister of Martha Cline. We visited in her home also. They all showed us a good time and we shall never forget them and we want them to come and see us. We will try and treat them as good as we know how. A very few have attended our reunion but we want them to come again.

#### Home Items

Cousin Asa Beal has been very sick but is some better at this writing.

Mrs. Martha Thompson and children visited a week with her sister at Steubenville, Ohio.

Cousin B. C. DeBolt and wife and Cousin Milo Gatton have gone to Florida for the winter.

Cousin Ida Leedy is not improving very rapidly.

Cousin Ober Leedy had the misfortune to sprain his ankle and is going about on crutches which is not very pleasant for a farmer.

Cousin Florence Bechtol is improving in health after a long siege of poor health.

Our brother-in-law, J. F. Amos, has purchased a meat market in Mt. Vernon. He was laid up with rheumatism for several months but has improved sufficiently to be at work in the market.

Lizzie Martin.

#### LONG BEACH, CALIF.

Nov. 29, 1926.

I have been putting off writing until I could give account of our trip to Cal. I will have to do that later. I wish to get the letter of "John R. Garber" to you.

My daughter, Zula R. White was visiting in Seattle and met daughter of J. R. and then sent him the Leedy Chronicle (you mailed to Zula White) You will understand the letter.

We are enjoying Cal. very much so far, and are meeting quite a number of relatives and friends.

We send Greetings to our many cousins in Ohio and all over the United States and hope to see many of them at my address for the next 6 months.

Best wishes to yourself and family.

John and Elza Spayde.

720 Chestnut Ave., Grant Court,  
Long Beech, Calif.

#### BELLVILLE, OHIO

Nov. 9, 1926.

At your request I will try to jot down a few items that may be of interest to the Leedy Relatives. First, there are three births of grandchildren in my family that have not been reported to the Chronicle; Freeman J., born to Hugh and Novel Swank, April 16, 1925; Leah Abbie, born to Wm. A. and Marie Ashbrook, Nov. 13, 1925; and George Dale, born to John C. and Pearl Swank, April 30, 1926.

Time has wrought many changes in the Leedy Family and connections, since we began to hold our Annual Meetings 30 years ago. Then I was considered amongst the younger set. There were many on the stand that



were much older, but they have dropped out, one by one, and gone to their reward. And you will notice by clipping, that I am on borrowed time for 10 years.

By making a survey of the Leedy Valley we find it almost a misnomer to call it such, as there is but one homestead of the Pioneer Leedys occupied by a Leedy, viz. E. S. Leedy, on Uncle Sam's farm. The Daniel Hetrick, by the workmans, the Joe Hetrick by Brubakers, the Abraham Leedy farm has passed out of the Leedy name and is occupied by Mr. Shaffer. The Grandfather Long farm is owned and occupied by Mr. Fulton, the Jacob Leedy Farm is owned by a granddaughter, Mrs. Zettie Moree. The John Leedy Farm by a great Grandson, Winfield Garber, My Grandfather Leedy farm is owned and occupied by a granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Chance Mishey I still hold a deed for the Uncle Martin Crow farm.

The health of our citizens is very good at present. Aunt Mary Garber is spry and hearty at almost 4 score and 10. Uncle Dora has just finished dishing out assessments to the Patrons of P. M. R. A.

Loyd Garber of Florida came home for a visit on the 4th. J. W. Garber's Fruit orchards made a wonderful yield this season; at least 1500 bushels.

The potato crop in the Clearfork Valley was above normal and have been selling from \$1.25 to \$1.75 per bushel. Many have been hauled right from the Farm to distant cities on truck.

With kindly greetings to you and to the many relatives who read the Chronicle.

J. L. Swank.

#### WHEATFIELD, INDIANA

October 28, 1926.

I am enclosing one dollar and twenty cents for Endowment Fund and Chronicle. We were sorry not to be able to attend the reunion this year, but are looking forward with pleasure to attending next year.

Bessie Lanehart Marble.

Note—Thank you, Cousin. We are delighted over your letter, because it awakened a long line of pleasing memories of events that passed when we saw one another often.

#### GREAT LAKES, ILL.

For three decades the Chronicle has been the most important factor in drawing into a closer union of kinship the Leedy family and their connections. This is unequivocally true, all credit to the wonderful purpose of the Reunion Association. Whereas the latter has served to bring them together in common communion, a beautiful and desirable thing, the Chronicle has fulfilled a serious purpose in recording regularly the genealogical, historical and biographical data.

The Chronicle has found it's way into most of the States in the Union. It has reached Leedy's heretofore unknown to the Ohio members of the family and thus opened avenues for the obtaining of genealogical information never thought of before.

As a group they are united in showing respect for their dead and regard for the living. Only one thing more could be desired—the perpetuation for future generations of these three sources of information. In this, too, the Leedy Reunion Association and the Chronicle, through appeal, have made progress.

And in no more capable hands than that of Rev. Roy B. Leedy, the Historian could the task of compiling the family history be placed. He has assiduously applied himself as time would permit for a number of years past. With him it is a labor of love.

They are true words that I have written into the paragraphs above.

But—and this is not so nice—there are unnumbered Leedys and their kith and kin who have enjoyed the reunions, enjoyed the Chronicle, and hope to enjoy the fruits of Cousin Roy's efforts without having ventured the contribution of a red cent to the worthy purpose of genealogical and historical research.

Let me give more clearly an understanding of the difficulties with which he is confronted—and I know of these difficulties and the expenses incurred through personal experience in tracing different branches of ancestry of my own. It involves the detailed search of records for deeds, wills, probate and administration records, military records, civil and church statistics, and in the case of the Leedys translation of many of these records from German into English.

And that is not all. The above is a mere matter of routine. There is information that is essential and that can be uncarthed only through personal effort such as data from gravestones to be found in remote and unkempt cemeteries of York and Bedford Counties in Pennsylvania, and other localities where Leedys were known to have lived.

Genealogical research is nothing new. Many thousands of dollars are paid annually by people of wealth to professional genealogists for accurate compilation of their family lineage. And we of Leedy blood, tho there are probably none of great wealth, can certainly afford a few dollars individually for that useful purpose, so ably exemplified in the Bible, of accurately portraying our lineage.

Primitive peoples in out of the way corners of the globe, for untold generations have taught by word of mouth the predominate facts of family history and details of genealogy. Upon these were based the prestige of the individual. And likewise an article of worship or of warfare was jealously guarded as of untold value in proof of family dignity and rank.

And can't we Leedys of older generations who might, in a corner or a drawer, have old letters written by some of the early pioneer settlers, old documents of no intrinsic value that might throw more light on the early migration and hardships of our forbears; get them together and send them to Roy. Who knows but in this manner might be found a means to connect some of the tribes now in confusion as to their relationship, with our early American ancestry.

For a period of thirty or forty years after the War of the American Revolution there was a general migration westward over the mountains from the eastern colonies to the territory opened up by the successes of the war. This land, new, opened by grants of patent to soldiers of the Revolution and by purchase to settlers, absorbed thousands of the young manhood and womanhood of the east. And it served in numerous instances to divide families.

There were in those days no easy means of communication or travel. Post and stage were uncertain, slow and expensive. A letter cost twenty-five

cents from the east to Ohio. A day's wage for a woman at that time. Thus by distance, time and death connections with loved ones were broken, never to be recemented until now and through the kind offices of the dollars you could and should expend.

So we now in truth owe it justly to those hardy ancestors who came from Switzerland and by their hard toil and stern devotion hewed out of the virgin wilderness the homes that we now enjoy in comparative luxury and ease.

Think it over—then write out a check payable to the Leedy Historical Fund.  
D. W. Garber.

U. S. Naval Hospital,  
Great Lakes, Ill.

#### A GARBER LETTER

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 24, 1926.

Mrs. Zula R. White.

600 Central Ave., Ledro Woolley, Wash.  
Dear Cousin—I think I may call you on pending further investigation of our family history. Your letter of August 17th, to Mrs. Garber, was quite a surprise as well as a pleasure.

I have never had an opportunity to talk to any of my father's relatives in the east and my records are rather out of date. However, I am sending you a sort of chart showing how we line up. I have managed to gather quite a bit of data, much more than any other member of my family in the west with the intention of at some time putting it in some form for perusal by those who have not the time or inclination to look up or keep such things in mind.

If you will notice on page 10 of the Leedy Chronicle it mentions Cousin M. P. Garber of Des Moines, Iowa. I have a post card from him to my father inviting him to the Garber family reunion of August 17th, 1924. My father replied but was unable to attend. M. P. mentions on the card that he is the son of My father's Uncle Samuel. With your permission I would like to send the Leedy Chronicle to my Dad.

I have a copy of a letter written by my great Grandfather, John Garber to his son David Henry, from Libertyville, Iowa, October 9th, 1859, which I prize very highly. I would like you to see it some time also any other records I have that might be of interest. I would also like to learn about the John L. Spayde connection and figure out whether I am a 3rd or a 43rd cousin of yours.

Father's people came to America as far as we have been able to learn from legendary data, in the year 1772, unless some member of the family in the east has something more reliable.

I also have a quite extensive family genealogy of my mother's family of Pennsylvania Alexanders which is in book form. Some day in the not far distant future I expect to have leisure to write to those who can give me the information and compile something along that line for the Garber side of our family.

With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,  
John R. Garber.

GARBER FAMILY UP TO 1926  
The Antecedents of John R. Garber

Samuel Garber and wife, Anna Mock—No authentic Dates. Killed in Battle of Lundy's Land, Canada, July 25th, 1814. War of 1812. John Garber, his son, born Feb. 19, 1802. Died ? Sarah Albaugh, wife, born Feb. 9, 1801.

Their Children:—

Mary Ann born Oct. 6, 1824.  
Susanah J., born Oct. 2, 1829.  
John born June 5, 1828.  
David Henry born Aug. 7, 1829.  
Grandfather of John R. Garber.  
Samuel born Jan. 1, 1832.  
Father of M. P. Garber of Des Moines, Iowa mentioned in the Leedy Chronicle.  
Joseph, born Oct. 30, 1833.  
Catharine born Oct. 10, 1834.  
Phebe and Sarah E. (twins) born Sept. 25, 1836.  
Jacob born Dec. 17, 1838.  
Rebecca born Jan. 11, 1840.  
Daniel born May 11, 1844.  
David Henry Garber, Married twice.  
Rebecca J. Garber nee Burkhart.

Children:—

Jacob Alexander born Dec. 3, 1854.  
Anna Mary born July 2, 1856.  
John Daniel born Sept. 4, 1858.  
Father of John R. Garber.  
David Sylvester born May 30, 1860.  
Elizabeth Ellen Garber nee Winder.

Children:—

Levi Willis born June 16, 1867.  
Eliza Catharine born Mar. 21, 1869.  
Sarah Elizabeth born Nov. 21, 1870.  
Amy Luella born Nov. 8, 1872.  
Bertha Eunice born Jan. 20, 1875.  
Samuel Arthur born Nov. 21, 1876.  
Bessie Elinor born Dec. 24, 1878.  
Minnie Adabelle born Oct. 2, 1880.  
Wilbert Ora born Nov. 13, 1882.  
Ruthie Inez born April 1, 1885.  
John Daniel Garber born Sept. 4, 1858.  
Ruth Alexander, wife, born Sept. 29, 1860.  
Married, Dec. 13, 1884.

Children:—

Leon Durward, born Oct. 20, 1885; died August 13, 1919. 2 Children.  
Milton Harry born Jan. 20, 1887. Living at Port Madison, Wash.  
Married Lelah Whittier. Has 4 Children.  
John R. born April 10, 1890. Living in Seattle, Wash.  
Married Josephine S. Seymour, Dec. 31, 1913. Has 3 children.  
Ruth Evelyn born Oct. 29, 1892. Single— Living at San Francisco, Cal.  
Rowena R. born Jan. 8, 1891. Living with parents, Plains, Mont.  
Lucille Phyllis born May 3, 1895. Married. 2 children. Living at Vancouver, B. C.  
Married E. S. J. Huot, 440 Lakewood drive.  
Margaret Anna born Oct. 13, 1903. Married Harold S. Hepner, June 2, 1926. No children. Living in Seattle, Wash., McKay Apartments.

John Daniel Garber at this time is a passenger conductor on the Idaho Division of Northern Pacific Railway, running between Spokane, Wash. and Paradise, Montana. Member, Montana State Senate. Ponemah Lodge No.

63, A. F. A. M. Plains, Montana, Algeria Shrine, Helena, Mont. His home residence, Plains, Mont.

FAREWELL PARTY

A pleasant farewell party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Swank, Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Swank, Bellville, before their departure for their home in Kalona, Iowa.

The party was originally planned to be held as a picnic and nut gathering outing at the H. O. Swank home but inclement weather forbid.

80th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The eightieth birth anniversary of J. L. Swank, one of Bellville's oldest citizens, was commemorated Sunday, when fifty of his descendants gathered at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. William Ashbrook at Johnstown. Mrs. Ashbrook is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Swank.

Ten of the eleven children of the venerable couple were present, with their children and families. Fifteen members of the immediate family were unable to come.

Immediately preceding the elaborate dinner, Mr. Ashbrook, former congressman from this district presented to Grandfather Swank a beautiful rocking chair, a gift of his children, and a bathrobe presented by the grandchildren. Mr. Swank responded in a very happy manner.

Following the dinner, the Jefferson quartet, of Bellville, composed of Clark Robinson, Bryan Leedy, Leon Leedy and Walter Woodward sang a number of songs. Mrs. William Ashbrook sang, "Open the Gates of the Temple," and "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and John Howard Gongwer gave a short talk.—Mansfield Journal, Tuesday, Oct. 19, 1926.

OBITUARIES

MRS. H. C. LEEDY—Mrs. Phoebe C. Leedy, wife of Henry C. Leedy, died at the family home six miles north of Reedley, Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 18, 1926 at the age of 75 years. Besides her immediate family she is survived by fifteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Mrs. Leedy was a native of Indiana and came to California with her husband and children fifteen years ago. Members of the family surviving are her husband, Henry C. Leedy, and the following children: Mrs. Grace Hoover of Hartford, Kansas; Mrs. Maude Lucas of Coalinga; Miss Agnes Leedy of Reedley; Walter Leedy of Dinuba; Otis Leedy of San Francisco; Claude C. Leedy of Eagle Lake, Texas; Mrs. James Gordon of Yuma, Arizona; Robert B. Leedy of Hanford. Two sisters, Mrs. Etta Jenkins and Mrs. Eliza Smith of Illinois, also survive.

Burial in Reedley cemetery.—Local paper.

ELD. JOHN W. LEEDY of Manassas, Va., died Oct. 16. He belonged to the Virginia line of Leedys. He was an old line preacher, serving without compensation, for many years as a preacher of the Brethren Church. He was for years a Justice of the Peace, spent some time in the civil service of the Government, and was a candidate at the late election for Congress from his district.

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## REUNION POETRY

*Spoken by Isaac Leedy at the First Leedy Reunion*

More than four score years ago,  
As some of us quite well know,  
A pilgrim came from the East—  
He came riding on a beast.

'Tis no joke—I'm not in fun,  
For I know 'twas uncle John,  
Who came from Morrison's Cove  
Wandering round in this grove.

When he concluded to put down his  
stake,  
"Section thirty-five," he said, "I  
will take."  
So he counted enough silver and gold  
To procure a title, this land to hold.

This Leedy reunion is held in this grove  
In honor of him who first came from  
the Cove,  
And opened up a good fertile plantation  
Which has long been enjoyed by his  
relations.

## ADDRESS OF WELCOME

*Delivered by Isaac Leedy at the First Leedy Reunion*

Dear fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, and all, both great and small, connected with the Leedy fraternity. I am happy to meet and to greet such a large and appreciative assembly of relatives gathered from the "four corners of the earth," in this pleasant grove in remembrance of our pioneer fathers and mothers, all of whom have long since joined "the innumerable caravan and gone to the pale realms of shade."

Eighty-four years ago the spot on which we are now gathered, was entered by John Leedy; and this with adjoining lands, which were entered and settled by his brothers and sisters, became the cradle, so to speak of this great family.

A kind Providence not only blest them with bountiful crops, filling their store houses with numerous fruits and grains, but also blessed them with a numerous progeny. From this and perhaps, other equally advantageous places, their families have spread, like fruitful vines over the face of the earth.

We are gathered here today from various parts of this country, as members of the same family.

We rejoice together under the same smiling heaven; we breathe the same sweet refreshing air; we tread the same ground; we sit under the same trees that ministered to the happiness of our forefathers. We commune with each other and fellowship, strengthen in each other's breasts the spirit of brotherhood. We rejoice in this first grand Leedy reunion and bid you all welcome to our hearts and homes. Now as this spirit of fraternity binds heart to heart and soul to soul in the sacredness of family relationship, so are we bound together to lay. We do not feel that we are strangers though we have seen each other's faces, in some instances, for the first time today.

We bid you a hearty welcome to all the joys and privileges of the day. Welcome to our homes. Welcome to all the bounties heaven has poured upon us. May a kind Providence grant the happy return of many such occasions as this.

BOSTON, MASS.

June 24, 1927.

Dear Cousin:—Let me first thank you for your generous efforts to locate the copies of the Chronicle that are needed to complete my file.

Since I addressed you last fall the following additional data has been unearthed. This no doubt will be of interest to many.

In Bedford County, Pennsylvania "Samuel Leedy, private was allowed \$20.00 annually for service in the Pennsylvania Militia, and was placed

on the pension roll May 31, 1834; pension to commence from March 4, 1832. In 1834 he was 97 years of age but no report is given of the amounts he received.

By reference to the data published in the July, 1926 Chronicle and Cousin Roy's analysis of the same in the January, 1927 issue, it can be seen that Samuel Leedy above was probably a brother of Abraham, our progenitor. Samuel who was born in 1737, was fourteen years of age at the time of his father's death in 1761. As I am uninformed concerning the place of residence of Samuel Leedy during the period of the American Revolution I can only hope that I am correct in connecting the two in relationship. It seems to be conclusive. The similarity of the age record and the residence at the time the pension was granted are excellent arguments for this belief.

From a biographical encyclopedia published in 1896 is copied the following: "Daniel Leedy, deceased, was born in York County, Pa., in 1819. He removed to Chambersberg, Pa., where he learned the trade of wagon maker. He came to Harrisburg in 1840 and was for a time employed by John Dimmick, who was engaged in manufacturing the "Woodcock Plough." He subsequently purchased the business and continued it until 1851 or 1852, at which date he relinquished the enterprise and established a shoe business on Market Street, in which he was engaged until the fall of 1861, when he removed to a farm in Franklin County. In 1863 he returned to Harrisburg and was engaged in the shoe business until he retired in 1870. His death occurred in 1886. Mr. Leedy was one of the stock holders in the first Harrisburg Passenger Railway Company. He was an active Republican having served as a member of the city council from the 9th Ward. Mr. Leedy was married to Miss Louisa Peyton, daughter of Chambers Peyton of Chambersburg. They reared three sons and three daughters.

William Leedy—Shoe dealer, now deceased.

Margaret—Mrs. J. H. DeHaven, of Harrisburg.

John W. Leedy—

Laura—Mrs. A. C. Irvin, of Washington, D. C.

Mary L.—Mrs. W. L. Calderword of Philadelphia.

Daniel Leedy, Jr. Deceased, a private in the U. S. Army (Civil War) afterwards in the shoe business in Harrisburg. With kind good wishes,

"D. W. Garber.

#### NASHVILLE, MICH.

June 30, 1927.

After a long silence, I will endeavor to write a few items for the Chronicle. The most of us are affected with the same disease, not writing, for the family publication as often as we should.

March the 5th on a trip around the state, I stopped in Lansing a few days to call on friends.

On the 11th went to Saginaw to see Arthur Leedy, my oldest son. He has a position as general foreman at the Saginaw Products Co., a foundry belonging to the Gen. Motors.

The week of March the 14th, they melted over 4000 tons of iron. The moulding is all done with machines, using the conveyor system for pouring, cooling and cleaning the castings.

Went to Grand Rapids the 21st to visit a son and daughter.

Walter, my youngest son, is sales manager for the Young and Chaffe Fur Co.

Mr. Cook, my son-in-law, is foreman in the machine room of a shoe factory.

The first of April went to Battle Creek to see Glenn Leedy and his two married daughters.

Glenn is employed at the A. B. Stove Co.

While there, called on Mrs. R. A. Kanaga and her daughter, Mrs. Charles Brogan.

I have two birth reports. In reporting the births of great grandchildren, reminds the writer that he is living in the afternoon of life.

Chester Howard Sutton was born Oct. 5, 1926.

Winnifred Mildred Rathbun was born Dec. 28, 1926.

Reunion time will soon be here. Hope to meet old friends and trust may have the pleasure of meeting some that was not present when we were there. Now for an enthusiastic meeting, blessed with harmony and brotherly love.

Harvey A. Leedy.

#### EMMETSBURG, IOWA

March 7, 1927.

I am writing to get in closer touch with my family. I am a descendent of Big John Leedy, just what relation I am to you, I don't know. (Editor's father was a grandson of John.)

My mother was Martha Myers Moon, wife of Henry Moon, but both now deceased.

Our family moved out west, near Tipton, on the Cedar Creek, many years ago, and since, we have sort of lost track of the rest of the family.

Last fall I was in Des Moines, Ia., and visited Uncle Sam Myers, who has since passed away. I also visited Aunt Lib Coleman, and some cousins.

Aunt Mary Cattell, lives at Ames and I see her quite often, (she is my mother's sister.)

I got interested in looking up our ancestors, after hearing from John Spayde, Rapid City, N. Dak. He suggested that I write to you.

I have often wondered if we were eligible to membership in the Sons and Daughters of the Am. Revolution.

I live at Emmetsburg, Iowa with my daughter Blanche (Mrs. T. Y. Larson). I have 3 children, Edith Hyland, Traer, Iowa; Blanche, and Frank Patzer, Des Moines, Ia. I have one grandchild, 4 yrs. old—Franks' child, Patricia Ann.

Blanch and her husband own and operate a dry goods and ready-to-wear store here. My husband died some 26 years ago, so I spend my time among my three children. I am 51 years old and am enjoying good health.

Martha Patzer.

#### RAPID CITY, S. DAK.

April 3, 1927.

There are not many Leedys here any more, and not much to write. We had a splendid winter, until April, then it snowed and snowed until there was thirty-eight inches.

Harry G. Leedy family have moved to Muscatine, Iowa. Sorry to have them go; one Leedy family less in Rapid. They are a fine family.

Uncle John Spayde and Aunt Liza, are home from California. Aunt Liza isn't very well and is glad to be home. Their son Kenneth is still there.

There has been some sickness in the families but all are feeling better. I heard from Mrs. B. G. Leedy, Tigard, Ore. She is well.

Carrie LeGro Leedy.

#### BELLVILLE, OHIO

Jan. 14, 1927.

On November 13, 1926 a 9 lb. son was born to Leon and Flossie Leedy. Leon is the second son of A. O. Leedy. I had the privilege of taking care of this boy and his mother for about three weeks. The baby had the pneumonia. George, (the oldest son of A. O. Leedy) has not been very well. They all had the "Flu", and he is not gaining very fast. He is able to be out a little. Bryan Leedy, (third son of A. O. Leedy) and Lucille Schroeder were married December 8, 1926. Lucille is the daughter of Charles and Flora Schroeder of Bellville. They are living in the house where Bryan's mother has been living.

Maurice (Long) Grubb, (the boy that Elmer & Maud Grubb had with them,) was married to Rosa Mae Andrews of Bellville, December 18, 1926. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Andrews of Bellville. They will move on the farm owned by Rev. G. S. Strausbaugh. They had a kitchen shower for them at Strausbaugh's last Friday evening (Jan. 7) and they got a nice collection of very useful presents.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young, of Sherwood, Oregon, November, 25, 1926. Mrs. Young was B. G. Leedy's youngest daughter. Tessa Brubaker.

#### BALDWIN, IOWA

July 8, 1927

Perhaps I am late in writing. Meant to do it at once when I received the last Chronicle and renew my subscription, but failed to get it done, owing to my Brother Wash's sickness and death. Enclosed find obituary. Our father was a son of the notable John Long Family.

Enclosed find a dollar for renewals and keep the rest for what ever you care to use it for.

I would love to attend the Leedy Reunion some time.

Rebecca Paris.

## WISE, MO.

May 3, 1927.

Dear Leedy Friends:—As I never have written any for the Leedy Chronicle I will write a few lines. I am the only one left of the Samuel A. Leedy family and the Leedys have all left Vernon county, Mo., except I have one niece still here.

The spring is late here this time as we have had so much rain. We have some corn planted. I am always glad to receive the Chronicle and read the good letters. I will close for this time.

Ezra B. Leedy.

## TIFFIN, OHIO

Feb. 6, 1927.

My beloved brother in the Lord. I feel to praise the Lord that we are spared and can be in a land and among the living.

Well Aaron, as I did not get to come to the last reunion to renew my subscription to the Chronicle—please find 20c for same. I don't think I have missed one since the Chronicle has been printed.

Dean and Lizzie Martin were to see us in December last and she told me the subscription was 20c.

All have my best wishes,

H. E. Leedy.

230½ S. Sandusky St.

## FROM "OUR CHURCH HERALD"

The Church of the Brethren near Pioneer, Ohio publish a paper for that church. Cousin Noah Long favored us with a copy, containing the following:

Sister Anna Beeler Long daughter of Daniel and Anna Beeler was born in Wayne Co., O., Oct. 8, 1849, and passed away at her home April 14, 1927 at the age of 77 years, 6 months and 6 days. She was one of a family of 13 children, 8 of whom with the parents preceded her in death.

On Nov. 28, 1878 she was united in marriage with Noah Long. To this union three children were born all of whom with the father survive.

She was a member of the Church of the Brethren, but in early life, of the German Reformed and Methodist.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmus Cocan-

ower a son, Irwin Dean, April 29, 1927. They are connected in the Long family about Pioneer, Ohio.

## WYTHEVILLE, VA.

May 27, 1927

I will try to write to let you know that I am still on the land of the living. I am 78 years old. My people are well so far as I know. My three boys are still living in Ohio. I have twenty-two grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. There have been many deaths here this year; very many sudden deaths, so many young men have died. I have four sisters living yet and two brothers, that makes seven in all, left of seventeen. I have one sister living in Pulaski that is 86 years old this month. I had two brothers who died very suddenly, several years ago.

There is no fruit of any kind here this year. It was killed by the freezes in April, wheat also was badly damaged. Will Williams is farming for me; he is my son-in-law. He is plowing corn with his coat on, so you see it is not very hot here. I received the Chronicle that was mailed in April and was proud to get it, and hear from the cousins. If I can get some one to drive my car, I may come to the next reunion. I sure would love to be with you all once more and talk with you. I often think of the time that I was with you.

Rufus S. Leedy.

## PIERSON, IA.

July 11, 1927

Find check to pay up my subscription dues and balance you may drop in the Endowment Fund. We had hoped to attend the reunion this year, but not quite sure whether we can, at this writing. We are hoping the spirit of the departed Fathers and Mothers will stir us all to good works, and may you have a good social time together as well as a spiritual up lift. With best wishes.

O. L. Cole.

The Ashland, Ohio, relatives are generally well and doing well. There is now quite a bunch of us. The editor located in Ashland in 1884, quite a time ago.

## OBITUARIES.

## MRS. SUSAN FISHER

Mrs. Susan Fisher, passed away Feb. 10, 1927, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. I. B. Saxton at Danville, Ill. Death was caused by pneumonia.

Mrs. Fisher was a daughter of Martin and Catherine Brown, and was born near West Independence, near Fostoria, Ohio, October 25, 1838. Her age at death was 88 years, 3 months and 12 days. She was united in marriage to Emanuel Fisher, August 5, 1858. To this union, four children were born, only one of whom survives, Mrs. I. B. Saxton of Danville, with whom Mrs. Fisher made her home.

There are two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Jacobs of Fostoria and Mrs. Mary A. Taylor of North Baltimore. Three grandchildren also survive.

The body was brought to Fostoria for burial.

Catherine Brown was next oldest in the family of Pioneer Abraham Leedy, at Ankenytown, Ohio. She and her husband located near West Independence, about six miles southwest of Fostoria, and raised a large family on a farm.

For many years, Susie Fisher resided in Fostoria. She was a full cousin to the editor and his mother was her mother's only sister. Time is rapidly counting us off.

## MRS. WM. HARTER

Mrs. Armanda Susan Leedy Harter daughter of Samuel and Hannah Leedy, was born at Pierceton, Indiana, March 11th, 1862, and departed this life at the farm home four miles west of Bryan, Ohio, June 5, 1927, having attained the age of 65 years, 2 months, and 25 days.

She was the youngest child of a family of ten children, six of which preceded her to the Great Beyond.

Her girlhood days were spent at Pierceton, Indiana, and on March 4th, 1896 she was united in marriage with William Harter.

After leaving Pierceton, Mr. and Mrs. Harter moved to Rudolph, Ohio, where Mr. Harter worked in the oil fields. During their residence there four children were born to them to

bless and brighten their home. In 1902 the family moved from Rudolph to Paulding, Ohio, and in 1907 they moved to the present home where with the exception of a short residence in Bryan, they have lived to the present time.

At the age of 16 years she declared her faith in Jesus Christ and united with the Progressive Brethren church of Pierceton, Indiana, and in the spring of 1896 she transferred her membership to the Christian church of Rudolph, and later to Bryan where she remained a faithful and consistent member.

She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

She leaves to mourn their loss, her devoted husband, two daughters, Edith McKelvey and family and Grace M. Hire and family of Bryan. Two sons Clifford M. and wife and W. Harold of Cleveland, Ohio. Two sisters, Mrs. Mary Miller, Bourbor, Indiana, and Mrs. Jennie Lee of Columbus, Ohio, and one brother, Jack Leedy of Portland, Indiana, and a host of other relatives and friends.—*Bryan Press.*

## G. W. LONG

In the passing of G. W. Long, another good man, ripe in years, has gone to his reward. A man of kindly disposition and humble simplicity, he lived as a friend, to old and young alike.

He always enjoyed good health and could boast of never having been in a dentist's chair. He was never ill until the infirmities of old age attacked him a few months ago and on June 21, 1927, he slept his last sleep to awaken in the Great Beyond.

Mr. Long was born in Indiana in 1845 and migrated with his parents to Clinton county, Iowa in 1853, where the family settled on a farm which is now the present site of Lost Nation. One of a family of fourteen, he is survived by but two brothers, A. Z. Long of Casey, Iowa, and Aaron of Tipton, Iowa, and one sister, Rebecca Paris of Baldwin.

In December, 1871, he was united in marriage to Mary E. Banks a foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fletcher of Maquoketa, now deceased. To this union were born five children, two of whom, Minnie, who died in childhood and Jessie, the wife of S. S.



Chase, have preceded him. The surviving children are Elizabeth Stuart of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Mrs. Geo. Jennings of Chicago, Ill., and Ernest of Colorado Springs.

For over a half century Mr. Long was a resident of Jackson county, 40 years of which were spent in Baldwin and the remainder in Maquoketa. Mr. Long's parents were of the Dunkard faith and his early religious training mellowed his whole life and he was always faithful in attendance at church and a student of the Bible.

#### A. R. KANAGA

Ashes of Amos R. Kanaga, who died in San Francisco, Cal., April 28th and later cremated were buried Sunday with funeral services in charge of Rev. S. S. Davis at the Four Corners cemetery near Butler. Short services were held at the grave.

Mr. Kanaga was born near Mt. Carmel church in Jefferson township, south of Bellville, June 14, 1854, and spent his early life in the vicinity of Butler. He went to California in 1887 where he became interested in irrigation and journalism.

Besides his wife he is survived by two daughters and two sons of California, one brother John F. Kanaga of Fredericktown, one sister Mrs. L. B. Leedy of Fremont also a large number of nieces and nephews in Richland county.

He was for years a school-mate of the Editor's.

#### IDA LEEDY

It is in sadness that we say that Mrs. Ida Leedy, the noble wife of Jacob Sylvester Leedy departed this life and is now numbered with the Leedy relationship that has congregated in the unseen repose of those who left the company of the living.

Cousin Ida was a woman of magnificent thrift and devotion to her home and family interests.

Her funeral services were held in the Brethren Church of Ankenytown, where she and her husband are members. Sunday, July 24th, at 2:30 p. m.

She was the daughter of Christian and Mahala Leedy Swank, and belonged to the pioneer Jacob Leedy

generation. We sorrow with you, Cousin Vest, in this great bereavement.

We have no information that enables us to give particulars about her age and funeral.

#### DISOBEDIENCE TO PARENTS

One of the major evils of the last days is disobedience to parents. No stronger mark of degeneracy can be shown by rising generations and it is one of the strong prophecies of coming doom to a nation where it becomes the rule rather than the exception.

Obedience to parents is the first training of reverence and respect toward authority. The practice stimulates the highest religious and devotional faculty of human thought, while disobedience drifts the child into general irreverence, disrespect for authority and law. The boy who is disobedient to his parents spurns the first training in the higher life and cultivates the brutal in human character and weakens his powers to discern and appreciate the inspirational and devotional qualities that make people better in the life that now is, and enhances their hope for the life to come.

Jesus recognized the importance of obedience to parents when he drew the gruesome picture of persecution that would trail in the path of Christians.

Paul presents disobedience to parents, I Tim. 3:2, as one of the marks of the perilous times of the last days, and it has become a rage in modern society. The spirit and power of the home is departing and the rebellious seek rest and fail to find it.

It is a Christian duty to teach and encourage obedience to parents, and those who have children of their own should inculcate obedience from the cradle onward to maturer age. Parental neglect to enforce obedience is a great wrong to children. It allows rebellion to take root in the heart and deprives them of that mind culture that aspires the noble and desirable in life.

The preaching of the day ignores this humble teaching. It appears too commonplace to feed the thirst for entertainment in pulpit oratory and mystery and adds little to fame and fortune. Parents also ignore duty and the unfortunate children are allowed to grow up without being anchored to the

greatest mainstay of life—obedience to their parents and obedience to God.

#### DRESS AND GODLINESS

The significant thing about our manner of dress is, it is expressive of character. Our clothing is not simply for protection of our bodies against the weather, but is also an expression of the heart or inner life. Clothing is beautiful only as it adorns and clothes a body in such manner as to show "the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit which is in the sight of God of great price." (I Peter 3:4).

Degenerate France, where prostitute houses are licensed and protected by the State; invites our fashion experts to her Capitol to get styles for our females to undress in. Many of our unknowing women are unwittingly beguiled into wearing into all public places, clothes that identified the harlot street solicitor only a few years ago. Thus many of our church workers and Sunday school teachers are thotless promoters of sexual impurity.

Our imported Paris fashions are started by fallen women who throng the streets of this notorious center of lust, and these fashions plainly indicate the lustful source of their origin.

Satan, the deceiver, is the inventor of these lustful degrading fashions. We hear our sisters talk about the same moral standard for men as men set for the prospective mothers of their children. But, let the men show their nakedness as do our well undressed women, and you would at once hear a howl of, indecent! It seems these lustfully dressed women expect lust privileges because of their sex.

Why mothers persist in dressing their little girls in suggestive garb I do not understand. Surely mothers you do not intend to train your girls for the brothel? But you are heading that nudely dressed girl that way. How can we expect to overtake and reform the thousands of girls the mothers are heading toward the red light districts, wearing only the middle part of their dresses. The Purity Journal said—"Dress causes the downfall of the majority of girls who go astray." The Chicago Juvenile Protective Association, with vast experience; affirms the above statement to be the fact.

The bared arms, the "peakaboo" front, the decollete waist, exposing charms sacred to womanhood, appeal directly to man's sexual instinct. In consequence many men are morally weakened and led into low ideals of womanhood, and consequently, less respect.

"It is evident from the importance of man's higher nature, that the man who attempts to weaken the moral and religious restraints which keep men from evil, is guilty of a most atrocious crime, and is one of the worst enemies of mankind." Prof. Gregory.

Prof. Shannon says, (Perfect Manhood, p. 59) "I have lived a continent life... as a husband, father, educator and minister, I pledge you my honor that the greatest trials, the sorest temptations, I have ever met, have come from improperly dressed women and seminude pictures.

Dr. Talmage said, "Thousands of men are in hell, whose damnation is due to the improper dress of women." No doubt that the immoral and improper dressing are the chiefest barriers to progress in spiritual Christianity.

No great spiritual awakening was ever accomplished without radical reform in dress. The early Quakers and Menonites, and later the Methodists and Quakers. All these and other deep spiritual movements were very pronounced on dress. John Wesley left the following on record, which stands today as a rebuke to many of his professed followers.—"The fact is plain and undeniable; it has this effect both upon the wearer and the beholder. You poison the beholder with far more of base appetite than otherwise he would feel. Did you not know that this would be the natural consequence of your elegant adornment? To push the question home, did you not desire, did you not **design** it should."

"You kindle a flame which at the same time consumes both yourself and your admirers. And it is well if it does not plunge both you and them into hell." (Sermons, Vol. 2, p. 261.)

It is said that the majority of the 35,000 girls who go astray each year, have fallen thru the lust of dress. Is it not enough to bring all pure minded women to serious thought and earnest endeavor? J. H. Kellogg, M. D., persuasively declares: "Wealthy women



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could do more to cure the 'social evil' by adopting plain attire than all the civil authorities by passing laws or regulating ordinances." Plain Facts, p. 92.

Will professed Christians treat this weighty matter lightly? How can you my sister continue to profess to be a Christian, while you dress in conformity to the world? If your example is leading heward, what is your profession in the sight of God?

Parents, why do you start your innocent little girls to the houses of prostitution on Sunday morning, without the lesson of purity, modesty and non-conformity to the world? But you say, "No, we are sending them to Sunday school." I wish to say firmly but kindly: we cannot make Christians of our children by any means until we have them consistent in dress as well as in all other matters. The world is full of hypocrisy today because Christ has been taught and the Devil practiced. I am not saying these things to create animosity, that would only make bad conditions worse. I only hope that my plainness will produce sincere thought and earnest action.

Mothers, will you not cease to jeopardize innocent purity by clothing your little and bigger girls in sleeveless dresses, rolled stockings, low neck waists and shorter skirts than are necessary for decent and proper dressing?

We must begin in childhood to form habits and character for womanhood. I have given you quotations from professors and doctors, but above all these, God demands that women "adorn themselves in modest apparel." See I Timothy 2:9, 10.

In Peter's first epistle (3:3, 4) we read—"Whose adorning, let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or putting on of costly apparel. But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price."—Tract by J. N. McCormic, Georgetown, Ill.

## HEALING IN AFRICA

Timothy Mabuza is one of our old est evangelists. After he grew up he learned to read and became a preacher in the Wesleyan church. He never

could understand why miracles which Jesus began had not been continued in the church. After he came in contact with Rev. Mahon and heard the teaching on divine healing, and knowing that many were being healed, he began teaching the doctrine himself. They made things so unpleasant for him that he had to leave that church and join the work of the Zulu and Basutoland Mission under Rev. Mahon.

Shortly after accepting God as the Healer of his people, Mabuza had a test that gave him new strength and faith in God. His own son had been bitten by a very poisonous snake. When Mabuza got to him, his whole body was swollen and blood was coming from his nose. He prayed for the child and he was instantly healed. From that time down to the present he has been a very successful evangelist and has seen hundreds healed under his own ministry. Though he has passed the eighties in life, he is still very active, and as was said of Moses "His eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." Deut. 24:7.—From the Mission Monthly, Zion City, Ill.

## MY SOUL

My soul is in the bloom of youth,  
I do not care for the gospel truth,  
I will not walk the narrow way,  
I'll travel pleasure's broad highway,  
In social realms I'll make a name,  
In politics I'll get me fame,  
I'll gather wealth and hoard it high,  
I'll get salvation by-and-by.

Be still my soul, I'm in my prime,  
For soul's salvation I've no time,  
I'm burdened now with cares of life;  
And care for sons, daughters and wife,  
I'll labor on till set of sun;  
Then aims accomplished and duties done,  
Burdens lifted, from cares set free,  
I'll say, come, Spirit, speak to me.

I'm older now, my life is spent,  
'Tis true with age and toil I'm bent,  
My soul has found its rest at last;  
I'll sit down and think on the past,  
I've rendered justice to mankind;  
In me no deception can any find,  
My soul with gladness doth abound,  
That sweet contentment I have found.

But now the question comes to me,  
Where shall I spend eternity?  
My fortune's made, my fame is won,  
My hopes attained, my duties done,  
The Spirit does not call me now,  
Remorse and anguish burn my brow,  
I cannot join the Heavenly host;  
Oh My soul! Thou art surely lost.  
Mary Crumkilton, Bellville, Ohio.

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## KEY TO THE LEEDY TRIBES OF AMERICA

Emigrant Father from Switzerland, ABRAHAM  
LEEDY, 4 Sons and 1 Single Daughter.

Branch 1. JACOB LEEDY—Leedys of Franklin Co.  
and Perry Co., Pa., and Youngstown, O.\*

Branch 2. JOHN LEEDY—[b. 1742 South W. Va]\*  
Tribe 1. Abraham Leedy, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 2. John Leedy, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 3. Joseph Leedy, b. 1786, S. W. Va.  
Tribe 4. David Leedy, St. Joseph, Ill.  
Tribe 5. Jonathan Leedy, S. W. Va. and Ky.

Branch 3. SAMUEL LEEDY [b. about 1745] Rocking-  
ham Co., Va.  
Tribe 6. Samuel Leedy, b. 1779, Ind.  
Tribe 7. Jacob Leedy, b. 1784, Ind.  
Tribe 8. John Leedy, b. 1788, Va.  
Tribe 9. Daniel Leedy, b. 1795, Va.  
Tribe 10. Betsey Wise, [Unknown]  
Tribe 11. Susy Miller, [Unknown]  
Tribe 12. Sally Brower, [Unknown]  
Tribe 13. Katy Garber, [Unknown]  
Polly Leedy, died single, age 98.

Branch 4. ABRAHAM LEEDY—[b. about 1753] Bedford  
Co., Pa.  
Tribe 14. John Leedy, b. 1778, Ohio.  
Tribe 15. David Leedy, b. 1781, Ohio.  
Tribe 16. Susannah Long, b. 1783, Ohio.  
Catharine Hedrick, b. 1785.  
Tribe 17. Abraham Leedy, b. 1787, Ohio.  
Elizabeth Hedrick, b. 1789.  
Tribe 18. Jacob Leedy, b. 1791, Ohio.  
Tribe 19. Samuel Leedy, b. 1792, Ohio.  
Tribe 20. Daniel Leedy, b. 1794, Ohio.  
Tribe 21. Margaret Grow, b. 1796 [?], Ohio.

\*Facts are not available to justify conclusively that  
these branches are descended from Jacob and John.

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I have decided to publish no more Leedy Chronicles under the obligation of a subscription list. I will send my religious monthly, The Prophetic Age, which is about to begin the 40th year of publication, to discharge my obligation to subscribers.

The Old Leedys and their relationship have passed to their rest and the young, who have a real active interest in a family paper are few, and the relationship of the young have become strangers to the few old who remain and the spirit of looking back has drifted away from the young amidst the flights of life that are coming upon the people more and more.

I will soon be looking back over

seventy-five years of life. Age brings its infirmities to all, and it is expedient that I set my house in order. Action is slowing down and responsibility is a greater burden than in years gone by.

The feature of a publication I dislike most is the care of a subscription list: entering credits and watching expirations and the contingency of errors.

I can not expect any one of my family or relatives to make the sacrifice I have made to carry The Chronicle onward, and do so much gratuitous labor in caring for a subscription list, writing for its columns, editing copy sent in for publication, requesting friends to write and making occasional trips at personal expense to gather items of interest about relatives for publication.

I never have been a persistent begger and never will be, for any purpose, and on this account have passed many dollars that relatives would have given had I put up an urgent plea for help from time to time.

I do not intend this to be a real valedictory. I will leave the way open for groups of relatives to gather funds and publish issues of The Chronicle as they may choose to do in the future. There may be an individual relative here and there who will awake an ambition to provide write-ups of relationship history and put in his own life history the commendable act of publishing an issue of The Leedy Chronicle. Millions of money are spent by the relationship for things less honorable than such an act would be.

Even, I may decide to publish future Chronicles as relationship messages, and mail them as a gift to my people. But I want to feel free from obligation to many relatives a short period of life.

Be sure to keep this Chronicle for the information about the expense of publishing an issue. A zeal for your family history may come upon you and it may become your good pleasure to make an enduring record of history of your family for your own gratification and the benefit of future offspring and the Leedy History that will some time be published.

In this Good-by, I desire to thank the kind and well-wishing relatives who have walked alongside The Leedy Chronicle during the thirty years of its existence, and contributed to its

columns and added to its subscription list.

The departure of old friends has left us without dependable assistance in making The Chronicle a paper of family news of worth while merit. This with the growing estrangement among relatives thru drifting into all parts of the nation naturally takes away interest in relationship and as families we are fast becoming strangers to one another; therefore The Chronicle has ceased to be of inspiring interest to relatives as it was years ago.

Should any group of relatives arrange to print an issue to give their family history to the relationship, the cost will be from \$25 to \$50, according to the number of pages.

For 10 cents the

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of any relative will be entered into a permanent record, and to him will be sent any future announcements.

I still invite relatives to send birth records, obituaries of those passing and other history, to The Leedy Chronicle, Ashland, Ohio, that in case an occasional Chronicle is printed, they may be published. Also any donations cheerfully given toward publishing future issues.

A. L. Garber.

### THIRTY-SECOND LEEDY REUNION

Wednesday, Aug. 17, 1927 promises to be a fair day and we may expect the Leedy Reunion of 1927 to be immense as usual. For thirty-one years it has been the pre-eminent family reunion of central Ohio, and let this one be the peer of all.

Remember the place, The Leedy Park, Ankenytown, Ohio, about eleven miles north of Mt. Vernon, Ohio and eighteen south of Mansfield, Ohio. Improved roads reach within a couple of miles of the park.

We have not looked after a program to publish with this. No matter. The resourcefulness of the relatives can make one to suit the occasion that will be better than a cut and dried one.

Come, relatives, from far and near;

we want to visit together for a little moment. We will be free this year to be cheery with you, and it will be a delight to be together once more.

President J. Ora Leedy announces that the Reunion will be called to order at 10 o'clock and after the opening devotion, the business of the occasion will be taken up and disposed of before the dinner.

The proceedings will be largely composed of volunteer numbers by relatives and short talks by relatives, both visiting and local.

Come old relative and young and for a Reunion purpose only.

### THE GARBER REUNION

The family of Samuel Garber and Catharine Leedy Garber will hold their reunion on Saturday, Aug. 13th, at the Garber Cottage two miles from Ashland off the Lincoln Way to Mansfield.

As you motor from Mansfield toward Ashland watch for the Garber sign, to the left, after you decide you have gone about twelve miles.

Mrs. Edna (O. M.) Garber has been rushing about this spring, building a great porch to the Cottage and making other improvements, so that there in a little grove, we can have a jolly gathering.

Miss Leese Garber, Mrs. Miriam Zercher and Mrs. Olive Walker are the program builders. They will be on the job with both hands, and the rest of us will be there too ready for a free pitch-in, to make the day tremendous.

We assume the privilege of inviting other relatives who may desire to come. There is a good bunch of us here in Ashland and the family members away are cooks and providers with large vision and we will have abundance for the hungry.

Come in ample time for an early dinner. We may arrange an auto parade thru Ashland as the last number of the program, if conditions are favorable.

### LEEDY NONRESISTENCE

The Pioneer Leedys were Dunkard people in religion, and the Dunkards made nonresistance a cardinal practice in life; to this principle many of the old Leedys adhered.

The Leedy father of our old pioneer fathers, Abraham Leedy, of York, Pa., was tested by a doubting man who caught him on a highway and pulled out half of his beard, to see whether he would resist the evil. Grandfather was true to his profession and did not resist the man either by force or by law.

This was an act of devotion to faith and practice in religion that is worthy of remembrance by his offspring.

### NOTES AND NEWS

Cousin S. M. Garber visited his son in Salt Lake City, Utah in March.

April 28th Harvey Long, former resident of Butler and son of Mr. and Mrs. John Long of Mansfield, was killed by a taxi at his home in Detroit, Michigan while crossing the street. He was 50 years of age. His remains were brought to Butler for burial.

Mrs. F. L. Garber, of Ashland, Ohio, fell from a step ladder in the winter and severely injuring one hand and arm.

Bring your collection to the Reunion this year; we want to build a new fence along the road.

The young people of the times are so busy with the new things that are coming up that they have little time to think about family relationship subjects. Hence it is a duty of the parents to make Reunions high occasions and feel that all the family should come every year and honor one another. High ideals in relationship are next to the high ideals of the church and the duty we owe to our neighbors.

We delight in copying this note from the national paper, The Pathfinder, Washington, D. C., written by Cousin Weigner: Extremely high heels and hard pavements, says Dr. H. E. Weigner of Elkhart, Ind., are causing human feet to grow larger. He claims a national survey has indicated that the feet of America are in worse condition now than ever before, and our foot ills are rapidly increasing. In his opinion the properly shod woman will have a shoe with a heel not greater than 1½ inches. Another important detail is the hosiery. He thinks darned hose and those of so

short a foot that they cramp the toes cause much pain and in time will effect permanent injury to the feet.

Shelley Garber, son of Prof. L. L. Garber, of Ashland, and his distant cousin, Miss Edith Garber, daughter of F. A. Garber, Leon, Iowa, received the degree of A. B. at the College commencement, June 9, 1927. The former belongs to the Samuel Garber family and Miss Edith to the John Garber family. The two pioneers were brothers.

It may be of interest to readers to know that the Bellville Home Coming will be Sept. 15, 16 and 17th this year.

Mr. Chauncey Tilden Garber and Miss Pauline Charles of Bellville, were married in Mansfield, June 11th. We have yet to learn what family or line of Garbers he belongs to.

We have the spirit to rejoice with Cousin John L. Spayde about the fact that he is in the center of the national government for the summer. He has played an important part in making the city of Rapid City, South Dakota, which is made famous as the resort of Pres. Coolidge, at a camp about 30 miles away, now a half hour distance. We thank J. L. for a copy of their daily and fine catalogue of scenes and description of resorts, the largest state park in America and the largest gold mine in the world. Cousin, we wish you a grand summer experience.

We are rapidly becoming falling leaves. Minnie Harter, sister of Mary Miller and Jennie Lee, is now counted with the Leedy throng gone before. Many more of us are ripe for the journey over.

Hon. W. A. Ashbrook, of the Uncle John L. Swank family, was appointed on the Assayist committee, to check up on the Philadelphia mint, by Pres. Coolidge, in February.

It is pleasure to print the letter from Ezra Leedy, Wise, Mo. He and William Leedy, Uncle Isaac Leedy's oldest son and A. L. Garber were chummy friends in boyhood days. Ezra, let us smile at each other again.

Ashland, Ohio, April 30.—Highest honors at Ashland college here for intellectual attainment have been won by Miss Edith Garber of Leon, Ia., who will be valedictorian of the graduating class this year.

Miss Garber is president of the college Y. W. C. A. and has been a leader in extra-curricular activities.—Cleveland Dealer.

Cousin Edith belongs to the Pioneer John Garber family, the first Dunkard preacher of Iowa.

Cousin D. W. Garber, U. S. Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Ill., still needs the Chronicle of July 1900, Oct. 1903 and Oct. 1906, to complete his file of all of the Chronicles published. He will regard it a great favor to receive one or all three of the needed numbers.

Cousin Roy's messages reached us the last moment before closing the forms for this Chronicle. We can not stop to comment on his interesting letter. We are pleased that we have two pioneer Leedy Grandfathers, John and his brother Abraham.

Cousin M. P. Garber, 1915 Wga St., Des Moines, Iowa, invites "some of you folks," the Chronicle Garbers, to the John Garber family reunion at Leon, Iowa, Aug. 21. Mrs. Brallier, the wife of Samuel Garber was made a widow by his death in the war of 1912 who left three sons John, Samuel and David, who had no knowledge of their Garber relationship. Our grandfather Samuel received his early title deeds in the name of Samuel Garber.

President J. Ora is enthusiastic for a Leedy Reunion for the Leedys and connections. Come to the Reunion filled with cheerfulness and make four young president glad by your presence.

Sunday evening July 24th, J. Ora Leedy, Mt. Gilead, Ohio, suddenly called on us to talk about the Leedy Reunion a moment. He was right from the funeral of Mrs. Ida Leedy, the wife of Jacob Sylvester Leedy, of Ankenytown, Ohio. His wife and two daughters he left to visit at the home of his brother-in-law, W. B. Blank, of Mansfield, Ohio and Mr. Blank came with him as company to Ashland.

Ora is full of interest in having a fine reunion and is doing his best to have it. We are glad to see loyalty to the trust put upon him as a Leedy president of the Leedy Reunion.

L. L. Leedy, brother of J. Ora Leedy works in a steel mill in Cleveland and during the summer shut down of the mill is visiting his wife's people in Illinois.

An infant son of Charles Fry and wife was buried Sunday, July 24th. Charles is the oldest son of J. and Nora Leedy Fry, and lives in or near Mt. Gilead, O.

Frank Crain, of the Aunt Susie generation is building a fine mansion residence in Ashland. He is the oldest of the family of Jennie Garber Crain, the Editor's Sister.

Many relatives are coming to Ashland to visit relatives, and there have come to be too many of us for them to call on all during short stays.

A surprise party of large magnitude was tendered Mrs. Sadie Eggerman, Sunday, July 17th in honor of her 61st birthday anniversary in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Humphrey, west of Bellville.

Those present, numbering more than 70 in all. The family of John Frye of Fredericktown, 21 in all, was the largest family present.

Cousin Sadie is one of the large Joseph Leedy family and her brothers and sisters and families were well represented.

A sumptuous cafeteria dinner was served on the lawn. A huge birthday cake, large enough to serve to all present, was a feature of the dinner.

Bellville, Ohio is the center of the Samuel and Katy Leedy Garber settlement, and it had a Home-coming Fair, each year on or near Oct. 1st. We notice premiums were received last year by R. B. Garber, Clara Oyster, Marguerite Garber, Sylvia Garber, and perhaps others of the family whom we do not know. We notice our particular friend, Mrs. Olive Walker held the winning number, in behalf of a boy, for the free gift pony. Our people are becoming a winning people.

## BIG JOHN, ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

The index of the Leedy history contains a long list of John Leedy's. However but one carries the special title "Big". John Leedy, son of Abraham and Catharine Leedy of Bedford Co., Pa., was thus distinguished among the Leedys of his own and later times because of his large physical proportions.

This title was not won in a university and is not supposed to be a badge of honor. But I am disposed to make it so. Big John Leedy was no man of learning and a D. D. or L. L. D. would not fit his name. Yet he deserves a degree. L. L. D. stands for accomplishment in law. D. D. in Theology. Ph. D. in philosophy, etc. The title which fits John Leedy's name is PIONEER, one of rare merit to our nation. And the affix, "big" may most worthily stand for a notable pioneer, for John Leedy was big indeed in bravery, perseverance and toil and also in weight.

Likewise all his brothers who were the first Leedy settlers in Ohio, in Richland and Knox counties. Pioneer David Leedy, Pioneer Jacob Leedy, Pioneer Abraham Leedy, Pioneer Daniel Leedy and Pioneer Samuel Leedy. They with their brothers-in-law, John Long, Daniel and Joseph Hetrick, and Martin Crow, stand among the early advance guard of American civilization. They were among the army of occupation that broke up the virgin forests of America. Their land titles were issued by the Government and signed by the president of the United States, and are now documents of historical value. Their names are to be found in the archives of the national Government as original purchasers of early government land.

The pioneer occupies a unique place in American history. His day is long past but the story of his deeds and thrilling adventures does not grow old.

Our forebears who won the title of pioneer, won an enviable place on the pages of our history. It is with this in mind that I confer honor upon the name of Big John Leedy, begging that the prefix stand not alone for avoidrduois, but for bravery, courage, adventure, industry and achievement.

I think it highly fitting that on Reunion day a committee be delegated by

the program authorities to place a flag and wreath over Big John's grave as a token of our respect to all the Leedy pioneers.

Inasmuch as it will be 100 years in August 24th since Big John Leedy entered the last quarter of his old Sec. 35, Jefferson Tp. Richland Co. Ohio, I am hereby giving this special contribution to his memory and honor.

John Leedy was born near Hagers-town, Maryland, in the year 1779. He was a boy of near seven years when his parents with himself and three younger children moved on horseback to a new and unsettled part of Pennsylvania in Bedford Co. There in Morrison's Cove he grew up under the surroundings of frontier life and became hardy and daring.

On a certain cold winter day, with deep snow covering the ground, John Leedy attended a sale in his neighborhood in Morrison's Cove, Pa. It was conceded everywhere that he was the strongest man in the northern part of the Cove. A Mr. Ben DeRush, who carried the fighting laurels from the southern end challenged Big John then to determine who could hold the championship for the whole Cove. Big John yielded to the wager and after a long and quite brutal engagement Big John was almost overcome as he lay on his back in a snow drift several feet deep. In this almost helpless position he could use only his heel in the combat. At one time he was well nigh ready to say "enough", but on a second thought he decided to die rather than give up. Soon the affair turned more in his favor but as they seemed quite equally matched, were finally separated. The next morning Big John informed DeRush he was not satisfied with the outcome of their wrestling and was ready to renew it. DeRush begged that he was willing to call it even and fight no more. John wanted no compromise, and asked his opponent to either fight or admit himself beaten. This he did and John Leedy was acknowledged the champion of the Cove.

In 1806 John was married to Elizabeth Kieth, a woman who developed remarkable fortitude and resoluteness as a companion in the frontier habitation. In 1810 the provident father made a scouting expedition to Ohio and selected a site for a new home, whither with

three children they moved the year following.

Here was the first Leedy prospector in the great North West Territory. Alone among his kinsmen he ventured into the western wilds. Penetrating unbroken forests he trailed far into the interior of the new Ohio state. Passing many another site he might have chosen, his bravado led him on his lonely way into the midst of an unexplored tract where he set his stake many miles from any neighboring settlement.

A romantic interest possesses my mind as I think of this lonely cavalier surveying that primitive expanse, as the choice of his future home, even before old Jefferson township was formed and ere old Richland county was given its name.

Would that some skilled painter could portray his likeness astride his faithful charger, halting reign as a conqueror taking possession of the spoils of battle.

Did he think as he stood there, ready to fix his stake that here was sufficient room adjoining for spacious homesteads for all the ten pioneer Leedy brothers and sisters? Indeed it was so and like a true elder brother he welcomed the very last one to be his neighbor.

And how my soul is stirred as I look at the picture of that rugged family with living quarters in the old Pennsylvania "Moving Van" ere the rude log hut was shaped.

Many nights alone the daring mother clashed the big meat fork out from under the canvass wall against the side of the old "freighter" to scare the howling, noisome wolves away. And John far away on a long trip to market. Somewhere under the canvass roof of the Conestoga wagon, among the meager household effects the mother found room to care for Lewis age four, and Catharine, two and baby Susan aged nine months. A tallow lamp gave her some little light for those long and lonely evenings.

Over the hill by the small creek the wagon was first stationed, where there was running water for the horses and cow, and laundry needs. But further scouting led to a wonderful spring on the eastern slope of the hill by the swamp. It's fullness and freshness have never wasted since. The wagon

was moved thither. Above the hillside spring a rough cabin 16x18 was hastily erected. Though rude it was a welcome shelter. And then as though nature was kind, before the chilly frosts had come the next baby was laid in some primitive cradle of this little log inclosure. She was named Susan and was the second white child born in Richland county.

For a whole year, without title, this family dwelt here in undisputed possession. It was June 6, 1811 when they first landed and on June 13, 1812 the legal document was signed by James Madison giving John Leedy lawful right to the south west quarter of section 35.

Joyfully they looked upon the deed of their first home. But five days later the storms of the second war of Independence broke and the settlement grew desolate. All hopes of new friends arriving was cut off and fears of vengeance from the Indians possessed the whole frontier.

His patriotic fervor would have led John into the war, but being a frontiersman he was ordered to remain at home. However he sent a rifle to the block house at Mansfield and his teams with provisions to Ft. Meigs. Johnny Appleseed heralded a threatening disturbance from the Indians at the time of the Copus and Seymore murders, and the isolated Leedy family fled to Fredericktown where they dwelt in safety for nine days in the block-house.

Soon the dove of peace returned and several others of the family arrived to gladden the settlement. And Father Abraham himself entered a quarter section this year, 1814 and may have paid a gracious visit. On Jan. 30, 1815 John entered the second quarter, north-east.

The beautiful clear spring of water was near the section center and here John had erected his buildings. His home borders would be marred should a stranger get possession of any of the quarter sections that cornered at his home. The land had yielded sufficiently that again on Aug. 4, 1824 he entered the northwest quarter, fourteen years after he had first chosen the site.

Stretching to the southeast was a lowland, known as the Leedy Swamp. John intended some time to enter this last quarter, for it touched along side

of his house. For sixteen years he seems to have had no fear that a stranger would get ahead of him.

But one morning a friendly neighbor informed John that a Mr. Brown, living in the direction beyond this quarter section had started for Wooster to enter the same expecting to speculate at John's expense. At 10:00 o'clock that forenoon he was off on horseback to Fredericktown, even though in an opposite direction, for the necessary cash. All that day and all night he rode swiftly on. The next morning he was on hand when the office was opened and quietly made his purchase. He was proudly leaving the office with his papers in hand, when he passed the Mr. Brown whom he so successfully had outwitted. This happened Aug. 24, 1827, one hundred years ago.

With the same interest the story continues but a conclusion must be made here. A great grandson, one of my boyhood friends Mr. W. L. Garber, now occupies the old historical site, living in the fifth dwelling erected there, and the 640 acres of the fabled old section 35 now make up several farm homes.

Roy B. Leedy.

Amanda, O., July 22, 1927.

#### AMANDA, OHIO

July 22, 1927.

Dear Cousin:—I am enclosing a writup on Big John Leedy, which altho belated, will probably reach you in time for the pre-Reunion Chronicle.

I had hoped to have a cut of the pioneer mother ready to appear with this article, but as no one responded with any financial help for the same it will have to pass this time. If some relative will get five dollars together and send me I will promise an article for a later issue on this rugged woman of the frontier, along with her picture.

No one has replied to my appeal in the last Chronicle for back numbers of the family paper. If there are any of the relatives who have all the issues I would like to have them notify me, so we may have trace of full sets.

Neither have I heard from any of the family in answer to my petition for a financial backing for the history.

I will have to defer to a later issue the publication of details for obtaining

membership in the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution. I can however announce that any descendents of Samuel Leedy of Rockingham Co., Va. and Abraham Leedy of Hagerstown, Md., and later, Bedford Co., Pa. can obtain a membership.

A typographical error in my article to the last Chronicle gives the age of John Leedy 24, whereas it should be 14, page 4. This would give us the following fragmentary record of the original Leedy family in America in the year 1761: Parents: JOHN and ELIZABETH LEEDY; Children, Jacob, then of age; John, age 14; Barbara, Eve, Samuel and Abraham, all too young to choose their own guardian.

Who can tell me what the age limit was at that time for personal choice in guardianship?

I was glad to read the reference on page 7 to Samantha Leedy Collier, age 86. She will enjoy my words about her grandfather, Big John. How I would like to talk with this aged cousin to learn some more incidents of the pioneer story.

May I ask if John R. Garber will send me a copy of that old letter of his grandfather dated 1859? Also to tell something of the history of the John Garber who settled in Libertyville, Iowa. Samuel Garber a brother was the first Garber to connect with the Ohio Leedys. Our cousin in the west seems to have 1812 war records, we do not possess and will be pleased to hear from him. In my article on the old Garber wagon in the July 1923 issue. I gave all the earliest history of the Garber family I had at hand and published an item from an 1850 letter of the Iowa brother John.

I was sorry to learn of the death of J. W. Leedy of Virginia. He was the first to mention the idea of a family paper and was a real patron of the family. My hope was to meet him on a trip east and secure some promised history.

Roy B. Leedy.

#### HEALTH NOTES

It is expedient to go over important measures of health and long life at this time.

The way of health and bodily efficiency is an easy way, if we are willing

to take it up and devotedly follow it in contentment and gladness. Rebellion of mind and heart can discount excellent practices and hinder improvement.

First of all, the long story about food elements, calories, recipe making, etc. contains little of real practical utility for health. Even farmers are learning that a chemical balanced ration to feed cows is of little dependability and value in keeping up a large milk production.

More and more, it is being learned that Nature's Way is the true way, the healthful way and the real way to what is best and highest for health and long life.

The following statements are true and good, no matter what you think about them or what you decide to do. Read them for the fact and to know about the real way to the healthful life and activity of body and mind.

1. Eat most of your foods raw, salads, vegetables which are easily reduced by chewing, nuts, and nearly all of the fruits. Eat raw food as the larger part of every meal.

2. Put only one natural food in the mouth at a time. This is monochewing. It is against the health lore of ages, but it is the way of all nature and is wonderful in restoring healthful activity thruout the whole body. It is easy to obey—no mixing and recipe filling and compounding; no fussing and messing and piling up of containers to carry different ingredients. It will seem like losing a good friend at first—in eating a shreaded wheat biscuit with nothing on it but all alone; cooked pumpkin all alone; white dry bread with no spread or liquid of any kind. This is the royal law of nature and the more you obey it, the better you will be off in every way. When you are about stalled on the shreaded wheat, swallow what is in the mouth and eat a mouthful of raw lettuce, cabbage or other raw salad, or eat several spoonfuls of raw milk, or raw fruit. You can eat a little sugar, a bit of molasses; each by itself and all alone, and the relish will be great.

This way of eating will require about half an hour of sturdy chewing at a meal.

The philosophy of the practice is that you thoroly mingle and treat each mouthful of food with saliva before it enters the stomach, and it remains an

individual portion ready for digestion. You can't believe how wonderfully it improves digestion, and you will be surprised at the reduced quantity of food you will need to feel full and satisfied.

Further, you see, when you mix foods, you bring chemical elements of foods together often that are unhealthful in a high degree, and make compounds that resist the digestive fluids. For instance you take sour apples and salt together the sour of the apple and the soda of the salt become different. Salt is composed of soda and chlorine. Together they are a food, but chemically separated, the soda is food and the chlorine is very poisonous. There are many foods when mixt in the mouth or in cooking are made poisonous to the system by their chemical changes which the saliva can not prevent.

3. Eat one each of the five general classes of food at each regular meal to supply the system with all the elements needed in nutrition. A Green herb food, such as sliced cabbage, lettuce and their classes. B Fruit foods, which are so many that no name need be mentioned. C Bread foods, such as cereals, potatoes, root vegetables, which are many. D Meat foods, the flesh of animals, fowls, fish, nuts, beans, peas, lentils and milk, which is a universal meaty food that every one should eat of, at least a pint a day. E Fat foods, dairy butter, olive oil, other edible fats, honey, syrup, etc. Honey apparently does not clas well with butter, but it serves a similar purpose in the nutrition and the two ought not to be eaten freely together at a meal.

These statements are not meant to mean that there is real harm in eating two or three salads at the same meal, alone and in small quantity, or that more than one of the other classes may not be eaten at the same meal; but it does mean that at least one food should be eaten of each class at a meal. When there is plenty of one class, it is best to use but the one of that class.

Now suppose you eat but one of each class, you see you would eat fifteen different foods a day. This practice will give the variety that is so necessary to bring good health. Health depends on eating the proper foods in the right way.