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Jackson County will be celebrating its bicentennial in 2016 and we will be featuring stories of the county's history in the *Poplar Row*. These historical articles will come from our Jackson County history books and newspapers. Please enjoy and plan to visit Jackson County in 2016 to share in our celebration. Also, check out our Facebook page for future events.

Pioneer Road and Post Offices

A road for the transportation of salt was the first paramount necessity, and the State Legislature appropriated \$800 on February, 1804, for the laying out of a road from Chillicothe to Gallipolis by way of the Salt Licks and **Samuel S. Spencer** was appointed a commissioner to oversee the work. This road for two or three decades remained the principal road from the Ohio River to the interior of the state, and thousands of settlers from Virginia and the Carolinas traveled it. The second great need was a post office, and it was established October 1, 1804. The name Salt Lick was given to it, which it retained until 1817, when it was changed to Jackson C. H. The first postmaster was **Roger Selden**, who was a leading citizen in the early days. The county was slow to develop and the second post office, in Oak Hill, was not established until March 11, 1837. The second road to the Licks was surveyed in 1804 by **Edwards Villa** in Scioto County. The completion of this road gave access to the Salt Licks from the mouth of the Scioto River, and it had the effect of causing many of the young men of Scioto County to come to the Licks in quest of employment during the summer months. Of the number were such men as **William Salter** and **Levi** and **Robert Patrick**. These two are thought to have been the sons of **Peter Patrick** and were leading citizens at the Licks in 1808.

1890 Jackson County School Teachers

The following article was found in the Jackson Standard-Journal dated from 1890. It lists the current teachers of Jackson County. Below is an insert explaining article followed by a list of teachers. This is "Part 4" of the series which will continue through the year.

STANDARD-JOURNAL, JACKSON, OHIO, Wednesday, January 1, 1890
Offices over First National Bank, Main St.

OUR TEACHERS – part 4 (concludes series)

B. F. Garrett who is teaching at the Cowen school in Liberty Township holds a one year's certificate and is teaching his second school.

E. W. Patterson is the Principal of the Jackson High School. He is a graduate of Marietta College, taught there years in a Military School in New Jersey, and three years in the Jackson High School, then taught one year in the Portsmouth High School, and returned to his present position at the beginning of this school year. He has not been well for several weeks, but is said to be improving now.

The Jackson teachers who have had the greatest number of years of experience are **Frank Hanna, Lou Yochem, Grace Matthews, Cordelia Price** and **Lucy Jones**. The other teachers are **Emma Henson, Hattie Moore, Mame Williams, Ida Jones, Mollie White, Carrie French, Myrtie Long, Lizzie Dyer, Emma Goddard, Maude Swift, Jennie Evans, Lillie Ervin, Jennie Jones,** and **Hilla Dungan**, whose experiences range from one to six years. All excepting the first four and last three of these ladies are graduates of the Jackson High School.

The Superintendent of the Wellston Schools is **T. S. Hogan**. We have failed to secure any facts regarding him. The other teachers in the same school are **J. W. Jones, C. C. McCormick, Mattie Patterson, Jessie Watt, Lida Carr, Etta Francis, Nellie McCloud, Katy Rogan, Emma Watt, Libbie Carnal, W. J. Kirkendall, Maggie Kearney, Maggie Seel, Ona Carnal** and **Ella Ware**.

The superintendent of the Coalton Schools is **W. McK. Davis**. The other teachers are **Clara McKinnis, Emma Inman, Anna Church, Lillie Branscomb, Cora Henson, Phenie Rapp** and **Gertrude Fischer**. **Miss McKinnis** has had nine years' experience and holds a five years' certificate. **Miss Inman** has taught eight years and holds a three years' certificate. **Miss Church** has taught three years and holds a three years' certificate. **Miss Henson** has taught four years and **Miss Rapp** two years.

Joseph McGhee is a very young teacher, being only seventeen. He is teaching his first school at Clayton, in Coal Township. He has one year's certificate.

John H. Jenkins, who is nineteen years old, is teaching his first school in the Deaver district in Hamilton Township.

O. M. Woodrow, of Jackson Township, is twenty-one years of age and is teaching his first school at a salary of \$30 a month.

Edwin J. Morgan is twenty years of age and holds a one year's certificate and is now teaching his second school at Cambria Fce. at a salary of \$33½ a month.

H. J. Downs is twenty-one, a Republican, holds a one year's certificate, and is teaching his third school at Lincoln Furnace at a salary of \$40.

G. B. Warren is twenty-nine years of age, holds a two years' certificate, has attended at the N.N.U. and has taught for six years. He is now teaching at Haverhill Scioto County.

R. V. Jones is nineteen years of age, holds a two years' certificate and has taught for three years. He is now teaching at Clay at a salary of \$35 a month.

F. M. Kirkendall is twenty-two years of age, has attended at Ewington Academy and the Ohio University. He is now teaching in Vinton County.

Evan J. Williams holds a two years' certificate and is teaching his third school at Franklin Valley.

W. A. Inman is teaching at Blanchester, in Clinton County, at a salary of \$45 a month.

A. G. Ray is teaching in Ross County.

Dan Alban is teaching at the Town House in Franklin Township.

P. F. Burns is teaching at Monroe Furnace.

Of our lady teachers, **Mrs. Belle Brothers** has had probably more experience than any other. She has taught about fourteen years, and is now teaching at Samsonville at a salary of \$35 a month.

Vrinah Lloyd who is teaching in the Portland School, has had six years' experience, the last four being at Oak Hill.

Sarah L. Thomas, who is teaching in the Oak Hill School, holds a two years' certificate and has taught ten terms.

Eunice Edwards, who is teaching in her home district, Moriah, holds a two years' certificate, and is teaching her first school.

Kate Hunt, daughter of **Edward Hunt**, of Madison Township, is teaching the Alban School.

Maggie Hughes is teaching her first school near the homestead of her grandfather, **John Hughes**, who was one of the pioneers of Hewitts Fork. The school is known throughout the county as the Bank School.

Mary Arthur is teaching her first school at Yorkville, in Jackson Township. Her salary is \$26 per month.

Maggie Hoch is teaching at Savageville, in the same township, her salary being \$25 per month.

Lydia Hoch is teaching at Hickman, at a salary of \$25 per month.

Annie Lloyd is teaching at the Crosby School at the same salary.

Mary Jones is teaching the school in the Black Knob district, in the same township, at the same salary.

The following are the teachers of Bloomfield Township not already named: **E. M. Hanna, F. D. Kelley, W. C. Cherington, Della Williams, C. M. Johnson, H. J. Johnson** and **Sherman Hartsook**.

Two teachers died during the years, **Richard Evans** and **Geo. W. Scurlock**

The above includes all that we know about the teachers mentioned. We have been at great labor to inquire concerning all the teachers of the county, and have, and have succeeded remarkably well for which we wish to thank all the persons who assisted us. No doubt, several have been omitted, but it has been through no fault of ours, as our object has been to give an unbiased and impartial account of each one.

Looking Back at the Past in Jackson County, Ohio

The following is an ongoing series of articles transcribed from old Jackson County newspapers, focused on local events of the day in this October-December period from 1865, 1890 and 1915

150 years ago (Oct-Dec 1865)

Jackson Standard, Jackson, Ohio
Thursday, October 18, 1865

Obituary

Rhoda Lewis departed this life October 24, A.D. 1864. Sister Lewis was born in Giles county Virginia December 21, 1817. Embraced the Christian religion near the age of 14, and united with the Methodist Church. Afterwards she immigrated to Jackson County, Ohio, where she became identified with M.P. Church, in which she lived a consistent member until her death. She was united in marriage with **John Hatten**, March 24, 1842, with whom she lived an agreeable life for upwards of 11 years, when he died, leaving her a widow with four children, whom she most tenderly cared for until April 17, 1855, when she was joined in marriage with David Lewis, to whom she performed all the duties of a faithful companion until her death, when she passed from earth in the triumph of faith, being 47 years, 10 months and 3 days of age.

We can say truthfully of Sister Lewis that she was a dutiful daughter, a faithful companion, an affectionate and tender mother, a true Christian, good neighbor, and kind to the poor. Her loss to her family is an irreparable one; to the Church, a serious one, and as a neighbor she will be greatly missed. "But the Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, and blessed be the name of the Lord."

E. Bach

Tribute of Respect

At a meeting of the members of Company K, 91st O.V.I., of which **Milton Brown** was Chairman and **Vincent Radcliff** Secretary, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: It has been pleased an all wise Providence to take from our midst one of our companions in arms and messmate in camp, in the person of **Peter Piles**.

Resolved, 1, That while we admire the bravery and good conduct of our heroic brother-in-arms, we deeply regret his loss, and our warmest sympathies are tendered to the bereaved widow and friends of the deceased.

Resolved, 2, That in token of respect for our deceased brother, we do each respectfully tender and donate to the wife of the deceased the sums set opposite our respective named.

Lieutenant, Milton Brown	\$3.00
1 st Sergeant Vincent Radcliff	2.00
Sergeant William Sell	1.00
“ Levi S. Stephenson	1.00
“ Charles S. Schellenger	2.00
“ James O’Rorick	2.00

Corporals

1st Wm. R. McDonald	\$1.00
Wm. C. Hill	1.00
Wm. H. Plummer	1.00

Privates

John Bennett	1.00
Peter Brunton	1.00
John Bordes	1.00
William Briggs	1.00
William Callender	1.00
William Canghey	1.00
Henry Dillinger	1.00
Abraham Dickson	2.00
George Ekhart	1.00
John Ekhart	1.00
Peter Finch	1.00
Benjamin Flack	1.00
Wm. H. Halterman	1.00
Henry Halterman	1.00
Christopher Hainsey	1.00
Anthony Marsh	1.00
Jefferson Anderson	1.00
Ira Miller	1.00
Wm. H. Brunton	2.00
James W. Kight	1.00
Joseph Keibel	1.00
Arthur Metcalf	2.00
George W. Mercer	1.00

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Daniel McCain	1.00
James Moore	1.00
John Nelson	1.00
Felix Nash	1.00
James Plummer	1.00
Wm. J. Rhoades	2.00
Robert Ralston	1.00
Thomas D. Radcliff	2.00
John Shepherd	1.00
Joseph Shiffler	1.00
John L. Wills	1.00
Josephus Wycoff	2.00

Resolved, 3 That a copy of these proceedings be sent to the wife of the deceased.

Milton Brown, Chairman
Vincent Radcliff, Secretary

Jackson Standard, Jackson, Ohio
Thursday, October 27, 1865

Local Matter

Loan Books – The persons who borrowed Raff's Pension Guide and the first volume of Benton's Thirty Year's in the Senate are requested to return them to this office.

The coal shaft of **Jones** and **Robbins**, near the railroad, has been sunk to the coal and the building for the machinery has been put up. The company will soon be ready to take out coal.

Special Notice – **W. D. Trago**, Deputy-Collections left for Johnson's Island on Monday, and requested us to say the Mr. **Andrew Long** will attend to receiving taxes until his return and that the taxes now due must be paid at once.

The Orange Furnace is now rapidly going up. The builders have got three rounds above the arches. The company has taken out a large amount of coal and fine the vein still good. The coal business in Jackson is no longer an experiment.

Wilcox and Gibb' Sewing Machine took the first premium at the Indianapolis State Fair. This is the thirteenth First Premium they have taken this year. Mrs. **Dever**, Isham House is agent for Jackson County. See advertisement in another column.

More About Cheap Goods – Mrs. **Thompson** is still selling goods at her store on Broadway Street in this town, at from ten to fifteen per cent cheaper than they can be bought at any other house in town. Her stock is selected with great care and customers cannot fail to be suited. Call when you are in town, at the room east of the American House.

MARRIED

At the residence of the bride's father, October 14, 1864 in Franklin township, by **John J. C. Evans**, Esq., Mr. **William W. Lewis**, and Miss **Margaret Davis**, both of this county.

125 years ago (Oct-Dec 1890)

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, October 1, 1890

More About The White Family

In the last issue one of this paper mentions was made that the White family would hold a reunion at the home of their mother, Mrs. **Annie White**, in Liberty Township this county, on September 19th, 1890. At the appointed time and place the reunion was quite largely attended by children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other relatives.

The grandfather of the family in question came to this country from Ireland about the year 1800, worked for a time in Baltimore at the fisheries, and afterward located on a farm in Beaver County, Penn., where he resided until his death.

His son, **William White**, now deceased, intermarried with **Anna Wade** about the year 1830. Afterward, about the year 1840, **William** entered lands in Scioto Township, this county, where a little later on he located with his family, the subject of

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this sketch. Here he continued to reside until his death, March 17th, 1878. On this old homestead his entire family consisting now of seven sons and three daughters, attained their full manhood and womanhood.

Mrs. **Anna White** is now 78 years of age, and she and her two daughters, **Sarah E.** and **Mary Ellen** live together. They and the two sons, **Samuel** and **William** reside in Liberty Township, this county; **James J.** in the State of Missouri; **John W.** in Jackson, Ohio; **Dr. J. A.** at Dunreath, Indiana; **A. L.** on the old home farm in Scioto Township, this county; **Dr. D. A.** near Bloomington, Illinois; and **Melvina (Kelley)** near Findlay, Ohio.

In the broadest sense the entire family numbers seventy-six persons, sixty-four above mentioned embrace four generations. The first consists of Mrs. **Anna White**; the second of her ten children; the third of her forty-four grandchildren; and the fourth of her nine great-grandchildren. Of the seventy-six above designated, fifty-one attended the reunion viz: Mrs. **Anna White**; her ten children; twenty-four of her grandchildren; her nine great-grandchildren; and eight other relatives who are connected by marriage, including **Mary Wade**, a lady in her 85th year, who is the mother of the Wade family a contemporary of the White family.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio Wednesday, October 8, 1890

Family Record- Born

Shaffer – October 3rd, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. **George Shaffer**

Marriage Licenses

Patrick Varley and **Ella M. Hollingshead**
Andrew E. Edwards and **Ella Scurlock**
Walter R. Criswell and **Emma Dever**
Johnson G. Lloyd and **Mary C. Reigel**
William J. Davis and **Lydia K. Swan**
Frank D. McKinniss and **Flora M. Roy**

Died

Curry- September 24th at Byer, **Elizabeth** wife of Mr. **Geo. R. Curry**, aged 67 years. The cause of her death was cancer.

Miller – October 2nd at Wellston of lung trouble, **Barney Miller**. His funeral occurred Friday.

Trace – October 2nd, at Coalton of diphtheria a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Chas. Trace**, aged 4 years.

Watt – October 3rd, at Wellston, of fever, **Willie Watt**.

The old soldiers are rapidly passing away. The record in this city last week should impress all of us. Monday, the remains of **John Woolam** one of the Mitchel Raiders was laid away. Thursday, the same sad duty was performed in the case of **Jacob Crabtree** of the 53rd O.V.I. Friday a large concourse followed the remains of **Joseph Humphreys** to their last resting place. After the 30th year from the beginning of the war, the number of deaths among the old veterans will multiply very rapidly. This fact makes it imperative that Justice be done them by the Government at once.

Pattonsville

Geo. T. Dillinger is very low with typhoid fever.

T. C. Higgins of Hamden Junction accompanied by **L. Trace** of Wellston paid his mother, Mrs. **M. N. Higgins** a visit one day last week.

Mr. **Peter McClain** of Jackson passed through our city one day last week, enroute for Keystone.

Edgar Plummer of Winchester spent Sunday in our city, the guest of **M. D. Higgins**.

C. C. Peden has been on the sick list for some time.

Miles and **John Dillinger** spent Sunday at home. They have been at work in Vinton County for quite a while.

School commenced at this place last Monday, **L. Hale** as teacher.

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W. S. Peden and **Elmer Andrews** made a flying trip to Tar Camp Sunday.

Perry Andrews has been very busily engaged making molasses, for some time.

M. D. Higgins made a trip to Winchester one day last week.

Isaac Beard of Pike County, spent Friday at this place, the guest of **Perry Andrews**.

Miss **Maggie Erwin**, who has been staying near Buckeye Fce. spent Sunday at home.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, November 5, 1890

JURORS

The following is the list of jurors drawn for the next term of Court.

Grand Jurors

James Ervin, Liberty Township
Elias Bower, Liberty Township
James Goddard, Milton Township
Charles Conrad, Coal Township
Jno. McCulgin, Madison Township
James Lackey, Liberty Township
Michael Kessinger, Lick Township
Sidney Sheward, Franklin Township
Jacob Clark, Jackson Township
David A. Jones, Jefferson Township
C.S. Baxter, Bloomfield Township
Robert Wallace, Lick Township
Miles Jones, Lick Township
Thomas Rogers, Lick Township
Allen Yerian, Liberty Township

Petit Jurors

Jeremiah Crabtree Hamilton Township
Harrison Horton, Jefferson Township
Alexander Lewis, Washington Township
Morgan Isaac, Madison Township
Jessie Williams, Milton Township
Charles Speelman, Coal Township
William Spriggs, Franklin Township
Jno. W. Evans, Coal Township
Daniel Faulkner, Madison Township
W. F. Lopp, Scioto Township

John Crouch, Coal Township
William Watson, Coal Township

Fatally Crushed

We are again called upon to chronicle another fatal accident. Mr. **Headley Dawson** of the Emma Mine at Glen Roy was caught by a fall of slate last Wednesday morning about 10 a.m. and crushed about the hips and otherwise internally injured to such an extent that he died before midnight of the same day. It seems that he had fired a shot and gone back in his room to work, without taking the necessary precaution to guard against danger. Coroner **Radcliff** held the inquest on the 31st and after hearing all the evidence, exonerated the company. Mr. **Dawson** was a young man, being only 28 years of age, and his death is a loss to the community not speaking of his wife and two small children who have the sympathy of all. His funeral occurred Friday at 2 p.m. under the auspices of the K and P. His remains were interred in the Coalton Cemetery. Deaths from such a cause are unusually sad.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, November 12, 1890

A Sketch

The following is a sketch of a lady who was a native of this county, and who is known to many of our citizens. It appeared in the Portsmouth Times Saturday, November 7th.

Mrs. J. D. Clare

The wife of one of the most prominent business men of Portsmouth was **Sarah Jane Ross**, born near Jackson, O. Her father was an Ohio man, and her mother, whose father, **Col. Owens**, fought in the Revolutionary war, was a native of Virginia. Mr. **Ross**, Mrs. **Clare's** father, died when this daughter was but three years old and with her widowed mother and two brothers she moved to Virginia, where they lived for about five years; then returning

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to Jackson, O., which was their home for several years. In 1844 the **Ross** family moved to Winchester, Ohio, where in August, 1846; **Sarah Jane Ross** was united in marriage to **J. D. Clare**.

Mr. Clare was born in Washington, D.C. but came to Ohio when about eleven years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare spent the first six years of their married life among other places, at Ohio Furnace, and on a farm, and for twenty-one years prior to 1873 resided at Cross Roads, Ohio. They lived in Portsmouth since the fall of 1873, and their pleasant home on the corner of Chillicothe and Eighth Streets, is one of the finest residences in the city.

Mrs. Clare is a devoted wife and mother and has raised a family of six children three girls and three boys, all now married. She has perhaps a larger number of direct descendants than any of the matrons of Portsmouth, being the grandmother of twenty-one children. The oldest daughter, **Josephine**, **Mrs. Miller**, of Bloom Furnace, is the mother of four children, three girls and one boy; **Hortense B. Clare** is the wife of **Rev. Thos L. Hughes**, a Presbyterian minister of Shelbyville, Ind. There are four daughters and two sons in the **Hughes** family; **Mrs. Alice R. Bentley** of Madison Furnace, wife of **Linn Bentley**, has two boys and two girls; **Jas. Robert Clare** lives with his wife (nee **Miss Anna Horr**) and three children on Washington street; **Eugene Herbert**, the second son, resides with his family, his wife (nee **Miss Jennie Losee**) and two young sons, at Bloom Furnace; **Earl S.** the youngest of this family, has a very pretty wife, **Minnie**, the daughter of **Aleck Altzman**, of this city. **Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clare** have a very bright young son and one sweet little daughter.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, December 3, 1890

LIMERICK

Mrs. **I. N. Scothorn** and Miss **Minnie Rowland** are visiting relatives at Wellston.

Mr. O. B. Randall, of Leo, was in attendance at a meeting of the S. of V. Camp of this place on last Saturday.

Mr. David Estis and family of "Given" spent Thanksgiving with **Mr. Joseph Rowland** near here.

Married – On Nov. 30th, **Mr. John Boyd** and **Miss Mary A. Whaley**, **Rev. A. F. Creighton** officiating. The guests numbered about thirty. We wish the young people success.

Mr. Samuel Gregory received a fall from a colt, which may necessitate the amputation of his leg. He is very poorly.

Mr. Clint Rider, of Wheldon, spent Sunday with his mother.

Mr. G. W. King has moved into the property lately vacated by **O. Wildman**.

Quite a number from here visited Jackson last Friday and Saturday to attend the **McLaughlin** trial which has attracted considerable attention.

Miss Lizzie Cummins returned home from Cove last Sunday. She comes home to attend school.

Quail hunting is all the rage.

Rex.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, December 10, 1890

A Fatal Accident

A fatal accident occurred near Oak Hill last Thursday. All who know the locality remember the old **Morris** residence about a mile east of old Oak Hill. About 2 a.m. Thursday it was discovered to be on fire by the family of **Mr. Isaac Evans** to whom it belonged. The boys hastened to the place to save some hay stacks which had been built near it and succeeded in doing so only on account of the rain of the day before. We have been informed that **Mr. Evans** lost some farming implements which had been left in the house. The next day **Mrs. David B. Davis** who lives near was walking about the ruins and stepped on what proved to be a human skull. An investigation was made and it was discovered that a man had burned to death in the fire. An inquest was held Saturday, **John J. Thomas**, Justice

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of the Peace, presiding, and if we have been correctly informed the finding was that the remains were those of a man who had been tramping about the neighborhood for several days previously. No definite information has been received by us yet, but it is reported that he belonged at Racine, Meigs County. He had visited several houses in the Moriah neighborhood. One family noticed that he carried a hatchet and on asking him why he carried it, he said he used it to chop kindling for his nightly fires. He was seen to go into the old **Morris** residence Wednesday night. His remains were buried by the trustees of Madison Township. Nothing is known as to the manner that the house caught fire, but it is supposed that some logs rolled out on the floor and that he was suffocated at once. The building was of logs and had been erected in 1838 by Mr. **Edward Morris**, hence it was quite an old landmark. The chimney was the first stone chimney erected in the neighborhood and was erected by Mr. **William J. Jones**.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio Wednesday, December 24, 1890

Excerpts from "Local & Personnel"

Mr. **John Albert Evans** of Richmond, Indiana, who is visiting friends in the southern part of the county, was in Jackson Wednesday. He was formerly a resident of Oak Hill and was quite well known as one of the members of the famous Oak Hill choir.

Mr. **Andrew Warren** of Samsonville, called last week. He informed us that his son, **George B. Warren**, is clerking in the company store at Ohio Furnace.

Mr. **A. J. Leonard**, of Hewitt's Fork was granted an increase of pension last week.

The G.A.R. Post No. 613 will meet at Oak Hill Friday, December 26, 1890 at 7 o'clock p.m. to elect officers for the ensuing year. All are requested to be present. **W. W. Hughes, P.C.**

An increase in pension was been granted to **Hugh Malone**.

Mr. **Millard Patterson** is teaching at Weldon in place of **G. W. Claar** who resigned.

Mr. **D. D. Williams** of Madison Township called Saturday. He informed us that the tramp, who is supposed to have been burned at the **Morris** residence near Oak Hill a few weeks ago, had stopped at the house of Mr. **Thos. S. Jones** a few days before and had given his name as **R. McLaughlin**.

Mr. **Pleasant Horton**, of Jefferson Township, Executor of **Jos. J. Spriggs** deceased, was in Jackson Saturday to close up his business. Mr. **Horton** was formerly a well-known teacher in the southern part of the county.

Jasper Kinney, drayman at the Wellston Foundry, broke his arm last week.

Mr. **E. S. Davis** formerly of Oak Hill, is now located at Tacoma in the State of Washington where he is working in the Auditor's office.

All of our readers have no doubt learned all the details of the killing of **Sitting Bull**, but we presume that only a few know that a number of our citizens are doubly interested in the event. Capt. **E. G. Fechet**, who commanded the troop sent to arrest **Sitting Bull**, is a brother-in-law of Mesdames **Glidden, L. T. Murfin** and **Elias Crandall**, of this city, his wife being their sister. Capt. **Fechet** is a native of Michigan, is about 45 years of age, had been in the regular army since he was 17. He is captain of Troop G in the 8th U.S. Cavalry. Another relative of the family, 2nd Lieutenant **Steele**, belongs to the same regiment. The latter is a southerner and his late experiences are such as to cause many to suppose him to be the hero of Capt. **Chas. King's** latest novel, "An Army Portia." which we shall publish as soon as our present story is ended.

100 years ago (Oct-Dec 1915)

**Jackson Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Saturday, October 2, 1915**

*Entertaining Large Crowds Daily With Annual
Festival Displays – Jackson County Fruit Display
Takes High Rank – Many Visitors In City*

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Large crowds poured into the county seat during Second Annual Fall Festival to see the exhibits by the county's citizenship. Besides the displays a large array of shows were pitched on the streets which include the usual collection. Jackson's second annual fall festival is a big success and barring some inclement weather amply repaid the visitors who came to view it.

Too much cannot be said of the excellent exhibits of the local business concerns. The Globe Furnace miniature plant tops the list and was continually the center of attraction.

Stephenson & Foster, merchants with a beautiful array of ladies' apparel was exceedingly attractive.

The display of the Jackson Dry Goods Co. attracted particular attention and contained some beautiful garments.

Martin's Main street had two booths one containing a showing of their snappy fall goods and the other half a rest room.

The Underselling store on Main Street exhibited a pretty line from its store at its popular prices.

Sam Jones, confectioner, had a pretty booth containing his line of sweet goods plumbing

The Model Bakery of **Fred Bertach** was represented with a show of its goods and its model \$400 popcorn plant.

The Davis Sisters, milliners displayed some of their catchy hats in a neat booth.

The Star Garage had on exhibition in a particularly artistic booth, one of its beautiful Paige cars which are making such a hit in this county.

The display of the Chas. L. Wood Furniture and Undertaking Co. deserves especial consideration. The antique furniture display kept the streets packed in front of their store. Their booth containing the great "Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets" is a business getter.

Jos. Abraham and Tony Pusateri are the city's two fruit dealers and both have pretty exhibits. The former is showing southern persimmons as large as oranges.

One of the neatest and most artistic displays is that of the Alexander Book store.

The Peters Milling Co. displayed their fine line of flour and gave samples of biscuits baked while you waited.

The Jackson Milling Co. had a large showing of their spring wheat flour, and gave away a barrel of flour in a guessing contest.

The Jackson Ice Co. gave you a "cool" reception with its array of ice blocks in which were set flowers and flags.

Cavett and Jones, clothiers, gave an extensive showing of their gents furnishing. This is the home of the "Style-plus" clothing.

J. H. Halterman has a booth showing the great "Singer" sewing machine.

Lake and Downs Furniture Co. displayed some of their fine home furniture.

Hale's Drug store, in a catchy booth, featured the Eastman Kodak goods, so popular the county over.

The Auto Supply in a large space demonstrated the fine points of the Buick and Saxon cars.

The Lewis Drug store featured a booth demonstrating the Rexall line.

Ed Farrar, the monument dealer, featured a cemetery lot outfit as furnished by that firm.

The exhibit of Ford cars by C. A. Scott in the Brown building is typical of this widely known agent and shows the varied line of the Ford concern.

The "Temperance" booth in front of the Ullom millinery, dispensed literature for the cause.

The Post Office display showed just what could be sent by the parcel post system.

The Smoke House had a unique display and featured Tuxedo tobacco.

The "Kerby" store booth showed its glass-ware lines at popular prices.

The popular Ervin Bros. Hardware windows cleverly exhibited many of the varied lines of their mammoth stock. In front a booth display of "Green Seal" paint demonstrated their big line of paint.

Michael, the big variety store with the little prices, fronted a booth which was a silent demonstration of the truth of its claim.

Ridenour showed a large exhibit of buggies and their specialty in gas and coal stoves, home plumbing and drinking fountains.

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Davis & Son, jewelers displayed a beautiful line of Pickard china and a vin(sic) silverware.

Summers & Son music store booth as usual was the attraction and where everyone was made happy with the music from their sweet toned instruments. No better any place.

Fenning, the popular jeweler and optometrist, offered a catchy showing of beautiful china and elegant silverware.

Stephenson Shoe store, the home of the "Walk-Over" shoes and Ball Band rubber goods, showed samples of their extensive line.

"Overland" car, amply explained and demonstrated by in a booth, presided over by agent **Oscar Lively**.

Thomas Shoe store, with an artistic booth display, interested the crowds with its showing of long wearing lines of "Bostonians" and Snag-proof rubber goods.

Callahan and Motz, popular hardware dealers, arrayed a large exhibit of stoves, paints, and the DeLaval cream separator.

Claar Bros. the home of "Sincerity" brand clothing exhibited a catchy line of their particular furnishings.

The Jackson Pop factory sampled in an artistic manner each of their brands of soft drinks produced in its Jackson plant.

Mitchell, the grocer was represented with a booth showing Golden Sun coffee.

The First National Bank rest booth contained a fine produce showing, furnished by Jackson Grange.

The new coffee house concern of Morgan and Davis in a booth on Main Street dispensed hot coffee and manufactured and sold their especial line of peanut butter.

The agricultural and fruit display at the Crescent, by the various schools and granges of the county, make up a truly surprising show and the crowds who daily visited there were very appreciative and many returned for a second visit. One has but to look over the work of these school exhibits to comprehend the advance made by the modern school. Among the specials we noted was several original pen and ink cartoons by young

Haldor Mohat of the Pattonsville school which evidenced large talent. In the Oak Hill School district we were shown a penny candy and chewing gum machine conceived and hand made by a young lad in the person of **Enos Dole**. **Carl Sprig** of the same school built a small log cabin with a mud chimney which was very unique.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio Thursday, October 8, 1915

Smith Takes Charge of the Gibson

Mr. **O. R. Smith** of Linworth, Ohio, came to Jackson Monday Oct. 4, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Miss **Ollie May**, aged 18 years, and took charge as landlord of the Gibson. All welcome them to their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. **J. Q. Gibson** leave for Columbus where the good wishes of all go with them. Their residence here this last time has been since Oct. 28, 1911.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio Wednesday, October 13, 1915

JACKSON – Was Settled In Seventeen Hundred And Ninety Five

Through some inadvertence for which this paper is not responsible, it begins to be printed that Jackson will celebrate its centennial in 1916.

Jackson's Centennial Year Was 1795

That is all a mistake. Jackson's centennial year was 1795. The first settler was Joseph Conklin. All the facts known about the settlement may be found in the history of this county published by the writer. But there is no question about the date being 1795.

This statement is published because of the great number of inquiries made in the past ten days. It may be added that the first sale of lots in Jackson occurred in 1817 and more will be printed later about that interesting event, and the circumstances that led to it.

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Semi-Weekly Sun, Jackson, Ohio Monday, October 25, 1915

Mr. Clyde E. Brown Selected to Control Destinies of Jackson's Popular Semi-Weekly

Mr. **Clyde E. Brown**, of Glen Roy is the new Editor of the SUN and is new in full charge succeeding Mr. **Dan T. Davis**, recently resigned.

Mr. **Brown** is a young man of considerable literary and business ability and we feel gratified that we were able to secure the services of one with as promising a future as Mr. **Brown**. We believe the patrons will find him pleasant and agreeable and further that he will be able to publish an excellent paper and one that will grow in interest as he becomes better acquainted with the people of the various parts of the county.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. **F. E. Brown** of Glen Roy. He was educated in the Jackson schools graduating with high honors last spring. He fitted himself for teaching and began the work but being offered the position of Editor of the SUN, and having an earnest desire to do literary work, he accepted. Mr. **Brown** stands high in Grange circles and was only recently elected to the position of delegate to the State Grange.

He enters upon his duties with confidence and enthusiasm and any favors shown Mr. **Brown** appreciated by the management.

The Sun Pub. Co.

Standard-Journal, Jackson, Ohio Wednesday, October 27, 1915

James H. Comer Dies in the Prime of Life

James H. Comer who had been a resident of Coalton almost all his life died at this home at Ray Oct. 21 at the age of nearly thirty five years. An ailment of the heart being the cause of his death.

Mr. **Comer** moved to Ray over a year ago where with his father **William Comer** operated a small wagon coal mine.

A wife and three children survive also his parents who live near Ray, three sisters Mrs.

Garfield Wilson of Ray, Mrs. **David D. Jones** and Mrs. **Thomas Luster** of Coalton, one half-brother **William Fowler** of Marion, and two half-sisters Mrs. **Alice Manning** of Scioto Furnace and Mrs. **Margaret Christian** in Lawrence county.

The funeral was conducted at the U.B. church Saturday by Rev. **Fred Richards** and interment was in the Coalton cemetery.

Semi-Weekly Sun, Jackson, Ohio Thursday, November 4, 1915

E. C. Laird, Sr., - Mayor of Jackson By A Plurality of 163 - The Official Vote Thursday Given

By the Board of Elections Show That Republicans Were Elected to Every Office in Jackson Tuesday Where There Was a Contest With the Exception of City Auditor.

The vote for mayor in Jackson was as follows:

E. C. Laird, Rep.	513
Otto Brady, Dem.	232
F. M. McClain, Ind.	350
E. C. Powell, Ind.	263
Total vote for mayor	1358

Laird's majority over **McClain** (present mayor) 163. **S.C. Crossland** received 676 votes for president of council.

Auditor

Geo. W. Miller	519
Ralph Hamilton	693

Hamilton's majority	174
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Treasurer

Ivor Jones	809
D. P. Coll Jr.	365

Jones's majority	444
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Solicitor

Benner Jones	130
Frank White	48
John Robbins	16

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Jones's majority 66

Councilmen at large

A. E. Rowland	792
E. J. Sheldon	796
J. J. Williams	744

There were three to be elected hence no opposition.

Councilmen

1 st ward	J. R. Hippel	
2 nd ward	William Sheward	144
	Frank Jacobs	138
3 rd ward	John H. Clark	
4 th ward	Arch Claar	179
	W. E. Fite	162

Assessors

1 st ward	David Morgan	
2 nd ward	William Hughes	
3 rd ward	William Williams	146
	E. E. Swift	119
4 th ward	William Gifford	

Board of Education

J. H. Newvahner	925
J. C. Poore	774
Moses Morgan	645

Lick Township

John Armstrong, Henry Johnson and James A. Randall were elected trustees of Lick Twp. The votes were as follows:

John Armstrong	714
Wm. Howe	413
Nels Jenkins	413
Henry Johnson	529
James A. Randall	504
Ira Rice	419
N. B. Wood	264

Robt. K. Schellenger was elected clerk.

W. O. Delay and **Grant Estep** constables and **Leonard Brown** assessor.

Jackson Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Saturday, November 13, 1915

Mrs. Clyde Dungan – Dies At Dayton Following
Effects of Operation

Mrs. Clyde Dungan who was recently operated upon at a Dayton hospital died Thursday at 1 o'clock, unable to withstand the strain. **Mrs. Dungan** was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Norris Cameron**, deceased of Coalton. She leaves a husband and two children. The remains will be brought here today and interment made at Fairmount Monday by undertaker **Vorhis**.

Have Rabbit Supper

The local Red Men lodge after taking in several new members on last Thursday evening were treated to a rabbit supper. Quite a number of members were present for the occasion.

Semi-Weekly Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Thursday, December 2, 1915

MEN BURNED

Seth Halterman and **Alpha Fulk** were burned at Globe furnace Monday evening when the mud gun flew out to the place where they were working. **Halterman's** injuries were severe, being burned on his face, neck, shoulders and feet. **Fulk** was burned on one leg.

Halterman is keeper of the furnace and **Fulk** assistant keeper. The steam burned **Halterman's** eyes badly but both men will probably get all right. **Chas L. Woods** ambulance was called to take the men to their homes.

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A Party

On last Saturday evening Nov. 27 Miss **Edith** and Mr. **Clarence Rapp** entertained a number of their friends at the home of their mother Mrs. **Martha Rapp** of the Wesley neighborhood. The evening was spent in various games and amusements. All who know the Wesley young folks know that they are lively and not hard to entertain. Refreshments were served and at a late hour the guests departed declaring that they had spent an enjoyable evening.

Those present were: Misses **Zelva** and **Clara Swan**, **Mattie** and **Marjorie Sears**, **Elva Whaley**, **Lucile Hunter**, **Frances Rhea**, **Grace Kesinger**, **Mabel Brown**, **Edith Rapp**, Mesars: **Floyd** and **Harry Rhea**, **Arthur** and **Marshall Brown**, **Clarence Pratt**, **Robert Cochran**, **Oscar Green**, **Ray Fout**, **Walter Wiseman**, **Frank Resinger**, **Bliss Rhea**, **Robert Hunter**, **Lowery** and **Oakley Wiseman**, **Ralph Davis**, **Newton Tope** and **Clarence Rapp**.

Jackson Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Saturday, December 25, 1915

NEW TRAFFIC LAW *Requires Motorists to Stop Machines* *Upon Signal*

The following new auto traffic law recently enacted reads as follows:

Whoever, operating a motor vehicle, fails to slow down and stop it when signaled so to do upon meeting or overtaking a horse-drawn vehicle or person on horseback and to remain stationary until such vehicle or person has passed, provided such signal to stop is given in good faith, under circumstances of necessity, and only as often and for such length of time as required for such vehicles or person to pass, whether approaching from the front or rear, shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars; and for a second offense shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than fifty dollars.

F. M. McClain, Mayor

Pass Bar Exam

Two Jackson boys, **Lewis Pickrel** and **J. E. Kinnison** were among the list who successfully passed the state examination. The former, star quarterback in State's last year team, has nearly completed his college work and the latter, a son of Supt. **Kinnison**, will finish in the spring. There is good news to their many home friends.

Semi-Weekly Sun, Jackson, Ohio
Sunday, December 27, 1915

Marriage Licenses

Elba Rowland, 21, Minor; **Marie Humphreys**, 18; both of Coalton. **Rev. R. L. Farmer**

William Andrew Hugh, 24 Welder, Hanging Rock; **Goldie May Faning**, 22 Wellston; **T. J. Johnson**

J. Lehr Davies, Creameryman, Thurman; **Sara Morgan Parry**, Oak Hill. **Rev. Rowland Jones**

Elmer C. Yinger, 23 Farmer, Jackson Route 2; **Lois Dixon**, 19 Glade. **Rev. E. J. Lewis**

Charles Mapes, 25, Laborer; **Nellie Shear**, 25; both of Jackson. **Rev. H. J. Dudley**

Alva Martin, Laborer; **Edna McNaughton**; both of Wellston. **Rev. J. U. Brown**

Charles Allen Hooten, 22 Farmer, Ray; **Emma Belle Murphy**, 18, Jackson

George F. Dempsey, 27, Farmer; **Alma F. Smith**, 24; both of Jackson. **E. J. Lewis**

Charley Honstine, 29, Miner; **Margaret Call**, 28; both of Wellston. **Rev. H. J. Dudley**

Charles W. Wilson, 30, Teamster, Columbus; **Pearl Thornton**, 23, Wellston. **Rev. Charles Laughlin**

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Flemon Byers, 18, Farmer; **Flora Sharp**, 18; both of Wellston. **T. J. Johnson**, J.P.

Fred Hunter, 27 Farmer; **Alma Garrett**, 19; both of Jackson. **Re. H. J. Dudley**

Noel Cardwell, 22, Carpenter, Columbus; **Ina Belle Vanderwort**, 20, Wellston

Valley Chapel

Mrs. **David Green** and daughter **Mae**, were Jackson visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. **Chas. Ragland** were visitors to Jackson Tuesday.

Miss **Della White** was calling on **Edie Bryan** Monday.

Dave Green and **Frank Johnson** were calling on **Sherman Grover** Tues evening.

Mr. and Mrs. **G. L. Shaw** and son, **Delbert** of Glouster, were visiting Mrs. **Anise Bryan** and family this week. They returned to their home Sunday.

Miss **Donna Walker** was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. **P. C. White** and family Christmas day.

Mrs. **Holly Foster** was a business visitor to Jackson Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. **Ralph Anders**, Misses **Lillian Eubanks**, **Dorothy** and **Goldie Downey** attended the Christmas tree at Wesley Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. **Dave Green** and children **Oscar**, **Robert** and **Mae** and **Frank Johnson** were calling on Mrs. **Anise Bryan** and family Thursday evening.

Miss **Ella Cochran** was visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. **Robert Cochran** over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. **David Green** and children **Mae** and **Robert** were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. **Fosse Stewart** Saturday.

Mrs. **Edith Brewer** and child were visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. **Holly Foster** Saturday.

Jackson Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, December 29, 1915

Dempsey – Smith

A notable event of the holiday season was the marriage of Mr. **George W. Dempsey** and Miss **Alma E. Smith**, which took place at the Presbyterian Manse in this city Thursday evening December 23rd. Rev. E. J. Lewis performed the ceremony. The bride is a daughter of **Hugh B. Smith**, a well-known farmer of Liberty township. She graduated with the class of 1910 from the Jackson High Schools, and has been teaching successfully in the schools of Hamilton, Milton and Liberty townships, and is now teaching at Tope her home school.

Mr. **Dempsey** is a son of **Jacob Dempsey**. He has been employed at the Car Shops, and is a capable industrious and trustworthy young man. All join in wishing long life and prosperity.



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Jackson Herald, Jackson, Ohio
Wednesday, January 1, 1931

MOSES MORGAN

Pioneer Developer of Coal, Clay and Brick in This Part of the State – Soldier and Civic Leader – Active in Church, School Affairs and Interested in Community Growth



Shortly after three o'clock Saturday afternoon Mr. **Moses Morgan** died at his home on South Street. He had been unconscious for twenty-four hours previous to his death and for more than a week he had been rapidly sinking under the growing drafts of his infirmities upon his weakening powers of resistance.

He was 90 years of age on the 20th of last September and the infirmities of age had for several years been becoming more and more manifest. However, with an energy unsurpassed he refused to surrender and he continued his usual interest in everything that pertained to the community welfare. As his strength continued to ebb he would with keen discrimination drop first one of his interests then another as he found that they taxed his strength beyond prudence to continue. But he never lost his optimism and love for his fellow men. As long as he had strength to talk to his friends he had the cheery greeting and the unfailing humor which carried him through every sorrow and disappointment with a smile.

About a year ago he was stricken with an illness which it was believed was but the shadow of an approaching departure but he rallied and took up his daily routine as fully as he could command strength. Unable to carry on some of his more strenuous activities he turned to automobile riding and daily he would drive for twenty or thirty miles, calling frequently up on his old friends to pass a joke or to discuss business matters with a clarity of mind that was a constant wonder to everyone. Through the summer he took his old place in the Sunday school and was present at almost every session of the school, taking part in the discussions with a keenness that often confounded the younger men in their opinions.

Mr. Morgan was a pioneer of Jackson County in years, in developing the coal industry, in the clay products and in the iron furnace industry. With a business acumen that is rare he was remarkably successful in all of his business undertakings and accumulated a comfortable estate. But he was never a slave to business. He was to a remarkable degree "master of his fate" and drove forward to a definite and with unwavering tenacity. But he did not allow his business interests to absorb all of his time. He was equally loyal and constant to his church, gave largely of his time promoting the schools and took an interest in every civic enterprise that engaged public attention.

He was born in Jackson County, on Hewitts Fork on Sept. 20, 1840 of Welsh parentage his father and mother, **Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Morgan** had lived in America but three years when he was born. They came from Wales in 1837 and located at Pomeroy where the elder **Mr. Morgan** remained for two years employed by **V. B. Horton**, at that time the largest coal producer and shipper along the Ohio River between Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. He was a man of great wealth and operated a line of steam boats on the Ohio River. In 1839 they removed to Jackson County joining the numerous Welsh colonies in this county. Here on the Hewitts Fork farm **Mose** was born. The shorter name is used because no one ever called him by any other name. He himself, with his abhorrence of cant and formality so preferred it and his geniality encouraged the friendly familiarity which the shorter form of his name implied.

At 16 years of age he entered the Ohio University and studied two terms fitting himself to teach school. He followed this vocation for several years with very unusual success having the faculty to which is the only worth-while result of education. He was teaching school when the Civil War broke out and through the first years he chafed under a patriotic ambition to serve his country. An old gentleman who was a friend of his in that period related an incident of that period. He states that one day **Mr. Morgan** came riding a panting horse to his home and demanded his rifle. He explained that the confederate army was coming down the Kanawha valley headed for Gallipolis and he was going to help head them off if possible. He gave the young school teacher his old squirrel rifle and the bullet molds. He started for Gallipolis and did not stop until he reached the old French city.

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In 1864 he enlisted in the 173rd O.V.I. serving as sergeant major at the start, giving up his position as store-keeper at old Jackson furnace. He was soon promoted to second lieutenant and participated in the battle of Nashville being detailed thereafter to deliver several thousand prisoners to Cincinnati. In his later life he got a lot of pleasure out of relating the reign of terror which held his regiment in its power the night before this hard battle and with the sense of humor which never failed him he freely admitted that he felt as terror stricken as any one and why should he not? No man ever contemplated with indifference the prospect of going across an open field to face determined and capable men prepared to shoot to kill. Courage is not absence of fear but the determination to the duty in spite of fear.

Discharged at the close of the war he returned to the farm, teaching in the winter. It was while he was teaching at South Webster that he conceived the idea of manufacturing brick from the clay at Oak Hill. Secretly he had the deposit tested and found that it was admirably suited to the need and with the aid of friends he helped to organize the first brick plant in Oak Hill. It is yet operated as the Aetna plant and **Mr. Morgan** has been president of the company from the start.

In 1870 he returned to Jackson furnace which he left to enter the Union army. He was first book-keeper and in a short time was made manager. He held this position for two years going to Mason City, W.Va. just across the river from Pomeroy to become manager of the Hope salt furnace, a line of work entirely new to him. However, he made it successful and remained there six years, in the meanwhile marrying Miss **Martha Jarrett**, of Mason City, who died in Jackson in 1903.

In 1878, he became interested in coal development in Jackson County and became one of the earliest promoters of that notable line of outstanding business men who made Jackson famous throughout the state and created an industry that made scores of fortunes. **Mr. Morgan** was for three or four decades one of the most successful of these coal developers and did an enormous business.

He was one of the men who promoted the Jackson Iron & Steel Company and was a stockholder and vice president of the Globe Iron Company. Throughout his life he retained a deep interest in clay deposits and his latest major business activity was the organization of the Morgan-Horton Clay Company at Eifort. Before he was able to build this business to the point he had set as a goal he felt the necessity of dropping out of the turmoil of

business yielding to the increasing burden of years and he turned the business over in large measure to his son, **James W. Morgan**, following the disability of his partner **Mr. W. H. Horton**. The business grew as was anticipated and it was sold two years ago to the Eastern Clay Products, Inc., at a satisfactory figure. It is notable that every one of the business enterprises with which he was connected is yet a going concern and a profitable investment except the coal industry and that ceased because of exhaustion.

This is his business life. His civic activities would cover the history of Jackson County for three-quarters of a century. Nothing of community interest was missed by him. Whenever a question came up that concerned the county, **Mr. Morgan** faced it courageously and intelligently. With a keen mind he thought it through himself and arrived at his own conclusion. No one else did his thinking. He made up his mind and was set irrevocably---and unusually right. Neither fear, personal advantage nor popular clamor could swerve him from a course he believed to be right. When it involved moral issues he would go to the mat with any power without hesitation and he fought with all the energy of his nature.

He was one of the most influential members of the Presbyterian Church and served as a ruling elder for almost half a century. Two years ago when he signified a desire to retire he was unanimously elected elder emeritus for life. Perhaps his greatest contribution to church life was as teacher of the men's class where for nearly forty years he taught each Sunday morning and his influence in shaping the thoughts of men in religious matters was of a most remarkable nature. His familiarity with the Bible was a constant surprise to those who tried to take issue with him and only a few weeks ago he was in his class taking part with clarity of mental activity that was unique. The class he long taught is officially named the **Mose Morgan** class. He was a Mason in all of the degrees and one great satisfaction which crowned his closing years was when his son, **James W. Morgan** was chosen to the high office of grand master of the Masonic lodge in Ohio domain.

A service which endeared him to thousands of children and enabled him to render enduring benefits to the public was his labors as a member of the Jackson board of education. To this public task he brought a zeal and intellect that was of inestimable worth and for

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forty years he gave tirelessly of his time to up build the schools. He kept his poise and it is in no small measure due to his calm judgment that the Jackson schools have been so free from the fads and frivolities of some modern schools. When the burden of business was taken from his shoulders he made almost daily visits to the schools and thousands of children were his devoted friends. In his last illness the little folks in the schools sent a beautiful bouquet to express their love for him who was their good friend and whose heart was ever young enough to be a play-fellow of any child.

Mr. Morgan was a man of strong likes and dislikes. He was bound to his friends by ties of strongest fiber. If he did not like any one's company he made no effort to lead them to believe he did. He never quarreled with those who disagreed with him and he was liberal in the extreme in according everyone his right to think as he pleased but if could not agree with a fellow man he simply ignored him unless he tried to use pressure to change his views. Then **Mr. Morgan** could go into a controversy with zeal that carried conviction.

He was one of the most companionable of men and was blessed with a sense of humor that carried him through every discouragement without leaving a scar. His sense of humor was a constant delight to those with whom he was brought into contact. All in all he was a man of heroic mold and from whatever angle he was viewed he was a superb character.

Of his family of five children two sons survive. **Daniel F. Morgan** is chemist for a steel mill in Fort Worth, Texas, and **James W. Morgan** resides in Jackson.

The funeral services were held in the Presbyterian Church Tuesday at 10:30 o'clock and the burial in charge of Funeral Director **John Thomas** was in Fairmount cemetery.

Funeral services were in charge of Rev. **C. R. Thomas** and Rev. **E. J. Lewis**, of Orwell, a former pastor and friend of the family for twenty years. In keeping with the habits of the man, the services were simple and free from all formality. A quartette consisting of Mrs. **Frank D. Ewing**, Mrs. **John Newton Davis**, Judge **John G. Evans**, and **W. E. Davis** sang with Miss **Laura Morgan** accompanist. The pall bearers were three nephews, **D. Edgar Morgan**, city manager of Cleveland, **Stanley and Edgar Morgan** of Oak Hill, **S. O. H. Callahan**, **Reese O. Jones** and **S. J. Newell**.

The comrades of the G.A.R. gave their ritualistic ceremony in memory of the deceased comrade who had

from the organization of the post been one of the most active members, serving in almost every official capacity and a leader in the Memorial Day ceremonies every year until last year when he was unable to participate very actively. Eight comrades were able to be at the church to pay their respects to the departed soldier and the ceremony performed by those aged heroes, the youngest rounding out the eighth decade of their lives was extremely impressive and affecting.

The church was filled with friends and a most unusual assortment of floral consolations was sent by friends and various business and social organizations with which he has connected.

School Dismissed- Out of respect to **Mr. Morgan** whose long service in behalf of the schools had made him especially endeared to the teachers and pupils, the public schools were dismissed Tuesday at 10 o'clock to enable the teachers and pupils to attend the funeral.

The board of Education adopted the following resolutions commemorative of his services.

WHEREAS, **Mr. Moses Morgan** served as a member of the Board of Education of the Jackson, Ohio School District for thirty-seven years; and

WHEREAS, during all of that time he served the people of his district faithfully and well, giving freely of his time to the betterment of all things educational; and

WHEREAS, after his voluntary retirement from the Board in 1924, he kept up an active interest in the schools, making frequent visits to the various classes; and

WHEREAS, by his death the Board of Education and the people of the district feel that they have lost a true and faithful servant and friend; Therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education extend to his family its sincere sorrow and regret at his death; that in appreciation of his long and faithful services as a Board member and as a token of respect to his memory, all schools in the city be dismissed on Tuesday, January 30, 1931 from ten a.m. until noon; and further, that a copy of this resolution signed by the President and Clerk of the Board be forwarded to his family.

We hereby certify that the above resolution was duly passed by the Board of Education on January 19, 1931.

Charles H. Jones, President

Attest: **Allie F. Stiffler**

Welcome!

4th Quarter New Members

- Cheryl Jenkins Bircher – Circleville, OH
- George Fisher – Horseheads, NY
- Judiann Karshner – Portsmouth, OH
- Robert Scurlock – Westerville, OH

Chapter News

4th Quarter Chapter News

- October Meeting – Announced that the Lineage Society Luncheon will take place on March 12th of 2016 and that Mike Stroth will be the speaker with a presentation on the Battle of Berlin Heights. Donna asked for volunteers for our booth at the “Support our Soccer” event to be held in November. Donna also reminded everybody that Jackson County will be celebrating its bicentennial throughout the year in 2016.
- November Meeting – There was no meeting in November. We attended an event to support the local soccer program. While there we sold some publications and met some new people that we discussed genealogy in Jackson County.
- December Meeting – Wilbur McCormick of the Jackson County Bicentennial committee was at the meeting to discuss what the committee was planning throughout 2016 to celebrate the county’s 200th birthday. Here are some of the highlights he covered:
 1. A new book similar to the Civil War 150 book would be published.
 2. An encampment with Sutlers and reenactors for about 3 days will happen sometime in 2016.
 3. A raffle for a one of a kind gun made for the event. There will only be 200 tickets sold at \$20 each.
 4. A raffle for a display case with 7 newly made arrowheads. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.
 5. The committee will try to find the Time Capsule that is in one of the courthouse

corners, put there 148 years ago. If found, open it, display the contents then reclose it.

6. Fly the Bicentennial Flag for a week at your chosen place for a donation to the organization.

- 2015 Lineage Society – The 2015 Lineage Societies have the following new members:

First Families of Jackson County

Pioneer	Member
William Lively	Kathleen Foust
James Rice	Ruth Patterson
Violetta Keeton Rice	
Samuel Gilliland	Paul Gilliland, Jr.
Sarah Krouskop Gilliland	
Jackson Gilliland	

Society of Civil War Families

Soldier	Member
Felix Nash	Beverly Griffiths
Thomas J. Kerby	Danny Griffiths

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- 2016 Memberships – As a reminder, our membership year is from January 1st to December 31st. If you have not paid your dues for 2016, this will be your last issue. Don’t miss out on future *Poplar Row* issues by renewing as soon as possible.

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Membership Queries

Queries for the 4th Quarter

- Seeking parental origins of John Stevenson (born abt. 1801, WVA; died 1874, Jackson, OH) married Elizabeth Spencer (born abt. 1807, Wood County, WVA; died 1874, Jackson, OH). Their children were Nancy Elizabeth Jones and John C. Stevenson. Name was spelled Stephenson in 1860 / 1870 census.
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Doyling G. and Ruth Patterson – dgpatterson@earthlink.net
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- NEFF, NANCE, STIFFLER, CHEESEMAN, GLASSBURN, WALKER:
Cheryl Neff – cneff516@aol.com
- CORBIN (CORBAN), EVANS:
Richard Corbin – rmcorbin5@yahoo.com
- Nancy A. Secrest Levering (1829 – 1926), George Levering (1849-1906) married October 6, 1902 to Eva L. Blackhart or Eva Black:
Jayne Levering Banks – jbanks@infowest.com
- WHITE, CORN, HARMON:

- Victor Vermillion – vicv1@yahoo.com
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Connie Corbin – corbin0809@comcast.net
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