

# PIONEER RECORD



## MIDLAND'S PIONEER FAMILIES

This month we continue printing some of the series of articles with interviews of Midland pioneers which appeared in the Midland Sun newspaper February through May, 1924.

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 May 1, 1924. Mr. & Mrs. James Whitman - As year follows year into history, the past becomes dim and hazy. The curtain of the years between the past and the present is difficult to remove once it has been drawn. It may, however, at times be turned aside ever so little - sufficiently - to let a ray of light uncover enough of interest to arouse a keener desire to delve deeper into its hidden recesses.

The pioneers of Midland county are thoroughly grounded in the historical associations of the times in which they lived, but age has dulled the memory of many. The date of the first settlement of any region is of vast importance, because upon it is built the history of that section, county, township, village or city. Without this history, its inhabitants grope in a maze of conflicting evidence when one seeks to grasp the story of developments since the early day. Within the pages of present histories of Midland county the mystery of dates stand out in bold relief.

However, within the memory of one still living, the verdant spots on the banks of the Tittabawassee and Chippewa rivers were dotted with picturesque Indian tepees of bark and hides, the forests drooping over the water in primeval grandeur with wild roses forming a background, and the interior of the forests untrodden and unknown.

The Midland region was the home of a remnant of its original population, attracted by superb fishing and an abundance of wild game. The history of the white man in America reveals the fact that the Indian was the original trail builder, as many of our trunk line highways and our railways parallel the "trails" of the red man.

The confluence of the Tittabawassee and the Chippewa attracted the first white man, and the lure of the future held him. His cabin was hewed out of the forest, forming the nucleus of "The Forks" and the future "City of Midland," which is geographically the heart of the southern peninsula. "The Forks" was located on one of these trails and became the gateway of the Saginaw valley westward - an outpost of civilization.

For over 80 years James Whitman of Lee Township has been a resident of Midland county. He was born on May 31, 1843, in Saginaw county. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Whitman, natives of New Hampshire, moved to this county when he was a babe about ten months old. They were among the first white settlers in the county and located on the east side of section one in Ingersoll township.

At that time "The Forks" boasted of three homes, according to a statement made to Mr. Whitman by his father, as he remembers it. These

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

This will be my last letter as your president ... where did those two years go? Forgive me if I look back on what we have done during that time. One major activity that is advancing many of our stated objectives is the FIRST FAMILIES OF MIDLAND COUNTY project. This idea was suggested by Maxine McCullen and seconded by others who had participated in similar efforts in Ohio and New York. The committee, led by Pat Worden, includes Maxine (as registrar), Nancy Lackie, Barbara Fox, Ruth Ann Casadonte, Judy Anderson, Arlene Hecht, Jo Brines and Gayle Hanna. In addition to those people, Lois Baker and Virginia Parsons have helped with proofing applications, Marcia Brandle helped with one of the workshops, Gary Skory will be speaking at the awards night and Jerry McCullen, Bob Maas, Bill Worden, Carol Ryal, Larry Skym and Florence carter helped with the Memorial day Parade flat. Those last three are not even members ... just friends or relatives! Several of the committee members helped in more than one way. (If I have left anyone out, I'm sorry.) Isn't that a great participation? The project has enjoyed a terrific response ... much greater than I, for one, expected. Before the first year cut-off (March 1), we had received over 500 applications! Some of these are duplicate genealogies, but they still represent a great deal of documented information on the descendants of Midland County pioneers and settlers. It will be a challenge for us to organize this in a way that future visitors to our library can access the information. Perhaps it can be published in some form. In any event, the FFMC project has stimulated local interest in genealogy and also raised some money for the Society to continue our support of such activities as the Genealogical Collection at the Grace A. Dow Memorial Library.

Another effort that has made considerable progress is the OBITUARY PROJECT. The data for this was collected by a number of members over a period of several years, but was on three or four kinds of computer disks. Through the expertise of Ora and Dona lee Flaningam, those disks have been combined into one large database. While some of the data has only been found in typewritten form, even that eventually will be included, either by using a scanner or (heaven forbid) entering it into a computer again. Once it is all together, the information can be alphabetized, sorted chronologically, separated by newspaper, searched or otherwise manipulated to gain desired format for printing. In addition to the efforts of the many abstractors, we are greatly indebted to Ora and Dona Lee for bringing the project toward a successful conclusion.

Other projects are still going on. The PROBATE PROJECT is in the difficult abstracting stage ... Florence Wise is trying to use the form that Ralph Hillman and I developed. Diana Butcher and Gale Hock are working on TOWNSHIP RECORDS. Bev Keicher has started to examine local CHURCH RECORDS. The MARRIAGE RECORDS project is still waiting. Being "too busy to participate is a cop-out ... if no one steps forwards, Nothing gets done!

During the last two years, we opened more dialogue with the key administration of the library. Joan Somerville has always been very helpful as our main contact, but I have tried to work with Rosemarie Byers and Gayle Burkhardt on matters that affect us both. They are very grateful for the work of our volunteers and the continued donations we have made to the genealogical collection. The greatly expanded space for genealogists in the Phase II Library expansion shows the results of our efforts. Let's keep it going.

THANK YOU for helping the past two years ... do the same for future leaders!

Midland Pioneer Families. (continued from page 1)

families were Joseph Townsend, who came from Mt. Morris, Livingston county, New York, in 1842, and settled near "The Forks," Charles Fitzhugh, and a man by the name of Alma.

Mr. Whitman was united in marriage to Ella McCrary of Lansing on April 7, 1889, and they have lived in their present home for the past 20 years. Mrs. Whitman was born at Bunker Hill, Jackson county on July 1, 1858.

Mr. Whitman states that the site of the Townsend home was on the Haywood farm, and the Fitzhugh home on the Herb Sias farm. He is not certain as to the location of the Alma home, but it was one of the three homes composing "The Forks." Mr. Alma had two daughters, Patsy and Tillie and a son, Hank.

History has it, however, that "The first actual white settler who came to stay was John A. Whitman, whose arrival dated back to the spring of 1836." This same history and another history states that he settled in the county in 1844. According to history again, "Mr. Whitman was the first settler in Ingersoll township and the first permanent settler in Midland county." It also states that his oldest daughter, Jane was the second white child born in Midland county, and the first in Ingersoll township.

It is also according to history that Charles Fitzhugh came to this county two years after the arrival of Mr. Whitman and that a log cabin built by Fitzhugh was occupied by John A. Wyman in 1837, and the fact is recorded that the Wyman cabin was located at the present site of the old fair grounds on the forks.

It is accepted as fact that less than a half dozen white families were living in the county at that time. It has also been accepted as fact that French traders and Indians were numerous, but that no effort was made to settle or improve the land by these traders.

Mr. Whitman states that, as his memory serves him, there were no Indians living on the Ball flats during his boyhood, but that many of them lived in the Indian village known as Black Bird Town, on the south bank of the Te-ta-ba-was-sink river. This village was located in the vicinity of the "bluffs" and on land which later became a part of the Black Bird reservation.

A small "clearing similar to the white man's vegetable garden, was cultivated by the squaws, and Indian corn and potatoes were raised. The wigwams were made of poles, bark, and hides - bear and deer skins being sewed together with thongs of bark.

According to Mr. Whitman, the Indians inhabiting this section at that time were all Chippewas, although history says that the Pottawatomies and Ottawas mingled freely with the Chippewas. In speaking of the conduct of the Indians, Mr. Whitman said "They were the very best neighbors and were always kind, but work was beneath their dignity. They did the hunting, while their squaws did the work. I never knew them to go on the warpath."

During an epidemic of fever and ague Chief Sha-na-ba-se and a number of Indian braves came to his father's home and cut wood, husked corn and dug the potatoes as an act of kindness, refusing to accept anything but thanks as a reward.

For some time, aside from members of his own family, Indian children were Mr. Whitman's only playmates, and together they hunted, fished, swam the rivers, paddled their bark canoes and played hide-and-seek. He hunted with the bow and arrow and became as proficient in the art of archery as the Indian lads. His older brother, John, spent one summer with the Indians in the territory west of Midland, and when he returned in the fall he looked so much like an Indian that Mr. Whitman failed to recognize him for a time.

In his early boyhood Mr. Whitman recalls a thrilling encounter with a big buck - he was attracted to the corn field by the barking of his dog, and when he arrived found that in some manner a buck deer had hooked one of his antlers through the collar on the dog's neck and was alternately tossing the canine high in the air and trying to tramp him under foot. A shot from a light squirrel rifle passed through the buck's neck and he fell apparently dead - but just as Whitman about reached the animal, the dog got loose, and the boy found himself eye to eye with the enraged buck - "my, he said, "If I'd had on boots I could have hid in one of them."

He battled for some time with the animal - in fact until the corn shocks on a half acre of ground were knocked down - before his uncle George came to his rescue and killed the deer. "I remember that my shirt collar and the wrist bands of my shirt was all the clothing I had on when the fight was finished, and not much hide," said Mr. Whitman.

"The squaws would also hunt deer. They would go out on the rivers in their birch bark canoes and paddle alongside of a deer swimming in the water and one of them would grab the deer's head and the other would grab its tail - called tipping - and cut the gamble cords, making the animal helpless. They were experts in this method of hunting, but the Indian had too much of the sporting instinct to kill deer in this manner.

"The rivers were deep, very deep in some places, and bushes and trees grew right up to the edge of the water, the log drives of later years destroying this natural beauty. I have gathered a half bushel of duck eggs at one time in the willows along the shore.

"I rode down the Tittabawassee river on the first raft of logs ever floated down the river. It was what was called a 'crib' raft and was estimated to contain 100,000 feet of timber, and the logging camp was located near the bluffs.

I have seen at least 100 birch bark canoes on the river at one time in the fall when the Indians would come in with the cranberry harvest.

"Deer were numerous then and I have seen as high as 100 in a drove. They were rather tame and would stand and look at one until they approached close to them.

"Money did not figure to a large extent in business, the basis of exchange being flour, pork, clothing and other necessities for what ever one had to sell. I have seen a 100 pound sturgeon exchanged for a 10 cent plug of tobacco.

"The sturgeon would come up the river in the spring about June 1. I have seen the river full of them. They were a large fish, and when dried and smoked by the fireplace, made excellent food. The last sturgeon I remember seeing was caught at the old dam about 25 years ago.

"A man by the name of Byrland, a Polander, was the first missionary to visit the Indians in this section that I recall. For a time he visited this section twice a year. A Mr. Wesener was the second missionary to arrive in this section. He died a short time later and was buried near St. Louis, where a little picket fence enclosing his grave, which is marked with a wooden cross, still stands.

"A man by the name of Johnson, a Methodist was the next missionary to arrive, and he built the first church in Midland county. It was erected on the Ball flats in about 1854.

"Winters were more regular in those days as to snowfall, and everyone used snowshoes."

Mr Whitman remembers when Henry C. Ashman was elected as a representative in 1855. Previous to his leaving he spent the night at the Whitman home and the next day Mr. Whitman's father took him as far as St. Charles. He recalls that Ashman went to Lansing dressed as an Indian. Mr.

Whitman recalls that Charles Fitzhugh opposed Ashman for representative, but because it was feared if Fitzhugh was elected he would see that the court house was built across the river on what is now the Herb Sias farm, he was defeated. The location of the courthouse was an interesting question at that time. Peeved because of his defeat, Fitzhugh left Midland.

Ashman was a half-breed and Mr. Whitman states that Ashman's father was a Vermont Yankee who married a daughter of Michigan's famous Indian chief, Tecumseh. In reviewing this part of Midland's history, Mr. Whitman drew attention to the fact that while the erroneous idea prevails to some extent that Ashman's wife was a daughter of Tecumseh, the fact is that Ashman's mother was Tecumseh's daughter.

Ashman's father had charge of the old government fort on Mackinaw Island for a number of years. Ashman came from the Island to Saginaw and Later to Midland and at the time he was engaged in trading with the Indians for furs and Maple sugar.

Despite his appearance as an Indian, the members of the legislature soon discovered that Ashman possessed a good education and that this with his New England Yankee blood and the strategy of the Indian gave him ability that could not be ignored. His going to Lansing as Indian was jokingly discussed in the Whitman house. Ashman was Midland's first attorney.

The first store in Midland was constructed by Charles Rodd, a halfbreed, on the south bank of the Tittabawassee river opposite the Dow Chemical plant.

The first saw mill in the county was what was known at the Sumner mill on Snake creek.

The first blacksmith shop was located about where the Vasold creamery now stands and was built by Sol Lloyd.

I.P. Bailey was the first white man to conduct a general store in Midland. It faced Main street and it was located close to the present Vasold creamery. Solon Rumrill later opened a store at the corner on the present site of the Farr grocery. This store was known as "The Blue Goose" and the stock carried totaled around \$400. Rumrill made the records for Midland county when it was set off from Saginaw and was the second register of deeds of this county. Mrs. Alfred Price, daughter of Mrs. Rumrill, resides on Rodd street.

Mr. Whitman recalls when the first mail arrived in Midland and figures that it was in the spring of 1857. Ryanell Chaffee took the contract of carrying the "Tittabawassee" mail between Midland and Saginaw. His son, John, carried the mail for some time and drove a span of light ponies hitched to a "Democrat" wagon. Solon Rumrill carried the mail later.

He remembers the wild pigeons that once flew over the section by the thousands. They nested in the trees and when a lad he killed the young with a pole after they left their nests.

Mr. Whitman states that there were no elk or moose here in his time although he recalls that elk horns were found in this vicinity when he was a boy.

He worked in the lumber woods for Horace Jerome and recalls the "Tiff" Jerome had a big lumber camp near the present site of Duncan A. Wayne's residence in Midland. Horace S. Jerome was a brother.

The only flour mill in this section of the state was at Flint and it was necessary to go there to have wheat ground into flour. The trip was made with scows on the Tittabawassee, Shiawassee and Flint rivers, and it took considerable time to make a round trip.

He remembers John Larkin before he came to Midland and states that Larkin hired his father to draw a load of goods for him to Midland with an ox team.

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## 11 NEWSPAPERS HAVE REPORTED MIDLAND'S HISTORY IN 100 YEARS

Midland Daily News. June 8, 1950 - Journalism in Midland County has had its ups and downs, beginning in 1858 when a publication established by Nathan T. Carr took the name of Midland Sentinel, later the Midland City Sentinel, and finally - after a change of ownership or two - that of Midland Journal.

This name lasted only a few weeks, since the uneasy chair of the editor was inherited by George W. Hughes, who christened his "new" paper the Independent.

Between Carr and Hughes, Carpenter and Bailey, then George Sias, directed the policy, F.F. Hopkins taking over the interests of Carpenter when Hughes couldn't buy out his partner, and in 1866 a man by the name of Bartram took over Hughes interests, later selling them outright to Hopkins.

Confusing? You bet it was, not only for the editors, but for the readers who didn't know from week to week what paper they were reading - Sentinel, Journal, or Independent!

After Bartram got out of the business, Hopkins sold half his interest in the press to James Porter and John Haines, this combination continuing in force until 1871 when M.W. Ellsworth and F.S. Burton purchased the Porter-Haines interests.

A year later E.N. Burton bought out Ellsworth and a few months afterward his brother F.S. Burton bought him out. This state of affairs continued for a comparatively long time, for this tempestuous paper, or until Jan. 1, 1881, when T.E. Crissey took it over, and redubbed it the Midland Republican.

That name strikes a comparatively familiar note to Midlanders of more than 13 years duration, since it was in May of 1937 that the Republican abandoned weekly status and became the Midland Daily News.

However, in the meantime, one of county's most colorful characters - Bartram - who had sold his Independent in 1868, was not daunted. He established another paper called the City Times, maintaining it only a few weeks. Then he tried a publication graphically named "Bartram's Cheek," which flourished here for a few months and then moved to Saginaw where it died a quick unlingering death.

Bartram was from all accounts a persevering soul, however, for he came back to Midland in the spring of 1872 and with the financial aid of a few leading citizens established the Midland Times. George W. Hughes was associated with the paper as editor and shortly assumed ownership, purchasing Bartram's interest in the concern. This journalistic venture was short lived, lasting only three years.

As time marched on in the newspaper world here, another vehicle, the Midland Courier, made its bow to the public in 1878 under the editorship of George McConnell. The Courier changed hands and name and emerged The Review and was strictly Democratic in tone.

Edward Cornelius purchased the Review in 1880 and substituted another name, The Midland Democrat. The Democrats of this county never being very strong, the paper slowly starved for lack of party supporters and faded into oblivion like so many other early journalistic endeavors.

F.S. Burton, who had been associated with the former Midland Independent, returned to the scene and purchased the machinery and equipment of the Democrat and after adding a quantity of new material published The Midland Sun.

Farther west in the county, Coleman residents gained most of their news from a weekly publication known as the Coleman Advocate founded in 1883, which eventually changed ownership and masthead and emerged as the weekly Coleman Tribune under the present editorship of Thomas Wilcox.

Thus, through the years, the press of Midland county has had a checkered career with 11 different newspaper enterprises recounting the history of the county for almost 100 years.

## IN MEMORIAM

Former member and friend Ed Birkheimer, died March 25, 1992, at his home in Cape Coral, Florida. Ed and his wife, Bari, were very active in the society until they moved to Florida in 1989. Ed was First Vice President (Program Chairman) in 1981-82 and served as President in 1982-83. He and Bari led such activities as beginners' workshops and were pioneers locally in genealogical computing. We were pleased to hear that Ed was able to attend the marriage of his son, Neil, on the Saturday before his death and that the family was all together for that occasion. There will be a memorial service in Midland sometime ... perhaps before you read this newsletter. The last address we have is 1710 NE 6th Terrace, Cape Coral, FL 33909.

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## RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE GENEALOGICAL COLLECTION OF G.A. DOW LIBRARY.

- RG 333.16 A Calendar of the Warrants for land in Kentucky Granted for Service in the French & Indian Wars. Abstracted by P.F. Taylor
- RG 974.8 Pennsylvania Place Names by A.H. Espenshade.
- RG 929.141 Huguenot Emigration to America. by C.W. Baird
- RG 929.2 The Munger Book. by J.B. Munger 1915 reprinted 1991. Given by various members of the Munger family.
- RG 929.1 Directory of Family Associations. by Elizabeth P. Bentley, 1991-2 Ed.

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## NEW BOOKS FOR SALE

"Richard Chamberlaine of Braintree (Mass.) 1642. His Norman and English Ancestors and Descendants ca 865-1991." 200 p. 6x9 hard cover. \$12 post paid. By Welton C. Chamberlaine is available from the Author, Pinckney MI, 48169-9246. More information available from Ora Flaningam.

"1850 Census of Ross County Ohio", 610 p. and Indexed, is being published by Ross Co. Genealogical Soc., P.O. Box 6352, Chillicothe, OH 45601. Available in Nov. 1992. Advance order \$37.75 postage paid.

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## BOOKS MISSING FROM GENEALOGY COLLECTION OF G.A. DOW LIBRARY

2 Copies of "Midland County Census Records" Red, hardbound 8 1/2 x 11

"The Original Scots Colonists, 1612-1783". RG 929.3089

The above books are missing from the G.A. Dow Library collection. If anyone knows their whereabouts or can return them it would be appreciated.

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OFFICER NOMINATIONS FOR 1992-93

These members have graciously, accepted nominations for 1992-93 offices. The nominating committee of Diana Butcher, Rose Mary Laur, and Norma Schneider is very pleased to have this slate of officers.

President	Ralph Hillman	Treasurer	Jo Brines
VP (Programs)	Beverly Keicher	MGC Rep.	Nancy Lackie
VP (Membership)	Rose Mary Laur	MGC Rep.	Quita Shier
Secretary	Betty Bellows	Historian	Harriette Miller

Bill Worden will continue on the board as Past President. Ora Flaningam will continue as editor of Pioneer Record and Nancy Humphrey will continue work with mailings.

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C O M I N G M E E T I N G S

April 15. Steven Rainey will present a program on "How to Duplicate Old Photographs

May 20. The "First Families of Midland County" presentations and the Officers Elections will be held. This meeting will be held in the G.A. Dow Library auditorium rather than the library lounge.

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FOR SALE

At the April meeting we will have all the genealogy forms/charts for sale as well as the "Genealogical Handy Book". The forms include ancestor, family group, census for all the years 1790-1910, census history, log sheets, data work sheets, Etc. There are also large sized 5, 8, 10, 12, and 15 generation charts.

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Collection of membership dues for 1992-1993 will begin at the April 15 meeting. Our fiscal year is July 1 - June 30; however it really helps the Membership Chairman and the Treasurer to get a head start on the new year by collecting as many as possible in the spring.

Dues may also be paid by mail: Membership Chairman, Midland Genealogical Society, Grace A. Dow Library, 1710 W. St. St Andrews Dr., Midland, MI 48640. The following form is for your convenience, especially if you've had a change of address or telephone.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

NEW \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL \_\_\_\_\_ Individual \$10 Family \$12.50

## OBITUARIES FROM THE MIDLAND SUN 1890 THROUGH 1920

Last Name	First Name	Birth	Mon/D	Death	Mon/D	Paper	Year	Mo/Day/Pg	Comments
Huggard	Ernest			1915	Oct/23	Sun	1915	10/21/01	Father: Frank
Huggard	Barold			1916		Sun	1916	08/31/01	Age 4 yrs s/o Wallace
Huggard	Lydia			1910	Dec/26	Sun	1910	12/30/01	Infant dau/o Frank
Huggard	Nancy Maria Rya	1847	Nov/03	1916	Jan/09	Sun	1916	01/13/01	
Huggard	Vernice Edward			1916	Sep/11	Sun	1916	09/14/01	Age 1 yr s/o Holly
Huggard	William S			1919	Sep/09	Sun	1919	09/11/01	
Hughees			May/??	1897	Jun/27	Sun	1897	08/06/05	
Hughees	Sarah Ann Shaw	1843	Feb/11	1892	May/??	Sun	1892	06/16/01	Wife of James
Hulbert	Mrs Duane			1897		Sun	1897	10/01/05	Age 22 yrs
Hull	Enos			1919		Sun	1919	12/25/01	
Hull	Jennette	1855	Nov/28	1912	Nov/04	Sun	1912	11/07/05	
Hull	Leonard			1906		Sun	1906	11/02/01	
Hull	Morris			1919		Sun	1919	03/13/05	
Hull	Mrs			1911		Sun	1911	05/18/01	Sis/o Rev E Yager
Hummell	Fred			1918	Sep/07	Sun	1918	09/12/01	
Hunt	Angeline	1845	Oct/28	1913	Apr/09	Sun	1913	04/10/05	
Hunt	George			1918		Sun	1918	09/26/05	
Hunt	John			1896	Oct/??	Sun	1896	10/16/01	Lva wife - 1 child
Hunt	Mr			1897		Sun	1897	08/27/08	Fr/o Lena & Nellie
Hunt	Mrs Malcom			1901		Sun	1901	09/27/08	Buried in Lee
Hunt	Mrs William T			1909	Mar/28	Sun	1909	04/02/05	
Huntly	Edward		Apr/04	1909	May/05	Sun	1909	05/07/01	Bur Holly
Hurd	Byron			1906		Sun	1906	11/23/05	D. in Flint
Hurd	Edward			1910	Apr/30	Sun	1910	05/13/08	D. at Grand Rapids
Hurd	Rosa Knapp			1908	May/28	Sun	1908	06/05/01	D. in Hillsdale
Hurd	William Henry			1903	Mar/20	Sun	1903	03/27	1
Husted	Mrs A			1897	Oct/13	Sun	1897	10/29/01	Bur. Ithaca
Hutchens	Mrs G W			1914		Sun	1914	03/26/01	
Hutchins	Albert			1912		Sun	1912	06/27/01	
Hutchins	Floyd Edwin			1910	Oct/31	Sun	1910	11/04/01	
Hutchins	Mrs S.F.			1894	Aug/??	Sun	1894	08/24/05	
Hutchins	Solon T			1902	Apr/11	Sun	1902	04/18/08	Age 82 years
Hutchinson	Minnie			1899	Jan/27	Sun	1899	02/10/08	Dau Mrs R Haight
Buyck	David A	1832	May/01	1898		Sun	1898	05/06/01	Long obit
Hyland	Arthur J			1919	Feb/10	Sun	1919	02/20/01	
Hynes	Kate	1877		1897		Sun	1897	04/23/08	Dau of John
Inman	(infant)			1917		Sun	1917	10/11/05	Age 3 days d/o John
Inman	Amanda M			1902	Jan/01	Sun	1902	01/03/04	Buried in Sanford
Inman	Charles	1827	Aug/30	1911	Sep/18	Sun	1911	09/21/01	Pioneer
Inman	Charlotte	1899		1900	Oct/16	Sun	1900	10/26/09	Father Fremont
Inman	Edna			1896		Sun	1896	10/02/08	Father Winslow
Inman	Erwin	1854	Jun/23	1917	Nov/09	Sun	1917	11/15/01	
Inman	Ezra			1897		Sun	1897	06/04/05	Age 66 yrs
Inman	Iva			1918		Sun	1918	12/05/01	
Iott	John			1918	Jun/21	Sun	1918	06/27/01	
Ireland	Mr			1917		Sun	1917	01/25/01	
Irish	(infant)			1901		Sun	1901	02/08/08	Father - Will
Irish	Mrs Henry			1907	May/20	Sun	1907	05/24/04	Bur at Sanford
Irwin	(infant)			1901		Sun	1901	12/06/08	Buried in Coleman
Ivan	John			1916	Mar/09	Sun	1916	03/16/01	
Jackson	(infant)			1907		Sun	1907	10/18/01	Ch/o Guy
Jackson	Mrs			1896	Jan/22	Sun	1896	01/31/08	
Jackson	Nettie Murphy			1907	Oct/08	Sun	1907	10/18/01	D. in Grand Marais
Jacobs	Mr			1905		Sun	1905	04/21/08	Bur in Howell
Jacobs	Mrs August			1919	Mar/17	Sun	1919	04/03/01	
Jacobs	Percy			1909		Sun	1909	07/02/05	
Jacobs	Percy			1909		Sun	1909	07/09/01	Mother: Hattie
James	Hattie			1908	Oct/06	Sun	1908	10/09/01	Father: Arthur
James	Mrs Thomas	1848	Jan/15	1919	Dec/11	Sun	1919	12/18/01	
Janes	George B.			1893	Jan/??	Sun	1893	02/02/01	
Janes	Stella	1830	May/27	1904	Aug/13	Sun	1904	08/19/08	Rus: George
Jankowske	Frieda Mae			1916	Feb/10	Sun	1916	02/17/05	Age 1 yr dau/o Mae
Jankowski	Frederick			1906	Mar/01	Sun	1906	03/09/08	
Janoviak	Andrew			1911	Jan/05	Sun	1911	01/13/01	
Jauee	Simeon H			1899		Sun	1899	09/15/05	Kil wagon accident
Jay	(child)			1893	Jan/??	Sun	1893	02/02/05	Child of James
Jay	James A.			1893	Mar/??	Sun	1893	03/10/07	
Jeffer				1892	Dec/??	Sun	1892	12/22/06	Age 68 yrs m/o C.H.
Jeffers	Nillie E			1898	Mar/05	Sun	1898	03/11/05	
Jelly	James			1899		Sun	1899	12/01/08	Buried Owens Cmtry
Jenkins	Mrs Allen			1919		Sun	1919	10/09/08	
Jenkins	Mrs Paul			1916		Sun	1916	11/23/01	
Jenney	Charles	1830	Sep/14	1913	May/28	Sun	1913	05/29/01	
Jenney	Clarissa E	1834	Aug/05	1910	Jun/08	Sun	1910	06/10/01	Nee: Crampton
Jenney	Elmer			1904		Sun	1904	01/22/08	Card of thanks
Jennings	George M	1841	Jul/02	1917		Sun	1917	03/08/01	
Jennings	William	1870	Nov/09	1919		Sun	1919	02/20/01	
Jerome	George W	1852	Apr/05	1918		Sun	1918	04/25/07	
Jerome	Hetty Elvira	1834	May/02	1915		Sun	1915	04/15/01	Nee: Bowen
Jessop	Mrs			1891	Jan/01	Sun	1891	01/08/04	
Jewell	Mrs William			1904		Sun	1904	04/01/08	Bur Freeland
Johns	John			1892	Jun/??	Sun	1892	06/09/04	Drowned Ludington

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Johnson	(child)			1914		Sun	1914	04/23/08	Child of August
Johnson	Adolph			1908		Sun	1908	09/25/01	D. Helira MN
Johnson	Adoneka	1825		1903		Sun	1904	01/01/04	Lvs 28 gchildren
Johnson	Amanda L	1853	Sep/10	1908	Mar/05	Sun	1908	03/13/01	Neer: Sundblum
Johnson	Bernard	1899	Dec/15	1919	Jun/17	Sun	1919	07/24/01	
Johnson	Bernard			1919		Sun	1919	07/24/03	
Johnson	Ellen			1899		Sun	1899	04/14/08	Mother of J H
Johnson	H P			1916		Sun	1916	01/27/01	
Johnson	John			1918	Dec/21	Sun	1918	12/26/08	D. at Camp Custer
Johnson	Joseph			1912	May/01	Sun	1912	05/09/05	
Johnson	Lena			1915	Oct/11	Sun	1915	10/14/01	
Johnson	Mary Alice	1849	Jan/25	1905	Mar/10	Sun	1905	03/17/08	Wife/o Charles H
Johnson	Mr M B			1906	Aug/08	Sun	1906	08/17/01	
Johnson	Mrs			1904		Sun	1904	06/10/04	Son: Dr J F
Johnson	Mrs Fred			1908		Sun	1908	03/13/08	
Johnson	Mrs Hiram			1918		Sun	1918	08/15/03	
Johnson	Thelma			1918	May/05	Sun	1918	05/09/01	Age 1 mo dau/o Clara
Johnson	William			1914		Sun	1914	10/10/01	Bro/o Dr J R
Johnson	William			1920	Feb/04	Sun	1920	02/05/05	
Johnson	William	1833	Sep/02	1910	Aug/17	Sun	1910	08/19/01	
Johnston	Duane E			1918		Sun	1918	11/14/01	Age 2 dys s/o Donald
Johnston	Elizabeth Jane	1839	Mar/27	1918	Jun/10	Sun	1918	06/13/05	
Johnston	John			1920		Sun	1920	03/18/05	
Jones	Delos			1917		Sun	1917	04/26/01	
Jones	Frances Loretta	1855	Mar/11	1914		Sun	1914	07/16/01	Neer: Williard
Jones	Frank	1890	Oct/15	1916	May/12	Sun	1916	05/18/01	
Jones	George			1914		Sun	1914	02/12/08	
Jones	John			1903		Sun	1903	02/20/04	Died in Coleman
Jones	John	1844	Mar/25	1908	Sep/19	Sun	1908	09/25/01	D. Lincoln Twp
Jones	Martha			1900		Sun	1900	10/05/05	Son Milton Boies
Jones	Minnie			1918		Sun	1918	05/02/08	
Jones	Mr			1899		Sun	1899	02/17/05	Neph of Mrs Patric
Jones	Mr			1908		Sun	1908	10/09/08	Card of thanks
Jones	Mrs Delos			1911		Sun	1911	11/16/05	
Jones	Mrs Delos			1911		Sun	1911	11/02/01	Father: J McGregor
Jones	Mrs Isaac			1908		Sun	1909	01/01/05	Dau: Mrs D Maxwell
Jones	Mrs T			1891	Oct/??	Sun	1891	10/29/04	Wife of B.W. Jones
Jones	Robert			1914	Apr/02	Sun	1914	04/16/01	Fath/o Coulter W
Jones	Walter Albert			1899		Sun	1899	04/28/08	Age 40 yrs
Joslin	David D			1901		Sun	1901	02/01/01	Died in Bay City
Joynt	Christopher			1916	Feb/09	Sun	1916	02/10/01	
June	(child)			1918		Sun	1918	09/05/05	Age 12 dys ch/o Carl
June	Freddie Sylvest	1917	Feb/14	1917	Sep/01	Sun	1917	09/06/04	Son/o Carl
June	Louis	1916	Feb/03	1916	Feb/25	Sun	1916	03/02/01	Son/o Carl
Kackoska	Isaac	1832	Jun/30	1916	May/02	Sun	1916	05/04/01	
Kaiser	Amelia			1910	Jun/16	Sun	1910	06/24/01	
Kaiser	Charles	1834		1911	Mar/10	Sun	1911	03/17/01	
Kaiser	Nellie			1906		Sun	1906	06/22/08	Lived in Detroit
Kallager	(infant)			1896	Nov/??	Sun	1896	11/20/08	Father Martin
Kallahar	Mrs			1898	Sep/18	Sun	1898	09/30/08	Age 80 yrs
Kallahar	(infant)			1902		Sun	1902	02/21/08	Dau/o Martin
Kalmbaugh	(infant)			1919	Mar/23	Sun	1919	03/27/01	Dau/o Louis
Kane	Charles			1907		Sun	1907	11/08/05	Lvs 3 daughters
Kapahnka	Fred Henry	1915	Oct/06	1915	Oct/07	Sun	1915	10/14/01	Father: Ferdinand
Kapahnka	Mrs Herman			1913	Jul/29	Sun	1913	07/24/01	
Katzch	Mrs			1914		Sun	1914	01/22/08	Bur Fisherville
Kaufman	Mrs			1907		Sun	1907	04/19/08	M/o Mrs Burlingame
Kay	James			1908		Sun	1908	08/14/01	Age 42 years
Keaner	Delila			1911		Sun	1912	01/04/12	Father: Kade
Kebblebeck	Joseph	1835	Nov/17	1915	Mar/11	Sun	1915	03/18/01	
Keener	(female)			1918		Sun	1918	01/24/04	Burned to death
Keefer	John			1915		Sun	1915	06/24/01	D. in Jasper Twp
Keel	Lucinda	1852	May/25	1918		Sun	1918	02/28/08	
Keeley	James			1901		Sun	1901	03/01/05	Died at Tawas City
Keeley	Katherine			1918		Sun	1918	10/24/01	
Keeley	William B			1905	Mar/06	Sun	1905	03/10/08	Lvs 3 children
Keener	(infant)			1903		Sun	1903	09/04/08	Bur in Laporte
Keenon	Catherine	1840		1907	May/25	Sun	1907	06/14/01	
Keenon	Mrs			1907		Sun	1907	05/31/08	D. in Homer
Keil	George Matthew			1919		Sun	1919	05/01/01	
Keiney	James			1913		Sun	1913	07/24/01	Age 78
Keith	Mary Ann			1904	Feb/24	Sun	1904	02/26/04	Dau: Mary Van Wichn
Keller	Mrs M O			1916	Oct/23	Sun	1916	11/02/01	
Kelley	James B			1917		Sun	1917	05/31/04	
Kelley	John			1918		Sun	1918	11/21/05	
Kellogg	W.F.			1896		Sun	1896	04/03/08	D. in Bradford
Kelly	(mother)			1891		Sun	1891	05/14/01	Bur Danford 5/10
Kelly	Charles			1918	Jun/28	Sun	1918	07/04/01	
Kelly	Frank			1920	Aug/08	Sun	1920	08/12/01	
Kelly	Hugh Sr	1837	Aug/13	1904		Sun	1904	12/16/08	
Kelly	Mary			1919	Sep/20	Sun	1919	09/25/06	
Kelly	Mary J			1919	Sep/20	Sun	1919	09/25/01	

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Kelly	Minnie			1919		Sun	1919	01/09/08	
Kelly	Mrs			1891	May/??	Sun	1891	05/14/01	Son Hugh Kelly
Kelly	Mrs Hugh			1902		Sun	1902	06/20/01	
Kelly	Timothy	1823		1914	Sep/15	Sun	1914	09/24/01	
Kelly	Timothy			1914		Sun	1914	09/17/01	
Kelsey	Elsie			1901		Sun	1901	10/18/08	Dau of Lewis
Kelsey	Frank			1916	Aug/26	Sun	1916	08/31/04	
Kelty	John W			1910	Sep/28	Sun	1910	09/30/01	
Kemp	Erma			1918		Sun	1918	12/26/01	Nee: McAllister
Kempe	(child)			1911		Sun	1911	06/01/04	Child of August
Kendall	Ella May Dtearn	1895	Aug/27	1917	Mar/29	Sun	1917	04/05/01	
Kennedy	George	1832	Dec/01	1903		Sun	1903	09/11/05	
Kennedy	George			1903		Sun	1903	09/18/08	
Kennedy	Mr			1902	Apr/08	Sun	1902	04/18/08	Age 82 years
Kenney	Mrs William			1909		Sun	1909	07/09/01	
Kenney	Mrs William			1890	Sep/??	Sun	1890	09/25/04	
Kenney	Otis			1891	Jul/??	Sun	1891	07/16/04	Dau Mrs G.G.Ruessel
Kent	Edward Joseph			1904		Sun	1904	09/23/05	Mother: Mrs Lewis
Kent	Floyd	1904		1904		Sun	1904	09/02/01	Father: Lewis
Kent	James			1898		Sun	1898	09/02/05	Age 88 yrs
Kent	Lewis	1875	Jul/27	1904	May/22	Sun	1904	06/03/05	Long obit
Kent	Lewis			1904		Sun	1904	05/27/01	Father: Simeon
Kent	Mr			1914		Sun	1914	04/30/04	
Kent	Mrs James			1892	Apr/13	Sun	1892	04/14/04	
Kent	Thomas G	1899	Aug/30	1915	Jul/02	Sun	1915	07/08/01	Drwnd in Detroit
Kenyon	A L			1908		Sun	1908	06/12/04	D. Delta OH
Kenyon	Amasa			1915		Sun	1915	02/11/05	
Kern	David			1914		Sun	1914	02/12/05	Bro/o John E
Kern	Ida			1905	Apr/12	Sun	1905	04/14/01	Wife/o David
Kern	John frederick	1910	Feb/20	1911	Jan/25	Sun	1911	01/27/01	Son/o John E
Kernin	Albert Frederic			1910	Feb/19	Sun	1910	02/25/01	
Kernin	Christian			1913	Sep/18	Sun	1913	09/25/01	Age 86
Kernin	Christopher	1827	Jan/27	1913	Sep/18	Sun	1913	09/25/01	
Kernin	Wilhelm	1868	May/06	1911	Feb/20	Sun	1911	02/24/01	
Kerns	William S	1854	Jul/31	1916	Nov/04	Sun	1916	11/09/05	
Reyes	(infant)			1904		Sun	1904	05/25/08	Father: William Jr
Keyworth	Ellizabeth			1916		Sun	1916	02/24/01	D. Longmont cl
Killeen	Bridget			1899	Aug/31	Sun	1899	09/08/05	Died in Saginaw
Kilpatrick	Berney			1915	Oct/18	Sun	1915	10/28/05	
King	(twin girls)			1914		Sun	1914	08/06/01	Dau's of J King
King	Capt John E			1902	Jan/15	Sun	1902	01/24/05	Died in Detroit
King	George W			1920	Jan/31	Sun	1920	02/05/05	
King	Gordon			1895	Jan/??	Sun	1895	01/25/06	D. in Freeland
King	Lucy			1913		Sun	1913	02/27/08	
King	Mrs			1896	Aug/28	Sun	1896	08/28/05	Son Thomas
King	Mrs Henry			1915		Sun	1915	02/25/01	D. in Detroit
Kinney	George E			1911	Jul/16	Sun	1911	07/20/01	
Kinney	James			1919	Sep/02	Sun	1919	09/11/01	
Kinnie	(infant)			1896		Sun	1896	08/21/08	Father William
Kirby	Charles			1896	Feb/??	Sun	1896	02/28/08	
Kirkpatrick	George W			1897		Sun	1897	05/17/05	D. In Saginaw
Kirkpatrick	Mrs E.			1891	Jul/??	Sun	1891	07/30/04	Lived Coleman
Kirvey	William	1840	Dec/08	1909	Jan/02	Sun	1909	01/08/05	
Kisner	Sidney			1898		Sun	1898	07/01/05	Drwnd Chippewa Dam
Kisser	August			1914	Feb/21	Sun	1914	02/26/01	
Kitchen	Mrs William			1903	Nov/14	Sun	1903	11/20/01	Lvs hus/3 child
Kitchen	Wesley			1905		Sun	1905	09/08/04	D. Princeton Ont
Kitchen	William			1890	Dec/24	Sun	1891	01/01/04	
Kittredge	Kendall			1859	Aug/30	Sun	1890	09/04/04	Age 45
Kleine	George			1918	Nov/14	Sun	1918	11/21/01	
Kleine	George	1861	Jan/31	1918		Sun	1918	11/14/01	
Kleine	Sarah G			1897	Aug/20	Sun	1897	08/27/01	Long obit
Kleinhans	Alice Rutter			1903		Sun	1903	02/27/01	Bur in Homer
Kleinhans	David	1821	Feb/16	1915	Mar/04	Sun	1915	03/11/01	
Kleinhans	Wilhelmina	1834	Sep/09	1911	Oct/07	Sun	1911	10/12/01	
Klingbail	Dora			1913	May/11	Sun	1913	05/15/01	
Klink	Clarence			1912	Jan/31	Sun	1912	02/08/01	Father: David
Klink	Clarence			1912		Sun	1912	02/08/08	
Knapp	Clarissa			1904		Sun	1904	10/21/01	Father: Eugene
Knapp	Jay L			1919	Apr/12	Sun	1919	04/17/01	
Knapp	Mrs James			1906	Dec/07	Sun	1906	12/14/08	D. at Olson
Knowles	Clara			1893	Apr/??	Sun	1893	04/14/01	
Knowles	Mrs			1918		Sun	1918	04/18/05	Mot/o Harold Knowle
Kocis	Ann	1920		1920	Oct/07	Sun	1920	10/14/01	Father: Tony
Koehler	Mrs Oscar			1916		Sun	1916	03/02/03	Mot/o Mrs J Homer
Koehler	Peter			1915		Sun	1915	02/25/05	D. in Saginaw
Koerner	Josephine	1824	Aug/30	1915	Jun/04	Sun	1911	06/08/01	Bur on home farm
Konopatzki	Charlotte	1824	Sep/05	1912		Sun	1912	04/18/01	D. Merston
Koons	W Henry	1850	Dec/06	1916		Sun	1916	03/09/17	
Koontz	Mr			1911		Sun	1911	06/08/04	D. in Coleman
Koop	(infant)			1908		Sun	1908	10/09/08	Father: Eugene
Koop	Wilda	1821	Aug/17	1908	Oct/07	Sun	1908	10/09/01	
Korneen	Mrs			1891	Jun/??	Sun	1891	06/18/04	Sis Mrs Hiller

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