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MOOMAW - MUMMA GENEALOGY TO BE REVISED

At last, the work on updating the Moomaw - Mumma Genealogy by Dr. Kloepper has begun.

Robert A. Moomaw, who helped Dr. Kloepper with the 1965 edition is now able to devote the time necessary to bring it up to date.

You will be receiving a questionnaire to update your branch of the family. Fill it out as quickly and as completely as possible, so he can get started recording all the new data.

I will continue to work on the early generations and try to help to connect as many as possible back to one of the immigrants.

To get acquainted with more of the family, Bob came up for the two Reunions held Labor Day Weekend. On Saturday we drove to Xenia, picked up Margaret Wilkerson and went on to Fort Wayne Ind. to attend the reunion of the descendants of Christian and Rebecca Mumma who went from Tuscarawas County, Ohio to Allen County Indiana.

About fifty of their descendants gathered in at Pond previllion and spred out a delicious basket dinner. We met many interesting "couisns". I will have more on this line in a future issue.

On Sunday we went to Willmington Ohio to the gathering of the family of John Moomaw and Barbara Ranck who came to Ohio from Virginia. Here again about fifty of their descendents had gathered for a basket dinner, and a chance to renew old acquaintences and meet new cousins.



AT THE MOOMAW REUNION IN WILLMINGTON OHIO

Robert A Moomaw, who will be updating the Moomaw - Mumma Genealogy, John Moomaw, Pres. Margaret Wilkerson, Sec., Margaret Dieringer Newsletter editor, Sarah Kensinger Vic. Pres

SOME NOTES ON THE DESCENDENTS  
OF 2219 JACOB MOOMAW

Anna L. Martin, of Yuma, Arizona, sent the following from "The Yellow Jacket" published by the Great River Genealogy Society. Notes in parenthesis were added by Mrs. Martin from Pittsfield W. Cemetery records.

Account Book from a Store at Hull,  
Kinderhook Twp., Pike County Illinois

Robert McNutt, GRGS member, purchased this little account book for 25c from an antique shop at Summer Hill, Atlas and Martinsburg Twp., Pike County, Illinois. He was told that this was among the merchandise bought at the time the store was closed.

This was not all written in the same handwriting and some of the later entries were as if an elderly person had written them. Some were in ink and others in pencil.

The following was written in this book:

COVER: M-- ---- Cooper

INSIDE PAGES:

Jacob Moomaw and Elizabeth Ohmart married  
Jan 14th 1821  
John Cooper and Mary M. Moomaw was married  
Feb 1 1857  
Asa D. Cooper and Eleanor Goodin married  
April 30th 1835  
Nancy J. Cooper and James Adams married  
Nov 20th 1881

Family Record

Joel Moomaw born Jan 7th 1822  
Adam Moomaw born June 27 1824  
George Moomaw born Dec 25 th 1825  
John Moomaw born Jan 25th 1828  
Anna Moomaw born Apr 8th 1830  
Sarah Moomaw born Feb 28th 1832  
Jacob J. Moomaw born Sept 12th 1834  
Elizabeth Moomaw born March 3rd 1837  
Mary M. Moomaw born Oct 29th 1839  
Charlotte Moomaw born Apr 26th 1843

DEATHS

Jacob Moomaw died Nov. 7th 1847  
Charlotte Moomaw died Aug 2nd 1858  
Jacob J. Moomaw died Sept 19th 1865  
Anna Johnson died March 30th 1870  
John Moomaw died Nov 3rd 1879  
Elizabeth Moomaw died Apr 12th 1885  
Adam Moomaw died Dec. 18th 1897  
Joel Moomaw died May 5th 1899  
Lemuel Shock died May 16th 1900  
George Moomaw died Nov Nov. 25th 1902  
Anilda Moomaw died Dec-- 1902  
(wife of George b Apr 23, 1831 d Dec 14 1905)  
Susan Moomaw died March 12th 1913  
Elizabeth Shock died May 7th 1913  
George W. Cooper died Oct 10th 1853  
Eleanor Cooper died March 29th 1854  
Asa D. Cooper died Dec 29th 1858  
Robert A. Cooper died Nov. 9th 1864  
Sarah Johnson died Sept 1892  
Nancy J. Adams died Oct 8th 1897  
Mary E. Butler died sept 11th 1906

Family Record

John H. Cooper born Oct 10th 1836  
Mary E. Cooper born Jan the 11th 1839  
Susannah Cooper born Dec 15th 1840  
Robert A. Cooper born Dec 27th 1842  
George W. Cooper born June 20th 1845  
Nancy J. Cooper Jan 5th 1848  
Sarah Aliff Cooper born March 9th 1853  
James M. Cooper born Oct ----  
Lottie Walston born March 9th 1887  
John Hurley Cooper born July 31 1891  
Mary Bell Cooper born July 30 1894  
Iva May Walston born Apr 21 1897  
Vida Artie Cooper born Apr 10 1901  
Lindle Ross Cooper born July 1903  
Virgil N. Cooper born Feb 27 1881  
Elsie W. Cooper born Feb 12 1883  
Julia Maud Cooper born Jan 2 1885  
Emmett J. Cooper born March 24 1887  
Elma Lee Born 10 June 1894

Lewis Johnson went to Texas Sept 1878  
Hardin Johnson went to Kansas Aug 18th 1879  
Elizabeth Shock went to Col Sept 1879  
Benta Johnson came to live with us Aug 1879  
Ola Patterson came to live with us Feb 1878

HENRY MUMA OF WEST COCALICO TOWNSHIP,  
LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MORE ON THE DESCENDENTS OF 2219 JACOB MOOMAW

Mr. Theodore H. Ohmart, of Thayer, Kansas sent the following on this same family: From "Portrait and Biographical Album of Pike and Calhoun Counties Illinois" published in 1891

JOHN H. COOPER, February 1, 1857, the rites of wedlock were celebrated between our subject and Miss Mary Moomaw. The bride was born October 29, 1839, in the Buckeye State, but was reared in this county, whither her parents had removed in 1843. \*\*\*\* Both Mr. and Mrs. Cooper belonged to the Christian Church, of which they have been members for thirty five years. \*\*\*\* The Father of Mrs. Cooper was Jacob Moomaw, who was born in Virginia in 1796. He went to Ohio when a young man, and there in 1821 was united in marriage with Elizabeth Ohmart. That lady was born in Virginia, December 13, 1798, and lived to the advanced age of eighty-six years. \*\*\*\* He (Jacob) died November 16, 1847. He belonged to the German Baptist Church and was elected to the ministry and labored earnestly for the promulgation of Christianity. His children, all of whom grew to maturity are: Joel, Adam, George, John, Mrs. Adam Johnson, Mrs. Sarah Ward, Jacob, Mrs. Elizabeth Schock, Charlotte (now deceased) and the wife of our subject. \*\*\*\* The Maternal grandfather of Mrs. Cooper was Adam Ohmart, who was born in Maryland of German parents. He was also a farmer, He was married in Pennsylvania, lived for a time in Virginia, and made his final settlement in Logan Co. Ohio. His wife Anna Weaver, was born in the Keystone state, and was of German descent. \*\*\*\*"

2215 DAVID MOOMAW

David was born in Pa. about the time that his parents, John Muma and Barbara Rank moved to Virginia where the spelling of the name was changed. He married Mary Myers, in Highland County Ohio, 17 June 1824. After her death on 25 April 1867, David went to Kansas, where some of his family had already gone. There he died 4 Sept. 1871.

This spring a friend, looking for some of her ancestors in Eureka Cemetary Linn Co. Kansas happened to see his stone. Knowing that I would be interested, she took this picture for me.

Kenneth and Peg Mardness are looking for the parents of Henry Muma born 17 March 1787 d 11 Aug 1851. His wife Anna Marie ( Polly ) was b 4 Nov 1792, d 2 June 1867. They are burried at Swamp Reformed Church, Reinholds West Cocalico Twp. Lancaster Co. Pa.

Henry's will (Book 5 vol. 1 pg. 23) probated 22 Sept 1851, mentioned three sons and four daughters. Only one is named "it is my will that my youngest son Jeremiah is to be confirmed or taken into the church the same as the rest

"2nd I give and bequeath to unto my beloved wife Polly Muma all my real and personal estate after my death and it is to be in her possession as long as she beareth my name and after her death it is to be equally divided between my seven children"

When Polly died in 1867 the Orphans Court records (Misc. Book 1865-1867 pg 723-5) give more information on the seven children, "viz Catherine, intermarried with Samuel Madanes, Caroline, intermarried with Henry Walter, Elizabeth, widow of Peter Walter, Polly, intermarried with Daniel Root, Henry Muma Jr Jacob Muma and Jeremiah Muma the last named of whom died in the Military Service of the United States in the year 1865, but leaving a widow Catharine and issue Simon, Mary, Rebecca, and John all in their minority over whom William Rader is guardian.



## JOHN AND REBECCA BARKEY MUMAW

The Story of John and Rachel Barkey Mumaw as written by their grand daughter Rachel I. Bevington in 1959 when she was 82 years old. She was retired from the schools of Lakewood Ohio, but was still tutoring children who needed extra help. She died in 1963.

"John Mumaw came to Ohio about 1825. He had lived in that most beautiful part of Pennsylvania near Lancaster, Hershey, and the State Capitol of Harrisburg. If you want to see one of the loveliest areas in the world, made beautiful, partly by the joyful human labor of Mumaws- Mummas, and other refugees from European persecution of the faithful.

"John Mumaw loved this spot. He left it to follow and marry the beautiful, gracious daughter of a Mennonite Preacher. Her family the Barkeys (often spelled Berkey) had come with the Shellenbergers and others to Ohio. John Mumaw had heard that the men in Ohio went barefoot. He feared that his lovely Rachel might be married to one of these uncouth creatures. He left his home in Pennsylvania to save her from such a fate and to marry her to assure she was married to a gentleman who was worthy of her. He built a big white house on a hill, thereafter known as Mumaw Hill. Two of his descendents still live in a house on an adjoining hill. His son Henderson Mumaw built this house. In this house in the country near Mount Eaton still (1959) live two daughters of his son Enos.

"Eleven of John Mumaws children lived to a good old age and among his children there are numbered some eminent persons among this group and their descendents are doctors, lawyers, ministers, teachers and farmers.

"The Mumaw line has been distinguished in longevity, they were also distinguished for efficiency, industry, integrity, and thrift. For faithfulness in marriage, and large families. For interest in religion, music and education.

Rachel Barkey Mumaw was a faithful Mennonite to the end of her life. We do not have any evidence that John Mumaw was ever a Mennonite. When he married Rachel he told her he thought she looked lovely in her Mennonite garb and that he would not ask her to change

it. That he asked only that her clothing be of lovely materials. So from her marriage to John Mumaw Rachel rustled about in plain beautiful silk and trimmed her black silk bonnet with black silk laces, as her husband asked her to.

"John bought a beautiful, gentle horse for Rachel, and a new buggy so she could drive herself to her church. John had a very soft side for his Rachel whom he kept from marrying an Ohio boy. He did not go with her to the Mennonite church but he realized that since her father was a preacher Rachel should go. As the children came along he had them baptised in the Presbyterian church and oh what loyal Presbyterians they became.

"At first John and Rachel Mumaw lived in a log house, near Mount Eaton, in Wayne County later John Mumaw had a nice white frame house and barn built for his family on a hill afterwards known as "Mumaw Hill". John Mumaw was fussy about his home. It was rooey and had porches. The yard had a white picket fence to keep the chickens away from the house.

"John Mumaw's daughter, Catherine (Kate) Mumaw married Dr. Josiah Bevington and when Dr. Josiah Bevington was 41 years old and Kate his wife was 40 he was killed by a passenger train called a flyer, because it went forty miles an hour. He was endeavoring to help a distracted woman whose buggy had broken down. He was driving two horses and leading her horse behind. Her horse pulled his buggy back on the track. The woman was practically unhurt, but he was thrown against the frozen bank and killed. Kate Mumaw Bevington took on the task of raising and supporting the six children. The eldest in college and the youngest a baby in arms. When well meaning people offered to adopt the children the mother grimly answered, 'These children are mine'. That she was able to raise and provide for them must be explained by the fact that she was a Mumaw.

"Many Mumaws have been and still are in Stark County and Wayne County."

Copied from a letter sent to Everett and Rachel Mumaw in 1959 by Rachel Bevington.