

GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION ON
PAUL BEEZLEY and JERUSA ANN SIMS
THEIR ANTECEDENTS, DESCENDANTS AND
RELATED FAMILIES

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INTRODUCTION

After my mother's death, I received certain family memorabilia from my sister, Mrs. Leona Merle Click with whom my mother lived. This created an earnest desire to make a humble attempt at compiling my maternal family history for future generations. Through the historical facts related in my grandfather Paul Beezley's obituary, with the help of many cousins, uncles, Mrs. Lillie Russum, a dear lady and distant relative, who was nearly blind when I corresponded with her in 1961, a total stranger, Mrs. Bernadine A. Cheriton, who went out of her way to be helpful, and from county and probate records, I owe many thanks. The material available in the Library of Congress and the National Archives in Washington, D.C. was also used.

Family research could continue indefinitely. New data comes to light with more searching. This history is not complete by any means. The writer is hopeful therefore, that some generation in the future will have an interest in perpetuating this history.

I remember the last time that I saw my grandfather Paul Beezley. My mother, Minnie Belle Hughes, my sister Jennie Alice and I went to visit him and my step-grandmother, Sophronia, in Oakland, Iowa when I was about six or seven years old. My grandfather lived on a farm just outside of Oakland, Iowa at that time. He had a mare with a colt. My mother, sister, and I borrowed grandfather's buggy and mare and drove into town to see my mother's brother, which one, I do not remember. On the way back from town, the Mare's colt became frightened by a baseball game being played at a farm house and injured its leg on barbed wire. The colt had to be shot. The three of us cried all the way back to grandfather's house.

I tell this event because it has remained a very vivid and sad memory to me although it happened over fifty years ago. Also, it was the last time that I remember seeing grandfather.

There appears to be a variation in the spelling of the surname Beezley. It has been spelled "Beezley", "Beezeley", "Beesley", "Beazley", "Beasly", and "Beasley". This is attributed somewhat to the fact that census enumerators spelled phonetically, as well as families changing the spelling.

I do not know when the spelling was changed to "Beezley". Grandfather Paul's military records show this spelling. However, the October 11, 1850 Federal Census records in the National Archives, Washington, D.C., shows the name spelled in various ways. Probate records in Clark County, Ohio, showed it as "Beezeley".

The Beezleys are of English descent.

Library of Congress --- Dictionary of American Family Names by Harper. Reference: CS2481 555, page 12: "Beasley, Beesley (Eng.) Dweller in, or near, the meadow or wood where bees were found."

There is a Crest for the Beezley surname. However, unless research reveals the direct line of which the writer is a member, it is not known if this particular Crest would be appropriate.

WILLIAM M. BEEZLEY, the great, great grandfather of the writer, was born in 1774 in Kentucky. His wife's name was Elizabeth, maiden name and place of birth is unknown. The writer conjectures that they were married Circa 1793 or 1794. As near as the writer can determine from census records, William and Elizabeth had ten or eleven children.

William died in January 1825 in Clark County, Ohio. His estate was in probate for quite a number of years. There is on record in the Court of Common Pleas, Clark County, Ohio, a "partition" suit which caused a deed to be issued by the heirs of William Beezley, he leaving a wife Elizabeth and several children. (Beezley, William, deceased Fiduciary -- John Beezley, A.N. Wood, Silas Henkle, Case No. A-295, Type - Adm. - Date 1/24/1826.)

A copy of "Rachel Beezley - Fiduciary - Elizabeth Beezley, Case No. A-298, Type Gdn. Date 3/14/1826", designating Elizabeth Beezley (William's widow), Andrew N. Wood, who married William's daughter Elizabeth, Paul Beezley, and Silas Henkle, as guardians of William's minor children, was obtained from the Probate records of Clark County, Ohio.

As evidenced by this document, Elizabeth Beezley could not write her name. This was not unusual for that era. Her signature was indicated by an X. It is not known when Elizabeth died. She was living as late as November of 1832.

An historical excerpt of Clark County, Ohio states that William Beezley is buried in Byrd Cemetery. It stated that there is no headstone. Herein is a copy of a letter furnished the writer by Mrs. K.B. Shardon of the Clark County Historical Society, which appears to be reliable information as to the actual location of William's grave. (This has not been verified as old cemeteries have a way of disappearing with the progress of time.)

October 16, 1926

Mr. C.F. Beezley, (spelling)
7. R.R. Donnelly & Son Co.
721 Plymouth Court
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Sir:

I am pleased to advise you that I have found the grave of William Beezley, your great-great-grandfather. It is near the center of the old Tuttle Cemetery, about one mile north of the Byrd Cemetery, and about one mile south west of the Sinking Creek Baptist Church, on the Old Columbus Road. The head stone of which I am enclosing a sketch is of White Granite as is also the marker at the foot of the grave, both are in good condition, and the lettering is very plain. The head stone reads W.M. Beezley, died January 1825, Age 51 years, the marker at the foot of the grave bears the initials W.B.

The head stone leans at an angle of about seventy five degrees and should be straightened up or it will be broken off in the course of time, as are so many of the others. The grave is also sunken below the level of the surface.

Near this grave are the graves of Caleb Tuttle, and his wife Mary (Prickett) Tuttle. Their head stones are lying flat on the ground and covered with grass and weeds. I presume that an expense of ten dollars would straighten up the head stone and foot marker of the Wm. Beezley grave, and fill the top of the grave with new soil. It would be worth while to have this done, as the Cemetery has been recently enclosed with a neat wire fence and these granite stones will be good for several hundred years; they are much better than any others in the Cemetery.

If you desire to have the work done I think I can arrange to have someone go out there and reset both stones in cement, so that they will remain in good condition many years.

Yours very truly,

ALS:GMA.

(No signature shown on photocopy)

The writer has no knowledge as to whether this service was ever performed. Also, the writer does not know who the writer, ALS, or the addressee was, presumably a cousin.

Information published about Pottawattamie County, Iowa in 1891 stated that William Beezley established the first grist mill on the Little Miami River in Ohio with Daniel Boone. This appears to differ from a History of Clark County, Ohio published in 1881.

History of Clark County, Ohio 1881 published by the W.H.Beers publishing company. Authors: A.P. Steel and O.T. Martin. Library of Congress Reference: F-497 C5H6.

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"In the year 1806, Simon Kenton moved from his home on the Urbana Pike, near the present Hunt farm, to the rapids of Buck Creek, at the point where the village of Lagonda now stands. Here Kenton built a grist-mill, and

attached thereto a carding machine, which did not prove a success for want of perfect machinery.

The grist-mill was a small and rather inferior concern. The bolting machine was run by hand-power, which was usually furnished by those waiting for meal. Kenton left this mill and his home in 1812 to join the army of this country, then at war with England. This property belonged to William Ward, Sr., in 1814, at which time Nicholas Prickett and William Breezely bought the same and built what was known as the Prickett Mill. This was a woolen-mill, and the first one in this county of any pretensions. With regard to this, Mr. J.T. Warder has kindly furnished the following:

Springfield, Ohio
December 25, 1880 T.F. McGrew, Jr.;

Dear Sir - Your note received and contents noted. As I have understood, Simon Kenton built the first mill at Lagonda, on the north side of the creek, where, after several fruitless efforts to dam the creek at the gorge through the limestone formation at that point, he made a dam with logs and loose stones 100 rods to the east of the first location (a part of which still remains), and carried the water of the creek by race to the mill, which stood about the middle of the present main shop at Lagonda. He also built the first saw-mill upon the same site, being the first one in the county. This was understood to be a squatter's right, and, about 1810 or 1812, his friends induced Congress to donate to him for his known services to the Government, a tract of thirty acres laid out in a square, and covering all his improvements. The title was in some way in the hands of William Ward as trustee of Simon Kenton. Ward sold to Prickett and Beezley, who increased the size of the mill. Both of these parties died previous to 1830, in which year, after proceedings of the court, the property was sold by the heirs to Jeremiah Warder, who in the same year employed Oliver Armstrong, one of our most noted millwrights of that day, to construct a heavy timber dam just above the gorge, still maintaining secure rock foundation, and build a three-story mill on the south side of the creek. - - - -"

Truly,
J.T.W.

Page 615 - Lagonda, Ohio

"This thrifty village is situated on the Springfield Branch of the C., C., C. & I. R. R., on the southwest corner of Section 24 and the northwest corner of Section 23. It is separated from Edwardsville by the west line of Section 23. The name is of Indian origin.

Lagonda was founded by Simon Kenton in the year A.d. 1799 or 1800. Kenton, John Humphreys and six other white families came from Kentucky and made a settlement north of Springfield. - - -

In those days, the Government offered, and sometimes paid, a bonus to parties who erected mills in the settlements, but the records at hand fail to show that the old pioneer ever received anything on this account.

Tiring of the milling business, Kenton, on the 29th of July, 1814, sold the property to William Ward, and, on the 5th day of December of the same year, it was purchased of Ward by William Beesley and Nicholas Prickett. The purchasers, being energetic, and possessing some money, set about to improve the property. A saw-mill was built, and a long-felt public want supplied.

This saw-mill was in most respects similar to those of later years. It had, however, connected with it a churn, which was operated by a rod attached to the upper part of the saw-frame. When the saw was in operation, the churning process worked nicely. Mr. Beesley erected a carding and fulling

mill, and became somewhat noted for enterprise. He built a dwelling for himself and family, and several houses for the use of the employees about him.

Writer's note: On Route 15, Prince William County, Virginia, there is an historical marker: "Simon Kenton - near Hopewell Gap, five miles west Simon Kenton was born 1755 leaving home in 1771. He became an associate of Daniel Boone and George Rogers Clark in Indian fighting. He won fame as one of the founders of Kentucky. Kenton died in Ohio in 1836."

On the 5th of January, 1830, the widows of William Beesley and Nicholas Prickett sold their respective dowers in the real estate of their husbands, and on the 29th of June following, Oliver Armstrong purchased, at Sheriff's sale, the unsold interests of the other heirs. On the 1st day of August, 1830, Jeremiah Warder purchased the realty of the entire village, the appurtenances, consisting of eight or ten dwellings, saw-mills, woolen-factory and grist-mill. The price paid was \$3,000. - - - - "

"On the 15th of June, 1816, a number of persons met at the house of James Buckles and organized into a society. Subsequently, they adopted tenets of doctrine, and became a society of some strength in after years. The original members were Nathaniel Reeves, Mary A. Reeves, John Buckles, Mary Buckles, Nicholas Prickett, William Hall, Swain Ogden, William Beasley and James Buckles. This organization built a log church a few rods from the site of the Union Meeting-House, and on the opposite of the old Columbus road. Here they continued to worship for a number of years previous to 1840. On the 5th of September of that year, a remnant of the society which remained sold and conveyed to Caleb Tuttle the house and church lot on which the house stood for \$100.

Writer's note: The Society organized was the Regular Baptists, Springfield Township.

Page 630 - The Byrd Cemetery

"This burrial-place was laid out by John Snodgrass about 1820, and is located on Section 11, nearly four miles east of Springfield, and 200 yards north of the National Road, on a bluff near the left of Beaver Creek. It is well inclosed but somewhat neglected in other respects, and the following list tells of pioneers who have found here their "six feet of earth."

Herbert W. Huffman, died October, 1820, Aged thirty-three; Sarah Huffman, died March, 1842, aged fifty-two; Silvanus Tuttle, died January, 1843, aged eighty-two; Mary Tuttle, died May, 1848, aged eighty-five; Luke Byrd, died August 31, 1823, aged fifty-five; Catharine Byrd, September 1835; John D. Jenkins, died March, 1848, aged eighty-two; William Beesley, died January, 1825, aged fifty-one; Mary Tuttle, died May, 1856, aged seventy-two. Quite a number of graves of those buried in the early years of the history of this cemetery are unmarked by any memorial."

William M. Beezley's widow, Elizabeth, appeared to be well provided with food during the probate of his estate. The following is an excerpt of Case No. A-295:

"The allowance made for the Widow and her family for their sustenance according to law to wit all the meat that is on hand together with three hogs in the pen and all the salt that is in their possession at present.

75 bushels of Corn and 37 and a half bushels of wheat 6 pound weight of Coffee and 7 and a half lbs of tea and 25 lb of sugar

Also all and every kind of sauce that is on hand to be given as need may require.

Maddox Fisher
Robert Humphreys
David Crabil

The State of Ohio) I do hereby certify that the above named appraisers
Clarke County) to wit Maddox, Fisher, Robert Humphreys and David Crabil
personally appeared before me and were severally sworn according to law -
given under my hand and seal this 9th day of August A D 1825

William Wilson Justice of the Peace

Seal

II

From the February 15, 1826 public sale of the moveable estate of William Beezeley, the widow received the following:

A falling ax		\$.37-1/2
A box of irons		.25
A bedstead	value	.68
A pewter bason and plate		.25 .81-
A dresser cupboard		1/4 .50
A spinning wheel	i,	2.12-1/4
3 Winsor chairs		1.50-1/4
8 Geese		123.00
Wool cardex machine		

The son, John, received the following:

A lot of chains	value	\$ 1.68
A millsaw		1.00

The son-in-law, Andrew Wood, received the following:

A lot of old wagon irons	Value	.62-1/2
A sledge hammer		.56-1/4
A pewter bason		.25 .43-
A candle stick		1/3
		.37-1/4
A lot of poplar planks A check		1.50
reel		.62-1/4
3 Winsor chairs	"	2.25
6l lights of window sash		2.25
A yoke of oxen	ll,	35.50

The son, Paul, received the following:

A man's saddle	Value	9.56-1/2
8 Geese	"	1.75
Cotton carding & spinning machinery	"	165.00

(From what the writer can determine by the records, Andrew Wood did considerable amount of the work involved in settling up William's estate. Paying off the debts seemed to fall to him.)

The following is a list and value thereof of property taken at the appraisalment by the widow Beezeley.

One churn	\$.25
One cow		8.00
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One sorrel mare		35.00
One log chain		1.00
Two beehives		3.00
Twenty head of geese		5.00
Saddle and bridle		10.00
One spotted sow and four pigs		3.00
Twelve shoats at 62-1/2 pr piece		7.50
One washing tub		.12-1/2
One pair steelgards		1.50
One lot of tools		2.75
Vinegar cag and buckett		.50
2 bred trays		.25
2 barrels and small tub		.37-1/2
1 smoothing iron		.37-1/2
waiter and bred tray		.50
1 Bewnoe (?)		10.00
1 large chest		2.00
1 paper mill		.25
1 culoner pitcher and bale		.50
Loom and tacklins		7.00
1 garden hoe and spad		.50
2 hand irons		.25
1 tramel		.62-1/2

\$110.25

The writer also has copies of Case A-348, John Beezley, deceased, who was probably William's father, since William was, until his death, one of the Administrators of said John's estate. After Williams' death, John Osborn of Warren County was appointed Administrator.

Marriage records of Beezleys also reviewed in Springfield revealed the following:

Book 1-A, page 22 - Beasley, Nathaniel married on February 22, 1821 to Sarah Hays. Nathaniel is probably related to the William Beezley family, in what way the writer does not know. His name appears in the Probate records. However, the name was spelled differently.

Book 1-B, page 32 - Beezeley, Elizabeth married in February 1822 to Andrew N. Wood. The date was not given, but the license was obtained on February 16 so the marriage would have been subsequent to that date.

Andrew Wood was listed on page 157 as head of the family between age 30 and 40, with two female children under age 5 in the 1830 Federal census for

Morefield Township, Clark County, Ohio. Elizabeth, his wife, was shown between age 20 and 30.

Book 1-B, page 23 - Beezley, Paul married on August 18, 1822 to Mary Plum. Paul was listed on page 124 as head of the family with two male children under age 5 in the 1830 Federal census for Springfield Township, Clark County, Ohio. His and his wife's ages were between 20 and 30 at that time. (Through the family history, children named Paul never seemed to be given a middle name. There are several such Pauls.)

Book 1-B, page 25 - Beezeley, Catherine married on November 18, 1824 to Conrad Runyan.

Book 1-B, page 28 - Beezley, Rachel married on December 6, 1827 to James Paden. The record stated that Rachel was of age. She was born on August 16, 1809. James Paden was listed on page 125 as head of the family with two female children under age 5 in the 1830 Federal census for Springfield Township, Clark County, Ohio.

James and Rachel (Beezeley) Paden had six children from what the writer can determine according to census records.

John Paden was born in 1836 in Ohio. Census records of 1870 for the City of Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, lists his wife as Mabala, age 30 and born in Ohio. They had three children; a daughter Eva, age 9, a daughter Jinnibe, age 7 and a daughter Dese D., age 2, all born in Ohio. John was a Wool Carder and had personal property valued at \$350.00.

Elizabeth Paden was born in 1838, James Paden was born in 1842, and Catherine Paden was born in 1848, all in Ohio. These three are listed with their mother, who was evidently widowed, in the July 1870 Federal census for the Township of Springfield, Clark County, Ohio.

David Paden was born in 1840 in Ohio. In the July 1870 census for the Township of Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, his wife's name was Louise, age 22 and born in Ohio. They had one daughter named Fay, age eleven months. David listed his occupation as a woolen manufacturer.

Paul Paden was born in 1845 in Ohio. In the July 1870 census for the Township of Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, his wife's name was Susan, age 21 and born in Ohio. They had a son James, age two months. Paul listed his occupation as a woolen manufacturer.

James and Rachel (Beezley) Paden may have had more children, as the 1830 census for this same township and county shows that they had at that time two daughters under age 5.

James Paden evidently left his family well provided for. In 1870, the widow listed real estate valued at \$10,000.00 and personal property valued at \$300.00. Each of the children except John listed real estate valued at \$1,000.00.

Book 1-B, page 27 - Beezley, Jane married on May 29, 1827 to Hezekiah Graham. Jane's brother Paul furnished a statement giving consent to the marriage. She was born on June 12, 1811 and would have been age 17 years, 11 months and 17 days, still a minor. Hezekiah Graham was listed on page 157 as head of the family with one male child under age 5 and possibly his mother, as one female between age 60 but under 70, is listed in the 1830 census for Morefield Township, Clark County, Ohio.

Book 2, page 33 - Beezley, Sabra married on December 27, 1832 to Joseph Harrison. (This may have been Usabia although she would have only been 16 years, 6 months and 26 days old. The name shown in later history is Sabie.) Joseph Harrison is recorded on page 44-A of the October 1840 census for Morefield Township, Clark County, Ohio between age 30 and 40, his wife Sabra Beezley, age 24, one daughter under 5 years and one daughter between 5 and 10 years.

Book 2, page 47 - Beezeley, Juliann married on March 7, 1837 to William Burk.

Book 2, page 47 - Beezeley, Julia Ann married on December 12, 1837 to Daniel Hunt.

Book 2, page 33 - Beezeley, Isaac married on November 8, 1832 to Sarepta McMillan. Elizabeth Beezeley, the mother, gave consent to Isaac's marriage, as he would have only been age 19 at that time.

The fact that two girls with such similar names as Julia Ann and Juliann leads the writer to believe they may have been twins.

The birth records in Springfield did not begin until 1867, therefore birth dates could not be verified except for the four minor children. The writer arrived at their birth year from the ages given in the Guardianship case in 1826. Rachel was born on August 16, 1809, Jane on June 12, 1811, Isaac on June 10, 1813 and Usabia on June 1, 1816. The following marriage records were also recorded in Book 3:

Page 53, Beasley, Joseph, a widower, married on March 1, 1849 to Lucinda Pence. The name is spelled differently here also. He may have been a relative or he may not.

Page 50, Beezeley, Isaac married on July 1, 1847 to Artimesia E. Lower. It doesn't seem likely that this Isaac is a son of William's Isaac. He was married in 1832 and if this Isaac was the first Isaac's first son, he couldn't be more than 14 years old. It is possible however, that this is Isaac's second marriage, but the record does not show him to be a widower. Page 48, Beezeley, Joseph married on January 1, 1846 to Julia Ann Lower.

The 1820 Federal Census, Springfield Township, Clark County, Ohio, 4th census, Volume 4 listed William M. Beezley as head of the family having three males, one age 26, one 16 and one 10. This census also showed that there were seven females in the family. The ages could not be deciphered but presume one of these females was the wife, Elizabeth, with six daughters. This census also listed John Beasley, William's son, with a family of four. The ages in this instance also could not be read.

The 1830 Federal census for Union Township, Brown County, Ohio, 5th Census, Volume 6, listed John Beasley on page 421, between thirty and forty. (He would have been age 33 at that time.) In his family he had one male between one year and five, one between twenty and thirty years, one female between infancy and age five and one between ten and fifteen years. His wife, Elizabeth, was shown between thirty and forty years old.

The 1830 census for Union Township also recorded a William Beasley on page 423 with one male between ages twenty and thirty, his age being listed between thirty and forty. He had one female between infancy and age five and one between ages twenty and thirty, presumably his wife. The writer believes this was the son of William M., brother of John.

The 1830 census for Clark County, Ohio, Volume 10, listed Elizabeth Beasley (William M. Beezley's widow) as head of a family with one male between ages fifteen and twenty and one female between ages ten and fifteen. Elizabeth's age was shown between fifty and sixty-one. She was probably born about 1775.

Beginning with the 1850 Federal census, the names, ages and places of birth were recorded. This greatly facilitates research of specific individuals.

JOHN BEEZLEY, son of William M. and Elizabeth Beezley, was born October 22, 1797 in Brown County, Ohio. He evidently moved to Clark County, Ohio with his parents when quite young. This conclusion was reached due to the fact that his father, William, went into business in Clark County on December 5, 1814. John was about fifteen years old when he served for a short time with his father in the War of 1812. To date, no verification of this has been found by the writer.

John married Elizabeth Ellsworth Circa 1816 or 1817. It is believed Elizabeth was from Martinsburg, Virginia (now West Virginia). However, inquiry was made to the Berkeley County Court House at Martinsburg. No family by the name of Ellsworth was located. Inquiry was also made to Jefferson County Court, Jefferson being formed from Berkeley in 1820, Charlestown, West Virginia. There was a record of Frederick Ellsworth who married a Susan Peyton Bedinger in May 1926. The writer could find no further information regarding this branch of the Ellsworth family.

John and Elizabeth had nine known children. They were William B., Mary, Sabie, Elizabeth, Silance, Margaret Jane, Vaba Katherine, Rachel Lavina and Paul.

John Beezley died on March 7, 1889 at the age of 91 years, 4 months and 15 days. Elizabeth died sometime between 1850 and 1860. This is assumed due to the fact that she was living at the time of the 1850 Federal census, but could not be located in the 1860 census.

The 1840 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, Volume 4, listed John as head of a family. He would have been age 43 at that time. He and Elizabeth had one male between infancy and age 5, one between ages 5 and 10, one between ages 10 and 15, and one between ages 15 and 20.

The October 11, 1850 Federal census, Volume 44 for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, page 64, has recorded John Beasley, age 53, born in Ohio with real estate valued at \$1,200.00. His wife, Elizabeth, was age 52 and born in Ohio. Four children were recorded, Margaret Jane, age 19, Vaba Katherine, age 17, Rachel Lavina, age 13, and Paul, age 10. The older children had evidently married and left home.

The Federal census of June 1860, page 6 for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, Volume 56, disclosed John Beezley listed as age 62, born in Ohio, farmer, real property valued at \$4,500.00 and personal property valued at \$552.00. With him in this census was Silance B., age 49, Saiby, age 26 and Rachel, age 23, all born in Ohio.

The 1870 census recorded John Beasley on page 30 in Green Township, P.O. Port Jefferson, Shelby County, Ohio. He had real property valued at \$5,000.00 and personal property of \$600.00. His age was given as 60 years and that he was infirm. He would actually have been 73 years old. Silence B., age 59 was again recorded. A Francis E. Beasley, age 18, was recorded and it stated that she "helps mother". Her birth year would have been 1852. This would appear to be the daughter of Silance B.

The writer has not been able to clarify this situation regarding Silence B. Beezley. Her age shows her to have been born in the year 1811. As recorded later in this history, John's daughter Silance was born on June 15, 1826 and married a George William Tunks on January 10, 1850. Was the Silance B. in the 1860 and 1870 Census John's sister? John's sister, Jane, was born in 1811, however.

It appears that John named several of his children after his sisters, e.g., Rachel, Jane, Elizabeth, and Sabie. The writer believes Sabie is Usabia shortened.

William B. Beezley, son of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born on January 1, 1818 in Clark County, Ohio. William passed away on October 4, 1909 at Girard, Crawford County, Kansas at age 91 years, 8 months and 23 days. Funeral services were held October 6, at 2 o'clock. General Baily of Post No. 49, Grand Army of the Republic, had charge of the service.

The writer has photocopies of William's military and pension application. He was five feet and nine inches in height, had blue eyes, sandy complexion and had sandy hair.

At age 44, William entered the Civil War, Union Army, Co. F106th Regiment, Illinois Infantry on August 1, 1862 as a Private. He was mustered out on July 12, 1865 as a Captain. He was known to the family thereafter as Uncle Cap.

William married Polly Ann Castle (or Moore). They had the following children: John F. Beezley, Cassius C. who served in the One Hundred and Sixth Regiment, Illinois, was killed at Island 62, and was buried there; William James, Margaret E., Emeline Cathrin, Charles T., and Jennie.

Polly Ann passed away on May 10, 1880 at Macedonia, Iowa.

The October 11, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, page 65, listed William Beasley, age 32. His wife was given as Polly A. Moore, age 32. Both are shown as being born in Ohio. Children recorded at that time were John F., age 7, Cassius C., age 5, William J., age 3, and Margaret E., age 1.

The 8th Federal census, June 27, 1860, Volume 24 for Sugar Creek Precinct, Logan County, Post Office Atlanta, Illinois, page 86, listed William, age 42, farmer, Real Estate valued at \$1,600.00, personal property valued at \$400.00, and that he was born in Ohio. His wife was listed as Polly, age 43 and born in Ohio. Children were recorded as follows: John, age 17, C.S. (Cassius C.), age 14, W.J., age 12, E.C., age 9, and C.T., age 5, all born in Ohio. (The writer believes that Margaret E., age 1 recorded in the 1850 census probably died between the 1850 and 1860 censuses.)

John F. Beezley, son of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born in Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio in 1843. He married and lived in Girard, Crawford County, Kansas where he passed away in the 1890's. Their children were Jennie Veatch, Margaret Raney, and Alice Wasser. All are deceased. Jennie (Beasley) Veatch had a daughter named Jessie Veatch who, in 1955, was residing with her father in Cleveland, Ohio.

Cassius C. Beezley, son of William and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born in Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio in 1849. He was in the Civil War with his father in the 106th Regiment, Illinois Infantry. He was killed at Island 62 where he was buried.

William James Beezley, son of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born in Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio on December 19, 1846. At the age of ten he moved with the family to Eminence Township, Logan County, Illinois.

On May 2nd, 1864 William J. enlisted in Co. D 145 Volunteer Infantry at Atlanta, Illinois. He was mustered out on September 23, 1864.

He married Sarah Abigail Brown on December 19, 1878 at Cedarvale, Kansas, Elder Nuel officiating. Witnesses were Rosa Losh, sister of the bride and her husband Emerson Losh. They had eight children: Alice Cecelia, Daisy Iola, Bessie Elven, Edith May, Leslie D., Idona Mable, and Rosana Christina. They homesteaded in Graham County, Kansas then moved to Iowa, then to South Dakota, and from there to Harlan County, Nebraska where they were engaged in farming.

In 1898 they moved with their family of eight children to Hill City, Kansas. Sarah Abigail (Brown) Beezley was born September 7, 1858 in Andrew County, Missouri and departed this life January 19, 1909 near Lenora, Kansas. Interment was made in the South Star Cemetery.

In the spring of 1911 William James Beezley retired from farming and moved into Lenora, Kansas where he resided until the spring of 1920, when he moved to Yuma, Colorado, where he made his home with his daughter, Daisy Lewis. On February 15, 1930 he married Mary Elma Sharp Hunter at Akron, Colorado.

William passed away May 2, 1940 at the age of 93 years, 4 months and 13 days. Local veterans of the Spanish-American War took part in the funeral services which were held at the Presbyterian Church of which he was a member at the time of his death. Interment was made in the Yuma Cemetery.

Mary Elma Sharp Hunter Beezley passed away in Denver, Colorado on April 18, 1948. Interment was made in the Yuma Cemetery.

Alice Cecelia Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigail (Brown) Beezley was born September 21, 1879 at Hill City, Kansas. She

married Herman H. Neihaus on December 25, 1904 at Lenora, Kansas. Herman Neihaus was born April 4, 1878 at Clayton Center, Iowa. They were engaged in farming in Kansas and Missouri until the fall of 1951 when they retired. Herman passed away March 26, 1954 at Humansville, Missouri. Alice lived for a time at the Roy Brown Rest Home at Humansville, Missouri, but passed away on December 14, 1955. Interment was beside her husband in Humansville, Missouri. There were no children born to the Neihaus.

Daisy Iola Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigail (Brown) Beezley was born January 14, 1882 at Macedonia, Iowa. She taught school in Graham and Norton counties, Kansas for several years. In the spring of 1918, she moved to Yuma, Colorado and accepted a position as bookkeeper in the Klein Lumber Company, where she worked until September 1, 1921. She then entered the Yuma Post Office as clerk and retired September 1, 1951 after thirty years service.

After moving to Yuma, Daisy met and married James Windfield Lewis on June 2, 1919. James Windfield was born near Little Rock, Arkansas on April 17, 1888. He died on April 17, 1924. They had two children. Mildred Iola was born September 30, 1920 and died on October 6, 1920. Frederick Windfield Lewis was born on October 27, 1923. He graduated from the Yuma High School in May 1941. After graduating he took a barber course in Denver, Colorado. In the fall of 1942 he entered Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa and left to join the Navy in May 1943. He married Dixie Mae Brown on May 1, 1943 in Denver, Colorado. On May 5, he left for Farragut, Idaho to begin his "Boot Training" taking his bride with him. Dixie Mae was born April 29, 1925 at Wray, Colorado. After completing "Boot Training", Frederick spent a year in the Navy Barber shop at Farragut, Idaho. He was then transferred to Wake Island. He was returned to the States and was discharged December 3, 1945 at Richmond, California. After being discharged he entered Denver University and graduated in August 1949.

They have two sons, James Windfield Lewis born May 8, 1945 at Wray, Colorado and Stephen Kent Lewis born March 1, 1949 at Denver, Colorado.

The family spent the summer of 1950 in Mexico City, Mexico, Fred as an exchange student.

After his discharge from the Navy Fred remained in the Reserve and was commissioned Ensign in the Supply Corps July 19, 1949.

He re-enlisted October 8, 1951 in Denver, Colorado and was sent to Bayone, New Jersey for Naval training. He was there commissioned Lieutenant J. G. After graduating on March 28, 1952 he was assigned to the U. S. S. Manchester as dispersing officer. On reaching San Francisco, California he was flown to Korea to go aboard his ship. After completing his duties on board the Manchester in February 1954 he was sent to Dallas, Texas. He served as Navy Exchange Officer at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Dallas, Texas. In the spring of 1955 he was commissioned Lieutenant and accepted in the regular Navy.

Dixie Mae (Brown) Lewis died on April 28, 1967, interment in the Wray Cemetery.

Daisy Iola (Beezley) Lewis died in 1969.

Effie Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigail (Brown) Beezley was born on April 16, 1883 at Macedonia, Iowa. She married Orrin E. Lewis on February 22, 1905 at Hill City, Kansas. Orrin E. Lewis was born February 12, 1879 at Downs, Kansas. They homesteaded in Logan County, Kansas and were engaged in farming until the fall of 1946 when they retired and moved to Goodland, Kansas and the last known residence was at 1516 Montana. They had no children. They celebrated their Golden Wedding on February 22, 1955. Effie died on July 27, 1959. Orrin died on March 10, 1967 and is buried in Goodland, Kansas.

Bessie Elven Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigail (Brown) Beezley was born on August 11, 1884 at Mitchell, South Dakota. She taught

school in Graham and Norton counties, Kansas. June 15, 1914 she married John C. McClanathan at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. They were engaged in Dairying and farming until they moved to Yakima, Washington. They were last known to reside at 2006 Allen Road, Sunnyside, Washington. They had the following children: James Luther, Bernice, Doris Sybal, John Paul and Alice May.

James Luther McClanathan was born November 11, 1915 at Vesper, Kansas. He married Elsie Verling on April 28, 1939 at Yakima, Washington. They have three daughters: Elizabeth Marie born June 1, 1946; Patricia Ann born on May 20, 1941 and Virginia Lee born on September 30, 1946. James and Elsie are engaged in farming near Yakima, Washington. James spent some time in the U. S. Army in World War II.

Bernice McClanathan was born on June 23, 1917 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. She married O. L. McQuaw on August 30, 1937 at Yakima, Washington. He owned and operated a saw mill. He disposed of his interest and they were last known to reside at 1846 S. 133rd, Seattle, Washington. They have no children.

Doris Sybal McClanathan was born on July 3, 1919 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. She married Leo Weigand on June 7, 1939 at Ellensburg, Washington. They have three children: June Louise born August 1, 1939; Donald Vincent born July 24, 1942 and Juanita Joyce born August 23, 1944.

John Paul McClanathan was born on July 19, 1923 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. After graduating from high school in Washington he move to Yuma, Colorado where he as employed in the Duckwall store until he joined the U. S. Navy on November 17, 1942, taking his "Boot Training" in Farragut, Idaho. He took Store Keeping training at Indiana University, Lake Hurst Naval Air Base and at Camp Wallace, Texas. He was transferred to Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania and then was transferred to Diesel Supply camp at Pery, Virginia. He was then sent to San Burno, California and then Pearl Harbor for three months V. F. 625 at Sipan and Guam. He was discharged at Bremerton, Washington on April 12, 1946. After his discharge he entered Denver University in Denver, Colorado graduating in August 1950. John held a Civil Service position with the Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture from which he resigned in December 1952. He then moved to Goldendale, Washington where he engaged in plumbing.

On January 15, 1949 John married Mrs. Ruby Noland Miller. they have a son Ed Lee who was born on June 1, 1952.

Alice May McClanathan was born May 11, 1925 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. She married Edward Warl Burton on March 10, 1950 in Portland, Oregon. They have two daughters: Etta Earlene born on August 26, 1951 and Ginger Kay born on January 8, 1953,

Edith May Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigal (Brown) Beezley was born on March 24, 1887 at Orleans, Nebraska. She taught school in Graham and Wallace counties, Kansas. She married Malcolm Noland on December 25, 1907.

Malcolm Noland was born on May 3, 1887 and died on December 1, 1918. Edith May (Beezley) Noland died on November 29, 1918. Their little girls Beryle and Ruby were reared and educated by the paternal grandparents. Three daughters were born to them. The first died at birth.

Beryle Edith Noland was born on June 7, 1910 near Morland, Kansas. She taught school 12 years in Kansas and was married to Clyde P. Moler on August 20, 1941 in the M. E. Church at Norton, Kansas. Clyde served in the U. S. Army for six months in World War I. He had one daughter by a former marriage, Marie (Moler) Miller living in Denver, Colorado. His son Everett was killed in Germany in World War II.

After their marriage, Beryle and Clyde settled in Denver, Colorado where he held a Civil Service position as engineer of the Stationary Heating Plant at Lowry Air Base, which position he held until the time of his death on September 26, 1954. Beryle (Noland) Moler was last known to be employed in

the Veterans Administration, Denver, Colorado and was residing at 1301 Xanthia, Denver, Colorado.

Ruby Noland was born on January 4, 1914 near Morland, Kansas. After graduating from high school in Lenora, Kansas she taught school then married Virgil Miller. After their separation she moved to Denver, Colorado and completed a business course and was employed by the Kitsler Stationery Company at the time of her marriage to John Paul McClanthan on January 15, 1949. Ruby died in January of 1960.

Leslie D. Beezley, son of William James and Sarah Abigal (Brown) Beezley, was born on December 6, 1889 near Orleans, Nebraska. He taught school in Graham County, Kansas. About 1916 he homesteaded in Yuma County, Colorado where he also taught school.

On July 30, 1917, during World War I, he enlisted in the First National Guard at Fort Logan, Colorado, Company B 147th regiment which was incorporated in the 40th division on October 5, 1917. He was sent to France in May 1918 where he served in the front lines. He was discharged at Fort D. A. Russell, Cheyenne, Wyoming on July 7, 1919. He married Bertha Grovier on November 15, 1936 at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Bertha Grovier was born August 8, 1891 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Leslie and Bertha were last known to reside on a farm near Glenwood, Arkansas.

Idona Mable Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigal (Brown) Beezley was born on September 2, 1893 near Orleans, Nebraska. She homesteaded in Yuma County, Colorado in 1916 near her brother Leslie. She died February 17, 1917 in Yuma, Colorado and was buried beside her mother in the South Star Cemetery near Lenora, Kansas.

Rosanna Christina Beezley, daughter of William James and Sarah Abigal (Brown) Beezley was born on March 25, 1896 at Orleans, Nebraska. In 1917 she homesteaded in Yuma County, Colorado where she taught school. On April 16, 1920 she married William Alfred Jackson in Wray, Colorado.

William Alfred Jackson was born on August 21, 1892 in Oswatomie, Miami County, Kansas. He and his wife had five children: Thelma Iola, Violet Marion, Bessie Norma, William Alfred Jr. and GERALD Dean Gretchen.

William Alfred Jackson served some time in the U. S. Army in World War I. They homesteaded near Idalia, Colorado. About 1928, they moved to Washington State. They returned to Colorado and for some time they made their home near Meeker; after spending some time in Arizona, they returned to Washington. In 1953, they moved to Nampa, Idaho and last resided at 316 1st Street, No. Ext., Nampa, Idaho. Rosanna died February 7, 1958 at Nampa.

Thelma Iola Jackson was born on November 28, 1920 near Idalia, Colorado. After graduating from high school she married Lance D. Steele on October 11, 1941 at Meeker, Colorado. Lance D. Steele was born January 1, 1920. After graduating from high school, he was drafted into the U.S. Army on January 9, 1942, took his basic training at Camp Roberts, California and was shipped overseas in April. He was among the first Yanks to land in Australia. He saw combat duty at the battle of Papuan and the New Guinea Campaigns in the South Pacific. He served 33 months overseas and returned to the States in October 1944. He was a company mail clerk at Camp Howze, Texas in R.O.T.C. also at Camp Roberts, California where he was discharged on September 26, 1945. After his discharge, he moved with his wife to Denver, Colorado and was last known to be employed by the Minneapolis Honeywell Co. as paint foreman. The Steele's last known address was 1398 W. Hoyer Place, Denver, Colorado. They have an adopted daughter Janet Carol born on December 11, 1949 at Rangle, Colorado.

Violet Marion Jackson was born on March 9, 1922 near Idalia, Colorado. She married Theodore G. Schaffer on October 16, 1939 at Vernal, Utah. A son, William Larry was born on June 7, 1940. After her separation from Mr. Schafer, Violet married Donald T. Stanley on February 27, 1947 at Yuma,

Arizona. He is a barber by trade and they were last known to reside at 16157 E. Kingside Drive, Covina, California.

Bessie Norma Jackson was born on April 22, 1923 near Idalia, Colorado. She graduated from high school and on December 4, 1945 she married Randolph Davis at Williams, Arizona. They had two daughters, Norma Jean born October 11, 1946 at Williams, Arizona and Thelma Louise born on February 11, 1948 at Vernal, Utah. Randolph Davis deserted his family at Rangley, Colorado in 1948. Bessie then moved to Washington to be with her parents. On October 27, 1953, Bessie Norma married Walter Beeghly at Nampa, Idaho. They were last known to reside at 1503 Roosevelt Avenue, Yakima, Washington. A son, Donald Eugene, was born to them on October 3, 1954.

William Alfred Jackson, Jr. was born on May 20, 1926 in Yuma, Colorado. He was drafted into the U.S. Army on June 22, 1944 at Fort McArthur, California. He was in the 404th Field Artillery attachment of the Black Hawk Division 86. He left the States February 19, 1945 and arrived in Europe March 1, 1945. He saw combat duty in the E.T.O. and Phillipine Islands from September 1945 until March 1946. He was discharged on April 13, 1946 from Camp Beal, California.

William married Lois Bennett September 28, 1946 at St. Francis, Kansas. Lois Bennett was born on January 14, 1927 at Wilsonville, Nebraska. They have four children: Barbara Ann born February 9, 1948 at St. Francis, Kansas, Betty Lorine born November 13, 1949, Allen Alfred born November 4, 1951 at Burlington, Colorado, and Karen Kay born in May 1955.

For a time, William was engaged in farming with his father-in-law in Yuma County, Colorado. Later they moved to Steamboat Springs, Colorado where he was engaged in trucking. They were last known to be living near Marcing, Idaho where he was employed on a ranch.

Geral Dean Gretchen Jackson was born on February 23, 1936 in Garfield County, Rifle, Colorado. She attended high school in Nampa, Idaho.

As previously noted, the 1850 Federal Census recorded the first wife of William B. as Polly A. Moore. In William's pension papers, her name was given by him as Polly Ann Castle. This is made note of to show the variation in Polly's surname.

On page 7 of the July, 1880 Federal Census for Macedonia, Pottawattamie County, Iowa, William is listed as William B. Beezley, age 62, farmer, born in Ohio and shows his father as born in Pennsylvania, but no birth place for his mother. (This is the first indication the writer had that William had a middle name and that Pennsylvania entered into the picture.) Also, the gravestone of great, great grandfather showing the name of William M. Beezley furnishes evidence that he also had a middle name. (For some reason, older generations rarely used a middle initial or name. This makes research difficult as there are many people with the same first and last name.) In the 1880 Census, William's wife was recorded as Pollie, age 63, born in Ohio and her father and mother born in Pennsylvania. At this time their son, Charles, age 24 was living at home.

This Census also included William's brother, Paul, grandfather of the writer, age 41, born in Ohio. Paul's wife Jerusha Ann had died on August 30, 1878 and he was evidently making his home with William. With Paul also was his son William Marion, age 20, and his daughter Minnie Belle, age 7, mother of the writer.

Margaret E. Beezley, daughter of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born in Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio in 1849. She was age 1 in the October 11, 1850 Federal Census.

Emeline Cathrin Beezley, daughter of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born near Plattsburg, Ohio on February 25, 1851. On November 19, 1868, she married Isaac Newton (Boiles) Boyle near Atlanta, Illinois. Isaac was born January 8, 1845 at Urichville, Ohio. His parents were Hugh Boiles and Mary (Hummel) Boiles. To this union 11 children were

born: Harvey Leland Tuly, William Franklin, Vinie Edith, Marcia Elva, Charles Marion, Lulu Ann, Jennie Olive, Job, John Albert, Ina Emeline and Frances Mabel.

Isaac Newton Boyle died January 3, 1925 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas, at age 79 years, 11 months and 25 days. Emeline (Beezley) Boyle died June 29, 1928 also at Sylvan Grove, Kansas and was interred beside her husband at Hill City, Kansas.

Harvey Leland Tuly Boyle married Estella Spicer February 3, 1895. He died October 16, 1923 or 24. They had 4 children. Cecelia who died in infancy; Charley Boyle born February 20, 1898 and passed away in Denver, Colorado March 29, 1938, and Carmen Boyle who married a Mr. Page. Their 4 children are Robert Leland Page, Richard Charles Page, Jean and Enid Laurine. Mr. Page died in May 1955. Carmen Page was last known to be teaching school in Seward, Nebraska and Albert Boyle born April 27, 1899 in Hill City, Kansas. He died in Topeka, Kansas in May 1952. He left one daughter Stell.

William Franklin, Marcie Elva, Jennie Olive, Job and Charles Marion all died in infancy or young childhood.

Vinnie Edith Boyle was born July 4, 1874 and died February 12, 1899 at age 24 years, 7 months and 7 days.

Lulu Ann Boyle was born in Cedarville, Kansas March 22, 1880. She died December 12, 1899. Both Vinnie and Lulu taught school in Graham County, Kansas.

John Albert Boyle was born May 22, 1888 at Milbrook, Graham County, Kansas. He died November 13, 1906 at age 18 years, 5 months and 21 days.

Ina Emeline Boyle married Amos Lemmons in Sylvan Grove, Kansas, where he was working at the barber trade. They were last known to reside at 1415 No. Kirby, McMinnville, Oregon and he was selling fire extinguishers.

Frances Mable Boyle was born June 12, 1897 near Hill City, Kansas. She married George Urban October 3, 1917 at Lincoln, Kansas. Their last known residence was in Sylvan Grove, Kansas. They had five sons.

Robert George Urban was born June 3, 1919. He married Charlott May Olsen on July 8, 1944 in Los Angeles, California. Their two daughters are Georgetta born November 19, 1949 and Dianne Christine born October 2, 1945.

Duane Carlisle Ruban was born March 5, 1921. He married Vivian Ruth McGuire at Lucas, Kansas on December 16, 1945. They have three children all born in Ellsworth, Kansas. LaVaughn born May 28, 1947, Mary Frances born July 15, 1948 and Caral Jean born June 23, 1951.

Richard Keith Urban was born November 9, 1922. He married Lillian Zelenka October 12, 1948 at Sylvan Grove, Kansas. A daughter Kathryn Sue was born to them at Ellsworth, Kansas on October 25, 1949.

Theodore Doyle Urban was born August 13, 1925. He married Juanita Irene Carbett at McMinnville, Oregon August 20, 1946. Their children are Dale Arthur born May 26, 1947, Sharon Leona born December 17, 1948, Linda Jo born July 25, 1950, George Henry Ruban born September 25, 1951 and Theodore Doyle Jr., born July 30, 1952. He died the day of birth.

Frank Newton Urban was born August 25, 1933.

Charles T. Beezley, son of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born August 2, 1855. On August 23, 1881 he married Orie Lowe at Macedonia, Iowa. Orie was born in Kingston, Indiana on August 24, 1856. She passed away at Omaha, Nebraska March 23, 1893, age 36 years and 7 months. She left two daughters, Eolen (Lowe) Dye whose husband was one of the Dye brothers, for many years in the grocery and general merchandise business at Macedonia, Iowa and Beryl Tibbetts whose last known residence was in North Miami Beach, Florida.

After Charles' second marriage he resided in Des Moines, Iowa where he traveled for an insurance company. He died on October 17, in the 1930's or 1940's.

Jennie Beezley, daughter of William B. and Polly Ann (Moore or Castle) Beezley, was born in 1861 and married Neal Cornelius Stockton. Two sons were born to them, Charles Stockton who died about 1946 leaving the following children: Myrtle Sims, Blanch Sims, Opal Dunham, Irene Smith, Donald Stockton and Elmer Stockton. Last known residence of Elmer Stockton was near Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Jennie (Beezley) Stockton died Friday morning, May 15, 1914 at Holly, Colorado at age 53 years.

William B. Beezley married his second wife, Annie F. Fawcett, on December 21, 1884. Annie came to the United States about 1865 from Shragel Head, England. They were married in Hanson County, Alexandria, South Dakota by N. T. Curl, Minister of the M. E. Church. William and Annie had four sons Elmer Smith born July 11, 1891 and Roy C. born October 12, 1893.

Benjamin R. Beezley, son of William B. and Annie (Fawcett) Beezley, was born September 24, 1885. He married and was engaged in farming and stock raising near Girard, Kansas. He is now deceased.

George Fawcett Beezley, son of William B. and Annie (Fawcett) Beezley, was born November 1, 1887. He entered World War I as a recruit and was discharged as a 2nd Lieutenant. He entered World War II as a 1st Lieutenant and was discharged as a Captain. George was an Attorney-at-Law and a Judge in Pittsburg, Kansas. He died in 1964.

Elmer Smith Beezley, son of William B. and Annie (Fawcett) Beezley, was born July 11, 1891. He was married and was in the insurance business in Girard, Kansas. He died in 1963.

Roy C. Beezley, son of William B. and Annie (Fawcett) Beezley, was born October 12, 1893. He resided in Girard, Kansas. His present whereabouts are unknown.

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Page 666. "William Beezley, of section 22, Macedonia Township, was born in Clark County, Ohio, two miles east of Springfield, in January, 1818. the son of John Beezley, who was born in Brown County, Ohio, and was one of the earliest settlers of that State, and whose father, William Beezley, came there with Daniel Boone, and built the first grist-mill on the Little Miami River. The Beezleys were a patriotic family, and John Beezley, William's father, though a boy, was with his father a short time in the war of 1812. His grandfather was made Captain under General William Harrison, and the subject and his father both lived to vote for General and Ben Harrison. The father lived to an advanced age, being born in October, 1797, and died in Clark County, Ohio, March 7, 1889, at about 90 years of age. Our subject's mother was Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, who was born in Martinsburg, Virginia, of an old Virginia family; Colonel Ellsworth of the late war was her second cousin.

William Beezley, our subject, was reared in Ohio, engaged in farming and stock-raising until 1857, when he removed to Logan County, Illinois. When the war broke out he enlisted in the first Illinois regiment that went out, and he again enlisted in 1862, in the One Hundred and Sixth Illinois Infantry, Company F, and served until the close of the war. He was at Island 62, seige of Vicksburg, the taking of Little Rock, Arkansas, and went up the Red River with General Steele as far as Jenkin's Ferry, and was in many other engagements. He then went out as Captain, and after the death of the Major he was elected to fill his place, and was made Lieutenant Colonel, and had charge of the regiment during the last year. He had three sons and two boys he had raised in the war: John F., in the Thirty-eighth Illinois Infantry, serving nearly 5 years, and came out with a Captain's commission; he lives in Crawford County, Kansas, near Gerard; Cassius C., who served in

the One Hundred and Sixth Regiment Illinois with his father, was killed at Island 62, and was buried near there; William James, in the One Hundred and Forty-fifth Illinois Regiment, and now lives in southern Nebraska, near Orleans. The two boys Mr. Beezley took to raise were James Ferguson, in the Seventh Regiment, and now resides in southwestern Kansas near Wichita; and Charles Russum, in the Thirty-eighth Regiment, and died at Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Our subject resided in Logan County until 1876, when he came to this county, and bought 320 acres of land on the Nishnabotna River. He now owns 510 acres of good land on sections 21, 20 and 15, which is partly improved. He was first married in Miami County, Ohio, when 25 years of age, to Polly Ann Castle, who was born in Maryland. They had six children, of whom five are now living: John, at Gerard, Kansas; Emeline, the wife of Newton Boyles, of Graham County, Kansas; Cassius C., who was killed on Island 62; William James, residing in southwestern Nebraska; and Jenny, the wife of Cornelius Stockton, of Hanson County, Dakota. Mrs. Beezley died in 1880, and Mr. Beezley was again married December 20, 1884, to Miss Ann Fawcett, who was born in England. By this union there were three children: Benjamin Roscoe, George Fawcett and Elmer Smith. Politically he is a Republican, and is a member of the G.A.R., Updegraff Post, Macedonia charter. He was made a Mason in Ohio nearly half a century ago. He was raised in the old-school Baptist Church, but joined the Methodist Episcopal Church over fifty years ago."

Writer's note - The affidavit signed by Anna's brother, John Fawcett on February 1, 1911 at age 58, when Anna applied for pension as William's widow, the date of Anna and William's marriage is listed as December 21, 1884.

Mary Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, married a Mr. Franklin. There is no further record of Mary. She was not listed in the October 11, 1850 Federal Census with her parents in Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. It is possible that she had married and moved from her parents' home.

Sabie Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born in 1834 in Ohio. She was living with her father, John Beezley, in the 1860 Federal Census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. Her age was given as 26 at that time. Her name was spelled "Saiby".

Elizabeth Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, married Jerome Forche. They had two daughters, Silance and Adda.

Silance Forche married William Murphy and it is believed Adda was unmarried. No further information is available on Elizabeth or her family.

Silance B. Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born June 15, 1826 in Shelby County, Ohio. On January 10, 1850 Silance married George William Tunks who was born on August 10, 1823 in Clark County, Ohio. George was the son of Philip and Phebe (Wallingsford) Tunks.

Philip Tunks was born March 1, 1783 in Virginia. He was a soldier in the War 1812, volunteering from Clark County, Ohio. In October 1816 he married Phebe Wallingsford. Phebe was born September 3, 1788 in Kentucky. Philip and Phebe had ten children. He was a farmer and a tanner.

Philip Tunks died on April 15, 1845 in Shelby County, Ohio, to which county he had moved in 1827, at age 62 years, 1 month and 14 days. Phebe Tunks died on November 5, 1862 also in Shelby County at age 74 years, 2 months and 2 days.

George W. Tunks moved to DeKalb County, Missouri in the fall of 1869, where he engaged in farming. While a resident of Ohio, he served for several terms as trustee of his township and also as assessor. While in Missouri, he served as assessor of Grant Township, and in March 1885 was elected as Treasurer. He was twice re-elected in 1885 and in 1887.

George was a paymaster in the Civil War for the Union Army. For this service, the United States Government paid him by giving him a tract of land in De Kalb County, Missouri between 1865 and 1869.

George W. Tunks passed away on March 3, 1939. Silance B. (Beezley) Tunks passed away on February 16, 1907 at R.F.D. 2, Maysville, Missouri. George and Silance are buried in the Butler Cemetery.

George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks had the following children: John, Dave, Sabie, Mary and Maggie and Mark who were twins.

George Tunks is recorded on page 364 of the October 8, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, Volume 44. He is listed as age 27, a farmer, Real Estate of \$630.00 and born in Ohio. The wife, Silance B. was age 23 and born in Ohio. Living with George Was his Mother, Phebe Tunks age 63 and born in Ohio. There was also a Jane Furm listed, age 7 but no place of birth given.

George W. and Silence B. (Beezley) Tunks are recorded on page 7 of the June 1860 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. George was age 36 years and Silence age 33 years, both born in Ohio. Children recorded at that time were Mary E., age 8, John, age 5, Phebe, age 3 and David age 8 months, all born in Ohio. George W. Tunks had real property valued at \$1,200.00 and personal property valued at \$616.00.

Listed on page 368 of the October 9, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, Volume 44, is a James Tunks, age 38, a farmer with personal property valued at \$100.00 born in Ohio. With James was his wife, Mary A., age 33, born in Ohio and 3 children: Nathan, age 10, Philip, age 7 and Felicia, age 6, all born in Ohio.

John Tunks came with his parents and quite a colony of Ohio people to De Kalb County in Missouri in 1869. He was a farmer and helped to organize the Bank of Fairport which was incorporated March 8, 1909. John was one of the original stockholders of the Bank.

On October 14, 1877 John married Elsie Irene Butler. They had a son Lewis R. Tunks, born October 9, 1878, and George Ira Tunks, born in September 1880. George died February 14, 1882. Lewis was still living at this writing in King City, Missouri at the age of 90 years. Elsie (Butler) Tunks died November 5, 1884.

Lewis Tunks married Anna Burk December 7, 1905.

John Tunks' second marriage was on July 14, 1885 to Mary K. Hedges who was born on October 4, 1857 in Illinois.

John and Mary had the following children: Ethel, Melvin and Mellie, twins, Emery, Earl, Guy and Ava.

Ethel Tunks, son and second child of John and Mary (Hedges) Tunks, was born July 19, 1887. On January 13, 1910 he married Leora Pearce.

Ethel and Leora (Pearce) Tunks had one son named William Jonathan.

William Jonathan Tunks was born near King City, Missouri on December 7, 1911. On February 13, 1934 he married Leona Bella Goveher. Leona was born on June 5, 1917 in Weatherby, Missouri. William is engaged in farming.

William J. and Leona (Goveher) Tunks have three children, one of whom is William Jonathan Tunks, II who corresponded with the writer. William was born July 22, 1950 in Maysville, Missouri, RFD-2 and attended college in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Melvin and Mellie Tunks, twin sons of John and Mary (Hedges) Tunks, were born June 29, 1889. Melvin died October 14, 1968. Mellie Tunks was still living at nearly 80 years of age with his great nephew, William Jonathan Tunks, II in Maysville, Missouri.

Emery Tunks, son of John and Mary (Hedges) Tunks, was born September 2, 1893 and is living in St. Joseph, Missouri. On December 10, 1918 he married Alma Gregory.

Guy Tunks, son of John and Mary (Hedges) Tunks, was born February 16, 1895. He died on January 24, 1898.

Ava Tunks, daughter of John and Mary (Hedges) Tunks, was born December 15, 1898. She died February 9, 1899.

Dave Tunks, son of George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks was born September 10, 1859. He married Francis Snapp. To this marriage two children were born, George and Pearl, both of whom died while in their childhood.

Phebe Tunks (This may have been Sabie tunks), daughter of George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks, married James Snapp of September 13, 1874. They had one daughter Iva who was born on June 20, 1875. Iva married Charles E. Hawman.

Iva and Charles had a daughter Esther born in July 1902, and a son Earl born on January 3, 1907. Earl married Erma Price and they live in Maysville, Missouri.

Mary Ellen Tunks, daughter of George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks was known as Mollie and was born on December 20, 1851. She married Dolly Bigelow on August 12, 1875. They had two daughters, Eva and Ella, and one son Elmer.

After Mr. Bigelow died, Mary E., or Mollie, married James F. Henry on January 8, 1891. To this marriage Bertha was born and is around 77 years old. (This was about 1969). She lives by herself in Stockton, California.

Mark Tunks, twin son of George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks, married Mary Edmondson on December 25, 1890. To this marriage Rolla was born on April 20, 1895 and was killed in World War I on September 23, 1918. He is buried in the Butler Cemetery near Maysville, Missouri. They had a daughter Della but her date of birth is unknown. Two other sons, George W. Tunks, born October 4, 1896, and Clyde tunks, born September 29, 1904, are living and reside near Maysville, Missouri.

Maggie Tunks, Mark's twin, and daughter of George W. and Silance (Beezley) Tunks, married Jarvis K. Stewart on April 28, 1891. To this union a son Earl was born on April 18, 1893. He died on November 17, 1897. A daughter Loa was born on January 13, 1895. On April 26, 1916, Loa married Charles D. Blackley, who passed away in 1941 after their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Loa lives on a farm near Maysville, Missouri. William John Tunks, II, with whom the writer corresponded, helps with her farming. Since Loa has no grandchildren, and William has no grandmother living, he calls her grandmother and she calls him grandson.

There is listed on page 418 of the October 8, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio, Volume 44, the following:

Benj. Walingsford, age 70, farmer, real estate of \$700.00 and born in Virginia.

Mary, his wife, age 67, born in Virginia and A.J., age 18 (male), born in Ohio.

Richard Walingsford, age 30, farmer, born in Ohio. Eliza his wife, age 25 and daughter Jane, age 2, both born in Ohio.

Vaba Katherine Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born in 1833. She lived with her parents in the 1850 Federal census and was age 17 at that time. She married a Henry Miller and they had one daughter named Mary.

Margaret Jane Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born in 1831 in Shelby County, Ohio. On April 10, 1850 she married Richard Skinner Post, who was born on July 19, 1826 in Ohio.

Margaret Jane was age 19 and lived with her parents in the October 11, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. In view of this, it appears that her marriage date is incorrect.

The Posts lived for many years in Fairport, Missouri. They had three sons: George, Paul and Albert (Bert). They also had two daughters, Sabie Belle (Post) Tipton, and Katherine (Post) Poteet.

Margaret Jane (Beezley) Post died in 1920 in Nebraska and Richard Skinner Post died on May 19, 1916 at King City, Missouri. They are both buried in the Butler Cemetery in Missouri.

George Post, son of Richard S. and Margaret (Beezley) Post, now deceased, was married and had ten children: Clarence, Cleo, Otto, Ira, Elizabeth, Floyd, Holeman, Verdie, Maggie, and a child who died in infancy.

Clarence Post was last known to be living in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Cleo Post, who lived in King City, Missouri, passed away on August 31, 1968 and was buried in the Butler Cemetery.

Otto Post last lived in Union Star, Missouri.

Ira and Holeman Post passed away some time ago. The writer has no information regarding Elizabeth Post.

Floyd Post, deceased, has a son, LaVerne Post who was last known to be living in King City, Missouri. He was working for the city waterworks.

Verdie Post, Mrs. Frank Hudson, lived in King City, Missouri in 1961 and was one of the sources of the history of Margaret Jane (Beezley) Post's family furnished to the writer. She has since passed away and is buried in the King City Cemetery.

Maggie Post is thought to live in Hastings, Nebraska.

Albert (Bert) Post, now deceased, married Minnie Edmundson and they lived near Paradise, Kansas. They had two sons, Avery and Clifford.

Paul Post, now deceased, was married and lived near Paradise, Kansas also. They had a son Henry, and a daughter Zora (Zorie) who married a Mr. Mothershead. They lived at Natoma, Nebraska.

Katherine (Kate) Post, now deceased, married Benjamin Poteet. They had two daughters, Ora and Dora, and two sons, Willard and Arthur. They also had a fifth child but it is not known if this was a son or daughter.

The family records of Othello Beezley, son of Paul Beezley, state that the Poteet's had two sons who died during the influenza epidemic of 1918; who they were is not known.

Sabie Belle Post, now deceased, married William Tipton. They had two sons, Raymond of Lebanon, Nebraska, Marion of Curtis, Nebraska, and three daughters, Martha who married James Miner and lives in Natoma, Kansas, Emma who married Elmer Nokes and lives near Bartley, Nebraska, and Lillie who was married but the name is unknown by the writer.

On page 454 of the October 23, 1850 Federal census for Orange Township, Shelby County, Ohio is listed a Jacob Post, age 56, farmer and born in New York. His wife was Elizabeth, age 46 and born in Ohio. Children listed were Rachael, age 9, and Maria, age 5. Also listed was Israel Post, age 86, with real estate valued at \$2,500.00 and born in New York with his wife, Abigail Post, age 87 and also born in New York. These were probably the parents of Jacob Post. (These data are included in this history in case it might prove useful to anyone using it for research purposes.)

Rachel Lavina Beezley, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley, was born April 15, 1837 in Shelby County, Ohio. She lived with her parents and was age 13 at the time of the October 11, 1850 Federal census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. She was also with her father in the 1860 census, just prior to her marriage in December. She was age 23. She married William Brown Russum on December 12, 1860 in Lawndale, Illinois.

Rachel died on April 17, 1924 in Heyworth, Illinois.

Rachel (Beezley) Brown and William Russum had one son, Clarence Howard, and three daughters, Adda, Jennie May, and Laura Virginia.

Clarence Howard Russum was born September 28, 1873 in Waynesville, Illinois. He married Lillie Kelsheimer on March 18, 1896, who was born on January 26, 1873. They had three daughters, Doris who died at birth, Margarett who lived 2 1/2 days and Clair who was born prematurely and did not live.

Clarence Russum died on June 25, 1949 at Heyworth, Illinois.

Lillie (Kelsheimer) Russum corresponded with the writer in 1961. She was losing her eyesight at that time and had to use a magnifying glass to see to write. She was 88 years old and the great effort she expended in trying to be helpful with this history was greatly appreciated by the writer.

The following is a copy of an article from the January 30, 1923 issue of the Heyworth, Illinois newspaper regarding Rachel (Beezley) Russum.

"Oldest Person in Heyworth - Mrs. Rachael Russum is the oldest person residing in Heyworth. She was born April 15, 1837 in Shelby County, Ohio. So that on her next birthday she will be 86 years old. She came to Atlanta in 1858 coming through by the then but newly built railroads to Pana thence to Bloomington and then over C & A to Atlanta. There were no sleeping cars in those days and the trains much slower time. It was necessary for Mrs. Russum to sit up all the way, which made it what would be considered a very hard journey in these times but it was the best to be had then and was much superior to driving through in wagon, which was not an unusual method. Mrs. Russum is quite active for one of her years, taking interest in her garden, does sewing. She has 4 children, 8 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren. Her children are, Mrs. Isaac Baker, Golden City, Missouri, Mrs. John Quinton, Mrs. William Quinton, and C.H. Russum of Heyworth, Illinois."

Laura Virginia Russum, daughter of William Brown and Rachel Lavina (Beezley) Russum, was born on August 31, 1861 at Lawndale, Illinois. She married Edmund P. Buck on August 17, 1881 at Clinton, Illinois. The following children were born to this union: William Graham Buck, born June 20, 1882, John Edgar Buck, born November 4, 1883, both born at Firth, Nebraska, Claude Robert Buck, born June 28, 1884, Mathew Howard Buck, deceased, both born at Waynesville, Illinois, and Laura Virginia Buck.

Edmund P. Buck died in February 1889 in Heyworth, Illinois.

Laura (Russum) Buck married Isaac Baker on October 21, 1891. Laura and Isaac had the following children: Isaac L. Baker, born July 1, 1894 and Emeline Baker, born October 31, 1895, both born at Waynesville, Illinois.

Laura (Russum) Baker died on August 23, 1950 at Golden city, Missouri. She is buried at Heyworth, Illinois.

Jennie May Russum was born on September 28, 1863 at Lawndale, Illinois. She married John H. Quinton on January 29, 1891. They had no children. Jennie died on March 7, 1931.

Adda Russum was born on January 14, 1869 at Waynesville, Illinois. She married William Quinton. They had three sons: Walter R. Quinton, born on June 13, 1890, J. Ralph Quinton, born on July 8, 1895 and William Hobart Quinton born on May 15, 1897.

The writer corresponded with J. Ralph Quinton in 1961. At that time he operated a farm called "Sunny Slopes Farm" at Box 507, Heyworth, Illinois. He raised Registered Guernsey cattle.

The Russum brothers arrived in this country before the Revolutionary War from England and settled in Delaware.

Peter Russum was the son of William and Elizabeth (Polk) Russum.

William Russum married Elizabeth Polk on January 15, 1779. They had the following children:

Edward Russum	born 3/8/1800	died 11/27/1801
Peter	born 3/8/1801	
Charles Polk	born 9/23/1804	
George Whitefield	born 2/22/1809	died 11/3/1809

Peter Russum, son of William and Elizabeth (Polk) Russum, was married to Catherine Brown on November 14, 1833 by Peter Meridith.

On page 364 of the 1850 Federal Census for Green township, Shelby County Ohio, Volume 44 are listed Peter Russum and his family as follows:

Peter Russum	Age 50	farmer	Born Delaware
Catherine "	40		
James	16		
William "	15		"
Elizabeth "	14		
Charles	12		
Sarah "	10		"
Margaret "	9		
Isaac	7		
Jacob	5		
John	3		Born Ohio
Joseph	1		

James F., son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on April 14, 1834 and died on September 2, 1864 at Pine Bluffs, Arkansas.

William Brown Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born November 16, 1835.

Elizabeth Polk Russum, daughter of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on November 16, 1836. Her first marriage was to John Bunnell and her second marriage was to John Logan of La Fontaina, Indiana. She is buried at La Fontaina, Indiana.

Charles Polk Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on April 14, 1838. He died at Chattanooga, Tennessee during the Civil War.

Sarah Ann Russum, daughter of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on September 28, 1840. She died at La Fontaina, Indiana.

Margaret Russum, daughter of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on August 11, 1842. She married William Hart. To this union were born John, Elizabeth, and Manning Hart.

Elizabeth Hart married a Mr. Arbogast to whom the following children were born: Lola, Hart, and Dollie.

Isaac Fisher Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on April 1, 1844. His children by his first marriage were Charles Russum, Serena Russum, Elizabeth Russum, Florence Russum, Victor Russum, and Henry Russum.

Jacob F. Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum was born on July 30, 1846. He married Elizabeth Miller. They had the following children, Shermon, Lillie, Cora, and Raymond. Raymond's last known address was New York City.

John H. Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on September 21, 1847.

Joseph H. Russum, son of Peter and Catherine (Brown) Russum, was born on August 11, 1849. He died on March 13, 1854.

Paul Beezley was the youngest child in a family of nine children of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley. He was born in Shelby County, Ohio on March 24, 1839. Paul was five feet and seven inches tall, of light complexion, and had blue eyes and light hair. He died at his home in Oakland, Iowa on Monday evening, May 3, 1915 at age 76 years, 1 month and 9 days. He is buried in Macedonia Cemetery, Macedonia, Iowa.

Pottawattamie County, Iowa - Biography, Published in 1891 by the Lewis Publishing Company. Library of Congress Reference: F627 P8B6.

Page 562 - "Paul Beezley has been a resident of this county since 1879. He was born in Shelby County, Ohio, March 24, 1839, the son of John and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Beezley. His mother was a distant relative of Colonel Ellsworth, who was killed in Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Beezley reared a family of nine children, Paul being the youngest. Captain William Beezley, a prominent citizen of Macedonia, a sketch of whom appears in this work, is their first born.

The subject of this sketch grew to manhood on his father's farm in Ohio and received a common-school education. March 28, 1858, he married, in his native county, to Miss Eleanor Lewis, a native of New Jersey, daughter of Samuel and Catherine Lewis, also of New Jersey. The fruit of this union was two children: Elizabeth A., who died at the age of three years, and William, who is married, has one child and resides in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The wife and mother, Eleanor Beezley, died May 10, 1866, in Shelby County, Ohio.

October 12, 1861, is the date of Mr. Beezley's enlistment in Company F, Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and he served until July 15, 1865. His regiment was in thirty-two battles, in the most of which he participated. Among them are the battles of Fort Donelson, Shiloh, Corinth, Pea Ridge, Black River Bridge, Jackson, Champion Hill, and in the engagements around Vicksburg until its surrender to General Grant, July 4, 1863. He was in a number of other important engagements; was with Sherman on his memorable march from Atlanta to the sea; and, finally, was with those who participated in the grand review at Washington. He was honorably discharged at Louisville, Kentucky, after which he returned to his home in Shelby County, Ohio.

Mr. Beezley was married September 28, 1867, at that place, to Miss Jerusha Ann Simms, a native of Miami County, Ohio, daughter of C.K. Simms and Mary, his wife, both natives of New England. By his second marriage Mr. Beezley had five children, viz.: John, a resident of Pottawattamie County; Minnie, at home; Othello, also of this county; Mattie, a resident of Missouri; and Jesse, who died at the age of five years. Mrs. Beezley died August 30, 1878.

November 24, 1881, Mr. Beezley wedded his present wife, nee Miss Sophronia Field, a lady of intelligence and refinement, who was born and reared in Pottawattamie County, daughter of John and Sarah A. Field, of Wheelers Grove. By her he had three children: Rudy R., Vernon L. and Melissie Valentine.

Mr. Beezley made his home in Shelby County until 1868, when he moved to Logan County, Illinois. In 1876 he removed from there to Mills County, Iowa and settled near Emerson. In 1879 he came to this county, and for two years lived near Macedonia. Then he came to his present farm, and has since made his home here. He owns eighty acres of well improved land, but his farming operations are not limited to this, as he also cultivates other lands. He keeps a large number of cattle and is very successful with his stock. Jordon Creek flows through his farm and affords a constant supply of water for stock purposes.

In his political views Mr. Beezley is a Republican. He is a member of William Layton Post at Oakland, and is also associated with the Masonic fraternity, having been made a Mason in Miami County, Ohio. He afterward joined at Emerson, and is now a member of Ruby Lodge. Mrs. Beezley is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Paul Beezley was a member of the GAR (Grand Army of the Republic). This organization was established by Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Paul and his wife Elanor Jane were recorded on page 6 of the June 1860 Federal Census for Green Township, Shelby County, Ohio. He was age 22 and she was age 19 both stating they were born in Ohio. At that time they had a daughter Elizabeth E., one year of age and who died at age 3, and William M., age three months, both born in Ohio. Paul had \$100 in real property and \$226.00 in personal property.

Paul Beezley's military record verified by the writer from copies obtained from the National Archives, Washington, D.C. shows that on October 12, 1861, at Sidney, Ohio, he enlisted as a private in Co. F, 20th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was Honorably discharged December 31, 1863 at Vicksburg, Mississippi. He served as Sargent in the same company from

January 1st, 1864 to July 15, 1865 when he received an Honorable discharge and was mustered out of the service at Louisville, Kentucky.

The record in the Probate Court, Sidney (County Seat), Shelby County, Ohio, shows that Paul and Jerusha Ann Sims were married on September 22, 1867 by Justice of the Peace, Mr. Marshall Pepper. On April 30, 1898, Paul Beezley signed a pension paper for the Bureau of Pensions, Department of the Interior, listing his second wife's name as Jerusha Ann Simes. There appears to be a variation in the spelling of Jerusha Ann's surname as in many other instances.

Jerusha Ann, the maternal grandmother of the writer, was the daughter of Chesley K. Sims. The Federal census of September 10, 1850 for Brown Township, Miami County, Ohio Volume 33, lists Chesley K. Sims, age 36, farmer, with real estate valued at \$1,000 and born in Pennsylvania. No wife is listed. Her name was always thought to be Mary. The census does record Chesley as having two daughters, Rebecca I., age 4 and Jerusha A., age 3, both born in Ohio. This would place Jerusha Ann's birth year as 1847 or 1848. She would have been 31 years of age when she died.

The Federal census of June 7, 1860, Volume 46, for Brown Township, Miami County, Ohio, recorded Chesley K. Sims as age 51 and born in Virginia. Chesley's wife at this time was Ellen, age 38 and born in Ohio. Her name was Eleanor (Stilwell). Miami County deed records show that a C. K. (Chesley K.) and wife Eleanor (Eleanor Stilwell) owned land in Brown Township of that county.

Children shown for Chesley K. in the 1860 census were: Jerusha A., age 12, born in Ohio; Thomas I., age 4, born in Ohio, Elizabeth E., age 2, born in Ohio and John W., age 8/12, born in Ohio. A William Dornel, age 14 was also recorded with the family and was shown as having \$750.00 in real estate and \$10.00 personal property. His relationship is not known by the writer. Also, Rebecca I., aged 4 in the 1850 census, is not shown in 1860. She probably died during the ten-year period between censuses.

The variation in Chesley's age between census periods is to be noted. Also, the places of birth, Pennsylvania and Virginia. His age of 36 in 1850 would place his birth year as 1814. His age of 51 in 1860 would place it as 1809.

Chesley is not recorded in the 1840 census for Brown Township. It is not known therefore, when he moved to Ohio.

Paul and Jerusha Ann (Sims) Beezley had five children: John, Mrs. Minnie Belle Hughes, Mrs. Mattie Alice Ford Thompson, Othello, and Jessie, the latter deceased at the age of five years. The wife and mother, Jerusha Ann, died August 30, 1878 at Emerson, Mills County, Iowa.

Since Paul was light complexioned and had light hair, the children of Paul and Jerusha Ann must have taken after their mother as John had brown hair, while Minnie, Mattie and Othello had black hair. Minnie, mother of the writer, had hazel eyes.

On November 24, 1881 Paul was married to Miss Sophronia Field, daughter of John and Sarah A. Field of Wheeler Grove, Iowa at Carson, Iowa by Alex Osler, Justice of the Peace. To this union was born four children as follows: Rudy Raymond, Vernon Leroy, Melinie Valentine Salena, who died at the age of 1 year and 11 months, and Phona Cassius. Sophronia was born on January 24, 1895 in Iowa and was a twin of Selina Field who was known to the family as Aunt Tean Woodward. Sophronia died on June 18, 1953 at 11:40 A.M. at the Pioneer Sanitarium, Artesia, Los Angeles County, California. She is buried in Macedonia Cemetery, Macedonia, Iowa where Paul is buried. Prior to entering the Sanitarium, Sophronia made her home with her son, Vernon.

In the fall of 1868 Paul moved his family from Ohio and settled in Logan County, Illinois where he remained until the spring of 1876 when he purchased land in Emerson, Mills County, Iowa. In 1879 he moved to Pottawattamie County Iowa and lived two years near Macedonia. In 1881 he moved to Oakland,

Pottawattamie County, Iowa.

William Marion Beezley, son of Paul and Eleanor Jane (Lewis) Beezley, was born March 1, 1860 in Plattsburg, Clark County, Ohio. He married Nancy Anna Fields, daughter of John and Sarah A. Field of Pottawattamie County, Iowa. Nancy was born on March 14, 1858.

William M. Beezley died on Thursday, May 14, 1942 at the home of his daughter, Dorothy (Beezley) Hiers, at the age of 82 years, 2 months and 13 days. Services were held at 2:30 P.M., Saturday, May 16, 1942 at the Boyd Roland Co., Funeral Home, Corning, Iowa. The Clergyman was Rev. Thurman Bowen, Corning. He is buried in the Walnut Grove Cemetery, Corning, Adams County, Iowa.

William M. and Nancy Ann (Field) Beezley had two sons, William Lionel and Manning Paul. They also had two daughters, Mina Elinor and Dorothy Vera.

William Lionel Beezley was born on November 4, 1890 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He married Ruey Chandler. They had one daughter named Helen June.

Manning Paul Beezley was born on November 25, 1888. He married Mary Woods. They had the following children: Homer Paul, William Earl, Frances Lucille, Robert John Richard, and Donald Dean.

Mina Elinor Beezley was born on March 25, 1893 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. She married Glen Avery Buell. Mina and Glenn had two sons, Roger Eugene, born on November 25, 1911, and Avery, born on February 11, 1916. They also had two daughters, Roberta Esther, born on September 29, 1914 and Althea Mae, born on January 24, 1920. All the children were born in Weston County, Wyoming.

Dorothy Vera Beezley was born on February 27, 1897 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Dorothy married John William Elmer Hiers on July 31, 1914 in Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. Elmer, as he is called, was born in June 1891. Dorothy and Elmer had one daughter, Doris Lillian who was born on May 26, 1915 in Omaha, Nebraska.

Dorothy and Elmer Hiers live at 901 1/2 7th Avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Dorothy writes poetry. An article which was accepted by THE GREEN WORLD for publication follows.

LETTER OF EXPLANATION

To Whom It May Concern:

I like to take my pen in hand and write a little lay, about the things I see and hear about me every day. I cannot write "Belles Lettres", for these I've not the knowledge; I've never sailed the seven seas, I've never been to college.

I've never met great people, they write about in papers; nor attended any "panty raids" or other foolish capers. I've never tried exotic foods you read about in books, nor eaten "Pate-de-foi-gras" prepared by famous cooks.

And since there are so many things I'll never, ever do, I'll simply put my thoughts in words and send them off to you: But now I must lay down my pen and brew a pot of tea, someday I hope you will drop in and have a cup with me.

P.S. Please do.

/s/ Dorothy Hiers

Doris Lillian Hiers married Paul Connard Pennington on July 4, 1937 in Maryville, Missouri. Paul was born on April 10, 1914 in Corning, Iowa.

Paul C. and Doris (Hiers) Pennington have one daughter, Linda DeAnn. Linda married William Arlen Anderson on July 3, 1960 in Corning, Adams County, Iowa.

William A. and Linda (Pennington) Anderson have two sons, Mark Arlen,

born on December 29, 1960 in Denver, Colorado, Kent David, born on May 30, 1962 in Golden, Colorado, and a daughter Dana Lynn, born on April 29, 1966 in Golden, Colorado.

John Beezley, son of Paul and Jerusha Ann (Simms) Beezley, was born on April 23, 1870 in Lawndale, Logan County, Illinois. He died on Thursday, March 16, 1950 at Cedar Falls, Iowa.

John married Winnie Stephens on December 24, 1899 in Oakland, Pottawattamie County. Winnie was born on October 17, 1882 at Quick, Iowa. They had one son, Ivan Othello, and two daughters, Mary Jerusha and Ione Bessie.

Ivan Beezley was married twice. He is a diabetic and has no children.

Mary Jerusha Beezley was born on Friday, April 5, 1901 in Oakland, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. (Writer's note: Mary is the first family member found so far who was named for her paternal grandmother, Jerusha Ann Sims.) She married Charles Thomas Stephenson, -Jr. who was born on Tuesday, November 7, 1893. Charles passed away at Seattle, Washington on Tuesday, June 1, 1965. Mary still makes her home in Seattle.

Mary and Charles had three children. Donald D. Stephenson was born on Wednesday, April 15, 1925. He married Elaine Cowan who was born on Wednesday, May 23, 1923. Donald and Elaine have two daughters. Karen Lynne was born on Saturday, July 5, 1947. On Friday, July 7, 1967 Karen married a Mr. Thomas. Christine Lee was born on Friday, September 21, 1951. On Saturday, May 9, 1970 she married Raymond G. Mullins.

Donald and Elaine Stephenson live in Pasadena, Maryland. Charles Thomas is in the Merchant Marines. Shirley Mae Stephenson married Martin Hofheins. They live in Stockton, California. They had four sons: Marty, Cory, Ross and Dirk.

Ione Bessie Beezley was born on March 16, 1906 at Oakland, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. On December 30, 1947 Ione married Ronald J. Carroll in the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. Ronald was born on August 29, 1904 at Waterloo, Black Hawk county, Iowa. They had no children.

Ione passed away on Saturday, March 7, 1970 at age 63 years, 11 months and 2 days. She and Ronald were living in Tampa, Florida at the time.

John and Winnie Beezley were divorced about 1911. Winnie married Budd Bachtell. Winnie passed away on May 27, 1962 and Budd in October 1960.

Minnie Belle Beezley, daughter of Paul and Jerusha Ann (Sims) Beezley, was born on Sunday, November 24, 1872 at Lawndale, Logan County, Illinois. She passed away at the home of her daughter, Leona Merle Click, on Friday, March 28, 1952, in Washington, D.C., at age 77 years, 4 months and 4 days. The cause of death was diabetes and stroke. She is buried in Site 6, Lot 6, Block 14, Fort Lincoln Cemetery Washington, D.C.

Minnie Belle Beezley married Jesse Runyan Hughes, son of Henry Clay and Malissa Jane (Adkison) Hughes, on Wednesday, March 1, 1893 at Oakland, Iowa. They were married by Virgil Urbina, Paster of the Fairview Church. Charles Henry Coleman, who later married Jesse's sister, Ida M., witnessed the wedding with the wife of the Minister. Jesse was born on Monday, October 21, 1872 at Albia, Monroe County, Iowa.

Minnie and Jesse had eight children: Leona Merle, Carlos Edward Hazelwood, Florence Etta, Lawrence Othello, Rosie Abigale and Josie Adeline, twins, Jennie Alice and Ida Minnie.

Florence Etta was born April 2, 1897 in Oakland, Iowa and the twins, Rosie Abigale and Josie Adeline, were born on August 6, 1901 in Omaha, Nebraska. Florence Etta and Rosie Abigale died in infancy. Josie Adeline died on December 17, 1905 in Omaha, Nebraska at age 4 years, 4 months, and 11 days. She is buried in Space 5, South 1/2, Lot 94, Section E., Fairview Cemetery, Council Bluffs, Iowa, where Jesse, the father is buried. It is not known where Florence Etta and Rosie Abigale are buried.

Jesse, father of the writer, was accidentally killed by electricity on Tuesday, December 12, 1922, while repairing a street light in Omaha, Nebraska. The accident happened due to very icy conditions. He is buried in Space 4, South 1/2, Lot 94, Section E., Fairview Cemetery, Council Bluffs, Iowa. There are no headstones for him and Josie.

Leona Merle Hughes, eldest daughter of Jesse R. and Minnie Belle (Beezley) Hughes, was born on Monday, January 22, 1894 in Oakland, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. On Saturday, September 18, 1920 she married Francis Adam Click at Omaha, Nebraska. Francis was born in October 1888 at Hickory, North Carolina. They had a son John who was still-born in 1922 at Omaha, Nebraska. They also had two daughters: Sylvia Corrine, born on Monday, February 4, 1924 in Omaha, Nebraska, and Marjorie Adelene, born on Wednesday, December 2, 1925 in Washington, D.C.

Francis served with the U.S. Army during World War I, being stationed at Ft. Omaha and the Panama Canal Zone. After he left the service he was employed by the Omaha World Herald newspaper as a proofreader. After he and Leona moved to Washington, D.C. about June of 1924, when Sylvia was 4 months old, he worked for the Government Printing Office. He was a member of the Eastgate Masonic Lodge in Washington D.C. Francis died and is buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

On Saturday, November 5, 1949, Sylvia Corrine Click married Leroy Carrick who was born on Friday, October 13, 1922 in Maryland Park, Maryland. They were married at the Eckington Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C. which has since been torn down. Sylvia and Leroy have a son, Donald Lester, born on Tuesday, November 14, 1950 in the George Washington Hospital at Washington, D.C. He weighed 6 pounds and 6 ounces. They also have a daughter Barbara Ann born on Monday, August 9, 1954 also in the George Washington Hospital, Washington, D.C. Barbara weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces. Sylvia is a Registered Nurse and for several years handled special cases.

In December 1969, Sylvia fell at the hospital where she was working. She suffered serious injury to her left elbow and right limb. She now has permanent partial disability in her left elbow.

Leroy worked for the U.S. Government in Washington D.C. He retired in 1974.

On Saturday, May 17, 1947, Marjorie Adelene Click married Robert Davis Caldwell at Elkton, Maryland. Robert was born on Tuesday, August 11, 1925 in Deland, Florida. Marjorie and Robert have a daughter, Dianne Lee, born on Friday, April 15, 1949 at the George Washington Hospital in Washington, D. C. She weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces. Dianne graduated from the George Mason College of the University of Virginia at Fairfax, Virginia in June 1971. They also have a son, Thomas Edward, born on Saturday, August 21, 1954 in the George Washington Hospital, Washington D.C. He weighed 9 pounds and 2 ounces. Marjorie and her family presently live in their own home at Berryville, Virginia. In July 1969 Robert became a member of the Shriners. He worked for the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington, D.C., but retired in August 1980.

Leona Merle (Hughes) Click worked for many years as a civil servant in the General Accounting Office, Washington, D.C. She retired from that agency on Friday, September 14, 1962.

On Saturday, September 15, 1962, Leona married Homer J. Corson of Avondale, Maryland and who was born on Monday, April 17, 1893. They were married in the Presbyterian Church, Clarendon, Virginia. Homer had a Law degree and was also retired from the General Accounting Office. They bought a home in Sun City Center, Florida at 703 Indian Wells Avenue. Homer passed away on Friday, November 27, 1970 at age 77 years, 7 months and 10 days in Bradenton, Florida. He is buried in the Skyway Memorial Gardens, Route 19, Palmetto, Florida. He was a member of Eastgate Chapter, No. 21, O. E. S., Washington, D.C. and the Hi-12 Masonic organization at Sun City Center,

Florida. He passed away during his term as President of Hi-12. Leona passed away on October 12, 1980, 1:00 a.m. at Sun City Center. She had Leukemia.

Carlos Edward Hazelwood Hughes, son of Jesse R. and Minnie Belle (Beezley)

Hughes, was born on Tuesday, September 17, 1895 in Oakland, Iowa.

Carlos and his brother Lawrence were active in athletic work at the Y.M.C.A. in Omaha, Nebraska in their youth. He enlisted in the U. S. Army during World War I on Monday, December 10, 1917 at Fort Logan, Colorado. He was promoted to Corporal on Friday, December 27, 1918 and to Sergeant on January 23, 1919. He was Honorably discharged on Friday, April 4, 1919. He was demobilized at Camp Fremont, California as a Sergeant in the Quartermaster Corps, Auxiliary Remount Depot #332.

He was a 3rd Degree Mason and a member of Masonic Lodge Number 303 at Omaha, Nebraska.

In the fall of 1920 Carlos married Dorothy Hawkins in a double wedding ceremony with Dorothy's brother Harmon who married Isabel Cabbage. They were married at the home of Dorothy's parents in Omaha, Nebraska.

Carlos and Dorothy had one son Carlos Edward, born Tuesday, August 9, 1921 in Omaha.

Carlos Edward Hazelwood Hughes died on Wednesday, October 5, 1921 at the Methodist Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska after an illness of several months. He is buried in Lot 585, Section 12, Forest Lawn Cemetery, North Omaha, Nebraska. There is no headstone. Dorothy (Hawkins) Hughes subsequently remarried and had some children, names unknown by the writer. She passed away in November, 1974.

Carlos Edward Hughes, son of Carlos Edward Hazelwood and Dorothy (Hawkins) Hughes, married Helen Charlton of Sydney, Australia during his service in World War II as a Chief Petty Officer in the U. S. Navy, submarine service. Carlos and Helen had no children and were divorced.

Carlos' second marriage was to T. Edith Bolf who was born on Friday, March 18, 1927. They have three daughters, Sharon Lee, born on Wednesday, July 21, 1954, Carla Kay, born on Friday, November 22, 1957 and Kimberly Ann, born on Thursday, September 15, 1960.

Since his retirement from the military service, Carlos has been employed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior. He works at Nespelem on the Colville Indian Reservation in the state of Washington. He and his family live in a home which he built-at 805 Spruce, Coulee Dam, Washington.

(1980 Writers note: Carlos is now retired. Their daughter, Sharon is married and they have two sons, Travis and Jarard.)

Lawrence Othello Hughes, son of Jesse R. and Minnie Belle (Beezley) Hughes, was born on Thursday, August 10, 1899 in the old Manawa District, Council Bluffs, Iowa. On Saturday, July 21, 1934 he married Ruth Cleveland in Beatrice, Nebraska. Ruth was born on Friday, May 4, 1917 at Wahoo, Nebraska. They had a son Edward Lewis, born on Tuesday, September 29, 1936 in Belleville, Kansas at the Patterson Memorial Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds and 1/4 ounces. Edward graduated from Willamette University, Salem, Oregon. He holds the rank of Captain in the Oregon National Guard. On Saturday, September 21, 1968, Ed married Ruth Kennedy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Milton Kennedy, at the Grace Lutheran Church, Salem, Oregon. Ed and Ruth now have a daughter, Sarah Beth, born on April 19, 1978 and a son, Ryan Kennedy, born on November 19, 1980.

Lawrence and Ruth also had a daughter, Sharon Sue, born on Thursday, February 3, 1944 at the Portland Sanitarium, Portland, Oregon. She weighed 6 pounds and 5 ounces. On Friday, November 5, 1965, Sharon married Frank J. Gorham in the All Saints' Episcopal church at Portland, Oregon. Sharon and Frank have two children, Janetta Marie, born on Friday, January 20, 1967 at Portland, Oregon in the Portland Sanitarium, and Eric James, born on Tuesday,

June 10, 1969. He weighed 7 pounds and 12 ounces. The Gorhams own their home at 10741 S. E. Cherry Street, Milwaukee, Oregon.

Ruth (Cleveland) Hughes passed away on Thursday, August, 14, 1958 at Portland, Oregon. She is buried in the Columbia Cemetery, Portland. Lawrence died at 11:45 A. M. on May 10, 1978. His is also buried in the Columbia Cemetery.

Jennie Alice Hughes, daughter of Jesse R. and Minnie Belle (Beezley) Hughes, was born on Saturday, June 28, 1902 at Omaha, Nebraska. She married Odis Jacob Ray of Marlow, Oklahoma and Omaha, Nebraska on Saturday, March 31, 1923 at Omaha, Nebraska. They had one son, Odis Leo. This union ended in divorce.

Odis J. Ray was a barber and owned his own business in Omaha, Nebraska and Yucca Valley, California. He died on Saturday, February 26, 1966 at the latter place.

Odis Leo Ray, son of Odis J. and Jennie (Hughes) Ray, was born at home on Thursday, September 18, 1924 at Omaha, Nebraska. On Tuesday, July 20, 1948 Odis married Arlene Elliott at Modesto, California. Arlene was born on Sunday, May 26, 1929 at Ceres, California.

Odis and Arlene have a daughter Linda Jane, born January 27, 1949 at Fresno, California. On Friday, November 25, 1966, Linda married Jack Leroy Hogan. Jack was born on Monday, October 20, 1947 in Evansville, Indiana. Linda and Jack have a son, Todd Errin born on Tuesday, June 20, 1967 and a daughter, Danielle Lynn, born on Monday, March 31, 1969 at 1:25 A.M. and weighed 9 pounds. Both children were born in San Jose, California where Linda and Jack live.

Odis and Arlene also have a son David Alan, born on Friday, March 28, 1952 at San Jose, California. David is a diabetic but leads a normal life. He graduated from the Valley Christian High School on June 8, 1970, Los Gatos, California.

Odis and Arlene were divorced in 1976. On Wednesday, July 16, 1947, Jennie Alice (Hughes) Ray married Harry Dunner Sampson at San Francisco, California. Harry, or Lucky as he was called, was born on Saturday, November 30, 1901 at Somonauk, Illinois. Jennie has unofficially changed her name to Jane. She was the owner of a beauty shop in San Francisco for many years. Some years ago, while cooking in the kitchen, she fell and broke her hip. She has required many operations since that time. As a result, her right limb is about four inches shorter than the other. She has not worked since the accident and has suffered much pain.

On December 1, 1951, Jane was installed as a Star Point in the Yerba Buena Chapter, No. 228 of the Order of the Eastern Star. Due to her accident, she had to discontinue this activity.

Lucky was a retired bartender. He died on August 17, 1971 in San Francisco, at age 69 years, 8 months and 17 days.

Ida Minnie Hughes, daughter of Jesse R. and Minnie Belle (Beezley) Hughes, was born on Sunday, February 17, 1907 at Omaha, Nebraska. She married Leland Edward Howard on Saturday, January 19, 1924 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. They were divorced on June 17, 1927. Leland is deceased.

On Monday, October 24, 1927, Ida was married to Frederick Martin Witcraft in the Broadway M. E. Church at Council Bluffs, Iowa by H. S. Wilkinson, pastor. Fred, the son of Theodore Parrish and Emma (Traum) Witcraft, was born on Monday, December 23, 1907 at Fonda, Iowa. They lived in Cherokee, Iowa for a number of years where their daughter, Patricia Lee was born on Saturday morning, May 7, 1932 at the Sioux Valley Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds and 14 and one half ounces.

On Wednesday, December 27, 1950, Patricia was married to Richard Wayne Mummert at the Immaculate Conception Church, Cherokee, Iowa by the Rev. Fr. L. J. Lynch. Richard, or Dick as he is known, was born on Saturday,

September 20, 1930 in Cherokee, Iowa. He is the son of Harry William and Ruth Irene (Gifford) Mummert of Cherokee, Iowa.

Patricia and Dick Mummert have two sons, Richard Wayne, Jr., born on Thursday, July 17, 1952 in the Sioux Valley Hospital, Cherokee, Iowa, and Steven Christopher, born on Saturday, July 2, 1955 in the La Mesa Community Hospital, La Mesa, California. Ricky graduated from the Grossmont High School with the "Golden Class" on June 17, 1970. Patricia and Dick own their home at 901 Loma Court, Fletcher Hills, El Cajon, California.

Ida and Fred were divorced on November 23, 1949 at Cherokee, Iowa. On Sunday, June 8, 1952, Ida married Charles Glover Manley in Clarksville, Howard County, Maryland. They were married in the Methodist Church by John R. Wilson, Minister. Charles was born on Tuesday, March 5, 1918 at Fairmont, West Virginia and is the son of Madison West and Sarah Elizabeth (Glover) Manley of Washington D.C. He is employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service.

Charles passed away at 6:50 P.M., Thursday, May 25, 1972 at Fairfax Hospital in Alexandria, Virginia. He was 54 years old.

Ida, the writer of this history, retired on Friday, June 30, 1967 from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. after twenty-six years service with that Department. She has a chronic bronchial condition and arthritis. She also has diabetes which seems to be inherited throughout the Beezley family.

Othello Beezley, son of Paul and Jerusha Ann (Simms) Beezley, was born on Tuesday, June 29 1875 at Lawndale, Logan County Illinois. Othello passed away on Friday, December 16, 1955 at age 80, 5 months and 17 days at Lincoln, Nebraska.

On Tuesday, August 10, 1915, Othello married Paula T. Schellenberg in Longmont, Colorado. Paula was born on Tuesday, November 4, 1884 at Nemaha County, Nebraska. She passed away on Saturday, September 7, 1957 at age 72, 10 months and 3 days at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Othello and Paula had four sons: Paul Julius, Othello Robert Howard, Marion Orval and Nathaniel Willard, all born in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Paul Julius was born on Wednesday, February 14, 1917. On Tuesday, January 9, 1945, Paul married Barbara Anne Stone at Lincoln, Nebraska. Barbara, or Babs, was born on Sunday, April 13, 1919. They have two daughters, Janet Rae, born at Lincoln General Hospital at 3:35 P.M. on Tuesday, March 11, 1947 weighing 6 pounds and 12 ounces, and Bonita June, born on Tuesday, May 30, 1950, both at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Janet Rae (Jan) completed her University career in June 1970 and now has her degree with a major in English and a minor in Architecture. This is an unusual combination, but it was instrumental in getting her a job as Writer-Editor with the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Nebraska in the Center for Urban Affairs, plus her experience with Community Development, Department of University of Nebraska Extension Division while she was an undergraduate at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

Bonita Jane (Bonnie) is in her Junior year at the University of Nebraska at this writing, majoring in Women's Physical Education. She has played on the field hockey team and has worked as a Life Guard at a Lincoln City swimming pool.

Othello Robert Howard was born on Tuesday, April 9, 1918. On Saturday, September 16, 1950 he married Nellie Marie (Nell) Gilman at Lincoln, Nebraska. They have one daughter, Paula Anne, born on Tuesday, September 23, 1952 at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Marion Orval was born on Friday, April 16, 1920. He was married at Lincoln, Nebraska in 1941 to Elaine Olson of Lincoln. They had one daughter, Beverly Kay, born on Saturday, January 3, 1942 at Lincoln, Nebraska. Marion and Elaine were divorced in 1946.

On Friday, December 26, 1947, Marion married Madeline McCormich of Lincoln, at Lincoln, Nebraska. Marion and Madeline have two daughters, Debora Claire (Debbie), born on Monday, November 5, 1951 and Julie Ann, born on Monday, March 9, 1959, both at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Nathaniel Willard was born on Sunday, September 30, 1923. On Wednesday, February 4, 1948, he married Lucille Pearl (Lucy) Barnard, at her parents farm in Adams, Nebraska. They have three sons, Douglas Alan, born on Thursday, October 28, 1948, Randall Scott, born on Monday, June 30, 1952 and Brian Paul, born on Monday, February 16, 1959, all three being born in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mattie Alice Beezley, daughter of Paul and Jerusha Ann (Sims) Beezley, was born on Tuesday, March 20, 1877 in Emerson, Mills County, Iowa. She was first married to Oscar L. Ford and lived in Omaha, Nebraska for a number of years where Oscar was in the grocery business.

After Mr. Ford's death, Mattie moved to Kansas where she later married Mr. J. B. Thompson of Alma, Kansas. Mattie passed away in 1962 at age 85 in Council Grove, Kansas.

Rudy Raymond Beezley, son of Paul and Sophronia (Field) Beezley, was born on Thursday, June 1, 1882 in Oakland, Pottawattamie County, Iowa. On Sunday, June 2, 1907, he married Della Lenorah Kennicutt at Maysville, Missouri and who was born on Friday, July 29, 1887. Della Lenorah (Nora) passed away on Tuesday, November 19, 1918 at age 31 years, 3 months and 20 days at Oakland, Iowa.

Ray and Della (Nora) had four children: Oscar Raymond, Mattie Lucille, Eleanor Charlotte and Paul.

Oscar Raymond Beezley was born on Monday, June 29, 1908 at Maysville, Missouri. On Friday, October 12, 1934 Oscar married Marie Swanson at Omaha, Nebraska. They had a son, Charles Raymond Beezley, born on Saturday, January 29, 1938 at Omaha, Nebraska. On May 8, 1959, Charles married Glenace Gertrude Lapham at the Zion Lutheran Church in Omaha, Nebraska. They have a daughter, Diane Kay, born March 12, 1961 at St'. Joseph Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska.

Oscar Raymond Beezley was accidentally killed by lightning on Saturday, July 12, 1947, while walking the family dog near his home.

Mattie Lucille Beezley was born on Friday, August 26, 1910 at Maysville, Missouri. On Sunday, January 1, 1933 Lucille married Omar Arthur Tyrrell at Denver, Colorado. Omar was born on Tuesday, December 19, 1899 at Wisner, Nebraska. He passed away on Sunday, July 20, 1958 at Milton-Freewater, Oregon at age 58 years, 7 months, and 1 day.

Lucille and Omar had two children: Alice Marie and Raymond Lee.

Alice Marie Tyrrell was born on December 28, 1933 at Lincoln, Nebraska. On Sunday, August 16, 1953 she married Robert Henry Ackerman at Walla Walla, Washington. They have four children: Laura Jean, born on Friday, June 25, 1954 at Tucson, Arizona, Robin Lynn, born on Monday, April 2, 1956 at Colfax, Washington, Ann Elizabeth, born on Tuesday, June 13, 1961 at Spokane, Washington and Lisa Marie, born on Tuesday, October 6, 1964 at Spokane, Washington. Laura Jean was married on September 7, 1974.

Robert Ackerman is a commercial pilot for the United Air Lines and he and his family live in Snoqualmie, Washington.

Raymond Lee Tyrrell was born on Sunday, February 21, 1937 at Pender, Nebraska. On December 22, 1957 he married Joan Gay Toner at Millton-Freewater, Oregon. They live at Olympia, Washington.

Eleanor Charlotte was born on April 26, 1914. She married Harold Freeman Morris and had four children: Loris, who is a graduate Nurse in the Mercy Hospital at Council Bluffs, Iowa, Gerald and Benjamin, both in the U. S. Navy, and Charlotte who lives in Illinois. Loris is married and has a son named Randy.

Paul Beezley, son of Rudy Raymond and Della (Kennicutt) Beezley, was born on Friday, March 22, 1918 at Oakland, Iowa. He married Ann Sobas at Los Angeles, California. They have one daughter named Lynn. They reside at Monterey Park, California. Paul passed away on August 31, 1976 at Monterey Park.

Vernon Leroy Beezley, son of Paul and Sophronia (Field) Beezley, was born on Saturday, December 8, 1883 on a farm near Oakland, Iowa.

On December 25, 1907, Vernon married Mary Glee Maxwell who was born on Tuesday, September 21, 1886 on a farm near Oakland, Iowa.

Vernon Leroy Beezley passed away on Sunday, November 25, 1962 at age 78 years, 11 months and 17 days in a Nursing Home at Rosemead, California. He had suffered a stroke on October 25, 1962. He is buried in Oakland, Iowa.

Mary Glee (Maxwell) Beezley fell and broke her hip. Due to complications, she passed away on June 17, 1974. She is buried in Oakland, Iowa.

To this union were born six children; Mable Marie, born January 11, 1909 at Oakland, Iowa and who died on November 23, 1911; William Max, born July 4, 1912 near Oakland, Iowa and died July 6, 1912; Eldon Derrell, born July 9, 1915 at Oakland, Iowa; and Maxine Henrietta, born on April 25, 1921 in Oakland, Iowa.

Mabel Marie Beezley, daughter of Vernon and Mary (Maxwell) Beezley, married Fred Harold Heady in March 1927. He was born on July 18, 1904 at Ottumwa, Iowa.

Mabel and Fred had three children: Juanita Jean Heady married Francis Albert Kerns on May 31, 1946 at Hiawatha, Kansas. Francis was born on January 16, 1924 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Francis and Juanita (Heady) Kerns have three children.

Michael Dennis Kerns was born on February 17, 1947 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. On May 11, 1968 he married Linda Elizabeth Powell in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Linda was born on February 2, 1949 at Council Bluffs. Michael and Linda have a daughter, Kristine Lynne, born on May 27, 1969 at Council Bluffs.

David Jerome Kerns was born on December 5, 1953 at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Patrick Donovan Kerns was born on March 10, 1962 also at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Jacqueline Eloise Heady was born on January 6, 1930 at Logan, Iowa. On August 12, 1951 she married Alan E. Smith at Council Bluffs, Iowa. Alan was born on August 2, 1929 at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Alan and Jacqueline (Heady) Smith have two children: Gregory Alan Ernest, born on July 26, 1952, and Valerie Michelle, born on July 26, 1952. Gregory and Valerie are twins.

Lawrence Richard Heady was born on April 9, 1934 at Logan, Iowa. On August 3, 1954 he married Jo Ann Elaine Livingston at Council Bluffs, Iowa. They were divorced in May 1958. They had no children.

On June 16, 1959, Lawrence married Janice Rhea McCoy at Compton, California.

Janice was born on August 25, 1940 at Paramount, California.

Lawrence and Janice (McCoy) Heady have two children: Warren Lee, born on July 2, 1961 at Los Angeles, California, and Vicki Lynne, born on August 27, 1965 at Long Beach, California.

Mabel Marie (Beezley) and Fred Harold Heady were divorced in 1951. In September 1957 Mabel married Frank Bauman who was born on April 14, 1902 in South Dakota.

On July 5, 1940, Elden Derrel Beezley, son of Vernon and Mary (Maxwell) Beezley, married Barbara Dawn Carpenter at Los Angeles, California. Barbara was born on August 8, 1923 at Bend, Oregon.

Elden and Barbara (Carpenter) Beezley have four children.

John Derrell Beezley was born on June 9, 1942 at Los Angeles, California.

James Edward Beezley was born on August 15, 1945 at Los Angeles, California. On August 2, 1964, James married Ginger Lee Haskin at Los Angeles, California. Ginger was born on July 25, 1947 at Chicago, Illinois. James and Ginger (Haskin) Beezley had a son, Robert Charles Beezley, born on April 24, 1965 at San Gabriel, California.

James and Ginger were divorced on August 31, 1966.

On June 24, 1967, James married Marsha Lynn Ross at Monterey Park, California. They have a daughter, Marlana Ann, born on February 19, 1969 at Bell Flower, California.

Jeffrey Alan Beezley was born on May 3, 1948 at Los Angeles, California.

Jayne Ellen Beezley was born on August 5, 1956 at Pasadena, California.

Grace Opal Beezley, daughter of Vernon and Mary (Maxwell) Beezley, married Julius Kelechenyi on March 11, 1953 at Las Vegas, Nevada. Julius was born on August 2, 1913 near Budapest, Hungary. They have no children.

Maxine Henrietta Beezley, daughter of Vernon and Mary (Maxwell) Beezley, married Donald Vincent Dugdale on March 27, 1937. Donald was born on April 6, 1915 in Modale, Clay Township, Harrison County, Iowa. They farmed near Modale, raising purebred Shorthorn cattle.

Maxine and Don had two children: Karen Sue and Donn Michael.

Donald Vincent Dugdale passed away at 11:50 p.m. on September 17, 1974 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Cause of death was coronary. He is buried at Onawa, Iowa.

Karen Sue Dugdale was born on July 12, 1940 in Clay Township, Harrison County, near Modale, Iowa. On September 28, 1958, she married Dearl Jackson King, Jr. in Onawa, Iowa. Dearl was born on January 6, 1935 at Charter Oak, Iowa.

Karen (Dugdale) and Dearl King have three children: Karen Lynne, born on May 26, 1959; Dearl Kevin, born on August 18, 1960, and Vaughn Jackson, born on November 27, 1962. All children were born in the Onawa, Iowa Hospital.

Donn Michael Dugdale was born on December 12, 1942 in Mercy Hospital, Council Bluffs, Iowa. He married Janis Carole Leaders on July 16, 1966 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Janis was born on February 13, 1945 in Oakland, California. They were divorced in April 1969. There were no children.

On April 16, 1970, Donn married Donna Jean Will in Sioux City, Iowa. Donna was born on September 1, 1945 at Sioux City, Iowa. Donn and Donna have a daughter, Dana Marie, born on June 23, 1971 at Omaha, Nebraska.