

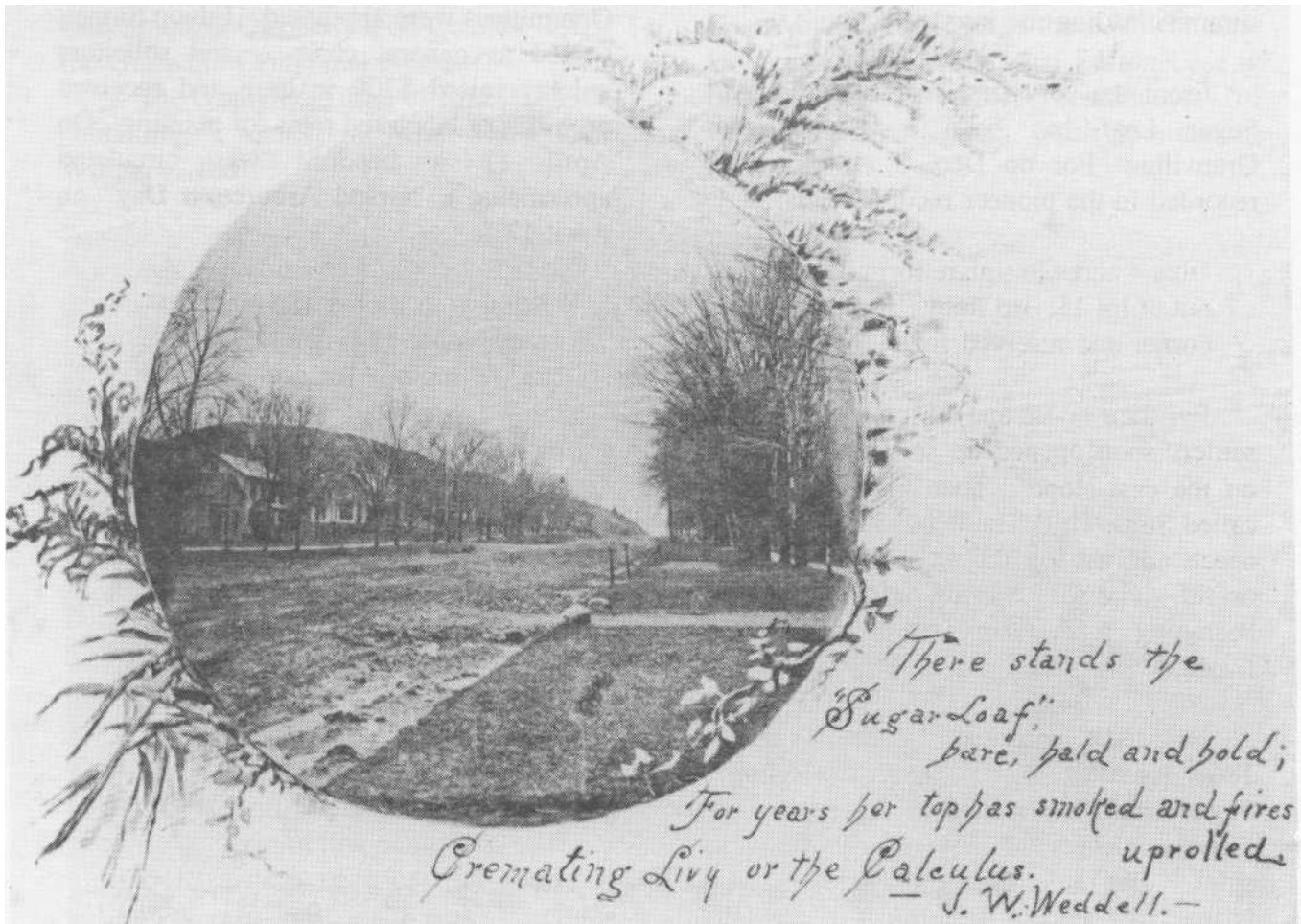
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FROM QUARRY TO PARK A HISTORY OF SUGAR LOAF



from --- *Granville, A Pleasant Memory*
by Amelia Tight Ralston & William G. Tight

The verse commemorates the custom by Denison Classes of burning their text books after the completion of the course. Sugar Loaf was a favorite spot for the elaborate "funerals."

SUGAR LOAF: From Quarry to Park

*Talk by Marilyn Jung
for the Granville Historical Society
February 15, 1996*

One morning last week I took a walk up Sugar Loaf. Sprinkled with snow, the park did look like a colonial sugar loaf. And the wide trail along the north slope became the old carriage trail, curving toward the summit, leading me into reflection.

From the very first year of settlement, Sugar Loaf has been a resource for Granville. For on Dec. 5, 1805 a vote recorded in the pioneer records reads:

"that 4 acres in square form be taken out of lot 15, 3rd Range at the N.W. corner and reserved for public use."

For their house and barn foundations the settlers soon opened up sandstone quarries on the east slope. Then Sugar Loaf was called Stone Hill. The dense woods of oak, beech and ash on the slopes were equally useful -- and soon Sugar Loaf was denuded, becoming a grazing pasture for village livestock.

But, hark, what's this in the December 1869 issue of the *Denison Collegian*? Sugar Loaf "is about to be fenced in -- in fact the pickets are now nearly round its sides." But rather than to exclude anyone it is the "first step in the project of our City Fathers to beautify it as a place of pleasant resort ... they design to plant trees and shrubbery upon it and to construct a carriage

road which shall ascend winding around the hill to the summit."

Still, twenty years later in 1890, the hill was bare. And until 1896 nothing much happened. But on April 1st of that year the enthusiasm of a small group of citizens instigated a mass meeting to consider what might be done with Sugar Loaf. Committees were appointed. Edwin Sinnett served as general chair -- and solicitors quickly raised \$300 in cash and received promises of labor and trees for planting. On April 11 a handbill was circulated announcing a "Grand Arboretum Day" on April 17.

"Bring your dinner and let us have a grand picnic...Bring all the trees you can... Bring one for each member of the family and a few extras...Bring a pick and shovel... Let every organization in this community plant a tree or shrub with appropriate ceremony. The committee will place stakes in the Park at places where trees are to be planted... See that the hole is dug by Thursday evening. All planting will be under the direction of B. I. Jones, A. Nicol, and W. H. Stenger...Native trees can be secured from Ed. Tight. The committee will prepare holes for trees for those so desiring for 15 cents and plant the tree for 10 cents." See a facsimile of The Granville Times of April 23, 1896 following this article.

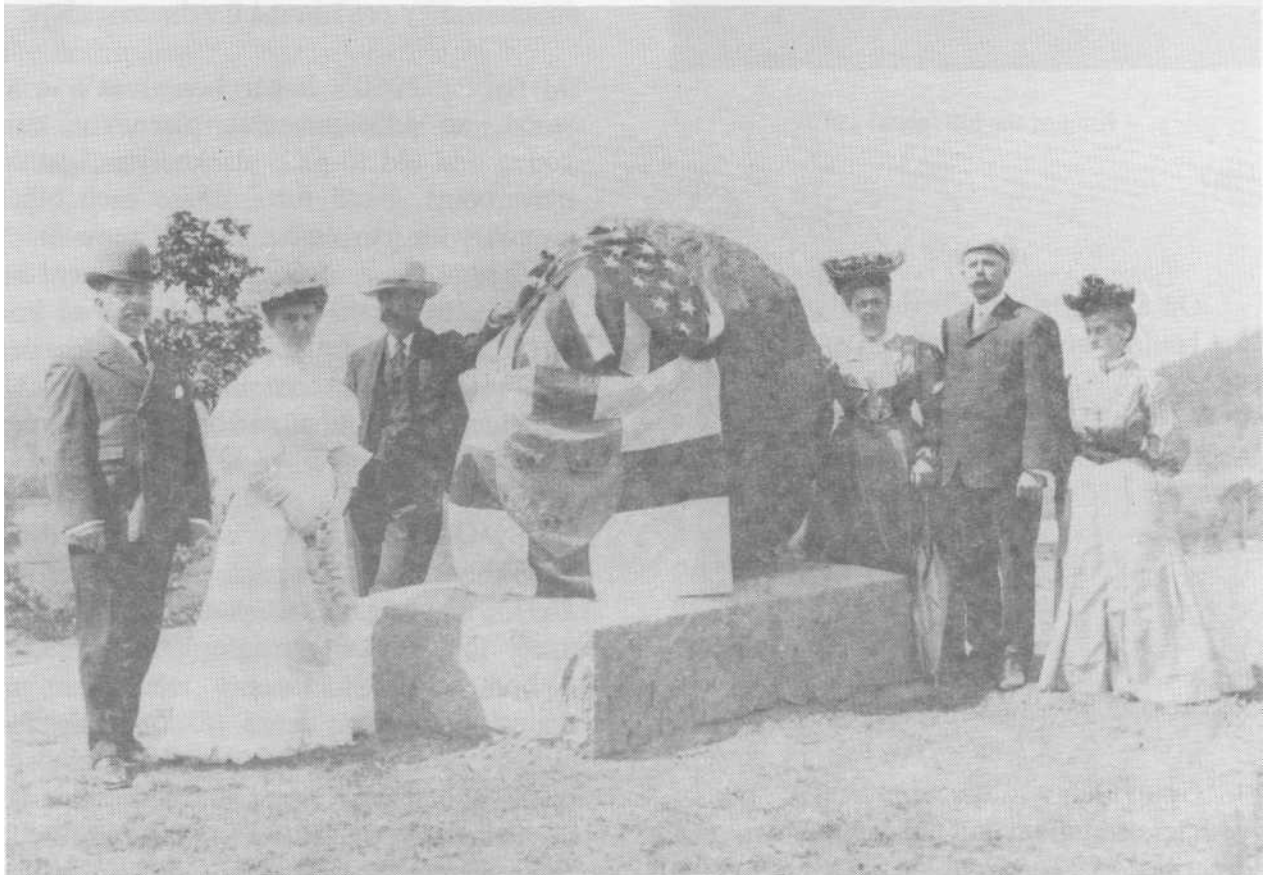
So in 1905 when Granville planned its centennial celebration, the villagers and Masons chose the summit of Sugar Loaf to place and dedicate a monument to the settlers. A glacial boulder weighing 5 tons was hauled from a field west of town and set on a granite block 6'x 4'x 18" brought by flat car from Quincy, Mass. The Granville Masons and the other grand lodge members from Ohio led the procession and laid the cornerstone in the afternoon sun placing within the base a box containing:

-- a copy of the "Old Northwest Genealogical Quarterly" of October 1905, the Granville Centennial Number

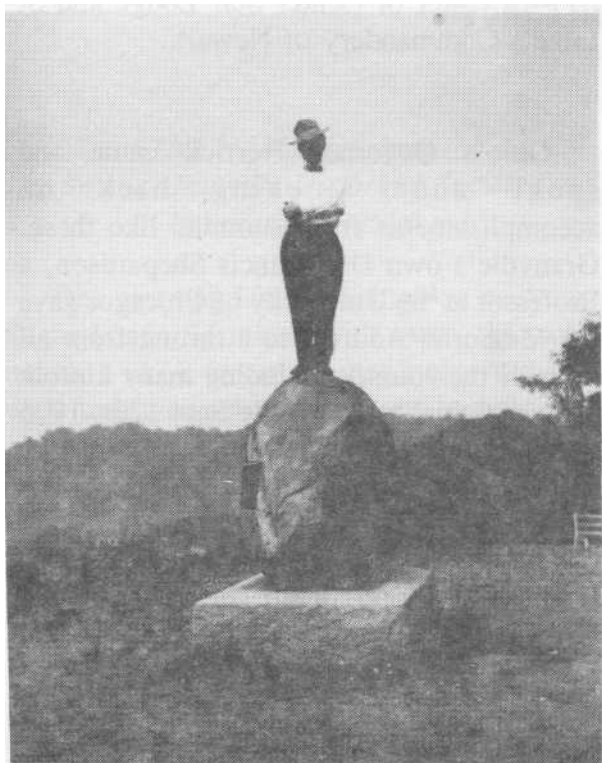
-- The Granville Times of June 22, 1905 containing a sketch of Mrs. Mary Case Williams, and

-- a roster of Center Star Lodge and St Luke's Commandery of Newark.

Ohio's Governor Herrick came and spoke **about looking back on** accomplishments from summits like these. Granville's own Dr. Francis Shepardson, a Professor at the University of Chicago, gave the Memorial Address to a throng from all parts of the country including many kinfolk of the original settlers. The Sept 12th, 1905 photograph shows the donors: Mrs. Mary Case Minton just right of the boulder, Mrs. Hobart on the far right, and Burton Case in between, all direct descendants of Granville's first settlers. Their spouses are on the left.



Dedication of the monument at the crest of Sugar Loaf, September 12, 1905. The donors, Mrs. Mary Case Minton, Burton Case, and Mrs. Hobart, descendants of Granville's first settlers, are at the right. Their spouses, Mr. Minton, Mrs. Case, and Mr. Hobart are on the left.



King of the hill, about 1910

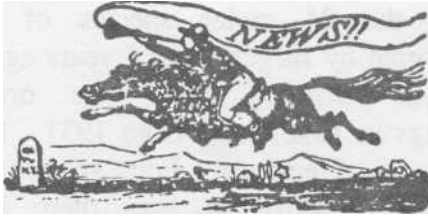
On a bronze tablet originally affixed to the boulder and now replaced and recessed into the stone, we read the following inscription: "In grateful remembrance of the members of the Licking Land Co. who came from Granville, Mass. Nov. 17, 1805. They builded better than they knew. In God be the glory forever & ever. Amen" By 1916 a photograph of the stone in the Denison University yearbook, *The Adytum*, shows the brass plaque gone, but a healthy growth of vegetation on the hill.

Granville's 125th anniversary passed with less ceremony but did prompt two men described as "The Gold Dust Twins" to take

it upon themselves to clean up Sugar Loaf, as related in a Granville Times article of January 22, 1931. The mystery of their identity was solved when Gloria Hoover sent me a copy of an article from the March 5, 1931 Granville Times. It identified the "twins" as W. S. Thomas, President of Council and chair of Streets and Park Committee, and S. W. England. They had removed many locust [weed trees] from the south slope, and sold them as fenceposts to help defray clean-up costs. And they had planted many new trees, shrubs, and wild flowers (45 species in all) including 5 persimmon, 2 witchhazel, 8 euclid bushes and 2 quaking aspirin [sic]. Their work inspired a Granville unit of the Licking County Garden Club to form. The club added hardy flowers to the south hill, but I think failed to execute the rock garden and fountain they envisioned on the east slope.

By the 1960's Sugar Loaf was a wild wood, an adventuresome place for kids young and old to pick blackberries, gather mushrooms, build forts, chase each other around with pan pipes. In the summer of 1969 rumors of a housing development on Sugar Loaf prompted action by an ad hoc Sugar Loaf Committee. Chaired by Charles Ashbrook, the committee sought to safeguard Sugar Loaf as a park and nature sanctuary.

By October 1st they were reassured by the Village Council's passage of Resolution #6913: that Sugar Loaf shall remain and be used for public purposes, that village equipment and personnel would aid in maintaining Sugar Loaf [to this day the Village mows the summit and disposes of trash] and that work of the committee be carried out in conjunction with the Granville Improvement Board.



From the President's Desk....

By Winter's End, the Board of Managers and key volunteers of the Granville Historical Society were preparing for the promised spring.

--Kay Koeninger, John Kessler and the Museum Committee and Docents will open the Museum on Saturdays and Sundays beginning **April 13**, and have opened the facility from time to time over the winter for school and other special groups. There was also a special opening for the Christmas Candlelight Walking Tour in early December.

--Flo Hoffman and the Old Colony Burial Ground workers have scheduled the first work day for April 27 and the annual walking tour for May 8.

--Program Chair and Historian of the Year Dick Shiels will present the fourth program of the year, a Granville Middle School student analysis of the Bike Path, April 22.

--Civil War Roundtable Chair Kevin Bennett continues his Spring series with a presentation on **April 16** at 7:30 in the OAB.

--Properties Chair Jim Siegel plans some warm weather painting in the museum and gardening around the facility among several projects.

--Vice President Dan Campbell is preparing for another photo exhibit during the upcoming **Fourth of July** celebrations

The Board of Managers has proposed a new Constitution to be voted upon at the April 22 Annual Meeting. The object of Chair Gay Weinberg's committee was to simplify and streamline the language of the current Constitution and Bylaws and to remove vestiges of cumbersome and outdated membership procedures.

The Board considers all historical study and activity in the Greater Granville Community to be beneficial to all, and does not feel that various entities dedicated to local history should compete or lose their identity. It is in this spirit that the Granville Historical Society is talking to the Welsh or Cambrian Society about common objectives.

The bicentennial of Granville's settlement by immigrants from Massachusetts and Connecticut is now less than ten years away. A group consisting of former Presidents Tony Stoneburner, **Etick** Shiels, and Rob Drake and Society members Tony Lisska, **Flo**

Hoffman, Maggie Brooks, John Senn and Tom Martin, has been meeting to develop plans for a publication to be announced April 22nd at the Annual Meeting.

Work is under way to petition the State of Ohio for a Historical Marker for the Old Academy Building. The process will take six to eight months if everything goes smoothly.

The experience of working with the current Board of Managers and Membership of the Granville Historical Society for the past two years has been very pleasant indeed. The devotion that individuals show to the projects that they address and the skills they bring to bear in their accomplishments are most impressive. I thank one and all for the opportunity to work together and look forward to a smooth transition and continued momentum with the new Board and officers to be elected April 22nd.

--Tom Martin

**HAVE YOU RENEWED
YOUR 1996
MEMBERSHIP YET?**

**IF NOT,
PLEASE DO SO SOON!**

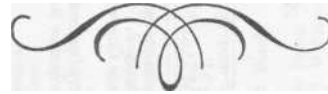
REMEMBER

ANNUAL MEETING

APRIL 22

7:30

OLD ACADEMY BLDG.



**Annual Walking Tour
of the
Old Colony Burying
Ground**

May 8
7:00 to 8:30 P. M.

*Some of Granville's
early citizens
will tell about
their life and times.*

Refreshments follow in the
Old Academy Building

Save this date!

We hope to see you there!

The permanent committee of Sugar Loaf Park chaired by Harold Titus wrote a charter that fall. (It was also Dr. Titus who created the Sugar Loaf scrapbook.) Emily Rutherford headed up the trail crew and also cleaned up the fraternity benches area. Betty Grudin, Dr. Bob Alrutz and others consulted with Dawes Arboretum and soil conservation biologists. Appeals for labor to clear trails, eliminate weeds and poison ivy and for contributions to the Sugar Loaf Fund roused overwhelming response. By January 1970 Al Johnson, treasurer, reported that at least 300 people had given \$6,700. Again many Granvillites pitched in with shovel, muscle -- and this time with bush hog -- to restore the park.

- The Garden Club planted flowers and shrubbery.

- Norman Pollack and Dr. Titus tackled the bench area.

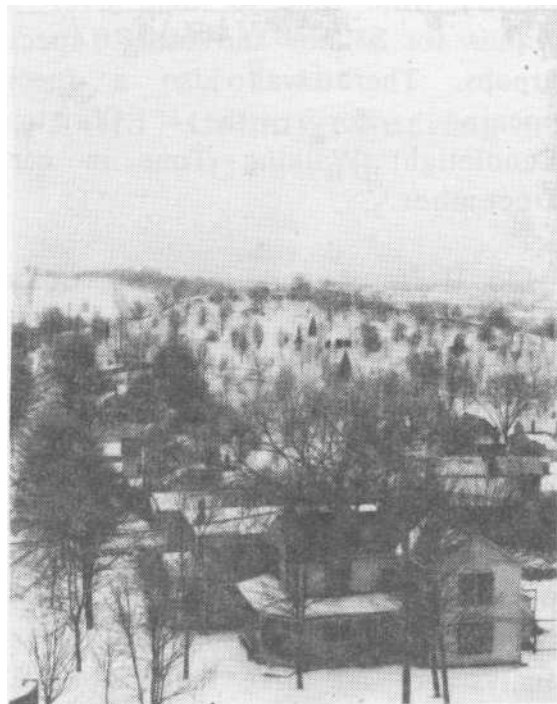
- The mayor, Norman Luker, and his son-in-law, Kurt Hansen, built steps from West Elm St.

Groups from the Girls Scouts, Kiwanis, and other service groups cleared the trails and spread wood chips. Denison University students, under the guidance of Dick Mahard, renewed interest in the quarry. The new sign donated by the Improvement Board was installed at the West Broadway entrance by April 1970.

Betty Grudin followed Dr. Titus as chair in 1973. Harold Will, another hard worker, succeeded Betty as chair in 1975. Trail signs, benches, picnic tables on the summit invited people to enjoy the park. Several weddings, an Easter Sunrise Service, family picnics, and later meetings of the Sugar Loaf Foundation and Open Park Day, were all held there.

Of the 24 major species of trees inventoried by Jurgen Pape 5 years ago, eighteen remained from the original plantings in 1896, two from 1931, Black Walnut and Hemlock. Four species have appeared naturally (at least there is no record of their planting): Sassafras, Indian cherry, Hackberry, and Sycamore or Buttonwood.

For further protection, the Sugar Loaf Foundation filed on August 28, 1985 as a not for profit corporation. Louise Denny was especially instrumental in this process. This latest chapter is still to come, but let me lead you down the south slope with an invitation to visit soon. Why don't we all meet on April 17th, 1996 for another Grand Celebration. It will be a beautiful spring day.



A rare photograph of Sugar Loaf from College Hill about 1909, showing the young trees.

A CIVIC CARNIVAL.

The Dedication of Sugar Loaf Park a Festal Occasion for the Entire Population.

Memorial Trees Planted by Every Organization in the Village and Township. Over Three Hundred Sapplings now Adorn the Hilly Slopes. The Only Arboretum in Ohio Containing a Complete Classification of Native Trees.



THE formal dedication of Sugar Loaf Park took its place in Granville's history Friday April 17. Probably no enterprise in the career of our village was ever commemorated

with more general and enthusiastic success. Probably, also, the future of Granville will never record an improvement of greater importance to the town as a whole.

The inception of this project was the result of the enlightened aesthetic sentiment of our citizens. The advantages of an Arboretum were often presented by public spirited citizens some years ago. The idea grew slowly in favor until the multitude approved it and wished for some definite developments. The opportunity for accomplishing something beyond mere discussion of the plan came April 1st when, in a meeting of a few of the more enthusiastic citizens held in the council room of the Town Hall, the feasibility of converting Sugar Loaf Hill into a public park was proven. The following committees were appointed: To confer with the village council and township trustees, L. A. Austin and H. A. Stokes; to secure estimates of cost, Prof. W. G. Tight, J. N. McNaughten and Prof. J. L. Gilpatrick; to present plans for proposed improvements, Prof. W. G. Tight and J. N. McNaughten.

THE DEDICATION. Thus equipped with official approval and financial support, the park commission set about their work with a vigor that gave every promise of success. Preparatory to later improvements, the park avenue was begun on Thursday, April 11, and was prosecuted so rapidly under the profetioral eye of J. N. McNaughten that it was practically completed when the day appointed for planting arrived.

This day was Friday, April 19, and it has gone upon our annals as a truly historic day. It had been arranged that the formal celebration should begin at 9 o'clock, a.m. At this hour the various organizations, which had mobilized in divers parts of the village began their march toward Sugar Loaf. As these lines converged, the valley resounded with shout and cheer, the school children and college boys leaping into the din. There was no attempt at a uniform ceremony. So many trees were to be planted that time was not available for a common program. The organizations simply planted their respective sapplings, with such demonstrations as they severally deemed proper and in the presence of such spectators as they could secure. So general a celebration was responsible for rather queer auditory effects. There was a confused mingling of dedicatory odes, sacred music, fervent prayers, triumphant cheers and lusty repartees. The prettiest ceremonial was that observed by the school children and the most entertaining dedicatory speeches were those of the college and seminaries.

These demonstrations were maintained throughout the day. Even the sunset hours witnessed the planting of trees by parties from distant corners of the township, who arrived late.

Elm, Oratorical Association.
Horse Chestnut, Denison Athletic Association.
Redbud, Denison Scientific Association.
Silver Birch, in honor of Dr. J. S. Riggs, Catalpa, in honor of Dr. W. H. Doane, and Carolina Poplar for anniversary of Ciceronean Society.
Arbor Vitae and Spruce, Irving Literary Society.
Elm, Reading Room Association
Horse Chestnut, (9 in number), Denison Alumni to the College Presidents, Pratt, Going, Bailey, Hall, Talbot, Andrews, Owen, Anderson, Purinton.

CLASSES.
Elm (2), and Oak, Seniors.
Maple, Juniors.
Elm, Sophomores.
Olive, Freshman Class D. U.
Maple and Russian (2) cives; (1) r a l men.
Elm and Arbor Vitae, Senior Academy.
Maple, Middle Academy.
Elm, Junior Academy.

SHEPARDSON COLLEGE.
Elm, Shepardson College to Dr. Shepardson.
Oak, Shepardson College.
Purple-leaved Maple, Shepardson College Girls to Mrs. Rose Whissen.
White Birch, Alumnae Shepardson College.
Elm, The Studio.
Maple and Smoke Tree, Philomathean Society.
Horse Chestnut, Euterpean Society.
Ironwood, Trustees of Shepardson.
Red Beech, Faculty of Shepardson College.

GRANVILLE FEMALE COLLEGE.
Buckeye, G. F. C.
Elm, Hon. W. P. Kerr.
Black Haw, Rev. D. B. Hervey.
Maple, Seniors of '96.
Purple Elm, Class of '97.
Black Haw, Athenian and Hyperion Societies.
Wild Cherry, Mary Hartwell Cathedral.
Poplar, Mrs. Theodore S. Cuyler.
Poplar, Mrs. John Sherman.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
Elm, Senior High School.
Elm, Freshman High School.

Magnolia, Women's Christian Temperance Union, to Mrs. Bancroft.
Arbor Vitae: Ohio Baptist Convention.
Maple, Granville Farmers Institute.
Mulberry, Grand Army of the Republic.
Elm, Water Works Trustees.
Buckeye, Class of '70, Y. L. I.
Evergreen, Class of '69 D. U.
Judas Tree, Scientific Association.
DR. AND MRS. SHEPARDSON:
Austrian Pine, for Mrs. N. S. Burton.
Austrian Pine, for Mrs. F. O. Marsh.
Norway Spruce, for Mrs. Amanda Dunlevy.
Norway Spruce, for Mrs. E. Spease.
Larch, for Mrs. Belle Parsons.
White Horse Chestnut, for Mrs. Susan van (= Thresher.
Red Horse Chestnut, for Mrs. Mary O. Brooks.
Yellow Pine and Hemlock.
European Linden, Ernest Shepardson.

B. I. JONES:
Hickory, to Hon: G. L. Converse.
Quaking Asp, Hon. H. J. Booth.
White Ash, Henry L. Carr.
YeUow Poplar, J. J. Keating.
MR. AND MRS. W. H. STENGER,
Austrian Pine, Mr. and Mrs. W. Beech.
H. Stenger, family tree..
Pine, for S. C. Wilhelm.
Pine, for Rev. J. B. Stone.
Pine, for Austin Drew.
Pine, for President S. Talbot.
Pine, for Rev. T. J. Sheppard.
Larch, for Mrs. Lorinda Wartenbe, a family tree.
Spruce, for Mrs. Dr. Baldwin.
MRS. SARAH JONES.
Ironwood to James Jones.
Dogwood to Thomas Jones.
Elm (a) to Gorman and C. C. Jones.
Maple to Miss Clara Jones.
FAMILY AND MEMORIAL.
Maple, Rev. C. J. Baldwin.
Maple, Rev. E. W. Childs.
Maple, Rev. C. G. Doney.
Box Elder, Frank M. Carter.
Pine, Henry O. Carter.
and Locust, Rev. Jacob Little.
Maple, Dr. J. D. Thompson.
Maple, Luella Gurney.

Cucumber, David Watkins.
Cucumber, Prof. C. J. Herrick.
Magnolia, Dr. D. B. Purinton.
Magnolia, Dr. J. L. Gilpatrick.
Magnolia (2), Prof. G. F. McKibben.
Magnolia, Mrs. J. S. Jones.
Oak, in honor of Mrs. Susan Rose, aged 98, years, oldest person in Licking County.
Cucumber and Maple, Mrs. Ewing.
Cucumber, L. A. Austin.
Elm, Maple, Red Oak, Dr. Barnes.
Maple, Burton Case.
Maple, Oak and Elm, William Ackle.
Oak, Ash, Birch, Juneberry, Hickory, Basswood, Elm, George Jones.
Scotch Pine, Mr. Wilson.
Austrian Pine, Mrs. Wartenbe.
Catalpa, Mrs. Vance.
SillypyRir-ly J. R. Ewing.
Cut-leaved Maple, Mrs. M. R. Ewing.
Evergreen, Mrs. B. D. Parsons.
Evergreen, Mrs. J. B. Stone.
Elm, Miss Thorne.
Maple, Howard Howe.
Elm, E. J. Dorsey.
Dogwood, Dr. Sinnett.
Dogwood, W. D. Benner and Wy-cliff Taylor in honor of E. J. Barney.
Catalpa, Mountain Ash, Cut-leaved Elm, Dr. Barnes.
Elm, Wm. Mitchell.
Carolina Poplar, F. L. Becket.
Silver Maple, Jones Coal Co.
Mountain Ash, Clifford Jones.
Mountain Ash, Mr. Perry.
Elm (2), J. C. Malone.
Catalpa, Dr. A. Follett.
Catalpa, C. B. Dirks.
Catalpa, Miss Vance.
Catalpa, Prof. W. Chamberlin.
Maple and Wild Crab, Rev. J. W. Miller.
Mulberry, B. I. Jones.
Maple, T. G. Baker.
Balm of Gilead, Mrs. Schultz, in honor of her son, George.
Elm, Miss Armstrong.
Oak, Miss Weston.
Maple, Major Buxton.
Sweet Cherry, Sam Jackson.
Catalpa and Mountain Ash, H. B. Green.
Dogwood, Charles Robinson.
Forest Tree, Mr. Haynes.
Mulberry, Dr. W. Sedgwick.
Dogwood, A. Clouse.

The members of Co. K, O. N. G., fired three volleys in honor of their Buckeye tree, and one volley in honor of Governor Bushnell.

To F. W. Shepardson belongs the honor of suggesting the plan for planting the trees which was so successfully carried out by the schools, societies and different organizations.

-Dr. Purinton was one of the first and most earnest workers for the Arboretum and Sugar Loaf Park. He was the first to contribute financial aid to the movement. Who will be the last?

The credit of conducting the arboretum project to final success is largely due to Prof. W. G. Tight, Prof. J. L. Gilpatrick and J. N. McNaughten. When statuary shall have been added to the park, the first figures in marble should be those of those of this public spirited trio.

The following paragraph is taken from Bushnell's History of Granville: "In early times, Sugar Loaf was a symmetrical cone, shaded with a beautiful growth of beech trees, its surface unbroken by the deep quarries since opened for stone. There came a year of great plentifulness of squirrels, migrating toward the Southeast, Sugar Loaf was a great haunt for them. Men and boys resorted thither with goes and clubs, and great numbers of them were killed. This kept an awful din' of shooting, yelling and clubbing, by day and late into the night. One whose quiet was disturbed by the noise, went one night and cut down all but two or three of the trees that stood on the western slope, and, soon afterwards, the quarries were industriously worked for building stone, and the beautiful hill was left bare and barren."

Will history repeat itself? The following letter was received from Governor Bushnell Thursday: STATE OF OHIO, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR. J. A. M. Nichol, Esq., Granville, O.
My Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of April 19th, I beg leave to say that I knew of no tree more thorough American and more satisfactory in every way than the maple. If, therefore, you desire to name the variety of trees which you shall plant in my honor, I would say it would be a maple. I thank you very much for the honor you

mince was ce... ment of Jeni... es from the village council, and... Dustin from the township trustees. The committee as finally organized appointed the following officers. C. R. Stark, President; W. G. Tight, Secretary; John Dustin, Treasurer.

The general plan as proposed was followed, though with some slight necessary modifications. All drives were surveyed on a grade of less than ten per cent. Property on each of the four sides of the tract was encroached upon in laying out the drives, with the permission of the owners Dr. Shephardson and Rev. D. Jones. Grateful acknowledgements were rendered to these owners of adjacent property who so generously gave the right of way over their land.

The finance committee reported that a fund of \$300 was subscribed.

The permanent committee recommended Friday, April 17, as the day for planting.

OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.

The privilege of converting the hill into a public park, with all necessary improvements, was accorded by the following official instrument:

"Permission to take all necessary steps toward making Sugar Loaf Hill a public park is hereby granted to a Committee of Five, which shall be constituted as follows: Three to be chosen by the citizens of Granville JOSYn.bip-assembled in mass meeting; one to be chosen by the Granville Corporation Council from its members; one by the Board of Trustees of Granville Township from among its members. The said Committee of Five are hereby granted full power to make walks and drives on said Sugar Loaf, and do the necessary grading for the same; and to superintend the planting of trees on said hill, and other improvements.

"Provided, That all expenses incurred in making said improvements shall be met in such manner as the said Committee of Five shall determine, but shall not be paid out of the public funds belonging to Granville Corporation or to Granville Township."

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the aforesaid grant was unanimously passed by the Village Council, all members being present, at a special meeting held for that purpose Friday evening, April 3d, 1896:

E. R. J. twos, Pres. pro tem.
H. A. CHURCH, Clerk.
We agree to the above arrangements.
J. L. DUSTIN,
H. W. HOWE,
DAVID WATKIN,
Trustees of Granville Township.'

Maple, Primary School. Maple, Junior Class High School Linden, Ionian Society. Red Birch, Granville Public School in honor of Bryant the poet. Elm, Granville Public School Teachers, in honor of Herbert the Educator.

Red Cedar, Centerville School. Cedar, School District No. 1. Maple, School District No. 2. Cedar, School District No. 3. Maple, School District No. 4. Hickory, School District No. 5. Maple, School District No. 6. Cedar, School District No. 7. Cedar, School District No. 8. Maple, School District No. 9.

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.
Mountain Ash, Methodist Episcopal Church.
Cedar, Episcopal Church.
Maple, Baptist Young People Union
Catalpa, Presbyterian Junior Endeavor.
Magnolia, Presbyterian Senior Endeavor.
Spruce, Epworth League.
Amei Linden, Junior Baptist Young People's Union.

LODGES AND FRATERNITIES.
Elm, West; Acacia, East; Acacia South; Centre Star Lodge, F. & A. M.
Birch, Myrtle Lodge, I. O. O. F.
Dogwood, Spring Valley Lodge, I. O. O. F.
Evergreen, Altamaha Lodge., as of P.

Gum and Mulberry, Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.
Wild Cherry, Sigma Chi Fraternity.
Group of Lilacs (4), Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

PUBLICATION "PLANTS."
Arbe Vitae, C. J. Herrick to the Journal of Comparative Neurology.
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ORGANIZATIONS.
Maple, Granville Hose Co. No. 1.
Magnolia, McKinley Club.
Buckeye, National Guards.
White Ash, Ohio Baptist Convention.
Maple, Prohibition Club.
Carolina Poplar, Granville Reading Club.
Elm, California 49Bfa.
Maple (3), Building and Loan Association.
Elm, Aeolian Club.
Locust, Schubert Choral Union.
Hickory, Democratic Club.

Maple, Rev. W. C. P. Rhodes, D. Cedar, E. E. Cutler, D. Arbor Vitae, Married students of D: U.
Birch (2), Prof. G. F. McKibben.
Birch, Miss Talbot.
Birch, Major Buxton.
Birch, A. U. Thresher.
Birch, J. L. Lewis.
White Ash, a double tree, C. T. Chapin and wife.
Elm, J. Kelvey.
White Oak (2), Hickory, Black Haw, Sam Everett.
Mrs. Barrett.
Maple, M. F. Cunard.
Maple, Mrs. Dr. Watkins.
Sassafras, Mr. Clark.
White Ash, G. E. Allen.
Dogwood, Minnie Guy Tight.
Dogwood, Dexter J. 'Fight.
Dogwood, Mrs. Thalia A. Tight.
Dogwood, Mrs. Sheldon.
Dogwood and Beech, Mr. Horton.
Barberries (7), Prof. R. S. Colwell.
Wahoo and Maple, John Howland.
Peach (5), E. S. Clark.

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Dogwood, Mrs. Sheldon.
Dogwood and Beech, Mr. Horton.
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Wahoo and Maple, John Howland.
Peach (5), E. S. Clark.

CHURCHES AND SOCIETIES.
Mountain Ash, Methodist Episcopal Church.
Cedar, Episcopal Church.
Maple, Baptist Young People Union
Catalpa, Presbyterian Junior Endeavor.
Magnolia, Presbyterian Senior Endeavor.
Spruce, Epworth League.
Amei Linden, Junior Baptist Young People's Union.

LODGES AND FRATERNITIES.
Elm, West; Acacia, East; Acacia South; Centre Star Lodge, F. & A. M.
Birch, Myrtle Lodge, I. O. O. F.
Dogwood, Spring Valley Lodge, I. O. O. F.
Evergreen, Altamaha Lodge., as of P.

Gum and Mulberry, Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.
Wild Cherry, Sigma Chi Fraternity.
Group of Lilacs (4), Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

PUBLICATION "PLANTS."
Arbe Vitae, C. J. Herrick to the Journal of Comparative Neurology.
Salis Buria Japonica, Prof. W. G. Tight, to the Bulletin of Scientific Laboratories of D. U.

Tulip, Prof. W. H. Johnson, to the Denison Quarterly.
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Ash, Ebenezer Thresher, LL.D. Ash, James M. Hoyt, LL.D. Wild Cherry, Rev. Henry Carr.
Dogwood, Rev. Ezra Going.
Box Elder, Wm. Whitney.
Box Elder, Prof. Pascal Carter.
Maple, Prof. F. O. Marsh.
Hickory, E. E. Barney.
Hickory, Judge T. W. Ewart.
Ash, J. H. Tangeman.
Dogwood, Rev. D. A. Randall, D. D.

Ash, Rev. Allen Darrow.
Ash, Dea. M. E. Gray.
Dogwood, J. W. King.
Dogwood, Rev. J. C. Fernald.
Hickory, Dr. E. F. Bryan.
Magnolia, in honor of Frank Shephardson by Granville Times employees.
Hardwood Locust, Rev. G. W. Lasher, D.D.
Maple (2), Evan Jones.
Maple, Wm. B. Smith.
Elm, in honor of Geo. E. Ransom.
Evergreen, for Linwood, O.
Purple-leaved Maple, H. A. Church, a family tree.
Maple, Mrs. Abbott in honor of Fitch Bryant.
Maple, Miss Minnie Sinnett.
Maple, Mr. Charles Robinson.
Maple, Mr. Horton.
Elm, Charles Robinson.
Maple, Mr. Horton.
Elm, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stark.
Maple, Joshua Stark.
Elm, W. T. Stark.
Maple, Miss May Stark.
Elm, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Davies.
Maple, Mrs. M. E. Partridge.
Elm, Miss Helen Munro.
Maple, Miss M. F. Munro.
Maple, in honor of Rev. T. B. Van Home.
Elm, Mr. Z. R. Davidson.
Maple, Mr. Howard Howe.
Elm, Mr. J. N. McNaughten.
Maple, Guy Holler, of the Electric Railroad.
Mulberry, Israel Wilson.
White Beech, A. M. Nichol.
Maple, in honor of Governor Asa Bushnell.
Horse chestnut, J. Edgar Brown.
Elm, Horace Wetzel.
Mayle (4), J. H. Krugg and Wm. Spellman.
Hickory, Mrs. E. A. B. Black.
Chestnut, Will Black.
Elm, D. E. W. and Otto Jones.
Wild Cherry, Mrs. M. J. Williams.
Evergreen, Mrs. Allen.
Spruce, M. J. Linden.
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NOTES.
The attendance during the day was estimated at over 1000.

Flags floated from nearly all the hill top houses, Friday.

Ed Hobart remembered nearly every one but himself. He brought in mine fine trees.

Better weather for the occasion could not have been desired. It was a perfect-day:

Mrs. Susan Rose, aged 98 years, was the oldest person on the ground. Who was the youngest?

Moses Goodrich came in loaded with trees, with which he generously remembered his friends.

The recent showers tested the endurance of the newly constructed avenue, but it withstood them well.

Old Glory floated from a 40 foot staff on Sugar Loaf all day Friday. The pole was furnished by Ed Tight.

Undoubtedly the most attractive dedicatory speeches were those of the students' Democratic club. Their tree was planted in honor of ex Governor Campbell.

Prof. W. G. Tight was the first to register and Mrs. H. H. Tuttle the last. Six hundred and forty persons registered and nearly every State and over to towns in the Union were represented.

Bart Jones started out with the intention of getting a tree for every Jones in America. But luck was against him, he fell and sprained his ankle after getting out 5 trees. He had everything from a quaking asp to sassafras.

stoie for me to be to ti • Aie on account of my official duties. I an assure you that I will be with ye in gratitude, I am Yours very respectfully,
MA S. BUSHNELL.

Ex-Governor Campbell responded with the following letter:

Mr. Harry W. Amos and Mr. Lee Dale Mercer, Gentlemen: I beg to thank you for your kind letter and expressions of good-will therein contained. I desire also to convey through you my regards to the Denison University Democratic club. you have the kindness to say to the members thereof that I thoroughly appreciate the high honor they have paid me, and trust to have the pleasure of meeting all of them personally in the future.

Yours sincerely,
JAMES CAMPBELL.

Look, Before You Leap.

A wise man investigates. So, if you want pictures, come and see me first. Don't buy cheeks, until you first count the amount you pay agent for check, amount at time sitting is made, car fare once or twice, and last, time wasted. I guarantee all work first class and satisfactory, and as low in price as is consistent with good work. Resittings cheerfully made where there is any fault of mine.

Remember these things and invest, gate at Chase s Studio at Granville, Ohio.

Farmers, Attention!

Do you want a good, reliable harness, made from country tanned leather, which is known to be more pliable and durable than that prepared by the steam process? If so, before you purchase elsewhere, call and examine one of the harnesses made from this leather, which is of my own tanning, and I can recommend to any one.

Do not fail to call and see J. R. Crockett's stock in the basement of the Hotel Granville. He will compete with Newark prices.

Bltous Folic.
Persons who are subject to attacks of bilious colic will be pleased to know that prompt relief may be had by taking Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It acts quickly and can always be depended upon. In many cases the attack may be prevented by taking this remedy as soon as the first indication of the disease appears. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by J. W. Ackley.

—Waldo Taylor is handing his Democratic friends the following card:

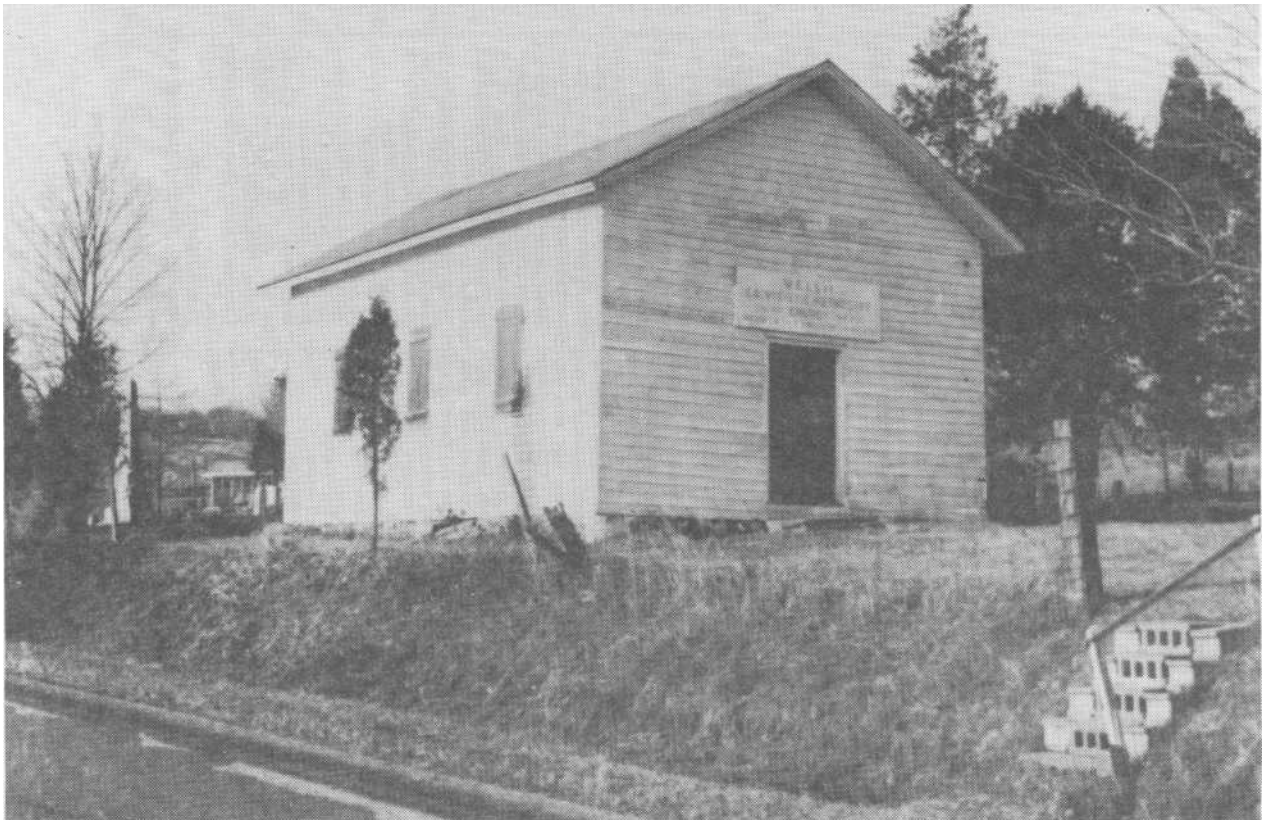
"Compliments of
Waldo Taylor,
Candidate for Probate Judge."

—Wanted: Sewing by the day, or with fashionable dressmaker. Inquire of Mrs. Belle Beace, three doors north of Presbyterian Church.

**A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE
SHARON VALLEY
WELSH CALVINISTIC METHODIST CHURCH**

Forty years ago, in March, 1956, William T. Richards of the Granville Historical Society and the Granville Cambrian Society prepared a brief history of the Sharon Valley Welsh Church on the occasion of the rededication of the building the preceding October 23. On this fortieth anniversary of that rededication, the Editors of The Historical Times thought it appropriate to publish afresh Mr. Richard's thoughtful and informative account of an important religious congregation in Granville Township.

Maggie Brooks provided the original document from the Cambrian Society files. The document is published here as written with the exception of some minor editorial changes and the addition of the headings.



An Early Photograph of the Welsh Church

The Welsh Come to Granville

The "Welsh Hills" near Granville, Ohio, were settled a few years before the arrival of a party from Massachusetts to establish the village of Granville in November of 1805. The first settler, and a great part of those who came to the "Welsh Hills" were of Welsh blood--many direct from Wales. It was natural that these Welsh folks, staunch church members in their native land, should seek to establish regular Sabbath School, Prayer Meetings and Preaching Services in the Welsh language.

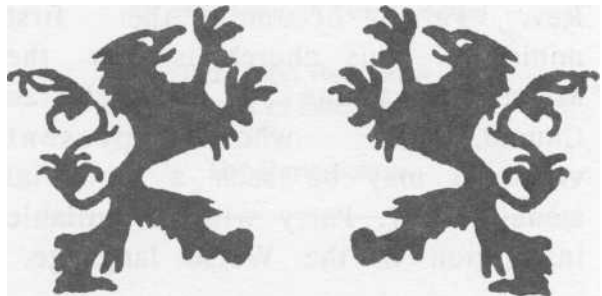
Since Church services, in the English language, were held in Granville from the very first Sabbath of its existence, certain of the Welsh, notably Deacon Theophilus Rees, constantly attended the services although Mr. Rees and others could not understand English. Certain of the Welsh settlers, among them William T. Williams, direct from Wales, James Evans and Robert Walker, Welshmen from Oneida County, New York, united temporarily with the English Congregational Church of Granville.

A Congregation by 1833

By 1833, there was the nucleus for a congregation of Welsh Methodists whose doctrine was Calvinistic. The first step toward founding their church was the

establishment of a Welsh Sabbath School in the stone school house which had been built in 1825 by Joseph Evans and Thomas Hughes, some two miles northeast of Granville. Welsh prayer meetings were begun shortly after, as evening services--either in the school house or in nearby cabins.

In October, 1834, the Rev. Edward Jones traveled on foot from his home in Cincinnati to preach a few sermons in Welsh to his countrymen in Sharon Valley and in Granville at the home of Jenkin Hughes. He repeated this feat of pedestrianism in 1835. It was during this visit that he organized--on October 25--the pioneer Welsh Church in Licking County, at the old stone school house. For the organization of this church, Rev. Jones had the assistance of Rev. William Morgan who had arrived from Pittsburgh and was living at Mary Ann Furnace.



The original members of the new church thus begun were:

"William T. and Mrs. Williams
James and Mrs. Evans
Alban, Mrs., and Miss Albans
John J. and Mrs. Evans
Nathaniel, Mrs. and Miss Jane
Davis
William and Mrs. Lewis
Robert Walter
Jenkin Hughes
William Parry"

Rev. William Parry

At the meeting of the organization, the Rev. William Parry was licensed to preach. Rev. Parry was ordained in 1839 and became the settled minister in this new church, serving in this capacity until 1854.

It is interesting to note that Rev. William Parry walked to Columbus many times to assist in organizing a Calvinistic Methodist Church there. When the Columbus church built its first building at the corner of fifth and Long streets, Rev. Parry became the first minister. This church is now the Miami Avenue Presbyterian Church, in whose present vestibule may be seen a memorial stone to Rev. Parry with a suitable inscription in the Welsh language.

The Church Building

In 1836, the trustees of the Welsh Methodist Church purchased a lot

in Sharon Valley containing an acre of ground for the erection of a church building and for a burial plot. The present frame building was started promptly and finished the following year--1837. It was the first frame building in the neighborhood, measuring 21 by 30 feet, and costing \$321.89--beside gratuitous labor performed by friends of the enterprise.

This quaint little church is well designed, having an attractive pulpit and chancel of cherry, mourners bench of matching style and finish, wainscoating of walnut, and wooden pegs set in strips along the walls where wraps were hung. For evening services, light was provided by oil lamps set in reflector brackets on the walls. Heat was provided by a stove--the pews near it being arranged to face the stove on three sides. This arrangement was well adapted for the Sabbath school class which met before church and for the comfort of older folks many of whom walked across the fields to attend.

By the [late] 1800's, attendance at the Sharon Valley Church had dwindled and services were discontinued. During the succeeding years, all furnishings, save those built into the structure, disappeared, and the adjoining burial lot bore the marks of neglect. Still the church, the pines and the dark junipers stood watch over the graves of those sturdy

pioneers who in former years had found instruction, comfort, and the means of Grace in this place.

The 1950's Restoration

In 1950, the Granville Cambrian Society began to take an active interest in the restoration and preservation of this Welsh landmark. A survey of the church structure and grounds was encouraging and work began. Further encouragement came in the form of a quit-claim deed for the property, drawn to the Society by Mrs. Hannah Evans Jones of Granville, who was the sole living communicant member of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church as originally organized.

Under the inspiration and leadership of Miss Jeanette Evans, acting for the Cambrian Society there has followed an out-pouring of money and labor for the needed structural repairs and to completely refinish and refurnish the sanctuary. There has been no intention to modernize the structure, although a reed organ has been added--something the church never had in its active years. Outside, a beginning has been made in the matter of paint and the care of the grounds. In the burial lot, 39 graves have been identified and recorded.

By October of 1955, the church was deemed ready for public participation. During the first

week of October, as part of Granville's sesquicentennial celebration, the doors were open to many who came to see an institution which had contributed its quiet share to the village history.

The Rededication Service

On Sunday afternoon of October 23, 1955, a service of Rededication was held with an overflow of 110 in attendance. The program on that occasion was as follows:

Welsh Hymns
Led by Prof. George D. Morgan

High School Quartette
Miss Jacqueline Goodwin
Miss Janet Piper
Miss Barbara Kidwell
Mr. David McKierman

Dedicatory Address
Rev. Evan D. Jones

Historical Notes
Mr. William T. Richards

Congregational Hymn

Presentation of the Church
Mrs. Perry Kelley
(for Mrs. Hannah Evans Jones)

Dedication Response
Prayer of Dedication

The Benediction

Postscript: Serious neglect of the building followed the rededication. <u>In 1995, the building was razed.</u>
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Thus it is that after a silence of 70 years, a modest temple dedicated to God's use and purpose 118 years before, took on new life with the preaching of the Word and with songs of praise in the Welsh Tongue. What may lie ahead for this church is not clearly revealed; suffice it for the present, that the Spirit of Nehemiah has moved in the Welsh Hills."

Prepared by
William T. Richards
for the Granville Cambrian Society

March, 1956

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A poem from the pen of
Dr. I. T. Evans,
the Grandson of
Theophilus Rees.

Time was, and that in twice
a century
When this fair spot, of Natures
realm was part;
Where here her untaught
children wandered free;--
When here was found no white
man's law or art.

'Tis all too late to gather records
well
When they who know are laid
upon the shelf,
So I, my friends, as they have
naught to tell,
Must give you less, thus thrown
upon myself.



At the Rededication Service: William T. Richards, The Rev. Evan Jones,
George D. Morgan, and Wendell Jones at the organ.

CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE

ANNOUNCEMENT

Kevin Bennett announces that the April Meeting of the Roundtable will be on Tuesday, April 16, at 7:30 PM in the Old Academy Building, Main and Elm Streets.

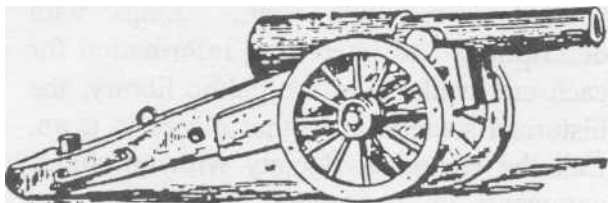
Tim Mellotte will meet with the Roundtable on the following topic:

**"John Mosby:
Confederate Raider
or
War Criminal."**

Mr. Mellotte, an attorney who is interested in Civil War Issues, will discuss the laws of war in the context of an analysis of Mosby's actions during his raiding parties.

Kevin reminds Society Members that the May Meeting will be the long awaited debate between Jamie Ryan and Clarke Wilhelm on the role of George McClellan in the Civil War.

May 21 at 7:30 in the
Old Academy Building.



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We hope that the members
of the Society
enjoy our special
expanded format.

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The former citizens of Granville who visited during the 1993 Old Colony Walking Tour.

Old Colony News

Flash! The Annual Walking Tour of the Old Colony Burying Ground will be held this year on Wednesday May 8th, from 7:00 PM until dark. Save this date and come with your friends. Once again, several of Granville's 19th Century citizens will be waiting there to tell us about their life and times and will join us for refreshments in the Old Academy Building following the tour. If you haven't visited the cemetery since last year you can admire the obelisk monuments standing tall, one of the major accomplishments of last summer, you will see the new trees which are the first stage in landscaping improvement, and learn about plans for this season. Have you missed the main gate? It will be back soon, without the coat of rust and ready for another eighty years.

The Fannins will be back in early May and again in August with their inspiration and expertise. Scheduled work days for volunteers will be: April 27, May 11 (with the Fannins here), June 1, June 22, July 20, August 10 (the Fannins will be back), August 24, September 14 and October 5. Each will start at 9:00 AM with coffee. All are welcome. You do not need skill or strength to help, just come with a smile.

Two self-guided tours of the cemetery have been laid out this year. Maps with descriptions and interesting information for each are available at the public library, the historical society, and other places in town. Call the Historical Society with questions, comments, or suggestions.