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THE U. S. Ship, BALTIMORE

Built at Williamsburg, NY in 1836.

First registered at NY on 1 April 1837;

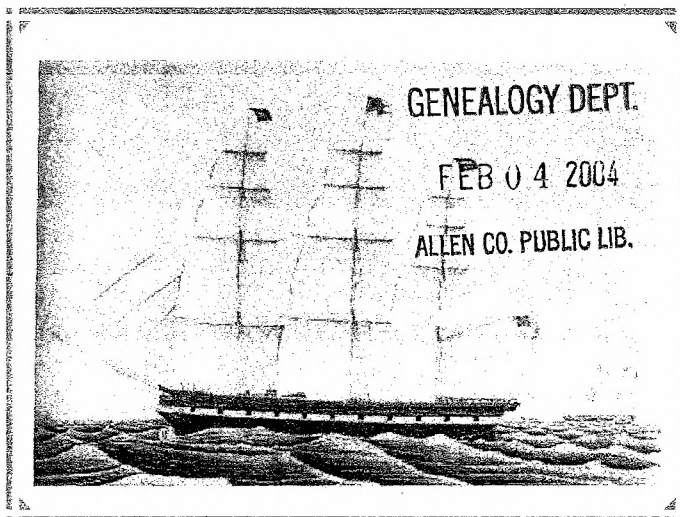
658 tons; 139 ft x 32 ft 6 in x 22 ft;

2 decks; square stern, woman figurehead.

She sailed from 1837 to 1851; during this period her westbound passages averaged 39 days, her shortest passage being 22 days, her longest 78.

from Palmer List of Merchant Vessels

source: Carl C. Cutler, "Queens of the Western Ocean; The Story of America's Mail and Passenger Sailing Lines"



RAUSIS FAMILY

Maurice Nicholas and Anna Ursula Jauris Rausis

Researched and Submitted by Margery Ryan Graham

Margery is a great-granddaughter of Joseph and Mary Louise Rausis Gerardot

Maurice Nicholas Rausis left his homeland of Switzerland with his wife, **Anna Ursula Jauris** and four children, **Morris Felix**, **Mary Alexandria**, **Mary Louise** and **Francis Nicholas** in 1840. They made their way to the port of Le Harve, France where they purchased passage to America on the ship

U. S. Baltimore. The Baltimore was a packet ship weighing 658 tons that made regular runs between Le Harve and the port of New York carrying passengers and merchandise. With **Captain Richard D. Conn** at the helm, the ship left Thursday, August 30th and arrived in New York 21 days later on September 20, 1849. Also on the ship were passengers **F. Batest Rausis**, age 62, **Angeline Rausis**, age 59, **Marie Rausis**, age 24, **Rufelin** (?) a male, age 12 and **Rosine Rausis**, a one-month-old girl who died on board ship. Where or not they are related to Maurice is unknown at this time.

Maurice, a farmer by occupation, and his family traveled to Stark County, Ohio where they settled in the French community in Nimishillen Township. Being of Swiss French ancestry, they were quite comfortable with their surroundings. Fourteen months after his arrival in the United States, Maurice was listed as the owner of real estate valued at 700 dollars on the 1850 Federal census. He continued farming until he retired. Maurice and Anna, who was ten years older than her husband, had only one child born in the United States. **Mary Sarah** was born March 13, 1853 in Stark County, Ohio when Anna was 48 years old.

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President's Message...

Besançon, February, 2004

The Besançon Historical Society welcomes the new vice president, Mary Jane Novosel. The rest of the officers remain the same. Thanks to Jerry Begue for all he has done as past VP. He will now be spending most of his time in sunny Florida.

The Gladys Nail Lomont room is finished and can be visited when the archives are open. The room is one of the rooms on the second floor of the parish office where the archives are located. Please sign the guest book when you visit. Joyce was the main figure behind the organizing of Gladys's memorabilia and obtaining the furniture. Terri Gorney and myself helped place the pictures and other items in the room. Thanks, Joyce, the room looks great.

The Besançon Historical Society is researching cemetery restoration. Contact has been made with John Brahier of the Indiana Historical Society who made a suggestion on repair of older stones. He suggests digging an earthen foundation and even mixing in some clay and small stones around the monument while resetting. Also, a Blackford County resident, Mark Davis has not only done restoration work on tombstones, but he also gives demonstrations. Anyone interested in attending a meeting at the Bluffton Library (Wells County, Indiana) on May 15th, 2004 at 9:00 A. M. will hear Mark speak and then have hands on demonstration at the cemetery.

Plans are under way for an Easter and Christmas celebration with the Besançon church choir for the year 2004. The event will take place Sunday afternoon approximately two to three weeks before the holiday. Please watch for the upcoming announcements of the events in the local paper.

If anyone is planning research in Indianapolis, jot down this new address for the Vital Records Office: 6 W. Washington Street, in downtown Indy. The office is opened 10:00 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. on Monday through Friday.

Individuals seeking birth and death certificates should enter through the Washington Street entrance, located across from Circle Centre mall, and west of the intersection of Meridian and Washington. Information about ordering certificates is available at www.statehealth.in.gov; Click on birth and death certificates. The phone number is 1-317-233-2700. The Fort Wayne Department of Health is www.fw-ac-deptohealth.com.

A tentative schedule for meeting of the Besançon Historical Society for the year 2004 are: January 31, March 20, May 22, July 24, September 25 and November 20.

Barbara

MISSION of The Besançon Historical Society

ARTICLE II - SECTION 2:

The mission of the Besançon Historical Society of East Allen County is to preserve, interpret, and foster a deeper understanding of the history, heritage, and culture of the rural community known as Besançon, Indiana, generally located in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and which has as its central focus,

Saint Louis Catholic Church

Established: 1994

MEMBERSHIP DUES

payable, first of January, 2004

Individual - \$12.00

Family - \$17.00

Lifetime - \$200.00

send a check

attn.: Treasurer, Besançon Historical Society

friends of Besançon...

OUR PROFOUND SYMPATHIES: are extended to **Gene and Shirley Yoquelet**, on the death of his father, **Glen E Yoquelet**, of rural Markle, who passed away December 26, 2003. He was born in Huntington County, and is survived by Gene, Bobby G. and MaryAlice. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary in 1992. Gene and Shirley are active members of Besançon Historical Society with Gene serving as President for four years and now the treasurer.

WELCOME: To our New Vice President! **Mary Jane Novosel** became a member of Besançon Historical Society at the time the stained glass windows were being restored at St. Louis Catholic Church. Recently moving from Chicago to the Fort Wayne area, she has become a more active member and shares a great deal of genealogy and involvement with BHS. Her ancestral line is the "Reuilles of Old Besançon". by chance, this is the title of the history of the **John Claude and Joseph Reuille** that was published by Mary Jane's mother, **Jane Morow** and brother, **Michael Roy Morow**. Mary Jane, her husband and two teenagers enjoy reading, tennis, skiing and fishing.



THIS PHOTO OF THE ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL, BESANÇON shows students in the fifth grade about 1927. First row: Virgil Frane, Bernon Jacquay, ? Ternet, Joseph Lothamer, Raymond Chausse. Second Row: Wilfred Bowers, Charles DeBaillie, Ed Townsend, Dallas Gerardot, Joe Ternet, Clarence Voirol, Norbert Martin, Woodie Martin. Third row: Wilbur Gerardot, Thama Grremaux, Catherine Lomont, Pearl Maire, Geraldine Gerardot, Catherine Louraine, Eleanore Gremaux, Cecilia Lopshire, Bernice Oberley, Back row: Mary Kline, Lucile Reuille, ? Ternet, Lucille Converset, Margaret Ternet, Helen Mourey, Mary Ellen Dodane, Veronica Gremaux.

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Anna Jauris Rausis kept the tradition of using her maiden name with her married name. In numerous records she is found as Anna Jauris Rausis or Anna Ursula Jauris Rausis. She was found in one record as Anna Jane, misinterpretation of her maiden name. When Maurice purchased the land, she was also shown in the deed record as a purchaser, an practice not usually found in American records.

They did not remain long in Ohio. A number of French families from Stark County were moving to another French settlement of Besançon in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana. Maurice and his family also made the move. He and Anna purchased 80 acres in section 19 of Jefferson Township. They paid **Paoli S. Tarr** and his wife, **Sarah McFarland Tarr**, \$400.00 for the land on February 11, 1856. Maurice and Anna would remain in the township the rest of their lives.

A look at the 1860 agriculture census shows Maurice owning 90 acres, 30 of which had been improved. He had six cattle, four working oxen, nine sheep and 15 swine. Wheat, Indian corn, and potatoes were raised. He produced wool, butter, cheese, maple sugar and molasses.

After settling in the new area, Maurice decided to become a naturalized citizen. The process was completed on September 24, 1860 in Allen County circuit court. He gave his age as 44 years placing his birth date about 1816 in Switzerland. His signature appears on the document as Maurice Rausis. Now he had acquired the right to vote, and in politics he became a staunch republican.

The records of St. Louis Catholic Church at Besançon contain many entries of both Maurice and Anna as godparents to many children and witnesses to weddings.

They were devout Catholic and members of the St. Louis parish renting pew number 46. Maurice made a contribution for a beautiful blue and gold stained glass window that bears his name on the east side of the church.

Maurice wrote his will April 15, 1882 leaving his property to his beloved wife, Anna Jauris Rausis. He died August 25, 1888 and is buried in the old of St. Louis Church. Anna Jauris Rausis wrote her will November 27, 1888, three months after her husband's death. She died the next day and is buried in the old cemetery also. Anna left \$400.00 to her granddaughter, Sarah Gerardot, all of her household goods and kitchen furniture to her only surviving daughter, Louisa Gerardot (wife of Joseph). She provided for her other grandchildren, children of her deceased daughter, Mary and to her sons, Maurice and Frank, all residue of her personal property after paying doctor bills and funeral expense.

The children of Maurice and Anna Rausis:

Maurice (Morris) Felix, born March 22, 1842,
Mary Alexandria, born June 22, 1843
Mary Louise, born July 4, 1845,
Francis Nicholas, born July 1849,
Mary Sarah, born 1853

Mary Sarah was the only child of Maurice and Anna born in America.

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Maurice F. Rausis married first **Elizabeth A. Snyder**, daughter of **James and Susanna Linn Snyder** on August 11, 1865 in Allen County, Indiana. He died July 6, 1933, age 91, at Monroeville, Indiana and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery at New Haven, Indiana. Elizabeth died November 17, 1901 and is also buried in the IOOF cemetery at New Haven. Maurice married his second wife, **Elizabeth Chapman** on June 16, 1903 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Maurice was also know as **Morris F. Rose**. He served in the Civil War enlisting at New Haven, on August 10, 1862 in the famous Company D, 88th regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He was assigned to the front, and took part in the battles of Perryville, Ky, Stone River, Chichamauga, Look-out Mt, Missionary Ridge, TN, and was with General Sherman with the 'march to the sea'. By the end of the war he had been promoted to Sergeant, and was with Sherman's forces on the march through the Carolinas to Richmond, then on to the national capital where he took part in the Grand Review. He obtained a pension from the State of Indiana and was a member of the William H. Link Post #301 GAR of Monroeville, Indiana., where at one time he was the commander.

Morris and his first wife had the following children; they were all born in Jefferson Township. There were no children by his second wife.

Lucy A., born June 24, 1866, married **William Sherman Townsend**, son of **Peter and Sarah Ann Neal Townsend**, **Ada V.**, born March 20, 1868, married **John Martin**. **James Robert**, born April 5, 1870, married **Mary Favory**. **Sarah Amanda**, born March 4, 1872, married **Harmon Louis Lomont**, son of **Francois and Celilia Jean-Peters Lomont**. **Susan May**, born June 25, 1874 married **Curt Allen**. **William M.**, born September 21, 1876, married **Nettie Wright**. **Maud A.**, born 1878, **Minnie A.**, born March 8, 1881 married **Hayden Hullinger**. **Amy**, born August 3, 1883, married **Frank Reynolds**. **Gracie Blanch**, born August 29, 1885, married **John Comment**; and **Maggie**, born January 20, 1887



Morris F. Rose and wife
Picture from Joyce Lomont-Crowl

Mary Alexandria Rausis married **Francis Auguste "Frank" Savieo** on March 28, 1861, Father Grevin officiating. Their marriage record is in St. Vincent's parish, of which St. Louis was a mission church in the 1860's. Mary died March 22, 1884 at the age of 40. Her children would inherit from their grandmother, Anna Jauris Rausis.

The children and the dates they were born are: **Joseph**, 1862, **Frank**, 1864, **Mary Anna**, 1866, **Louise Eugenie**, April 28, 1868, **Louis** February 19, 1871 **Edward Elexis** May 20, 1873, **Lucy Elizabeth**, June 11, 1875, **Sarah Jean** October 16, 1877 **John William**, April 21, 1880

Mary Louise Rausis married **Joseph Gerardot** August 23, 1860 at St. Louis Catholic Church. Joseph was the son of **Alexis and Mary Rivard Gerardot**. They lived on their farm on Tillman Road, next to his parents and not far from her parents. Louise, being the only surviving daughter received all her mother's kitchen utensils and furniture as part of her inheritance. Louise gave birth to 14 children but names to only 12 have been found. She died August 3, 1911 and is buried in St. Louis cemetery. Their children were born in Jefferson Township and baptized at St. Louis.

The children of Joseph and Mary Louise Rausis
Gerardot

James, born in 1868, and married **Mary Belle Hullinger** in 1898. Jim was accidentally shot while rabbit hunting when his dog ran under a cocked shotgun that he had propped up on a log. Although he was rushed to St. Joseph' hospital in Fort Wayne he did not survive surgery. He was 39 years old when he died in 1907. They had no children, and both are buried in the IOOF cemetery in New Haven.

Francis Maurice was born March 20, 1878, and there is no other information.

Lucy Ann was born November, 1871 and married **Andrew Bolyard** in 1893 and they had 12 children. **Walter Andrew, Ida Alice, Bertha Mary, Maurice Joseph, Luetta Belle, Grace Viola, John Edgar, Daniel Ralph, Wilbur Gerald**, and twins, **Lucille and Elsie**. See the *Balliet, Balliett, Balliette, Balyeat, Bolyard and Allied Families histories for details*. Lucy died March 11, 1957 and is buried at St. Louis.

Mary G. was born in 1873 and married **John O. Welch** in 1898. Their children were **John J, Edgar B, Edna M, Russell James, Mary L, and Maurice Anthony**. They lived in Fort Wayne where Mary died April 27, 1959 She is buried in the Catholic Cemetery in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Virginia Clara born July 25, 1875 was known by the name **Jennie**. Her marriage took place on May 24, 1899 in St. Louis church to **Joseph Ryan**, son of **Thomas and Mary Broderick Ryan**. The children are **Norbert Joseph, Sylvester Charles, Walter James, Byron Patrick, Thomas Joseph, Mary Marjorie, De-lores Ida, and Elise Evelyn**. Jennie died of cancer August 4, 1940 and is buried at Besançon.

Maurice Nicholas was born July 11, 1877, and married **Ellen Cecelia Ryan**, daughter of **Thomas and Mary Broderick Ryan**.



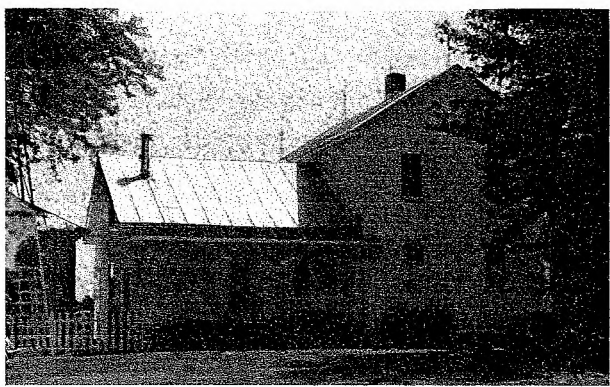
MARY LOUISE RAUSIS GERARDOT

Picture from Margery Ryan Graham

They were married on April 22, 1903 at St. Louis and are the parents of the following children; **Leonard Joseph, William Ambrose, Lillian Mary, Maurice Ambrose, Andrew Thomas, Nolan Wilson, and Merlin James**. Maurice died May 13, 1961 and is buried in St. Louis cemetery.

Rosa Anna was born December 25, 1879. She was known as Dell. She married **John Ryan**, son of **Thomas and Mary Broderick Ryan**, on October 2, 1901 at St. Louis. They had one daughter, **Claribell**, who was born in 1902. She married **Edward Snyder**; she died in 1963 at a daughter's home and is buried at Besançon.

Joseph Lafayette was born February 4, 1881 and was known as Lafe. He married **Elizabeth 'Eliza' Wagner**, in 1909. They had one daughter. Lafe died in 1962 and is buried in the IOOF cemetery.



**Joseph and Mary Louis Rausis Gerardot Home
on Tillman Road.**

picture taken in 1985 by Margery Ryan Graham

Mariam Eleanor was born February 9, 1884, baptized March 24, 1884 and died December 25, 1884.

Henry Eli born June, 1885 and married **Lillian H. Ternet**, daughter of **Emile J. and Amelia R. Gladieux Ternet** on October 1, 1912 at St. Louis. Their children are: **Manfred Joseph, Delores Cecelia, Wilbur Louis, George Emmett, Mary Eileen, Mary Collette, Rita Clare, Juanita C., Monica, and Jackie Ruth.** Henry died June 8, 1965 and is buried in St. Louis cemetery.

Leandrum Walter born December 16, 1889, baptized January 29, 1900 and died November 26, 1891.

Sherman Leandrum was born November 12, 1892. He never married and his estate was divided among all of his nieces and nephews.

Francis "Frank" Nicholas Rausis married **Lenora Monnier** on September 5, 1874 in Allen County, Indiana. He died July 1, 1902 and is buried at Besançon. Lenora, was the daughter of **Jean Pierre Meunier and Marie Giant**, died on April 29, 1940 and is buried with her husband. Their children are: Anna Rosa, born June 29, 1875, married **Frank H. Pranger**, Louis Nicholas,

Lenora Ellen, born February 4, 1880, married **Ephraim J. Bacon**, **Ida Alice**, born August 8, 1882, **Margaret May**, born March 8, 1888, **Frank Eliam**, born June 15, 1890, married **Salome Mack**, **Jessie Leonard**, born, June 11, 1894, married **Velma Hanefeld**, **Erma Agnes**, born, December 4, 1898, married **Morton Hathaway**, and **Morris R.** born January 26, 1902.

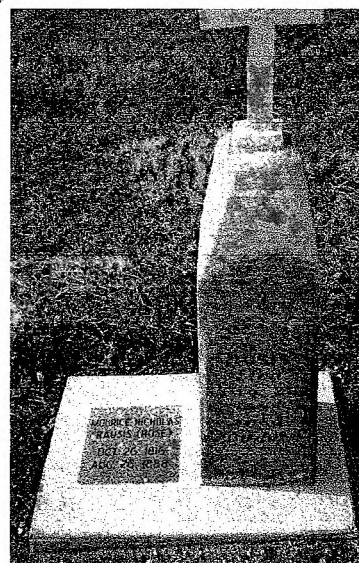
The youngest child of Maurice and Anna Jauris Rausis was **Mary Sarah Rausis**. She married **Edward Gerardot**, son of **Alexis and Mary Rivard Gerardot** on December 21, 1871. Sarah died on February 28, 1873, shortly after the birth of her child. She is buried in St. Louis Catholic cemetery. Their daughter is **Sarah R.**, born February 29, 1873. She married **Francois "Frank" Girardot**, son of **Charles Joseph and Anne Francois Converset Girardot**.

Members of the Besançon Historical Society who are direct descendants of Maurice and Anna Jauris Rausis are: Margery Ryan Graham, Delores Gerardot Lomont, Faye Holmes McCallister, Eileen Gerardot Renier, Curt Crowl and Joyce Lomont Crowl. Please contact me: Joyce Lomont Crowl, if you are also a descendant.

This stone was laying flat in the St. Louis cemetery until 2002,

when **Joseph and Faye Holmes**

McCallister had the two stones of Anna Jauris and Maurice Nicolas Rausis raised and restored with the memorial plaque place beside each. Only the darker portion of the stone was visible until then.



Rural Route Directory, 1918

Allen County, Indiana

This directory was printed in 1916.

Donald Fry, a member of BHS, discovered it and sent a copy to the archives. Gene Yoquelet selected only the French surnames to be published.

ROUTE#1 Ft Wayne,NE Paul Brudi,carrier

Banet, Jos.	St Joe twp, 139 acres owner
Blume, Chas E	St Joe twp, renter
Delegrange, Jos C	Perry twp, 139 acres owner
Dupont, Marcellus	Perry twp, 70 acres owner
Girard, Jules	Wash twp, 159 acres owner
Grosjean, Felix	Wash twp, renter
Martin, Julian	Perry twp, 232 acres owner
Pequinot, Julian C.	St Joe twp, 61 acres owner
Pichon, Chas C.	Perry twp, 51 acres owner
Rosselot, Louis G	St Joe twp, 79 acres owner
Urbine, Frank	St Joe twp, 48 acres Joint deed

ROUTE#2 Ft Wayne,NE John G. Brudi,carrier

Badiac, Chas	Wash twp, 90 acres owner
Badiac, Isadore W	Perry twp, 90 acres owner
Banet, Jos	St Joe twp, 139 acres owner
Bercot, Henry	St Joe twp, 19 acres owner
Bobay, Augustine	St Joe twp, 38 acres owner
Bobay, Clarence	St Joe twp, 5 acres owner
Bobay, Edw C	St Joe twp, 8 acres owner
Bobay, Frank J	Perry twp, renter
Bobay, Henry	St Joe twp, renter
Bobay, Jos A	St Joe twp, renter
Grosjean, Adolph	Wash twp, 80 acres owner
Grosjean, Jno	Wash twp, renter
Oddou, Isadore	St Joe twp, renter
Pepe, Alex L	Wash twp, 216 acres owner
Pepe, Jos P	Wash twp, renter
Pepe, Jules	St Joe twp, 84 acres owner
Pepe, Julius	St Joe twp, 7 acres owner
Pichon, Chas J	St Joe twp, renter
Roy, Chas P.	Perry twp, 40 acres Joint deed & 40 acres owner

Sordelet, Anthony	St Joe twp, 2 acres owner
Sordelet, Frank C	Wash twp, renter
Sordelet, Frank P	St Joe twp, 55 acres owner
Sordelet, Jos A	Wash twp, renter
Sordelet, Jos A	Perry twp, 100 acres owner
Sordelet, Louis	St Joe twp, renter
Sordelet, Victor	Perry twp, 80 acres owner
Urbine, J Clem	Perry twp, renter

From **Marge Graham**: *reprinted from the "Allen County Lines" September, 2000*

"We all know that the 1890 census is gone except for a few counties. While searching The Wabash Plain Dealer, (IN) June 13, 1890, page 3, column 1, I came across this paragraph. *"Since the census enumerators began their work, one has committed suicide and a half dozen others in central New York have been thumped within a inch of their lives by individuals who took offense at some of the questions addressed to them. The pathway of the office-holder is not always thickly strewn with roses"*.

From the Editor ... Thanks to all of you who have so generously shared your family stories, letters and related research. Remember your contributions are appreciated, please keep them coming!

Only
1 YOU
2 parents
4 grandparents
8 great grandparents
16 gg grandparents
32 ggg grandparents
64 gggg grandparents
128 ggggg grandparents
256 gggggg grandparents
512 ggggggg grandparents
1,024 gggggggg grandparents
2,048 ggggggggg grandparents
4,096 gggggggggg grandparents
8,192 gggggggggg grandparents
16,384 ggggggggggg grandparents
32,768 gggggggggggg grandparents
65,536 gggggggggggg grandparents
131,072 gggggggggggg grandparents
262,144 gggggggggggg grandparents
524,288 gggggggggggg grandparents
1,048,576 gggggggggggg grandparents
2,097,152 gggggggggggg grandparents



EVER WONDER ...

..why our work never seems done?

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Yesteryears ...

copied and submitted by Jane Morow

Fort Wayne Journal Gazette ,02 September , 1905

The Famous Eighty-Eighth Annual Reunion of Company D held at Monroeville. Last Tuesday at Monroeville occurred the annual reunion of Company D, Eighty-eighth Indiana volunteers. Of this company, fifty-three are still living out of 115 who went to the front. The Hon. Mr. Bryant, colonel of the 88th Indiana, was present to greet his comrades, many of whom were fearful of ever again greeting their gallant commander. *(Members present were listed, plus the program was described)* *Fort Wayne Journal Gazette, 25 January, 1907.* **TILLMAN STATION,** Monday night at 10:30, the farm residence of **Morris Rose**, one mile west of this place, caught fire and burned to the ground. **Haden Hullinger**, who resides on the farm was just returning home from town when he saw the house burning. He awakened his family and with the aid of neighbors he saved all his household goods. *03 June, 1915* Funeral services for the deceased **John B. Roy** occurred last Monday morning at the St. Louis Besançon church interment in the cemetery, adjoining. Some time previous Mr Roy had bought a place in that cemetery and had a monument erected for his own grave as he was the last of his family, he had prearranged for his burial. He will be remembered as an old resident of Jefferson township. ... **Mr H S Coulardot** drove to New Haven for the purpose of getting a barrel of oil recently shipped there for him. ... **Mr Justan Comment**, who for the past few months has been abroad, returned last week. **Mr and Mrs Clarence Townsend** and little son, **Edwin and Mrs William Townsend** motored to Ft Wayne to call on **Mrs Owen Falls**. They make the trip nearly every day. Mrs Falls is slightly improved. Her daughter, **Miss Ida**, who would have completed a course in training nursing at Philadelphia by the holidays, is here at her mother's bedside and will assist in caring for her. ... **Mr and Mrs Clarence Roy**, of Edgerton, was the guests of **Mr and Mrs August Jackuay** (sic) last Monday. ... **Mr and Mrs Morris Gierardot** (sic) have the congratulations of their many friends over the arrival of a fine son, it being christened last Sunday. **Mr and Mrs Patrick Ryan** of Gar Creek were the sponsors and gave it the name of **Nolan Patrick**. ... **Mr Henry Girardot**, of Zulu, attended the ball game at Monroeville last Monday. His wife, and baby, **Carl**, spent the afternoon with **Mr and Mrs Henry Reuille** and **Mr Joseph Reuille** accompanied Mr Girardot to the game. *30 May 1915* **Mr Arsane Gremaux** had the misfortune to lose a young colt last week. ... **Mr Maynard Vanhorn** returned home Wednesday evening after ten days' trip to Arizona. He is well pleased with his trip and brought many species of the crops and relics from that place... *31 May, 1915* **Mr Louis Roussel and Emiel Ternet** had the New Haven telephone placed in their residences, Tuesday..

All officers are on the Internet:
Let us know how we are doing!

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31 May 1915 ...

The North Side Sewing circle was entertained at the home of **Mrs Peter Reuille**, Thursday afternoon. After a few hours of sewing a lunch was served to the following guests: **Mrs Ernest Lomont, Mrs Edward Voirol, Mrs Charles Girardot, Mrs August Roussey, Mrs Justin Voirol, Mrs Edward Lomont, Mrs Frank Voirol, Mrs Frank Lomont, Mrs Clem Girardot, Mrs William Rorick, Mrs Charles Lomont, Mrs Edward Huguenard, Mrs Louis Jacquay, Mrs Paul Mourey, Mrs Pete Reuille, and Grandma Reuille.**

TOWNSEND LIBRARY

The following family histories can be found in the Townsend Library located in the Besançon Historical Society archives.

SURNAME	SPOUSE	TITLE/NUMBER
◇ AUGUSTYNIAK		AUGUSTYNIAK FAMILY - 929.2 A923
◇ BACON, SAMUEL		SAMUEL BACON DESCENDANTS - 929.9 B12b
◇ BACON, SOCRATES		SOCRATES BACON - 929.2 B129
◇ BASKIN	<i>EARP, Anna</i>	CALHOUN, HAMILTON, BASKIN - 929.2 C152
◇ BAUER, MICHAEL,	<i>STEINBONHEIM, Marie M</i>	MICHAEL & MARIE BAUER - 929.2 F935t
◇ BAUER-BOWERS		BAUER-BOWERS - 929.2 b344mi
◇ BEUCHAT, BERNARD		BEUCHAT/PACQUELET - 929.2 B372
◇ BEURET		BEURET GENEALOGY -929.2 B568
◇ BOWERS		BOWERS FAMILY - 929 B786
◇ BOWERS		BOWERSGENEALOGY - 929.2 B344ma
◇ CALHOUN		CALHOUN,HAMILTON,BASKIN - 929.2 C152
◇ CASTLEMAN, HENRY		HENRY CASTLEMAN - 929.2 C27973
◇ CAYOT		CAYOT HISTORY - 929.2 C385
◇ COCHOIT, JOSEPH	<i>JULLIARD, Hortense Rondot</i>	JOSEPH COCHOIT - 929.2 C642r
◇ FRENCH IMMIGRANTS		EARLY FRENCH IMMIGRANTS - 977.201P15dmm
◇ GEANT-GIANT		GEANT-GIANT GENEALOGY - 929.2 G433
◇ GIRARDOT, JOSEPH		JOSEPH GIRARDOT - 929.2 W167
◇ HAMILTON		CALHOUN, HAMILTON, BASKIN - 929.2 C152
◇ HAVERT, THEADORE	<i>JOLY, Mary</i>	HAVERT GENEALOGY - 929.2.H387
◇ HOUSER, GEORGE	<i>RONDOT, Amile E.</i>	GEORGE HOUSER - 929.2H8171r
◇ ISABEY, FLORENT	<i>GRANGIER, Catherine</i>	ISABEY FAMILY - 929.2 I74
◇ JACQUET, LAWRENCE	<i>PEQUIGNY, Rosalie</i>	LAWRENCE JACQUET - 929.2 J19g
◇ JULLIARD, FRANCOIS	<i>RONDOT,Hortense J.</i>	FRANCOIS JULLIARD - 929.2R6653203r
◇ LALLOZ, CLAUDE JOSEPH	<i>LENRY, Jeanne</i>	LALLOZ, CLAUDE JOSEPH - 929.2F663
◇ LOMONT, GLADYS		MY LIFE - LOMONT - 920 M846
◇ LOMONT		LOMONT FAMILY - L929.2 L946y
◇ LOTHAMER NEWSLETTERS		LOTHAMER NEWSLETTERS - 929.2 L90021
◇ MAIN, JOHN	<i>CROWE, Mary</i>	MAIN FAMILY GENEALOGY - 929.2 M224
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◇ MONNOT, PROSPER		PROSPER MONNOT/GUIGON - 929.2 M485
◇ PACQUELET/BEUCHAT		BEUCHAT/PACQUELET - 929.2B372
◇ PAILLOZ - PIO		PAILLOZ - PIO - 929.2 P158g
◇ PAYTON, JOHN ISAAC	<i>RONDOT, Josephine</i>	JOHN ISAAC PAYTON - 929.2 P296r
◇ PEIFFER, EDWARD L.	<i>RONDOT, Francis N.</i>	EDWARD L. PEIFFER - 929.2 P526
◇ PETITJEAN, X. F.		PETITJEAN 929.2 P214
◇ PLANK, DAVID H.	<i>RONDOT, Julia M.</i>	DAVID H. PLANK - 929.2 P712
◇ REUILLE		REUILLE 929.2 R318m
◇ RONDOT		RONDOT GENEALOGY - 929.2 R6653206r
◇ RONDOT, EUEGENE F.	ERVIN, Anna	EUGENE F. RONDOT - 929.2 R6653206e
◇ RONDOT, CHARLES A.		CHARLES A. RONDOT - 929.2 R6653206c
◇ RONDOT, CLAUDE FRANCIS	<i>PATAILLOT, Marie</i>	RONDOT/ATHESANS - 929.2 R66533ro
◇ RONDOT, EMILIE FRANK	<i>KRIECHER, Nora (DAY)</i>	EMILIE FRANK RONDOT - 929.2 R665324e
◇ RONDOT, JOHN AUGUST	<i>BLANCHETTE, Dorothea</i>	JOHN AUGUST RONDOT - 929 2 R6653204
◇ RONDOT, JOSEPH E.	<i>TRAHIN, Mary</i>	JOSEPH E. RONDOT - 929.2 R66532r
◇ RONDOT, JULIUS A.	<i>LUPTON, Emma</i>	JULIUS A. RONDOT - 929.2 R6053205r
◇ RONDOT, PHILISSE (FELIX)	<i>BROWN, Nancy</i>	PHILISEE J. RONDOT - 929.2 R665533r
◇ ROSSELOT, FREDRICH P.	<i>RONDOT, Philomene</i>	FREDRICH P. ROSSELOT - 929.2 R7365r
◇ ROUSSEY		ROUSSEY GENEALOGY - 929.2 R867
◇ ROUSSEY		ROUSSEY GENEALOGY - 929.2 R8674
◇ SINGER		SINGER FAMILY - 929.2 S617s
◇ SORDELET		SORDELET FAMILY - 929.2 S713
◇ SUNDERLAND, Wm F	<i>RONDOT, Sophia M.</i>	Wm F. SUNDERLAND - 929.2 S958
◇ TRAHIN, JACQUES	<i>TRAHIN, Francois</i>	JACQUES TRAHIN - 929.2 T678r
◇ URBINE		URBINE FAMILY - 929.2 U73
◇ VINOT, CLAUDE JOSEPH		CLAUDE VINOT - 929.2 V758
◇ VIOLAND		VIOLAND/MARCHAND - 929.2 V95
◇ WESTRICH/WESTRICK		WESTRICH/WESTRICK - 929.2 W53810



EPIDEMICS AFFECTING OUR ANCESTORS

Cholera: 1832-1834, 1848-50, 1854, 1865-66, 1871-73

Diphtheria: 1856-59, 1896, 1921

Influenza: 1807, 1826, 1879-80, 1918-1919

Small pox: 1868, 1882-83, 1898, 1901-03, 1905-13

Yellow Fever: 1793 (Philadelphia), 1853 (New Orleans), 1878 (Memphis)

OTHER FACTORS

Economic Recessions: 1819, 1837, 1857, 1873, 1893, 1907, 1930

Post War Migrations

Reform Movements: Abolitionism

Religious Movements: Revivalism

Government Actions: Land Acts, Indian Treaties

submitted by Barbara Gorney.

Editor's note: In order to always promote and introduce material of interest to our readers, - you - the members of Besançon Historical Society, we are happy to include any queries to help you in your research. We welcome all of you to send in questions you might have or information you would like to share. Please contact Barb Gorney or Joyce Crowl.

QUERIES

25a Is anyone researching the PEPE family which has been reported to have arrived in Allen County, as early as 1820, when **Joseph Pepe** bought Federal Land? Some have reported that the Pepes came from Geney, a village about 30 miles northeast of Besançon, Franche Comte, France. I am researching **Josephine Gamet**, born ca 1834 in France who married **Charles M. Joly** in Allen County, in 1852. I believe that she was a granddaughter of **Jeanne Pepe**, born ca 1790. Civil records in Geney in early 1800s show a number of Pepes and Gamets, but no connection could be made. Church records from the FHC do not cover that period of time. Any comments will be appreciated. **Pat Comiskey** (Pat is not a member of BHS, but contacted Barb Gorney via the Internet. If you can help with this query, please contact **Barb Gorney or Gene Yoquelet**).

Margie's findings

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Fort Wayne Weekly Sentinel, Wednesday, 15 August 1877, p.3:5 On Saturday, **Mr. Rose**, a farmer living in Jefferson township, three miles east of New Haven came to this city in a wagon with his wife and child. In returning home, about 7 in the evening, he attempted to cross the Wabash track at Elm Park, four miles from this city. The two engines attached to the cabooses had just passed, and Mr. Rose, supposing the road was clear, drove onto the track when a locomotive came past taking the tongue square off from the wagon and killing both horses instantly. The body of the wagon was not injured, but its occupants were nearly paralyzed with fear. The escape was remarkable.

(Is this Frank and Lenora Monnier Rose? If you have knowledge of this incident, please let us know)