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Continuing from #96 N-L page 1 & 2 by Mrs. Harry (Cleo) Gervin, Box 347, Gatlinburg, Tenn. 37738 (Gervinwold on the Norton)

When I thought, just where will I start this history? I knew that the answer was "at the beginning!" The beginning, as I believe, lies with the family of the above George Schambach's wife as her family history goes back into Germany, with records. To our knowledge, at this time, we have the Schambach line only to the time of their arrival in America, which was 1729.

The following history of the Boehm family came from one of the dependants of Rev. John (Johann) Philip Boehm and his first wife, Anna Maria Stehler, who is Capt. Robert R. Rhoad, U.S. Navy Retired, of 1200 Wedgewood Road, Flourtown, Pa. and was sent to Harold S. Shambaugh, who sent it on to me. My line comes down from the second wife of the Rev. Boehm. Now, tho I cannot prove this Boehm line is our line, everything mentioned pertaining to George Schambach, ties into all the records we have previously had of our George Schambach, who lived in Bucks County, Penn. before going to Virginia. I, am fully convinced after making a very thorough check with all our known records, that Elizabeth Boehm, who married George Shambach, weaver, of Upper Milford Township, Bucks County, Penn. on Dec. 27, 1739 at the Low Dutch Reformed Church at Southampton, Bucks Co., Penn., is my great great great grandmother! The following is the complete record:

1739, Dec. 27 Jurich (Geo.) Shambach, born in Germany, and Elizabeth Boehm, born in Whitpain Township (daughter of the Rev. John Philip Boehm)
 Note: Whitpain Twp. is in Montgomery Co., Penn., wherein was Rev. Boehm's Home!

Boehm Family History:

From account of "John Philip Boehm" by Wm. J. Hinks, Ph.D. D. D. Published 1916 and from the "Reunion--Apples Church" and of the Boehm Family by Harvey D. Leubach, 1895 (published 1902), Hellertown, Penn.:

- 1--Rev. Philip Ludwig Boehm (Bohm) b. 1646 Dorheim, Germany (Duchy of Hesse Vicinity Frankford On Main) d. 1718 m. (1st) Maria ----- (2nd) ----- Bernes, no children, Oct. 22, 1679 Pastor Reformed Congregation at Hochstadt Hanau, Germany. Last Congregation at wachen-Bochen. Children:
- 2--Rev. John Daniel Boehm b. circa 1672 Hochstadt Court Preacher to Count Von Donsau at Gutersblum, Hanau, Germany 6-12-1705 No further record.
- 2--Clement Ludwig Boehm b. circa 1674 No record.
- 2--Rev. Johann Philip Boehm (Bohm) (Immigrant 5-30-1720) Naturalized--Established Reformed Church in Penna. Colony. b. Nov. 1683 Hochstadt, Germany d. April 29, 1749 Hellertown, Pa., buried Bluebell, Pa. Signed name Johann Philip Bohm. m. (1st) Anna Marie Stehler (worms, Bermany) (2nd) Anna Marie Scherer (Lamschen, Germany) Our ancestress, daughter of Philip Scherer.
- 3--Children of 1st wife: Johanna Sabina b. May 2, 1709 Worms - Immigrant with father m. Ludwig Bitting 1703-1775 Lower Milford Twp. Pa. Great Swamp Congregation. He married twice.
- 3--Francis Ludwig, Infant b. and d. 1711
- 3--Anton Wilhelm (immigrant 1720) b. 1714 Worms d. 1766 Freedensville, Pa. (buried there also) m. Hannah P. widow of Michael Weber, farmer Upper Saucon Twp. Parents of Capt. Robert Rhoad!
- 3--Johann Christopher b. May 4, 1713 d. Aug. 2, 1713
- 3--children of 2nd wife: Anna Maria b. --- d. --- m. Bism Moser Philadelphia Co. Pa. No record.
- 3--Elizabeth b. --- d. 5-17-1756 m. 12-27-1739 George Schambach (Shambach spelling used at different times.)
- 3--Maria Philipina m. Cornelius Deweese
- 3--John Philip Boehm (Jr.) m. Anna Marie Yost on 8-2-1753. She was born 1734 d. 1790, daughter of Jacob Yost and Elizabeth Shambach Yost (sister of George Shambach Sr.)

Note: There is much to be said of the Rev. John (Johann) Philip Boehm, who was the first Reformed Church minister in the United States, but my article for this issue of the News-Letter is long enough so I will continue in the next issue.

Mrs. Harry A. Gervin (Cleo S.) reports she has completed the organizing of the first D. A. R. Chapter for Gatlinburg, Tenn. The work, which proved to be quite nerve wracking, was done in the short period of three months. She was trying to meet the deadline for the current administration and made it! Organizing date had been set by the National D.A.R. for April 13th. (con't next page)

Should have read "great great great grandmother!"

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The date also being the 77th birthday of Mrs. Gerwin a surprise was planned for her by the members, who were installed on that day, in appreciation of her work in organizing and assisting many on their lines. A lovely white birthday cake, topped with many tiny red, white, and blue flags, was made by one of the members. A gift from all was a copy of the "Patriots Index." Presently the new chapter, which has been named "Great Smokies Chapter" has seventeen members, but is expected to reach twenty five members by mid summer. Much interest has been shown. Meetings are scheduled for the summer months as many are away in the winter.

Mrs. Gerwin has been made an associate member of the Bonny Kate Chapter, in Knoxville, Tenn., to which she has belonged for many years. Bonny Kate celebrated its 75th birthday on May 3rd. It is Knoxville's oldest and largest chapter and was organized just three years after the National D. A. R. was organized in 1890. Knoxville now had nine chapters.

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Ruth Ross - 165 Dice Rd., Galion, Ohio 44833
My parents, Fred and Beatrice Portney, were-wintering in Florida. Mother had a stroke and was in the hospital from Feb. 4 to Feb. 20th.

My brother Edgar went down Feb. 7th to visit with them. While driving to the hospital to visit Mother, three drunks ran a red light hitting dad's car which Edgar was driving. Dad was bruised and shaken, but Edgar was in the hospital 6 days with glass cuts about the face and neck from the windshield taking 350 stitches. The car was demolished.

I was also down for a visit with them. They arrived home in Galion March 29th.

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Anna Cogsil of R. 2, Scio, Ohio 43988 was visiting in and around Upper Sandusky a couple months through the winter. * * *

Edward E. Shambaugh of 210 1/2 E. Summit St., Greenville, Mich. 48838 celebrated his 101st birthday on April 12, 1968 with his wife Pearle, and daughters and families: Gaylord and Shirley Hansen, children Susan, Ronald and Deborah, Andrew and Arlene Frederick Sr., Children Andrew Jr., and Cherie. His other children, Flossie Smith and Forest Shambaugh live in Bradenton, Florida.

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Mrs Harry E. (Flossie S.) Smith, 523-49th Ave. W., Bradenton, Florida 33505
People are leaving the park for their summer homes, the weather is so nice here.

My dad, Edward Shambaugh was 101, April 12, 1968. He is still quite active. He loves to have my two half-sisters and families come, they live in Greenville, Mich. and visit him nearly every day.

I am going to spend the summer with my son Harry and wife Margie, and children Valeriell, and Doug 16, in Los Angeles. Will fly non-stop from Tampa.

My brother Forest and wife Elsie bought a mobile home next to me, and rented their home furnished in Miami. So happy to have them here. They have a 26 foot Air-stream also.

The Roscoe Shambaugh's from Fort Wayne, Ind. are here too.

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Mrs. L. E. Lee, 128 1/2 Oak St., Bonner Springs, Kansas 66012
I have enjoyed reading the Shambaugh Families News-Letters and my sister, M. Opal Fore, attended the reunion last summer and wrote an account of the trip to attend the reunion.

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Ruth E. Shambaugh, Box 263, Alma, Nebr., 68920
While there are few that write that I know, I enjoy hearing about them. My how tireless some are in their efforts to gain family history.

It appears that the Shambaughs must be made of good stuff as a number live to a ripe old age.

I stay rather close to home with my part-time baby sitting etc., but did enjoy a few days the past year with relatives near by.

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Mrs. Russell (Selma) Shambaugh, P. O. Box 1237, Lotus Lane, Lufkin, Texas 75901
Russell's mother, Mrs. W. E. Shambaugh, lives in Winterset, Iowa.

My husband suffered a light heart attack on Feb. 17th, his first, and was in the hospital only 3 days. We feel especially blessed that the attack was a mild one. We enjoy the News-Letter. * * *

Mrs. Madge Mundis, 210 Winn St., Alexandria, La. 71301
When I got up Friday morning Feb. 23rd, was surprised to see every thing covered with 4 inches of snow. Something we haven't had in ten years. I thought I was back in Nebr. It was so cold it stayed on a few days. School was closed and the children had a "ball". There was enough snow for them to make snowmen. Lots of them had never seen snow. One man in South Louisiana drove 75 miles to bring his little boy so he could see the snow. * * *

Mrs. John (Dorothy) Auker, 5911 Clinton Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44102
John Auker was in Grace Hospital, Cleveland, O. He had a heart attack on Jan. 10, 1968. He had been in serious condition, but is better now. I'm sure he would appreciate getting a card or hearing from some of his friends and relatives. * * *

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Mrs. Charles (Nadine) Butner, Box 215, Shiloh, Ohio 44878
Dr. Butner had a coronary heart attack on Aug. 14th, and was a patient in the Cleveland Clinic Hosp. until Sept. 7th. After his convalescence at Catawba Island, he returned to the Clinic on November 1st for an operation, which was successful.

We went to Florida after Christmas and returned home on Feb. 1st. He's doing fine now and has resumed his practice, on a limited basis. We're so grateful that he is doing so well. We've so much to be thankful for.

Our children are fine. Mary Ann and her husband (John R. Pieratt) live in Cuyahoga Falls, with their two little girls, Anne Elizabeth 7, and Sarah Ann 3. They're such delightful children and we adore them.

John was married on Dec. 23rd 1967, to Gayle Elizabeth Helm of Ashland, Ohio. He is in the Navy, stationed at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia. I do enjoy the Family News-Letter.

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Dale E. Shambaugh of 462 1/2 So. Sandusky Ave., Upper Sandusky, O., 43351
As agent of Lutheran Mutual Life Ins. Co. of Waverly, Iowa Dale has again attained membership in the 1968 Million Dollar Round Table, an international organization of leading life insurance underwriters.

The 1968 M D R T Annual Meeting will be held in San Francisco June 23 - 28th.

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Mr. Paul Mueller and Miss Emily McGrath were married Feb. 8, 1968 in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in a double ring ceremony. Father James Beck Officiating.

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Miss Robbe Trachsel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kail Trachsel of near Nevada, O. and John Williams, of Marion, O. were married in the Nevada Lutheran Church March 2, 1968 with Rev. K. R. Roberts officiating in a double ring ceremony.

A five-tier wedding cake was served to the guests in the basement of the church. They reside at 898 Daffodil Dr., Marion, Ohio.

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Miss Iva B. Tomlinson 84, of Browntown, Wis. died March 6, 1968 in St. Claire Hospital in Monroe, Wis., where she had been a patient since Dec. 8, 1967.

In years past, she had been a telephone operator for 26 years, later was secretary-treasurer, then owning it.

She was born in Browntown, April 8, 1883, a daughter of Thomas and Sarah Ann Binger Tomlinson. Iva attended school in Browntown and in Ohio. In 1892 the family moved to Ohio where they resided for a period. Returning to Wis. they farmed in Cadiz twp., selling the farm in 1915.

Miss Tomlinson was a member of the former Browntown Methodist Church and the W.S.C.S.

Her sister, Miss E. Leah Tomlinson died Feb. 25, 1958. The Misses Iva and Leah sang for many different events.

Cousins are the only survivors- Mrs. Ray Hackett, Mrs. Flossie Bast, Thomas Binger and Mrs. Myron Hurd.

Services were held in Shriner-Neushwander Funeral Home. Rev. Roy Berg of the Martintown Community Church officiated. Burial in Cadiz Cemetery near Monroe, Wis.

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Mrs. Tilman (Rachael) Nipple, P.O. Box 65, Albany, Wis. 53502
Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Nipple, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Laughridge of Albany and Mrs. Paul Mueller of Argyle, attended the funeral of Miss Iva Tomlinson at Monroe, on Mar. 9th.

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Walter Edwin Shambaugh, 81, R. 3, Upper Sandusky, O. died at 1 p.m. May 1, 1968. He had been in failing health three years and serious five weeks. Death was due to complications.

Born April 6, 1887, in Wyandot Co., he was a son of John and Mary (Mahle) Shambaugh. He married Leefee Lowmaster on Jan. 27, 1921 in the Eden twp. Methodist Church parsonage and she survives.

Also surviving are daughters, Mrs. Lilly Mae Murray, Mrs. Donald (Betty) Schmuck, and sons Robert, and Ronald all living near Upper Sandusky; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Two brothers, Verner and Albert, and two grandchildren deceased.

Mr. Shambaugh was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Mifflin School Board of Education for eight years, serving as president four years. He was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church and of the Wyandot County Sportsmen Club.

Services were held in Bringman and Co. Funeral Home with Rev. Francis P. Bock officiating. Burial in Old Mission Cemetery.

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Dr. George and Ruth Shambaugh, 1574 Sunset Lane, Wooster, Ohio 44691
We have been very busy. George has finished his 3 year term on the board of deacons at Church and is now an elder. He is also on the Mission and Outreach committee, and has a boys club out at Apple Creek State Hospital. He has about 7 boys in his group. Other men help him with the boys.

I am still committee member for the Apple State Hospital Junior Girl Scout troop and am leader for Amy's junior troop which meets in our basement. There are 37 girls in our Wooster troop and 19 girls registered in the hospital troop. cont'd

We have a very exciting program going. I am so grateful for the help of so many of the parents and other interested concerns. The Ohio Power Co. gave us cooking lessons for our cook badge, we took 16 skating lessons for our skater badge, two mothers are working with 9 of my girls on their writer badge--- they published their first newspaper in tile for Girl Scout Week. We attended the Catholic Church as a troop and they served us refreshments after the mass. A mother took a group of my interested girls and made a beautiful window display downtown for Girl Scout Week. One mother taught us how to make Christmas wreaths from pine cones--- some of the girls made two. A lady came from Mansfield just to teach us how to carve--- most of the girls made jewelry but a few made statues and one made her grandmother a salad fork and a spoon. The girls have been making Red Cross posters. One little girl had outlined a very nice poster but hadn't painted it yet. When she returned to the next meeting she announced that her father said she couldn't make a Red Cross poster because they take Blue Cross. We know the father was kidding but she thought he was serious.

This morning was our Scout Neighborhood meeting downtown at the Y. It wasn't over until noon. I spent the afternoon at school. This is parent visitation week. Although I'm a volunteer librarian there I don't seem to find time to visit the children's classes. Tim's teacher had to leave the room so had me take over her class for her while she was gone. It was just like old times. I used to teach that same grade in Springfield, Ohio.

Our handbell choir has played twice within a month. I enjoy it so very much. Tonight is our choir rehearsal and George will be directing. We're getting our Easter music ready.

Yesterday the wives of the Research Center personnel had a salad smorgasbord (we each took a salad) and had a speaker from Columbus talk to us about meat - how to select it, cut it, etc.

This week end we plan to go to Mom and Dad Shambaugh's in Columbus to celebrate Dad's birthday and Mom and Dad's wedding anniversary. (Carl and Jennie Shambaugh)

My mother is a house mother for Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house at the University of Tenn. now. She still has her home in Rossville, Ga.

George is teaching electro physiology in graduate school at Ohio State University again this quarter. A student comes here from Kent State University on Saturdays to have George help him. He is a student of a former classmate of Georges.

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\$\$\$\$ 4 S-I, Margaret B. May 1.-, Bertha M. Knoerr 1.-, Mrs. Alvin P. Meyer 1.-, William H. Shambaugh 1.-, Junia Shambaugh 1.-, Barbara Shambaugh 2.-.

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LETTERS RETURNED - Mrs. Grace Black, Baldwin City, Kan., Mrs. Sidney Stein, Chicago, Ill., Mrs. Marie Householter, Denver, Colorado.

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DON'T FORGET! Our next National Reunion will be held in Wabash, Ind. this fall, so start saying "I'm going 2 Wabash, Ind., 2 the Shambaugh National Reunion." We'll look 4 U there. Directions and meeting place given in next issue.

Dale and Gladys Shambaugh of Upper Sandusky, Ohio spent several days at their location in the Caribbean Islands on Montserrat.

DON'T FORGET! to send in your Shambaugh news items, so we can get a N - L out around the first of August.

Will look especially, for all of you Indiana Shambaugh's and families.