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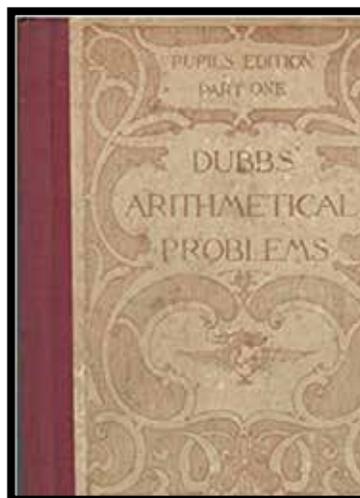
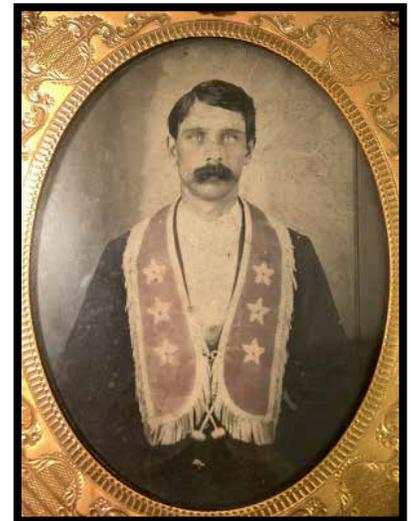
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The name Dubbs isn't as renowned as many Wyoming names but this family had their fingers in Wyoming, Reading, Lockland, the general Mill Creek Valley and beyond.

Eugene Lindley Dubbs (1846-1919) was an educator. But before he began that career, he followed his older brother to Camp Nelson in Kentucky. His brother was in Army training, that lasted for only a few weeks before he was sent home because he was too young. As an educator he taught night school for a while, served as Principal of the public school in Hartwell and in Liberty and for nearly 30 years was Principal of the public school in Reading. An advertisement in the *Cincinnati Enquirer* by the American Book Company in 1895 lists *Arithmetical Problems, Part I; Arithmetical Problems, Part II; Arithmetical Problems Complete with answers and Mental*



Arithmetic as books they had for sale by Eugene Dubbs. Many of his books have been reproduced and are available online. He was considered one of the best-known educators in Hamilton County. His funeral was at Wyoming's Episcopal Church, which makes sense as he lived right next door on Worthington. The house, 311 Worthington, which he built, was sold to the church in 1952 by his son, C. Earl Dubbs. It sat where the addition to the church is now. In 1921, Reading schools dedicated a tablet to his honor. Retired Wyoming School Superintendent C.S. Fay spoke at the event.

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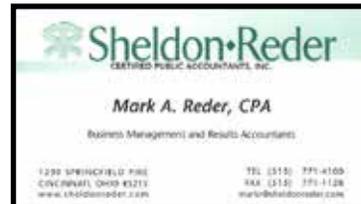
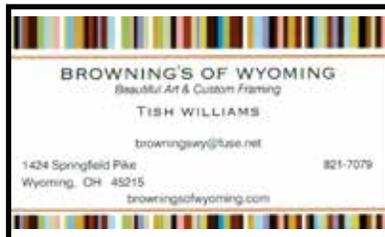
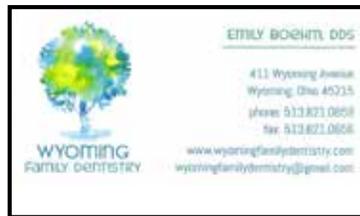
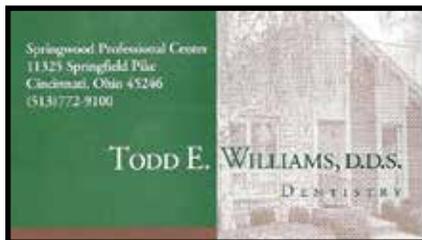
PROUD BUSINESS MEMBERS

LEARN MORE ABOUT..... Jenni McCauley, Real Estate Executive VP

If you are looking for a real estate professional you don't have to look any farther than our business members. This month we highlight Jenni McCauley. Jenni, a founding member of the Wyoming Historical Society, has been selling homes in and around Wyoming for 27 years. Jenni is an Executive Sales Vice President at Sibcy Cline and a Certified Residential Specialist.



Please support our Proud Business Members.



Welcome New Members
This month we welcome:
Patty Corona
Chuck Foertmeyer

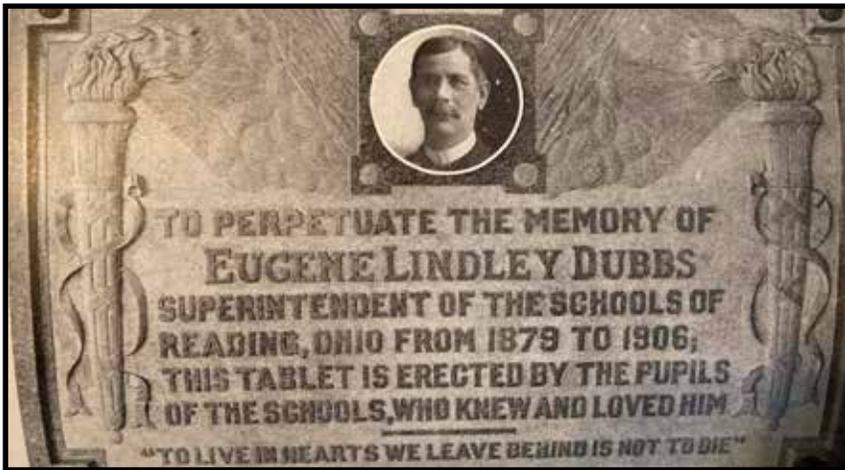
There was father John Henry Dubbs (1807-1860). He arrived in Lockland in 1842 on a canal packet boat with his wife and four of what would be six children. He remained in Lockland until his death in 1860. In Lockland, he owned the only good hotel in town and was Superintendent of the Miami and Eric Canal. In 1849, he was elected to the state senate and served two two-year terms. John, his wife Catharine and much of their family are buried in the Reading Cemetery, Columbia Avenue.



This Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad ticket belonged to Marine H. Dubbs.

Eugene's son, Clarence Earl Dubbs (1883-1962), lived in the Worthington house until he sold it at which time he built a new home on Winton Hills Lane off Bonham Road. Much like his grandfather who ran the canal, Earl was in the transportation business working for the C.H. & D. Railroad, Universal Carloading and was manager of Terminal Roadway Express. He was a member of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio and was an authority in covered wood bridges.

And let us not forget Marine H. Dubbs (-1946). Marine ended up in St. Louis where is was considered an authority on Circulation, newspaper and magazine. He is credited with introducing such circulation-building schemes as subscribers' health and accident insurance and newspaper treasure hunts. He served as circulation consultant for publications in the US, England, Canada and Australia.



On the left, photo of the Reading School plaque courtesy of the Reading Historical Society.



Eugene Dubbs head stone at the Reading Cemetery.

GOOD OLD ROCKY...Sherry Sheffield

What have you dug up in your yard lately? Several months ago WHS volunteer and my neighbor Lauren Wadds brought me a dog tag that she dug up in her garden this summer asking if the Historical Society would like it. I looked it over and responded that I thought it would find a better home if I sent it to the owners of Rocky the dog. I remembered when the Noyes Family lived across the street and I knew that Nancy Noyes Foss was a member of the Wyoming Historical Society. Nancy was delighted to get the tag and shared it with her brothers Mac and Jamie. So glad to have a good story coming out of 2020!!!



AN INTERESTING STORY...

The pendant shown on the right has an interesting story. It was recently given to your Wyoming Historical Society by Joanna Ach, widow of Dr. F. Jay Ach. It was given to Dr. Ach his last year in medical school, about 1949, by a patient. That patient, an elderly African American lady whose name we don't know, was very happy with the care she received from Dr. Ach. She expressed to him that she had no family or friends so she would be pleased if he would accept the pendant as a token of her gratitude. The pendant was a family heirloom that her mother had received when she (the patient) was born. The mother was told that her daughter was "Born Free". The patient was quite proud of that.

The pendant is silver wrapped around a piece of wood. It commemorated General Grant's troops that fought at the Battle of Vicksburg. In that 47 day battle, Grant's troops came out victorious over those of Confederate Lt. General John C. Pemberton. Grant's win and the win at Port Hudson a few days later, gave the Union control of the entire Mississippi River. Pemberton, whose troops like Grant's troops, were tired and hungry, met face to face on the battlefield on July 3, 1863 but

Pemberton only agreed to surrender when Grant offered to 'parole' all the Confederate Troops. The next morning, July 4th the Confederate troops surrendered their guns and flags and started their march home.

Isaac Long (1841-1935) was a farmer in Batesville, Noble County, Ohio when he joined the 78th Ohio Volunteer Infantry in Zanesville. His obituary states that he spent his whole life in Noble County except for the three years he spent in service during the Civil War. He married about one year after the war and had eight children. He was the last survivor of Company G and a member of General Landers Post G.A.R. of Quaker City, Ohio until the post disbanded.

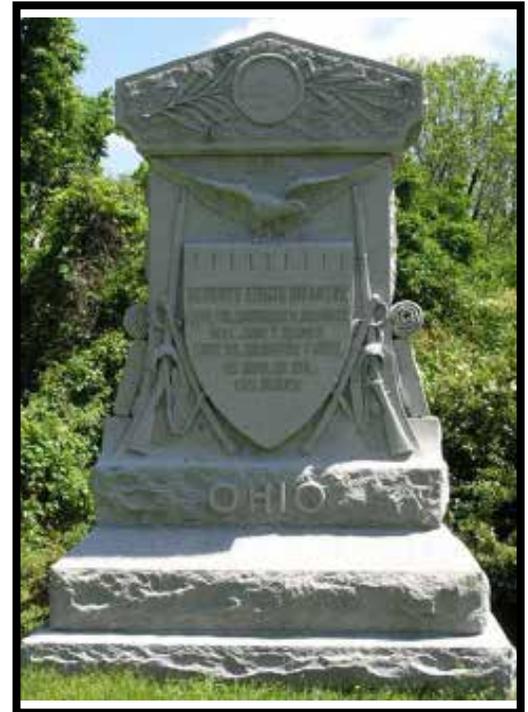


Back of the pendant showing the wood.

It is said that the surrender took place under an Oak tree and that tree no longer exists because people kept taking limbs and pieces from it as souvenirs over the ensuing years. Could the pendant be made of a piece of that Oak tree?



The pendant with a history.



Marker commemorating the 78th Ohio Volunteer Infantry at Vicksburg

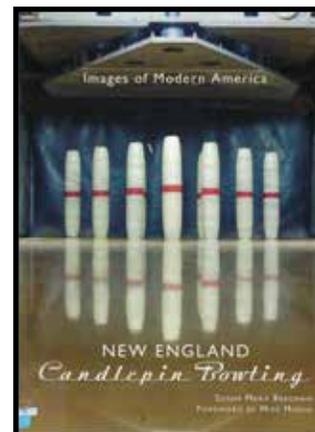


Isaac & Viletta Long's headstone at the Batesville Cemetery in Noble County.

We have not yet uncovered who had the pendant(s) made and who received them but we do know that Isaac Long had one and now it is on display at the Wyoming History Museum. Our thanks to Jo Ach for donating this interesting item.

BOWLING IN WYOMING....

The photo and caption below can be found in a recently published book entitled *New England Candlepin Bowling* by Susan Mara Bregman. Wyoming is among the few and maybe only place outside New England and Canada where you can find Candlepin Bowling. The history of this building is a little off, it was the Wyoming Club that burned in 1948 and was replaced with the current building. We know there were bowling alleys in all three 'Civic Centers' and we are pretty sure they were always Candlepin.



Cover of *New England Candlepin Bowling*

No one remembers exactly why or when Candlepins came to Wyoming, Ohio, but a plaque on the wall celebrates the achievements of Smith Allen Coffing, who set a high single and triple in 1922. The six lanes were installed in the basement of the Wyoming Civic center in 1948 after the previous Amusement Hall burned to the ground. (Courtest of Wyoming Historical Society.)

If you have not paid your 2021 dues yet or if you know of someone who might like to join...please pass this dues form on to them. We are always ready to welcome new members.

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Look forward to seeing
you when everything is
normal again...

PRESIDENT'S LETTER...Jim Walton

Dear Members,

Happy New Year to everyone!

I would like to thank those who have paid their annual WHS dues. Please spread the word to any friends or acquaintances who might be interested in supporting our cause. These dues are integral in keeping our operation running smoothly.

With Spring approaching, and Covid vaccinations beginning, I look to 2021 with renewed optimism and hope. When the time is right, the Wyoming Historical Society will be ready to go with new programs, tours, and events.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Jim Walton, President



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