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- LETTER FROM MR. FLETCHER WORKMAN

RITTMAN, OHIO.

DATED APRIL 29, 1950-

Dear Mr. Lambert:

In reply to your letter about tracking descendants.

I am glad you wrote me. I will help you all I can.

My father's name was George Workman, the son of Harvey Workman, and his mother's name was Ellen McClure Workman. She was from Kentucky. My father was born at Echo, W. Va. My mother's name was Elizabeth Osborne, daughter of Rev. Leander Osborne, who lived on Wolf Creek *on the ridge between Queen's Cr. on Wolf Creek.*

My grandmother Osborne's name was Betty Ly~~an~~^{ans}, daughter of Rev. Goodwin Ly~~an~~^{an}. I just talked to Scot Christian, who lives here in Rittman. He says the name of my great grandfather Osborne was Tom Osborne. My grandfather on the Workmans was Pleas. I never saw him; but I remember my grandparents on both sides. My father's Uncle ^{were} that I remember was Cassander, Allen, Alph Andrew. My Uncle was W.T. Workman. He had three boys who were railroad men. Tom was conductor on the N & W. Railway. Bob was an engineer; they are both dead. Henry went to Missouri. I don't know whether he is still living, or not. These boys were of his first marriage.

He married the daughter of Rev. Albert Smith, and he had ~~two~~ daughters by this marriage. One is dead; the other is in Florida.

I am sixty years old. I was born at Echo. There were eight of us children, three girls and five boys. My oldest brother, Pearl Workman, lives in Chillicothe, Ohio. He is a telegraph

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operator for the N. & W. Eailway.

My oldest sister, Ida, married the son of Rev. George Dillon, ~~and~~ Nancy. Booten Dillon lives in Huntington.

My second sister married a Ballard; she lives in Huntington. My third sister married Allen Willson, who is a conductor on the C & O. Railway. He was the son of Hiram Willson, of Coleman, W.Va. My second brother, Herman, is dead. My youngest brother, Basil, is at Huntington. The brother next to me--his name is Edgar; he lives just above Wayne, on the Mack Booten farm that was bought several years ago. We children still own the old farm at Echo, six hundred acres in it.

I married Eva Ferguson, daughter of Fisher son of Laffete ~~on~~ ^{and} Rebecca Willson Ferguson.

My wife's father got killed in "head on" collision on the N. & W. Railway 47 years ago, at Radnor. Her grand father on her mother's side was John Workman, who lived on Trace Creek. Her grand mother, on her mother's side was inda, sister of Rufus Lester.

I have four children: two girls, two boys. All grown. Boys both married. We moved to Rittman in 1975. I work at the Ohio Boxboard; my wife works at the Ohio Match at Wadsworth.

There are a lot of Workmans in Akron, but I don't know any of them. Tom Workman, father's Uncle, went away while the civil war was going on, and was never heard from again.

I hope you can get some information from what I have written.

Respectfully,

Fletcher Workman.

Rev. Leander Osburn.

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May 22, 1950
258 Hillside Lawn
Rittman, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Lambert: - I got your letter yesterday. Glad to hear from you and help you all I can. Rittman is 18 miles N.W. of Akron. Population about 4000. One third of the people here is from West Virginia. I can give you a few of them. We have Prentice Plymale son of Anthony Plymale, Edgar and Earl Lambert, sons of Julius Lambert. We have Smith, Mills, Pelfrey, Boothis, Balls, Wellman, Fitzpatrick, Rogers, Bradley Thompson, Crabtree, Slickerson, Copley, Robinson, Morrison.

I remember my grandfather Osburn very well. He married Betty Lycin, sister of Rev. Goodwin. I only remember seeing her once. She passed away when I was a very small boy. They lived on the head of Wolf Creek. She was

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buried on the old home place~~d~~
I don't know about Tomb
stones.

Leander's children were
my mother Elizabeth (Osburn)
She passed away March — this
year. Buried in Woodmere, Hunt
ington.

II Peyton. I don't know whom
he married. He is buried
on the old home place.
He was once Circuit Clerk
of Wayne County. His children
were

Emery (Osburn) lives in
Huntington

Clayie (?) m. Ben Burton
They lived somewhere
in Pennsylvania.
I suppose she is
dead

Hattie m. Oliver Wellman.
Separated. She
lives in Huntington

Burnie. Dead. Buried
a son, Lucian works
here (Rittman) at
the Box —

Burnie and Emery married daughters of — Workman? relation of myself.

I never saw Goodyn Ly can.
I think John Samuel Osburn was a brother of my grandfather (Leander Osburn) He was once a member of the County Court.

~~Rebel~~ ^{Rebel} ~~Sec. Workman~~ told to me of my father. Alderson (Workman) owned the first oil lamp.

Joe Workman owned the first Howe sewing machine. He made the first pair of pants for my grandfather (Osburn) He never wore other than hand sewed. Grandfather bought one of the machines. I found the machine a few years ago at the old home. I carried it home with me. My Aunt Betty Osburn married Anderwill Christian. She had several children all dead but two girls and one boy.

One girl Josephine was the wife of Rev. Jacob Pucket, a great preacher. The whole family has passed away. I knew a few of the Lamberts. I might ^{have} known who you are if I knew your father. I knew the Rev. Rev. Calvin Lambert. George once drove a team for my father. I know Jim Asst. Prosecutor of Wayne. I never forgot any thing told me by my people. I have a good memory.

Fletcher Workman,

Workman
Census of 1850

269, 276, 479, 533, 538, 539, 542,
553, 564.

269- Pleasant Workman 42 \$3000. G. Va.
Sarah 41

Allen 18

Thomas 17

Casender 15

Ellen 12

Prudence 11

Alfred 9

Frances 7

Sarah 5

David 3

Andrew 1.

276 - Jacob Workman 37 G. Ky.
Elizabeth 33 "

Amanda 13 All G. Va.

Lauder 11

Amacetta 9

Jasper 7

Marietta 5

Bethsala 4 Bethsada?

Pennavista 2

479 - Henry Workman 27 b. Va
Nancy 21 "
William 1

533 - Stephen Workman 44 \$2000
b. Va.
Caroline 40 b. Ky.

Stephen 18 All b. Va.

Jacob 16

Jamison 14

Suzanna 12

Harmon 8

Chilton 6

Sarah J. 2

538 - Alderson Workman 20 \$300 b. Va.
Rebecca 23 b. Ky.
See N. 410,
Hardesty.

539 - Joseph Workman 46 \$2300 b. Va.
Nancy 50

Keziah 16

Joannah 13

Joseph 10

Nancy 8

Anthony 3

Elonor Workman 74 b.

542 - Harvey Workman 19 b. Va
Ellen 25 b. Ky

553 - Meridy Workman 19 \$350 b. Ky.
Abigail 28 "

Leander 8 b. Va

Mary 4 "

Stephen 1 "

564 - Pleasant Workman 22 \$250 b. Ky
Abigail 21 b. Va

Kizzia 3 b. Va.

Lafayette 2 "

James C. 6 mos "

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Workman Marriages in Cabell Co.

Joseph Workman
m. Elizabeth Ellkins, Nov. 7, 1813,
Jacob Stallings

Joseph Workman
m. Nancy Osburn March 21, 1822,

Pecasant Workman
m. Sarah Ferguson
March 20, 1828
Burwell S.

Jacob Workman Jr.
m. Harriet Mc. Ginnis
Aug. 17, 1813
Ebenezar J. Webster

Grantor Deeds in Cabell County
Show:

James and Polly Workman

Pleasant and Sarah Workman

Joseph and Nancy Workman

Jacob and Eleanor Workman.

Grantees

Deed Bk 1 p. 48

1810, James Workman, 200 a.,
on Spruce Fork of Cole
River.

Deed Bk. 3 p. 675

1823, Jacob W., 60 a. on
Rt. Fork of 12 Pole.

Also see Deed Bk. 4 p. 129

Deed Bk 4 p. 456

1827, Joseph W., 100 a. on 12 Pole

Deed Bk. 4 p. 557

1829, Joseph W., 200 a. on 12 Pole

Deed Bk. 5 p. 37

1831, Stephen Workman, 35 a.

See Deed Bk 7 p. 442 on Rt. Fork of 12 Pole
and 444. by Joel Ferguson et al