

New Washington, Ohio

22 Dec 1948

Dear Mr Gaard,

Enclosed are the Congressional Documents about which I had written you several months ago. Sorry for the long delay but my mother has not been well and dad works regularly, and though I have my boxes of material numbered, wasn't able to get them to you as soon as I would have liked.

Read Harlow's "Old Tomfoots" very recently and that reminded me of your work. Thanks much for the picture you sent. Mr Gill, engineer, referred to in one of these papers, was connected with the Sch. Nav, with which I am quite familiar.

Might it be agreeable with you that I visit you around mid Jan? Will be returning to Reading, Pa. about that time. Last trip East consumed four days the way I made it. Hope the enclosed are of help to you.

Sincerely yours

Earl J. Heyinger

January 7, 1949

Western Reserve Historical Society,
10825 East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:-

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Very truly yours,

WILLIAM H. VODREY

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Ohio State Archaeological and
Historical Society
Columbus, Ohio

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January 8, 1949

Mr. Paul C. Kuegle
3337 Loveland Road
Youngstown, Ohio

Dear Paul:-

We will appreciate your sending us prints of your photographs of the lock plates of the Sandy and Beaver Canal locks known as Lusk and Mandr^d, East of Elkton, and Charters, Rankin at Lisbon. These plates have deteriorated considerably since you took your photographs so that we can not now obtain as good photographs as you have.

If you have the negatives, please have three prints 8 x 10 made at our expense. If you do not have the negatives, please send us your prints which we will have promptly reproduced and return your set to you.

Max Gard and I hope to use these photographs in our forthcoming book on the canal. The photographs will, of course, be accredited to you. You may have some other photographs which will be interesting in this book.

We have in mind that you are to have a copy of the book with our compliments, in view of your long connection with the canal. Max and I have been grateful for the help you have been to us, in placing your knowledge of the canal at our disposal.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM H. VODREY, JR.

C O P Y

October 13, 1947

Mrs. Frank O. McMillan
518 West Market Street
Akron, Ohio

Dear Mrs. McMillan:-

The Youngstown Vindicator for Sunday, September 14, 1947, has a account of a meeting of the Mahoning Chapter of the D.A.R. addressed by you. The newspaper account said that the State D.A.R. plans the restoration of the Waldschmidt House, home of the "first paper makers of Ohio". This mill was started in 1810.

I believe you will find that the first paper mill in Ohio was that of Coulter, Bever, and Bowman, located near this City in 1807. The information relating to this mill appears in 52 Ohio State Archeological Historical Quarterly 94 and in the magazine "Antiques" of January, 1946, at page 36. In the latter article, Dr. Dard Hunter, a leading authority on paper, lists the East Liverpool mill as first and the Waldschmidt mill as second. Also see History of Columbiana County (1879) Page 175.

Very truly yours,

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