

CHAPTER XI

BARBARA KORNS BRANCH

Barbara Korns, b. 1797, married Charles Uhl. Their children:

1. Joseph Uhl.
2. John Uhl.
3. Archabald Uhl.
4. James Uhl, married Elizabeth Vogel.
5. Franklin Uhl.
6. Alfred Uhl.
7. Amanda Uhl, married Jonathan Snyder.
8. Eliza Uhl.
9. Hannah Uhl.
10. Mary Jane Uhl.
11. Jesse Uhl.

1. Joseph Uhl, married Julian Shaffer. Their child was:

a. James Uhl, married Ida Simpson.

2. John Uhl, married . . . Their children were:

a. Charles Uhl, married . . . Potter.

b. Valentine Uhl, married.

c. Franklin Uhl, married.

d. Albert Uhl, married Susan Close.

e. Helen Uhl, married John Yeader.

f. Leander Uhl, married.

3. Archabald Uhl, married Susan Close, Sarah Wulgamot.

Children to 1st wife:

a. Rotten Uhl, married Hannah Henderson.

b. Gerusha Uhl.

c. Mary Jane Uhl.

Children to 2nd wife:

a. Charles F. Uhl.

b. Susan E. Uhl.

c. Eliza Uhl.

- d. Ida Uhl.
- e. Bigham Uhl.
- f. Joseph Uhl.

4. James Uhl, married Elizabeth Vogel. Their children were:

- a. Alfred Uhl, married Mary Carpenter.
- b. Jacob Uhl, married Emma Voris.
- c. John Uhl. Henry Scimel.
- d. Cassa Uhl.
- e. Leana Uhl.

Alfred Uhl, married Mary Carpenter. Children:

- a. Edna Uhl, married Patterson.
- b. Elizabeth Uhl, married Rudy.
- c. Jennie Uhl, married Crawford.
- d. Sadie Uhl, married.
- e. Jerry Uhl, married Sarah Miller, Lizzie Korn.
- f. Lloyd Uhl.

Jacob Uhl, married Emma Voris. Their children:

- a. Samuel Uhl, married Boyd.
- b. Nerrie Uhl, married Stucker.
- c. Waldo Uhl, married Daisy McMullen.
- d. Jessie Uhl.

5. Franklin Uhl, married. Their children:

- a. Gordon Uhl.
- b. Charles Uhl.
- c. Albert Uhl.
- d. Lula Uhl.
- e. Florence Uhl.

6. Alfred Uhl, married. Their children:

- a. Clara Uhl.
- b. Grace Uhl.

7. Amanda Uhl, married Jonathan Snyder. Their children:

- a. Uhl Snyder.
- b. Charles Snyder.
- c. Amanda Snyder.

8. Eliza Uhl, married Charles Broadbeck.
9. Hannah Uhl, married Fred Marchard. Their children:
 - a. Charles Marchard, married Trussel.
 - b. Sanford Marchard, married Rosie Hammond.
 - c. Jesse Marchard.
 - d. Lula Marchard, married John Kregar.
 - e. Lucy Marchard, married Commodore Duett.
 - f. Leander Marchard.
 - g. Anna Marchard, married Amile Snyder.
10. Mary Jane Uhl, married John Leach. Their children:
 - a. Laura Leach, b. Jan. 6, 1861, married Henry Spohn.
 - b. Harriet Leach, b. Nov. 7, 1863, married John Bardorff.
 - c. Lemon Leach, b. April 28, 1865, married Etta Gray.
 - d. Lucy Leach, b. Dec. 14, 1867, married Roy Ackerman, Walter Lewis.
 - e. Anna Leach, b. Jan. 16, 1869, married Lenord Uhl.
 - f. Edward Leach, b. Sept. 4, 1872, married Ella Peckham. Edward Leach was adopted by Samuel Pyres and always goes by that name.
11. Jessie Uhl.

James Uhl and Ida Simpson. Their children were:

1. Gertrude Uhl, b. Jan. 28, 1877, married Blaine Miller.
2. Irvin Uhl, b. Jan. 10, 1878, married Irene Dietz.
3. Grace Uhl, b. Jan. 16, 1880, married George Brown.
4. Mabel Uhl, b. May 20, 1882, married Elbert Brothers.
5. One daughter Madaline, married Leland Smith.
6. Myrtle Uhl, b. Feb. 15, 1886, married William Miller.
7. Ralph Uhl, b. April 13, 1890, married Addie Korns.
8. Corinne Uhl, b. Aug. 5, 1894, married Virgil Sterling.
9. Garnet Uhl, b. May 14, 1902, married Arthur Damon.

Rollen Uhl and Hannan Hendersons. Their children were:

1. Horace Edwin Uhl, b. March 21, 1877, never married, deceased.

2. Harvey Taylor Uhl, b. Feb. 22, 1881, married Jessie Nichols.
3. Brantley Pomerine Uhl, b. March 24, 1884, married Lenore Gindlesberger. No children.
4. Lucy Uhl, married John Hanna. One son, deceased.

Jarusha Uhl, married John McKee. Their children were:

1. Welker Uhl.
2. Anna Uhl, married George Jannett.
3. Edna Uhl.

Mary Jane Uhl, married Alfred Everhart. Their children were:

1. Charles Everhart, married Mayme Harmon.
2. Mayme Everhart, married Clayce Leckey.
3. Bertha Everhart, married Homer Koser.

Charles F. Uhl, son of Archabald and Sara (Wogamot) Uhl, married Emma McKee. Their children were:

1. Oliver J. Uhl, married Selma Young.
2. Clement Uhl, died in infancy.

Susan Uhl, married Albert Gonser (Reformed Minister). Their children:

1. Noble Gonser.
2. Florence Gonser, married William Rettinger.
3. Ethel Gonser.

Eliza Uhl, died, never married.

Ida Uhl, married George Freeman. Their children were:

1. Mildred Freeman, married William Lewis.
2. Rosen Freeman.
3. Rebecca Freeman, married Harry Bennett.

Bingham Uhl, married Elizabeth Vance. Their children were:

1. Floyd Uhl.
2. George Uhl.

3. Harold Uhl.
4. Jennie Uhl.
5. Janette Uhl.
6. Louis Uhl.

Joseph Uhl, married Zora Yaney. Their children were:

1. Noble Uhl, married Ruth Jackson.
2. Blanche Uhl, married Clifford Fluehart.
3. Raymond Uhl, died.

THE UHL HOMESTEAD

The old Uhl Homestead two and one-half miles Southwest of Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio, the home of Charles Uhl and Barbara Korns Uhl.

The Uhl brothers came from Wittenburg, Germany, with their parents when they were just a few years of age in the year 1763. The names of these brothers were: Charles, Jacob and Peter Uhl. These sturdy people of Germany were prompted, as were many thousands of others, by a desire to better their conditions. They came when this country was under the control of King George, and when the Revolutionary War came on all three of these brothers took up arms, under the banner of the continentals against the red-coats of King George and in this war for liberty Peter lost his life. Charles and Jacob continued to fight until the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, and victory perched on the banners of the noble patriots. The two surviving brothers, Charles and Jacob, after the war settled in Maryland, married and raised large families.

Of these two brothers, Charles Uhl and Catherine Close Uhl were the ancestors of the Uhls in this county. They were married in 1784, and were the parents of sixteen children, raising thirteen. At the close of the war he was given the privilege of going west and taking up government land, coming as far as Holmes County, Ohio, traveling by wagon, he chose the few hundred acres which is still in the hands of the Uhl descendants.



The Farm Home of Charles Uhl and Barbara (Korns) Uhl,
in Hardy Township, Holmes County, Ohio, 1866,
as it appears 1949.

paying the government \$1.25 per acre. He returned to his home in Maryland and sent his seven sons and one daughter to clear and cultivate the new land. Charles Uhl, the fourth son, with wife and baby came to Holmes County by wagon in the year 1815, and took charge of the part of this land which is now owned by James A. Uhl. Charles Uhl and Barbara Korns Uhl spent the remainder of their lives on this farm and were the parents of a large family of children. A small house was built in an adjoining yard and as each of the children married they would go to house-keeping there. This was called the "weaning pen" and is still standing.

The Uhl's are a hard working, thrifty, home loving people and as they grow to maturity usually take a notion to see a little corner of the world. The late Joseph Uhl, Sr., at one time walked to the Mississippi River and back. And the late James Uhl, Sr., found his way to New York City and taking a boat went to the Panama Canal and back. Another of the boys, although he was married and in his own home, ventured a trip to the centennial at Philadelphia, Pa., but became so homesick before he reached Philadelphia that he told his companion "If I get home alive this time I'll never leave home again," and as far as anyone knows, he never did although he was prosperous and lived to be ninety-two years of age. The last of this family Frank Uhl of Leavenworth, Kansas, died Jan. 11, 1923. During the early period of clearing and cultivating this farm the people everywhere came and were in a condition of complete social equality. No aristocratic distinctions were thought of in this society and the first line of demarkation drawn was to separate the very bad from the general mass.

Their parties were for barn raising, log rollings and the labor being furnished, their sports usually were shooting and gymnastic exercises with the men and convivial amusements among the women. No punctilious formality nor ignoble spinning the fashions of licentious Paris, marred their assemblies. All were happy and enjoyed themselves seeing others so. The rich and poor dressed alike, the men generally wearing hunting shirts

and buck-skin pants, and the women generally attired in coarse fabrics produced by their own hands.

Such was their common and holiday dress, and if a fair damsel wished a superb dress for her bridal day her highest aspiration was to obtain a common American cotton check which sold for a shilling a yard then, now costs a dollar, and five yards was deemed an ample pattern. Silks, satins and fancy goods that now inflate our vanity and deplete our purse were not then even dreamed of. The cabins were furnished in the same style of simplicity. The bed stead was home-made and often consisted of forked sticks driven into the ground with cross poles to support the clapboards or the cord and at first the green sward or smoothly leveled earth, served the double purpose of floor and carpet. One pot kettle and frying pan were the only articles considered indispensable, though some included the teakettle and the cooking was done in the open fire-place and a rare occasion it was, if the fire ever went out. When it did happen someone would have to ride to a neighbors and borrow a little fire. A few plates and dishes upon a shelf in a corner was as satisfactory as is now a cupboard full of china and their food relished from a luncheon table.

The woods furnished abundance of venison and corn-pone supplied the place of every variety of pastry. Flour for some time could not be obtained nearer than Chillicothe or Zanesville, and the most common kinds of goods were brought here by wagon from Detroit, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. Many people suffered hardships and endured privations that now would seem unsupportable. Many times these pioneers from their cabins would see bears strolling leisurely over the hills. Before the establishment of the Uhl family on the old homestead, many Indians lived there as can be seen by the Indian hatchets and darts that are found. This was an ideal place for Indians because of the Killbuck stream and the hills and woods for hunting and good supply of spring water. This farm is well adapted to the raising of grain and livestock. It has natural drainage with no freshet or drainage from any other farm.

At the present time this farm is occupied and cultivated by Ralph Uhl, son of James Uhl, the owner. The bodies of many of the ancestors are resting in the little cemetery on top of the hill. The three little boys, James, Robert and Richard, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Uhl, are the great, great, great, great grand sons of the first Uhl parents who came from Wittenburg, Germany, to U. S. A.