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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Society is currently operating in an inactive capacity because we have no volunteers willing to serve as officers and chairpeople. The current officers (all of whom have served for a number of years) have accepted their positions on an inactive basis only, meaning that our only goals will be to continue to collect and store material pertinent to Allendale's history and heritage, and to publish this newsletter four times a year.

If volunteers come forth to serve in various capacities (especially president), our society would be able to run again on an active basis, which would mean, at the very least, holding quarterly meetings with programs, open to members and the general public. Other activities could be initiated depending on the interests of volunteer members.

Anyone interested in volunteering for any position (president especially needed) should call Pat Wardell at 201-327-0605 for further information.

If you are at all interested, please consider offering your time and efforts.

ALLENDALE HOUSES BUILT BEFORE 1940

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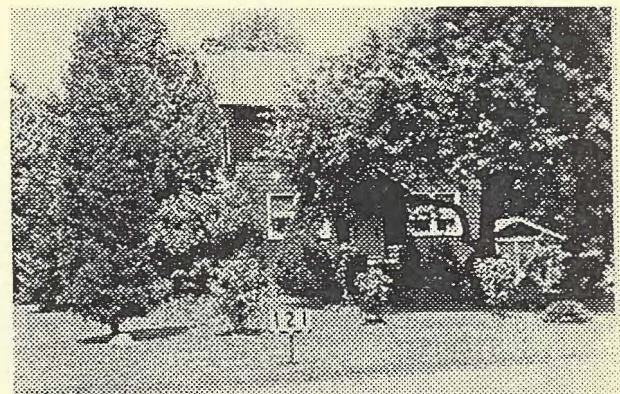
Compiler's Note: This "inventory" of pre-1940 Allendale houses has been compiled using information in the Society's files and in my own files. Very few of the houses have been systematically researched, so we know that for most of them, the information is incomplete. We would welcome any additions, corrections, updating, etc. from our readers, and will happily add such information to the Society's files.

Only houses still in existence today are included in this inventory. Houses are generally named for the earliest known owner/occupant. Names associated with a house are not necessarily always owners; some may have been tenants. Also, not all owners actually lived in houses they owned; some houses were leased for rental income. The houses are listed alphabetically by street names, then numerically by house number.

(continued from the September 1989 issue)

50 Dale Avenue
Herwagen & Miltz House
Block 1702, Lot 28 (Old Block 8, Lot 43)

Built about 1920. Herwagen & Miltz, 1940 (however, in 1940 the house was empty; "in estate"). Benjamin M.



50 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

Post, Jr. & Mildred E. Post, 1951-? James Booths and Nancy Post Booths, 1975-present.

In 1940 the house was described as a two story frame dwelling with a stone foundation, wood shingle exterior, and composition shingle roof. It stood on a 150x213 foot lot (11.55 feet were sold to Buechner, Lot 42 in September 1946).

The house had a bay extension and open porch; out-buildings were a garage and a coop. There were 6 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and one wood & plaster bath.



60 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

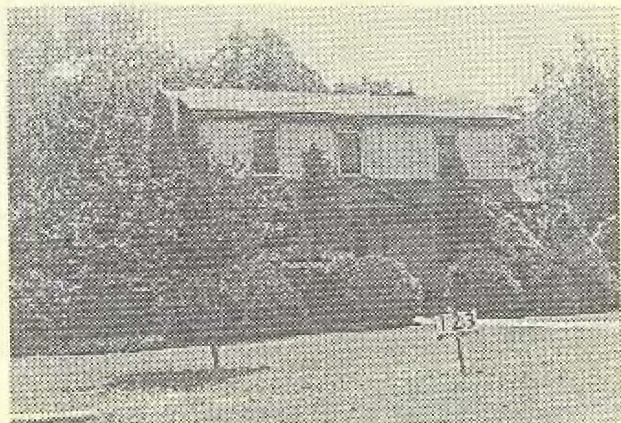
60 Dale Avenue
Buechner House

Block 1702, Lot 29 (Old Block 8, Lot 42)

Built in 1922 by Finch & DeYoe, developers of much of Dale Avenue (Lots 13 & 14 on Map of Finch & DeYoe, No. 1700). The house was sold 12 May 1922 by Charles P. Finch and E. A. DeYoe and wife, to H. E. Sylvester Buechner and Lucy K. Buechner, his wife. Warren E. Seitz and Anita T. Seitz, about 1952-1957. James L. Goes and Jeanette Elliott Goes, 3 Oct 1957-Dec. 1962. Richard T. Claycomb and Catherine C. Claycomb, 17 Dec 1962-? Stanley Rosenthal and Maureen Rosenthal, about 1976-present.

In 1940 the house was described as a two-story frame dwelling with a poured concrete foundation, clapboard exterior, composition shingle roof, and an exterior garage. It stood on a 98 x 213 foot plot (in September 1946 11.55 feet were purchased from neighbor Herwagen and the plot size was increased to 109.55 x 213).

There were 7 rooms, including 4 bedrooms and one wood & plaster bath.



69 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

69 Dale Avenue
Krohn House

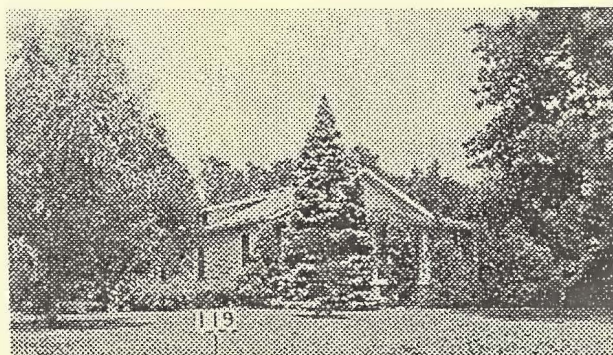
Block 1701, Lot 21 (Old Block 7, Lot 37)

Built about 1920-1926. John Krohn and L. Krohn, 1940.

In 1940 the house was described as a two story frame dwelling with a poured concrete foundation, clapboard

and wood shingle exterior, and composition roof. It stood on a 100x159 plot and had a 2-car garage.

The house had 6 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and one half tile bath.



72 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

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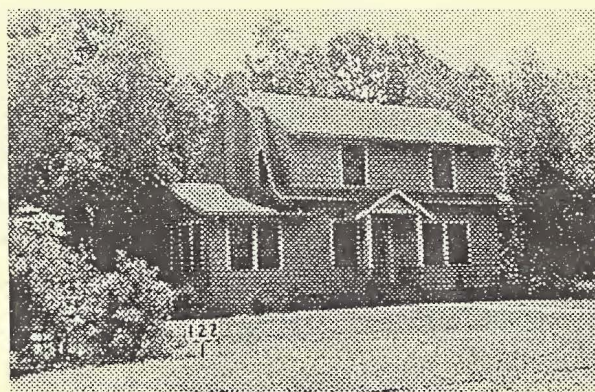
Winne House

Block 1702, Lot 30 (Old Block 8, Lot 41)

Built about 1920-1925. George T. Winne and Agnes T. Winne, 1940. Norman W. Kershaw and Madeline R. Kershaw, 1942-? N. W. Kershaw and Eunice Kershaw, c. 1949-50.

In 1940 the house was described as a 1 story frame bungalow on a stone foundation with a wood shingle exterior and a composition shingle roof. It had outbuildings consisting of a coop and a 2-car garage.

There were 5 rooms, including 3 bedrooms, and one wood and plaster bath.



81 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

81 Dale Avenue

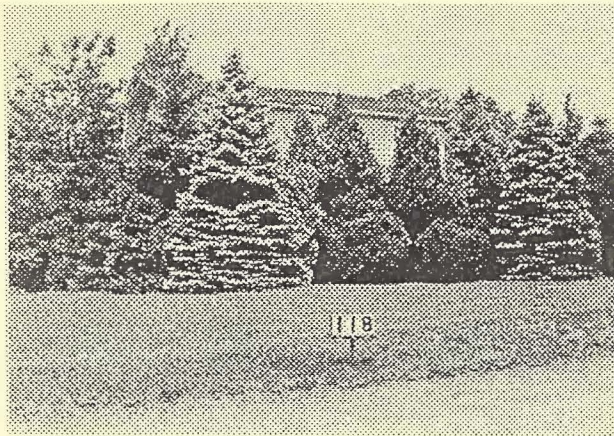
Savage House

Block 1701, Lot 20 (Old Block 7, Lot 36)

Built about 1924. F. L. Savage and L. W. Savage, 1940. Richard B. Miller and Marjorie J. Miller, 1945-? Robert H. A. Davis and Elizabeth Davis, ?-(present?).

In 1940 the house was described as a two story, frame dwelling with a concrete block foundation, clapboard exterior, and composition shingle roof. It stood on a 100x159 plot, and had a separate garage. It had a bay, extensions, and an open porch.

There were 7 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and one wood and plaster bath.



88 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

88 Dale Avenue

Albert House

Block 1702, Lot 31 (Old Block 8, Lot 40)

Built 1920 by Finch & DeYoe, developers. Sold 1 Oct 1920 by Charles P. Finch, single, and Edgar A. DeYoe and Ruth W. DeYoe, his wife, to George Albert and Clothilde Albert. George Albert & Clothilde Albert, 1920-1969. Richard P. Westmoreland and Elke Westmoreland, 1969-?

In 1940 the house was described as a two story frame dwelling with a stone and poured concrete foundation, clapboard and wood shingle exterior and composition shingle roof. It stood on a 150x213 plot and it had a sun porch, an open porch, and a separate garage.

There were 6 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and one half tile bath.



96 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

96 Dale Avenue

Baarck House

Block 1702, Lot 32 (Old Block 8, Lot 39)

Built 1929.

Werner J. Baarck and Ann Baarck, 1940. R. L. Hosking, 1967.

In 1940 the house was described as a two story frame dwelling with a concrete block foundation, wood shingle exterior and composition shingle roof. It stood on a 100x213 plot, had a one car garage, an extension, an entry

and a sun porch.

There were 7 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and one half tile bath.



106 Dale Avenue, 1940 Borough Tax Appraisal Photo

106 Dale Avenue

Finch & DeYoe House

Block 1702, Lot 33 (Old Block 8, Lot 38)

Built about 1925-1928 (by Finch & DeYoe?). Finch & DeYoe 1940. Samuel R. Lawrence and Margaret M. Lawrence, 1941-1944. Joseph H. Stehn, 1944-?

In 1940 the house was described as a two story frame dwelling with a concrete block foundation, clapboard exterior, and composition shingle roof. It stood on a 75x213 plot and had a bay, an extension, an open porch, and a 2-car garage.

It had 6 rooms, including 3 bedrooms and probably one bath. In 1950 the kitchen was modernized.

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WPA Federal Writers' Project "Allendale and its Firefighters" History of Allendale

In 1938, the booklet "Allendale and its Firefighters" was published. The booklet was sponsored by the Volunteer Fire Department of Allendale and was compiled and illustrated by the Federal Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration of the State of New Jersey.

The booklet was divided into two sections. The first was a brief "History of Allendale," and the second was a history of "The Allendale Fire Department." This booklet had limited distribution in 1938 and copies of it are now quite rare. For this reason, we have decided to reprint it in this and upcoming issues of the newsletter. The unaltered text was written in 1937-38.

(continued from the September 1989 issue)

The Allendale Firemen's Relief Association was organized on March 7, 1916 under the State law covering firemen's relief associations. The local unit functions under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association.

While credit for launching the Allendale Fire Department belongs to a group of men (among them William Dewsnap, R. W. Steele, the Rev. H. B. Leech, the Rev. J. W. Jackson, John W. Winter, Dr. R. W. Rodman, C.

N. Elliott, Jr., John Yeomans, V. J. Braun, J. M. Christopher and Max Scholz), Mr. Dewsnap stands out not only as the first president, but as one who has been active throughout. He remained president until 1914, was reelected in 1922, and has held that position ever since. The department has had only two other presidents: A. B. Sullivan, who served three years (1917-18-19), and William F. Kornhoff, who served four years (1915-16-20-21).

R. W. Steele, the first chief, served one year. V. J. Braun held the office until 1919, when E. R. Steele became chief. After two years he was followed by S. C. Brower, who was chief for one year. G. W. Megnin has been chief since 1922. Thus, while there have been five chiefs, only two have held office for any length of time: Mr. Braun for 7 years, and Chief Megnin, who has already served 16 years.

John Yeomans became treasurer in 1915. When he retired in December 1929, he was presented with a leather-bound resolution of appreciation signed by every member of the department. The present treasurer, George Wehner, Jr., succeeded Mr. Yeomans.

W. G. Z. Critchley has been secretary since March 1924. In 1927 he also assumed the office of lieutenant and with the exception of 1932 held it until 1934, when he was elected captain. In 1938 he became assistant chief. During his many years of service, Mr. Critchley has led in almost every phase of the department's activities, particularly in promoting athletics. He helped establish a bowling team which won the championship of the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association League in 1932, acquiring the James W. Mercer Cup.

E. E. Megnin, brother of the chief, was assistant chief from 1927 to 1938. Before that he served one year as lieutenant and four years as captain. Carl T. Wehner has been lieutenant since 1934.

Albert L. Zabriskie, former mayor of Allendale, became vice president of the department in 1927 and is still in office. Charles Billhardt was both secretary and vice president for several years.

The Rev. J. W. Jackson was appointed the first chaplain in 1910. Upon his death in 1918, he was succeeded by the Rev. J. D. Kennedy, who served until 1920. Dr. C. S. Woodruff then took the post but held it only a short time. The department has had no regularly appointed chaplain since.

At present the department provides for "associate" and "active" memberships. With a quota of only 20 active members, there is always a waiting list. Applicants, between 21 and 35 years old, must be approved by three members and must pass a physical test. Every active member buys his own uniform, and pays an initiation fee of \$1 and annual dues of \$1.50. Seven years of 60 percent or better active service provides exemption, including release from jury duty and eligibility for a vendor's license without charge. Active and exempt firemen are insured against death and injury in the performance of their duties. Many applicants become associate members, for which there is no quota, while waiting for a vacancy on the active list. □

1900 FEDERAL CENSUS, BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

Transcribed by Pat Wardell

The following information was taken from a microfilm produced by the National Archives. For additional information on this census in general, refer to the introduction in the issue of April 1989, p. 5.

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Dwelling House #26; Family #26

- QUACKENBUSH, Cornelius [H?]; Head; W; M; b. Feb. 1860; age 40; married 4 yrs; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; House painter.

- —, Jennie C.; Wife; W; F; b. May 1870; age 30; married 4 yrs.; mother of 2 children, 2 now living; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, Ethel; Daughter; W; F; b. Aug. 1897; age 2; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, Edgar C.; Son; W; M; b. April 1900; age [2/12]; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey.

Dwelling House #27; Family #27

- WEBER, Richard; Head; W; M; b. Jan. 1879; age 21; married 0 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. Germany; his mother b. Ireland; Dry goods salesman.

- —, Bessie; Wife; W; F; b. July 1879; age 20; married 0 yrs.; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New York.

Dwelling House #28; Family #28

- SCHOLZ, Max R.; Head; W; M; b. Mar. 1867; age 33; married 7 yrs.; b. Germany; his father b. Germany; his mother b. Germany; immigrated to U.S. 1883; Barber.

- —, Marie J.; Wife; W; F; b. Mar. 1871; age 29; married 7 yrs.; mother of 1 child; 1 child now living; b. Bohemia; her father b. Bohemia; her mother b. Bohemia; immigrated to U.S. 1890.

- —, Charlotte M.; Daughter; W; F; b. July 1894; age 5; Single; b. New York; her father b. Germany; her mother b. Bohemia.

Dwelling House #29; Family #29

- MOWERSON, David; Head; W; M; b. Jan. 1856; age 44; married 14 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Farm laborer.

- —, Mary J.; Wife; W; F; b. Sept. 1858; age 41; married 14 yrs.; mother of 1 child, 1 now living; b.

New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, William D.; Son; W; M; b. Sept. 1891; age 8; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; At school.

[Dwelling House #29]; Family #30

- VENDERBECK [VANDERBECK], William S.; Head; W; M; b. June 1859; age 40; married 20 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Carpenter.

- —, Jennie S.; Wife; W; F; b. Oct. 1861; age 38; married 20 yrs.; mother of 0 children; b. New Jersey; her father b. New York; her mother b. New York.

Dwelling House #30; Family #31

- DRUMMOND, Frank [L.?]; Head; W; M; b. Aug. 1864; age 35; married 5 yrs.; b. New York; his father b. Scotland; his mother b. Scotland; Clerk.

- —, Eliza A.; Wife; W; F; b. Sept. 1864; age 35; married 5 yrs.; mother of 0 children; b. Pennsylvania; her father b. England; her mother b. England.

- GOODRICH, Lucy W.; Servant; W; F; b. Dec. 1840; age 60; Widow; b. New York; her father b. Connecticut; her mother b. Virginia.

Dwelling House #31; Family #32

- STRAUT, Henry; Head; W; M; b. Mar. 1858; age 42; married 16 yrs.; b. New York; his father b. New York; his mother b. New York; Frog. [sic.] builder.

- —, Kattie [sic.] L.; Wife; W; F; b. March 1866; age 34; married 16 yrs.; mother of 2 children, 1 now living; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, Everett A.; Son; W; M; b. Sept. 1896; age 4; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New York; his mother b. New Jersey.

Dwelling House #32; Family #33

- LEE, Robert E.; Head; W; M; b. Oct. 1872; age 27; married 6 yrs.; b. Georgia; his father b. Georgia; his mother b. Georgia; Stereotyper.

- —, Anna E.; Wife; W; F; b. June 1872; age 27; married 6 yrs; mother of 0 children; b. Germany; her father b. Germany; her mother b. Germany; immigrated to U.S. 1889.

Dwelling House #33; Family #34

- ACKERSON, Jacob D.; Head; W; M; b. Oct. 1845; age 54; married 35 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New York; Farmer.

- —, Mary A.; Wife; W; F; b. Sept. 1845; age 54; married 35 yrs.; mother of 7 children, 7 now living;

b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

[Dwelling House #33]; Family #35

- MOWERSON, James Y.; Head; W; M; b. Sept. 1866; age 33; married 3 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; House painter.

- —, [Annie? Mammie?]; Wife; W; F; b. Feb. 1876; age 24; married 3 yrs.; mother of 0 children; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

Dwelling House # 34; Family #36

- QUACKENBUSH, Martin; Head; W; M; b. Sept. 1825; age 74; married 54 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Farmer.

- —, Margaret; Wife; W; F; b. April 1828; age 72; married 54 yrs.; mother of 11 children, 4 now living; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- SMITH, Eva; G daughter; W; F; b. Nov. 1871; age 29; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

Dwelling House #35; Family # 37

- O'NEILL, Margaret; Head; W; F; b. April 1838; age 62; Widow; mother of 12 children, 6 now living; b. New Jersey; her father b. Scotland; her mother b. New York; [Farmer?].

- —, Ellie; Daughter; W; F; b. Nov. 1865; age 35; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, [Angelise?] T.; Daughter; W; F; b. Jan. 1868; age 32; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

- —, Louis [D.?]; Son; W; M; b. Jan. 1875; age 25; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Clerk.

- —, James F.; Son; W; M; b. Mar. 1877; age 23; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Clerk.

- —, John R.; Son; W; M; b. Oct. 1880; age 20; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Clerk.

- [RULGAREW?], Florence A.; DG daughter; W; F; b. Sept. 1889; age 10; Single; b. New York; her father b. New York; her mother b. New Jersey; At school.

Dwelling House #36; Family # 38

- WEBB, James; Head; W; M; b. April 1833; age 66; Widower; b. England; his father b. England; his mother b. England; immigrated to U.S. 1863;

Carpenter.

- —, Peter C.; Son; W; M; b. Dec. 1874; age 26; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. England; his mother b. New Jersey; Carpenter.
- —, Charles H.; Son; W; M; b. July 1878; age 21; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. England; his mother b. New Jersey; Carpenter.
- —, James E.; Son; W; M; b. Dec. 1880; age 20; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. England; his mother b. New Jersey; Carpenter.
- —, Hiram W.; Son; W; M; b. Jan. 1883; age 17; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. England; his mother b. New Jersey; Farm laborer.
- BURGIN, John; G son; W; M; b. March 1889; age 11; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. Michigan; At school.
- YORKSTON, Maria; Servant; W; F; b. Mar. [1830?]; age 70; Widow; mother of 0 children; b. New Jersey; her father b. Scotland; her mother b. New York; Housekeeper.

Dwelling House #37; Family #39

- JERKOWSKI, Samuel R.; Head; W; M; b. June 1845; age 54; married 36 yrs.; b. Germany; his father b. Germany; his mother b. Germany; immigrated to U.S. 1847; Insurance broker.
- —, Julia A.; Wife; W; F; b. Sept. 1847; age 52; m. 36 yrs.; mother of 8 children, 4 now living; b. Indiana; her father b. Russia; her mother b. Germany.
- —, Abraham M.; Son; W; M; b. Oct. 1875; age 24; married 1 yr.; b. New York; his father b. Germany; his mother b. Indiana; Salesman, groceries.
- —, Isaac; Son; W; M; b. March 1888; age 12; Single; b. New York; his father b. Germany; his mother b. Indiana; House painter.
- —, Esther; D-in-law; W; F; b. Oct. 1875; age 24; married 1 yr.; mother of 0 children; b. New Jersey; her father b. New York; her mother b. New York.
- FELDMAN, Jacob; S-in-law; W; M; b. April 1861; age 39; married 13 yrs.; b. Russia; his father b. Russia; his mother b. Russia; immigrated to U.S. 1876; Merchant (tea & coffee).
- —, Lilly; Daughter; W; F; b. Feb. 1866; age 34; married 13 yrs.; mother of 7 children, 6 now living; b. California; her father b. Germany; her mother b. Indiana.
- —, Florence; G daughter; W; F; b. June 1888; age 11; Single; b. New York; her father b. Russia; her mother b. California; At school.
- —, Zeporah; G daughter; W; F; b. Mar. 1890; age 10; Single; b. New York; her father b. Russia; her mother b. California; At school.
- —, Sidney S.; G son; W; M; b. Mar. 1891; age 9; Single; b. New York; his father b. Russia; his mother b. California; At school.
- —, Harold E.; G son; W; M; b. Dec. 1894; age 5;

Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. Russia; his mother b. California.

- —, Eunice; G daughter; W; F; b. June 1897; age 2; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. Russia; his mother b. California.
- —, Louis; G son; W; M; b. Feb. 1899; age 1; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. Russia; his mother b. California.

Dwelling House #38; Family #40

- ACKERSON, Charles; Head; W; M; b. Oct. 1868; age 31; Widower; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; [first part of occupation indecipherable] ---gestables [did he market vegetables?].
- —, Ethel C.; Daughter; W; F; b. Dec. 1890; age 9; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New York; At school.
- —, Charles W.; Son; W; M; b. July 1892; age 7; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New York; At school.
- —, Anna R.; Daughter; W; F; b. Nov. 1894; age 5; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New York; At school.
- CASTERLINE, Ida V.; Servant; W; F; b. July 1866; age 33; married 14 yrs.; mother of 1 child, 1 now living; b. Pennsylvania; her father b. Pennsylvania; her mother b. New Jersey; Housekeeper.
- —, William L.; Boarder; W; M; [Oct.?] 1889; age 10; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. Pennsylvania; At school. [Dwelling House #38]; Family # 41
- ACKERSON, Abraham A.; Head; W; M; b. Dec. 1873; age 26; married 8 yrs.; b. New Jersey; his father b. New Jersey; his mother b. New Jersey; Teamster.
- —, Augusta [J.?]; Wife; W; F; b. Nov. 1872; age 27; married 8 yrs; mother of 0 children; b. New Jersey; her father b. New Jersey; her mother b. New Jersey.

Dwelling House #39; Family #42

- ROWLAND, Washington C.; Head; W; M; b. Dec. 1861; age 38; married 4 yrs.; b. New York; his father b. New York; his mother b. New York; Farmer.
- —, Ellen T.; Wife; W; F; b. Mar. 1866; age 33; married 4 yrs.; mother of 3 children, 3 now living; b. New York; her father b. Ireland; her mother b. Ireland.
- —, Daniel J.; Son; W; M; b. Aug. 1896; age 3; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New York; his mother b. New York.
- —, Charles B.; Son; W; M; b. Mar. 1899; age 1; Single; b. New Jersey; his father b. New York; his mother b. New York.
- —, Anges [sic.] M.; Daughter; W; F; b. Jan. 1900; age 4/12; Single; b. New Jersey; her father b. New York; her mother b. New York.

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BUSINESSES IN ALLENDALE

Compiled by Pat Wardell

(Continued from the September 1989 issue)

Some bits and pieces about some of Allendale's businesses—past and present. We know that this list is incomplete and hope that some of our readers can add information.

Simon's Taxi Service

N. M. Simon was running his taxi service in 1929, when he advertised in a souvenir booklet for the Allendale Players production of "Officer 666."

Simpson's Meat Market

James E. Simpson seems to have carried on the butcher business started by Hopper Yeomans. Yeomans had conducted his butcher business in a small wooden building on the site of the Guatelli Building (which building most recently housed the Allendale Florist business, and at present is undergoing reconstruction/renovation after a fire).

Simpson, a native of Sussex, N.J., was born 10 Nov 1848 and died at the age of 88 in February 1937.

The exact date that he began his butcher business in Allendale is not known, but he was open by July 1915, when *The Ramsey Journal* reported that several Allendale merchants (including John H. Ackerman, Coates & Strunk, J. E. Simpson, and Nelson Hemion) planned to shut down for the afternoon every Wednesday.

On April 13, 1916 this item appeared in *The Ramsey Journal*: "On Saturday a passing freight train loaded with cattle, etc. was minus two or three hogs when the brakeman accidentally left an opening in the freight car, which was immediately taken advantage of by Mr. Hogs. Butcher Simpson and Frank Austin captured two of the hogs and slaughtered them. The other hog is believed to be somewhere in the woods adjacent to Orchard Street." [Note: Orchard Street—this time the eastern end—was in the news again in 1989, when a film crew, including Harrison Ford, arrived in late August-early September to film part of the Warner Brothers movie "Presumed Innocent.")

Simpson ran the business at least until 1929 or after, advertising in various souvenir publications throughout the twenties.

Smith & Christopher Grocery Store

This grocery store/general store was established about 1896, succeeding the business of Smith and Henion (see below), which in 1894 had succeeded the store of Winter, Leamon & Co. The proprietors were, most likely, Garret Smith and his former salesman, J. M. Christopher.

Smith & Christopher's was in business until at least 1899.

Smith & Henion Grocery Store

In October 1894 Garret Smith and Martin L. Hennion [this surname is spelled interchangeably, Henion/Hennion in various accounts] began their grocery business in

Allendale, buying out the business of Winter & Leamon (which may have been established as early as 1888).

The Souvenir, a periodic publication of Archer Methodist Church, in its second issue, December 15, 1894, presented this view of the new establishment (and couldn't resist a bit of moralizing along the way): "A true picture of a barrel of 'Pillsbury's Best' Flour, life-size, greets the traveller as he looks north from Friend Likrum's. Smith & Henion, two young men full of push, grit, hope and goods, are on deck. Mr. Muihead [sic] Christopher is one of their salesmen. Harmless, modest, ready and intelligent is he. He has a future and so has every young man who keeps away from rum and evil company."

By 1896 the partnership had broken up and *The Ramsey Journal* reported: "Mr. Martin Henion has left town, it is supposed, with Mrs. Goodyear for parts unknown. Mr. Garret Smith will run the business hereafter. He bought out Mr. Henion's interest."

Spinella's Market

This produce market was in business at 82 West Allendale Avenue by 1951, when the business was advertised ("Fresh Produce Daily") in an Allendale Police booklet.

Steer Inn

Ronald Esterbrook was the proprietor of this road-house/inn located in the West Crescent Avenue building that is today's "L. C.'s Woodhouse." The Inn advertised in 1929 "Good Meals. Catering to Parties."

It operated in the era of prohibition, and at least once county detectives raided the "resort" and seized varied assortments of hard liquor, held the bartender in the county jail, and imposed a fine on the proprietor.

Local wags, referring to consumption of alcohol on the premises, dubbed it "Steer Inn—Stagger Out."

E. A. Straut & Son

E. A. Straut had established his electrical contracting business by 1929, when he advertised in the souvenir booklet of the Allendale Players production, "Officer 666." His son later joined him in the business.

Roy F. Strong, Plumber

Strong had established his business of plumbing, heating and tinning, by 1929, when he advertised in the souvenir booklet for the Allendale Players production "Officer 666."

Taddeo's Shoe Store

Patsy Taddeo was operating this shoe store and repair business by 1929. On October 23, 1930 *The Ramsey Journal* noted that "the new front on stores on West Allendale Avenue, owned by Kornhoff and Son, are approaching completion, after weeks of construction, supervised by the architect, William Dewsnap....Patsy Taddeo removes his shoe store to the popular south side of the street soon...."

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Allendale Fire Department... Records of Early Calls to Fires (Abstracted)

(continued from the September 1989 issue)

November 3, 1938--7:20 a.m.-8 a.m.; Park Ave.; Chimney, residence; R. J. Christopher, owner; Geo. Starr, occupant; cause--wood fires; no loss.

December 23, 1938--5:10 a.m.-9 a.m.; Crescent & Brookside; unoccupied residence, Miss Adair, owner; no occupant; cause--incendiary; loss on bldgs--attic & water; turned over to police for investigation.

A loose sheet of paper is inserted at this point: "Fire Record for 1938, 33 fires, 12 drills." [This appears to be an attendance record.]

Name	Fires	Drills	%
W. J. Baarck	7	0	15
J. Winters Jr.	19	9	62
J. O. Forshay	5	0	11
A. Grossmann	21	10	69
E. T. Critchley	17	12	64
V. Gasparini	0	0	0
R. D. Wilson	18	9	60
W. V. Ackermann	0	0	0
J. H. Knack	6	0	14
E. F. Varick	16	11	60
N. G. Critchley	17	12	64
R. C. Turner	7	0	15
F. M. Van Horn	16	11	60
L. R. J. Hoffman	19	11	67
R. A. N. Grossmann	16	11	60
E. W. Grosman	19	9	62
A. J. Gamble	6	8	31
W. Temperlyn	11	6	38
H. W. Osborne	15	12	60
D. Garrabrant	18	12	67
H. Kahse	29	12	91
J. Job	0	0	0
J. Caputi	13	0	29

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January 3, 1939--3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.; Mallinson Street; frame garage; E. McCarroll, owner & occupant; cause--boys playing; loss--roof.

January 7, 1939--8 p.m.-8:15 p.m.; W. Allendale Ave.; Residence chimney; Lenox; cause--wood fires; no loss.

January 12, 1939--6 p.m.-6:15 p.m.; Town dump; Boro, owner; cause--spont. ignition; no loss; ext. by town employees with dirt.

March 19, 1939--1 p.m.-1:30 p.m.; Orchard Street; Brush; residence; J. Hunt, owner; cause--unknown; no loss.

March 25, 1939--12 noon-12:30 p.m.; Homewood Ave.; Brush; woods; cause--unknown; no loss.

April 15, 1939--11:30 a.m.-11:40 a.m.; Brookside Ave.; Brush; Volaro, owner; cause--unknown; no loss.

April 16, 1939--12:30 p.m.-1 p.m.; Arlton Ave.; Brush; Arlt, owner; Cramm, occupant; cause--unknown; no loss.

April 20, 1939--10:10 p.m.-12:40 a.m.; Turnpike; Barn; Cohen, owner and occupant; cause--possibly tramps; 1/2 loss on bldg.; turned over to police for investigation.

April 21, 1939--5:45 p.m.-6:15 p.m.; Turnpike; Barn; Cohen, owner and occupant [all dittos from previous entry]; cause--smoldering sawdust; no loss; old ice house.

April 22, 1939--10 p.m.-10:30 p.m.; Turnpike; old rubbish in junk yard; Junk yard; Bldg. & Loan, owner; cause--unattended rubbish fire; no loss; summons issued for ordinance violation.

April 23, 1939--10:10 p.m.-10:25 p.m.; Myrtle Ave.; Fields; Residence property; A. Vroom, owner; cause--RR; no loss.

April 28, 1939--9:50 p.m.-1:20 a.m.; Park Avenue; Geo. Price, owner; Call for inhalator service; child suffocation in crib; 2 doctors in attendance; no success.

May 6, 1939--1:45 p.m.-2:15 p.m.; Myrtle Avenue; fields; residential property; Mrs. Lutz, owner; cause--RR; no loss.

May 12, 1939--3 p.m.-3:30 p.m.; Brookside Ave.; woods; J. W. Griffiths, pwner; cause--boys; no loss; short circuit on poles of R. E. Co. [Rockland Electric Co.] prevented siren operation; repaired by R. E. Co.

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