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NEW CONTENT

at the

Darrtown website

Morton Family page created at website



Thanks to the contributions of several descendants of Ebenezer and Rebecca Morton, a Morton Family page has been added to the Darrtown website. Click the following link to see the [Morton family page](#).

Editor Note: If you would like to have your family included in the Darrtown website and the Darrtown Family Tree, send an email to the [Darrtown webmaster](#).

Morton descendant served as Milford Twp. RFD mail carrier

James Willis Morton was the first Rural Free Delivery mail carrier in the Collinsville area. See the story at "[Morton Men at Work](#)".



See related information at the [Darrtown Post Office page](#).

Joseph Harris Civil War diary cited in news article



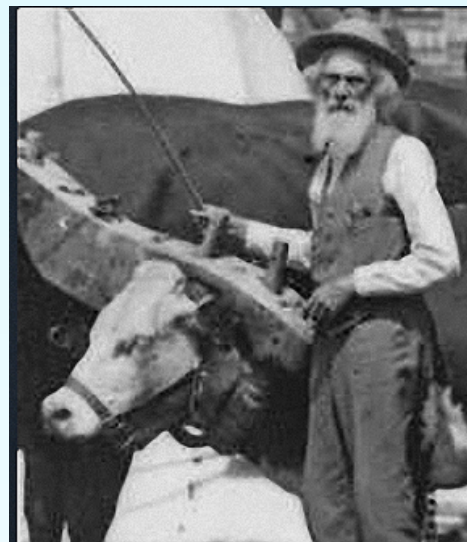
Joseph Harris (1838-1913), of the Milford Township Harris family, served in the American Civil War. Captured by the Confederate forces, Mr. Harris kept a written record of his time as a war prisoner. Read a newspaper account of his experience at ["Captors Captured."](#)

Second account of 1866 murder found

A previous (Oct. 2, 2020) Darrtown website newsletter included a story about an 1866 Darrtown murder case in which the weapon of choice was a stone. Another newspaper account of that incident has since been discovered. To read the new information about this unfortunate fracas, see: [Murder-1866.](#)

Family Tree research produces a link between Darrtown and Ezra Meeker, an Oregon Trail pioneer and advocate for commemorating the trail

Playing off a social game known as "Six Degrees of Separation," an Oregon Trail pioneer is linked to a Darrtown pioneer through ancestry records. All is explained at [Connecting Darrtown and Ezra Meeker.](#)



Keppler family page added to the website

You may not be familiar with the Kepplers; but, this new family page has **info that you may find interesting ... as it has info about ...** Hitching Post folklore, a nationally known criminal's hideout near Darrtown, and a 1929 deed to Milford township land that seemingly had no access. See the [Keppler family](#) page.

Darrtown native elected mayor of Hamilton in 1913 flood aftermath



27 year-old, Fred A. Hinkel, a native of Darrtown, graduate of Miami University, and member of the Socialist Party was elected mayor of Hamilton, Ohio - effective January 1, 1914. See [Hinkle elected Hamilton mayor.](#)

R. Kirk Mee runs for Ohio State Senate

The year was 1942, when R. Kirk Mee of Darrrtown announced his candidacy for the Ohio State Senate. To see Colonel Mee's newspaper advertisement, that was published in the Butler County Press, see: [political ad](#).



Dog triggers shotgun blast

A Darrrtown area man suffered the loss of a hand, after his dog caused his cocked shotgun to fire. See more about this unfortunate 1868 hunting accident at [dog triggers shotgun](#).

Judge closes Darrrtown-area motel for one year



Back in the 1950s, a Darrrtown-area tavern, with several rental cottages, ran afoul of the law and was forcibly closed for one year. Learn the location and other details at [Denny's Place](#).

Darrrtown area horses stricken by epidemic

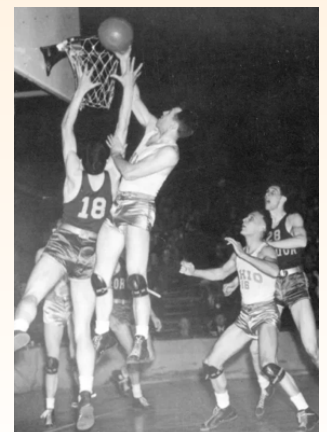
A state veterinarian from Dayton (Ohio) was called, during the first month of 1891, to investigate the death of several horses in the Darrrtown area. H.D. Kyger, owner of a stable of competitive trotting horses on Scott Road, lost four horses - one of which was valued at \$1,000. See: State vet at Darrrtown to investigate [mysterious disease](#).

Sylvester Irwin dies

A Darrrtown area man who was twice acquitted on double-murder charges died around Apr. 25, 1910. See [Sylvester Irwin passes](#).

Darrrtown High School plays the first game in Stewart's new gym

A newspaper item, written by Hamilton, Ohio journalist and local historian, Jim Blount, reported that Oxford Stewart High School opened in a new building in 1929. The new structure included a gymnasium and the school's first basketball game in the new gym was played against neighboring Darrrtown High School. Read about this event at [Darrrtown - Stewart basketball contest](#).



Sample photo



*In
remembrance of...*



William Bradley Allen: See his obituary at:
[Dartown.org Individuals A-C](http://Dartown.org/Individuals A-C)



Barbara Diehl: See her obituary at:
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Clifford Schaub: See his obituary at:
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