

SHAMBAUGH FAMILY NEWS-LETTER

EDITORIAL STAFF—HARRY GLEIM
LOIS SHAMBAUGH CASTLEBERRY
CLEO SHAMBAUGH GERVIN

Dear Relatives:

Once again we approach the time of our National Shambaugh Reunion, and our president has asked to have a letter sent reminding you of it.

Our FIRST NATIONAL REUNION was held at Lamartine, Ohio Sept. 1, 1940 and was a real success. At that time it was decided to form a temporary organization which would be made permanent at the Second Reunion. The writer was named chairman of the temporary organization with Floyd A. Shambaugh, Mrs Harry Gerwin, Miss Junia Shambaugh and Mrs Anna Cogsil as his cooperating committee.

THE SECOND NATIONAL REUNION was held at Loudonville, Ohio August 31, 1941. Like the First Reunion it was a pronounced success. Floyd Shambaugh and his local committee tried to outdo the work done by Mrs Cogsil and her committee the year before. The only reason they did not succeed was because to do that would have been next to impossible. Joe Shambaugh of Wabash, Indiana received the honor of being our first officially elected president. The name selected was "The Shambaugh Families Society". The writer, who with Mrs Lois Castleberry and Mrs Cleo S. Gerwin had been putting out our News-Letter was named editor of the News-Letter.

THE THIRD NATIONAL REUNION ran into the Great World War and was not held until ~~September~~ 1946. The host group was the Wabash Shambaughs headed by President Joe. The writer was unable to be present but from all accounts this Reunion held up the high standard set by the two previous ones. Flavius A. Leightey of Upper Sandusky, Ohio was named president of the Society. Due to some error in planning the matter of continuing the News Letter was not included in the business of the meeting, and no editor was selected.

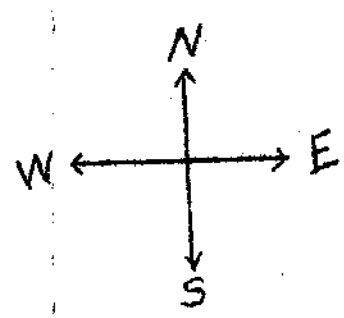
NOW- for the FOURTH NATIONAL REUNION which is scheduled to be held at the Fair Grounds at Upper Sandusky, Ohio on Sunday, August 31, 1947. President Leightey has been busy making extensive plans for the affair. If you are coming from a distance and want over-night accommodations address him thus- F A Leightey, 442 So. 7th St., Upper Sandusky, Ohio- or if you decide to come at the last minute just telephone him at Upper Sandusky-- 787-J.

The writer is now minister of the Union Church at Hardy, Nebraska and finds his new work even more exciting and more demanding on his time than was that of the Y M C A. He is still interested in Shambaugh genealogy and if it should be desired might be induced to make room in his schedule for more News-Letters- provided... members of the Society would co-operate by sending in a reasonable amount of family news. On the other hand- if there is someone else who would take over this project he promises to them his fullest co-operation.

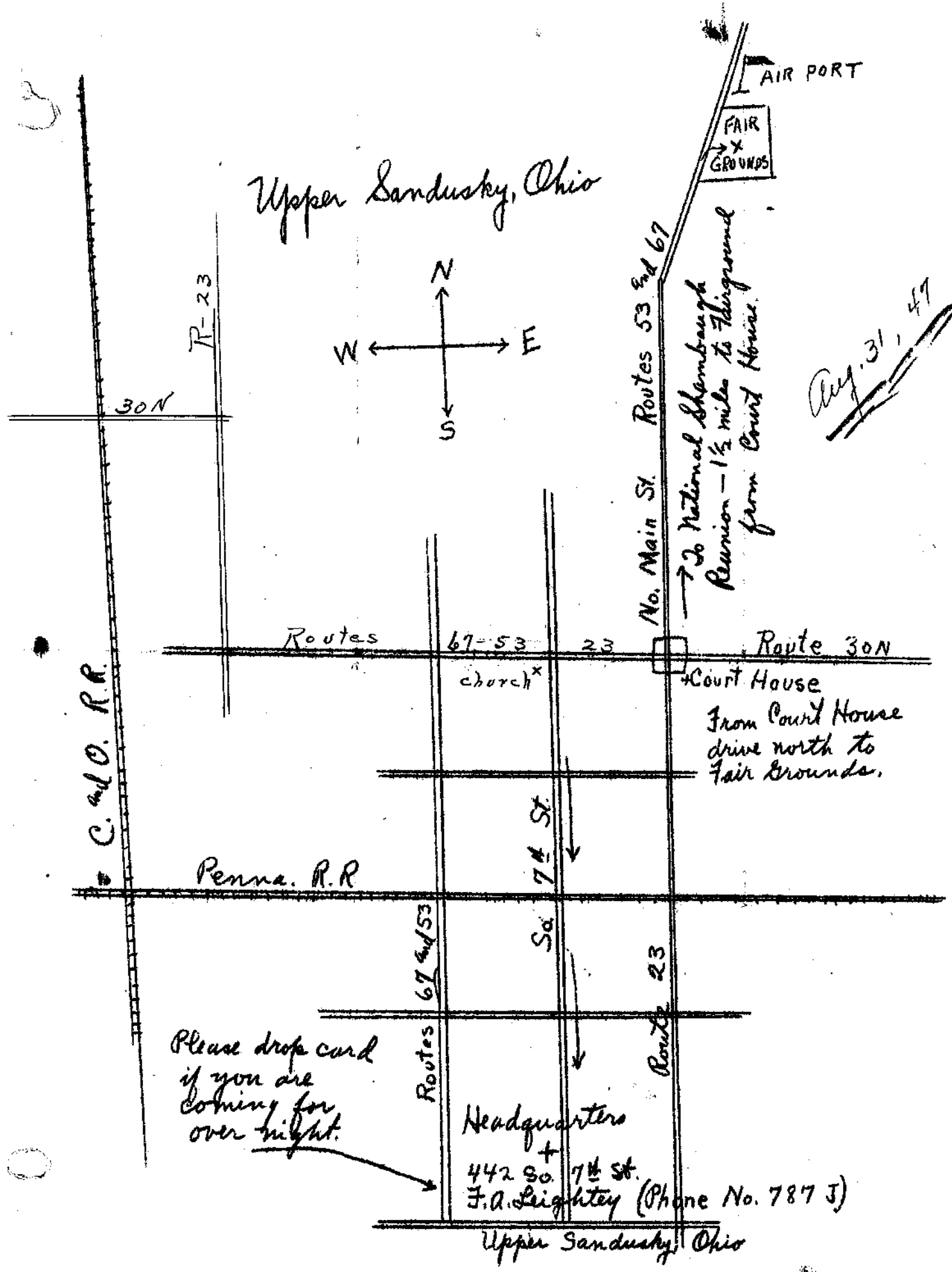
Cordially yours,

Harry Gleim

Upper Sandusky, Ohio



~~Aug. 31, 47~~



Please drop card if you are coming for over night.

Headquarters +
442 So. 7th St.
F.A. Lightey (Phone No. 787 J)

No. Main St. Routes 53 and 67
→ To National Shambaugh Reunion - 1 1/2 miles to Fairground from Court House.

From Court House drive north to Fair Grounds.

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Dear Shambaugh:

add Aug 31, 1947

THE FOURTH NATIONAL SHAMBAUGH REUNION was accounted by all those in attendance as very much of a success. It has been the misfortune of your editor to have missed both the Third and the Fourth Reunions. Last year, due to a change in professional plans we were in the process of closing up the work in which we had spent a score of years and finding a place to work in our newly chosen field. This year, the work in that new field would not permit of us being away over a week-end. Some of you had previously written us about the News Letter and so we made a suggestion to the folks at Upper Sandusky, the results of which you will see in the next paragraph.

SO YOU WANT THE NEWS LETTER AGAIN, DO YOU ? Well, we told you that we might be induced to start another series, provided that you would do your part and send in news items so that we could have a real exchange of information. The response to this letter will give us the answer as to whether you will do that, or not.

WHAT NEWS DO WE WANT ? We want to know all about your own family, and we want any bits of information that you may have about your parents and grandparents and as far back as you have any information. The old family stories that come down from generation to generation are interesting to other members of the clan besides your immediate family and yourself.

IN THE NEW SERIES we will start off with the minutes of the Upper Sandusky Reunion. I am informed that a change was made in our general Society structure at that meeting in that all blood relatives of the Shambaugh clan and their in-laws were considered members of the Society without the payment of dues, but that no one was to receive the News Letter unless they paid a subscription.

SINCE MRS CASTLEBERRY and MRS GERVIN have been prolific sources of family history and since both have accumulated materials since our last issue we will expect some interesting articles from both of them bringing us up to date on their activities.

NOW- IF WE CAN HAVE ALL OF THESE THINGS, Mrs Gleim and myself will be happy to edit the materials, possibly write a few articles ourselves and see that the mechanical work of " getting out the paper" is taken care of. Possibly we cannot get back on our old monthly basis all at once, but we can be assured of enough issues during 1948 to keep us welded together as a Society.

NOW- HAVE WE MADE THE MATTER CLEAR ? - We know this letter is mailed at a bad time when Christmas and New Years mail is heavy in every home. Don't lay it away and say, I'll write that letter next month. Your letter must be written as soon as possible, if we are to have a January issue.

Cordially yours,

Harry Gleim