

The Barlow Family of Boggs Run

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William and Emma (Clark) Barlow moved to the Village of Boggs Run with their young family before 1900. Natives of Ohio, William was born in Monroe County, and Emma (also Emmaline) was born in Washington County. William was the son of Joshua and Lucinda (McVay) Barlow; Emma's parents were Civil War Veteran George Washington Clark, and his wife, Sarah Jane Gray.

William and Emma were both residents of Ritchie County, West Virginia, just across the river, at the time of their marriage in that county on March 21, 1886. Birth records indicate that, at least, the two oldest daughters were born there.

Perhaps, like countless others, William moved to Marshall County to find employment at the steel mill. William Barlow bought a parcel of land on Boggs Run on June 9, 1893 from Henry Reiter.

1900 Census, Union District, Marshall County, WV

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William, Head, b Mar 1873, 37, Mar 14 yrs, b OH, par b OH, Roller steel plant

Emma, Wife, b Nov 1873, 36, 7 children/6 living, b OH, par b OH

Edith M. [May], Dau, b July 1887, 12, b WV

Sarah L. [Sarah Lucinda "Lucy"], Dau, b Sep 1889, 10, b WV

Nellie G. [Grace], Dau, b Nov 1894, 5, b WV

William R., Son, b June 1897, 2, b WV

Philip, Son, b May 1900, newborn, b WV

Philippine [Emma], Dau, b May 1900, newborn, b WV

1910 Census, Union District, Marshall County, WV

BARLOW 277/294 - Boggs Run Road

William H., Head, 47, Mar 24 yrs, b OH, par b OH, Steel worker mill

Emma, Wife, 37, 7 children/5 living, b OH, par b OH

Lucy S. [Sarah Lucinda "Lucy"], Dau, 20, b WV - Works at Grocery

Grace N., Dau, 15, b WV

William H., Son, 12, b WV

Emma P., Dau, 9, b WV

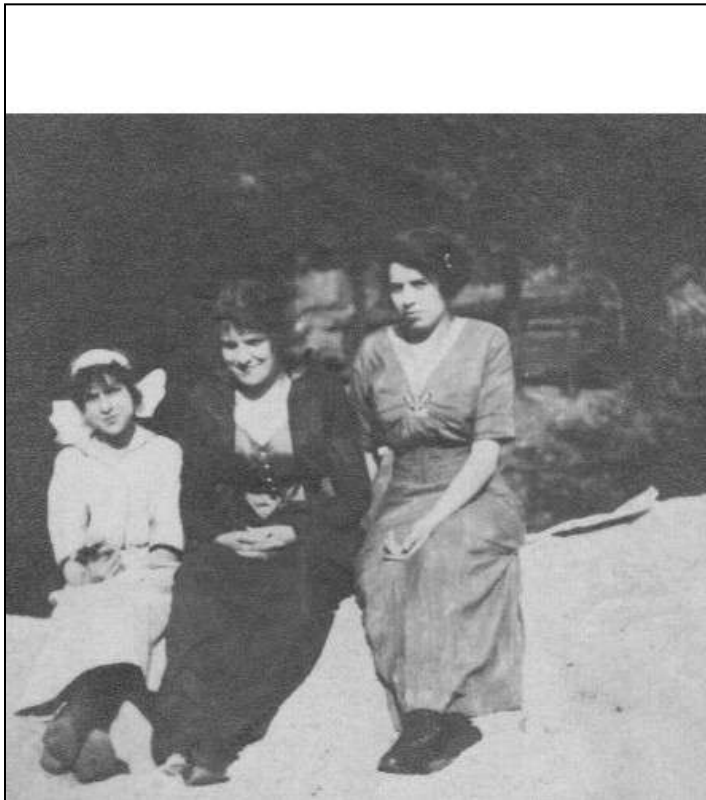
Ora Satterfield, Boarder, 21, b WV, Works in tube mill

William and Emma Barlow lost two children at the time they lived on Boggs Run. One was Ethel, about two years old, and another was Phillip, the twin brother of Phillipine Emma. Emma (Clark) Barlow had a twin sister, Nancy Jane, who died in 1900.

Emma (Clark) Barlow (Emmaline on death record) died of tuberculosis in 1911. She is buried near her children, Ethel and Phillip, at the Ingram Ridge Cemetery in Pleasants County, West Virginia, close to the border of Ritchie County.



ORIGINAL WILLIAM BARLOW HOME IS IDENTIFIED WITH "X."
BARLOW OWNED HOUSE TO RIGHT WITH SECOND WIFE, MABEL ROSS.
LOOKING UP THE RUN, THE PICTURE SHOWS THE AREA BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND WAGON BRIDGES.
THE BOGGS RUN TUNNEL WOULD BE IN THE TREES ON THE RIGHT.



(1) EMMA, GRACE & LUCY BARLOW, (2) BARLOW HOME

On October 26, 1915, in Ohio County, William Barlow's daughter, Sarah Lucinda Barlow, 26, married Henry Charles Miller, 27, the son of Christian and Mary (Marie) Miller of South Wheeling.

According to Paula Calvert, a descendant of Henry and Sarah Lucinda (Barlow) Miller, Christian Miller, and possibly his son, Elmer, had a store on Boggs Run for a period between 1910 and 1920.

Based on the identities on the back of the photo, the picture was probably made circa 1915.



"DADDY'S & ELMER'S STORE IN BOGGS RUN.
FREDDY COOK, CHRISTIAN MILLER, & MINNIE MILLER DOYLE."

Note: Minnie Miller Doyle might be misidentified.

Freddy Cook (Koch), in the above photo, was born in January 1900 and lived with his parents, Henry (aka Andrew) and Caroline, on Boggs Run. They are found in the 1900 and 1910 census records and lived a few doors away from the Barlow family. Both families were probably close to the Miller's store.

Christian Miller, born February 22, 1855, emigrated from Germany about 1869 with his mother, Katherine (Katrina), born about 1800, and his brothers, William, John and Andrew.

On December 12, 1880, Christian married Mary (Marie) Opperman(n) in Ohio County, West Virginia. She was born in West Virginia to Frederick and Wilhemina (Meyer/Meier) Opperman, both born in Germany.

The Millers lived in South Wheeling, and Christian worked in the "iron mill." The children of Christian and Marie were Mamie, born Oct 1881; Frederick, born Sept 1883; Anna, born 1886; Henry Charles, born March 1888; Elmer, born April 1891, and Minnie, born September 1893.

Aside from having the store on Boggs Run for a period between 1910 and 1920, it appears that Christian and Mary Miller never lived there. At the time of the 1920 census, Christian was employed at the mill. They resided in nearby South Wheeling until their deaths. Christian died April 28, 1922 and Mary (Marie) died August 18, 1939. They are both buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery, Wheeling.

William Barlow remarried and lived with his wife in the house to the right of the house marked with an "X." His original house was rented and then sold to Mike Tonkavich in 1937. William was last found with his wife, Mabel E., in the 1920 census of Marshall County. Also in the home was Mabel's son, Forest H. Ross, 19. William moved to Morristown, Ohio before 1930. William and Mabel sold their house to Raymond Storm on July 11, 1936. William's death occurred June 23, 1941.

As previously stated, William Barlow's daughter, Sarah Lucinda, married Henry Charles Miller. They lived with William on Boggs Run for a short while before moving to Wheeling, Mozart, Bethlehem, etc.

Daughter, May Edith [or Edith May] Barlow, married William Tomlinson at Boggs Run on June 10, 1905. By 1920, they were residing on Eoff Street in South Wheeling.

1920 Census, Ohio County, West Virginia

4532 Eoff Street

William Tomlinson, Head, Rents, 33, Laborer in Steel Mill, b WV, parents b WV

May, Wife, 32, b WV, parents b Ohio

Hazel, Dau., 14, b WV

Thelma, Dau., 12, b WV

Lucille, Dau., 7?, b WV

Wilma, Dau., 4, b WV

Leona, Dau., 3, b WV

Charles, Son, 9, b WV

William, son, 4, b WV

May Barlow Tomlinson, born July 15, 1887, was a diabetic and she died of complications of that disease on October 22, 1922. She is buried at Mt. Rose Cemetery, Moundsville.

On November 9, 1915, Grace Nellie Barlow married Lawrence Leonard Leach, son of John W. Leach, in Benwood.

Emma Barlow married Albert K. Gast on October 30, 1920 in Wheeling. Their fathers, William H. Barlow and Peter J. Gast, consented to the marriage.



WILLIAM BARLOW, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.



EMMA, GRACE & LUCY BARLOW.



LULU MARPLE & LUCY BARLOW.



X- LUCY, 1 - CLARA BAKER, 2 - ALMA LEACH, 3 - GRACE BARLOW, 4- LAWRENCE LEACH, 5 - BILL BAKER.