

HARD SHELL BAPTIST CEMETERY
(A Strange Type of Presbyterian Church Cemetery)
Really Not Baptist

Location: This was a church yard cemetery. The little church was located where the house which now stands at 970 Congress Avenue in Glendale is located. The church was made of logs. The cemetery was just south of the church. It is the side yard of the house at 20 Erie Avenue in Glendale. Locate the corner of Erie and Congress Avenues. The lawn on the east-north corner was the cemetery. This cemetery is no more.

History: The only information my family ever knew about these Hard Shell Baptist People was that they were squatters who lived on some of the land which was brought by my family when the Northwest Territory was placed on the market. By the 1790's they had been killed off by Indians and disease and only a few remained. The preacher of the group lived at that time as a squater in a log house he kept as a saloon. This saloon was on the site of the old Cook house at 969 Congress Ave. The cemetery

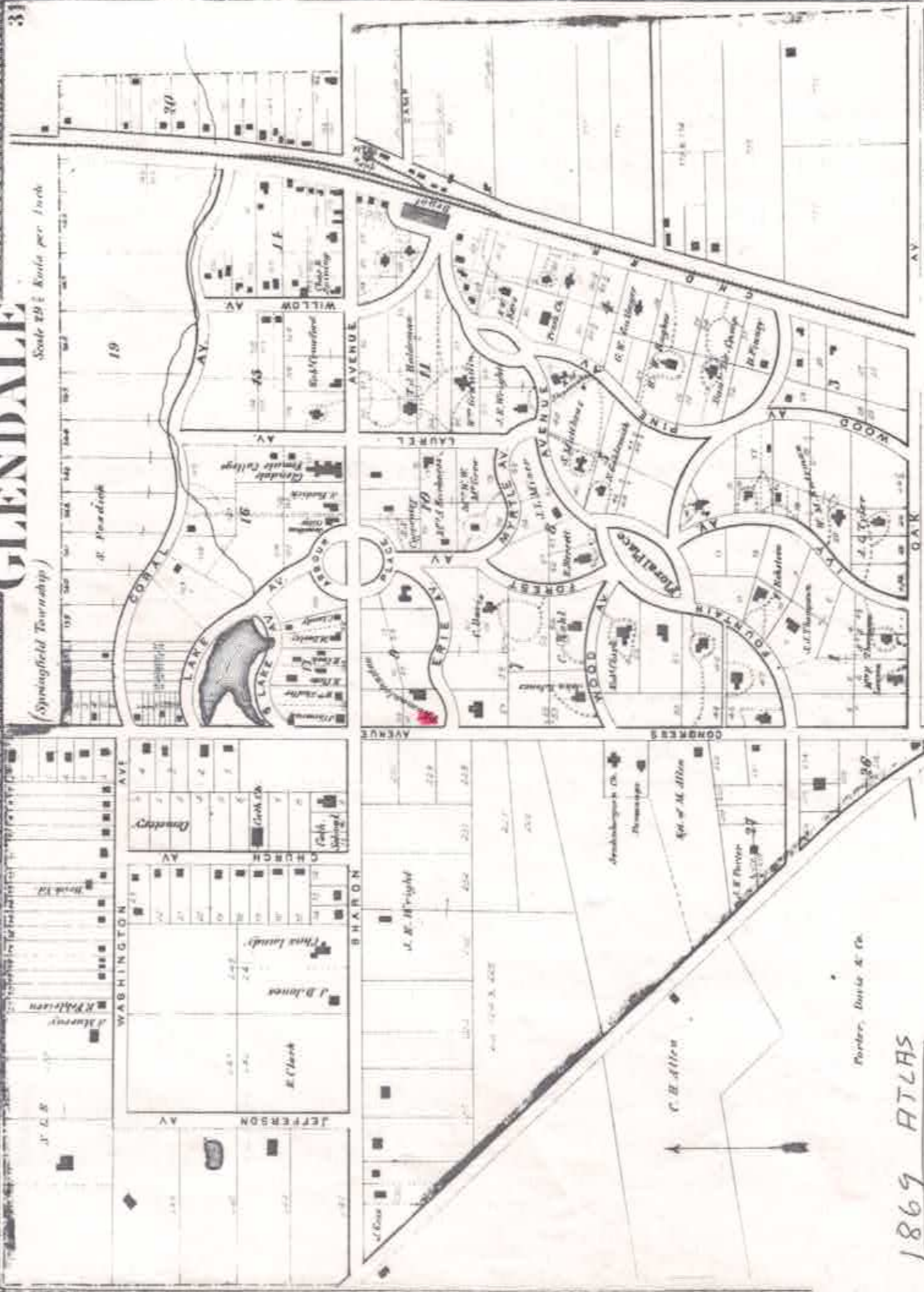
was destroyed when my kinsman - N. C. McLean built his big school house at 20 Erie Avenue app. 1850. No one in my family knew the people buried there. The old log church was torn down about 1857 by John Henry Cook who was then renting McLeans house to run a school. Cook replaced the log church with a little frame church for his school. This church was latter made into the little house still standing at 970 Congress Ave. The log saloon was torn down when the cemetery was destroyed in 1850. The people will always remain a mystery. They lived here illegally before the land was sold for settlement some time before 1790. Nothing remains of their cemetery.

Because there was the remains of an old church and cemetery on this property, my kinsman, E.R.Glenn would not allow the Glendale Association to sell this property for any development other than as school property.

GLENDALE

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1869 ATLAS

At a Meeting of the directors of the Glendale held Nov. 11, 1851. present Mess. Glenn, Taylor, Elliott & Fosdick it was Resolved: That the Secretary Record in the Minutes a Copy of the Plan submitted to the Meeting of Proprietors held the 7th inst. for disposing of a part of the Lots in Glendale.

Resolved That in accordance with the spirit of the recommendation of the Proprietors of Glendale in the Resolution accepted by them Novem. 7. 1851. The directors will for a consideration of one Dollar cause to be conveyed to each of the proprietors that shall within the price of one year from the first day of April 1852, erect and complete a dwelling House of the value of at least Fifteen hundred dollars on the lot selected by them.

Adjourned.

Reverse side:

Resolved That Lot Numbered fifty-seven in Block No. 7, on the Plan of Glendale lying at the South East corner of Congress and Erie avenues be and the same is hereby appropriated for the use of Schools for the common benefit of the Citizens of Glendale. forever.

Resolv^d. That Lot Numbered Sixty-six in Block No. 9, Glendale shall be reserved from sale for the present.