

## **Anselma Artifact Collection**

Presented by the Collection Team





# **Early 2015**

- Who would want to help with other projects?
- One was <u>help</u> cataloging Anselma Artifacts.
- Six volunteers decided that this would be of interest.
- Eventually I was ask if I would like start the project by contacting the other volunteers!
- NOT what I expected but I said yes.





#### **Before We Started**

- Prior to our Team effort another team of volunters moved Mr.
   Collins artifacts, six times.
- Our team started in Feburary 2016.



#### **Artifacts are Located**

- Heavy artifacts, not related to grist milling are located at Lundale farm a few miles from Anselma.
- Electronic viewing is available. Arrangements for physically viewing these artifacts can be requested by calling the office.
- Most of the artifacts are on site at The Mill and are available electronically.
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# Collin's Machenery

**WB-3 Drill Press** 



**WB-6 Table Saw** 





## Mr. Collins Was Industrious

**WB-8 Pedestal Grinder** 



**WB-9 Drill Pres** 





# Handmade and Heavy Machinery

**WB-10** Homemade Wood Lathe

**WB-24 Miter Cutter** 





# Used in Woodworking

**WB-23 Band Saw** 



WB-37 Booring Machine made by Mr. Collins





## This & More Was Moved Six Times

WB-26 Universal Milling Machine

Milling Machine Nameplate





#### Additional Stored Items at Lundale

Barrels and boxes filled with??

Gears and belt drive wheels!







## At Lundale Farm

Generators, wood, etc. etc.

**Cider Press Drive Wheel** 

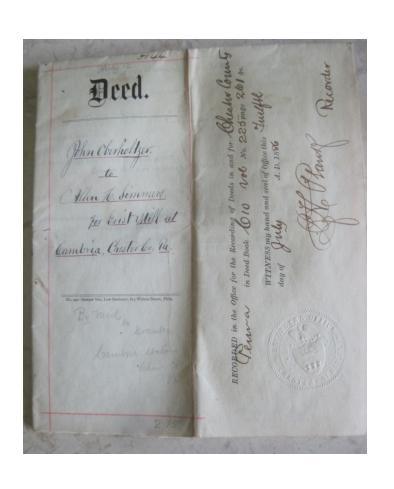






# Allen Simmers Purchases Grist Mill at Cambria, Chester Co. Pa

#### **Oberholtzer to Simmers Deed**



#### **New Ownership**

- Allen Simmers purchased the mill from John Oberholtzer July 12, 1886.
- Oliver Collins purchasd the mill from Allen Simmers in 1919.
- Reasonable to think that Allen and Annie moved out in October of 1919.

# Moving Out of the "Night Millers" Simmers – Collins House"

Oliver Simmers Letter to Mother and Father, October 18, 1919.

He writes about starting work, the rainy weather, the epidemic of farmers selling out and quitting farming.

Oliver tells them he has arranged vacation so he can help them pack up and move to their new home.

Oliver also wants to go gunning with Warren.

They must have moved from Anselma the end of October, 1919

Saturday Noon

Dear Father and Mother :-

Here it is the 18th, of October, can hardly make my self believe it but its true enough; a short time since I started into work, If the period from Nov. 11th, 1918 to May 7th, 1919 would have only gone as swiftly as the time now does it surely would have been a relief.

We had rainy weather all wee up until yesterday when it cleared off and today one could not wish for anything nicer, its just cool enough to be right.

Mothers letter arrived Wednesday and was very interesting, seems to be quite an epidemic among the farmers down there to sell out and quit, guess they have made to much money during the past three years.

I, will be home on Sunday evening Sept. 26th, will try and get away to get to Phoenixville in time to catch the last train out the Valley, have arranged to have my vacation start Oct. 27th, Will see how things go along by the middle of next week and will let you know just what time I will be home, if I can't get down to catch the last train will ask you folks to meet me at Phoenixville, that will give me Monday and Tuesday to help you pack, Move on Wednesday and then will have Thursday, Friday and Saturday to help you fix up, You said that you wouldnot have as much room as you would like, How much of the house are you getting?

Did you say anything to Warren about going gunning? and what didhe say? I presume tho if he does go he would like to go by auto. and no doubt Oscar will go along.

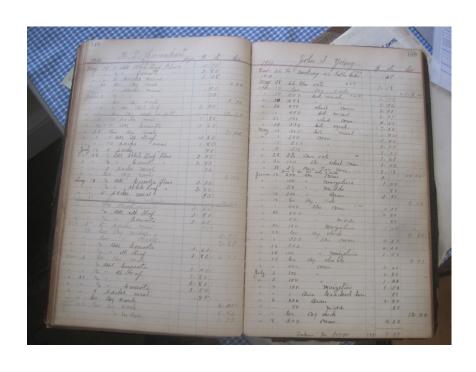
Fondly. Oliver.



# Day Books

#### **Simmers Day Book**

#### **Simmers to Collins Day Book**



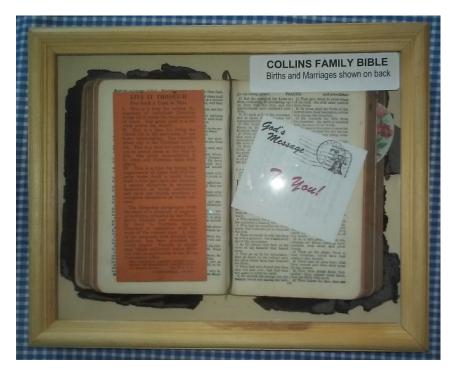




## Collin's Donation

#### **Collins Family Bible**

#### Family Birth's and Marriage's







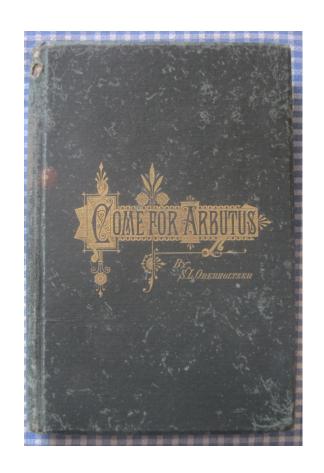
## Other Artifacts at Anselma

## National Air Mail Week-1938 & Collins Cuff Links





#### **Book by Sara Oberholtzer**





## Other Artifacts at Anselma

#### **Bottle Weight**



# **Mower Blade Sharpening Instruction Booklet**





## Artifacts at Anselma Continued

Simmers 10 Lb. Bag



Collins note pad of blade sharpening 1938





#### **Donated Items**

Geo. Opperman 1910 Calendar Plate – donated by Dru Kring

Cider or fruit press – donated by Eleanor Morris

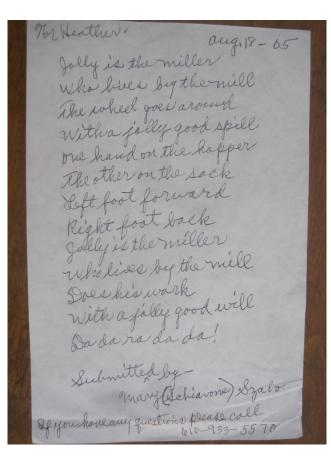




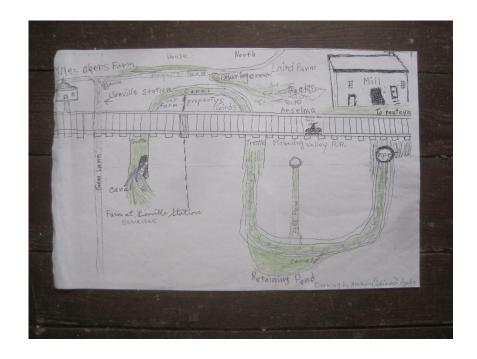


## Donated

Jolly is the Miller Song
Donated by Mary Schiavone Szabo



**Donated by Mary Schiavone Szabo** 



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#### **Donated by Eleanor Morris**



## 1918 Miss Ada Davis Pickering Valley RR Agent by Elmer D. Matthewes





# Virtue Conquers Danger

