

Clarence Bennett Bentley ~ Live Stock Dealer & Abraham Lincoln King ~ Farmer



12 Hogs. Raised by **A. L. King**. Age 7 months. Average Weight 240.
Best ever bought by **Clarence Bentley**.
The postcard photo dates from around 1910.

The photograph above illustrates the importance of the very lucrative pork industry in this area even up into the early 20th century.

A. L. King in the photograph is **Abraham Lincoln King** (the man with the long coat on). He went by "**Lincoln King**". He was born on July 16, 1859 and died November 8, 1946. He was 87 years old, 3 months and 22 days when he died. His father was **William King** (1827-1898) and his mother was **Sarah Sabin King** (1832-1906). His mother was born near [Center Monthly Meeting](#) in Clinton co., Ohio and his grandfather, **William Sabin** (1803-1869), was a noted Hicksite preacher (*1903 Centennial Atlas of Warren County, Ohio*, p. 23). **Sarah King** (formerly **Sabin**) was disowned from Quaker meeting for her marriage contrary to discipline to **William King** on December 24, 1856 (*Hinshaw's Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy, Vol. V., Ohio*, p. 116). The **Kings** were not Quakers.

Lincoln King was married to **Izora Hawke**. Her parents were **Silas P. Hawke** and **Mary E. Thomas Hawke**. **Izora** was born on September 3, 1862 in Harveysburg, Ohio and died on February 3, 1933 at the age of 70 year, 5 months and 28 days. They are both buried in [Miami Cemetery](#). **Izora Hawke King** is buried in **Hawke** burial plot in Section K (End of Drive Turn-around). **Abraham L. King** is buried by himself in the inverted "V" at the entrance to Section K. **Lincoln King** was a farmer all his life.

Clarence Bennett Bentley (man leaning against the fence), who was a live stock dealer in Waynesville, died when he was only 46 years old. He died on September 3, 1921 in Blanchester, Clinton Co., Ohio. He died of cerebral embolisms due to an injury to the base of his skull. He was married to **Nina Erma Smith Bentley** who was almost half his age. She was 24 in 1920. **Clarence** is buried in [Miami Cemetery](#), Section P. After **Clarence's** death, **Nina** married **Will C. St. John** and became **Nina E. St. John**. **Will** and **Nina St. John** are buried close to **Clarence Bentley** in the same section.

On his World War I Registration Card, **Clarence** is described as tall with a medium build with blue eyes and light hair. He was 44 years old when he registered.