Field and Staff, 120th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, 9th Division, 13th Army Corps



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Ast. Surgeon Christopher C. STOUFFER entered service 4 Sept 1862 at age 26. He resigned 26 Jan 1864.

Father: Christian STOUFFER Mother: Margaret DUNMIRE

Birth: May 1838, Franklin county, Pennsylvania Marriage: 1 Alosia S.BITZER, in Seville, Medina

county, Ohio, March 26, 1867

2 Mary FARNEY on 27 Mar 1890, Wayne Co OH.

Death: 1907

Cemetery: Maplewood Memorial Lawn Cemetery, Emporia, Lyon Co KS, Section 7 - Lot 58 - Space 7

Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopedia. [Wayne County version] published in 1885 page504

Congress Twp:

Christopher C. Stouffer, M.D. received from Governor Tod, on September 4, 1862, commission as assistant surgeon, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. For nearly two years he was in constant attendance upon the men of the regiment, except when detailed, giving his loving care and the knowledge of his profession to the sick and wounded, lightening many a pain of body and mind for the boys, who still remember him gratefully. At the battle of Arkansas Post he was detailed to the "floating hospital" boat, and remained in constant attendance on the wounded there for three days and nights. At Thompsons Hill he was crossing a corn field with another surgeon and a "stretcher corps," approaching the battle field to establish a primary hospital, when he was knocked senseless by the concussion of a canon ball, three of the stretcher corps falling at the same time. He was only two hours disabled, resuming then his duties. The next day (May 2, 1863.) he was detailed to take charge of the ambulance train from Thompsons Hill to Grand Gulf, and he gave his best care to our wounded heroes till he saw them on the hospital boats, and sent up the Mississippi for further treatment. Amid such duties as these he wore his own strength away, and was compelled to resign for disability on April 20, 1864, at New Orleans, returning to his home, in West Salem. Dr. Stouffer was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, son of Christian and Margaret (Dunmire) Stouffer. He married, in Seville, Medina county, Ohio, March 26, 1867, Alosia S., daughter of Benjamin and Sabina (Lemmon) Bitzer. Their children were born: Floy Vinnie, June 26, 1868; Ralph B., March 6, 1870, died July 1st following; Irene Maude, July 3, 1871; William Clifford, November 28, 1873; Tottie Ethelyn (?), March 31, 1880, died December 24th following; Tinnie Daisy, January 30, 1877. Since 1860 Dr. Stouffer has been a resident physician of West Salem, commanding a wide practice, and universally esteemed. He was elected to the State legislature from his district in the fall of 1883, and is there serving the best interests of his constituents. Dr. Stouffer is a charter member of Warner Brown Post, No. 184, G.A.R., and present surgeon.

Pension Card: Christopher C. STOUFFER, Asst Surgeon, Field and Staff 120th OH Inf., Asst Surgeon 114th OH Inf. Invalid filed 30 Apr 1880. Widow also filed. Christopher died 1907. Pension Index: Widow Mary J. STOUFFER applied 8 July 1907 in Kansas.

1850 Census, Lurgan, Franklin Co PA, Dwelling 113, Family 113: Christopher STOUFFER, age 56 PA, farmer; Margaret, age 46 PA; Lidia, age 21 PA; Rebecca, age 16 Pa; Margaret, age 14 PA; Christopher, age 13 PA; Daria, age 11 PA; Teressa, age 8 PA; George WASHINGTON, age 4 PA; Matilda WASHINGTON, age 2 PA.

1860 Census, Frankford, Cumberland Co PA, PO Blosserville, Dwelling 583, Family 587: John KUNKLE, age 32 PA, master ?gunmaker; Elizabeth, age 25 PA; Sarah ????, age 6 PA; C C STOUFFER, age 23 PA, physician.

1870 Census, West Salem, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 117, Family 122: C C STOUFFER, age 33 PA, physician; Louisa, age 30 OH; Floy [male-wrong], age 13 OH; Ralph, age 2 months OH, born Mar 1870.

Repository [Canton OH], 1 Feb 1879, pg 4:

"Dr. C. C. Stouffer, of West Salem, has been appointed to deliver the opeing address at the meeting of the N. E. O. M. A. to be held in Akron, Feb. 4."

1880 Census, West Salem, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 25, Family 32: C C STOUFFER, age 42 PA, physician, parents born PA; Alosia, age 36 OH, wife, parents born PA; Floy P, daughter, age 12; [next page] Irene, age 9 OH, daughter; Clifford, age 6 OH son; Daisy, age 3 OH, daughter; Tottie, age 2 months OH, born March 1880, daughter.

Dr. Stouffer was active in the Democrat party and I think he was a representative to the Ohio legislature, but not sure of that. He was "a prominent Democratic representative..." in Columbus. He was nominated to be "Representive" as a Democrat in the primary in Wayne county in June 1883.

Aloshia STOUFFER is buried at West Salem Cemetery, Wayne Co OH. 1839-1887.

1890 Veterans Schedule: Congress Twp, Wayne Co OH, line 10, House 438, Family 457, Christopher C STOUFER, Ast. Surg. 120 OH Inf. P O address: West Salem, Wayne Co OH. [Could not read comments about condition.]

Married Mary J. <1890> Ohio, County Marriages, 1789-2013: Christian STAUFFER married Mary FARNEY on 27 Mar 1890, Wayne co OH.

In 1893 the Dept. of the Interior reported that C C STOUFFER was living at the corner of Main and Congress st. in West Salem OH.

1900 Census, 619 Congress St, Emporia Ward 1, Lyon Co KS, Dwelling 165, Family 179: Christopher C STAUFFER, age 62 PA, born May 1838, married 10 yrs <1890>, parents born PA, physician; Mary J., wife, age 51 OH, born June 1848, married 10 yrs, parents born PA, 0 children; Katie C. BUCK, age 27 OH, sisterin-law, single born Jun 1872, parents born unknown, dressmaker.

Emporia [KS] Gazette, 21 Dec 1905, Vol 16, Issue 89, page 5:

"Mrs. Breckheiser of Bowling Green Ohio who has been visiting her father Dr. C. C. Stouffer in Emporia, left yesterday afternoon accompanied by Dr. Stouffer, for Fort Worth, Texas, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. D. D. Paulus, a daughter of Dr. Stouffer's."

[Contributed by Becky Doan at <u>Find a Grave</u>] The Emporia Gazette, 08 Jun 1907, Saturday DR. C. C. STOUFFER DEAD

Dr. C. C. Stouffer, who lived at 619 Congress street, died last night at 6 o'clock. He as 69 years of age and had lived in Emporia for seven years. Dr. Stouffer was born in Shippenburg (sic), Pa., and moved to Ohio, when a boy. He was graduated from a medical college, and practiced both medicine and surgery. During the Civil war he served as a surgeon in the One Hundredth Twentieth Ohio Volunteers. After the war he went to West Salem, Ohio, where he was married and practiced medicine for thirty-five years. Dr. Stouffer was a member of [the] Ohio legislature two terms, in 1882 and 1884. From Ohio, the Stouffers moved to Emporia, where they have since lived. Dr. Stouffer practiced medicine to some extent the first year he came to Emporia, but he was taken seriously sick the second year and gave up his work. He was a member of the First Presbyterian church. A wife, two daughters and one son survive him, besides three sisters and a brother.

Mrs. Daisy Brecheisen, the older daughter, of Londonville, Ohio, arrived last night. The other daughter, Mrs. Floy Paulus, lives at Fort Worth Texas. W. Clifford Stouffer, the son, lives in Cleveland, Ohio. He is expected to arrive tonight. The sisters are Mrs. Rebecca Morrow, Greencastle, Pa.; Miss Dessie Stouffer, Shippenburg, Pa.; and Mrs. Sarah Sanders, of Wilson, Kan. The only brother, Dr. D. A. Stouffer, lives at Greencastle, Pa. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home. Rev. W. B. Irwin, of the First Presbyterian church, will conduct the services.

Widow:

1910 Census, Congress St, Emporia Ward 1, Lyon Co, KS, Dwelling 2, Family 2: Mary STAUFFER, age 62 OH, married, first marriage, married 20 yrs, 0 children, parents born PA; Minnie BUCK, age 26 KS, niece, single, father born OH or KS, mother born PA or KS, "hello girl" in telephone office. [Mary's age should be 72]

Widow:

1920 Census, 253 Elm Ave, Long Beach, Los Angeles Co, CA, Dwelling 35, House 85: Mary J. STOUFFER, head of household, age 71 OH, widowed, parents born PA; Anna M GEBHART, lodger, age 75 IA, widowed, parents born OH.

 $\label{thm:continuous} \begin{tabular}{ll} Veterans Administration Pension Payment Card: Mary J STOUFFER, 652228, widow of Christopher C. STOUFFER, Asst Surgn 120th Ohio V I, died 3 Nov 1920. \end{tabular}$

California Death Index, 1905-1939: Mary J. STOUFFER died 3 Nov 1920 at Los Angeles, CA, age 72, born <1848>.

Mary J. STOUFFER, buried Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach, Los Angeles Co CA, Plot: Iris, lot 111

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