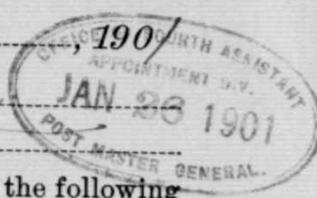


Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,
APPOINTMENT DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., *Jan. 21*



SIR:

Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a change of site of the post office at *Drill*, County of *Belmont*, State of *Ohio*, to _____ he requires that the following questions be carefully and correctly answered, and returned to this Department.

The contractor or station agent will also answer the queries addressed to him.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]
Fourth Ass't P. M. General.

To Mr. *W. A. Matthews*
care of the Postmaster of *Drill*, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The office to be called "*Drill*"

How far, and in what direction do you propose to move the office?—Ans. *Half Mile East-*

The new site will be situated in the County of *Belmont*, State of *Ohio*

It will be on or near route No. *131041*, being the route from *Cleveland* to *Bridgeport*, on which the mail is now carried *24* times per week.

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. *no*

If not, how far from, and on which side of it?—Ans. *North side 450 yards*

How much will it increase the distance necessarily traveled by the carrier in going once over the route? *Half mile*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed site, on the same route, is *Bridgeport and Lucasburg*, its distance is *1 1/2* miles, in a *East and West* direction.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is *Lucelle*, its distance is *2* miles, in a *South West* direction from the proposed site.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed site, not on this route, is *Upland*, distance by the most direct road *3* miles, in a *North East* direction.

The name of the most prominent river near it is *Ohio River*

The name of the nearest creek is *Wheeling Creek*

The proposed site will be *1 1/2* miles from said river, on the *West* side of it, and will be *400 yds* from said nearest creek, on the *North* side of it.

If on the line of or near a railroad, state the name, on which side the office will be located, how far from the depot, and what is, or will be, the name of the station.—Ans. *North 1 1/4 Miles, Bridgeport*

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. *1000, "One Thousand"*

Also, the population to be supplied by proposed office.—Ans. *"Five hundred"*

ALL OF WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this *23rd* day of *January*, 1901.

() Sign full name.) *William A. Matthews*, Proposed P. M.

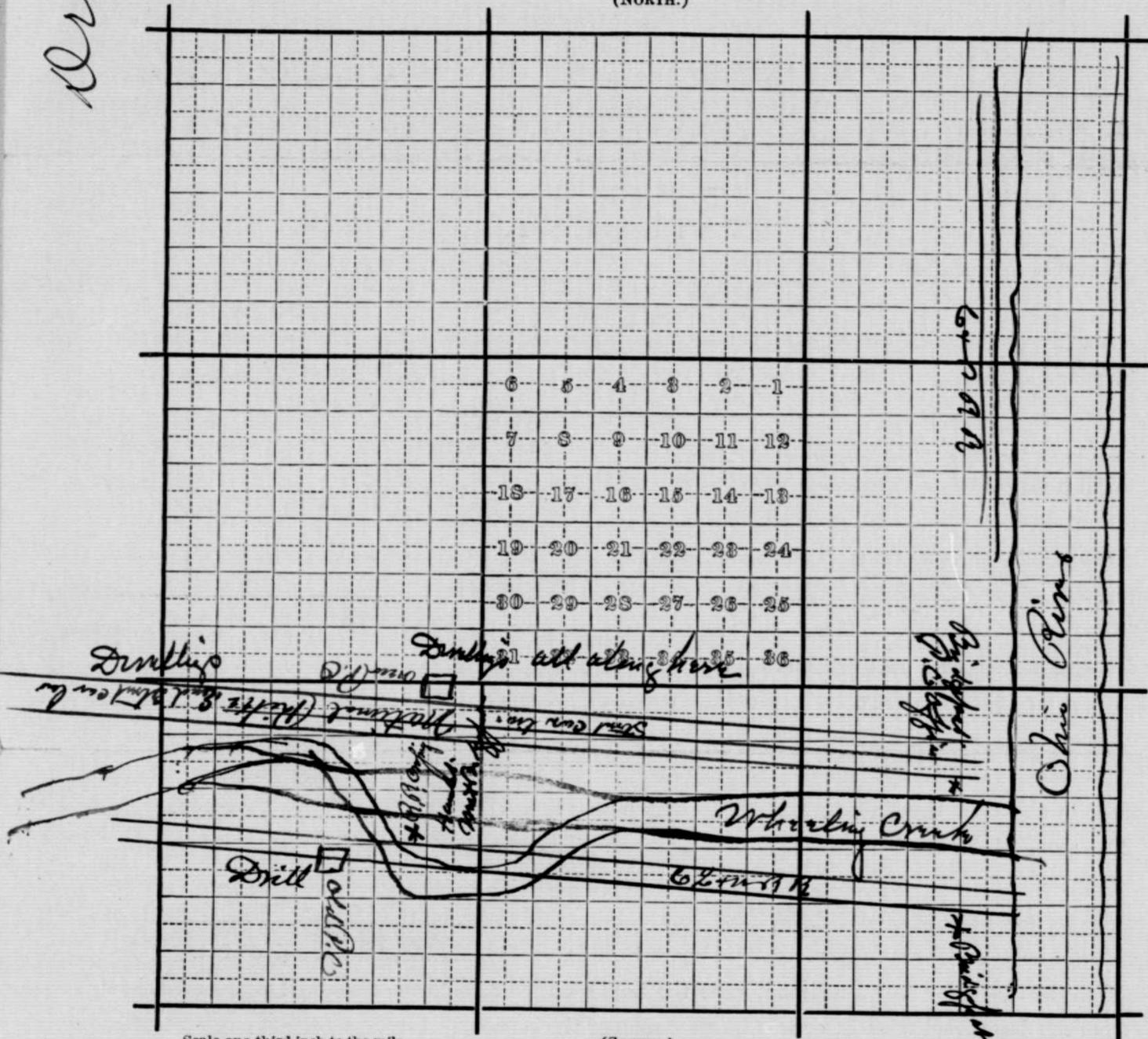
Drill, Ohio.

Diagram showing the proposed site of the _____ Post Office
 on the _____ quarter of section _____, in Township _____ (N. or S.),
 Range _____ (E. or W.), of _____ Principal Meridian, County of _____
 State of _____, with the adjacent Townships and Post Offices.

It is requested that the exact site of your Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining Offices,
 and the rivers and creeks, be marked on this diagram. If on or near a railroad, mark the railroad
 and adjacent Station accurately.

In localities not surveyed by the U. S. Land Office, a **sketch** map is requested.

(NORTH.)



Scale one-third inch to the mile.

(SOUTH.)

The present site is on the _____ quarter of Section _____, Town. _____
 Range _____, and proposed site is on the _____ quarter of Section _____
 Town. _____, Range _____, distant _____ miles, in a _____ direction,
 and will be supplied _____



Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14, 1884

SIR: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at Drill, County of Belmont, State of Ohio, it will be necessary for you to carefully answer the subjoined questions, get a neighboring postmaster to certify to the correctness of the answers, and return the location paper to the Department, addressed to me. If the site selected for the proposed office should not be on any mail route now under contract, only a "Special Office" can be established there, to be supplied with mail from some convenient point on the nearest mail route by a special carrier, for which service a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount of the salary of the postmaster at such office will be paid.

You should inform the contractor, or person performing service for him, of this application, and require him to execute the inclosed certificate as to the practicability of supplying the proposed office with mail, and return the same to the Department.

Very respectfully,

FRANK HATTON,
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Charles R. Sandborn
care of the Postmaster Oscar Townsend Esq., who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called Drill Belmont County Ohio

Select a short name for the proposed office, which, when written, will not resemble the name of any other post office in the United States.

It will be situated in the NE quarter of Section 3, Township 6 (North or South), Range 3 (East or West), 81°, in the County of Belmont, State of Ohio

It will be on or near route No. C. & W. Ry., being the route from Bridgeport to Sorain via, on which the mail is now carried six times per week.

The contractor's name is _____
Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. Yes.

If not, how far from, and on which side of it?—Ans. _____

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. None

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. It is on the road.

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. _____

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. None.

If not on any route, is a "Special Office" wanted?—Ans. _____ To be supplied from _____

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Bridgeport P.O.
its distance is Two miles in a Eastward direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Blaine P.O.
its distance is Three miles in a North, Westward direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, not on this route, is St. Clairsville
distance by the most direct road Eight miles in a Westward direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is Ohio

The name of the nearest creek is Whaling Creek

The proposed office will be Two miles from said river, on the West side of it, and will be 100 feet from said nearest creek, on the West side of it.

The name of the nearest railroad is Cleveland Sorain & Whaling
If on the line of or near a railroad, on which side will the office be located; how far from the track; and what is, or will be, the name of the station?—Ans. South Side about 100 feet right at Office

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station?—Ans. _____

State name of station: Whaling Creek Sta.

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station at which mail trains make regular stops?—Ans. right at Office

State name of station? Whaling Creek.

If the proposed office is located where it can be supplied from a crane or flag station, or located near to roads from the station where mail trains make regular stops, will the mail be carried to and from the proposed office without expense to the Department?—Ans. Yes

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. 400 500 or more

Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—Ans. Millions

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this 3rd day of June, 1884.

(Sign full name.) Charles R. Sandborn, Proposed P. M.

I CERTIFY that I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

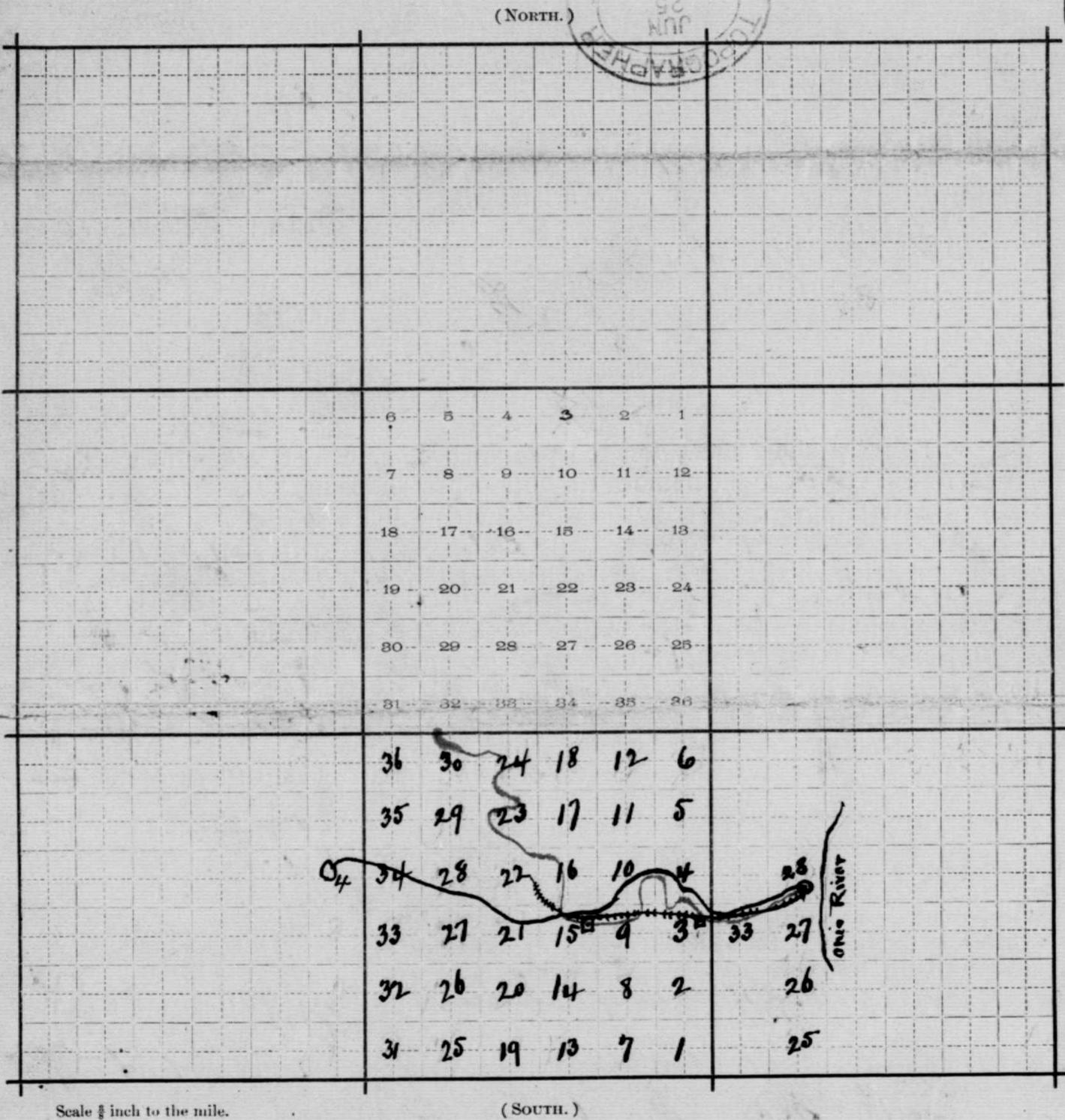
John F. Handel
Postmaster at Blaine Belmont Co. Ohio
(OVER.)

Be careful to answer the inquiries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Diagram showing the site of the *Drill* Post Office
 in Township *6* (N. of *3*), Range *3* (E. of *81st*) Principal
 Meridian, County of *Belmont*, State
 of *Ohio*, with the adjacent Townships and Post Offices.

Drill
Ohio

It is requested that the exact site of the proposed or existing Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining offices, and the larger streams or rivers, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon as possible to the Post Office Department.



- - 28 Bridgeport ^{Post.} Office Bridgeport ○
- - 3 ^{proposed} _{office} Drill
- - 15 Blaine Post Office Base sta. on line of C. & W. R.R.
- - 4 St. Clairsville. ○
- Wheeling Creek
- National Pike.
- C. & W. R.R.