

# Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

WASHINGTON, D. C., *Feb. 3*, 18*93*

SIR: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at *High Ridge*, 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 (see section 733, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1887), for which service a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount of the salary of the postmaster at such office will be paid by the Department.

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,

*E. G. Rathbone*  
Fourth Ass't Postmaster General.

To Mr. *W. R. Thompson*,  
care of the Postmaster of *Blaine - Ohio*, who will please forward to him.

## STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called

*High Ridge "Lucile"*

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

It will be situated in the *SW* quarter of Section *21*, Township *Pittsburg*, (North or South), *East* Range *2* (East or West), in the County of *Belmont*, State of *Ohio*.

It will be on or near route No. \_\_\_\_\_, being the route from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, on which the mail is now carried \_\_\_\_\_ times per week.

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
If not, how far from it?—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

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

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on one side, is *Blaine*, its distance is *2 1/2* miles in a *North West* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office, on the other side, is *Drill*, its distance is *2 1/2* miles in a *North East* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the other nearest office to the proposed one is *Spudon*, its distance by the most direct road is *3 1/4* miles in a *South W.* direction from the proposed office.

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

The name of the nearest creek is *Messling*.

The proposed office will be *4 1/2* miles from said river, on the *West* side of it, and will be *2 1/4* miles from said nearest creek, on the *South* side of it.

The name of the nearest railroad is *Cleveland, Louisville & Messling*. 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. \_\_\_\_\_

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

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

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 day of *Feb. 22<sup>d</sup>*, 18*93*

*Albert P. Johnson* Proposed P. M.  
(Sign full name.)

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

*W. B. Crawford*  
Postmaster at *Blaine Ohio*

The proposed P.M. will please sign his full name.

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

Applications for post offices should be accompanied by petitions of the citizens interested.

OFFICE OF FOURTH ASSISTANT  
RECEIVED  
\* MAR 2 1893 \*  
POST MASTER GENERAL.

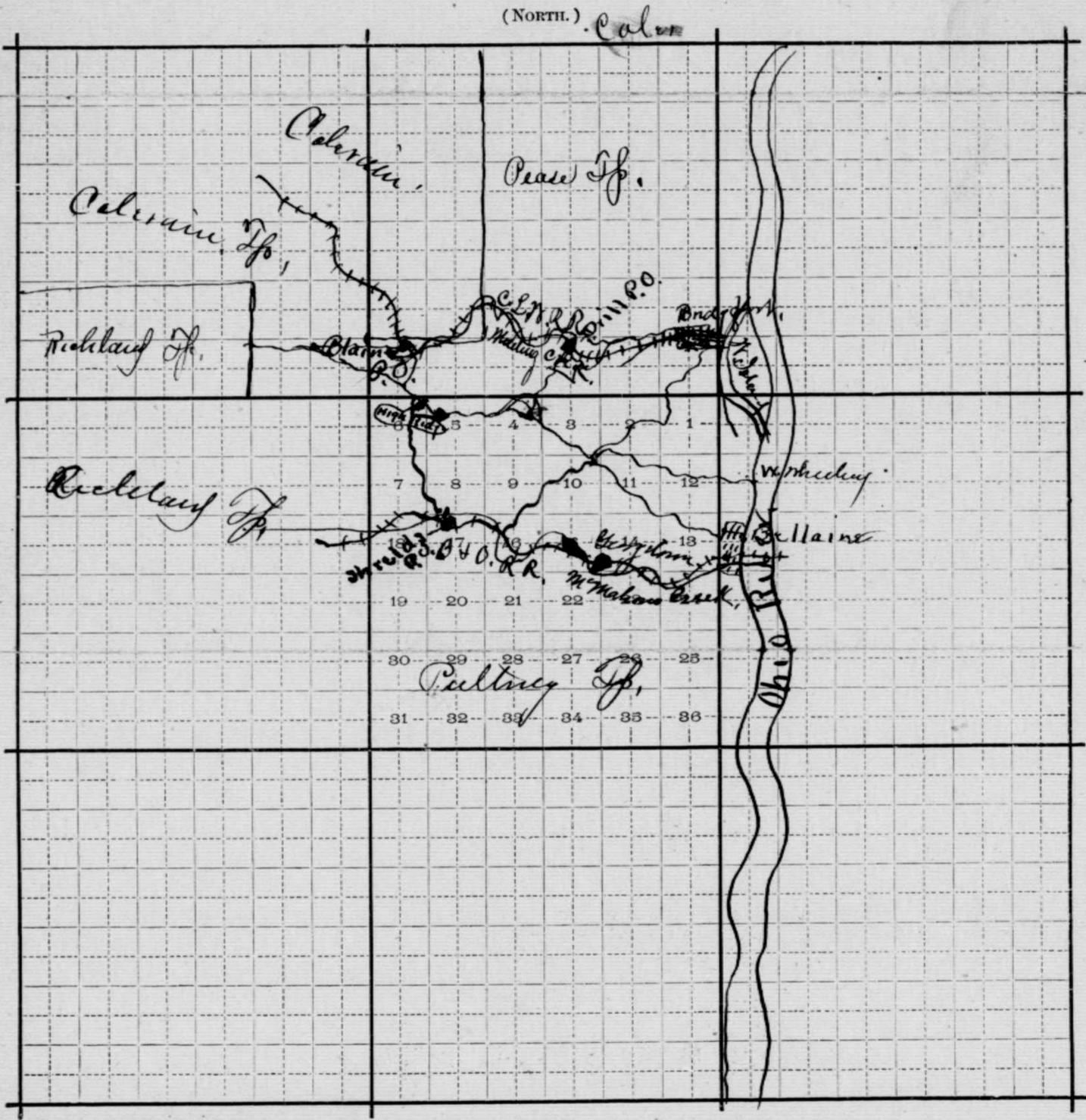
OFFICE OF FOURTH ASSISTANT  
RECEIVED  
\* FEB 24 1893 \*  
POST MASTER GENERAL.

OFFICE OF FOURTH ASSISTANT  
RECEIVED  
\* FEB 18 1893 \*  
POST MASTER GENERAL.

TOPOGRAPHER  
MAY 21 1893  
OFFICE OF POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Diagram showing the site of the proposed High Ridge Post Office,  
Township 6 (N. or S.), Range 3 (E. or W.) of  
Meridian, County of Belmont, State  
Ohio, with the adjacent Townships and Post Offices.

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.



Lucile  
Ohio