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of Charles and Barbara (Myers) Alleman, of Paint township. They have three children: Ira Edgar, born October 5, 1905; William Merl and Charles Earl, twins, born November 30, 1911.

The Rials of Franklin, Pennsylvania, of whom Edward Rial, recently deceased, was a leading representative, spring from John Riale, an Englishman, who emigrated from England in 1725. The final "e" was soon dropped from the name and became as now spelled, Rial. John Riale settled in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he followed the occupation of a farmer. He married and left male issue.

(II) Richard, son of John Riale, the emigrant, was born between 1735 and 1740. He was a farmer in Bucks county, married, and left male issue.

(III) John (2), son of Richard Rial, was a justice of the peace for many years in New Britain, Pennsylvania. He married, and had a son George.

(IV) George, son of John Rial, was born about the year 1800. He became a contractor of large works, and at the time of his death was engaged in constructing a canal from Clark's Ferry to Harrisburg for the government. He met his death through accidental poisoning, and is buried in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, where he was then residing. He married Harriet White, who survived him with a daughter and son Edward.

(V) Edward, only son of George and Harriet (White) Rial, was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1826, died in Franklin, Pennsylvania, August 15, 1911. He was very young when his parents died and left him to the care of his maternal grandparents. He had only a few terms at the country school, but through later reading and study became a well educated man. He was essentially self-made, and his career aptly illustrated the possibilities open to any clean living ambitious youth. He first entered business life in a hardware store in Center county, following this he ran a livery stable, and later conducted a hotel at Tidioute, Pennsylvania, also operating a stage line between that town and Warren, Pennsylvania, having the government contract for carrying the mails. He had now accumulated some capital, and, removing to Union City, Pennsylvania, began the manufacture of an improved and patented pump. In 1869 he

located in Franklin, where he established a grocery business. The oil excitement was then strong in Franklin and he quickly saw the possibilities for large profits. Selling his grocery, he invested in oil leases and lands, being one of the pioneers. He was very successful, and until his death in 1911 was one of the great factors in oil production. He spared no expense in carrying out well laid plans and always succeeded, even where others failed. He constructed a tramway to the summit of Point Hill to deliver supplies to the wells above, being the first to so build and operate. He continued active in business until 1911, when death closed the record of his activities. He was an energetic tireless worker, and, manfully facing adverse circumstances, won well earned success. He was a member of the Baptist church, generously supporting the work of his denomination. In political faith he was a Democrat, but cared little for official preferment.

He married, April 2, 1848, Catherine, born January 1, 1832, died March 9, 1900, daughter of Thomas Morrison, of Mercer county, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Clara, born January 7, 1849; married John P. Kennedy, of Philadelphia, died April 2, 1877; children: Rosan, born October 1, 1875, married H. Griffith Clark; James E., born September 9, 1876, married Alice Parker, and has Catherine, born October 11, 1900. 2. John, born October 17, 1850, died April 11, 1851. 3. Edward (2), born May 6, 1852, died August 1, 1900; married, October 4, 1875, Henrietta Kilgore, and had Wirt Duffield, born September, 1876. 4. Savage, born February 25, 1854, died October 13, 1856. 5. Emma, born February 16, 1856, died August 10, 1856. 6. James, born July 29, 1857; married, 1877, Ida Brown, and has Edward, Sarah, Harry, Georgia, James, Ida, Roll, Ruth, Irene and Marie. 7. Phyla Emma, born December 16, 1859; married, September 29, 1887, Edward L. Branch. 8. Katharine, born January 20, 1862.

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