

BREWINGTON, Joseph T

Joseph T. BREWINGTON, trustee of Noble township and one of Jay county's well known and substantial farmers and landowners, proprietor of an excellent farm on rural mail route No. 6 out of Portland, is a native son of Jay county, a member of one of the pioneer families here, and has lived in this county all his life. Mr.

BREWINGTON was born on a farm in Wayne township on December 13, 1859, and is a son of Elijah and Sarah (KING) BREWINGTON, the latter of whom was born in Pennsylvania and had become a resident of this county in the days of her girlhood. Elijah BREWINGTON was born in Maryland and was about sixteen years of age when he came to Indiana with his parents, John C. BREWINGTON and wife, in 1847, the family settling on a quarter section of land in Wayne and Noble townships, this county, where he grew to manhood and where in turn he established his home after his marriage and became one of the substantial citizens of that part of the county. He and his wife had two children, the subject of this sketch having had a sister, Elizabeth, who died at the age of twenty-five years. Reared on the home farm in Noble township, Joseph T. BREWINGTON received his schooling in the Bellefontaine schools and remained on the home farm until after his marriage when he established his home on the farm on which he is now living in that township and has since resided there. Since taking possession of this place Mr. BREWINGTON has made numerous improvements on the farm and has an excellent farm plant. He has 100 acres and in addition to his general farming has long given considerable attention to the raising of livestock. Mr. BREWINGTON is a Democrat and has ever given his thoughtful attention to local civic affairs, for years having been looked upon as one of the leaders of his party in Noble township. In 1914 he was elected township trustee and so satisfactory did his administration of the affairs of that important office prove that he was re-elected in 1918 and is now serving his second four-year term in that office. Joseph T. BREWINGTON married Selma PAULDING, who was born in Wayne county, Ohio, daughter of Charles and Tamsen (LONGACRE) PAULDING, and to this union three children have been born, namely: Charles, who died in infancy; Delee, who married Orlo GAGLE and has one child, a daughter, Geraldine GAGLE; and Gaynell, who died at the age of three years. Mr. and Mrs. BREWINGTON are members of the United Brethren church at Bellefontaine and Mr. BREWINGTON has long been an office bearer in the church, a present member of the board of trustees of the same. SOURCE: Milton T. Jay, M.D., History of Jay County Indiana, Historical Publishing Co., Indpls. 1922, Vol. II, pp.163-164. Transcribed by Eloine Chesnut

