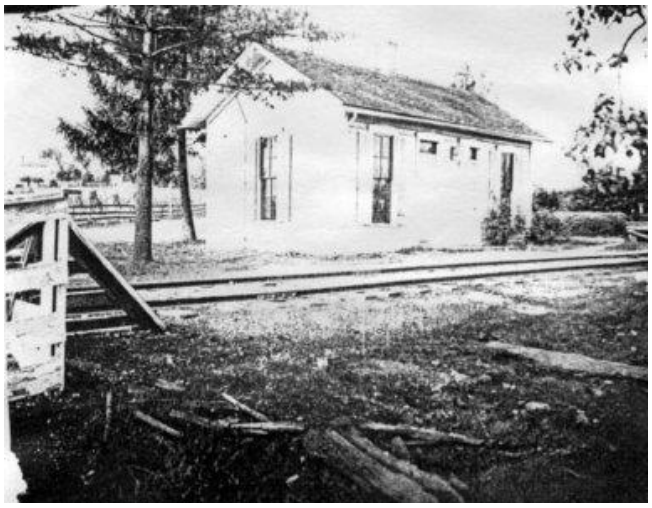
Kinsey Station
Ref: "Randolph Township" by E. F. Warner in the *History of Montgomery County, Ohio*, W. H. Beers, 1882.

The Rev. Samuel Kinsey was a Minister and Nurseryman in the early years of Randolph Township. Born May 26, 1832, he was the son of Joel and Elizabeth (Brumbaugh) Kinsey, and brother to Noah and Lydia Kinsey. After the death of his father, his mother returned to her childhood home leaving Samuel to live with his uncle, Levi Kinsey. When Samuel was sixteen, his uncle moved to Indiana and Samuel stayed in the area and learned the carpenter trade from Emanuel Flory. After a brief stay in Indiana, Samuel moved back to Ohio and married Barbara Nead, daughter of Rev. Peter Nead. Samuel and Barbara had 13 children between 1853 and 1875, eleven of them are: Almira, Mary, Cynthia, Clarinda, William N., Lydia, Sarah, Ellen, Charles P., Jessie E. and Allen V. In 1870, with the assistance of his father-in-law, Samuel established a monthly paper called the *Vindicator*, a paper published in the interest of the Old German Baptist faith. After several years in Indiana, Samuel moved his family back to Ohio and settled to take care of his father-in-law's property. He soon purchased 50 acres of land next to his father-in-law from Mr. Basore, eventually owning a farm of 200 acres. He soon became a fine nurseryman and earned a reputation for quality known throughout the state and the Union. With his son William and sons-in-law George Yount and Benjamin J. Miller, he continued with his business. During the building of the Toledo, Delphos & Burlington Railway, Mr. Kinsey had a station located near his nurseries. The station was therefore named Kinsey Station.



Sometime after 1869 the Burlington, Delphos and Toledo Railway Company built a narrow gage line through Randolph Twp. (soon after became C. H. & D). The railroad made sure that the Kinsey Nursery would have a freight station to facilitate the shipping of the thousands of trees and vines each year. The Kinsey Station was located on the north side of what is now Kinsey Road. It was located one tenth of a mile West of Taywood Road. Today the power lines follow the old railroad right away.