Workers on break at Centerville Brick and Tile Company.

POSTAL SERVICE HISTORY

The first post office in Centerville was established in 1855. Later post offices were established at St. Wendel and Cleveland. The post office for Centerville was given the name Hika since there already was a post office in the state named Centerville. The Hika post office closed in 1954 and the St. Wendel post office sometime before 1915.

The first postmaster for Cleveland was Mr. John Hills. He was followed by John Gretz, Edward Jost, and Tom Gretz. The post office was first operated in a house on Hazel Street, and then at Wagner's Hotel, which is pictured above. This hotel is now known as Jurk's Bar. The present post office was built in 1960.