

OHIO FLAG LECTURE

I direct your attention to the Flag of the State of Ohio. Its Red, White and Blue were adopted from your national flag. The alternating Red and White stripes represent our rivers and highways. The angles formed represent our hills and valleys. The field of Blue is emblematic of the Great Northwest Territory of which Ohio was once a part.

On the left of the field of Blue are 13 stars representing the original 13 colonies; on the right are four more stars indicating that Ohio was the seventeenth state admitted to the Union. In the center of the field is a large "O" initial of the State of Ohio. The center is Red emblematic of the Buckeye, the nickname of the State. It also represents the rising sun, which is part of the Great Seal of the State of Ohio. (Then if desired or appropriate) - - the site of which is in our own Fourth Division, at Mt. Logan, near the City of Chillicothe.