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Born in Massachusetts, buried in Indiana, Johnny Appleseed is still Ohio's best-known and best-loved hero. For the pioneers, the apples from Johnny's trees weren't just a nice snack. The pioneers ate mostly cornmeal and game meat. They needed apples to stay healthy. They made them into pies, cider and apple butter. Dried and hung from a ceiling or wrapped in cloth and buried in a dirt floor, apples could last months without spoiling. Pioneers also pickled vegetables in barrels of salted apple vinegar. This way they had still other foods to eat during the long winters.