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THE WESTCOTT FAMILY QUARTERLY

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Descendants of Stukely Westcott sometimes write that they have not become members of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants because they never received an invitation. Of course, an invitation is unnecessary. All that is necessary is being able to trace his or her ancestry back to a person of the Westcott name and then write for an application blank. However, at this time every member of the Society is asked to invite some descendant to become a member by signing the accompanying two-way postcard, and address and mail it. It may reach some descendants who await an invitation.

IN MEMORIAM. Frederick Louis Burgen, husband of Lulu Westcott Burgen (A-180), National member of Hastings, Oswego Co., N.Y., and President of Northern N. Y. Chapter, d-Mar. 14, 1942. Our sympathy is extended to the widow. * * Victor in many harness-races at the county fairs in central New York three-score years ago and a man universally known and loved, Orville D. Westcott (G-272) of Milford, N.Y., d-Feb. 22, 1942, in his 94th year.

The following new members have enrolled with the Society since the issue of "The Quarterly" for March, according to the report of the Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Potter. A hearty welcome to them.

- 289 Mr. and Mrs.* Warner Raymond Bouldin, Scarsdale, N. Y.
- 290 Mr.* and Mrs. Edgar Elisha Greene, Palisades Park, N. J.
- 291 Mr. and Mrs.* Jesse Isgrig, North Hollywood, Calif.

From time to time, attention has been called in "The Quarterly", to a comparatively few members who were in arrears for dues to the Society. Each year, for several years, names of eight to ten members have had to be removed from the roster of the Society because of death or who were owing one year for dues. While the new members are more than enough to overcome this loss, the loss of old members is always regretted.

While the rationing of gasoline may require some changes in plans for the Chapter reunions and picnics this Summer, the several Chapters announce the following--

CENTRAL N. Y. CHAPTER, No. 1--No announcement received (May 15).

RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER, No. 2--"The Breezes", the beautiful estate at Manville, R. I., of our members, Miss Susan Westcott Handy and Thomas Handy, Jr., will be the place of the next meeting of the Chapter on Saturday, June 20th, 2:30 P. M.

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER, No. 3--Basket supper on the spacious grounds of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Chester W. DeMond, 24 Soundview Circle, White Plains, N. Y., Saturday, June 13th, 3:30 P. M. Coffee and milk will be served, but bring your own sugar and basket supper. Please notify Mrs. DeMond June 10th, the number of adults and children in your party.

NORTHERN N.Y. CHAPTER, No. 4--At "Westcott Beach" on Lake Ontario, near Sacket Harbor, N. Y., the home of our members, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Westcott, the Chapter will have its customary reunion and basket picnic on Tuesday, August 11th. There will be a brief memorial service for our late member, Anson Francis Beardsley, and others who have died during the last two years. Three prizes will be offered in a

speaking contest: First prize--one year's membership in the National Society and copy of a poem by Mrs. Burgen, president of the Chapter, which was read by Mrs. Waugh at the Celebration last August. Second prize--one year's membership in the Chapter and a copy of the poem. Third prize--copy of the poem and a purse. Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Waugh and Dr. Allan Westcott will be the judges. President Burgen asks "The Quarterly" to remind members to kindly send in their dues as so many were absent last year.

VERMONT CHAPTER, No. 5--Tentatively, the Chapter has set Sunday, Aug. 23rd, and again chosen Idlewild Park on beautiful Lake St. Catherine, Vt., for its annual reunion and basket picnic. The rationing of gasoline in Vermont may prevent holding the reunion.

SOUTHERN MICH. CHAPTER, No. 6--While definite announcement of its basket picnic and reunion this year has not been received, a year ago at its gathering, the place and date was fixed at Johnson Park, Grand Rapids, Mich., on Sunday, Aug. 16th. Suggestion--Write the Chapter President.

CHICAGOLAND CHAPTER, No. 7--On Sunday, June 21st, members of the Chapter will assemble in Evanston, Ill., at the home of First National Vice-President and Mrs. Randall Livingston Wescott, for a basket picnic. Mrs. Wescott as well as her husband, is a Westcott descendant.

ABINGTON, PA., CHAPTER, No. 8--The fifth annual get-together of the members of the Chapter and their cousins, will be held at Lake Idlewilde, Susquehanna County, Pa., the attractive home of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Girden M. Wescott, on Saturday, August 1st.

WITH THE COLORS: Lieut. Earl Reynolds Stone, Jr. (A-194), according to an AP. dispatch some weeks ago, with another flier, shot down three Jap dive bombers while on dawn patrol with Gen. McArthur's Army on Batan front. * * Loren Killion (G-262) of Jackson, Mich., graduated from the U.S.N.R. Midshipman School of Northwestern University, Chicago, and last report was that he was to be sent to the West coast. * * Capt. Carlton J. Cook, husband of Jeannette Westcott (G-296), and a member of the Fifth Army Corps, for a time stationed at Alexandria, La., and in February, transferred to Camp Dix, New Jersey, in April, expected to join his Corps which was sent out some months ago. * * First-Lieut. Chester William Wescott (A-187) of Dumont, N. J., our member, last heard from (Apr. 6) was at the Boston Port of Embarkation. * * Francis Downing (A-384) is in Hawaii with Headquarters Co., 105th Inf., going from Hoosick Falls, N. Y. * * Edward Baker (A-384) and Raymond Baker (A-384) at last report, was in camp in Louisiana. ----Some Chapters plan to present Chapter memberships to any young man or woman, eligible for same, who is in the service of our country. In this same respect, the National Society might remit dues of members now with the colors or will be in the future, for the duration of the war.

Perhaps -- mind you, perhaps -- the present world-wide struggle will be over by the Spring of 1943, thus enabling members of the Westcott clan to assemble, as now tentatively planned, for the Fifth Biennial Celebration in Vermont. Let us hope the thought is not too good to come true.

Those handsome bronze plaques of the Westcott Coat of Arms can no longer be furnished, due to the shortage of bronze.

With this year, "The Quarterly", enters its ninth year.