

# THE WESTCOTT FAMILY QUARTERLY

Issued Quarterly--March, June, September, December--noting activities of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants; mailed free to members, to non-members 75¢ yearly. Secretary, Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, 457 The Fenway, River Edge, N.J.

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"Keep Our Society Active, find another Cousin,  
Every 'Westcott' Descendant is eligible."

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CHAPTER NEWS---Rhode Island Chapter No. 2 - Mrs. Olive H. Shippee, Secretary of the Rhode Island Chapter writes, "Our Rhode Island President, Mrs. Alice Baxter hopes we can have a meeting next month, if possible, after all danger of heavy snow is past. I am sure we will be happy if we see no more of icy roads.

We have all been well all winter and hope you were also.

Sincerely, Olive H. Shippee, Secretary."

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Chicagoland Chapter No. 7 - Mrs. Minita Westcott Trainor writes, "I had a nice talk with Mary Ella Stafford the other day and she and I are going to try to get the Chicagoland Westcott's together again in the hope that we can have an active group. When we do, I want to talk with them about our sponsoring the Biennial Celebration in 1958, which I think would be fine, if we could do it.

Cordially, Minita Westcott Trainor."

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Cleveland Chapter No. 9 - Mrs. Nettie Emery writes, "An appropriate expression of my appreciation, to you, for the all-time satisfying items in the Quarterly; presenting information by my sister Clara of her husband's ancestry; enumerating good deeds of cousin Sue, too; activating Chicagoland to life and annexing No. 9 Cleveland to Chapters.

Merry Christmas,  
Nettie."

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NEW MEMBERS---Happy Days with the Cousins!

#471 - Mrs. Edward Payson Simonds  
Hawks Avenue, North Bennington, Vermont

#472 - Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Pierce Reed  
Poultney, Vermont R.F.D. #2

#473 - Mr. & Mrs. Arthur K. Geary  
217 Wellington Road, De Witt, New York

NEW MEMBERS---(Continued)

#474 - Mr. & Mrs. Paul W. Westcott  
Nash Road, North Tonawanda, New York R. D. #2

#475 - Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ottaviani  
Cedar Street, Akron, New York

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BIRTHS---Congratulations!

Julie Ellen Trainor, born November 9, 1947;

John Westcott Trainor, born May 19, 1950;

Carol Minita Trainor, born September 9, 1956;

All children of our members Mr. & Mrs. Westcott Trainor, of Chicago and grandchildren of our members Mr. & Mrs. George Waters Trainor also of Chicago, Illinois.

David A. Krofssick, born May 12, 1956, son of Donna and Paul Krofssick, grandson of our members Mr. & Mrs. Albert W. Driver of Fairfield, Connecticut and great grandson of our member, Mrs. Helen W. Driver, also of Fairfield.

\*Lindsey Elizabeth Westcott, born January 16, 1954;

Laurie Jane Westcott, born January 17, 1956, both children of Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Westcott, Jr. and granddaughters of our members Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Westcott, Senior, of Dunmore, Pennsylvania.

\*Terence MacMillan Westcott, born April 18, 1956, daughter of Mr. Malcolm Robert and Mrs. Maureen (Page) Westcott, and grandchild of Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Westcott, Senior, of Dunmore, Pennsylvania.

\*Letter from cousins, Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Westcott of Dunmore, Pennsylvania.

"Dear Cousin Eleanor;

This has been an eventful period, I can assure you.

1. Charles J. Westcott, Jr. moved from Williamsport to Philadelphia where he is Field Executive on the staff of the Philadelphia Council, B. S. A. This took place on November, 1953.

2. Malcolm Robert Westcott, his service as Lieutenant in U. S. A. F. came to an end in August, 1954. He was married to Maureen Page, of East Orange, New Jersey, in the Arlington Avenue Presbyterian Church, East Orange, New Jersey on February 6, 1954. The bride received her bachelor's degree at Women's College of New Jersey and her master's degree at Pennsylvania State College. They spent from August, 1954 to June, 1955 in England where Malcolm attended Oxford University. They have resided since in Boston where Malcolm is doing graduate work at Harvard University.

Again our thanks for your many kindnesses and our sincere wishes for a very joyous holiday.

Sincerely, Cousins, Charles & Mary Westcott."

**MARRIAGES---Congratulations! Happy Years Together!**

Mrs. Frederick S. Weld, our member, was married to Frederick L. Utes, on October 20, 1956. They now reside at 9 Raymond Terrace, East Norwalk, Connecticut.

Ruth Elaine Westcott, second daughter of our members, Dr. & Mrs. F. Howard Westcott of Tenafly, New Jersey, was married to Luther E. Barnhardt, Jr., son of Lieutenant Governor elect and Mrs. Luther E. Barnhardt, of Concord, North Carolina. The marriage took place on December 22, 1956, at the Presbyterian Church in Tenafly, the Reverend Alfred H. Davies officiated. A reception was held at the Knickerbocker Country Club in Tenafly. Following a wedding trip to the Sky-top Club in Pocono, Pennsylvania, the couple will live in Durham, North Carolina. The bride was graduated from Tenafly High School in 1951 and Duke University in 1955, where she is now doing post graduate work in physical therapy. Mr. Barnhardt was graduated from high school in Concord and is in his third year at Duke University Medical School.

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**DEATHS---Our Deepest Sympathy!**

William A. E. Plazer, died July 29, 1956, son of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Efflo Plazer of South Euclid, Ohio. William was nephew of our Past President, Mrs. Nettie Emery, of Cleveland, Ohio.

William A. Plazer, a teacher in Lincoln School in Wickliffe, died yesterday in Cleveland Clinic Hospital. Born in Cleveland twenty eight years ago, he was taken to South Euclid by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Efflo Plazer, and attended school there. He was a graduate of Brush High School, also of Kent State University, in the class of 1951. He currently was studying for a master's degree in Youth Guidance at Kent State University.

Mr. Plazer was a member of Sigma Tau Epsilon fraternity and the Wesley Society at the University; also a member of the South Euclid Methodist Church. Before a branch Y. M. C. A. was established in South Euclid, he was director of the South Euclid Boy's Club. He was active in the Little League, a baseball group for boys and youths.

He was a veteran of service in World War II with the medical corps of the Army.

Mr. Plazer is survived by his parents and a brother, Geoffrey. His home was at 1520 Sheffield Road, South Euclid.

His aunt, Mrs. Marian Rouse writes, "Bill was very much loved by everyone who knew him. He was a very good and religiously, highly respected young man. We all loved him and will miss him very much."

Ethel Westcott (Hutchins) Cargill, died on February 5, 1957, in Providence, Rhode Island. She had been an active member for many years. She was buried in Westfield Cemetery, Danielson, Connecticut.

DEATHS---(Continued)

Frederick S. Weld, husband of our member, Lois Caswell Weld, died March 6, 1956 in Plainfield, Connecticut.

Mrs. Mildred Greene Ream, daughter of our member, Mrs. Violet Westcott Greene, died very suddenly on December 6, 1956. She was buried in Oakland Cemetery. Mrs. Ream was 50 years of age. Her mother, Violet Greene and her husband, Clifford and eight children survive, also one sister, Gertrude Greene Morrison, of 1941 Stella Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and a brother, Merritt Greene, of Parkland, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

After the sudden death of her daughter, Mrs. Ream, Violet Westcott Greene reports the death of her sister-in-law, Ida, wife of Arthur Westcott, of 266 Yost Avenue, Spring City, Pennsylvania, on December 20, 1956, age 64 years.

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DR. CYNTHIA WESTCOTT'S CHRISTMAS LETTER---96 Essex Avenue  
Glen Ridge, New Jersey  
December, 1956

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

I hope that 1956 has been good to you and that 1957 will be even better. My year was fun and not quite so strenuous as some. I cut the gardens sprayed weekly from 53 down to 50, the summer was not too hot, and I did not spend every night at the typewriter.

Roses were of major concern. Checking through the date book I see that over half of the 31 lectures given were on roses rather than pests. I talked roses to the Men's Garden Club of Jackson, Mississippi, at the Garden Symposium at Williamsburg, to the American Rose Society at Louisville, and the Penn-Jersey District at Harrisburg. I prepared (and manned for 3 days) an elaborate rose exhibit for the Garden Club of New Jersey Flower Show and later received a Silver Medal from the Garden Club for promoting rose culture over the country. I have promised a monthly column on rose pests for the 1957 American Rose Magazine.

My own roses put forth their best efforts for ROSE DAY on June 10th. Honor guests were my first garden editor, E. L. D. Seymour (whose death later in the summer meant such a tragic loss to all gardeners) and my latest Clara Claassen of Doubleday. Before rain in late afternoon slowed the hordes to a trickle, about 700 people had consumed punch and cookies. The pleasantest rose event of the year was the dedication of a song, by Charles and Janice Jensen, in honor of my book, ANYONE CAN GROW ROSES. It was sung as the finale of a rose skit, "Blossoms and Blights," at the annual luncheon of our North Jersey Rose Society. The last lines, with which I so heartily agree, are:

"Everyone who grows roses  
Has happiness to share;  
So why don't you grow roses too  
If you have love to spare?"

DR. CYNTHIA WESTCOTT'S CHRISTMAS LETTER---(Continued)

Camellias came into the picture, too, with a visit to the Nobles and the beautiful Camellia Show at Jacksonville, a camellia tea party given by the McKeons at beloved Spring Hill, a weekend with the Crumps at Holly Bluff, where camellias and hollies are both gorgeous, ten days in New Orleans enjoying the array of February flowers while doing a little public education on camellia flower blight, and a very brief trip to Augusta (the same week as my Rose Day) to talk on camellia blight to the Convention of Georgia and South Carolina Nurserymen. When I drove through Tifton, Georgia, last winter they were celebrating Camellia Day by giving a corsage to every motorist.

Coming back to pests--The revised GARDENER'S BUG BOOK was April choice of American Garden Guild (trade edition came out in May) and the reviews have been so heartwarming it looks as if I'd make money out of it. Now everyone asks when the new edition of the PLANT DISEASE HANDBOOK is coming out. Probably in three years. I am staying home this winter to start work on it. I went to Atlantic City twice in November, once for Entomology meetings, once for a Shade Tree Conference dealing mostly with pests. I expect to attend the Entomology sections at the AAAS Convention in New York right after Christmas and hope to renew a few old friendships there.

Happy New Year.

Cynthia Westcott."

GRANDMA STAFFORD---Let us remember our oldest member with a card now and then. She is #435 in our Stukely Westcott Society, her address is: Mrs. Harlow H. Stafford, 84 Hillside Avenue, New Rochelle, New York. She will celebrate her 104th birthday on May 31, 1957. Remarkable, isn't she?

"WHITE PICKET COURTS"---If you are fortunate to travel through Colorado state, be sure to stop at Minetaw Springs, at the "White Picket Courts" owned by the mother of our member, Miss Evelyn J. Ellis, of Houston, Texas.

LIST OF ACTIVE MEMBERS---

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Frederick,	17 Terrill Street, Rutland, Vermont
Mr. & Mrs. Morris Sanders,	Rochester, Vermont
Mr. & Mrs. Craig L. Springer,	Main Street, West Rutland, Vermont

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Mrs. Winfield Scott,	5027 - 15th Ave., N.E., Seattle, 5 Washington
Dr. Helen M. Wiestling,	171 Edgwood St., Wheeling, W. Va.
Mrs. Perthas C. Chenoweth,	524 Stanley Ave., Clarksburg, W. Va.
Mrs. Florence C. Schaefer,	2935 Macon St., South Charleston, W. Va.
Mrs. Harold T. P. Marshment,	Box 228, R.#1, East Troy, Wisconsin
Mrs. Mary Louise Krause,	Villa St. Ann, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin
Mr. & Mrs. Frederick H. Pelck,	638 East Juneau Ave., Oconomowoc, Wisconsin
Mr. & Mrs. A. H. Wood,	1418 S. Beech St., Casper, Wyoming
Commander & Mrs. John H. Warner, Jr.	U.S. Navy Section A.P.O. 206 C/O Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

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SAD NEWS---There were 21 members dropped this year because of lack of payment of dues. Please help our Society by paying dues. The dues envelopes will be inclosed in this issue. Our National Treasurer is:

Mrs. Alice W. Marroquin  
47 Davis Avenue  
Hackensack, New Jersey

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REMINDERS!

1. Items for the Quarterly and Society Album. Send to Secretary & Registrar Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, 457 The Fenway, River Edge, N.J.
2. Dues. Promptness is appreciated.
3. More members needed.
4. Please inform our Secretary when you have a change of address.

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HAPPY EASTER SEASON!