

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---Chicagoland No. 7 - From Cousin, Mrs. Gertrude Fruh, "Happy to note in the March Quarterly, the Chicagoland Chapter, of which I am a charter member, may soon be active again."

NEW MEMBERS---Happy Times with our Society!

#476 - Miss Priscilla M. Sharpe
33 Keofferam Road, Old Greenwich, Connecticut

#477 - Mr. & Mrs. Tevis Ridgley Baker
610 Belair Avenue, Aberdeen, Maryland

BIRTHS---Congratulations to the Proud Parents!

Rebecca Lynn Wescott, born October 12, 1956 at Glasgow, Montana. Rebecca is the daughter of Anita and Donald Roger Wescott and the granddaughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Frederic M. Wescott, of Vestal, New York.

Gregory Wendell Norwine, born November 29, 1956, son of Philip Conrad and Janice Marillyn (Brooks) Norwine, Gregory is the grandson of our members, Mr. & Mrs. A. Courtney Norwine, of Short Hills, New Jersey.

Michael Philip Marshment, born April 3, 1957. He is the son of Philip and Bette Marshment, the grandson of Philip and Mae Marshment and the great-grandson of our member, Mrs. Harold T. Marshment, of East Troy, Wisconsin.

MARRIAGE---Happy Life Together!

David Wescott Norwine and Miss Margaret Ann Conlin were married Friday, May 10, 1957 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westfield, New Jersey. David is the son of our members, Mr. & Mrs. A. Courtney Norwine. Margaret is the daughter of Councilman and Mrs. Alan Bruce

MARRIAGE---(Continued)

Conlin, of 141 South Euclid Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey. Margaret is a graduate of Westfield High School and Southern Seminary and Junior College, Buena Vista, Virginia. She is employed by Jane Smith Shops, as a buyer. David was graduated from Millburn High School and Bucknell University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. He is a member of Theta Chi fraternity, Theta Alpha Phi honorary and Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity. Prior to entering college he served in the United States Navy. He is employed by the Kenilworth Steel Company.

DEATHS---Our Heartfelt Sympathy!

Mrs. Ira Emery, (Nettie E.) our former Society President died on May 7, 1957, at St. Luke's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio where she had been under treatment since suffering a heart attack on April 10th.

According to a newspaper article sent by her husband, Ira J. Emery, Nettie was long active in the Western Reserve Chapter, Daughters of American Revolution. She was also a charter member of Liberty Chapter, Order of Eastern Star and the White Shrine, the Woman's City Club and the Radio Council of Cleveland.

Born in Malone, New York, 79 years ago, Mrs. Emery came to Cleveland in 1918. Earlier, she had worked in Schenectady as executive secretary to Charles P. Steinmetz, General Electric Scientist, and in Youngstown for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

While in Cleveland she was employed in government service for 18 years holding positions with the United States Internal Revenue Bureau and the Army Ordinance Division. She was private secretary to Charles A. Lindbergh during his stay in Cleveland after his famous flight.

Nettie is survived by her husband, Ira, a retired Army Colonel; three brothers, Jack, Herbert and Arthur Westcott; four sisters, Mrs. Gertrude C. Fruh, Mrs. Marion B. Rouse, Mrs. Clara A. McPherson and Mrs. Dorothy Plazer.

Services were held on Friday, May 10th at the First Methodist Church, East 30th Street and Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

All of the cousins who had known dear Nettie will indeed miss her. Many of us last saw her in Vermont last August, at our 11th Biennial Gathering. She was very active in our Westcott Society and also in the Cleveland Chapter of Westcott Cousins.

Dr. Clifton Chauncey Wescott, died on February 7, 1957 at the age of 81 in the Beyer Hospital, in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Although not a member of our Society, it was through his interest in the genealogy of the Westcott family that his son, Hanson C. Wescott joined our society.

DEATHS---(Continued)

Dr. Wescott was born October 8, 1875, at Byron Center, Michigan, a son of Leslie Dillon and Hattie Stevens Wescott. He attended schools at Byron Center and after graduation from High School, taught school for a year at Berea, Ohio. He graduated from Michigan Dental College in 1899 and practiced dentistry at Grayling, Michigan until 1910, at which time he gave up his practice in order to enter the lumber business.

He married Emma M. Hanson whose family was known for their interests in lumber.

In 1926, he and Mrs. Edward E. Hartwick formed the Hartwick-Wescott Lumber Company, in Ypsilanti. He was Secretary-Treasurer and general manager, since that time. He was active in various clubs and the Congregational Church. In October, 1956, he donated the new front doors and entrance of the Congregational Church in memory of his wife, Emma M. Wescott, who died October 26, 1952.

Surviving are two children, Hanson C. Wescott, Ypsilanti, Mrs. Ernest L. Bridge, Detroit; a sister, Mrs. William West, of 1509 Sherbrok Rd., Cleveland 21, Ohio, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A NOTE FROM LENA L. MUNSON---Canandaigua, New York.

"Dear Wescott Descendants, I am now nearly 86 years old and if at any time no reply is made to notice of dues, you will understand, I am unable to answer.

Cordially, Lena L. Munson."

REMARKABLE MRS. HARLOW STAFFORD---Do hope some of the Westcott cousins saw the notice in the March Quarterly of the birthday of our oldest member on May 31st. She was 104 years young. I just talked to her granddaughter, Dorothy Stafford (Morey) Kershaw, and Dorothy said her grandmother is able to be around and went out on Mother's Day. Grandma Stafford still lives with Dorothy, at 84 Hillside Ave., New Rochelle, New York.

Some of the Westcott's have written to Grandma Stafford and she enjoys receiving letters from Westcott Cousins.

LETTER FROM MRS. T. B. MARSHMENT---April 4, 1957.

"I do not know if you keep a record of the additions in the Westcott line or not but there has been another generation added to our family, our great-grandson, Michael Philip Marshment was born April 3, 1957. (Refer to Births)

Of course we are very proud, we thought we might never have a great-grandchild. Philip and Bette have been married over four years but of course, he was in the service four years, stationed at the United States Airbase in Bermuda. Bette was with him for three years and they said they wanted their children born in the United States.

LETTER FROM MRS. T. B. MARSHMENT---(Continued)

I nearly did not see him either for on January 18th I had a severe heart attack and again the next evening had a more severe one when my heart completely stopped for a moment. It meant calling the local rescue squad, going to the hospital in the ambulance, but I am still here--the recovery has been slow. I know now I must live a much quieter life and be content to do and go less. It is rather hard for me as I always have been so active.

I enjoy reading the bulletins and read where they are talking of reviving the Chicagoland Chapter. It would be nice if they did.

With all good wishes,

I remain,

Sincerely,

Edith E. Marshment."

Note - I'm sure all of us hope and pray that Edith is feeling lots better these nice spring days.

ITEM FROM RACHEL BAKER---The Cousins who visited Vermont last August, at the 11th Biennial Gathering will remember Reverend Robbins, in the East Poultney Baptist Church.

The following item appeared in The Baptist New Yorker as of January, 1957. "When the new sanctuary and the fellowship hall of the Church-in-the-Garden, in Garden City, Long Island, New York was dedicated on September 9th last, the Church House was named "Robbins Hall" in honor of Reverend Joseph C. Robbins, D. D., former minister of the church who led its people in the erecting of the church house. Part of the responsive service in which the building was named was as follows: "For the recognition of the life-service of Dr. Robbins as a Foreign Missionary, a Foreign Secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and for two terms President of the American Baptist Convention, Seminary Teacher, Author, Interim Pastor and present pastor of the East Poultney, Vermont, Baptist Church, a scholar, vigorous leader and veritable statesman in the Kingdom of God; we name the church house 'Robbins Hall'."

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RACHEL BAKER WRITES---May 1, 1957

"Dear Eleanor, Expect you are as busy as I am. We had our Vice-Regent at the Daughters of the American Revolution Convention in Washington so we were represented. I did not go as I have to attend National New England Women, at Swampscott, Massachusetts this month (May 19-24). We will be on a trip to Plymouth when the Mayflower II is supposed to land the 23rd, if it gets there on time. Guess I told you I took a National Chairmanship for them. There's actually been more to it than I thought, but I've enjoyed it.

RACHEL BAKER WRITES---(Continued)

I had a few days in New York in March. I had lunch with Florence and Ethel Clarke, while there. I really enjoyed it and stayed with "Baker" relatives in Flushing.

I saw "The Ten Commandments"---met a genealogist friend from Staten Island whom I had never met personally, had a long day in the library where I found records which are in no other library.

Now it's garden, lawn mowing time.

Thought you might like this article about the Baptist Church in Providence.

Hastily & Love,
Rachel."

Article: "Preservation" - First Church (Baptist), Providence, Rhode Island, whose congregation traces its founding to Roger Williams has received a \$500,000 gift from John D. Rockefeller, Junior, for the preservation of its meeting house built in 1775. The funds will be used for structural rehabilitation, vestry renovation, sanctuary re-decoration and restoration, and organ repairs." R.I. List

(April 1957, "Crusader", American Baptist News Magazine.)

Note - If you remember, our Society sent a check for \$25.00 a few years ago when the appeal went out for funds to restore the First Baptist Church in Providence, Rhode Island. We should be glad that John D. Rockefeller, Junior has come to the rescue with his generous donation. Our first Stukely Westcott's lot was near the old meeting house.

LETTER FROM NORMAN & HELEN WESTCOTT---Wellfleet, Massachusetts

"Dear Cousins, I miss seeing our Westcott cousins as we used to see them and the nice times we always had. Norman does too. He often speaks of the good times and the people we have met not only in our home state of Rhode Island, but Johnstown, New York and other places. Norman's health is very poor these days. If at any time our Westcott Cousins are visiting on the Cape, we would only be too happy to have them stop and visit with us.

Sincerely,

Norman & Helen Westcott

'The Bradford'

Wellfleet, Massachusetts."

Note - All of us hope for Norman's improved health.

DOES ANY COUSIN KNOW MORE ABOUT THE FOLLOWING WESTCOTT'S?

1. Mr. & Mrs. Rolland J. Westcott, 220 Villard Avenue, Hastings-On-Hudson, New York. A notice of their daughter, Barbara Jean's marriage to Ensign Ronald A. Neaton U.S.N.R. on April 28, 1957 was in the Troy, New York paper.

DOES ANY COUSIN KNOW MORE ABOUT THE FOLLOWING WESTCOTT'S?---

2. Mrs. Elizabeth Wescott Woodard who died March 16, 1910, was a Regent of the Granville, New York Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, from 1902-1904.

3. Harry Westcott is mentioned in Charleston, South Carolina, Evening Post of May 11, 1957 as playing a part in "Witness For the Prosecution," at the Dock Street Theatre, in Charleston.

4. In the Herald Tribune for February 17, 1957 on Page 1, there is mention of a "21 inch Westcott R. C. A. Victor compatible color television". *Compania*

NOTE FROM ETHEL CLARKE TO ALICE MARROQUIN---"You are so good to continue to act as Treasurer. I know what a lot of work it means and here is Eleanor still getting out the Quarterly. It's always so full of news. I don't know what Florence and I would do without it since we are no longer able to attend any of the meetings.

But I was so sorry to read of the number of members dropped for non-payment of dues. The dues are so small I can't see why anyone would object to paying them even if they couldn't attend the meetings."

REPEAT NOTICE---The Secretary wishes to let the cousins know that 21 members alone were dropped as of January 31, 1957 due to non-payment of dues. Our Society cannot stand the strain of losing so many members each year!

REMINDERS!

1. The dues notices will be in the March Quarterly of each year. Please send your remittances directly to our Treasurer, Mrs. Alice W. Marroquin, 47 Davis Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey.
2. Keep the Westcott news items coming this way. Your help is always appreciated to make a more interesting Quarterly. Send items to Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, 457 The Fenway, River Edge, New Jersey.
3. Inform Mrs. Trismen for any change of address.
4. More members.

HAPPY VACATION TIME!