

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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"Know Your Kindred Better"

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

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NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS---The 13th Biennial gathering of the Westcott clan was held in Rhode Island on August 19, 20 and 21st, with headquarters at the home of our cousins, Tom and Susan W. Handy, of Manville, Rhode Island. Over 60 cousins and guests had a very enjoyable time and the program was most entertaining. The Rhode Island Chapter went all the way to give the Westcott cousins a wonderful week-end.

The officers of the National Society wish to thank the Rhode Island Chapter for its splendid work.

The outgoing President, Mrs. Marion Wescott Dorfler, expressed the wish that both the minutes of the business meeting which includes a full report of the financial standing of the Society to date, be placed in the September Quarterly.

The outstanding feature of the entertainment was the Clambake held Saturday evening, at "The Breezes" the residence of Tom and Susan Handy.

The cousins who had traveled farthest were Mr. & Mrs. Robert H. Perdue, of Elliot, Iowa and Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Swanson, of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

On Sunday Morning, August 21st, our members attended services at the Old Meeting House of the First Baptist Church in America at Providence, Rhode Island. This church has been beautifully renovated and this was made possible by a gift from Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who worshipped in this church while he was a student at Brown University.

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING---August 20th, 1960.

The 13th Biennial gathering of the National Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants opened at the home of Susan and Thomas Handy, of Manville, Rhode Island, with an Executive Board and Director's meeting at 4 P.M. and a get together of members from 7 to 10 P.M. on Friday, August 19th, 1960.

MINUTES---(Continued)

There was an informal reception, registration and reservations were taken for the clambake on Saturday.

The regular business meeting was held at Smith's Castle, Wickford, Rhode Island, on Saturday Morning, August 20th, at 10 A.M. Mrs. Marion Dorfler, our National President, called the meeting to order. In the absence of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Bertha Anthony, acted as Secretary pro-tem.

Mrs. William Baxter, President of the Rhode Island Chapter extended greetings and welcomed everyone to Rhode Island; hoped all would enjoy the program arranged, and invited us to her home "Wescote" on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Dorfler greeted the members and introduced her husband and daughter. She expressed appreciation to the Rhode Island Chapter for the fine arrangements made for the Society's pleasure, especially to Sue Handy and Olive Shippee as Co-chairmen, and to Tom and Sue Handy for so graciously opening their beautiful home. Miss Leone Cargill, Art Instructor in Providence schools, was commended for the name tags she designed, a small replica of Rhode Island with the Westcott insignia in the center. Mrs. Dorfler used the black walnut gavel given to the Society, two years ago by Ralph Wescott, Treasurer of the Rhode Island Chapter, which was made from a tree branch, on the estate of our former member, Dr. Niles Westcott.

The report of the last biennial meeting was read and accepted with the following corrections: That Mrs. Lena Munson was the oldest member present at Cooperstown and that Mr. Sanford Westcott, a non-member, age 99 years, had attended the Saturday session. Also the report stated that Stukely Westcott's sister Mary, married Thomas Cook, Sr. Thru records in Salem, Massachusetts it was found his sister's name was Rebecca instead of Mary. This correction was made on the minutes.

Two new chapters reported: No #9 Iowa Chapter by Mrs. Robert Perdue who was instrumental in its organization, and Greater Cleveland Chapter No. #10 by Mrs. Efflo Plazer its organizer. No representatives were present from Milford, New York Chapter, nor from Vermont. It was understood Vermont is holding its annual meeting this weekend. It was announced that the former Rachel Wilkins Baker, of the Vermont Chapter, is now Mrs. Lisle Cottrell, of Buskirk, New York.

Rhode Island Chapter No. #2, Mrs. Alice Baxter, President, stated it has about 30 members. Four meetings have been held since the 1958 Biennial meeting in Cooperstown; a cookout at "Westcote"; a luncheon meeting in Newport; a meeting at the Old Slatel Mill in Pawtucket; at which time plans were made for the National Society meeting in Rhode Island; and the last, at the quarters of the Rhode Island Audubon Society in Providence, to complete the plans. Mrs. Baxter presented a gift to our President, Mrs. Dorfler, to remember her visit to Rhode Island.

Dr. F. Howard Westcott, of the Greater New York Chapter No. #3, said a social meeting is to be held at the Knickerbocker Country Club, Tenafly, New Jersey, on Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 26th, to which anyone interested is invited.

MINUTES---(Continued)

The Treasurer's report will be included in this Quarterly. We have a balance of \$299.58 at the present time. It was also thought wise to include in the Quarterly the minutes of this meeting so our members can read the report prior to our next meeting. Mrs. Marroquin stated that dues are now payable. Also stationery with the Westcott insignia at the top is still available; 20 sheets and 20 envelopes for 75¢.

Mrs. Trismen, Corresponding Secretary and Registrar, reported that as of January 31, 1960 there were 227 members in the National Society, 12 more than last year. There have been 122 deaths since 1934; 20 new members since January, 1959 including 11 reinstatements and there have been nine deaths.

Mrs. Trismen showed a sketch of the Westcott marker placed on Roscoe Whitman's grave and dedicated in September, 1959; money for the die for same was given by Mrs. Pickens, in memory of Dr. George Pickens. These markers are for sale at \$24.00 each. A wall plaque was displayed which will sell for \$12.00. This has a little chain on the back, the insignia is mounted on black walnut. If we have a few orders for these items each year, the manufacturer will hold the die for future use. Two orders were taken for the wall plaques.

Mr. Leslie Westcott reported that here is a little question as to the early location of the burial place of Stukely Westcott, near the memorial tablet, in Warwick. He is looking up the original deed and will report later on same.

The Nominating Committee, Mrs. Alice Baxter, Chairman, presented the following slate:

For President - Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, N. J.
 Vice President - Mrs. Edward R. Marroquin, N. J.
 Recording Secretary - Mrs. E. A. Plazer, Ohio
 Corresponding Secretary - Open
 Treasurer - Open
 Chaplain - Mr. Webb Wilder, R. I.
 Directors: Past National Presidents-

Mrs. Samuel Dorfler,	N. Y.
Mrs. William Driver,	N. Y.
Miss Susan Handy,	R. Is.
Mr. Leslie Westcott,	R. Is.

Dr. F. Howard Westcott, N. J.
 Mr. Edmund Morris, N. Y.
 Mr. Arthur Westcott, Central New York
 Mrs. William Baxter, R. Is.
 Mr. Harold Westcott, Vermont.

It was voted to accept the slate as presented; the unfilled positions to be filled later and approved by the Executive Committee.

The place for our next meeting in 1962 was open for invitation.

MINUTES---(Continued)

Dr. Howard Westcott spoke of the very fine work Mrs. Trismen has done during the past few years as Corresponding Secretary and Registrar, to which everyone heartily showed agreement.

Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, our new National President, declared the business meeting closed at 12:15 P. M. This was followed by a Memorial Service led by Chaplain William Driver; the names of our deceased members since 1958 were read and prayer offered by Mr. Driver.

Sandwiches and cakes were served by the Rhode Island Chapter. After a tour of the Castle in the morning, members made a pilgrimage to the Old Narragansett Church in Wickford, in the afternoon, also to the birthplace of Gilbert Stuart, in Saunderstown, Rhode Island, home of the artist who painted the famed portrait of George Washington; and then we returned to "The Breezes", the Handy home for a wonderful clambake. The weather was favorable and tables were spread on the grounds behind the house.

On Sunday morning, August 21st, the Society, with attendance of over thirty, attended services, at the First Baptist Meeting House, in Providence, the oldest church of any denomination, in Rhode Island and the oldest Baptist Church in America, of which Stukely Westcott was one of the original members. This beautiful church has been recently renovated at a cost of \$500,000 and its original charm restored.

Sunday afternoon a pilgrimage was made to the Memorial Tablet of Stukely Westcott, in Warwick, after which tea was served at "Westcote", the home of Mrs. Baxter, of the Rhode Island Chapter, in Oak Lawn, Rhode Island.

Bertha Williams Anthony,
Secretary Pro-tem.

URGENT NOTICE---Will two people from any active local chapter please volunteer to take over the offices of (1) Corresponding Secretary Registrar and compiler of the Quarterly, (2) Treasurer and typing of the Quarterly, and mailing of the Quarterly, for the years 1960-1962. It is necessary that these two officers live quite near to one another in order to transfer dues money and calculate membership reports. Alice Marroquin and I have had these offices for 12 years. Alice was elected to be Vice-President this year and I was elected to the Presidency. A response to this urgent request will be greatly appreciated by the National Society as otherwise we run the risk of having the publishing of the Quarterly stopped.

ALSO: Where will we hold our 1962 gathering?

TREASURER'S REPORT

Period from May 23, 1959 to August 20, 1960
(15 Months)

Date		DR.	CR.
1959			
May 23	Bank Balance		320.73
June 1	Check #101 Anniversary Cake & Card	8.25	
	Check #102 Cancelled		
June 1	Check #103 U. S. Bronze Sign Company	24.00	
June 5	Check #104 Postage Stamps for Treasurer	4.00	
June 6	Check #105 June Quarterly - 1959	31.00	
June 19	Check #106 Postage Stamps for Quarterly	7.35	
July 3	Check #107 Warwick Memorial Wreath	5.15	
Sept. 1	Check #108 Postage Stamps for Quarterly	7.35	
Sept. 3	Check #109 September Quarterly - 1959	35.00	
Sept. 21	Check #110 Postage Stamps for Secretary	4.00	
Sept. 21	Check #111 Whitman Memorial Spray	8.00	
Dec. 5	Check #112 Postage Stamps for Treasurer	4.00	
Dec. 5	Check #113 Postage Stamps for Quarterly	7.35	
Dec. 5	Check #114 Susan Whitman's Funeral Spray	15.50	
Dec. 5	Check #115 December Quarterly - 1959	31.00	
1960			
Jan. 13	Check #116 Purchasing 2 Westcott Genealogies	25.00	
Mar. 12	Check #117 Services - Eleanor L. Trismen	25.00	
Mar. 12	Check #118 Services - Alice W. Marroquin	25.00	
Mar. 12	Check #119 March Quarterly - 1960	27.00	
Mar. 18	Check #120 Postage Stamps for Quarterly	7.35	
May 6	Check #121 Postage Stamps for Treasurer	4.00	
May 11	Check #122 Postage Stamps for Secretary	4.00	
May 11	Check #123 Purchase of Society Scrap Book	2.50	
May 20	Check #124 Postage Stamps for Quarterly	7.35	
May 21	Check #125 May Quarterly - 1960	23.75	
May 28	Check #126 Expenses for 1960 Convention	100.00	
June 24	Check #127 Typewriter Ribbon & Staple	5.00	
June 25	Check #128 Warwick Memorial Wreath	5.00	
	Bank Service Charges	6.45	
		<u>459.35</u>	
	Bank Deposits		438.20
	Bank Balance	299.58	
		<u>758.93</u>	<u>758.93</u>
Aug. 20	Bank Balance to Date		299.58

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Alice Wescott Marroquin, Treasurer

CHAPTER NEWS---Iowa Chapter No. #9

The second annual meeting of the Iowa Chapter was held June 12, 1960, at the Holst Hotel in Boone, Iowa. Mr. & Mrs. D. M. Collins were hosts to thirty-six cousins. Attorney Charles E. Swanson, of Council Bluffs, acted as Chaplain.

It was decided that the second Sunday in June be the regular meeting day for the Iowa Chapter. The next meeting will be held at Waterloo, Iowa.

BIRTHS---Congratulations!

Douglas Allen Wescott, born May 4, 1960 at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, son of our members, Mr. Lyle D. & Paula Wescott, of State College, Pennsylvania, also grandson of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Lyle D. Wescott, Sr., of Miami, Florida and great grandson of our member, Mrs. May Wescott, of St. Petersburg, Florida.

Andrew Bell Westcott, born June 4, 1960, son of our members Professor & Mrs. Malcolm R. Westcott, of Poughkeepsie, New York.

MARRIAGES---Many Happy Years Together!

Miss June Marie Blanchard, of Oneonta, New York became the bride of Thomas Lee Westcott, also of Oneonta on May 22, 1960, at the First Methodist Church. The Reverend Roswell W. Lyon officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Following a wedding trip to Florida the couple will reside in Oneonta. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Lee E. Westcott, of Oneonta, New York.

Miss Deborah Wescott of Rosemont, New Jersey became the bride of Dr. Leon Denton Prockop, of Palmerton, Pennsylvania. Deborah is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Bruce Wescott. Dr. Prockop is the son of Mr. & Mrs. John Prockop of Palmerton, Pennsylvania. The bridal couple were married in the Princeton University Chapel, on June 5, 1960 and the reception was held at the Princeton Inn. They will reside in Bethesda, Maryland.

Our faithful member, Mrs. Rachel Wilkins Baker, of Buskirk, New York was married to Mr. Lisle Cottrell, of Homer, New York, on August 6, 1960, at the West Hoosick Baptist Church, of Buskirk, New York. The Rev. Taylor B. Light, pastor of the church officiated. The attendants were Mrs. George C. Cook, of Hoosick Falls, New York and Mrs. Neil Churchill, of Cortland, New York, sister of the groom. Following the ceremony a luncheon was served at the Hotel Cambridge. The newlyweds will reside at the bride's home in Buskirk, New York.

DEATHS---Our Deepest Sympathy!

#431 - Mrs. Austin B. Speed, died in July, 1959 at Huntington, New York and was a sister of our member Mr. Harold H. Kynett, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

#229 - Mrs. Edith E. H. Rey, of Columbus, Ohio, died June 2, 1960.

#277 - Mrs. Dennis J. Mullin, of Phoenix, New York died February 29, 1960.

#200 - Mrs. William E. Taylor, of Fulton, New York, died seven weeks after her sister, Mrs. Mullin, in April, 1960.

#164 - Mrs. Sara U. Westcott, of Hopedale, Massachusetts, died October 19, 1959. She was the mother of our member, #337, Mr. Henry W. Westcott, of Edgewood, Rhode Island.

#144 - Mr. George Waters Trainor, 72, of 7136 Coles Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, died Sunday, November 1, 1959, at Billings Hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Trainor has been associated for 30 years as a Chemical Engineer, for Darling & Company. He was a graduate of Indiana University, in the class of 1910; a member of Alpha Chi Sigma and Delta Tau Delta Fraternities, South Shore Country Club and Southgate Masonic Lodge #968. Surviving are his wife, Minita Westcott Trainor, who is owner of the trade association management firm of Storms and Westcott, in the Tribune Tower; one son Westcott; three grandchildren Julie Ellen, John Westcott and Carol Minita; two sisters, Sue Trainor Bodwen, of Denver and Willa Trainor Dunlop, of Poseyville, Indiana; and one niece, Mrs. Frank G. Knaus, of Denver.

LETTER FROM EUGENE A. WESTCOTT, JR---From Cleveland, New York

Dear Mrs. Marroquin:

September 30, 1959

"For your information, I reached the age of 70, so I retired as postmaster here, a job I had held since March 25, 1937.

I have interests to occupy my time however, as I own a stable of harness horses and intend to race at Vernon Downs, New York this year.

I am also interested in music and play the violin, having been concert master with the Oneida Symphony Orchestra. At present, I am an active member of the Oneida Musicale, organized in 1893.

I enjoy receiving and perusing the Society's most interesting Quarterly.

Sincerely,
Cousin, Eugene A. Westcott,
Jr."

QUERY---From Mrs. Donald C. Stuart, formerly of Ravena, New York, now of 60 Terrace Road, Asheville, North Carolina.

Dear Mrs. Trismen;

I am still pursuing further details on my Burton-Westcott line:

Query: Lydia Bruton (listed on Page 213 of Westcott Genealogy, Volume I), born June 25, 1770, daughter of Benjamin Burton and Alice or Else Westcott. Did Lydia marry Williams Card, born August 25, 1770, son of Elisha Card and Martha Williams?

Secretary's Note:

Dear Cousin; In Volume I, page 212, it says that Lydia's father, Benjamin Burton, born November 4, 1739, of Cranston, Rhode Island, was a son of William; of John; of the first William Burton, of Providence. I would suggest that you look up both "Burton" and "Card" Genealogies. They may help you. If any cousin knows the "Burton" or "Card" lines kindly write to Mrs. Donald C. Stuart, 60 Terrace Road, Asheville, North Carolina.

WESTCOTT PLAQUE---Now available on order.

1. Tombstone Memorial Plaque: at \$24.00 each, in Bronze, measuring about 6"x9", with 4 screws to fasten on stone. The plaque includes our Coat-of-Arms, person's name and Society name. Each plaque is made up individually.

2. Wall Plaque: Westcott Coat-of-Arms at \$12.00 each, suitable for hanging on wall, measuring about 5"x7" in Bronze, mounted on walnut with chain for hanging.

It takes a few weeks to have plaques made up, so, send in orders early. In regard to the Memorial Plaque, have your local mason fasten it to your family stone.

Make your checks out to "The United States Bronze Sign Company" and mail to Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, 457 The Fenway, River Edge, New Jersey.

EXCERPTS OF LETTER FROM DOROTHY KERSHAW---New Rochelle, N. Y.

"Dear Mrs. Marroquin;

May 7, 1960

As you will recall (Mrs. Harlow H. Stafford) was your oldest member, being 106 when she died last July 15th. Although she was only an honorary member, she enjoyed being part of the Westcott Society and always appreciated so much the little items about her which Eleanor Trismen so kindly inserted in the Quarterly. A number of the Westcott cousins were most thoughtful in sending her cards on her birthday, and we thought it was very sweet of them to do so.

My husband and I are celebrating our 35th wedding anniversary, on June 3rd, and I hope he will be well enough for us to take a short trip through New England, as we spent our honeymoon touring New England and we thought it would be fun to retrace some of our steps.

With all good wishes to you and all the Westcott cousins.

Dorothy Stafford Kershaw."

JUNIOR WESTCOTT'S NEWS

Many of our young Westcotts will be leaving for colleges and universities this fall:

Among them are:

1. Melayn Dorfler, of Brightwaters, New York.
2. Bruce Trismen, of River Edge, New Jersey.
3. Billy Westcott, of Unadilla, New York.
4. Judith Wescott, of Bergenfield, New Jersey.
5. Rich Wescott, of Bergenfield, New Jersey.
6. John W. Baxter, of Oak Lawn, Rhode Island.

NOTE - Cousins! ! Please send news of Junior Westcotts to
Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, 457 The Fenway
River Edge, New Jersey

REMINDERS:

1. Order your plaques with check, pronto, if you wish them for Christmas.
2. Need for 2 volunteers to fill Secretary & Treasury work for 1960 - 1962.
3. Your dues are still payable to Alice Marroquin, of 47 Davis Avenue, Hackensack, New Jersey, until a new treasurer has been elected.
4. Kindly send items for family quarterly to Eleanor Trismen.
5. We are still looking for suggestions where to hold our 1962 gathering.
6. Be on look out for more members.

A PLEASANT AUTUMN

AND

A HAPPY THANKSGIVING TIME! !