

# 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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NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS---At our 14th biennial meeting in Boston, Massachusetts, in August, Dorothea Cogswell wrote the following poem to welcome the cousins at the banquet:

## WESTCOTTS COME HOME

Over three hundred years ago  
Great-grandfather Stukely was ordered away.  
Because he believed what his pastor had taught  
He and his had to leave Massachusetts Bay.  
The tale of their journey was told, I know--  
And their life in Rhode Island, where, what they sought  
Of freedom to worship at last came true.  
But one debt of loyalty still is due  
For us, the descendants of Stukely, to pay.

We have tried -and failed- to revoke the decree  
That sent him and his into banishment.  
Though Roger Williams could now return,  
Our Stukely and all the others who went  
To follow their pastor are still not free  
To come back(if they wished) to their first home site.

Now we, all Westcotts by blood, reunite  
In Boston, the heart of that Colony  
Which sent our kin forth; and as we yearn  
To follow their footsteps and retrace  
Their paths and their thoughts, one truth shows clear;  
We ourselves are of many religions--this place  
Has as many more, and all meet without fear  
Of reprisal or banishment. This we owe  
Partly to Stukely and those of his day  
Who helped to soften the Puritan way.

WESTCOTTS COME HOME---(Continued )

So let us give thanks to those Westcotts long past  
Who sought freedom in worship to follow the light  
And through us, their descendants, have come home at last.

by Dorothea Barton Cogswell.

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NEW MEMBERS---Happy Times In Our Society!

#A-45 - Mr. Herbert Vincent Green  
1211 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
C/O S. Dalsimer & Sons, Inc.

#A-46 - Mrs. Thomas B. Ogden  
133 West New Jersey Avenue, Beach Haven Terrace,  
New Jersey

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BIRTHS---Congratulations!!

Sheryl Ann Bailey, born on November 14, 1962, daughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bailey, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, also granddaughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Dana Westcott, of Batavia, New York.

Vickie Lynne Conrad, born August 16, 1962, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Conrad, and granddaughter of our member, Mrs. Lee L. Conrad, of Windsor, New York.

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MARRIAGES---Many Happy Years Together!!

Jo Ann Mae Marshment married on July 1, 1962, to James Eugene Gear. Jo Ann is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Douglas H. Marshment and granddaughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Harold T. P. Marshment, of Waukegan, Illinois. Jo Ann and James were married at Inspiration Point, Vashon Island, Washington. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. James Gear, of Seattle, Washington.

Barbara Joan Wilson, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George Wilson, of Los Angeles, California, was married on October 27, 1962, at York House Methodist Church, Waukegan, Illinois, to Charles Douglas Marshment, son of Mr. & Mrs. Philip Marshment, of Waukegan, Illinois, and grandson of our member, Mr. & Mrs. Harold T. P. Marshment, of Waukegan, Illinois.

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DEATHS---Our Deepest Sympathy!!

Mr. James Samuel Neill (an addition to September Quarterly obituary) was the son of William and Dora (McHose) Neill, of Seattle, Washington. He was born on September 6, 1892 in Missoula, Montana. He died suddenly on May 22, 1962, in New York City. He is buried in Kensico Cemetery, at Valhalla, New York.

A veteran of World War I, Mr. Neill had a long career as an actor, playing in Robert Mantel's Shakespeare Company, the "Pilgrimage Play", at Chicago Civic Shakespeare Theatre, with Fritz Leiber and many others. During World War II, he took up milling machine parts in New York City, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Seattle, Washington, and Santa Monica, California.

He married Harriet L. Babcock, on August 23, 1928. Surviving beside his wife, are one daughter, Louise Wescott Neill, New York City, one brother, Frank W. Neill, of Los Angeles, California and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Hilton, of Seattle, Washington, and Mrs. George Sternberg, of Anchorage, Alaska.

Lena Ann Hazard, of Derby Road, North Evans, New York, passed away on October 12, 1962. She was the beloved wife, of our member, Leland Arthur Hazard, also the mother of Charles B. of St. Petersburg, Florida, Richard A., Raymond S. and Mrs. Whitney (Annette M.) Frost, all of North Evans, New York.

Mrs. Hazard was born at DeBruce, New York, on October 25, 1882, the daughter of Charles Benjamin and Rachel Ann Schoonmaker) Johnson. Mrs. Hazard was a member of the Lend-A-Hand Society, of the North Evans Congregational Church and Fireman's Auxiliary. Burial was in the North Evans Cemetery, on Monday, October 15, 1962. Rev. Hector Goodall officiated and quoted the lovely poem by Henry Van Dyke, titled, "A Song of Thanksgiving". It so typified Mrs. Hazard's life.

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IN MEMORIAM---In loving memory of her Dear son, Clifford Conrad, Mrs. Lee Conrad wishes to have us place this notice in our Quarterly. Clifford was killed by a tractor accident, four years ago on November 25, 1958.

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"IMAGES OF TRUTH"---A new book by Glenway Wescott.

In this book "he reminisces about a dozen novelists whose private lives he has, at one time or another, entered, and whose works he has loved and learned from." All reviews seem to be most favorable. "Images of Truth" is published by Harper & Row.

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ROSE SOCIETY OF SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK---From September 7th through September 9th the members of the Schenectady Rose Society met for their seventh annual convention and Rose Show. The convention was held at the Hotel Van Curler, on Saturday, September 8th, our famous cousin, Dr. Cynthia Westcott, known as the "Rose Doctor", gave a talk.

Note: This item from Rachel Cottrell.

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ANNUAL ROSE DAY---Attracts 300 at Crugers Community.

"An annual gardening event dating back to the early war years has been transplanted from Glenridge, New Jersey to the new retirement community in Crugers, called Springvale-on-the-Hudson.

The event, which continues to flourish, is an annual Rose Day given by Dr. Cynthia Westcott, author and lecturer on gardening who sold her New Jersey home last Fall and moved to Westchester. She discovered that the 40 acre site overlooking the Hudson River, provides plenty of room for planting, and she has been named Chairman of the Springvale Gardening Club by its 76 members.

This year, Dr. Westcott held her 22nd annual Rose Day and entertained some 300 guests at tea on the lawn. The annual menu was unchanged, and included 1,500 cookies baked by Dr. Cynthia Westcott who provided the recipes for all readers in her autobiography, "Plant Doctoring is Fun."

Friends throughout the metropolitan area attended as did the Croton Garden Club and the Richmond County Garden Club from Staten Island. The day concluded with a buffet supper for 100 guests prepared by Dr. Cynthia Westcott."

Note: This item from Susan Handy, written by Kay Ross.

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EUROPE BOUND---Cousin Harriet Neill packed up and set sail for England on September 5th on the S. S. Queen Mary. Her itinerary was made up by the Travel Service and she planned on visiting many points of interest, one of which was the St. Leger Flat Race, in Doncaster, Yorkshire. It is the oldest horse race in the world, for a money purse, being established in 1776.

Harriet had a grand time and changed towns and hotels every few days. "The hotels were all interesting and comfortable--meals excellent. People most kind. Took side trips by bus or train. I loved Bideford especially--enjoyed the buckwheat cakes."

Harriet didn't get any leads on our Westcott history but found a Genealogist in Devon who had books on Granvilles--and visited an old church of St. Mary, in Bideford where Granvilles(1659?) are buried and commemorated, also "Westacotts" (1800's). The Bridge in the town was build about 1400. The Granvilles, Stuckleys, Westcotts and St. Legers all had a hand in it. The bridge has been reconstructed since then.

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YOUR PAST PRESIDENT'S NOTE---Have a Happy Time with your  
New Officers.

On the last page of the 1962 September Quarterly, there is a reminder that after January 31, 1963, the new Society Officers will take over. After that date kindly send your Society correspondence to the officers who are listed on page 2, of the September Quarterly.

Alice Marroquin, and I wish to tell you that we have enjoyed serving you for the past 14 years. We both took over at the Johnstown, New York gathering in 1948. We told Mr. Whitman that we would carry on the Society activities and have tried to do so. We have especially enjoyed the personal contacts of cousins at the biennial gatherings and also letters from so many fine cousins.

This December issue will be the last Quarterly edited by me. I know you will enjoy future Quarterlies edited by our capable cousin, Dorothea Cogswell.

Speaking for myself, my family and I will be faithful to the Westcott Society and try to support it's activities.

This Quarterly will include your dues slips for the year, 1963, which will give Dorothea a good start next year. Alice Marroquin appeals to you to send your 1963 dues (and if in arrears for 1962) please send them promptly. And in Addition, if you can make a Christmas donation to our Society it would be most welcome. We need some extra money to publish our revised Rules and Regulations, read and voted on in Boston, a copy of which will be sent to each member.

See you in 1964--so "Au Revoir" but not good-bye---

With love and Affection to ALL!!  
Eleanor L. (Wescott) Trismen

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#### REMINDERS

1. Send your dues to Mrs. Alice Marroquin, 47 Davis Avenue Hackensack, New Jersey.
  2. Items needed for the Quarterly, especially the activities of the young folks.
  3. Be on the look out for new members.
  4. Alice Marroquin, as Treasurer and Eleanor Trismen, as Secretary, will continue until January 31, 1963 (when our year ends) and then the new Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Dorothea Cogswell and her assistant, Mrs. Joye Satterfield, will take over.
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A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YAER!!!