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NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS - Reunion at Cooperstown, 1970

Our 1970, 18th Biennial Meeting, held at and near Cooperstown, N.Y., July 31, August 1 and 2, was, as always, a great success. We all had a splendid time, enjoyed the semi-informal entertainments which gave us plenty of opportunities to talk to all old cousin-friends and meet new ones - and all wished we could have seen and done many more of the things offered.

The Executive Board of the National Society met at 2 on Saturday, July 31 in the dining room of the Milford Center Baptist Church (a few miles from Cooperstown). This Church was chosen as the focal point of our Reunion because so many generations of local Westcotts had worshipped there, and so many Westcotts were buried in the graveyard behind the Church.

The Board Members present were: Dorothy Perdue, President; Harold W. Westcott, Vice-President; Mabel Wescott, Recording Secretary; Dorothea B. Cogswell, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; Robert A. Westcott, Historian; and Directors: Marion Dorfler and Dr. F. Howard Westcott, both former Presidents.

Our Historian, Robert A. Westcott, showed us the U.S. flag he had obtained for the National Society, which had flown over the White House on January 12, 1970, the anniversary of the death of Stukely Westcott, Founder of our Family in America.

A discussion was held concerning a change in Article VI of our Constitution: Eligibility for Membership. A serious problem had arisen and had already been submitted in identical letters to all Board Members for their consideration before the meeting. *Constitution + membership*

Until 1962 the Society had 5 "Classes" of Regular Membership: A for those who had traced their lines back to the original Stukely Westcott; B-E for those whose records were incomplete. Associate Memberships were supposedly only for descendants of Stukely's nephews and his sister Rebecca who married Thomas Cooke. A few others, including an adopted son of a Regular Member, were also admitted as Associate Members.

In 1962 the Constitution was changed to limit "Active" Membership to descendants of Stukely Westcott and their "consorts". Associate Membership was left unchanged. This left unmentioned all those who had not been able to trace their lineage all the way back, and thus did not know whether they were descended from Stukely, his nephews, or some later Westcott arrival. Our very capable and efficient Registrar, Louise Harris, who took office just after this change in the Constitution, read the new eligibility rules carefully, saw that she had no power

Every "Westcott" Descendant is eligible

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to grant "Active" or Regular Membership to applicants whose lines of descent were incomplete, and therefore granted them temporary Associate Membership, with the understanding that if later research proved them to be direct descendants of Stukely, she would assign them new numbers and place them in the Regular Membership group.

As time passed, we found that the new rules were splitting families. Those with incomplete lines of descent who had joined before 1962 of course kept their Regular Memberships, but their children, brothers, sisters, etc. who joined later could be granted only Associate Memberships. Feelings were deeply hurt by this discrimination and would continue to be hurt as long as it existed. The most conspicuous example of this problem was in the "Vermont group" - descendants of Nicholas Wescott of Clarendon, Vt. It is all but certain that he was the son of one of three possible descendants of Stukely - but we do not know which. Before 1962, Regular Membership was granted to 33 descendants of Nicholas Wescott - but after that, their children, grandchildren, brothers, and sisters could receive only Associate Membership, without power to vote or hold office. Yet Harold W. Wescott, who was our Vice-President, and Mrs. Mabel Wescott, our very capable Recording Secretary, were in this group. How could we, who like them and were proud to have them among our National Officers, deny their families that same privilege?

Your Corresponding Secretary suggested changing the Society's name to "Society of Westcott Descendants of America", dropping the one word: "Stukely", and throwing open Regular Membership to all actual descendants of any Westcott, including Stukely's nephews and sister. Several of the Board Members, especially those who had been in the Society since its founding, were deeply troubled by this possible solution, and had written to the National President, explaining their feelings.

Dr. F. Howard Westcott submitted to the Board the following draft for new Eligibility Rules, to replace the present ones:

Article VI - Eligibility for Membership

*Constitution
for membership*

I. Regular Members

- A. All Stukely Westcott proved descendants and their spouses;
- B. Stukely Westcott descendants probably, but not 100% proved, and spouses;
- C. Stukely Westcott descendants probably, but research incomplete, and spouses;
- D. Descendants of Rebecca (Westcott) Cooke, sister of Stukely Westcott and wife of Thomas Cooke, and spouses;
- E. Descendants of Stukely Westcott's nephews, and their spouses.

II. Associate Members

- A. Adopted children of Regular Members, and their spouses;
- B. Stepchildren of Regular Members, and their spouses;
- C. Proven descendants of brothers or sisters of Stukely's wife, Juliana (Marchant) Westcott, and their spouses.

Such Associate Membership shall enjoy all privileges of the Society, except the power to vote.

III. Honorary Members (unchanged)

Honorary

At the discretion of the Board of Directors a member is so honored to receive this distinction because of his or her outstanding contribution to the Society, and needs no longer to pay dues to the Society.

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IV. Life Members (unchanged)

At the discretion of the Board of Directors a member is so honored to receive Life Membership in the Society, and need no longer pay dues in the Society. Life Membership shall be granted automatically to spouses of deceased past Presidents. *Honorary*

The Board voted to accept Dr. F. Howard Westcott's new eligibility rules. The Board also voted that if the Membership present at the Saturday Business Meeting should accept these new eligibility rules, a ballot should be enclosed with the next Westcott Family Quarterly, so that all members could vote on this change. This would avoid any possible feeling that anything was being "railroaded through" without majority approval.

After discussion of several other important topics to be presented at the Saturday morning Business Meeting, the Board Members met their families at Brooks Restaurant, Emmons, N.Y. for a 5 o'clock dinner.

At 7-9 P.M. on Friday the Society held its Registration and informal reception in the dining room of the Milford Center Baptist Church. Fruit punch and pastry were served. The Scrap Book Albums were available for all who wished to look at them. Particular thanks are due to Cousin Homer D. Roberts of Boonton, N.J., who brought six panoramic photographs of early meetings, and two large photographs of a banquet - probably at Cooperstown in 1937. Cousin Marge Westcott, wife of our Historian, was very happy with them, and took every possible chance to try to identify as many as possible of the people in them.

On Saturday, August 1, the Society met in the Milford Center Church, using the pews and the reading desk in front of them. The 18th Biennial Meeting was called to order at about 10 A.M. by our National President, Dorothy (Mrs. Harold L.) Perdue. The Members were welcomed to the Milford Center Baptist Church by its Summer minister, Dr. Martin F. Clough, a very charming, kindly, older gentleman. (His wife, whom some of us met later, was equally charming.)

The Business Meeting opened with the salute to the flag - using for the first time our own Society's flag, obtained for us by our Historian, Robert A. Westcott, who presented it to the Society at the start of the meeting. It was explained to the Members present that this flag meant more to us than any other, because it had flown over the White House on the anniversary in 1970 of Stukely Westcott's death, which had been January 12, 1677. *Constitution Membership*

Greetings were extended by Robert A. Westcott, speaking for the new New York-New Jersey Chapter-#11, which had been in existence only one year.

Letters of greeting were read from Mr. and Mrs. Lisle Cottrell, William Driver, Susan Handy, Louise Harris, Edmund Morris, Mrs. Edmund Oehlers, Elizabeth Westcott, and Leslie Westcott.

The minutes of the preceding Business Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report, which was read and approved, is summarized here. As of the 1968 Biennial Meeting, the National Treasury contained a net balance, after deducting two just-arrived printer's bills, of \$427.41, plus a few cents in interest

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which had not been added to the two savings bank books. Between the 1968 and 1970 meetings, Receipts totaled \$1,167.38, and Expenditures totaled \$1,003.27, making a gain for the period of \$164.11, plus a small amount of interest on the two savings bank accounts. There were no outstanding bills at the time of the 1970 Biennial Meeting. The books were audited by two members, as required, before the Business Meeting.

Robert A. Westcott and Pauline Clark reported on reactivating the New York Chapters as New York-New Jersey Chapter-#11.

Bernice (Mrs. Raymond) Smith of Iowa reported on the 1970 meeting of Iowa Chapter-#9.

Harold W. Westcott, our Vice-President, reported that Vermont Chapter-#5 holds a reunion each year with at least 75 people always present. He invited the National Society to Vermont in 1972.

The meeting voted to accept the changes in eligibility rules recommended by the Board of Directors, subject to vote of the entire membership by a ballot sent out with the Quarterly. (These changes and the reason for them had already been explained to the members present.)

*Constitution
membership*

The Membership voted to approve the Board of Directors' recommendation to give a gift of \$25 to the Milford Center Baptist Church. (The Treasurer wrote the check later that day, and gave it to the Minister on Sunday.)

The Board of Directors recommended the adoption of Dr. F. Howard Westcott's proposal of a Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund, as he had previously outlined it to them.

Scholarship

The purpose of the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund is to make available to members and children of members of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America money for the specific purpose of attaining higher education after completion of high school or equivalent education. This fund is to be administered by a committee of three persons appointed by the President and Board of Directors of the National Society. Two of the three committee members will be members of the Board of Directors; the third will be from the National Society membership at large. All money contributed to this fund will be deposited by the National Treasurer as a special fund, in a separate savings bank account. Payments will be made from this special fund to applicants upon their being approved by the Committee, after having filed a formal application. The approved applicant may use such payments for tuition, books, supplies, room, board, and travel to and from the approved institution of higher learning at regular term periods, as needed by the recipient. Application may be made through the Committee appointed by the National Society.

Dr. F. Howard Westcott has started the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund with his own contribution of \$5,000. Donations may be made to the Fund in any amount - even as small as \$5 - though it is hoped that those who can afford to give larger amounts will do so. It is also hoped that enough money may be contributed to the Fund by many people, so that the Fund may be able to loan up to

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\$1,250 per year for four years, and possibly up to \$2,500, depending upon the number of applicants.

Terms of Fund Loans: Loans of up to \$1,250 per year for four years may be applied for. Amounts received are interest free during school attendance. Interest at 5% begins the July 1st following graduation or discontinuance, except for illness, at the school for which the loan was made. Repayment of loan will begin twelve (12) months after graduation or discontinuance at school. Full repayment will be expected by the tenth (10th) year after graduation or discontinuance at school and/or as rapidly as reasonably possible. Returned principal and interest of such loans will be used for future loans.

In case the Fund goes unused for 24 months and further need for it does not exist, the balance of money in the Fund will be redistributed to the original donors in proportion to the amounts given.

It was voted that this proposal by Dr. F. Howard Westcott for the establishment of the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund should be accepted. The following Committee was appointed to administer the Fund: Chairman: Dr. F. Howard Westcott; Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Samuel Dorfler; Member at Large: Mr. Irvin Duane Wilson.

Anyone wishing further information about this Fund may write to its Chairman: Dr. F. Howard Westcott, 16673 San Salvador Court, Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, Calif. 92128.

Contributions to the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund may be sent, in any amount, to the National Treasurer: Miss Dorothea B. Cogswell, 83 Carver Road, Newton Highlands, Mass. 02161, for deposit in a special savings bank account until loaned.

It was voted that Robert A. Westcott should purchase 85 color-embroidered Westcott coats-of-arms in cloth, about 4"x4" in size, to wear on jackets, blazers, etc., to sell for \$3 each plus a small postage-handling fee. This would make a unique, "different" present for any teenage or college age boy or girl. Orders may be sent to: Mr. Robert A. Westcott, P.O. Box 57, Randleman, N.C. 27317. *Stationery, Promotions*

The Society accepted the invitation by Vermont Chapter-#5, with much pleasure, to be the Chapter's guests at the 19th Biennial Meeting in 1972.

Thanks were extended to the members of the Milford Center Church for their gracious hospitality.

It was voted that the Recording Secretary should send letters to Susan Handy and Louise Harris from the National Society.

Dr. F. Howard Westcott, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers for the next two years. The vote was affirmative and unanimous.

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President - Mr. Harold W. Westcott
R.D. #2, Poultney, Vt. 05764

Vice-President - Mrs. Raymond W. Smith
R.F.D. 2, Elliott, Iowa 51532

Recording Secretary - Mrs. Paul R. Lewis
P.O. Box #58, Riverton, Conn. 6065

Secretary-Treasurer - Miss Dorothea B. Cogswell
Editor of Quarterly 83 Carver Rd., Newton Highlands, Mass. 02161

Chaplain - Mr. Webb W. Wilder
281 Morgan Ave., Johnston, R.I. 02909

Registrar - Miss Louise Harris
15 Jay St., Rumford, R.I. 02916

Historian - Mr. Robert A. Westcott
P.O. Box 57, Randleman, N.C. 27317

Directors: Mrs. Samuel Dorfler, New York
Mr. William C. Driver, Florida
Miss Susan W. Handy, Rhode Island
Mr. Edmund W. Morris, New Jersey
Mrs. Harold L. Perdue, Iowa
Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, New Jersey
Dr. F. Howard Westcott, California
Mr. Leslie P. Westcott, Rhode Island

The Business Meeting adjourned, and was immediately followed by the Memorial Service. Because neither the National Society's Chaplain, Webb W. Wilder, nor our Registrar, Louise Harris, who had prepared the lovely Memorial Service especially for this occasion, was able to be present, the Minister of the Milford Center Baptist Church, Dr. Clough, very kindly read the Memorial Service for us. He read it beautifully.

After the Memorial Service, a delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the Milford Center Baptist Church, in the Church dining room.

Saturday afternoon was left free for the Members to visit as many of the varied attractions in the Cooperstown area as the time permitted. Your Editor joined the Iowa group in visiting the extremely interesting Farmers' Museum, which had many buildings, including sheds for larger, old-time farm equipment. There was also an old-fashioned "village green". Your Editor was surprised to find that she knew the uses of various types of long-ago farm and road equipment which she had never seen before, such as snow-rollers for roads, and the Hotel Otesaga's horse-drawn omnibus, which once brought guests from the railroad station. Perhaps this was because as a girl she was an avid reader of the C.A. Stephens "Old Squire" stories in the YOUTH'S COMPANION, which described such equipment so exactly. In one shed, everyone was surprised to see the "Cardiff giant". We all knew of that monumental hoax of

the "petrified man", but had forgotten that he had been on display there since 1948.

At 7 P.M. on Saturday a delicious smorgasbord was served at the Hickory Grove Inn on Lake Road, outside Cooperstown. We had a lovely drive to it, and enjoyed many views of the lake on the way. Music had been planned, but there was a union problem which made it impossible. However, everyone seemed to enjoy the chance to talk without having to compete with music. Several families, including some local ones, came who had not been present earlier.

On Sunday at 11 A.M. we attended Church Services as a body at the Milford Center Baptist Church. We met a few additional cousins there before and after the service. Some of us then drove back across fields and along a woods road to the Church Cemetery, to see the various Westcott graves there. The elderly sexton joined us and told us about some of the Westcotts buried there. The expedition was cut short abruptly when a few inquisitive hornets suddenly decided that we were undesirable characters. The sexton was stung in several places, and hurried home to put on some medication, as he was always poisoned by stings. Marge Westcott (wife of our Historian) was stung on the top of her foot. Our new President, Harold W. Westcott, felt something crawling up his leg inside his trouser leg. He tried to shake it out - and got stung on the knee. His wife hastily knelt down, and rolled up that trouser-leg; out flew the hornet and sped off, its job well done.

The Reunion ended on leaving the cemetery, though Cousins staying at the same place saw each other again. In spite of the hornets at the end, it was a highly successful and very enjoyable Reunion. Thirty-seven people from ten states signed the Guest Book, but there were a few more who did not sign, as well as at least five small children. New York State understandably had the largest number - 14. North Carolina was next with 6 (our Historian and his family, who had moved there in 1969 from New York State). Iowa and New Jersey were tied, with 4 each. Connecticut, Florida, and Vermont had 2 each, while California, Georgia and Massachusetts each had 1 representative. The youngest member was once again pretty and charming little Bonnie May Westcott, youngest daughter of our Historian, whose third birthday would be Aug. 28, 1970. The oldest member present was probably Mrs. Linda Pickens, Honorary Life Member and widow of our former National President, George D. Pickens. Your Editor shared a table with her at the smorgasbord, and greatly enjoyed having the chance to get really acquainted with her. However, a couple of local Cousins whom we met just before the Church Service may have been older - at least, they looked it.

CHAPTER NEWS - Vermont Chapter-#5

On Sunday, Aug. 15, 1971, Vermont Chapter-#5 held its Annual Meeting. Cousin Harold Westcott, our new National President, writes: "We had a very nice gathering although the weather did not favor us, as it was cold and windy. We held our meeting and picnic lunch at the Baptist Church in East Poultney. There were about 90 of us in attendance, of whom at least half were under 10 years old. The oldest member was 86, and the youngest one year and three months. We had a lengthy discussion about the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund. Our Chapter voted to contribute to this Fund when it has been officially established.

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Newly elected Chapter Officers for 1971-2 are:

President: Mabel Wescott	Corresponding Secretary: Pearl Brown
Vice President: Alice Eastman	Treasurer: Willard Wescott
Recording Secretary: Paul Lewis	Historian: Fannie Reed

The National Society looks forward to meeting again with this fine group in August, 1972.

NEW MEMBERS

- #571 - Miss Margene Kay Perdue
R.R.#3, Griswold, Iowa 51535
- #572 - Mrs. Harold F. Redman
1110 Ridgewood Drive, Highland Park, Ill. 60035
- #573 - Mr. & Mrs. George S. Wescott
369 11th Street, Cresskill, N.J. 07626
- #574 - Mr. & Mrs. Edward Judson Wescott
79 Haven Avenue, Bergenfield, N.J. 07621

We are very happy to welcome our new members.

BIRTHS

Susan Wilson, born probably early 1970, daughter of our former member, Irvin William Wilson, and first granddaughter of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Irvin Duane Wilson of Dubuque, Iowa. Susan's mother is the second wife, "Pat", whom he married in July, 1968. The first wife had died in May, 1964, leaving three small sons - the oldest only 9 years old. As of Susan's birth, they were living at 1943 Seakale Lane, Houston, Texas.

Westcott Irvin Wilson, born Jan. 21, 1971, brother of little Susan Wilson above. This is the father's fifth child, and the fifth grandchild of our members, Mr. & Mrs. Irvin Duane Wilson of Dubuque, Iowa.

We are so happy to welcome this new little sister and brother into the family, and we heartily congratulate the proud parents and grandparents.

MARRIAGES

Frank Westcott, son of J. Stanley and Elizabeth Westcott, and grandson of our member, Mrs. Edna Westcott of Sutton West, Ontario, Canada and the late Rev. Watson A. Westcott, was married June 6, 1970 to Christine McArn (daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George McArn) in the Church of the Atonement, Alderwood, Toronto.

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Ronald Westcott, second cousin of Frank (above) was married on the same day (June 6, 1970) to Valerie Bredin, in Beaverton, Ontario.

Emory J. Westcott, our member, was married June 20, 1970, to Helen Wehr in St. Mary's Catholic Church. They are now living in Cresco, Iowa. He has been working for the past year as Guidance Counselor at Crestwood Junior High in the Howard-Winneshiek Community School District.

We wish all happiness to these three couples.

DEATHS

Mrs. Mabel (Westcott) Bishop, aged 86, one of our Charter Members, died in December, 1968. The notice of her death came belatedly from one of her executors, who did not give the exact date of her death. She was born Sept. 26, 1882, in Utica, N.Y., daughter of Alburthus Joseph and Elpha Amelia (Field) Westcott. On May 4, 1910, she married Leon P. Bishop. She made her home in Utica, N.Y. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Ruth (Bishop) Wheaton, and two granddaughters. We send them our sincere sympathy. Older members of the Society will regret her passing.

Frank Nelson Westcott, aged 90, one of our Charter Members, died Jan. 24, 1970. He was born Nov. 2, 1879, in Dexter, N.Y., son of Nelson Lewis and Sarah Elmina (Murphy) Westcott. On Mar. 5, 1908, he married Emma Miller. They made their home for many years in Watertown, N.Y. He is survived by his widow. We send her our sincerest sympathy. Older members of the Society will remember him and regret his passing.

Mrs. Norma (Wright) Westcott, aged 89 or 90, mother of our member, Thetis (Westcott) Dillon (Mrs. Edward G. Dillon) of Albany, N.Y., died Feb. 20, 1970. Mrs. Westcott was the widow of Brigadier-General Edward J. Westcott, who was Adjutant-General of the State of New York at the time of his death in 1926. We offer very sincere sympathy to her family.

Charles Edward Swanson, aged 91, husband of our late member, Ione (Westcott) Swanson, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died Aug. 22, 1970. He was a very charming and interesting older gentleman. It could truly be said of him: "He was a very nice Victorian gentleman" - in the best sense of the term. He is survived by a married son and daughter, and grandchildren. We extend our deepest sympathy to them, and are glad that at least his older grandchildren are old enough to remember him as an inspiration all their lives.

Hanson Chauncey Wescott, aged 65, our member, of Ypsilanti, Mich., died Oct. 14, 1970, after many months in the hospital. He had entered the hospital Jan. 3, 1970, with a fractured hip. Exactly five months later, on June 3, he had his second surgery. He was always very proud of being a member of our Society. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Eleanor (Freeman) Wescott - his second wife, whom he married on Dec. 31, 1941; by his son, Dr. Jerrold Patterson, our former member; his 3 daughters: Mrs. Paul Bergman, Mrs. Stephen Poot, and Mrs. Clifford Albertson; a sister, Mrs. Ernest L. Bridge; and 8 grandchildren. We extend to

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all of them our sincerest sympathy.

STUKELY WESTCOTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP LOAN FUND *Stukely*

The latest letter from Dr. F. Howard Westcott states that he has already begun to lend from the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund. Of course that original \$5,000 alone won't go very far toward helping many of the worthy Members and children of Members who are struggling in these all-too expensive times to gain the higher education which is so very important for getting ahead in today's world. As my mother used to say: "Get your label, and then you will have it for life. No one can take it from you." Please, everyone who can, see if you can spare something to help our own young Westcott cousins to get their "labels" in the shape of higher education leading to a recognized certificate or degree, which will give them their chance in today's competitive world. Further information about the Fund may be obtained from Dr. F. Howard Westcott, whose address is on page 5 of this Quarterly. Contributions may be sent either to him or to the Treasurer, Miss Dorothea B. Cogswell, whose address is on both page 1 and page 5 of this Quarterly.

QUERIES

Has anyone been able to prove whether the Daniel Westcott who married Deborah Smith and lived in New Jersey had the line: Richard (1), John (2), Richard (3), Daniel (4) m. Deborah Smith? Or was it Richard (1), Daniel (2), Daniel (3), Daniel (4) m. Deborah Smith? The Daniel who married Deborah Smith was said to be the father of the Richard Westcott who was a Captain in the Revolutionary War. In Vol. II, p.397, Mr. Whitman gives Daniel (4) as the son of Richard (3) - the first line. However, he gives only the name of Daniel (3), son of Daniel (2), with no date of marriage of that Daniel (3) or mention the birth of a son Daniel (4). Could two Daniels of the same generation possibly have married two Deborah Smiths? If anyone has authoritative proof of either line, will they please write either to Miss Myrta Grace Paugh, Deland, Illinois 61839, or to your Editor, who would also like to get the Lines of Descent from Richard (1) correct. *after Stan Stukely*

Does anyone know whether Stukely (6) Turner, Revolutionary soldier, born 1754, died Sept. 18, 1833 at Gloucester, R.I., who married Martha Dexter (born 1754, died Apr. 20, 1812, Gloucester, R.I.) had a son Stukely Turner, born about 1800, who married Mercy Roth Bushnell in Foster, R.I. on Sept. 23, 1825? This latter Stukely Turner died in 1842. Does anyone have any information about the Stukely Turner who was born in 1800 and died in 1842? Please send any information to: Mrs. Edward H. Lee, 4 Clarendon Road, Wilmington Park, Savannah, Ga. 31404. She really wants it.

AN APOLOGY

Your Secretary-Treasurer-Editor sincerely apologizes for her laxness during the past year. Much of it was dread of the inevitable complete exhaustion after the rush of stencil-cutting - always against time, to let the Church Secretary fit our mimeographing around other work. Now our President says I may have the stencils cut and mimeographed professionally. I need only type the Quarterly; then pro-

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professionals will take over. Now I no longer need wave the gooseneck lamp over each stencil-line, seeking mistakes - or retype several letters or punctuation marks per line, which failed to cut the stencil. After hours of that, one makes mistakes from fatigue. Now I can also staple membership cards to the top of the Quarterly. That will save many hours. I hated to mail an impersonal card in an envelope. I tried to write a few words - or notes to those I knew. But that takes time and strength. Both always "ran out on me" too soon.

The present Quarterly is double-length. The next one, which I plan to get out before the Christmas rush, will also be a double-length mailing, probably with additional research material included. I hope that when you have had these, you will feel that you have had fair value for the 1971 dues, for which I am asking (in the enclosed envelopes) from those of you who have not already paid for this year.

Again I apologize, and I think the new freedom from drudgery will help me to do much better.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Our Society has received from its Treasurer a gift of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED, 1970 Edition. This is the 7th edition, but only the second complete revision in the 94 years since its first publication. This new book is wholly reorganized and rewritten to make it far more complete and much easier to understand. It should be a real help in conducting meetings and in any revision of the Constitution and By-Laws. *Society Property*

Our Historian, Robert A. Westcott, has folders of data on the Whitman-Wightman line and on the Briggs-Hall-Greene lines. Anyone needing additional information on these lines should write to him (His address is given on p.6) *Other than Schooley*

Rev. Henry Hemilright Schooley, our member, retired in November, 1970, on account of his health, from the First Universalist Church in Woonsocket, R.I., where he had served as pastor for 13 years. Dr. Schooley and his wife, Elizabeth (Wescott) Schooley, are natives of Scranton, Pa., where they were married in 1931. They have one son, Gerald Lee Schooley, principal of Bernon Heights School, Woonsocket, R.I. Dr. Henry Schooley is a graduate of Tufts University, which gave him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in June, 1959, and of its Crane Theological School. He also did graduate work at Harvard and Brown Universities. After a two-year student pastorate in Chelsea, Mass., his first real pastorate was at the Church of the Mediator in Providence, R.I., where he served for 20 years. He came to the Woonsocket Church Aug. 1, 1957. In 1956 and early 1957, as head of the R.I. congregation, he had taken part in cornerstone-laying, consecration, and dedication ceremonies connected with opening a new \$160,000 Universalist Church in Woonsocket. He was for 15 years superintendent of Universalist churches in R.I. He is past president of the Elmwood Ministers Association of Providence, the R.I. Ministers Association of Providence, and the R.I. Council of Churches. His parishioners honored Dr. Schooley and his wife at a special meeting upon his retirement, and presented him with a television set and an envelope. They respect him deeply as a man of profound convictions in human welfare, given to sincere examination of society's dilemmas and conflicts, and showing true erudition while commenting

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almost self-effacingly on life. Dr. Schooley and his wife have joined a Florida community founded by the late J.C. Penney for retired ministers and their wives, missionaries, and religious leaders. It is said to be very inspirational. Dr. Schooley will be free to lead religious services and preach sermons there. We wish them both a happy life, without strain.

Former Supervisor Fred T. Wescott (probably of Batavia, N.Y.) took along his basketball suit when he accompanied his twin sons, Tim and Tom, and the other members of the Harvey's Mobil team, to the Tonawanda Eldridge Club basketball tournament in Buffalo, N.Y. last April. Their team, the Y Industrial League champs, had only 7 players, and "Dad", a former Buffalo State star, was hoping for a chance to "get in on the action." He did, and "turned in an amazing performance. He came up with 8 points to contribute" to his team's record-tying 149-point output in a victory over their opponents, who got 115 points. Sons Tim and Tom came up with 28 and 24 points respectively toward that record, making 60 points contributed by the family. We can only quote the old Navy words of praise: "Well done!" This Fred T. Wescott has never been a member of our Society, but we should be happy to have them if they are eligible and care to join.

As a matter of interest, the American Legion Post of Bath, N.Y. is named the Charles E. Wescott American Legion Post. Again, we don't know who Charles E. Wescott was - but we should be interested to know his exploits and line of descent.

LETTERS

Cousin Edna Westcott (Mrs. Watson A. Westcott) of Sutton West, Ontario, Canada, noticed in Mrs. DeLong's query in the July, 1970 Quarterly that her old Bible had the Westcott name spelled Westcoatt. She adds: "It happens that the name of my husband's great-grandfather is spelled that way on his tombstone, though all the other generations buried in the Old Stone Church cemetery at Beaverton, Ontario, have the spelling Westcott. He was the first Westcott of our family to come to Canada from England (about 1830)."

Cousin Grace Paugh of DeLand, Ill. had a "harrowing experience" in January, 1970. She finds it hard to walk, and had stayed home to keep off the icy sidewalks, but "had a fall in my back yard and couldn't get up. I called for help 10 or 15 minutes before a high school boy 2 doors north heard me, knew my voice, and came. It took three of them to get me up and into the house. No one in the nearer houses was home. Fortunately I was not seriously hurt, and was well wrapped up", so was not hurt by the exposure. "Now when I have trash to empty, I wait till my nearest neighbor is home!" She is trying to get her history of DeLand ready for their centennial in 1973. More power to her! We hope she has no more falls.

Cousin Daphne M. Brownell of DeLand, Fla. has been working for some time on a history of the Akin family, which will be published in book form. Any cousin who is descended from that family should get in touch with her.

Cousin Susan Handy greatly regretted that she could not be at the Cooperstown meeting. As of last November, she was still not back to herself after a major operation, and could not drive yet. We trust that 1971 has been easier for her.

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Cousin Elizabeth M. Wescott of Orange, N.J. was hoping last Fall to enter her application for membership in the Daughters of the Cincinnati. One of her Revolutionary ancestors was an Original Member of the New York Chapter of the Society of the Cincinnati. It is indeed a great honor to belong to that organization.

Your Editor has just been trying, as a matter of interest, to learn how many ancestors she had who actually performed some service in the Revolution. So far she has found ten proven ones, much to her surprise.

Cousin Dorothy Perdue, our former President, wrote that after leaving Cooperstown she and her husband and the Raymond Smiths (our new Vice-President and her husband, who were traveling with them) visited Cousins Rachel and Lisle Cottrell for a few days, then toured Vermont. She placed a Revolutionary War marker on the grave of her great-great-grandfather (John Putnam) at Bradford, Vt. They then drove up to Montreal and toured the city (and Expo 67), then on west to Mackinac Island. "We did a lot of sightseeing on the way home, and enjoyed having the Smiths traveling with us." What a wonderful trip they had!

Cousin Cynthia Westcott of Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y., the "plant doctor", writes in her last-Christmas letter: "I have now lived 9 years at Springvale and have never regretted the decision. Where else could one have an apartment with birds and trees and flowers just outside the doorway? Sitting out in the beneficent October sun, I give thanks for being here," even though she adds: "a small apartment has its limits" when it comes to working with "accumulated reference materials." (Even houses have their limits in such cases!)

Cousin Joye Satterfield of Park Ridge, Ill, was greatly disappointed that they could not get to the Cooperstown meeting. Neither her husband nor she could get away from work. She is now working at a clinic, which had just started to put in computers - the latest thing in medicine. "We have been learning how to run the computers and it's very fascinating." Her Christmas letter added: "After learning how to push the buttons, we were surprised to see ourselves on a news TV program" She puts in any spare time refinishing or restoring her antiques. Last April the whole family (Joye, Bob, and the three girls) had a wonderful family vacation in Florida together. We hope they all can get to Vermont in 1972.

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Cousin Grace Paugh of DeLand, Ill. writes: "We have two young men in college - David Gronemeier, who attends Illinois State University at Normal, and Stephen Paugh, who attends the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Stephen plans to be a scientist, and has done exceptionally well.

Cousin Edna Lewis writes: "Our oldest son, Paul Wayne Lewis, graduated from the University of Vermont cum laude and received his Commission in the U.S. Army in May, 1968. He had already, on Sept. 10, 1966, married Marion Louise Otis (daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Carlos G. Otis of Townshend, Vt.), at the Federal Church in Townshend, where both were members. He now holds the Army rank of Captain. He has been granted 'released time' to work for a law degree at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.," and hoped to complete his third year in May, 1971. He has been working

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at the Adjutant General's office in the Pentagon when not attending classes. His wife was an Honors graduate from Champlain College, Burlington, Vt. in June, 1968. She was a Medical Secretary with the Naval Records Dept. in Washington, D.C. until the birth of their daughter, Kristen Heather, on April 13, 1970.

Cousin Edna Lewis adds: "Our younger son, Daniel Jay Lewis, is a student at Stanford University, California."

REMINDERS

1. Be sure to send in your ballot on the changes in eligibility rules in the Constitution. We want expressions of opinion as well as your vote.
2. Can you spare a contribution for the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund to help our young Cousins get a higher education?
3. Wouldn't you like to order one or more color-embroidered Westcott cloth coats of arms of either size as Christmas presents for your young folks? (Write Robert A. Westcott, P.O. Box 57, Randleman, N.C. 27317.)
4. Can you answer either of the queries?
5. Please send items for the Quarterly, and always put on your Zip Code.
6. Send address changes promptly. Missing Quarterlies will be replaced.

A HAPPY AUTUMN TO ALL!
