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WOULD YOU BUY A NEW WESTCOTT GENEALOGY IF YOU COULD?

If a wholly new Westcott Genealogy should be written, with an easier numbering system, a better index, and as many mistakes corrected as possible, would you buy it? If your answer is "Yes," please write our Registrar, Miss Louise Harris, 15 Jay St., Rumford, R.I. 02916, and tell her so. Also please tell her whether you would prefer a loose-leaf or a bound book. This is only a preliminary query, with prices not yet determined, to find out if there is enough demand to be worth the effort. Please answer if you want one!

NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS - Reunion at Poultney, Vermont

Our 1972, 19th Biennial Meeting, held in Poultney, Vt., August 11-13, was, as always, a great success. Everyone had a fine time, enjoyed the entertainment, the choice of informal guided tours on Saturday afternoon, and the chance to see and talk with many Vermont Cousins whom we had not seen since our last Poultney Reunion in 1964.

The Executive Board of the National Society met at 2 on Friday, Aug. 11, at the Poultney Valley Club, which was the focal point of our Reunion. The meeting was called to order by our National President, Harold W. Westcott. Other Board Members present were: Edna Lewis (Mrs. Paul R. Lewis), Recording Secretary; Dorothea B. Cogswell, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; Louise Harris, Registrar; Robert A. Westcott, Historian; Eleanor Trismen (Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen), former President. Letters were read from the following members who could not attend: Miss Susan W. Handy, Mr. Edmund W. Morris, Mrs. Harold L. Perdue, Dr. F. Howard Westcott, Mr. Leslie P. Westcott, and Mr. Webb W. Wilder.

The minutes of the 1970 Board Meeting were read and approved. The Registrar, Cousin Louise Harris, suggested that prospective members file duplicate application forms, as many societies do, to save her the task of copying each for her files. It was agreed to recommend this at the General Business Meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Cousin Dorothea Cogswell, passed around a sample of the new format being considered for a new printing of membership cards. (The material on the back of the old card needed updating.) The Board agreed to recommend this format. *membership*

The Secretary-Treasurer also reported that the vote of the General Membership for the change in Article VI of the Constitution: "Eligibility for Membership", was approved by a large majority of members voting. This agreed with the 1970 vote of Members present at the Cooperstown Meeting. *Constitution*

Every "Westcott" Descendant is eligible

NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS (CONTINUED)

It was moved by Eleanor Trismen, seconded by Robert A. Westcott, and the motion carried, to continue the name of our Society as SOCIETY OF STUKELY WESTCOTT DESCENDANTS OF AMERICA. This would be recommended at the Business Meeting. *Name*

There was a discussion about the Society's finances and the rising costs of operation. A motion was made by Eleanor Trismen, seconded by Robert A. Westcott, and carried, to recommend to the Business Meeting an increase in dues for Individual Memberships from the present \$1.00 to a new rate of \$1.50 per year, and for Family Memberships from the present \$2.00 to a new rate of \$3.00 per year. *Dues*

It was agreed by the Board to recommend that the token gift of \$25 per year to the Corresponding Secretary and \$25 per year to the Treasurer (a total of \$50 per year to Cousin Dorothea Cogswell, who holds both positions), be doubled, to a total of \$100 a year to her as Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Editor of the Quarterly. *Honorary*

The Registrar reported that several new applications and requests for reinstatement were then being processed. The 1972 Members totaled approximately 220. For convenience in filing, each member will retain the original number assigned when accepted for membership.

The question of a location for our 1974 Reunion was tabled until a later date.

A letter was read from Cousin Leslie Westcott, stating that he had been unable to get a Memorial Wreath for the Stukely Westcott Memorial for Decoration Day because two florists said they could no longer get the material previously used. It was agreed to submit these facts to the Business Meeting. *RI
Hist.*

A complete report on the Scholarship Loan Fund was given by the Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. F. Howard Westcott, the Fund's Founder, had written to suggest that each Chapter try to raise \$100 annually for the Fund by some special event. Two Chapters, Vermont Chapter #5 and Iowa Chapter #9, have contributed \$25 each in 1972. The total amount in the Scholarship Loan Fund at the time of the meeting was \$1,822.19. One college student (Margene Perdue of Iowa) was currently qualified and drawing on the Fund. *Scholarship*

President Harold W. Westcott appointed the following Nominating Committee to nominate Officers for 1972-74: Chairman: Eleanor Trismen; other members: Louise Harris, Robert A. Westcott.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 5 P.M.

Board Members and their families were the guests of President and Mrs. Harold W. Westcott at a delicious and very hearty dinner at an excellent restaurant in a nearby town. The place was called "Anywhere Restaurant", if your Editor remembers correctly.

At 7 P.M. the Board joined the National Membership in an informal reception as guests of Vermont Chapter #5 at the Poultney Valley Club, which was handsomely decorated for the occasion. There was registration of Members present. The Scrap- *Hist.
Scrapbook*

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Book Albums were available for all who wished to see them. Our Historian and his family showed how they had started to preserve the National Society's official set of Quarterlies under plastic in a set of notebooks, where they can be seen and consulted readily, but will be preserved from the air, dampness, and wear-and-tear of handling. The Historian should be specially commended for this, as many early Quarterlies are getting very frail, and are in short supply. Coat-of-arms notepaper and coat-of-arms cloth "patches" of both sizes were on sale, and application blanks were given to any who wanted them for relatives. Delicious fruit punch, pastry, etc. were served. Cousin Frances Wescott Reed and her sister, Cousin Ruth Wescott Car^{Smith}, were charming hostesses. Everyone had plenty of time to talk to old friends and meet new ones. Cousin Mabel L. Wescott and Cousin Marge Westcott (our Historian's wife) showed slides of former reunions. We all had a real "Family Fun Reunion".

Hist. Supplement

Station

On Saturday, August 12, the Business Meeting was called to order at 10:20 A.M. in the Poultney Valley Club by President Harold W. Wescott. The Meeting opened with the salute to the Flag, led by our Registrar, Cousin Louise Harris. Twenty-three Members and several guests were present. The following states were represented: Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island.

Greetings from Vermont Chapter #5 were extended by Mabel L. Wescott (Mrs. H. Phillips Wescott), Chapter President. She invited all to participate in the activities, especially the Saturday afternoon tours. Greetings were also read from those who could not be present, including Mr. and Mrs. Lisle Cottrell, Mrs. Linda Pickens, Mr. and Mrs. Guy O. Wescott, and several absent Board Members.

The Recording Secretary's report of the 1970 Meeting was read and approved.

The Membership approved the Board's recommendations, as follows:

Dues
Name

It was voted that the name of this Society shall remain unchanged, at least for the present, as THE SOCIETY OF STUKELY WESTCOTT DESCENDANTS OF AMERICA, in honor of Stukely Westcott, Founder of the Family in this country, and of Mr. Roscoe L. Whitman, Founder of our Society, and his devotion to Stukely Westcott and his ideals.

It was voted that applicants for Membership shall file application blanks in duplicate.

After the Membership had seen the proposed new style of membership card and heard its advantages explained by the Secretary-Treasurer, the latter was authorized to proceed with this project and order the improved membership cards. After a discussion from the floor, it was decided that in the future a membership card shall be issued to each Member. This means that husband and wife Memberships will have separate, individual cards instead of a single "Mr. & Mrs." card.

membership

After a discussion about dues, it was decided to accept the Board's recommendation to increase them by one-half: Individual Membership dues will be increased from \$1.00 to \$1.50 annually; Family Membership dues will be increased from \$2.00 to \$3.00 annually. The treasurer may still ask for voluntary contri-

Dues

NATIONAL SOCIETY NEWS (CONTINUED)

Contributions to help meet ever-rising costs. *over*

A monetary gift by the National Society to the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund was discussed. The motion was made by Alice Hoffman, seconded by Louise Harris, and carried, that the National Society shall give annually \$100 from the National Treasury to the Scholarship Loan Fund until our next Biennial Meeting in 1974, or a total of \$200 in the two years. (The Treasurer drew the first \$100 check on August 18 and deposited it in the Scholarship Loan Fund's savings account.) *Scholarship*

It was recommended that a member within reasonable distance of the Stukely Westcott Memorial Plaque (in Warwick, R.I.) assist Cousin Leslie Westcott of Providence in finding a substitute material for the memorial wreath and in ordering and placing it each year. Cousin Louise Harris of Rumford, R.I. volunteered to do what she could about this. *RF West.*

The Treasurer's report, which was read and approved, is summarized here. *Treasurer*
 Total receipts since the 1970 Biennial Meeting amounted to \$3,132.85, including \$1,809.00 for the Scholarship Loan Fund. Net receipts without counting this special Fund came to \$1,323.85. Total expenditures for the period (including the technical expenditure from the checking account of placing the Scholarship Loan Fund in its separate savings account in a different bank, to avoid any possible confusion) amounted to \$2,976.33. Net expenditures without the Fund figure came to \$1,167.33. This made a gain for the period of \$156.52. This was \$7.59 less than the \$164.11 gain for the 1968-70 period; but in 1970-72 there were out-of-the-ordinary expenses of Westcott coat-of-arms "patches" amounting to a net expense to date of \$147.96 (many still on hand), and secretarial help of \$113.11 (much of which was non-recurring), in checking membership lists against the card file and chronological applications, and checking Quarterly death notices against filed applications and posting them to applications when necessary.

Cash Status

"Patches" Account (North Carolina)	\$ 4.00
Undeposited cash and checks	61.74
Checking account balance after paying Vt. Chap. #5	444.62
Daily Interest Savings account balance, Aug. 18, 1971	161.98
Regular " " " Aug. 10, 1971	249.42
Total Unallocated Cash	<u>\$921.76</u>
Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund, Aug. 4, 1972	<u>1,822.19</u>
<u>Total Cash</u>	<u>\$2,743.95</u>

Payment from the Scholarship Loan Fund was to be made to an accepted applicant as soon as certain formalities were completed. (This was accomplished and payment of \$850 made on Sept. 11, 1972. The \$25 gift to the Scholarship Loan Fund received from Vermont Chapter #5 at the Meeting had already been added, so the new balance in the Fund's savings account on Sept. 11, 1972 was \$1,097.19.) Two Chapters, Vermont Chapter #5 and Iowa Chapter #9, gave \$25 each in 1972 to the Scholarship Loan Fund. We hope other Chapters will follow their example.

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Dr. F. Howard Westcott, Founder of the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund, asked your Treasurer to suggest to the Society that each Chapter try to raise \$100 a year for the Fund by some joint effort, such as a rummage sale, bake sale, picnic, play, theater party, etc. *Scholarship*

President Harold W. Wescott reported that the audit by two members of the Society found the books to be in order. He directed that the Treasurer's report be filed as read.

A standing vote of "appreciation for her dedicated service" was given to the Secretary-Treasurer, Cousin Dorothea Cogswell. Also, in recognition of her work as the Editor of the Westcott Family Quarterly as well as that of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, it was moved by Alice Hoffman, seconded by Louise Harris, and carried, that a token gift of \$100 a year be given to our Editor, Cousin Dorothea Cogswell, for each of the next two years: a total of \$200 between this date and our next Biennial Meeting. *Hoffman*

Cousin Robert A. Westcott, our Historian, announced his plan to enter the copying business as a sideline. He volunteered to help in printing the Westcott Family Quarterly once he got started, if this would help the Society. A rising vote of appreciation was given him.

President Harold W. Wescott directed that letters of acknowledgement be sent to Miss Susan W. Handy, Mrs. Linda Pickens, Mr. Leslie P. Westcott, and Mr. Webb W. Wilder. (This was done later by the Corresponding Secretary.)

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Cousin Eleanor Trismen, presented the same slate of officers for 1972-74 as for 1970-72, with the exception that Cousin Louise Harris, our Registrar, would also serve as Acting Chaplain. This change was made because Cousin Webb W. Wilder, who had been our Chaplain since 1960, was unable to attend the 1970 and 1972 meetings and stated in his recent letter to the President that he had not been at all well. No nominations were made from the floor, and it was moved and seconded that the Recording Secretary cast one ballot for the entire slate. This was done.

The Memorial Service, which immediately followed the Business Meeting, had been prepared and was read by Cousin Louise Harris, who had also prepared the last four Memorial Services, beginning in 1964. They were all excellent, but this one was definitely the most inspirational of all.

Saturday's luncheon was "on our own". A good many of us had a delicious and hearty lunch at a little restaurant near the Poultney Valley Club.

For Saturday afternoon a choice of guided tours was offered, to: The Slate Quarry, The Marble Museum, The Green Mountain College, and several local Museums. Because your Editor had seen the local Museums in 1964, she chose the Marble Museum, and thoroughly enjoyed it. A movie was shown first, explaining how marble is quarried and polished. She bought a couple of marble items at the gift shop after going through the Museum, and retrieved several interesting small, broken marble pieces from the "help yourself" pile in the front yard.

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The group that went to the Slate Quarry also found it very interesting. The Quarry is usually closed on Saturdays, but it was opened by special arrangement that afternoon, so that the Members could see how slate was quarried. They could also buy a very handsome display arrangement of several different types of slate.

At 7 P.M. we all met at the Poultney Valley Club, where the head table was decorated with the Westcott colors of scarlet and silver. The National Society's own low glass candlesticks held tall red candles. These glass candlesticks had been used for years at New York City meetings of the early Greater New York Chapter. When that Chapter died out, the candlesticks became the property of the National Society. Cousin Eleanor Trismen took care of them for many years. President Harold W. Wescott decided that now that we have a Historian, he is the proper person to care for the Society's candlesticks, as he also has charge of the Society's flag (which he obtained for the Society for the 1970 Meeting, and which flew over the White House on the 1970 anniversary of Stukely Westcott's death: January 12, 1677). A beautiful arrangement of flowers for the head table and lovely red rose corsages for the ladies were given in memory of Cousins Frank and Lucy Wescott Jay and their daughter, Phyllis Jay Brink. A delicious and hearty roast beef dinner was enjoyed by all.

Society Property

The after-dinner speaker, Rev. J. Coolidge Hand, pastor of the Poultney Methodist Church, gave a very interesting and unusual talk on Contemporary Symbolic Art, and showed by large, unique, and forceful wood and metal sculptures how he illustrates his sermons and makes various religious concepts vivid for his congregation.

The latter part of the evening was devoted to a "Songfest" - a spontaneously joyous singing time by everyone of a wide range of old favorite songs, to music provided by several of the Vermont Cousins. One new, highly delightful touch was added by young Philip Wescott, 13 years old, grandson of Mabel L. Wescott, who sat up on the stage-steps where all could see the antics of his little dancing-man, multi-jointed doll-on-a-board, that danced and even somersaulted in perfect time to the music, and was frantically active or subdued according to its mood. Even now, when your Editor hears that type of music on the radio, she sees again that smiling, happy boy, working his little dancing man so perfectly to add the final zest to the evening.

On Sunday, August 13, we gathered as a Family at 9:45 A.M. for worship at the Poultney Methodist Church, where the regular Congregation moved to one side so that we could sit together. Following our National President into his Home Church (sixty strong, including Vermont Chapter Cousins) was an inspirational experience. Also the Rev. Mr. Hand's sermon, coming after his talk the night before, made us very aware of the role of symbolic art within the Church.

After a hasty change by many to less formal clothes, we all gathered at the Poultney Valley Club for a delicious picnic dinner under the trees as the guests of Vermont Chapter #5, and later were invited to attend their highly interesting Annual Meeting. We all lingered for a final talk afterwards - hating to have to leave this very enjoyable Reunion.

The Attendance Book was signed by 58 people (not counting little Bonnie May

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Westcott, our Historian's youngest daughter, who was too young to sign.) They came from 7 states. Vermont, of course, had the largest number - 22. New York came second with 12, Connecticut and New Jersey tied for third place with 9 each, North Carolina came next with 5, and Massachusetts and Rhode Island had 1 apiece. Our Historian's family, from North Carolina, came the longest distance. We did not check for oldest present, but pretty little Bonnie May Westcott was again our youngest National Member, though there were several Vermont babies at the Sunday picnic much younger than she.

The following is the new list of National Officers and Directors:

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. 06065

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

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

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

Directors: Mrs. Samuel Dorfler, Fla.
Mr. William C. Driver, Fla.
Miss Susan W. Handy, R.I.
Mr. Edmund W. Morris, Tenn.
Mrs. Harold L. Perdue, Iowa
Mrs. Ralph D. Trismen, N.J.
Dr. F. Howard Westcott, Calif.
Mr. Leslie P. Westcott, R.I.

FAMILY MOTTO: RENOVATO NOMINE

Traditionally our Society's motto has been translated "the name renewed." However, this Latin construction is known to all who have studied Latin as the Ablative Absolute, which is translated in any of several ways, depending on the circumstances. The literal translation of our motto would be: "The name having been renewed." This is not considered a "good" translation. There is evidently a sense that time has passed, especially when one remembers that Guido de Wescote, the second son, adopted this motto after his older brother took their mother's maiden surname of Littleton, in accordance with the pre-nuptial agreement made before she married their father. Guido and his two younger brothers, however, kept their father's name of Wescote. Therefore the best translation of the

FAMILY MOTTO: RENOVATO NOMINE (CONTINUED)

motto
motto which Guido adopted in 1450 would seem to be: "After the name was renewed." Your Editor gave this explanation to both the Board and the Membership at the Biennial Meeting, and both accepted the revised translation of our motto without question.

AIMS, ELIGIBILITY, FEES - Annual Statement

Object: To commemorate fittingly outstanding anniversaries and events in our family's history; to memorialize our early family by suitable tablets; to promote genealogical study of our family; to create and develop interest and pride in family achievement; to provide when possible care of ancestors' graves, including official markers for graves of family's wartime soldiers, sailors, etc.; to support and advocate steadfastly the defense and protection of this country which our ancestors helped create, and the conservation of the United States Constitution and the American people's liberty; to meet, know, and enjoy our kindred.

Eligibility: Minimum age 18. Regular Members include: All Stukely Westcott proven descendants and their spouses; probable (not 100% proved) Stukely Westcott descendants and probable (research incomplete) Stukely Westcott descendants, and spouses; descendants of Stukely's sister, Rebecca (Westcott) Cooke (wife of Thomas Cooke) and of Stukely's nephews, and spouses. Associate Members include: Adopted and stepchildren of Regular Members, and spouses; proven descendants of brothers or sisters of Stukely's wife, Juliana (Marchant) Westcott, and spouses; Westcott descendants probably not descended from Stukely's Westcott branch, and spouses. Associate Members lack only voting power.

Honorary Members receive this distinction at the discretion of the Board of Directors because of outstanding contribution to the Society, and need no longer pay dues.

Life Members are so named at the discretion of the Board of Directors and need no longer pay dues. Life Membership shall be granted automatically to spouses of deceased past Presidents of the Society.

No initiation fee is charged. As of January 1, 1973, dues are \$1.50 per year for individual membership, \$3.00 per year for family membership, including spouse and children under 18. The first year's dues must accompany the application (which must now be made out in duplicate); in succeeding years dues are payable in January. New members admitted to the Society after September 1 in any calendar year shall pay at the regular rate, but shall not be billed for dues for the following year. A member in arrears for one year's dues on December 31 shall have one year's grace to pay up past and current dues. Anyone still in arrears after this year of grace shall, after being duly notified by the Secretary, be dropped from membership if said dues are still in arrears by July 15 of the following year. To become reinstated, a former member shall pay dues for the year in which reinstatement is asked.

CHAPTER NEWS

Your Editor regrets that she did not take notes at the Annual Meeting of Vermont Chapter #5, and has not received an official report of that meeting, so she cannot report adequately as to what transpired. She has received no news from any other Chapter.

NEW MEMBERS

- #538 - Mr. James Westcott Heater
213 Crest St., Vestal, N.Y. 13850
- #580 - Mr. & Mrs. Charles W. Wescott
113 Harwinton Ave., Terryville, Conn. 06786
- #581 - Mr. & Mrs. Raymond W. Brown
R.F.D. Jerusalem Hill, Rochester, Vt. 05767
- #582 - Mr. & Mrs. Richard R. Caruso
21 Church St., Granville, N.Y. 12832
- #583 - Mr. & Mrs. Gerald H. Jay
13 North, Granville, N.Y. 12832
- #584 - Mr. & Mrs. Donald George Reed
Wells, Vt. 05774
- #585 - Mr. & Mrs. Clifford A. Carr
Box 84, Bethel, Vt. 05032
- #586 - Mr. Richard Earle Carr
Rte. 1, Tunbridge, Vt. 05077
- #587 - Mr. Robert Allen Carr
Rte. 1, Tunbridge, Vt. 05077
- #588 - Miss Elizabeth C. Wescott
Bluehill, Maine 04614
- #589 - Mr. & Mrs. Noel Melville
8712 Victoria Rd., Springfield, Va. 22151

The application of Mr. James Westcott Heater was processed and accepted in 1963, but it had to be held until his 18th birthday, last October. That is why his number is out of order.

We are very happy indeed to welcome eleven new Members to our Society.

Members will be glad to know that on Jan. 1, 1973, we had 237 Active Members, living in 28 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada. Is this a new record?.

BIRTH

Kristopher Robert Anderson, born Jan. 17, 1973, son of Robert Parke and Georgianna (Pugsley) Anderson of Hope Valley, R.I., grandson of Parke Perry-Horn and Dorothy Irene (Briggs) Anderson, and great-grandson of our member, Mrs. Eugene Atwood (Ruby Parke) Anderson of North Stonington, Conn. At birth he weighed 9½ pounds and was 23 in. long - definitely a "bouncing baby boy."

We are very happy to welcome our new little cousin.

DEATHS

Mrs. Sarah Jane (Westcott) Kiernan (Mrs. Noble J. Kiernan), aged 87, of Marblehead, Mass., died April 21, 1970. She was born Aug. 16, 1882, in Franklin, Vt., daughter of Jasper Burton and Roxana M. (Dawson) Westcott. She married Noble John Kiernan May 5, 1910. He was born Oct. 18, 1872, and died July 30, 1930. They had three children: Marjorie E. (Kiernan) Cassidy, William Westcott Kiernan, and N. John Kiernan, and many grandchildren. Cousins who remember her will regret her passing.

Mrs. Phyllis Henrietta (Jay) Brink (Mrs. Gerald Brink), aged 44, died July 21, 1970. She was born April 1, 1926, the seventh of eleven children of our members, Frank and Lucy Edna (Wescott) Jay of Poultney, Vt. She was not a National Society Member, but Cousins who remember meeting her at Vermont Reunions will regret her passing.

Mrs. Edith (Moore) Bennett (Mrs. Benjamin Floyd Bennett) of Sarasota, Fla., aged 82, our member, died at her home June 25, 1972. She was born Jan. 12, 1890, in Merrilan, Wis., daughter of Dr. Edwin E. and Harriet C. (Westcott) Moore. She married B. Floyd Bennett Nov. 2, 1916. He was born Dec. 17, 1887. She is survived by her two sons, Benjamin F. Bennett and Edwin M. Bennett, and several grandchildren. She attended our 1968 Reunion in Rhode Island, and we all enjoyed her. We were sorry when she sent her regrets for the 1970 Cooperstown Reunion, and had hoped she might be able to be with us this year. She was a delightful, warm, and friendly person. All who remember her will really miss her.

Your Editor deeply regrets that two errors appeared in the Spring 1972 Quarterly, in the notice of the death of Jay Strong. His name was given as Jan, which was a typographical error in cutting the stencil. His name was really Jay Gladson Strong. Also in the next-to-last line of his death notice, one sister's name is given as Carol (Strong) Keith. This should have been Carol (Strong) Cook (Mrs. Keith Cook). Her marriage was recorded correctly in the Fall-Winter 1971-2 Quarterly. Your Editor thanks Ruth (Gladson) Provow (Mrs. Douglas Provow) for bringing these errors to her attention, and would be glad to have any other errors reported that anyone notices at any time. It is extremely important to have all genealogical records correct.

SCHOLARSHIP LOAN FUND

Please don't forget that contributions to the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund may be made in any amount from \$5 up, to help our own kin

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to get a good education. Contributions may be sent either to the Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Dorothea B. Cogswell, 83 Carver Road, Newton Highlands, Mass. 02161, or to Dr. F. Howard Westcott, 16673 San Salvador Court, Rancho Bernardo, San Diego, Calif. 92128. Dr. Westcott can give any further information desired about the fund.

 COAT-OF-ARMS PATCHES
 *Stations
Pamphlet*

There are still plenty of Westcott coat-of-arms stiffened cloth "patches", 4" x 4", embroidered red-and-gold on silver background, suitable for a sweater or blazer, for only \$3 plus a small postage-handling charge. The smaller (3" x 4") red-gold-and-pink "patches" are still \$2 each while they last. There are not many small ones left. Please send all orders for "patches" to Mr. Robert A. Westcott, P.O. Box 57, Randleman, N.C. 27317

 CONTRIBUTIONS?

This is dues time again - and this year, for the first time in 21 years, the dues are being raised. In January, 1934, when our Society was founded in the depths of the Great Depression, dues were set as low as possible: \$1 initiation fee on joining, and \$1 annual dues whether for Individual or Family Membership. In 1939 the initiation fee was dropped, but the annual dues stayed at \$1 for both individuals and families. In 1952, 18 years after our Society started, we first charged \$2 for Family Membership, but left Individual Membership at \$1. Now we are raising all dues by 50%, making Family Membership \$3 a year and Individual Membership \$1.50 a year. When you realize how all prices have leaped up since 1952, the new dues are still a real bargain.

The only way we have been able to "make both ends meet" until now has been to keep asking for contributions, as your present Secretary-Treasurer has done each year since she took office in 1963. The total Contributions have usually nearly equalled the total dues for the year. Now the dues are being increased by 50% - obviously not enough, so your Treasurer again asks: "Won't you please give something extra to help pay ever-increasing expenses?" As an illustration, the 3d Class Postage rate has just been increased to 4¢ an ounce. This present Quarterly, which weighs almost 3 oz., would have cost \$20 for stamps under the old rate; it now costs \$30 just for the stamps. Won't you help, please?

 ITEMS OF INTEREST

Your Editor regrets that she was unable to get out the October Quarterly. Various things, including a minor operation, forced postponements until Christmas mail filled the postoffice. After losing one December Quarterly almost entirely, your Editor did not wish to take that risk again. Now, with this Quarterly two-thirds typed, the mimeographing firm we have been using has gone out of business! Most copying firms no longer do mimeographing; the few remaining ones charge nearly 3 times as much as the vanished firm. Your Editor is trying out photo-offset printing, and hopes you will like the result.

ITEMS OF INTEREST (CONTINUED)

Your Editor (Cousin Dorothea Cogswell) has just had copyrighted and is offering for sale a new, different type of genealogical chart, called FAMILY GROUP CHART OF ANCESTORS. It is an 11" x 17" sheet, which folds once to fit a standard, 3 ring notebook. It contains boxes for 5 generations grouped vertically, with space for dates and places in all 5 generations. It also has parentheses above all names for each person's identifying number. This would let these charts serve, if desired, as a Table of Contents for fuller notes in the same notebook or a notebook series. All surnames run straight up, not to right or left. This helps beginning genealogists to "find their way" easily.

To go above the top line (Generation V), copy any top-line name, no., and data in the lowest box of another chart, and proceed as before. This can be continued indefinitely.

This is a working chart, to take when researching, to keep one's own line distinct from others.

These charts are offered on heavy, long lasting paper in white or pale yellow for the same price. The color difference would let husband and wife have their own distinctive colors, to recognize their own charts at a glance. In cases of intermarriage of ancestors, this could help greatly.

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"Make Every Second Count", an article about the philosophy of Dr. F. Howard Westcott, our past President and present Director, came out in the July 30, 1972 Boston Herald-Traveler & Sunday Advertiser, with a picture of "Dr. Howard" skating with his daughter Martha (Mrs. Thomas Hawley). At 62 he started taking flying lessons, though it was hard to find time from his "family doctor" practice in New York City. Since then, living "retired" in Southern California, he has become head of the San Diego Flying Physicians Disaster Squad - the oldest man in the U.S., he thinks, to win instrument flight rating. He was also senior champion at a local ice-skating club (having taken up skating in the early 50s). He was also

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completing a book, THE HEALTH HUNTER, of self-proving medical-point case histories. He divides life into 3 health stages - up to 20, 20-50, and 50 on. After that, people can "hold the line pretty well" if they "keep up." He urges people to take their "health history" (plus their family's health history for a complete health profile) to the best family doctor in the area, ask for instructions, and plan for a yearly physical. "The age you are when an adversity happens is relevant to the future." In the "career years", 20-50, many people start habits, often from work-pressure, which will shorten their lives. The retired person interprets "values" differently. "Thinking healthy" is one way to fight the "psychological shock" of retirement. "At any time of life," he concludes, "our psychological health is as important as our physical."

LETTERS

All who were at our Vermont Reunion last August will be sorry that Cousin Fannie Reed, one of our charming hostesses, slipped on her porch step early in December and had a fall that cracked her pelvis bone. As of New Year's Day, she had been in bed 3 weeks with "at least 3 more to go." Her sister, Cousin Ruth Carr Smith of Tunbridge, Vt., fortunately was able to come and take care of her, with help from the visiting nurse 3 times a week. Cousin Ruth wrote: "She is a delightful patient, and makes it easy to care for her." The latest news from their brother, Cousin Harold Westcott, dated Jan. 28, was that "Fannie is coming along quite well. She sits up in a chair a little every day." By now she is probably starting to walk - using a walker at first. We all wish her a complete recovery as soon as possible, and we all praise Cousin Ruth Smith for coming and taking such good care of her.

Cousin Elizabeth M. Westcott of Orange, N.J. had "a rugged operation last August for a sizable hernia. To make matters worse, my heart went back on me." She still has to "take it easy," but the doctor says she is making good progress. We hope she soon feels like herself again.

A long letter received last April from Cousin Dorothy Perdue (Mrs. Harold L. Perdue) of Griswold, Iowa, our last President, has been crowded out till now. Her daughter Maurine (Mrs. Jesse Mercer), also our member, had lived with her family in their new home in Griswold for only 9 months when her husband was offered such a fine job in Columbus, Nebr. that he could not turn it down. However, they did get a new house there. In January and February, 1971, Cousins Dorothy and Harold Perdue spent 6 weeks in California. They had dinner one evening with Dr. and Mrs. F. Howard Westcott in "their lovely new home." In August, 1971, the Perdues and their friends, the Mayberrys (who came with them to Rhode Island in 1968) toured the Canadian Rockies and Vancouver Island, seeing many beautiful parks. Last winter (1971-2) the Perdues took a wonderful "West Indies Cruise" and visited Caracas, Venezuela, and 4 Caribbean Islands. She recommends this highly for a relaxing vacation. In March she spent 3 days at the DAR state conference. She has served 2 years as state pianist, but is resigning, as it was too tiring. We missed them at Vermont - and we hope that by next quarterly time, we'll have an equally interesting letter to bring us up to date.

Two letters about the family of Cousin Ashley Westcott of Roslindale, Mass. have been crowded out till now. In January, 1970, he wrote that they had

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replaced their 35-foot cabin cruiser with a house trailer and had taken a 2-week 1969 trailer vacation through the Maritime Provinces and had gone by the Bluenose ferry into Nova Scotia. "We highly recommend this type of travel, as a part of your home is always with you." A letter written in November, 1971, told that in May, 1971, they took a 10-day cruise from Boston on the Queen Anna Maria to the Caribbean Islands, including Puerto Rico and St. Thomas. The family (Cousin Ashley, his wife, Gladys, and 18-year-old Gwendolyn) had a lovely time on the 26,300-ton liner, which proved too large to dock at some ports. They enjoyed crossing the Gulf Stream, watching flying fish, and using the liner's 5 swimming pools. They had a wonderful rest, fine food, and good sight-seeing. At St. Thomas they rented a car, explored "on their own," had their first swim in the Caribbean, and an unusual shopping trip in the Southern part of the island. "This is the first time in 12 years without a boat of our own, and this trip made up for it to some extent." Cousin Gladys was busy all that 1971 summer with "our weekend outside watercolor adventures. We have a number of her paintings in our home." She had already had 2 exhibits in local associations. Cousin Ashley has had a good many assignments in various Boston movies. (See the write-up of him in the Spring, 1972 Quarterly.) Now we look forward to the news of their 1972 accomplishments.

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Cousin Ashley Westcott wrote in November, 1971, of his two sons: "Son David with wife Carol and their 2 children (Mark, born Aug. 24, 1969, and Julie Anne, born May 18, 1971) have just taken over their first house that was built to their specifications, in a beautiful location in Stoughton. We look forward to many happy days for this family.

"Son Richard married Charlene Sept. 7, 1969, and since his graduation from Northeastern University in 1970 as a civil engineer we anticipate a bright future for both of them."

We send our best wishes to both young families.

Miss Linnea McPherson, 17-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Beverley McPherson of Cos Cob, Conn., our members, and granddaughter of our member, Mrs. J. Beverley (Clara W.) McPherson of Rock Island, Ill., received in June, 1972, a 4-year scholarship merit award to the college of her choice. She was one of 1,275 finalists given the award out of 657,000 contestants. This contest is sponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. of Evanston, Ill. She was graduated in June, 1972, from the Greenwich, Conn. High School, where she had been active as news editor of the school paper and a member of the Concert and Madrigal Choirs. She also served on the advisory board and was project chairman of the Service Club. She planned to attend Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. Her father got his doctorate in chemistry at the University of Illinois and is doing research with the American Cyanamid Co., Stamford, Conn.

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It is not safe to send coins through the mail! Now that dues for Individual Members have been raised to \$1.50 a year, your Treasurer urges all Individual

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Members to pay by check or money order if possible. If this would be too hard, perhaps you could send bills wrapped in paper, adding a small contribution to make it come to even dollars - or, in an emergency, your Treasurer would be willing to accept 50¢ in stamps to complete the \$1.50. Coins can be felt through any envelope; bills and stamps, if folded in paper or a note, have a chance to get by, though checks and money orders are safest.

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