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WESTCOTT SOCIETY REUNION '94 - IT'S BACK TO OHIO AND OHIO CHAPTER #15 IS BUSY PLANNING FOR YOUR VISIT. IT'S TO BE AN OLD-FASHIONED, DOWN-ON-THE-FARM REUNION SO GET OUT YOUR STRAW HATS, SUNBONNETS AND APRONS AND BRING THEM ALONG.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE IN THE JANUARY QUARTERLY BUT YOU CAN START MAKING PLANS NOW. WE WILL HEADQUARTER AT THE COMFORT INN IN ZANESVILLE AND A ROOM FOR TWO WILL COST ABOUT \$50.00. WE WILL HAVE OUR USUAL INFORMAL PROGRAM ON FRIDAY EVENING AND BANQUET ON SATURDAY EVENING. BUT BEST OF ALL WILL BE THE GOOD FELLOWSHIP OF MEETING OLD FRIENDS AGAIN AND MAKING NEW FRIENDS AS WELL. SO START MAKING PLANS TO COME. DATES ARE JULY 29, 30 & 31.

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, YOU CAN WRITE TO BETTY W. ACKER, 2145 RICHVALE RD., NASHPORT, OH 43830.

I HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY THE VAN PELTS OF SPRINGFIELD, OHIO THAT THE WESTCOTT CAR THAT THEY OWN IS FEATURED IN THE "ANNUAL '94" ISSUE OF "CARS & PARTS" MAGAZINE. THIS IS NOT THE MONTHLY ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE BUT THE "ANNUAL '94" ISSUE. YOU MIGHT LIKE TO LOOK IT UP.
BETTY W. ACKER

COLLEGE MONEY AT ONLY 5 % INTEREST !

Yes, it's possible to borrow up to \$ 1,000 from the Westcott Scholarship Loan Fund and not pay back any until after graduation. And then it's only 5 % interest. We have money available. Just write for an application :

Edmund W. Morris
Westminster-Canterbury # 61
250 Pantops Mountain Rd.
Charlottesville, VA 22901

In response to a genealogical query concerning Ira Battease, son of Laura Westcott and Joseph Battease.

In Whitman's Book of Appendices, Westcott History and Genealogy p. 377 and p.382 Ira is listed as son of generation VIII Laura Westcott and Joseph Battease but he was omitted from the list of IX generation.

In the June, 1940 Genealogical Bulletin Mr. Whitman printed corrections and additions to his genealogy books and includes this page of Ira. Starting with generation VIII, Laura, it lists two more generations from Ira who married Sallie Lovisa Westcott, daughter of Barlow G. Westcott p. 382.

STUKELY WESTCOTT GENEALOGICAL BULLETIN -- JUNE, 1940.

Corrections and Additions to Westcott Genealogies. "G" refers to page in Genealogy of 1932; "A" to page in Book of Appendices of 1939.

A-377 Laura Westcott, ab. 1824-1884; m-1844, Joseph Battease. Issue, 10 chn. as named; rec. of Ira, omitted; Ira Battease, b-May 11, 1857, d-May 11, 1933; m-Nov. 19, 1878, Sallie Lovisa Westcott, b-1860 (A-382). Issue, 9 chn.: (1) William, b-Dec. 20, 1879; unm. (2) Arthur, b-Nov. 19, 1881; m(1)-Eva Hutchins; they were divorced; m(2)-Maud Effie King, dau. Charles and Mary Anneta (Battease) King, (A-377). Issue, by Eva: James, b-Dec. 30, 1905; by Maud, (as A-377). (3) Carrie, b-Dec. 26, 1882; m(1)-Aug. 2, 1902, Theodore Razell of Glens Falls, N.Y., b-June 6, 1883, d-Castleton, Vt., Mar. 9, 1927; m(2)-Glens Falls, Mar. 28, 1928, Henry Jordon, b-Goshen, Vt., May 22, 1891. Issue, 3 chn.: Barlow Razell, b-Middletown, Vt., Aug. 30, 1903; m-Lillian Hewitt, b-W. Rutland, Vt.; Ira B. Razell, b-Ira, Vt., July 3, 1906; m-Granville, N.Y., Oct. 31, 1927, Alice Pomaskip, b-Fair Haven, Vt.; Edith Razell, b-Castleton, Vt., Oct. 19, 1909. (4) Mattie Battease, b-Mar. 1, 1885; m-Feb. 20, 1907, Thomas Drake, b-Apr. 6, 1878. Issue, 7 chn.: Enoch, b-Apr. 25, 1908, d-Feb. 13, 1931, unm.; Mattie, b-Nov. 18, 1909, d-Sept. 30, 1931, unm.; Abigail, b-Jan. 31, 1910; Jane, b-Jan. 22, 1912, d-July 11, 1935, unm.; Wesley, b-Sept. 4, 1916; Julian, b-Feb. 6, 1917; Calvin, b-Jan. 12, 1924. (5) Birdie Battease, b-Aug. 25, 1887; m-George Wright. Issue: Lovisa, b-Aug. 24, 1908. (6) Edward Battease, b-June 29, 1889; unm. (7) Darl Battease, b-Mar. 13, 1892; m-Hartford, N.Y., June 16, 1917, Hazel Pearl Bradway, b-Hartford, Dec. 27, 1895. Issue: Robert Stanton, b-Glens Falls, Dec. 30, 1924; Floyd Glenn, b-same, June 11, 1930. (8) Archie Battease, b-Mar. 11, 1894; m-Sarah Wright. Issue, 6 chn.: Elizabeth, b-Apr. 1, 1920; Ella, b-May 5, 1921; Gorham, b-Dec. 12, 1922; Alberta, b-Aug. 21, 1923, d-Jan. 12, 1925; Warren, George. (9) Lena Battease, b-June 6, 1896; m-Nov. 6, 1912, George Hadaway. Issue, 6 chn.: Lillie Hadaway, b-May 18, 1913; m-Apr. 5, 1932, Jesse Martin, and had Mary Lena, b-Nov. 4, 1933, Jessie Lillie, b-Oct. 13, 1934; George Lee, b-Feb. 26, 1938; Mildred Hadaway, b-Aug. 25, 1915; Dorothy Hadaway, b-Nov. 14, 1919; m-Poultney, Vt., Nov. 2, 1938. Robert King-sley, of George, and had Frederick George, b-Aug. 21, 1939; Ira Hadaway, b-Jan. 25, 1925, d-Aug. 16, 1925; Ruby Hadaway, b-Jan. 2, 1928; George Hadaway, b-Dec. 25, 1930.

Q U E R Y:

Jul 1993

Philo Ferris Westcott, m.l. Frances A. Whitney in 1856 in Beloit, Rock Co WS. Philo was born 1834 Otsego Co NY to Anne Eliza Startout and John D. Westcott, was a jeweler in Manchester Iowa then died 1916 in Delaware Co Iowa. Seeking informatin of this Westcott line and will gladly exchange my findings.

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Deaths

Mrs. Gilbert (Irene Mattison) Vaughn, SSWDA #593, of Battenkill Rd., Arlington, VT

Miss Susan Robinson, SSWDA #374, RR 1 Box 229, Scio, NY

Mrs. John (Georgine) Westcott, 124 N. 15th St., Dade City, FL 33525

Charles H. Dennis

June 10, 1933 — Oct. 4, 1993

Charles Harland Dennis, 1156 E. Eighth St., Rifle, died of natural causes Monday in St. Mary's Hospital. He was 60.

Memorial services were this morning in Rifle. Burial will be in Middletown Springs, Vt.

Mr. Dennis, a retired quality-control engineer from Allied Signal Corp., was a resident of Rifle for five years.

He was born June 10, 1933, to Donald Oscar and Dorothy Bryan Dennis in Ogdensburg, N.Y. He spent his childhood and attended school in Burlington, Vt., and attended college in Hartford, Conn.

He married Pauline Wescott on July 25, 1954, in East Poultney, Vt. She survives.

Mr. Dennis lived in Phoenix before moving to Rifle.

He was a member of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Elks and Moose lodges and the American Legion.

Mr. Dennis enjoyed golf, bowling, the mountains, horses, traveling, playing cards, and pinochle.

Other survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Donald and Laura Dennis of Phoenix; two daughters, Lynda McGuirk and Kathleen Cartier, both of Phoenix; three brothers, Don and Brian, both of Reno, Nev., and Gerald of Bellows Falls, Vt.; a sister, Donna Aldrich of Burlington; and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 2450 S. Downing St., Denver 80210.

Sowder Funeral Home in Rifle is in charge of arrangements.

Bereavement

Dearest One, now gone beyond my call
Dearest One, my life, my soul, my all
Memories return, a bit of comfort bring
Down and down I go, I cannot sing.

This hurt so deep, I cannot weep
Gone, a part of me, I could not keep
Returned to God, to God above
Returned to him, my dearest love.

"Hell on earth" I've heard them say,
"When one must go and one must stay"
Until one walks that lonesome road
No thought has he of that bitter load.

Satan tempts me with a force so great
I must not - I will not - lose sight of the Gate
Dear Lord, reach down to this empty place
Reach down, reach down to Your Child of Grace.

Gasping, fluttering, fainting always
My soul in great need this darkest of days
Hear my anguished cry, dear Lord above.
Surround me, bathe me in Thy precious love.

Lines by Edna Jay Lewis Oct 1993

LESTER L. WESCOTT

SALAMANCA — Lester L. Wescott, 96, formerly of 103 Division St., died Sunday (Sept. 26, 1993) in the Salamanca Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born Sept. 3, 1897, in Olean, he was a son of Edwin E. and Eva J. Thompson Wescott. He was married to the former Irene Little, who died April 19, 1979.

Mr. Wescott was a veteran of World War I, serving with the U.S. Army.

He was employed for 45 years as a clerk on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, retiring in 1962. After retirement, he decorated cakes at the Parkview Bakery for 15 years.

Mr. Wescott was a member of the First Congregational Church, 75-year member of Cattaraugus Lodge 239 F&AM, member of Ismailia Temple, Valley of Jamestown, Hughes Skiba American Legion Post 535, Train Collectors Association, Toy Train Collectors Association, Circus Fans of America and the Society of Stukely Wescott Descendants of America. He also was an Ismailia clown and was active in the Shrine Circus in Buffalo until 1992.

Surviving are a son, James Wescott of Perrysburg; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call today and Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the O'Rourke & O'Rourke Funeral Home, 25 River St., Salamanca, where funeral services will be held Thursday (Sept. 30, 1993) at 11 a.m. The Rev. Willis Webb, minister of visitation, will officiate. Burial will be in Wildwood Cemetery, Salamanca.

Members of Cattaraugus Lodge 239 F&AM will conduct Masonic services Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ismailia Temple, 1600 Southwestern Blvd., Buffalo, N.Y. 14224.

FROM THE LETTER BOX

For those of you researching in Vermont there is a new cemetery book - Benson, Hubbardton, Sudbury of Rutland County, Vermont. Order from Mrs. Margaret R. Jenks, 18614 Preston Rd., Hagerstown, MD 21742-2622

From Pattie Rochette of Kansas

Susan Adkins Wilson Rochette, m. Daniel Jay Lubeck on Jul 10, 1993 in Denver at the home of his parents: Sue Bitman, b. 1933 Denver Co CO, and Marvin Jay Lubeck, M.D., b. 1933 Cuyahoga Co OH. Dan is a graduate of University of California at San Diego and the University of Southern California Law School and is a partner in McIntyre, Lubeck, and Denney of Irvine CA. Suzy is a graduate of the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandizing in Los Angeles and is the West Coast manager of T.F.W., a boys' clothing manufacturer. They live in Venice CA. Suzy and her brother, Westcott Irvin Adkins Wilson Rochette, are the children of Irvin William Wilson, 1928-1975, descendant of Philo Ferris Westcott, 1834-1916.

From Evelyn Hitchcock of New York

" Sara Evelyn Matteson, daughter of SSWDA member, Dana Matteson, and granddaughter of SSWDA member Evelyn P. Hitchcock received her Bachelor of Arts Degree, Magna Cum Laude, from the University of Rochester on May 23, 1993. She has earned double majors in the disciplines of religion and psychology. She also won the honor of becoming a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Sara, who is also a member of SSWDA, will be involved in research studies in various psychiatric institutions in Rochester, NY and surrounding areas, as she works on graduate education in the field of clinical psychology. Some of you may remember Sara from the Massena reunion. "

From Stacey Mead of New York

" I am writing to correct the information on the birth of our child as printed in the Quarterly. Miss Bailey Cheyenne Mead was born 9:22 pm on Friday, April 16th. She weighed 6 lbs.11 oz and was 20 inches long. She was born at Glens Falls Hospital, NY. Bailey keeps us both busy - She's a very happy and curious baby. "

From Frank Schruis of New York

" I enclose the obituary of Lester L. Westcott.

I spoke with Clara Louise Curtiss (page 149 Whitman Volume II, Book of Appendices) on the phone a few weeks ago. She will be 99 in February. Though her eyesight is failing she is up and about daily in the home, Upton Court, in Rochester, NY where she resides. She and her mother were great contributors to Roscoe Whitman with information about our branch, George W. and Olive Waterman Westcott who settled in Chautaugua County, NY in 1826. Clara's mother was born on the farm where they settled. "

From Ruth A. Slonaker of Florida

" It is with much sadness that I enclose the death notice of my uncle, Lester L. Westcott. He was a wonderful man and remained active until 3 months before his death at age 96. "

From Wilma W. Avery of New Jersey

" My most recent granddaughter, Elizabeth Mabel Vanderhoff was born at Midland Division of Atlantic City Medical Center in Pomona June 10, 1993. This is the third child for Pattie and Hudson. Joy is a beautiful little girl of three, and Hudson is almost two.

My eldest granddaughter, Jessie was married this summer. Jessie and Duane are with his parents in Junction City, Oregon. My son, Billy and I flew out for the wedding and spent 2 short days in beautiful Oregon with Bob and Nina. "

FROM THE DESK OF YOUR SOCIETY HISTORIAN: BETTY W. ACKER

I HAVE TWO TRIPS TO TELL YOU ABOUT: FIRST, LAST OCTOBER CLINK AND I WENT TO DETROIT AND RODE ON THE "WESTCOTT MAILBOAT". IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY WITH THE SKYLINE OF DETROIT JUST TO THE NORTH OF THEIR LOCATION. JIM HOGAN (WESTCOTT DESCENDANT) AND ALL THE FELLOWS JUST COULDN'T HAVE BEEN NICER - THANKS AGAIN GUYS!

THEN, IN EARLY APRIL '93 WE FINALLY WENT TO RHODE ISLAND. THERE IS NO WAY I CAN POSSIBLY THANK CAROL-ANN LANTZ ENOUGH FOR HER HELP WHILE WE WERE THERE.

1. WE WENT TO SEE THE STUKELY WESTCOTT MONUMENT WHICH THE SOCIETY ERECTED IN 1935 ON THE CORNER OF THE HOME LOT OF STUKELY WESTCOTT. IT IS NOW ON THE LOT OF AN ABANDONED SCHOOL BUILDING. I MET WITH THE CITY PLANNER OF WARWICK TO ADVISE HIM THAT THE WESTCOTT SOCIETY IS STILL AROUND AND INTERESTED IN THE MONUMENT. I GAVE HIM A COUPLE OF ADDRESSES FOR CONTACT IN CASE THEIR FUTURE PLANS WOULD THREATEN OUR MONUMENT.
2. THE WESTCOTT-RICE HOUSE WAS WRITTEN UP IN THE OCT. 1991 QUARTERLY. AFTER MUCH CORRESPONDENCE I FINALLY GOT TO MEET CAROL-ANN LANTZ. SHE IS A DELIGHTFUL PERSON AND IS HELPING WITH A LOT OF HISTORY FOR THE WESTCOTT FAMILY. THE OLD FIREPLACE WHICH DOMINATES THEIR KITCHEN IS A TREASURE FROM THE PAST. THE HOUSE CAN BE SEEN BUT YOU MUST CALL AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS.
3. WE VISITED MRS. ALICE BAXTER WHO IS LIVING IN THE DR. NILES WESTCOTT HOME IN CRANSTON, BUILT ca 1840. IT HAS THE OLD WIDE BOARD FLOORS AND WONDERFUL FIREPLACES. OUR SOCIETY GAVEL CAME FROM THE HUGE WALNUT TREE THAT STOOD IN THE BACK YARD OF THE HOME. WITHIN WALK-DISTANCE OF THE HOUSE IS RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL CEMETERY #46. THIS IS WHERE DR. NILES WESTCOTT IS BURIED. ALSO, THIS IS WHERE MY GR-GR-GREAT GRANDFATHER JONATHAN WESTCOTT IS BURIED, 1759-1824. IT'S HARD TO DESCRIBE MY FEELINGS AS I STOOD IN THAT CEMETERY!
4. WE HAD A DELIGHTFUL LUNCH AT A COUNTRY INN WITH OUR COUSIN ROBERT WESTCOTT AND HIS WIFE BEATRICE. THEY TOOK US FOR A SIGHTSEEING TOUR TO POINT JUDITH. (He's the one putting our Society wreath at the Stukely monument on Memorial Day).
5. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE WITH THE WARWICK LIBRARY TO HAVE A LARGE GLASS-ENCLOSED WALL DISPLAY ABOUT THE WESTCOTT FAMILY AND OUR WESTWARD BRANCHING ACROSS THE COUNTRY FROM THE WARWICK BEGINNINGS. THE DISPLAY WILL BE FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1994.
6. WHILE IN PROVIDENCE I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF HOLDING IN MY HANDS THE "STUKELY WESTCOTT BIBLE". THE COVER IS OLD LEATHER AND AGAIN THE FEELINGS ARE SPECIAL. IT IS IN THE R.I. HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY. ALSO, WE ATTENDED CHURCH AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ON PALM SUNDAY. WE GAVE A LILY FOR EASTER SUNDAY IN THE NAME OF THE WESTCOTT SOCIETY IN MEMORY OF STUKELY WESTCOTT.

SLIDES OF OUR TRIP WILL BE SHOWN AT THE NATIONAL GATHERING IN OHIO IN 1994. SO PLAN TO COME AND WE'D LOVE TO SHARE THEM WITH YOU. ALSO, I HOPE TO RETURN TO RHODE ISLAND THIS FALL FOR MORE RESEARCH. MANY OLD CEMETERIES WERE VISITED AND PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN '94.

BETTY W. ACKER