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Corrections and Additions to the July, 2010 Issue

On page 4 – Lynn Hulkow is from Michigan and Kim Anderle is from Illinois

Addendum to the article re: Matt Westcott: -- Matt is from Zanesville, OH

Greetings and Salutations

Fall has finally arrived in the South. The weather is cooler, the kids are back in school and before you know it Christmas will be upon us.

Your editor had an interesting visit with friends in England and made the trip to Yeovil, Somerset to the Church of St. John the Baptist. I have been to England many times but this time I made a point of visiting the church where on October 5, 1619 Stuckley Westcott took Juliana Marchant as his bride. Sixteen years later, he and his family moved to America to begin a new life.

STUKELEY WESTCOTT, 1592 – 1677, planter and colonizer, one of the 13 original proprietors of Providence Plantation and Colony of Rhode Island; of Salem, Mass.; 1635, Providence, R.I., 1638, and Warwick, R.I., 1647. His wife: Juliana Marchant. Their children: Damaris (Arnold), Samuel, Mercy (Stafford), Jeremiah.

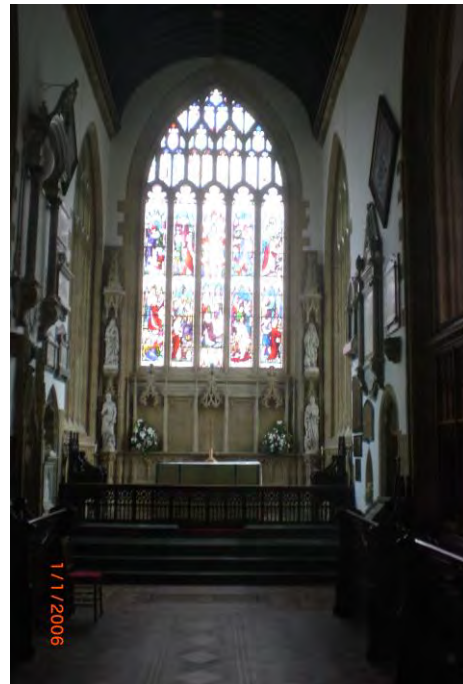
I cannot describe the feeling which overtook me when I realized I was standing on the very spot where that wedding took place so long ago.

I had hoped to see the original document recording the marriage but was told by the gentleman who showed me around that the very old records had been moved to the county seat in Taunton.

The trip itself took me through a very pretty part of England dotted with farms and small villages. For those who may want to take the trip in the future, it is a very easy four-hour ride from London's Victoria Bus Terminal just down the street from the Victoria Train Station. It leaves in the afternoon and goes to Yeovile with no need to change buses. Yeovil is the terminus and it arrives in the early evening. I stayed at the Crown and Globe Inn which is about a five minute walk from the bus station.



Bruce Westcott and Daughter Juliana at the Church of St. John the Baptist in Yeovil, Somerset England in April 2000



Snapshots from Yeovil, Somerset, England: St. John the Baptist Church where Stukley Westcott and Julianna Marchant were wed on October 5, 1619, and the Crown and Globe Inn; a five minute walk away.

Clockwise from upper left:

1. The aisle down which Julianna would have walked.
2. The approach to the alter.
3. At the alter
4. The Crown and Globe Inn

Note: The date stamp is incorrect. The correct date was August 4, 2010.

Greetings from Lew Westcott

Hi all you guys and gals of the WESTCOTT Society...

After all these years, I have visited Yeovil, England and many other places in the world except ALASKA, but this is our recent trip.

During World War II I was a Naval Aviator with 5 ½ years of active duty flying and 22+ years of more flying experiences in the Naval Reserve.

In April, 1945 I was in Navy Patrol Squadron VPB-206 based at the Naval Air Station, Elizabeth City, NC. I was scheduled to fly a PBY-5 twin-engine seaplane to Alaska and turn it over to the Russians to fly it to the USSR. As it turned out the squadron was scheduled to have their Annual Military Inspection. I was the Gunnery Officer so I couldn't fly the plane to Alaska.

However this year, 2009, Nancy Sue and I planned a trip to ALASKA. So on July 6th we flew to Seattle, WA where we spent a couple of days with my deceased brother Stewart's widow, Merle Ann Westcott, and her family. Then we flew to Juneau, AK where we saw the Governor's Mansion and visited her offices and the State Capitol and saw the city of Juneau. The Governor was not there. We stayed at the Prospector Hotel.

Our next flight was to Fairbanks, AK via Anchorage on July 10th when we spent a day at Fairbank's Rivers Edge Resort and spent some time seeing the city of Fairbanks. The town of North Pole was 14 miles southeast of Fairbanks but we didn't get to see it. Our resort was made up of single small cottages with front and back doors, right on the banks of the Chena River. On July 12th we took the Alaska Railroad train south to Denali where we spent 3 days at the Denali Princess Lodge. The first day we had an 8 hour Tundra Wilderness Tour ending about 10 PM, still broad daylight. There are a lot of beautiful mountains and country and we saw quite a few wild animals.

We then took the train on July 15th from Denali on south to Talkeetna arriving about 6 PM when we were scheduled to ride in a single engine airplane with 5 passengers and the pilot. He flew us up to within a few miles of the top of Mt. McKinley, the highest mountain in North America. The clouds covered most of the mountain. We spent the night in Talkeetna then the next day we proceeded on to Anchorage where we stayed at the Inlet Tower Hotel the next day.

Greetings from Lew Westcott (cont'd)

On July 18th we took a bus to Seward where we spent two nights at the Seward Windsong Lodge located on the bay. We spent part of the day visiting the Alaska Sea Life Center and seeing a part of the city.

We took a van to Land's End Resort located at the end of the peninsula right at the water's edge in Homer, AK. We spent the 20th and 21st seeing many fishing boats and ships on the channel which is a mile or more wide. At Seward and Homer, there was cloud cover and you could not see any of the mountains. The last night at Homer we did see the sun showing through a hole in the clouds and it formed a very broad rainbow right down to the water's edge.

The 22nd we returned to Anchorage, spent the 23rd, then returned to Seattle, spent the night then on home to Prairie Village, KS. This was a pretty great trip especially since I wasn't that old YET. This is a trip all of you would enjoy. – Lew and Nancy Sue

A Trip to Wollaton Hall near Nottingham, Notts, England Raises a Question

In the summer of 2007 I was visiting friends in Nottingham and took a tour of Wollaton Hall, a gorgeous English Manor House which is located nearby. During the tour the guide mentioned that Francis Willoughby, who built Wollaton, married Elizabeth Littleton of Frankley, Worcestershire in 1564. As many of you know, Thomas de Westcote married Elizabeth Littleton, of Frankley in Worcester ca. 1414 and by a prenuptial agreement allowed his firstborn male to carry the Littleton surname. Elizabeth then insisted that all the male children should bear her family name. It was their youngest son, Guido, who insisted on returning to the Westcott surname and which led to the motto on the Coat of Arms, Renovato Nomine. I find this very interesting as there could not be many Elizabeth Littleton, of Frankley, Worcestershire family lines so there must be a connection. I suspect that the Elizabeth who married Francis Willoughby was the great-granddaughter or great-great-granddaughter of the Elizabeth who married Thomas. I am wondering if any cousins can shed some light on this.

Can anyone help Walt Westcott who writes:

I am trying to connect but am road-blocked at Ephraim Westcott, born about 1797 in Vermont according to census of Abram Westcott of Utica, NY. The problem now is that Ephraim died prior to Abrams birth in 1838. Do you know of a Westcott family that moved from Vermont to NY in the early 1800's?

Myrtle Cooper Celebrates Her 80th Birthday with Family and Friends

Cal Hackerman writes: Greetings and Happy New Year – I am a Westcott cousin from one of the ancestors who lived in New Hampshire – sorry, I don't remember the precise "line" back to Stukely – it is all documented in the genealogy records. My mom, Myrtle Cooper, is also a Westcott cousin and a member and officer of the NH Chapter of the Society. On Sept 20, 2009, we celebrated her 80th birthday; my apologies for being so delinquent with the news of the celebration, but I thought you might be able to include it in a future edition of the Westcott Family Quarterly. Here's some information:



Family and Friends celebrate Myrtle Cooper's 80th Birthday

Over 100 family members and friends from near and far were at the Grafton Town Hall on Sunday, September 20, 2009 to celebrate Myrtle (Gallup) Cooper's 80th birthday. Myrtle was born in Grafton in 1929 and has been a life-long resident of the town. She attended school at the East Grafton School, which is now the Grafton Town Hall and the site of Sunday's celebration, prior to attending and graduating from Andover High School. The town hall was decked out in pink and green including over 100 balloons and other festive decorations. Guests were treated to a wonderful buffet lunch as they reminisced about the many memories they have of special times with Myrtle.

Myrtle Cooper (cont'd)

For some it was a trip down memory lane to the days when they were all growing up in Grafton before striking out for careers and to raise families in surrounding towns, cities and states. For others the memories are as recent as a visit to the town library where Myrtle was the librarian, or coming to the polls to vote where she issues ballots and provides assistance to anyone with a question about voting procedures.

During her 80 years in Grafton she has been active in local churches, community organizations, special events, parades, the Grafton Centers, the Canaan Fair and countless local projects. During the days leading up to and immediately following the celebration she received over 80 birthday cards and even received a phone call from one of her granddaughters who was studying abroad in South Africa. Her other eight grandchildren were all in attendance at her birthday party, helping her to blow out the 80 candles on her birthday cake which was designed to resemble a stack of birthday gifts

Mary Haw of Durban, South Africa writes:

I am both delighted and intrigued to find a reference to Dr William Wynn Westcott on your webpage. I have been trying to link him and the Westcott family to my tree without much success. WWW was my father's godfather, and he lived with his married daughter in Durban South Africa for some years after his wife died. His daughter married Albert Gee who was my father's uncle. I know WWW's father was Peter Westcott, who died when WWW was very young and he was raised by his uncle, Richard Westcott Martyn.

And herein hangs the mystery – Richard Martyn was illegitimate, born to a mistress in between his father's two marriages. This I know because I have his manuscript in which he sets out his early life. It seems nobody wants to 'claim' Richard for their tree!!! WWW's father Peter might also have been born to this woman, whom we believe to have been Grace Martyn. I would be very interested to know how he fits into your family tree. Have I at last found the correct line? The Westcotts married into our family twice. Ann Westcott married Robert Pollyblank in England in c1825. She was Richard Martyn's sister. Their daughter married my G.G.Father, Stephen Gee in South Africa. Then WWW's daughter married Stephen's son, Albert.

And, more recently:

Hi Lyle,

Devon Parish records were made available online this month and I have been able to find the marriage record for William Westcott and Grace Martyn at Tamerton Foliot in April 1792. Richard Martyn Westcott was born in May that year. He later used the surname Martyn because he ran away from his employer and didn't want to be caught!

WESTCOTT FAMILY QUARTERLY

Lyle Wescott, Editor



ONE OF OUR MEMBERS FOUND THIS PICTURE ON ANCESTRY.COM. I DON'T REMEMBER SEEING IT BEFORE.

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THOMAS WESCOTE'S LIFE

Thomas de Wescote about 1414 married Elizabeth Littleton, sole heir of an old, rich, aristocratic royal family of Frankly in Worcestershire. Thomas de Wescote was a Knight in his own right and so two distinguished, titled families were united. Before the marriage, Elizabeth Littleton exacted an agreement from Sir Thomas that their first son should be baptized in her own family name.

The first child of the union was a son and he was baptized Thomas de Littleton. The birth of other sons (Nicholas, Edmund, Guido) followed."

Finally it became the desire of the mother that all their four sons should bear her family name. To this Guido furiously dissented. It appears that a family quarrel followed which was finally settled by the father deeding the old Manor estate to Guido. Guido's father, Thomas, removed with his wife Elizabeth to her ancestral estate at Frankly.

"The old Manor estate was at what was known in the year 1300 and is still known in Devonshire as "Westcott". It may still be found on a map of that shire. The estate passed from the family ownership about the year 1500. Guido de Wescote became a Baron, married Alice Granville, and in the year 1450 was granted the Coat of Arms which is the cherished and deserved symbol of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants. This explains the meaning of the motto on the arms: "the name renewed".

ROSCOE WHITMAN WROTE ABOUT THIS TIME PERIOD
ON PAGES 6 & 7 IN VOL. I AND ON PAGES 3, 6, & 7 IN VOL. II

Miscellaneous Pictures and Items I accidentally happened upon the village of Westcott when I was driving through England ca. 1989.



Leroy and Pearl Hattie Negaard Richardson with their first 2 children, Leta Mae Richardson Southerland and Dallas Leroy Richardson, called "Jack".



ETHER, NORMAN, CLYDE, FAY, AUGUST, WOODIE MALENE, "GRANNY" JENNIE WESTCOT, PEARL, ALMA, LETA.
THE TWO CHILDREN ARE NELSON AND NORMAN NEGAARD. FAMILY REUNION



Left, ANNE TOTTY, DALLAS LEROY (Jack), LETA MAE, MARY AUBREY, SHIRLEY FAE, MONROE ST. CLAIR, LEROY RIDCHARDSON, JR.
CHILDREN OF PEARL HATTIE NEGAARD AND LEROY RICHARDSON

LINEAGE: JENNIE MAY WESTCOT (9), LYMAN A. WESTCOTT (8),
 OLIVER W. WESTCOT (7), JOHNSON WESTCOT (6), OLIVER WESTCOTT (5),
 GEORGE W. WESTCOTT (4), JEREMIAH JR. WESTCOTT (3),
 JEREMIAH WESTCOTT (2), STUKELY WESTCOTT (1)



PICTURE LABELED CLARA AND CHARLIE WESTCOT, (GRANNY NEGAARD'S AUNT AND UNCLE) CHARLES CARLOS WESTCOT, YOUNGEST BROTHER TO LYMAN WESTCOT



NORMAN NEGAARD AND LETA NEGAARD,
 2 CHILDREN OF NICOLAY & JENNIE NEGAARD



STEVE AND SHARON RUSH WHITLOCK. SHARON IS THE GRANDDAUGHTER OF PEARL HATTIE NEGAARD RICHARDSON AND MOTHER OF KIM STOOT'S.
KIM AND SHARON ARE BECOMING MEMBERS OF SSWDA.



KIM WHITLOCK STOOT'S AND HER BROTHER, BRANDON WHITLOCK.

These pictures will be put in our Society scrapbook.
 Betty W. Acker, Historian

EARLY PHOTO OF ED WESTCOTT



THE CAREER OF PHOTOGRAPHER JAMES EDWARD WESTCOTT HAS BEEN A LONG AND ILLUSTRIOUS ONE. HE DOCUMENTED MANY HISTORIC EVENTS AND PHOTOGRAPHED MANY NOTABLE PERSONALITIES INCLUDING EIGHT PRESIDENTS. HE WAS THE GOVERNMENT PHOTOGRAPHER WHO DOCUMENTED THE WORLD WAR II MANHATTAN PROJECT IN OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE.

DURING 1942-1946 HE SERVED A UNIQUE DOUBLE ROLE, OFFICIALLY DOCUMENTING THE HISTORIC CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE "ATOMIC CITY" FOR THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND UNOFFICIALLY DOCUMENTING THE DAILY LIFE OF THE ENCLOSED COMMUNITY OF OAK RIDGE.

1946-1959 WAS THE POST-WAR, EARLY COLD WAR ERA WHEN CONTROL OF THE OAK RIDGE RESERVATION PASSED TO THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION. HE PHOTOGRAPHED IT ALL!



HE POSES WITH A T-SHIRT BEARING THE IMAGE OF ONE OF HIS MEMORABLE PHOTOS TAKEN AT THE WAR'S END. ANYONE RELATED TO HIM?

BETTY W. ACKER, 2010
SOCIETY HISTORIAN

**News from Member #811 – Nancy Westcott Bruckman
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Dick and Nancy Bruckman were married 50 years on June 28, 2008. They traveled with their family of 14 to an all inclusive resort at the Riviera Maya in Mexico, where they enjoyed eight days parasailing, swimming with the dolphins, the zip line, and cruising on a Catamaran.



Their oldest granddaughter, Marissa Foell, was united in marriage to Tad Lincoln on October 31, 2009 in Ankeny, Iowa. They honeymooned in Hawaii. They reside in Ankeny and are both employed at Wells Fargo.

Their second oldest granddaughter, Anne Daily, spent 14 days in January, 2010 in Tokyo, Japan. She was with the St. Olaf band doing a Performance Tour of Japan. This is Anne's second year at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. Anne plays the bassoon in the band, and also plays the piano. During Anne's first year of college at St. Olaf, she was privileged to spend a week with a family in France.