



In God we trust

THE CAPETS

CAPET, the family name of the line of kings that ruled France from 987 to 1328. On the death of Louis V, the last of the Carolingians, Hugh Capet, Duke of France and Count of Paris, was elected king by the nobility with the aid of the clergy of France. For the following three centuries all the rulers of France belonged to the Capetian family, in almost every instance the son succeeding the father. The kings of the Capetian dynasty greatly strengthened the royal power in France by insisting on the principles of heredity, primogeniture, and indivisibility of crown lands. Shortly after Hugh became king, he had his son Robert also crowned and anointed as his associate, and this practice of the father having his son rule with him was followed until 1179. The Capetians avoided the error of their predecessors, the Merovingian and Carolingian monarchs, of dividing the kingdom among all the sons of a king and thereby weakening it. The Capetians also excluded females from succeeding to the throne. At first the Capetian kings did not interfere with the power of the feudal nobility and of the clergy, but as time went on they secured direct overlordship of almost all of France by the process of incorporating additional fiefs, large and small with their own territories. The Capetian dynasty was succeeded by the Valois, a younger branch of the Capet family.

THE PLANTAGENETS

PLANTAGENET, surname, originally a nickname, of the English royal house of Anjou or Angevin royal house founded by Geoffrey, Count of Anjou, husband of Matilda, daughter of Henry I, and so named from the badge of a spring of broom which he wore in his bonnet. The Plantagenet kings, who reigned from 1154 to 1485, were in the order of their accession #11 to Richard III the latter not shown on the chart.

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INTRODUCTION

BREWSTER LINE

George William Whitmore	Delia G. Mila Watrous	
Mary Longley Howes	John Whitmore	
George Howes	Lydia Holden	
Ezekial Howes	Rose Vincent	
57590 Thomas Howes	Bathsheba Sears	69148
69148 Hannah Sears	Thomas Howes	13942
13942 Mary Freeman	Paul Sears	14036
14036 Thomas Freeman	Rebecca Sparrow	27131
27131 Mercy Prince	John Freeman	5139
5139 Patience Brewster	Thomas Prence	5214
5214 William Brewster of The Mayflower		

JOHN HOWLAND LINE

57590 Thomas Howes	Bathsheba Sears	57591
57591 Thomas Howes	Hannah Sears	20214
20214 Dorcas Joyce	Prence Howes	6980
6980 Elizabeth Chipman	Hosea Joyce	19026
19026 Hope Howland	John Chipman	19049
19049 John Howland of The Mayflower.		

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on 2, June, 1825 to Lydia Holden born at _____

on 16, Feb. 1804 , died at Oak Creek, Wis. on 4, Nov. 1864. Their dau was
Mary Longley Howes , born at Oak Creek, Wis. on 4, Apr. 1833
died at Oak Creek, Wis. on 4, Nov. 1865 , married at Oak Creek, Wis.

on MAY 1 1854, to John Whitmore born at Watertown, N.Y.

on 15, Jan. 1821 , died at So. Milwaukee, Wis. on 21, Dec. 1892 . Their son was
11. George Wm. Whitmore , born at Fredonia, Wis. on 5, Feb. 1855
died at So. Milwaukee, Wis. on 6, Nov. 1941 , married at Oak Creek, Wis.

on 1, Nov. 1876 to Delia G-Mila Watrous , born at Wellsville, N.Y.

on 17, July, 1855 died at So. Milwaukee, Wis. on 28, June, 1937. Their ____ was
12. _____ born at _____ on _____
died at _____ on _____, married at _____
on _____ to _____ born at _____
on _____, died at _____ on _____. Their ____ was
13. _____, born at _____ on _____
died at _____ on _____, married at _____
on _____ to _____, born at _____
on _____, died at _____ on _____. Their ____ was
14. _____, born at _____ on _____
died at _____ on _____, married at _____
on _____ to _____, born at _____
on _____, died at _____ on _____.

Give below a reference to the authority for EACH statement of Birth, Marriage or Death. Where reference is made to UNPUBLISHED records, applicant must file duplicate certified copies of same. Statements based upon tradition cannot be considered.

STATE VOLUME AND PAGE OF REFERENCES TO AUTHORITIES.

(The numbers below refer to the corresponding generations on opposite page.)

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1 & 2 No reference is required for the first and second generations.

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STATEMENT OF LINE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS

(Every name of a person must be written in full--DO NOT USE INITIALS)

1. William Brewster _____ of the Mayflower. His dau ____ was

(Begin with Male head of the Family. See list page 4) _____ (son or dau)

2. Patience Brewster _____ who married Thomas Prence _____ and had

(Write every name in full) _____ (Write every name in full)

3. Mercy Prence _____, born at Plymouth, Mass. _____ on 1631 ____

(Write every name in full)

died at Eastham, Mass. _____ on 28,Sept.1711 _____, married at Eastham, Mass.

on 13,Feb.1649 to John Freeman _____, born at England _____

on 1621 _____, died at Eastham, Mass. _____ on 28,Oct.1719 . Their son ____ was

(son or dau)

4. Thomas Freeman _____, born at Eastham, Mass. _____ on 16,Sept.1653

died at _____ on 9,Feb.1715 _____, married at Harwich, Mass. ____

on 31,Dec.1673 to Rebecca Sparrow _____, born at Eastham, Mass. _____

on 30,Oct.1655 , died at Harwich, Mass. ____ on 7,Feb.1740 . Their dau ____ was

5. Mercy Freeman _____, born at Harwich, Mass. _____ on 30,Oct.1674

died at W.Brewster _____ on 30,Aug.1747 _____, married at Harwich, Mass. ____

on 1693 _____ to Paul Sears _____, born at Yarmouth, Mass. _____

on 15,June,1669 , died at Harwich, Mass. ____ on 14,Feb.1740 . Their dau ____ was

6. Hannah Sears _____, born at Yarmouth, Mass. ____ on 6,Mar.1714

died at Yarmouth Mass. _____ on 1741 _____, married at Yarmouth, Mass. ____

on 4,July,1734 to Thomas Howes _____, born at Yarmouth, Mass. _____

on 27,June,1706 , died at Yarmouth, Mass. _____ on 1764 . Their son _____ was

7. Thomas Howes _____, born at Yarmouth, Mass. ____ on 17,July,1737

died at Ashfield, Mass. ____ on 16,July,1793 , married at Yarmouth, Mass. ____

on 29,Jan.1760 to Bathsheba Sears _____, born at Yarmouth, Mass. _____

on _____, died at _____ on _____. Their son ____ was

8. Ezekiel, Howes _____, born at _____ on 3,Dec.1763

died at Ashfield, Mass. ____ on 25,Apr.1833 , married at _____

on 10,Mar.1791 to Rose Vincent _____, born at _____

on 1768 _____, died at Ashfield, Mass. _____ on 31,July,1814 . Their son ____ was

9. George Howes _____, born at Ashfield, Mass. _____ on 6,Nov.1800

died at Mundon, Kans. ____ on 29,Apr.1880 _____, married at Oak Creek, Wis. ____

THE SHIP MAYFLOWER

The first English Colonists of New England, crossed the Atlantic Ocean, from Plymouth, England on Sept. 6, 1620 and carried 102 passengers and made the trip in 63 days, arriving at the present city of Provincetown, Mass., on Nov. 2., 1620. The Mayflower Compact, was formulated and signed in the cabin by 41 of the passengers on board. The voyage ended finally on Dec. 11, at Plymouth, Mass., a large boulder, marks the place.

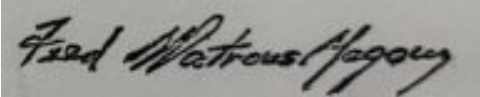
An organization founded, Dec. 1894, was called the SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS, the purpose was to preserve the memory, the records, the history and all the facts relating to the MAYFLOWER Pilgrims, their ancestors and their posterity. All lineal descendants of the original Pilgrims are qualified for membership, as well as all signers of the COMPACT.

The purpose of this introduction is to help those who may be interested in joining the SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS, which would be eligible to a membership.

The following pages represent, first, a sample of the statement showing eligibility for membership in the SOCIETY, and secondly two lines, Brewster and John Howland. The information I have inserted here has been accepted by the SOCIETY for descendants of George Whitmore, (#19 Whitmore, Jean Whitmore and #41 Megow Nettie Adell Woodworth, are present members). Also refer to Allied Page 44 for the William Bradford line.

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1-ALFRED, The Great, King, 871, m, Lady ALSWITHA of Mercia, d. 904 2- EDWARD, The Elder, King, 901-925, m (3) LADY EDGINA NEAPHAM 3- EDWARD, King, 940 -946, m, ELGIVA D. 944 4- EDGAR, The Peaceful, King, 959-975, m, (2) ELFIDA DEVON 5- ETHELRED II, The. Unready, King, 978-1016, m, ELFLED THORAD 6- EDWARD II, Ironside, King, 1016-1016, m LADY ALGITHA, d. 1014 7- EDWARD, The Exile (not King, d, 1057, m, ANASTASIA of Russia 8- PRINCESS MARGARET of England, m, MALCOLM III, King of Scotland 1057-1093, Margaret cannonized 1250	1a- CHARLEMAGNE, King of Franks 768-814, Holy Roman Emperor 800-814, m HILDEGARDE of Swabia d, 783. 2a- PEPIN, King of Italy and Lombardy 781-810, m. BERTHA of Toulouse. 3a- BERNARD, King of Lombardy 813-818, m CUNEGONDE, d, 835 4a- PEPIN, Count of Senlis 817-840, Seigneur of St. Quentin, m,- 5a- PEPIN DE SENLIS DE VALOIS, Count Berengarius of Brittany, living in 893, m,- 6a- LADY POPPA DE VALOIS, M, ROLLO, The Dane, 1st Duke of Normandy, 846-931 7a- WILLIAM, Longsword, 2nd Duke of Normandy, d 943, m, ESPRIOTA of Senlis 8a- RICHARD, The Fearless, 933- 996, Duke of Normandy and Aquitaine, m, LADY GUNNORA of Denmark, d, 1031 9a- RICHARD II, The Good d, 1027, 4th Duke of Normandy, m JUDITH of Brittany, 982-1018 10a- ROBERT, The Devil, Duke of Normandy, d, 1035 and ARLETTE of Falaise	1b- LOUIS I, The Pious, Holy Roman Emperor 814-840, m (2) JUDITH of Bavaria, d, 843	2b- LOUIS II, The German, King of Bavaria, 817-876 m, EMMA, of Bavaria d, 876	3b- HERMIDE of Bavaria, dau of Louis II, m, OTTO, The Illustrious, Duke of Saxony d, 912	4b- HENRY I, The Fowler, Emperor 912-936, founded Saxon dynasty of Germany m, (2) MECHTILDE of Ringelheim	5b- HEDWIG, dau. of Henry I, 3rd wife of HUGH MAGNUS, Count of Paris, d, 956	6b- HUGH CAPET, King of France, 987-996, m ADELAIDE of Aquitaine 7b- ROBERT II, The Pious, King of France, 996-1031; m, CONSTANCE of Toulouse, d, 1033 8b- HENRY I, King of France 1032-1060, m ANNE of Russia, d, 1075, grand-dau. of St. Vladimir I, 1st Czar of Russia 9b- PHILIP I, The Fair King of France 1060-1108, m, BERTHA of Holland, d, 1093 10b- LOUIS VI, The Fat, King of France 1108-1137, m (2) ADELAIDE, of Savoy, d, 1154 11b- LOUIS VII, The Younger, King of France 1137-1180,m, (3) ALIX of Champagne, d,1206 12b- PHILIP II, Augustus, King of France, 1180- 1223, m, ISABEL HAINAULT, Countess of Artois, d, 1189 13b- LOUIS VIII, The Lion, King of France 1223- 1226, m, BLANCHE, DAU OF Alphonsus VIII, King of Castile by Eleanor, dau. King Henry II of England. 14b- LOUIS IX, Crusader, King of France 1226-1270, cannonized St. Louis, 1297, m, MARGARET of Provence, d, 1285
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THE SAXONS: #1- Alfred, The Great.							
CHARLEMAGNE: #1a- Charlemagne, King of the Franks.							
THE CAPETS: #6b- Hugh Capet, King of France							
HOUSE OF NORMANDY: #6a- Rollo, the 1st Duke of Normandy							
THE PLANTAGENETS: #10- Geoffrey Plantagenet							
THE MAYFLOWER: 26- William Brewster, the Elder							
							
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PRINCESS MATILDA OF Scotland, m, HENRY I, King of England, 1100-1135	11a- WILLIAM I, The Conqueror Duke of Normandy, King of England 1066-1087, m Matilda of Flanders, d 1083	10- PRINCESS MATILDA of England, dau of HENRY I, m (2) GEOFFREY PLANTAGENET Count of Anyou and Duke of Normandy founding Plantagenet Dynasty	11- HENRY II, Curt Mantel, King 1154-1189, m, ELEANOR of Aquitaine	12- JOHN I, King, 1190 1216, m ISABEL TAILLEFER Angouleme; 1189-1246	13- HENRY III, King 1216-1272, m ELEANOR of Provence 1216-1291	14- EDWARD I, King of England 1272-1307, m, (2) PRINCESS MARGARET dau. of Philip III, King of France	15b- PHILIP III, The Hardy, King of France, 1270-1285 m, (2) MARIA of Brabant. d, 1321	
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34- GEORGE HOWES, b, Nov. 6, 1800, d, April 29, 1880 m, LYDIA HOLDEN, b, Feb.16, 1804, d, Nov. 1864 35- MARY LONGLEY HOWES, b, Apr. 4, 1833, d, Nov. 4, 1865, m JOHN WHITMORE, b,Jan. 15, 1821 died, Dec. 21, 1892 36- GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE, b, Feb. 5, 1855 d, Nov. 6, 1941, m, DELIA G.MILA WATROUS, B July 17, 1855, d, June 28, 1937 37- MARY ADELL WHITMORE, b, Sept. 23, 1877 d, Apr. 6, 1963, m, EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW, born, Sept. 10, 1871, died, Sept. 17, 1948 38- FRED WATROUS MEGOW, b, July 25, 1899 m, Corcie Mae Snyder, b, Dec.11, 1898	25- THOMAS WENTWORTH, d, 1576, of Scrooby Notts, m, GRACE, dau. of John Gascoigne of Lasing Croft 26- MARY WENTWORTH, m, WILLIAM BREWSTER, 1567-1644, of Scrooby, Elder Brewster of "The Mayflower" 27--PATIENCE BREWSTER, m THOMAS PRENCE. 28- MERCY PRENCE, b, 1631, d, Sept.28, 1711 m, JOHN FREEMAN, b, 1621, d, Oct. 28, 1719 29- THOMAS FREEMAN, b, Sept.16, 1653 died Feb.9, 1715, m, REBECCA SPARROW, b, Oct.30, 1655, died Feb.7, 1740 30- MARY FREEMAN, b, Oct.30, 1674, d, Aug.30, 1747 m, PAUL SEARS, b, June 15, 1669, d, Feb.14, 1740 31- HANNAH SEARS, b, Mar.6, 1714, d, 1741 m, THOMAS HOWES, b, June 27, 1706, d, 1764 32- THOMAS HOWES, b, July 17, 1737, d, July 6, 1793 m, BATHSHEBA SEARS, b, 33- EZEKIEL HOWES, b, Dec.3, 1763, d, April 25, 1833 m, ROSE VINCEN, b, 1768, d, July 31, 1814						15- SIR THOMAS of Brother-ton, Earl of Norfolk, m dau of Sir Roger Halys, LADY ALICE, D. 1339 16- MARGARET PLANTAGENET, Duchess of Norfolk d, 1399, m, JOHN, LORD SEGRAVE, d, 1354 17- ELIZABETH, BARONESS SEGRAVE, b, 1338, m, JOHN, LORD MOWBRAY, 1340-1368 18- LADY ELEANOR MOWBRAY m, JOHN LORD DE WELLES, d, 1422 19- EUDO, LORD DE WELLES,m, LADY MAUD, dau. of Ralph, Lord Greystoc 20- LIONEL, LORD DE WELLES, d, 1461,m, JOAN, DAU. of Sir Robert Waterton 21- MARGARET DE WELLES, m, SIR THOMAS DYMOKE OF Scrivelsby 22- MARGARET DYMOKE, d, 1463, m THOMAS FITZWILLIAM, d, 1479, of Mablethorpe, Co Lincoln 23- BEATRICE FITZWILLIAM, m, (2) SIR RICHARD WODROFFE of Wooley 24- BEATRIX WOODRUFFE, m, SIR THOMAS WENTWORTH 1478-1548, of Wentworth [unclear]ouse.	
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WILLIAM AND FREDERICKA

GRAND SON

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INTRODUCTION

1972 is the year the first distribution of the preliminary parts of the proposed book titled, GENEALOGY OF MEGOW AND ALLIED FAMILIES, WILL APPEAR.

I trust everyone receiving a copy will realize, the time and determination which has gone into what you will read on the following pages and appreciate the cooperation that many family members have given me in this extensive research.

Suggestions, constructive criticism, facts and any additional information will be cordially received.

The short biographs of the original ten, part of which came to this country in 1856, is imaginative and mostly based on facts.

The purpose of this and later distributions is to have in the book as near as possible all available facts and it is hoped those who have other information will come forth with them so it may be included in future copies.

We have began with the family name MAIU the original name of the MEGOW ancestors, adding what we can regarding the collateral heritage which is added to the family blood stream by marriage and continue to use this method on all branches of the MEGOW name. Let it be acknowledged that, as more time passes, the more difficult the task becomes. Since most folks are not the least interested, we few who are, must accept the responsibility of initiating recruiting practices so the family will have a steady flow of canidated. One generation missed will complicate the future development of good genealogical records.

I make an appeal at this time, to those who read this introduction ponder in your mind and conscience the importance to you, your family and future generations, the need to continue this work, if you have the ability and personality for this special work, the rewards are great. You will build a faith in the future which will astound you and as the years go by the satisfaction you get makes the problems of life easier, growing older an interesting venture and resolve that we will be serious in our attemptto do all we possibly can to insure in the future, a thorough accurate recorded genealogical and historical record, of the MEGOW FAMILIES.

I also make a special appeal at this time to those who wish to write short biographies about those in their immediate families, if need be I will do it, however my knowledge of the person, is limited and the result will not seem as representative as the biographies produced on my own family of whom I know much more about.

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Normans

NORMANDY, an ancient duchy and later a province of France, bordering on the English Channel. In area it corresponded approximately to the modern departments of Seine-Inferieure, Eure, Orne, Calvados, and Manche, its capital being Rouen. after the Franks' invasion it made a constituent part of the kingdom of Neustria, and came to be known as Normandy after Charles the Simple, in 911, had given it to Hrolf or Rollo, the leader of a band of Norse rovers, as a fief of the French crown. From Hrolf and Gisela, the daughter of Charles the Simple sprang the dukes of Normandy, of whom Richard I vigorously maintained his authority against his liege lords, Louis IV and Lothaire. William II son of Robert II, became Duke of Normandy in 1035 and in 1066 established a Norman dynasty on the throne of England, thereby politically uniting Normandy with the latter country. In 1077 his eldest son, Robert, wrested Normandy from him, but it was again united to England under Henry I in 1106. With this monarch the direct male line became extinct. Henry II, the son of Henry I's daughter Matilda, after the death of Stephen of Blois obtained in 1154 the government of England and Normandy; but in the reign of his son, John, Normandy was conquered by Philip Augustus of France (1202-04).

NORMAN FRENCH, a French dialect which developed in Normandy after the Scandinavian invaders, under Rollo, had settled there about 911. In adopting French as a medium of communication the Normans retained for purposes of literary expression many Scandinavian words, which are still, though in a greatly changed form, characteristic of the French dialect.

Denmark, Norway and Sweden left many imprints in Normandy, they sought fame and booty in distant lands and this part of France felt their weight. The French could not over come them so in 912 Rollo accepted baptism as the price and acquired the Duchy of Normandy. Here the Northmen were softened into Normans, a name celebrated in history not only by the virtue of the conquest of England by the Duke William, but because of their exploits in Italy, Sicily and the East.

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The following will be the complete Record from Charlemagne (King of Franks 768 to 814); The Saxons, ALFRED THE GREAT (King 871); the Capets, Hugh Capet (King of France 987 to 996). Through the " House of Normandy" to Willima I, King of England 1066 to 1087. The Plantagenets, Princess Matilda, daughter of Henry I of England to ELDER WILLIAM BREWSTER or JOHN HOWLAND of the ship MAYFLOWER. Any Family whos line goes back to these two members of The Mayflower, can claim this genealogy as theirs.

I will make a general statement at this point. Fine Genealogists through the world consider beyond the 14th century genealogical records become somewhat hazy and therefore I caution the reader to first consider this information, this is not to say that the following authoritative source is not correct. It is also quite well known that records of the past regarding royal families are much easier to trace than other records so in this situation we could consider ourselves on fairly safe ground. The heritage outlined here is substantial and all those who possess some of it can feel very fortunate.

The following is the source from which information was gathered; "Unbroken Chain Chart" author Naomi D. Holloway, who is a member of the following organizations: COLONIAL ORDER OF THE CROWN: COLONIAL DAMES XXXVII CENTURY: NATIONAL SOCIETY MAGNA CHARA DAMES: NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS AMERICAN REVOLUTION: NATIONAL SOCIETY WOMEN DESCENDANTS OF ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ARTILLERY: SOCIETY MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS, Assistant General from Colorado.

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SAXONS

Saxons, a Germanic people who first appear in history after the beginning of the Christian era. The earliest mention of the Saxons is by Ptolemy in the 2nd century A.D., at which time they appear to have dwelt in what is now Schleswig. In the 3rd and 4th centuries they pressed southward into the region of the Weser, where they encountered the Chauci and Agrivarii, who were subdued and absorbed. In the second half of the 4th century we find them breaking into the Roman dominions. By the close of the 6th century all northwest Germany as far east as the Elbe had come to be the land of the Saxons. Britain was invaded and by the 7th century the conquest of Britian, was in a great measure completed. Pepin, King of the Franks, attacked the Saxons in Germany successfully and forced them to accept Christianity.

ALFRED the GREAT (848 --899, King of the West Saxons from 871 to 899, born in Wantage, now in Berkshire. He was the youngest of five sons. He came to the throne during a Danish invasion. Alfred succeeded in making peace with the Danes, but in 876 their marauding expeditions began again, and by the beginning of 878 they were successful almost everywhere and met with no general resistance. About Easter of 878, however, Alfred established himself at Athelny and began assembling an army, and about the middle of the year he defeated the Danes and captured their stronghold, located probably at present-day Edington. In 885 or 886, he captured the city of London, and by the end of this period had firmly established himself as the king of all England.

Alfred was also a zealous patron of learning and did much for the education of his people. He established a court school and brought to it British and foreign scholars, notably the Welsh monk Asser and the Irish-born philosopher and theologian Johannes Scotus Erigena. He himself made translations of such works as the Consolations of Philosophy by the Roman statesman and philosopher Anicius Manlius Severinus Boethius, The History of the World by the Spanish priest Paulus Orosius , and the Pastoral Care by Pope Gregory the Great. Alfred's laws were the first to make no distinction between the English and the Welsh.

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CHARLEMAGNE

Charlemagne was the King of the Franks from 768 to 814, and crowned King of the Roman Empire in the year 800. His birthplace is unknown, but from the fondness which he displayed for the cities of Aix-la-Chapelle and Ingelheim, it has been conjectured that he was born in one of those places. He was the eldest son of Pepin the Short, King of the Franks, and grandson of Charles Martel. On Pepin's death in 768, Charlemagne and his brother Carloman, jointly succeeded to the throne; and, by Carloman's death, the former became sole king in 771.

Charlemagne was the founder of the Holy Roman Empire, which endured for more than 1000 years. As Holy Roman Emperor he was succeeded by his son Louis, known as the Pious or the Debonnaire. Charlemagne was also the subject of innumerable legends, in some of which he was depicted as a great hero of the type of King Arthur, in others as a tyrant.

He had four successive wives and five mistresses or concubines. His abounding vitality made him extremely sensitive to feminine charms; and his women preferred a share in him to the monopoly of any other man. His harem bore him some eighteen children, of whom eight were legitimate. The ecclesiastics of the court and of Rome winked leniently at the Moslem morals of a so Christian a King.

In 800 he was in Rome investigating accusations against Pope Leo III, who had been elected in 795. After the Pope was cleared of all charges, on Christmas Day, 800, he set a crown upon Charlemagne's head, and amidst the acclamations of the people, saluted him as Carolus Augustus Emperor of the Romans.

Charlemagne zealously endeavored to promote education, agriculture, the arts, manufactures, and commerce. He projected great national works, one of which was a canal to connect the Rhine and the Danube. Learned men were encouraged to come to his court. He himself possessed an amount of learning unusual in his age; he could speak Latin and read Greek, and he attempted to draw up a grammar of his own language.

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THE
MEGOW GENEALOGICAL
RECORDS

1--Peter Miao, married Christine Sophia Englebel

2-- August Miao, b Sept. 17, 1793, m Hennette Friderike
Reonow on Sept. 2, 1824, she was b
Sept. 2, 1798.

The above genealogical data is taken from documents and shows authentic lineage to Herman Wilhelm Miao #2-4, his children were cousins of #3 William (this statement was found in various places in William #3 statements which he made to some Megows during his life time).

A recent letter received from #38 Frau Katharina Gimbel 645 Hanau/Main; Hofenstr, 37; West Germany, Europe.

Quote - This Megow Booklet, is indeed the line from Herbert Megow ! 78 Freiburg, in der Sigrismatter, 4, West Germany, Europe. I am pursuing this lead (Dec. 19, 1972)

The numbering will not be changed since it would only make for confusion.

Future Genealogists will find, who the fathers and uncles were, as the writer has no doubt that a relation exists with all Megows, and it will only be a matter of time, through research in Germany and France, that each Miao and Megow will find its proper place in the lineage.

At present (1973) we have the new England, Oklahoma and possible Canadian Megows to consider in future research work. Regarding the New England Megows, I recall my father EMIL #13, as saying, during the 1930 decade, that they were cousins.

1-2 August Miao, born 1793, m Hennette Friderike Renonow Sept.
2, 1824 (GERMAN BRANCH)

4--Herman Wilhelm Miao, b Mar. 22, 1834 (Name changed in
1840 to Megow), m in 1862 to Loiusa Wilhelmine Frederke
Kehl, they had eight children. (Refer to Pages 1-4)

3--William Edward Miao, b July 18, 1817; d Apr. 17, 1898
(AMERICAN BRANCH, Wisconsin Megows), m Reka Fredereka
Lippert, Mar. 30, 1843 in Lepsien, Germany. (Name
changed to Megow in 1840), she was born May 18, 1823
in Lepsien, Germany, d March 7, 1912. (Refer to Pages
1 to 4).

4A- Wilhelmina Maria, b Mar. 20, 1844, d Oct. 20, 1921
m. Fred Smith (changed from
Messerschmidt) he was born Nov.
16, 1836 in Germany, d July 31,
1929; they were married Oct.
9, 1866 and had 6 children.
(Refer to page 5-6 and the Fred
Smith Family in Allied Families)

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- 5-- Charles Carl b, Mar. 30, 1846 in Mafsow,
Prussia, d Oct. 16, 1914 in
Arnold, Neb. m Emilie Zummach
on Nov. 27, 1870, in Milwaukee,
Wisconsin., she was b in 1849
in Prussia, d Oct 23, 1901 in
So. Milwaukee, Wisc.
2nd wife Maria Jane Bolster, b
Sept. 25, 1867 in Omro, Wisc.
m, 1897, she d June 16, 1946 in
Broken Bow, Neb. (Refer to Pages
6A to 9.
- 6-- Frank Emil Rudolph b, Sept. 11, 1848 in Prussia, d
Aug. 14, 1919, in Independence,
Iowa, m Margaret Coghlan, Aug.
22, 1882, she was born in N.Y.
State in 1858, Niagara County
and d Apr. 30, 1891, there were
3 children. (Refer to page 10)
- 7-- William b Nov. 24, 1850 in Prussia, d Aug. 18,
1934, m Ellen Dallrymple, she
was born in Boston, Mass., they
were both buried in Independence
Iowa at the Oakwood Cemetery.
There were no children to this
marriage (Refer to Pages 12-16)
- 8-- Herman Wilhelm, b Sept. 27, 1852 in Stetin, Germany
d, May 30, 1938 in Milwaukee,
Wisc., m Julia M. Fischer Sept.
27, 1880, she was b Feb. 10,
1856 in Berlin Wisc., and d
Apr. 18, 1931 in Princeton, Wis.
There were 8 children. (Refer to
Pages 16A to 19)
- 9-- Name not known, died at birth
- 10- Robert, b June 18, 1857 in Wisc. d Oct. 19, 1925,
m, Katherine Bolman b, Dec. 25,
1859, in Quincy, Ill., she d,
June 23, 1937, both were buried
in the Lakewood Cemetery, Minn-
eapolis, Minn. There were two
daughters. (Refer to Pages 20 -
21).
- 11- Edward Paul, b 1859 in Berlin, Wisc., d Apr. 12,
1940, m Barbara Gaber June 1,
1896. (Refer to Page 22)
- Minnie M. b July 29, 1899, m Richard Carlson
no children to this marriage.

12- Louis Paul, b Sept. 22, 1863, d Nov. 5, 1945, m
Ellen Trambauer, she was
b June 27, 1863 and d, Feb.
10, 1943, both are buried
in the Cedar Crest Cemetery
at Jesup, Iowa. No child-
ren to this marriage. (Refer
to page 23).



WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW'S SONS

5 to 12

STANDING-- Louis, 1863-1945--Robert, 1857-1925
Edward, 1859-1940

SEATED -- Charles, 1846-1914--Frank, 1848-1919
William, 1850-1934--Herman, 1852-1938

This picture was taken about 1870

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

MEGOW GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

- 2--4 Herman Wilhelm Megow, born Mar. 22, 1834 died _____
m, in 1862 to Louisa Wilhelmine
Frederke Kehl, she was b, _____
and d, _____
- 20-- Gustav, b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
1 for further details; he was
a step-son named Kehl)
- 21-- Martha, b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
1 for further details)
- 22-- Hermann, b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
3 for further details)
- 24-- Emil b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
2 for further details)
- 25-- Richard b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
6 for further details)
- 26-- Karl b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
8 for further details)
- 27-- Franz, August E. b, Oct. 4, 1875, died 1946 m, Nov.
12, 1911 to Margarette Louise
Schister (Refer to Germany Page
5 for further details). Franz
is the father of Gerhard Megow
who wrote the Germany Pages 1-10
- 28-- Wilhelm b _____ d _____ (Refer to Germany Page
4 for the rest of the details)
- 3--8 Herman Wilhelm Megow, m Julia M. Fischer (Details on
Page 16A)
- 29-- George William E. b, Dec. 5, 1881 and died Jan. 16,
1926 in Colorado Springs, Colo.,
he married Margaret Newkirk on
Sept. 30, 1908, she was born in
1881. (There were no children to
this marriage, more details on
Page 16E)
- 30-- Fritz Louis Theodore, b Oct. 19, 1883, d Nov. 25,
1946, he married Anna Briesmeister
on Aug. 29, 1905. (There were six
children to this marriage refer
to Pages 16G to 16J for details)
- 31-- Albert R. Herman, b Sept. 2, 1886, he married
Codia Zierke on Aug. 28, 1907.
They had eight children (Refer
to Page 16B for details)

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3--4A--Wilhelmina Maria Megow, (Refer to the Fred Smith Family
in Allied Families)

3--5 --Charles Carl Megow Family (Refer to # 5 for dates and
names)

13-- Emil Frederick, b Sept. 10, 1871 in Berlin, Wisc.
d, Sept. 17, 1948. m Mary Adell
Whitmore on June 1, 1898 in So.
Milwaukee, Wisc. she was born
in Oak Creek, Wisc., Sept. 23,
1877 and died Apr. 6, 1963. There
were 4 children (Refer to pages
25 to 28).

14-- John b, Nov. 25, 1873 in Berlin, Wisc.,
d, Nov. 27, 1918, John never
married. (Refer to Page 28A).

15-- Charles b Nov. 27, 1878 in Berlin, Wisc.
d Apr. 20, 1958 in Mich., m
Florence Hill on Apr. 9, 1906
in So. Milwaukee, Wis., she was
born in Mt. Morris, Ill., in
1884 and d, in 1929. There were
2 children. (Refer to Page 28B).
Second marriage to Maude in the
early 1930s.

16-- Edward Julius b, Oct. 5, 1882 in Berlin, Wisc.
d Dec. 9, 1952 in Los Angeles,
m Jennie May Garbin, on Aug. 1,
1911, both are buried at the
Holy Cross Cemetery, Low Angeles.
No children to this marriage.
(Refer to Page 28C).

17-- Sophia (2nd wife) b, July 28, 1898 in Junction
City, Wis. She m Ralph Province
on June 10, 1917, he was born
July 1, 1897, there were five
children to this marriage. (Refer
to Pages 28E to 28 H).

18-- Reka " " b, Dec. 13, 1901 in Neenah,
Wis. she was the second daughter
(Refer to Page 28IO. She was
never married.

19-- Minnie " " b, May 24, 1904, m Charles
West in 1928, (Refer to the
Charles West Family in Allied
Families, there were six child-
ren,

MEGOW GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

- 32-- Luella Fredrika, b Sept. 1886, d April 29, 1968,
married Milton Griffins (There
were two children to this
marriage, refer to page 16B,
16O,16P for more details)
- 33-- Arthur John F, b Sept. 11, 1888, married Lena
Agnes Kuhn on Aug. 28, 1912
(There were two sons to this
marriage refer to pages 16C,16Q
to 16T)
- 34-- Myrtle Dora Josephine, b June 29, 1891, m Glenn
Knox, Feb. 11, 1916, (There were
five children born to this
marriage refer to pages 16C, 16U
to 16X)
- 35-- Lydia Emelia Julia, b Oct. 31, 1893, m Christian
Fredrik Peterson on June 12,
1914. (There were four sons to
this marriage, refer to pages
16C, 16Y to 16ZB)
- 36-- Viola Lourie Lotta, b Sept. 16, 1897, m Alvin C.
Knox on Mar. 4, 1923. (There was
one son born to this marriage
refer to Pages 16C, 16ZC to 16ZF).
- 4--27 Franz August E. Megow, b Oct. 4, 1875, died in 1946
married Nov. 12, 1911 to Marg-
arette Louise Schister, lived in
Germany. (Refer to Germany Page
5 for further details)
- 37-- Gerhard Franz Balthaser, b Sept. 15, 1913, m Brigitte
they had two daughters, Gerlinde
born Oct. 17, 1943, m Charles
Finley, Austin Texas, they had a
son, b in May 1969; second daughter
Dorothe, b Mar. 12, 1955 (refer
to Germany Page 9 for more details
and page 5, Franz is Gerhards
father, in addition he wrote all
the Germany Pages 1 to 10)
- 38-- Katherina b Aug. 25, 1916, married Karl Cimble in
Hanau, Germany
- 39-- Hildrgard, b Aug. 18, 1912 and died 1939

- 5--13 Emil Frederick Megow, born Sept. 10, 1871, died on Sept. 17, 1948, he married Adell Whitmore on June 1, 1898, there was four children to this marriage (Refer to pages 25 to 28 and pages 29 to 52 about his children) Adell died Apr. 6, 1963.
- 40-- Frederick Watrous, born July,25, 1899, married Rae Viola Snyder on Dec. 27, 1921, she was born Dec. 11, 1898, their were four children to this marriage. Refer to Pages 29 to 34 for more details.
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- 41-- Nettie Adell, born May 23, 1901, married Harold Woodworth on Mar. 15, 1926, he was born May 7, 1900 and died June 9, 1956, there were two children to this marriage. (Refer to Pages 35 to 40 for more details).
- 42-- George Edward, born May 10, 1903, married Annie Laurie Potter on Apr. 17, 1925, she was born Nov. 24, 1903, there were four children to this marriage, (Refer to pages 41 to 46 for more details.
- 43-- Wesley Whitmore, born Feb. 27, 1917 married Beatrice Kuppert, May 27, 1939 she was born April 24, 1918, there were two children to this marriage(Refer to Pages 47 to 52 for more details)
- 13--40 Frederick Watrous Megow, born July 25, 1899, married Rae Viola Snyder Dec. 27, 1921 she was born Dec. 11, 1898 (Refer to Pages 29 to 34 for more details)
- 44-- Robert Snyder, born Jan. 22, 1923, married Joy Gertrude DeBell, on Aug. 31, 1946, she was born June 23, 1923, there were three children from this marriage
- 45-- Ruth Virgina, born Dec. 14, 1929, married George Bunting Dallas on Jan 27, 1951, he was born Nov. 23, 1925, there were two children to this marriage.
- 46-- John Frederick, born Dec. 14, 1929, married Janet Rodenberry on June 3, 1954, she was born Apr. 26, 1935.
- 47-- Richard Watrous, born Aug. 23, 1940, married Annatonía Pereir Gomaz on Dec. 18, 1965, she was born July 26, 1940, One child born to this marriage.

- 13-42 George Edward, b May 10, 1903 married Annie Laurie Potter on Apr. 17, 1925, she was born Nov. 24, 1903. (Refer to Pages 41 to 46 for more details)
- 48-- Janette Martha, born May 13, 1927, married James Edgar Slagg on Jan 30, 1949, he was born June 4, 1924, there were 4 children to this marriage Refer to Page 43 for more details)
- 49-- Laurie Ann, born Dec. 4, 1932, married William H. Dunn on Mar. 10, 1953, he was born July 27, 1931, there were 4 children to this marriage. (Refer to page 43 for more details).
- 50-- Harland Edward, born Feb. 15, 1930, married Joan L. Marugg, she was born May 10, 1930, there were two sons to this marriage. (Refer to page 43 for more details).
- 51-- Marjorie Louise, born July 29, 1948, married Steven Mark Nelson, on July 1, 1972, he was born Jan.15, 1950 (Refer to page 43 for more details)
- 13--43 Wesley Whitmore Megow, born Feb. 27, 1917, married Beatrice Louise Kuppert, on May 27, 1939, she was born Apr. 24, 1918, there were two children to this marriage. (Refer to Pages 49 to 52 for more details).
- 52-- Thomas Otto, born Dec. 5, 1942, married Georgia Rae Powell on Feb. 1, 1964, she was born June 4, 1941, (Refer to page 49 for more details).
- 53-- Jacqueline Mary, born June 2, 1947, married Patrick Regan Zimpher on June 29, 1968 he was born Apr. 16, 1946. (Refer to page 49 for more details).

THE
JOHN FREDERICK MEGOW
FAMILY
40--46



40--46, John Frederick Megow was born December 14, 1929, a twin to his sister Ruth #40--45. He married Janet Rodenberry on June 3, 1954. She was born April 26, 1935. He was always interested in building and has several rental units and works at the Dry-Wall part of the Building Trades. John graduated from the Ocean City High School, in Ocean City, New Jersey, joined the Marine Corp and went through the Korean War, he was discharged at Jacksonville, Fla. at the end of his enlistment and lived in Orlando, Fla., with his parents until he got married. There were two sons to this marriage.

57-- Phillip Whitmore born May 26, 1966

58-- Greg Anderson born Feb 26, 1969

THE
ROBERT SNYDER MEGOW
FAMILY
40--44



40--44 Robert Snyder Megow, was born Jan. 22, 1923 in Lancaster, Wis. He married Joye Gertrude DeBell on Aug. 31, 1946. She was born June 23, 1923 in Winnipeg, Canada. Robert is a graduate of Southern University of Lakeland, Fla. receiving his B.S. Degree and Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla, where he received his Master Degree. He is at present, 1973, Director of Career Education of Orange, County, Fla and is also President of the Florida State Vocational Education Association.

54-- Suzan Ann, was born Dec. 22, 1947, married Jeffery Dean Hoyt on Feb. 20, 1971, he was born Sept. 13, 1947.

55-- Thomas Robert was born April 6, 1951

56-- James George born Sept. 3, 1953

PICTURE ABOVE

Left to Right-- Standing, Suzan, James, Thomas
Seated, Joye and Robert

THE
RICHARD WATROUS MEGOW
FAMILY
40--47



RICHARD WATROUS MEGOW, was born Aug. 22, 1940 the youngest in the Fred Watrous Megow, #40 Family. He married Anntonia Pereir Gomaz, on Dec. 18, 1965, in Brazil, South America, she was born there July 26, 1942. After graduating from the Edgewater High School, of Orlando, Fla. he enlisted in the Army, spending most of his time in Germany. After the enlistment expired he took up electronics and went with the R.C.A. Corp., and was stationed at Ascension Islands. When he returned to the United States, in 1966, with his bride he went into the Sound Business in Orlando, where he operates at present. He presently attends a local college in his spare time and will get his degree in the Spring of 1973.

59-- Adi Maria

born March 31, 1968

1973

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
HARLAND EDWARD MEGOW
FAMILY
42--50



Picture above-- Rear Gregory--Harland; Front Keith-- Joan

HARLAND EDWARD MEGOW, was born in South Milwaukee, Wisc. on Feb. 15, 1930, to The George Megow Family, #13-42. He was educated in the schools of his native city, after graduation, enlisted in the United States Navy, spending most of his time at Lakehurst, New Jersey. Harland married Joan L. Marugg, worked a short time in South Milwaukee, then located in East Brunswick, N.J. He built himself a very nice home, where he lives at present, working for the Eastern Express Inc. in Metuchen, he has worked for them a number of years and now operates as an Administrative Assistant, acting as Office Manager and his duties include personal work.

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60--Gregory Edward born Sept. 20, 1956

61--Keith Harland born Dec. 12, 1959

THE
THOMAS OTTO MEGOW
FAMILY
43--52



Above picture L to R- Christine, Mother, Jacqueline, John
and Father

Thomas Otto Megow, was born Dec. 5, 1942 in Torrance, Calif. He married Georgia Rae Powell on Feb. 1, 1964, she was born June 4, 1941 in North Hollywood, Calif and is the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Powell, Mrs Powell was the former Elsie Schirk of San Francisco, Calif and was born in 1918 in Terrytown, N.Y. Mr Powell was born in 1910 at Deer Lodge, Montana and is Retired Planning Director of the City of Camarilo, Calif.

Thomas graduated from Torrance Public Schools in 1960, then attended Long Beach State College where he graduated in 1964. He is presently (1973) employed as Staff Assistant, Tariffs Dept. for the Continental Telephone Corp.

62-- Jacqueline Nanette	born May 21, 1965
63-- John Thomas	" Jan.13, 1967
64-- Christine Michele	" July12, 1968

5--15 Charles Megow, born Nov. 1878, in Berlin Wisconsin and died in Michigan April 20, 1958, (Refer to page 28B and 28B1 in Megow Records). He married Florance Hill in South Milwaukee, Wisc on April 9, 1906.. There were two children to this marriage, listed below. Florence died in 1930. He married Maude (last name unknown), she was born Aug. 5, 1900, there were no children from this marriage.

65-- Carlton Wesley Megow, born Apr. 22, 1907 died Feb. 3, 1971, and was buried in the Wayne County State University Cemetery, Detroit, Mich. He married Eleanor Ada Bumer, they were divorced in later years.

125- Jean Mary, b Dec. 20, 1931, in Kalamazoo, Mich., on Mar. 29, 1952 she married John Merrifield, of Angola, Mich.

Judith Lynne, b April 30, 1953, m Larry Thompson, he was born in Kalamazoo.

Janet Kay, b Nov. 17, 1954, m Dennis Haight of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Julie Ellen, b Nov. 16, 1957

66-- Lucy (date of birth not known)

3--11 Edward Paul Megow, was born April 24, 1859, he died April 12, 1940, in Camp Douglas, Wis., he married Barbara Gaber on June 1, 1896, she was born in Merimac, Wisc. (Refer to page 22 of the Megow Records).

67-- Minnie born July 29, 1899, she married Richard J. Carlson on Sept. 23, 1933, there were no children from this marriage.

27-37 Gerhard Megow, was born Sept. 15, 1913 (Refer to Megow Records Germany page 5 to 6 and Introduction pages 5-6) Gerhard is presently living with his family in Holland, Michigan where he is Professor of Language and Literature at Hope College there. He was on leave to Germany from Mar. 1973 to August 1973 attending the University there. He also met with a Herbert Megow in Freiburg, Germany and will try to tie the Megow there with the American Megows.

68--Gerlinde was born Oct. 17, 1943, she married Charles Findley of Austin Texas.

Ioin born May 1969

69--Dorothea was born Mar. 12, 1955

8--30 Fritz Louis Theodore Megow, was born Oct. 19, 1883, he died Nov. 25, 1946, he married Anna Briesmeister, she was born Apr. 4, 1889, they were married Aug. 29, 1905. They had six children #a 70 to 75. (Refer to Pages 16G to 16J in the Megow Records)

70-- Maria Julia, was born July 1, 1906, she married Paul Audre Witter on May 27, 1924, he was born Mar. 4, 1902 and died Oct. 11, 1946, Refer to Witter in Allied Families)

Mary Julia	born Oct. 27, 1927 (Refer to Tulley Family in Allied pages)
Gelaine Kathryn	born April 29, 1931 (Refer to Connel Family in Allied pages)
Robert John (twin)	born Nov. 6, 1933 (Refer to Witter Family in Allied pages)
Fred James (twin)	born Nov. 6, 1933 (Refer to Witter Family in Allied pages)

71-- Harold Joseph Megow, see following pages

72-- Lawrence Frederick Megow, see following pages

73-- Myrtle Margaret, was born Dec. 6, 1912, she married Cornalius Quirk on Nov. 30, 1933. see more about Myrtle on the following pages. (see Quirk in Allied)

Patrick Cornalius	born Apr. 21, 1935, he married Sandra Catura on Apr. 6, 1957 there were two children to this marriage. Later married Karen Clay on Sept. 12, 1964, there were also two children by this marriage.
Ann Josephine	born Sept. 28, 1940, she married Nickolas Williams on Aug. 5, 1963 they had one child.
Dennis Frederick	born June 9, 1938, he married Sue Ann Schultz on Nov. 4, 1961

74-- Ruth Kathryn, was born Aug. 18, 1915, she married Leonard Wesley Letteer on July 4, 1936. (See more about Ruth on the following pages.

Kathleen Ann	born June 6, 1938, she married Robert Farrow on May 31, 1958 they have 3 children
Geraldine Florence	born July 11, 1939 she married Thomas Sammartin on Apr. 2, 1958 they have 5 children

75-- Richard Frederick born Mar. 7, 1924 (refer to following pages for more on Richard)

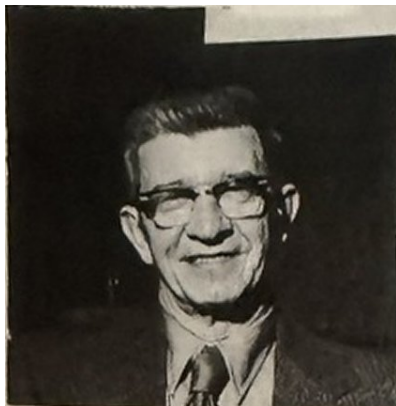
8-31 Albert R. Herman Megow, was born Dec. 13, 1884, he married Condina Leon Zierke on Aug. 28, 1907. She died Oct. 16, 1956. (Refer to pages 16K to k6 L2 in the Megow Records). Discription of his Family follows.

HERMAN

THE
NORMAN HERMAN MEGOW

LEOTA

FAMILY
31--77



31-77 Norman Herman Megow, was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on April 23, 1908, the oldest of eight children born to Herman and Condina Megow, as a small child he moved about the country, living in So. Milwaukee, Racine and Denver Colo. In 1915 at the age of seven the Family returned to Princeton, where he attended Public Grade and High School. While a boy he helped his father in the Family Meat Market learning his trade as a Meat Cutter from his Dad.

Before Norman settled down, he worked at various jobs in Wisconsin among them telephone repairman, electrician and clothing salesman, but Norman was and still is a "Home Body" so he gave up the traveling jobs and worked for his father. LEOTA ELOISE ANDREW, (Refer to Allied Pages 36 to 44 in the Megow Records) Leota had finished College and in the fall of 1929 she came to Princeton as a teacher on Home Economics in the High School there. Love entered the scene and Norman and Leota were married April 18, 1930. From this union two sons were born (Refer to Megows # 93 and # 98)

During the depression, 1934, Norman, Leota and infant son Robert, moved to Superior, Wisconsin, where Letoa's Family owned the Duplex Mfg. Co., and Norman found employment. Here he worked until World War II, then he worked at the Globe Shipyards until 1945. Mean while he decided to return to his first love, meat cutting and worked at this trade and meat manager in Markets at Superior until 1953. On Jan 1, 1953 he purchased Ham's Market in Princeton and the family followed him to make Princeton their home. Norman ran this Market, carrying on the tradition of Ham's Hickory Smoked Ham and Beacon, plus Met and Zurebel-wurst until June 1969. Norman is presently the Meat Manager at Yahis Supermarket in Princeton. (1973)

Norman is a home body and takes great pride in his lawn and Garden. He has a great interest in young people, during his residence at Superior he was Scout-master for 10 years and a Scout Commissioner and also taught " First Aid" courses for the Red Cross. He is a past president of the local Rotary Club and it was during his presidency, lights were installed and financed by the Rotary at the High School Athletic Field. At present he is Secty. of the Board of Stewards at the Federated Church in Green Lake, Wisc. and was reelected this spring to a three year term on the Princeton School Board. Norman and Leota have opened their doors to two senior girls who stayed with them with out cost so they could complete their High School Education.

Norman and Leota have six grand-children who are their pride and joy and are never too busy to help anyone who might need a hand.

The descendants of this marriage are eligible to become members of the Mayflower Society, their lineage is shown on Allied Page 44 to William Bradford of the Ship Mayflower, #4638.

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LEOTA ANDREW MEGOW

78- Raymond Leroy Megow, was born Nov. 23, 1909 in Racine, Wisconsin, he married Miss Belva Kidman of Princeton, Wisconsin. She was born June 29, 1908 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Eugene Kidman of Princeton. Mrs Kidman was the former Miss Ora Belle Merrill. Raymond lived in Chicago and worked as a Meat-Cutter at the Nat'l Tea Co., there, in 1946 the family moved to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and later moved to their present location in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

122- Eugene Edward, was born Feb. 7, 1940 in Chicago, Ill., at the St. Annes Hospital. He attended Public Schools in Fond du Lac, and in 1958 attended the Layton School of Art, in Milwaukee, Wis., where he received his B.A. degree in Fine Arts. In July 1964 this Young Artist received great acclaim from judges for his paintings, he has also won many prizes and his work shows the development of a forceful, highly individual style.

76- Janice Edna, was born Sept. 12, 1912 in Denver, Colo. She married Herbert Wedeil on Jan. 8, 1950

Vicki Lynn born May 13, 1952

79- Nadine Ellener, was born May 20, 1914, she married Dale Smith on March 4, 1955

Michael born Dec. 31, 1956
Patricia Condine " " 26, 1957, died Oct. 13,
1958

80-- Marjorie Doris, was born Nov. 14, 1918, she died Dec. 12, 1947. Marjorie married William Risky on Aug. 21, 1939
Arthur, was born April 21, 1943, he married Mary Myer on June 1966.

81-- June Ruth, was born June 1, 1922, she married Walter T. Sale on June.30, 1965.

Diana Ruth born May 13, 1947, she married
Kenneth Jones.

Walter Thomas born, Nov. 22, 1950

David Edward " Aug. 26, 1954

Lawrence Albert " Jan. 14, 1956

82-- Lois Emily, was born March 21, 1925, she married Jack Conant on Nov. 21, 1943

Rick Alan born June 30, 1946

Christin Lee " Jan. 5, 1952

83-- Gale Jack, was born June 27, 1929 and died as a result of an Auto Accident on May 31, 1949.

30-71 Harold Joseph Megow, was born Nov. 12, 1908, he died Oct. 5, 1971. Harold married Mary Jane Backes on Sept. 3, 1938, she was born Feb. 2, 1920. (More on Harold and his Families on later pages(.

84-- Mary Ann, was born Feb. 24, 1940, she married Richard Gadler on June 3, 1938, they have six children

85-- Timothy John, was born Oct. 5, 1941 (TWINS), he married Melania Guerrera on Sept. 25, 1971.

86-- Thomas James, was born Oct. 5, 1941 (TWIN), he married Betty Doran on Jan. 11, 1968, she was born Oct. 2, 1941.

123-- Peter

87-- John Richard, was born Sept. 5, 1944, he married Rita Watson on June 20, 1970, she was born Dec. 12, 1946.

88-- Daniel Joseph, was born Dec. 13, 1953.

NOTE: Harold Megow's Family continued on the next pages.



Timothy



Mary Ann



Thomas



John



THE HAROLD JOSEPH MEGOW
FAMILY
30--71



Daniel

Harold Joseph Megow, was born on Palm Sunday Apr. 12, 1908. He, being the first born son, was nicknamed Sonny as was the custom in those days. He had a happy personality and blonde good looks and continued to be called Sonny until after his marriage. Harold could sing a song as soon as he could talk, once he heard the words. His schooling started in N. D. where he played the French Horn in the Boys Band, this group traveled during the summer months giving concerts for expenses, they even went as far as Yellowstone National Park. He continued to play in later years when the Family lived in Milwaukee, at this time he played a saxophone in several orchestras. His love of music led him to belong to choirs almost all of his adult life. He graduated from High School in Ray, N.D. and went to work on a farm where he stayed until the crops were brought in after his folks had gone back to Wisconsin.

Harold, as the saying goes, "always had his nose in a book. In his early twenties, he was asked, by a friend, to listen to a lecture program given by a vegetarian. He was so interested he immediately became one and joined a vegetarian Club. During the depression years he always had a job, one of which was a Plumber's helper for a short time for the Megow-Knox firm in South Milwaukee. He aided his Family through the hard times. He was best man at the marriages of his three sisters and his brother.

Harold met a Mr. William Backes at the farm owned by the vegetarian Club, who's Family came along to help grow produces and that's when Harold met his bride-to-be, Mary Jane Backes known as Mickey. She shared his great love of

HAROLD MEGOW 30--71

music. After Harold had celebrated his 30th Birthday, he asked his Parents if they thought he could get along with-out his help as he planned to marry, after he was assured, he was wed in a triple wedding ceremony on Sept. 3, 1938 at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Wauwatosa, Wis. a suburb of Milwaukee. The two other brides were Mickey's two sisters, Dorothy and Gertrude. The guests had to have tickets to be admitted to the small Church and the altar railing had to be moved back to accommodate all the attendants of the three couples.

Mickey and Harold had a daughter born to them on Feb. 24, 1940 and they named her Mary Ann. She was a platinum blonde like her Dad. Oct. 5, 1941 Twin boys were born, they were not identical.

When Harold and Mickey decided to build a house, no one wanted to tackle the kind of home they had in mind, so they decided to build it themselves. Two and one-half acres was purchased along the Milwaukee River in the town of Mequon, a northern suburb of Milwaukee. Harold's brother-in-law, Pat Quirke, a bricklayer and Harold's Dad helped build the house. When the basement was complete, the family lived there until the rest of the house was completed. The only Professionals used were for the roof, plumbing and electric work. The fire-place had vents that led into the three bedrooms to send heat to keep them warm on the cool spring and fall days when the furnace was not used. The outside of the house was glass and cement block and had an attached greenhouse.

Their third son was born Sept. 5, 1944, he was named John Richard. They also raised a foster child, who stayed with them until she was married. During all these years, Harold had worked for a paint and glass Co., and after learning the business , decided to buy out a glass Co., in Kenosha with a partner. It was known as the Kenosha Glass Co. The distance made it necessary to sell their home and move to Kenosha. Later Harold bought out the partner.

Daniel Joseph was born Dec. 13, 1953, at this time they raised another foster child. Things were going along fine until, one day, a boy in the neighborhood entered the shop after closing, lit a match and dropped it into a vat of cleaning fluid. Everything except the office wing was burned.

Harold found a job in San Diego, Calif., as a manager of a glass Co., where the owner was retiring and wanted someone to teach his son-in-law the business. Later Harold bought a milk route and became his own boss again, which he was later sold and he became a driver for the Carnation Co. At the age of 62 he retired and became a relief driver for men who wanted days off or went on vacations. On Oct. 5, 1971 two teen age boys shot and killed him just to scare him into giving them his money faster, they said this at their trial.

Harold and his Family had a beautiful home at the bottom of a canyon with a grand view of the Harbor even though it is many miles away.

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RUTH MEGOW LETTEER



THOMAS JAMES MEGOW
71---86

THOMAS JAMES MEGOW, was born Oct. 5, 1941, after graduating from the 8th Grade, he entered the St. Francis Seminary, since he had decided to become a Priest. Thomas attended 4 years and transferred to a California Seminary, since his parents moved there. Later he decided on the need of some outside influence. He finished his College at the Catholic University at San Diego and then joined the Navy in Oct. 1967.

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BETTY LOU DORAN, was born Oct. 2, 1938, she was a convert to the Catholic Faith. Was in the convent for the Sisters of Mercy, Burlingame, California, for 2½ years. Married Thomas on Jan. 13, 1968 and they have one son.

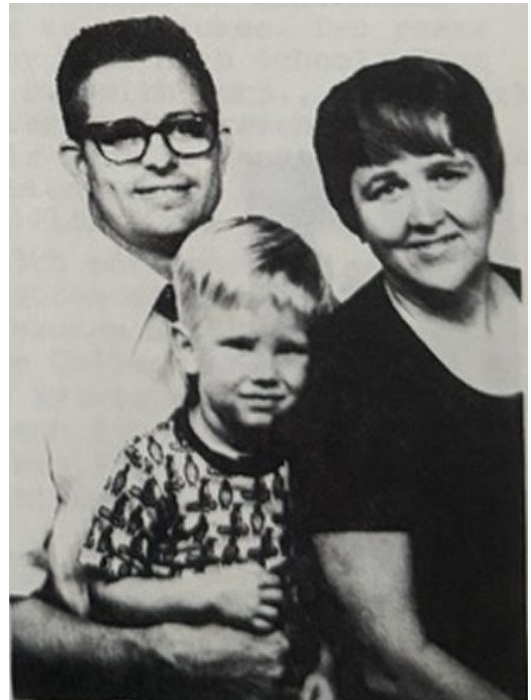
123-- Peter born Apr. 19, 1971

TIMOTHY JOHN MEGOW 71---85

TIMOTHY JOHN MEGOW, born Oct. 5, 1941, he graduated, San Diego Univ. H.S. was drafted into the army, after basic training, went to Ashafferberg, Germany with the 3rd Inf. Div., as tank mechanic. When the tour of duty ended, was offered an opportunity to attend West Point, he choose to return to his studies of Architecture. Tim will enter Calif. Polytechnic, at San Joui Obispo for his B.A. in Architecture. He has worked at several Aircraft Factories and a Newspaper before becoming a Comerical Artist for the United States Navy, in a Civil Service capacity.

MELANIA GUERRERO, BORN IN Morelia, Mexico, on Apr. 5, 1943, she and Tim were married on Sept. 25, 1971. Their honeymoon was spent in Alcapoco, Mex. They arrived home a few days before Tim's father was murdered, strange but Melania's father and grand-father were also murdered

July 20, 1974



JOHN RICHARD MEGOW
71--87

JOHN RICHARD MEGOW, was born Sept. 5, 1944, after graduating from High School he attended Catholic Univ., at San Diego, working his way by part-time employment. John then enlisted in the Air Force and while in Officers Training at San Antonio, Tex., he also got his Masters at Texas A & A in College Station. He then went into the Space Program in the Cheyenne Mts., Colorado Springs.

RITA WATSON, was born Dec. 12, 1946, she met John while in San Antonio and they were married, June 20, 1970, he later transferred to Alabama and from there to Turkey for one year.

CAPT. JOHN MEGOW is now stationed at Omaha, Nebraska. →

March 7, 1974



DANIEL JOSEPH MEGOW
← 71---88

DANIEL JOSEPH MEGOW, was born Dec. 13, 1953, he was in his first year of College at the time his father died. Daniel completed the year, then was employed by the Pacific American Air Lines. He plans on returning to College to pursue his Art interest while continuing his position, at night with the Air Lines.

March 7, 1974





THE LAWRENCE FREDRICK MEGOW
FAMILY
30--72

Lawrence Megow, was the second son of Fred and Anna Megow, he was born in Corlis, Wisc., Feb. 19, 1910. (Refer to pages 16H to 16J in the Megow Records). At the age of six, he moved with his family to Ray, N. Dak., where his father had purchased a large farm. He worked on the farm and attended school in Ray, until he was sixteen. In 1926, because of continuous crop failures his family moved back to Milwaukee. Two years later in 1928, he graduated from Bay View High School. That same year he started to work at A. O. Smith Corp., as a clerk. He stayed with them until 1954, after having reached the position of Factory Manager of their Houston Works. . In 1954 he joined the Hahn & Clay organization, where he is now the Vice President of Production (1973). Larry was listed in "Who's Who in the South and Southwest", 13th edition 1973 and 1974. All during his working career, he attended various colleges, Univ. of Wisc., Marquette, The Milwaukee School of Engineering, Univ. of Houston, Sam Houston State College and the Univ. of Texas. On July 8, 1933, he married Sylvia Winefred Pleva, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Joseph Bykowski of Milwaukee, Wisc. Mrs Bykowski was the former Mrs Frank Pleva and Miss Stella Winkowski, she was born in Milwaukee, on May 26, 1892.

Photo above was taken Apr. 27, 1973-- Top row, Frederick, Dad
Lawrence-- Bottom row, Barbara, Mother, Carol. L to R.

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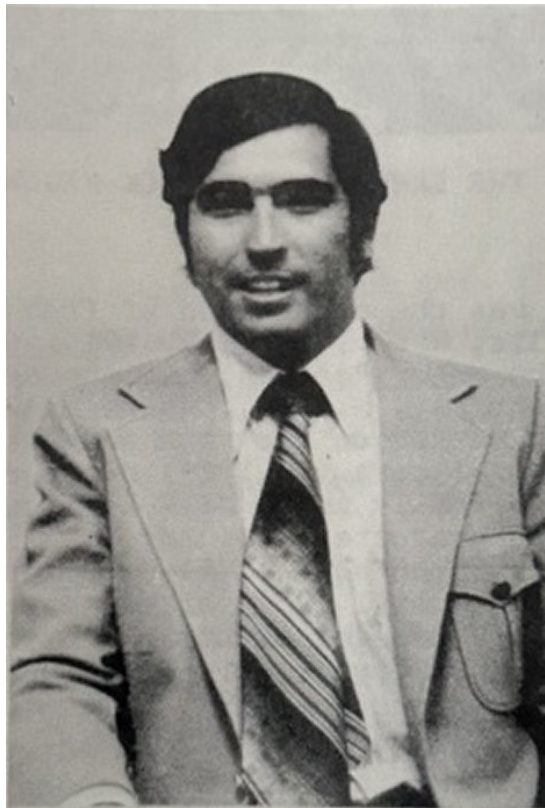
LAWRENCE FREDRICK MEGOW

89-- Barbara Antoinette born May 5, 1935, she married
 Louis Basie on July 3, 1954,
 he was born Dec. 16, 1931.
 (Refer to Allied Page of
 Megow Records)

Donna	born	April 11, 1955
David	"	July 30, 1956
Andrea	"	Dec. 23, 1957
Julie	"	Jan. 21, 1959
Marcy	"	Nov. 21, 1963

90-- Carol Ann born Nov. 19, 1938, married
 Odis Echols on Nov. 27, 1959
 he was born June 20, 1938
 (Refer to Allied Page of
 Megow Records)

Mike	born	Mar. 5, 1960
Mark	"	Apr. 3, 1961



LAWRENCE DONALD MEGOW
72-----91

Donald, twin son of Lawrence and Sylvia Megow, is a bachelor. He graduated from the University of Houston as a Mechanical Engineer and is now employed at the Rockwell Corporation, in Houston, Texas, he was born on October 20, 1941 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

THE
FREDRICK RONALD MEGOW
FAMILY
72--92



Fredrick Ronald Megow, was born Oct. 20, 1941, he was a twin to Lawrence Donald and the son of Lawrence and Sylvia Megow, he married Marilyn Adler on July 24, 1970 in Houston, Texas. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Lawrence L. Adler of Houston, Mrs Adler was the former Miss Mary Rose Lynch of Joliet, Ill., April 11, 1944, was the birth date of Marilyn.

Ronald graduated from St. Thomas H.S. and attended the Univ. of Houston where he graduated in Dec. 1970. He also spent four years in the Airforce and at present (1973) is Credit Manager of Hahn and Clay Corp. of Houston, Texas.

124--Stephen Ronald born Nov. 5, 1971 in Houston.
126--Jeffrey Lawrence " Dec. 31 1972 " "

Picture above Left to Right--Stephen, Ronald, Marilyn and Jeffrey

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LAWRENCE FREDRICK MEGOW

MYRTLE MARGARET MEGOW

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Myrtle Margaret Megow, was born Dec. 6, 1912 in Milwaukee Wisc., the fourth child of Fritz and Anna Megow (Refer to pages 16G to 16J of Megow Records). She was three years old when her family moved to Ray, N. D., where they lived with her Uncle Chris and Aunt Lydia Megow Peterson until a farm was purchased near Wheelock, N. D., it was a beautiful farm, with a grove of trees all around the house. Later the Family moved to a farm near Ray, N. D. The farm was on the top of a hill and on a clear day the Missouri River could be seen, which was twenty miles away.

Myrtle and her sister Ruth usually got a ride to school with their Dad in the morning because he was the milkman in Ray, after school they would walk the two miles home. Myrtle loved the Prairie State and when she was fifteen and they moved back to Milwaukee she hated it because one could not see anything, there were too many trees. Myrtle went to Bay View High School for two years, but graduated from West Div. in 1931.

CORNELIUS QUIRK, was born June 18, 1910 in Abbeyfeale, Ireland (Refer to Allied Page 71 to 74 for more information). Pat, as he was called, met Myrtle in Milwaukee, they were married on Nov. 30, 1933 at Saint Rose of Lima Church in Milwaukee. There were two sons and one daughter from this union.

When the children were small and in grade school, at St. Rose, Myrtle worked as a cook and meal planner in the School lunch program and when the children went on to High School, she worked as a bookkeeper and savings teller at the West Side Bank. During 1959 her daughter and son Pat talked her into applying for a job at the Allen-Bradley Co., since her son was going to college and working there, part-time and her daughter was working full time in the shop. She did apply, however had no idea she would be accepted, but she was lucky and they said to start as soon as she could leave the Bank. While working at the Bank she had started in the filing Dept., so that she would become acquainted with the customers names. She was tired of bookkeeping, and asked to start in the filing dept., at Allen-Bradley.

Myrtle started on Oct. 12, 1959 and has been supervisor of Electronics marketing filing Dept., for the past 13 years. She is very proud and happy to have been working for this Company and it's wonderful people, she has worked on the 10 year club committee and has been a gossip reporter for the past 8 years.

She likes to travel and when the children were younger they traveled by car on vacations to the Black Hills, S. D, caves in Ky., Mackinaw Island, to Texas for Barbara Megow's wedding and to Florida. Since she is older and the children were all married she has flown twice to Calif., to visit her brother Harold and her sister Marie and drove to Seattle to see the Worlds Fair. Myrtle's dream is to travel all around the world before she leaves it permanently. At present she resides at 2549 S. Kinnickinnic Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53207

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MYRTLE MARGARET QUIRKE

RUTH KATHRYN MEGOW

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LEONARD WESLEY LETTEER



RUTH KATHRYN MEGOW



KATHLEEN ANN



GERALDINE FLORENCE

Back in the first decade of the 20th Century, one who lived during this period can fee., as he reflects back into history, a definite change and but few could ever have projected their imagination into the future, as we know it in this seventh decade.

By Aug. 18, 1915, when Ruth Kathryn Megow was born, the two original Megow's who came to America in 1856 had passed away. Fritz Megow had now accounted for five additions to this clan, he lived on a farm outside the Town of Waunatosa. When Ruth was two years old the family moved to Ray, N. Dakota.

Farming as it was known in 1917 was still a family coordinated effort. Hours were long and the work hard for the older ones, however for the youngsters it was playtime and they had the wide open spaces to do anything reasonable. Snow can get deep in these Northern States and sliding off the barn roof offered a real challenge, of course kids don't consider

risks, such as silvers and of course mother was bound to find out when the poor buttocks started hurting. Every youngster knows from experience, how it feels to have them pulled out.

Ruth's best pal was Myrtle who was three years older, they loved to sing and mother and Aunt Lydia Peterson taught them all sorts of songs. Myrtle had a vivid imagination and kept Ruthie fascinated by stories she made up, always saying she'd dreamed of them the nite before. Ruth's ambition was to have some dreams herself but she never achieved her ambition.

Brothers and sisters were now attending school and Ruth would be very lonesome at home by herself, so her Mother took her to school, hoping the teacher would keep her there with other students, she was five now and also was left handed, Back in those days no one was suppose to write with the left hand. The young Teacher being progressive allowed her to write as nature wanted and Ruth became the first in the family. School went along normally up to the seventh grade when she took sick and was out of school for a year, but with Gods help along with mother, sisters and brothers she became her normal self again.

The family moved back to Wisconsin, settled in Milwaukee where she attended High School during the Great Depression, also attended the Milwaukee Vocational School for one year, helped her mother take care of a seven bedroom home and learned the basic fundamentals of housekeeping.

LEONARD WESLEY LETTEER, was a tall (6'-5") handsome young man, Ruth and he had a two year courtship and were married at 6 A.M. July 4, 1936, the Mass was performed by Father Kutchera at St. Rose Church. The newly-weds stayed home and the folks, with the younger son, went to Niagara Falls, a reverse honeymoon. Their first born arrived June 6, 1938 (Kathleen Anne), she would grow to 5'-10", then on July 11, 1939 the second daughter Geraldine Florence was born.

Ruth worked 21 years at various jobs, part-time, to supplement the family income, this experience taught her patience and cured her of shyness. At the age of 51, when Leonard was unable to continue working, she took a full-time position at Allen Bradley and was well established in her work when her husband passed away on December 3, 1969.

One of the greatest thrills of her life came when she was able to take a three week tour of Seville, Spain while her daughter, Geraldine and her husband Tom, were there on Military duty. Though the family left North Dakota, when Ruth was young, she retains vivid memories of the prairies covered with crocuses in the spring, of wheat fields billowing in the wind, the awesome sight of the Aurora Borealis in the winter nights, the trackless snows of winter when even the fence posts were drifted over and roads obliterated and the clear clean air through which you could see for about 20 miles.

At this writing (1973) Ruth lives alone in the lower and her mother in the upper flat of the duplex bought several years before Leonard's death. She has retired from the choir in which she sang for over 20 years. Most of her leisure is spent reading and gardening in the summer.

MINNIE MAY MEGOW

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MINNIE MAY MEGOW, was born in Nekoosa, Wood County, Wisc. on May 24, 1904, she was the youngest child of Carl and Jane. This child completed Carls family of four(now young men living in So. Milwaukee, Wisc.) and three daughters the oldest being Sophia, six years of age and Reka about three, each possessing the heritage of excellent family background. Children and adults living during this period, were confronted with many diseases which were not under medical control as they are at this writing, 1972 and resistance to them was very important, fortunately in Carls family they all survived.

Minnie would grow as a normal child, her memories would relate to Nebraska since she was quite young while living in Wisc. She attended the Grade Schools and was about 10 when her father passed away.

After the fathers death Minnie was taken in by a wonderful family named. Andrew Summer and stayed with them completing both the Grade and High Schools and graduated in June 1925 from Merna High School of Merna, Nebraska.

She went to So. Milwaukee, to visit with Sophia, Reka, her mother, Emil, Adel and their families, after working for 6 months as a maid she returned to Broken Bow and worked there until meeting her future husband.

CHARLES BENJAMIN WEST, was born on May 6, 1891(Refer to Allied Page 61 in Megow Records), in North Platte, Nebr. he was the son of Mr and Mrs Wm. West. Minnie and Charles were married Sept. 18, 1928 at N. Platte and moved with her husband to a farm at Callaway, Nebr. and stayed there until the drought in 1935, at which time they moved to Broken Bow and worked in a Mattress Factory, for several years.

The family moved to the mountains and settled at Georgetown, Colo. and Charles worked in the lead and gold mines, until they closed. Minnie's husband decided to go into business for himself and choose the Lumber Business, by sawing lumber and building houses, with the help of their sons. The area was in Cody Park, west of Golden and in 1950 they moved into a Log house, which Charles and the boys built, Minnie still owns this house.

There were six children from this marriage, Alice 1929, Grace 1931, Albert 1934, which were born in Callway, Nebr., then later Robert 1937, Carl 1939, Lilly 1943 were born in Georgetown, Colo.

Her husband passed away May 13, 1960 at Golden and was buried in the Golden Cemetery of Golden, Colo. At present, Minnie resides with a widowed daughter at 5505 Valmont Rd., #159, Boulder, Colo. 80302. She also has three grand-children.

RICHARD FREDRICK MEGOW

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RICHARD FREDRICK MEGOW, the youngest son of Fritz and Anna, was the only one born at the farm in N. Dak. It's a good thing there was a nurse and Dr. present for it was a hard birth. The poor little battered baby had a broken arm when the delivery was over on Mar. 7, 1924. However the bruises soon faded and the arm healed perfectly. He was a happy go lucky child, always laughing, curious and full of energy. In 1926 the family moved back to Wis., and the rest of his life, except his military service was spent in Milwaukee. He acquired a boy friend in Kindergarten and they were bosom pals all his life. They got into some scrapes, the involved a gang in which Dick became the loser. One of the boys had a BB gun which was used in the fight and a BB ricocheted into one of Dick's eyes, fortunately he did not lose his sight, although it was impaired.

Richard graduated from St. Rose Grade and Messmer High Catholic Schools. He was interested in Art and planned on taking instructions to become a Commercial Artist. He was an athlete and played on the football and wrestling teams in H. S., and won one bout in the regional Golden Gloves. When he graduated, our country was in World War II, his Buddy had graduated a semester earlier and immediately joined the Marines. It was a foregone conclusion that he too would be a Marine, he took his physical at the end of his term but failed the eye exam, however he persisted and went to a Dr. who recommended some eye exercises to strengthen the weak one, so when his schooling was over, he went again to the recruiting center and passed.

He went to Camp Pendleton in Calif., before the diplomas were given out. After basic training he earned Sharpshooters Metals and was sent to the State of Wash., for further training. During his trip he gave his extra money to the Conductor with instructions to send it to his Mother, while asleep someone ransacked all his belongings.

He became a Military Police at the Naval Base and was selected, one of eight to attend Officer's Training, however due to his one weak eye failed the test. He was sent back to Calif., got an infection and had to have a tonsillectomy, when recovered was to have had his first furlough, however some of the married Marines had been in combat for over a year and he gave up his long awaited time at home to volunteer to replace one of them. Thus his mother was the only one of his family to see him in uniform as he was killed in his first day of battle, Feb. 1, 1944 in the Marshall Islands. He'd still have been in Officers Training had he not failed the eye test, so which wound do you think killed him?

Richard did accomplish one of his goals, he always said while growing up, that he was going to see to it that he took care of his loving Mother and he has. She was the beneficiary of his Military Insurance and those checks are still faithfully arriving every month all these many years. (refer to Page 16J of the Megow Records)

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RUTH KATHRYN LETTEER



THE
LEE ANDREW MEGOW
FAMILY
77--98

I was born on June 19, 1938 in Superior, Wisconsin to Norman H. and Leota E. Megow. I attended the Bryant Grade School in South Superior and attended Superior Central High School for one year. My family moved to Princeton, Wisc., in 1953 where my Dad took over my Grandfather Ham's Meat Market. While attending Princeton High School for the next three years, I participated in Athletics of all varieties. I earned Varsity letters in Football, Basketball and Baseball as a junior and senior.

After graduation from Princeton High School in 1956, I attended Oshkosh Institute of Technology in Oshkosh, Wisc., for one year taking a course in Drafting. I was offered an apprenticeship from Giddings and Lewis Machine Tool Co. in Fond Du Lac, Wisc., and worked at that for one year until I was laid off.

In the Fall of 1958 I enrolled at Central State College in Stevens Point, Wisc. (Now known as Wisc. State University-Stevens Point). I participated in Football for two years while at Stevens Point. I graduated in June of 1962 with a B.S. Degree with a major in English and minor in Physical Education my true love. While attending Stevens Point, I met and married my wife, the former ROBERTA KAY MATHEY. She was working toward a career in Medical Technology. Roberta was born Jan. 25, 1940 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs John L. Mathey of Lena, Wisconsin. Mrs Mathey was the former Miss Caroline J. Horne. We were married on June 25, 1960 in her hometown-Lena. After graduation, she continued to work at the Hospital in Stevens Point and helped me through my final two years of College. Our oldest son Randy was born in Stevens Point on July 3, 1961.

After graduation from Stevens Point, I enrolled in Graduate School at the University of South Dakota at Vermillion, South Dakota. Roberta worked at the State Mental Hospital in Yankton where we lived for the 12 months I was in School. With six credits remaining toward my M.S. Degree in Physical Education, I had an opportunity to return to Wisconsin to teach and coach. The inner desire to return to my home State was too strong for me to resist and we returned to Wisconsin Rapids, where I taught Physical Education and coached Football, Basketball and Track. I was fortunate to produce an undefeated and championship Football Team, a conference championship in Basketball and a second-place Track team, all in the same year. This success led to my taking a similar position here in Poynette in 1967. My second year resulted in a conference Championship Football Team. I was asked to coach the Curling Team and in 1970-71, my Curling Team won the State Championship.

I am still teaching at Poynette, but have since given up coaching Football in order to make room for my duties as Athletic Director for the entire School system. I still coach Curling and find it very interesting and rewarding to work with today's youth.

My Family now numbers five with Michael Jon born in 1964 and Scott Robert born in 1966. Three boys really keep Roberta and I busy. All three are healthy and are typical boys with Randy playing on the 7th grade Basketball Team this year. Roberta works two days per week at the Hospital in Columbus, Wisc., about 20 miles away. During the summer of 1972 we built a new home three miles outside the village of Poynette and truly love the solitude and silence of the woods. My position as Athletic Director, Teacher, my interest in today's youth, new house, my Family all keep me quite busy, occupied and truly happy.

-99--Randall Lee	born July 3, 1961 in Stevens Point
100--Michael Jon	" Aug. 16, 1964 " Columbus, Wis.
101--Scott Robert	" June 16, 1966 " " "

Picture, Standing L to R; Michael and Randall,
Seated; Lee, Roberta and Scott

Feb. 2, 1974

LEE ANDREW MEGOW

THE ARTHUR MEGOW FAMILY

8--33 Arthur Hans Frantz Megow, b Sept. 11, 1888, m Lena Agnes Kuhn on Aug. 28, 1912 she was born Dec. 6, 1889 there were two sons to this marriage. (Refer to Pages 16Q to 16T).

102-Cyril Joseph b, Sept. 23, 1916, m Margaret Dubla on Sept. 4, 1943, she was born May 24, 1915, there were five children to this marriage.

108- Mel Arthur b, Oct. 24, 1919, m Edna Schupolsky on Jan. 12, 1946, they had two children.

THE CYRIL JOSEPH MEGOW
FAMILY

33-102 Cyril Joseph Megow, b Sept. 23, 1916, he married Miss Margaret Dubla on Sept. 4, 1943, she was born May 24, 1915 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael F. Dubola of Calumet, Mich. Mrs Dubola was the former Miss Mary Nowakowski, of Calumet Mich., and was born Jan 1887. Cyril graduated from the Cudahy High School in 1934, went to Vocational and Technical School until June 1935, then went to the A.O.Smith Corp., as a Tool and Die Apprentice. He is still with this Company making 36 years to this writing 1971. Took leave of absence March 1, 1944 for the duration of the war to go with the Navy as a Technical Inspector of Instrument etc, was First Class Petty Officer at Mare Island Naval Base, San Francisco, Calif., was discharged Dec. 26, 1945 and returned to A.O.Smith and is still with them.

103 Kathleen Mary b June 26, 1944
104 Lois Margaret b Oct. 18, 1946
105 Carl Arthur b Mar. 4, 1948
106 Julian b Nov. 30, 1949
107 James Michael b Aug. 14, 1951

33-108 Mel Arthur Megow, b Oct. 24, 1919 in Cudahy, Wisc., married Mis Edna Schupolsky on Jan. 12, 1946, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Schupolsky of Chicago, Ill., and was born Sept. 19, 1922. Mrs Schupolsky (daughters mother) was the former Miss Victoria Wolfe of Plainfield, Wisc., and was born Aug. 8, 1902. Mel graduated from Cudahy High School in 1937, worked at Cudahy Bros. Co (meat packers) in a variety of office positions until drafted by the Army Nov. 18, 1941, served as Corpal of Infantry at Camp Wheeler, Ga. until Dec. 1942, transferred to Quartermaster Corp at Camp Lee, Va., and subsequently to Transportation Corp. at Fort Hamilton, N.Y. for one month before embarkation to North Africa, served there 1 year and 2 years in Italy. Appointed a Warrant Officer in June 1943, returned home Dec. 6, 1945, discharged Feb. 1946 Attended Northwestern University 1946- 1950 majoring in Business Administration, subsequently worked for National Metal Trades Assn., as Research Analyst; C,A.Dunham Co. as Ass't to Vice Pres.. Sales; Norge Div. Borg-Warner Corp as Personnel Mag., Salary Admin. Mgr., Sales Admin. Mag. and Ass't to Vice Pres-- Administration until Company was sold to Fedders Corp. He then joined Bell and Howell Co., Chicago, and advanced to General Manager-Administration where he is at present (1971)

109 Susanne Victoria b Apr. 8, 1949

110 Douglas Mel b Mar. 12 1952

THE
MEGOW GENEALOGICAL
RECORDS

1-- Peter Miau, married Christine Sophia Englebel.

2-- August Miau, was born Sept. 17, 1793, he married
Henriette Friderike Repnow on Sept. 2, 1824 she
was born Sept. 2, 1798. She was the daughter of
Mr and Mrs Frederick Wilhelm Repnow, Mrs Repnow
was the former Miss Dorathea Louise Page.

4-- Herman Wilhelm born Mar. 22, 1834

3A-- Johann Jakob Miau, was born about 1798, he married
(Name unkown) and died in Altdamm, Germany.

5A-- Friedrich Wilhelm, was born Nov. 22, 1822

6A-- Karl August " " Nov. 28, 1824

7A-- Herman Alexander " " Aug. 21, 1833

NOTE: 3A Johann is the start of the NEW ENGLAND MEGOWS.

3-- William Edward Miau, was born July 18, 1917, he
died April 17, 1898. William married Reka Fredereka
Lippert on Mar. 30, 1843 in Lepsien, Germany.

NOTE: 3 William is the start of the WISCONSIN MEGOWS,
Refer to INTRODUCTION PAGE I of Megow Records.

THE NEW ENGLAND MEGOWS-

1-- 3A--Johann Jakob Megow(Miau) name changed in 1840 in
Germany, he was born about 1798, date of death unknown.
He died in Altdamm, Germany.

5A--Wilhelm born Nov. 22, 1822

6A--August " Nov. 28, 1824

7A--Hermann " Aug. 21, 1833

1-5A Friedrich Wilhelm Megow, was born Nov. 22, 1822 in Altdamm and died Feb. 24, 1897 in
Greifenhagen, Germany, he married Alwine Hellwig of Greifenhagen, near Stettin, she was
born Jan. 2., 1827 and died July 16, 1893. He was a teacher there. On June 14, 1893 the
city gave a celebration in his honor on the 50th Anniversary of his teaching.

8A--Karl Emil Albert born Aug. 2, 1846

9A--Wilhelm

10A-Herman Hugo " Mar. 5, 1858

11A-John Otto " Aug. 22, 1852

12A-Julius Louis " Nov. 13, 1849

1-7A Hermann Alexander Megow, was born Aug. 21, 1833, he
died in Stettin.

13A-Helene born Apr. 6, 1866 and died
in Stettin on Dec. 26, 1939

1-- 6A-- Johann Karl August Megow, was born Nov. 28, 1824 in Altdamm, he died there.

14A Gustav Erdmann born April 13, 1858
15A Carl Hermann Wilhelm "

5A- 8A-- Karl Emil Albert Megow, was born Aug. 2, 1846 in Greifenhagen, Germany, he died Mar,or Apr. 1962 in East Germany.

16A Margarethe born_____she married Lubach in Berlin-Neukolln

17A Minna Clara Elizabeth, born_____, she married Rexilius Tempelburg.

18A Friedrich Wilhelm Karl born_____, he married Wriezen.

19A Carl Emil Albert born_____, he married Wilhelmshaven

5A- 10A- Hermann Hugo, was born Mar. 5, 1858 in Greifenhagen, Germany and died in Sagan. He was a policeman in Sagan and weighed 304 lbs., in a picture he is shown with a stein of beer in his hand.

20A Ernst born_____,
Lauban

21A Charlotte born_____, in Buchwald
Germany, she married Neumann.

5A- 11A- John Otto Megow, was born Aug. 22, 1852 in Greifenhagen Germany and died Mar. 29, 1933 in Billerica, Mass. He married Mary in the U.S.A. there were no children . He was a watch-maker in New York City in 1910, he became a U. S. citizen Jan. 28, 1890. Spent his last years with Ludlof #27A, in Billerica, Mass.

5A- 12A- Julius Louis Megow, was born Nov. 13, 1849 in Greifenhagen, Germany and died Jan. 7, 1930 in Billerica, Mass. He married Luise Rasch of Eschershausen, Germany. His first wife died and he married a second time to Johanne. He was a mechanic who travelled around the country-side servicing Farm machinery so he was away from home a great deal. In his absence Wilhelm #23A helped his mother manage the family. When he was learning his trade as printer at C. Kundler & Son Greifenhagen, he lived with his grandparents. We have the certificate (New England folks) that he learned the trade dated July 1, 1895 and certified by the Police Department of that city. On June 27, 1896 he joined the Printers' Union in Germany. He worked for August Lax of Hildesheim, a printing and bookbinding Co. 1849-1949. Julius carried on a correspondence with August Lax 1878 until he became ill in 1962. From 1906 to 1910 Wilhelm worked for the city of Hildesheim in the Gas and Water Works. The family has his farewell paper from the Lord Mayor, Dr. Ehrlicher, of Hildesheim. He came to this country in 1922 and spent his last years with Ludolf #27A.

5A--12A Julius Louis Megow, (continued)

22A Lucie Alwine, was born Sept. 20, 1895 in Hildesheim, Germany, she died in Rowley, Mass., June 13, 1968. She married Oscar Lawrence Dick on April 27, 1918. He was born July 18, 1886 in Lawrence, Mass., he was the son of Ernest A and Johonna Matthes Dick. Lucie came to this country when she was about 16 years old and lived in Cambridge, Mass., with her brother, Wilhelm 23A and his Family. A few years later she moved to Billerica and lived with Ludolf #27A.

23A Wilhelm Frederick, was born July 15, 1877 in Hildesheim and died June 14, 1962 in Billerica. He married Margaret Laffert on Mar. 18, 1902, she was born Oct. 9, 1878 in Hildesheim and died in Billerica on Oct. 7, 1959. They came to America in 1910, when #25A was 6 years old and #27A Ludolf was 4 years old.

24A Karl William Anton, was born ____ he died in 1962 March or April in Sorau. He had a son Wilhelm Megow, who joined the military service in Germany on April 4, 1934 and was never seen again, he had one daughter.

25A Alwine Caroline Wilhelmine, was born in Hildesheim she married George Ohlendorf. They had one daughter Thea Ohlendorf Bronstrup, whos address is 4500 Osnabruck, Uhlhornstr, 8; Germany (1972)

12A-23A Wilhelm Frederick Megow, was born July 15, 1877 in Hildesheim and died June 14, 1962 in Billerica, Mass., he married Margarethe Laffert, she was born Oct. 9, 1878 in Hildesheim and died in Billerica, Mass., on Oct. 7, 1959. The couple came to America in 1910, John Otto # 11A was already in this country. At first they lived in Lawrence, Mass. as the mother had brothers and sisters living there. They lived there about one year and then moved to Cambridge, Mass. During the first World War #23A Wilhelm bought a place in Billerica and that is where Ludolf # 27A and his wife live at this time (1971). In 1933 Wilhelm built a house next door and that is where they spent their last years. Wilhelm worked for several book publishing firms before entering the newspaper field. He worked for the Boston Record American for 20 years and retired in 1943.

26A Alwine, was born July 9, 1903 in Heidesheim, Germany and died Nov. 28, 1944 in Boston, Mass. She married John A. Kelley. They had one son, William John Kelley, born Aug. 22, 1931 in Lowell Mass. He and his wife, Helen live at 8 Elmwood Circle, Peabody, Mass. They have three children, Colleen, Kelley and Kathy.

27A Ludolf John, was born Feb. 2, 1906 in Hildesheim, he married Irene Fadding on July 11, 1931 in Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 2, 1910. They had 2 sons.



PICTURE ABOVE: Top row, left to right, #27A Ludolf and Alice Fadding Megow; Rose Schein and Otto Lugstrass; #23A Wilhel and Margaret Laffert Megow; #22A Lucie Megow and Oscar Dick.

Bottom row: #28A Ludolf and Norma Lungstrass Megow.
Picture taken June 22, 1957.

23A- 27A Ludolf John Megow, was born Feb. 2, 1906 in Hildesheim, he married Irene Fadding on July 11, 1931 in Wethersfield, Conn. Feb. 2, 1910.

28A Ludolf William, was born Sept. 6, 1932 in Hartford, Conn. he married Norma Lungstrass on June 22, 1957, they have two children Joann and Heidi.

29A William Frederick, was born April 18, 1936 in Hartford, Conn. he married Helen Zwicker, they have two children Holly and Kristen.

6A--14A Gustav Erdmann Megow was born April 13, 1858 in Altdamm Germany and died Jan. 19, 1940 in Greifswald.

30A Charlotte was born in Gnesen, Germany she married Mr Warm.

31A Hanna, was born in Greifswald and married Mr Schmittov.

6A--15A Carl Hermann Wilhelm Megow, was born Sept. 13, 1859 in Altdamm, he died April 18, 1926 in Wollin, Germany

32A Charlotte was born Aug. 6, 1889 in Altdamm and married Mr Koppen.

N.E.M's

27A-28A Ludolf William Megow, was born Sept. 6, 1932 in Hartford, Conn. he married Norma Rose Lungstrass June 22, 1957. She is the only daughter of Mr and Mrs Otto Hugo Lungstrass of Wethersfield, Conn.

Ludolf, as a young child, lived in Hartford, Conn. In 1936, April 18, his brother, William Fredrick was born. In 1942 the family moved to Billerica, Mass. He completed his education there and graduated from Howe High School in 1950. His only side line activity in High School was playing the violin. During that time he worked part-time as a clerk in a Hardware Store. After H. S. he went to Northeastern Univ., in Boston, Mass for one year.

In 1951 he joined the U.S. Navy Seabees, during four years duty he was in Alaska and the Philippines. His line of work in the service was Heavy construction diesel mechanic and he attained the rank of 2nd class petty officer.

Upon completion of duty with the Seabees, he attended Wentworth Institute for 2 years in Boston and received an Associate Degree in Steam and Diesel Engineering in June 1957.

June 22, 1957 he married Norma, they bought a house at 168 Forest Drive in Wethersfield and this has been their home to this date.

After graduation, he gained employment with Combustion Engineering Inc. as a technician. He worked in the research and Development Laboratories, which covered all phases of testing, dealing with the building and operation of nuclear power plants. He has worked his way up in the Labs and now has the position of group leader.

In 1958, he joined the Masons, there were 3 generations present, Grandfather, Father and son, which isn't a common occurance.

He and his wife have also gone into business for themselves, they carry on a Home Care products line, helping people obtain a second income so they can have things that were previously unobtainable, they also make hooked rugs, do carpentry and mechanical repairs as they improve and modify their living quarters, this is an excellent hobby.

33A Irene Joann	born June 1, 1960 in Hartford, Conn.
34A Heidi Rose	born May 22, 1963 in New London "
	She was adopted at the age of 8 months.

27A-29A William Frederick Megow, was born April 18, 1936 in Hartford, Conn. he married Henel Lillian Zwicker, she was born June 11, 1936 in Somerville, Mass.

William was graduated from Howe High School, of Billerica in 1954, attended Lowell Technological Institute, of Lowell, during the years 1954 to 1956. He spent the next two years in Wentworth Institut, Boston, where he received his degree in Eng. Electronics and is now employed by them as A'sst Dept. head. He has written a Laboratory Manual for electronic shop practices with Alexander W. Avtzis of Watertown, Mass. The Manual was published by Printice Hall
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Publishers of New Jersey in 1969. Robert and William are currently writing a text for electronic shop practices and printed circuit packaging which they hope to complete in 1972.

William was raised in the Masonic Lodge, Thomas Talbot Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Billerica, Mass in 1960, his brother, Father and Grandfather also were members.

From 1960 to 1966 he was a member of the 110th Armored Division Army National Guard, of Lowell, where he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

His wife Helen was raised in Arlington, she is a graduate of the Arlington H.S., 1954 and also of the Hickok Secretarial Evening School of Boston, which she attended, 1954 to 1955. She was then employed by Dewey and Almy Chemical Co., of Cambridge, Mass as Secretary from 1954 to 1963, she is presently a full time housewife.

35A Holly Louise, was born Jan. 2, 1964 in Arlington, she graduated from the United Presbyterian Kindergarten of Burlington, 1970 to 1971, completed 1st Grade Wildwood School, and is now attending 2nd Grade in the same school, she is also a member of Troop #569 of the Brownies, in that city.

36A Kristen Louis, was born June 24, 1967 in Arlington.

Compiled by
FRED WATROUS MEGOW

1973

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

THE FUTURE GENERATIONS IN ANY FAMILY GROUP REPRESENT THE RECRUITS WHO WILL CARRY ON THE WORK OTHERS HAVE STARTED.

I PERSONALLY FEEL RESPONSIBLE TO INITIATE THE USE OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND COUNSEL TO OUR DESCENDANTS AS WE EMBARK ON THE FIRST, "MEGOW and ALLIED FAMILIES GENEALOGICAL RECORDS", TO BE GENERALLY DISTRIBUTED AMONG THE FAMILY MEMBERS.

THEY WILL CARRY ON FAMILY TRADITIONS, LOYALTY TO COUNTRY, CHURCH AND FAMILY, SHOW INTEGRITY, HONESTY, DILIGENCE, HUMILITY, PERSERVERANCE, KINDNESS, SERVICE TO HIS FELLOW MEN AND A WILLINGNESS TO SHARE.

THE UNBORN GENERATIONS WILL APPRECIATE THIS WORK AND IT WILL HELP MANY THROUGH THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF LIFE. THE WRITTEN WORK OF ADVICE LEFT TO YOUR CHILDREN OR GRANDCHILDREN, WILL HAVE A TREMENDOUS EFFECT FOR GOOD. FUTURE GENERATIONS WILL APPRECIATE YOUR LIFE STORY AS A PRECIOUS TREASURE AND BLESS YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO WRITE AND EXPRESS DIRECTLY, THE GOOD AND UPLIFTING EVENTS.

LATER BOOKLETS WILL CONTAIN MORE DETAILS ON THIS SUBJECT.

PICTURES ARE AN IMPORTANT ASSET TO A BOOK AND IF YOU HAVE INTERESTING PHOTOS OF THE PAST, OR ONES OF YOURSELF AND MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY DO SEND THEM TO ME

WHEN FORWARDING PHOTOS TO ME BE SURE TO GIVE COMPLETE DISCRPTION AND IF YOU WISH THEM RETURNED MAKE A NOTE OF THAT ALSO. YOU WILL FIND THAT WE ARE RELIABLE AND THE PICTURES WILL BE IN GOOD HANDS AND WILL BE RETURNED.

HERALDIC DESCRIPTION

ARMS (SHIELD)

Quarterly 1st gules an eagle contournee sable crowned or, 2nd or two boot soles in saltire sable, 3rd azure three sun flowers or stemmed and leaved vert, issuing from the same stem, 4th gules an ibex saliant argent surmounting rocks peaks of the same.

CREST:

1st: On a coronet or the tail of a peacock proper between two probocides couped dexter or on sable and sinister gules on argent.

2nd: On a coronet or a torteaux-vezant quarterly argent and gules surmounted by three plumes of ostrich, azure, or and gules.

MOTTO:

In God we Trust

VARIANT:

NAIU MAKOW

REFERENCE SOURCE:

Armorial General by J.B.Rietstap

NOTE

The COAT OF ARMS shown above is of French origin and a brief discription follows. One can refer to the reference, MAKOW, found in most libraries and find information on the coloring which includes, black, yellow, blue, green and red.



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CHARLES CARL MEGOW

Born, March 30, 1846 in Parsow, Prussia

EMILIE ZUMACH

Born, 1849 in Prussia

Married Nov. 27, 1870 (First Marriage)

CHARLES died, Oct. 16, 1914 in Arnold, Neb.

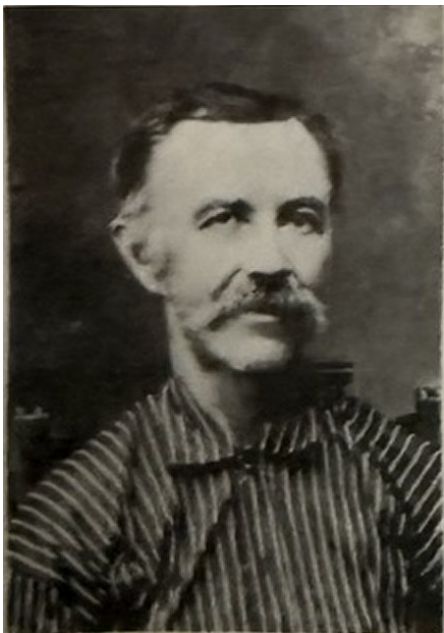
EMILIE " Oct. 23, 1901 in South Milwaukee, Wisc

MARIA JANE BOLSTER

Born, Sept. 25, 1867 in Omro, Wisconsin

Married 1897 (Second Marriage)

MARIA JANE, died June 16, 1946 in Broken Bow, Neb.





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EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW

Born, Sept. 10, 1871

Married, Mary Adell Whitmore

June 1, 1898

40 Fred Watrous born, July 25, 1899

41 Nettie Adell " May 23, 1901

42 George Edward " May 10, 1903

43 Wesley Whitmore " Feb. 27, 1917



14

JOHN MEGOW

Born, Nov. 25, 1873



15

CHARLES MEGOW

Born, Nov. 27, 1878

Married, Florence Hill

April 9, 1906

65 Carlton Wesley born, Apr. 22, 1907

66 Lucy



16

EDWARD JULIUS MEGOW

Born, Oct. 5, 1882

Married, Jennie May Garbin

Aug. 1, 1911



17

SOPHIA ISABELLE MEGOW

Born, July 28, 1898

Married, Ralph Province

June 10, 1917

Ruth born, May 22, 1918

Howard " Nov. 4, 1920

Helen " Mar. 7, 1926

Paul " July 15, 1931

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REKA MEGOW

Born, Dec. 13, 1901



19

MINNIE MEGOW

Born, May 24, 1904

Married Charles West

1928

Alice born, Aug. 4, 1929

Grace " Apr. 23, 1931

Albert " Nov. 24, 1934

Robert " Apr. 16, 1937

Carl " Jan. 12, 1939

Lily " Mar. 20, 1943

Before you change your attitude toward others, make you first review the reasons for so doing it, you may find yourself the cause of it all.

Some people can reason when their own personality is not involved, however if it becomes involved they lose all rationality.

Refusal to discuss a problem with your fellow man is a sure sign of guilt.

Cutting communications with your fellow man denotes a weakness.

Do not turn your back on responsibility.

Talking about people who trust and love you is the devils trap.

Family unity is the foundation of a successful civilization.

Don't cover up your faults by blaming others.

When you are looking for solutions to problems, look close to home for the cause.

The strength of a family group is determined by the weakest link, which should be repaired immediately.

Family DISUNITY invites TRAGEDY.

To have your own POINT-OF-VIEW respected by others, you must like-wise show respect to the other persons POINT-OF-VIEW.

Those who show no concern, love and devotion, to the elderly will, when they become older be the first ones to complain that the younger generation disregards them.

Even the best family tree has (a) sap.

If you refuse to discipline your son, it proves you do not love him.

PROVERBS 19-18--"Discipline your son while there is hope, do
not set your heart on his distruction"

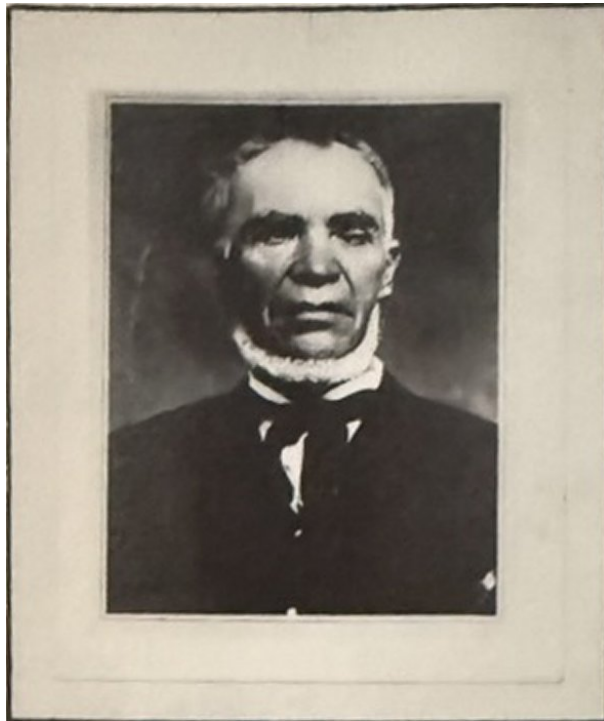
Be kind and considerate to the young, respect and seek the advice of the elderly.

Do not talk about others and when you are caught up on so doing, blame yourself and try to correctit. You will be forgiven.

Much valuable information goes to the grave unrecorded.

As you become older your true self emerges from the shell.

BY FRED WATROUS MEGOW



MR WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW



MRS WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW

THE LIPPERT FARM



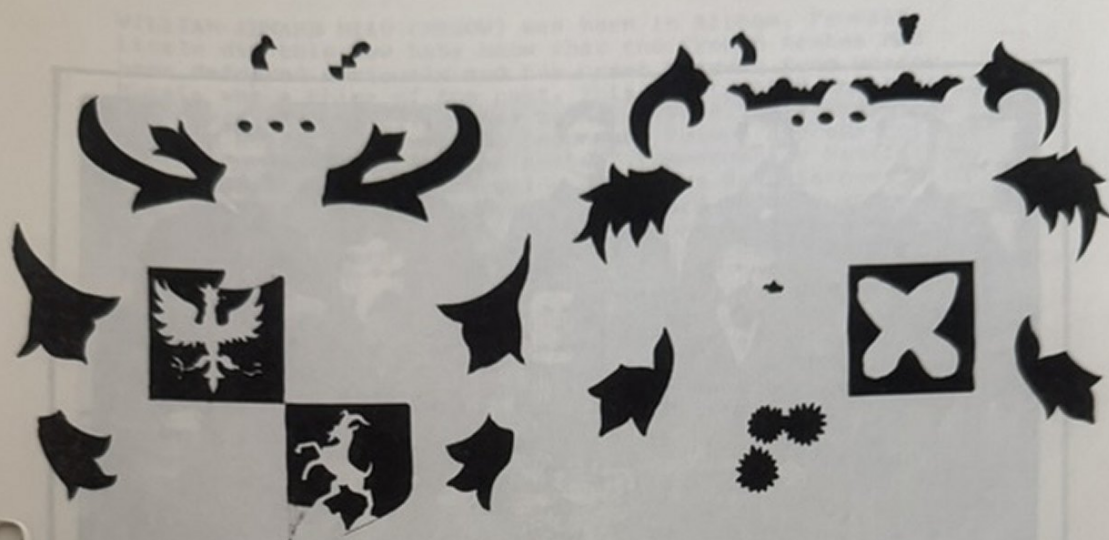
This is the Farm Home of William Lippert. The log cabin is the first house they lived in when they came from Germany. He built it himself out of logs that he cut on his farm, near Harrisville, Wisconsin. Later he built the new house in the back. This picture was taken in 1900.

Fredericka Lippert Megow was the sister of William and John Lippert.

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| 1. William Lippert | 2. Mrs Lippert | 3. John Lippert |
| 4. Herman E. Megow | 5. Ann Lippert | 6. Mary Lippert |
| 7. Mrs Herman E. Megow The rest are their families. | | |

RED

YELLOW



GREEN

BLUE



WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW'S FAMILY



Following you will read short biographies of the above sons and a daughter.

TOP ROW (Left to right)

HERMAN, ROBERT, EDWARD, LOUIS AND WILLIAM

SEATED

CARL, WILHELMINA AND FRANK

The picture was taken about 1882

THE
WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW
FAMILY
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WILLIAM EDWARD MIAU (MEGOW) was born in Altham, Prussia. Little did this new baby know that the French Armies had been defeated seriously and the Great Retreat from Moscow, Russia was a thing of the past. This was in 1812 and in 1815 two years before William was born, July 18, 1817. Napoleon made an abortive attempt to reconquer Europe and was defeated by the English and Prussian Armies, commanded by Wellington, in the Great Battle of Waterloo. Williams Grandfather, with his families, finally settled in Northern Prussia where French Protestants were welcome, he would be brought up in a French type home and learn both the French and German languages and later English.

WILLIAM was to learn later in life that his Grandfather had been a mule driver in Napoleon's Army in its retreat from Moscow, the reason for being a mule driver, he was of such small size, he did not make a good foot soldier and claimed that the soldiers were so anxious to get home that they kept poking him in the back with their muskets and that he had a sore back for sometime afterwards. Wilhelm Dunkel, a trumpeter in the cavalry, brought back a snuff box from the Napoleonic Wars in 1814. Dunkel was a cousin of Alwine Helwig Megow and it was given to (1-2 New England Megows Father),

We have no record of Williams early life, we do know that the family was large, which was a normal thing in those days, research from the well kept records, which was what the Germans did with so much efficiency, will no doubt uncover much more information, we do know that all of Europe was very much in an unsettled condition. All gains of Revolutionary activities in those years had been wiped out in Europe by 1849.

William had now learned his trade as millwright, and was prosperous, had one daughter Wilhelemia, who was born in 1844 and four sons who were born in 1846, 1848, 1850 and 1852, they were devoted to the Luthern Church and after 1850 decided that they would go with their family to the United States. It would take several years to get things ready as I can imagine it was not an easy task to disrupt a family of five small children, pack up and go so far away from home, however they were certainly justified since Europe was in a turmoil and the New World had much appeal.

WILLIAM saw great possibilities in the New World and as early as 1847 he took immigrants to America, several trips were made to Quebec and Wisconsin. He could really be called a Colonizer, since he did this sort of thing until finally taking his family in 1856. William besides being a busy millwright and Colonizer,

worked for the Prussian Government in the Cranberry Marshes, this was an Agricultural Development started by the great Von Bismark, later on he would use this experience to a great advantage in the New World.

REKA FREDRICA ELIZABETH LIPPERT, was born May 18, 1823, in Lepsien, Germany she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Lippert of Germany, the couple were married in Lepsien on March 30, 1843, her people as far as can be determined were German and better off economically than the average family, she had several sisters and brothers. When her parents, died they left a large estate of which she was left her share, however was unable to get it out of Germany, at various times her brother was able to send some monies to his sister in America. The brother was a prominent Architect, who lived in a mansion on the outskirts of Berlin (now East Germany). Records also show that she had another brother who was a Colonel Lippert, he lived on the Rhine River, both brothers at one time or another had relatives from America visit them.

FREDRICA was a wonderful peppy person, hard working and full of fun. The Lipperts came to America also and settled in Harrisville, Wisconsin. After her husbands death, April 17, 1898, she would spend a lot of time visiting with her children. Her home was in Berlin, Wisconsin. She spent lots of time with her daughter and two sons in Independence and Waterloo, Iowa.

She passed away March 7, 1912 at Cranberry Center, Wisconsin. Her death being due to ailments incidental to old age, her remains were brought to Independence for burial, in the family plot next to her husband William in the Oakwood Cemetery. Her mothers name was Wilhelminia, she was born in Germany and was 89 years old when she died. Fredrica had 3 brothers we know of, William who was still living at the time of her death, he was then 96 years old, John Colonel Lippert and the Architect mentioned above. Her father was born March 1797 and died March 29, 1891 The Lippert girls Ann and Mary were daughters of her brother William.

THE NEW WORLD, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, it was in 1856 that William, his wife and children set out for the New World, they severed ties in the homeland, to try their luck in a new country, little knowing what a bunch of MEGOWS would be around that country in 1972, having no idea that some of their descendents would be remarkably successful, that in a few years after their arrival the new country would have a Great Civil War.

They were to discover that in this New Land there had hardly been time to develop customs and traditions, they themselves would help to form them, that of course was what helped make our country great. With all the pressures, the radical element up to 1972 had not been able to over-throw our Democratic

form of Government, so they were to see in action and have a part in this action of the New Government formed only a few decades prior to their coming to this Country. I feel how their blood tingled and spirit rose when they sighted land for the first time since leaving the Old Country and the ties they left behind. Upon arrival they went via Chicago, Milwaukee, Montello, to Quebec, then Berlin, Wisconsin where they made their home, it has occurred to me many times that in going to Quebec, they had friends or relatives, since many French people settled in that locality.

BERLIN, CRANBERRY CENTER, WISCONSIN, William set up a shop in Berlin and worked at his trade, there were many German settlers in Wisconsin and the language was used to a considerable extent and these folks could talk and think on common terms. In those days the blacksmith was a very important man in the community, there were wheels to repair, horses to shoe, wagon springs, locks to repair, he was indispensable and had to be strong both physically and mentally, his anvil and furnace were romantic symbols of an era long since faded from the scene of community activities.

He stayed at this trade long enough to teach his oldest son Carl the trade, which was the custom in those days. He and his wife became members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in 1869, in Berlin, Wisconsin. The state was growing, more people coming every day, modes of transportation improving, the railroad came, all this meant easier access to markets.

Growing cranberries was in vogue and the Megows embarked on this idea, by buying some marsh land where cranberries would grow and went in the business. He had seven sons and one daughter so there was plenty of potential help. The marshes, which they purchased, were in the vicinity of Cranberry Center. State production of this berry in 1950 was about 150,000 barrels annually, how many barrels were harvested in those days I do not know, however like all crops, if the market price was good they did well.

With experience gained in Prussia he would not be a novice at this venture and he would also, with his knowledge, be in a position to have an outstanding produce, which proved to be correct, since they won a prize at the Chicago Worlds Fair in 1893 for the "best keeping quality". The name given this venture was, W.E.Megow and Sons Cranberry Marsh, after some years of success, the entire marsh burned in the dry weather fire in 1896 and this cleaned William and his sons and no doubt was one of the causes of his death two years later.

Some where along lifes path William developed a tumor on one eye, since it was benign in character, after its removal and healing, caused no more difficulty, it can be noticed on his photograph. They raised a fine family, one daughter Wilhelemia and seven sons, Carl, Frank, William, Herman, Robert, Edward and Louis, the last son being born in 1863. Mrs Megow was a wonderful lady and a stern master was the father. This was a fine start for the Wisconsin Megows. In later years they continued to have their home in Berlin and visited very often with their children.

William died April 17, 1898 in his home in Berlin, his remains were moved to Independence, Iowa and was buried in the Oakwood Cemetery in the Megow Family plot. The funeral occurring in the Episcopal Church with the Rev. O.J. Scovell officiating.

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Looking to the future, this decade of the 70's in the great 20th Century is making the imaginative realize how important time is; only two more decades to go, then the 21st will appear on our eastern horizon.

Wilhelmina came into this world 128 years ago, March 20, 1844, born in Maso, Prussia. Strange that the writer choose this very day in 1972 to write her short biography.

Mother and Father were young people, much in love and now their family was started. Prussia was a prosperous country, a product of Frederick the Great. Wilhelminias mother was a Lippert and the Grand Parents would help William and his young bride to get started; generally speaking they would be considered a middle class, industrious hard working family with good prospects for a bright future.

Wilhimina, now in this world a healthy child and a product of excellent hertiage found in both her parents, would get the best nourishment from her healthy mother and as she grows; only our imagination can write the history of this child, who would make such a wonderful wife and mother in years to come. Let all those who read these lines realize the importance of proper record keeping on the family personnel, so future Historians and Genealogists will have something real on which to base their writings.

Her nice personality, love and desire to help others, will be a big help to the parents in the difficult task of raising the seven boys, who followed, breaking ties in Prussia and the long arduous trip to the New World. She would be almost a teenager when the trip started, but already a capable assistant to her mother, here we have a young girl, healthy, a wonderful personality and good looking, who would grow up in Berlin, Wis.

Wisconsin in 1856 was still a wild land, with usual Indians, who fortunately were friendly, would get a good education as the times permitted, would see the young men leaving the Berlin environment for the Civil War, she would gather with other young women to help were ever possible in the War effort. Her parents had a big family and a daughter would be an important asset, she was a natural housekeeper and her brothers would miss her presents around home when she and Frederick would marry in 1866.

Frederick Messerschmidt was born in Prussia Nov. 16, 1836, the exact location we do not know, but believed to be in the area between Berlin and Stettin Germany. His fathers name was John Messerschmidt, the mother was from Germany also. He was a Civil War Veteran, having enlisted in Wisconsin and during the war had his surname changed to SMITH, after being mustered out of the army he returned to Berlin and he and Wilhimina fell in love and were married Oct. 9, 1866.

Iowa back in those days had much to offer the venturesome. Fred and his new bride moved to Independence, May 1869. The following month her two brothers Frank and William also moved to Iowa. This was to be their home from then on.

They raised a fam'ly of 3 sons and 3 daughters, Frank, Anna, Herman, Hattie, Fred Jr. Minnie. Frank died when he was less than two years of age, Herman at the age of 15. This would sadden the parents and then again during the Flu Epidemic (1917) their son Fred Jr. was stricken and in serious condition in Wausau, Wisconsin and not expected to live, he did get well, however the call was a close one and like many who had this sickness and were saved by a narrow margin, were so weakened in the heart function, that few survived over 10 years. Fred Jr. lived 7 years after this sickness.

Mr and Mrs Smith celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on Sunday Oct. 9, 1921. Immediate relatives spent this day with them, at their home. Wilhelmina was then nearing her time to enter the eternal home now prepared for her as the reward she had so richly earned. She was a good Christian Lady now in poor health, she passed away Oct. 20, 1921 and had the privilege of the three surviving children to be with and care for her during this last illness.

The death of this sweet, kindly lady left a vast void in the family circle, she was a quiet, unassuming nature, giving her entire devotion to the family and friends. The friends and neighbors of a lifetime felt her loss and grieved with the bereaved family.

Relatives and friends from out of town who attended the funeral were; Robert Megow, Minneapolis; Mr and Mrs Louis H. Megow, Gladys, Fred and Louis Smith, all of Oelwein, Mr and Mrs Frank Megow, Waterloo; James Quinby, Cedar Falls; Mr and Mrs Floyd Freeman; Mr and Mrs H.B.Kanouse, G.M. and Edgar Miller, Hazelton; Mrs Eva Wills, Mrs Edna Luloff, Henry Wills of Jessup. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. J.K. Hawkins, Interment was made in the Oak Grove Cemetery. Fred lived to be 92 years 8 months 15 days of age and died July 31, 1929, he was a retired farmer and was buried next to his wife.

THE
CHARLES CARL MEGOW
FAMILY
3-5

CHARLES CARL MEGOW was born March 20, 1846 in Strauss, Prussia, which was an independent Kingdom, it would not become part of Germany until 1871 as a result of the famous Von Bismark. During the time of Carls birth Bismark was developing his fame, he was able to unite the country and make it one of the big powers in Europe. The MEGOWS at this time were busy raising their young daughter Wilhilminia who was two years old, now they had a son which was great news in those days, as the oldest son was looked upon to carry on the family traditions. He and his sister played together, to small to realize the playmates yet to come in this world and in 1848 another boy, Frank, was born followed by William in 1850 and Herman in 1852. The decision had now been made, this family would be moved to the New World, the wonderland United States, which contained the pot of Gold at the tip of the rainbow, which this family had seen many times when they looked into the sky. What fun these children had in their playtime, how envious those playmates, that remained behind, would be. Carl was now six years old. German was the language he spoke, at ten or eleven would find him in the New World.

The New World in 1856, five children, a pregnant mother and a nervous husband would be embarking from a port in Europe (At this point Genealogical Research has not entered into investigation of ports of embarkation and disembarkation, until records are located we can only say that land of the New World was sighted). To move a family this large, would require a group effort, Carl and his sister must help mother constantly, sea sickness was to effect all members of this family and it would be difficult for the young to understand, the older two must prove themselves were a great help to the parents.

I wonder as I write this article what might have gone through this lads mind, imagination would run rampant, I am sure it would bring forth many questions which would try the patience of the hard pressed parents, who had lost their sixth child in Prussia at birth and they would hope the one Mrs Megow was carrying would be a healthy child, it was in its early stages so there was plenty of time. The trip was the usual crossing and when the look-out called out "Land is sighted", the Megow family would have a thrill of a life time, they were almost there, Carl would dance with joy, going through Customs would be a slow process, never-the less it was no time before they were on their way to Wisconsin and safely settled. Carl was to grow up in a semi-wild country but that suited his nature. Growing up as a young man he would learn his fathers trade and be a wheel wright.

MISS EMILIE ZUMMACH was the daughter of William Zummach of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, she was born in 1849, also in Prussia and when she was 20 and Carl 23 they were married and set up house keeping in Berlin, Wisconsin where the Father and Mother of

Carl resided and had their business. Emilie's people settled in Milwaukee and over the years very successful in professions and business, one of her uncles had a big paint business there, another was President of a Bank, she was a quite attractive young woman, very conservative, thrifty and well trained to be an efficient house wife, these traits would help her in the future, since Carl left when the four boys were teenagers. Emilie only lived until 1901 while in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin where she died of cancer of the stomach and was buried in the Union Cemetery at Milwaukee. She did live to see the first grandson born, he is the writer of this article.

Carl had learned his father's business and was a full pledged Wheelwright, he was quite successful for some years. Their first son, Emil was born in 1871 and being a son, there was much elation with the grand-parents both Megows of Berlin and Zummachs of Milwaukee. The Wheelwright business prospered and three more sons were born, John, Carl and Edward, the grandparents were happy having four grandsons and things went along well until the barn, in the back of the property burned and was completely destroyed, this must have happened about 1880 at which time the father, left his family and went to Nekoosa, Wisconsin where he worked in the paper mills there, later he married Maria Jane Bloster (Jennie).

MARIA JANE BOLSTER was born at Omro, Wisconsin, on September 25, 1867 and she died at Broken Bow, Nebraska, on June 16, 1946, at the age of 80 years, eight months and 21 days. Her childhood and young womanhood were spent in Wisconsin, where she met and married Carl Megow in 1897. To this union were born three daughters Sophia, Reka and Minnie. The family moved to Nebraska when the girls were children, she was a member of the Methodist Church in Broken Bow.

She had four sisters; Mrs Elizabeth Kelly of Forest Park, Mrs Emma Wetmore, Clintonville, Wisconsin, Mrs Lydia Devlin of Forest Park, Ill; Mrs Beck Olmstead of British Columbia and also 11 Grand Children and three Great Grand Children. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Albert Monkman, Pastor of the First Methodist Church at the Schneringer and Johnson Funeral Home in Broken Bow. Mrs Roy Mills played the organ and she and Mrs Edna Ullrich sang. The pallbearers were Howard, Paul and Gail Province, Raymond Link, Ellsworth Browning and Charles Gray, she was buried in Broken Bow Nebraska Cemetery.

While still living in Wisconsin, Arthur Megow #8-33 remembered his uncle Carl visited them in Princeton with his second wife and three little girls. This was in 1904 and Arthur was then attending the local High School.

Carl continued to work in the paper mills until about 1906. This was a period when land could still be homesteaded in the West and especially attractive was the State of Nebraska, he felt

that there could be a good future for he and his family in that State, there is no doubt in my mind, he was enthused at the prospects, even though he was now 60 years old, it would seem very realistic to him; own a small ranch, be free, on his own land out in Gods wilderness, where he could build something for his family. Carl also knew at this time that his four sons were doing good for themselves, it would even boost his pride, after all he was their father. Finally the family went by train to Broken Bow, Neb. They rented and he worked at odd jobs until the land at Arnold, Neb. became available, it took until about 1911 for this to come to pass. There were no conveniences, it was one quarter section of land in wild canyon country and this took courage.

Carl had planned to build his ranch into something to be proud of, things did not turn out as he planned, since he became sick and that retarded his progress. Carl had the vision, but circumstances just were against him, during his last dying moments he ask " how are my boys". He still had on his mind, those boys of which he was always so proud, then his three daughters and his good wife were close to him. Carl can well be proud of the wonderful families that he and the two wives created, they will do the things he was unable to complete in his life time. He died Oct. 16, 1914. The cause of his death was Pneumonia and Chronic Nephritis (kidney trouble) his doctor was Dr. J.E.Dunn and the Undertaker F.W.Brown. Place of death was Custer County, Loyal Township. He was buried in the Powell Canyon Cemetery, Arnold, Neb.

April 7, 1972

FRED WATROUS MEGOW
(Oldest Grand Child)

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FRANK EMIL RUDOLPH MEGOW, was born Sept. 11, 1848 in Prussia, being the third child of William and Reka, he would have a 4 year old sister and a two year old brother to grow up with and would spend several years in this Prussian environment, which even in his young tender years as a child would have its influence. The characteristics of his parents, who both came from strong races of people, would help to mold his physical and mental well being and as Frank goes from one stage of life to another this excellent background will be a strong impelling source, he will develop into a conservative, well mannered and articulate individual, with plenty of imagination and optimism.

Frank was born at home, Minnie and Carl would be fascinated by their new baby brother, mother would feed him, father is hard at work each day at his trade. coming home hungry and tired. but how relaxing to him with a new son and two small children to love and amuse, how proud to be their father and happy with his beautiful young wife. Mother and Father would thank God for their good fortune, Frank will receive sincere religious guidance, he would learn in his childhood, the beautiful Bible Stories and their effect on him everlasting, all this would help make him a well rounded child and it would be much needed since in a few years now, the excitement of the New World would be the chief topic of conversation in the Megow household.

Frank is now walking around, a typical child who was soon to have the same excitement as his sister and brother had two years ago, here the storks delivering another baby boy, William, to be followed in two more years by Herman, more mouths to feed and prouder parents, all this must have made the thoughts of the New World more convincing. During the hustle and bustle of getting things in order, the children will receive the same love and care. What would be going on in Franks mind at six years of age? How does he picture events to come? I would expect at his age it was a day to day affair, as long as mother and father are around, everything will be all right by him.

The New World would soon be a different environment for Frank, still depending on his parents, the trip would be a tiresome one but through it all he would arrive safe and sound, after waking up in a new day in a new world, must have created a variety of questions, the parents must answer, anyway in a short time the adjustment would be made and the boy would have his playmates, which would be different from time to time, as the boy grew. He could help in the Cranberry patch, do odd jobs, here and there, help his father, some how Frank would make himself a good Machinist.

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HERMAN WILHELM MEGOW
FAMILY
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HERMAN #4 (Germany), was a nephew of WILLIAM #3 (United States), making his seven sons and one daughter 1st cousins to WILLIAMS children.

GUSTAV
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He was actually a stepbrother of the remaining seven. His last name was Kehl. As far as I know he was an illegal child of my grandmother before she married my grandfather and carried the maiden name of his mother. He lived somewhere in northern Germany-Pomerania I believe which is now Polish territory. He never was in very close contact with the other seven. He had quite a numerous family but I don't know a thing about them. My father knew more about him and may be that my uncles can give me more information.

MARTHA
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She was the only girl in the family and had quite a rough time with the boys as my father sometimes told me. She married a man named Schutz, with the last name, and lived in Danzig the city in the prewar Polish corridor about which the second world war actually started as you might remember. Danzig is now a Polish city named Gdansk. My uncle in Danzig was a gardener by profession. Aunt Martha had a numerous family, 15 children, 12 of whom lived. They all lived in West and East Prussia parts of Germany which today either are Russian or Polish, not only occupied by those powers mind you but actually integrated into those countries. Father visited Aunt Martha quite often though it was more than 500 miles from Kassel where we lived. My oldest sister who died in 1939 spent a happy vacation there once as a teenager. I never have been in Danzig. Who of Aunt Martha's family still lives I do not know. The scourge of the war has created savage havoc in those unhappy eastern German provinces when the asiatic avalanche rolled over them. I knew only one son of Aunt Martha-Alfred Schutz who for a long time lived in Magdeburg, now in the Russian Zone of Germany and then moved to Frankfurt on the Oder, the river which is now the borderline between Poland and the Russian Zone of Germany. He had one son Otto Schutz, who must be about my age. Whether anyone of them is still alive I do not know but perhaps could find out. My Aunt Martha and her husband Friedrich Schutz met with a terrible fate in their high old age. Both were nearing the eighties when the Russians swept over Germany. My uncle hung himself in 1945 overcome by hunger and desperation and my Aunt shortly afterwards died from starvation and a broken heart. The news was brought to us by some of the few of our relatives who managed to escape from behind the iron curtain. Responsible for the act of my uncle might also have been the fact that some of his sons whom I never knew closer were in

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important positions in the National Socialist Party of Germany as so many other worthy men who, by far not all have been criminals as the rest of the world is so easily misled to believe

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EMIL

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Emil was a railroad engineer and lived with his family in Konigsberg in East Prussia an old German town which now is Russian and named Kaliningrad. If you ever have heard about the great German philosopher Kant, Konigsberg was his hometown and the place of his life in the 18th century. We have had fairly close life ties with uncle Emil though they lived even some 200 miles farther away from us than my aunt in Danzig. Uncle Emil died early from a heart attack I believe. I never knew him but his wife, my Aunt Amalie and her two children, my cousins Hertha and Gerhard, were very well known to us. We visited back and forth. Aunt Amalie and my cousin Hertha liked to travel and off and on somebody of the family was either with us or we with them. That was in intervals of five and more years of course since traveling in Germany was expensive for a modest middle class family as we were and a trip of 700 miles meant a lot of money. In fact the visiting was only possible since my father was a railroad employee. In peace time I have been in Konigsberg twice and several times during the war while my division was stationed in East Prussia and I went to the city on week end passes. I last saw Konigsberg and my relatives in 1941 when seriously wounded in Russia and on my way back to a hospital in Stuttgart where I had my home at the time and when I was in a hospital in Konigsberg for some days before being strong enough to stand further transportation. Hertha married a municipal clerk in Konigsberg and carried the name Widder (means Ram or He-sheep). She had two sons, Arno and Edgar. Both were very gifted boys and had some leading position in the Hitler youth organization of that city. Edgar aged 18 years the pride of his mother was killed in action the very last months of the war when Konigsberg was already overrun by Russians. Arno, the older son, today about 28 years old is still alive and the only one left of the family. He was an officer in the German Air Corps and happened to be in southern Germany when the end came. He stayed in Stuttgart, married, a girl there after the war, same as I did during the war and today works for an insurance company in Stuttgart. We called on him in April this year when we made our farewell visits to my wife's folks who all live in that city, too. He has two lively, healthy and budding sons of three and four years old. From him we learned that his parents, both still young, had perished in Konigsberg under the Russians. Mr. Widder must have died in prison in 1945 from hunger, exposure and maltreatment while my cousin Hertha seems to have struggled along until she finally succumbed too. She was forced into a labor battalion and while getting nothing else to eat but potato peels and rotten fish heads worked and labored for almost two years always hoping finally to be forwarded to Western Germany as

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it was done with the few souls who managed to survive the excruciating years. Konigsberg was a city of 250,000 inhabitants when the Russians came. According to reliable reports 150,000 died within the first nine months after the war ended. The tragic is that Hertha stayed through that hell almost to the very time when the transport was made up with which she was supposed to go to the West and then her emaciated body could not bear it any longer. I always felt particularly strong for her. She was such a happy, humorous, hospitable and witty person, who loved life and never passed up an occasion to stage a hilarious family party. My aunt Malie, the mother of Hertha also died as a victim of the terrible postwar conditions. Only Gerhard Megow, the brother of Hertha, my cousin who bears the same name I do, managed to get out of that nightmare in East Prussia. He remained a bachelor all his life. I figure him to be around 45 years old. He was an engineer in a big shipbuilding yard in Konigsberg. Vulkan is the name of that firm which is very well known to all occupation authorities of our present day Germany since everybody is busily engaged in dismantling what was left of this firm's industrial plants in Western Germany. I did not hear anything from Gerhard for a long time.

Until in April this year Arno Widder, Hertha's son in Stuttgart told me that Gerhard sticks around somewhere in Hamburg. He gave me his address and when coming to Hamburg in order to embark on the SS Washington for our way to the states, I called him up and met him for a short two hours talk in his one room home. He works again with his Vulkan firm which despite having lost everything started out from scrap again. He said that he has little pay and hard work but is confident that things eventually will improve, his firm grow again and he rise back again to the important position of a leading engineer which he formerly had. He was bowled over when I told him that I was on my way out together with my family and congratulated me on my luck. In the two hours he told me quite a string of horrible tales about the occurrences in East Prussia after the Russians arrived. He was a prisoner with them for some months until on a pretended sickness and with the indulgence of a humanly feeling Russian physician he managed to smuggle out to the west with a transport of sick and wounded German soldiers. There is no room here to relate his story to you, perhaps at a later date.

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HERMANN

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Herman lived in Kustrin on the Oder, the border line between present day Poland and the Russian occupation zone of Germany. A city formerly deep inside Germany of course. It is about 80 miles east of Berlin. I never met him or any body of his family. He was kind of a solitary and hardheaded figure in the circle of the family. Did not like to fool around too much with his relatives. Nevertheless my deceased sister spent a teenager vacation there and always told us how happy she had been there. Uncle Hermann had three or four sons, all quite a bit older than I am. They were, I understand, rough and ready fellows and played quite a part in the political

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change in Germany in 1933 when the National Socialists took over. Consequently they rose to eminent power in later years as my father told me, one of them must have been in a position within the party hierarchy that amounted to the position of a state governor over here. I never knew anything definite about them and was only a little bit worried about this rumor I was told about them after the war because it might have happened that somebody would mistake me for one of them since they carried my name and there are not too many Megows in Germany. They are all from the same clan. Fortunately we never lived far east in Germany so that no suspicion actually could fall upon me. I do not know a bit about my uncle Hermann's family and what happened to them after the war. It might easily be that they all have perished too.

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WILHELM

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Uncle Wilhelm was closest to my father not only in age but also in appearance and as a brother. Moreover he was the one who lived closest to us though still over 200 miles to the north. My father had penetrated deepest toward the center and the south of Germany with his family while the bulk of Megows lived in the north or far away in the north-east of Germany. People always liked seeing my father and uncle Wilhelm together. They both had a goatee beard and the same silvery white hair in their later age. Uncle Wilhelm lived in Wernigerode in the Harz mountain. Wernigerode is situated just inside the Russian occupation zone where it touches the English occupation zone not too far away from the big German city of Hannover. He had a son, Harald and a daughter Hilde. Hilde died quite a number of years ago from TB. Harald studied law, but he was not too good a guy. He was handsome but light minded, given to drinking and fooling around with girls and always was in debt. I remember when he once appeared unexpectedly in Kassel and gave my father quite a time trying to persuade him into giving him some money. But he had definitely come to the wrong address. He quit his studies prematurely, landed in the SS organization of Hitler, got united with Germany Hermann Goring, Hitler's all powerful vasal, built a huge industrial plant which today is still on of the biggest steel mills in Europe, now in the American occupation zone I believe. In the war he became an SS officer in the elite corps of the German Army. In one of his drinking bouts he insulted and actually slapped a superior officer while airing some grievances about the priggish behavior of many of these officers, he had some liberal thoughts after all, got busted for this and demoted to private, worked his way up again through the ranks and was last heard of somewhere around Dresden which was so terribly bombed by the Western allies in the last months of the war. (Several hundred thousand refugees from East Germany jampacked into that city were killed in that raid, mostly civilians and vanished from sight.) Nobody of my known relatives has ever heard from him again after the war.

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My aunt Lina, uncle Wilhelm's wife lived in Wernigerode in a little house which they owned there. Since that is behind the iron curtain we never heard from her again. She always was a little bit aloof being of the snobbish type and never cared about the other Megows anyway. In 1949 it was reported in west German newspapers that the Russians were going to evacuate the whole civilian population of Wernigerode since they wanted to bring in a huge labor force for a Uranium mine which purportedly they were going to open up in the Harz mountain. Whether my aunt still lived there, whether the evacuation actually took place and whether she was affected I do not know and nobody else knows. Uncle Wilhelm himself died sometime before the war from a fractured skull which he contracted while losing control of his bicycle when going down a steep and winding road in the Harz mountains.

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FRANZ

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Franz is my father. He had three children, Hilde, Gerhard and Katharina. Our mother died when I was 11 years old. It was in childbed. The girl lived for 13 months and then died too. That was in 1924 and probably more or less a result of the first world war and its aftermath. Much woe has been on my way from earliest youthtime I think I can truly say. But it is not the time now to talk about this. My father married again. My present mother Anna Megow 71 years old whom I left in Kassel living alone was a youth time friendship of my father. There were no other children. She always has been a good mother to us and surely had to work hard at the side of my father to bring the three of us up properly. My heart aches sometime when I think of my old stepmother whom I really loved sitting alone in our cold and inhospitable present day Germany pressed together with humans who all are much too concerned with their own sorrowful and hard pressed existence to care for anybody else or to show some consideration to anybody else. Be it shortly said that unfortunately during the two years when I lived with Grigitte and our daughter Gerlinde in the parental house my mother never could come to good terms with Grigitte and that it was the best for us to separate the two households. Mother's favorite child is and always was my sister Katharine or Kathe as we called her. My family story may be related in detail at a later time. Father died in 1946 after we had the great privilege of celebrating family reunion when I had returned from the US as a prisoner of war. That was in September. On December 16, he suffered a stroke from which he did not recover. Hurrying from Stuttgart where I lived at that time to Kassel I just came in time to have him die in my arms in the ambulance, on the way to the hospital. The winter 1946-47 left a deep scar in my soul in many respects. I'll never in my life forget that time of utter desolation and despair with hunger and disease raging in Germany and a winter which in its cruel cold was unsurpassed since many decades, with no fuel to keep

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warm with not even sufficient potatoes to eat not to talk about other urgently needed foodstuff that did not exist at all. God in Heaven be praised that in spite of all the suffering, he finally brought us through safely. May I only think oftener of these dreadful times in order to be able to thank my God from dawn to dusk for what we have now and can enjoy.

After a valiant struggle of 6 years against a creeping tuberculosis, my sister died in 1939. She was a dear girl, 27 years old when she died and always proud of her handsome brother, that's what she said at least. I was inducted into the army in that spring for a short term training period in Stuttgart and on a furlough stood at her death-bed a few weeks before she passed away. We knew at that time that I should not see her alive again, and she loved life so much. Kathe, my younger sister married young and lives in Hanau near Frankfurt on the Main in the American occupation zone. Her husband is an architect and they are right now fairly well settled but nobody knows for how long under present world conditions. We have been very close at times but through our mutual marriage came apart quite a bit especially since her husband is a type of man which is in many respects not after my taste. She had her fair share of sorrows during the war and after, too was seriously ill for a long time with rheumatism of the joints. I think you call it arthritis. Right now she is fairly well and up and around, her husband is a very materialistic type, not bad as such but too self centered and egoistic and that has tinged the character of my sister to some extent, too, where as, formerly she was a sweet girl and good looking too. I love her very much but our ways of thinking and looking upon life and getting along with other human beings differ widely today. She is not very happy with her life. It grieves me to see her sink so deeply into a materialistic outlook upon life while the heart gets cold and dries out. My mother as well as my sister always have been envious of my being so lucky as to win friends here in the United States and that was a source which has on the outside estranged us a little bit. Deep inside I know that my sister still loves me as tenderly as I love her. Only the course which her life has taken prevents her from showing it too often and freely. Well, more about this in future times I think. Through other acquaintances we have received information that quite some nasty remarks have been made by my next of kin after we have left Germany and our home. I do not bear them any grudge and have sent them a Christmas parcel as well as all the other relatives of ours. Time will even out the rough spots I am sure.

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RICHARD
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The two last brothers of my father are still alive. The oldest is Richard who lives with his wife, Aunt Emma, in Gorlitz, a city not too far from Duesden, situated on the river Neisse which together with the river Oder forms the postwar border line between the Polish State and the Russian zone of Germany. Gorlitz is split in two halves by the Neisse.

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The part of the city on the eastern bank is Polish and the part of the western bank is German. My uncle lives in the western part, in the Russian zone of occupation. He must be 70 years old now and still works as a court clerk because when going on a pension he would not earn enough money to keep himself and his wife alive. I know Uncle Richard very well from his visits with us and a wonderful summer vacation I spent in Gorlitz as a boy of 14 years back in 1927. He was the quietest and most humorous of the Megow brothers. He has three children, Erna, Hermann and Irene. Erna was married but is divorced. She stayed in contact with her divorced husband. During the war they considered remarriage but before that could be realized her former husband fell in action. She has a son Ernst, I believe and lives in Wittenberge on the Elbe in the Russian zone close to the English zone, the town where Luther once started the Reformation. Hermann was killed in action in Warsaw, Poland I believe in the attempt to suppress an uprising in that city in 1943. He had worked his way through the University and was a doctor. He married in East Prussia a girl from Insterberg. When I stayed in East Prussia as a soldier in the year 1941 I visited his wife once. They had a son together they with his wife managed to flee from East Prussia in time to get away from the Russians and lives now some where near Nuremberg in the American zone working for her and her son's upkeep. She is a very beautiful and a little bit of a light girl. The The adventurous times of the post war period have brought her into contact with many people of doubtful character above all many soldiers of the occupation army. Her contact with the rest of the Megow clan seems to be only a very light nature. The one who seems to be best informed about her is Irene the other daughter of Uncle Richard. My cousin Irene with her family at times have been very close. Irene is married to a technical engineer Rudolf Vogel, he is one of the best, most diligent, ablest and serious minded men and husbands I have ever known. He knows only two things in life, his profession and his family. They have one daughter, Barbara, called Barbel who Brigitte and I have watched grow from earliest childhood. Irene lived in Stuttgart at the same time when we were living there. So visiting back and forth there. When Brigitte and I were only engaged we spent many of our happiest hours in the home of my cousin Irene. She is a very gay person, loves fine clothes, good company and a little bit of luxurious life of course only in modest middle class terms. Her husband Rudolf is an enthusiastic amateur and he has made countless pictures of the times when we have been together. They belong now to our most relished family treasures which we have brought with us to this country. Many a little feat Rudolf and I have performed together in scouring the countryside during the war for some berries, currants, raspberries, cherries, and the like for canning at a time when the farmers absolutely did not feel inclined to give any thing

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to the city dwellers, in fact were forbidden by the government to do it, since the government collected the crops itself for distribution among the population. Only that the government hardly managed to get any sizable amount of these things down to the common man. So we had to do a little bit of government business on our own account and usually come home late at night loaded down with baskets full of fruit. Rudolf was the one who bade us farewell at the railroad station in Frankfurt on Main when we took off for Hamburg. He did us a last service by pushing ahead through all the other travellers and securing a completely free compartment for us in which we could sleep peacefully during the long trip from Frankfurt to Hamburg. He works now as an engineer for a big company in Frankfurt and his family has moved there too. I wonder whether my sister Kathe has taken up contact with them since they are so close by now. Hanau is only 10 miles from Frankfurt.

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KARL

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The last one is Karl, he is the youngest of the Megow brothers about 65 now I guess. He lives with his family in Magdeburg about 100 miles south of Berlin in the Russian zone of occupation. Between his family and ours there also were close ties during the life time of my father. He was an employee at the German railroad same as my father, my uncle Wilhelm and uncle Emil. On his free tickets he and members of his family came visiting us every now and then. As a boy of about 12 years, I spent a summer vacation of 4 weeks with his family in Magdeburg. His wife, my aunt Mathilde, is a woman who did not appeal too much to me even though she behaved always correctly towards us. You knew that quite a number of Germans have a pronounced class consciousness particularly those who have lived through the time before the first world war where the so called patriarchal system was much more in effect in the German society. With it went the constant striving of people to rise from one so called social class to the next higher and to the next and so on. So the peasant girl always liked to marry a man from the city preferably a clerk or a public servant. Girls from that class in turn like to marry a rich business man or an army officer. These in turn liked to marry members of German nobility or to a junker who owned a large country estate and etc. My aunt Mathilda was one of these people who constantly suffered from an inferiority complex and goaded her family on into acting as if they were born for something. She probably wanted the best of her family and was a very diligent and hard working woman but she made the life of my uncle and my cousins quite miserable at times, because she always wanted them to be more than they were. Manners and behavior were to be of the utmost refinement, expensive clothes and good looks were more important than a square meal, representation in the eyes of other people was what counted most. If life actually was miserable in the family that did not matter as long as other people thought that the Megows in Magdeburg were something out of the ordinary. My uncle Karl always was a soft hearted, good natured, and easy going man with no ambitions. His trouble was that he had an over

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ambitious wife. He liked to spend whole days with his pigeons which he kept up in the loft of the four story apartment house in which they lived, right in the middle of the big city. His other hobby was a rented garden patch at the outskirts of the city where he spent his time working the flowers, shrubbery and vegetables being away from the artificially refined atmosphere of his home. He never complained openly about this but we knew how he felt. They had three children Margot, Siegfried and Irene. They are all three quite nice average personalities. They were all sent to special schools to get good education.

Margot, the oldest, same age as I, is a beautiful looking girl with a sweet disposition. She had many suitors but remained single.

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INTERESTING NOTES FROM (GERHARD MEGOWS LETTER OF 1950)

You see from this still very short family story how things were with just a small group of people in Germany during the past ten years, what sufferings, woe and losses they had to go through. Of course I could give it only very sketchy in outline. Nobody who has not lived through that time will ever comprehend the fears, anxieties, desperation, desolation, grief and terror under which every single German lived. Multiply this story with a million and do not forget that there are experiences much worse than members of our family had to go through and you have an idea how it looks inside Germany.

Germany is a smoldering volcano of ruins, not only ruins of cities and buildings but what actually is worse, ruins of a once flourishing and well regulated society, ruins of families, ruins of individual human beings, ruins of morality, ruins of faith and hope in the future, ruins of belief in the ultimate good in mankind, ruins of souls, ruins of human love and dedication, ruins everywhere and nobody knows as yet what finally will arise out of this dreadful pile of smoldering ashes. That much I am pretty sure nevertheless, it will not be something that the western victorious world has in mind, it will not be a resurrection of the old conditions as they existed before this war raged over the globe. In the ultimate outcome it probably will be something that the western world does not like at all unless it will reconcile itself to the fact that Europe has to go her own way and that this accursed interfering in European affairs which beheaded the internal developments in Europe off on the wrong tracks thus preventing a unification at a time when there would not even have been a thought of a Russian or an Asiatic threat that this interference must cease. The way I see it whether anybody else like it or not is that the present world situation means nothing but the fact that the United States today begin paying the price for helping England twice (in 1918 and in 1945) to prevent a unification of Europe under German dominance. Isn't it a tragic joke that now all of a sudden the allies realize that Europe cannot be defended without German arms, that now they cry for European unification which hitherto they did their utmost to prevent? I am very much afraid that time

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has run out now and that it is by far too late. Unification needs a central core around which all other forces can crystallize. Nobody else but Germany had this powerful centralizing magnet-icism in Europe. Now, when this core has been smashed to impotent pieces, those who did it all of a sudden want that core to be reestablished but on their terms of course. Whether on terms or not, there is nothing to be reestablished. The German people as powerful central factor is gone. There are ruins. No wishful thinking to the contrary can reverse this fact. The insanity of a campaign of complete annihilation which was waged for over six years, war and postwar period included, cannot be remedied in years if at all.

I am utterly grateful to be here. I want to become a worthy member of the society here. Though I have very grave forebodings about the course this country is taking into the future, though out of my own broad experience in Germany I know that the American experiment over there as in all other European countries has only a very, very small chance to be successful and that it is most certainly going to fail if carried on as it is at present, though I see as yet no definite hope that all the rest of Europe is not going to come into the Russian orbit, though my almost definite certainty that sooner or later Russia or Communism will govern all along the Atlantic and Mediteranian shores of Europe was the most compelling reason for me to leave my home country and come here because in spite of all the unnecessary difficulties which this country is heading into I am sure that no Communism will ever succeed in getting control of the US and that never the country will sink to such a level of poverty and desperation as we experienced in Germany, in spite of my knowing all this I feel not called upon to enlighten people, who for the most part have no interest in being enlightened. I owe a debt to my family in the first place. I have cried out in desperation many, many times in Germany. Nobody paid attention apart from the fact that from different quarters I was eyed quite suspiciously and that I was so undeservedly lucky in finding some lone feeling souls who on a strictly individualistic basis from human being to human being helped me to get out of the quagmire and threatening swamp European affairs together with my family before the shattered and shaky postwar remains of the once powerful European structure collapsed entirely burying under their debris the last signs of a culture which a long time ago was called "western" and civilized

2-4 HERMAN WILHELM MEGOW, born March 22, 1834

(name changed from Maiu to Megow in Altdam Germany 1840)

married in 1862 to Loise Wilhelmine Friederike Kehl

20 Gustav

21 Martha

22 Hermann

24 Emil

25 Richard

26 Karl

27 Franz

28 Wilhelm

COURTESY of VIOLA AND GERHARD MEGOW

When Frank was in his 20s he and William decided that the State of Iowa, offered an excellent opportunity, their sister had gone to Iowa in May 1869 and they followed in June 1869. He worked in the Iron Foundry in Independence, saved his money, worked hard, was not interested in raising a family at this time. He was an excellent Mechanic, took pride in his work, was in good financially shape and was 34 years of age when he met the girl of his dreams, so was now ready for marriage.

MISS MARGARET COGHLAN, was born in Lewiston, N.Y. in 1858, Niagara County, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Coghlan of that city. Mrs Coghlan was the former Miss Margaret Breach, the Coghlan family are decendents of Colonial ancestors, (to be confirmed by further research). She was married to Frank Megow on August 22, 1882, he was 34 and she 24. The ceremony was performed in Independence, Iowa, and at the St. James Church by Rev. F.B. Kemp, Rector and R.G.Swan and Libbie Poor were the witnesses.

Frank continued to work at the Foundry and Novelty Co. a very conservative man who gave his new bride much love and consideration. This union brought forth three children, Frank Jr. Louis and Margaret. His family was never in want. Their life together would be less than ten years. Mrs Megow died April 30, 1891. This would be a sad event for Frank and the future would seem hopeless, however he was able to meet the challenge. Margaret, who was just a baby, was sent to Minn. to be brought up by an Aunt, this left Frank with two young boys and over the next decade they got a good education and developed into fine young men.

The following is a copy of an actual letter written by Frank to his brother Herman #8 on Dec. 2, 1918;

DEAR HERMAN: It is some time since I have written to you and will now let you know that we are all well. I have been busy most of the time working at the Novelty Co. but their trade got run down so much during the War that most of their workman and women were thrown out of employment. I am taking a vacation just now and going to do more writing and visiting. We have been receiving the Princeton paper very regular and there by kept well posted on Princeton and Berlin news for which you have our thanks. I merely get the paper and read it then I take it over to Fred and Minnie (4A) and when they get through I sometimes send it to Louis at Oelwein. He and Ellen (#12) come down here once in a while and have a good visit. Frank my son (#111) is traveling for the Old Ben Coal Co. on the road again since the war ended. He was in their Chicago Main Office for over 1½ years. He likes traveling much better, Chicago is a very expensive place to live. The boys were both on the draft list and Louis (#112) got notice to go to camp with 47

others at Camp Pike in Kansas on the same day that Germany surrendered and the whole list was discharged at once. Frank also was ready to go with the Chicago assignment, so you see it kept the boys in suspense all the time.

Fred and Minnie (4A) had some cause for worry over their son Fred Jr. who is sick in the Hospital at Wausau, Wisconsin with the flu, they received a telegram to come at once as there was a poor showing of his recovery. Annie Scoggins and Freds wife went up to see him, they found him in bad shape and unconscious most of the time, but now he is out of danger and Annie and his wife have come back. I think they will move up there to Wausau, at present his family are living in Oelwein, Fred and Minnie keep well and the war has kept Fred busy reading War news. We are all glad the war is over and Wilson can take his time to settle the Post war terms. I do not know if this country will be rich after everything is settled up. Brother William (#7) is still at U.S.Navy Yard at Charleston, S.C. I look for his quitting there now and going on his farm again at Oxford, Wisconsin.

We are having considerable snow here about 6" fell Thanksgiving Day. The weather has been fine. This fall farmers had good time to gather their large crops, all seem to be getting rich at farming but the poor city people have to pay for it. I did not notice of you getting elected for assemblyman. I suppose you were on the wrong ticket. In our county here the Democrats lost out on everything, they did not vote as Wilson wanted them to do, but it probably is all for the best. Everybody is expecting better times now that the war is over. We have shown what the Yanks can do. It is to early to make many comments therefore let each one use their judgement as there is not much to write about. Will close hoping to hear from you soon and remain your traveling Brother

Frank

Frank died the next year following the above letter on Aug. 14, 1919, he was 70 years 11 months 3 days old, he was a Machinist by trade and a highly skilled one, his death was caused by Urinic Poisoning, he was buried Aug. 16, 1919 in the family plot in the Oakwood Cemetery in Independence, Iowa. His death occurred in Buchanan County, Washington Township and the 1st Ward of that city. He was buried beside his wife.



MEGOWS STAR FOUNDRY

As you drive along Highway 150 going south out of Independence, Iowa, did you ever notice the old iron fence on the east side of the Oakwood Cemetery, and wonder about its origin?

It was built by a local citizen, Frank Megow, in 1874 or 1875.

Frank was born Sept. 11, 1848 in Germany in 1860 he and his brother William took jobs as engineers on a Mississippi River steamboat carrying logs to New Orleans.

In 1869, on one of these trips, the boat stopped at Dubuque,

where the Megow brothers boarded the Illinois Central train and came to Independence to visit their only sister, Mrs Fred Smith. The brother returned to Dubuque and continued the boat trip, but Frank stayed here.

Frank took a temporary job in a blacksmith shop at Otterville, and eventually set up a shop of his own in Independence.

In 1873 this became known as the Foundry. Two nights after what is known as "the big fire" in 1874 the Star Foundry and machine shop owned by Frank Megow was discovered to be on fire. The steamer being disabled and the fire having got a fair start in the dry wooden foundry building before it was discovered, all efforts to stop it were futile. The foundry was rebuilt in 1879 and a younger brother, William became a partner.

The Foundry was located at the corner of Corrine and 3rd St., N.E. In spite of high water and fire that plagued the business. Its operation was continued until after the turn of the century. Cemetery urns and vases, settees and other articles that had their origin in the Foundry may be seen about town as evidence of a former industry.

Notice the iron chair by the doorway that was made in this factory. Frank Megow is in the foreground of the picture with his hat off. (Information collected by Fred Watrous Megow 1972)



THE
WILLIAM MEGOW
FAMILY
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WILLIAM MEGOW was born in Prussia, Nov. 24, 1850. He would only be six years of age on his trip to the New World. The boy must have had dreams of a wonderland where he was going, the parents had been planning this trip since he could remember. When he was born his mother must have wondered, with her brood of youngsters and a new one on the way, this is to be a thrilling venture what were the risks? This I am sure went through her mind and the husbands also.

William came in this world another healthy one, he was to grow up a serious minded individual and at six, I can picture him talking to his playmates in Prussia, about many things he heard. Those fantastic stories of Indians, cowboys, rustlers, holdup men, the wild west and the land of gold. I am sure, by that time news of the 1849 California Gold Rush had reached Prussia, he and his brothers would have ample knowledge of events going on in America, their brains would be a beehive of imagination, how thrilled they would be and how envious their playmates.

Questions to the parents would come in an endless flow and these would continue, while they made preparations and all during the trip across the Atlantic, including such as, "Mamma why am I so sick? Mamma can't I go back home?". Water would be every-where and this environment the children were not use to so it would be a difficult problem for the parents. I as one of the family who write about these people of the past, some-times wonder, would any of us had the same courage as thousands did in those days, to venture so far from home, never the less William a young six year old was soon snug in his new Country and Home. His words would be German, however after getting some schooling he would be a master of two languages.

William being a serious minded boy, the early days in Wisconsin, would mean a great deal. Indians were friendly, he would play with them in the Spring and Fall as they passed through, going up and coming down the Fox River. They went north to trap and on their return would trade with the White Man, furs for food and clothing. He would learn some of their sign language and they his tongue, both German and English. William has now reached the age of 14, a fine young teenager, healthy and strong. it is now 1864, the Civil War is in progress, the environment not so wild as it was when he arrived in America, more people had come, businesses started, churches and schools built. This young man, was still a teenager eager for adventure, he would run the rapids on the Wisconsin River, he still made friends with the Indians and by now was a personal friend of Blackhawk the Great Chief.

The following is a letter William wrote in 1920 while he was working in the Navy Yard in Charleston, S.C. The letter was written to his brother Herman and he does reminisce.

TRIP FROM BERLIN TO MONTELLO IN 1864. William and his older brother Frank rowed their little boat from Berlin to Montello, they left Berlin at 1:30 P.M. came to Princeton at 4 P.M. went to their brother Hermans store and sat in the back, wondering if it was best to keep on or not, so they went up town and had lunch and then proceeded on their journey. At Tary light they came to still water, put new hay in the boat. Frank was tired and did not feel well so he laid on the hay. William pulled the oars above the hill, the water was flickering with silvery waves, while shadows of the trees on the hill side were waving over them. Along the west shore he could hear the crocking of frogs, the quacking of ducks and flutter of mud hens flying arc ahead of the boat. The night was like a dream to one if he would listen; in the silence he could hear Frank breathing and in a sound sleep. William kept on rowing until he came near Puckaway Lake, there the sky became dark and the cool breeze began to blow, the lighting lit the sky with flashes, he called Frank and he agreed that it was his turn, but there was no time to waste as around them was nothing but water and storm. Frank said, " we were on the lake now and to pull to the south west and they would strike Margaret" They pulled but in a few moments struck a sand bar. The boat was pulled out clear of the water and under it they crawled, soon the rain poured in torrence and the storm blew and blew until it almost came into the boat. Those two boys would never forget that nite, however in the morning they were close to Margaret and proceeded to Montello. This was in 1864, the 27th of June. Grandfather and Uncle came back to Berlin with them on the 3rd of July to spend the 4th. The boys in their older years would often talk about the old times, as they called it (Future Genealogical research can be made into who the grandfather was and the uncle, it could have been the Lipperts)

William with his brother Frank decided to try their luck in the State of Iowa, they went to Independence in June 1869, these two brothers were always very close to one another.

His sister Minnie, who had married Fred Smith in 1866, preceded them by one month.

Ellen Dallrump who arrived in Iowa with a group sent, from the East, to meet the need for teachers, she later met and married William, she was born in Boston, Mass. and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Dallrump of that city. Her parents were decendants of Colonial ancestry (must be confirmed by further research).

When William left Iowa with his wife, they went to Chicago where he was City Engineer. Ellen conducted a School of Elecution for several years at 22 East VanBuren St. She lectured and gave preformances of readings all over this country and some in Europe. She was the "Woman's Lib" of her day.

William had a farm at Oxford, Wisconsin, worked in Chicago for some time and in 1918 he and his wife went to the Navy Yard in Charleston, S.C. He was a serious minded individual and use to visit Emil Megow in South Milwaukee quite often, he was a neat dresser and very much a gentlemen. While in the Navy Yard we have a record of a letter he wrote to his brother Herman.

" I had not heard from you since I left Wisconsin, althought I have written several times, but received no reply. Our mail service has been bad, as well as everything else, since Dell has been here with me I have her do all the correspondence, and in that way heard from you. I have written to George in Wilmington, N.C.,but have not heard from him. The last letter I sent him in care of the morning Star and the letter was returned, saying not found. I have been by there and last summer, did not stop but I expect to go through there most any time and would call on him if I had his address. I expect to go to Washington and New York and will probably leave here before Spring. We have cut down our force here more than one-fourth and it looks bad for the common working Man. At present our government is in bad shape to do much of anything and I am afraid that the worst is not over yet and by the end of another year we will have great changes, politically, which is bound to come before we can have a real peace. Dell and I have enjoyed ourselves very much since she came from the West, we lived in Charleston for several months but came back to the Navy Yard again and am boarding in the Liza Lucas Hall, we have a dance hall, library, steam heat, hot and cold water, with the best of eatibles. There is no Hotel equal to it in the country, so can not complain of hardship and I often wish that I had some of my folks here with me to help enjoy the same, as long as it may last. I often think of Aves and it touches me very much to think I could not have seen him, so as to have a good fairwell talk, (Aves is his brother Frank #6 who died in 1919) but it could not be, but I feel gratified to think that Dell was there with him in his last days. I know Dell and he could always console one another on all subjects and things of the time."

This fine couple had no children, however they were blessed with good health and talent, at one time the two spent a winter in Washington, D.C. as house guests of Senator Bob and Mrs LaFallotte of Wisconsin.

On December 2, 1918 Frank #6 wrote, " Brother William is still at the Navy Yard at Charleston, S.C. I look for his quitting there now and go on his farm again at Oxford, Wisconsin.

William was at Alexandria, Va. in the fall of 1921 at the time sister Minnie died. Both Ellen and William were very old and feeble when they retired to a farm in Wisconsin. Ellens health was bad and she died there. He brought her body back to Iowa for burial and he was desolate. After the funeral he was taken back to Wisconsin. Later he hitch hiked back to Independence and Mrs Scoggins found him on her front porch. She took care of him and he died a year later, on Aug. 18, 1934 in Independence, Bushaman County, Washington Township, Iowa. He was 83 years 8 months 25 days and died at 2:30 A.M. and was buried Aug. 20, 1934 in the Oakwood Cemetery next to his wife. His death was caused by General Arterio Sclerosis and an infected bladder.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW



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HERMAN EDWARD MEGOW

Born Sept. 27, 1852 in Stetin, Germany

JULIA M. FISCHER

Born Feb. 10, 1856 in Berlin, Wisconsin

Married Sept. 27, 1880

HERMAN died, May 30, 1938 in Milwaukee, Wisc.

JULIA " , April 18, 1931 in Princeton, Wisc.



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FRITZ LOUIS THEODORE MEGOW
Born, Oct. 19, 1883
Married, Anna Briesmeister
Aug. 29, 1905

70 Maria born July 1, 1906
71 Harold " Nov. 12, 1908
72 Lawrence " Feb. 19, 1910
73 Myrtle " Dec. 16, 1912
74 Ruth " Aug. 18, 1915
75 Richard " Mar. 7, 1924



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GEORGE WILLIAM E. MEGOW
Born, Dec. 5, 1881
Married, Margaret Newkirk
Sept. 30, 1908
No children



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ALBERT R. HERMAN MEGOW
Born, Dec. 13, 1884
Married, Codinia Zierke
Aug. 28, 1907

76 Junice born Sept. 8, 1912
77 Norman " Apr. 23, 1908
78 Raymond " Dec. 23, 1910
79 Nadine " May 31, 1917
80 Margie " Nov. 14, 1918
81 June " June 1, 1922
82 Lois " Mar. 21, 1925
83 Jack " June 27, 1929

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LUELLA FREDRIKA MEGOW
Born Sept. 2, 1886
Married, Milton Griffing

Llyak Born Jan. 1, 1912
Maxine " " 16, 1916



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ARTHUR JOHN F. MEGOW
Born September 11, 1888
Married, Lena Agnes Kuhn
Aug. 28, 1912
102 Cyril born Sept. 23, 1916
108 Mel " Oct. 24, 1919



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LYDIA EMELIA JULIA MEGOW
Born, Oct. 31, 1893
Married, Christian Fredrik Peterson
June 12, 1914
Curtis born, May 29, 1919
Erling " Jan 22, 1921
Neal " Nov 8, 1922
Jack " June 19, 1925



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MYRTLE LORA JOSEPHINE MEGOW
Born, June 29, 1891
Married, Glenn Knox
Feb. 11, 1916
Clyde born, Jan. 16, 1917
Eleanor " Jan. 28, 1918
Howard " Sep. 27, 1919
Merle " Nov. 17, 1921
Marion " July 29, 1923



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VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW
Born, Sept. 16, 1897
Married, Alvin C. Knox
March 4, 1923
Alvin born, May 26, 1933

Princeton, Wis. 9/3^d/15

Dear Children; By that endearing name here with allow your father and mother to extend to you, our hearty congratulations upon the good step which you children have taken to keep us all united together, in our benevolent enterprise while upon this earth called chain family letter, which is the emblem of union and thereby teaches us the importance of that virtue in our benevolent enterprise. Separate the links of the chain and the strength of a child may early destroy them; but while united, a giant's power might be exerted in vain to break the links of our dear family chain. But while united as father, mother, brothers and sisters. We bid defiance to all opposition and must triumph over greatest difficulties and it also imply that when this letter greets us, it should be with that sincerity and affection which proceeds from the purest and also should, remind us of that constant and uniform desire for the welfare of each other, which should impel us to action in the furtherance of those plans that will most promote their happiness.

This chain letter, also reminds that there should be no improper concealment of feeling and purpose among us- that our greetings should be of the heart, as well as of the hand and teaches us that when distress and suffering call, the hand should always be open as clay to melting charity and the heart warm as mother-love to sympathy and relief, remembering that the Lord loveth the cheerful giver and that with pure hearts and clean hands, should we come to perform there missions, and thereby trusting in God and to your loving Sisters, Brothers, Father and Mother.

On my part, I hope that you will continue for many years in our circle of this your usefulness, or until the last tear of distress be wiped away by God's Glory.

May God bless you and be with you.

Father

Copy of a letter written by HERMAN EDWARD MEGOW to his children
Sept. 3, 1915

Sent to me by his youngest Viola

I was very pleased to receive this letter and insert it on this page of Megow
Records

Family unity helps to make a NATION strong and contributes considerable in
building a great civilization

THE
GEORGE WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW
FAMILY
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GEORGE WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW, was born Dec. 5, 1881 in Princeton Wisc. He was the first child of Herman and Julia Megow and would grow up in his native city, with many improved advantages, over the generation ahead of him. The schools were now better, however in most cases the eight grade was about as far as most would go. George did have a desire to improve himself and would work with the local printer in his spare time. There was no High School when he finished the 8th grade in 1896 and he with others signed a petition for the organization of a High School, so he was one of the promoters and the school was built in 1901.

In 1897 he studied law in the office of Attorney F.E.Clark. Several years later he entered the employment of Currie and Harman of the Princeton Republic and learned the printers trade. Later he worked in the printing office of Green Lake and Ripon. In 1905 he was employed at the Postoffice of Racine and at Rockford. Ill. In 1906 he resumed his former vocation as a printer at Galesburg, Ill. and joined the International Printers Typographical Union of Am. In June of 1907 he went to Chicago and attended the Printers Typographical school. Later he returned to Galesburg, Ill., office and from thence in July of 1908 he left for Wilmington, N.C., and operated a linotype machine for the Morning Star office in Wilmington, N.C.

George continued for three years in the office of the Greenville Daily News in the composing department where he was taken ill with lead poisoning and flu which left him in a weak condition.

MARGARET NEWKIRK, was born in 1881, she was the daughter of William and Jane Newkirk, the mother was dead and the father lived in Sampson County, N.C. George and Margaret were married on Sept. 30, 1908, in the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, by Rev. A.D.McClure D.D.They left immediately for Washington, Chicago, Milwaukee and Princeton.

Early in the 1920 decade George retired to his farm in N.C. due to his health, hoping to regain it by farming. He later went to Princeton and remained with his parents. He seemed to be on the gain there until the cold weather set in and he was determined to go to the I.T.Union home at Colorado Springs, Colo. He left Dec. 6, and passed away at the above named home on Jan. 16, 1926. His body was taken to Kerr, N.C., where his wife resided on their country estate.

He leaves to mourn his death, his wife, his parents Judge and Mrs Megow, his brothers and sisters, Fred, Ray, North Dakota, Herman, Princeton, Mrs Luella Griffing, Gary, S. Dak. Arthur Megow, Cudahy, Wisconsin, Mrs Myrtle Knox, So. Milwaukee, Mrs Lydia Peterson, Minot, N.D. Mrs Viola Knox, Los Angeles, Calif., besides relatives and many friends.

Although being separated and living in various states from coast to coast, the Megow family has for many years, kept in communication with each other, in the unique form of a chain letter, each member writing a letter and sending it to another until upon the return there were ten letters, including those from the mother and father. The death of George makes the first break in this family chain.

August 1972

FRED WATROUS MEGOW



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FRITZ LOUIS THEODORE MEGOW

BORN, Oct. 19, 1883 in Princeton, Wisconsin

ANNA BRIESMEISTER

Born April 4, 1889 in Milwaukee Wisconsin

Married, August 29, 1905

FRITZ died Nov. 25, 1946 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin



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MARIA JULIA MEGOW

Born July 1 1906

Married, Paul Audre Witter

May 27, 1924

Mary Julia born Oct. 27, 1927

Gelaine Kathryn " Apr. 29, 1931

Fred James " Nov. 6, 1933 (Twins)

Robert John " " " " "



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HAROLD JOSEPH MEGOW
Born, April 12, 1908
Married, Mary Jane Backes
Sept. 3, 1938

114A	Mary Anne	born	Sept. 23,	1940
114	Timothy John	"	Oct. 5,	1941
115	Thomas James	"	" "	" "
116	John Richard	"	Sept. 5,	1944
117	Daniel Joseph	"	Dec. 13,	1953

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LAWRENCE FREDERICK MEGOW
Born, Feb. 19, 1910
Married, Sylvia Winifred Pleva
July 8, 1933

118	Barbara Antoinette	born	May 5,	1935
119	Carol Ann	"	Nov 19,	1939
120	Lawrence Donald	"	Oct.20,	1941
121	Frederick Ronald	"	" "	" "



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MYRTLE MARGARET MEGOW
Born Dec. 6, 1912
Married Cornelius Quirke
Nov. 30, 1933

Patric Cornelius	born	April 21,	1935
Dennis Frederick	"	June 9,	1938
Ann Josephine	"	Sept. 28,	1940



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RUTH KATHRYN MEGOW
Born, Aug. 18, 1915
Married, Leonard Wesley Letteer
July 4, 1936

Kathleen Ann	born	June 6,	1938
Geraldine Florence	"	July 11,	1939





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GEORGE WILLIAM EDWARD MEGOW

Born December 5, 1881 in Princeton, Wisconsin

MARGARET NEWKIRK

Born 1881 in Kerr, N.C.

Married September 30, 1908

GEORGE died Jan. 15, 1926 in Colorado Springs, Colo.

MARGARET " Apr. 1944 in Kerr, N.C.

There were no children to this marriage

THE
FRITZ LOUIS THEODORE MEGOW
FAMILY
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FRITZ LOUIS THEODORE MEGOW, was born Oct. 19, 1883 of Julia and Herman E. Megow, the second son of eight children. His mother said the initials were taken from the emblem of a lodge to which they belonged at that time. They represented the words Friendship, Love and Truth. In childhood he lived in Princeton, Wisc. where he was born. He had an eight grade education which was considered adequate at that time. He had black hair, was 5'9" when grown, was blue-eyed with quite a large nose, a deep dimple in his chin and a wonderful sense of humor. He was always a country boy at heart although, when he was eighteen, he went to So. Milwaukee to work for his cousin, Emil Megow #13, making bicycles.

The departure away from home to So. Milwaukee was at the turn of the century. Fritz lived for a while with his cousin, Emil and his family and slept in the front bedroom of the old homestead which was then 1226 Rawson Ave. Emil always had a high regard for Fritz, he made many friends there and among them was ANNA BRIESE_MEISTER, who one day he scared out of an apple tree, she was 14 years at the time.

Love blossomed during the two years that they enjoyed each others company. Fritz became a Catholic convert and they were married on Aug. 29, 1905 at the St. Marys Church. She was sixteen and Fritz twenty-two at the time. Anna was the daughter of Mr and Mrs August Briesmeister of So. Milwaukee, Mrs Briesmeister was the former Miss Mary Biewer and was born May 1861 in Germany.

Fritz had already started his apprenticeship in the molding trade. It was a true love match. His whole life was spent thinking of his wife and family, in that order. July 1, 1906 a daughter Marie Julia, named after her two Grandmothers, was born. She was the first Grandchild on either side of the family. Two years later on April 12, 1908 their first son was born. He was named Harold Joseph. On February 18, 1910 a second son named Lawrence Fredrick came along and on Dec. 6, 1912 a second daughter named Myrtle Margaret was born. Then on Aug. 18, 1915 a third daughter named Ruth Kathryn, the writer of this article, arrived. They were all born at home and were healthy blonde children, in fact Harold kept his platinum blonde hair for a good number of years, however they all grew up to have brown hair. None inherited their Father's blue eyes or black hair, but Lawrence did get the deep dimple in the chin. They lived in and around Milwaukee where Fritz followed his trade until 1917 when his love of farming caused him to give it up.

A major decision was made at this point in the life of Fritz and his family, a typical Megow who had the faith in the future and the know-how to make a major move. During this year of 1917 a big war was in progress, but he was determined and moved all their household goods and traveled to Ray, N. Dakota, near the Canadian border, at the western part of the state. His two youngest sisters, Lydia and Viola, had preceded his migration to this site. At first they rented a farm but soon bought their own with 480 Acres which they planted mostly in wheat. Times were hard with the war on, and there was no motorized equipment. Horses were his only drawing power. It was a hard life with long working hours. Seasons were short and good crops always depended on the rainfall, he supple-



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RICHARD FREDRICK MEGOW

Born, March 7, 1924

Died, Feb. 1, 1944

RICHARD died for his Country in
World War II

THE FRITZ LOUIS THEODORE MEGOW FAMILY 8-30

mented his income with a diary. He had 24 cows which were hand milked morning and night. Everyone got into the act. The milk was refrigerated in a tank on continuously flowing pumped well water.

The town was only a mile away and Fritz had only one competitor. All were early risers because the cows had to be milked, the produce bottled, crated and ready before breakfast. This was usually at about 7 A.M. The milk was always delivered in the morning, but sometimes a supplementary evening run was also provided if anyone needed extra supplies. Nellie and Cloudy were the names of the usual team of horses who were trained to know the route. Fritz would take a hand crate of milk and cream and leave the wagon. The horses always caught up with him though he went through back yards and sometimes into another block. When the crate was empty, the team were there or came immediately at his whistle.

A typical Megow trait happened nine years after the last child was born, a third son came into this world, his name was Richard Frederick, he was born March 7, 1924. Fritz now decided to return to Milwaukee, where his brother Arthur assured him that jobs were to be had. He never went back to the molding trade, but he did become a foreman at the A.O.Smith Corp., a diversified manufacturing Co.

Fritz never had a sick day in his life and had just had a complete physical examination, he died on the way to work one day Nov. 25, 1946, at the age of 62. His youngest son preceded him by two years, having been killed in World War II. The rest of his children were all married at the time. His place in their affection has never been filled. His wife is almost 83 in this year of 1971 and the family has grown to 18 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren. He was buried in the Holy Sepulcher Cemetery located in Cudahy, Wisconsin.

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RUTH K. LETTEER
Daughter

THE
ALBERT HERMAN MEGOW
FAMILY
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ALBERT R. HERMAN MEGOW

Born, Dec. 13, 1884, in Princeton, Wisconsin

CONDINA LEON ZIERKE

Born, Aug. 3, 1887, in Princeton, Wisc.

Married, Aug. 28, 1907

CONDINA, died Oct. 16, 1956, in Princeton, Wisc.

ALBERT HERMAN MEGOW, was born Dec. 13, 1884 in Princeton, Wisc. to Herman and Julia Megow. The native city would be his home the greater part of his life. He grew up in an expanding environment even with wooden side walks and dirt streets, where mud could be a problem. The Fox River being close he could swim, fish, boat and skate in the winter. Herman finished the eight grade which was as far as they went in those days. He also helped his father who had the first Barber Shop in town, by sharpening razors on a strop.

He remembers when Swed's General Store was built in 1890 and he watched the masons lay bricks. During the Spanish-American War there was only one newsboy in town and it was Herman. These were the days of the gay nineties, what a wonderful era to have lived. This young man was 16 when the new 20th century arrived and at the time he hired out to Chris Hennig who had a meat market on Main Street, working at the butcher trade for two years, then went to Milwaukee to work at his trade, he worked there for 7 years and returned to Princeton.



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NORMAN HERMAN MEGOW

Born, April 23, 1908

Married, Leota Eloise Andrew

April 18, 1930

93 Robert Norman b May 14, 1934

98 Lee Andrew b June 19, 1938

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RAYMOND LEROY MEGOW

Born, Dec. 23, 1909

Married, Belva Fay Kidman

122 Eugene Raymond b Feb. 7, 1940



76

JANICE EDNA MEGOW

Born, Sept. 8, 1912

Married, Herbert Wedell

Jan. 8, 1950

Vicki Lynn b May 31, 1952



79

NADINE ELLENER MEGOW

Born, May 20, 1914

Married, Dale Smith

March 4, 1955

Michael b, Dec. 31, 1956

Patricia Condina b, Dec. 26, 1957

d, Oct. 13, 1958





80

MARGIE DORIS MEGOW

Born, Nov. 14, 1918

Married, Arthur Wm. Risky

Aug. 21, 1939

Gerald Arthur b April 21, 1943

married Mary Meyer, June 1966

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JUNE RUTH MEGOW

Born, June 1, 1922

Married, Walter T. Sale

June 30, 1945

Diana Ruth b May 13, 1947

Walter Thomas b Nov. 22 1950

David Edward b Aug 26, 1954

Lawrence Albert b Jan 14, 1956



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LOIS EMILY MEGOW

Born, Mar. 21, 1925

Married, Jack Conant

Nov. 21, 1943

Rick Alan b June 30, 1946

Christin Lee b Jan. 5 , 1952

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GALE JACK MEGOW

Born, June 27, 1929

Died, May 31, 1949

Result of an Auto Accident.



CONDINIA ZIERKE, of Princeton and Herman were married Aug. 28, 1807. She was born Aug. 3, 1887 in Princeton and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Gustav Zierke of Princeton. Mrs Zierke was the former Miss Ida Otto of Wisc. and was born in 1866. They moved to Denver, Colo. where he worked at his trade, however Ham loved Princeton and in 1916 the family returned and continued to work at his trade, spending most of his time in his own market in the same building in which he was born.

During the earlier years in the meat business, he specialized in home made style meat and Zwiebel Wurst. He had several men on routes in Central Wisc., who sold sausage for him. Later his line of meats was expanded to hickory smoked ham and becons. He also received orders by mail and shipped his meat to all parts of America. Ham continued at this location until 1953, when he retired and his son Norman took over the meat business.

Ham was very much a civic minded man, much like his father. While in business he served with the Chamber of Commerce for many years and was one of the organizers, he also became the annual Santa Claus, passing out many bags of candy through the years. He received the "K" Award for his outstanding service to the community.

Ham can be proud to possess a cottage on the west shore of Green Lake. It is known as the Megow Inn. He built it himself during his leisure hours. The writer can well appreciate the wonderful good times his family and their children would spend there each summer and the fond memories. A privilege few have offered to them by their parents and one which is revered by members of his family.

He was a good bowler, having started at the turn of the century back in those days when there were no leagues or teams as are known to-day. He well remembers the pin-setting boys when pins were set by hand. Ham was elected treasurer of the first local bowling association in 1944 when the Princeton Lanes were opened. His average was close to 180 at the time he bowled with the strong Creamery Team in the Major League.

Ham and Condina raised a fine family consisting of three sons and five daughters. His wife passed away Oct. 16, 1956 and was buried in Princeton City Cemetery.

Herman has stayed at his summer home on Green Lake, enjoying the Wisc. spring to fall weather and then traveling to Phoenix, Ariz. and Atlanta, Ga., to the warmer climate which he enjoys and visiting with his daughters and their families.

The writer has enjoyed a pleasant relation-ship with Hams son, Norman and his wife Leota as well as their two fine sons, Robert and Lee, without whos cooperation much would be left unwritten. He is 88 now and enjoys excellent health, spending most of his time with this son in the rural area of Princeton, how secure he must feel in the safe keeping of this fine Christian couple.

Herman is the oldest living member of the Megow Clan and the writer and his family wish him continued health and ask Megows throughout the United States to write him, he will enjoy hearing from you.

THE
LUELLE FREDRICKA HERMINA MEGOW
FAMILY
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Luella Fredricka Hermina Megow, was born Sept. 2, 1886 in Princeton, Wisc. She was the 4th in a family of 8 children of Herman Edward and Julia Fischer Megow. Until her sister, Lydia was born, she was the only girl in the family of five. She loved to be with her brothers and enjoyed many sports such as swimming and ice skating on the Fox River that ran just behind their home, bicycle riding, and bowling. Later, when 3 more little girls arrived in the family, she was big sister and second mother to them, helping Mother braid the hair and press the little pinefores of her little sisters.

Luella was always interested in education, loved children and early decided to become a teacher. She was in the first class to graduate from Princeton High School, that her father and older brother George, had been instrumental in organizing. She went on to Normal School and began her teaching career in the new country school house near Green Lake, where she taught all 8 grades. Sometimes her students were much larger than she. She also taught elementary grades near Fairwater and Markesan, in Meshkoro and Rio, Wisc. While in Rio she took piano and guitar lessons as she dearly loved music.

In 1909 Luella heard of the many opportunities "out west" and left her beloved family in Wisconsin to go out to Clear Lake, South Dakota, where she taught the 8th grade. (Her sister, Myrtle, followed her the next year and taught in a country school near Clear Lake).

In 1910 Luella accepted a school at Gary, So. Dak. where she taught the 5th and 6th grades. (Her sister, Lydia, later came to Gary and worked in the bank there). Luella met and fell in love with Milton D. Griffing, who was then engaged in the mercantile business. They were married on June 28, 1911. at Princeton, (took a steamer from Milwaukee to Chicago on their honeymoon). MILTON GRIFFING was born July 20, 1877 in Rochester, Minnesota. He was delivered by the famed Dr. Mayo and he and the Mayo boys, who later grew up to become the famous Mayo Bros., were boyhood playmates. His family moved to a homestead south of Gary, on March, 1883. They moved to Gary in 1891, where Milton's Dad ran a merchantile store, which Milton later took over. Milton was first married to Minnie Boyd and they had a daughter, Ardis. Minnie died when Ardis was small).

Milton had lived in the country, he loved animals and wanted to have an acreage. Luella had always lived in town. They compromised, and Milton built a home on the edge of town. There he had a barn, where he often had cows, horses and chickens. There was also a large orchard and garden.

Luella was always active in Church, school and social work in the community. She had joined the Rebekah Lodge, in Wisc., in 1904 and was a member for life, going through all of the offices. She helped organize the Past Noble Grand Assoc. and became President. She helped organize a Parent Teacher Assoc. and was it's first President. She helped promote music in the school and influenced both of her children, Maxine and Llyal, to take music. Llyal received first



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LUELLA FREDRICKA HERMINA MEGOW

Born, Sept. 2, 1886, in Princeton, Wisconsin

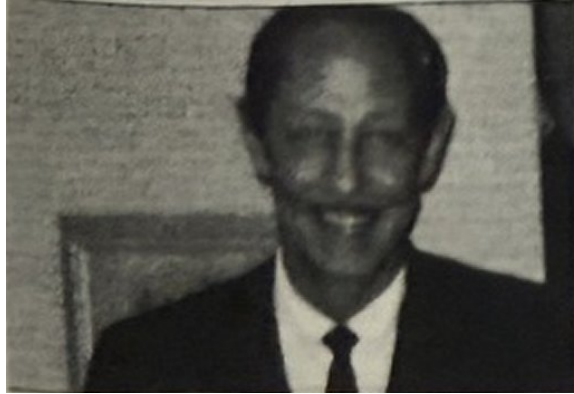
MILTON DENNISON GRIFFING

Born, July 20, 1877, in Rochester, Minn.

Married, June 28, 1911

MILTON, died May 1, 1955

LUELLA, " Apr 29 1968



LLYAL MEGOW GRIFFING
Born, Jan. 1, 1912
Married, Phyllis
Dec. 1950
Divorced
No children



MAXINE DOROTHY GRIFFING
Born, Jan. 16, 1916
Married, Kieth Edgar Olsen
July 13, 1941
Sandra Louine b, Dec. 12, 1945
Arne Dennison b, Jan. 5, 1948

THE LUELLA FREDRICKA HERMINA MEGOW FAMILY 8-32

place for trombone solo in the State when in High School and later went on to have his own orchestra.

Llyal Griffing was born Jan. 1, 1912 and Maxine was born Jan. 16, 1916. Ardis, Lyal and Maxine graduated from Gary High School. Ardis graduated from Asbury Hospital in Minneapolis and became a Registered Nurse. Llyal attended Brookings State College and Maxine Wessington Springs College.

Milton Griffing sold the Mercantile Business and went into selling farm machinery and later was the first automobile dealer in Gary.

When the depression hit the country, business declined. Luella helped all she could by canning produce from the garden and orchard. She made butter and sold milk and eggs to neighbors. She roomed and boarded school teachers and took in a foster child for 4 years.

Milton gave up his automobile business in 1933 and became a Watkins dealer, in Brookings County. He drove many miles every day on his Route until Maxine graduated from High School, then Luella, Milton and Maxine moved to White, So. Dak., where he could be nearer his customers. He continued in the Watkins business for 22 years in this area.

Luella and Milton loved to travel. they made trips back to Princeton many times to see Luella's family. She was there for three weeks to take care of her mother before she died. In 1939 they drove to Los Angeles to visit Llyal and Maxine. Llyal had an orchestra there and Maxine was employed as a bookkeeper. Later they stopped at the San Francisco World's Fair. They also made two trips out to Oregon to visit Maxine, who was then married to Kieth Olsen and had two children, Sandra and Arne. Luella went to Portland in 1956 with Maxine's family and remained there from June to Jan. 1957. From there she went by plane to VanNuys, Calif. to be with Llyal until Feb. She went from there to visit Viola in Salt Lake City, until April, then flew to Milwaukee to visit her sisters and brothers there. Myrtle returned to White with her.

Milton died in May, 1955. Luella continued to live in her home in White, until she moved to Portland, in 1965, to be with Maxine. She passed away in a nursing home there on Apr. 29, 1968. She had unusually good health all of her lifetime and attributed this to the fact that she gave her life to Christ when a child and always trusted to her Heavenly Fathers care and protection.

THE
ARTHUR JOHN FRANK MEGOW
FAMILY
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ARTHUR JOHN FRANK MEGOW, was born September 11, 1888 in Princeton, Wisconsin. He had three brothers and one sister ahead of him, mother and father had five little ones to care for ranging from seven years of age to this new baby, a busy bunch around the house. When Arthur was seven he and his sister Myrtle, who was four, were alone with Lydia, then a baby, when they saw Indians come up the back stairs and spit on the windows, begging for food and threatened to kidnap the baby, to be sure this was a frightening experience, however father appeared and chased the Indians away.

He attended the Princeton schools, was a good student, finishing the eight grade in 1901 and by this time Princeton sported a new High School, which was built because of the fore sighted people of this enterprising town and the Megows had much to do with its origin. The older brothers had left home, George, who worked at the printers trade, Herman was learning the butcher trade and Fritz was farming.

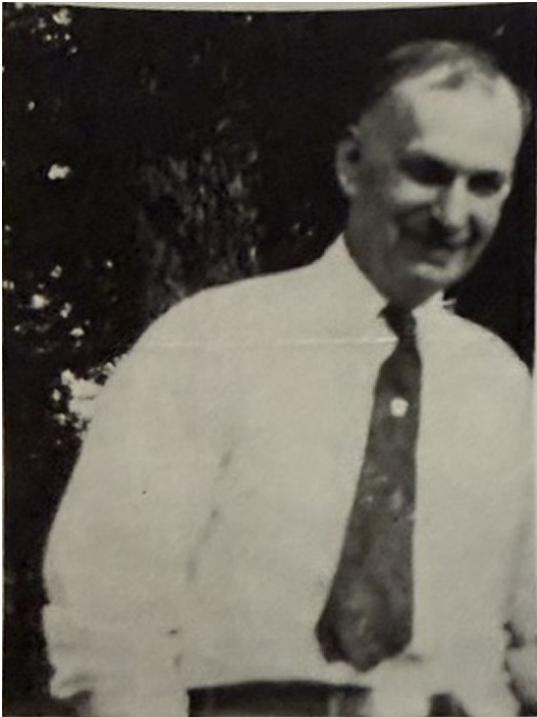
Arthur was now the only boy, left with four girls, he had many chores, carrying up wood for the stove, helped mother wash the clothes was the Princeton newsboy. He was an ambitious young man and anxious to get out on his own, however he still had one more year of High School to go. His brother Fritz had gone to South Milwaukee to work and this gave Arthur ideas.

In 1904 he went to South Milwaukee, and worked for the writers father Emil #13, during his summer vacation. He was now sixteen years of age and worked helping the Plumber, who was Ervin McCreedy and the firms name was Megow and Wallace. Work started at 7 A.M., and a two wheeled cart was used to transfer the tools and fittings from one job to another, everything was hand powered and it was not always easy, since, where there were no wooden side walks, the paths were dirt. The writer was then 5 years old and has no recollection of Arthur at that time.

He returned to Princeton after the summer vacation and finished High School in 1905, this was the school which a few years before his father, brother George and Sister Luella had promoted. The class of 1905 was the second to be graduated and numbered six members. Arthur was an honor student and the diploma had his fathers signature, he was then President of the School Board.

Arthurs brother Fritz was in South Milwaukee and being anxious to get back to the fond memories of his previous summer venture in that city he returned and stayed with his brother at Brietbachs Boarding House. The Bucyrus Co. who was then making Steam Shovels and Drag Line equipment, later to be used to dig the Panama Canal, which was completed in 1914, this local Company offered a good opportunity for a young man to learn various trades. Arthur choose to be a machinist, so he applied there for work and started in the West Shop on the night shift, he worked in the machine shop for two years.

The Power and Mining of Cudahy, offered him an apprentice contract giving credit for the two years spent with Bucyrus, he moved to Cudahy to finish his apprenticeship and became a Master Machinist in 1910, with this Company.



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ARTHUR JOHN FRANK MEGOW

Born Sept. 11, 1888 in Princeton, Wisconsin

LENA AGNES KUHN

Born Dec. 6, 1889 in LaValle, Wisconsin

Married Aug. 28, 1912

LENA died Nov. 14, 1966

ARTHUR JOHN FRANK MEGOW FAMILY 8-33

LENA AGNES KUHN and Arthur were married August 28, 1912 in South Milwaukee. She was born December 6, 1889 in LaValle, Wisc. and moved to South Milwaukee, in 1895, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs William Kuhn of LaValle, Wisconsin, he was born on Feb. 23, 1844. Mrs Kuhn was the former Miss Anna Sybells Hanson of Germany and was born there June 9, 1855. She and William were married in Pine Hollow near Cashton, Wisconsin, November 20, 1869.

Arthur went to Chicago and was employed by the Western Electric Company. He kept in contact with his superior at Power and Mining, who was now with Busch and he offered Arthur a good opportunity in St. Louis with the Busch Diesel Engine Co. The transfer offered him better opportunities and after two years he was made General Foreman. Busch made Submarine Engines and since the First World War was on, this was vital work. Arthur was instrumental in building this Company up as the dependable source of engines for the much needed Submarine and our country with its problem of keeping the seas open for shipping.

He never lost his urge to live in Cudahy and after working four years for Busch he choose to go back to Power and Mining, it was 1918 when the family made the change. They built a new home which is the present one on Packard Ave. The Power and Mining Co., where he worked was gradually failing to meet is obligations and was sold out to Worthington Pump and moved east. Arthur transferred to A.O.Smith April 1, 1921 where his stay was 33 years He retired in 1954 at 66 years of age. While at A.O.Smith he helped build up the plant. He also introduced his son Cyril as an apprentice in the Tool and Die making department, his son has been with the same firm now (1972) for 37 years.

Arthur and his wife Lena traveled the country. On August 28, 1962 they celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary, both remained in good health and enjoyed visiting with their sons and relatives. Mrs Megow passed away Nov. 14, 1966 and was buried in the Holy Sepulcher Cemetery located in Cudahy, Wisconsin.

He later went to Salt Lake City, where his youngest sister, Viola, lived with her husband, then returned to Cudahy in 1968. Arthur had been in excellent health all his life and the following year protracted arthritis. He now, Sept. 1972, resides in Cudahy, is still active at 84 years of age and is enjoying himself with his sons, Cyril and Mel, along with his Grand children and Great Grand children.

MYRTLE DORA JOSEPHINE MEGOW
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The Judges Family now enters the last decade of the 19th Century, up to this time there are five children, four sons and one daughter. This was the gay ninties and on June 29, 1891, a daughter, Myrtle Dora Josephine Megow was born, destined to have a gay, happy personality, mixed with quick wit and liked by all. She would have a remarkable regard for young people and during her life time helping and teaching them would be one of her natural assets.

The environment was the same for all the children in Princeton, she would be facinated, as a child, watching steamboats going up and down the Fox River, which the Megow home over looked from the rear of the house.

Growing up would be fun with plenty of playmates. Dad ran a Barber Shop, which was part of the house, and as a small child she would entertain the customers by singing to them, they in return would give her a few pennies.

Myrtle attended the Princeton Public Schools, graduating from the eight grade in 1904. She continued through High School graduating in 1908 as validitorian of her class. After graduation her older sister went to Clear Lake, S. Dakota and Myrtle accompanied her. Lulla taught school in the city and Myrtle in a country school for two terms, 1909 to 1911. This experience was well suited for the girls and would be a good background for the future. Clear Lake is in the eastern part of the State near the State of Minn. After leaving this section she went to Denver, Colo., where her brother Herman lived and she worked as a clerk for the Firestone Rubber Co. (1913)

She did not stay in the west, instead went to Madison, Wis. to work in the Game Wardens Dept. at the State Capitol Building. Myrtle, true to her love for young people and following the training her parents had given her, attended the Methodist Church there and became active with the young people. The writer recalls his youth in the Epworth League of the Methodist Church at South Milwaukee and can well appreciate the importance of her activities.

GLENN KNOX, was born April 16, 1890 in Whitewater, Wisc. and was the son of Mr and Mrs Hiram Knox of Whitewater, Wisc. Myrtle and Glenn met at the same church, he was a steam fitter at the Capitol Building and a fine Christian Young Man, the two made an excellent match and later on Feb. 11, 1916, they married in the Methodist parsonage.

The World Was I was on, they continued to live in Madison, joined the Rebeccah Lodge and Eastern Star and were active in both. Glenn, being a member of the Wisconsin National Guard, was called in service, sent to Ft. Sheridan and later to the Mexican border. Myrtle left Madison and returned to Princeton and it was here that the first child, a son, was born in the Megow homestead on Jan. 16, 1917. Myrtle decided she would call her son Clyde, named after the Sunday School class she taught in Madison called "Clicolians". Between the happy grandparents and mother, Clyde received the best of love



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CYRIL JOSEPH MEGOW

Born, Sept. 23, 1916

Married, Margaret Dubla

Sept. 4, 1943

103	Kathreen Mary	born	June 26, 1944
104	Lois Margaret	"	Oct. 18, 1946
105	Carl Arthur	"	Mar. 4, 1948
106	Julie Ann	"	Nov. 30, 1949
107	James Michael	"	Aug. 14, 1951

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MEL ARTHUR MEGOW

Born, Oct. 24, 1919

Married, Edna Schupolsky
Jan. 12, 1946

109	Susanne Victoria	born	Apr. 8, 1949
110	Douglas Mel	"	Mar. 12, 1952





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MYRTLE DORA JOSEPHINE MEGOW

Born, June 29, 1891, in Princeton, Wisconsin

GLENN ALLEN KNOX

Born, April 16, 1890, in Whitewater, Wisconsin

Married, February 11, 1916

GLENN, died Jan. 15, 1970, in South Milwaukee, Wisc.

MYRTLE " April 18, 1968 " " " "



CLYDE N KNOX
Born, Jan. 16, 1917
Married, Eileen Baumann
Aug. 19, 1944
Sandra Kay b Sept. 26, 1950
Thomas Alvin b May 13, 1954

HOWARD ELLIS KNOX
Born, Sept. 27, 1919
Married, Pearl Bowers
Jan. 29, 1943
John MacMurray b Nov. 21, 1946
Nancy Kay b Jan. 23, 1949

MARION DOROTHY KNOX
Born, July 27, 1923
Married, Casimer Narlike
Sept. 7, 1946
Allen Francis b June 24, 1947
Gail Ann b March 9, 1951
Janet Ellen b Nov. 26, 1954
Susan Marion b May 19, 1956
Anita Joyce b Aug. 9, 1962
Lois b June 8, 1965 d June 28, 1965

ELEANOR JULE KNOX
Born, Jan. 28, 1918
Unmarried

MERLE GLENN KNOX
Born, Nov. 17, 1921
Married, Marion Carpenter (Div. 1956)
Sept. 4, 1945
Walter Glenn b July 21, 1946
Chere Lynn b Mar. 12, 1950
Marriedied, Ruth Roenow Wahlen
July 1, 1957
John Phillipp b Sept. 9, 1946
James David b Nov. 6, 1948

Standing; Howard, Merle, Clyde; Seated; Marion, Eleanor

THE MYRTLE DORA JOSEPHINE MEGOW FAMILY 34

and care, she was in Princeton for only a month. The Clionians helped her take care of Clyde whild Glen was in the service.

Glenn returned from the Army and on Jan. 28, 1918 a daughter was born, some how the ambulance got stuck in a snow drift, during a severe storm as it was taking the expecting mother to the hospital, under these circumstances, Eleanor Jule was born. This child, would not know until 1972 that a Fred Megow the writer of this article would, with her fine cooperation, write the short biography for the Megow Genealogical Records. She was named after both her grandmothers.

The family moved to Milwaukee in 1918, then a year later to South Milwaukee, where the mother and father would live out their fruitful lives and raise their family. On Sept 27, 1919 a son Howard Ellis was born in the Mt.Sinai Hospital, he was the only one to be born in a hospital. He was born on his grandfather Megows birthday and the same date as both grandparents, the Knox and Megow wedding anniversaries. His initials happen to be the same as both grandparents. Howard would cause a proud moment in his parents life, in 1955, by being ordained a Luthern Minister.

The Knox Family took an active part in the life of the Methodist Church and Lodges which they were members, practiced by example, good Christian living. Glenn worked for the Federal Rubber Co., in Cudahy and bought their home at 701 Park Ave., just two blocks from Grant Park, where the children were raised, in a wonderful environment indeed. When the writer went to High School this was all an open field. Two more children, Marion in 1923 and Merle 1921, both born in the front bedroom, which later became part of the living room.

Glenn worked for the writers father, became a good plumber and as time went on, took more of the responsibility, until 1947 when he bought the business and changed the name to Knox Plumbing. Myrtle became his Secty. and went to the shop every day and enjoyed the phone and visiting withall the people who would stop in to visit with her on business or otherwise. In 1958, part of the plumbing material was moved to their home basement and the balance to the garage at their residence on Park Ave., business was continued taking only jobs what could be handled alone.

Myrtle continued to be active at the church, she was a charter member of the Womens Society of Christian Service and was District Secty. of Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church in the early 1930's she also took a fling at politics, taking after her father the Judge, she ran for the School Board.

During World War II, while her sons were in service she knitted a navy blue sweater a week for the Red Cross and also worked as a Volunteer in the kitchen of St. Lukes Hospital, one day a week and also gave blood as often as was allowed.

On Sept. 27, 1930 Myrtle and Glenn were present at the Judges 50th Wedding Anniversary at Princeton and the next day they helped Glenns folks celebrate theirs. This was followed years later by celebrating their own, with the entire family at the Methodist Church on Feb. 11, 1966.

Glenn passed away, in his sleep, Jan. 15, 1970 and Myrtle of a coronary on April 18, 1968, both were buried in Arlington Park Cemetery, Myrtle was buried beside her mother and father

LYDIA EMELIA JULIE MEGOW

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LYDIA EMELIA JULIA MEGOW, was born on a Halloween evening, Oct. 31, 1893 in Princeton, Wisconsin, to Herman Edward and Julia Minnie Fisher Megow. She was the third daughter and the seventh child in this Megow Family.

Her early childhood would see a lot of various activities, being a girl, in those days was to be a little lady. These were the Gay 90s, the Victorian age, so to speak, however being young and active a child must play, there was the Fox River which flowed in the back of the Megow property. Indians still used it to go north in the spring and occasionally they snooped around. She as all girls resented the fact that they were girls and was supposed to conduct them as little ladies.

Lydia attended the regular Public Schools and after finishing the eight grade attended High School, she then started working for Attorney Philip Lehner Sr. Sister Myrtle had worked for him three years and Lydia keep up the tradition. Both girls had taught themselves to type and used the old "Pitman Shorthand", with a few guiding lessons from Mr Lehner. Lydia worked with him the entire four years, she attended High School and graduated in 1912. Her father, being Justice of the Peace and Mr Lehner had a great deal of work together and at times she took testimony at his court proceedings.

1912, after finishing High School, Lydia decided it was time to leave her home town. Her sister, Luella Griffing, was living in Gary, So. Dakota and the husband Milton was in the General Merchandise business and was in need of a book-keeper and a part-time clerk. She moved to So. Dakota leaving the Attorneys office job to her sister Viola.

Gary, would seem a long way from home and the romantic thrill of going way out west. Lydia kidded her mother, telling her she was going to marry the first young man she met. This statement became a truism. Romance, unknowingly, was present at the Railway Station in the person of her future husband, who was a young bank teller. When Lydia got off the train her brother-in-law, Milton introduced Christian Fredrik Peterson to her.

She enjoyed being in Gary where book-keeping, part time clerk for her brother-in-law, baby-sitter for her sisters son Lyal and seeing Chris, kept time occupied. Romance now blossomed and the couple decided to marry. Lydia and Chris were married at Princeton, on June 12, 1914, with her sister Viola and a school mate of hers, Frank Paloka, as attendances.

CHRISTIAN FREDRICK PETERSON, was now promoted as cashier of a small bank in Bison, So. Dakota. The town was way across the state, out on the prairies and real cow-boy country. Bison was the county seat of Perkins County, 55 miles from a railroad. Transportation was limited, few cars were available, however Chris was furnished with a Studebaker, but parts for it were few, so he changed it for a Ford. Lydia had really come West and some of the popular songs they sang were "OUT where the WEST begins", Home on the Range" and When you were a Tulip and I wore a big Red Rose".



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LYDIA EMELIA JULIA MEGOW

Born, Oct. 31, 1893, in Princeton, Wisconsin

CHRISTIAN FREDRICK PETERSON

Born, Jan. 14, 1885, in Hamar, Norway

Married, June 12, 1914, in Princeton, Wisconsin

CHRISTIAN, died March 27, 1953, in Princeton, Wisconsin



ERLING WINSTON PETERSON

Born, Jan. 22, 1921

Married, Betty Zorn

June 17, 1953

Thomas Jan	b Oct. 31, 1947
Susan Gale	b Mar. 28, 1950
Thimothy Eric	b Dec. 11, 1952
Bruce Erling	b Apr. 11, 1958



JACK ARTHUR PETERSON

Born, June 19, 1925

Married, Sue Frances Cochran

Dec. 27, 1950

Julianne	b Sept. 20, 1951
Christian Fredrik	May 22, 1953
Jennifer Sue	b Nov. 28, 1954
Daniel Carlton	b June 10, 1958
Robert Paul	b July 23, 1967

CURTIS FREDRICK PETERSON

Born, May 29, 1919

Married, Elenore Kurtz

April 21, 1945

Christine Louise	b June 20, 1947
James Martin	b July 20, 1948
Marie Kathryn	b Sept 14, 1949
Jeanette Lydia	b Apr. 11, 1951
Gregory George	b May 23, 1952
Eric Joseph	b Apr. 14, 1953
Michele Ann	b July 30, 1954
Brian William	b June 14, 1956



NEAL JULIAN PETERSON

Born, Nov. 8, 1922

Married, Arlene Pearl

Feb. 19, 1944

Noel Sharon	b Dec. 5, 1945
George Christian	b Mar. 18, 1947



LYDIA EMELIA JULIA MEGOW FAMILY 35

This was the most enjoyable experience sh had in her life time, newly-weds, all young towns people, about 115 of them, business men, county officers and employees. Bison was a typical western town, wooden sidewalks, wooden buildings, drug store, two banks, abstract office, meat market, department store, where you bought everything you needed, one grocery store, a hotel with a dining room where all the residence went for Sundy Dinner, just to keep up the place. The streets were clay, when it rained everyone removed their shoes to cross the street and scraped off the mud on the other side, before putting on their shoes again. Every day was an adventure, the streets were so wide that on Gala Days, they conducted horse races right down main street.

Chris also bought cattle at the Minneapolis Stock Yards, shipped them out to Lemon, S. Dakota the nearest railroad, herded them to a corral near Bison and sold them to settlers out on the prairies. Those were the nucleous of present day herds. Very few of the settlers stayed for many years, most staked out their claims, put up a shack, lived the allotted time to prove their claims and then rented their lands to the ranchers who stayed.

The last year that she lived in Bison, her sister Viola came out to live with the Petersons, she worked at the Court House, which was used for everything, court one day, in the evening they danced in the court room. During the summer a student pastor would preach, every one attended services no matter what denomination.

Ray, North Dakota was their next stop, this was in 1916 a year before her brother Fritz moved in this area to start farming. Viola moved with the family and worked in the Cris Bank. She lived with the family for five years and met her future husband there. The bank was much larger and the town of Ray was serviced by the Great Northern Railway. The family settled down here and raised a family of four boys, Curtis 1919; Erling 1921; Neal 1922 and Jack 1925, he was born at Minot N. Dakota.

When the Great Depression arrived almost all the banks in that part of the country closed, including Chris's who said we were "picked-chickens", and they were. The family lost everything, so they moved to Princeton, Lydia's home town, to regain their footing. These days were the worse time in her life but with Gods help they would raise a fine family of four young men and they would be their pride and joy.

Chris became the accountant at the HandCraft Co. Inc., of that city and held this position until he died, March 27, 1953, leaving Lydia a widow. She made her home in an apartment in the Handcraft Co., building that she has occupied for 26, years in the town of Princeton, where she was born.

They were both members of the local United M.E. Church
Her husband was layed to rest in the Local Cemetery

VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW

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VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW, was born in Princeton, Wisconsin September 16, 1897, this child would complete Herman and Julia Megows Family of eight. The little tot is now the kid sister, her brothers and sisters would have additional chores now, that she was in the house, but it would not be long before she could get around and give every one fits keeping her from falling down the stairway.

Viola received the usual grade school education attending Princeton Grade and High School on Main St. This was the institution her father help plan and build. She graduated from the eight grade in 1910 and finished High School in June 1914, at sixteen years of age and Valedictorian of her class. Viola worked for a local Attorney after school hours, and a proud student to have her father, President of the School Board, sign her diploma.

After attending college in Madison, Wisconsin, she visited her sister, Lydia in Bison, South Dakota and decided to stay, as it was a lonely place way out on the prairie for Lydia. She then moved to Ray, North Dakota with the Peterson family and worked in the bank of which Chris Peterson was Cashier.

The Dakotas, both South and North, were first explored by the French in 1743. In 1803 this territory became part of the United States as a result of the Louisiana Purchase. The both States were well blessed by many natural resources which nature bestowed on its citizens and the great ice age left a vast heritage of bountiful rich prairie land on which is grown millions of bushels of wheat annually, The summers are short and winters severe, the weather generally quite uniform, since trees and bodies of water are rare. It was in this great land that the Megow sisters, Luella, Lydia and Viola came, drawn by a strong love for each other, that would determine their destiny. The two older sisters had met their mates, married and were raising families. Viola had come as the youngest, a spry good looking young lady, now exposed to the rigors of this western environment.

ALVIN CHESTER KNOX, a young man who worked in a bank in Ray, North Dakota, was born, Nov. 5, 1898 in Henning, Minn. to Austin C and Anna Larson Knox. It never occurred to this young man that an attractive young lady, by the name of Viola Megow, would come to this lone city on the prairie, but would come as unaware as he of events to come. The young man proved over the years, that he truly, was a man of much imagination, both in the labors of his art and his ability in the selection of a mate.

Viola and Alvin met while working in Ray, North Dakota and fell in love. In 1922 she and her girl friend took a trip through the Canadian Rockies to California and decided to stay in Los Angeles. Alvin arrived in this fine city having attended the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks and they were married March 4, 1923. Loretta and George Crain, parents of Violas girl friend, had a daughter named Jeanne Crain, a movie star.

Alvin entered the University of Southern California and graduated in 1926 with a B.S.Degree in Electrical Engineering. The couple moved to Pittsburg, Penn., where he did a year of post graduate work and they then returned to Lompoc, California. He worked in the Engineering Dept. of Johns Manville and Viola became Private Secretary to the Technical Director of the Research Laboratory, where they did research on uses of Diatomaceous Earth. This type of earth is almost entirely formed



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VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW

Born, September 16, in Princeton, Wisconsin

ALVIN CHESTER KNOX

Born, Nov. 5, 1898, in Henning, Minn.

Married, March 4, 1923

ALVIN, died September 5, 1972 in Salt Lake City, Utah



ALVIN CHESTER KNOX

Born, May 26, 1933

Married, Rosemary Trimble

December 6, 1958

Robert Joseph born Oct. 27, 1960

Alan Tod " Aug. 12, 1963

THE VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW FAMILY 36

from the skeletons of past ages. The thickest known deposit is in California some 3000 feet in depth, it is used for many things, such as, abrasives, filtering material, ingredient of explosives and as an insulating material for Boilers and Steam pipes.

The writer remembers going to a theatre in Philadelphia, Penn., during the 1920s, to hear and see, Al Jolson in what was the first talking movie, not knowing that Violas husband, went to THE BELL LABORATORY, WHERE he received his training. He became Superintendent in charge of installing and servicing talking equipment in all theatres in the Salt Lake City, Denver and Portland Oregon territories. With 10 years of this valuable experience they returned to California and he was contact sound engineer at Paramount and Columbia Studios for Western Electric. In 1945 the couple returned to Salt Lake City, where they purchased the Service-Theatre Supply Co. 216 E. First South and built most of the Drive-in Theatres in this district. From 1960 to 1970 Alvin was a Contractor for the Air Force at Hill Air Force Base. They spent the winter of 1959 in Cannes, France, surveying the prospects of installing the first Drive-in Theatre in Europe, however, land was too hard to acquire and importation of supplies difficult.

THE VIOLA LOURIE LOTTA MEGOW FAMILY #36

Alvin Chester Jr. is their only child, born May 26, 1933 who married, Rosemary Trimbie, on Dec. 6, 1958, a very attractive young lady and a Stewartess for the Western Air Lines. This couple blessed themselves and their parents with two fine sons, Robert Joseph, Oct. 27, 1960 and Alan Tod, Aug. 12, 1963.

Alvin and Viola retired some years ago. He was a Mason and Shriner for 50 years, member of Sigma Nu and Eta Kappa Nu, (honorary Engineering Fraternity). Viola is active in the Daughters of the Nile and P.E.O., a womens national sorority. They had been enjoying the company of their friends and with the son and his family have had much pleasure.

Alvin became sick and passed away Sept. 5, 1972 of natural causes, he was buried at the Sunset Lawn Mausoleum, in Salt Lake City.

1972

Compiled by FRED WATROUS MEGOW
Corrected by VIOLA LOURIE KNOX

"COMMENT"

BY

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

I thought it appropriate at this point to make some comments, since Viola was the youngest child and this completes the short biographies of Judge Herman Megows sons and daughters.

The writer has thoroughly enjoyed writing about this interesting Family and am proud of their accomplishments. The Father and Mother, had as most young couples, the desire to have a nice family and be able to hold it together, with love and loyalty

The reader has read the Judges chain letter, on Page 16D, to his sons and daughters, written in 1915. Certainly one needs no more proof after reading this letter. The desire for Family Unity was strong, the parents were God fearing folks, realizing the importance of unity and they used all means to gain this objective.

The writer feels and hopes the Megow Clan can conform, congruously to the Judges philosophy and in our small way, with fondness one to the other, do our part in reaching a desire long sought in this world: "PEACEFUL LIVING FOR ALL ITS CITIZENS".

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THE
19TH CENTURY
MEGOWS
OF
PRINCETON, WISC.



Megow building and adjoining structures prior to the time that third story was added on. (Megow photo)

Herman Edward Megow (#3-8, in the Megow Genealogical Records), on his arrival in Princeton in 1878, worked at many endeavors, including photographer, barber and judge, as well as selling real estate and insurance. In a partnership with Pooch and Megow they ran a business on the lower floor of a building next to Mr Megow's two-story residence. (The two story building to the right was the residence shown in the picture above).

The Family lived on the second floor and one room was used as a gallery for developing pictures. In 1898, a remodeling program gave a third story. (The remodeled building shown on the next page.) The building is a land-mark on Princeton's Main Street today (1973) and also Ham Megows home, (#8-31 of Megow Records).

People from many foreign countries came to Princeton in the 1880's and were buying land, which had to be surveyed and deeds made out. Without cash the barter system was used as a means of exchange. Though short of money, the Megow Family usually were well supplied with potatoes, poultry, or on occasion a side of beef or pork, newly butchered.

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In viewing these historic pictures, one cannot help but notice the dirt streets and the wooden side walks. During the dry weather streets must be sprinkled to keep the dust down, in the wet weather mud could be a problem and in the winter time the Main Street would be lined with sleighs, the horses hitched to the hitching posts. When spring came there was the annual spring chore of cleaning off the winters accumulation of horse manure.

The store was closed some years ago after all those years, ending the Megow name in Princeton business and a reputation of fine dealing. Ham, Hermans son, who is now 88 years of age, has always had a multitude of interests and witnessed many changes in this city, the merchants and people especially. Many of the buildings remain almost the same, except for remodeling. They retain their historic appeal to the man who saw them erected or moved to present locations from the old village of St. Maria.

1973

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THE
HERMAN EDWARD MEGOW
FAMILY
3-8

The Megow Family would have a fifth child on Sept. 27, 1852 the parents would give their new son the name Herman Edward. This child would not feel the impact of a Prussian environment nearly as much as the three brothers and sister that preceded him, since within four years he would be snug in his new home in Berlin, Wisconsin. By now these children had learned that the proud parents must share their love and attention, but none would suffer from the lack of it, this family would be very closely bound together and it would be noticable in later years, by those yet to come.

Crossing the Atlantic for a three year old boy, would be one experience he would never forget, to see nothing but water all day long, sort of penned up in a boat, restricted means of entertainment, mother and father ever alert, even at his age the future would show up in his memory.

Herman continued to grow, he learned the English language as well as his native German and by the time school age arrived, education was a little easier to come by and he would get a fair education for that time. Add this to the experience gained by doing odd jobs, he would have an excellent background on which to start on his own as a young man. Herman became a cook on a steamboat that went between Green Bay and Portage, Wisconsin. He learned the Barber trade and took much interest in photography.

While he lived in Berlin, Wisconsin as a child, Julia Fischer also lived there for a while, she later became his wife. In the meantime the Fischer family moved to Princeton, Wisconsin, where her father had a wagon shop. When Herman was a young man, he located in Princeton and set up a barber shop. Julia Fischer was a young lady and cooked at the one big hotel in town "The Schneider Hotel". They renewed their acquaintance, fell in love and decided to marry. Julia moved to Milwaukee, where some of her family lived and while there, they were married. Sept. 27, 1880 they were joined in marriage by Pastor Rev. A. Licher, Ass't Rector of Christ Church. Mr. J.F.Zunmach was one of the witnesses along with Lewis Fischer, he was Julia's brother. She was born in Berlin, Wisconsin on Feb. 10, 1856 and died in Princeton in 1931, one year after celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1930.

Herman had his barber shop in a two story business building on the main street of Princeton, the street was called Water Street because the Fox River flowed in back of the buildings on that street. The family lived on the second floor and Herman reserved a large room of that floor for his Barber Shop. The down stairs floor was rented to various businesses over the years. A source of income.

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Herman and Julia raised a family of eight children, they were all born in the same building except Viola, who was born in the building next door where the family lived while the original home was remodeled and a third floor added to the place. By this time Herman had become Justice of the Peace in Princeton and since his hobby was Photography, he converted the third floor into a photograph gallery and his Justice of Peace and Insurance office.

The family grew and his income also had to grow, so various other businesses were added. To augment his indoor photography income, he would take his horse and buggy out into the country where he took pictures of farm homes, schools, picnics, church affairs and anything that happened in the country side that drew crowds and the sale of the pictures he took were a source of income. In those days he would be called a "Candid Camera Man". Herman Megow, his son still has dozens of these pictures on record in his home that are a pictorial history of rural life of the community in and around Princeton. These were taken during the late 1800 and early 1900.

In the early years he used to trade with the Indians. In the winter time the Indians would store their canoes in his cellar, just off the Fox River. He was a Judge and had the distinction of holding the office of Justice of the Peace for 50 years. He was also President of the School Board for ten years. Being a public spirited man, as President of the School Board he was instrumental in helping to establish the local High School. He was the only man to be admitted to the bar as a lawyer by Proclamation of the Governor of the State of Wisconsin. He was affectionately known as Judge Megow.

Herman and Julia's eight children were, George, who was in the printing business and died while still a young man. Fritz and Arthur both worked for the A.O.Smith Co. of Milwaukee. Herman was a butcher in Princeton and still lives here but is retired. Luella Megow Griffing, was a school teacher, Myrtle Megow Knox, a stenographer and teacher, Lydia Megow Peterson, was a stenographer and store clerk, Viola Knox, was a stenographer and bank clerk.

After their family had all grown up and left home in Sept. 9, 1926 Herman and Julia motored to Oxford to attend the reunion of four surviving of the original seven Megow brothers. William lived at Oxford, Wisconsin at the time. The brothers were William Megow, Oxford, Herman Edward Megow of Princeton, Edward Paul Megow of Camp Douglas and Louis Megow of Oelwein, Iowa.

THE HERMAN EDWARD MEGOW FAMILY

Minnie Julia Fischer Megow died in Princetown, Wisconsin following a few months illness after a stroke in 1931.

She was buried in the Arlington Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

After Julia's death Herman often visited with his children and toward the last years stayed in South Milwaukee with his daughter Myrtle Knox (Mrs Glenn Knox), he became sick and died May 30, 1938 in a Milwaukee hospital and was buried beside his wife in the Arlington Cemetery.

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May 1972

Revised LYDIA MEGOW PETERSON

THE
ROBERT MEGOW FAMILY
FAMILY
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ROBERT MEGOW had the distinction of being conceived in Prussia and taking the trip to the New World with his parents and the first of the family to be born in the United States, June 18, 1857. His sister was now 13 years of age and this new baby would have all the feminine care it would need, what fun for the children and how proud the parents with six tots running around the house and yard, the oldest being 13 years of age.

Wisconsin in 1857 was still a wild country and it would take a lot of determination, father worked hard to make a living for his brood, mother must arise early each morning, cook, wash, clean house, take care of six children and bed time, which came late, would be welcome. During the decades of 50's and 60's the education of children became an important subject for the citizens, slowly but surely a sound educational foundation, was being built, so Robert would be able to get a fairly good basic education.

Robert would grow into a fine young lad, his playmates were his brothers, friends around Berlin and Indian youngsters in season. Much of his time would be spent on the Fox River, there were canoes, rowboats and lots of good fishing. His older brothers would take him with them on hunting and fishing trips, he would attend school and get as much education as there was available at the time, after which he must start working and being on his own.

Work in those early days would be mostly farming and caring for cranberry marshes, the post war economy was in progress, there was plenty to do for every one. During the progress of these next years would be crucial to Robert, he saw an opportunity in Salesmanship and liked that sort of work and it worked out to be his nitch in life, selling Shoe Repair supplies, proved to his liking and he also learned the trade.

While in his early 20s he and Katherine Bolman married. She was born in Quincy, Ill. on Dec. 25, 1859 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Carl Bolman, both of her parents were born in Germany. Mrs Carl Bolman was the former Katherine Miller. They settled in Minneapolis, Minn. and he set up a Shoe Repair business of which he was the sole owner.

Robert lived at 34 Arthur Ave., S.E. 2nd Ward, Minneapolis, Minn. He died Oct. 19, 1925 at 8:15 P.M. cause of death Cerebral Hemorrhage and Broncho Pneumonia and was buried at Lakewood Cemetery, they had two daughters Mrs Jennie Fuller who lived at Hibbing, Minn, in 1925 and in 1937 at 4202 Branson Ave., Minneapolis, Minn, also Mrs Lula Marks, Dorr Ave., Rhinelander, Wisconsin 54501.

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ROBERT MEGOW FAMILY

Katherine died June 23, 1937, she was 77 years 5 months 28 days, The death occurred at 2:15 A.M. she was buried in the Lakewood Cemetery next to her husband, in Lot 129 Section 31 Grave #5, Roberts grave #4, cause of death Coronary Occlusions and she was in the St. Andrews Hospital at the time.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
EDWARD PAUL MEGOW
FAMILY
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The Megow Family was now well settled in Berlin, Wisconsin after coming to America three years ago. Edward was the second son born in Wisconsin, on April 24, 1859. The coming of each new year would see vast progress in every phase of life in the new country. Wisconsin was to be an aggressive State and its citizens of a liberal mind. He would grow up as a child in the Civil War Decade. He would see men joining up in our fight to free the slaves, the war activity in Berlin would make important changes, however being only a child he would remember little about things that went on at that time.

Edward grew up during the Post War period, our great Country was still laying the foundation which would make it great, the 20th century was around the corner. He would be eleven years at the dawn of the 70's, had done a lot of playing but soon this would be turned into work and much of it would be done in the cranberry marshes, where he would help his father, later, when he was older he would go into partnership with his father as, William Megow and Sons, they would work well together and make money, however during the middle 1890s the great fires destroyed all their cranberry marshes, this was a great financial loss.

Barbara Gaber now enters the scene, they were married June 1, 1896, it was a civil ceremony, witnessed by E.H. and Amelia Theile; H.M. Hess joined them in marriage, they were married in New Lisbon, Wisconsin, she was born in Merrimac, Wisconsin and her father was John Gaber, the mother's maiden name was Barbara Ranch. From this union there was one child, a daughter, Minnie born July 29, 1899.

Since the cranberry business had not worked out, Edward worked in the paper mills in Needah and he also worked as a Real Estate Broker. His father died in 1898 and his mother then came to live with them in Camp Douglas, where she died in 1912.

During the writer's first year attending College in Menomonie, Wisconsin in 1917 to 1918, I stopped off at Camp Douglas for one day and he was the only one of my father's (Emil) uncles I ever met, they treated me very nice. The Railroad passed through Camp Douglas and Edward decided to work for them, which he did until his death on April 12, 1940. He had almost reached his 81st year. His wife passed away on _____

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
LOUIS ALBERT MEGOW
FAMILY
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The Civil War had been on in America since 1861, the going had not been encouraging for the North, generals were being constantly changed, however by the year 1862 McClellan who had superseded Pope, checked Lee in the Battle of Antietam, this success encouraged President Lincoln to issue the Emancipation Proclamation Jan. 1, 1863. On May 2-4, 1863 General Joseph Hooker defeated Lee at Chancellorsville, July 1-3, 1863 the Battle of Gettysburg was fought.

Louis Albert Megow came into this world Sept. 22, 1863, he was to be the last child born to Williams wife and being born in Berlin, Wisconsin, during the time our country was fighting to become reunited, Louis would have no direct knowledge of these happenings. Wisconsin was a busy place these days, he would learn to talk the German Language and would be 8 years old, when the writers father was born in 1871. They would live a semi-rural life, have a garden, some animals, pick wild flowers, berries, go fishing, gather water cress, hunt and play on dirt paths and wooden sidewalks. With all the bigger brothers around, the parents would not be required to know where the child was every few minutes of the day. Louis grew up about the same as his brothers, got the best education available in those days. In his early life he would not have the influence of his sister, she married when he was 3 years of age and later moved to Iowa. He would help his father in the cranberry marshes and do all sorts of odd jobs around Berlin.

As a young man he learned to be a Barber and after serving his apprenticeship and now being married to Ellen Trambauer, who was born June 27, 1863, he set up business in a building next to the Fox River. Arthur Megow #33, remembers when he was 10 years old in 1898, he went to Berlin from Princeton to the funeral of his Grandfather William Megow, he stayed with Louis and Ellen for several weeks. They lived in a house next to his folks, which he had built and they were both very nice people. He continued to operate his shop until 1906, at which time he sold out and went to Oelwein, Iowa and set up a new Barber Shop there.

Ellen Trambauer, Louis wife, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Addison Frederick Trambauer of Lower Milford, Pa. Mrs Trambauer was the former Miss Mary E. Romig of Penn. (Research may look into the Romigs, I have in my files several Romig marriages in Penn. However at this date are not connected).

THE LOUIS ALBERT MEGOW FAMILY

Louis practiced his profession in Iowa until he retired. He and his wife were frequent visitors in Waterloo, Independence and visited often in Wisconsin, they were both conservative people and well liked by every one, their home was located at 112-4th Ave., N.E. Oelwein, Iowa. They had no children.

Ellen was the first to pass away, she died on Feb. 10, 1943 and was buried in the Cedar Crest Cemetery at Jessup, Iowa. Louis died Nov. 5, 1945 in Fayette County, Oelwein, he had lived there 39 years, his death was caused by Cerebral Thrombosis due to Arterio Sclerosis, he had lived 82 years 1 month and 13 days, and was buried next to his wife Ellen Nov. 7, 1945.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW
FAMILY
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THE AUTOMOBILE AND EMIL MEGOW. Emil was very much interested in the Automobile from the time he was a young man and during his life time, saw a remarkable evolution of this means of transportation.

When the Family picture was taken the Family car took an important part. The following pictures show the parents and their children from 1903 to 1912, since Wesley was a late comer, 1917, the writer decided to put in a picture of him taken on the steps of our new home which was built in 1913.

When I was a boy, the Auto was not very dependable, all parts in it were made as the car was built, close tolerances did not start developing until the advent of Mass Production by Henry Ford, as a result you just could not go on a trip unless you were mechanic enough to fix the car if it broke down, which was quite often. My Dad was a good mechanic but he most always had my Uncle Earl, at that time a High School boy. I was too young to have been able to know what most of the troubles were, however I do remember there was a lot of tire trouble and in those days a half day job to fix, the clincher type wheel made it rough and it took a lot of doing to take a tire off and then put it on again. Some how no one had thought of the spare tire on a wheel idea. I also remember that the chain drive caused lots of trouble, the chain was for-ever breaking. The ignition was the Magneto type, so I expect it and the points caused many head-aches.

When 1913 came around the cars had become more reliable, my Dad had a Ford in 1908 and a light pick-up truck Ford in 1912, the latter was used in his Plumbing Business. There is considerable more that could be said about these old type Cars and it will be an interesting subject for some one in the future to write about.

Notice that all these cars had a Right-Hand Drive and the Ford pick-up was the first to have the Left-Hand drive, the early ones had no windshields. The first car shown had no lights, however from the second car to the Mitchell, they had Gas lights. The first three were chain drive and the motors were under the front seat but in the 1912 Mitchell there was a gear drive and gear shift, license plates were required, engine was four cylinder, with four doors, slanting windshield and a folding top. Turn the page to see pictures of the Cars.

All pictures were taken at 1226 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee, Wisc. There were no pavements and the streets were dirt, the dust was kept down by the sprinkling wagon.



1903--Barn in rear of 1226 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee. Car stands in front of what now is 1232 Rawson Ave., Rear seat- Adell holding George #42; Nettie #41; Front seat- Emil #13 Fred #40.



1905-- Rear seat, left to right; Mrs Grace, lived across the street in the corner house, Nettie #41; Grandmother Whitmore #21 Watrous; George #42 on her lap; Front seat, Emil #13; Fred #40; Mrs Grace's daughter. Door to rear seat is in the middle of the rear.



1907 or 8--Rear Seat; Adell, Nettie #41; Front seat; Emil #13 George #42; Fred #40. The house is the original homestead of the Whitmore Family and the Emil Megow Family, in this house the first three Megow children were born.



1912-- Mitchell; Rear seat Fred #40; Nettie #41 standing George #42; Emil and Adell #13, Over front fender seated on lawn chairs, Floy #16 Whitmore and Grandmother Whitmore #3-7; O'Briens lived in the house across the street. Notice that tires on all the cars have no tread but are smooth.



1912--Ford pick-up, seated in the tub is George #42, in the Front of 1232 Rawson Ave., note the glider and chicken house in the rear, the old homestead on the left and the Whitmore house on the right. The car is just back from the Fourth of July Parade.



WESLEY WHITMORE MEGOW

THE
EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW
FAMILY
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EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW was born in Berlin Wisconsin, Sept. 10, 1871 and was the oldest of four boys, his baptismal certificate shows the date of Oct. 25, 1871 in the Evangelical Luthern Church, by pastor C.L.Berner as the date he was baptized and as being born Sept. 10, 1871, interestingly it was all in German. A check of the records at the above mentioned church, shows that in addition to the baptismal record, the Communicant membership of William and Fredericka Megow, Emils grandparents in 1869, this means one who is entitled to partake of Communion a church member. This information was given to me by Rev. A.M.Scheiler, Dec. 1971, after he made a thorough search of his church records. It was possible that a child be baptized in the Luthern Church without the parents becoming members, which was the case here.

EMIL grow up with a strong German environment, since his grandparents, mother, father and uncles all lived and spoke German, he had a good command of the language and was able to talk and write it in an average manner. He attended the grade schools in Berlin. He finished the fourth grade and at that time it became an economical necessity to work and help support the mother and three brothers, he would have been about 10 years old at the time, which would be about 1881 or 1882.

On Jan. 4, 1879 the barn burned and destroyed some one elses barn and a small shop, the damage was about \$1000.00, the largest loss was to the Megow family. It must have been in the area of 1881 that the father left home, at which time Emil was 10 years of age. From then on he and his mother helped earn enough to keep the family going. He would go, each fall, into the different farmers fields and harvest potatoes and get in return some to take home, also corn, squash, pumpkins and even cranberries. In the summer during his (what would have been a kids play time) he picked berries in the woods, for other people, to get some for home. He also picked blue berries to sell. The uncles always said, " Emil made good because he loved to provide for his mother and brothers, Emils mother did sewing work, so Emil said, "way into the night". She also was a good person and my mother Dell said she never wasted anything, and she never understood how Dell did her working, the Yankee way of course, no sour-kROUT, no pigs knuckles, the way the Germans did. Emils mother died of cancer of the stomach in 1901 and fortunately did not live long enough to suffer.

In the process of growing up, his grand mother use to take him to the cranberry marshes while she worked there, helping her husband, it is said she always carried him about in a basket and was careful that no snakes would bother him. When he was old enough he worked in the marshes with his folks, after school and week ends he helped in the livery stables, since those were the horse and buggy days, he would take special pride in having a good horse and extra fancy buggy for the Star of the opera which came to town every once in a while.



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EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW

Born Sept. 10, 1871 in Berlin, Wisconsin

MARY ADELL WHITMORE

Born Sept. 23, 1877 in Oak Creek, Wisconsin

Married June 1, 1898

EMIL died, Sept. 17, 1948 in South Milwaukee, Wisc.

ADELL " April 6, 1963 in South Milwaukee, Wisc.



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 FRED WATROUS MEGOW
 Born July 25, 1899 DIED MAR5-1977
 Married, Rae Viola Snyder
 Dec. 26, 1921
 44 Robert, born Jan. 22, 1923
 45 Ruth, " Dec. 14, 1929
 46 John, " " " "
 47 Richard, " Aug. 23, 1940

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 NETTIE ADELL MEGOW
 Born May 23, 1901
 Married, Harold Woodworth
 Mar. 15, 1926
 Harold, born April 28, 1933
 George, " Sept. 28, 1939



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 GEORGE EDWARD MEGOW
 Born May 10, 1903
 Married, Annie Laurie Porter
 April 17, 1925
 48 Jeanette, born May 27, 1927
 49 Laurie Ann, " Dec. 4, 1932
 50 Harland, " Feb. 15, 1930
 51 Marjorie, " July 29, 1948

43
 WESLEY WHITMORE MEGOW
 Born Feb. 27, 1917
 Married, Beatrice Kuppert
 May 27, 1939
 52 Thomas, born Dec. 5, 1942
 53 Jacqueline " June 2, 1947



THE EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW FAMILY

He also furnished them to young couples for their special trips on Sundays. Emil was a volunteer Fireman "Hoseman Emil Megow, Feb. 11, 1889 of this city. On June 15, 1971 Robert F. Krause (Firechief) sent my fathers photo to me, Fred W. Megow, Emils oldest son, it had hung on the wall of the fire house since 1889, he was then 18 years old. I was honored to get this priceless family picture for my fathers sake.

During the early 1880s Emil went to South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the boom town, to work so he could get enough money saved to move his three brothers and their mother there. He worked at the Eagle Horse Shoe Co., This was during the great boom period. The great Real Estate developments all over the country in 1890-1-2 are said to have been based on the great business "boom" similar to the one we had in 1929 and the great depression that came in 1893 is said to have been based on these great Real Estate and building booms, however by 1893 the year of the great Columbian Exposition in Chicago, this boom became top heavy and began to fall about the ears of those who had brought it to pass. Emil attended this Exposition in Chicago and often talked about it.

He was able to save enough and moved his mother and three brothers to So. Milwaukee, in the mean time he had started a bicycle shop and his brothers and some cousins worked for him. His grandmother Megow had often said, "Emil has great imagination and will be successful in anything he does," how right she was.

His shop was on 10th Ave., across from the Library. This he later moved to 1003 Madison Ave., where he also went in the Plumbing and Heating business. Here he operated with William Wallace under the name of Megow and Wallace and in later years the name was changed to Megow and Maddock. During the great depression he formed the Home Specialties and made wooden propellers for the Model Airplane Industry, furnishing the Megow Corporation of Philadelphia, Penn. its entire supply, this Corp. was wholly owned by his son Fred W. Megow.

He was a Charter Member of the First Methodist Church of South Milwaukee and took an active part in its development, it was a Sunday evening, May 21, 1893, the pastor, Rev. J.M. Wilkinson who consented to give up his charge in Milwaukee and devote his whole time to the new Church and 14 people were the first members of the South Milwaukee Methodist Church of which Emil F. Megow, a young man 24 years old was one. He was a good Christian all of his life and he live it by the excellent example he set for all to follow.

ADELL WHITMORE played the organ in the church and it was here that Emil and she met. She was baptized and became a member Dec. 29, 1895, they fell in love and were married June 1, 1898.

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I ask my mother in later years, how she met Dad and when he proposed marriage, she smiled and told me that during one of the churches annual picnics, he said to her, "Dell I have made up my mind that you are so thorough, do things well, are mindful of others, are a good Christian, are always willing to help, I have come to like you a lot and know you would make a good wife, if you will have me".

After they were married Emil and Dell went to Beloit, he worked for the Hatch Cutlery Co. who moved their factory to that city. They had passed out through the fire route. He worked for them and had a job waiting in Beloit. My mother told me that I was conceived while they were in Beloit, how long they stayed I do not know, she became so homesick, that her parents sent money for trainfare to return to South Milwaukee, which they did and settled in the old homestead, which was now available, since her father, George Whitmore, had Mr. Hess, the local carpenter contractor build their new house which still stands at 1226 Rawson Ave., The Whitmores moved into it before the turn of the century.

They set up housekeeping in the old homestead on Rawson Ave., the house stood next to their new house at 1232 Rawson Ave., the first three children were born in the old homestead and the fourth Wesley was born in the new house at 1232. Later the old house was moved two blocks west on the South side of Rawson Ave., and it still stands. They were strict parents, raising their children in a strict Christian environment, the family was never in want and Emil was an excellent provider and Adell and excellent mother, they gave all their children a good education.

He was one of the first in the city to own an Automobile and in its evolution, frightened horses, ran over many animals and kicked up a lot of dust. Many folks in those days considered any one owning an Automobile a sort of fool, certainly, they reasoned, it was a fad, never would or could replace the horse and certainly the local industry, making horse shoes, would stand forever. The stockholders and citizens were later to be shocked, to learn that making horse shoes was not a paying business when the factory close down for good.

In those days the early 1900s a side track ran from Rawson Ave., through what is now Bucyrus-Erie, over 10th Ave. and on past the Eagle Horse Shoe Co. The Company had a couple of bad fires, until about 1907, when it suffered a slow death after several attempts to revive, at its site just to the east of 10th Ave. and north of the spur track. This was the route we always walked

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to and from church and even though I was very young the memories are well fixed in my mind, naturally a young boy gets into things, I well remember my father was strict and you did as he or Mother said, however they were both kind and affectionate to their children, we always loved our parents and to this day miss them and know they are in their eternal home living in love and peace, as Gods reward for the good Christian life they lived and followed during their fruitful lives.

Later he purchased a second home at Lauderdale Lakes, Wisc., where his family would spend week-ends and summers, the cottage was on Green Lake at the North end. largest of the three in the chain, they are spring fed and a beautiful sight to behold. The fishing was always excellent and the happy days there as we grew up will never be forgotten. Emil was a member of the Lauderdale Lakes Improvement Association and I inject this item since 1971 seems to be the beginning of the ecology generation which is developing, in the public mind, a consciousness of the need to help nature keep the balance needed to sustain wild life in and out of the water, which is to mans advantage in making it possible for him to continue to live on this planet.

Early in the 20th Century at Lauderdale Lakes this group of men, who were land owners on the shores of this beautiful chain of lakes were quite conscious of the need to keep the lake clean, with proper balance and have it well stocked with fish. A weed cutter was regularly used, to keep them cut three or four feet below the surface. No waste was emptied in the water, each spring the lake is systematically stocked with game fish and every few years the rough fish are seined out. I have never heard to this day that the lakes were polluted, thanks to the foresight of men such as my Dad.

He was a successful business man, honest, furnished his customers quality work and was well respected by his fellow townsmen. Emil was a member of the Masonic Lodge and was awarded the 33rd degree in Milwaukee on Nov. 18, 1927, this is a special honor and we are all proud of this attainment. He passed away on Sept. 10, 1948 and was buried under the auspices of the Jeremiah M. Rusk Lodge 259 F. and A.M. of South Milwaukee and was buried in the Arlington Park Cemetery of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Adell died April 6, 1963, she was born Sept. 23, 1877 and was buried beside her husband.

Miss Mary Adell Whitmore was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs George Whitmore of 1226 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee, Mrs Whitmore was the former Miss Delila Watrous, of Wellsville, N.Y. (Refer to Genealogical Records DAR and MAYFLOWER Clubs via. Sears, Howes and Whitmore, they are descendants by marriage to John Howland and Elder Brewster of the Ship Mayflower)

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ELDEST SON
FRED WATROUS MEGOW

JOHN MEGOW

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The latter part of the 19th Century, started producing the third generation of American Megows. This new group of off-spring would have at their disposal, opportunities never before offered and coincidentally the writer living in the later part of the 20th Century certainly would have a panoramic view of the development of this centuries part of our civilization.

Emil was the first in this family followed by John two years later, Nov. 25, 1873, born to Carl and Emilie Megow. He grew up in his native city, attended the regular Grade Schools. John was a very shy lad, but this did not keep him from being the best marble player. He would go to school with two marbles and come home with a bag full.

The game of marbles was played by making a given sized circle, on the ground, usually four to six feet in diameter, placing the marbles in the center and shooting from the periphery. My father told me many times when talking about Johns ability as a player, that his aim was excellent and many times he shot all marbles out of the ring in one turn, some how he had the skill of keeping his shooter in the circle after each shot.

John was destined to be plagued by Asthma early in life, which in the end caused an early death. It often occurred to me, being by nature very shy and the added deterrent of his affliction made him self conscious. He was a silent individual rarely talked, other then what courtesy would require.

When the boys moved to So. Milwaukee he was 20 years of age and already an excellent mechanic. Emil had a bicycle repair shop on So. Chicago Ave., on the land which is now the Bucyrus Erie plant. John worked in the shop repairing bicycles until his brother moved the building to Madison Ave., and went in the Plumbing and Heating business.

He worked in various Machine Shops in So. Milwaukee and Milwaukee before moving to Minneapolis, Minn., working for his younger brother Edward. His Asthma still plagued him, however he developed a kidney infection in 1918, which caused his death Nov. 25, 1918. An autopsy revealed a tumor in the kidney. His body was brought to Milwaukee and burial occurred in the Union Cemetery beside his mother. John never married, The writer of this article was one of the pall-bearers, along with my father, Uncle Edward and my brother George.

THE
CARL F. MEGOW
FAMILY
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CARL F. MEGOW, was born in Berlin, Wisconsin, Nov. 27, 1878. He was the third son of Carl Megow and Emilie, his older brother Emil was now 7 years of age and John 5 years old. His childhood would be about normal, his uncles were leaving the area one by one, typical of how families in this new country did then and have continued to do so up to the present date of this writing, nearly 100 years later.

Carl attended the grade schools in Berlin, was an average student, very imaginative and alert. Later in the early 1880's, he, with his other brothers would learn to assist the mother in earning enough to keep the family going, since the father left home.

The family moved to So. Milwaukee, during the middle of the 1890s , and in 1894, when he was 16 he joined the Navy as a second-class machinist and was stationed on the Cruiser, N.Y. Flag-ship of the Asiatic Fleet. He served for 7 years, was in the Spanish American War in the Far East, visited many countries in Asia and the writer can remember seeing some of his collection of Oriental goods, such as scarfs, vases and various trinkets after he entered civilian life.

FLORENCE SIBOUR HILL, was born in Mt. Morris, Ill. in 1884, her people lived in South Milwaukee, where Carl met her, they were married April 9, 1906. The marriage was held at the Methodist Episcopal Church, in So. Milwaukee. Witnesses were Emil Megow and Mrs Florence Shepherd, Clergyman, S.A.Williams. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Lesley Hill. Mrs Hill was the former Florence Dawson of Mt Morris, Ill.

He was working for the Bucyrus at the time he married. In 1910 he started a shop making Trucks, this venture was not successful. He later worked for the Morman Co. of Indianapolis, Ind. In 1914 he started working for the Ford Motor Co., as a tool maker. Except for a few years during World War, I, which he spent in Minneapolis, Minn., manufacturing Tractor Wheels and a short time in Holland, Mich. making Tractors, he spent working for the Ford Motor Co. Since 1942 until retiring in 1950 he worked at the Highland Park Plant.

In 1946 he moved with his second wife Maude (second wife) to a house on Riverside Bay Court in Mt. Clemens, the front lawn borders the Clinton River. There were no children from this marriage.

From the first marriage there were two children, Carlton and Lucy. Florence died in 1929. Carl died in Macomb, Harrison Twp. April 20, 1958. He was a veteran of the Spanish American War, past Grand Gugu Grandissimo, for the Province on Mich. of the fun group. He died of Acute Cornary and had diabetes for many years. Burial was on 23rd of April 1958 in the Allegan Cemetery, Allegan, Mich.

THE
CHARLES MEGOW
FAMILY



5--15 CHARLES MEGOW, born Nov. 27, 1878, in Berlin, Wisc.
married, FLORENCE HILL, on April 9, 1906
CHARLES died April 20, 1958
FLORENCE " 1930



15-65 CARLTON WESLEY MEGOW
Born, April 22, 1907
Died, Feb. 3, 1971

15-66 LUCY MEGOW
Born,

MR. MEGOW
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EDWARD JULIUS MEGOW

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EDWARD JULIUS MEGOW, was born Oct. 5, 1882 in Berlin, Wisconsin. There were now four boys and as time went on it had become necessary for the mother to work. Emil the oldest was able to do odd jobs for people in Berlin, to help earn needed funds. The father had left the family and was working at the paper mills in North Central Wisconsin.

He was able to attend and finish the grade school before the mother and her boys went to South Milwaukee.

Edward was 15 years old when the family moved to So. Milwaukee, he worked some in the Bicycle Shop and also attended a Business School in Milwaukee. After finishing school he started working for the Harley Davidson Motorcycle Co., traveling the state of Wis.

He lived with us at the old homestead and slept in the front bedroom, was away a lot of the time, when returning he always brought we kids candy.

JENNIE MAY GARBIN and he met while traveling and they were married Aug. 1, 1911 and moved to Minneapolis where he had an agency, distributing the Harley Davidson Motor-cycle. In 1918 while at Stout Institute, Menomonie, Wis. , I went there to visit with he and uncle Carl, who was operating a Tractor Wheel Factory.

In 1925 he moved to Los Angeles where he worked for the United States Air Force as a Production Supervisor. He died Dec. 9, 1952, at 6:10 in the morning at the age of 70, his death was caused by a Coronary. He was buried in the Holy Cross Cemetery, Los Angeles, Calif.

THE MEGOW BOYS
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To discribe the main purpose which I have in mind and try to convey to future generations will not be an easy task, because I must go only by what I heard and saw as a youngster and I heard much more than I saw.

My first thought down through the years was, simply that the combined brains and mechanical skills of these men could easily have matched Henry Ford and it is my contention that, had someone been able to combine their abilities to work as a team, a great Auto Manufacturer could have developed in South Milwaukee and been one of the big three Auto Companies of America to-day.

Automobiles, were a bi-word with my father and his brothers. Uncle Carl built many himself in the early days with the help of his brothers, some how no one thought about combining these brains, and they went their separate ways and the great opportunity vanished.

This may be a day dream, but never-the-less quite possible. The ways of the world are strange.

SOPHIA ISABELLE MEGOW

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The beginning of a fine family group started on the 28th day of July 1898 in Junction City, Wisconsin, when Sophia was born to Charles Carl and Maria Jane Megow. The writer has had the pleasure of much research on the Megow ancestors and it is indeed quite satisfying that I can write about my Aunts and Uncles. Sophia did not know that I would start my life one year later some 150 miles to the south east. One who can look back, wonders at times, just how destiny is determined.

Junction City, is a small village in Portage County to the N.W. of Stevens Point. The present population is near 400, which leads one to believe that it was sparsely populated at the dawn of the 20th century. Sophia would, in a few years, leave this lush rolling country of mostly farms and increasingly industrial land, for a completely different landscape in the Great Prairie State of Nebraska, where, in those days, most rural dwellings were made of sod.

Before Sophia was 8 years old her father was planning to venture into Nebraska, where she would go when the family moved there in 1906. She attended the grade school in Broken Bow and in 1911 the family moved to the land the father had homesteaded.

In 1914 after her father passed away, she worked for her board and room in Broken Bow. While attending school. Sophia finished the eight grade. During this period in her life World War I was in progress and there was a shortage of men and women in the teaching profession. Local school boards were frantically trying to keep the classrooms properly staffed. Many ideas were advanced to solve this problem and in Nebraska, the better mature students were selected and given the opportunity to take a special training course, she was one of those good students and took this special training at Kearney State Teachers College, located in the town of Kearney, Neb. She completed the special training and was awarded a Special Teaching Certificate and taught in a small one room type country school, about 15 miles south west of Broken Bow.

RALPH PROVINCE, was born July 1, 1897 and was the son of Mr and Mrs Phillip S. Province of Broken Bow. Their ancestors were pioneers and settled in Nebraska in the 19th century. Mrs Province was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Brandt. Mr Province was born in 1870 and died in 1954, his wife was born in 1878 and died in 1945.

As a young man Ralph learned the Auto Mechanics trade, which he continued until his retirement, at first as an employee, then in partnership with a fellow mechanic, the late George Browning of Broken Bow, where they maintained their shop. He saw the automobile make its remarkable change from the Model T to the present revolutionary modern vehicle, and he has been in this work continuous over the last 50 years, with one interruption. During the 1920 decade he and his family moved to So. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he worked with Emil Megow, Sophia's step-brother, who was in the Plumbing and Heating business there. They stayed only a short time and returned to Broken Bow, where he continued in the Auto repair business. Ralph is an ardent hunter and fisherman, which he did a lot of in his spare time over the years.

Sophia and Ralph were members of the local Broken Bow "Wild life Club", when the three sons, Howard, Paul and Gail were old enough they, along with the family dog, "Friskie", accompanied Ralph. He taught the boys how to handle a gun safely and properly. The final



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SOPHIA ISABELLE MEGOW

Born, July 28, 1898, in Junction City, Wisconsin

RALPH PROVINCE

Born, July 1, 1897, near Broken Bow, Custer Co. Neb.

Married, June 10, 1917



RUTH PROVINCE
Born, May 22, 1918
Married, Charles Everett Gray Jr.
Jan. 16, 1946
Jeanne Ann born Jan 18, 1947
Shirley Joyce " May 10, 1950

HOWARD RALPH PROVINCE
Born, Nov. 4, 1920
Married, Lora Neile Selfridge (1st wife)
Charles Curtis born May 19, 194[illegible]

Married, Dorthy Thompson (2nd wife div.)
April 20, 1946
Janet Marie (daughter of Dorothy)
Elnora Rae " " "
Wesley Howard born Feb. 14, 1947
Donald Kent " Mar. 2, 1950



HELEN MARGARET PROVINCE
Born March 7, 1926
Married, Ellsworth Joe Browning
June 7, 1946
Stanley Joe born July 22, 1949
Ann Margaret " Mar. 17, 1953
Barbara Rae " June 20, 1955

PAUL ROGER PROVINCE
Born, May 7, 1929
Married, Edith Ramona Kleebe (1st wife)
Romona Marie born July 30, 1950
Timothy Roger " Dec. 11, 1951
Jerry Paul " Sept 20, 1953
Gary Ray " Oct. 25, 1954

Married, Phyliss Grimer Gates
(2nd wife, widow) Sept. 21, 1969
Gia (Daughter of Phyliss)
Dana (Son " ")
Bradley (" " ")



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emphasis was put on the rules of good sportsmanship.

They were members of the local Methodist Church with all the sons and daughters exposed to a good Christian environment, the parents saw to that and the future was to have proof in the fine American citizens which Sophia and Ralph are well proud of. The children are all doing well while Ralph spends his liesure taking good care of their home. Sophia was a busy housewife, with her brood and in her spare time could relax by doing handwork, crocheting, embroidery, art work and some creative writing.

On June 10, 1917, Ralph and Sophia were married, the ceremony was held in the parsonage of the Methodist Church in Broken Bow. They were joined by Rev. George B. Trites and Mr and Mrs Charles Link were witnesses, from this union were born, Ruth Howard, Helen, Paul and Gail. The family celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary in 1967 and the eldest daughter, Ruth; whos husband Charles Gray, is in the printing business in Omaha, printed a fine pictorial booklet of the family, a lasting tribute to the parents.

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GAIL EDWARD PROVINCE

Born, July 15, 1931

Married, Shirley Joyce Squier

Sherry Lynn born Feb. 23, 1955

Nancy Ann " Sep. 21, 1956

Linda Sue " Nov. 28, 1959

Patti Marie " Oct. 22, 1961

REKA MEGOW

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REKA MEGOW, was born Dec. 13, 1901 in Neenah, Wisc, she was the second daughter of Carl and Maria Megow. The writer of this article was about 2½ years old when his Aunt came in this world. Her father and mother would, on occasions, take their young children and visit with his mother and brothers. There are, scattered among various families, photos taken of the girls.

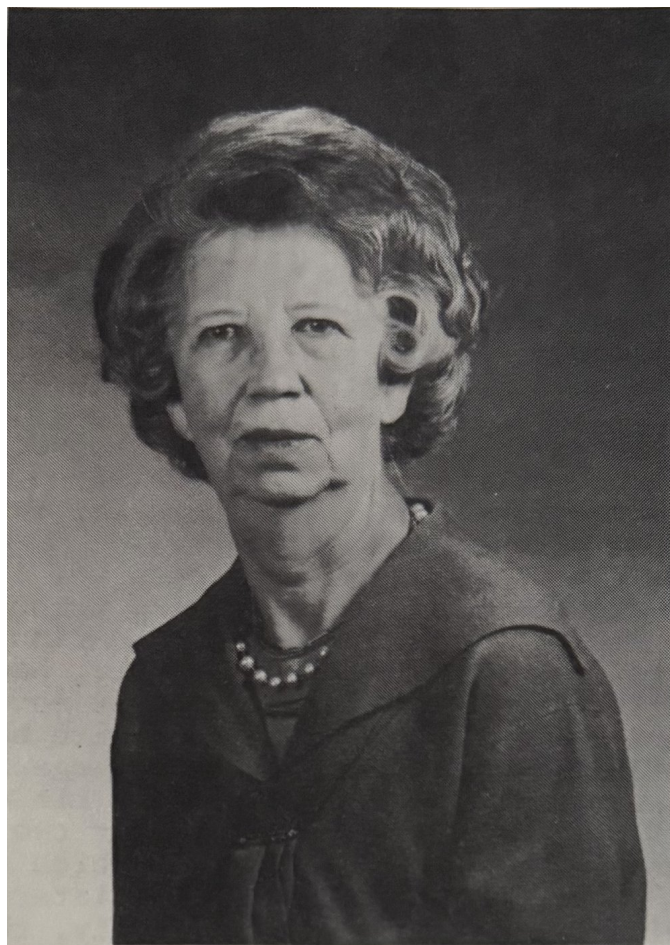
One cannot help but think that in 1901, the fabulous 20th Century was in its beginning throbs, a great country, was well on the way in its 200th year and all things ahead looked bright. The Family, which took root here 47 years ago, was now firmly established and growing in number. Carl had already contributed six with one more to come and the strong hertiage each Megow inherited would show its value as the years passed.

Reka was a healthy normal child and would spend her first half decade in Wis. During 1905 the parents would start planning to move the family to Neb., which they did in 1906. She attended Public Schools in Broken Bow where they settled. Later the family moved to a farm near Arnold, Neb. and when she was eleven years old her father took sick, she ran some three miles to a neighbor to call a Doctor, when she return home her father had passed away, she was in the sixth grade at the time.

The Family at this point was broken up, she went with a local farm family and continued her schooling through the 8th grade, after which she did domestic work and continued with this for several years. Rekas older sister, Sophia, had encouraged her to go to So. Milwaukee, Wis. where they felt more opportunities were available and she could get acquainted with her brother, Emil and his family, she was then 22 years of age in the year 1923. The writer was away from home so did not met his aunt, he would have to wait until years later. She stayed for two weeks, then went to Milwaukee and stayed four years, after which she went to Forest Park, Ill. to visit her mothers three sisters. Reka was able to get work in Oak Park with a wealthy family, the Doles where she worked for 20 years.

She visited her brother often and happen to be there on time when the writers twin son and daughter were visiting, they were three years of age, this was about 1932. The writer met Reka in 1948 at his fathers funeral.

After retiring from her work in Oak Park, whe went to Boulder, Colo. and there used her resources to buy a house which was large enough so she could rent out three rooms. This city contains the University of Colo., thus offering good prospects for rental of rooms. She enjoyed her stay here, this was the first home of her own and with a lot of hard work she was able to keep the property in good condition, then after several years she sold the property and moved to her present home in Colorado Springs, Colo., and is enjoying her new home.



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REKA MEGOW

BORN, Dec. 13, 1901

Unmarried

THE
FREDERICK WATROUS MEGOW
FAMILY
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FREDERICK WATROUS MEGOW was born July 25, 1899, just as the 19th century was fading and the great 20th century emerging in the eastern skies, which would be the dawn of the greatest century that man was to know prior to the year 2000 A.D. He was one of a family of three boys and one girl that would be born to EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW and ADELL MARY WHITMORE by 1917 and all were destined to be of good Christian stature and who were able to live by the parents strong moral code and make these exceptional parents proud of them. The few years as a baby and child Fred, like all other persons, must depend on the parents; minds at that age retain little if anything, so the knowledge that a great age was continuing into the 20th century must come later.

According to what my mother told me in later years, I was conceived in Beloit, Wisconsin, where mother and dad went when they were first married, Dad worked for the Hatch Cutlery Co. This company had moved there from South Milwaukee. Mother got homesick and within 6 months they returned, I was born at what was then 1226 Rawson Ave., in the old homestead where most of the Whitmore Family came into this world, it was located next to the present home at 1232 Rawson Ave. The house was later moved west on Rawson Ave. about three blocks, on the south side of the Ave. and still stands.

What can I say about myself during those first years, my age was against me? I was never supposed to remember, however as time went on that mind did hold fast on a few things now and then. The George Hook Family lived just to the west of us, they had some sons and daughters, I would estimate them to be teenagers at the time.

When I met Grace Hook at my mothers funeral in 1963 I mentioned to her how the Hook girls borrowed me as a child for a day and nite, the Rawson girls, who lived in their big house at Rawson Ave and 10th Ave across from the old High School, a stone play house stood in the rear of their residence, this was a two story affair, well built of stone with an upstairs. What I remember is that the girls both Hook and Rawson were playing house and ask my mother if they could use me as a playmate, they must have fed me and I slept there over nite. Grace was so surprised that I remembered, she said, "I just can't wait to tell Maude about it" (Maude was the youngest Hook sister)

I also recall that in the old house the door to Mom and Dads bedroom was on one side of the living room, not the Parlor. I can still see the large iron bedstead, my crib was at the head end of the bed and it stood about two feet from the floor with sides 10" to 12" high and rectangular in shape, that was my bed, how many years I slept there I would never know.



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FREDERICK WATROUS MEGOW

Born July 25, 1899 in South Milwaukee Wisconsin
[Handwritten: DIED MAR. 5 - 1977]

RAE VIOLA SNYDER

Born Dec. 11, 1898 in Duncanon, Pennsylvania

Married Dec. 27, 1921



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ROBERT SNYDER MEGOW

Born Jan. 22, 1923

Married Joye Gertrude DeBell
Aug. 31, 1946

54 Suzan Ann born Dec. 22, 1949

55 Thomas Robert " Apr. 6, 1951

56 James George " Sept. 3, 1953



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RUTH VIRGINIA MEGOW

Born Dec. 14, 1929

Married, George Bunting Dallas
Jan. 27, 1951

Leslie Ruth Born, Dec. 19, 1953

George Megow " Dec. 20, 1956

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JOHN FREDERICK MEGOW

Born Dec. 14, 1929

Married, Janet Rodenberry
June 3, 1954

57 Phillip Whitmore born 5/26/1966

58 Greg Anderson " 2/26/1969

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RICHARD WATROUS MEGOW

Born May 23, 1940

Married, Anntonia Pereir Gomaz
Dec. 18, 1965

59 Adi Maria born 3/31/1968



the big iron shapes and the heads of my Mother and Father sleeping close to me made a lasting impression on my young mind.

The good care and love that I received in those early years would leave a lasting love and loyalty to my parents, grandparents, brothers, sister, uncles and aunts, a closeness that I strongly feel to this day. My thoughts at this writing how this century is fading as the 19th was fading to those who lived 100 years ago.

About now Frederick must go to the first grade, we had good schools in South Milwaukee, the older folks had seen to that. Going to school for me meant crossing the Railroad Tracks, walking on Rawson Ave to the Old Brick High School building, which was removed many years ago, along the side-walk which I took, now stands the long Plate Shop of the Bucyrus Erie, but in the early 1900s it was all an apple orchard, next to the High School stood the residence of Mrs Forbes, she was an old lady, but nice to we young kids.

The class room which I attended was on the first floor, across from the Principals office, Mr Straw, as I remember. The following years through the eight grade were spent in the Third Ward School on 13th Ave. in those days the eight grade meant the end of education to most boys and girls.

Summers and holidays at that stage of life was mostly having fun, unless it be pulling weeds in the garden. I well remember the summer, as I recall it would have been about the time my seventh grade was finished, my Dad came home at noon, which was normal, well that day was bad news for Freddie, at least those were my thoughts. Dad came up to me and said, "from now on son you are going to work with me at the Plumbing Shop" my dreams for that day and summer of fun and frolic had ended with those instructions.

It seems only fair to my Father, that at this stage of the write-up I mention what my later thoughts turned out to be. All during my life time I have thanked my Father for all he taught me about practical things, it was an opportunity seldom offered to a boy, after all, how many Fathers owned a business which would enable him to employ his son? We were never in want, Father was a good provider in good or bad times, however what you got must be earned, there was no such thing as an allowance, we received small change, for Sunday School Collection and each Easter were given a dime to buy candy, we had a distinct advantage over boys and girls of the present generations. the value of money and possessions were better understood by us. Working 10 hours a day, 6 days a week at 10¢ per hour

gave me \$6.00 for the week. Over the few years left at home, working for my Father taught me Plumbing, Heating and the Electrical Trades, enabling me later in life to build my own houses.

Historical event occurred and I will list a few which I remembered.

On Dec. 17, 1903, at which time I was but 4 years of age my memory is quite clear regarding the Wright Brothers who made four successful free flights at Kitty Hawk, in North Carolina.

During the spring of 1906 we were to hear the sad news of the San Francisco Earthquake which killed many people and destroyed the entire city.

My uncle Earl, next door, had built a wireless sending and receiving set in his basement in the same room that contained a pool table, I was watching my uncle and his friends playing pool, it was April 14, 1912 and my age about 13 at this time. Uncle Earl always kept the wireless open and he knew the Morse Code, some time later he noted something interesting coming over the receiver, it was only click, click and more clicking to me, but to him it meant something important, when he finally told us that it was an S.O.S. from the ship Titanic which was sinking in the Atlantic Ocean. My grandfather often commented that one of these days some one would invent talking and pictures over the wireless.

During the 1912 Presidential campaign, Theodore Roosevelt, who was running on the third party, BULL MOOSE, was speaking in Milwaukee, he was shot while speaking, with a bullet in his chest he continued speaking until he was finished. We heard afterwards that a pocket book over his heart is the only thing which saved his life.

March 9, 1916, Pancho Villa, a Mexican Revolutionary General crossed our southern border and attacked the town of Columbus, New Mexico, killing a number of citizens and destroying a portion of the town.

There were many more events, the above were the ones which I selected as the most important. My life continued to move ahead so will I continue with it.

We were raised in a strict home, and were never in want, our life was well balanced, church going and a strong belief in God was practiced daily and we grew up as normal kids would, continuing our schooling on through High School and in the process build ourselves to face the future. South Milwaukee

was growing and it needed New Schools, a new High School was built and I went into it with the first class, either as a Freshman or Sophomore, I am not sure, however I remember that the school was not finished in time for the fall session so we spent part of the year in the old school and went in during the year some time.

The World War was on and young men were getting fewer every day, we had a small class at graduation in 1917. Fred W. Hein was Supertendent of Schools, J.C. Bettinger President and John O'Connell Secretary of the School Board. During my last year I was making preparations to go to Stout Institute which was located at Menomonie, Wisconsin and before time came to go I was accepted.

September 1917 meant packing my trunk and going to Menomonie, this would be my first venture away from home and on my own. Dad took me to the Railway Station in Milwaukee and I was on my way. This year 1917 had much to distract a young man, the Nation was on a War Economy and one had a strong desire to enlist, however in my case, parents had to sign papers so I never got the chance to go. College was a great experience and being a normal young fellow I must wait at least 20 more years to find out that I did not know as much as I thought I did. Well the year went along in good shape, but my education was interrupted since by then teachers in the Public Schools were hard to come by.

A Mr Fred Glanville, Sect. of the School Board, Lancaster, Wisconsin called me and ask that I come promptly, at their expense, to their city for an interview, which I did and was hired. This was my first contract and I was on the job the middle of August 1918.

TEACHING IN LANCASTER, WISCONSIN, associating with the people there, was to be the most rewarding experience of my life, students in many cases were as old or older than I was, but the joy of working with the fine people in that small town was something I shall never forget, my stay there was five years and upon leaving in June 1923, I took with me my wife RAE SNYDER MEGOW who came with her sister in 1921 to teach there, our first born, Robert, five years experience, a draft notice dated Nov. 10, 1918, one year of the flu epidemic which I went through with out any trouble (schools were closed for two months and all Steve McNelly and I did, was hunt and fish) and considerable College credits which I received from the University of Wisconsin, of Madison. We all got in Annabels Model T Touring car and set out for Penn stopping at South Milwaukee to see my folks, who could hardly wait to see their first Grandson, we took three days before arriving at Duncannon, Penn. where my wifes folks lived.

RAE VIOLA SNYDER was born Dec. 11, 1898 in Duncannon, Penn. the county of Perry, she was the youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Snyder, the latter was Miss Belle Lester of Bedford County, Penn. The ancestors of Mr Snyder came from Germany before the Revolutionary War and settled in the Kenningston Section of Philadelphia, later moving to homestead land in Perry County, Pa. Rae was the youngest daughter, having six and two older sisters and brothers, she graduated from the Duncannon High School and attended Shippensburg State College where she graduated, later she and her sister Annabell went to Lancaster, Wisconsin to teach school.

I started teaching Mechanical Drawing in the Steelton High School in September of 1923. This being a Bethlehem Steel Company Town, the subject was taught to male students one hour every school day for four years, thereby having at the end of four years good prospects for the Steel Company Drafting Department. Steelton is near Harrisburg and while teaching there I became Faculty Manager of Athletics, the entire experience was very rewarding, having Harrisburg so near provided me with the opportunity of attending the University of Pennsylvania classes and getting College credits. I stayed there three years, then went back to Menomonie, Wisconsin to attend Stout which stay would require one full year in order to get my B.S. degree, which I received in 1926. During the year at Stout my wife taught in the Public Schools and I in the Nite School. The Students elected me as President of the Student Assc. and President of the Student Council. I was now all set to start my teaching in the Cheltenham Township Schools just outside of Philadelphia, Penn., there I stayed until going in the Model Airplane business in 1930.

PHILADELPHIA was to be our last stop before moving to our present location. At this point our next children were born, they were twins Ruth and John, 7 months babies who weighed less than three pounds each, the times were rough for us, the Great Depression was on, banks closed taking what little money we had, however being young it did not seem to bother us to much. Things progressed in a normal manner and in 1940 our youngest son Richard was born.

MODEL AIRPLANE SHOP was born during 1930 with my basement, 6527 N. Bouvier St., Phila. as the factory, I continued to teach that year, however the business grow so rapidly in such a short time that I had to hand in my resignation and therefor only worked at school until November, I well remember that all my coworkers and the School Supt. thought I was out of my mind to give up the good and sure position for something so risky, expecially during a depression, but I was determined to take that chance. From a beginning of two people of which I was one, the work force grow to over 450 in a few years,

the names changed as time developed, starting with the above, followed by MEGOWS MODEL AIRPLANE SHOP, next MEGOW'S and finally THE MEGOW CORP. In 1935 an office and distribution point was set up at 627 Lake St., Chicago, Ill. and later in 1938 was moved to larger quarters at 217 N. Desplaines, St., in the same city. The west coast was taken care of by Theo. Maus, 718 Misson St., San Francisco, Calif. The sales distribution was world wide, with an extensive variety of merchandise. When the World War II arrived, basic raw material was frozen making it necessary to enter in the manufacturing of some sort of War goods, the main product selected was the Marine Chronometer, which were made for the Hamilton and Elgin Watch Companies, these people installed the movements, we made the brass cases. Other products were made including various machine parts for all classes of U.S. Battleships and many small parts for the aircraft.

With the war over came the adjustment to civilian production, which developed slowly. During the year of 1948 I had made up my mind to liquidate the business, which was accomplished in about one year, this included the sale of our home in Jenkintown and the Summer home in Ocean City, N.J. Our youngest son was now about 8 years of age, Ruth was attending Penn. State University and John was in the Marine Corp, our oldest son Robert, who had been with Patton in Germany, was attending Rutgers College. Every thing was shipped to Orlando, Fla. We move there and were settled in the spring of 1949 and have been here ever since.

Orlando, Florida in 1949 depended entirely on the tourist trade, land values had not yet started to move upward, I have always felt that the advent of practical application of air conditioning was the main reason for Floridas rapid growth. I choose to live in the country section with land enough to have a sizable garden, we settled near Winter Garden, after building my first house, an opportunity presented itself in Atlanta, Ga. Lockheed Aircraft took over the plant in Marietta converting B-29 Bombers and starting the tooling up for the B-47. I worked there a year and one half, returned to Orlando to the house I had built, sold it to a family from Ill. bought several lots in the Biltmore Shores development, built several house, which I sold and in 1954 my present location was purchased and I built a small house, which could later be enlarged. In the rear an Organic Garden of about one Acre was started, the land was cleared and building it up with Compost, as a result the garden soil has been of very high quality. In the mean time the house has been enlarged, including my library.

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH was a hobby that I became interested in and as it progressed my interest increased, at this writing Feb. 1971 my files of information and personal contacts with Megows and Allied Families is very much enlarged and most rewarding are the hours is spent at this interesting work, so between my building program, taking care of one Acre of Garden plus the balance of the three Acres and the Genealogical Hobby along with a lot of reading, my time is well consumed. No products of the garden are sold, what we do not use is given to the needy



50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
of
FRED W. AND RAE SNYDER MEGOW

December 27, 1921 - December 27, 1971

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The Children of
Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Megow
announce the celebration
of the Fiftieth Anniversary
of their parents
on Monday, the twenty-seventh of December
Nineteen hundred and seventy-one

Today dawned in her regal best! Beautiful sunshine and unbelievable balmy breezes for December 27th filled the world. All the family went to Disney World today to enjoy this fine place of entertainment. When they returned, my folks estimated that about 45,000 to 50,000 people were at Disney World. I won't know the official figures until I read tomorrow morning's paper, but I'm sure it is over 50,000. This is a lot of people and the entire area is jammed with Disney visitors. The restaurants, stores and all places of business have overflowing crowds. This evening at 9:00 P.M. I went to Frisch's for a cup of coffee and the place was filled up. Finally I found a seat and had my coffee. While sitting there, I heard one of the waitresses complain that they were running out of food and even dishes. The highways were filled with cars and I could not help but think of the great changes Disney World has brought to Central Florida. Last year at this time there were only one-fourth the number of cars and people around.

This day is very special to me--not because of the magic of Disney or the fantastic weather but because of a far greater reason than these. On this December 26, 1971, I am filled with the feelings of the Fortunes of Fifty--fifty fantastic years of a fulfilling union in marriage. In only two more hours Rae and I will have reached the fortunes of a Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary. The Anniversary of course started 50 years ago and with the Almighty's help Rae and I have reached it--at least our chances are good since there are only two hours to go. I love to write in the evenings and early mornings; that is why I chose this evening time to recall and recapture this rare Anniversary, as well as the events leading up to and following it.

It was some months ago when I found out the boys (our sons) had started getting together and planning a special celebration for this Anniversary. Although Rae and I are the Fortunate Fifty Pair, we didn't say much about the approaching event except to suggest to the boys that they just make it a simple affair at our home, have pictures taken, and leave it at that. Somehow, I got the idea that the boys weren't listening! I must say that even tonight Rae and I don't really know what to expect tomorrow. Much of the feeling of excitement and magic for us is the child-like anticipation of the surprise.

Although the Anniversary is the 27th of December, tonight I recall that my feelings of the Fortunes of Fifty began in force as early as December the 21st. That evening the telephone rang and it was my brother George, who only calls me on my birthday, July 25th. I was very much surprised and thankful. You know, it is always nice to be remembered when it isn't even your birthday! George and Annie Laurie congratulated both of us for reaching Fifty's Fortunes. Then we reminisced long distance. George, my sister Nettie (who shed a few tears), and Reverend Wise of the Methodist Church who joined us were the witnesses at our Wedding. George and I were remembering this. The news of our wedding quickly got around South

Milwaukee. Young Wallace, the son of my Dad's business partner, rounded up a gang of well-wishers and were on their way over to Rawson Avenue to serenade us when George heard about it. He quickly got us into Dad's Ford and away from there just in time to evade the gang. I was relieved since my funds were quite limited. George hustled to the street car tracks on 10th Avenue and somewhere along North Chicago he caught up with the streetcar which Rae and I were to ride--finally my bride and I were on our way! George had forgotten most of the happenings of that day but enjoyed remembering as I told him. We had such a nice talk and it was really thrilling to Rae and me to start our Anniversary with this recalling telephone conversation. After the nostalgic chat, George and I talked about things in general--the news about everyone we know in South Milwaukee. It was uplifting to hear that everyone was doing alright at this time. I always get such a wonderful lift when I can hear from my birth place!

Although this telephone call really started the feelings of Fortunes of Fifty, these feelings were fed and nurtured by many many other dear friends and family. Nettie sent us an anniversary card with some Genealogical Facts enclosed which I am always anxious to get. Then too, Rae's sister, Blanche, has come down from Pennsylvania. We are so glad to have her here and hope, now that she has liquidated most of the property up North, that she will make her home with us. Blanche, a jolly and likeable person, is blessed with a great talent in painting and art. We have on our walls some of the most beautiful paintings that one would want which were given to us by Blanche. Rae and I are hoping that she will continue to use this God given talent when she gets settled in Florida. Still, other cards came from my Aunt Jessie and her daughter Jean. I think of them and recall sadly that they lost my Uncle Bob Whitmore last September. He was 80 years old. Another card came from Martha and Streeper Carr of Jenkintown, Pennsylvania, friends of ours when we first lived in the north part of Philadelphia at 6527 N. Bouvier Street. We also received a lovely card from Delia DeBell who-lives with Robert and Joye Megow. Her husband, who recently passed away, was my daughter-in-law's father. The Denningers of Fort Lauderdale sent us a beautiful 50th Anniversary Book. They were our neighbors in Ocean City, New Jersey where we had our summer home. These folks were true friends. I remember how they helped us so much during the last days we spent in Philadelphia from 1948 to 1950. Rae and I could never adequately express our gratitude to the Denningers. They are real American folks--genuine, true and honest. They celebrated their Fortunate Fiftieth a few years ago. I pray that God will continue to bless them and their fine family.

As I sit here enjoying all these wonderful remembrances of our friends and family and feeling the Fortunes of Fifty I suddenly realize that these warm thoughts began for me before December 21st. Actually this entire month of December has been the most wonderful time that Rae and I have had since we came to Florida in

1949. Tonight is December 26th; it is 11:00 P. M. and still I can go outside in my shirt sleeves! How thankful I am for the beauty and comfort of God's world. Sitting here recalling the entire month, I especially remember the day before Christmas. Ruth, George and their family arrived completing our entire family! James, who goes to school in Pella, Iowa, had already arrived. His brother Thomas who has just finished his two years at Andrews in Georgia and his sister Susan who graduated from Florida Technical University had arrived and the family circle was complete. Since the entire family is here, I feel a special PRIDE in the approaching memorable day. Rae and I will proudly become the third pair in our family to receive the blessings and Fortunes of a Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; Grandfather and Grandmother Whitmore were the first to celebrate the Fiftieth in 1926, followed by Mother and Father celebrating in 1948...and NOW it's our time, mine and Rae's, in 1971! In the fullness of this joy and pride I also look ahead to many other less celebrated anniversaries to come.

On this magical December 24th, the day before Christmas, we had a wonderful family day at my oldest son's home a few blocks away. The delicious food must have demanded a lot of work for Joye especially since she worked regularly. Rae and I of course were delighted by such a banquet. Some how I can't find words to express the wonderful feeling that this day instilled in me. I believe that I can safely say that during these unforgettable days my wife and I are the happiest two people in the state of Florida. We want our children to know that they have brought this joy to us -they, and our many wonderful friends who remember us. Rae and I will be eternally thankful for these rich blessings and will never forget this period in our life.

We returned home from Bob's house expecting Ruth and her family who finally arrived later in the evening. They were tired and had yet to open their Christmas presents so they decided not to go to Bob's until the following day. Instead, Jim and Thomas came over for an hour or so to greet them. There was so much excitement, so much to talk about and presents to open that we did not get to bed until very late (in fact, 2:00 A. M.) this Christmas Eve. The most enjoyable part of George's visit for me was to watch him and his family unload the gayly wrapped Christmas presents from their car. That car was filled to overflowing since they brought all their presents along with them. It was great fun to watch as each of them tried to hide each special gift from the other. Their methods of protecting the joy of surprise must have required some thought since they had such a long way to travel and were so closely confined.

When I awoke Christmas morning, to my surprise, George was already up reading. I looked at the clock and could hardly believe it was 8:00 A. M. as I usually get up about 6:00 A. M. Finally everyone else got up, had breakfast and

opened the presents. The hustle and bustle of the activities really made me think of days gone by. Thinking of the excitement and joy of having the whole family near, I told my wife that to make it easy for her we would have an open house and let each family and group of friends drop in when they wanted to. This turned out to be an excellent idea and everyone had a good time. Of course, the football games were an important factor for those who were interested, mostly the men-folks. The full rich day drew to a close. We all went to bed a little earlier on this day, and consequently were well rested for the 26th which was Sunday.

The morning of the 26th found everyone up and ready to go to Disney World. I decided to stay home. That way I could catch up on my Genealogical work which was getting a little in arrears. Secretly, I also wanted to get this article started and wanted very much to go to church. In church I felt a stir of pride again when I looked at the altar flowers which were furnished by our sons and daughter in honor of our Anniversary. The minister's sermon offered much inspiration for me and helped me to comprehend more completely the book I have been reading this past week, The Short Life of Christ by Cunningham Geilie. This book was written the last part of the 19th Century. Although it is called a short story, the book contains over 400 pages. To me, the story is long and contains much detail. However it is beautifully written, exceedingly convincing and excellent reading for the doubter.

In my thoughts and feelings of Fortunate Fifty I return to the present. It is now 12:15 on the night of the 26th...This is it! Great! Rae and I made it! The kids have not returned from Disney World, which stays open until midnight. They probably stayed until closing. I went to bed, heard them come in and go to bed. We were all preparing for the big day which would come at the break of dawn!

Morning is here and it is foggy. I got up and, in my usual routine, went down to the corner to enjoy a cup of coffee. After coffee I came home, changed to my work clothes, and did garden work until the mail man came, around 10:00 A. M. The mail man brought more lovely cards for our Anniversary. There was one from George and Annie Laurie. Another one arrived from Wesley, the youngest in Emil and Adell's family, and his wife Bea from California. As I looked at the card, my thoughts raced back in time! I well remember Wesley's birth and the first cry he made. Dr. Evans and Grandmother Whitmore were up all night helping to get him into this world. I was awake most of the night myself because his birth meant one more in the family that I could become attached to and love, and that suited me fine. There was another card and note from the Fraziers who live in Madison, Wisconsin and were married the same year we were, 1921. They were teachers in Lancaster, Wisconsin when Rae and I taught there.

I've read all the cards and suddenly realize that I ought to be aware of the time! I must stop writing now until tomorrow when I can write about what happens this evening.

About 4:00 P. M. flowers arrived from Jim and Nan. Jim is Rae's nephew, a Colonel in the Air Force, and interested in Genealogy like me. The flowers are now a center piece on our dining table. It is nice that Jim and Nan remembered us so thoughtfully.

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Much time has passed since I wrote last. Today is December the 29th, two days after our Anniversary celebration! The joy and excitement was almost too much for me. I do want to recapture the day, but I just cannot write if my tuning is off... somehow I must be in the right mood! Still I want so much to preserve that glorious day that this will be my swing at it! Perhaps I can get a better start by going back to the morning of the Anniversary. We received a card from Mabel Gladfelter, whose husband Glad died some years ago. They were our neighbors in Philadelphia and, thanks to Mabel, among some of our first friends there. The day went along about normal since Rae and I didn't have anything to do with arrangements for the evening celebration. Indeed, we were kept entirely in the dark as to the plans! I would say it was the best kept secret ever. The only thing Rae and I were told was to be ready at 6:00 P. M. which we were. I could not help but notice as the women folks appeared wearing beautiful floor length skirts how nice they looked. I was so proud of all of them. They were the best looking women in the United States. The men were also handsomely dressed, the children were pretty and cute, and the young men and women were most attractive. I was really proud especially when my wife appeared looking, as usual, 20 years younger than her age. The great sense of pride I felt as I looked at all of them was enough to finish a weak man off. When everyone had arrived at the house a photographer took pictures which consumed some time. When he was finished we all went to the GOLDEN KEY on South Orange Blossom Trail where a special room was reserved for us for an Anniversary dinner. The menu was out of this world! I never tasted Prime Rib Roast so tender and tasty. A beautiful cake was cut while pictures were taken. Then the greatest thing--my wife and I both received from our lovely family wrist watches in gold which we shall cherish forever. Mine was engraved: 50th 12-27-71 ALL OUR LOVE; Rae's was engraved with the same except hers was done in dainty script. In addition to the watches, James gave us a mounted gold cross which held two rings and a 50. On the gold plate at the bottom of the cross was engraved THE BEGINNING. This was James' idea and Rae and I thought it was most original. Otis and Elenor Lunquist gave us beautiful salt and pepper shakers. Rusty and Leslie contributed to our collection of life-time articles with a glass vase with PRECIOUS METAL AND LUSTRE STAIN DECORATIONS.

This celebration was truly one of the most memorable and cherished events of our life--the great sense of pride in the entire family's appearance, the gala and regal dining place, and the delicious food are most wonderful and cherished gifts.

They gladdened our hearts. But there was a far greater and more meaningful gift than all of these. This gift is cherished, rare and priceless. The family was all together and although it was not a large group the love and devotion expressed to one another was a true blessing to us. We love every person in this group and in their absence we really miss each of them. I honestly believe that this family feeling of communion and love is the product of a lesson Rae and I learned long ago. My Mother and Father proved by example what a good Christian background will do for a family group; Rae's Father and Mother proved it also. Consequently we tried to follow their example. Tonight, I still can think of no better way to create family harmony than to rear all the children in a Christian environment. Enjoying the love and devotion of our family group now, I would not change our decision of long ago to follow the examples of our parents.

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Days pass---the climax of the 50th Anniversary subsides--today is the last day of 1971 and the nicest thing happened to me. I received a 50th Anniversary card today signed by Carl J. Hoffman, Lylie Govier, Ralph Dobson, Lloyd E. Shanley and Wendell W. Taylor, men who I remember from many years ago when they were only young fellows. I was so thrilled and excited (like a little boy would be when he receives a good surprise) that these men still remembered my wife and me. In addition to this surprise, John Cliff, another one of my former students from Lancaster, Wisconsin, called me on his way through Orlando. We had a nice telephone visit. One interesting thing John said was that he remembered me as having a beautiful head of black hair. I told him that I was lucky to have even two or three hairs left. The celebration of the fortunes of the 50th Anniversary have ended.

Thanks to the New England Megows for remembering us, special thanks to Ludolf and Irene Megow, of Pinehurst, Mass. These folks are the senior members of the Megows in this area and have been very helpful in the Genealogical effort, many thanks.

A new year, 1972, has dawned for all of us. I pray that each of us may remain healthy and enjoy a wonderful New Year.

The celebration has come and gone--but my thoughts and feelings of the Fortunes of Fifty shall live on and on!

FRED W. MEGOW

NETTIE ADELL MEGOW

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NETTIE ADELL MEGOW was born May 23, 1901 in the old homestead at 1226 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The United States and the New 20th Century had a new citizen, the second born to EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW and ADELL WHITMORE MEGOW. Her brother was two years old and he must have thought, this new baby would be fun. Nettie was baptized by Reverend Kohlsted of the First Methodist Church as was her brother Fred and later in 1903 George, by the same Pastor, who in later years was to become head of the Home Mission of the Methodist Church of America, with offices in Philadelphia, Pa.

Nettie grew up on the good healthy food that Mom and Dad bought from McCreedys Store on North Chicago Ave., delivered to the Megow residence by Charlie, his wagon and team of horses, then to the Dago who came by once- a week with vegetables, Jersey Milk and butter from George Hook our neighbors and eggs from our own chickens. Childhood went well, she would get the same love and good care from her parents and grandparents as her brother. Later on the characteristic nicknames, "Mugs", Irish "Sis", Net started being used, the second one originated with the Whitmore Uncles, where the rest came from I do not know.

Between the Whitmore and Megow homes there was one bicycle and every one had to learn by using the lawn, it should be kept in mind by readers, that in those days there was no such thing as a coaster brake: When you learned to ride it was get on, get a big push and trust to luck. The first roller skates had wooden wheels which soon became egg shaped, but they were used anyway. Nettie and Georges job was to wash and dry the dishes after every meal and that called for lots of bargaining. Then of course sharing each others toys was a problem.

When time came for her schooling, she followed the same foot steps as her brother, across the tracks of the Northwestern Railway at Rawson Ave., to the First Grade which was in the Old High School Building, from there up 13th to the Third Ward School and then into the New High School Building. She entered the 7th Grade and went on to graduate from High School in 1920. Later in 1970 this same class celebrated their 50th reunion. Back in the early 1900s John Benninger, was a legend, he was President of the School Board and always presented the diplomas to Graduates and included among them were Whitmores and Megows. Mr Hein was the Superintendent of Schools.

Nettie attended Lawrence College in the fall after graduation the college was located in Appleton, Wisconsin. During the first year she contracted spinal trouble and left Lawrence.



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NETTIE ADELL MEGOW

Born May 23, 1901 in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

HAROLD WOODWORTH

Born May 7, 1900 in Mequon, Wisconsin

Married March 15, 1926

HAROLD died, June 9, 1956

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HAROLD GEORGE WOODWORTH

Born, April 28, 1933

Married, Bernice Livangood
June 9, 1956

Mark George born May 6, 1957
David Warren " Mar.20, 1959
Karen Paulette " May 2, 1961
Kathryn Erin " Dec.22, 1969

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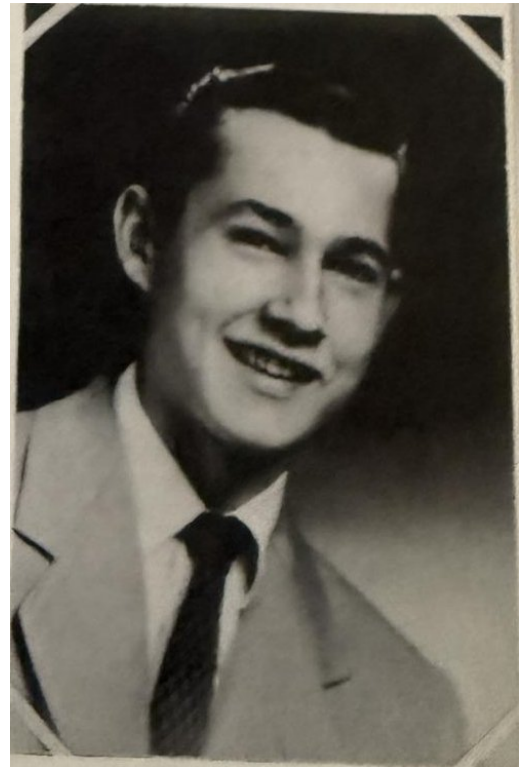
GEORGE EMIL WOODWORTH

Born, Sept. 28, 1939

Married, Doris Lynn Vanselow
Dec. 16, 1961

Julie Lynn born, April 24, 1963
Shawn Peter " Aug. 16, 1967

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She went to Davenport, Iowa to live with her Uncle Earl and Aunt Verne. She took treatments at the Palmer clinic and at the same time went to the Palmer Chiropractic School. Nettie graduated in 3 years a full pledged Chiropractor and then set up practice in Union Grove, Wisconsin this was continued for a short time after which she returned to South Milwaukee and took correspondence courses with the Milwaukee Normal School and then entered as a special student in Arts and Crafts, this was continued and was the type of work which suited Netties talent the best and proved to be the beginning of her happiest and most fruitful years.

Mrs Montgomery Ward Thorn of the Chicago Womens Exchange encouraged her to do their speciality work and to go into business of custom work for herself. She did this for many years, served the wealthy and never once had a complaint. When she finally discontinued her connection with them she was awarded a large remuneration for her faithful service. [Handwritten: (\$1,000)]

During her life time she pursued sewing and became very proficient, operating under the name TINY TOT TOGS she designed and made many dresses and other clothing for Movie folks. It would not be fair to pass without giving her much praise for her outstanding talent and ability in this field. All her work was entirely done by her own creative instinct, her work was so well accepted that the demand could not be filled, she never commercialized on her good luck and ability. The entire output she herself individually designed, cut and sewed by herself, so when the customer received the dress it would be costume made and there were no duplicates, except for twins.

On March 15, 1926, she married HAROLD GEORGE WOODWORTH, of Cedarburg, Wisconsin. He was born May 7, 1900, he attended Cedarburg Schools and Marquette University, which is located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was an Attorney as well as a farmer, and operated both the Woodworth and Dockery Farms a total of 260 Acres. From this union were born two sons Harold George Woodworth and George Emil Woodworth, the boys were raised in Cedarburg. During the year, 1956, June 9, Harold Sr. was killed in a tragic tractor accident and was buried in the Woodworth Family Cemetery, Town of Meguon, Wis. located on the Woodworth Farm.

While the youngest son George was still in school she lived with her mother in South Milwaukee, until her death in 1963, the property was then liquidated and Nettie moved to Colby, Wisconsin, where her son Harold Jr. had a Luthern Parish. When Harold left Colby, because he was called as Chaplain with the Army serving in Viet Nam. She continued to live in this city so she could continue her work with the handicapped and elderly. She still works with out pay sewing dolls, collecting clothing, mending, just plain busy. Most anyone in this area has heard her speak to Ladies Groups about her work.

Nettie was President of the Wisconsin Historical and Genealogical Society during 1961 and 1963 and was also connected with the Milwaukee Historical Society. She has done extensive research in gathering and compiling for the MEGOW and ALLIED FAMILIES. She spent years in this work and has been able to make female members of the Emil Megow Family eligible to join the D.A.R. and Mayflower Clubs.

She was our family genius, when it came to dress making and designing, she ranks with the best. Nettie had many tempting offers in Hollyeood and New York, but chose to stay with her family. I would not be doing her justice, without printing the following article taken from a famous magazine, quote,

"The truth of the saying that "If you can build a better mousetrap, the world will beat a path to your door" was never more forcibly proven than in the case of our personality of the week. Nettie (Mrs Harold) Woodworth of Cedarburg, for there is scarcely a movie parent in Hollywood whose child's wardrobe does not include some of Mrs Woodworth's fine handiwork.

In the modest homestead on highway G that has been the Woodworth family's for more than 100 years, Mrs Woodworth sets to work each day as regularly as any office or factory worker, but her task is infinitely more pleasant than most. It is here that Mrs Woodworth turns out her exclusive and original garments to be worn by toddlers; mainly sizes 1 and 2. Since most of her work is done by direct order she is sometimes asked to make "brother and sister" outfits, but she never makes anything beyond size 5 or 6. People like Alan Ladd, David Niven, Betty Grable and Frank Sinatra seem almost like intimate friends to the Woodworths, for it is these stars, and others, who purchase her dainty creations for their small fry. The word "creations" is not used loosely for they are just that.

At the time of our interview she had just completed an order to be sold in Gail Patrick's exclusive children's shop in Beverly Hills, and I was fortunate enough to see about 15 adorable dresses and suits, each different from the rest. An exquisite little pink dress with tiny bouquets of embroidered rosebuds cascading down its tuckes front made me fairly ache for a tiny, golden haired miss to put it on.

More masculine was the blue suit, the suspenders of which featured the most realistic pink and white candy canes also done in her delicate needlework. I also recall a brother and sister set of blue with a fat little snowman appliqued on the front of both shirt and dress, complete to his bright red vest with tiny black "buttons" stove pipe hat--even amazed me most was that she never uses a pattern or even traces her smocking and embroidery designs. Ideas keep tumbling through her mind so fast that she cannot make her fingers keep up with them, but she will not employ a helper because, as she laughingly confesses, she is to "fussy".

Mrs Woodworth happened on her profession quite by accident about 23 years ago when, as a guest in an east side Milwaukee home, she was asked to assist with some smocking her hostess couldn't seem to manage. The quality of her work caused her hostess to suggest that she should submit some of her things to the Woman's Industrial

exchange in Milwaukee. For the next 15 years most of her handiwork was sold on consignment through the Woman's exchange. But the demand in Milwaukee for garments as costly as Mrs Woodworths must necessarily be limited, and the increasing popularity of her originals encouraged her to branch out on her own.

Although she now does some specialty work for the Woman's Exchange in Chicago, most of her orders come from either individuals or from small, exclusive shops for children. Time does not permit her to keep abreast of her orders and for this reason, she has found it necessary to reject invitations to appear before women's clubs, etc. She is deeply appreciative of the interest shown in her work, but she hopes this article may explain why she is unable to give more freely of her time to well-meaning friends and acquaintances. A telegraphed order from a movie star who wants a certain dress for his child to wear on a specific occasion brooks no delay, and such orders are not unusual.

Mrs Woodworth is thankful to have a capable young woman to care for the household tasks for with her husband, two sons, and a hired man to prepare meals for, she would not otherwise have much time to give to her work. Grandma Woodworth, 86 years young, makes her home with her son and daughter-in-law and likes to lend a hand with many of the lighter duties.

Originally a South Milwaukeean, she is a charter member of the Grant park chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, but does not have time for many social or civic activities. Last year, however she took the responsibility of teaching the fundamentals of sewing to a group of 4-H girls; a project she will resume after Xmas this year.

Yes the world would beat a path to this charming designer of "Tiny Tot Togs", and after seeing her beautiful work we do not wonder why."

Unquote"

1972

Compiled by
Fred Watrous Megow

THE
GEORGE EDWARD MEGOW
FAMILY
13-42

GEORGE EDWARD MEGOW was born May 10, 1903 in the old homestead at 1226 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the great 20th century was now 3 years old and was destined to be one of the most colorful centuries of all times, there would be great opportunities along the way and as this article will show George made excellent use of them. He was the third of a family of three boys and one girl born to EMIL FREDERICK MEGOW AND ADELL MARY WHITMORE, the fourth, Wesley coming along in 1917, so for 14 years George had to live with the fact that he was the kid brother. All four children were to be of good Christian stature and who were able to live by the Parents strong moral code and make these exceptional parents proud of them. George like all children in the first few years of their lives would not remember but little if any thing that happened.

I was four years old when he was born, and do remember my uncle Edward talking about my new baby brother, there were two bedrooms in the down stairs at that time and my recollections are that he was born in the front bedroom, this is the one in which Uncle Edward slept when he was home, he worked for the Motor Cycle Company (Harley Davison) and was a salesman. I remember he was out of town a lot.

Infant George would have the same good start as his older brother and sister, with much love from his mother and grandmother who lived next door. During those years of growing up in the Rawson Ave. neighbor-hood, the uncles next door looked upon their sister Adells off-spring as something and in the process of doing something different George got the nickname French, his sister was called Irish and his older brother Dutch, those names were used quite often and along the line somewhere George also got another nickname "Mike".

He was baptized in The First Methodist Church at 8th and Monroe, Aves, on July 6, 1903, by the Rev. E.D.Kohlstedt. He started serving his church as a teen-ager following in the steps of his parents who were both active members. His first service was "pumping" the organ for choir practice as well as the services on Sunday. He also took care of the furnace, which was no easy job, living over on Rawson Avenue. He united with this church from Preparatory Membership in July of 1918. He served as Scout Master and Troop Leader for the Church's Boy Scout Troop. He was an active member of the Epworth League and served as Sunday School Superintendent.

George was active in developing plans for the present Methodist Church. He was Chairman of the Finance Commission and worked hard on the Building Fund Drive which was to build this beautiful Church. He was a member of the Official Board and a Trustee for many years.



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GEORGE EDWARD MEGOW

Born May 10, 1903 in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

ANNIE LAURIE POTTER

Born Nov. 24, 1903 in South Milwaukee, Wisc.

Married April 17, 1926



48
 JANETTE MARTHA MEGOW
 Born, May 13, 1927
 Married, James Edgar Slagg
 Jan. 30, 1949
 Gayle Louise Aug. 3, 1951
 Jeffery George Feb. 23, 1954
 Randall William June 7, 1957
 Laurie Jean Aug. 29, 1962



50
 HARLAND EDWARD MEGOW
 Born, Feb. 15, 1930
 Married, Joan L. Marugg
 Nov. 27, 1954
 60 Gregory Edward Sept. 20, 1956
 61 Keith Harland Dec. 12, 1959



49
 LAURIE ANN MEGOW
 Born, Dec. 4, 1932
 Married, William H. Dunn
 March 10, 1953
 William Michael Oct. 28, 1953
 Kathleen Louise Nov. 11, 1955
 Jennifer Ann Nov. 13, 1957
 James Richard Feb. 6, 1959



51
 MARJORIE LOUISE MEGOW
 Born, July 29, 1948
 Married, Steven Mark Nelson
 July 1, 1972

MISS ANNIE LAURIE POTTER and George were united in marriage April 17, 1926 by Rev. A.L.Tucker. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Matthew Nelson Potter of South Milwaukee, Wis. and was born Nov. 24, 1903. Mrs Potter was the former Miss Martha Draper of Helenville, Wisconsin she died Jan 20, 1913 and Mr Potter passed away in 1971

Annie Laurie was born in South Milwaukee, and was an active member of the Methodist Church. She was a regular at the Church League and womens organizations of the church . George picked a wonderful girl and it was her inspiration that would help him so much in his problems of life, she was a great help to him and the church in the planning and building of the new church.

She attended the grade schools in our fair city, first at the Second Ward elementary School, then the First Ward in the Junior and Senior High Schools. She played and sang at Assembly in the High School. Graduation came in 1922 and later she attended Lawrence College which is located in Appleton.

GEORGES first venture after early childhood was entering the First Grade which was now located in the Third Ward School, the walk each school day up 13th was the same as was taken by his brother and sister before him and many of the Whitmores, his uncles and aunts. While he was going and coming to and from school the St. Marys kids were attending the Parochial Schools and going in the opposite direction on the other side of the street.

Seventh Grade came, which by that time had been transferred to the New High School Building. He was a very good student along the educational process, he entered High School and graduated in 1921, his brother Fred had graduated in the class of 1917, his sister Nettie, 1920 then his graduation and later Wesley his youngest brother would finish and graduate, that would make four Megows in those early years, graduating from the same building, which then stood all by itself up on a small hill off Hawthorne Ave., it now houses the Junior High School. There were 26 members in his class. The High School Principal was William Clark. John Bettinger was still President of the School Board. On July 31, 1971 his class held a reunion at the Bucyrus Club, a thrill it must have been to see some folks after an absence of 50 years.

George like the rest of the boys, worked with his father in the Plumbing and Electrical business, where he learned much about practical things, the working hours were 10 hours a day, six days a week at 25¢ per hour. Electricity was needed in all the homes, old and new dwellings must be wired and he, his brother, uncles and other help did many of them as well as the new homes going up in large numbers. He and his brother worked at the Milwaukee Basket Company, which has long been dismantled and taken over by the Bucyrus Erie.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN a land grant college located in Madison, between two beautiful lakes Monona and Mendota which was an ideal location for a College. George entered in 1921 and graduated in 1925 earning a B.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering. He was an excellent student and was a member of Tau Beta Pi an engineering fraternity and Eta Kappa Nu an electrical engineering fraternity. During his stay at the university he continued his church interests which were started in South Milwaukee.

After graduating from the university he went with the Allen-Bradley Company, of Milwaukee. They manufacture quality Motor Control and Electronic components, and are located on the South side of Milwaukee. George joined the company in 1925. He was hired for their Resistor Lab. and worked with Lynde Bradley. His early work was involved with the carbon pile resistors, Bradleystats and Bradleyohm. He was then assigned to develop the fixed composition resistor.

In those days, it was not enough to conceive an idea, in addition to doing the development work on the product itself, it was often necessary to design and develop the production equipment necessary for manufacturing and sometimes even build it. For instance, George was responsible for designing the oven which was used to complete the carbonization and cure phenolic resins of the resistors.

Always a serious minded and conscientious individual he stayed on the job 24 hours a day to run some tests. Some of his innovations and adaptations in resistor finishing are still being used. He is the inventor and co-inventor of 16 issued United States Patents. In the late 1930s he transferred to the Patent Dept. where he remained until 1947. He then joined the Personnel Dept. as Director and did extensive Labor Relations work. In 1964 he became a Trustee of the Allen Bradley Profit Sharing Retirement Trust and also the Pension Trust. He was elected a Director in 1965 and named a Vice President in 1966.

The same year he was elected a Director of Allen-Bradley Canada Limited; and a Trustee of Individual Trusts. When he was elected Executive Vice President in 1967, he was succeeded in his Personnel and Labor Relations work by Sam Hay. George retired Nov. 25, 1969, but continued to serve as a Director and Trustee until his resignation in June 1970. He had worked with the same Company for 44½ years.

George helped his father set up equipment necessary for the manufacture of propellers in the Home Specialities which his father had organized to make supplies for his son Fred who was in the Model Airplane business in Philadelphia. In his spare time he designed and built the machine which would cut millions of propellers to supply the production requirements of the Megow Corporation in the East.

All during the years he was working, vacation time did come and he would travel somewhere in the United States, really he took much after his father in this respect, who was always on the go. He would plan his trips and of all the various parts of the country he went to the Western parts most. He and his wife liked Arizona and the Grand Tetons very much, he took many pictures and has a very extensive assortment of Slides, these of course will be most entertaining to future generations.

George was the only son of Emils that when the 1970s came along, had a fair amount of hair left on his head. He and his wife can be proud of their family, the children are all good Christian young people, Jeanette was born May 27, 1927; Laurie Ann, Dec. 4, 1932; Harland, Feb. 15, 1930 and Marjorie, July 29, 1948.

Over the years, as life progressed many happy days were spent at Lauderdale Lakes, where his father had a summer home and the younger generations which have and will miss the same happy times, could well take a trip out there once in a while to see where their grandfather and grandmother and their own parents grew up and what helped to make the Family ties so strong and with much love and devotion that was given to their off-spring.

He is active in his church and continues as his father who was a charter member when the Methodist Church was first started in 1893.

George and Annie Laurie still make their home in South Milwaukee on Walnut St., where, when the writer, his brother Fred, went to High School not too far distant it was an open field. The County Park was just coming into being, The Congregational Church and Cemetery was near by, the building of which had been mostly built by Georges Great Grandfather back in the 19th Century. He finds himself, now in the latter part of the Great 20th Century, as the birth of his parents did in the 19th Century 100 years ago.

We, in the Emil Megow Family are very proud of this brother, he is a quite spoken individual, says little, is always thinking of the other fellow and I must say results speak for themselves.

THE
WESLEY WHITMORE MEGOW
FAMILY
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WESLEY WHITMORE MEGOW was born Feb. 27, 1917, the first to be born in the new home of EMIL AND ADELL MEGOW located at 1232 Rawson Ave., South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, next to the old homestead. The 20th Century was then 17 years old, the Great World War I, had another year and one half to go and at this time much was going on in the World. I well remember my mother often said to we three kids, as she was carrying our kid brother, " I hope you children know the condition that I am in". I do not think we kids were bothered much about that, we were more interested in having fun, to us our mother was the same kind but strict parent she and always been. Well little did Wesley know that his older brother, Fred, would graduate from High School in June and was trying to sleep in the room next to where he was born, his sister Nettie and his brother George in the other rooms on the second floor, his first cry came in the early morning hours, his Grandmother Whitmore and Dr. Evans were there to help and it was from those early morning hours that George gave up the right of being the Kid brother, and what a relief to him. Wesley, who had not even been named as yet took the honors.

Little did we know what a good bowler and golfer he would be in future years. Here we kids had a new addition to the family, it was something entirely different for us to have around the house, but we were pleased and learned to love him as we did all the rest of the family. After September on I would only see him when I came home, but he was another brother and that made two good kids to be proud of along with my sister, who was the best looking girl in town, she came to visit me later at Stout.

The Whitmores had now grown up and away from home except Irma. Grandfather Whitmore had left the Basket Company and had built a Green House in the rear of the property. Wesley would grow up in an entirely different environment than the rest of us did.

CHILDHOOD TO KINDERGARTEN, like the rest of us the first few years would leave no memories, he was a good healthy child and Mom and Dad gave him the same kind attention that we had gotten. After September 1917, I went to Stout and when I came home it seemed like he had grown like a weed. One event I well remember that occurred while I was teaching in Lancaster, Wisconsin. I had organized a Hi-Y and had a nice group of teenage boys to take care of with the Convention being held in Milwaukee the thought came to my mind, how nice it would be to take some boys there. Several parents consented and their sons with me as the group leader took the trip. I had ask my mother if she would mind feeding them one meal, of course she would say yes, so I took the gang out to South Milwaukee and what a feed. I wanted to show off my young brother and after all these years I ask him in 1972 to give me his impression of the visit of those boys and his reply was, " I must have been to young because I do not remember".



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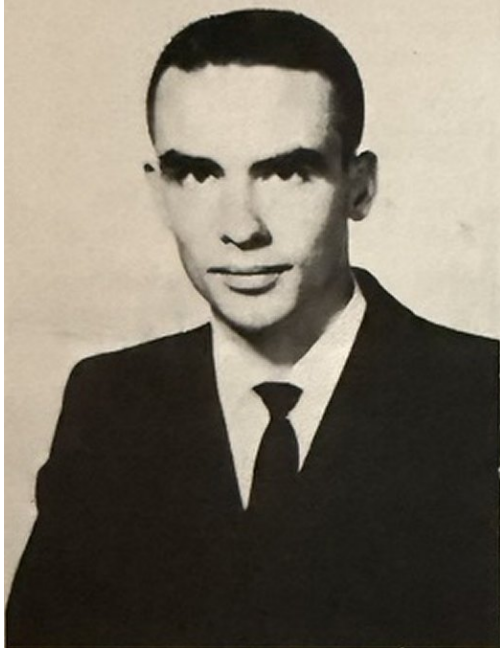
WESLEY WHITMORE MEGOW

Born Feb. 27, 1917 in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

BEATRICE LOUISE KUPPERT in South Milwaukee

Born, April 24, 1918

Married May 27, 1939



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THOMAS OTTO MEGOW

Born, Dec. 5, 1942

Married, Georgia Rae Powell

Feb. 1, 1964

114 Jacqueline Nanette born May 21, 1965

115 John Thomas " Jan.13, 1967

116 Christine Michele " Jul.12, 1968

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JACQUELINE MARY MEGOW

Born, June 2, 1947

Married, Patrick Regan Zimpher

June 29, 1968



He started school by attending kindergarten Sept. 1922. South Milwaukee had grown considerable and sported a new elementary school in our ward, which was the fourth and only a block west of our home.

Aunt Irma had finished her college work in Milwaukee, She spent one year teaching in the Sparta, Wisconsin Schools, then returned and taught Kindergarten at the 4th Ward School.

Wesley had her as his first teacher, how thrilled he was and would feel pretty special to have his Aunt as his teacher.

He continued his elementary education at this school through the sixth grade, entering the 7th grade in another of our cities new schools. The New Junior High had been built. During these years he became interested in golf, was better than the average at it and continued to play the game all his life. His score was usually in the low 70s.

During his early years our folks continued going to Lauderdale Lakes, they purchased a cottage on Green Lake and like the rest of us, he spent most summers there. There were many happy memories of those days of swimming, fishing and dreaming. The high lite event was the 4th of July celebration with fire works from sun-up to dark climaxing the day with a boat parade at night, put on by all the boats on the lake.

Wesley attended the First Methodist Church, going to Sunday School there every Sunday with his parents. He joined the Boy Scouts and went on a couple of outings, however the time spent at the cottage seemed to fill his need for recreation.

In High School he worked on the stage crew. During his senior year the "Cardo Club" (service club) was organized and he was elected to be the first president. During these activities he met his future wife and more will be written about that when she appears in this story.

It was during these years that his brother Fred had started his Airplane business in Philadelphia. Wesley sold models for his brother and in addition worked with his father in the Home Speciality making propellers. He became interested in model airplanes and spent many hours building gas models and flying them. Several boys and he got together and formed a club and would get up early on Sat. morning and fly at the Curtis Wright Airport. He also attended many contests, however, because he was selling Megow Models could not compete, but he did enjoy attending.

He was an average student in High School and graduated in 1935 at which time Mr O'Brien was principal, Mr Mann Superintendent and Carl Bettinger President of the School Board.

Wesley choose the route of Home Study to get the educational foundation he needed to embark on the type of work he enjoyed most. After attending the Extention School of the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee for one semester, he and his wife went to California to attend the Aero Industries Technical Institute, this was in 1940, he finished the courses, there will be more on this later. Wesley continued his home study by taking courses with the International Correspondence School in Aeronautical and Mechanical Engineering and with this excellent background gathered over several years he was able to make a good account of himself in this field.

He has worked up through the ranks in the Aircraft Industry, from Inspection in 1940 to Space Design Engineer on the Apollo project with the North American Rockwell Corp, the latter rank since 1963. We in the Emil Megow Family are proud indeed, of this our youngest, a modest, quiet mannered, consistent, friendly Christian man with a wonderful wife and their fine example shows up in the son and daughter they reared.

BEATRICE LOUISE KUPPERT and Wesley were married in South Milwaukee on May 27, 1939, she was born on April 24, 1918 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Otto Kuppert of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Mrs Kuppert was the former Miss Paula Dornfeld. They were married at the Kuppert home by Rev. O.B.Nommensen, Beatrices uncle. Lois Kuppert and Gerald Berger were attendants. The ceremony was attended by parents, Wesleys Grandfather and Beatrices two grandmothers. After the ceremony they were joined by the families of George and Nettie Megow, for dinner at the Rogers Hotel. They made a 3 week honeymoon trip to New York Worlds Fair, Brother Fred and family in Pa., Washington, D.C. returning viz the blue ridge mountains of Virginia.

They lived at 1232 Rawson Ave., while Wesley worked at the Bucyrus and Beatrice at the Line Material. About 6 months after they were married they moved to California to attend the Aero I.T.I. While there Beatrice worked , while Wesley attended school, when he graduated they returned to So. Milwaukee and later returned and he went with North American. The 2nd World War was on at this time and when it was over they bought a house in Torrance.

There first child Thomas Otto was born in Riverside on Dec. 3, 1942, followed five years later June 2, 1947 their daughter Jacqueline Mary was born. Both son and daughter are married.

Both Wesley and Beatrice are working, he as a Space Design Engineer on the Apollo Project and she a Secretary with the San Joaquin School District.

They attend the Lutheran Church in Tustin, enjoy golf as recreation and love to travel in this beautiful country during the summer vacations. They are the proud grandparents to three grandchildren and take every opportunity to be with them and watch them grow.

THE PERFECT BOWLING GAME, Wesley, for the first time in the history of organized bowling at North American Aviation, a perfect "300" game was rolled during league play, it was announced last week by Ken Kellough, Recreation Director. Wes (as he was called) Megow, Dept. 56 Flight Test, rolled the perfect game during league play of the 825 Summer Handicap League at the Inglewood Alleys. According to Kellough, Megow's 300 is not the first such game ever rolled by a North American employee but in searching the records of the past several years of organized league bowling. Kellough was unable to find any report of such a performance being made in official league play. Megow, a man who takes his bowling seriously, as evidenced by his consistently improving average during the past five years, has an average of 187 with a handicap of two pins. After rolling his perfect game, he started a second game with two more strikes. That comes to a total of 14 straight strikes, said Kellough, and that is top bowling in any league. For his top performance Megow received a multitude of prizes awarded by various organizations dedicated to the improvement of bowling throughout the city. This perfect "300" occurred on Friday July 7, 1952.

MEGOW GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

ALLIED FAMILIES

WHITMORE AND WATROUS

Compiled by NETTIE ADELL WOODWORTH

AND FRED WATROUS MEGOW

WHITMORE

Male side Whitmore

Female side Howes

Longley

Holden

WATROUS

Male side Watrous

Female side Backus

Preceded by the MEGOW GENEALOGY

YEAR *****1972

1 WILLIAM WHITMORE married Lucy or Almira or Elvira

1820 Census shows that Wm. Whitmore was a residence in Watertown, New York at that time. The household family consisted of the following:

William Whitmore under 45 and over 26 years of age.

Lucy, Almira or Elvira (wife) " " " " "

1-Males over 10 and under 16 years of age

2- " under 10 " " "

2-Females " " " "

1 " over 10 and under 16 " " "

Our records show as follows:

6 Almira born 1809 She m Hiram Hill. Had a son Horatio.

5 Mary Ann " 1818 She m Amos Fuller. George Fuller is mentioned as Mary Ann's son. Austin Fuller? and husband, a minister lived in Amboy, Ill. Dec. 12, 1883. Eliza Fuller or Hill married Thomas Owens.

4 Orville " -----

* 3 John " Jan. 15, 1821 m Mary Longley Howes May 1, 1854, she was born Apr 9, 1823, he was b in Watertown N.Y. Jan 15, 1821. He d Dec. 27, 1892 and she d in Nov. 4, 1868

2 Horatio " 1824 ?
1830 Army records, Private of 2nd Lt. Wm Stam Co, a 27th Regiment of Wis. Joined Aug. 15, 1862 discharged May 22, 1865 at New Orleans.

(1830 Census shows the following:

Watertown, N.Y. Moses Whitmore residence

2 males 20 to 30 years of age

1 Female " " " "

1 Male 50 to 60 " "

1 Female " " " "

* 1-3 John Whitmore m Mary Longley Howes May 1, 1854 Refer to Howes Genealogy, refer to #3 above for dates.

*7 George Wm Feb. 5, 1855 m Delila Watrous Refer to Watrous Genealogy

8 Ida Adell July 7, 1857 d Apr. 18, 1881 was unmarried.

*3-7 George William Whitmore m Delila G Mila Watrous on Nov.1, 1876

*9 Mary Adell b Sept 23, 1877 m Emil Frederick Megow on June 1, 1898. Refer to Megow Genealogical Records

10 Ettie b Dec. 30, 1880 d April 21, 1881

11 Annie b Feb. 17, 1883 d Feb. 26, 1883

12 Ray b Aug. 11, 1884 m Dec. 27, 1910 to Edna Schultz she died 1920

13 Robert b Mar. 26, 1890 m Jessie Laws Nov. 28, 1919

14 George Earlb Nov. 2, 1892 m Verne Moore

15 Irma Naome b Aug. 2, 1895 Unmarried

16 Floy May b Feb. 24, 1898 m June 25, 1926 to Edward Jonathas

- 1- WILLIAM WHITMORE, was probably born between 1765 and 1780, his death occurred in Wisconsin. He married Lucy, Almira or Elvira and was a resident of Watertown, N.Y. Jefferson County in 1820. Their children are listed as follows:
- 2- ALMIRA WHITMORE (Her name was Elya on the death record) was born 1809 in N.Y. State and died in Minn. Mar. 16, 1880. She married Hiram Hills, about 1836, he was born in Watertown, N.Y. 1809 and died in Minn. on Dec. 26, 1879, both are buried in a Baptist Cemetery located in Blue Earth County near Lincoln Township 8 miles S.W. of Lake Crystal Township of Ceresco. Their children are as follows:

HORATIO D. HILLS	Born	1837
MARTHA	"	" 1839
ABY	"	" 1841
ELIZABETH	"	June 18, 1844 in Mankato, Minn.

and died Feb. 7, 1919, she married Thomas Owens in 1868, he was born June 2, 1843 and died Jan. 8, 1920, both are buried in Riverside Cemetery, Madelia, Minn. (Refer to Owens Records)
- *3- JOHN WHITMORE, was born Jan. 15, 1821 and died Dec. 27 1892, he married, Mary Longley Howes on May 1, 1854, she was born Apr. 9, 1833 and died Nov. 4, 1868. (Refer to Howes and Whitmore Records)
- 4- ORVILLE WHITMORE BORN 1810
- 5- ELIZABETH ANN WHITMORE, was born in 1813 and died Mar. 26, 1853 at the age of 39, she married Daniel Fuller, he was born May 24, 1802 and died Dec. 9, 1875. The 1850 Census shows Daniel Fuller as 40 years, his wife Elizabeth Whitmore Fuller as 36 and also listed was a William Fuller a Laborer as 23, and Caroline Fuller 17, they all lived in Rodman, N.Y.
- 6- MARY ANN WHITMORE, was born Feb. 14, 1814 and died Feb. 26, 1890, she married Amos Fuller, he was born Oct. 24, 1795 and died June 30, 1879, Amos had a son by a former marriage (Darwin) both are buried in the Adams State Road Cemetery near Honeyville, N.Y. Their children are as follows:

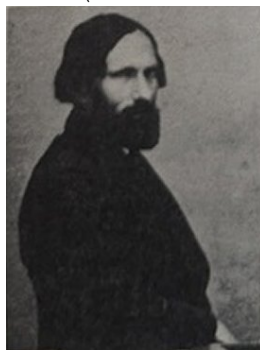
DARWIN	born	1825	died	1876	son of 1st wife
EMILINE	"	1836	"	Sept. 29, 1875	
McDANIEL	"	1839			
DELBERT	"	1846			
PHILENA	"	1849	Married	Geo. Rogers	

Their children were Floyd, Mattie, Ida, Sherry, Delton, he married Kathie Lawrence
- AMOS JR. born 1851 died Nov. 27, 1862
- HORATIO D. " 1858 " Nov. 12, 1862
- 6A HORATIO WHITMORE, was born July 13, 1822 and died Sept 15, 1874 in Alexandria, Minn. He was single and enlisted in Co. A 27th Wisc. Inf. as a Pvt. The 1850 Census of Oak Creek, Wisc., shows he and his brother John as living with Samuel Howes and being John 30 and Horatio 28 years of age. When enlisting he gave his age as 32, however 42 was the correct age. He was a Lumberman and enlisted Aug. 15, 1862 and was sworn in at Kewanue, Wisc. Nov. 1862 to Mar. 30, 1863 he was present with his Company. Mar. 30, 1863 he was sent to General Hospital at Madison, Wis. Sept. 1863 to May 24, 1864 he was present with his Co. May 24, 1864, he was an Ambulance Driver for #63 Reg. Head Q. July to Aug. 1864

he was present with his Co. May 24, 1864, he was an Ambulance Driver for #63 Reg. Head Q. July to Aug. 1864 at Little Rock, Ark. Sept. 1864 to Feb. 17, 1865 he was an Ambulance Driver, Corps per S.O. #217 of Major General Steel, Sept. 9, 1864. Feb. 17, 1865 he was sent to Gen. Hospital in New Orleans, Feb. to Apr. 1865, he was present with his outfit. Mar. 25, 1865 he left sick in Hospital at Fish Run, Ala. Mustered out at New Orleans, La. Capt. W.M. Robinson. He was engaged in the siege of Vicksburg, Miss. June 1863 and Jenkins Ferry, Ark. 1864

He was found dead in his cabin in the woods in Minn. He had been dead several days, the wooded plot was in the Township of Mae, Minn. Grandmother Almira Whitmore Hills (his sister) thought he had lost his thumb in the war.

- *1-3 JOHN WHITMORE married Mary Longley Howes May 1, 1854 (Refer to Howes Records and to #3 above)
- *7- GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE, was born Feb. 5, 1855, he married Delila Watrous, (refer to Watrous Records)
- 8- IDA ADELL WHITMORE, was born July 7, 1857 and died Apr. 18, 1881, she was unmarried.
- *3-7 GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE, married Delila G Mila Watrous on Nov. 1, 1876.
- *9- MARRY ADELL WHITMORE, born Sept. 23, 1877 married- Emil Frederick Megow on June 1, 1898
- 10- ETTIE WHITMORE, born Dec. 30, 1880, d Apr. 21, 1881
- 11- ANNIE WHITMORE, " Feb. 17, 1883, d Feb. 26, 1883
- 12- RAY WHITMORE " Aug. 11, 1884, d Oct. 23, 1958 married Edna Schultz Dec. 27, 1910, she d in 1920
- 13- ROBERT WHITMORE born Mar. 26, 1890, d Sept. 4, 1970 married Jessie Laws, Nov. 28, 1919
- 14- GEORGE EARL WHITMORE born Nov. 2, 1892 d Jan. 26, 1966, married Vern Moore Aug. 1917.
- 15- IRMA NAOME WHITMORE, BORN Aug. 2, 1895 unmarried
- 16- FLOY MAY WHITMORE, born Feb. 24, 1898, married June 25, 1926 to Edward Jonathas (refer Jonathas)



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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

*7-9 Mary Adell Whitmore m Emil Frederick Megow June 1, 1898
 Refer to #13 Megow Genealogy
 Frederick Watrous b July 25, 1899 m Rae V. Snyder
 Nettie Adell b May 23, 1901 m Harold Woodworth
 George Edward b " 10, 1903 m Annie Laurie Potter
 Wesley Whitmore b Feb. 27, 1917 m Beatrice Kupper
 * Refer to the Megow Genealogy
 7-10 Ray Whitmore b Aug. 11 1884 m Ella Elise Edna Ida
 Schultzt b May 5, 1886 d Aug. 18, 1920
 daughter of Fred C and Rosalie Wegart
 Schultzt. Ray died Oct. 23, 1958
 17 Dorothy Lois b Nov. 23 1913 m Olver Wilbur Otto on
 Aug. 29, 1932, he was b Feb. 5, 1911.
 They had three children.
 Alan Ray b June 4, 1937
 Suzette Leah b Mar 4, 1944
 Donald Ray b Nov. 1, 1946
 18 Edna Floy b Aug 17, 1920 m Ned Harley Sept. 18, 1948
 Ned died of a stroke Sept 15, 1956
 married Elmer Hoppel (July 11, 1964
 [Handwritten: died Feb 27, 1978]
 7-13 Robert William b Mar. 26, 1890 m Jessie Laws Nov. 28, 1919
 he died Sept. 4, 1970
 19 Jean Marjorie b Jan 21, 1923
 7-14 George Earl b Nov. 2, 1892 m Verne Marie Moore of
 Monmouth, Ill, she was born Feb. 27,
 1895, Earl died Jan. 26, 1966 and
 they were married
 20 Betty Jayne b July 20, 1918 m Patrick Joseph Penihan
 on June 1, 1946, they had one daughter
 Elizabeth b in 1948
 7-15 Irma Naomi b Aug. 2, 1895 Unmarried [Handwritten: died 1975]
 7-16 Floy May b Feb. 24, 1898 m Edward Jonathas on
 June 25, 1926
 Clark Edward b June 14, 1930
 Joy b Feb. 29, 1932 Refer to the Jonathas
 Genealogy.



THE WHITMORE FAMILY
 1902

STANDING #14--Earl-- #13--Robert-- #12--Ray-- #9--Adell
 SEATED #7--Father-- #16--Floy-- #7--Mother-- #15--Irma

Genealogy of THE HOWES FAMILY taken from Joshua Crowell Howes,
Dennis, Mass.

De Huse,	Howys,	Howse,	Howes.
1066	1457	1892	1892

John De Huse 1066

John	Howys,	held land, Besthorpe	1457
Richard	"	Date of will	1437
Robert	"	" " "	1508
Richard	"	died	15 ?
Thomas	"	"	1555
James	"	" Jan. 31	1592
Robert	"	"	1618

Thomas, 3d son of above Robert

Thomas, son of above Thomas b, 1590 sailed for America, 1635 or 1637 and settled in Yarmouth in Mar 1639. He died at age 75 in 1665. His wife Mary Burr.

FIRST GENERATION:

- 1-Thomas Howes b 1590 d 1665 m Mary Burr.
- 2- Joseph born in England m Elizabeth Mayo and he died 1/19/1694
- 3- Thomas " " " m Sarah Bangs 1656 he died Nov. 20, 1676
- 4- Jeremiah " on passage over; m Sarah Prince Jan 5, 1705-6

SECOND GENERATION:

- 1-2 Joseph Howes m Elizabeth Mayo; he died Jan. 19, 1694-5 she 3/16/1700
- 5- Samuel
- 6- Joseph m Mary Vincent Nov. 28, 1689
- 7- John m Elezabeth Paddock Nov. 28, 1689 and Mary Matthews
July 1[illegible]1
- 8- Nathaniel m Esther Ryder Feb. 22, 1704-5
- 9- Thomas m Rebecca Howes
- 10 Amos m Susanna Hedge May 22, 1701
- 11 Mary m John Hallett Feb. 16, 1681
- 12 Elizabeth m Joseph Merrck
- 13 Hannah m Wm Matthews Dec. 15, 1698

- 1-3 Thomas Howes and Sarah Bangs 1656; he died Nov. 20, 1676
- 14 Rebecca b Dec. 1657
- 15 Thomas b May 2, 1663 m Abigail
- 16 Jonathan b Feb. 25, 1669 m Sarah
- 17 Sarah b Oct. 29, 1673 m Stephen Hopkins
- 1-4 Jeremiah Howes m Sarah Prince; he d Jan 5, 1705-6 she d Mar. 3, 1706-7
- 18 Prince b m Dorcas Joyce Aug. 8, 1698
- 19 Jeremiah b m Mary he d Dec. 9, 1708?
- 20 Thomas b m Sarah Hedge June 23, 1698
- 21 Ebenezer b m Sarah Gorham Apr. 20, 1699 m Lydia Joyce Nov 1706
- 22 Sarah b m Cornelius Higgins
- 23 Susannah b m Jos Bassett; she d Feb. 27, 1719 he d Aug. 1737

THIRD GENERATION

- 2-5 Samuel Howes d Jan. 10, 1722-3 wife name unknown
For his descendants see Howes Family 1917 by J.W.Howes
- 2-6 Joseph Howes m Mary Vincent Nov. 28, 1689 he d Dec. 24, 1743
she d Mar. 24, 1776
- 24 Mary b Sept. 1690 m Elisha Hall Sept. 8, 1709
- 25 Thankful b Apr. 1692 m Daniel Silliman Jan. 20, 1714
- 26 Elizabeth b Feb. 28, 1694 m Zachariah Paddock June 5, 1718
- 27 Joseph b Apr. 11, 1697 m Mary Howes Oct. 20, 1721

28 Isaac b Sept. 6, 1699 d Sept 20, 1728
 29 Judah b July 25, 1701 m Susanna Hedge Dec. 3, 1730
 30 Philip b May 25, 1705 m Mercy Sears July 14, 1734?
 2-7 John Howes m Elizabeth Paddock Nov. 28, 1689 and Mary Matthews
 July 8, 1691 he died April 30, 1736 and Mary Matthews d Apr 8 1746
 31 Elizabeth b June 1, 1694
 32 John b Oct. 30, 1699 m Priscilla Sears Mar. 6, 1728-9
 33 Sarah b Jul 18, 1700 m Ebenezer Sears May 26, 1720
 34 James b Mar. 1 1710-11 m Lydia Hall Sept. 19, 1734
 2-8 Nathaniel Howes m Ester Ryder Feb 22 1704-5; he died July 26, 1745
 35 Nathaniel b m Thankfull Hall Nov[overtyped]1733-(Nov 1763
 36 Zachariah b m " Howes Sept 16, 1746
 37 Esther b 1714 m David Welts Sept 16 1746
 38 Hannah m Samuel Sears (See Sears Genealogy)
 2-9 Thomas m Rebecca Howes, moved to Chatham.
 39 Daniel
 40 Joseph
 41 Thomas m Rebecca Sears dau. of Daniel Sears.
 2-10 Amos Howes and Susanna Hedge m May 22, 1701; he died Feb 16 1717-18
 42 Mercy b Apr. 1702 m Aron Crowill Feb 12 1736-(she d 1755
 43 Elisha b May 1704 d Nov 21 1728
 44 Amos b Dec 16 1706 m Rebecca Matthews Jan 5 1736
 45 Lemuel b 1711 m Mary Hall Feb 20 1734-5 he d Feb 18 1795
 46 Stephen b m Thankful Hall May 17 1739
 3-15 Thomas Howes and ?Abigail; he drowned June 1 1701
 47 Thomas b Mar 6 1700-1
 Dau name unknown
 3-16 Jonathan Howes and Sarah; he d Jan 5 1750-1
 48 Sarah b June 30 1695 m Peter Paddock Mar 16 1720-1
 49 David b Apr 30 1698 m Hannah Paddock Feb 27 1728-9
 50 Johnathan b Apr 2 1701 killed by a whale Jan 10 1718-19
 51 Joshua b Jan 13 1704 m Eunice Allen Jul 26, 1733
 52 Thomas b May 17 1711 m Mercy Hedge Oct 20 1737
 4-18 Prince Howes and Dorcas Joyce m Aug 8 1698 he d Oct 2 1753 s d(11/
 53 Desire b May 22 1696 m Jonathan Hallett 2/17/1719-20 -14 1757)
 54 Mary b Feb 10 1698
 55 Prince b Feb 1 1700 c Thankful Hedge of Boston 1735 and
 Abageil Hallett of Yarmouth Aug 2 1739
 56 Dorcas b Mar 10 1702 m James Matthews Jan 13 1723
 57 Jeremiah b Apr 26 1704 m Mariah Morton 1734 2nd Hannah Churchill
 58 Thomas b Jun 27 1706 m Hannah Sears July 4 1734 and Bethiah Sears
 on Oct 15, 1741
 59 Lot b Sept 24 1708 m Thankful Smith Mar 16 1743
 60 Ebenezer
 4-19 Jeremiah Howes m Mary or Sarah ? moved to Pemazuid, Maine d 12/9/1708
 61 Applicai b d June 11 1705-6
 4-20 Thomas Howes m Sarah Hedge Jun 23 1698 She died Mar 24 1776
 62 Mary b Dec 1702 m Joseph Howes Oct 23 1721
 63 Thomas b
 4-21 Ebenezer Howes m Sarah Gorham Apr 20 1699; she d Sep 9 1705
 m Lydia Joyce Nov 20 1706
 64 Thomas b Jun 20 1699 m Deborah Sears
 65 Sarah b Jun 20 1699 m Ebenezer Sears May 26 1720 and John
 Ellridge Aug 29 1722
 66 Elizabeth b Sep 28 1701 m Joseph Crosby Jun 10 1726
 67 Samuel b Dec 14 1707 m Jerusha Sturgis Oct 21 1736
 68 Thankful b Aug 22 1711 m Samuel Paddock Dec 1744
 69 Mary b Dec 27 1713 m Aron Crowell

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109 Naomi b June 2 1845 m T.M.Childs Nov. 23 1875 d Apr 29 1922
110 Lydia Ann b Mar 7 1847 d Feb 24 1868

EIGHTH GENERATION:

* 96-103 Mary Longley Howes m John Whitmore May 1 1854, she d Nov 4 1865
He was born Watertown, N.Y. Jan 15 1821
d Dec 27 1892 Burial of both Congregation
Cem, So. Milwaukee, Wis
George William b Feb 5 1855 in Fredonia, Wis m Delila G Mila
Watrous dau of William Wilson Watrous and
Losenza Backus. Geo died Nov 6 1941
Delila d Jun 28 1937

NINTH GENERATION:

* George William Whitmore and Delila G Mila Watrous m Nov 1 1876

Refer to WHITMORE GENEALOGY

- 1- John Longley b Sept 12 1724 Groton, Mass. m Deborah Houghton
2 Joseph b Aug 6 1744 d July 8 1836 (served in Am Revolution)
3 Edmund b Nov 11 1746 d Nov 29 1842
4 Phebe b Nov 26 1748
5 John b Feb 17 1750
6 Eunice b May 27 1753
7 Olive b Jun 26 1755 d Jan 8 1757
8 Olive b Oct 28 1757
1-2 Joseph Longley b Aug 6 1744 m (1) Elizabeth Thayer who d Feb 1 1797
m (2) Lucy Shattuck who d May 1836.
9 Elizabeth b Feb 6 1756 d same day
10 John b Jun 2 1768 d in Canada
11 Joseph b May 9 1779 d at Rome, N.Y.
12 Zimri b Jan 8 1772
13 Mary b Mar 2 1773 d Dec 19 1836 m Levi P Holden
1-13 Mary Longley b Mar 2 1773 m Levi P Holden and she d Dec 19 1839
Joseph b Dec 14 1801 d in Ohio m Sep 3 1827 Electa
Witherall, they had 10 children
*Lydia b Feb 16 1804 m Jun 2 1825 to Geo Howes
Elizabeth b Aug 6 1805 m Aug 1825 Levi Cobb d Oct 7.1835
he died Dec 1867
Levi b Jun 2 1807 m Annie Joy Oct 7 1835 she d Jan 17 1857
and he m Mrs Lucy S Benneth dec 2 1858
Mary b Jun 10 1809 d Aug 29 1866
Dorothy b Jun 28 1811 m Otis Whitmore Jul 29 1832, 6 children
Olive b Oct 24 1812
Lucy b Jul 14 1814 m Harvey Russell
Jonas b Mar 30 1816 m Caroline Joy Mar 19 1841 m Thera S
King, Oct 12 1842 he d May 3 1842
* Lydia Holden b Feb 16 1804 m George Howes Jun 2 1825 d Nov 4 1864
Lorenza Atwood b Mar 28 1827
Levi Holden b Jan 21 1830
*Mary Longley b April 9 1833 m May 1 1854 John Whitmore
she died Nov 4 1865
Martha b Feb 15 1834 d Jan 3 1922 m Mathias Berges 1852
Lorinda Emmaline b Jan 23 1837 m Mar 23 1856 Andrew Shirley
d July 5 1869 Andrew Shirley b Oct 8 1834
s Aug 19 1905. He married to Eliza Garfield
from which one child was born Emma. He
again remarried Elizabeth McCreedy dau of
Jeremiah andChloe (Daniels) McCreedy. She
b Jan 3 1845 d May 11 1904
* MARY LONGLEY AND JOHN WHITMORE refer to the Whitmore Genealogy

LYDIA HOLDEN
Born, Feb. 16, 1804
Married June 2, 1825
Died Nov. 4, 1864

GEORGE HOWES
Born, Nov. 6, 1800
Died, July 11, 1878



Levi P Holden, b Dec 25 1767 at Shirley, Mass. m in 1788 Lydia Warren. He had 14 children. She died Apr 9 1799.
His second wife was Mary Longley.

Levi B. b Feb 17 1793 d March 1 1795

Royal b May 23 1794 m 1818 to Sukey Smith d Dec 6 1831

Jonas b Sept 1 1796 d Sept 10 1797

Ira b Dec 7 1797 m Olive Hawley in 1824, Had 8 children

Levi b Apr 1 1799 d Sept 5 1800

Children of Mary Longley

Joseph b Dec 14 1801 d in Ohio m Electa Witherall Sept 3 1827
they had 10 children

* Lydia Holden b Feb 16 1804 m George Howes June 2 1825 d Nov 4 1864 age 60

Elizabeth b Aug 6 1805 m Levi Cobb Aug 1825 d Oct 7 1835
died Dec 1867

Levi b June 2 1807 m Annie Joy Oct 6 1835 m Lucy Benneth
Dec 2 1858 and he died Dec 1867

Mary b June 10 1809 d Aug 29 1866

Dorothy b June 28 1811 m Otis Whitmore July 29 1832 had 6
children

Olive b Oct 24 1812

Lucy b July 14 1814 m Harvey Russell

Jonas b Mar 30 1816 m Mar 19 1841 Carolina Joy m Oct 12
1842 Threa S King he d May 3 1842

* Lydia Holden b Feb 16 1804 m George Howes (b Nov 6 1800 d July 11
1878) June 2 1825 and d Nov 4 1864 Burial
Congregational Cem. in So Milwaukee.

Lorenza Atwood b March 28 1827

Levi Holden b Jan 21 1830 d Feb 24 1846

*Mary Longley b April 4 1833 m May 1 1854 to John Whitmore she
died June 2 1865

Martha b Feb 1834 m Mathias Berbes 1852 d Jan 3 1922

Lorinda b Jan 23 1837 m Andrew Shirley 1856 d July 5 1869

Eliza b May 31 1838 m Alfred Day 1856 d June 12 1862

George William b Aug 1 1840 d Feb 27 1863 (Exposure in CivilWar)
Unmarried

Willis b Nov 14 1841 m Elizabeth Ann Vincent Feb 2 1877
d May 10 1905

Naomi b June 2 1845 m T.M Child Nov 23 1875 d Apr 29 1922

Lydia Ann b Mar 7 1847 d Feb 24 1868

*Mary Longley Howes b Apr 9 1833 m John Whitmore May 1 1854

Ida Adell b July 7 1857

*George Wm b Feb 5 1855 m Delila Watrous Nov 1 1876

* Refer to Whitmore Genealogy

1 Hial Watrous b 1772 d 1812 m Prodenche Wheeler b 1776 d 1825
 *2 John Lucas b Oct 3 1795 m Diana Starr
 3 Fanny b 1797
 4 Martha b 1799
 5 William Chester b 1800
 6 Lucretia b 1802
 7 Elmer b 1804
 8 Ora b 1805
 9 Mary L. b 1807
 10 Lora b 1809

1-2 John Lucas Watrous b Oct 3 1795 d 1875 m Diana Starr she was
 born 1790 d 1860. They lived in Smyrna
 N.Y., and later came to Hamden Ohio in
 1825. They later lived in Chardon, Ohio

*11 William Wilson b 1817 m Losenza Backus
 d Nov 18 1890 burial Kinder Cem Cuba Mo.
 12 Lucinda Smith b 1819 m (1) Samuel Falkenberg
 d m (2) Fred Bail
 13 Charles Henry b 1821 m Sarah Rawson dau Olver Rawson
 Congregational Ce, So. Milwaukee
 Grandfather of Mary Weeden
 14 Harriett b 1825
 d
 15 Samuel b 1827 m Mary _____
 d 1900 m Mrs Betty Sebster
 buried Kinder Cem. Cuba, Mo
 16 Jehiel Elmer b Apr 27 1834 m Ellen Cameron MacArthur
 (called Hial) d Oct 1 1870 and she d 1913
 17 Fanny Abigail b 1836
 d
 18 Alonzo b 1830 m Lydia Glough
 d

Grand daughters of Alonzo and Lydia are:

Myrta I Hazen, 1712 E Ninth St., Cleveland, Ohio
 Mrs Harry D Higley (Maude), 698 E 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio

Children of Jehiel and Ellen:

Elmer Ellsworth b m d 1915
 Dau Arlene b unmarried d
 Son Ira b m
 Eliza
 Delila
 Nellie

* 2-11 William Wilson Watrous b 1817 m Sep 11 1850 d Nov 18 1890 in
 Cuba, Mo.

19 Denice a son died at age 3 or 4.

20 Esther A b June 10 1853 m Mar 12 1874 to Charlie Clark she d
 Apr 28 1904 buried at Mound Cem. Racing, Wis. He
 d Dec 22 1904. They had Lila d Jan 12 1904 She was
 unmarried. Frank L m Louise H Messner Sept 16 1903
 William b 1875 d 1950 m Grace

* 21 Delila G Mila b July 17 1855 m George Whitmore Nov 1 1876

* REFER TO WHITMORE GENEALOGY

Taken from Old Families of Norwich, Conn Vol. 1 Part 1

1 William Backus b m Sarah Charles he d before May 1664
 m Ann(Stenton) Bingham before 1660
 she was the wido of Thomas B_____

1-2 Lt William b m Elizabeth Pratt Feb 1641-42
 he d 1721

*3 Stephen b m Sarah Spencer Dec 1666

4 Sarah b m John Reynolds

5 Mary b m Benjamin Crane

6 b m John Bayley

* 2-3 Dea Timothy Backus b Oct 1682 d Feb 28 1762 m Sarah Post Jan 26 1708
 Number 21 in the records

21-68 John Backus b May 5 1720 m Joanna Downing Jun 26 1747

*68-172 John Backus b Aug 25 1747 m is Jerusha Baker (1750-1818)
 D.A.R. Page 200 Vol. 139 He died 1842

BACKUS

* 172 John Backus b Aug 25 1747
 J. Spicer Backus (grandson of above John Backus) Bible of his
 owned by Mrs James Finch of Larchmont. N.Y.
 Cora Backus married B.B.Williams and she was a descendent of
 John Backus of 1747. She had Bible of John Backus. Moved to
 Calif. Address unknown.

John Backus b Oct 2 1772 Oblong or Arnemis A.Y. d May 1862 Groton N.Y.
 He married five times and had fifteen children.

*LOSENZA BACKUS was the fifth child of the second wife she was b
 Apr 17 1815 in Livonia N.Y. and d Jan 26, 1870 at
 the age of 54 in Wellsville N.Y. She married twice
 Her first husband was Jim Richmond of Wellsville and
 she had two sons
 Ira Pratt who died in the Civil War
 Asberry died at the age of 3 or 4

*WILLIAM WATROUS, b 1817 m Sep 11, 1850 d Nov 18 1890 in Cuba, Missouri
 they had three children Denice, Esther and
 DILIA G MILA WATROUS.

* Refer to Watrous and Whitmore Genealogy

THE
JOHN WHITMORE
FAMILY
1--3

JOHN WHITMORE, was born in Watertown, N.Y. Jan. 15, 1821. This was rugged country in those days, since settlement of this section of New York State did not develop to any extent until after the turn of the 19th century. Watertown itself was founded in 1800.

During the early years, when Johns father would make his way to Northern New York State, this countries future was far from secure, since European Powers, England in particular, tried very hard to surround the United States on the North and West and encouraged the resisting element to throw out our Constitution which was to be sure, having growing pains of the worst sort, but thanks to strong leadership and outstanding statesmanship, by those who wanted a strong central government our country was saved from utter distruction. Those citizens including some of my ancestors must be given more credit for their vision and courage than has generally been granted them by present day citizens.

He was the second in a family of six children. Mother and Father, William and Lucy Whitmore, who were natives of N.Y. His mother died when he was quite young and he lived with a neighboring family named Strickland six or seven years, during which time he attended the district school. At the age of 16 years he started west and learned the carpenter's trade, at Battle Creek, Mich. He was bound out for seven years, which it took to learn the trade.

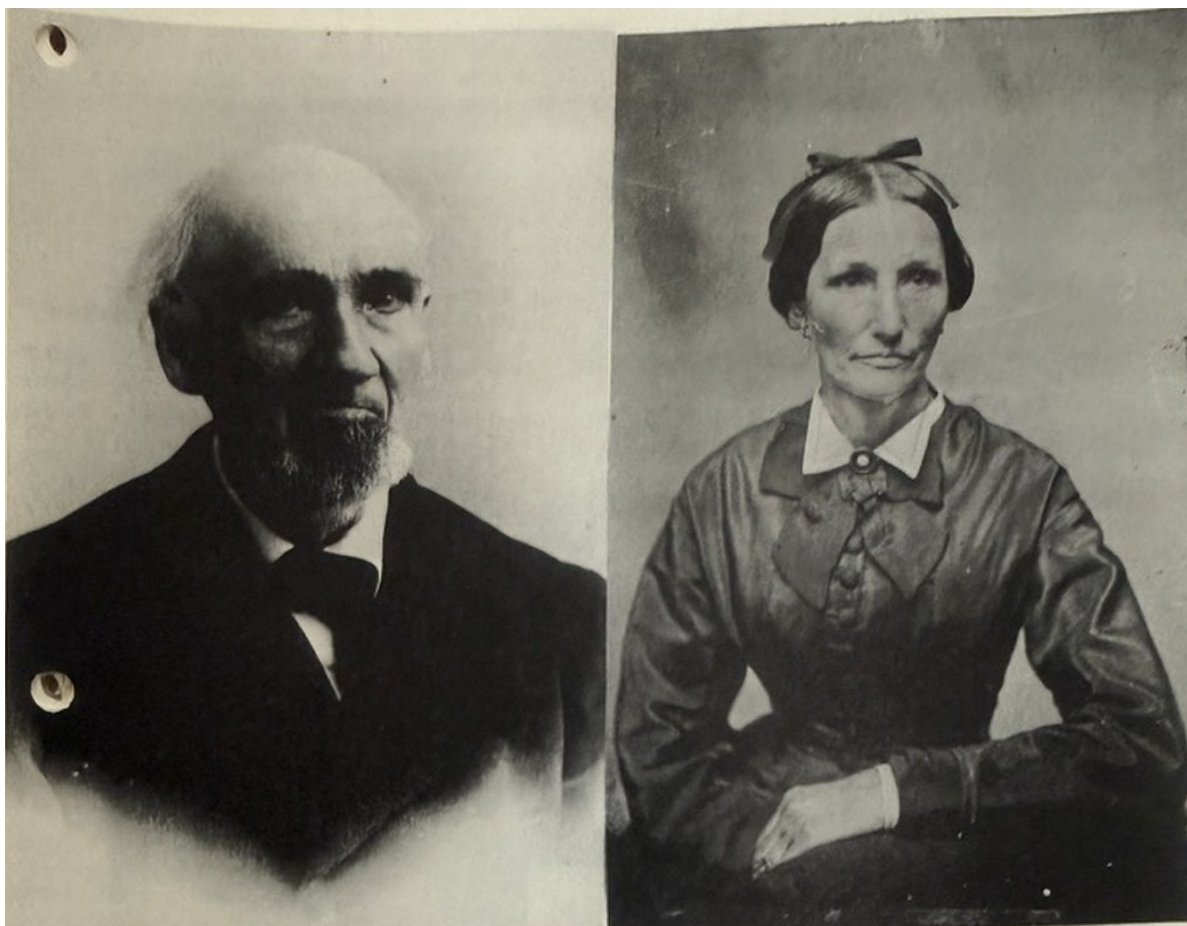
At the age of 24, in 1845, he came to Milwaukee. John remained here until 1848, working at his trade and that year moved to Oak Creek, where he remained until 1854.

John took the contract for finishing the Congregational Church and with his brother Horatio and others carried it out. Records show receipts for labor paid in full to John Whitmore. These receipts are dated 1853, 1854, 1855 and 1856. Lumber was gathered from the local saw mills in the rough and dressed by hand. It was done in a manner to put many a planning mill to shame, as siding and interior finish show you to-day.

The progress of the building was watched with interest by the school children next door, one girl twitting another of coming to school only that she might watch John work. We wonder if the watchers name was not Mary Howes.

MARY LONGELY HOWES, was born in Middleburg, Wyoming Co. N.Y. on April 9, 1833 she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Howes. Mrs Howes was the former Miss Lydia Holden. Mary was a resident of Oak Creek, Wisc. She and John were married May 1, 1854. They moved to Fredonia, Ozaukee County, Wisc., where he purchased a farm of 160 acres, on which he lived two years. The western bordered on the railroad and a main highway on the East. He donated land for a school house and Methodist Church, the writers sister remembers seeing the school house and her husbands father Mr Woodworth was a circuit rider for the Church and stayed with the Whitmores. John and his family returned to Oak Creek in 1856. His wife became sick and the reason for returning was to be near her parents. From this marriage came a daughter, Ida and a son George. The mother died Nov. 4, 1865.

His son George married in 1876 and John was so pleased to have his first grand-daughter, Adell, the writers mother. He was a gentle and quiet man and spent much time enjoying Adell, he would go with her across Rawson Ave., which was then a pasture, to a thick woods, about where mother Witch lived, (an old lady lived in a house back of 1229 Rawson Ave when the writer was a young boy and we called her "Old Mother Witch") there were many hickory and butter-nut trees,



1-3

JOHN WHITMORE [Handwritten: mother Lucy?]

Born Jan. 15, 1821 in Watertown, New York

MARY LONGLEY HOWES

Born April 9, 1833

Married May 1, 1854

JOHN died, Dec. 27, 1892 in Oak Creek, Wisconsin

MARY " Nov. 4, 1865 " " " "



7

GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE

Born, Feb. 5, 1855

Married, Delila G Mila Watrous
Nov. 1, 1876

9	Adell	born	Sept. 23, 1877
10	Ettie	"	Dec. 30, 1880
11	Annie	"	Feb. 17, 1883
12	Ray	"	Aug. 11, 1884
13	Robert	"	May 26, 1890
14	Earl	"	Nov. 2, 1892
15	Irma	"	Aug. 2, 1895
16	Floy	"	Feb. 24, 1898

8

IDA ADELL WHITMORE

Born, July 7, 1857

Died, April 18, 1881

Ida never married



grandpa and Adell would gather the winter supply of nuts which would amount to several bushels.

John was among the old and highly esteemed pioneer settlers in the town of Oak Creek who hold a cherished place due to his sterling worth, keen sense of honor and an unblemished social and business reputation. He was in every sense a true Christian and a staunch Republican in politics. He was a dear, kind Grandpa, according to the writers mother Adell.

He built a cabinet and mill shop in the rear of his home and practiced his trade. He was one of the finest cabinet makers around and took pride in this reputation. His original chest of tools remained in the Whitmore household and when the property was sold in the late 1960s they had been untouched for many years. The contents consisted of all tools the carpenter used in the middle of the 19th century. Rows of wooden planes, each holding a blade for a given type of molding and numerous other antique tools used in those days. The chest was given to the great grand daughter, Floy, married name is Mrs Elmer Happel of Richfield, Wisc.

In later years a log fell on his head and the injury caused him to be mentally disturbed. He was placed in the Milwaukee County Asylum for a time and then brought home and died not long after, on December 27, 1892 and was buried beside his wife in the Congregational Church Cemetery. The Church had given him lots for his whole family as a reward for the fine job done in completing the Church.

THE
GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE
FAMILY
3-7

GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE, was born Feb. 5, 1855 in Fredonia, Wisconsin. He was the first child born to John and Mary Whitmore, his father had purchased 160 acres and there is no question that living was rugged in those days. His mother became sick and the family sold the farm and returned to Oak Creek, in 1857. George at the age of three had a sister, Ida. The mother continued to be sick and contracted tuberculosis and died Nov. 4, 1865.

George went to the one room school until he was 15 years old. Mean while the Civil War was being fought, of course he was too young, but did witness troupes passing by rail car on their way to Chicago. My Grand father never talked much but he did tell me about going to the station and watch them go by. The Engine in those days was fired by wood and he described to me how hard the fireman had to work throwing the cord wood in the boiler.

His father had a carpenter shop and he worked with him for many years and became a full pledged carpenter himself. He worked firing a steam boiler for Mr Moore, who had a factory making neck yokes and whiffle trees (for horse and wagon). Later the owner put in water power for a saw mill and made cradles, bedsteads and broom handles. Many side lights of interest to present day readers, "Cut broom corn at 50¢ a day", "Bought two sheep for \$3.00 and so on".

DELILA G. MILA WATROUS, was born July 17, 1855 in Wellsville, N.Y., she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs William Watrous, Mrs Watrous was the former Miss Losenza Backus, of Livonia, N.Y. After the death of her mother in 1870, her father brought the two sisters, Delila and Esther to live with his brother Charles Watrous, who had married Sarah Rawson and lived east of the John Whitmore property, 1226 Rawson Ave., they had a daughter Celesta who married Rufus Weeden. Delila went to Lake Geneva to work for a family and was happy there. George had met her, being a neighbor, so he started writing letters. Finally the young couple made their plans to marry and she returned to So. Milwaukee and they were joined Nov. 1, 1876.

George now went into partnership with Mr Moore and made baskets. The firm was known as Moore, Whitmore and Co. They later sold out to John F. Conant, who then ran the factory, he enlarged it and improved its operation. George continued working with Mr. Conant as his Supt. When the writer was a boy he would go down to the Basket Factory and my Grand father would give us cut sticks for the kites we wished to make. I always enjoyed watching Shorty run the Veneer Drying machine and was fascinated with the basket makers.

A point of interest should be entered at this point. In the rear of Georges house was the barn, it had been used in the past as a carpentry shop, he rented it to a Mr Byers an upholsterer who did this type of work, he set up his shop in this barn to repair furniture for folks in So. Milwaukee. He would move in the spring and stay until cold weather. He was a kind man and we kids would sell him mud pies. My Grand father never interfered.

The Basket Co. was starting on the down grade after 1914, when George left and built a Green House in the rear of his property. He cleared away a line of spruce trees which his father had planted many years ago. He dug them all out by the roots and



3-7

GEORGE WILLIAM WHITMORE

Born February 5, 1855 in Fredonia, Wisconsin

DELILA G MILA WATROUS

Born July 17, 1855 in Wellsville, N.Y.

Married, November 1, 1876

DELILA died June 23, 1937

GEORGE " Nov. 6, 1941



9

MARY ADELL WHITMORE

Born, Sept. 23, 1877

Married, Emil Frederick Megow

June 1, 1898

Frederick Watrous born July 25, 1899

Nettie Adell " May 23, 1901

George Edward " May 10, 1903

Wesley Whitmore " Feb. 27, 1917

10

ETTIE WHITMORE, BORN Dec. 30, 1880 and died April 21, 1881

11 ANNIE WHITMORE BORN Feb. 17, 1883 and died Feb. 26, 1883



12

RAY WHITMORE

Born, Aug. 11, 1884

Married, Edna Schultz

Dec. 27, 1910

17 Dorothy Lois born Nov. 23, 1913

18 Edna Floy " Aug. 17, 1920



13
ROBERT WILLIAM WHITMORE
Born, Mar. 26, 1890
Married, Jessie Laws
Nov. 28, 1919
19-Jean Marjore b, Jan. 21, 1923



14
GEORGE EARL WHITMORE
Born, Nov. 2, 1892
Married, Verne Marie Moore
20- Betty Jane b, July 20, 1918



15
IRMA NAOMI WHITMORE
Born, Aug. 2, 1895
Unmarried



16

FLOY MAY WHITMORE

Born, Feb. 24, 1898

Married, Edward Jonathas

June 25, 1926

Clark Edward b June 14, 1930

Joy b Feb. 29, 1932



50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

November 1, 1926

Top Row- Nettie and Harold Woodworth- Irma Whitmore- George and Annie Laurie Megow- Verne and Earl Whitmore- Jessie and Robert Whitmore- Rae and Fred Megow.

Middle Row- Edward and Floy Jonathas- GEORGE AND DELILA WHITMORE- Ray Whitmore- Adell and Emil Megow.

Bottom Row- Lois Whitmore- Betty Whitmore- Jean Whitmore Robert Megow- Floy (Babe) Whitmore- Wesley Megow.

Picture was taken in the Whitmore Home at 1226 Rawson, Ave., South Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

the writer assisted him in his work. When the Green House was finished he grew tomatoes and after that crop he raised head lettuce. The products were sold in Milwaukee at the commission houses. Some years later Wisconsin experienced the worse hail storm on record and all the glass in the entire house was broken.

August 1920 was a sad month and year, Ray, his oldest son had taken his wife to the South Milwaukee Hospital, unexpectedly for the birth of a premature baby. The child Floy was born, however the mother Edna died. This turn of events was handled by the family in true Whitmore fashion. The child was sent to the Chicago Washing[unclear]ton Boulevard Hospital, where their youngest daughter Floy was a nurse, later to be returned to So. Milwaukee and raised by the tender hands of Grandmother, father and Irma. A bell was arranged at the Green House. Delila had the crib by her davenport and at the sound of the bell in the Green House George would come to the house, heat the bottle or change diapers, they raised the child and Irma, who taught at the Fourth Ward School spent all her spare time with the child.

Delila, who later in life would suffer with arthritis, started feeling the start of this painful disease, during the 1890 decade. My mother, Adell, who was the oldest was called "Sis" and she helped her mother with the house keeping. The family continued to grow and the mother would rear them properly. Adell attended the newly Organized Methodist Church and joined in 1895, her mother received a reward of Merit from the Sunday School and a Bible.

Delila, was an expert at embroidery work and was continually decorating pillow cases, scarf, doilies, she was just as expert at many other things, when the writer was a young lad he would help her, by holding a hank of yarn in the two hands while she would wind it into a ball, many things my dear Grandmother made from these balls of yarn. Crocket, tatting, quilting were among her talents. The years rolled by and the arthritis became more severe, it affected the joints and they became deformed. Her fingers were noticeably twisted and it would seem that she could do no work at all, but her determination was typical, never give up, must have been her motto. The fingers continued to work at her talents as though they would last forever. She became so crippled that she was confined to a chair most of the time. Delila did attend her Grand-daughters, Nettie Megow, graduation in 1920 but it was painful and was her last public apperance.

George was getting much older by this time and in 1937 his wife passed away, this bore heavily on him and he choose not to repair the Green House and it was sold and removed, he later died in 1941, and was buried next to his wife in the Congregational Cemetery.

The writer can say with pride and pleasure, that his Grand-Parents were fine Christians. Not once in my lifetime of growing up, was there ever an unkind word spoken, to we kids. Both were most considerate and my Grand-Mother would read the Youth Companion to me as a child. I can remember looking for word to its coming. Setting in that chair with my dear Grand-Mother is an experience I shall never forget.

My Grand-Father was a very prompt man. Mr O'Brien a neighbor, who lived across Rawson Ave., told me in later years, that he kept time by my Grandfather going to work, he would pass the front porch at 6 A.M. each day. Mr O'Brien told me he never missed a working day in many years. They raised a fine family, my mother was the oldest, there were two girls born after her who only lived a few months, however Ray, Robert, Earl, Irma and Floy followed up to 1898.

Robert W. Whitmore

THE United States Flag atop the tower of the Allen-Bradley building flew at half mast Tuesday, September 8. It was in mourning and in tribute to Robert W. Whitmore, retired company Vice President, whose innumerable friends were paying their last respects at his funeral services which were held that day. It was also symbolic, in that Mr. Whitmore's last working years were involved in the planning and building of the tower and office research building.

He was born March 26, 1890, in a section of Oak Creek, Wisconsin, which later became incorporated into South Milwaukee. He attended the Armour Institute of Technology (now the Illinois Institute of Technology), and received his degree in electrical engineering in 1914. He joined Allen-Bradley in 1917 and his career with the company spanned a period of 48 years. During that time Allen-Bradley experienced a phenomenal growth and Mr. Whitmore, himself, was the force behind much of the expansion and success of the company. As Plant Superintendent, he was head of all manufacturing areas. Later, in 1941 when he became Works Manager, he was given charge of the planning and construction of all new facilities. Under his direction, that construction went on almost continually until his retirement in 1965. The Cafeteria, the Endurance and Performance Testing Laboratory, the innovation of the heat pump system in the office and research building and the building itself, the temperature indicator, clock tower and countless other projects are all lasting edifices to his memory.

Only a dynamic and energetic person could have accomplished all he did and he was that and more. He was a stern task master and expected—and got—the best people had to offer. His position and manner demanded respect. Mr. Whitmore, the man, did not demand respect—he earned it. Tough as the outer shell appeared, his compassionate nature was known to many, many individuals whom he befriended. His office was always open to anyone who wanted to discuss a problem with him. He had a marvelous knack of allowing the person to find his own solution, perhaps just by hearing him out and dispelling his insecurity. He was often called upon to serve as a “mediator” in company problems as well.

HIS interest in people led him to organize the first A-B Orchestra back in 1936, which has brought pleasure to so many thousands of people through the years. He himself played piccolo and flute with the group for the first 13 years of its existence, when it was primarily a semi-classical orchestra. He made sure members were rewarded for their time and efforts by planning and arranging many social functions for them. He also arranged all their concerts.

His stern appearance was a good mask for the mischievous personality beneath. He was head of what was known as the “Sub-Committee” back in the '30s and early '40s. He and his “henchmen” plotted all sorts of tricks which they executed at the Men's Ten Year parties and picnics and there was never a dull moment when he was around. He played as hard as he worked, and no one was safe from his pranks, not even the company president. He was a well known sight at all the parties, where he usually wore a large tag bearing his name and address with the instructions “When I'm Full Take Me Home. Ring the Bell—Run Like Hell.”

His interests outside of work were varied. Top of the list was his summer home at Pike Lake, near Phillips, Wisconsin. With fishing rod in hand, he relaxed from the responsibilities of his job. He was very active in the Masons and a member of Jeremiah M. Rusk Lodge 259; Lake Chapter 86; Knights Templar; Galilee Commandry 38; Tripoli Shrine; Wisconsin Consistory; Grant Park Chapter 263; and Order of the Eastern Star. He also played the flute in the Shrine band at one time. He and his wife enjoyed traveling and did so extensively after his retirement. He had visual mementos of their trips through his hobby of stereo photography.

MR. Whitmore was elected Vice President of the Company in February, 1941 and in 1942 was named a Director. When the Allen-Bradley Foundation was established in 1942, he became a member and Director which positions he held until his retirement. He was one of the original Trustees of the Pension/Profit Sharing Trust and for 10 years served as a Director of Allen-Bradley Canada, Limited.

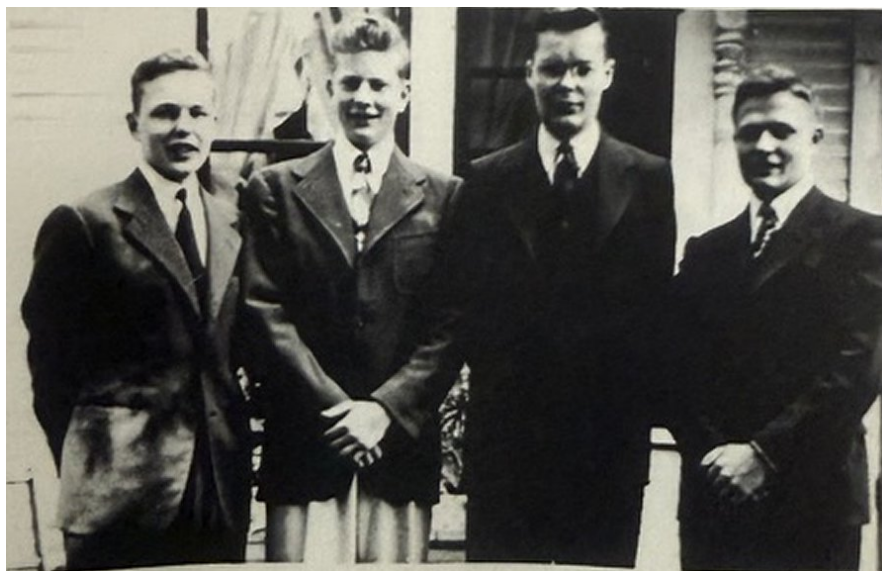
The kind of person Mr. Whitmore was is reflected in his attitude towards others. His rise in stature in the corporate structure of the company never diminished his friendly associations with any A-B employee, regardless of his or her position. He never forgot his friends and always had a cheerful greeting for them. His shock of white hair and brisk walk were a familiar sight throughout the entire office and plant. He was highly respected by all and leaves behind many, many friends who mourn the passing of a dedicated man whose influence will be felt for many years.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mr. Whitmore's widow, Jessie; his daughter, Jean; and his sisters Irma Whitmore of South Milwaukee and Mrs. Edward (Floy) Jonathas of Zion, Illinois.





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NEAL

JACK
THE PETERSON

CURTIS
TEEN-AGERS

ERLING



THE
CURTIS FREDRIK PETERSON
FAMILY

1--2 Curtis Fredrik Peterson, was born May 29, 1919 in Williston, N. Dak., he married Elenore Kurtz at Chicago, Ill on April 21, 1945, she was born Feb 9, 1919 in Fort Worth, Texas and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Louis Kurtz, her mothers maiden name was Marie Mercier from Croix, France and she was born Apr. 29, 1888. Curtis is a Laboratory Technician and has been with the Argonne National Laboratory in Argonne, Ill. (near Chicago) for 22 years.

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| 6-- Christine Louise | born, June 20, 1947, in Chicago, Ill. |
| 7-- James Martin | born, July 20, 1948, in Chicago, Ill. |
| 8-- Marie Catherine | born, Sept 14, 1949, in Chicago, Ill. |
| 9-- Jeannette Lydia | born, Apr. 11, 1951, in Hinsdale, Ill. |
| 10- Gregory George | born, May 23, 1952, in Hinsdale, Ill. |
| 11- Eric Joseph | born, Apr. 14, 1953, in Hinsdale, Ill. |
| 12- Michelle Ann | born, July 30, 1954, in Hinsdale, Ill. |
| 13- Brian William | born, June 14, 1956, in Hinsdale, Ill. |

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

Picture above, Standing left to right; James, Marie, Gregory, Jeanette, Christine and Eric.

Seated; Michelle, Mr. Peterson, Mrs Peterson and Brian.



THE
ERLING WINSTON PETERSON
FAMILY

1--3 Erling Winston Peterson, was born Jan. 22, 1921, in Ray, N. Dak., but grew up in Princeton, Wis., home of his maternal grandparents, the Herman E. Megows, graduating from the High School his grandfather had helped to build as School Board Chairman. He graduated from North Central College, 1943 and Evangelical Theological Seminary, 1946. On May 26, 1945 he married Betty Zorn, she was born June 17, 1924 and was the daughter of Mr Otto and Edna Zorn of Brillion, Wis. Ednas maiden name was Miss Wegner of Port Washington, Wis. After graduation he served churches at Badger Village, Wis., for the Wis. Council of Churches, at Kenosha, Wis., for the Evangelical United Brethren Church; at Windsor and Dane, Wisc., for the United Church of Christ. In 1960 he went to Naperville, Ill., joined the English Faculty of North Central College, and in 1970 went to Indianapolis, Ind. as Chairman of the English Dept. of Indiana Central College. In 1950 he received a M.A. from the Univ. of Wisc. and in 1968 a Doctoral Degree from Northern, Ill. Univ. His wife, Betty, with a degree in Home Econ., is a Laboratory School Leader and at present a Nursery School Teacher and Director of two United Methodist Churches in Indianapolis.

14-- Thomas Jon born, Oct. 31, 1947, in Madison, Wis.
Married Barbara Wolverton of Downers
Grove, Ill. Aug. 16, 1969 in Naperville.
Barbara was born Nov. 24, 1950.

15-- Suszn Gale, born, Mar. 27, 1950, Baraboo, Wis.
Married Mark Barhan of Kendallville.
Ind. Sept. 22, 1972 in Indianapolis, Ind.
Mark was born Jan. 4, 1951.

16-- Timothy Eric born Dec. 11, 1952, Kenosha, Wisc.

17-- Bruce Erling born Apr. 11, 1958, Madison, Wisc.

Picture above- L to R- Standing, Thomas, Father, and Mother.
Seated , Susan, Timothy, and Bruce.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
CHRISTIAN FREDRIK PETERSON
FAMILY

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The ORIGIN OF THE PETERSON FAMILY, as far as research has progressed up to 1973, is Hamar, Norway. Christian's father was a man named Nickolis Gruntwig, who was a Dane. he died before Chris was born, from a boat accident. The mother then married Anders Pederson of Hamar, Norway. The mothers maiden name was Andrine Gundersden. Chris was born in Hmar, Norway on Jan. 14, 1885, he had three brothers or half brothers and 2 half sisters all younger than he, their names were Peter, Andrew, Arthur, Emma and Ingrid. When Chris came to the United States his papers were made out Christian Fredrik Peterson. He also had an Aunt in this country.

The above information was given to the writer by his wife Lydia.

- 1- Christian Fredrik Peterson, born Jan. 14, 1885 in Hamar, Norway, died March 27, 1953 in Princeton, Wisconsin, he married Jydia Amelia Jula Megow (Reference 5-35 in the Megow Genealogical Records Pages 16C-16Y to 16 ZB) she was born Oct. 31, 1893 in Princeton, Wisconsin, they were married June 12, 1914.

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| 2-- Curtis Fredrik | b May 29, 1919 in Williston, N. Dak. |
| 3-- Erling Winston | b Jan. 22, 1921 in Ray, N. Dak. |
| 4-- Neal Julian | b Nov. 8, 1922 in Ray, N. Dak. |
| 5-- Jack Arthur | b June 19, 1925 in Minot N. Dak. |

Pictures of the Family on the next page



THE
NEAL JULIAN PETERSON
FAMILY

1--4 Neal Julian Peterson, was born Nov. 8, 1922 in Ray, N. Dak. He married Arlene Frances Pearl on Feb. 19, 1944, she was born Feb. 25, 1923 in Bristol, Conn. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Pearl of Bristol, Conn. Mrs. Pearl was the former Miss Ethel Allen of Lincoln, Vt.; she was born July 13, 1888, Mr. Pearl was born Sept. 12, 1886. Neal attended North Central College in Naperville, Ill. Was a Lt. in the Air Corps in Second World War. Spent last 25 years in Graphic Arts business. Now, 1973, head of printing firm in Columbia, Missouri.

18-- Noel Sharon b, Dec. 5, 1945, in Bristol, Conn. is married to Larry Quinton Albert, Married in Kansas City, Mo. April 5, 1969. He was born Sept. 13, 1942 in Wichita, Kan.

Jennifer Dawn b, May 24, 1971 in Kansas City, Mo.

19-- George Christian b, Mar. 18, 1947 in Bristol, Conn. married to Florence SeDonna Kelly on Oct. 17, 1971 in Columbus, Mo. She was born Mar. 13, 1951 in Kansas City, Mo.



THE
JACK ARTHUR PETERSON
FAMILY

1--5 Jack Arthur Peterson, was born June 19, 1925 in Minot, N. Dak., he married Sue Frances Cochran of Sparta, Wis., on Dec. 27, 1950, she was born Oct 10, 1929 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Cochran of Kansas City, Mo. Mrs Cochran was the former Miss Frances Beebe of Sparta, Wis., and was born Aug. 14, 1905. Jack grew up in Princeton, Wis., went through all 12 grades there. He served 3 years in the Navy Air Corps in World War II, then went to College, attending the Medical School at the University of Wis., graduating in 1952. After internship in Madison he practiced Medicine as a Country Doctor in Waupun, Wis. until 1960. The press of specialization was evident so he went into training as a Dr. of Obstetrics and Gynocology. He went to Hawaii for the first two years, then to Houston, Texas. He now practices in Waukeska, Wis. and since coming to this city he has been admitted to the COLLEGE OF SURGEONS in San. Francisco.

20--	Julianne	born, Sept. 20, 1951	Madison Wis.
21--	Christian Fredrik	" May 22, 1953	" "
22--	Jennifer Sue	" Nov. 28, 1954	" "
23--	Daniel Carlton	" June 10, 1958	" "
24	Robert Paul	" July 23, 1967	Waukeska "

Picture above-Standing; Julia, Christian, Daniel, Jennifer
Seated ; Jack, Robert and Sue.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
DENNISON JAY GRIFFING
FAMILY

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1-- Dennison Jay Griffing was born Sept. 18, 1840 in Boston Mass., he died Jan. 13, 1905, married Antoinette V. Coon on Nov. 9, 1870, in Cascade, Minn. She was born in Albany, N.Y. on Aug. 26, 1851 and died July 31, 1890. Dennison remarried on Mar. 30, 1892 to Flora A. Thomas.

2-- Effie born Aug. 8, 1876, married Walter B. Gislason.

3-- Walter born Dec. 23, 1873, died young.

THE
MILTON DENNISON GRIFFING
FAMILY

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4-- Milton Dennison was born July 20, 1877 in Rochester Minn., and died May 1, 1955; he married Minnie Boyd, May 4, 1903, she was born in Oslo, Norway in 1880. she died July 24, 1908. Milton married Luella F. Megow, June 28, 1911, she was born Sept. 2, 1886 and died in portland, Ore. Apr. 29, 1968 (Refer to Pages 16M to 16P in Megow Genealogical Records).



5-- Ardis was born Dec. 9, 1904, she married Burt Hallquist, they were divorced and had no children she was the daughter of the first marriage.

Children of the second marriage.

4--6 Liyal Megow, was born Jan. 1, 1912 in Gary So. Dak. he married Frieda Niedzwiecka on Dec. 18, 1950, they were divorced June 1960. No children to this marriage. (Refer to 16P of Megow Records).

4--7 Maxine Dorothy , was born Jan 16, 1916 in Gary, So. Dak. she married Kieth Edgar Olsen, July 13, 1941, he was born in Waterloo, Iowa June 6, 1909. (Refer to Page 16P of Megow Genealogical Records for more details).

Sandra Lovine, born Dec. 12, 1945 in San Francisco Calif.

Arne Dennison, born Jan. 5, 1948 in Portland, Ore.

THE KIETH EDGAR OLSEN FAMILY



Picture taken Xmas 1971; Left to right, Sandra, Arne, Maxine and Kieth.

1--8 Lula J. born Apr. 3, 1880, married John C. Stevens, they had a daughter Dorothy who married Tom Nichols.

1--9 Maudie was born Aug. 1, 1881, she died in infancy.

1-10 Birdie B. was born June 21, 1884 married Walter Rowland, to this marriage were born; Charles, who remained single, Mildred, married Lawrence Reinhardt they had, Cathys, Steven and Vivan.

1-11 Jay was born July 9, 1890 and died in infancy, Jays mother died soon after the baby was born and the baby died 2 weeks later.

Child by second marriage.

1-12 Warren was born July 20, 1893.

NOTE: The above 1--8 to 1-12 are the children of Dennison Jay Griffing of Page 29.

THE PROVINCE
family

1-----Joseph Yard province, was born March 31, 1764 in Va. and died May 16, 1844, he married Elizabeth Casto She was born in Frederick County Virginie, in 1765 and died in Fayette, Pa., in 1818 and was the daughter of David Carter 1788 Va and Agnes Hartley 1818 Pa., 1897 Pa. After the death of his first wife he married Rachel (Reed) Spencer widow of Nathan Spencer, children of both are listed below.

2--John William	b Jan.	1785	died ?	Unmarried
3--Benjamin	b Oct.	1786	"	1814 married
				Jeanne Hartley
4--David	b Aug.	1788	"	1826 "
				Agnes Hartley and 2nd Mrs Howard
5--Sarah	b July	1790	died 1826,	married
				Robert McClain.
6--Joseph	b Jan.	1792	"	1821 "
				Mary Hagen
7--Elizabeth	b Mar.	1793	"	1824
8--Lydia	b Mar.	1794	"	1826
9--Patience	b Nov.	1795	"	1827
10--Samuel	b Mar.	1797	"	1827 in Oct.
				unmarried?
11--Thomas	b July	1798	"	? married
				1st Williams; 2nd Boice
12--Jane	b Feb.	1800	died ?	"
				Gee Jught
13--Phoebe	b Mar.	1801	"	1802
*14--Jesse	b Sept.	1806 Pa	"	1873 married
				Celia Spencer, Belvue, Kans.
				1802-1891
15--Simeen	b Dec.	1803	died ?	married
				Nancy Howard
16--Uriah	b Jan.	1805-06	"	1835 married
				Matilda Spencer
17--Mary Ann	b Oct.	1808	died 1835	"
				Brewer
18--Elisha	b July	1810	"	? "
				Gallatin
SECOND WIFE				
19--Benjamin	b Nov.	1819		
20--Theron	b Mar.	1821		
21--Selina	b Sept.	1822	married	Washington
				Rich-- 2nd Rawleigh Rich
22- Uanna "Winnie"	b Oct.	1824	died 1835	
23- Rachel	b	1826	"	1902 married
				David Haught
24- Agnes	b	?		married
				Haught

THE PROVINCE
FAMILY

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| 1-- | 14 | Jesse Province, | was born Sept. 29, 1806 in Penn. and died April 3, 1873 in Belvue, Kans., he married Celia Spencer on Sept. 5, 1822 in W. Va., or Ohio? she was born July 3, 1802 in Penn and died Dec. 17, 1891 in Belvue, Kans., she was the daughter of Nathan Spencer 1794-- Penn. 1817 and Rachel Reed, 2nd wife, 1783 Del to 1870 Bureau, County, Ill. |
| 25-- | | John William | b 1823 Fayette, Pa d
married Lucretia Arnett |
| *26-- | | Joseph Yard | b 1825, July d, 1885
Married Permellia Jane Stevens
or Stephens |
| 27-- | | Jesse Spencer | b 1827 June d, 1913
Married Mahalia Cline |
| 28-- | | Amelia | b 1829 Feb. d, 1850?
Married F. Snodgrass |
| 29-- | | David | b 1830 Sept. d, 1854
Married E. Pleasant |
| 30-- | | Benjamin F | b 1832 Feb. d, 1852
Married Eunice |
| 31-- | | James O. | b 1833 Oct. d ?
Married Mary A. Boice |
| 32-- | | Thomas | b 1835 May d 1856 Apr. |
| 33-- | | Uriah | b 1836 Nov. d 1923 Aug.
in St. Mary, Kansas, unmarried |
| 34-- | | Celia Ann | b 1838 May d, 1901
Married S. Snodgrass |
| 35-- | | Nathan | b 1840 May d, 1917
Married E. Edwards |
| 36-- | | Amida | b 1842 May d, 1866
Married Martha Cline |
| 37-- | | Susannah | b 1844 Apr. d, ?
Married J. Cochran |
| 38-- | | Rebecca | b 1846 Apr. d, 1943 in Kans.
Married William Hesse |
| 39-- | | Mary Matilda | b 1849 June d, 1876
Married Abrams ? |
| 14-26 | | Joseph Yard Province | was born July 18, 1825, in Fayette County Penn. and died April 10, 1885 near Broken Bow, Neb. he married Permellia Jane Stephens ,or Stevens on March 23, 1848 in Marion County, Va., she was the daughter of M. Stephens, or Stevens, she was born Dec. 3, 1829 in Penn. and died May 30, 1917 in Broken Bow |
| 40-- | | John H. | b 1849 d, 1959 |
| 41-- | | Margaret A | b 1850 d, 1928 |
| 42-- | | Angeline | b 1851 d, 1907
Callaway, Neb. Married Dill 1st
2nd Hollingsworth. |
| 43-- | | Jasper S. | b 1853 d, 1918 |
| 44-- | | Celia J. | b 1855 d, 1939 in
Hannibal, Mo, married Sickler |

THE PROVINCE
FAMILY

45-- Martha E. b 1857 d, 1950 in
 Broken Bow Neb. Married John
 Merford

46-- Newton G. b 1859 d, 1901 in
 Oconto, Neb. married Sickler

47-- Louisa b 1861 d, 1919

48-- Jesse Spencer b-----died in infancy

49-- Nathan S. b 1864 d, 1917 married
 Baldwin

50-- Samuel U. b 1866 d, 1941
 Married ?

51-- James David b -----died in infancy

*52-- Philip S. b 1870 in Rockport, Mo.
 d, 1954 in Wisconsin married
 Brandt.

53-- Selina b 1873 d, 1951 married
 J. Sickler

54-- Jessie P. b 1878 d, ? in Kans.
 Married Headley who died 1903

The Province homestead was located south of Broken Bow, Custer County., Neb. It was there, while Joseph Y. Province # 14-26 and his son Phillip S. Province # 26-52, were out plowing in their fields on April 9, 1885, (just one day less than 1 year after the family located here), that Joseph Yard Province was shot and killed in an argument between he and cattle rustlers. The two rustlers were tried in Custer County District Court session, which convened July 6, 1885. The jury found one man guilty of manslaughter and sentenced him to Neb. State Penetentiary for 4½ years. The second man was declared not guilty and so released.

26--52 Philip Sheridan Province was born May 11, 1870 in Rockport, Atchison County Mo. and died Jan. 26, 1954 in Minong, Wisconsin, he married Rose Ann Brandt on Jan 9, 1894 in Callaway, Neb. She was born on Jan. 3, 1878 in Eddyville, Neb. and died July 30, 1945 in Broken Bow, Neb., she was the daughter of John Shaw Brandt who was born in Penn. and Elizabeth Fix.

55-- Myrtle b March 1895 near Broken Bow
 died March 1971 " "
 she married Charles David Link
 on Sept. 1913 he was born 1891
 and died in 1970

 Lela b
 married Beckhoff

 Raymond b
 married McKee

THE PROVINCE
FAMILY

- *56-- Ralph b July 1, 1897 near Broken Bow
 Married Sophia I. Megow on
 June 7, 1917.

- 57-- Ray b 1903 in Washington State.
 married E. Tappan, no children

- 58-- Maude b Jan. 8, 1908 in Klona, Wash.
 married E. Reessler.
 Evelyn (Curlile) b
 Shirley (Thornton)b

- 59-- Richard b May 1917 in Broken Bow, he
 married Letha Mae Link

- 52--56 Ralph Province, was born July 1, 1897 near Broken
 Bow, he married Sophia I. Megow (Refer to Megow
 #5-17 Genealogical Records), on June 7, 1918 in
 Broken Bow.

- 60-- Ruth b May 22, 1918, married Charles
 Everett Gray Jr. on Jan. 16, 1946
 Jeanne Ann b Jan. 18, 1947
 Shirley Joyce b May 10, 1950

- 61-- Howard Donald b Nov. 4, 1920, married Dora
 Bolle Selfridge (1st wife)
 there was one child to this
 marriage.
 Married, Dorthy Thompson
 (2nd wife), on April 20, 1946
 there were three children to
 this marriage.

- 62 -- Helen Margaret b March 7, 1926, she married
 Ellsworth Joe Browning on June
 7, 1946,
 Stanley Joe b July 22, 1949
 Ann Margaret b Mar. 17, 1953
 Barbara Rae b June 20, 1955

- 63-- Paul Roger b May 7, 1929, he married Edith
 Ramona Kleebe (1st wife), there
 were 4 children to this marriage
 Married Phylliss Griner Gates
 (2nd wife, a widow) on Sept.
 21, 1969,

- 64-- Gail Edward b July 15, 1931, he married
 Shirley Joyce Squier, there
 were 4 children to this marriage.

THE PROVINCE
FAMILY

56--61 Howard Donald Province, was born Nov. 4, 1920
he married Dora Bolle Selfridge (1st wife) there
was one child to this marriage. Married, Dorthy
Thompson (2nd wife), on April 20, 1946, there
were two - children to this marriage.

65-- Charles Curtis	b, May 19, 1943 (1st wife)
Janet Marie	daughter of second wife
Elnora Rae	" " " "
66-- Wesley Howard	b, Feb. 14, 1947
67-- Donald Kent	b, Mar. 2, 1950

56--63 Paul Roger Province, was born May 7, 1929, he
married Edith Ramona Kleebe (1st wife) there were
four children to this marriage.
Married Phylliss Griner Gates (2nd wife, widow),
on Sept. 21, 1969, there were no children of this
marriage

68-- Romona Marie	b, July 30, 1950
69-- Timothy Roger	b, Dec. 11, 1951
70-- Terry Paul	b, Sept 20, 1953
71-- Gary Ray	b, Oct. 25, 1954

Children of Phylliss Gates
Gia
Dana
Bradley

56--64 Gail Edward Province, was born July 15, 1931, he
married Shirley Joyce Squier, there were four child-
ren to this marriage.

72-- Sherry Lynn	b, Feb. 23, 1955
73-- Nancy Ann	b, Sept 21, 1956
74-- Linda Sue	b, Nov. 28, 1959
75-- Patti Marie	b, Oct. 22, 1961

1973 Information received from
Ruth Megow Gray

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MEGOW GENEALOGICAL RECORDS
ALLIED FAMILIES

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ANDREW

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Submitted by Mrs Norman Megow of
Princeton, Wis.

ANDREW

BRADFORD

RIPLEY

TRACY

GLIDDEN

ANDREW

The above Bradfords were
ancestors of William Bradford
of the SHIP MAYFLOWER.

Preceded by the MEGOW GENEALOGY

YEAR *****1951

DESCENDANTS OF HENRY AND MARIA (TRACY) MONTGOMERY

ANCESTRY OF HENRY MONTGOMERY

The history of the Montgomery family prior to the coming of our ancestor to America is too long to recount here. Roger de Montgomerie was foremost among those who went to England with Wm the Conqueror in 1066 and was richly rewarded by lands in England and Wales. We are descended through one of the sons, Arnulph, Earl of Pembroke, who took the unsuccessful part of Robert, Duke of Normandy, when Henry I usurped the throne and for this was banished from the kingdom. His son Philip settled in Scotland about 1113, and from that time our ancestors were all in Scotland for 25 generations, when a Hugh Montgomery settled at Derrybrook, North Ireland, in 1618. This English ancestry has been recorded in much detail..

Of more interest to us is the history of our ancestors in America, starting with Hugh and Jean (Cargill) Montgomery, who came in 1719 to join that congregation of Presbyterians in N. Ireland who had come the year before in five ships, and had settled in Londonderry, New Hampshire. Among their children was Hugh Jr., born July 29, 1726, who married Elizabeth Martin. About 1780 this family removed to a new community, Londonderry, Vermont. Hugh Jr. died about 1792 and among the nine children was Hugh, whom I call Hugh III, born at Londonderry, N. Hampshire, Sept. 10, 1752. When the Lexington alarm was sounded Hugh enlisted and he went in to his first battle at Bunker Hill, when his brother Martin fought side by side on that memorable 17th of June. I have his complete war record. He obtained a furlough in May, 1777 and returned to Londonderry, Vt., where he married Hannah, daughter of Robert and Hannah (Ewins) Mack. In 1809 they moved from Vermont to New York State. On May 14, 1819, at the age of 66, while clearing and fencing some land, he was felling a tree when a dead branch broke, came down upon his head, and broke his skull. He died on May 27th. His wife Hannah (Mack), was a woman possessing exceptional intellectual and physical endowments. She lived to the age of 96, dying May 10, 1853. Both are buried in Darien City Cemetery.

ANCESTRY OF MARIA TRACY.

The ancestry of Maria Tracy is even more interesting, especially in America. The Tracy ancestry also is traced back to a Norman baron who went over with Wm. the Conqueror, and the family were of Toddington, Gloucestershire, until Wm. Tracy, son of Sir John Tracy (knighted by Queen Elizabeth in 1574, and High Sheriff of Gloucester, 1578) became so financially involved in the Virginia Co. that he and his family went to Jamestown in Sept. 1620. He had been chosen a Counsellor June 28, 1620 and on Aug. 28, 1620., was selected as a Governor of Berkeley Colony or Hundred.

John Smyth, in his own handwriting, entered a record of Wm. Tracy's death on Apr. 8, 1621, in the midst of his financial misfortunes in Virginia. This record shows that his wife Mary (Conway) Tracy, was "slayne and dead", but these words are

stricken out, which leads us to believe she returned to England; further, it is shown that his daughter Joyce married Capt. Nathaniel Powell and both were slain; and finally that the son, Thomas Tracy, "returned for England."

It has been rather conclusively proven that this Thomas Tracy was the one who entered the town of Salem, Mass., in 1636 and is so well known in genealogy because of his numerous descendants. He is always spoken of as Lieut Thomas Tracy. He was well educated for his time and was a man of consequence in Conn. Much is written concerning him. He left an estate of 5,000 acres, valued at 680 pounds. Strangely, Maria Tracy was descended from both his sons John and Thomas and also his daughter Miriam, who married Thomas Waterman. The son John Tracy married Mary Winslow, niece of Gov. Winslow of the Mayflower; and their son, Winslow Tracy, born 1689, married Rachel Ripley, granddaughter of Gov. Wm. Bradford of the ship Mayflower; hence all of the descendants of Maria Tracy are of Mayflower ancestry. Maria's father, Edmond Tracy and her mother, Lois Tracy (Mayflower Society # 73,957 and # 73,977), were fourth cousins and both descended from Leut. Thomas Tracy. Edmond was probably born at Pittsfield, Mass. about 1769. Lois was born at Preston, Conn. Dec. 21, 1771. They moved from Pittsfield to Scipio, N.Y. and from there to Alexander, Genesee County, N.Y. where he died. I do not know where or when Lois died.

It may be of interest that I have conclusively traced 33 male immigrant ancestors of Maria Tracy, nearly all of whom, of course, came over in the years 1630 to 1640, during the great migration to New England.

HENRY MONTGOMERY, 6th child of Hugh III and Hannah (Mack) Montgomery was born March 11, 1792, at Londonderry, Vt. When he was four years old, on Dec. 13, 1796, his family removed to a farm near Manchester, Vt., where they lived until Mar. 28, 1809, when Hugh sold his farm and other land there and removed to N.Y.State, settling near Auburn, where he bought 100 acres. It was while living here that the war of 1812 broke out, with Henry enlisting for service. Probably while living here Henry came to know the neighboring girl, Maria Tracy, daughter of Edmond and Lois (Tracy) Tracy, who was born at Scipio, Oct. 25, 1795.

Henry went with his parents when they removed from Auburn on west to Genesee County, Apr. 16, 1814, to the vicinity of Darien. Edmond Tracy and his family moved, perhaps about the same time, to the adjoining community of Alexander, Genesee County, and Henry Montgomery and Maria Tracy were married on May 1, 1817. He bought land near Darien and here all his children were born. This was then wild and uncleared land, according to his son's account, the family endured many hardships while residing there, as that part of the country was quite unsettled."

In the spring of 1836 Henry sold out and with his family went to Erie County, N.Y., where he followed farming until the fall of 1844, when he went to Wis. He first decided upon Rock County as a desirable location and purchased 80 acres of land

land in Johnstown Township which was also in its primitive condition. After carrying on the work of development until the spring of 1846, he again sold out and removed to Green County where he took up government land, where Frank King later lived. Here he soon died, Sept. 20, 1846. His widow Maria lived until Jan. 6, 1868 (her son, Tracy has it Jan. 14, 1869, which can be checked by her grave stone.) and both are buried in the old Brooklyn Cemetery, about 5 miles from Brooklyn.

Maria was living with her daughter Eliza Baldwin at the time of her death. Margaret (Montgomery) Adamson remembers hearing the circumstances told to her by Eliza. It seems that Eliza had told her mother that she had to go down in the cellar for a few minutes and that she would come right back up. After Eliza became busy and had stayed longer than she had intended, Maria became anxious and started to look for her, with the results that she fell through the trap door into the cellar and died not long afterward from the shock.

Jeanette Montgomery tells me that Margaret (Montgomery) Fuller used to use as a door stop a gray stone jug with a blue daisy on it which had been Maria's whisky bottle, for it was her custom to take a little nip of whisky from it every night at bed time.

Henry and Maria Montgomery had 11 children, all born in New York State near Alexander and Darien.

1- Tracy, b. Mar. 12, 1818, at Alexander, New York, Tracy went with his parents to Wisc. in 1844, and he purchased from the government 80 acres of land in Johnstown Township, Rock County and at once erected a little log cabin and began the improvement of the land. In the spring of 1845 he returned to his native state, where he further completed the arrangements for a home by his marriage on Aug. 25, 1845, to Persis Paulina Chadwick, daughter of Solomon and Persis Chadwick of Perrysburg, N.Y. She was born Aug. 24, 1819, at Dunkirk, N.Y., and was called by her middle name, Paulina. He then returned to Wisc., with his young bride, who was duly installed as mistress of the pioneer home where they continued to reside until the fall of 1847, when, selling out, they moved to Green County. Tracy purchased a farm of 200 acres and farmed there until the spring of 1852, when attracted by the discovery of gold in Calif. he joined a party of 1200, who with 300 teams crossed the plains to Calif., taking 5 months to make the trip.

The party arrived at Downieville, Sierra County, Calif. Aug. 28, 1852, and Tracy immediately went to work wheeling dirt out of the tunnel mine, for which he received 5 dollars per day. He boarded himself, renting a room for \$10.50 per week and furnishing his own bedding. After working in that county for a few weeks he went to Nevada County, where he engaged in cutting sawlongs until the following spring when he began teaming, continuing this work until Feb. 1855. While so engaged he was able to save some money, which he loaned at 3% a month. He intended returning home about that time, but being unable to get back the money he had loaned, he was compelled to remain; so engaged in work with the man who had borrowed his money.

After his return the family continued to farm in Green County until 1865, when Trach sold and returned to Rock County where he purchased a 160 acre farm. I do not have the date of death of Tracy and his wife.

Tracy and Persis Paulina had 3 children.

Frank A., born Sept. 24, 1846, he married on Sept. 28, 1871 to Mary O'Brien, she was born Dec. 3, 1847 and died June 12, 1889, he died Dec. 8, 1920, they had seven children.

Ellen Jane, born Sept. 25, 1849, married Mar. 12, 1874 to John W. Hendricks who died Feb. 10, 1926. They had 5 children

Luther Bert, born Nov. 2, 1858, married Mary Ford died about 1913 and had 2 children

2- Cyrus A. born Mar. 21, 1819, married Mary Shumway, d Jan 13, 1892. He lived near Brooklyn, Wis. and had 2 children.

Margaret, b , m Cash M Fuller, they had 2 children.

Henry, b , lived in Iowa, had several children.

#3- Lois Lorette, was born Dec. 24, 1820 at Darien, N.Y. m Feb. 13, 1838 to Asa, son of Asa Glidden of Vermont, and lived at Clarendon, Orleans Co., N.Y. They had 4 children.

Emeline M Glidden, b. Sept. 23, 1842

Pery W. Glidden, b Dec. 21, 1845

#Myrta M. Glidden, b. May 18, 1858, married Wallace W. Andrew (refer to Andrew Genealogy)

Florence E. Glidden b. Feb. 25, 1863.

4- John Jackson, born Apr. 25, 1823, at Darien, N.Y. m Mary Jane Sawin, she was born Aug. 15, 1831 and died Oct. 9, 1924, he died Mar. 20, 1895.

5- A child who died in infancy.

6- Caroline A. b m in Wis Mar. 15, 1847 to Erastur Avender Light. she died Aug. 23, 1885 and he died Nov. 5, 1899, they had 6 children.

7- Sabrina Malvina, b. Dec. 29, 1829, m Wm. Kendrick on Mar. 3, 1853, he was b Dec. 28, 1827, they had 7 children.

8- Eliza Maria, b. Mar. 8, 1831, married Apr. 12, 1855, she died May 19, 1909, they had no children.

9- H. Delos b m, he died in 1893 and they had 2 daughters.

10 A son died in infancy.

11 a daughter died at 6 years of age. #10 and #11 were twins

BRADFORD, RIPLEY AND TRACY

BRADFORD _ XII

Gov. Wm. Bradford had, by his first wife Dorothy (May), a son, John, who did not come to America until 1623. He married Martha Bourne, daughter of Thomas Bourne and when John died Martha married Lieut. Thomas Tracy as his 2nd wife.

Wm. Bradford had, by his second wife, Alice (Carpenter) (Southworth), children as follows:

William, born June 17, 1624. (See Bradford XI)
Mercy, m June 15 or Dec. 21, 1648, Benjamin Vermayes
Joseph M. b 1630, m May 25, 1664, Jael, dau. of Rev.
Peter Hobart.

BRADFORD _ XI

Maj. Wm. Bradford, son of Gov. Wm. and Alice (Carpenter) (Southworth) Bradford, was born June 17, 1624, at Plymouth, Mass. He was a representative, 1657, assistant governor, 1658. He was wounded in the great Narragansett fight Dec. 19, 1675 and carried the ball in his body to the end of his life. He was deputy governor of the Colony from 1682 until arrival of the new Charter, except when one of Gov. Sir E Andros counsil 1687 and 1688. He was a chief military officer of Plymouth Colony and a major in King Philips War.

He married, first, Alice Richards, daughter of Thomas and Wealthy Richards of Weymouth. She was born in 1627 in England and died Dec. 12, 1671, at what is now Kingston, Mass. By this marriage he had;

John, b, Feb. 20, 1653.
William, b Mar. 11, 1655.
Thomas, of Norwich, d 1708.
Alice, m (1) Mar. 27, 1680, Rev. Wm Adam of Dedham
and (2) Hon. James Fitchof Norwich.

Hannah, b 1662 (See Bradford- X)
Mercy, bapt. Sept. 2, 1660; m Sept. 16, 1680, Samuel
Steele of Hartford, Conn.
Meletiah, m John Steele of Norwich.
Samuel, b, 1668; m Hanna Rogers.
Mary, m Wm. Hunt.
Sarah, m Kenelm Baker.

BRADFORD _ X

Hannah Bradford, dau. of Major William and Alice (Richards) Bradford, was born in 1662, and died in 1738. She m, Nov 28, 1682, Joshua Ripley. (See Ripley - X

RIPLEY - X

Joshua Ripley, son of John and Elizabeth (Hobart) Ripley, was born in Hingham, Mass. Nov. 9, 1658 and died in 1739. He married Hannah Bradford Nov. 28, 1682. They had children born in Hingham and then this family moved to Widham, Conn.

Alice, b Sept. 18, 1683; m, Samuel Edgerton.
Hannah, b Mar. 2, 1684/85.
Judith, b Oct. 1686.

Joshua, b, May 13, 1688; m Mary Beckus.

Rachel, b 1693, m. Winslow Tracy. (See Tracy- IX)

RIPLEY - IX

Rachel Ripley, dau. of Joshua and Hannah (Bradford) Ripley, was born, probably at Windham, Conn. in 1693. She married, June 21, 1714, Winslow Tracy, youngest son of John and Mary (Winslow) Tracy. They had seven children. See Tracy-IX.

TRACY- IX

Winslow Tracy, youngest son of John and Mary (Winslow) Tracy, was born Feb. 9, 1689, at Norwich, Conn. He married June 21, 1714, Rachel Ripley, dau. of Joshua and Hannah (Bradford) Ripley. Their children were;

Joshua, b Jmie 19, 1715; d Dec. 13, 1715.

Periz, b Nov. 13, 1716.

Josiah, b May 10, 1718. See Tracy VIII.

Eliphalet, b Nov. 14, 1720.

Nehemiah b Mar. 18, 1722.

Samuel, b Dec. 5, 1724.

Solomon, b ,May 22, 1728

TRACY - VIII

Josiah Tracy, son of Winslow and Rachel (Ripley) Tracy was born May 10, 1718, at Norwich, Conn. He married Nov. 3, 1740, Rachel Allen, dau. of Timothy and Rachel (Bushnell) Allen. She died Aug. 28, 1761. Their children were;

Irene, b Dec. 21, 1741; m Gourdon or Gliddeon) Peck.

Nehemiah, b Mar. 23, 1744; (See Tracy-VII).

Daniel, b Nov. 8, 1746; d Jan. 19, 1747.

Anne, b Dec. 22, 1748; m Ensworth.

Dorothy, b Aug. 26, 1751.

Calvin, b Sept. 14, 1753; d Jan. 1, 1755.

Daniel, b Oct. 23, 1756; m Lucy Tracy.

Calvin, b June 7, 1759.

Jerusha, m Isaac Backus.

After the death of his first wife, he married again, June 28, 1762, the widow Ester Pride. Their children were;

Rachel, b, June 8, 1763.

Mehitable, b Oct. 28, 1765; Abel Edgerton.

TRACY - VII

Nehemiah Tracy, second child and eldest son of Josiah and Rachel (Allen) Tracy, was born Mar. 23, 1744, at Norwich, Conn. He married, Feb. 12, 1767, Miriam Waterman, youngest child of Ebenezer and Sarah (Griswold) Waterman. She was born at Norwich, Conn. Apr. 14, 1741 and died at Alesandra, N.Y. Dec. 24, 1833, aged 92.

Nehemiah Tracy died at Pittsfield, Mass.

The children of Nehemiah and Miriam were;

Edmond, b about 1769, (See Tracy - VI)

Alanson, b Sept. 29, 1771.

Burrel.

Zalmon, b Aug. 17, 1775.

Irene, m Stephens.

Ira.

Theadora, m Darron

TRACY -VI.

Eadmond Tracy, oldest child of Nehemiah and Marry (Waterman) Tracy, was born probably at Pittsfield, Mass. about 1769 He married his fourth cousin, Lois Tracy, daughter of Simon and Lois (Branch) Tracy. She was born Dec. 2, 1771, at Preston, Conn. He moved from Pittsfield to Scipio, and from there to Alexander, Genesee County N.Y. where he died. They had several children, of whom the following are known;

Maria, b Oct. 25, 1795, at Scipio. N.Y. (See Tracy-V).

Mehemiah.

Josiah Winslow.

TRACY- V

Maria Tracy, dau. of Eadmond and Lois (Tracy) Tracy, was born Oct. 25, 1795, at Scipio, N.Y. She died Jan. 6, 1868, near Brooklyn, Wis. and is buried in the Brooklyn Cemetery. On May 1, 1817, she married Henry Montgomery, sixth child of Hugh and Hannah (Mack) Montgomery. He was born Mar. 11, 1792, * at Londonderry, Vt. and died Sept. 20, 1846, near Brooklyn, Wis. Their children were;

Tracy, b Mar. 12, 1818, m Persis Chadwick.

Cyrus A, b Mar. 2, 1819; m and moved to Wis. d 1/13/1892

#Lois L., b Dec. 24, 1820 m Asa Glidden. (Refer to
Andrew Genealogy).

Caroline, m Erastus Light; moved to Seattle, Wash.

Sabrina M, b Dec. 29, 1829, m Wm Kendrick.

Eliza M. b. Mar. 8, 1831; m Phineas Baldwin.

Delos, m and moved to the State of Wash.

MONTGOMERY

Tracy Montgomery married Persis P Chadwick in 1845, and came to Wis., settling first at Johnstown Center about ten miles east of Janesville, where their first child was born A year later they moved to a farm a few miles Northwest of Evansville, where their dau. and other son were born, and shortly after they moved to a farm 4 miles East of Evansville where they both died, their children were;

Frank Montgomery.

Ellen Montgomery, who married John W. Hendricks.

Luther B. Montgomery.

THE ANDREW FAMILY

1-- Wallace Andrew, was born _____ died, _____
he married Myrta M. Glidden on _____, she was born
May 18, 1858

2-- Walter was born Oct. 15, 1880 and died Nov.
 22, 1956

3-- Clyde Glidden was born, Aug. 12, 1877 and died
 Nov. 15, 1927 married Maude Batte
 (Divorced)

1-2 Walter Andrew, was born Oct. 15, 1880 and died Nov. 22,
1956; married Edith Thompson, on
May 18, 1903, she was born Sept. 5,
1881 and died Mar. 17, 1951.

4-- Leota Eloise, born Oct. 2, 1908 and married Norman
Megow (Refer to 31-71 Megow
Genealogical Records) There were 2
sons born to this marriage, Robert
Norman #93 Megow and Lee Andrew #98
Megow

The MAYFLOWER LINEAGE of the ANDREW FAMILY.

4638 William Bradford of the Ship MAYFLOWER
4327 Hanna Bradford married Joshua Ripley
4664 William Bradford " Alice Richard
28554 Rachel Ripley " Winslow Tracy
73067 Josiah Tracy " Rachel Allen
73977 Nehemiah Tracy " Miriam Waterman
73957 Edmond Tracy " Lois Tracy
Marie Tracy, daughter of Edmond and Lois Tracy
married Henry Montgomery, 6th child of Hugh
and Hannah (Mack) Montgomery.

Lois L. Montgomery (3rd. child of Marie Tracy
married Asa Glidden.

Myrta M Glidden married Wallace W. Andrew
(dau. of Asa Glidden)

Walter Andrew, married Edith Thompson

Leota Eloise Andrew married Norman Herman Megow
(dau. of Walter Andrew)

THE WOODWORTH FAMILY

The Woodworth Family has been unfortunate that very few facts have been uncovered concerning the ancestry of Walter. Although a general knowledge has been gained of the origin of the Woodworths (Woodward) in England, we have not up to this date learned of the parentage of Walter. However, one point seems to be definite, he did not migrate from Kent County as has been indicated in numerous published accounts. It appears that the researcher merely became confused in the fact that Walter did settle in Scituate among the men from Kent.

It has become apparent that many records of those early Colonists were poorly recorded and in many cases became lost or destroyed through pillages and acts of Nature. Even the birth dates of Walter's children in most cases are unknown and have necessarily been estimated through documentary evidence. The compiler of a proposed new volume of Woodward Genealogy states that relatively nothing is known of Walter's wife (or wives). He has made a possible guess that she may have been the daughter of Thomas Rogers of the Mayflower, but no actual proof has been found of this, although it does seem certain that her first name may have been Elizabeth.

It is possible that Walter arrived in the Colonies on the "Mary and John", one of the ships of Governor Bradford's fleet, not from London as did the Men of Kent, but from Plymouth, England, as the shipping point. It appears possible that the Family Home was near Leicester, and he made his way to the Plymouth Colony and settled at Scituate, Mass. He arrived first with the other ship's passengers at Nantucket on the Mass. coast on May 30, 1630, and later reached the Plymouth Colony, eventually settling at Scituate which is midway between Plymouth and Boston.

In his will Walter always mentions his children in the order which has been given below, and since we know Thomas was the eldest, and have the dates of birth of Mary and Mehitable, this all fits in the will, we must conclude that they were born in this order;

- 1-Thomas b, ca 1640, and possibly as late as 1645.
- 2- Sarah, b say 1642, living in 1685, prob. married.
- 3- Joseph, b say 1644.
- 4- Elizabeth, b say 1646, living prob. m 1685.
- 5- Benjamin, b say 1648.
- 6- Mary, b, Mar. 10, 1650, living Jan. 1, 1719, m Dec. 21, 1677, to Aaron Symmons.
- 7- Martha, b, say 1656, m Jan. 1679 to Zachary Damoon.
- 8- Isaac, b say 1658.
- 9- Mehitable, b Aug. 15, 1662, Probably never married
- 10 Abigail, b say 1666, m Dec. 24, 1695 to John Jackson of Plymouth.
- W3 Joseph, son of Walter. b 1644 at Scituate, Mass. m Jan. 6, 1669. Sarah Stockbridge, b Mar. 15, 1645 at Scituate, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Hatch) Stockbridge, eight children were born.
- 11- Joseph, b Mar. 19, 1670 in Scituate.
- 12- Margaret, b July 19, 1673, m Jan. 10 1697 to Thomas Fish.

THE WOODWORTH FAMILY (con't)

- 13- Benjamin, b Aug. 1676 in Scituate
- 14- Sarah, b Aug. 1678
- 15- Elizabeth, b Aug. 1680, m Oct. 1 1701 to Thomas
Chittendon.
- 16- Eunice, b Jan. 16, 1682 or 1683.
- 17, Abigail, b Apr. 16, 1685, m Nov. 7, 1718 to
Thomas Merritt.
- 18- Ruth, b May 1687, m May 8, 1718 to Benjamin
Sylvester Jr.

Joseph is mentioned in the Plymouth records as a Freeman in 1689. He may have moved to Little Compton, R. I. and perhaps owned land there, but it is certain that he was living in Scituate in 1689. He has been mentioned as a shopkeeper in Scituate.

- W3- Joseph, b Mar. 19, 1670 in Scituate, Mass., m say
1694, perhaps Rebecca,
indicated by deeds Little
Compton, 17: 105.
- 19- Joseph, b, Mar. 17, 1696, Little Compton
- 20- Jedediah, b Dec. 1, 1699, Little Compton
- 21- Amey, b say 1701, d Scituate Feb. 13, 1709.

So far as is known Joseph and his wife removed to Lebanon, Conn., then to Windham Co., about 1726, and he is believed to have died there. There is no certainty as to who is Joseph's wife other than the name Rebecca is shown on a deed in the transfer of land.

NETTIE ADELL WOODWORTH

THE WOODWORTH FARM IS 111 YEARS OLD
1948

Harold Woodworth Sr., owner of the 111 year old Woodworth farm on county trunk C in the town of Cedarburg, is descended from a long line of pioneer Englishmen including such famous ones as Miles Standish, Henry Sampson, John Alden and Priscilla Alden. The first Woodworth, Walter, came to America in one of the 11 vessels of the fleet of John Winthrop which landed at Salem, Mass., in 1630.

The Woodworth family first established itself in Scituate, Mass. Walter's descendants moved to Norwich, Conn. and Lebanon, Conn. and in 1760 William Woodworth, great-grandson of Walter, was attracted by a proclamation inviting New Englanders to Nova Scotia. He moved there with his family, along with a large number of "New England planters" from Conn. and Rhode Island.

The founder of the Wisconsin branch of the family, James William Woodworth, was born to the Peter Pineo Woodworth family of Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, in 1813. On Mar. 27, 1835, James and his brother, Ephriam, took passage for Boston, Mass. From there they went by stagecoach over the mountains of Vt. to Albany, N.Y. From Albany they "footed it" to Schenectady where they engaged passage on a canal boat for Buffalo. Pressing on, they came to Lenawee County, Mich. and entered a 120 acre claim. This claim was later disposed of and they took land in Wisconsin.

James and Ephriam returned to Nova Scotia then and made plans to emigrate to the United States. In the spring of 1837 the two boys and their father Peter Pineo Woodworth, chartered a small schooner, loaded her with wood, probably to help pay their passage, and on May 19 sailed out of the Perreau river. They arrived in Boston May 26 and on June 7 got to Buffalo, N.Y. The next day they sailed on a steamer for Milwaukee, Wis. and arrived there June 16. They landed on the shore of Lake Michigan and hired a small boat to take them up to the village, a distance of one and a half miles.

The following day about 2 p.m. they started up the Indian trail in search of their friend Isaac Bigelow. They encountered two shanties on the trail, those of Taylor Heverlin and Isham Day. After getting directions at these shanties they pressed on, watching for a tree on the right of the trail which Bigelow had blazed. When it grew dark they continued to feel the trail with their feet, but they arrived safely and found their friends well and glad to tuck them away here in the wilds of the Wisconsin territory.

On June 19, 1837 James and Ephriam took up separate claims of land in Ozaukee County (then Washington County) about 20 miles north of Milwaukee, that of James bordering on the Milwaukee River. He received the deed March 3, 1847 signed by President John Tyler.

On March 1, 1838, James married Mary Cerena Loomer. Theirs was the first marriage in the county and their first son, Watson, was the second child born in the town of Mequon. An active man, James not only hewed out a farm in the wilderness but he was elected a judge in the first election held in the county at Port Washington and he served as minister of the Methodist church at Grafton.

THE WOODWORTH FARM (con't)

James and Mary had nine children, but life was hard in those days and most of them died before reaching adulthood. Mary also died in 1857 and James married her cousin, Harriet Loomer, in 1858. They had two sons, George and Homer, Homer "went west" and moved to Portland, Oregon. George stayed home and bought his father's farm in Sept. 1889.

George Woodworth married Sarah Jane Dockery in Cedarburg in 1895. She is living on the old Dockery homestead in the town of Mequon where she was born, she is now 85 years of age. This farm is also over over 100 years old having been started by her father, Michael Dockery, who came from Ireland about 1838.

George and Sarah had two sons, Warren and Harold. Warren died six years ago and Harold, who is an attorney as well as a farmer, now operates both the Woodworth and the Dockery farms, a total of 260 acres. Harold married Nettie Megow of South Milwaukee in 1926. They have two sons, Harold, 15, George, 9. Harold attends Cedarburg High School and George is in the Bigelow School.

1948



The first permanent home built on the Woodworth farm was this frame house which, more than 135 years ago was erected. It burned down in 1947. The house was built by James Woodworth, the original settler.

WOODWORTH FARM (CON'T)



George Woodworth and his brids, Sarah Dockery, are shown at the time of their marriage in 1895. Sarah lived out her life on the farm started by her parents in the town of Mequon.



This was the home on the Woodworth Farm in 1948.

THE GEORGE WOODWORTH FAMILY

- 1-- George woodworth, b Apr. 29, 1863, d Dec. 13, 1944 m Sarah Jane Dockery in 1895
(Refer preceding article on the Woodworth Farm)
- 2-- Warren b, _____, d _____ 1942 in _____
He never married.
- 3-- Harold, b May 7, 1900 in Mequon, Wisc., d June 9, 1956, m Nettie Adell Megow of South Milwaukee, Wisc. on March 15, 1926 in Waukegan, Ill. (Refer to Page 36 and Page 25B in Megow Genealogical Records) there were two sons to this marriage.

THE HAROLD WOODWORTH FAMILY

- 1--3 Harold Woodworth, b May 7, 1900 d June 9, 1956, m Nettie Adell Megow, Mar. 15, 1926. (Refer to the preceding article on the Woodworth Farm)
- 4-- Harold George b, April 28, 1933, m Bernice Livangood on June 9, 1956, she was born May 30, 1933, there were four children to this marriage.
- 5-- George Emil b, Sept. 28, 1939, m Doris Lynn on Dec. 16, 1961, she was born June 30, 1939, there were two children to this marriage. They were divorced on _____

THE HAROLD JR. WOODWORTH FAMILY

- 3--4 Harold George, b April 28, 1933, m Bernice Livangood on June 9, 1956. (Refer to Megow Genealogical Records on Pages 35 to 40).
- 6-- Mark George b May 6, 1957
7-- David Warren b Mar. 20, 1959
8-- Karen Paulette b May 2, 1961
9-- Kathryn Erin b Dec.22 1969
- 3--5 George Emil, b Sept. 28, 1939, m Doris Lynn Vanseloro on Dec. 16, 1961. (Refer to Megow Genealogical Records on Pages 35 to 40)
- 10- Julie Lynn b Apr. 24, 1963
11- Shawn Peter b Aug. 16, 1967



THE HAROLD GEORGE WOODWORTH FAMILY

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Harold George Woodworth, was born April 28, 1933, in Brown Deer, Wisc. He married Bernice Livangood on June 9, 1956 (Refer to pages 35-40 in Megow Records). Bernice was born May 30, 1933 in Sparta, Wisc. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Floyd Livangood and is a graduate of Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Springfield, Ill.

Harold did preparatory work at Stout Institute, Menomonie, Wisc., the Univ. of Minnesota and St. John's College, Winfield, Kansas. He was graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, Ill., June 1958. Prior to completion of studies at the Seminary, he spent one year in vicarage at Trinity Lutheran Church, Orlando, Fla.

Pastor Woodworth has served as pastor of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, New Orleans, La., 1958 to 1962; Concordia Lutheran Church, Birmingham, Ala., 1962 to 1964 and Zion Lutheran Church, Colby, Wis., 1964 to 1965. He has held numerous leadership positions in the several districts of the Synod in which he has served.

During his three years as an army chaplain he has served with the 101st Airborne Division, the 27th Army Combat Engineer Battlion and the U.S.Army Hospital at Fort Campbell, Ky. While in Vietnam he developed with the assistance of radio station KFUD of St. Louis, Mo., taped liturgy and music for use in worship during combat operations in the field. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in combat. At Fort Campbell he recently received the Army Commendation Medal for services as the senior Chaplain at the Hospital.

He has been serving the Salem Lutheran Church in Jacksonville, Ill., since 1968

6-- Mark George born May 6, 1957

7-- David Warren " Mar 20 1959

8-- Karen Paulette " May 2, 1961

9-- Kathryn Erin " Dec 22 1969

Picture L to R-Bernice, David, Mark, Karen, Harold and Kathryn

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW



THE
GEORGE EMIL WOODWORTH
FAMILY
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George Emil Woodworth, was born Sept. 28, 1939, he married Doris Lynn Vanseloro on Dec. 16, 1961 (Refer to pages 35 to 40 in Megow Records). Doris was born June 30, 1939, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Sylvester Rudolph Vanseloro who was born in Oak Creek, Wisc., Mrs Vanseloro was the former Sophia Brisk.

George was born in Cedarburg, Wisconsin and finished High School there. He attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and received a B.S. Degree in Business Administration in 1968.

He is presently in business for himself as a Conference Leader, Lecturer, Labor Relations, Personal Management Specialist. His services cover 12 Western States and he resides in LaJolla, California.

10-- Julie Lynn	born April 24, 1963
11-- Shawn Peter	" Aug. 16, 1967

Picture above left to Right-- George, Julie, Doris, Nettie
his mother and Shawn.

THE
LOUIS BASILE
FAMILY



Louis Basile, was born Dec. 16, 1931, he married Barbara Megow on July 3, 1954, she is the daughter of Lawrence and Sylvia Megow, (Refer to pages 16G to 16J and Introduction pages) she was born May 5, 1935. Louis was a Cadet in the Air Force when they were married in Houston, Texas. Barbara had graduated from St. Ann' High School and completed two years at Rice University. He served in the Air Force for 20 years as a navigator, retiring in 1971 with the rank of Major. During his military career, the Basiles lived on several bases in the United States and two three year stints in England. The Major also served for three years in Viet Nam. The Family now live in Houston, Texas with their five children. Louis was born in Glen Cove N.Y. and Barbara in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Donna	born April 11, 1955 in Waco, Texas
David	" July 30, 1956 " " "
Andrea	" Dec. 23, 1957 " New York City
Julie	" Jan. 21, 1959 " England
Marcy	" Nov. 21, 1963 " Orlando, Fla.

Picture above, left to right, standing Andrea, Donna, David
Julie. Seated, Marcy, Barbara and Louis.

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LAWRENCE FREDRICK MEGOW



THE ODIS ECHOLS FAMILY

Odis Echols, was born June 24, 1938, in Rusk, Texas. He married Carol Ann Megow on Nov. 27, 1959, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Lawrence Megow (Refer to Introduction Page_____ in the Megow Records). Odis finished High School in Rusk, Texas and attended Stephen F Austin College in Necogdoches, Texas from which he graduated in 1961. Carol had completed two years at the University of Houston and later obtained her degree at Stephen F. Austin. Both Odis and Carol teach school in the Dallas Texas area and live in a Dallas Suburb, Duncanville, (1973)

Ronald Michael	born March 5, 1960
John Mark	" April 3, 1961

Picture above left to right, Carol, Mark, Ronald and
Odis

THE SLAGG FAMILIES

1-- John Slagg married Hannah Brelsford.

2-- Albert Edwin Slagg, was born May 5, 1857 in Albion
Prairie, Wisconsin, he died in 1921 at Albion. Albert
married Miss Lucy L. Hemphill of Ft. Atkinson, on
June 1878, she was born July 24, 1849 in Almond, N.Y.
and died in 1923 in Albion. She was the daughter of
William Hemphill from Almond, N.Y.

3-- John born July 9, 1879

4-- William " 1882

5-- Mable " 1886

6-- Lucy " 1890

7-- Rose Emily " 1892

2- 4 William Edgar Slagg, was born May 4, 1882 in Albion, He died May 18, 1966
in Cudahy, Wisc., he married Miss Viola Clara Luehr on June 1917, she was born Feb.
14, 1892 in Davenport, Iowa and died Jan. 13, 1933 in Eau Claire, Wisc. Viola was the
daughter of John C. Luehr, he was the son of John Nicholas and Margaretha Groth
Luehr, he was born April 13, 1830 in Holstein, Germany and she was born Dec. 12, 1824
in the same city in Germany.

8-- Althea May born Aug. 25, 1918 in Milwaukee.

9-- William Arthur " Sept 16, 1922

10- James Edgar TWIN " June 4 1924

11- Edgar James TWIN " " 4 1924, died July 1924

4-10 James Edgar Slagg continued on Allied Page 56



THE
JAMES EDGAR SLAGG
FAMILY
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4-- 10 James Edgar Slagg, was born in Eau Claire, Wisconsin on June 4, 1924, he married Jeanette Martha Megow on Jan. 30, 1949, she is the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Edward Megow (Refer to pages 41 to 46 in the Megow Records) Mrs Megow was the former Miss Annie Laurie Potter of So. Milwaukee, Wis. James is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin in Electrical Engineering, Jeanette is also a graduate there, they met while attending the University. He started working with the Allen Bradley Corp of Milwaukee and is still with the Corp at this writing. The Slagg Family live at 510 Sycamore St., So. Milwaukee.

12-- Gayle Louise	born Aug. 3, 1951
13-- Jeffery George	" Feb. 23, 1954
14-- Randall William	" June 7, 1957
15-- Laurie Jean	" Aug. 29, 1962

Picture above back row, Dad, Jeffery, Mother and Gayle
front " Laurie and Randy

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THE WILLIAM FRANCIS DUNN
FAMILY
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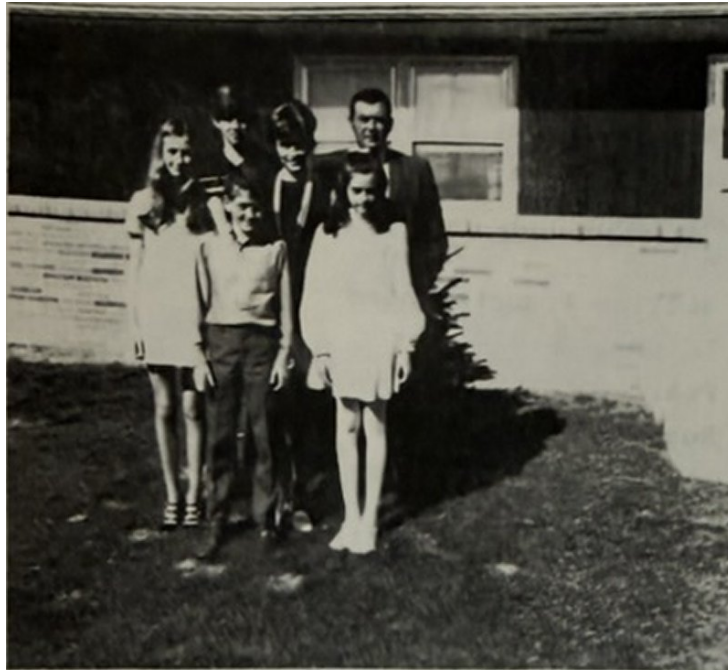
1-- William Francis Dunn, was born May 1872, he died April 1944 in Canton, Ill. William married Miss Mary Ann McCarty, she was born Mar. 1867 and died Sept. 1946 in Canton, Ill.

2-- William Francis, born	died Jan. 1972
3-- Edith	died Nov. 1958
4-- Pearl	born Aug. 1899 died June 1971
5-- Ross	born Oct. 3, 1902 "
6-- Richard Glann	born Jan. 4, 1906

1-6- Richard Glenn Dunn, was born Jan. 4, 1906 in Canton, Ill. He married Miss Dorthy Caroline Howard on Oct. 18, 1930, she was born Mar. 17, 1908 in Chicago, Ill. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Theodore Edward Howard of Bloomington Ill. She had one brother Francis Howard, born Nov. 17, 1904 and a sister Dorothy C. Howard, born Mar. 17, 1908

7-- William born July 27, 1931, (Details on
the following page on Williams
Family).

THE
WILLIAM HOWARD DUNN
FAMILY
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6--7 William Howard Dunn, was born July 27, 1931 in Chicago, Ill., he married Laurie Ann Megow on March 10, 1953, she is the daughter of Mr and Mrs George Edward Megow (13-42 Megow Genealogical Records page 41 to 46) Mrs Megow was the former Miss Annie Laurie Potter.

10--	William Michael	born	Oct. 28, 1953
11--	Kathleen Louise	"	Nov. 11, 1955
12--	Jennifer Ann	"	Nov. 13, 1957
13--	James Richard	"	Feb. 6, 1959

The above picture of this family, left to right, back row William Jr. William Sr., middle row, Kathleen, Mrs Dunn, front row, James and Jennifer.

THE NELSON FAMILY

1-- Ludvig Nelson, was born July 16, 1873 in Skane, Sweden. He died, Nov. 20, 1962 in Amery, Wisc., he married Miss Hilda Josephina Pearson on April 26, 1902 and was born July 31, 1873 in Boros, Sweden and died April 23, 1965 in Amery, Wisconsin.

2-- Karl Wilhelm born Mar. 1, 1908 in Iowa

3-- Martin Nathaniel " Sept.19, 1915 in Iowa



Picture above Left to Right, Tyeresa, Steven, Daniel, Mrs Nelson, Karilyn, Mr Nelson and LeRoy.

THE MARTIN NATHANIAL NELSON FAMILY

1--3 Martin Nathaniel Nelson, was born Sept. 19, 1915 in Albert City, Iowa, he married Miss Lucille Theresia Peterson on June 14, 1942, she was born July 5, 1915 in Clayton, Wisconsin and is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles E. Peterson from Sweden.

4-- Martin LeRoy, was born Oct. 20, 1943, he married Shirley Frank on Aug. 7, 1965, she was born Feb. 10, 1941 and is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Abner Frank of Clearlake, Wisconsin.

5-- Stephanie Diane born Jan. 7, 1970

6-- Nicole Jean " Apr. 25, 1972

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Nelson Family Continued

7-- Tyeresa Joy was born Mar. 3, 1946, she married
Bruce Stump on June 17, 1967, he
was born Aug. 6, 1944 and is the
son of Mr and Mrs Lawrence Stump
of Clear Lake, Wisconsin.

Angela Joy born Nov. 21, 1969
Erik John " Sept 25, 1972

8-- Steven Mark, was born Jan. 15, 1950, he and
Marjorie Louise Megow, exchanged
Wedding vows in a 3 P.M. double ring
ceremony July 1, 1972, at the United
Methodist Church, Rev. Karl Nelson
the groom's uncle and Rev. Clarence
Wildes, Pastor of the local Church
officiated at the service. Steven
attended Augsburg College, Minneapolis,
Minn. He is now a student at Northwestern
Theological Seminary in St. Paul.
Marjorie graduated from the So. Milwaukee,
(Wisc) High School, Hamline Univ.,
St. Paul and is presently a teacher
in the Public Schools of Minneapolis.
She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs
George Megow of So. Milwaukee (Refer
to pages 41 and 46 in the Megow Records)

9-- Daniel Eric born May 14, 1953

10- Karilyn Jolyne born Apr. 7, 1956

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2-- Charles Benjamin born May 6, 1891 and died May 13, 1960, he was the son of the first marriage.

4-- Lydia Ross she married Mr Hum and lives in
Tampa, Idaho. from 2nd marriage.

5-- Alice Wonda born Aug. 4, 1929, in Callaway, Neb.
 she never married.

Louise Ann born Jan. 28, 1966 in Boulder, Colo.
7-- Albert Dale born Nov. 24, 1933, in Callaway, Neb.
he married Donna Sanders, Nov. 25,
1971 in Golden, Colo.

10- Debera Ann born Jan. 19, 1961
11- Lilly Mae born Mar. 20, 1943 in Georgetown,
 Colo. First marriage, Delbert Jones
 1961, no children.
 Second marriage, Edward Pomray, May
 1967 in Boulder, Colo.

13- Carl William born Apr. 3, 1970

14- Brian Lee born Oct. 2, 1972



THE FRED SMITH I FAMILY

Above picture (1888) Standing-L to R-Hattie, Herman, Minnie
Anna, Fred II-Seater- Fred I and Mrs Smith

1--FREDERICK WILHELM MESSERSCHMIDT, born Nov. 16, 1836 in Prussia, Danzig, Germany. He came to America with his parents John in 1857 and settled in Berlin, Wis. He enlisted in the Civil War and on his return married Wilhelmina Maria Megow, #4A of Megow Genealogical Records, (BERLIN COURANT, Oct. 11, 1866 on the 9th ins., by the Rev. Wm. Zickerick in this city, Mr Frederick Messersmith and Miss Wilhelmine Megow, all of this city were united in marriage) The couple went to Independence, Iowa and at that time changed their name to Smith.

Fred first went to work at a Lumber Yard in Independence and later moved to a farm, three miles north of Brandon, Ia. this was about 1886. They lived there until 1901, when he retired to Independence.

Fred is believed to have had two brothers and one sister the latter was thought to have married a Hansell. Mrs Smith passed away Oct. 20, 1921 and Fred I died July 31, 1929.

2-- Frank B. born April 24, 1869 and died Nov. 16, 1870 in Independence, Iowa.

3-- Anna R. born Jan. 25, 1872 and died Feb. 11, 1947 in Independence, married Jacob L. Scoggin in 1892 at Brandon, Iowa. He was born Feb. 14, 1869 and died July 24, 1912, of Brights disease, they had 8 children all born in Independence and were members of the Methodist Church and both are buried in the Oakwood Cemetery. Jacob was a native of Wisc. being born near Monroe, at the age of 4 he came to Buchanan County with his parents J.L. and Clara Scoggin. He was engaged in the meat business there for many years and had three brothers and two sisters Bert of St. Paul, Minn., Arthur of Waterloo; Wm. of Cedar Falls; Mrs I.J. Swan of St. Paul and Mrs Louise Schuetze of Monroe, Wisc. Mr Scoggins father died in Calif. in 1910, his mother many years before He was a M.B.A. and Fraternal Bankers Reserve Lodges of Independence.

Clare	born Oct. 23, 1893	
Marian	" July 30, 1895	
Anna	" Feb. 7, 1898	died, 1910
Velma	" Apr. 20, 1900	
George	" Aug. 12, 1902	drowned in 1909
Fred	" Jan. 19, 1905	
John	" Apr. 12, 1907	
Wilda	" Oct. 29, 1910	
One child died in infancy		

4-- Herman Ed. born Jan. 16, 1874 in Independence and died 3 miles north of Brandon, on Aug. 15, 1889, he is buried in Ind. Herman went to Minn. to harvest, came down with thyphoid fever, returned to his parents farm and died there.

5-- Hattie born, May 19, 1876 in Buchanan County and died May 10, 1955 in Independence and is buried in the Mt. Hope Cemetery. She married Charles Shaw, Nov. 14, 1900, hewas born in Blackhawk County July 12, 1876, he was a farmer and died Aug. 14, 1949.

Pearl	born Feb. 18, 1905, married Ross Gallup, he was a Farmer.
Frank	born Mar. 16, 1902 owned and operated a Plumb-ing Co. He died Nov. 7, 1960 and is buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery. Frank married Viola H.H. Wenthe, Nov. 25, 1931.

6-- Fred William II, was born in 1878 at Independence, Iowa and died there in 1924, he married Ida Borland she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs William Borland. Mrs Borland was the former Miss Hotchkiss. There were three children to this marriage.

7-- Gladys, was born in Independence.

8-- Fred W. III, was born in Oelwein, Iowa (see the Fred Smith III and his family on following pages)

9-- Louis Borland, was born Jan. 12, 1908 in Oelwein, Iowa. he married Eloise Rosenbloom on Oct. 21, 1945.
(Refer to following pages for Louis Smith Family).

10- Minnie Belle, was born Oct. 18, 1880 in Buchanan County, Iowa, she died May 10, 1906 on the Freeman farm near Brandon, Iowa and was buried in Independence. Lyman was a farmer and farmed near Brandon. She married Lyman E. Freeman; he and his father were both born in Io. and were farmers. The Grandfather was born near Troy, N.Y. lived a while in Ill., then on to Iowa, he too was a farmer. His father was born in Vt., and married in N.H., to a Catherine Barber, whos father was a Revolutionary War Vet. He was a Travern owner, or as they said in those days an "Inn Keeper". Lyman had Indian blood, since his, on the mothers side, there was a Miss Carter (French) who was one half Indian (from Va. and Ky.). This side of the family had a real distinction of looking very much of the Indian, mainly the girls.

Floyd Frederick, born Apr. 29, 1902 in Independence Io.
He married Marion Ruth Donley on June 16, 1921, she was born Nov. 9, 1904 in Mt. Auburn, Iowa.

Maxine Ruth born Feb. 3, 1922 in Brandon, Io. and died Oct. 21, 1953, she married Gayle Maggert on Aug. 5, 1939.

Wendell Hugh born July 7, 1924, in Brandon, Io.

Floyd Frederick Jr. born May 16, 1928 in Cedar Rapids, Io.

Bruce Glenn born Aug. 6, 1933, in Cedar Rapids, Io. he married Janice I. Lamphier on Oct. 21, 1960. (Refer to the Freeman Family in Allied paged)

Bruce Jr. born July 16, 1961
Lisa " Dec. 11, 1963

6-8 FRED SMITH III, spent many happy days in Independence, Iowa when he was a boy. At present he and his wife live in Elizabethton where he has retired, although Mrs Smith still runs the Book Store.

Fred, a minister, has to his credit the following degrees A.B.--B.D.--L.H.D.--D.D.

His Ministry; Six-and-one-half years in India as a Missionary
Minister, 21 years, First Christian Church,
Elizabethton, Tenn., Founder and Superintendent of East Tennessee Christian Home for
Children, Elizabethton, Tennessee.

Writer; Editor and Publisher of monthly magazine,
THE PLEA, for 17 years. Christian Standard
Bible School lesson each week for 6 years.
Frequent contributor to other Religious journals.

Radio

Broadcast; Broadcasted twice a week for 25 years.

Professor; At Milligan College for three years.

Evangelist; Conducted numerous meetings around the country.

FRED, is the Father of four sons in the Christian Ministry they are listed on the following pages.

6-9 LOUIS BORLAND SMITH, was born Jan. 12, 1908 in Celwein, Iowa, he married Miss Eloise Rosenbloom on Oct. 21, 1945 in Everett, Washington. She was born July 13, 1915 in Everett, and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs John Rosenbloom, the wife was the former Miss Johnson, she was born in 1889, he was born in Sweden, coming to America in 1902.

While in Wales, England, during the World War II, he met Eloise, who was a nurse (R.N.) in the U.S.Army, stationed there. They later married in the United States.

11--Susan Elizabeth	born Sept. 15, 1949 in Everett, she married Darrell Posch on Mar. 21, 1969
12--Elsa Loise	born Aug. 2, 1948 in Everett, she married Fred Minch, June 7, 1968
Jeffery	born Dec. 30, 1969
Gretchen	" Oct. 6, 1970
13--Sharon Willene	" July 15, 1952



THE FRED WILLIAM SMITH-IV- FAMILY- 8---10

FRED WILLIAM SMITH IV, was born Feb. 20, 1931 in Cawnpore, India. He married Madanna Brickler on July 26, 1955, she was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Albin T. Bricker of Peoria, Ill. Mrs Bricker was the former Miss Lucy Ransdale of Lafayette, Ind and was born May 28, 1911 in Lafayette.

FRED was educated as a boy and young man in Huntington, W. Va. and Elizabethton, Tenn. He graduated from High School in 1949, attended the Atlanta Christian College, in Atlanta Ga., and received a A.B.Ministerial. He also attended Oglethorpe University in Atlanta and received an A.B. in Liberal Arts, followed by Lincoln Christian Seminary.

FREDs ministry started at Tallopoosa, Ga., 1950--51; Union Christian Church, College Park, Ga.; 1951-54; Church of Christ, Havana, Ill., 1954-59; since that time has been the Minister of the Englewood Christian Church, Jacksonville, Fla. MRS FRED SMITH, is a graduate of Lincoln Christian College, is a School Teacher and Writer. She, is at present, writing Sunday School lessons for the Standard Publishing Co.

14--Jaye Leurie	born Oct. 29, 1956 in Canton, Ill,
15--Joy Marie	" Aug. 20, 1958 in Havana, Ill.
16--Jan Lynette	" Aug. 24, 1960 in Jacksonville
17--Fred William V	" Jan. 26, 1964 in " "

The picture above Left to Right standing; Jay, Fred IV, Mrs Smith, Joy; seated-Jan and Fred-V

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THE GERALD CAY SMITH FAMILY-8-11

GERALD CAY SMITH, was born July 15, 1933 in India, he married Joyce Elaine Click on May 29, 1953, she was born Mar. 3, 1932 in Ft. Myers, Fla. and is the daughter of Mr and Mrs James S. Click of Moore Haven, Fla. Mrs Click was the former Miss Pansy Marlou Reed of St. Francis, Ark. and was born Nov. 16, 1899 near Bloomfield, Mo. Mr Click was born Mar. 6, 1900 in Willard, Mo.

GERALD was educated as a boy and young man; 6 yrs. Huntington, W. Va., 6 years in Elizabethton, Tenn. and graduated from High School there. He attended Atlanta Christian College, East Point, Ga., and Lincoln Bible Seminary, Lincoln, Ill., for his graduate work. Gerald has been the Minister of Daytona Christian Church in Daytona Beach, Fla. for 16 yrs. There were 29 members in 1957 and to-day, 1973, there are 500 members, in addition 3 mission churches in the area were established.

JOYCE, graduated from Atlanta Christian College, she met Gerald here and they were married. Joyce is Minister of Music and Librarian at the Daytona Christian Church.

GERALD, was an amateur Magician during High School and College, he has now adopted it to Bible Magic for Revival Meetings, he also has a hobby of Tropical Fish.

18--Gerald Cay Jr.	born Oct. 23, 1956.	Normal, Ill.
19--Michael Christopher	" June 19, 1958	Daytona Beach
20--Kathryn Elaine	" " " " " "	"
21--Robert Louis	" Sept 16, 1959	" "

The picture above, standing L to R, (Michael and Kathryn Twins)
Joyce; Seated Gerald Jr. Gerald Sr. and Robert.

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW



THE JAMES EDWARD SMITH FAMILY 8--12

JAMES EDWARD SMITH, was born April 28, 1939 in Huntington, West Virginia, he married Rachel Stout on June 20, 1961, she was born May 25, 1941 in Elizabethton, Tenn., and was the daughter of William E. Stout of Watauga, Tenn. James was educated as a boy and young man in Elizabethton and graduated from High School there. He attended Cincinnati Bible College A.B., Cincinnati Christian Seminary, B.D., Hebrew Union College, PH.D. He is presently Minister of Bethel Church of Christ in Winchester, Ohio and is Professor of Hebrew and the Old Testament at Cincinnati Christian Seminary. They have two children as follows:

22--Keith Campbell Smith	Feb. 13, 1967
23--Yona Beth	" Mar. 12, 1970

Above picture was taken in 1974

March 1974

FRED WATROUS MEGOW



THE JOHN HOWARD SMITH FAMILY-8--13

JOHN HOWARD SMITH, was born Dec. 31, 1940 in Huntington, W. Va., he married Mary Madeline Emery on July 6, 1962, she was born Mar. 27, 1941 in Sugartree Ridge, Ohio and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Harry Emery of Sugartree Ridge. Mrs Emery was the former Miss Glasscock of Ohio, she was born Aug. 6, 1910 in Ohio. John was educated as a boy and young man in Elizabethton, Tenn., where he graduated in 1958. He attended the Cincinnati Bible Seminary where he earned A.B. and TH.B. degrees.

MARY, was educated in Ohio, graduating from Mowrystown, High School in 1959, she attended Cincinnati Bible Seminary for three years.

JOHN has ministered to Churches in Ky; Ind. and Fla. He presently is Minister of East River Park Christian Church in Elizabethton, Tenn.

24--Mark Howard	born Mar. 18, 1965 in Rushville, Ind.
25--David Alan	" May 16, 1967 " Jacksonville, Fla.
26--Rhonda Raylene	" June 2, 1969 " " "

The picture above, back row; L to R, Mark, Mary and John front row David and Rhonda

March 1974

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

THE
LYMAN E. FREEMAN
FAMILY
I

1-- Lyman E. Freeman, was born in Iowa and owned a farm near Brandon, he married Minnie Bell Smith, she was born Oct. 18, 1880 in Buchanan County and died May 10, 1906 (Refer to Allied Page 64, #10 in Megow Records). Lyman's father was born in Iowa and was a farmer. The Grandfather was born near Troy, N.Y., lived a while in Ill., then to Vt., and married in N.H., to a Catherine Barber whos father was a Revolutionary War Vet. He was a Tavern owner or Inn Keeper. Lyman had Indian blood, since his (on the mothers side), there was a Miss Carter(French) who was on-half Indian (from Va. and Ky.). This side of the family had a real distinction of looking very much an Indian, mainly the girls.

1-2 Floyd Frederick Freeman, was born April 29, 1902 in Independence, Iowa, he married Marion Ruth Donley on June 16, 1921, she was born Nov. 9, 1904 in Mt. Auburn, Iowa and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs William Donley, Mrs Donley was the former Miss Edith Hains, and was born Aug. 17, 1885. Wm. was born Jan. 8, 1880 in Berry County, Mich.

3-- Maxine Ruth	born Feb. 3, 1922, in Brandon and died Oct. 21, 1953, she married Gayle Maggert on Aug. 5, 1939
Sharon Lee Ruth	born Apr. 6, 1940
Kurtis Gayle	" July 27 1942
Richard Hugh	" Oct. 31 1943
Terry Frederick	" Apr. 29, 1945
Michael Bruce	" Mar. 12 1948
Dennis Patrick	" Feb. 4 1951

4-- Wendell hugh born, July 7, 1924, in Brandon
he married Daloris Cora Ida Bahls
on Oct. 22, 1946

5-- Wendell Hugh Jr, born July 27, 1947

6-- Teresa Marie " Sept. 26, 1948

7-- Glenn Frederick " Mar. 27, 1953

8-- Floyd Frederick Jr. " May 16, 1928 in Cedar Rapids,
Iowa, he married Alene Wilkening
on June--1952, they were divorced
in 1960. He married again in 1962
to Anita Ruth Lockman.

9- Randal Winfield born Nov. 26, 1955

10 Lori Lynn " Jan. 17, 1958

11- Bruce Glen born Aug. 6, 1933 in Cedar Rapids
he married Janice I. Lamphier on
Oct. 2., 1960, he now has retired
from the Navy and lives in Manchester,
Iowa. (1873).

12-- Bruce Jr. born July 16, 1961

13-- Lisa " Dec. 11, 1963



GELAINE



MARY



FRED



THE
PAUL AUDRE WITTER
FAMILY



ROBERT

1-- Paul Audre Witter, was born March 8, 1902 and died Oct. 11, 1946 of cancer. He married Maria Julia Megow on May 27, 1924 in Ray, North Dakota after they graduated from High School there. Marie was born July 1, 1906 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Fritz Megow (Refer to Pages 16G to 16J and Introduction Page 15--#70) The couple moved to Missoula, Montana for a time, then returned to North Dakota, then to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, back to Montana and finally returned to Milwaukee. Marie resides (1973) in San Diego, Calif.

2-- Mary Julia born Oct. 27, 1927, they have 4 children. (Refer to Allied page 69, The Tulley Family)

3-- Gelaine Kathryn, born Apr. 29, 1931, they have 3 children (Refer to Allied Page 70, The Connel Family)

4-- Fred James born Nov. 6, 1933, TWIN, they have 5 children, (Refer to Allied page 67, The Witter Family)

5-- Robert John born Nov. 6, 1933 TWIN, they have 4 children (Refer to Allied Page 68, The Witter Family)



THE
FRED JAMES WITTER
FAMILY
1--4

4-- Fred James Witter, was born Nov. 6, 1933, a TWIN to Robert #5, he was the Grand-son of Fred and Anna Megow (Refer to pages 16G to 16J in the Megow Records) He married Mary Alice Lubeck in Milwaukee on March 19, 1954. The couple took their vows at the St. John's Cathedral. Fred, after serving in the army, obtained a College degree in Education and is now teaching in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They were divorced in 1970.

8-- Cheryl Ann	Sept. 15, 1955
9-- Debra Katherine	Sept. 11, 1956
10- Stephanie Sue	Feb. 7, 1958
11- Victoria Lea	May 30, 1959
12- Paul Fredrick	July 20, 1962

Picture above Back row L to R-- Mary and Fred--
Middle row Debra and Cheryl
Bottom row Stephanie, Paul and Victoria.



THE
ROBERT JOHN WITTER
FAMILY
1----5

5-- Robert John Witter, was born Nov. 6, 1933, a TWIN to Fred #4, he was the Grand-Son of Fred and Anna Megow (Refer to pages 16G to 16J in the Megow Records). He married Vassilicki DuVaris on Aug. 16, 1956, in Chicago, Ill. She was born March 18, 1934. Robert, after serving in the Army, obtained a degree in Education and is now a Teacher Administrator, in Long Beach, Calif., where they live (1973) at 3745, Nipoma.

6-- Karen Rachel born Dec. 13, 1961

7-- Gregory born Sept. 7, 1966

Picture above, left to right- Karen, Robert, Greyory and
Vassilicki.

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LAWRENCE FREDERICK MEGOW



THE
JOHN PATRICK TULLY
FAMILY
I

I-- John Patrick Tulley, was born March 19, 1925 in Detroit Michigan, he married Mary Julia Witter on Oct. 1, 1949 Mary was born Oct 27, 1927 in Ray, North Dakota and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Witter (Refer to the Witter Family on Allied page 66 in the Megow Records) The couple took their marriage vows in the St. Rose Catholic Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. John is an employee of Sears Roebuck in Milwaukee, where the family live at 3172 S. 12th St.

2-- John Patrick Jr. born Oct. 9, 1950

3-- Christian Mary born Apr. 18, 1952 (TWIN)

4-- Michael Allan born Apr. 18, 1952 (TWIN)

5-- Anna Marie born Sept. 7, 1964

Picture above, Left to Right, Standing John Jr., Michael
Seated John Sr., Christine,
Anna and Mary

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LAWRENCE FREDERICK MEGOW



THE
KENNETH CONNEL
FAMILY
I

I-- Kenneth Connel, was born June 6, 1924, he married Gelaine Kathryn Witter on July 21, 1951, she was born Apr. 29, 1931 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Witter (Refer to the Witter Family on Allied page 66 in the Megow Records) The couple took their marriage vows in the St. Rose Catholic Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They were divorced in 1970.

2-- Kenneth Jr. born April 1, 1952

3-- Richard Dyke born April 16, 1954

4-- Gary born July 4, 1955

Picture above; right to left: Kenneth Jr., Kenneth Sr., Gary
Gelaine and Richard.



THE RICHARD NEUMS GADLER
FAMILY

I

I-- Richard Neums Gadler, was born Aug. 23, 1937, he married Mary Ann Megow on Aug. 3, 1961. She is the daughter of Harold and Mary Jane Megow (Refer to Introduction Pages 19 and 20 of the Megow Records). She was born Feb. 24, 1940

2-- Richard	born Apr. 2, 1962
3-- Nickolas Noel	" Oct. 8, 1963
4-- Lora Theresa	" Aug. 8, 1965
5-- Marilee Ann	" Oct. 2, 1967
6-- Melissa Louise	" Apr. 30 1970
7-- Steven Joseph	" Nov..19 1971

Picture above: Left to Right, top row, Lora, Richard Jr.,
Richard Sr., Mary Ann, Nickolas.
Bottom row, Melissa, Steven and Matilee Ann.

THE CORNELIUS QUIRKE FAMILIES



DENNIS FREDERICK QUIRKE, was born June 9, 1938, he married Sue Ann Schultz, Nov. 4, 1961 she was born Dec. 8, 1938. He graduated from Pius High School served in the Army, where he learned to be a cook.. Dennis owns and operates the Superior Trim and Upholstery Shop in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

ANN JOSEPHINE QUIRKE, was born Sept. 23, 1940, she married Nickolas Williams, Aug. 5, 1960, he was born Sept. 21, 1940. They were divorced Aug. 10, 1962. Ann graduated from the Pius High School in Milwaukee, and is presently a waitress at the First Choice Restaurant in Juneau Village, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Richard William Quirke
Born, Jan. 10, 1963





THE CORNELIUS QUIRKE FAMILY

I

I-- Cornelius Quirke, was born in Limerick Co. Ireland on June 18, 1910 the son of Maurice and Hanna Lane Quirke. There were two brothers and five sisters. His mother and father had both lived in America, the mother returned to Ireland to inherit the family home, while there married Maurice who had returned to Ireland. They never met in the U.S. although they both lived in New York City.

Cornelius was 15 when he came to America and lived with his Aunt Delia in Chicago, his mother's sister. The Black and Tan war was going on there and he had been carrying messages, so for his safety, was sent to America. His Aunt worked as a maid for the people that owned the Sollitt Construction Co. and she got him a job as an apprentice Bricklayer. The first day on the job the foreman named him Pat as any Irishman should be called. He has a brother who is still in Ireland and he inherited the family home there, he also has a brother John and two sisters which he helped bring to this country. They stayed with Pat and Myrtle, who were married Nov. 30, 1933 in Milwaukee (Refer to Megow Records Page 16G to 16J and Introduction page 15) The brother and sister soon established themselves and were on their own.

During the Depression years, there was no building, so Pat worked as a Union organizer in the Chicago Stock Yards, which was run by a cousin of his mother's, Dennis Lane. Pat was soon back to bricklaying and he became a Foreman and then a Supervisor for Cohan and Goss Co. They build churches, office Bldg., etc. He is thinking of retiring in June of 1973.

- 2-- Patrick Cornelius born Apr. 21, 1935, married Sandra Catura, Apr. 6, 1957.
- 3-- Dennis Frederick born June 9, 1938, married Sue Ann Schultz, Nov. 4, 1961.
- 4-- Ann Josephine born, Sept. 23, 1940 married Nickolas Williams, Aug. 5, 1963.

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MYRTLE MARGARET MEGOW

THE KUPPERT FAMILIES

I-- August Kuppert, was born July 25, 1863 in Germany and died in 1922 in So. Milwaukee, Wis. He married Miss Augusta Baewer in Germany. She was born Feb. 5, 1865 and died in 1950 at So. Milwaukee, Wis. She was the daughter of Franz Baewer later she married Frank Marklewitz.

- 2-- Frieda born Feb. 22, 1889, she married Fred Linke and she died Sept. 28, 1967.
- 3-- Otto born Feb. 14, 1894, he married Paula Dornfeld, (Refer to 1--3 following)
- 4-- Jennie born Jan. 15, 1896, she married Edward Michaelis.
- 5-- Minnie born Aug. 13, 1898, she married Walter Ihling and she died Oct. 11, 1967.
- 6-- Dorothy born Aug. 1, 1905, she married Thomas Ristow.
- 7-- William born Sept. 22, 1902 and died Jan. 1967 he married Alva Raessler.
- 8-- Alferd born, July 25, 1903, he married Mary Pruske.

1--3 Otto Kuppert, was born Feb. 14, 1894, in Milwaukee, he married Paula Dornfeld on July 27, 1915, she was born April 29, 1895 in Kenosha, Wisc., and died in South Milwaukee on July 14, 1973. She was the daughter of Ernst and Louise (Schoenike) Dornfeld from Dodge County, Wis. Otto came to So. Milwaukee, was a successful business man and also an official of the So. Milwaukee Building and Loan Assc. He contributed extensively to the progress of this Industrial City, and is still semi-active there. The Kupperts had two daughters and were devote Lutherans, attending that church in So. Milwaukee.

- 9-- Beatrice Louise, born April 24, 1918, she married Wesley Megow on May 27, 1939 (Refer to Pages 47 to 52 in the Megow Records also Introduction Page 13 and Allied Page 72.

Thomas Otto born Dec. 5, 1942, he married Georgia Rae Powell on Feb. 1, 1964 (Refer to Introduction Page 13).

Jacqueline Mary born June 2, 1947, she married Patrick Regan Zimhfer on June 29, 1968 (Refer to Allied Page 72)

- 10- Lois Eaine, was born Sept. 16, 1923, she married Geo. Kent, on April 23, 1944, he was born-Sept. 16, 1920

Victoria Kuppert born May 3, 1949, she married Michael Benke on Aug. 7, 1971.

Heide Elizabeth born Nov. 17, 1956
 Melissa born June 29, 1959
 Georgia Dee born Nov. 2, 1961

THE ALBERT ZIMPFER JR.
FAMILY
I

1-- Albert Zimpfer Jr., was born Apr. 25, 1891 in Anna, Ohio He married Miss Ethel Hensel on June 20, 1913, she was born Dec. 24, 1891 in Anna, Ohio and died Dec. 27, 1968 in that city, she was the daughter of George Hensel.

2-- Ivan born March 11, 1914

3-- Vincent " Oct. 17, 1915

1-3 Vincent Zimpfer, was born Oct. 17, 1915 in Anna, Ohio He married Miss Kathryn Rose Royer on July 26, 1941, she was born March 27, 1916 in Sidney, Ohio, and was the daughter of Charles Royer.

4-- Patrick Regan born April 16, 1946



MR & MRS PATRICK ZIMPFER

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3--4 PATRICK REGAN ZIMPFER, was born April 16, 1946 in Sidney, Ohio, he married Jacqueline Mary Megow on June 29, 1968, she is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Wesley Megow (13-43 in Megow Genealogical Records pages 48 to 52) Mrs Megow was the former Miss Beatrice Kuppert.

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FRED Watrous Megow

THE
GLENN KNOX
FAMILY

Glenn Knox, was born April 16, 1890 in Whitewater, Wisc., he was the son of Mr and Mrs Hiram Knox of Whitewater. Glenn married Myrtle Dorthy Josephine Megow(#34, pages 16V to 16X in the Megow Records), she was from Princeton, Wisconsin and married Glenn Feb. 11, 1916 and died April 18, 1968. Glenn died June 15, 1970 in his sleep.

They were both members of the First Methodist Church of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was active in the Megow Plumbing and Heating Co., of that city, working there for years until he bought the Megow interests out and owned it himself, operating the business until his retirement in 1947.

CLYDE M. , born Jan. 16, 1917 at Princeton, Wisconsin,
he married Miss Eileen Baumann on Aug. 19,
1944, she was born Dec. 12, 1921 in Maple-
wood, Wisc., and was the daughter of Mr and
Mrs Alvin Baumann, she was the former Miss
Margaret Faken of Maplewood and was born
Feb. 16, 1900, Alvin was born Feb. 9, 1897.

Sandra born Sept. 26, 1950 in Reedsville
 Wisconsin

Thomas Alvin born May 13, 1954 in Reedsville

ELEANOR JULE, BORN Jan. 28, 1918 at Madison, Wisc.,
she now resides at 701 Park Ave.,
So. Milwaukee, Wisc., (1973)

HOWARD ELLIS, born Sept. 27, 1919 at Milwaukee, Wisc.,
he married Pearl Bowers on Jan. 1943, she
was from Marion, Wisc., and born-May 20, 1920
She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank
Bowers of Marion, Mrs Bower was the former
Miss Helen Kopitzke of Marion and was born
Sept. 25, 1891. Mr Bowers was born Sept.
17, 1889.

John MacMurray born Nov. 21, 1946, he married
 Koren Matteson, she was born July
 18, 1947 and married Dec. 27, 1969

Nancy Kay, born Jan 23, 1949, married David
 Wellington of Duluth, Minn. on Nov.
 7, 1970, he was born Sept. 23, 1948

KNOX con't

MERLE GLENN, born Nov. 17, 1921 at So. Milwaukee, he married Marion Carpenter on Sept. 4, 1945 at Mare Island, Calif., she was born Nov. 30, 1928 in Phila, Pa. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Walter J. Carpenter of Phila.

Walter Glenn born July 21, 1946 in Vallejo, Cal.
He married Barbara Miller on Nov. 15, 1968, she was born Oct. 28, 1950

Molinda Marie, born Oct. 29, 1970

Chere Lynn born March 12, 1950 in San Jose, Cal.

MERLE GLENN, (con') was divorced Aug. 1956 and given custody of the children, he married Mrs Ruth Resnow Wahlen on July 1, 1957, she was born Nov. 6, 1920 and had two sons

John Philipp Wahlen born Sept. 9, 1946

James David Wahlen " Nov. 6, 1946, he married Sharon Peltonen on Aug. 8, 1970

MARION DOROTHY, was born July 27, 1923 at So. Milwaukee, Wis., she married Casimer Marifke on Sept. 7, 1946. He was born July 14, 1921, was the son of Mr and Mrs John Marifke of Milwaukee, he was born Apr. 29, 1888. Mrs Marifke was the former Miss Frances Kmiecik of Wausau, Wis., she was born Dec. 27, 1895.

Allen Francis, born June 24, 1947, he married Sharon Kelley on Nov. 13, 1971, she was born Aug. 23, 1948

Gail Ann born March 9, 1951

Janet Ellen " Nov. 26, 1954

Susan Marion " May 19, 1956

Anita Joyce " Aug. 9, 1962

Lois " June 8, 1965, died June 27, 1965

THE JONATHAS FAMILIES

1-- Erdmann Jonathas, was born in Loavan-Brieg, Province Scharlen Germany on Jan. 2, 1855, he died in Chicago, Aug. 19, 1941, (he had one sister who died in Germany years ago). He did not want to go into the army, so he came to America in 1880. Erdmann was a Carpenter, Cabinet-maker, Baker and Farmer, he married Anna Mockza in this country, she was born in Ottlen, Germany and was born June 16, 1858 and died on the farm in Mich. Feb. 19, 1923.

2-- Richard, was born Apr. 24, 1882 and died Feb. 1964 in Fennville, Mich., he married Carol Walters on Apr. 23, 1953, she was born Aug. 7, 1885 in Mich., there were no children.

3-- Frederick, was born Apr. 27, 1884 in Chicago, and died in Milwaukee, Jan 15, 1952, he married Cora Johnson, Oct. 27, 1908, she died Apr. 1, 1913. He married a 2nd time to Theresa Carrella, she was born in Port Washington, Wis., on July 9, 1896, no issue to the second marriage.

4-- Virginia, was born May 20, 1911, she married John Hopwood on Sept. 20, 1935, he was born Dec. 9, 1908, there were no children.

5-- Martha, was born Apr. 2, 1886 in Chicago, she died Feb. 1943 in Chicago, she married Walter Rice in Chicago, he was born Sept. 1882 and died on Jan. 19, 1933.

Alice, was born Mar. 11, 1910 and died Feb. 1958 in Chicago., she married Alex Malyso.

Robert, was born July 6, 1927 in Chicago.

6-- Eleanor, was born Aug. 14, 1888 in Chicago, and died Sept. 14, 1952, she married George Wolf, he was born Jan. 3., 1887 in Chicago. He died June 30, 1969 at Basswood, Wis.,

Dorothy, (Dolly) was born Dec. 3, 1914 in Chicago she married Frank Csongedi, he was born May 10 1910 in Budapest, Hungary. Dolly and Frank still manage Basswood, at New Auburn, Wisc. They had one son Frank Joseph who was born Dec. 25, 1942 in Stuart, Fla. He married Linda Buchkolz, she was born Feb. 2, 1951 in Eau Claire, Wisc., they had Katy Michell, she was born Nov. 17, 1971 in Stuart.

7-- Clara, was born Dec. 3, 1889 in Chicago, Ill., and died Sept. 23, 1907, she was asleep upstairs, during a bad storm a tree fell and killed her in bed.

8-- Ann, was born in Chicago, July 25, 1891 and died in Wisconsin July 4, 1932, she did not marry.

9-- Edward Erdman, was born Dec. 29, 1894 in Chicago. He died Oct. 23, 1949 in Chicago, he married Floy Whitmore on June 25, 1926, she was born Feb. 24, 1898, (Refer to Allied Page 20, also she and her daughters or grand-daughters are eligilble to join the Mayflower Society, see Introduction, "The Ship Mayflower" and Application in the Megow Records).

10-- Clark Edward, was born June 14, 1930

11-- Joy Delila, was born Feb. 29, 1932

9-10- Clark Edward Jonathas, was born June 14, 1930 in Chicago, Ill., he married Geraldin Elizabeth Geffe on Nov. 21, 1953 in Chicago, She was born Nov. 6, 1932, she is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Geffe, Mrs Geffe was the former Miss Alice Mary Woss and was born Aug. 22, 1914.

Clark completed his education in the Chicago Public Schools, entered the Army, served in Korea and on return to civilian life became a Plumber. He is very much a home loving young man, has his Fathers humor and is much interested in Scouting. At present Clark is building a home on a lake in Michigan, near Fenville .

12-- Deborah Lynn, was born Sept. 11, 1954, was Queen of Jobs daughters Bethel #32 in 1972.

13-- Karen Lee, was born Dec. 17, 1955, she is good in Oil Painting.

14-- Sharon Ann, was born Aug. 11, 1958, she will be Queen of Jobs in 1973.

15-- Richard Edwin, was born Sept. 3, 1959, he is a Life Scout, working on Eagle Rank.

16-- Edward Clark, was born Feb. 3, 1962, he is a Cub Scout.

17-- David Erdman, was born May 22, 1964

9-11- Joy Delila Jonathas, was born Feb. 29, 1932, she married Robert Eldon McCoughney on June 19, 1954 in Chicago, he was born Sept. 5, 1928 in Fayetteville, Ohio, he died Feb. 2, 1955 at home in Zion, Ill.

Michael Robert, was born Apr. 27, 1955 in Waukeegan.

Second Marriage Joy married Michael Darus on Apr. 10, 1958 in Zion and he was born Sept. 19, 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Sandra Joy, was born Dec. 22, 1958, in Great Lakes, Ill.

Floy Kay, was born Nov. 18, 1959 in Zion, at home on 2121 Sheridan Re., she was delivered by her Grandmother Floy Jonathas.

THE EDWARD ERDMAN JONATHAS
FAMILY
1--9



EDWARD ERDMAN JONATHAS



FLOY MAY WHITMORE



JOY DELIA & CLARK EDWARD

1-9 Edward Erdman Jonathas, was born Dec. 29, 1894 in Chicago, he died Oct. 23, 1949. Ed married Floy May Whitmore on June 25, 1926, she was born Feb. 24, 1898 (Refer to Allied Page 20 in Megow Records). His folks moved to East Saugatuck, Mich., when he was 15 years old. He served in the World War I in Archangle, Russia under an English Command. Ed enlisted on Apr. 26, 1918 and wa honorable discharged July 7, 1919.

He attended the Palmer Chiropractic College, graduated in 1921, practiced in Chicago. He had gone to nite school to get his High School Diploma so he could go to The National Chiropractic College in Chicago, upon graduation he took the State Board under medical supervision, was one of the first five to get a license to practice Chiropractic.

During the depression he sold Model Airplanes for the Megow Corp. of Philadelphia, being the Mid-West Representative, later he practiced his profession at N. Clark St. Ed was a community minded businessman and easily became absorbed in that section of Chicago. He was a member of the North Shore Am. Legion Post

#21 and was Finance Officer for several years. Served on the Draft Board for six years and received a Metal for his Services

Ed was President of the Clark St. Association and there can be found some interesting notes in the Jonathas Scrap Book, bulletin to members. (1st half of 1940) quote, " Clark Street had a successful 60 mile Bike Race from Kenosha to our District, a successful card party, a wonderful Golf Tournament and aided in many other activities on the Street. There are just two things I would like to see our Association accomplish this year, first a lighted show window in each store until midnight. This is our best chance of making our community look prosperous and wide awake, as it rightfully deserves to be. Secondly, some kind of real activity to be planned this fall to give the community something to remember the year 1940. I'll welcome any ideas along this line, bring them with you to our next meeting on Sept. 9th. Times are not half as bad as some try to make it appear. Business does not come looking for you, its here and it is up to the go-getter to go out after, the wishing and grumbling will not bring it to you. Our big task is to try and improve business conditions in our community, build up good will and make our community a better place to live in. You married fellows, can bring your wives to our next meeting, remember we have coffee, cake and sandwiches along with entertainment after the meeting. Come out and meet your fellow business- men," un-quote, signed by Dr. Edward E. Jonathas, President

Edward was re-elected for another term in 1941.

He built a summer home on Pistakee Lake, Ill., in 1939. The home was sold in 1959, and later burned down in 1972. He loved any form of good fun, being a homorous person himself, he was usually the life of a party, he enjoyed dancing, cards, hunting, fishing, tennis, golf and bowling.

Edward and Floy had one daughter and one son who both raised Families, pictures and information on the following pages, they were Ed's and Floy's pride and joy.

At this writing Floy lives with her daughter in Winthrop Harbor, Illinois.

Dec. 1973

FRED WATROUS MEGOW



MR and MRS CLARK JONATHAS 9-10



DEBORAH LYNN 10-12



KAREN LEE 10-13



SHARON ANN
10--14



RICHARD EDWIN
10-----15



EDWARD CLARK
10----16
(Refer to Allied Page 80)



DAVID ERDMAN
10----17

THE DARUS FAMILY



ROBERT ELDON MCCOUGHNEY

Born, Sept. 5, 1928 in Fayetteville,
Ohio
Died Feb. 2, 1955

Michael Robert born,
April 27, 1955

JOY DELLIA JONATHAS

Born, Feb. 29, 1932 in Chicago.
Married Robert E. McCoughney
June 19, 1954
He died Feb. 2, 1955 in Zion, Ill.

Second Marriage, Michael Darus
April 10, 1958.



MICHAEL DARUS

Born, Sept. 19, 1937 in Cleveland.
Married Joy Dellila McCoughney
April 10, 1955? [handwritten: 1958]

Sandra Joy, born Dec. 22, 1958

Floy Kay, born Nov. 18, 1959



March 1974

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THE DARUS FAMILY

MICHAEL ROBERT MCCOUGHNEY
Born, April 27, 1955
Waukeegan, Illonis



SANDRA JOY DARUS
Born, Dec. 22, 1958
Great Lakes Training Station
Illonis

FLOY KAY DARUS
Born, Nov. 18, 1959
Zion, Illonis



March 1974

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THE ROBERT FARROW FAMILY



Identification for above picture; Top Row, Mother and Father
Balance, Robert-- Kathryn--Julie.

ROBERT LINCOLN FARROW, was born Feb. 12, 1928, he married KATHLEEN ANNE LETTER, daughter of Ruth Kathryn Megow Letteer and Leonard Wesley Letteer, on May 31, 1958, (Refer to Introduction Pages 27 and 28 for more detailed information and pictures on THE LETTEER FAMILY) Kathleen was born June 6, 1938. The couple were married at Carswell Air Force Base in a Catholic Ceremony at the Chapel on the Base at Fort Worth, Texas in true Military fashion. Robert met his wife while she was in the service there. He was in detached duty from the Army at the time.

After marriage they lived in El Paso, Texas where Julie Anne was born on April 22, 1959. When Robert was sent to Korea, Kathy returned to Milwaukee where their son Robert Leonard was born on April 2, 1961. After Korea he was sent to the State of Conn. to a small Military Base near Hartford, where Kathryn Mary was born on Dec. 26, 1964.

After Roberts retirement, they bought a home in Mecoo, N.Y., a suburb of Gloversville. This is his home State and he is near his folks who live at Johnstown.

Their three children are going to the Public Schools and are very active in the 4H Club and other School activities. Julie plays the Cello in the Orchestra, is a cross-country runner on the High School Team, does volunteer work at the local Hospital as a Candy Striper and her ambition is to be a Registered Nurse. Robert plays the Saxophone in the Band, baseball in the American Legion and pitched a no-hit game. Kathryn sings in the High School Chorus.

Jan. 8, 1974

RUTH KATHRYN MEGOW LETTEER

THE THOMAS PETER SAMMARTINO FAMILY



Sandra Jean
b, Mar. 9, 1959



FATHER & MOTHER



Sharon Anne
b, July 26, 1961



Susanne Marie
b, June 23, 1960



Stacey Kathryn
b, Aug. 14, 1965



Sheila Rose
b, Aug. 31, 1962

THOMAS PETER SAMMARTINO, was born July 5, 1936, he married GERALDENE FLORENCE LETTEER, she was born July 11, 1939, (Refer to Introduction Pages 27 & 28 for more detailed information and pictures on THE LETTEER FAMILY), they met at a dance while she was going to school in Milwaukee, Wisc., he was in the Navy at the time. The couple were married 1½ years later on Apr. 2, 1958 in a Catholic Church in San Diego, Calif.

Their first child, a daughter, Sandra Jean was born in San Diego, on Mar. 9, 1959. After his enlistment expired, Thomas returned to his home town of Wappingers Falls, N.Y., where Susanne Marie was born on June 23, 1960. He then re-enlisted and they were sent to New London, Conn., where Sharon Anne was born on July 26, 1961, followed by Sheila Rose who was born Aug. 31, 1962.

Thomas left the Navy and enlisted in the Air Force and was assigned to Seville, Spain, while there Stacey Kathryn was born on Aug. 14, 1965. After returning to the States they went to Missouri and from there he was sent to Vietnam, where he earned the Bronze Star for his efforts in the War. His wife and daughters had returned to Milwaukee and when he returned to the States, he was assigned to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, near where they bought their home at Woodside.

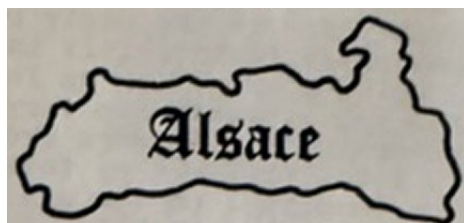
M/Sgt., Thomas P. Sammartino is, at this writing, in Taiwan, off the coast of China. The daughters all attend the Public Schools and are busy with their Hobbies.

Jan. 8, 1974

RUTH KATHRYN MEGOW LETTEER

SNYDER

FROM

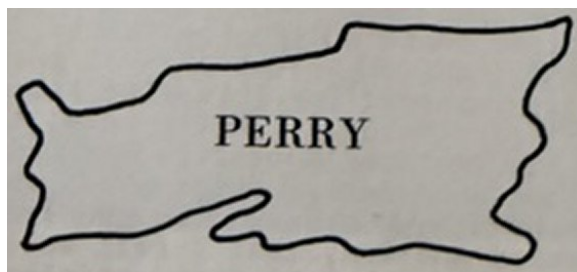


Germany

18th Century

(SCHNIEDER)

TO



PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.A.

AND BEYOND

20th Century

T H E S N Y D E R F A M I L Y

Compiled 1974

Fred Watrous Megow

SNYDER

I feel as the researcher, compiler and writer of these pages, it is my responsibility to write, not as a member, by blood, but as one who married into the Snyder Family.

My first contact with the Snyders, happened in 1920 when Anna and Rae, sisters, came to Lancaster, Wisc. to teach. I started teaching there in 1918 . My first meeting was Rae, then later Anna, this event took place in the early part of Sept. 1920.

Our romance took place in 1920-1921 in Grant County Wisc., city of Lancaster. Being a young man my interest was this Snyder girl Rae. The two sisters were very close and it did not take me long to see that they were from an excellent heritage. Dec. 1920 both girls met my folks in So. Milwaukee, Wisc., then again in June 1921 on the way to Penn., both had stopped at our place over nite then Dad took the girls, their trunk and me to Chicago, where they embarked for Penn, to return the following Dec. 1921, when we would be married. Anna would return to Lancaster and work for the County as a Rural Supervisor in the Grant County Rural School System, this would be her beginning into Rural Education. She was later to have an illustrious career in the Rural Schools, obtaining degrees from Columbia University of New York City, travel to South Africa, lecture and finally settle in the State Dept., of Rural Education in Hartford, Conn. Anna remained single, was a devoted Family member, as were all the Snyders.

During the summer of 1921 I decided to go to Penn. I was about broke, but like most young people that was no problem. This was the first contact with the Family. Well I never could offer anything but the highest praise. I must say that sincerely, over the years, my regard for this fine Family group never diminished. Mr Henry Snyder, I never knew, however, my extensive research into the Families Ancestors has made me well acquainted with others, long dead and my opinion has never been altered. Mr Snyder must have been a very fine gentleman. I often had said, to my mother and Dad, that I felt well pleased with the Family and especially how well they got along with each other. I was convinced our children would benefit with this heritage in their blood stream, which certainly has proven to be a true statement.

As the years rolled by I became acquainted with most of the Snyder Clan and I feel, that they are all people of good principles. The direct Snyder Family which I married into, consisted of two sons and six daughters. The oldest, John, had a large family, mostly boys, In the early part of the 1920 decade, his wife, Bess, died of child birth. This naturally was a great tragedy. The Snyder Family on the Hill rose to the occasion, and since the youngest child of Johns was still a baby (Jane), she was taken by the Grandmother and the Aunts to their home at the Hill. Mrs Snyder from then on spent much time at Johns farm since the boys were quite young. She faithfully helped for several years and I know Johns children would still fell fond of her as she was their second mother and they missed her very much when she passed away.

This was a Family of fine people who left behind wonderful, substantial and lasting memories. Ana and Blanche help support the home while Margaret faithfully took care of the Farm and home. The old homestead is now disposed of, but the fond memories of a by-gone era remain in my mind and all those living at this time who had the privilege of enjoying one of the most beautiful spots in America.

July 1974

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

SNYDER
THE FIRST HOMESTEAD

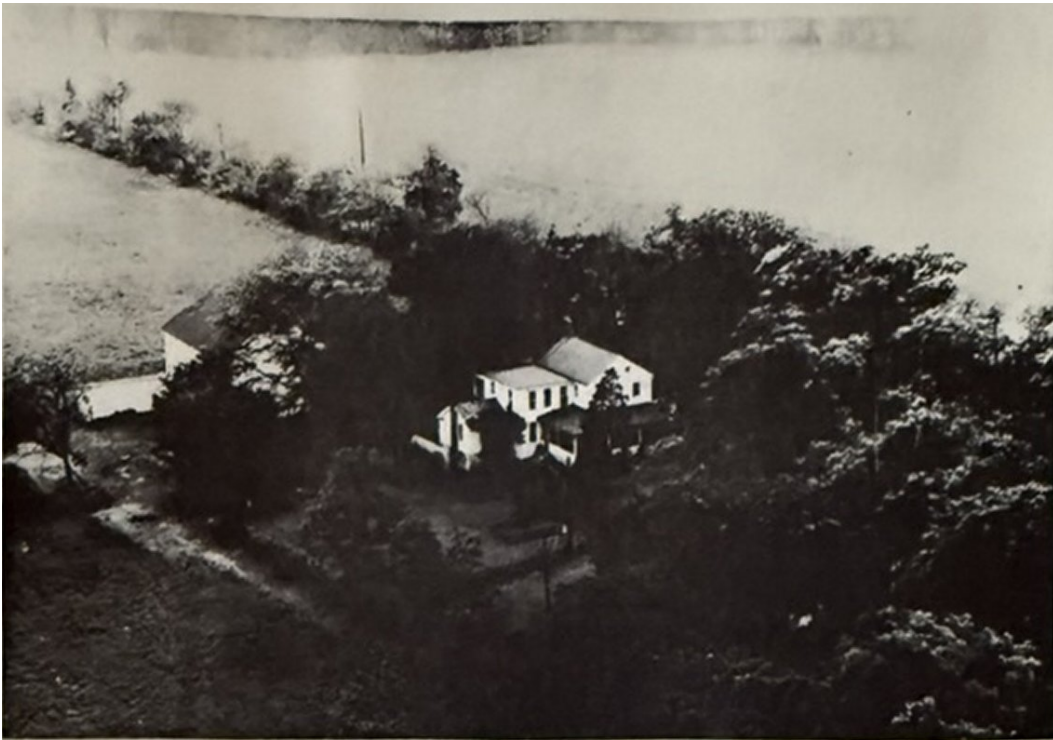


Located on Route # 274 about 2½ miles from Duncannon, Penn.

The original Snyder Home as it appeared in the early part of the 20th Century. The entire Family of Henry H. Snyder were born in this house of seven bedrooms, called the lower farm, it was bought by Henry's son Charles when he married and the Family moved to the upper house, shown on the next page.

During the 19th Century an addition was added, the flat roof section on the left, this increased the bed-rooms to seven and a new Kitchen. The barn was to the left in the rear. The right side of the house faced "Linton Hill" some 500 feet away on top of the hill

"LINTON HILL"
SNYDER



Located above the Lower Farm on Route #274

The setting of this home was delightful, surrounded by beautiful trees and an excellent view of the Pennsylvania Mountains. When I first visited there in 1922 the rail fences still existed and my impression simply could not be described, the beauty of everything was out of this world. Our only daughter, Ruth, choose to have her wedding here on Jan. 27, 1951.

As the years went by, more homes were built in the surrounding area, then at Margarets death, Blanche, who took possession, sold large lots until finally the house and all land was sold. The new road, #274, came and many homes built, thus changing the immediate landscape, but the beauty of the Pennsylvania mountains remains. Only a few places, God made divinely beautiful and the scenery viewed from this home is one of them.

1974

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

SNYDER

1--JOHANNES GEORGE SCHNEIDER, was born about 1760 to 1765 in Alsace, Germany, (date based on the birth of the first child in 1788, taken from the Family Bible and in the 1830 Census U.S., in the latter he was 50 to 60 years of age, and listed in the Tax Records of Perry County as an old man). He died in Perry County, probably Wheatfield Township about 1835 and is, I believe, buried in the Union Cemetery, at Dunncannon, Pa. He probably came to America by the Port of Philadelphia in the year 1819, with his wife Anna Katharina Friedogen (Family Bible), (name in America would be Freytag; they were married in Alsace, Germany, Europe, on Aug. 25, 1786 to 1787, she was born about 1760 to 1765, they must have come over with George Jr., their son, on the same ship, Jonanna.

George was known as George Sr., and came to Perry County, Pa., as early as 1820, (I am not certain). No record in this County after 1832, so he must have died around that date. They had several children; 1-2 George Jr. 1-12 John T; 1-86 Jacob; 1-10 Christine, who stayed in Germany.

1-2 GEORGE SNYDER JR. was born Sept. 14, 1788 in Alsace, Germany, this information comes from the Family Bible, as far as can be determined he came to America on the Ship Jonanna to the Port of Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 28, 1819. George must have married in Germany and had a 9 year old son and his wife Catharine. The son of George Jr. was born in 1820 in America. The 9 year old son (as of 1974) has not been located.

George Jr and Catharine must have died sometime about the Civil War era and should be buried in the Union Cemetery, Dunncannon, Pa. She was born in Alsace, Germany, in 1783. The 1850 Census shows he and his wife living with a son John Snyder, listed below, as a Farmer 62 years old and his wife as 67, the following pages show lands owned and transferred by George Jr.

RECORDED LAND DEALS BY GEORGE SNYDER JR. in Perry County. THANKS TO HARRY W. LENIG of Newport, Pa. for the following information, as well as considerable other information on the Snyder Family.

Book I-C-162 dated in 1828, actually an "agreement of Sale" whereby, Thomas Rodgers would sell 50 acres and allowance to George Snyder, Seigr., consideration; \$250.00, including one bay horse and Dearborn Wagon, value at \$50.00. The agreement was dated June 6, 1828 This land could have been near Dunncannon.

Above parcel of land was surrounded by John Harris and others on the West; by Thomas Rodgers on the East; Thomas Rodgers on the South; by Thomas Rodgers on the North. Surveyor, Robert Clark. (Sept. 29, 1828

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L-H 58- Deed, dated March 29, 1839- Watson Jenks (Iron Manufacturer) and wife, Juliana, of Philadelphia, (by Benj. McIntire, their Attorney-in-fact) to George Snyder, of Perry County, 62 3/4 acres in Wheatfield Twp.--consideration \$382.50-- adjoining lands of George Snyder, George Clay and others known by name of Mt. Erie Farm-- being the same tract of land, which was conveyed to Watson Jenks, by the Sheriff of Perry Co. (This tract could be situated, north or northeast of the U.M.Church and St David Cemetery, near Dellville).

I-L-671-- Deed, dated July 26, 1847-- John Gelbach, of Penn Twp. and Louisa, his wife, to George Snyder, of Wheatfield Twp-- 104 acres, 95 peaches-- consideration \$1500.00 tract adjoining lands of Cornelius Backus, Jacob Steel, Esq., Robert McCoy, Byers heirs and John Bruner. (Probably north or northwest of Duncannon).

I-L-670-- dated July 26, 1847-- George Snyder, of Wheatfield Twp., and Catharine, his wife, to John Gelbach, of Penn. Twp.,-- consideration - \$1000.00-- The tract whereon the said George Snyder doth reside, adjoining lands of George Clay, George Kein, John Price, George Rose, John Smiths heirs, Moses Yocum and others and containing 158 acres.

2-3-- JOHN SNYDER, son of George Snyder Jr., (1-2), was born March 11, 1820 and died April 23, 1898, he married Nancy on about 1841, she was born Sept. 29, 1822, both are buried in the Union Cemetery, Duncannon, Pa. The 1850 Census shows John as 29 years and Nancy as 28 years of age, living in Penn Township as Farmers. Their children are as follows:

3-4 Mary	born 1843		
3-5 Catharine J.	"	1846	
3-6 Ralph E.	"	1848	
3-7 Pricilla		died 1861	
3-8 Samuel			
3-9 William E.	"	1860	" Mar. 18, 1887

1-10 CHRISTINE SNYDER, daughter of Johanns George Schneider (1), was born Oct. 22, 1792, in Alsace, Germany, (Bible record), she married George Gelbach and they remained in Germany.

1-11 NO NAME, daughter of Johanns George Schneider (1), was born in 1797. The 4th day after Holy Christ Day a Baptisism took place with Potter-Giefenbach, as a witness, the child died on the 4th day following the Baptisism.

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1-12 JOHANNS (John Tanner snyder), son of Johannis George Schneider (1), was born in Alsace, Germany on March 6, 1801, (Bible Record). He died April 2, 1866 in Perry County, Pa., and is buried in the Union Cemetery at Duncannon, Pa., with his wife. He served a term learning the Tanner Trade in Hagerstown, Md. At this time he spelled his surname Snider., on March 6, 1822 he had served his apprenticeship there and the same year, 1822, Johns Father George Sr., signed a note in favor of John and Joseph Hershey, these are the two men who signed Johns release, as having completed his apprenticeship. He went to the Kensington Section of Philadelphia to work at his trade. This section was incorporated into the City of Philadelphia in 1820. I have numerous receipts for rents which were for house rent dating from 1824 to 1826 in Philadelphia, and other receipts up to 1835. He married Christiana Shreck, about 1825 or 1826 in Philadelphia and stayed there until moving to Perry County in the middle of the 1830 decade.

John and Christiana started house-keeping, March 14, 1827 he paid a full year rent, \$44.00, which was double the rent he had been paying when he was single. The rent receipts continue on through 1831, including Personal and Dog tax of \$1.31 and on April 19, 1830 he paid \$5.00 Ground Rent. The following are copies of interesting items

Philadelphia, the 17. Jan. 1828
Rec'd of Mr John Snyder, One Hundred Dollars to be handed
over to his Father, George Snyder, one #661 and one #287
on the Kensington Bank.
By me William Clark

Hagerstown, Washington County, Md.
We hereby certify that the bearer JOHN SNIDER has served
his apprenticeship to the Tanning and Currien with us,
given under our hand at Hagerstown, March 6, 1822
John and Joseph Hershey

I have one receipt dated Nov. 3, 1835 where he paid \$1.49 County Tax in Perry, signed by Sam Woller. The 1840 Penn. Census shows him in Perry County with his wife and Family. Johns wife was born Oct. 16, 1798 and died April 10, 1876. their children were; (12-13) Catherine; (12-14) George Henry; (12-15) Jacob ; (12-45) William; (12-46) Mary Agnes; (12-47) Henry Harry; (12-81) Caroline; (12-82) Infant died in infancy. Their children are listed as follows:

12-13 CATHERINE SNYDER, daughter of John T. Snyder (1-12), was born Feb. 9, 1827 in Philadelphia, Pa. and died Feb. 26, 1902, she married John Rathfon about 1847. He operated a Blacksmith shop in Duncannon, Pa. He was born in 1824 and died_____, both are buried in the United Brothern Cemetery, at Duncannon. Their children as follows;

MARY EMMA RATHFON, was born in 1849 and died_____, she married a Mr Rich, they lived in Allegheny City, Pa. Their children are as follows; John R. and Erma A. born 1877 and 1878.

MARTHA ANNA RATHFON, was born in 1851 and died_____, she married a Mr Owens and they lived in New Bloomfield,

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ELLEN JANE RATHFON, was born in 1852 and died _____ she married a Mr Bartruff and they lived in Duncannon, Pa.

CATHARINE RATHFON, was born in 1855 and died prior to 1902.

WILLIAM RATHFON, was born in 1859 and died _____ he married, _____

IDA RATHFON, was born in 1863 and died _____, she married a Mr Keel, they had a son Frank W. Keel, who died a violent death at the age of 23.

DAVID RATHFON, was born in 1864 and died prior to 1902.

ROBERTA RATHFON, was born in 1867 and died prior to 1902.

12-14 GEORGE HENRY SNYDER, was the son of John T. Snyder (1-12), he was born July 12, 1829 and died Aug. 13, 1830.

12-15 JACOB C. SNYDER, was the son of John T. Snyder (1-12), he married _____ on _____ and she died _____. Jacob was born Aug. 6, 1831 and died July 28, 1881, they lived in Saville, Twp., at the time of his death. Jan. 28, 1859 he lived in Harrisburg, Pa. and in 1876 at Donnelly's Mills, Pa. Perry County. The following are his children (15-16) John Leedy; (15-35) Elmer S; (15-37) Wesley; (15-38) George; (15-39) Kate; (15-40) Agnes; (15-41) William; .

15-16 JOHN LEEDY SNYDER, was the son of Jacob C. Snyder (12-15), he was born July 2, 1857 in Harrisburg, Pa. and died in Newport, Pa., Sept. 27, 1950, he married Ella Elizabeth Maning on April 8, 1880. She was born Feb. 11, 1857 in Washington Boro, Lancaster County, Pa. John went in the Wagon making business in Newport, after he had learned the trade in Lancaster, Pa.

16-17 CARRIE MAY SNYDER, daughter of John L. Snyder (15-16), she was born March 5, 1881 and died Nov. 31, 1955, she married June 19, 1901 to Lemuel Bender Adams and Joseph Mard Eshelman on Jan. 13, 1918.

HELEN GERTRUDE ADAMS, was born Jan. 13, 1903, she was married on June 25, 1925 to Dr. Robert Posey DeRiemer. They had a daughter, Machtelt Margareta DeRiemer, she was born Jan. 17, 1943 and married John Henry Burr Mitchell on Sept. 7, 1963.

ROLLAND LEROY ADAMS, was born Dec. 27, 1904, he married Pauline Sheaffer Hombach on June 26, 1930, she was born in 1907 and died in 1969. He married the second time to Marjorie (Hoffman) Pollock on April 21, 1970.

NANCY ANN ADAMS, born July 10, 1931, married Donald S. Taylor on Sept. 24, 1955.

MARCIA SNYDER ADAMS, born Oct. 4, 1932 married George Louis Roehr on Feb. 13, 1954.

MARY HELEN ADAMS, born Aug. 25, 1937 married John Frederick Bitzer Jr., June 9, 1958

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JOHN SNYDER ADAMS, was born May 30, 1907, died Aug. 22, 1966, he married Mary Elizabeth Swoger on April 14, 1938.

CHRISTOPHER WINSLOW ADAMS, born June 7, 1942 married Heather Marcia Mckeith on Nov. 10, 1964.

ANDREW TYLER PARKHILL ADAMS, born Feb. 16, 1946, married Carleen Marie Tallman on Aug. 19, 1967.

16-18 FLORENCE CATHARINE SNYDER, born Aug. 27, 1882, she still lives at the place of birth in Newport, Pa., as of 1974, she never married.

16-19 JENNIE MCCULLOCH SNYDER, was the daughter of John Leedy Snyder (15-16), born May 10, 1884, she died Feb. 3, 1964 and never married.

16-20 ANNA MARY SNYDER, was the daughter of John Leedy Snyder (15-16), born Dec. 17, 1885 and died Nov. 11, 1967, she married Arthur Edward Carns on Mar. 19, 1905.

MARY ELLA CARNS, born Sept. 15, 1907 a retired School Teacher.

MARGARET ELIZABETH CARNS, born Sept. 9, 1911, she married Earl Franklin Oren, Sept. 17, 1932.

DAVID HUGH OREN, born April 16, 1937, married Bonnie Saylor on Oct. 27, 1957.

ROLLAND EUGENE OREN, born May 2, 1944, married Polly Piper on May 10, 1966.

ELLA SUZANNE OREN, born July 17, 1947 married Richard Blair Brugam on Aug. 1, 1970.

CHARLES EDWARD CARNS, born June 13, 1914, he died April 13, 1955, married Frances LoyMoretz, on Nov. 17, 1936.

DONALD EDWARD CARNS, born Aug. 1, 1943 married Susan Romberger on March 31, 1962.

ARTHUR SNYDER CARNS, born Aug. 14, 1916, he died Oct. 1, 1960. Married Ruth Irene Kerr on Sept. 25, 1940.

FRANK RICHARD CARNS, born July, 1942, married Carolyn Howe on Aug. 16, 1964.

RUTH ANN CARNS, born Aug. 24, 1944, married James Kroh on Aug. 19, 1967.

JAMES EDWARD CARNS, born June 23, 1949 married Sue Collins on Dec. 28, 1968.

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ROBERT EUGENE CARNS, born Jan. 18, 1923, married
Edna Evans on Oct. 12, 1946.

ROBERT EUGENE CARNS, born Mar. 7, 1948
EDWARD ARTHUR CARNS, born Mar. 10, 1951
BARBARA ANN CARNS, born July 29, 1952
MARY ANN CARNS born July 16, 1955
ELIZABETH ANN CARNS born Oct. 12, 1956
DEBRA ANN CARNS born Feb. 9, 1958
RICHARD ALLEN CARNS born Feb. 16, 1960
DAVID ANDREW CARNS born May 12, 1961

16-21 FRANK HENRY SNYDER, son of John Leedy Snyder (15-16)
was born July 17, 1888 he married Yates McKee Jeffers
on Nov. 20, 1912 and Helen Marie Fritz on June 14, 1927,
the following are children from the first marriage.

21-22 GERTRUDE ELLA SNYDER, born Apr. 15, 1915, m
Tyler Fenton Moffett Jr., on June 15, 1946.

MARY ANN MOFFETT, born Dec. 11, 1946 married
William L. Robertson May 14, 1967.

FRANK TYLER MOFFETT, born June 21, 1949
JOHN FENTON MOFFETT, born Apr. 4, 1952
WILLIAM MOFFETT born Jan. 10, 1959

21-23 FRANK MANNING SNYDER JR., born July 27, 1916
married Jean Merdith Clark on Apr. 22, 1950

23-24 REVECCA JEAN SNYDER, born July 5, 1951
23-25 WILLIAM CLARK SNYDER, " Nov. 6, 1953

21-26 YATES SHULER SNYDER, born Oct. 22, 1917,
married Ernest Addison Deahl on Sept. 27, 1941.

RICHARD ADDISON DEAHL, born June 2, 1943, married
Linda Lee McCuiston, on June 3, 1967.
YATES MARIE DEAHL, born Feb. 7, 1947.
DENNIS EVANS DEAHL, born May 25, 1949.

21-27 PHYLLIS JEFFERS SNYDER, born Nov. 3, 1919, m
Ernest Carlton McKatty on June 12, 1943.

ROBERT CARLTON MCKATTY, born May 15, 1944, m
Rebecca Ann Grantham.
SALLY ANN MCKATTY, born July 27, 1945, married
Claude Thomas Sprott on Aug. 3, 1962
WILLIAM JEFFERS MCKATTY, born Oct. 23, 1949
JAMES EDWARD MCKATTY, born Aug. 7, 1952.

21-28 MARY JANET SNYDER, born June 5, 1922, married
Jon Evans Jewett, on Sept. 1961.

JON EVANS JEWETT JR. born July 2, 1962

21-29 CATHARINE ELIZABETH SNYDER, born Dec. 20, 1925
married Robert Eugene Souilliard on May 29, 1928
their children on the next page.

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ROBIN LEE SOUILLIARD, born May 11, 1953
RANDY GENA SOUILLIARD, born Jan. 4, 1955
RENEA LOUISA SOUILLIARD born Nov. 6, 1956
SCOTT EUGENE SOUILLIARD born Dec. 21, 1958
JAY LYNN SOUILLIARD born Sept. 26, 1962
SUSANNE KAY SOUILLIARD born Feb. 25, 1964
FRANK HARPER SOUILLIARD born Dec. 1, 1970

16- 30 JAMES HENRY SNYDER, born Mar. 17, 1891 died
Sept. 27, 1893.

16-31 ELA ELIZABETH SNYDER, born Jan. 3, 1893, she married
Morris Bachman Landis on Nov. 10, 1920.

MORRIS BACHMAN LANDIS JR. was born June 5, 1924 he
married Ingeborg Probst, on Oct. 2, 1953.

DIETRICH KONRAD LANDIS, born Feb. 7, 1957.
DENISE KAY LANDIS, born April 11, 1961.

JAMES SNYDER LANDIS, born Feb. 13, 1927 married Evelyn
Ressler on June 1, 1947.

JAMES SNYDER RESSLER, born Apr. 16, 1949, married
Lynn Hollandsworth on June 14, 1969.
ROBERT LEE RESSLER, born Apr. 30, 1951
DEBRA MARIE RESSLER, BORN Dec. 15, 1953
DONNA K. RESSLER, born July 3, 1957
CHARLES RICHARD LANDIS, born May 31 1932 not married
lives in Quarryville, Lancaster County, Pa. (1974)

JOHN SNYDER LANDIS, born June 11, 1935, married Sharon
A. Stonesifer on Jan. 9, 1965.

DAVID JOHN LANDIS, born Feb. 3, 1966.
MICHAEL SCOTT LANDIS born Nov. 25, 1968

16-32 MARGARET IRENE SNYDER, born Mar. 15, 1895, died
April 8, 1903

16-33 JOHN EDWARD SNYDER, born July 14, 1897, lives at place
of birth (1974) never married.

16-34 CHARLES JACOB SNYDER, born Nov. 1, 1899, d Oct. 1 1903

15-35 ELMER S. SNYDER, was born in 1862 and died____, he
married Alice_____. When he was 19 he worked for his
brother John Leedy Snyder, as an apprentice in the Wagon Shop.

35-36 GRACE SNYDER, born_____she married John Northland
they were divorced and re-married, had one daughter
and one son. She died and he married again, they lived
in Hammond, Ind.

15-37 WESLEY SNYDER

15-38 GEORGE SNYDER

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15-39 KATE SNYDER, was born_____died_____she married an Arnold.

15-40 AGNES SNYDER, BORN_____died_____ She married a second time.

15-41 WILLIAM SNYDER, was born_____and died in 1948 in Newport, Pa., he married Caroline (Dot) she was born in 1884, her maiden name was Daisy L. Wiggins. William operated a Filling Station in Newport. Records show he attended the Duncannon Public Schools in 1876.

41-42 WILLIAM H. SNYDER JR, born_____ married Mary Barner.

42-43 WILLIAM SNYDER 3rd. born_____

42-44 ELIZABETH ANN SNYDER, born_____

12-45 WILLIAM LEWIS SNYDER, son of John T. Snyder, was born Nov. 2, 1833, in Philadelphia, he died Apr. 17, 1873. He was single, and a Conductor on the Penn. R.R. and lived in Harrisburgh, Pa.

12-46 MARY AGNES SNYDER, daughter of John T. Snyder, was born Nov. 21, 1835 in Perry County, shedied_____. Mary married William Boslier.

12-47 HENRY HARRY SNYDER, son of John T. Snyder, was born Nov. 15, 1837, he died May 19, 1919 in Penn Township, Perry County, Pa. he married Jane B. (Leshner) Graham on Aug. 13, 1877, she was born in 1852 in Bedford County, Pa., Yellow Creek. Mrs Graham had a son, Edward Graham, from her first marriage, Edward was born in 1872 and died from drowning June 1893. Henry Graham and Jane were married in 1871 and 18 months later he was killed by a railroad accident, the child was 6 months old.

Henry Harry Snyder, was born to John Tanner and Christiana Shreck Snyder (1_12) of Perry County, Penn., about Nov. 15, 1837. Our new country was young and still struggling against attempts of foreign powers to divide us, our Constitution was still in jeopardy, from constant attempts to over turn it, but thanks to such men as Daniel Webster and those who supported him it retained its rightful place, with every year henceforth was strengthen and thus saved from destruction.

The writer, Henrys son-in-law, never knew this fine gentleman, his Dad-in-law. I do feel well acquainted with him due to the extensive research made into this exemplary individual. In the early part of his life about Perry County, things were difficult to say the least, but some how these people were happy and life was free, but it took hard work and determination. Game and fish were plentiful, winters not to severe, travel slow but dependable and always enough to keep everyone busy. The country was young and politics took up much of the spare time conversation.

Young Henry and sometimes called Harry would be raised in the Penn. wilderness with a great potential country all around him, on land acquired by his Father and Grandfather. Education was limited so his education would come from what was available.

The Erie Canal had been built, steamships had crossed

MR & MRS HENRY SNYDER



The above picture was taken in 1907 at the lower house, on the front lawn, the road shown is (1974) to-day, Route # 274. A picture of the house is shown on a previous page, "THE FIRST HOMESTEAD".

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FRED WATROUS MEGOW

SNYDER
THE HENRY HARRY SNYDER
FAMILY
12--47



SNYDER FAMILY
Top - Louville - Annabel - Blanche - Margaret
Marietta - Mrs Snyder - Rae
Charles John
1920

The above picture was taken after Mr Snyder died, the writer entered this Family of fine people when the youngest, Rae, came to Lancaster, Wisconsin with an older sister, Annabelle, to teach in the Public Schools.

All members pictures are as I knew them and on becoming better acquainted, my comments to my Mother, on many, occasions were, quote, " Mom, I never saw sisters who could get along together so well and I am surely glad I married into this Family", unquote.

My in-laws were always very kind to me and they treated-ed my children with much love and affection. I was especially very fond of Mrs Snyder, she was a lovely Christian lady.

1974

FRED WATROUS MEGOW

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the Atlantic, the Railroad came, Transportation improvements were strongly financed and supported during these years, then when Henry was only one year old, a great financial panic struck the young country.

In 1869 Henry went to Eaton, Ohio to visit his Uncle, Jacob Snyder (1-83) and his Family, he was a handsome young man and from letters sent to him by his female cousins, he certainly made a lasting impression on these young ladies. Henriette who later married, James W. Button and Retta who later lived in Cincinnati and remained unmarried, were two of these young ladies. Much was written in these letters about copper-heads, slaves and honest Abe, our President. The tone made no doubt but that the North would win this conflict and justice would be done.

The United States was expanding rapidly and one topic during his growing up period would be slavery. This issue continued to expand and led to the Civil War. When Henry was twelve years of age, gold was discovered in California and many people headed west. His parents were conservative and continued to till the soil in Perry County.

Henry had two brothers, Jacob, William and three sisters, Mary, Christine and Catherine. At the advent of the Civil War, when the draft was instituted, he received his call, Henry, being a Farmer, raised \$300:00 and paid for a substitute who took his place, this man was subsequently killed in action. The Confederate Scouts got very close to the Snyder Farm during Lee's invasion of the North and the sound of cannon fire was heard in the distance. (.A Civil War Rifle was kept in tact and is now in the possession 1971, of Robert Megow #44 in the Megow Genealogical Records)

Henry choose to continue farming and stayed single , until middle life in order to support his mother, the Father had died in 1866. During this part of his life he took an active part in community life, was a God fearing man and a Methodist.

Miss Jane Belle Leshner, was born in Bedford, County, Pa. (Yellow Creek_ in 1852, she married Henry Graham, who was a Conductor on the Penn. Railroad, she died Nov. 22, 1933. Jane continued to live at Linton Hill after the first husbands death, this property Mr Graham had purchased from the Snyder homestead. A.M.Frantz handled the estate with Henrys assistance and the widow Mrs Graham continued to live there. Henrys mother passed away Apr. 10, 1876, he had stayed a Bachelor all these years, but love blossomed with the widow and they married Aug. 13, 1877. The couple lived at the lower farm where most of the large Family were born, they later moved to Linton Hill and continued farming. When he was 75 years old he had a barn raising, the barn still stands, 1973., however at this time the farm had been subdivided and sold by the last survivor Blanche Snyder, Mr Snyder died May 19, 1919. They had two sons and six daughters.

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47-48 JOHN TANNER SNYDER, was born Sept. 2, 1879, at the Snyder Homestead, Penn Township, Perry County Penn., he was the first son of Mr and Mrs Henry Snyder, married Miss Bess McNeil at Atlantic City, N.J. on Feb. 10, 1904, Bess was from Perry County, she was born in 1884 and died Jan. 28, 1926. She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Mary McNeil. The couple resided at the McNeils Homestead in Penn Township. John farmed this land until becoming sick prior to his death on Oct. 30, 1953 at the age of 75. Their children are as follows:

48-49 MCNEIL HENRY SNYDER, was born June 1903 and died Aug. 31, 1971, he married Ada Derr. Mac operated the Brass Rail Tavern in Liverpool, Pa., which was owned by his wife Ada. They had no children.

48-50 CHARLES EMERSON SNYDER, was born in 1909 and died Nov. 13, 1964, he married Miss Kathryn Keville, they had Dennis. He married the second time to Miss Evelyn R. Allen who died Oct. 22, 1957. Emerson was employed as a carpenter in the Enola yards of the Penn R. R. He lost a leg in an accident and after he was able to work again, continued to work for the Railroad.

50-51 DENNIS SNYDER, was born Nov. 3, 1940, he married Miss Jane Zarfing on July 3, 1973, They live in Washington, D.C.

48-52 PAUL EDWIN SNYDER, was born Dec. 2, 1911, he died Sept. 14, 1968, he married Miss Esther Gunhild Anderson, on Nov. 5, 1938, in Boston, Mass. She was from that city and was born Dec. 11, 1917.

52-53 PAUL EDWIN SNYDER JR, was born June 18, 1939 in Boston, Mass., he married Janet Marie Beard on Nov. 28, 1964, in Mass., she was born Feb. 6, 1943.

53-54 SHARON JEANNE SNYDER, born Jan. 25, 1968
53-55 PAUL EDWIN SNYDER III, born Nov. 20, 1969

52-56 JOAN CAROL SNYDER, was born Feb. 21, 1941

48-57 DALLAS F. SNYDER, was born in 1913, he married Miss Alma Keville on Sept. 5, 1936, she was from Duncannon and was born Nov. 9, 1915.

57-58 JOHN C. SNYDER, born 1942, married Patsy Steele of Marysville, Pa., in 1968.

58-58A COURTNEY ANN SNYDER born May 23, 1974

57-59 DALLAS SNYDER II, born in 1943, not married

48-60 ROBERT LEE SNYDER, was born Jan. 26, 1919, he married Miss Mary V. Ciccocioppo of Marysville on Aug. 18, 1959, Mary had children by another marriage, no children by this marriage. Robert is a Brakeman on the Reading Railroad.

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48-61 WARREN HARDING SNYDER, was born June 30, 1920, he married Miss Doris Louise Stroup on Feb. 19, 1943 She was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Stanley S.S. Stroup of Harrisburg, Pa. Doris was born Jan. 17, 1925 from the John Harris High School and Pierce School of Nursing in Harrisburg. At this writing 1974 she is L.P.N. and works at a Convalescent Home. Warren farmed the McNeil Homestead, for several years, later, to the present time he works in Harrisburg at the Farm Show Building. Their children follow:

61-62 WARREN HARDING SNYDER II, born Oct. 17, 1947 married Donna J. Liddick of Duncannon on Nov. 11, 1967 she was born Sept. 30, 1947. Both graduated from Susquennita High School. Warren attended DeVry School of Electronics at Chicago and is employed in Maryland and lives in York, Pa.

62-63 LISA MARIE SNYDER, born Mar. 16, 1968
62-64 TRACEY RENCE SNYDER, born Aug. 27, 1970
62-65 KRISTIE LYNN SNYDER, born Feb. 20, 1972

61-66 MAC HENRY SNYDER, was born Mar. 26, 1950 and died Sept. 18, 1954 at 4½ years of age, his death was caused by Leukania.

61-67 STANLEY STROUP SNYDER, born May 11, 1952 on Mothers Day, he graduated from Susquennita High School and is now Supervisor at Stroemans Bakery in Harrisburg. He married Joyce Evans of Marysville, on June 21, 1970, she was born Oct. 7, 1954 and at this writing (1974) they live in their own home in Marysville, Pa. The couple have 3 children.

67-68 TAMMEY LEE SNYDER, born Aug. 1, 1969
67-69 STANLEY S. SNYDER JR. " Aug. 19, 1970
67-70 DARY JAMES SNYDER " Nov. 24, 1973

61-71 CHERYL ANNE SNYDER, born Nov. 13, 1953, she graduated from Susquennita High School and the Barbizon School of Modeling in Philadelphia, she was working as Nurses Aide at Blue Ridge Haven, west in Camp Hill, Pa.

STEVEN ANTHONY, born Aug. 19, 1972, the Father
Richard G. Bradney of Camp Hill, Pa. died
July 5, 1973.

48-72 JANE ELIZABETH SNYDER, born Sept. 18, 1923, she married Howard E. Rohrer Jr. on Dec. 24, 1947, he was born Jan. 17, 1925 and was from Perry County. The couple live in the Cove. Jane teaches school in the School District, the West Shore, Lemoyne, Pa. Howard owns and operates a fleet of School Buses.

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MARGARET ELLEN ROHRER, born Jan. 24, 1951, she married John Schranter, of York Pa. She does substitute teaching at Susquehanna, Duncannon.

Gweneth Lee Schranter, born Dec. 4, 1972

LOU ANN ROHRER, born Oct. 11, 1953 she married Thomas Freysinger of New Cumberland.

HOWARD ROHRER, born Oct. 5, 1954, he is a student at York College, Pa.

48-73 MARY ELIZABETH MCNEIL SNYDER, born and died Jan. 28, 1926.

47-74 LOUVILLE SNYDER, born Dec. 17, 1881, she died Aug. 12, 1955. Lou, as she was called married John D. Dirksen on _____ at Santa Cruz, Calif. There were no attendants and immediately after the ceremony the Bride and Groom left by motor car for Southern Calif., and Old Mexico for a honeymoon. She was a Graduate Nurse (R.N.) and came to San Jose 18 months before marrying. During her residence there she made a wide circle of friends, who are glad that her marriage would not take her away from the city. Her husband John was an orchardist, and had a Prune Ranch on Pearl Ave., where the couple make their home. There were no children to this marriage. John had several to another marriage.

47-75 CHARLES LEWIS SNYDER, born April 12, 1883, he died in 1930, married Lena Smith, on Feb. 26, 1910 in Baltimore, Md. She was born June 8, 1887 and was the daughter of Mr and Mrs Lewis F. Smith of Duncannon, Pa. Lena was reared in Covallen. They were both buried in the Evergreen Cemetery at Duncannon. Lena died at their home, the lower Farm on Wed. Feb. 18, 1920. Her death was caused by Influenza and she was 32 years 8 months and 10 days. No children.

47-76 MARIETTA SNYDER, called Etta, born Sept. 12, 1885, she died June 27, 1964, married Walter Hocker, he was from Highspire and lived on a large farm on which they operated a stone quarry. Walter had a daughter Eleanor from another marriage, which the wife was deceased.

JAMES HOCKER born _____

47-77 ANNABELLE SNYDER, was born June 17, 1888, she died in 1953, Anna taught school in Lancaster, Wisc. and was also a County (Grant) Supervisor there. She also taught in the Cheltenham Township Schools, which is just outside of the Philadelphia City Limits. Her Education was quite extensive with B.S. and M.A. Degrees from Columbia University of New York City, she traveled to South Africa and ended her career at Hartford, Conn., in the State Dep't of Ed. as Director of the Rural Education Office, she never married.

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47-78 BLANCHE VIRGINA SNYDER, was born Sept. 17, 1890. She taught in and around Philadelphia Schools until retiring. She was an excellent Artist and has many paintings to her credit. She lives in Philadelphia and visits her sister in Orlando, Florida., (Mrs Fred Watrous Megow) In the year 1974 she plans to move to Florida. She remained single.

47-79 MARGARET ELLEN SNYDER, was born Jan. 14, 1893, she died Aug. 7, 1963. She remained at home during her entire life and never married.

47-80 CARRIE RAE SNYDER, was born Dec. 11, 1898, she married Fred Watrous Megow, of So. Milwaukee, Wisc. (Refer to Megow Genealogical Records)

ROBERT SNYDER MEGOW,	born Jan. 22, 1923	
RUTH VIRGINA MEGOW	born Dec. 14, 1929	Twin
JOHN FREDERICK MEGOW	born Dec. 14, 1929	Twin
RICHARD WATROUS MEGOW	born Aug. 22, 1940	

12-81 CAROLINE SNYDER, was the daughter of John T. Snyder (1-12), was born Feb. 3, 1840 and died Jan. 26, 1922, she married Ephraim D. Rathfon on Nov. 15, 1864, she was married a second time to George W. Wetzel, they lived in Duncannon, Penn. George was born in 1831. Their children are as follows:

Joseph Rathfon	born 1862
Eda M. "	" 1864
Nancy J. "	" 1866
Elesona Wetzel	" 1873
Robert E. "	" 1875
E. Letitia "	" 1876
Infant "	" 1880

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12-82 INFANT, of John T. Snyder, died in infancy.

1-83 JACOB JOHANN SNYDER, son of Johanns George Snyder (1) was born in Alsace, Germany in 1802 (Family Bible), and died Oct. 3, 1858 in Beechymire, Indiana. He married Elizabeth Young on about 1820-21, she was born in Penn. in 1802 and died____. The Family moved to a farm near Eaton, Ohio, Preble County, all information was obtained by letters written to John T. Snyder (1-12) by his brother or his children to Henry, sometimes called Harry. Letters dated from 1855 to 1867. There children are listed below, as near as possible, based on available information.

83-84	_____	Snyder, dau.	born in 1822	Penn.
83-85	Joseph	" son	" " 1824	"
83-86	_____	" dau.	" " 1825	"
83-87	_____	" "	" " 1827	"
83-88	John George	" son	" " 1830	"
83-89	Jacob H.	" son	" " 1831	"

He married Margaret

89-90	Joseph Francis Snyder	born _____
89-91	John Brough Snyder	" _____

83-92 Rebecca (Retta) Snyder born in 1836, she lived in Cincinnati in 1869 at #180 Race St., between 5th and 9th Sts.

83-93 Mary Elizabeth Snyder born in 1834 Ohio

83-94 Henrietta Snyder, " in 1839 "

She married James W. Button on Dec. 1, 1864 in Eaton or Cincinnati,, Ohio.

NOTE: In letters there was mention of a Franky (1864) a young child, could be a son of John or Jacob.

NOTE: The Compiler of the Snyder Family Records (Genealogical) has, to the best of his knowledge, listed correct information. The possibility of errors in this type of information is evident and the writer would appreciate receiving any corrections and additions to these Records.

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THE POTTER FAMILY

1- NATHANIEL POTTER, was born about 1770, he lived in N.Y. State, New Platz, Ulster County. He is listed in the 1790, 1800, and 1820 Census (1810 was not available). These records show various males and females over the 30 year period. From the above information I conclude that Nathaniel Potter is the Father of Mathew Potter #2. My conclusions could be in error and to get postive proof, other records from this area will have to be searched.

2- Mathew Potter, born May 24, 1811, in Ulster County N.Y. He was educated there. He moved to Dutches County and remained there until June 1844 when he went to Wisc., and settled in Farmington Township, Jefferson County and squatted on 160 acres, which he later bought at the sale of canal lands, built the second log house in this section and that year helpedraise the first barn in the township on Mr Rose's place, now Mr Livingstons; at that time there was only one road through the township running north and south; had to clear the land, went to Milwaukee to buy implements, had to haul grain to Milwaukee with oxen and sold it at 60¢ per bushel, it was a four day journey; the nearest grist mill was four miles away. Mr Potter built his barn in 1844; he still owns 120 acres of the original purchase. He married Miss Emeline Mackey of Ulster County, N.Y. in Jan. 1834. Mr Potter was Supervisor two terms, Treasurer of Schools 12 years, Dir. several years, member of Concord Grange. (Note) The above information was located in 1964, by Judy Swatek, a cousin by marriage to #16 Annie Laurie Potter, in the library in Milwaukee in the book History of Jefferson County. (#977.585--W52- Pg. 723 Their children are as follows:

3- William Potter, he enlisted in the 16th Wis. in
1862 and served in the Civil War.

4- Matthew

5- Firman

6- Robert

2-6 ROBERT NELSON POTTER, was born Sept. 5, 1848 in Framington Wisc. He married Miss Louise Charter on Sept. 17, 1870. She was the dau. of Joseph Malguire Chartier and Roselie Goodbout. She was born March 7, 1854 in Canada and died April 17, 1928 in So. Milwaukee, Wis. He died Sept. 20, 1928 in the same city. His father was Mathew Potter, #2. Their children are as follows:

- 7- Matthew Nelson Potter, born June 8, 1872 in Farmington, Wis., and died June 14, 1968 in So. Milwaukee.
- 8- Bernice Lenore Potter, born Dec. 29, 1874, in Farmington, and died May 20, 1971, in Dausman, Wisc.
- 9- George Arthur Potter, born Dec. 13, 1879 in Farmington, and died April 21, 1950 in Decatur, Ill., married Alice May Potter.
- 10 Finette Euceba Potter, born Sept. 12, 1881 in Farmington, and died Sept. 25, 1939 in Waseca, Minn., married Robert Logan Willis.
- 11 Robbie Edward Potter born Feb. 15, 1884 in Farmington, and died Dec. 9, 1968 in Helenville, Wis. He married Meta Lizetta Bienfang.
- 12 Rachel Ethel Potter, born Dec. 2, 1888, in Farmington, and died Jan. 5, 1961 in Milwaukee, she married Ira Milton Hopper.
- 13 Lottie Isola Potter, born Mar. 20, 1893 in Farmington,

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- 14 Donald Aldro Potter, born Nov. 17, 1895 in Farmington, and died Nov. 8, 1968 in So. Milwaukee, he married Marie Lillian Goodman, 1st marriage, Rita Irene Warren Pfiater. 2nd marriage.
- 6-7 MATTHEW NELSON POTTER, born June 8, 1872, died June 14, 1968 he was 96 years of age, he married Lydia E. Hoefs on June 8, 1896 in Bakertown, Wisc., she died Sept. 26, 1901 in Farmington,, Wis. They had one son.
- 15- Benjamin Jeremiah, born April 19, 1897, he was killed in World War #1 in France.

Matthew married Martha Louise Graper, Sept. 18, 1902 in Farmington, she was the dau. of Henrietta Fredricka Huebner and Herman Frederick Graper, she died in So. Milwaukee on Jan. 20, 1913. Their three children are as follows:

- 16- ANNIE LAURIE AGNES POTTER, was born Nov. 24, 1903 in So. Milwaukee, she married George Edward Megow on Apr. 17, 1926 in So. Milwaukee, (Refer to the Megow genealogical Records for full details on this Family.
Jeanette Martha Megow, born May 13, 1927
Harland Edward Megow, " Feb. 15, 1930
Laurie Ann Megow, born Dec. 4, 1933
Marjorie Louise Megow, " July 29, 1948
- 17- MATTHEW IVAN POTTER, was born Aug. 10, 1907 in South Milwaukee, he married Lorraine Annette Luscher, Sept. 30, 1933 in Whitefish Bay, Wis. Their children follows:
18- Lynn Potter, born June 15, 1936, she married Ronald Allen Palmtier on Apr. 30, 1964, in Honolulu, Hawaii. Their children follow:
Mark Andrew Palmatier, born Nov. 29, 1965 in Honolulu.
Lara Christine, born Dec. 13, 1966 in Honolulu,
Jonathan Luke Palmatier, born Nov. 28, 1971 in Kailua, Hawaii.
- 19- John Matthew Potter, born Sept. 22, 1939 in Milwaukee, he married Suzanne Elizabeth Spoden, Feb. 5, 1966, in Whitefish Bay, Wis.
19A- Sarah Irene Potter, born June 27, 1970, N.Y.City
- 20- Janice Lorraine Potter, born Sept. 17, 1944 in Milwaukee, she married John Andrew Goshinski, Jan. 11, 1971 in Kailua, Hawaii, Divorced in Aug. 1973
Karin Janelle Goshinski, born Oct. 1, 1971 in Honolulu.
- 21- Beatrice Louise Potter, born Nov. 6, 1911 in South Milwaukee, she married Herbert Henry Strelow, Sept. 15, 1934 in So. Milwaukee. Their Children follow:
Philip James Strelow, born May 22, 1938 in Milwaukee, he married Sharon Ann Heath Weigel on May 20, 1963. The following children of Sharon Weigel and adopted by Philip.
Sally, born Dec. 14, 1956
Lisa, " Jan. 6, 1959
The following child is of Sharon and Philip
Mathew, born Jan. 13, 1963 in So. Milwaukee,
Philip and Sharon were divorced in 1973.
Judith Ann Strelow, born Sept. 1, 1940 in Milwaukee, married to Kenneth Jouts, June 16, 1963 in So. Milwaukee. Their children follow:
Susann, born July 19, 1963 in So. Milwaukee.
Stephen, " Feb. 24, 1967
Amy, " Apr. 10, 1970 in Dayton, Ohio.

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21- Peatrice Louise Potter, (con't)

Michael Herbert Strelow, born Mar. 1, 1943 in Milwaukee, married Lynn A. Roberts of Birmingham, Mich. on Aug. 19, 1967. Their child follows:

Elizabeth Sarah Strelow, born Jan. 10, 1973 in Barcelona, Spain.

Mary Ruth Strelow, born June 29, 1947 in Milwaukee
Virgil W. Johnson, Aug. 9, 1969 in Glen Ellyn, Ill.
 Their child follows:

Eric Michael Johnson, born Sept. 11, 1972 in Milwaukee.

Third Marriage of Matthew Potter #7

Matthew Nelson Potter, married Rosa, Frederica, Wilhemia, Clara, Emma Friedhoff, Sept. 9, 1914 in So. Milwaukee, She was the daughter of Karl Friedhoff and Lizette Witte. They had three children which follow:

22- Dean Lincoln Potter, born Mar. 18, 1918 in So. Milwaukee, he married Geraldine Elizabeth Fitzgerald of So. Milwaukee on April 13, 1940. Their children follow:

23- James Dean Potter, born Jan. 14, 1941 in So. Milwaukee, he married Sharon Grace Waldron, June 30, 1962 in So. Milwaukee, their children follow:

24- Jayne Diane Potter, born June 6, 1964 in S. Milwaukee

25- Carole Jean Potter, " July 22 1967 in " "

26- William Matthew Potter, " Nov. 14, 1942 in " "

he married Kathleen Margaret Olsen, June 19, 1965 in Racine, Wis. Their children are as follows:

27- Mishael Dean Potter, born Dec. 30, 1969 in "

28- Matthew William Potter, " Oct. 7, 1971 "

29- Allison Marie Potter, " Sept 11, 1973 "

30- Mary Louise Potter, born June 18, 1945 in S. Milwaukee

31- Margaret Ellen Potter, born June 7, 1950 " "

32- Kathleen Ann Potter, born Nov. 23, 1953 " "

33- Matthew Nelson Potter, born Nov. 7, 1957 " "

34- Iraleen Lizette Potter, born Aug. 26, 1921 in " "
 married Francis Joseph Caveney, Aug. 16, 1941. Children follow:

James Matthew Caveney, born June 19, 1943 in Milwaukee

married Kathleen Frances Stoeger, June 1, 1968 in

West Allis, Wisc. Their child follows:

Jodi Ann Caveney, born Dec. 7, 1972 in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

35- Richard Grant Potter, born Feb. 1, 1924 in Milwaukee, married Theodora Lorraine Boden on Nov. 1, 1942 in S. Milwaukee, their children are as follows:

36- Gene Walter Potter, born Sept. 15, 1951 in " "

married Lorelle Ann Spradley, Sept. 7, 1973 in "

37- Patricia Ross Potter, born Aug. 11, 1952 in Bradenton, Fla.

38- Sandra Claire Potter, " June 8, 1955 in S. Milwaukee

39- Janet Marie Potter, born May 25, 1957 in " "

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