

BRENNER—JAMES  
GENEALOGY

*By*

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*and*

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# DEDICATION



*We dedicate this little "Labor of Love" to*

OUR

*Father and Mother*

Not because they were different, but because they led us to believe that they were just like other honest hard working folks, who are doing the best they know to build a Christian America.

Monta Brenner Coblentz

Allen Lewis Brenner

Bertha Brenner Fleming

Clarence Edward Brenner

(We regret that our sister Kathryn isn't here  
to join us)

## *Our Father*



1879

**P**OSSESSING AN unusually strong and hardy physique and an uncommonly cheerful disposition, he was always in the thick of the toughest job. He always chose the hardest assignments for himself, and by his cheerful banter, made a “game” out of everything he did; always trying to beat some previous score.

He was quick to seize responsibility and to take his place where the need was, whether it happened to be in hard work, in the church, or in the civic community.

His life was spent in farming (where a lot of the land had to be cleared of the heavy Indiana Virgin Forest) and in operating threshing machines, clover huller, well drill, and saw mill.

As the Sunday School Superintendent for many years, as Elder for many years, as Master of the Masonic Lodge, as a Civic Citizen, or wherever he was, he was a definite disciple of the great American Democracy, that is found at it's best in the Middle West (so the natives there say).

To him the only aristocracy was the aristocracy of character; the only excellence is that of the heart. No person is better than another, except as he serves better; is a better workman; a better neighbor; a better child of God. The true aristocrat is he who loves people most—who will go farthest to help.

His quick sense of humor, his hearty laugh, those bright twinkles in his eye, when coupled with a great sincerity of purpose, such as his was, were recognized by his associates as a great contribution to the common cause of cooperation and harmony and neighborliness.

## *Our Mother*



1929

LET US SAY that our early memories of her begin in 1891-2. Her children were then 11-9-7-3-1 years old. She got a desperate case of typhoid, a vicious enemy in those days. For weeks her life hung in doubtful balance.

During those weeks we saw "Character" in action which was beyond our understanding then, but which, later in our adult years, we could recognize as a heroic figure.

In that crisis, she told us of her ideals and ambitions; of the struggle she was going to make to get well, just for her youngsters—to see to it that they got their chance for an education, if they wanted one. She later said the Lord answered her prayer that she might carry on as His trustee.

Along with her indomitable courage—probably her most outstanding characteristic—she tried to plant in us some other spiritual



values; faith, poise, fortitude, ambition, accomplishment, love of our fellow men, and belief in them.

She taught us that our talents, such as they were, our education, our opportunities, were not ours—in fee simple. They were a trusteeship; they were merely loaned out to us as a trustee, for us to use to benefit someone else.

Her interest in young people remained keen right up to the end. With her—any youngster who was ambitious, deserved a helping hand. After her own children were grown, she found new ways to have worthy youngsters around her that she could help to get an education. She was a great sharer.

Never idle herself, she taught that idleness and extravagance were a real loss of health and happiness. She loved to see things grow. She loved to see people grow. With her, life was always a growth for everyone. Obstacles were just so many things to overcome—as our Pioneers overcame the wilderness.

It was her firm conviction that in the next world we will do our best “Growing and Sharing.”

## *Our Home*



First Row—Allen Brenner; William Wurtsbaugh; Ray Hall; Elmer Pritchard.  
Second Row—Earl Maupin; Bertha Brenner; Joe Fleming; Earl Reynolds;  
Monta Brenner, Pianist.  
Back Row, Left to Right—Prof. Harry Evans, H. S. Principal, Director;  
Kathryn Brenner; Grace Peterson; Rae Fleming; Fleta Hartley.

**T**HE HOME in which we were reared was always open to friends—to laughter and merriment. Anything in the way of music was given top priority.

The group picture here shown is that of “The Honeysuckle Orchestra.” It developed as an outgrowth of our Mother’s love of music. As children we were taught that the younger members of the family have a responsibility for contributing to the welfare of the group, just as much as the parents have.

These contributions were supposed to be made in any way that would promote the peace, harmony, love, understanding, unselfishness, and devotion that go to make up a happy and useful social group.

This responsibility which the youngsters can assume, was first recognized in our home by our sister Monta. (She didn't write this and wanted it left out, but she was out voted, and the statement remains, because it is the fact.)

She sold us the idea of a family orchestra. Having started that, she drew in other friends who were likewise lovers of music, merriment, social contacts, and community affairs. The "Honeysuckle" was the result.

We assume that it was "amateurish" in its performance, but as it played in the homes, schools, and the churches throughout the country, it brought to each of us a better grasp of what the Home, School, and Church, were trying to teach us.

And our parents loved it, they never got enough of it.

# The Purpose of This Compilation

IF WE WERE to take the Biblical life-span of 70 years, and superimpose it over the period of, say, 1875 to 1945, we would see what could almost be called a phenomenon unparalleled in any historical period.

At the beginning of that span we see an America that was considered rough and uncouth by other nations. We were far behind Germany in Science, Learning, Research, Music, and Industrial Efficiency. We were an infant alongside England in Political Strategy and Colonial Empire building, in finance, or naval organization. We sent our keenest men to Europe twice a year or more to ask those nations what we should do next.

In fact, we were without the “know-how” of other nations. They were way out in front of us. All our college graduates who wanted to go on after advanced Degrees, were compelled to go abroad for their courses of study and training.

Seventy years later we find the situation reversed. We are so far out in front it frightens us. The entire world is either asking us to help carry them, or afraid to let their chain-gangs get a look at our way of doing.

It seems there can be but two reasons to explain this 70-year phenomenon. The first is the outstanding characteristic of America—opportunity for the the individual and the high value placed upon individual worth. The second is—God.

The individual there emerges as the average American. He is the hero of this American Epic that is new in the World’s History. The little effort spent in the gathering and publication of the data contained in this book has been activated by some hopes and by many encouragements, viz:—

1. Interest in life must necessarily begin close at home, among our own families. However broad our interests may become, interest in our own blood must remain, if society is to ever learn the meaning of kin, and the regard for the other fellow.
2. Since the people whose names are recorded here are just Average Americans, it has been our hope that we might give some slight flesh-and-blood concreteness to what would otherwise be an indefinite abstraction; a mere name. Of necessity there are many omissions, due to the information being unavailable. But what we were able to get are offered as your own kin—just Average Americans.

In such life-histories as we have been able to secure, we have made an effort to re-create the stage settings and scenic effects there in existence at the time each character herein is presented.

Such being the case, we have tried to share the thoughts of each individual as they were presenting their role on the stage in the years allotted to them.

3. Sharing their thoughts, then it is hoped that you will see in this roster a glimpse of how these Average Americans played their individual roles in this epochal drama that has been and is taking place; and as, in God's wisdom, one person always takes inspiration from another, it is hoped that it may help you in your assigned role, to watch the stage a bit and see how those before you played it.

4. Booth Tarkington, about whom you will read later, gave this as the credo of his life:—"To Communicate to someone else your interpretation of life."

Will you, in kindness and in sympathy for the frailties of your own flesh and blood, allow the characters herein to walk across the stage and present to you their 'interpretations'?

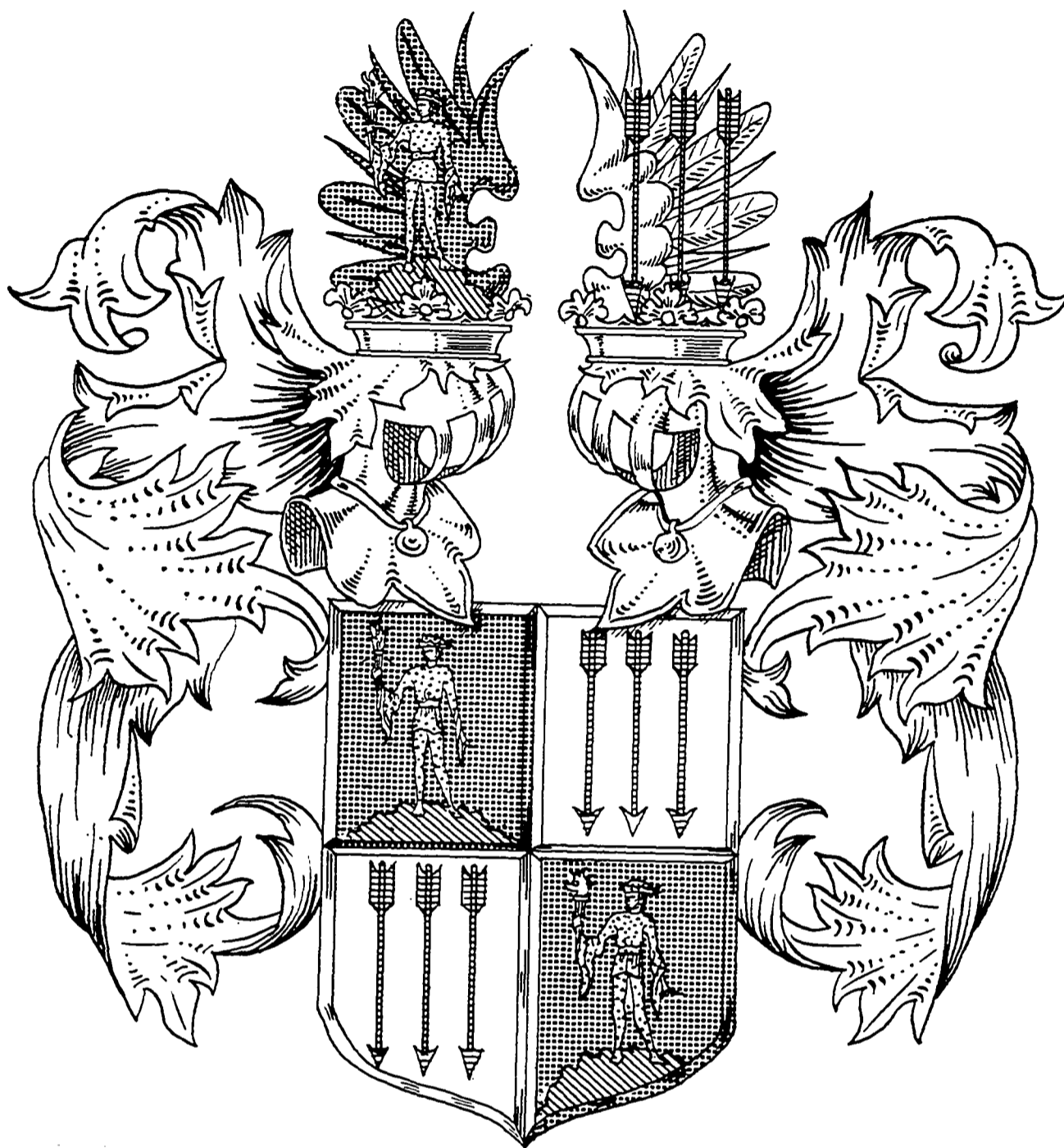
## Family Records

The difficulties that we have encountered in gathering the data given so briefly in this book led us to suggest and urge that efforts be made for the better preservation of family records.

Formerly our ancestors kept their names and dates religiously set down in their family bibles, while the churches kept records of births, baptisms, and marriages. The people were anchored to the soil, and had a fixed abiding place.

But every passing year makes it more difficult to keep track of families. People have cut loose in ever wider migrations, and individuals are quickly lost in our more dense and less stable population.

We believe that you will all find yourselves repaid many times over for the efforts you make to keep your family records in some permanent form, available for those who come after you.



## Brenner

### The Brenner Coat-of-Arms

The authentic Coat-of-Arms of the family of Brenner, anciently seated at Wirtenburg, Germany, and as borne by the descendants of Philip Adam Brenner, are reproduced herewith.

They consist of a quartered shield No. 1 and No. 4 being a man habited in gold with a chapeau, standing on a green mound holding an illuminated torch.

No. 2 and No. 3 are silver, charged with three blue arrows. There are two crests, instead of the conventional one.

1. A half wing charged with the arms of (1 or 4) and mantling gold and black.

2. Out of gold coronet, half a wing charged with the arms of (2 or 3) mantling silver and blue.

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## The Brenners in Germany, Switzerland and Holland

Fifty years ago, a traveler through the Rhine Valley would wonder why a people should wish to leave so fair a place, possessing:

1. Vast natural resources.
2. Highly cultivated fields.
3. Charming scenic beauty.
4. Old castles from a once feudal dignity.

Then add the fact that for generations these people had exemplified discipline, intelligence, kindness, solid substantial worth, excelling in art, science, music, literature, business and engineering.

The answer to the immense migrations to America can be written in two words—FIRE and BLOOD. For over one thousand years, that region was called “The Cockpit of Europe.” It was the prize for which Romans, Gauls, Germans, Goths, etc. have fought and counter-fought. No matter what nations declared war, the scene of battle was almost invariably transferred to this rich section.

The crimes committed in that section, due to imperial wars and the worse fanaticism of state religious intolerance, are unparalleled in the history of human savagery.

In the midst of all this, Martin Luther started his violent Reformation surge in 1517 with his ninety-seven Theses nailed to the church door in Wittenberg.

The ferocious bloody struggle that followed released great waves of liberating and irradiating energy, for both good and evil. At the “St. Bartholomew’s Massacre,” ten thousand Protestants were murdered in one day. That period witnessed the revolt of the Dutch Republic: It saw the war between Protestant England and Catholic Spain, and the history-making sinking of the Armada: It saw prolonged civil wars in Scotland, France, Switzerland, and in Germany the “30 Years War.”

Out of this fury of death and destruction came a social transformation. A new class appeared in the world—the Middle Class. It arose out of the Protestant Religion, with its accent on individual responsibility, industry, and sobriety.

Prior to that the Bible was unknown to all but a few select Latin scholars. Out of it came the translations and the art of printing, to spread the word to the stirred multitudes. This new Middle Class found in the Book that the virtues of initiative, thrift, prudence, probity, and sober living were pleasing to God.

This released energy of the new spirit and the new class was destined to leap the Atlantic Ocean and push across a new continent where the new dignity of the individual could have a chance, under God, to become a way of life.

The Brenners were destined to play a part in that exodus migration of the new "Middle Class" to try their hand at a Democracy.

## The Brenner Family

An examination of the many Brenner records reveals the fact that the family makes no claim to any special distinction. Our ancestors in Southern Germany and Switzerland—where the Brenner name was quite common—emerged into that "New Middle Class" after the Reformation.

In America they were plain, every day, loyal Americans of the frugal, practical German type. Most of them were farmers or artisans in comfortable circumstances. They owned their own farms and tilled them themselves with energy and initiative—or plied their crafts with their best possible skill. They seem to have been generously aware of the sense of responsibility to make a contribution to the welfare of the Nation which had nurtured them.

We find them pretty generally active in church work and charitable enterprises. Church rolls are filled with their names at every place we pick them up. In the obituaries and historical sketches, we find in them a strong desire to implant in their children a sense of uprightness, honor, integrity, and public-spirited responsibility.

We also find a tradition placing high value upon education, and an effort to prepare their children to meet the conditions of life as they shall find them, just as their forebears met the conditions of life in their own day and generation.

## The Brenners in America

Prof. I. Daniel Rupp, an early historian, compiled a book entitled, "A Collection of Upwards of 30,000 Names of German, Swiss, Dutch, French, and other immigrants to Pennsylvania from 1727 to 1776."

On page 85, he lists what seems to be the first Brenner colonist—one Hans Casper Brenner, arrived at Philadelphia, August 19, 1733, on the ship Samuel from London. He settled in Lancaster County,



Pennsylvania, had a large family, many of his sons going into Maryland and Virginia. Prof. Rupp then lists many other Brenners arriving soon afterward.

Peter Kalm, Swedish professor in the University of Abo, in Volume I—"Travels in America 1747-48," says:—

"New York has been inhabited much longer than Pennsylvania, yet is not nearly so populous. The reason is that in Queen Ann's time, about 1709, many Germans came to New York, obtained land and settled. After a time, when their houses, corn fields, and meadows became valuable, their rights were infringed, and under many pretenses their property and land were confiscated. They became incensed, and beat the government agents, and scores were arrested and punished.

"This exasperated the rest, and almost the entire German population left New York and settled in Pennsylvania. There they were well treated, and received great privileges. They wrote home, advising friends and relatives to come to Pennsylvania instead of New York. This had such an influence that the Germans who went in great numbers to North America constantly avoided New York, and always went to Pennsylvania."

William Penn was himself a proficient German scholar, and visited Germany three or four times to tell his wonder tales of religious and political freedom, and of the rich farm lands of Pennsylvania. That would help explain the fact as shown by the early records, the Brenners of Lancaster County were practically all followers of the Luthern Reformation faith.

These early records also state that, "Those Germans knew good land." They picked out the fertile, heavily timbered soil in the valleys, preferring the harder work and greater expense to make it into farms. They by-passed the less fertile, more hilly, and more easily cleared sections."

"They worked westward along the Schuylkill, out along the Susquehanna, into the counties of York, Lancaster, Montgomery, Berks, and Cumberland."

"Later, Lord Fairfax opened up invitations to them to come to Virginia. Several Brenners went there from Lancaster County and all seemed to have settled in Frederick County, Virginia."

Casper Brenner seems to have obtained the first Virginia grant in 1750 or 1751. In Casper's deed, his name got changed to BRANNER, due to the fact the old German writing was notoriously hard to read.

Casper Branner (under the new name) and his line stayed in Virginia and worked southward. In 1913, one of his descendants in the fifth generation, John Casper Branner, Professor at Indiana University from 1885 to 1891, later Vice-President and President

of Stanford University, California, printed a genealogy of 469 pages, containing only the line of the above Casper.

In his book the man explains how the Brenner got changed to BRANNER. One interesting historical fact is found in it: eighty-seven Branners from the Casper line fought in the Confederate Army; and five in the Union Army.

## Serial Numbers

Each branch on this "tree" has been given a serial number. The number of digits in the number signifies what generation it is. Each digit in the pedigree denotes the position of the child in that particular family.

The advantage of this system of numbering is that it is not an arbitrary assignment of numbers. Each number has a meaning.

Let us take as an example one of the newest branches of the "tree"—Sally Ann Brenner. She is a "Daughter of the Mayflower" though her great-grandmother, Carrie Mantor, and she carries the number 1-1-4-3-6-9-2-2, which is built up thus:

- 1—Philip Adam Brenner
- 1—Philip—First child of Philip Adam
- 4—Jacob—Fourth child of Philip
- 3—John—Third child of Jacob
- 6—John J.—Sixth child of John
- 9—James Emmet—Ninth child of John J.
- 2—John Marshall—Second child of "Jim"
- 2—Sally Ann—Second child of "Jack"

Incidentally, I am informed that, as of the moment, she is quite unconcerned about all this, as she is enjoying her new home in California.

Whenever a cipher appears at the end of a number, it denotes a member who has married into the family.

LINEAGE DESCENT  
REGISTER  
OF THE  
BRENNER FAMILIES

FIRST GENERATION

1.  
PHILIP ADAM BRENNER  
B—  
D—January 24, 1778  
  
ANNA MARIA RUDISELL

SECOND GENERATION

(1) PHILIP BRENNER  
(2) GEORGE BRENNER  
(3) ADAM BRENNER  
(4) CHRISTOPHER BRENNER  
(5) MARIA CATHERINE BRENNER

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SECOND GENERATION

1-1.  
PHILIP BRENNER  
B—  
M—  
D—November 18, 1818

ANA ELIZABETH KEMPLER

THIRD GENERATION

(1) LEWIS BRENNER  
B—July 5, 1771  
M—Dorothy Replogle  
  
(2) PHILIP BRENNER, JR.  
B—  
  
(3) GEORGE BRENNER  
B—1776  
M—Barbara -----  
  
(4) JACOB BRENNER  
B—1778  
M—Elizabeth -----  
  
(5) SIMON BRENNER  
B—November 26, 1783  
M—Elizabeth (Maddux)  
(Matthews)

### THIRD GENERATION

1-1-1.

LEWIS BRENNER

B—July 5, 1771

M—

D—July 23, 1834

In Shearer Cemetery,  
Montgomery County, Ohio

DOROTHY REPLOGLE

B—1771

D—May 14, 1852

### FOURTH GENERATION

- (1) JACOB S. BRENNER  
B—1801  
M—Sarah Ann Matthews
  - (2) MICHAEL BRENNER  
B—1805  
M—Mary Booher  
2nd wife—Elizabeth Cob-  
lentz
  - (3) CATHARINE BRENNER  
B—  
M—Henry Brandenburg
  - (4) ELIZABETH BRENNER  
B—  
M—John Aughe
  - (5) SARAH BRENNER  
B—  
M—Bartholomew Booher
  - (6) NANCY BRENNER  
B—  
M—George Replogle
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1-1-3.

GEORGE BRENNER

B—1776

M—

D—September 28, 1840

BARBARA -----

B—1774

D—March 3, 1861

In old Lutheran Churchyard,  
New Providence, Perry Twp.

- (1) CHRISTINA BRENNER  
B—1811  
D—December 23, 1832

### THIRD GENERATION

1-1-4.

JACOB BRENNER

B—1778

M—

D—October 18, 1846

ELIZABETH -----

B—1769

D—April 16, 1857

### FOURTH GENERATION

(1) SAMUEL BRENNER

B—

M—Mary Dunkerly

(2) NANCY BRENNER

M—Frederick Everly—  
Feb. 24, 1820

(3) JOHN (JOHANNES) BRENNER

B—March 2, 1800

M—Frances Itnier

(4) HENRY BRENNER

M—Bessie Itnier

(5) ELIZABETH BRENNER

B—

M—Wm. Black

(6) RACHAEL BRENNER

B—

M—David Itnier—  
Jan. 15, 1824

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1-1-5.

SIMON BRENNER

B—November 26, 1783

M—

D—February 16, 1836

ELIZABETH (MATTHEWS)  
(MADDUX)

B—November 5, 1782

D—December 3, 1852

Buried in Bethel Cemetery

(1) JOHN BRENNER

B—January 7, 1806

M—Catharine Rickhart

(Moved to Illinois in 1831)

(2) CATHARINE BRENNER

B—February 20, 1811

M—Joseph Hughes

(3) PETER BRENNER

B—September 9, 1812

M—Hannah Henderson

(Moved to Illinois in 1832)

- (4) NANCY BRENNER  
B—February 8, 1814  
M—Peter Wright
- (5) PHILIP BRENNER  
B—July 18, 1815  
M—Sally Fogle  
(Moved to Wells County,  
Indiana)
- (6) JOSEPH BRENNER  
B—November 12, 1817  
M—Martha Ann Smith  
(Moved to Jay County,  
Indiana)
- (7) ELIZABETH BRENNER  
B—November 15, 1819  
M—Wm. Coleman  
(Moved to Linn County,  
Iowa)
- (8) ELIAS BRENNER  
B—September 18, 1821  
M—Barbara Detrick
- (9) DAVID BRENNER  
B—May 30, 1823  
M—Lucy Blanchard

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS

1-1-1-1.

JACOB S. BRENNER  
B—1801  
M—September 18, 1826  
D—April 9, 1875

SARAH ANN MATTHEWS  
B—1810  
D—May 15, 1873

In Bethel Reformed Church  
Cemetery, Montgomery  
County, Ohio; nine miles  
from Dayton

- (1) MARGARET ANN BRENNER  
B—  
M—Bartholomew Wilson
- (2) SARAH ANN BRENNER  
B—  
M—----- Dinsmore
- (3) JOHN LEWIS BRENNER  
B—February 2, 1832  
M—Josephine Moore

- (4) WILLIAM BRENNER  
M—Susan Mills
- (5) HENRY BRENNER  
M—Mary -----
- (6) SIMON BRENNER  
M—Elizabeth Swann
- (7) MARY JANE BRENNER  
M—Dennis Johnson
- (8) CHARLOTTE BRENNER

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS

1-1-1-2.

MICHAEL BRENNER

B—1805

M—October 25, 1825

D—May 16, 1870

MARY BOOHER

B—1806

D—September 13, 1851

Both buried in Beardshear Cemetery, near Willowview

2nd Wife

ELIZABETH COBLENTZ

B—1808

D—1884

All children were by Mary

- (1) BARTHOLOMEW BRENNER  
B—June 22, 1827  
M—Anna Margaret Slutman
- (2) ELIZABETH BRENNER  
B—1829—D—1915  
M—Isaiah Wilson
- (3) DANIEL BRENNER  
B—1831  
(Never married)
- (4) SARAH BRENNER  
B—1834  
M—John Roof
- (5) MARY BRENNER  
B—1836  
M—Henry Bond
- (6) JOHN B. BRENNER  
B—1838  
M—ELIZABETH FISHER



- (7) JACOB BRENNER  
B—1844  
M—Hannah Black
- (8) MARGARET BRENNER  
B—1846  
M—David Rankin
- (9) MICHAEL BRENNER, JR.  
B—1848  
M—Elizabeth Singer
- (10) JESSE BRENNER  
B—1849  
M—Sarah Wilson

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS

1-1-1-5.

SARAH BRENNER

B—

M—June 19, 1828

D—

BARTHOLOMEW BOOHER

B—1807

D—1861

(1) MARY BOOHER

B—1829

M—Samuel L. French

(2) ELIZABETH BOOHER

B—1831—D—1909

M—John Roberts

(3) JOHN BOOHER

B—1833—D—1921

M—Harelta Rensch

(4) SARAH BOOHER

B—1835

M—Noah Kingery

(5) ELIZA BOOHER

B—1837, D—1929

M—John Rohrer

(6) LEVI BOOHER

B—1840

M—Elizabeth Lentz

- (7) ISAAC BOOHER  
B—1842  
M—Sarah Sanker
- (8) CATHERINE BOOHER  
B—1844, D—1845
- (9) MARIAH BOOHER  
B—1847, D—1909  
M—Oreson McElfresh
- (10) MALISSA BOOHER  
B—1849, D—1928  
M—Wm. Haun
- (11) NOAH BOOHER  
B—1851

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3.

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB

JOHN (JOHANNES) BRENNER  
B—March 2, 1800  
M—January 31, 1822  
D—September 15, 1884

FRANCES ITNIER (EITNER)  
(or)

FANNY ETNIRE  
B—September 19, 1800  
D—November 1, 1851

(1) DAVID M. BRENNER  
B—January 10, 1823  
M—Artemia Cloyd

(2) JACOB BRENNER  
B—March 12, 1825  
M—Suzanne James

(3) SAMUEL BRENNER  
B—March 27, 1827  
M—Mary Jane Pugh

(4) MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER  
B—February 6, 1829  
M—Elijah Gunn

(5) ELIZA BRENNER  
B—September 6, 1833  
M—Will Pugh  
Re-M—Robert French

- (6) JOHN J. BRENNER  
 B—September 7, 1835  
 M—Sarah Jane Keeney  
 Re-M—Carrie Mantor
- (7) EPHRAIM LEONARD BRENNER  
 B—January 14, 1838  
 M—Ruth Ann Armstrong
- (8) SARAH CATHARINE BRENNER  
 B—July 13, 1841  
 M—William Dunn  
 Homesteaded in Kansas and  
 Oklahoma

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB

1-1-4-4.

HENRY BRENNER  
 M—December 24, 1822

(1) CATHARINE BRENNER  
 M—Thomas J. Black

BESSIE ITNIER  
 D—March 14, 1864

(2) HENRY BRENNER, JR.  
 M—Sarah A. Booher

Buried in Beardshear Cemetery in Ohio

FOURTH GENERATION

FIFTH GENERATION

1-1-5-8.

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—SIMON

ELIAS BRENNER  
 (Name written Branner)  
 B—September 18, 1821  
 D—September 13, 1891

(1) CATHARINE BRENNER  
 B—1846  
 M—Bartholomew Wilson

BARBARA DETRICK  
 B—January 18, 1818  
 D—November 8, 1887  
 Buried in Bethel Cemetery,  
 Montgomery County, Ohio

(2) JOHN BRENNER  
 B—1848  
 M—Margaret Houser

(3) ANDREW J. BRENNER  
 B—1850  
 (Moved to Indiana)

- (4) GEORGE BRENNER  
B—1853  
D—February 22, 1870
- (5) SARAH BRENNER  
B—1857  
D—October 13, 1872
- (6) ANNA BRENNER  
M—Mr. Cram or Oram
- (7) MARY BRENNER  
M—Mr. Nell
- (8) ELIZABETH BRENNER  
M—Mr. Filbrun

FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS—JACOB S.

1-1-1-1-1.

MARGARET ANN BRENNER

(1) HENRY WILSON

BARTHOLOMEW WILSON

(Lives at Sulphur Grove,  
Ohio)

1-1-1-1-3.

JOHN LEWIS BRENNER

(1) STAUNTON BRENNER

B—February 2, 1832

D—November 1, 1906

(2) JOHN M. BRENNER

Was Congressman from Ohio  
for many years.

(3) CHARLES BRENNER

JOSEPHINE MOORE

(4) WALTER M. BRENNER

1-1-1-1-4.

WILLIAM BRENNER

B—

M—

D—

SUSAN MILLS

B—

D—

(1) GEORGE BRENNER  
M—Ella McDonald

(2) CHARLES O. BRENNER  
M—ESTELLE SINKS  
Re-M—Julia Becker

(3) EMMA J. BRENNER  
M—H. G. Caylor

(4) LAURA J. BRENNER  
M—W. S. Fry

(5) BIRDIE BRENNER  
M—Howard Deeson

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FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS—JACOB S.

1-1-1-1-5.

HENRY BRENNER

MARY -----

(1) OSCAR BRENNER

(2) ANNA BRENNER

(3) NETTIE BRENNER

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1-1-1-1-6.

SIMON BRENNER

B—

M—March, 1870

D—

Ex-Senator and Representative  
from Montgomery County.

ELIZABETH SWANN

B—

D—

(1) MARIETTA BRENNER  
M—Howard Good

(2) MAY W. BRENNER  
M—Roscoe Bond (M.D.)

(3) ALBERT BRENNER  
M—Edna Smith

(4) SIMON BRENNER  
M—Emma Ketlig

(5) LENA B. BRENNER  
(Never married)

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1-1-1-1-7.

MARY JANE BRENNER

DENNIS JOHNSON

(1) HENRY JOHNSON

(2) JACOB JOHNSON

(3) OSCAR JOHNSON

(4) CLEM JOHNSON

FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—LEWIS—MICHAEL

1-1-1-2-1.

BARTHOLOMEW BRENNER

B—June 22, 1827

M—

D—August 6, 1897

ANNA MARGARET SLUTMAN

B—June 27, 1824

D—May 8, 1912

(1) JOHN P. BRENNER

B—1849

M—Maria Black

(2) HENRY BRENNER

B—1853

M—Myrtle Sharp

(3) MARY BRENNER

B—1857, D—1929

(4) ALICE BRENNER

(5) ANDREW BRENNER

Twins

B—1860

D—

1-1-1-2-6.

JOHN B. BRENNER

B—1838

M—

D—

ELIZABETH FISHER

B—

D—

(1) JESSE BRENNER

B—1872

M—

(2) HARLEY BRENNER

B—1880

M—Millie North

2nd Wife—Clara A. Hanes

1-1-1-2-7.

JACOB BRENNER

B—1844

M—

D—

HANNAH BLACK

(1) OLIVE BRENNER

B—1869

M—Henry Slutman

(2) FRANK BRENNER

M—Clara Little

1-1-1-2-9.  
 MICHAEL BRENNER, JR.  
 B—1848  
 ELIZABETH SINGER

- (1) ALBERT BRENNER  
 M—Bessie -----  
 (2) Wm. Brenner  
 M—Bessie Williams

1-1-1-2-10.  
 JESSE BRENNER  
 B—1849  
 M—  
 D—

SARAH PANG  
 B—  
 D—

- (1) HARRY BRENNER  
 B—1882  
 M—Maud Mores  
 (2) RUBY BRENNER  
 B—1884  
 M—John O. Elliott  
 (3) JESSIE M. BRENNER  
 B—1888  
 M—

FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN

1-1-4-3-1.  
 DAVID M. BRENNER  
 B—January 10, 1823  
 M—June 25, 1844  
 D—May 8, 1891

ARTIMETIA CLOYD  
 B—March 17, 1818  
 D—October 21, 1890

Graves in Onarga, Illinois  
 Cemetery

- (1) CORDELIA BRENNER  
 B—April 29, 1845  
 D—October 19, 1847  
 (2) SCOTT BRENNER (Pharma-  
 cist)  
 B—September 25, 1848  
 D—July 6, 1913  
 M—Jennie -----  
 B—April 5, 1853  
 (3) WILLIAM LEROY BRENNER  
 B—July 14, 1851  
 M—Hattie Leona  
 Witherby  
 (4) NORA FRANCIS BRENNER  
 B—November 14, 1853  
 M—Charles Emory  
 Barnum

FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN

1-1-4-3-2.

\*JACOB BRENNER

B—March 12, 1825

M—November 23, 1847

D—February 22, 1891

(1) MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER

B—September 26, 1849

M—George Washington Steeley

\*SUZANNE JAMES

B—January 8, 1830

D—January 20, 1914

(2) CYNTHIA FRANCES BRENNER

B—October 10, 1851

M—George Washington Bowlus

(3) JOHN S. T. BRENNER

B—March 26, 1854

D—September 21, 1854

(4) MARTHA JANE BRENNER

B—August 10, 1856

M—Joel M. Routzahn

(5) JACOB HUGH BRENNER

B—April 23, 1859

M—Jennie Rebecca Remsberg

(6) WILLIAM HARVEY BRENNER

B—April 17, 1863

M—Grace Leverta Maud Biser

(7) MINNIE MAY BRENNER

B—December 30, 1870

M—Victor Biser



## FIFTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-3.

SAMUEL BRENNER

B—March 27, 1827

M—September 10, 1852

D—December 22, 1855

MARY JANE PUGH

B—

D—

## SIXTH GENERATION

(1) WM. HENRY BRENNER

B—August 22, 1853

M—Adalaide Myers

(Moved to Colorado Springs)

1-1-4-3-4.

MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER

B—February 6, 1829

M—June 3, 1852

D—March 22, 1915

ELIJAH GUNN

B—July 30, 1819

D—December 15, 1901

(1) JOHN HENRY GUNN

B—April 18, 1854

M—Adda Cooper

(2) SOPHIA FRANCES GUNN

B—July 2, 1857

M—Lafayette Cronkhite

(3) MARY ELIZABETH GUNN

B—August 3, 1859

M—Jesse Cooper

(4) EPHRAIM LEONARD GUNN

B—August 5, 1863

D—August 14, 1863

1-1-4-3-5.

ELIZA BRENNER

B—September 6, 1833

M—April 18, 1854

D—September 17, 1905

WILLIAM PUGH

B—

D—Killed in Civil War

Buried in the South

(1) JOHN PUGH

B—January 5, 1856

D—July 16, 1923

(2) FRANCES ELIZABETH PUGH

B—March 27, 1858

M—William Thornburgh

2nd Husband

ROBERT FRENCH

B—

M—

D—

At Hoopeston, Illinois

(3) IDA FRENCH

B—

M— . . . . . BUTTERWORTH

D—February 11, 1900

(4) ROBERT FRENCH, JR.

B—

M—Elsie Gunn

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1-1-4-3-6.

JOHN J. BRENNER

B—September 7, 1835

M—November, 1858

D—October 23, 1906

SARAH JANE KEENEY

B—March 27, 1842

D—March 7, 1881

(1) JOHN SCOTT BRENNER

B—October 23, 1859

M—Margaret Crisler

(2) MARY ALICE BRENNER

B—February 22, 1861

M—Robert Crisler

(3) ANDREW JACKSON BRENNER

B—May 29, 1862

M—Ella Holmes

(4) CHARLES BRENNER

B—October 15, 1867

(Died in infancy)

(5) MATTIE BRENNER

B—July 31, 1869

M—Ira Taylor

(6) BERT LEMON BRENNER

B—October 23, 1875

M—Glenn Porter

(7) CLAREMONT BRENNER

B—February 12, 1879

M—

2nd Wife

CARRIE MANTOR

B—February 6, 1860

M—May 4, 1885

D—

In Jasper County, Indiana  
Mt. Ayr, between Rensselaer  
and Morocco.

(8) NINA BRENNER

B—April 6, 1887

D—August 31, 1899

(9) JAMES EMMET BRENNER

B—November 10, 1889

M—Florence Montana  
Marshall

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1-1-4-3-7.

EPHRAIM LEONARD BRENNER

B—January 14, 1838

M—June 7, 1866

D—November 13, 1913

(1) MARY FRANCES BRENNER

B—January 13, 1868

M—Lee William Lemna

RUTH ANN ARMSTRONG

B—March 18, 1848

D—April 13, 1932

(2) ELIZABETH MAE BRENNER

B—October 11, 1870

M—Wm. Curtis Keister—  
1895

(3) ELIJAH LEONARD BRENNER

B—December 7, 1871

M—Della Cronkhite—  
Aug. 29, 1893

D—March 8, 1944

Della, D—March 18, 1948

(4) ALPHARETTA RUTH BRENNER

B—December 5, 1873

M—Edward Hamblen—  
1894

(Moved to Grant County)

(5) ANNA ARTIMETIA BRENNER

B—September 30, 1883

M—William E. King

FIFTH GENERATION

SIXTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—HENRY

1-1-4-4-1.

CATHARINE BRENNER

B—

M—

D—

THOMAS J. BLACK

B—

D—

(1) MARY ELIZABETH BLACK

(2) MARTHA ANN BLACK  
B—August 22, 1847

(3) ELIZA J. BLACK  
B—September 2, 1851

(4) MARIA BLACK  
B—April 16, 1854  
M—John P. Brenner

(5) SARAH C. BLACK  
B—July 1, 1858

(6) HENRY W. BLACK  
B—October 12, 1863

1-1-4-4-2.

HENRY BRENNER, JR.

B—

M—

D—

SARAH A. BOOHER

B—

D—

(1) DANIEL W. BRENNER  
B—1852  
M—----- Lowry

(2) CATHARINE L. BRENNER  
B—1856  
M—Wm. Bauman

(3) LEVINA BRENNER  
B—1858  
M—Robert Gray

(4) WILLIAM H. BRENNER  
B—1861  
(Lives in Paulding Co., Ohio)

(5) GEORGE V. BRENNER  
B—1864 (Died young)

(6) ANNA F. BRENNER  
B—1867

(7) MARTHA BRENNER  
B—1870

(8) JESSIE W. BRENNER  
B—1873

(Lives in Paulding Co., Ohio)

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SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—DAVID

1-1-4-3-1-3.

WILLIAM LEROY BRENNER  
B—July 14, 1851  
M—April 15, 1885  
D—January 9, 1930

HATTIE LEONA WITHERBY  
B—August 4, 1862  
D—December 20, 1929

(1) CORAL GERTRUDE BRENNER  
B—April 15, 1886  
M—September 7, 1907  
To—James Leroy Graves  
B—May 10, 1883  
D—December 27, 1911  
Re-M—June 10, 1914  
To—Isaac Tucker Chapple  
B—July 12, 1890

(2) SHIRLEY ARTIMETIA BRENNER  
B—September 15, 1888  
D—June 3, 1944  
M—January 3, 1914  
To—Charles Yeaman  
B—January 27, 1886

(3) CECIL CLOYD BRENNER  
B—July 1, 1889  
D—November 21, 1893

(4) GERALDINE DE ELVA BRENNER  
B—April 23, 1903  
M—Robert Wallace

SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

- (5) ROLLAND ROY BRENNER  
 B—October 18, 1905  
 D—March 8, 1949  
 M—June 24, 1946  
 To—Louise Connor

1-1-4-3-1-4.

NORA FRANCES BRENNER  
 B—November 14, 1853  
 M—October 30, 1873  
 D—July 24, 1934

- (1) CHARLES EMORY BARNUM,  
 JR.  
 B—April 7, 1880  
 D—January 13, 1905

CHARLES EMORY BARNUM  
 B—October 6, 1848  
 D—June 29, 1910

SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB

1-1-4-3-2-1.

MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER  
 B—September 26, 1849  
 M—September 15, 1867  
 D—February 29, 1920

- (1) WILLIAM JACOB STEELEY  
 B—March 11, 1870  
 M—Lillie Ritchie  
 Re-M—Eva Jeanette Oland

GEORGE WASHINGTON STEELEY  
 B—June 29, 1844  
 D—January 18, 1910

- (2) GEORGE ANDREW STEELEY  
 B—June 28, 1872  
 M—Margaret Ritchie  
 D—January 7, 1948

- (3) CORA ANN STEELEY  
 B—November 16, 1875  
 M—Harry Zufall

## SIXTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-2.

CYNTHIA FRANCES BRENNER

B—October 10, 1851

M—February 19, 1874

D—May 11, 1931

GEORGE WASHINGTON BOWLUS

B—December 7, 1850

D—August 28, 1918

## SEVENTH GENERATION

(1) CLARENCE MELVIN BOWLUS

B—May 30, 1876

M—Lillie Montrose Hoff

(2) CARL RAYMOND BOWLUS

B—September 11, 1883

D—August 10, 1910

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1-1-4-3-2-4.

MARTHA JANE BRENNER

B—August 10, 1856

M—March 13, 1877

D—March 12, 1942

JOEL M. ROUTZAHN

B—February 2, 1855

D—February 4, 1921

(1) EARL WM. ROUTZAHN

B—October 10, 1883

D—January 10, 1889

(2) PEARL ANN ROUTZAHN

B—February 28, 1885

M—Zona Davis

(3) GERTRUDE MAY ROUTZAHN

B—November 30, 1887

D—July 10, 1940

M—Howard Mendenhall

D—July 9, 1940

(4) RALPH ISAIAH ROUTZAHN

B—September 3, 1893

M—Alethia Kamil

Galyean

(5) CARL JACOB ROUTZAHN

B—March 10, 1895

M—Mabel Doris Kiser

(6) LOUISE OPAL ROUTZAHN

B—November 18, 1898

M—Ira Hipsher

1-1-4-3-2-5.

JACOB HUGH BRENNER

B—April 23, 1859

M—June 12, 1879

D—January 1, 1938

JENNIE REBECCA REMSBERG

B—March 27, 1859

D—July 6, 1938

(1) MONTA VIOLA BRENNER  
B—October 16, 1880  
M—Louis Philip Coblentz

(2) KATHRYN ESTELLE BRENNER  
B—June 20, 1882  
M—George Walter Stephenson

(3) ALLEN LEWIS BRENNER  
B—April 2, 1884  
M—Opal Kathryn Salts

(4) BERTHA ANN BRENNER  
B—April 24, 1888  
M—Rae Walter Fleming

(5) CLARENCE EDWARD BRENNER  
B—June 29, 1890  
M—Mildred Florence Flesher

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1-1-4-3-2-6.

WILLIAM HARVEY BRENNER

B—April 17, 1863

M—March 9, 1892

D—May 22, 1930

GRACE LEVERTA MAUD BISER

B—December 27, 1867

D—

(1) WILLIAM DAVID BRENNER  
B—July 9, 1894  
M—Ruth Beckett—  
May 23, 1917  
B—April 6, 1895

(2) IVAH LAVERTA ANN BRENNER  
B—August 5, 1901  
M—Glenn James Evans

(3) HUGH MORTON BRENNER  
B—August 9, 1908  
M—Mildred Kiser  
2nd M—Rosemary Brown



1-1-4-3-2-7.

MINNIE MAY BRENNER

B—December 30, 1869

M—July 4, 1890

D—June 2, 1935

VICTOR BISER

B—October 16, 1866

D—June 29, 1938

(1) MABEL MAE BISER

B—November 19, 1891

M—Ira Cole, M.D.

(2) ALMINE HARRISON BISER

B—December 3, 1894

D—July 20, 1916

(3) MADELINE ANN BISER

B—April 20, 1898

M—George Hauseman

(4) VICTORIA VIOLA BISER

B—February 1, 1901

M—Earl Phillips

Re-M—Otto Stevens

(5) Infant son

B—February 6, 1903

D—February 8, 1903

(6) CYNTHIA BEATRICE BISER

B—April 19, 1904

(7) LILLIE PAULINE BISER

B—March 8, 1908

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SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—SAMUEL

1-1-4-3-3-1.

WILLIAM HENRY BRENNER

B—August 22, 1853

M—August 21, 1873

D—February 8, 1931

MATILDA ADELAIDE MYERS

B—April 27, 1855

D—April 29, 1939

(1) MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER

B—July 14, 1875

M—January 1, 1899

Delbert Bradley Hope

(2) CHARLES ALBERT BRENNER

B—October 30, 1877

M—February 25, 1903

Emma Alberta Burdon

D—May 4, 1943

## SIXTH GENERATION

## SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH

1-1-4-3-4-2.

SOPHIA FRANCES GUNN

B—July 2, 1857

M—October 18, 1876

By Pastor Colbert Hall

D—July 6, 1933

LAFAYETTE CRONKHITE

B—March 14, 1849

D—May 20, 1931

Moved to Rossville, Illinois

(1) IRA VERN CRONKHITE

B—December 9, 1877

D—April 23, 1926

M—Mary Scarlett

(2) MYRTLE MAY CRONKHITE

B—May 14, 1881

D—December 23, 1940

M—Judson Malcolm  
Stufflebeam

(3) HERMAN S. CRONKHITE

B—April 28, 1884

M—Ula Kate Dengler

(4) BERT WARREN CRONKHITE

B—February 16, 1887

M—Grace May Menden-  
hall

2nd M—Lottie Ethel Abbott

(5) ALVA CLAIRE CRONKHITE

B—October 11, 1895

M—Bertha Rae Apple-  
gate

(6) DEWEY LEE CRONKHITE

B—April 24, 1898

M—Ethelyn Hardy

1-1-4-3-4-3.

MARY ELIZABETH GUNN

B—August 3, 1859

M—June 8, 1879

D—April 28, 1936

JESSIE HARRISON COOPER

B—August 14, 1860

D—June 17, 1937

(1) ARTIE LEWIS COOPER

B—October 17, 1880

M—Gertrude Blackford

(2) LYDIA ELIZABETH COOPER

B—August 13, 1883

M—William Jesse Pollom

- (3) IDA MAY BRENNER  
 B—March 17, 1880  
 M—February 23, 1898  
 George Colette
- (4) LILLIE BELLE BRENNER  
 B—October 4, 1884  
 M—August 7, 1907  
 Edwin J. Jackson
- (5) PEARL MABEL BRENNER  
 B—November 5, 1887  
 M—June 21, 1906  
 J. Harvey Burden
- (6) ANNA GRACE BRENNER  
 B—December 14, 1893  
 M—November 4, 1917  
 Jacob Price Tevebaugh

SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH

1-1-4-3-4-1.

JOHN HENRY GUNN

B—April 18, 1854

M—October 23, 1879

D—December 24, 1893

ADDA COOPER

B—June 14, 1862

D—August 10, 1912

Re-M—John Shawcross

B—Feb. 23, 1850

(1) MABEL GUNN

B—

M—Henry Smart

February 3, 1897

(2) ELSIE GUNN

B—January 1, 1883

M—Robert French

(3) LILLIAN M. GUNN

B—May 20, 1885

M—Albert L. Sims

Re-M—Fredrick C. Thomas

- (3) BESSIE ESTELLA COOPER  
 B—March 20, 1886  
 M—Le Roy Scarlett
- (4) JOHN FRANKLIN COOPER  
 B—March 1, 1889  
 M—Edna Mae Brown
- (5) ELIJAH ALONZO COOPER  
 B—September 7, 1893  
 M—Marian Huling  
 B—1894  
 D—April 3, 1917  
 2nd M—Margaret Matthews  
 October 31, 1925  
 D—January 1, 1933  
 3rd M—Beulah Davidson  
 November 5, 1942
- (6) BOYD ELDORAS COOPER  
 B—August 25, 1896  
 M—December 25, 1920  
 To—Edna Mae Morris
- (7) ADDIE MARIE COOPER  
 B—May 26, 1898  
 M—Jesse Wood
- (8) LEOTA MAE COOPER  
 B—March 19, 1901  
 M—Ora J. Hughes

SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZA

1-1-4-3-5-2.

FRANCES ELIZABETH PUGH  
 B—March 27, 1858

WILLIAM THORNBURGH  
 B—March 27, 1864  
 D—March 30, 1918

- (1) NELLIE MAY THORNBURGH  
 B—September 30, 1876  
 D—November 10, 1911  
 M—Dennis Chew

(2) ELIZA ANN THORNBURGH  
B—1880  
D—1880

(3) MYRTLE EDITH THORN-  
BURGH  
B—September 10, 1882  
M—----- Hurst

(4) WM. EDWARD THORNBURGH  
M—Hattie Eldora Shaw-  
cross

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1-1-4-3-5-4.

ROBERT FRENCH, JR.  
B—  
M—  
D—July 18, 1923

(1) LEONA H. FRENCH  
M—Leslie Hill

(2) IVAN FRENCH

ELSIE GUNN  
B—December 31, 1882  
D—January 25, 1928

(3) LEONARD FRENCH

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SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JOHN J.

1-1-4-3-6-1.

JOHN SCOTT BRENNER  
B—October 23, 1859  
M—January 9, 1882  
D—January 27, 1929

(1) EDITH BRENNER  
B—April 4, 1884  
M—Bruce Hardy  
2nd M—Knode Steel

MARGARET CRISLER  
B—June 26, 1863  
D—January 10, 1910  
At Mt. Ayr, Indiana

(2) NONA BRENNER  
B—October 16, 1886  
M—Ray L. Adams  
(At Montgomery, Alabama)

1-1-4-3-6-2.

MARY ALICE BRENNER  
B—February 22, 1861  
M—  
D—

(1) ROBERT CRISLER, JR.

(2) MABEL CRISLER  
M—Percy Lakin

ROBERT CRISLER  
B—  
D—

(3) LYDIA CRISLER

(4) CLINTON CRISLER

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1-1-4-3-6-3.

ANDREW JACKSON BRENNER  
(called "Jink")  
B—May 29, 1862  
M—1884  
D—May 7, 1939

(1) WILLIAM HERSCHEL BRENNER  
B—November 10, 1885  
M—Maye Hart  
September 23, 1903  
B—August 13, 1885

ELLA M. HOLMES  
B—  
D—May 7, 1939

(2) IVAN ERNEST BRENNER  
B—November 18, 1888  
M—Anna Marlatt  
March 18, 1914  
(Physician in Winchester,  
Indiana)

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## SIXTH GENERATION

## SEVENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-6-6.

BERT LEMON BRENNER  
B—October 23, 1875  
M—January 21, 1900  
D—January 21, 1925

(1) RALPH JUDSON BRENNER  
B—October 30, 1904  
M—Aimee Belle Thomas  
B—September 26, 1906

GLENN PORTER  
B—February, 1876  
D—June 6, 1927

1-1-4-3-6-9.

JAMES EMMET BRENNER  
B—November 10, 1889  
M—September 12, 1914  
D—

(1) JAMES EMMET BRENNER,  
JR.  
B—March 29, 1916  
M—Marian Helen  
Cameron

FLORENCE MONTANA MARSHALL  
B—August 26, 1888  
D—

(2) JOHN MARSHALL BRENNER  
(Jack)  
B—October 9, 1917  
M—Lois Marie Christen-  
sen

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SIXTH GENERATION

SEVENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM

1-1-4-3-7-1.

MARY FRANCES BRENNER  
(called "Fanny")  
B—January 13, 1868  
M—October 16, 1889  
D—February 6, 1943

(1) LEAH MAUDE LEMNA  
B—October 7, 1890  
M—October 15, 1910  
To—Walter Austin Shively  
B—October 29, 1883  
(Living at Leesburg, Indiana)

LEE WILLIAM LEMNA  
B—May 27, 1860  
D—June 25, 1943  
(Celebrated their Golden Wed-  
ding, October, 1939, at Nap-  
panee, Indiana)

(2) ARCHIE ARTHUR LEMNA  
B—August 16, 1892  
M—Eva Joyce Deisch

(3) WILLIAM EARL LEMNA  
B—August 31, 1894  
M—

(4) EPHRAIM LEONARD LEMNA  
B—September 18, 1897  
M—Florence Viola Ham-  
sher

(5) FRANK CLARMONT LEMNA  
B—July 17, 1900  
M—Virddie Theressa Fre-  
vert

- (6) FREDERICK ELIJAH LEMNA  
 B—June 16, 1906  
 M—July 28, 1946  
 To—Geraldine Shaffer  
 Hines  
 B—October 10, 1914

1-1-4-3-7-2.

ELIZABETH MAE BRENNER  
 B—October 11, 1870  
 M—November 27, 1894  
 D—

- (1) GRACE MAE KEISTER  
 B—June 20, 1896  
 M—A. A. Thornton  
 March 23, 1922  
 (Tulsa, Okla.)

WILLIAM CURTIS KEISTER  
 B—January 27, 1867  
 D—May 17, 1932

- (2) HAROLD C. KEISTER  
 B—November 20, 1898

- (3) LEROY MERLE KEISTER  
 B—August 13, 1901  
 M—Chloe Gillman  
 June 7, 1922

- (4) CECIL FRANCIS KEISTER  
 B—April 17, 1904

- (5) LOUIS EARLE KEISTER  
 B—September 27, 1910

(Harold C. enlisted in Co. B in 1917. Was overseas in France.  
 Was discharged June, 1919; still invalided from action.)

#### SIXTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-7-4.

ALPHARETTA RUTH BRENNER  
 B—December 5, 1873  
 M—January 7, 1894  
 D—October 27, 1917

EDWARD HAMBLLEN  
 B—May 18, 1872  
 D—August 21, 1943

#### SEVENTH GENERATION

- (1) RUTH ESTHER HAMBLLEN  
 B—September 7, 1896  
 M—Harry Carl Kinney
- (2) RUPERT CLARE HAMBLLEN  
 B—May 21, 1899  
 M—



(3) LORNCE EDWARD HAMBLEN  
B—July 9, 1901  
M—Grace Haddard

(4) HOWARD BRENNER HAMBLEN  
B—April 27, 1911  
M—Flossie Maxine Blue

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1-1-4-3-7-5.

ANNA ARTIMETIA BRENNER  
B—September 30, 1883  
M—January 26, 1910  
D—

WILLIAM E. KING  
B—October 9, 1883  
D—July 9, 1948

Anna lives at 720 South Market  
Street, Hoopeston, Illinois

(1) LELAND EUGENE KING  
B—October 25, 1910  
M—Alburnice Jackson

(2) LAURA WILMA KING  
B—February 17, 1912

(3) ROBERT BRENNER KING  
B—March 22, 1914  
M—Cathryn Fairchild

(4) RUTH ELIZABETH KING  
B—December 7, 1917  
M—Murray Pugh

(5) MARY FRANCES KING  
B—July 22, 1919  
M—Donald Bird

(6) WILLIAM E. KING, JR.  
B—February 22, 1924  
M—Mary Cunningham  
December 4, 1948

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—DAVID—WILLIAM

1-1-4-3-1-3-4.

GERALDINE DE ELVA BRENNER  
B—April 23, 1903  
M—December 21, 1923  
D—

(1) BETTY JANE WALLACE  
B—June 1, 1925

ROBERT WALLACE

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MARY

1-1-4-3-2-1-1.

WILLIAM JACOB STEELEY

B—March 11, 1870

M—July 9, 1895

D—October 5, 1936

(1) CECIL DALE STEELEY

B—February 10, 1898

M—Esther Haskell

LILLIE RITCHIE

B—September 3, 1873

D—July 17, 1923

2nd M—Eva Jeanette Oland

B—June 7, 1870

D—March 22, 1942

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1-1-4-3-2-1-3.

CORA ANN STEELEY

B—November 16, 1875

M—February 10, 1897

D—

(1) RALPH L. ZUFALL

B—January 10, 1898

M—Madge Dean  
(Deceased)

2nd M—Florence Headley  
(Deceased)

3rd M—Mabel Campbell

HARRY ZUFALL

B—December 18, 1875

D—

(2) HAROLD L. ZUFALL

B—July 22, 1901

M—Evelyn Phillips

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—C. FRANCES

1-1-4-3-2-2-1.

CLARENCE MELVIN BOWLUS

B—May 30, 1876

M—February 1, 1899

D—

(1) CYNTHIA MARIE BOWLUS

B—June 11, 1905

M—Franklin Clark

LILLIE MONTROSE HOFF

B—October 3, 1878

D—

(2) GEORGE MELVIN BOWLUS

B—February 25, 1909

M—Lorraine Virginia  
Walla

(3) OMER EMERSON BOWLUS  
B—December 31, 1913  
M—Dorothy Irene Bliss

(4) EDWARD WILLIAM BOWLUS  
B—April 19, 1917  
M—Lillian Odle

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—JANE

1-1-4-3-2-4-2.

PEARL ANN ROUTZAHN  
B—February 28, 1885  
M—August, 1902  
D—February 16, 1945

(1) PEARL IRENE DAVIS  
B—October 16, 1903  
M—William E. Banteen

ZONA DAVIS  
B—November 11, 1884  
Moved to Armada, Michigan

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1-1-4-3-2-4-4.

RALPH ISAIAH ROUTZAHN  
B—September 3, 1893  
M—May 14, 1916  
D—

(1) PAUL K. ROUTZAHN  
B—July 10, 1917  
M—Kathryn A. Danner

ALETHIA KAMIL GALYEAN  
B—April 28, 1896  
D—

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#### SEVENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-4-5.

CARL JACOB ROUTZAHN  
B—March 10, 1895  
M—May 18, 1918  
D—

MABEL DORIS KISER  
B—March 30, 1900  
D—

#### EIGHTH GENERATION

(1) KATHLEEN DELORES  
ROUTZAHN  
B—May 11, 1921  
M—Raymond Lefton, Jr.

(2) BARBARA JEAN ROUTZAHN  
B—July 18, 1926  
M—Thomas Charles Ran-  
som

(3) Jo ANN ROUTZAHN  
B—November 30, 1931  
M—

(4) WILLIAM JOSEPH ROUT-  
ZAHN  
B—May 12, 1934  
M—

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1-1-4-3-2-4-6.

LOUISE OPAL ROUTZAHN  
B—November 18, 1898  
M—March 2, 1918  
D—

(1) MARTHA JANE HIP-SHER  
B—September 17, 1919  
M—Basil Sorters  
Re-M—Ronald E. Simpson

IRA HIP-SHER  
B—December 5, 1896  
D—

(2) DOROTHY MAXINE HIP-  
SHER  
B—July 17, 1920  
M—Roscoe Bryant

(3) EDWARD ALLEN HIP-SHER  
B—September 12, 1928  
M—Doris Kiser

(4) BETTY PEARL HIP-SHER  
B—March 21, 1932  
M—

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH

1-1-4-3-2-5-1.

MONTA VIOLA BRENNER  
B—October 16, 1880  
M—July 17, 1907  
D—

(1) LOUIS MARTIN COBLENTZ  
B—January 10, 1909  
M—Evelyn Luciel  
Schmieding

LOUIS PHILIP COBLENTZ  
B—August 13, 1878  
D—September 23, 1946

(2) CHARLES BRENNER COB-  
LENTZ  
B—November 15, 1910  
M—Ruth Elizabeth Moore

(3) WARREN EDWIN COBLENTZ  
B—May 28, 1917  
M—Nan Coor Pender  
Harris

(4) VIRGINIA LOUISE COBLENTZ  
B—August 29, 1920  
M—Wayne Ernest Lash

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1-1-4-3-2-5-2.

KATHRYN ESTELLE BRENNER  
B—June 20, 1882  
M—January 29, 1913  
D—June 7, 1934

(1) ENA PETRINE STEPHENSON  
B—January 9, 1914  
M—Leonard Lloyd Kins-  
ley

GEORGE WALTER STEPHENSON  
B—July 2, 1883  
D—

(2) BERTHA CHORINE STEPHEN-  
SON  
B—May 14, 1915

(3) GERALD WESLEY STEPHEN-  
SON  
B—September 10, 1918  
M—Evelyn Schneider

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1-1-4-3-2-5-3.

ALLEN LEWIS BRENNER  
B—April 2, 1884  
M—June 24, 1908  
D—

(1) ROBERT HOWARD BRENNER  
B—July 22, 1914

(2) JAMES HUGH BRENNER  
B—June 2, 1916  
M—Mary Drew Clay

OPAL KATHRYN SALTS  
B—October 7, 1886  
D—

(3) LOIS ELINOR BRENNER  
B—May 13, 1920  
M—Charles Vincent Ram-  
sey

## SEVENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-5-4.

BERTHA ANN BRENNER

B—April 24, 1888

M—June 12, 1912

D—

RAE WALTER FLEMING

B—September 24, 1885

D—

## EIGHTH GENERATION

(1) RAYMOND CORNELIUS  
FLEMING

B—March 5, 1916

M—Mildred Louise Comer

(2) EDGAR CLARKE FLEMING

B—September 24, 1920

M—Ruth Maxine Howard

B—February 22, 1922

M—July 4, 1941

(This home was shared with other youngsters, who were a part of the family and went to school. They are: Chet Craft of McClelland Field, California; Katherine Kennedy; Ivah Holden; Mary Daggs; Anna Jean Ward; Pat Hancock; and Marjorie Bell. They are all married now, and have homes of their own, but they like to call them "Their Other Family.")

1-1-4-3-2-5-5.

CLARENCE EDWARD BRENNER

B—June 29, 1890

M—December 25, 1915

D—

MILDRED FLORENCE FLESHER

B—May 22, 1897

D—

(1) HUGH JAMES BRENNER

B—September 12, 1917

M—Ethel Maxine Jones

(2) RALPH DEAN BRENNER

B—March 21, 1922

M—Elizabeth Jane Leezenbee

(3) DOROTHY MAE BRENNER

B—January 13, 1927

M—Charley Edwin  
Thomas, Jr.

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—WILLIAM

1-1-4-3-2-6-2.

IVAH LAVERTA ANN BRENNER

B—August 5, 1901

M—June 10, 1928

D—

(1) CHARLOTTE ANN EVANS

B—March 26, 1936

M—

GLEN JAMES EVANS

B—September 6, 1899

D—

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-6-3.

HUGH MORTON BRENNER

B—August 9, 1908

M—September 1, 1929

(1) LARRY MORTON BRENNER

B—May 9, 1933

MILDRED LOUISE KISER

B—July 7, 1908

D—February 27, 1945

2nd Wife

ROSEMARY BROWN

B—February 1, 1925

M—October 12, 1946

D—

(2) CONNIE SUE BRENNER

(3) RANDALL HUGH BRENNER

Twins

B—March 11, 1948

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MINNIE

1-1-4-3-2-7-1.

MABEL MAE BISER

B—November 19, 1891

M—December 24, 1911

D—

(1) VICTOR DONALD COLE

B—March 26, 1916

M—Mary Margaret Loud-  
ermill

IRA COLE

B—September 20, 1890

D—

(2) MARGERIE EMMA COLE

B—January 12, 1920

M—Robert Earl Sutter  
July 21, 1946

- (3) WILLIAM IRA COLE  
B—January 13, 1922  
M—Elizabeth Ruth Gray
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1-1-4-3-2-7-4.

VICTORIA VIOLA BISER  
B—February 1, 1901  
M—May 8, 1918  
D—

EARL PHILLIPS  
B—  
D—

2nd Husband

OTTO STEVENS  
B—June 28, 1903  
M—December 7, 1929

- (1) PAUL PHILLIPS  
B—August 30, 1919  
M—Marcella Jenkins
- (2) MORTON PHILLIPS  
B—September 18, 1920
- (3) STELLA MAY PHILLIPS  
B—August 26, 1922
- (4) JUNE PHILLIPS  
B—January 30, 1925
- (5) HAZEL PHILLIPS  
B—January 6, 1927
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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—SAMUEL—WILLIAM

1-1-4-3-3-1-1.

MARY ELIZABETH BRENNER  
B—July 14, 1875  
M—January 1, 1899

DELBERT BRADLEY HOPE  
B—April 29, 1874  
D—  
Home in Boulder, Colorado

- (1) CHARLES RAE HOPE  
B—June 18, 1901  
M—September 17, 1927  
Ruth G. Atnip  
D—
- (2) WILLIAM EARL HOPE  
B—July 2, 1904  
M—Lois Burnett
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1-1-4-3-3-1-2.

CHARLES ALBERT BRENNER  
B—October 30, 1877  
M—February 25, 1903  
D—May 4, 1943

EMMA ALBERTA BURDEN  
B—September 16, 1879

- (1) LOIS ADELAIDE BRENNER  
B—May 19, 1907  
M—February 22, 1946  
“Colonel” Stanley Saulnier
- (2) MILDRED ALBERTA BRENNER  
B—November 12, 1907  
M—August, 1927  
Burtan Underhill



(3) CHARLES WILLIAM BRENNER

B—July 2, 1912

M—1941

Josephine Ida Oddone

(4) BERLYN ALBERT BRENNER

B—July 2, 1915

M—August 16, 1940

Ethel Bernice Vessey

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SEVENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-3-1-3.

IDA MAY BRENNER

B—March 17, 1880

M—February 23, 1899

George Colette

GEORGE COLETTE

Home in Sterling, Colorado

EIGHTH GENERATION

(1) EDWIN G. COLETTE

B—April 25, 1900

M—Alma Tidwell

(2) ETHEL COLETTE

B—June 27, 1901

M—November 4, 1920

M—Lloyd F. Ramey

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1-1-4-3-3-1-4.

LILLIE BELLE BRENNER

B—October 4, 1884

M—August 7, 1907

EDWIN J. JACKSON

Home in Colorado Springs, Colorado

(1) RALPH EDWIN JACKSON

B—March 1, 1918

M—

D—

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1-1-4-3-3-1-5.

PEARL MABEL BRENNER

B—November 5, 1887

M—June 21, 1906

D—

(1) HAROLD WILLIAM BURDEN

B—January 22, 1907

M—Thelma Spencer

D—

J. HARVEY BURDEN

B—July 11, 1883

Home in Wauneta, Kansas

(2) CURTIS BURDEN

B—March 4, 1909

M—Dorothy Patton

D—

1-1-4-3-3-1-6.

ANNA GRACE BRENNER  
B—December 14, 1893  
M—November 4, 1917

(1) KENNETH PRICE TEVE-  
BAUGH  
B—January 27, 1925  
M—  
D—

JACOB PRICE TEVEBAUGH  
B—December 13, 1893  
Home in Colorado Springs, Colorado

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—JOHN GUNN  
1-1-4-3-4-1-3.

LILLIAN M. GUNN  
B—May 20, 1885  
M—October 23, 1907

(1) RICHARD C. SIMS  
B—July 31, 1911  
M—July 15, 1933  
To—Laura Lee Miles

ALBERT L. SIMS  
D—August 5, 1927

2nd Husband  
FREDERICK C. THOMAS

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—SOPHIA  
1-1-4-3-4-2-1.

IRA VERNE CRONKHITE  
B—December 9, 1877  
D—April 23, 1926

(1) JESSE EARL CRONKHITE  
B—February 14, 1901

MARY EVELYN SCARLETT  
B—September 22, 1881  
D—January 24, 1924

(2) BERTHA MARIE CRONKHITE  
B—May 22, 1903  
M—Thomas Jefferson  
Gillen

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1-1-4-3-4-2-2.

MYRTLE MAY CRONKHITE  
B—May 14, 1881  
M—March 2, 1898  
D—December 23, 1940

(1) VIVIAN VINETA STUFFLE-  
BEAM  
B—March 4, 1899  
M—Meirl Elmer Loh-  
meyer

JUDSON MALCOLM STUFFLE-  
BEAM  
B—December 2, 1874  
D—

(2) BEULAH STUFFLEBEAM  
B—October 3, 1900  
M—William Lell Brown  
(1918)  
D—August 30, 1939  
Re-M—W. C. Clendene

(3) EMIL CAROL STUFFLEBEAM  
B—April 26, 1902  
M—Ruth Wilson

(4) PAULINE STUFFLEBEAM  
B—April 15, 1910  
M—Edward Boyd

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1-1-4-3-4-2-3.

HERMAN S. CRONKHITE  
B—April 28, 1884

ULA KATE DENGLER  
B—July 17, 1887

(1) MARITA MAY CRONKHITE  
B—July 13, 1911  
M—Charles William Webb

(2) EUGENE BERTRUN CRONK-  
HITE  
B—September 24, 1915  
M—Juanita Florence  
Witty  
B—November 27, 1921

(3) RAYMOND ARTHUR CRONK-  
HITE  
B—February 21, 1919  
M—Ruth Arlee Pyle

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1-1-4-3-4-2-4.

BERT WARREN CRONKHITE  
B—February 16, 1887

GRACIE MAY MENDENHALL  
B—July 9, 1885  
D—June 2, 1917

Re-M—Lottie Ethel Abbott  
B—January 23

(1) HERMAN WILBER CRONK-  
HITE  
B—September 17, 1909  
M—Georgia

(2) GLENN LAVERNE CRONK-  
HITE  
B—July 7, 1911  
M—Gloria

(3) ETHEL MAY CRONKHITE  
B—May 4, 1914  
M—George Gernand

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—MARY E.

1-1-4-3-4-3-1.

ARTIE LEWIS COOPER

B—October 17, 1880

M—April 3, 1901

D—August 13, 1942

GERTRUDE BLACKFORD

B—

D—

(1) LEO E. COOPER

B—January 18, 1902

M—Clara Baker

(2) MARY FLORENCE COOPER

B—December 6, 1903

M—Kenneth Gephart

(3) HAROLD EMERY COOPER

B—October 12, 1905

M—Janiece Keller

(4) ARTIE CLAIRE COOPER

B—December 19, 1907

D—March 13, 1908

(5) THELMA EVELYN COOPER

B—January 19, 1910

M—Kenneth Keele

(6) EARL DONALD COOPER

B—July 21, 1912

D—July 21, 1914

(7) HELEN ELIZABETH COOPER

B—October 14, 1914

M—Anthony Swider

(8) GLENN FRANKLIN COOPER

B—December 3, 1916

M—Marie Sparks

1-1-4-3-4-3-2.

LYDIA ELIZABETH COOPER  
B—August 13, 1883  
M—November 13, 1901  
D—October 16, 1946

WILLIAM JESSE POLLOM  
B—  
D—

(1) HERCHIL JESSE POLLOM  
B—March 14, 1904  
M—Margie Hollingsworth

(2) DELLA MARIE POLLOM  
B—January 9, 1910  
M—Jesse Erville Smith  
Re-M—Theodore P. Webb

(3) VIRGIL EMERY POLLOM  
B—April 11, 1913  
M—Vivian Marie Wilson

(4) JOHN WILLIAM POLLOM  
B—July 20, 1918  
M—Mae

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1-1-4-3-4-3-3.

BESSIE ESTELLA COOPER  
B—March 20, 1886  
M—December 7, 1903  
D—September 6, 1948

LE ROY SCARLETT  
B—August 20, 1884  
D—

(1) BERNICE SCARLETT  
B—May 7, 1905  
M—John Gallagher

(2) DOROTHY SCARLETT  
B—March 1, 1910  
M—Albert Kepling

(3) HERBERT SCARLETT  
B—October 17, 1914  
M—Winifred Smalley

(4) DONALD SCARLETT  
B—April 14, 1916  
M—----- La Mara

(5) RICHARD EUGENE SCARLETT  
B—February 2, 1918  
M—Lois Jackson

(6) ROBERT EARL SCARLETT  
B—1920

1-1-4-3-4-3-4.

JOHN FRANKLIN COOPER  
B—March 1, 1889  
M—September 22, 1912

(1) FOREST ELWOOD COOPER  
B—May 24, 1913  
M—Maxine Macy

EDNA MAE BROWN  
B—September 15, 1891

(2) DALE FRANKLIN COOPER  
B—June 9, 1918  
M—Juanita Jeanette  
Sloan

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1-1-4-3-4-3-7.

ADDIE MARIE COOPER  
B—May 26, 1898  
M—January 3, 1916  
D—

(1) MARY ELIZABETH WOOD  
B—July 11, 1918  
M—Rev. Jack Harold  
White

JESSE WOOD  
B—  
D—March 25, 1938

(2) ORPHA MARIE WOOD  
B—May 26, 1920  
M—Theodore Brown

(3) JESSE RAYMOND WOOD  
(called "Jack")  
B—June 28, 1930

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1-1-4-3-4-3-8.

LEOTA MAY COOPER  
B—March 19, 1901  
M—August 7, 1927  
D—

(1) MARGARET MAE HUGHES  
B—March 22, 1929  
M—Raymond Steindorf

ORA J. HUGHES  
B—  
D—

(2) LOIS ELLEN HUGHES  
B—July 6, 1931

(3) RICHARD LEE HUGHES  
B—January 9, 1934

(4) ORA BOYD HUGHES  
B—December 10, 1936

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZA—FRANCES

1-1-4-3-5-2-1.

NELLIE MAY THORNBURGH  
B—September 30, 1876  
D—November 10, 1911

(1) JOHN CHEW

(2) GEORGE CHEW

DENNIS CHEW

(3) CHARLES CHEW

(4) FRANK CHEW

(5) JAMES CHEW

1-1-4-3-5-2-3.

MYRTLE EDITH THORNBURGH  
B—September 10, 1882

(1) FRANCIS HURST

(2) EDITH HURST

----- HURST

(3) BONNIE CLAIR HURST

(4) REBA L. HURST

(5) GRACE MAY HURST

(6) VIRGIL HURST

(7) DELMAR HURST

(8) WANDA FAY HURST

1-1-4-3-5-2-4.

WILLIAM EDWARD THORNBURGH  
B—

(1) ORPHA MARIA THORN-  
BURGH

HATTIE ELDORA SHAWCROSS

(2) CHARLES EDWARD THORN-  
BURGH

(3) ROY STANLEY THORN-  
BURGH

(4) JOHN JACOB THORNBURGH

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JOHN J.—JOHN SCOTT

1-1-4-3-6-1-1.

EDITH BRENNER

B—April 4, 1884

M—August 30, 1904

D—

BRUCE HARDY

B—

D—

2nd Husband

KNODE STEEL

B—January 4, 1881

M—June 18, 1932

D—

(1) HELEN HARDY

(Widow; works in Rensselaer, Indiana Telephone Office.)

B—June 7, 1905

M—Grady Wilbanks

(2) JOHN HARDY

B—May 2, 1907

M—Barbara Cain

(3) FRED HARDY

(Lives in St. Joseph, Michigan; employed as Millwright.)

B—January 25, 1909

M—Alma Meuser

(4) GARLAND HARDY

B—December 22, 1911

M—Mildred Worthman

(5) WILLIAM HARDY

B—December 31, 1914

M—Anna Joboroski

(6) NORMAN HARDY

B—November 15, 1916

M—Gladys Ruhm

1-1-4-3-6-1-2.

NONA BRENNER

B—October 16, 1886

M—March 2, 1907

D—August 15, 1947

RAY L. ADAMS

(1) ELIZABETH MARGARET  
ADAMS

B—December 17, 1908

M—

(2) ROBERT I. ADAMS

B—April 22, 1916



## SEVENTH GENERATION

## EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JOHN J.—BERT

1-1-4-3-6-6-1.

RALPH JUDSON BRENNER  
 B—October 30, 1904  
 M—October 18, 1930  
 D—

(1) ALAN THOMAS BRENNER  
 B—September 1, 1936  
 (at Palo Alto, California)

AIMEE BELLE THOMAS  
 B—September 26, 1906  
 D—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JOHN J.—JAMES

1-1-4-3-6-9-1.

JAMES EMMET BRENNER, JR.  
 B—March 29, 1916  
 M—June 9, 1940  
 D—

(1) JAMES EMMET BRENNER,  
 III  
 B—September 22, 1942

MARION HELEN CAMERON  
 B—May 10, 1917  
 D—

(2) SUSAN ELIZABETH BRENNER  
 B—October 27, 1944

1-1-4-3-6-9-2.

JOHN MARSHALL BRENNER  
 “Jack”  
 B—October 9, 1917  
 M—June 29, 1942  
 D—

(1) CAROLYN LOU BRENNER  
 B—October 14, 1944  
 at San Francisco

LOIS MARIE CHRISTENSEN  
 B—May 29, 1915  
 D—

(2) SALLY ANN BRENNER  
 B—April 26, 1948  
 at Palo Alto

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—FRANCES

1-1-4-3-7-1-2.

ARCHIE ARTHUR LEMNA  
 B—August 16, 1892  
 M—September 10, 1913  
 D—

(1) LEOMA PAULINE LEMNA  
 B—February 2, 1915  
 M—Donn George Ehrich

EVA JOYCE DEISCH  
 B—June 9, 1896  
 D—

(2) CLARA MARIE LEMNA  
 B—April 3, 1917  
 M—William Waverly  
 Hayes

Both daughters' families living at South Bend, Indiana

1-1-4-3-7-1-4.

EPHRAIM LEONARD LEMNA  
 B—September 18, 1897  
 M—March 21, 1917  
 D—

(1) ETHEL EVELYN LEMNA  
 B—May 18, 1918  
 M—January 4, 1946  
 To—Louis Frederick Baly-  
 eat  
 B—May 21, 1919

FLORENCE VIOLA HAMSHER  
 B—March 12, 1899  
 D—

(2) PHYLLIS JEAN LEMNA  
 B—August 16, 1923  
 M—July 12, 1945  
 To—Dean D. Hoagland  
 B—August 16, 1917

All four children (and families)  
 living at Nappanee, Indiana.

(3) WILLIS FREDERICK LEMNA  
 B—February 14, 1928  
 M—

(4) DOUGLAS WADE LEMNA  
 B—May 1, 1929  
 M—

SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-7-1-5.

FRANK CLARMONT LEMNA  
 B—July 17, 1900  
 M—November 26, 1925  
 D—

VIRDIE THERESSA FREVERT  
 B—January 21, 1903

(1) ALICE MAE LEMNA  
 B—May 14, 1927  
 D—June 13, 1929

(2) OWEN FREDERICK LEMNA  
 B—March 26, 1929  
 M—

(3) CARL ROBERT LEMNA  
 B—August 16, 1930  
 M—

(4) LOIS MARIE LEMNA  
 B—March 30, 1936  
 M—

(5) JANET LEE LEMNA  
 B—December 7, 1946  
 M—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—ELIZABETH MAE

1-1-4-3-7-2-3.

LEROY MERLE KEISTER  
 B—August 13, 1901  
 M—June 7, 1922  
 D—

CHLOE GILLMAN  
 B—December 3, 1898  
 D—

(1) WILLIAM LEROY KEISTER  
 B—January 29, 1924  
 M—Violet Margaret Ray-  
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(2) MILDRED MERLE KEISTER  
 B—June 13, 1930  
 M—March 15, 1948  
 To—Harlan Butler  
 B—March 28, 1930

Leroy Merle enlisted December, 1917 in the Coast Guard. Was discharged July, 1919 at San Pedro, California. They live at No. 1522 Warwick Avenue, Whiting, Indiana.

SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—ALPHARETTA

1-1-4-3-7-4-1.

RUTH ESTHER HAMBLÉN

B—September 7, 1896

M—December 28, 1917

D—

HARRY CARL KINNEY

B—October 16, 1883

D—

(1) HARRY CARL KINNEY, JR.  
B—November 23, 1918  
M—Jean Margaret Walsh

(2) EDWARD HAMBLÉN KINNEY  
B—February 21, 1921  
D—February 27, 1948

(3) GLADYS MAE KINNEY  
B—March 12, 1923  
M—James Marcus Peters  
Re-M—John Charles Richmond

(4) BERTHA ANN KINNEY  
B—April 13, 1925  
M—William Richard Beaver

(5) RUTH ALICE KINNEY  
B—January 14, 1928  
M—January 31, 1948  
To—John Benton Prater  
B—May 31, 1926  
(Served in the Navy)

(6) JOSEPHINE MARIE KINNEY  
B—May 9, 1930

(7) ROBERT EARL KINNEY

(8) RALPH CLARE KINNEY

Twins

B—June 20, 1935

(9) BARBARA JOAN KINNEY

B—July 18, 1938

1-1-4-3-7-4-4.

HOWARD BRENNER HAMBLER  
B—April 27, 1911  
M—August 29, 1936  
D—

(1) SANDRA KAY HAMBLER  
B—June 10, 1942

(2) SHERRY LYNN HAMBLER  
B—March 6, 1944

FLOSSIE MAXINE BLUE  
B—July 6, 1914  
D—

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—ARTIMETIA

1-1-4-3-7-5-1.

LELAND EUGENE KING  
B—October 28, 1910  
M—December 1, 1934  
D—

(1) JAMES ROBERT KING  
B—May 3, 1936

(2) THOMAS EUGENE KING  
B—September 20, 1938

ALBURNICE JACKSON

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1-1-4-3-7-5-3.

ROBERT BRENNER KING  
B—March 22, 1914  
M—December 16, 1945  
D—

(1) WAYNE F. KING  
B—June 22, 1948

CATHRYN FAIRCHILD  
B—  
D—

Robert enlisted in the Armed Forces, May 13, 1942. Served in the 62nd Signal Corps, Company C, overseas. Was discharged December 3, 1945.

1-1-4-3-7-5-4.

RUTH ELIZABETH KING  
B—December 7, 1917  
M—October 17, 1937  
D—

(1) CHERYL ANN PUGH  
B—December 25, 1945

MURRAY PUGH

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SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-7-5-5.

MARY FRANCES KING  
B—July 22, 1919  
M—January 13, 1940  
D—

(1) RONALD LEE BIRD  
B—October 21, 1943

(2) RICHARD LEROY BIRD  
B—April 10, 1946

DONALD BIRD  
B—  
D—

Donald entered the Army at Fort Custer, Md., on June 10, 1943. He served eleven months overseas in the Air Force Combat Cargo Squadron in China, Burma and India Theatre. Was discharged December 31, 1945 at St. Louis.

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EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MARY—WILLIAM

1-1-4-3-2-1-1-1.

CECIL DALE STEELEY  
B—February 10, 1898  
M—November 24, 1921  
D—January 15, 1942

(1) CATHERINE STEELEY  
B—September 24, 1923

(2) WILLIAM HASKELL  
STEELEY  
B—June 15, 1928  
M—Virginia La Marr  
B—December 15, 1928  
M—May 28, 1948

ESTHER HASKELL  
B—  
D—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MARY—CORA

1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1.

RALPH L. ZUFALL

B—January 10, 1898

M—May 14, 1917

D—

MADGE MEHALIA DEAN

B—May 3, 1896

D—October 8, 1918

2nd Wife

FLORENCE HEADLEE

B—July 9, 1897

M—February 12, 1921

D—April 10, 1932

3rd Wife

MABEL CAMPBELL

B—January 29, 1901

M—December 10, 1932

D—

(1) MADGE DEAN ZUFALL

B—October 6, 1918

M—Stanley Wright

(2) LOIS ELLEN ZUFALL

B—September 21, 1922

M—James Joseph Brier

(3) DEMA JEAN ZUFALL

B—January 26, 1928

M—Guy J. Fisher

(4) CHARLENE ZUFALL

B—June 4, 1930

M—Robert Spangler

(5) ZELDA MAE ZUFALL

B—January 21, 1925

D—April 14, 1927

(6) LARRY LEONE ZUFALL

B—May 15, 1937

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-1-3-2.

HAROLD L. ZUFALL

B—July 22, 1901

D—November 7, 1945

M—Evelyn Phillips

(1) HAROLD L. ZUFALL, JR.

B—August 6, 1924

M—Shirley -----

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—C. FRANCES  
CLARENCE

1-1-4-3-2-2-1-1.

CYNTHIA MARIE BOWLUS  
B—June 11, 1905  
M—September 27, 1931  
D—

(1) FRANK MELVIN CLARK  
B—August 9, 1932

(2) RICHARD ALAN CLARK  
B—April 12, 1934

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN CLARK  
B—October 3, 1896  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-2-1-2.

GEORGE MELVIN BOWLUS  
B—February 25, 1909  
M—August 13, 1938  
D—

(1) LLOYD MELVIN BOWLUS  
B—February 22, 1942

(2) CAROLE LORRAINE BOWLUS  
B—November 23, 1943

LORRAINE VIRGINIA WALLA  
B—November 18, 1913  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-2-1-3.

OMER EMERSON BOWLUS  
B—December 31, 1913  
M—June 7, 1941  
D—

(1) BEVERELY JEAN BOWLUS  
B—March 7, 1946  
at Detroit, Mich.

DOROTHY IRENE BLISS  
B—April 14, 1911  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-2-1-4.

EDWARD WILLIAM BOWLUS  
B—April 19, 1917  
M—December 31, 1939  
D—

(1) BARBARA ANN BOWLUS  
B—November 27, 1940

(2) DAVID WAYNE BOWLUS  
B—November 18, 1942

LILLIAN LORRAINE ODLE  
B—May 14, 1921  
D—



EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—JANE—PEARL

1-1-4-3-2-4-2-1.

PEARL IRENE DAVIS

B—October 16, 1903

D—

M—

(1) BETTY JANE BANTEEN

B—December 20, 1924

(2) PHYLLIS JEAN BANTEEN

B—August 7, 1929

WILLIAM E. BANTEEN

B—

D—

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—JANE—RALPH

1-1-1-4-3-2-4-4-1.

PAUL K. ROUTZAHN

B—July 10, 1917

M—

D—

(1) STEPHEN RALPH ROUTZAHN

B—April 4, 1947

D—

KATHRYN A. DANNER

B—

D—

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—JANE—CARL

1-1-4-3-2-4-5-1.

KATHLEEN DELORES ROUTZAHN

B—May 11, 1919

M—July 24, 1938

D—

(1) JERRY DEAN LEFTON

B—June 16, 1939

at Williamsport, Ind.

(2) VICKIE LYNN LEFTON

B—February 24, 1946

at Williamsport, Ind.

RAYMOND LEFTON, JR.

B—July 29, 1916

D—

1-1-4-3-2-4-5-2.

BARBARA JEAN ROUTZAHN  
B—July 18, 1926  
M—January 27, 1946  
D—

(1) CYNTHIA STARR RANSOM  
B—December 19, 1947  
at Lafayette, Ind.

THOMAS CHARLES RANSOM  
B—July 28, 1924  
D—

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—JANE—LOUISE

1-1-4-3-2-4-6-1.

MARTHA JANE HIPHER  
B—September 17, 1918  
M—February 14, 1937

(1) KAREN ANN SORTERS  
B—April 5, 1942

(2) MARGARET JANE SORTERS  
B—November 25, 1944

BASIL SORTERS (1st)  
RONALD E. SIMPSON (2nd)  
M—August 1, 1948

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1-1-4-3-2-4-6-2.

DOROTHY MAXINE HIPHER  
B—July 17, 1920  
M—October 20, 1940  
D—

(1) SHARON KAY BRYANT  
B—August 11, 1941

(2) JERRY LEE BRYANT  
B—October 10, 1942

ROSCOE BRYANT  
B—December 29, 1918  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-4-6-3.

EDWARD ALLEN HIPHER  
B—September 12, 1928  
M—June 26, 1948  
D—

(1) LARRY DEAN HIPHER  
B—March 28, 1949

DORIS KISER  
B—July 14, 1929  
D—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—MONTA

1-1-4-3-2-5-1-1.

LOUIS MARTIN COBLENTZ

B—January 10, 1909

M—May 29, 1937

D—

(1) LOUIS WILLIAM COBLENTZ

B—March 27, 1938

at Ft. Smith, Ark.

(2) CAROLYN LUCIEL COB-  
LENTZ

B—November 21, 1941

at Ft. Smith, Ark.

EVELYN LUCIEL SCHMIEDING

B—November 29, 1910

D—

1-1-4-3-2-5-1-2.

CHARLES BRENNER COBLENTZ

B—November 15, 1910

M—June 5, 1935

D—

(1) CHARLOTTE ANN COBLENTZ

B—October 6, 1936

at Quinton, Okla.

(2) MARTHA ELIZABETH COB-  
LENTZ

B—May 14, 1948

at Oklahoma City, Okla.

RUTH ELIZABETH MOORE

B—July 7, 1915

1-1-4-3-2-5-1-3.

WARREN EDWIN COBLENTZ

B—May 28, 1917

M—September 6, 1939

D—

(1) JUDITH NAN COBLENTZ

B—April 18, 1947

NAN COOR PENDER HARRIS

B—May 20, 1920

D—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—MONTA  
1-1-4-3-2-5-1-4.

VIRGINIA LOUISE COBLENTZ  
B—August 29, 1920  
M—March 14, 1946  
D—

WAYNE ERNEST LASH  
B—September 29, 1918  
D—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—KATHRYN  
1-1-4-3-2-5-2-1.

ENA PETRINE STEPHENSON  
B—January 9, 1914  
M—June 1, 1940  
D—

- (1) KATHRYN IRENE KINSLEY  
B—November 17, 1942
- (2) LEONARD LLOYD KINSLEY  
B—September 1, 1944

LEONARD ALFRED KINSLEY  
B—May 23, 1913  
D—

1-1-4-3-2-5-2-3.

GERALD WESLEY STEPHENSON  
B—September 10, 1918  
M—May 3, 1942  
D—

- (1) GERALD WESLEY STEPHENSON, JR.  
B—January 19, 1943
- (2) CLAUDE LEE STEPHENSON  
B—June 25, 1947

EVELYN SCHNEIDER  
B—April 25, 1921  
D—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—ALLEN  
1-1-4-3-2-5-3-1.

ROBERT HOWARD BRENNER  
B—July 22, 1914  
M—  
D—

## EIGHTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-5-3-2.

JAMES HUGH BRENNER

B—June 2, 1916

M—July 31, 1943

MARY DREW CLAY

B—December 11, 1917

D—

## NINTH GENERATION

(1) ROBERT ALLEN BRENNER

B—November 14, 1945

at Macon, Ga.

(2) MARY ANN BRENNER

B—May 5, 1947

D—July 18, 1947

(3) DAVID CLAY BRENNER

B—June 1, 1949

at Macon, Ga.

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1-1-4-3-2-5-3-3.

LOIS ELINOR BRENNER

B—May 13, 1920

M—July 17, 1943

D—

(1) CHARLES VINCENT RAMSEY, JR.

B—January 9, 1945

at Chicago, Illinois

CHARLES VINCENT RAMSEY

B—November 5, 1920

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—BERTHA

1-1-4-3-2-5-4-1.

RAYMOND CORNELIUS FLEMING

B—March 5, 1916

M—April 24, 1937

D—

(1) BARBARA RAE FLEMING

B—January 8, 1938

(2) JOHN STEVEN FLEMING

B—March 26, 1941

MILDRED LOUISE COMER

B—March 6, 1918

D—

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EDGAR CLARKE FLEMING

B—Sept. 24, 1920

M—July 4, 1941

D—

RUTH MAXINE HOWARD

B—Feb. 22, 1922

D—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—J. HUGH—CLARENCE

1-1-4-3-2-5-5-1.

HUGH JAMES BRENNER  
B—September 12, 1917  
M—May 9, 1943  
D—

(1) JAMES MICHAEL BRENNER  
B—June 8, 1946

(2) HAROLD DEAN BRENNER  
B—August 1, 1947

ETHEL MAXINE JONES  
B—June 7, 1925  
D—

(both born at Covington,  
Ind.)

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1-1-4-3-2-5-5-2.

RALPH DEAN BRENNER  
B—March 21, 1922  
M—August 9, 1947  
D—

(1) ROBERT DEAN BRENNER  
B—September 14, 1948  
at St. E. Hosp. at  
Danville, Ill.

ELIZABETH JANE LEAZENBEE  
B—October 4, 1924  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-5-5-3.

DOROTHY MAE BRENNER  
B—January 13, 1927  
M—April 15, 1944  
D—

(1) GARY WAYNE THOMAS  
B—January 12, 1945  
D—Same Day  
(born at Williamsport, Ind.)

CHARLEY EDWIN THOMAS, JR.  
B—April 15, 1923  
D—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MINNIE—MABEL

1-1-4-3-2-7-1-1.

VICTOR DONALD COLE

B—March 26, 1916

M—

D—

(1) PATRICIA CAROL COLE

B—October 27, 1944

(2) DONNA CAROLYN COLE

B—February 8, 1947

MARY MARGARET LOUDERMILL

B—

D—

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1-1-4-3-2-7-1-3.

WILLIAM IRA COLE

B—January 13, 1922

M—December 8, 1943

D—

(1) CYBIL MARIA COLE

B—November 28, 1945

ELIZABETH RUTH GRAY

B—

D—

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—SAMUEL—WILLIAM

MARY ELIZABETH

1-1-4-3-3-1-1-1.

CHARLES RAE HOPE

B—June 18, 1901

M—September 17, 1927

D—

(1) LORNA LEE HOPE

B—May 30, 1929

RUTH G. ATNIP

B—February 25, 1907

D—

Home in Colorado Springs, Colorado

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-3-1-1-2.

WILLIAM EARL HOPE  
 B—July 2, 1904  
 M—June 1, 1930

(1) DUANE HOPE  
 B—June 7, 1935  
 D—  
 M—

LOIS BURNETT  
 B—May 14, 1906  
 D—

(2) DELBERT HOPE  
 B—March 26, 1938

Home in Fort Collins, Colorado

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—SAMUEL—  
 WILLIAM—CHARLES

1-1-4-3-3-1-2-1.

LOIS ADELAIDE BRENNER  
 B—May 19, 1907  
 M—February 22, 1946  
 D—

COLONEL STANLEY SAULNIER  
 B—  
 D—

1-1-4-3-3-2-1-2.

MILDRED ALBERTA BRENNER  
 B—November 12, 1909  
 M—1928

(1) BURTON UNDERHILL JR.  
 B—February 16, 1929  
 M—

BURTON UNDERHILL  
 (Formerly in the Navy)  
 B—  
 D—1933

(2) EDDIE UNDERHILL  
 B—June 21, 1930  
 M—

(3) ROBERT UNDERHILL  
 B—February 21, 1932

Home in Colorado Springs, Colorado

1-1-4-3-3-1-2-3.

CHARLES WILLIAM BRENNER  
 B—July 2, 1912  
 M—1941  
 D—  
 Was in the Army in Japan

(1) ZAVERIO CHARLES BRENNER  
 B—August 22, 1942  
 M—  
 D—

JOSEPHINE IDA ODDONE  
 B—November 30, 1913



EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-3-1-2-4.

BERLYN ALBERT BRENNER

B—July 2, 1915

M—August 16, 1940

D—

In the Army in the Aleutians

ETHEL BERNICE VESSEY

B—February 9, 1917

D—

Home in Colorado Springs, Colorado

(1) ROBERT GORDON BRENNER

B—February 18, 1943

M—

(2) RICHARD DOUGLAS BRENNER

B—January 27, 1947

M—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—SAMUEL—  
WILLIAM—IDA MAY

1-1-4-3-3-1-3-1.

EDWIN G. COLETTE

B—April 25, 1899

M—June 26, 1930

ALMA TIDWELL

B—December 11, 1898

D—

Home in Longmont, Colorado

(1) WAYNE COLETTE

B—November 2, 1935

(2) ARDEN COLETTE

B—February 2, 1938

1-1-4-3-3-1-3-2.

ETHEL COLETTE

B—June 27, 1901

M—November 4, 1920

LLOYD F. RAMEY

B—October 26, 1899

D—

Home in Sterling, Colorado

(1) KEITH RAMEY

B—September 1, 1921

M—

(2) LEWIS RAMEY

B—May 27, 1927

M—

Was in Navy—South Pacific

(3) DORIS RAMEY

B—December 16, 1929

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-3-1-5-1.

WILLIAM HAROLD BURDEN  
B—1907  
M—

(1) WILLIAM BURDEN  
B—1931  
M—

THELMA -----  
B—  
Home in Sedan, Kansas

(2) ROBERT BURDEN  
B—  
M—

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—SOPHIE  
—MYRTLE

1-1-4-3-4-2-2-1.

VIVIAN VINETA STUFFLEBEAM  
B—March 8, 1899  
M—December 15, 1915  
D—

(1) VIRGINIA PEARL LOHMEYER  
B—July 10, 1917  
M—Lee Cartwright

MEIRL ELMER LOHMEYER  
B—March 8, 1892  
D—

(2) TWYLA MAE LOHMEYER  
B—October 10, 1918  
M—Arnet Shoaf

(3) MEIRL ELMER LOHMEYER,  
JR.  
B—March 11, 1920  
D—November 8, 1921

(4) DELMAR ELMER LOHMEYER  
B—January 2, 1924  
M—Gladys Phillips

(5) DWIGHT OLIVER LOHMEYER  
B—March 11, 1925  
M—Fern Roselee Morgan

(6) EMIL DONALD LOHMEYER  
B—July 14, 1929  
M—

(7) EVERETT LEROY LOHMEYER  
B—June 29, 1930  
M—

1-1-4-3-4-2-2-3.

EMIL CAROL STUFFLEBEAM  
B—April 26, 1902  
M—  
D—

(1) EILEEN ELIZABETH STUFFLEBEAM  
B—

(2) JUDSON MONROE STUFFLEBEAM  
B—

RUTH WILSON  
B—

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1-1-4-3-4-2-2-4.

PAULINE STUFFLEBEAM  
B—April 15, 1910  
M—1928  
D—

(1) JUDSON M. BOYD  
B—1929

(2) ALLEN BOYD  
B—1931

EDWARD BOYD  
B—

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1-1-4-3-4-2-1-2.

BERTHA MARIE CRONKHITE  
B—May 22, 1903

(1) MARY LOU GILLEN  
B—June 10, 1924  
M—Aubra Charles Dudley

THOMAS JEFFERSON GILLEN  
B—January 31, 1890

(2) KATHERINE MARIE GILLEN  
B—September 30, 1925  
M—Howard Orval Hancock

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1-1-4-3-4-2-3-1.

MARITA MAY CRONKHITE  
B—July 13, 1911

(1) JAMES HERMAN WEBB

(2) MARYLN KAY WEBB

CHARLES WILLIAM WEBB  
B—February 19, 1911

(3) CAROLYN SUE WEBB

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-4-2-3-3.

RAYMOND ARTHUR CRONKHITE  
B—February 21, 1919

RUTH ARLEE PYLE  
July 30, 1922

(1) JOAN RUTH CRONKHITE  
B—July 1, 1945

(2) DANIEL RAYMOND CRONK-  
HITE  
B—April 24, 1948

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1-1-4-3-4-2-4-1.

HERMAN WILBER CRONKHITE  
B—September 17, 1909

(1) JANICE RAY CRONKHITE  
B—October 11, 1932

GEORGIA

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1-1-4-3-4-2-4-2.

GLEN LAVERNE CRONKHITE  
B—July 7, 1911

(1) GLEN L. CRONKHITE, JR.

(2) CHRISTIANA CRONKHITE

GLORIA

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1-1-4-3-4-2-4-3.

ETHEL MAY CRONKHITE  
B—May 4, 1914

GEORGE GERNAND  
B—June 29, 1912

(1) DAVID GEORGE GERNAND  
B—May 20, 1938

(2) NORAH MAE GERNAND  
B—July 13, 1940

(3) MARK WARREN GERNAND  
B—June 1, 1946

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—ARTIE

1-1-4-3-4-3-11.

LEO E. COOPER  
B—

CLARA BAKER

(1) CLARENCE JAMES COOPER  
B—January 16, 1927

1-1-4-3-4-3-1-2.

MARY FLORENCE COOPER  
B—December 6, 1903  
M—January 15, 1927  
D—

KENNETH GEPHART  
B—  
D—

(1) ALBERT EUGENE GEPHART  
B—January 31, 1924  
M—Anna Belle McFarland

(2) DOROTHY IONE GEPHART  
B—August 12, 1927  
M—Harley Griffin

(3) VERLIN GLENN GEPHART  
B—September 7, 1934  
D—

(4) KATHRYN LOUISE GEPHART  
B—March 18, 1936

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1-1-4-3-4-3-1-3.

HAROLD EMERY COOPER  
B—October 12, 1905  
M—May 30, 1928  
D—

JANEICE KELLER  
B—  
D—

(1) DONALD EDWARD COOPER  
B—April 22, 1929  
D—Same Day

(2) EVELYN DELORIS COOPER  
B—December 4, 1930  
M—

(3) GLENDON HAROLD COOPER  
B—October 26, 1932  
M—

(4) WANDA IRENE COOPER  
B—March 24, 1937  
M—

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1-1-4-3-4-3-1-5.

THELMA EVELYN COOPER  
B—January 19, 1910  
M—May 1, 1930  
D—

KENNETH KEELE  
B—  
D—

(1) BETTY LOU LORETTA  
KEELE  
B—September 8, 1931  
M—

(2) KENTON KEITH KEELE  
B—September 24, 1932  
M—

- (3) PATRICIA ANN KEELE  
B—January 27, 1934  
M—
- (4) EVELYN LOUISE KEELE  
B—July 23, 1936  
M—
- (5) SHIRLEY JEAN KEELE  
B—October 14, 1938  
M—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—ARTIE

1-1-4-3-4-3-1-7.

HELEN ELIZABETH COOPER  
B—October 14, 1914  
M—August 29, 1931  
D—

ANTHONEY SWIDER  
B—  
D—

- (1) ANTONE EUGENE SWIDER  
B—March 7, 1933  
M—
- (2) ALICE BEVERLY ANN  
SWIDER  
B—July 9, 1934  
M—
- (3) ROBERT LEWIS SWIDER  
B—July 21, 1935  
M—
- (4) BETTY LOU DELORIS  
SWIDER  
B—August 24, 1936  
M—
- (5) ALBERT LEROY SWIDER  
B—September 3, 1937  
M—
- (6) HERMAN JAMES SWIDER  
B—November 18, 1938  
M—

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-4-3-1-8.

GLENN FRANKLIN COOPER

B—December 3, 1916

M—May 1, 1937

D—

MARIE SPARKS

B—

(1) MARYLIN MARIE COOPER

B—December 28, 1937

(2) DICKIE LEE COOPER

B—April 2, 1941

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—LYDIA

1-1-4-3-4-3-2-1.

HERCHIL JESSE POLLOM

B—March 14, 1904

M—

MARGIE HOLLINGSWORTH

(1) WILLIAM EUGENE POLLOM

B—March 30, 1930

M—

D—

1-1-4-3-4-3-2-2.

DELLA MARIE POLLOM

B—January 9, 1910

M—March 10, 1929

D—

JESSE ERVILLE SMITH

B—

2nd M—June 6, 1938

Theodore P. Webb

(1) JOY ANN SMITH

B—March 9, 1930

M—

D—

1-1-4-3-4-3-2-3.

VIRGIL EMERY POLLOM

B—April 11, 1913

M—March 27, 1939

D—

VIVIAN MARIE WILSON

B—

(1) DAVID LEE POLLOM

B—January 8, 1943

M—

D—

1-1-4-3-4-3-2-4.

JOHN WILLIAM POLLUM  
B—July 20, 1918  
M—June, 1938  
D—

MAE -----  
B—

(1) ROBERT POLLUM  
B—1939

(2) MARY ELIZABETH POLLUM  
B—March 22, 1947

(3) JOHN WILLIAM POLLUM  
B—January 25, 1949

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—MARY E.—MARY E.  
—STELLA

1-1-4-3-4-3-3-2.

DOROTHY SCARLETT  
B—March 1, 1910  
D—  
M—1933

ALBERT KEPLING  
B—  
D—

(1) ALMA KEPLING  
B—November 10, 1935

(2) BARBARA KEPLING  
B—February 1, 1937

(3) LUCILLE KEPLING  
B—June 7, 1939  
D—

(4) SANDRA KEPLING  
B—September 27, 1942  
D—

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1-1-4-3-4-3-3-3.

HERBERT SCARLETT  
B—October 17, 1914  
M—December, 1939  
D—

WINIFRED SMALLEY  
B—  
D—

(1) LINDA LEE SCARLETT  
B—November 7, 1940  
M—

(2) PATRICIA ANN SCARLETT  
B—March 3, 1943  
M—  
D—



## EIGHTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-4-3-3-4.

DONALD SCARLETT  
B—April 14, 1916  
M—1941  
D—

----- LAMARA

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1-1-4-3-4-3-3-5.

RICHARD EUGENE SCARLETT  
B—February 2, 1918  
M—1942  
D—

LOIS JACKSON

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1-1-4-3-4-3-4-1.

FOREST ELWOOD COOPER  
B—May 24, 1913  
M—July 13, 1938

MAXINE MACY  
B—1918

## NINTH GENERATION

(1) DONNA SUE SCARLETT  
B—1943

(2) DENNIS SCARLETT  
B—1945

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(1) GARY RICHARD SCARLETT  
B—June, 1943

(1) JOHN LAWRENCE COOPER  
B—November 15, 1940

(2) DAVID EARL COOPER  
B—October 12, 1943

(3) BOBBY GENE COOPER  
B—June 14, 1945

(4) JERRY LEE COOPER  
B—April 27, 1946

(5) IDA MAE COOPER  
B—1948

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1-1-4-3-4-3-4-2.

DALE FRANKLIN COOPER  
B—June 9, 1918  
M—October 6, 1940

JUANITA JEANETTE SLOAN  
B—July 4, 1921

(1) SYLVIA MAY COOPER  
B—June 21, 1941

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—MARY—ADDIE

1-1-4-3-4-3-7-1.

MARY ELIZABETH WOOD  
 B—July 11, 1918  
 M—November 15, 1937  
 D—

REV. JACK HAROLD WHITE  
 Pastor at Olney, Illinois

(1) PHILLIP WALLACE WHITE  
 B—May 27, 1939  
 M—

(2) JACQUELINE ELIZABETH  
 WHITE  
 B—August 30, 1942  
 M—  
 D—

(3) JUDITH ANN WHITE  
 B—March 13, 1945

1-1-4-3-4-3-7-2.

ORPHA MARIE WOOD  
 B—May 6, 1920  
 M—March 23, 1940  
 D—

THEODORE BROWN

(1) PHYLLIS MARIE BROWN  
 B—August 5, 1942

(2) MARY ELAINE BROWN  
 B—June 17, 1944

(3) KATHRYN JOYCE BROWN  
 B—June 12, 1949

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—FRANCES  
 —ARCHIE

1-1-4-3-7-1-2-1.

LEOMA PAULINE LEMMA  
 B—February 2, 1915  
 M—April 15, 1938  
 D—

DONN GEORGE EHRLICH  
 B—January 28, 1913

(1) JAMES DONN EHRLICH  
 B—July 7, 1939

(2) ROBERT DONN EHRLICH  
 B—January 2, 1944

EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-7-1-2-2.

CLARA MARIE LEMNA  
 B—April 3, 1917  
 M—July 3, 1936  
 D—

- (1) PATRICIA SUE HAYES  
 B—November 14, 1939
- (2) JANE ANN HAYES  
 B—September 26, 1943

WILLIAM WAVERLY  
 B—December 25, 1911

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—ELIZABETH  
 —LEROY

1-1-4-3-7-2-3-1.

WILLIAM LEROY KEISTER  
 B—January 29, 1924  
 M—July 27, 1943

- (1) CAROL ANN KEISTER  
 B—December 28, 1945
- (2) DIANNE MARIE KEISTER  
 B—January 9, 1947

VIOLET MARGARET RAYNAK  
 B—November 25, 1923

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—EPHRAIM—ALPHARETTA  
 RUTH

1-1-4-3-7-4-1-1.

HARRY CARL KINNEY JR.  
 B—November 23, 1918

- (1) LOUISE ANN KINNEY  
 B—October 22, 1947  
 at Bridgeport, Conn.

JEAN MARGARET WALSH  
 B—May 25, 1921

- (2) JANET ELIZABETH KINNEY  
 B—November 26, 1948  
 at Lakehurst, N. J.

1-1-4-3-7-4-1-3.

GLADYS MAE KINNEY  
 B—March 12, 1923  
 M—October 7, 1940

- (1) SYLVIA JO PETERS  
 B—November 19, 1941

JAMES MARCUS PETERS—(She remarried March 28, 1949—  
 John Charles Richmond, born on May 5, 1914)

1-1-4-3-7-4-1-4.

BERTHA ANN KINNEY  
B—April 13, 1925  
M—February 20, 1943

(1) WILLIAM RICHARD BEAVER,  
JR.  
B—November 18, 1943

WILLIAM RICHARD BEAVER  
B—February 13, 1925

(2) HARRY EDWARD BEAVER  
B—October 5, 1946

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EIGHTH GENERATION

NINTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZA—FRANCES—WILLIAM

1-1-4-3-5-2-4-3.

ROY STANLEY THORNBURGH  
B—

(1) WILLIAM FINIS THORN-  
BURGH

Wife—unknown

(2) JULIANN THORNBURGH

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NINTH GENERATION

TENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—JACOB—MARY—CORA  
—RALPH

1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-1.

MADGE DEAN ZUFALL  
B—October 6, 1918  
M—August 9, 1940  
D—

(1) STANLEY WAYNE WRIGHT  
B—August 6, 1942

(2) SHAREN LEE WRIGHT  
B—February 25, 1944

STANLEY ALBURN WRIGHT  
B—February 14, 1917  
D—

(3) BEVERLY ANN WRIGHT  
B—December 8, 1947

NINTH GENERATION

TENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-2.

LOIS ELLEN ZUFALL  
B—September 21, 1922  
M—September 30, 1944  
D—

(1) JAMES DAVID BRIER  
B—October 27, 1945

JAMES JOSEPH BRIER  
B—August 30, 1922  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-3.

DEMA JEAN ZUFALL  
B—January 26, 1928  
M—December 7, 1947  
D—

(1) Twin Girls born on  
May 5, 1948, still born

GUY JAMES FISHER  
B—February 2, 1925  
D—

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1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-4.

CHARLENE ZUFALL  
B—June 4, 1930  
M—November 15, 1947  
D—

(1) JUDITH MARIE SPANGLER  
B—May 20, 1948

ROBERT SPANGLER  
B—December 24, 1925  
D—

1-1-4-3-4-2-1-2-1.

MARY LOU GILLEN  
B—June 10, 1924

(1) FREIDA JEAN DUDLEY  
B—December 11, 1944

AUBRA CHARLES DUDLEY

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1-1-4-3-4-2-1-2-2.

KATHERINE MARIE GILLEN  
B—September 30, 1925

(1) ROBERT EUGENE HANCOCK  
B—November 21, 1944

HOWARD ORVAL HANCOCK  
B—December 25, 1926

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NINTH GENERATION

TENTH GENERATION

PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—FRANCES  
—VIVIAN

1-1-4-3-4-2-3-1-1.

VIRGINIA PEARL LOHMEYER  
B—July 10, 1917  
M—April 1, 1937  
D—

(1) GARY LEE CARTWRIGHT  
B—April 15, 1943

(2) VINETA VIGENE CART-  
WRIGHT  
B—June 12, 1947

LEE CARTWRIGHT  
B—November 17, 1915  
D—

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1-1-4-3-4-2-3-1-2.

TWYLA MAE LOHMEYER  
B—October 10, 1918  
M—September 14, 1936  
D—

(1) FRIEDA ANN SHOAF  
B—July 9, 1940

(2) JUANITA MAY SHOAF  
B—September 12, 1944

ARNET SHOAF

NINTH GENERATION

TENTH GENERATION

1-1-4-3-4-2-3-1-5.

DWIGHT OLIVER LOHMEYER  
B—March 11, 1925  
M—April 30, 1948  
D—

These by Fern's former marriage

(1) RUSSELL LEE MORGAN  
B—January 3, 1940

FERN ROSELEE MORGAN  
B—1919  
D—May 31, 1949

(2) MICHAEL MORGAN  
B—September 8, 1943

Her first husband, Lt. Elmer R. Morgan, was killed in the Service  
May 28, 1945, in a mission over Germany.

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PHILIP ADAM—PHILIP—JACOB—JOHN—ELIZABETH—ARTIE—MARY

1-1-4-3-4-3-1-2-1.

ALBERT EUGENE GEPHART  
B—January 31, 1924  
D—  
M—January 12, 1942

(1) NANCY LOUISE GEPHART  
B—

ANNA BELLE McFARLAND

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1-1-4-3-4-3-1-2-2.

DOROTHY IONE GEPHART  
B—August 12, 1927  
M—November 3, 1945  
D—

(1) CAROLYN DIANNE GRIFFIN  
B—November 27, 1946  
D—

HARLEY GRIFFIN

(2) DAVID HARLEY GRIFFIN  
B—January 31, 1949  
D—













# LIFE STORIES

# The Brenners in Pennsylvania

## No. 1 Philip Adam Brenner and 1-0 Anna Maria Rudisell

In the archives of the Pennsylvania German Society—Marshall Street, Philadelphia, there are three volumes by Strassburger and Hinke, entitled “Pennsylvania German Pioneers.”

In this record—List No. 137—Freights 270 dated Sept. 19, 1749, it contains a list of the names of the Colonists who arrived at Philadelphia from Rotterdam on the ship “Patience”—Capt. Hugh Steele commanding. It states these colonists then took the oath of allegiance to the United States.

In this list is the name of Philip Adam Brenner, from Palatinate and Duchy of Wirtenberg, Germany.

The archives of the Pennsylvania Historical Society—13th and Locust Streets, Philadelphia, his will is listed on Page 68 in their volume “Abstract of Lancaster County Wills—Collection of Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania,” as follows:

“Brenner—Philip Adam—D Jan. 24, 1778, (P) July 26, 1782  
—Exec. Anna, Philip, and George Brenner, Manor Twp.—Book  
D—Volume 1, Page 58.

Wife—Anna Marie

Children—Philip

George

Adam

Christopher

Maria Catharine

He belonged to the Lutheran Church in Lancaster.

The Rev. Scott Francis Brenner, Pastor of St. Paul’s Memorial Reformed Church in Reading, Pennsylvania, made up a research brochure on the Brenner ancestry in 1946. He found the name is a very common one in central Europe—in the Palatinate, Bavarian, Baden, and Wurttemberg sections adjoining France and Switzerland.

He found the history of a distinguished Colonel Hans Brenner who lived in Nuremburg early in the 17th century, also a certain Count de Brenner of Basil, who was a celebrated explorer. Also the mother of the immortal composer of music, Carl Maria von Weber, was a Brenner. Then, of course, the Brenner Pass in the Tyrol Alps is known the world around. It is named for the little village that sits at the highest point of the Pass.

The word Brenner means “Burner” in German. Back in history when families took on surnames, many used some color name, like White, Black, Blue, or Green. Many put a suffix—Berg (meaning mountain), on the end of the name, or—Burg (meaning town), to signify location. Many used the occupation of the patriarch of the

family. Hence, Smith, Farmer, Miller, Barber, or Brenner. The latter would signify a brick or a tile kiln, a limestone furnace making lime, or such similar designation.

## The Brenners Branch Into Virginia and Ohio

### No. 1-1 Philip Brenner and 1-1-0 Ana Elizabeth Kempler

In the public library at Philadelphia, in the records of the Lancaster Colony early church founders, it is stated that Philip Adam Brenner, with his sons Philip and George, were considered as prominent among the early settlers in the Lutheran faith.

These records state that Lancaster Co. "became rich in Brenners" in that faith.

In a New York library there is a long list of Brenners during the colonial period who were members of the Lancaster Lutheran Trinity Church.

In response to the invitation from Lord Fairfax to come to Virginia, several Brenners emigrated from Pennsylvania into the Shenandoah Valley, in the "Northern Neck" of Virginia, owned by Lord Fairfax, which included Frederick and Shenandoah Counties.

As stated previously under "The Brenners in America," Casper Brenner was the first we find on record to make this move. We know it was the custom in colonial days for an emigrant who had settled well, to write back to his relatives and "sell them the idea" of following along, too. This custom worked well in bringing the Brenners from Germany to Pennsylvania, then from Pennsylvania to Virginia.

We are unable to locate the date when our Philip made this move from Lancaster Co. to Virginia. Lebanon Township was part of Lancaster Co. until 1785. Then it became part of Dauphin Co. until 1813, then part of Lebanon Co.

We find his name on the tax lists of Lebanon Twp., appearing first in 1771, on page 136, Volume XVII—Pennsylvania Archives—third series. However, we have been unable to establish a definite termination point.

For that reason, we cannot state definitely whether our Jacob (Philip's son) was born in Pennsylvania or Virginia. We do know that Lewis (Philip's first child) was born in Lancaster Co.

The Ohio records state that Philip, partly because of his dislike for slavery, and partly because he had heard about the fertile land in Ohio, was attracted by the stories from out there. Ohio had been thrown open as safe for settlers after the successful outcome of the French and Indian War.

Together with his grown sons and their families, he left Frederick Co., Virginia, in 1809, and settled in Wayne Twp., Montgomery Co., Ohio, near Dayton. There he died November 18, 1818.

In the settlement of Philip's estate—no will—Docket A1-7-66—Case 345, his five sons are named: Lewis, Philip, George, Jacob, and Simon.

Lewis, Jacob and Simon continued to live in Montgomery Co., Ohio. Tradition has it that Philip, Jr. and George had moved to Indiana before their father's death.

#### No. 1-1-4 Jacob and Elizabeth Brenner

(Extract from Montgomery County Court Records)

#### Jacob Brenner Estate

Will—D—334—Dated August 23, 1843—Rec. November 10, 1846

“I, Jacob Brenner, of the State of Ohio, Montgomery County, being of sound mind, do make this my last will and testament. Item—First I give to my wife, Elizabeth Brenner the home farm situated in Montgomery Co., State of Ohio, containing 160 acres during her natural lifetime, and all the goods and chattels, and all the household goods and furnishings, possessions, and all other goods and chattels. I do also give my wife Elizabeth full power after my death to sell my lands in Indiana—160 acres in Wells Co., and also 80 acres in Jay Co., Indiana, with full power to give deed for the same, and to receive the full amount of the money that she may receive for the sale of said lands for her own, she selling so much thereof to pay my just debts.

I also appoint my son, Samuel Brenner, executor after my death, and I also give to my son Samuel Brenner my home farm after the death of my wife, Elizabeth Brenner—the said Samuel Brenner is to have the said farm by paying to the rest of my heirs, two thousand dollars; the condition being that he shall pay three hundred dollars yearly until the two thousand dollars are paid up, and the payments to be equally divided among my heirs.”

Jacob and Elizabeth are buried in the Shearer Cemetery in Montgomery County, on a cross-road south of Sulphur Grove, running from Brandt Pike to Old Troy Pike.

#### No. 1-1-1-1 Jacob S. Brenner and Sarah Ann Matthews

(*Extract from Edgar's "Early Dayton"—P. 123*)

“In 1809 when Jacob S. Brenner was nine years of age, his father, disliking slavery, emigrated from Virginia to Montgomery Co., Ohio, and bought a half-section of land about seven miles north of Dayton.

When Jacob became of age, his father gave him a quarter-section on which there was water power, and Jacob built a



flour mill. He married Sarah A. Matthews, of Baltimore. They had eight children—four sons and four daughters.”

Their graves are in the Bethel Reformed Church cemetery on Old Troy Pike, nine miles out of Dayton. It was originally in Wayne Twp., Montgomery Co., but now in Miami Co.

Their son, John Lewis Brenner, was Congressman from the Ohio district in which Dayton is located.

## The Brenners Branch Over Into Indiana

No. 1-1-4-3 John and Fanny Etnire

In the magazine “*Newsweek*”, June 21, 1948, there appears the following item:

“There are no strangers to each other in Indiana. You like folks who like you, and Indiana people just naturally like their fellow-beings.

That’s how they got a nationwide reputation for hospitality. They never treat one another as strangers.”

The American Journal of Sociology has published a treatise “Researches of Professors of Sociology in America.” In that treatise, we find the following:

“The Middle West, which offered no such opportunities for sudden wealth as did the Far West and the Oil South—yet was fertile enough to prevent the growth of a large poor lower class.

Consequently, it has developed a predominately Middle-Class society. Its families seem characterized by security and a sense of the value of being Middle-Class.

The percentage of homes owned by occupants and farms operated by owners is high. Radios, telephones, automobiles, and electrical appliances are regarded as necessities. Physical well-being adds to their sense of security. The health record is good.

The Middle-Western family believes in its own virtue and essential rightness in its way of living. The relative social equality brings a sense of contentment among neighbors, tending to avoid snobbishness.

They strive to improve their economic status, and to increase the education of their children, but they show little disposition to throw off the conservative and moralistic mores—and to reach for either the Upper Class or the Bohemian modes of living.

Their divorce rates are much lower than the national average and this area leads in percentage of adults in church attendance and membership.”

The above is of interest to us—as something that “John and Fanny” helped to build in America. The “Spirit of the Mid-West,” as noted in these two Journalistic items, coincides correctly with the type of Americanism that these two Hoosier pioneers passed on to their children and grandchildren.

No. 1-1-4-3 John (Johannes) Brenner

No. 1-1-4-3-0 Frances Itnier (Eitner—or Etnire)

The third child of Jacob and Elizabeth Brenner was born in Frederick County, Virginia, March 2, 1800, and was named Johannes, the German name for John.

When he was 9 years old, his father, his grandfather, and his four uncles, together with their families, moved to Montgomery Co., Ohio. Records there show that his parents settled six miles east of Dayton, at the same time that his eldest uncle Lewis Brenner settled seven miles north of Dayton.

There he married Frances Itnier, as her name had been originally spelled in German. In some Ohio records it is spelled “Eitner”, due of course to the German handwriting being so hard to read. She was also a native of Virginia—her family having come to Ohio as it was opened to settlement.

They were married January 31, 1822, and shortly afterward decided to move to Indiana. In arriving at such a decision, they had to give prime consideration to the transportation facilities in any new location for getting their produce to market.

The river systems of Ohio and Indiana had played the major part in the selections of sites for settlement by the early emigrants. To be near a river or canal was almost a “must”. As an example, six years after the Erie Canal across New York was finished. Indiana started the Wabash and Erie Canal—460 miles long, to connect Lake Erie with the Maumee and Wabash Rivers near Fort Wayne.

When this canal was begun, the upper Wabash Valley was a wilderness, with only 12,000 scattered population in the Maumee and upper Wabash zone. Wheat then sold there for 37 to 45 cents a bushel, and corn from 10 to 20 cents, while imported salt cost \$10.00 a barrel, and sugar 25 to 35 cents a pound. The year before the canal opened, 5622 bushels of corn went from that zone to Toledo, the nearest market. Five years later 2,755,149 bushels of corn went up the canal to Toledo, wheat was 90 cents a bushel, and salt came back for less than \$4.00. The population had increased to 270,000 in that same area.

So we can thus understand the necessity for John and Fanny to pick a spot near a water route. The earliest Indiana settlers had astonished the Indian savages by a new river craft, the flatboat, wonderfully adapted to the shallow streams. Three hundred barrels of pork was the usual average flatboat load, or five thousand bushels of corn. The assorted cargoes consisted of grain, pelts, venison, lard, pork, flour, cattle, horses, oats, wheat and nuts. This made the

Wabash Valley a definite lure for emigrants. At the time John and Fanny were young in Ohio, from 1000 to 1200 flatboats a year were entering the Ohio River from the Wabash, headed for New Orleans. Ten years later, "The Emigrants' Guide," published in 1832, said that at least 1000 of these craft had come down the Wabash in one month that spring.

But the imaginations of all settlers were fired in 1811, when a new epoch in transportation dawned in the first steamboat run between Pittsburgh and New Orleans. According to Jacob P. Dunn (*History of Indiana*), the first steamboat ascended the Wabash in 1823. Soon it was a regular event for a fleet of steamers to be seen wending their way up and down the river. When a New Orleans boat would put in at LaFayette—which was the head of navigation for the larger steamers—amid much blowing of the whistle, the whole wharf was the scene of the liveliest interest. Barrels of sugar, molasses, coffee, and tobacco would be rolled up along the side of Main Street for blocks. Teas and spices lent a savory odor. Mysterious bales and boxes, suggestive of new fashions and fabrics, line the wharf approaches. It was the ardent wish and nightly dream of every barefoot boy on the banks of the Wabash to some day become a Captain of one of these fiery dragons with glittering interior.

Thus it was that John and Fanny set out for the Wabash Valley. The trip was made on horseback, with their worldly possessions tied into horse packs. Amongst these were a featherbed, and a precious family clock, which in those days represented the movement of civilization out into the wilderness.

This clock became an heirloom that came to J. Hugh Brenner, two generations later. It was in constant use in his home, rousing the household at 4:00 A. M., until his death on January 1, 1938. It stopped at the very instant of his death, at time of grandson, Robert Dean Brenner's birth, 10 years later it was again put in running order. It is now in the possession of Clarence E. Brenner.

John and Fanny settled in Warren County in the Wabash Valley, south of West Lebanon, on what was commonly called "The Barrens," as distinguished from the heavily timbered lands of the northern part of the County. Their farm was one mile south of what later became the McBroom farm.

Due to the fact that the early Indiana custom was to spell names the way they are pronounced, Fanny's family name became written as "Etnire" as did others of her relatives in Warren County.

Their graves are both in the West Lebanon cemetery.

#### No. 1-1-1-1-6 Simon Brenner and Elizabeth Swann

*(Extract from Drury's "Dayton and Montgomery County"—P. 789)*

Simon Brenner comes from a family long prominent in the affairs of this state and this county. His paternal grandfather, Lewis Bren-

ner, was of German descent and a native of Virginia, where he owned a plantation of six hundred acres.

His son Jacob (father of Simon) was also born in Virginia, and came to this county as a boy with his father in 1809.

Simon Brenner, ex-Senator and Representative from Montgomery County, married March 1870 to Elizabeth Swann, and had seven children.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-1 David Brenner and Artimetia Cloyd

He was born in Montgomery County, Ohio, on January 10, 1823. He moved with his parents to Warren County, Indiana, where he and Artimetia were married in 1844.

In 1857 the couple moved to Missouri. He was a very strong Union man, and when the war broke out, the section was Southern in its feeling, so the family were forced to leave.

They moved to Sheldon, Ill., where they resided until August 20, 1867, when they moved to Onargo, Ill., where they continued to make their home.

They were devout members of the M. E. Church and were earnestly consistent in providing a Christian home for their family.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2 Jacob Brenner and Suzanne James

Born in Montgomery County, Ohio, March 12, 1825, was the second child of eight children of John and Frances (Etnire) Brenner, both natives of Virginia.

Mr. Brenner obtained his education from the common schools of Ohio and Indiana, having moved here with his parents at the age of 12 years: They purchased 204 acres in Pike Township.

On November 23, 1847, he was married to Miss Suzanne James, a native of Fountain County, Indiana, daughter of Samuel and Syntha James, pioneers of Fountain County.

In 1850, they moved to Jasper County, 2 miles east of Morocco, and purchased 120 acres. It was there that J. Hugh was born. When he was six months old, the family returned to this County and purchased a farm on Rock Creek.

In 1881, he removed to West Lebanon from his farm, one of the best improved in the Township. He was a Whig—then Democrat—then a Greenback. He died February 22, 1891, aged 66 years.

(Taken from History of Warren County)

Suzanne was born January 8, 1830, in Warren County, Ind. She received a pioneer education, and shortly after their marriage she and Jacob both united with the Christian Church at West Lebanon.

There she remained faithful until the end, a regular attendant also of the Adult Bible Class.

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

David Brenner was born in  
the year 1823 January 10<sup>th</sup>

Isaac Brenner was born in  
the year 1825 March 12<sup>th</sup>

Samuel Brenner was born in  
the year 1827 March 21<sup>st</sup>

Mary Elizabeth Brenner was born in  
the year 1828 February 6<sup>th</sup>

William Brenner was born in  
the year 1831 April 10<sup>th</sup>

John Brenner was born in  
the year 1833 September 6<sup>th</sup>

Abigail Brenner was born in  
the year 1835 October 17<sup>th</sup>

Epiphanius Brenner was born in  
the year 1838 January 14<sup>th</sup>

Sarah Catherine Brenner was born in  
the year 1841<sup>st</sup> July 13<sup>th</sup>

No. 1-1-4-3-4 Mary Elizabeth Brenner and Elijah Gunn

She was born February 6, 1829. Her early days were spent on the Brenner farm in the Wabash Valley south of West Lebanon.

She united with the New Light Church in 1845. The couple were married June 3, 1852. In 1869 she transferred her membership to the Methodist Church in West Lebanon, and remained active there until her old age.

Possessed of an innate kindly and benevolent spirit, she was affectionately greeted everywhere by young and old alike. To receive a hearty "Hi—Aunt Lib" or "Grandma Gunn" from any of her fellow-citizens or fellow-youngsters (she was always young) was certain to elicit a response of a beaming smile.



She was a devoted Christian wife, Mother, and citizen.

Even tho' there were three sons older, it was "'Lizabéth" who was the sentimental one about the Family Bible and it was given into her possession. So it was that this precious record was discovered in the possession of her grand-daughter, Addie Cooper Wood in Danville, Ill., rather than among the descendants of one of the older children. Among the pages of this precious book were also; pressed flowers and pieces of wedding dresses and other memories of days gone by; which prove her sentimental love of the family.

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3 William Leroy Brenner and Fattie Leona Witherly

He was born at West Lebanon, Indiana, on July 14, 1851. There he attended the schools until he was sixteen years old, at which time his parents moved with their family to Onarga, Ill.

After finishing the high school there, he attended the Grand Prairie Seminary in his preparation for the work as a teacher in the public schools.

Upon completion of his course there, he taught for several years in the schools in Nebraska.

He and Hattie were married April 15, 1885, at Pierce, Neb. Two years later they moved to Onarga, Ill., where he followed for many years the trade of wagon maker.

He also did carpentering. For years his health was far from robust, but he continued steadily in his shop through sheer will power until Hattie's death, December 20, 1929.

He survived her only a few days, until January 9, 1930. The headline of his obituary in the Onarga paper reads, "Onarga's Oldest Businessman."

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-1 Mary Elizabeth Brenner and George Washington Steely

She was born on a farm near West Lebanon, Indiana, on September 26, 1849. When a year old, she moved with her parents to Jasper Co., Indiana. When she was ten years old, her family returned to Warren County, where she attended school, and spent the rest of her life. She married her "soldier boy" shortly after the Civil War, just before she was eighteen years old.

As a youngster of seventeen years, George enlisted in the Union Army in 1861. To understand the conditions in Indiana at that time, it is worth our while to glance at the State's History.

It was a "pivotal" state from the start. The two tides of emigration into the territory after the French and Indian War, came from two different directions. Gov. Morton wrote to Pres. Lincoln in 1861,—“The case of Indiana is peculiar, in that it had, probably, a larger proportion of inhabitants of southern birth or parentage—many of these, of course, with southern proclivities—than any other state.”

The other flood of settlers had come from New York, Pennsylvania, and the eastern states. As a result, the territory was almost rent asunder over the question in 1816 of entering the Union as a free state.

The upshot of it was that the political parties were nearly in balance, which gave rise to the colloquial expression, "Every Hoosier baby is weaned on politics." From 1816 to 1860, when the state went for Lincoln, it had gone Democratic in every national election except two.

A historian, visiting the state a dozen years before the war, in commenting on an ordinary national election as conducted in Indiana, said that a stranger to our form of government, looking on, would naturally suppose that it was the last night we were to enjoy our Union; would think that the excited parties, would never be reconciled to the success of their opponents, but rally under their leaders and contest their power at the point of the sword.

Under such circumstances, the impact of the war between the states was terrific in the state of George Steeley. The old earth itself seemed to reel under a blow, and no longer to afford a foothold.

Ties of kindred were severed, neighborhoods divided, bitter dissensions knew no sex, no church, no age. Ministers took sides and used Bible texts for either sides of the question. Orators fulminated and people wrangled and argued as they have never done since.

Indiana's quota of Pres. Lincoln's first call for 75,000 volunteers was 6,000. Fifteen thousand answered immediately. It is a matter of record that an Indiana soldier was the first to yield his life on the battlefield, and that the last battle of the war was fought by Indiana troops. The last soldier killed in battle was John J. Williams of the 34th Indiana Regiment.

Indiana left her dead in seventeen states. Ere the war closed, the Hoosier State, with 246,000 voters had furnished 259,000 troops. The rush to the colors had been so universal throughout the state that the volunteers had exceeded the successive quota calls by over 8,000 men, without any use of the draft.

The Indiana soldiers were the tallest men in the army, state-average-wise. They became noted for their droll humor and dry philosophy so characteristic of Hoosiers everywhere.

(Above taken from Julia Henderson Levering's book, "Historic Indiana"—Knickerbocker Press—1916.)

But to look closer home, let us pick up the F. F. A. Battey and Co. book—"History of Warren County," to see what life was like in George Steeley and Mary Brenner's home county when they were in their "teens".

Immediately following the news of the fall of Sumpter and the President's call for 75,000 volunteers, the spirit of the citizens leapt into instant and energetic fire. They came by hundreds to signify their readiness to go. Mothers were seen encouraging their sons, wives, their husbands, sisters, their brothers, and sweethearts, their lovers; old men, long past the prime of life, strenuously insisted on enrolling with their sons and grandsons, and considered themselves insulted when they were refused the sacred privilege of upholding the old flag.

Meetings were held in every town in Warren Co. to listen to eloquent and fiery bursts of oratory that were everywhere received with tumultuous applause. Martial bands were everywhere playing the national airs. Williamsport and West Lebanon hastened to outdo each other. Independence, Pine Village, Rainsville, Marshfield, and others sent in such enlistments that the "Warren Co. Republican" on May 2, published the following:

### OLD WARREN AHEAD

"We doubt if any county in the state has been more prompt



in responding to the call of the President for troops than this county. Her volunteers in proportion to population all over Indiana would supply from this state alone one-half the 75,000 call. Hurrah, for old Warren and the Union!"

The same spirit of response continued throughout the various calls in 1862-'63-and-'64. Although some of the quotas staggered the county the loyal groups, sparked by the women, always went resolutely to work to keep an excess over the quota calls. Constant extraordinary efforts were always put forth to meet continued emergencies.

Boys home on leave were made the guests at picnics, which would be extensively advertised. Delegations would come in wagons, carriages, on foot, on horseback, in long lines, with martial bands, gay banners, streamers, and mottoes. Wagon loads of young ladies, adorned with national colors and flowers, drawn by four or six horses, would follow the band through the crowded streets. The boys in uniform would march in the place of honor. Then the crowds would assemble in a grove for a picnic dinner of the choicest viands the county could produce. Eloquent and patriotic speeches and enlisting would follow.

Thus it was that Warren County made her contribution to these stirring times. George Steeley enlisted as stated above. He was assigned to Company H—60th Regiment—Indiana Volunteer Infantry—under General Banks. He participated in fifteen major engagements, amongst which were:

- January, 1863—Arkansas Post
- February, 1863—Young's Point
- April, 1863—Milliken's Bend
- May, 1863—Champion Hills
- May, 1863—Port Gibson
- May, 1863—Black River
- June, 1863—Siege of Vicksburg
- July, 1863—Jackson, Mississippi
- November, 1863—Corbeau Plains, Louisiana
- April, 1864—Sabine Cross Roads, Louisiana
- September, 1864—Munfordsville, Louisiana (Where seven companies were captured.)
- September, 1864—Thibodeaux, La.
- November, 1864—Carrion Crow Bayou

In the summer of 1865, the boys returned home, and were met with open arms and throbbing hearts by loved ones and friends, as, of course, were all the boys—North and South—throughout the land.

Until well past the turn of the century, it was a solemn sight on Memorial Day each year to see the G. A. R. parade in uniform with the blue broadbrims and gilt fringes. With the band playing solemn music, the procession would each year wend its way to the cemetery. There the appropriate respect for the memory of departed com-

rades, and gratitude for the restored Union that is America.

George and Mary are both buried in the West Lebanon cemetery.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-2 Cynthia Frances Brenner and  
George Washington Bowlus**

She was born October 10, 1851, at the old Brenner homestead on the Rock Creek Valley farm about five miles southeast of West Lebanon, Indiana.

She lived there until her marriage on February 19, 1874. Then she and George acquired a farm across the creek from her old home, where they lived until George's death on August 28, 1918.

She then moved to West Lebanon, where she made her home for several years. Later, however, because of failing health, she was persuaded to make her home with her son Clarence. She died May 11, 1931.

They were a most devoted couple, of staunch Christian character, beloved by hosts of friends, home loving people who delighted in dispensing open-hearted hospitality and friendliness to everyone.

They were members of the Christian Church from early childhood.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-4 Martha Jane Brenner and Joel M. Routzahn**

She was born August 10, 1856, at Beaver Lake, Jasper County, Indiana. When three years old, she moved with her family to Warren County, Indiana, where she attended the Barrens School.

After her marriage in 1877, they settled on a farm southwest of West Lebanon, where they remained until 1919. They moved to West Lebanon, leaving the old homestead to spend the remaining years there.

Joel was born in Middleton, Md., February 2, 1855. At the age of six years, he moved with his family to a farm near West Lebanon, not far from the homestead where he later made his home farm.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, Knights of Pythias, and Modern Woodmen of America.



No. 1-1-4-3-2-5 Jacob Hugh Brenner and Jennie Rebecca Remsberg

He was born at Beaver Lake, Jasper Co., Indiana, April 23, 1859. When he was six months old, his family moved to Warren County, and bought a farm on the Barrens.

There he attended the Barrens School. Some of his earliest memories were woven around the exaction of discipline by means of "strap oil." Infractions were followed by whalings, and if the pupils were inclined to resent it around home, a second dose of the same "oil" was usually forthcoming from the parents.

He learned the intricacies of such arts as "Black-man"—"dare-base"—and "duck-on-a-rock." Throwing south-paw, he developed quite a toss in that game, as well as in snowball battles. Having a great zest for games of all sorts as a boy, he never outgrew them. He pitched horseshoes and "gigged" fish in the Wabash with the experts. In later years, he and his cronies would take on all comers in croquet, checkers, or crokinole, using the rear of Ike Hall's Drug Store as a club room.

He joined the Christian Church in West Lebanon, December 1, 1876, and continued his activities there all his life. He was an Elder, Trustee, and Chairman of the Board over a long span of years. He was a member of the Town Board several times and was twice elected Master of the Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen, and a charter member of the Eastern Star.

His love for young people was evident everywhere—on the streets, in their homes or his own, or in the Sunday School. His capacity for friendship found expression everywhere. He was always even-tempered, and even his intimate associates said the worst they ever heard him say was: "Dad blame it," and pout out his lips. His favorite Bible quotation was "For, I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the Power of God unto salvation, to everyone that believeth," and he really lived it.

His courteous and kindly nature found good in everyone. To him, the exercise of genial and sincere good-will was not merely a mood for a day, it was a duty and a service that every generation should pass to the next for a better America.

The couple were married June 12, 1879, by Rev. Allen Lewis, the Methodist Minister of the bride. They settled on a farm near The Prairie, north of town, where they farmed for thirteen years. Since part of the land was in virgin forest, it required the clearing of oak, walnut, hickory, and other timber, and the gatherings of neighbors for log rollings. The logs burned in these fires would have helped immensely in the housing shortage a couple of generations later.

In 1892, they moved to West Lebanon to give their children a better education. They continued to operate their farm, as well as various mechanical units.

He was always intensely interested in machinery, especially if it had an engine associated with it. As a young man he wanted to become a railroad engineer, but was prevented by his parents' need of him on the farm. Any piece of mechanical power equipment had for him a magnetic lure that would make him forget his dinner.

From the 1911 date of the first Indianapolis Speedway 500-mile Memorial Day auto race—on through probably 15 or more years, that race was his one big yearly thrill. It got in his blood, so he didn't miss one.

To him, any sort of engine had "feelings." He knew it could and would react to good or bad treatment. Like the proverbial "cowboy and pony acting as one creature," he would spot these racing drivers who, in his opinion, were, early in the race, getting the best response from their cars without abusing them. In his language, driver and car must "act as one."

Then he'd run a tally sheet. At the top, he'd list the "best" driver; the one who best understood the "feelings" of his car, and whose car "knew" him. At the bottom, he'd list the driver that he thought was "punishing" his car the worst, and therefore would not last the distance.

Then, next day, he'd collect all the newspapers and carefully pore over the sports writers' articles and mechanical reports on each car's performance or failure, to check them against his tally sheet, and thus see where he had been right or wrong in his tally. Thus he would get ready to "referee" the next race, next year, and "call 'em as he saw 'em."

Jennie was born March 27, 1859 at Braddock Heights, Md., in the Middletown Valley near Frederick. In August of the same year, her family moved to Warren County, Ind., and settled on the Dr. Hall farm, three and one-half miles south of West Lebanon, where Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bowlus now reside.

Here she attended the Barrens School, which was located on a corner of her father's farm. As was the case with all American youth in the thousands of public schools throughout the land, her culture and philosophy of life were acquired through religion, through the schools that had a decided religious flavor and background, through reading of books and periodicals, as well as through the oral teachings and traditions of parents and elders.

In her life was embodied the truth of a statement by Mark Sullivan in 1927 in a volume entitled "American Finding Herself":

"In the American public school of the 1860's to early 1900's, we shall discover the sources of whatever it was that education did to form the minds of the American generation who were adult between 1900 and 1925.

"To a large extent, the ideas he held as an adult, which he expressed through the public men whom he elected to office, through the leaders he chose or accepted in all lines of thought,

and the principles and issues he supported or opposed, had been formed at least the foundation for them had been acquired, in the American Schools, as they were during the generation in which he was a child.”\*

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In writing the above volume, Sullivan had contacted innumerable men and women in public life with the question as to what had been the greatest influence in their young lives. The answers he received contained such abundant tribute to McGuffeys Eclectic Readers that he was forced to conclude that “McGuffeys”, as the youngsters called them, was a real Institution in its effect on the life of America.

In any event, Jennie acquired a great sense of economy and thrift from the McGuffey Maxims. They also fired her with ambition to be always doing. Moments were too precious to waste. Life was so short and so full, the things she could do and be interested in were so vast in number and variety that she must improve every minute.

In 1874-75 she attended the Stockwell Academy Seminary near Lafayette. She then attended Valparaiso University at Valparaiso, Indiana, after which she taught school in Liberty Twp. until her marriage.

At the age of 18 she joined the M. E. Church at West Lebanon. Later November 19, 1894, she moved her membership to the Christian Church to be with her husband and provide her family with a united church influence.

She maintained a lively correspondence with relatives and friends in other states. She was not the Brenner, but it was she, who kept track of all of the Brenner relatives, as well as her own; and it was perhaps due to her vigorous tenacity, that this volume was made possible. She instilled in us a desire to perpetuate and bind together; the Family Ties. She was a great reader, believing that “Not what we have, but what we use”—is the secret of staying young mentally.

She took a great interest in the Order of Eastern Star. At three different times she was elected Worthy Matron, her total occupancy of that station being—seven years. She was a charter member of the local chapter. She planned carefully and worked hard to realize her “dream” of a “new bungalow,” and in 1927 they built it on the corner lot. It was in this new home that they celebrated their GOLDEN WEDDING in June 1929. All fifteen of the grandchildren attended, and all of the children and in-laws, except Phil (Coblentz), who was unable to come. About two hundred friends and relatives called during the day, and were served tea and cake, candy and nuts. The evening—as so many of our reunions was spent with an impromptu musical program, in which each individual had to do a “stunt”.

Since Rae and Bertha were married on their 33rd Anniversary, every June 12th thereafter was spent together. Even though

Kathryn's funeral was on June 10th, we hurried home to be with them on the 12th. The last one of all four together being our 25th, in 1937.

In her judgment, everything in life ought to be intensely practical. To her the religion of Jesus Christ was something that made sense. Her love for music, flowers, books, and education was to her a practical thing. They were all means to an end. They were to her the Lord's way of using us to make this a better world in which to live.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-6 William Harvey Brenner and Grace  
Leverta Maud Biser**

He was born on a farm in Pike Twp. south of West Lebanon, Indiana, on the so-called Barrens. There he attended school at the Barrens School House.

In his younger days, he learned the carpenter's trade, and as such he got around to know people throughout the county. Well over six feet tall, with a magnificent physique, he was the first in the neighborhood to own one of those early monstrosities—the high wheel bicycle.

An amusing incident was told about his early experiences with that new speed machine. Naturally he used it to go any place—just as modern folks hop in the car to go to the store for a loaf of bread.

One day on his farm a hog got through the fence and onto the road. Now, every farmer's boy knows something about the habits of a hog. It still has some trace of its wild boar ancestry in its veins, it can find the smallest weak place in the fence to get out, but can't find an open gate to get back. If you're going after it to bring it back, you have to out-run it.

So—what would be the first thought in Will's mind? To take the big high bike and go get the hog. Now those eight foot machines looked scary to a horse or a human. So to the hog, a six-foot plus man way up there on one of them was too much—and the race was on. The hog put into it all his wild boar ancestry had given him, but that speed demon contraption was gaining on him. So it did what a hog always does—cut across in front of its pursuer. The collision followed. The rider pitched head first over that big wheel, with hog, bike and rider all so scrambled together that their identities were practically lost.

After his marriage, Will moved to their farm on the Barrens where they farmed for 37 years, after which they retired and moved to West Lebanon.

He was Trustee of Pike Twp. for four years. He was a member of the Christian Church, the Masonic Lodge, and the Order of the Eastern Star. He was active in the farmers' organizations that had to do with improvement of agricultural methods.

Grace was born on the "Rock Creek" farm near "Old Town"—

West Lebanon, Indiana. This was a cross-roads development that was West Lebanon before the railroad came. After the Wabash railroad came through the county in 1857, the town moved a mile north to be "on the railroad."

"Old Town" then became a suburb of West Lebanon, and the school was used as a country school. Here Grace attended grade school. One day she mired in that famous Indiana mud and had to be hauled out. As a result, she became known around home and school as "Stick in the Mud."

She later attended the school at West Lebanon. She joined the Methodist Church at the age of fifteen, then later transferred to the Christian Church to be with her Will. She is still active there in the Missionary Society. Has been a member of the Eastern Star for many years.

One of the delightful memories the nieces and nephews remember about a visit to "Uncle Will and Aunt Grace's" home, is that of the delightful fellowship and hospitality, these marvelous dinners and usually a hunting trip for squirrels, rabbits, or quail.

#### No. 1-4-3-2-7 Minnie May Brenner and Victor Biser

She was born December 30, 1870 at the old Jacob Brenner Homestead on The Barrens in Warren County, Indiana.

She attended the Barrens School, and at the age of thirteen, she united with the Christian Church in West Lebanon. She was very active in the Sunday School there and also in the Old Town Sunday School for many years. Later she transferred her membership to the Methodist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Stuart.

She was married July 4, 1890, after which she joined the Order of the Eastern Star, in which she continued active.

Victor was born October 16, 1866, at the old David Biser Homestead on Rock Creek east of the West Lebanon cemetery.

He attended school at the Old Town school house, and spent his youth helping his parents on the farm.

After their marriage, the couple moved to the Jacob Brenner farm on the Barrens. After a few years they moved to the old Biser Homestead.

He was active in both the Methodist Church and the West Lebanon Masonic Lodge No. 352, in which he bore the honor of a Past Master.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-6-3 Andrew Jackson Brenner and Ella M. Holmes

He was born May 29, 1862 at Mt. Ayr, Indiana, near Rensselaer. For many years after their marriage the couple were the proprietors of the Mackeever hotel in Rensselaer.



As a result of his cheerful and friendly disposition, and his ease in meeting people while in the hotel business, he was known amongst his associates as "Jink".

In 1909 the couple moved to Winchester, Indiana, where they lived until the time of their death May 7, 1939. Both were fatally injured in a tragic auto accident.

## The Brenners Branch Out Into California

No. 1-1-4-3-6-9 James Emmet Brenner and Florence  
Montana Marshall

He was born November 10, 1889, in Mt. Ayr, Indiana, in living quarters above his father's drug store. He moved with his parents to their new home in Rensselaer at the age of three. The house was not quite finished, so the neighbor across the street, Ralph W. Marshall, asked them to stay in the old tenant house on his farm about one-fourth of a mile away, until the completion of their home.

It was in this way that Jim met his future father-in-law, as he married Mr. Marshall's youngest daughter some twenty-two years later.

He attended the grade schools and the high school in Rensselaer, Indiana. His father died when he was sixteen years old, from which age he has been entirely self-supporting, always industrious in the extreme, firm in his conviction that any job undertaken must be done thoroughly and conscientiously.

His mother and father are buried in the North Star cemetery, north of Mt. Ayr.

In high school he played football and tennis, and went by the nickname of "Coxey". He became interested in the National Guard activities, and served as a member from 1905 to 1909, holding the office of 2nd Lieutenant in the Indiana Guard.

In 1909, he entered the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. While there he traveled under the sobriquet of "Sophie". He was graduated from there in 1913 with the commission of Ensign.

Having kept in close touch all these years with that former little Hoosier neighbor girl, he was aware of the fact she was now in California. So after the manner of the best naval tradition, he arranged to be assigned to West Coast Naval duty. As a result, the couple were married September 12, 1914.

He served in the U. S. N. regular line duty, after America's entry into the war, he was transferred to the Atlantic Fleet for convoy duty. As Lieut. Commander of the cruiser "Albany," he made

twenty-two convoy crossings. As a result of constant exposure during the terrible "flu winter" of World War I, coupled with overstrain and overwork, he was later retired in 1921 for physical disability incurred in line of duty.

But by sheer iron will, he refused to be "through". After about four years in bed, he started his comeback by attending the University of Redlands, California, for part time. Then in 1924, he entered the Stanford University School of Law, from which he obtained his J. D. Degree in 1927, and was admitted to the California Bar in that same year.

He was law librarian of Leland Stanford from 1927 to 1932, and in 1928 was made Associate Professor of law on the faculty of the University. In 1929-30 he was Executive Secretary of the State Bar of California, of which he has been Research Secretary since 1930.

Meantime he had built a house for his family in Palo Alto, where they still live. This was constructed under the supervision of Scott Brenner, his older half-brother, who was a building contractor and who came out from Mt. Ayr to do this work, thus helping to bridge the gap from the Brenners "back home in Indiana" to the California Coast.

He was recalled to active duty in the Navy as a Lieutenant-Commander in May, 1941, and was promoted to Captain in 1944.

In the November 1947, issue of the magazine, "American Bar Association Journal," appeared an article announcing Jim's election to the Board of Editors of that Journal by the Board of Governors, at its meeting in Cleveland, September 26. This election was for a five-year term to 1952.

The article states that he had become a member of the National Association in 1932, and had long been a trusted adviser and active participant in many phases of its work, particularly as to legal education and standards for admission to the Bar.

He is the Secretary of the National Conference of Bar Examiners, and is the West Coast member of the Independent Council which is initiating the Survey of the Contemporary Legal Profession. He moved up to the Board of Editors from the representative Advisory Board of the Journal.

The article states further that the Board welcomes most heartily this accession of ability, experience, judgment, and representative character. Supplementing the valued counsel of their Advisory Board, the Editors felt Jim's participation will give a broadening base for the work of the Journal.

In "Who's Who in America" (1949) appears a twenty-four line summary of the above, listing also his membership in the following:

Delta Theta Phi (Law Fraternity)  
Order of Coif (International Legal Honor Society)  
Presbyterian Church  
Bohemian Club—San Francisco

Army and Navy Club—Washington, D. C.

Officer's Club—Annapolis

St. Francis Yacht Club—San Francisco

Commonwealth Club—San Francisco

American Judicature Society

Through the genealogy line of his mother, Carrie Manter, Jim is also a direct descendant in the 11th generation from Stephen Hopkins of the Mayflower.

After serving five years in active duty in the Navy in World War II, he was returned to inactive duty, retired list, in 1946 with the rank of Captain.

Florence Marshall, the little neighbor girl, attended the schools in Rensselaer, Indiana, then went with her parents to Santa Cruz, California, when her father (Ralph W.) retired from law practice.

She attended the University of California, and after obtaining her degree, went on into post-graduate work there and later at Stanford University summer sessions. Prior to her marriage, she taught school in Medford, Oregon, and in Dixon, California.

Popularly known as "Patty" to her host of friends and associates throughout the country, she joined the Sigma Kappa Sorority, and after her graduation served several years on its National Council. After her family were grown, it became her duty, as National Representative, to visit, counsel, and supervise the local Chapters in their undergraduate activities.

After marrying Jim she really "Followed the Fleet" for seven years in the true "Navy Wife" tradition. Their first child was born in San Diego, California. Not the least bit daunted by living on the run with a suit case in one hand and a child in her other arm, she made a "home" out of any corner available. The second child was born in New York City, just so the Naval records would show that the U. S. Fleet travelled all the seven seas. Out of this "Navy Wife" experience she was well able to mentor her two Navy Daughters-in-law later in World War II.

During Jim's disability and comeback, no contributing factor played nearly so important a part as the unflagging courage of Florence. To everyone who knew her, she was a true stalwart. In all those countless ways that women have and men do not when the chips are down, she really "carried the load."

She is a member of the Faculty Wives Club and the Palo Alto Branch of the A. A. U. W., also a member of the National League for Women's Service of California.

She is a member of the Methodist Church and has been active in Sunday School work in both Rensselaer and Palo Alto.

Their home is at: 1044 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto, California.

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3-1 Coral Gertrude Brenner

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3-0 James Leroy Graves

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3-1-0 Isaac Tucker Chapple

She was born at Pierce, Nebraska, on April 15, 1886. When a year old, she moved with her parents to Onarga, Illinois, where her two sisters and two brothers were later born.

She was graduated from the Onarga High School, and went on to the study of music at the Conservatory, selecting the organ as her major. She was the paid organist for the Methodist Choir for nine years.

After she and James Graves were married they moved to Chicago, but on account of his health, they returned to Onarga, where he died after a married life of only four years.

Three years later she married Isaac Chapple. Since they were both interested in dramatics, they joined a Stock Company, and remained in the show business for sixteen years, retiring in 1929.

They are both active in "Show Folks of America," of which she is Recording Secretary for the third straight year. She has also been elected President of the Patriotic Bureau.

They are both members of the Order of Eastern Star. Their address is: 526 South State Street, Chicago.

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3-5 Rolland Roy Brenner

No. 1-1-4-3-1-3-5-0 Louise Connor

He was born in Onarga, Illinois, on October 18, 1905. He received his education in the public schools there, and became a member of the Methodist Church at an early age.

Soon after completing his education, he went to Chicago, where he was employed until he was called to serve in the armed forces. He entered the service, November 9, 1942, and served with the 253rd Infantry in the Rhineland, the Ardennes and in Central Europe. He was with the ground combat forces.

He was discharged at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, on October 22, 1945, after an overseas service of two years and eleven months.

He and Louise were then married on June 24, 1946, at Tuscumbia, Alabama, where her home was situated.

They then moved to Miami, Florida, where he died suddenly on March 8, 1949, of a heart attack at the age of 43. Funeral services were held at his boyhood home by the Onarga Post No. 551 of the American Legion.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-2 George Andrew Steeley

No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-2-0 Margaret Ritchie

At the Brenner-James-Remsberg family reunion in 1947, by a show of hands there were seventeen people present who had been students in the classes taught by Andrew and Margaret Steeley. This pedagogical couple spent their entire lives in school teaching. And in their generation the Rise in Education was as complete an evolution as was the change in Agriculture, Industry, or any other field.

Mound Township is the southern township of Warren County, between the Wabash River and Illinois. The "Old Covington Road" follows the river bank through the township. It was here that Andrew and Margaret were born, Andrew on June 28, 1872, and Margaret on November 21, 1875. They attended country school at the Riverside School on "Possum Run."

Kent Township lies immediately north of Mound, extends from the Wabash to Illinois, then Steuben and Pike and in it is West Lebanon. In these townships, there was not a school child nor parent of one in the period of a dozen years that didn't know "Margaret and Andrew." They were the "life of the party" at any gathering, large or small.

Margaret was a trained soprano soloist in the Methodist Church choir, and her special solo numbers were in demand for special occasions throughout the entire community. Andrew, as one of the top-rank "Sons of Veterans" citizens, with his love-of-children charm that captivated everyone, also contributed a full quota on any community sing or music festival or social event.

After finishing high school, Andrew started his first country school at the Ft. Sumpter school in Mound Township, near the Salts' farm. The school term there was six months. Since he had not had the opportunity for a college education, he had to acquire his advanced certificates the hard way; teach six months, then attend college during the spring or summer terms.

In the early history of Indiana, it was the general belief that the various religious denominations should undertake the higher education of the youth, and each sect tried to provide such a school, usually at great sacrifices. The "Academies" educated the men and women who, in their turn, pioneered the State Universities, the public school system, and the denominational colleges.

Amongst these latter were Hanover College, at Hanover, on the Ohio River, established by the Presbyterians. Wabash College at Crawfordsville was also started in their zeal for an educated Presbyterian ministry. The Society of Friends were not far behind with Earlham College at Richmond. Meantime the Baptists founded Franklin College. The Methodists came up with Depauw University, and the Ft. Wayne Female College—now Taylor University at Upland—and also Moore's Hill College for both sexes.

Butler University was established at Indianapolis by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). St. Mary's at Terre Haute, and Notre Dame at South Bend were Catholic.

Out of the above schools grew the State Normal School for teachers, and Rose Polytechnic for engineering and the crafts, both at Terre Haute; the Culver Military at Lake Maxinkuckee, largest of its kind in the country; the immense schools at Valparaiso, at North Manchester, and at Oakland City. The old Lutheran Concordia School transferred to Indiana soil at Ft. Wayne, and the Merom College were both founded before the Civil War.

For several years Andrew spent the spring or summer terms in one or another of the above schools. The religious spirit and tradition that was so powerful in education, and regarded generally as each a part of the other, made itself apparent in Andrew's life and character.

By 1901, he "had arrived," and took over the seventh and eighth grade room in the West Lebanon schools. He continued there until 1911, when he and Margaret moved to Richmond, Ind. He taught in Junior High School for two years, and was there made Principal of the School. From there he was transferred to the History Dept. of the high school.

He died suddenly on January 7, 1948, shortly after the big family reunion in 1947, where he was the "life of the party" among his old associates and former students.

Margaret began teaching at the age of seventeen in a country school in her own Mound Township. It was a typical one-room building with no conveniences. She had thirty-eight pupils, ranging in age from four to twenty-two, several of both sexes being larger and older than herself.

The place of honor in the center was occupied by the pot-bellied coal stove, around which everyone would huddle on cold mornings. There was the community water bucket with the dipper. A wash pan was available for the fair sex, but the rugged scions disdained such "sissy" innovations, and washed their hands and faces outside at the well. She did her own janitor work, or shared some of it with the older children.

At that young impressionable age, Margaret unconsciously absorbed the spirit of the readers, geographies, and histories expounding the theme that "America is God's County." Pride of country, pride of Indiana state, independence, and freedom, were woven in with the virtues, such as integrity, industry, ambition, uprightness, and religion. Friday afternoons were usually given over to "making speeches" or "spelling down" where only the one winner was left standing in the line.

The country schools of Indiana were used as a social center for the township. Oratorical contests were common. The fire of Patrick Henry, the forensic power of Daniel Webster, or the skillful elo-

quence of Henry Clay were interspersed with the romantic and poetic picturesqueness of the native Hoosier men of letters.

There was not a county in Indiana that did not have a "James Whitcomb Riley Club" or its equivalent. The purpose was to "recite" the Riley verses. The spark which caused these recitations was Riley's genuineness, his sympathetic kindness and admiring advocacy of his types of character, his love of nature, the pathos of his stories, and above all the drollery and humor which have always attracted any Hoosier.

At the Yale graduation ceremony in 1902 that University conferred upon Riley an honorary Master's Degree. In his address of presentation, President Hadley made reference to the above analysis of Riley's contribution to his generations.

Then besides Riley the schools were energized by the influence of countless other native Hoosier writers. A generation earlier there had appeared a long list of "Hoosier Scribblers," as they had styled themselves, taking the phrase from a writer in 1827. The most noticeable characteristic of the earlier writers in Indiana was their response to the charms of nature lying all about them. In William Coggeshall's collection, he assembled twenty-three writers of poetry from the earliest Indiana scribblers.

Their verses are full of the love of nature and of sentiment. They are idyllic songs of the forest home and experiences of frontier life. The spell cast on poetic souls by forest and stream breathes through all of them.

So Riley and the "Hoosier School of Writers" in Andrew and Margaret's generation were following a long line of noble predecessors; and in this "Hoosier School" that Andrew and Margaret knew were a considerable number of national renown. At a "Sons of Indiana" dinner in Chicago, Wilbur Nesbit facetiously declared that "envious outsiders look up from the Hoosier books in their libraries long enough to speak satirically of Indiana as the literary belt."

There was George Barr McCutcheon—born 1866 at South Raub near Lafayette, educated at Purdue. In a large volume "20th Century Authors," by Kunitz and Haycraft, is a list of thirty-two books of his, many of which were best sellers and which were also adapted for the stage for long runs. Among these thirty-two are Graustark, Brewster's Millions, Castle Caneycrow, Prisoner of Zenda, The Sherrods, Anderson Crow, and Mary Midthorne, a story of Indiana life.

His books sold over 5,000,000 copies. When confronted later by the issue-romance in fiction vs. realism, he replied, "Why write for realism when you can write for thrills?" He lamented the lack of romance in modern life, and felt the present generation has lost something valuable without a compensating gain.

There was John T. McCutcheon, his brother, cartoonist on the Chicago Tribune, born 1870. In his work we see the gentle cynicism, the naturalness, the freshness which belongs to youth and to life, in

communities where impulses are spontaneous; where there is a sense of sheer fun, the quick observation of passing events, and the knowledge of human nature.

His contribution was to provide relaxation and fun, without a spice of malice or vulgarity; humor without a flavor of bitterness, satire without severity, and nonsense so laughter—compelling as to be absolutely irresistible from its very absurdity.

He collected his cartoons in such widely selling titles as "Bird Center Cartoons," "Mysterious Stranger," "Congressman Pumphrey," "The People's Friend," "T. R. in Cartoons," "The Restless Age," and others. He died June 10, 1949.

There was George Ade, for whom the Ade Stadium at Purdue is named. He won his national audience early with his "Fables in Slang" but surpassed it later with "The County Chairman" and comedies. Wm. Dean Howells, who knows his American so well, in an extended interview said:—

"Both Mr. Ade's touch and material are authentic and genuine. The sense of character which so richly abounds, without passing into caricature, in these pictures of average American life, has enabled him to go straighter to the heart than any former humorist."

There was Booth Tarkington, born in Indianapolis, 1869, attended Purdue. In "20th Century Authors" there are sixty-two books and plays of his listed. Among these are: "Gentleman from Indiana," "Seventeen," "Penrod," "Beaucaire," "His Own People" and others which show the keen discernment and an intimate knowledge of Americans, their characteristics and their life. In "Turmoil" he produced a vivid criticism of the abuse of aesthetic surroundings in American cities, and the striving after mere bigness.

He received the Pulitzer prize twice; once for "Alice Adams," once for "Magnificent Ambersons." He was one of three persons to receive the gold medal of the American Institute of Arts and Sciences, and called the Most Versatile of American Writers.

In this "Hoosier School" there were also Charles Major with his "When Knighthood was in Flower" and others; Meredith Nicholson with "The House of a Thousand Candles" and "The Port of Missing Men"; General Lew Wallace with "Ben Hur"; Anna Nicholas with "An Idyl of the Wabash."

Critics have also accepted the writings in the same period of Maurice Thompson, John W. Foster, Catherine Merrill, Opie Reid, Elizabeth Miller, Dudley Foulke, Jacob P. Dunn, and so on—up to a list of a possible one hundred writers.

We have merely presented the above to illustrate the direction in which the minds of the Hoosier youth were traveling during the forty years that Margaret and Andrew were "training the young idea to sprout." It was a universal custom for the schools to have an "Indiana Day." It was given to Margaret and Andrew to pass on to



two generations the torch that was handed to them. In addition to the ordinary textbooks, the "Hoosier School" books were in the homes, being devoured alike by parents and youngsters, an influence that played no small part in forming Hoosier character.

Another torch that Margaret and Andrew passed along was Oratory. That came into Indiana with the early settlers. Voters would get a candidate or public speaker to come to log-rollings, get up on a stump and orate, while the listeners sat about on the logs. No July 4th, Memorial Day, County Fair, nor political gathering ever failed to bring on the oratory. Without that ability, no one could aspire to political leadership.

There were Vice-Presidents Hendricks and Colfax, Henry S. Lane, Governor Morton, Daniel Vorhees, President Benjamin Harrison, John L. Griffiths, Governor J. Frank Hanly, Senator Albert J. Beveridge (the "Boy Orator from Indiana") to pick out just a few.

These folks were the indirect cause of many a case of stage fright at "being on the program" Friday afternoons, or "Last Days of School," or "Box Socials," or "Christmas Exercises." Margaret and Andrew were "in there pitching" for forty years, and participated actively in the Lyceum and Chatauqua endeavors.

After teaching for a few years in Country School, Margaret went to West Lebanon in 1898, and taught the 5th and 6th grades. This she continued until 1911, when she and Andrew moved to Richmond, Indiana. There she continued teaching for some years, and then retired for a time, but teachers became so scarce, the Board of Education prevailed upon her to help out, and she became Math teacher in the Starr High School. She retired in 1942.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-3 Cora Ann Steeley—Harry Zufall

Meredith Nicholson, one of the large group of nationally known Hoosier writers at about the turn of the century, says in his book,—*"Hoosiers"* (1900).

"In every (Indiana) neighborhood, you find attractive places worthy of a special excursion. There is natural beauty of scenery hidden away in many sequestered spots only short drives from the main line of travel. The early writers of Indiana all sang of the beauty of forest and stream, of the birds and flowers that surrounded them.

"The wild beauty of the rivers, along whose banks stood giant sentinels of soft maples, elms, and sycamores, could only be realized in the early days by a boating trip. The bottom lands led upward to hills, picturesque ravines, and gorges hung with vines and ferns.

"Native Hoosiers love their woods and wild flowers and streams as the old salt loves the sea. An old settler revisits his native State, and rejoices that now as of old the banks of the

Wabash are lined with the richest verdure, wild flowers intermingle with the tall grass. Blossoms of wild plum, hawthorn, dogwood, and red-bud make the air redolent with their familiar perfume."

In no part of the state did the Wabash "strut its stuff" more proudly than along the shores of Warren County on its way toward Covington, Fountain County. The "Old Covington Road" was one of the most picturesque drives in the state, as it wound amongst the trees, along the rail fences, around the river windings, with the constant changings of river and bluffs and forest scenery.

It was along this road that Cora Steeley was born November 16, 1875. She attended the "Riverside" country school, on the river bank at Opossum Run. The children of the Steeley, Zufall, Ritchie, and other families, thus learned to plan their community social diversions.

Her father had brought from the Civil War a lot of the folklore songs the boys in the Blue had acquired. The youngsters of the above families, being musically inclined, it was quite natural that they should develop a neighborhood song group, music being the basis of their social activities.

Harry Zufall was born December 18, 1875. He was the Warren County pioneer on Rural Free Delivery. Let us pause a moment before the U. S. Postal slogan, translated from Herodotus by William Beloe:

"Not snow, nor sleet, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds."

This slogan, coined by the Post Office Department in the days of the Pony Express, really meant something on those Indiana roads when Harry started the R. F. D. He had to take it as the pioneers had taken it when they opened up the state—with stout hearts, laughing eyes, cheerful greetings, singing voices, and humble spirits.

He had a thirty-five mile route—only seven miles of it gravel road, the rest deep, sticky, bottomless Indiana mud. The present generation cannot picture the loneliness and isolation of the rural families in the pre-auto, pre-roads era. But those people witnessed, almost with tears of gratitude, the beginning of the R. F. D.

The daily paper and the magazine then became a family institution. The Danville Commercial, Chicago Tribune, Indianapolis News, made a lot of new acquaintances. "The Prairie Farmer" began to get around with a new look of "College Farm Know-How." The Youth's Companion and St. Nicholas Magazine would be seized and read by every member of the family, passed around from home to home, always splendid reading a second or third time. The serials, short stories, poems, articles, rebus puzzles, and sketch drawings were indeed fine fare.

Many a younger child felt a sense of injustice because older mem-

bers had first turns at bat. Many junior family squabbles were the result.

Let's take a day off to go around with Harry on his run in the "Klondike" buggy, the crude forerunner of the coupe. We go south to "Old Town," the West Lebanon that was, before the railroad came through in 1857. Then back and west to F. C. Fleming—John W. Crone corner—north to Hangman's Corner.

Here we ask him how that got its name. In his own twinkling droll, Hoosier style, he tells us a farmer once stalled there in the mud, couldn't go on, couldn't get back home, got out and hung himself, rather than to starve to death.

Then we plow on west, to Wm. White's, then south, to Taylor's, then west, to Pfeifer's, anywhere there is a customer, south to Miller's corner, west to State Line (quite a town this), north to Maple Corner, then east to Smith School house, then south to Earl Cronkhite, then east to Wm. White's again, then north to the "Soul Sleeper Church."

There's an education in the evolution of Denominational Sects for you. Years ago, some consecrated brethren who believed that souls sleep in the grave until judgment day, found they simply could not worship with their poor, benighted heathens who believed their souls departed from their bodies at the grave. So they pulled out, and built a church of their own faith.

The horse or team are showing signs of fatigue now, from pulling their feet out of the mud at each step, but we plow on east, south, east, south, and finally the day is over.

Harry wrote a poem in 1908, entitled 'A Rural Carrier's Lament'—(with apologies to James Whitcomb Riley's "Frost on the Pumpkin and Fodders in the Shock"). He received a letter of congratulation from Riley on it:

When the frost is on the punkin  
And the fodder's in the shock  
And Aurora—Borealis  
Drives the wild geese south in flocks.

When the wind is blowing snowdrifts  
And your wagon fairly rocks  
When you reach out for a letter  
You find "pennies in the box."

And you feel a heap like swearin'  
From your head down to yer sox  
For you know just what is commin'  
There'll be pennies in the box.

When the rain comes down in torrents  
And you don't know what to do

These blamed roads are so darn muddy  
You can hardly make it through.

And you know just what is commin'  
You could almost bet your sox  
When you drive up to the next one  
There'll be pennies in the box.

But when springtime comes again  
Then you think of better days  
And you hear a little inkling  
That yer goin' to git a raise.

If our dear ole Unkl Samuel  
With long beard and silver locks  
Says,—“Well Here's a thousand annual”  
We'll dig “pennies from the box.”

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-2-1 Clarence Melvin Bowlus—Lillie Montrose Hoff**

He was born May 30, 1876, on a farm near Rock Creek on “The Barrens,” south of West Lebanon, Indiana. He attended the Barrens School, and after finishing high school, he attended Purdue for a year in 1897.

As a youngster, Clarence was attracted by the farm. In common parlance, that meant he loved to see things grow. Because the years of his life coincide so exactly with the era known as “The Revolution on the Farm,” as written in Life Magazine, August 23, 1948, we have chosen his life story to glance briefly at that era of cataclysmic and kaleidoscopic revolution in farm life.

Government statistics show that when Clarence was born the average farm worker produced an annual output of \$360: just about \$1.00 per day for about seventy to eighty hours per week. Today the same figure is \$2,500.

When Clarence was a boy, all plowing and cultivating was done with a single walking plow and a one-row walking cultivator. On hot days the horses had to be rested often, which gave the entrepreneur a chance to grab his hoe and cut weeds out of the corn row that the cultivator could not get.

The harvesting binder was a crude and lumbering affair that was really a “horse-killer.” It required five horses to pull it, two of them being a lead team in front, on one of which proudly rode some young boy of the family or the neighborhood, acting as the chauffeur of the entourage. The “boss” always rode the machine, to operate its heavy levers to adjust for short or long grain stalks; to tip the cutting edge close to the ground for the grain that had been blown down in a dense mat by some wind storm; to raise or lower the reel, a rudder paddle wheel arrangement to “stroke” the grain backward against the

sickle-bar; to stop and untangle the choked threading,—needle or knot-tier.

Then behind the machine would come two shockers, whose shirts, after early forenoon, would be dripping sweat. The early machines had no bundle-carriers, so the shockers had to carry the sheaves from wherever they fell and collect them into a shock. To them, the invention of the bundle-carrier to collect three to four sheaves to be dumped in wind-rows, was an epoch-making invention.

Then after the sheaves were nicely stood on end in shocks, with a cap-sheaf on top with a broken back to simulate a roof to coax the rain over the edge, would come the threshing crew.

A neighborhood group of farmers would band together so that fifty to one hundred or more men could assemble for threshing. Such a group of farms was called a “threshing run.” Some professional thresher owner, with about four machine attendants; engineer; separator man; blower-man and water-hauler; would take the “run” on a royalty-per-bushel basis. The order of sequence would be changed from year to year, to avoid the unfairness of some one farmer always threshing first and another always last.

As the “run” progressed, those toward the end were taking chances on the weather. If the late summer was wet, as often happened, so the threshing was delayed, the grain might stand in the shock for two months.

When the “run” started, the women from the same farms would also assemble to get the “Threshing-Dinner.” And what an institution that was! Boards were set up for tables and benches. A quarter of beef was usual. Literally bushels of all kinds of garden truck were brought in. Pies and puddings and desserts of all kinds came from everywhere. The expression “enough to feed a threshing-crew” was a part of the common language, and everyone knew its application by first-hand experience.

It was the visiting time of the neighborhood. Clarence was one of the first farmers in Warren County to introduce the combine. The revolution in agriculture caused by the threshing—harvesting—combine called for changes all down the line. Wheat must have stronger stalks, so it wouldn't go flat on the ground in a wind storm.

But when a bunch of zealous experts go to work in agricultural colleges and experiment stations, they are like any other group of research zealots; they never know where nor when to stop.

So, not only stronger stalks—why not longer heads, hence more grains per stalk? Then—why not fatter grains, less shriveling. There went one phase of the revolution—in wheat.

But since corn is the basic product in American agriculture, just as steel is in industry, the revolution quickly turned to that crop. Warren County was near enough to Purdue to catch the pioneer zeal of the movement. It started with hybrid corn.

The mechanical corn picker had come in with the appearance of

the tractor. But the stalks of the open-pollinated breeds of corn were too weak to go through the picker without losing many of them. So that started off a new wave of inbreeding and crossing of inbreds to produce the kind of cornstalk the picker would handle. Then all sorts of experiments to get longer ears and more rows of corn on each ear, and then larger kernels.

When Clarence was young, it required good steady ground to produce thirty to forty bushels of corn per acre. He and Lillie can remember the times when they hitched the team to a load of corn and together drove to Attica, fifteen miles, and sold it for six to seven cents a bushel.

Today, unless the yield is better than twice that, the farmer goes "on the alert." He gets out his agricultural literature, he does a lot of driving around to see what his neighbors are up to, sees his County Agent, hot-foots it up to Purdue. He goes digging into this nitrogen and potash and legume business. He goes out on the subject of Chemurgy and soil-erosion and those other things that are ticking around in the heads of these agricultural researchers.

When Clarence was young, the average farmer would husk forty bushels of corn per long-hours-day. Very often the snow and ice would catch part of the crop still in the field, and it couldn't be husked until spring. Today the mechanical picker will harvest 1,000 bushels per day.

In his youth, if he got the binder through eight to ten acres of wheat or oats per day, he had taken out of his horses all they could stand. Today the average combine will harvest from ten to twelve times that much per day according to the yield. Another crop not known then is soy beans, one of our main crops today and developed in the wake of the combine.

Lillie was born October 3, 1878, on The Barrens south of West Lebanon. She attended the Barrens Grade School and finished in the West Lebanon schools.

She came from a long line of Remsberg ancestors, whose women, both in Indiana and back in Maryland, were celebrated culinary artists. She herself developed into one of the aces of the profession.

Through the years of County Fairs, 4-H Clubs, family reunions, etc., certain women have attained reputations and received prizes for this or that specialty. One of the outstanding items of charm that guests would remember about a visit with Clarence and Lillie would be her chess pies. She could wave a mean abracadabra wand over them. Another occasion to be remembered was the "Squirrel Fries." Clarence would go out as soon as squirrel season opened and shoot enough young squirrels for a big "feed" and they would invite in a large number of relatives—same as some now have "Fried Chicken Suppers." They were delicious beyond comparison.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-4-5 Carl Jacob Routzahn—Mabel Doris Kiser

He was born March 10, 1895, at West Lebanon, Indiana, where he finished grade school and high school.

Married May 18, 1918, he enlisted in the army August 15, 1918—7th Recruit Squadron Air Service. He was stationed at Fort Wayne in Detroit, Michigan, in the Air Corps when the armistice was signed. He was discharged in January, 1919.

He is a member of the American Legion, the Federated Church, the Woodmen Lodge, the Lion's Club, and the Business Men's Association.

Being a modest sort of boy, as has been the case with many of the Brenner Tree, Carl wanted to close his history by the simple statement: "Business—poultry raiser."

Right here, we'd like to tell a little story about Dartmouth College. About the turn of the century, the school was seeking a new President, and offered the job to Dr. Ernest Hopkins.

He consented to take it on one condition: that he be permitted to try out an experiment he had been considering for some time.

His idea was that if you draw together a group of folks from different parts of the country or the world, with different tastes, traditions, backgrounds, view points, and experiences, they will in large measure educate each other; the Faculty would then merely direct, while the boys themselves would furnish the spark to energize their desire for an education.

Dr. Hopkins sold his idea to the Dartmouth Trustees. The result was, that out of the 2,000 to 3,000 applications for admission they received every year, they would pick their 450 freshmen from the cream of the crop in every state in the union, and some foreign countries, if possible; they would refuse to take more than a relative few from any one locality.

The experiment was a greater success than even Dr. Hopkins anticipated. It became a Dartmouth tradition that "Folks educate each other," which made the place an even greater attraction to prospective freshmen.

So we urged Carl to tell the rest of us a little of what it means when a person says "Poultry Raiser. If he were in Dartmouth he would tell the boys what procedures were involved, what problems had to be met, and how he went about solving them, etc. If he were writing a letter to his relatives, those would be the things they would want to hear about.

So his reply is that he had elected to stay out of the egg and baby chick business and to concentrate on raising broilers and fryers at three to three and one-half pounds each.

He has three large brooder houses with a capacity of 8,000 at a time. He worked up to 12,000, but found that 8,000 would do better. It takes twelve to fourteen weeks to bring them up to market size,

which puts out about 24,000 per year.

He places standing orders in the hatcheries for day-old chicks. He starts them in electric batteries, until they are four to five weeks old, then puts them out into the houses, which are equipped with modern oil furnace, electricity, automatic watering devices, etc.

He has chosen barred rocks and white rocks as his breeds to use. When ready for market, he sells live, or dresses out, cuts up ready to fry, and freezes in the deep freeze for sale.

As in any poultry business, there is always the risk of disease, such as coccidiosis, cholera, bronchitis and New Castle. No one is allowed in the houses, as these diseases can be carried on shoes. He is fortunate in being near Purdue University. When he has any problems, he goes up there with them for consultation.

Mabel was born March 30, 1900 in West Lebanon, where she attended and finished school.

She is interested in club work. At present, she is president of the West Lebanon Women's Club. For two years, she was president of the Parent Teachers Association.

She has maintained an active interest in Welfare Work, and is a member of the Federated Church. Her hobby is collecting antique furniture and dishes.



# The Brenners Branch Into Oklahoma

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-1 Monta Viola Brenner—Louis Philip Coblentz



She was born on a farm near West Lebanon, Indiana, on October 16, 1880. She walked three miles to the Broadie Country School house until she was twelve years of age. Then her family moved to West Lebanon, where the children could attend a graded school. She completed the high school course there May 20, 1900.

She exhibited a taste for music at an early age. As a youngster she learned to “pump the old family organ in the parlor,” and applied herself seriously to it. Later, when the piano came along, she became an accomplished pianist.

She prepared for a teaching career at Indiana State Normal School, Terre Haute, Indiana, also at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana. She taught in the Warren County country schools near home, then accepted a position in the Primary Department at Iola, Kansas, where she met her future husband.

She united with the Christian Church at West Lebanon, June 16, 1896. She was active in the young people’s department and choir work, being the choir pianist for many years.

She and “Phil” returned to West Lebanon for their wedding on July 17, 1907, by Rev. Louis Hotaling, the local minister. They established their home in La Harpe, Kansas, where he was Cashier

of the First National Bank. In the absence of any Christian Church there, they joined the Methodist Church, where she was quite active during their ten years residence there. In 1916 they moved to Quinton, Oklahoma, where they spent the rest of their lives.

She was a member of the Grand Temple Rathbone Sisters of the Grand Jurisdiction of Indiana, being Most Excellent Chief in the year 1904.

She became a member of the O. E. S. in West Lebanon in 1900, and remained active in that throughout the years. She is a Past Worthy Matron of the Quinton Chapter.

She is a member of the D. A. R., Quibache Chapter at Attica, Indiana. (Pronounced "wee-bash", the Indian name for the Wabash River.)

Phil was born August 13, 1878, in Middletown, Frederick Co., Maryland, son of Louis Philip Coblentz and Charlotte Elizabeth Routzahn Coblentz.

He finished his elementary and high school in Middletown, graduating from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, and Dickinson Law School in Carlisle, Pa. He united with the Reformed Church in Middletown April 21, 1895, with Rev. T. F. Hoffemier as Pastor. When he later moved to La Harpe, Kansas, where there was no Reformed Church, he joined the Methodist, and remained active in church work as long as his health permitted. He had a great love for the Sunday school and choir, being an accomplished bass singer.

He was admitted to the Bar in Iola, Kansas in 1902, and practiced law there until January 1, 1907, when he went with the First National Bank at La Harpe, Kansas, as active cashier.

By January, 1916, he had heard and read about "The Epic of Oil and Gas," and began to sense the phenomenal future this industry was to so quickly achieve—the sixth in size of the country's industries, and indispensable to the first—automobiles.

Oklahoma was just beginning to make her offer to the world of something better in oil and gas. The industry had been confronted with prince—today—and—pauper—tomorrow splurging wealth and bankruptcy. Phil made up his mind that Oklahoma had something—gas first, then oil.

The result was he moved to Quinton, Oklahoma, associated himself with J. G. Starr, of Joplin, Missouri and Gus Streich. Together they established the Quinton Spelter Co. to use their new Quinton gas field which they had purchased.

The venture proved very successful, and in 1930 the gas field was sold to the Central States Gas Co. Phil then set out to diversify his interests.

He became President of the Farmer's State Bank, in which he had an interest. He was President of the Capitol Gas Co., in Oklahoma City. President of the Choctaw Gas Co. and Choctaw Cattle Co. in Quinton.

None too rugged in health, and in spite of an affliction with Parkinsons disease which had started in 1920, his business acumen and ambition drove him through the exertions incident to these exacting activities. In spite of all the best specialists and a devoted family could do to get him to retire from it all, he had to remain "true to his call" to the end.

He was a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies at McAlester, Oklahoma, and a Shriner at Muskogee, Oklahoma.

His grave is in the Quinton Cemetery.

## The Brenners Branch Into Wisconsin

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-2 Kathryn Estelle Brenner—  
George Walter Stephenson



She was born June 20, 1882, on a farm northeast of West Lebanon. During her early childhood she trudged the three miles through mud and snowdrifts to the Broadie country school.

When she was ten years of age, her family moved to West Lebanon where she then taught school for seven years in and around West Lebanon, meanwhile filling in her vacation periods at the Normal Schools of Terre Haute and Winona Lake.

She then entered Indiana University and there obtained her

Master's Degree in Mathematics in 1910. She then taught the Commercial work in the high school at Marion, Indiana for the following three and one-half years.

She was married January 29, 1913. Since Walter was a native of Washington, they moved after their marriage to a farm near Yakima. In 1915, they made their home in Winter, Wisconsin, where she remained the rest of her days except for a short time spent near Adaza, Iowa.

On November 26, 1897, she was immersed in the Christian Church at West Lebanon, and remained a faithful Christian worker to the end.

Her intimate friends were carefully chosen, and they each treasured her friendship. She helped found the Community "Helping Hand Club" at Winter. It was she who suggested the name, and it was a worthy tribute to her when one member commented,—“Helping Hand, that is so like Mrs. Stephenson,” and others added,—“It certainly is.” The club still carries on as the “Helping Hand,” fifteen years now since her death.

For several years she was a leader of the 4-H Club, and soon was known as one of the most popular and successful leaders in the County.

A tribute to her from her daughter, Ena states that those 4-H instructions of long ago in baking, cooking, and sewing have become a big, big help to every youngster in that club. She also inspired in the club members a love of music, books, health, correct speech, respect for others, along with the traditional lessons of courtesy, responsibility, fidelity, etc., which make each day of any lives more happy and useful.

As any mother does, she always put her family ahead of herself. The long hours she spent each day were filled with accomplishment. Along with her other 4-H talents, her good taste as a seamstress often won the compliment of her children being the best dressed in their school. She had many offers of fine jobs, but always preferred to give her best to her family.

She died June 7, 1934, at Winter, Wisconsin.

Walter was born July 2, 1883, at Caldwell, Kansas. He moved west with his parents in 1884. They traveled by train to San Francisco, then sailed to Seattle on the Steamer Queen—famous as the biggest ship of that day.

The family settled on a ranch at Fall City, where he attended grade and high school. He enjoyed sports of all kinds, but participated mostly in track and wrestling. All of his life he has been a lover of the outdoors, with fishing and hunting as his recreations.

Upon the death of his father in 1902,, he had to help shoulder the responsibilities of providing for eight younger brothers and sisters. He worked in the woods and in the nearby mines and mills. He

rafted the lumber to build the first bridges on the Milwaukee Railroad. Amongst his associates he was invariably known for his conscientious effort and fine Christian Character.

He has always been very active in church and Sunday School work, serving as superintendent and teacher, and holding many church offices. The Sunday School class he preferred was the teen age group of boys no one else seemed to want. Under his direction it grew to a large and most interesting class.

A light stroke just before Christmas, 1947, has made his farm work difficult. However, he has completed a new barn, continues to milk cows, cut wood, harvest his crops, and carry on the husbandry of a successful farmer.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church in Winter. He is also the city treasurer, in charge of tax receipts and disbursements.

## The Brenners Branch Into New York

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-3 Allen Lewis Brenner—Opal Kathryn Salts



He was born April 2, 1884, on a farm near west Lebanon, Ind.

During his school days there, it was the ambition of every boy to become a good marksman with shot-gun and rifle on squirrels, rabbits, and quail. Also to acquire bicycle endurance on long overland runs over the dusty roads. Alex Hamar's mill pond also furnished the arena for the youngsters' "hockey team" in winter for their "shinney" games.

He joined the Christian Church in February 1898, during a revival meeting of Rev. William Elmer Payne, along with Wiley Osborn, Bill and Zona Davis, Charles Tharpe, and Orla Blake. When they were baptized in Redwood Creek on February 19, it was neces-

sary to saw out a "baptistry" through ice fourteen inches thick. It gave all the boys the feeling that they were quite rugged and grown up.

He was graduated from Indiana University in 1905. While there he won his "I" in football and played a cornet in the University Band. He was Secretary of the Managing Board of "The Arbutus"—the annual college book. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Independent Literary Society.

For one year he taught Physics, Chemistry, and Zoology in the high school at Warsaw, Indiana. He was also the football coach and the team won the high school state championship that year.

He then joined a group of twenty-five young graduates from Indiana, Purdue, and other colleges, who went with one C. H. Luther in 1906, to install a system at the Oliver Chilled Plow Works at South Bend. In those days, a "system" meant the introduction of Costs, Accounting, Engineering, Materials and Storeroom Controls, and Production Controls. He became Chief Accountant and stayed there nine years.

It was at about this period of our country's history that a new attitude on the part of the public toward American Corporations began to take shape. Big Business, up to then, had no regard for the employee as an individual. He was merely an item to be used and exploited.

The pioneers in this social revolution were men like William Jennings Bryan, "Teddy" Roosevelt, a group of a dozen or so "insurgent" Senators, including La Follette, Dollivar, Kenyon, Beveridge, Borah, and others of like mind, with Woodrow Wilson and others coming later.

These twenty-five young Oliver men had tuned in on this new "Idealism in Business" while at school. They hoped to become part of that new movement at Oliver's. But the corporation would have none of it. The company had a cold and callous indifference to their employees' welfare. So most of these college men sought other connections.

In 1915, Allen found the sort of firm he was seeking—in Kirkman Soap Co., Brooklyn, New York. He was asked to join them and install a cost system. It proved to be an opportunity to work out a sound, progressive human relationship policy between management and employees. He was made Vice-President and Secretary in charge of this management policy, and remained with them twenty-five years.

It proved so effective that it made the company a desirable bait for a merger, and it was taken in by the Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., whose management at that time was similarly minded.

But during the depression, a "reorganization" took place, and the old management were thrown out. Allen, along with about thirty others, received the invitation to "join the alumni."

During the war he was a Wright Aeronautical representative in the Army Air Headquarters at Wright Field, Dayton. He is now Controller of Packless Metal Products Corp., New Rochelle, N. Y.

He was master of St. Joseph Lodge No. 45, F. and A. M. at South Bend in 1913. He was Commander of Bethlehem Commandery No. 27 at Ridgewood, New Jersey, in 1938. He has been Elder, Trustee, Deacon, Treasurer, S. S. Teacher and Supt. in various churches for forty years.

One of his major interests was his S. S. class in Ridgewood, New Jersey. In a fifteen year period, upwards of 125 high school Seniors passed through his Bible class discussion group.

The theme was, "Next year you take off for College; there you will run the gauntlet of all sorts of doubts, new 'isms and lures for the unwary into strange beliefs or unbeliefs; your problem and challenge is to decide whether you want to go through life with a triumphant and ruling Christ enthroned in your heart, or whether you will join the ranks of those to whom it doesn't make much difference."

He then made it his business to keep in touch with these boys during and after their college days, to learn their thinking and experience. Their experiences were then used as "case histories" for the later classes coming on. He is now with his third Senior class in the First Presbyterian S. S. in New Rochelle.

Opal, known as "Bee", was born October 7, 1886, on a farm south of West Lebanon, overlooking the Wabash River. The farm was in the coal deposit section of the state, and her father operated a coal mine, with the miner's cabins located near. He himself ran the farm.

When Henry L. Ellsworth was Land Commissioner at Washington, he wrote:—"After a personal inspection of a great part of the United States, I have seen no portion of the Union more beautiful in appearance, or one combining so many advantages as that which is watered by the Wabash River."

In any event, Opal was always able to put the native ring into any "piece" she ever spoke that had reference to the Wabash in it. As a tot, she was always in demand at school and church exercises to "speak a piece." Her parents were constantly "inconvenienced" by the necessity of hitching up the nag and carting her around to someplace where she was "on the program."

A quotation from Scribner's "Our Times—by Mark Sullivan" (Courtesy of Charles Scribner Sons Co.), is of considerable interest. In that book he says,—“The arts of conversation had little chance to develop, or to be esteemed in a community in which the major occupation called for long hours of hard work, usually solitary, in the fields, with the homes far apart.

“Yet this same people, in their schools, put emphasis on elocution. For the explanation we must consider, therefore, conditions of American life. The United States, with a Congress, forty or more

State Legislatures and thousands of town and city councils, had more forums for law making and public speaking than other nations.

The people took great interest in world topics, political debates on party principles, and elocutionary entertainment and education. When there were no motion pictures and the theatre was taboo to a considerable portion of the people, debate was at once public business and also entertainment; an attractive orator had some of the glamour that heroes of the stage and screen came to have later. Before either mechanical music or celluloid reels were available, smaller communities created their own amusements, in which the lyceum, the "literary society," local speakers and reciters were the principal feature.

Under such conditions as these, Opal completed the West Lebanon High School in 1903. She then taught one year in the "country school" in Center Township, and one year in the West Lebanon public school.

Together with her parents, she was baptized into the Christian Church in 1902.

She attended the Marion College of Oratory and Elocution at Marion, Indiana, from which she was graduated in 1907.

One of her classmates was Ada Hancock, who had her diploma from the Music Department of the same school. These two young ladies arranged evening programs, and travelled over Indiana, giving joint recitals.

After her marriage, she moved to South Bend, Indiana. In the First Christian Church there, and in other social circles, her vibrant energy and ambition for accomplishment led her into many activities.

She taught Elocution to a class of students for many years. She taught Sunday School classes, headed up women's church activities and joined a "Culture Club" study group of young women. She roomed and boarded three young men, one of them the minister, who had performed her marriage ceremony.

When she moved to Brooklyn, New York, in 1915, she met at close range the practical difficulties in a big city of making the home what it is supposed to be—An American Institution—as she had known it out west. Although fortunate in meeting many congenial similar age families from the Mid-West in the Flatbush Christian Church of Brooklyn, she still had a "dream-home" in mind; not of wood and stone, but an Institution—for the development of American Youngsters.

In 1926 her dream came true. Compelled by doctor's orders to find a healthier location than Brooklyn for her flu-weakened children, she built her dream home in Ridgewood, New Jersey. She wanted to dedicate it, somehow, to the Lord and to Christian America, as a token of her gratitude. So, on a Sunday afternoon, forty of her Flatbush Christian Church friends journeyed out to this new home with their Pastor, and conducted a service of dedication.



In this village suburb, she found many church and civic demands upon her time and energies. In the absence of any local church of her own denomination, she joined the Presbyterians, where she headed up various local activities, and also went into the State Presbyterical work.

In 1924, she was given strict orders by her local doctor, in consultation with a nerve specialist, to get out of Brooklyn for a month's rest, or suffer a complete breakdown. The only answer seemed to be to buy a tent and go camping somewhere.

So the family gathered together a complete lot of army stores camping equipment and piled it into, on top of, and all around the old Dodge car that came to be known amongst their friends as the "Brenner Covered Wagon," and took off for the Catskills.

There they found a heavily wooded spot along a mountain stream near the Ashokan Reservoir. It did her so much good, and the children enjoyed it so much they bought the plot and named it "Rojalo" for the children, Robert, James, and Lois.

Later they bought some lumber and the entire family joined in building a shack on the place that has been the family summer haven ever since.

At present she is the chairman of the Missionary group in the First Presbyterian Church in New Rochelle, New York. Their address is 319 Fifth Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-4 Bertha Ann Brenner—Rae Walter Fleming



Known as "Patty", she was born April 24, 1888, at West Lebanon,

Indiana. There she was graduated from high school in the class of 1905. She attended Indiana University for two years, from 1905 to 1907.

While there she was elected to the Independent Literary Society, into which are invited such students as display an aptitude and taste for music, debating, dramatics, or literary composition.

She then matriculated in the Metropolitan School of Music at Indianapolis, where she was graduated in 1911.

She is a member of the Mu Phi Epsilon Musical Sorority; a Past Matron of the Order of Eastern Star; a member of the D. A. R., with her membership in the Ouibache Chapter (pronounced "wee-bash"—the Indian name for the Wabash River) at Attica, Indiana.

She was Chaplain of her local Chapter for 3 years, and is now Vice-Regent. She is also the Chairman of "Good Citizenship Girls"—which sponsors an effort to promote Christian Americanism amongst High School Graduates. Her Chapter covers Attica, Williamsport, West Lebanon, Pine Village, and Newtown. She has charge of contacting these high schools, presenting questionnaires, grading them, and selecting a winner each year from each Senior Class.

The winners then go to a State Contest in charge of her Committee. A "tea" is held in Indianapolis for the winners and their mothers, and arrangements are made to have them visit the Legislature and meet the members of it. The State Winners receive a \$100.00 bond.

She has also been twice elected as D. A. R. Delegate to the Washington Congress. For three years she has been District Treasurer of the Indiana Federated Clubs.

She was immersed in the Christian Church June 19, 1905, where she was active in the music and the Sunday School. She taught a girl's class for eight years. She then taught the adult Bible Class at West Lebanon for ten years. She is now rounding out her tenth year as teacher of the "Crusaders," a High School Sunday School class in Williamsport.

During the war this class edited a Church paper called, "C. C. Echoes" and mailed to about seventy-five boys in the service, to help keep them in touch with home.

She has written two sacrificial services—used by the State Missionary Societies over the state at Easter time. One was "They Came to Calvary" and the other—"Drink Ye all of It."

She was on the State Missionary Board for six years. She has been the Local Church Clerk for five years. She also possesses thirteen yearly perfect church attendance records.

For forty years, since leaving Indiana University, twenty of the "Independent Lit" girls have maintained a "round robin" letter that gets around about twice a year. The twenty "girls" are in almost all parts of the country—one a missionary in India—

another in China. They have reunions of some of them each summer.

She is now Director of the County Chorus, which is a "Sing" under the direction of Purdue University. To be a member of it, each singer must belong to a County Home Economics Club, subject to the Purdue Extension Dept. This Club meets each month, with the Chorus in charge of music. Each County Chorus uses the same music, supplied by A. P. Stewart, Purdue Music Director.

Then each year the County Home Ec. Clubs of three hundred women hold Achievement Day exercises in the largest gym or hall available for guests. The Chorus dress in "formals" made from feed sacks to test the skill of the seamstresses.

After Achievement Day, the eighty-nine Choruses from all over the state assemble at Purdue Hall of Music and sing in Mass Chorus of 1800 to 2000 voices, conducted by A. P. Stewart, himself.

Along the lines of Home Economics, she also likes to make angel food cakes, having made them commercially for a time; many for birthdays, anniversaries, and weddings, always insisting on hand beating them even tho' the electric beaters were available. She will also probably be remembered for her tatting—having made two tatted table-cloths and literally leaves a trail of tatted handkerchiefs behind her everywhere she goes. Another hobby has been "Peter-Polly" books and Kodak Life Stories.

During the period from her early school years to the present time, a tremendous change has been wrought in Agriculture. The life of a farmer has been altered from that of a monotonous routine laborer to the status of a managing industrialist.

In this transition, a very important factor has been the 4-H Clubs. In view of the fact that Bertha was active in this for years, right from the very first, really was the leader for the first Girls Club of Pike Twp., we want to pause here long enough to acquaint ourselves a bit with just what this 4-H is all about.

At first there wasn't much of a plan to follow, nor much encouragement. Like every forward movement of any kind, there had to be the pioneers with imagination and vision and faith. Then there had to be the developing period of trial and error—or of application of the theoretical to the practical field of brass tacks. Then it took hold, and now it is cherished in the hearts of young and adult alike as the realization of a fond dream.

This "Head-Heart-Hands-and-Health" movement carries a pledge similar to the Boy Scout oath. It runs thus-wise: "I pledge my head to clearer thinking; my heart to greater loyalty; my hands to larger service; my health to better living, for my club, my community, and my country.

It started in 1915. Sponsored by the Extension Service of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, and operated and promoted by the various state agricultural colleges and County Agents, it counted in 1946

some 1,700,000 members in 85,000 local clubs, guided by 175,000 local leaders.

The club has never lost sight of its objective—viz., to develop a self chosen program of education and fun for youngsters through independent endeavor to achieve self-sufficiency, confidence, and that indefinable quality called character.

Children don't choose projects for reasons of character training, of course. But nothing works such wonders in self-satisfaction and growth as the thrill of "I did it all by myself." This is the outstanding thing about the 4-H.

The thrill that comes from learning the hard way, through trial and error, the patient, assiduous plugging away until a goal is reached, cannot be experienced too early. It is a part of successful growing up. And it is most effectively done through a voluntary association, not part of school or family life, though contributing to both and aided by both, supervised by adult leaders but run by the youngsters themselves.

All that is necessary to start a club is a group of children—eight or ten as a start—interested in the same activities, plus an adult who knows something about the kind of work the children want to do. Meetings are held once a month or more in the children's homes. The only solemn moment in the meeting is when the members rise to repeat the 4-H pledge. The rest is fun and wisecracking and serious attention to what is going on.

Some expert, or a parent, or an older "Eagle Scout" 4-H'er who has won his spurs, will come to discuss soil conservation, cooking, cabinet making, tractor operation and repair service, sheep shearing or model sheep dip procedures, butterfat tests, dairy herd improvements, selective hog breeding and feeding formulas, lectures on feed situations, crop rotation, poultry diseases or feeding for eggs or the market. Films on these projects are enjoyed, as well as scientific films, such as how nitrogen is returned to the soil.

Or the club will schedule a visit to a slaughter house, a quick freeze plant, a telephone exchange, a power utility plant, a radio station, a museum, a hotel or restaurant kitchen, a canning factory, a bakery, or what not. Or the meeting will be given over to recipes for jams, jellies, baked specialties, canning, freezing, etc. Or it will be on corn, wheat, soy beans, alfalfa, cotton, and the improvement of the plant, the leaf, the root, or the harvest crop.

Their capacity to find things that interest them is enormous. They lead their supervisors into all sorts of things. The projects have ceased to be divided any more, some for boys and some for girls. They are now largely co-ed Clubs, boys interested in flowers, chickens, or cooking. Girls have joined up in dairy, livestock, tractor driving, electric wiring, garden soil fertilization, transforming attics or basements into "rumpus rooms," making furniture, or building equipment for games.

Thus the basic idea is developing more deeply, and also spreading out farther, that the soil is the basis of life itself; that mother's kitchens and the home is the basis of organized domestic life; that the people are directly dependent upon these two interests in life for their existence; that the entire human race constitutes a common brotherhood through those twin benefactors, crop production and home making.

The membership is entirely voluntary. The clubs are conducted in accordance with parliamentary practices. An essential is that each boy or girl shall learn and demonstrate some better practice in Agriculture or Home Economics, shall keep a record of this work, as graded by a competent leader, shall make a public exhibit, and report on it to the county extension agent or 4-H Club Leaders. Then after the exhibits and demonstrations are completed, may come songs, games, yells, instrumental music, and social activities.

The 4-H program recognizes the fact that no sound system of education has been devised which does not recognize and use the dual powers for child development—viz.; PLAY and CONTEST, as a means toward personal efficiency and as a motive stimulant to higher standards.

As a result, we hear much about the 4-H contests. Each member must select a project as his or her own. He may buy seed, plant an acre, keep accurate accounting and financial records, and keep the income as his own. He may plant a vegetable garden, care for it, and sell the produce in the best market he can find. He may rear a calf, pig, or any other animal, keep accurate cost records for his "report", and sell where and when he thinks the market is right. A girl may do the same with fruits or vegetables, and decide herself whether to can or quick-freeze to bring in the better return.

An important essential in each project is keeping records. Costs vs. Income Returns must be so detailed as to be intelligible upon analysis. Methods used must be so carefully recorded that any other member could reproduce the performance at any later time. Factors such as animal or seed straws, weather, fertilizer, soil conditions, kinds and quantities of feed used—or what not; all these must be so recorded in the "report" to the club leader or county extension agent, that anyone could repeat the project over again from the report and try to beat it.

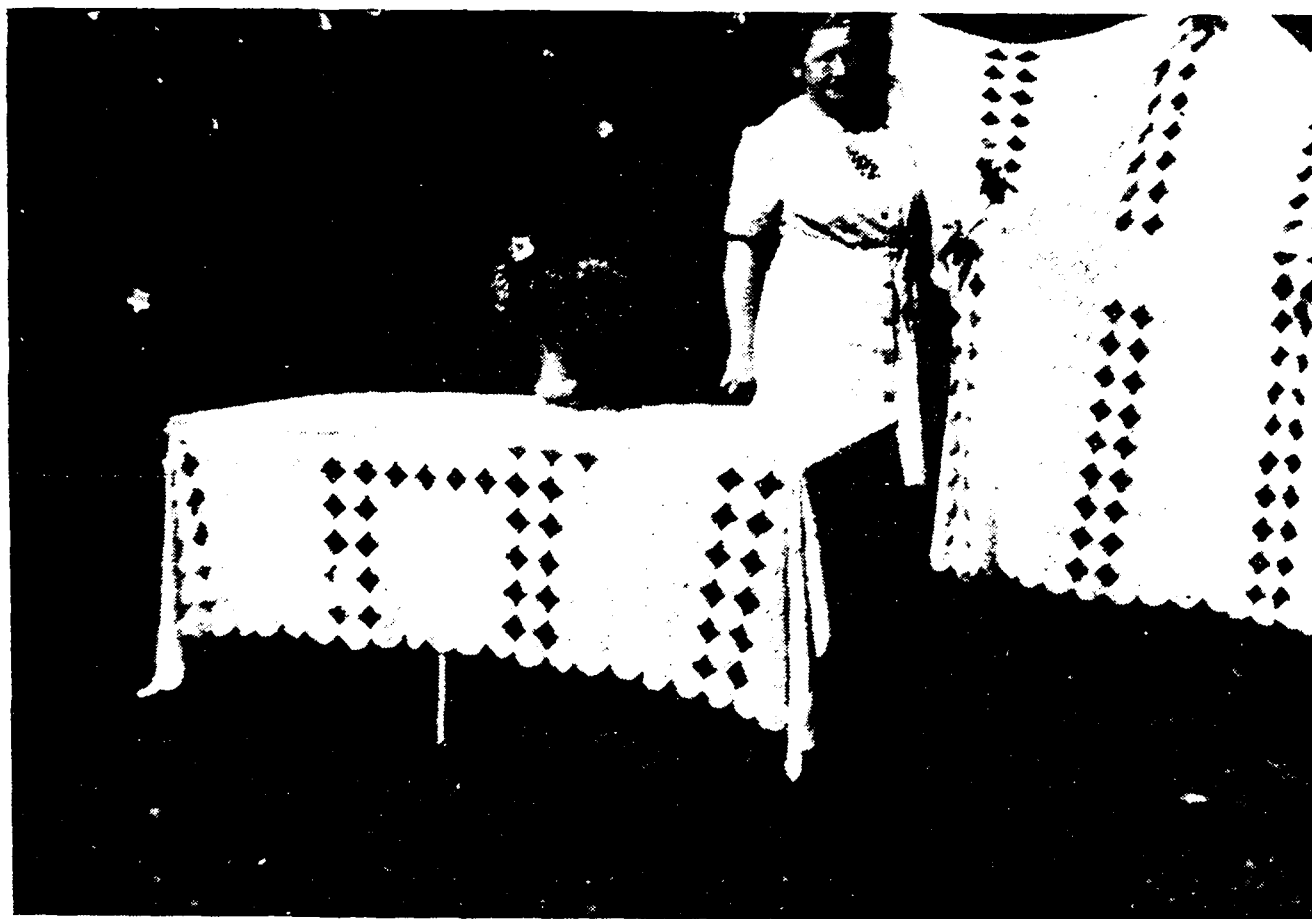
Each year the best projects are entered in the County Fair showing at the farmer's institute. Here, at the judging examinations, the judges in each event take the contestants round through the exhibits and explain the points of merit by which each entry is judged. So when the various prize ribbons and certificates are awarded the winners, everyone knows wherein the prize project won more points with the judges.

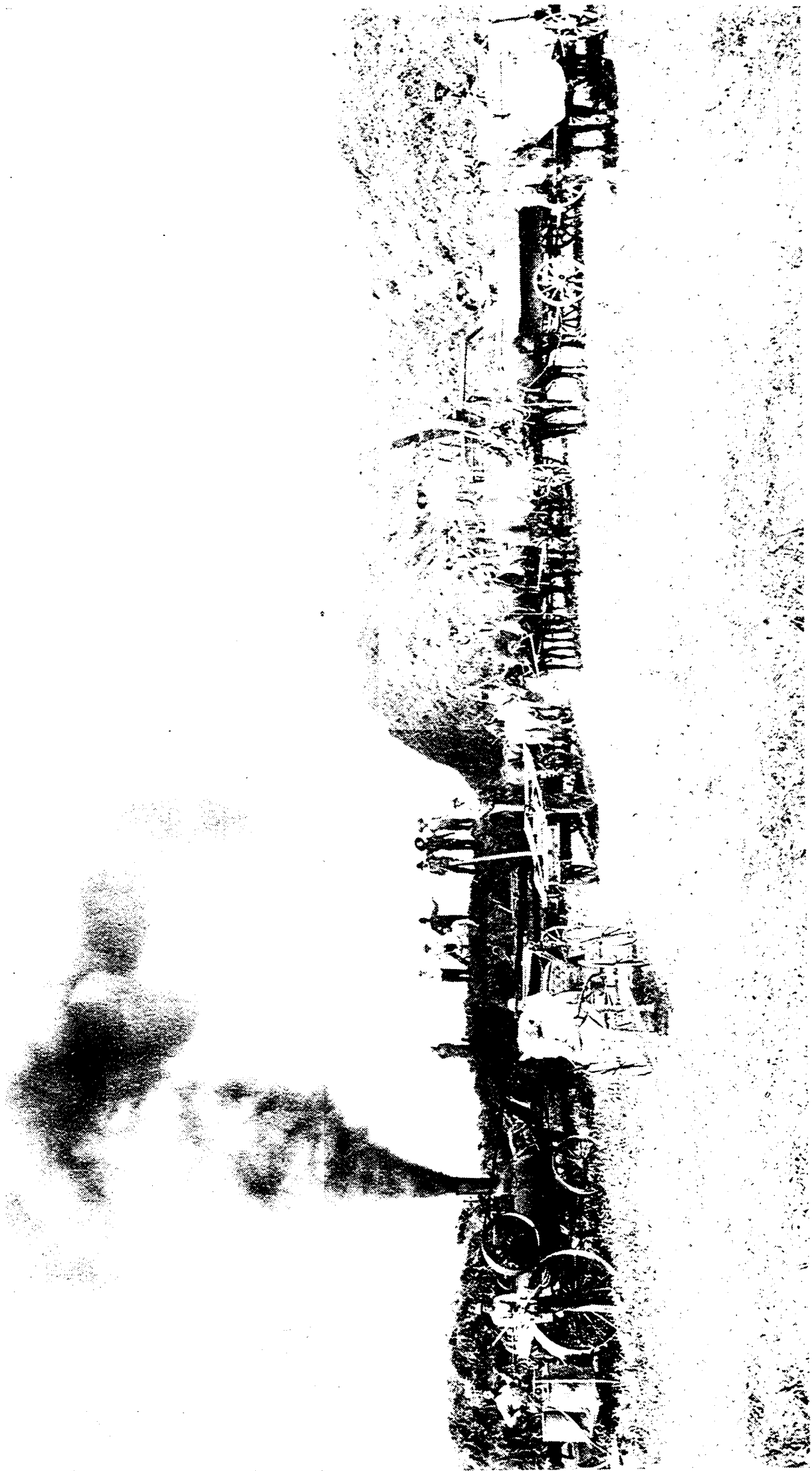
After the County 4-H Fairs come the State Fairs, where the county winners are exhibited in the state contests. Here the judging for prize awards follows the same procedure as in the counties.

Naturally, all this youthful enthusiasm has had a tremendous effect upon the parents toward better farming. Thousands of 4-H youngsters have put themselves through college with their own earnings. Just one Claiborne County (Tenn.) report shows a 4-H member changing a crop from 900 lbs. of ordinary tobacco to 1,675 lbs. of much higher priced burley in five years on the same land. Another showed a change of pasture land from one acre of pasture per head of live stock to one acre per five head. All this youth development is not only making better farmers; it is also making better citizens, who are learning what life is all about.

Thus, from such a small beginning, the 4-H has become a national medium to help bring about the technological discoveries and new methods and varieties of crops and livestock which have revolutionized farming. Working actively with the 4-H now are such groups—besides those named above—as the meat packing companies, cattle breeders associations, press and radio groups, cooperatives and corporations without number.

Now, this year, a new item has been added to their agenda—each club must have a separate Achievement Day at the halfway mark, when they bring all their clothing projects—finished and unfinished—and a sample of each food project on exhibit. These are judged by a guest expert in the forenoon, and the mothers are honored guests in the afternoon at a program planned by the Junior leaders. They hear reports on club work, camps, round-up, aims and principles. They are given the total picture of 4-H work, hopes and accomplishments, so they know what a great field their child is helping along. “A good 4-H member has a good 4-H parent.”





“A Believe It or Not” for the Steam Threshing Machine Era—

Daughter of Thresherman (Hugh Brenner); Wife of Thresherman (Rae Fleming); Mother of Threshermen (Raymond and Clarke); Sister of Threshermen (Allen and Clarence); Sister-in-law of Thresherman (Joe); Cousin of Threshermen (Clarence Bowlus, Bill Brenner, H. M. Brenner and Carl Routzahn); Aunt of Thresherman (Martin Coblentz, worked for Rae one season); Niece of Thresherman (Vic Biser), and Foster Mother of Thresherman (Chet Craft).

#### (FAMILY INCLINATION TO LIKE MACHINERY)

Rae was born September 24, 1885, at Williamsport, Indiana, while his father was County Treasurer. The family later moved to West Lebanon, where he finished high school in the class of 1903.

He then entered the Agriculture Department at Purdue University, where he was graduated in 1908. While there, he won the unique distinction of “4P”—four types of athletic letters. These were in football, baseball, basketball, and the Honorary “P”, of which there were at that time only three in the U. S. He is a member of the Alpha Zeta, honorary Agricultural Fraternity.

Purdue, founded by Indiana in 1874, as the State University for Agriculture and Engineering, was reported in 1916 with a 2,500 enrollment, with a campus and experimental farm of 180 acres.

Today they have a 300 acre campus and an enrollment of 12,000 to 15,000. In addition, they have 3,000 acres of experimental land in Agricultural Chemistry. Here all manner of breeding experiments are carried on in grains, grasses, vegetables, fruits, flavorings, herbs, etc. Besides all that, they have innumerable “guinea-pig” farm contracts everywhere. These are farm plots where the owners agree to plant, fertilize, cultivate, breed, or carry out any other procedure of farming under the supervision and instructions of the University. All this is part of a comprehensive plan to pre-determine soil conditions, improve breeding strains, and enlist the cooperation of progressive farmers in a complete forward looking program.

They have a large Girls’ Home Economics Dept. under the supervision of the County Agents throughout the state, home demonstrations are conducted regularly by this Dept. in each County, with the interest and attendance increasing in remarkable fashion.

Their Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Dept. was one of the earliest and most complete in the country. They were pioneers in hog cholera serum, which in forty years has overcome that dread scourge that used to strike such fear throughout the hog country.

Their courses and pioneering efforts in tuberculosis in cattle, and in poultry disease have also been meritorious. They also have courses in Farm Mechanical Service, to make every farm its own service station for its equipment. Knowledge and skill of this sort



amongst the farmers played no small part during the war in their production of bumper crops with less help and no new machinery available.

The Engineering Dept. of Purdue has likewise kept pace with their Agricultural, so that today many of the Engineering Fraternity agree that while M. I. T. may excel in theory, Purdue is at the top in practical and applied Engineering, whether in the field of Industrial, Railroad, Aeroplane, or General Engineering.

To recruit their expanding faculty for all these activities it has been necessary for them to either "grow their own" from their own graduates, or trade back and forth with the graduates of the similar universities.

For example, after graduation, Rae was State Inspector of Cattle for Purdue for two years. He then joined the Veterinary Dept. at Purdue for one year. Then he and H. H. Madaus operated a serum plant for hog cholera in Williamsport for six years. This was then in its pioneering stage, and he did much "guinea-pig" work in collaboration with Purdue in getting it perfected.

He was one of the pioneers of the idea, and wielded influence in the introduction into Warren County of alfalfa, soy beans, hybrid corn, stronger stalk and long head wheat, and other modernized agricultural products and methods.

He was County Treasurer for one year, and County Auditor of Warren County for eight years: 1934-1942 and now filling out unexpired term of County Assessor.

He is Past Master of West Lebanon Masonic Lodge No. 352, and Past Excellent High Priest of the Royal Arch Chapter, and Past Patron of O. E. S.

Their farm between West Lebanon and Williamsport is named "Sylvan Lair." They now reside in Williamsport, Indiana.

## THE OLD OAKEN BUCKET

*(An item of special interest to Hoosiers)*

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Place one state's two major universities only 95 miles apart, one not far north and the other not far south of the state capital, and you have the makings of the finest feud since the Hatfields and McCoys.

So it is that, next to the 500-mile Memorial Day auto race, Indiana's greatest sports spectacle each year is the football game between Purdue and Indiana. The rivalry that has flamed up and down the Monon Railroad since 1891 is bitter but blithesome—a saga of violent passions, of fierce, unrelenting battles, of tragic and hilarious sidelights—as typically American as the hot dog.

The trophy over which these battles rage in the closing game of

each season is typical, too, the most truly Hoosier trophy that could be found—an old oaken bucket that had hung in an Indiana well since 1840. Whenever the Old Oaken Bucket is to be the prize, the traditional sports “dope bucket” stands an excellent chance of being upset. The two simply don’t balance.

The Bucket was not officially the bone of contention until 1925, by which time Purdue had won 14 games, Indiana had taken 10, with 3 ties. Since then the tussle has been even more tense, Purdue winning 11 and Indiana 10, with 2 ties for variety.

The idea was developed in the Alumni Associations of the two universities in Chicago in August, 1925. It was decided the Old Oaken Bucket would be the most ideally Hoosier form of trophy that could be found, as an appropriate award for presentation to the winning team.

The trick now, of course, was to find a bucket. A committee scoured southern Indiana, and after a lengthy search found one on the old Burner farm between Kent and Hanover, in a region known as the Greenbrier. It was indeed the “moss-covered bucket, the iron bound bucket” of legend. Moss clung to the outside, a green mold covered the inside, and a few of the staves showed evidence of decay.

But with a little repair the Bucket was fashioned into a homely but handsome award, and as part of the dedication ceremonies for the Indiana Memorial Stadium on Nov. 21, 1925, it was presented to the rival schools. George Ade, famed humorist, representing Purdue, and Harry R. Kurrie, then president of the Monon Railroad, representing Indiana, carried the Bucket to the center of the field and handed it to Presidents Wm. L. Bryan of Indiana and E. C. Elliott of Purdue.

The first gold link in the Bucket’s chain was a highly appropriate “I-P” for the scoreless tie game that followed. After spending 6 months on each campus in its first year of being, the Bucket passed the next 4 years at Purdue. In 1930 Indiana put on the first true “I” link, and then the fun began.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-5 Clarence Edward Brenner—

Mildred Florence Flesher



NOTE: At various places in the book, we have referred to the native Hoosiers' love of humor. We are delighted to pass along to our readers a case in point, just as it was submitted to us.

It is a story, which if received by mail from any member of any Hoosier family, would be read and enjoyed by the entire family, then shown to all the neighbors, then carefully preserved for the children. (The Editors:)

Our fathers' came from a land that was far off, to a land that was not theirs: They wandered in the wilderness 400 years. The Promise of God drawing near at hand.

The Spirit of God moving thru His Creation moved upon the Earth and gathered some Dust and mixed it with water.

Thus in 1890 within the Boundaries of Warren County, Indiana, due to circumstances beyond my control, I was born into the World several months before I was aware of it.

The first thing I did was Cry: Did any King ever have any other entrance?

To read on from here, will be purely a waste of time. If you wish to finish quickly—turn to the last Paragraph.

At the manly age of five years, I was kicked on the right cheek bone by the hind feet of an angry horse. I was completely put out about this. The flesh was split open to the bone. The reason was, I was whipping the horse while she was tied fast to her stall. Shortly after this, Daddy Brenner wrecked the barn and built a new one; so he could move the horse.

This same fall I entered school, under the auspices of those in authority over me. My idea was to enter high school first, but this was denied me. I did however, make a quarter-back sneak and got myself in the picture being taken of the members of the high school. The consequences are too confusing to relate.

During my years in common school, I found out I was in a world of grief and sorrow; and the world had two Poles, north and south. Since November 2, 1948, I have found the sorrow and grief centered in Albany, and the world has three Poles, North, South, and Gallup.

When I graduated from common school, Dad and Mother bought me a new clarinet, of which I was very proud. I took lessons from Emil Warness, band leader here in West Lebanon. He came once a week until he gave up in plum disgust and told Mother and me that I would never be a clarinet player. I laid off for awhile in bewilderment, then started to learn it by ear myself, which I did. I played solo clarinet in the Valparaiso Band and Orchestra, also in Indiana University Band. At one time I became a Band Leader, as one night after Band Practice I said, "I'm going to the restaurant and get a cup of coffee and a sandwich," every member of the band followed me.

One thing I learned from the clarinet deal was: that what Emil Warness knew about playing the clarinet—I did not know. For me to learn to play I had to learn myself and train my own fingers.

I entered high school via the Freshman Class and just as soon as I got through the Senior Year I was ready to Graduate in 1908. Two weeks after entering the senior class, I was stricken with Typhoid Fever. I played football, baseball, and basketball in high school. We as a class started the Junior-Senior Reception when we were Juniors. Then we started the Senior Class Play, and the Alumni. I was selected to play a part in the Senior Class Play. You see there were nine of us and each one had a part.

After graduating I attended Valparaiso University for the summer term for school teachers. That fall I secured a place to teach in Twp. School near Green Hill. The following summer Sister Bertha and I took a trip west to see the Alaska, Yukon, Pacific Exposition at Seattle. Uncle Charlie Remsberg and his family were living there, so we stayed and visited them.

We went by way of Denver, and Salt Lake to San Francisco, it was on this leg of the journey we learned one thing; that "THE 4th OF JULY COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR—WHO'S MY FRIEND." He got off the train to look for his friend.

Then San Francisco, was in bad condition because of the recent earth quake. From there we went by steamship to Portland, Oregon. I saw my first real live whale in action. Bertha wasn't able to look. Anyway the boat ride was quite an experience for her even if it wasn't funny.

At the exposition we saw Columbia, the Gem of the Eskimos. She

was born at Columbia Exposition in Chicago, she was young and pretty, an expert with dog team and whip about 50 ft. long. We came back through Canadian Rockies and Banff. I marveled at the magnitude of the mountains, and often wonder about Paul Bunyan's job building them, and who his attorney was to draw up the contract. It might have been Lend-Lease. Setting out all those trees must have been some job.

The fall of '09 I entered Indiana University, I joined the Freshman Football Squad as Left Tackle, I did about all the punting, and about 40% of the forward passing, and part of the ground scrimmage. I did not go out for any other athletics, as I was washing dishes for my board, tending furnace for my room rent, and running a laundry agency for spending money. I came home and worked here until the next winter, then I boarded the through train at Williamsport about 1:30 P. M. going west, headed for Seattle, Washington. At the first road crossing west of the depot about one-half mile or so the train went off the tracks, I thought my trip was at an end in less than a mile. But we were loaded in the baggage car and sent on to Danville, Ill., where the train was made up again.

I joined up with a fellow by the name of McFarland who had invented the Helicopter and he was trying to build one. This was the first Helicopter ever built. When almost complete we took it to Fort Lawton, this was the first airship ever on Government Property in the state of Washington, the contraption never flew.

I left this adventure with a pocket full of Helicopter stock, and got myself a job as grocery boy making deliveries, I drove over West Seattle delivering groceries until summer, then took off for Snoqualmie Falls about 65 miles out in the mountains, found a job on a farm about 1 mile from the falls. This was along the Snoqualmie River. I worked there about a month, I lived in an old wood shed and got \$5.00 a week.

The Superintendent at the power plant at the falls had just invented a pole top switch, but had no one to build them. I got a job doing this. I built the first one, and helped mount it at the plant on top of four large poles. Then I began building more, this was the first pole top switch ever built and mounted. Today they are everywhere. I was here when Grandpa Remsburg passed away. The Super wanted me to stay with him, he had a good job for me—but I told him I felt like I must make the rounds and went on to Canada, out in Alberta, landed near Calgary when it was a village about the size of Williamsport or West Lebanon. They had there the Round House and terminal for the Canadian Pacific R. R. some ranchers over the plains, and some hoodlums.

From the city limits began the Bald Headed Prairie. No roads, no fences, no trees—just wide open spaces cross country.

My first job was on a branch line for the Canadian Pacific R. R. they were building. I made my stop only a few days. It seemed UN-AMERICAN. My next stop was a ranch house about fifteen

miles out from Calgary, the guy was a bachelor about 55 or so, he did what cooking was done. What we ate I do not know, and very likely didn't know at the time. I put up here for about ten days then turned in my time. I think I got about \$7.50 and he was so mad I had to walk to town and carry my baggage. It took me all day and I passed by and through and around many wild animals and devilish looking range cattle. My only satisfaction and hope was my hip iron.

When I finally reached Calgary, Canada, I took a night's lodging at the Hotel in the middle of town, just three blocks from the wolves and coyotes. Next day I got a job on a Freighting Gang, driving a team to a wagon hauling freight where there were no railroads. They were just building the Irrigation Project, the first one up there. It started from the Bow River not far from Calgary and went far toward the Medicine Hat country. I rather liked this and stayed with it until I came home in February, 1912, wearing a set of Canadian Whiskers. I stopped off in South Bend to eat dinner with some distant relatives who were living there. On arrival home I was recognized by only one person aside from my folks. She was a girl with whom I had many dates before going away.

Now back home in Indiana. The thing I like about Indiana is, it is the home of the Wabash River.

My first job on returning was drilling a well for Elmer Smith. I worked at this and threshing, etc. until I was taken prisoner on December 25, 1915, in the midst of a very severe blizzard. From here on she is telling you about it.

We have lived ever since.

(Something new has been added, by request; if it is desirable to have the substance of the script blended, please turn upside down and shake well.)

It was at Denver that we took the sight seeing trip to Pike's Peak and the "Garden of the Gods." As one will—we chose a guide at random, not having any idea whom we were getting and started on our tour through this freak of nature. The driver stopped at some souvenir niche and I bought a tiny stone bible. They offered to engrave my name on it which I let them do. As we drove on the driver turned and asked, "Did you say your name was Brenner?" When I answered "yes" he replied, "That was my wife's name before we were married." So he said he would take us to the home of his father-in-law after we had finished the tour. He did this and when we drove up to the house—a tall lean, lank, bald-headed man came out to meet us. Our driver whose name was Colette said, "Mr. Brenner meet Mr. Brenner!" He gasped as he grasped my hand and said, "Take your hat off and let me see if you are bald-headed," and sure enough my hair was beginning to recede. So that is how we found the William Brenners of Colorado.

Mildred takes over and says: I was born May 22, 1897, near West Lebanon, Indiana, to James H. and Bertie Flesher.

I attended Marshfield Township School, was graduated in 1911. In the Orchestra that played for my Commencement there was a clarinet play-boy, whom I entertained later with roast turkey and angel-food cake.

I remember that Tony Hall—one of the graduates, was doing her Shakespearian act, and in the Thespian Grand manner declared that all the world is a stage. While still in the spirit of the drama, she walked off the stage into the arms of the clarinet player who later became my husband.

Clarence and I were married December 25, 1915, at the home of my parents. I notice from a clipping from the West Lebanon Gazette of that period that the ceremony was performed at 2:00 P. M. by Rev. Martin of the Williamsport Christian Church; that the hour was originally set at high noon; that Rev. Martin with Rae Fleming and lady had started for the wedding in plenty of time.

As they did not arrive, a sleigh was sent in search of them, and they were found two miles east of West Lebanon, fast in a snow-drift for the second time. They were finally dug out and got to town, where they abandoned the autos for the sleigh, and arrived two hours late.

Two weeks after the wedding, we were "at home" on the Brenner farm two and one-half miles northeast of West Lebanon, where our two sons were born.

I joined the Order of Eastern Star while mother Brenner was Worthy Matron. In the fall of 1922, we moved to Danville, Ill., where we lived until February, 1924. Then we moved to Paxton, Ill., where our daughter was born.

While in Paxton, Hugh James, Ralph Dean and I joined the Christian Church. Clarence had already been immersed in West Lebanon, December 19, 1903.

We moved to Loda, Ill., in June, 1936, and on January 1, 1937, we moved back to West Lebanon and settled in the Brenner Homestead near the high school. I helped start the P.-T. A. organization for the school and am still working on it.

In 1947, I served as cook and overseer for the Hanging Rock Christian Service Camp four miles south of West Lebanon. This delightful "woody" spot on Redwood Creek has for generations been a favorite picnic haunt, one of the real beauty spots of the Wabash Valley.

In 1941, it was selected by the Christian Church for an outing camp site for boys who belonged to its Sunday School. In that year twenty-five boys who belonged camped beside old "Hanging Rock" which projects itself out over the stream and rises precipitately to a height of many feet to the woods above.

In seven years the camp has grown to capacity registrations of three hundred per week. Attendance is limited to the number, and

for one week only. It opens on the week of July 4 and continues for six weeks.

Camp weeks are divided according to age groups. Juniors (5th and 6th graders) take the first two weeks; Intermediates (7th and 8th graders) take the next two; high schoolers take the last two.

The camp is one of the most modern in the country. It has been provided by the Disciple Churches of the nearby counties at a cost of only \$42,000, due to the fact that so many materials have been donated or purchased at a merely nominal price and most of the construction labor has been donated.

It consists of two modern dormitories, a modern kitchen, and large dining hall. It has adequate room for softball, volleyball, and other outdoor games. Swimming is quite popular underneath the Hanging Rock.

It is owned, sponsored, and operated by the Hanging Rock Christian Assembly, Inc. The weeks' activities follow a regular program similar to that of a boys' camp anywhere, except for an inspiring chapel service each evening, and a Christian atmosphere throughout the entire program.

According to reports, it is the largest camp of its kind in the United States.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-6-1 William David Brenner—Ruth Beckett

Better known as "Bill"—to distinguish him from his father Will, he was born July 9, 1894, at West Lebanon, Indiana. Moved with his parents to the old Brenner homestead on The Barrens when he was four years old.

He attended grade school at the Barrens school; was graduated from West Lebanon High School in the class of 1911, after which he chose farming as his vocation.

He was elected Warren County Commissioner for two terms of three years each, representing the 1st District. For two years he served as Chairman of the Farm Bureau in Warren County. For seven years he was the County Chairman of the A. A. A. For ten years he was Director Warren County Farm Bureau Co-op.

For six years he was a Director of the Farmers Central Bank. At Winnipeg, Canada, in 1947, he was voted a member of the American Society of Farm Managers.

For three years he served as Supervisor of the Warren County Soil Conservation Committee. In response to a call from the State Governor, he honorably served as a member of the Advisory Board for Registrants in the Selective Service System of the U. S. from September 21, 1940, to January 17, 1947.

He has been a member of the M. E. Church for many years; was Sunday School Superintendent there for four years. He is a Past Master of the Masonic Lodge, having been elected to that office



three different times. He was Worthy Patron of the O. E. S. for two years.

They are living on the farm known as the ALDICE CLOYD farm on the Barrens.

Ruth was born April 6, 1895, Kent Twp., Warren County, at the homestead of Nancy Mayme Switzer and George A. Beckett, located at Gopher Hill.

She attended the Gopher Hill Grade School; was graduated from West Lebanon High School in the class of 1915.

She attended the Teachers Normal College at Winona Lake, Indiana; taught school two years in Warren County Grade School.

She joined the Methodist Church in State Line, Indiana; later moved her letter to the West Lebanon Church, where she has been continually active in Church youth groups and the Sunday School as teacher.

Another of her interests has been Home Economics. She was President of the Woman's Club of Williamsport.

She is a Past Matron of the O. E. S. Was appointed Deputy of the 16th Indiana District of the O. E. S., in 1940 and '41; she received the Commission for three years (1943-45) as the O. E. S. Grand Representative to Saskatchewan, Canada.

In 1948 she was elected to serve on the Necrology Committee of the Indiana Grand Chapter O. E. S.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-6-2 Ivah Laverta Ann Brenner—Glenn James Evans

She was born August 5, 1901, at the old Brenner Homestead on the Barrens south of West Lebanon, Indiana. She received her Grade School education at the Barrens country school. She was graduated from the West Lebanon High School—Class of 1919.

It was during the time of her generation that "The little red school-house at the crossroads"—so famed in poetry, in picture, in memory, and historical lore, noticeably began to give way to the "new look" in education. Better roads, faster and easier transportation made it possible to get the youngsters to larger and better schools in school busses.

In these two decades 1900-1920, came the wave of incitement, universal in American life, to centralization, consolidation, "bigger and better" everything. "Efficiency" was another word that "caught on," and was much on everyone's tongue. It was only natural that the schools all over the country would move on the crest of this wave.

In 1927 a publication of the University of North Carolina recorded, with pride, that the state had 2,317 school busses, carrying 87,000 children daily to 814 consolidated schools, a use of the new system exceeded by only two states, Indiana and Ohio.

Ivah was part of this American transformation. After finishing

high school, she took two years Teacher's Training, and then taught school thirteen years, ten of them in the Primary Department of the West Lebanon School. Since that time she has devoted her energies to the farm.

She has been a member of the West Lebanon Christian Church since she was twelve years old.

Glenn was born September 6, 1900, on a farm south of Pence, Indiana, in the midst of the great prairie corn belt. He attended country school in Jordan Twp. for four years. He then joined the great American trek to consolidated schools, and finished grade school at West Lebanon, where he was also graduated from the high school.

For a time he served as lineman for the Wabash Valley Telephone Co. Then he took up farming, and at present operates his own farm.

He was elected Trustee of Pike Twp. for the period 1943-47.

He has belonged to the West Lebanon Christian Church since 1915; and is chairman of the Church Board.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-6-3 Hugh Morton Brenner

No. 1-1-4-3-2-6-3-0 Mildred Louise Kiser

No. 1-1-4-3-2-6-3-0 Rosemary Brown

He was born August 9, 1908, on the Barrens in Warren County, Indiana. After completing grade school in the Barrens and West Lebanon schools, he finished in the West Lebanon High School.

He then farmed with his father for three years, after which he went into farming for himself, in which occupation he is still engaged.

He is a member of the Williamsport Church of Christ, the Masonic Lodge, and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Mildred was born July 7, 1908, in West Lebanon, where she attended high school. She and Hugh Morton were married September 1, 1929.

She was a member of the West Lebanon Church of Christ and the Order of the Eastern Star. She died February 27, 1945.

Rosemary was born February 1, 1925, in Warren County, Indiana. She was graduated from the Williamsport High School after which she was employed as Private Secretary by the Wabash Telephone Co. in Williamsport.

She later served as Deputy Auditor of Warren Co. for two years. She and Hugh Morton were married October 12, 1946.

She is a member of the Williamsport Church of Christ, Order of the Eastern Star, and Past President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Warren Unit No. 259.

Their address is R. R. No. 2, Williamsport, Indiana, and they are the third generation living continuously upon this same farm. Grandfather Jacob Brenner's deed for it is on record in the Recorder's Office in Warren County and dated April 28, 1860. Our

great-grandfather John bought in Warren County—128.89 acres and deed dated November 4, 1836. He purchased this farm from John D. Crawford. So while this farm has not been in the family quite one hundred years yet, it bids fair that Hugh Morton will pass it on to one of his sons; and it will acquire that reputation.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-7-1 Mabel Mae Biser—Ira Cole**

She was born November 19, 1891, on the old Brenner farm south of West Lebanon, Indiana. She attended school at the Bowlus school and later at the schools at West Lebanon.

At an early age she joined the M. E. Church at that place, and was active in Sunday School work.

She was married on Christmas Eve, 1911. Since that time she and Ira have written one of those truly Horatio Alger stories of achievement that are so distinctly American and yet, which it is given to but few to attain.

Hers was the role of the loyal wife who helped her husband make a start from scratch; who by every encouragement and sacrifice pulled her oar in the boat while he struggled with his education and training for a career; who moved from place to place and lived the life of an "Army Wife" during their earlier years of the struggle together; and who finally saw their efforts crowned with a success which has rendered a service to their generation which is remarkable enough to be astounding.

In all that time, she has not forgotten her early precepts. She has taught a Sunday School class in the M. E. Church in every place where they have lived.

She is a Past Matron of the Eastern Star, and Past President of the Edgewood Woman's Club of Lafayette, Indiana, where they now reside.

Ira was born September 21, 1890, at Portland, Fountain County, Indiana. He attended grade school at Beech Grove, Fort Sumpter, and State Line. At his commencement he delivered an oration he had written on "Aerial Navigation." In that, he made a Jules Verne type of prediction that the world would see planes flying the oceans.

He was graduated from the West Lebanon High School in 1910. That summer he attended normal course at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana. He taught Country School at Riverside, Kent Twp., Warren County, in 1910 and 1911. After their marriage in 1911, he and Mabel farmed on their father's farm on Rock Creek and he taught one term of school at Beech Grove in Kent Twp.

In December, 1915, he started at Valparaiso University as Pre-Medic. In August, 1916, he entered Indiana University Medical Dept. He enlisted in December, 1917, in the U. S. Army, and was put in Enlisted Reserve Corps, and sent back to Bloomington, there he received the B. S. Degree in Medicine in June, 1919.

In June, 1921, he was graduated from the Indiana University

School of Medicine at Indianapolis. During his last year there he served as Externe at the Protestant Deaconess Hospital.

He began the practice of medicine that fall in Linden, Indiana. The next year he moved to New Richmond, Indiana, where he practiced until October, 1929.

By that time their children had reached the ages of 13-9-and 7 years. He took his family to Philadelphia, where he studied eight months Post-Graduate in children's diseases. He then brought his family home, and went to the New York Lying-In Hospital to study Obstetrics.

Near the end of 1930, he began practice in Lafayette, Indiana, where they still reside; and where he merits the title of "Baby Specialist." His new, modernly equipped office is across the street from the "Home Hospital."

During his Medical School days, he joined the Phi Chi Fraternity, and was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha—Honorary Medical Fraternity. He belongs to the Tippecanoe County Medical Association, the American Medical Association, the Indiana State Medical Association, and the Indianapolis Obstetrical and Gynecological Association. In October, 1947, he was elected Matriculate in the International College of Surgeons. In November 1948, he will be advanced to Associate in that College.

His practice is now limited to Obstetrics and Gynecology. He has delivered already over 3,600 babies. (Do any baby-sitters want to apply for the job as Mayor of such a village?) In 1943 his record was 509 babies plus some 300 major operations. His average is 300 to 400 babies per year.

He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, Elks and Eastern Star.

Their address is 1535 Summit Drive, West Lafayette, Indiana.

No. 1-1-4-3-4-1-3 Lillian M. Gunn

No. 1-1-4-3-4-1-3-0 Albert L. Sims

No. 1-1-4-3-4-1-3-0 Frederick C. Thomas

After considerable effort, we were able to reach Lillian at 2511 Prospect Road, Peoria Heights, Ill. She states that her family just truly fits in the classification of average Americans.

She has long taken a very active interest in the Order of Eastern Star; has served as Chaplain of P. W. Don Myer Chapter for sixteen years. Consequently she was thrilled to have her son Richard enter the Masonic Lodge as he was twenty-one, and then go on to become a 32nd Degree Mason, same as his father, Albert Sims had been before him.

No. 1-1-4-3-4-3-7 Addie Marie Cooper—Jesse Wood

She was born May 26, 1898, in West Lebanon, and was the seventh child of Mary Elizabeth Gunn and Jesse Cooper. At an early age she moved with her parents to Danville, Illinois.

As a young girl our mother kept in touch with her and then we lost trace of the family. Herein lies an interesting story of how we found them again. Our father and mother used to shop in Danville frequently and go in the Woolworth Store to "look around." One very young and pretty clerk at the candy counter interested them and they began to chat with her. To their amazement they found she was the daughter of Stella Cooper Scarlett and her name was Dorothy. Every time they were in Danville they would visit with her awhile and came to be very fond of her. After their deaths we lost them entirely. Finally when we became interested in compiling the family history, I (Bertha) went to Danville determined to find some of them, if possible at all. I found a Richard Scarlett in the telephone directory and talked to the Mrs. She told me Dorothy was married to a Hefling and lived at Catlin, Ill. So before going home, I dropped a card in the mail asking her to write me and tell me all about herself; her children; brothers and sisters and any of the family she could.

She answered immediately, saying she had four small daughters and told me what she could of their family, but had no record and for me to contact her Aunt Addie Cooper Wood in Redden Court, Danville, that she had the bible of the family. In a few days I went down to Addie's apartment. She works for a lawyer and was not at home, but her sister Leota Cooper Hughes lives very near and she let me see the Bible record. Behold it was the precious Bible of "John and Fanny Etnire Brenner!" So that is how we came to find them again.

No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-1 Edith Brenner—Knode Steel

She was born April 4, 1884, at Mt. Ayr, Indiana. Her father, John Scott Brenner, operated a furniture store and undertaking business, with carpentry and painting and refinishing as a part of it.

As a girl she became familiar with the usual Brenner family trait of "sing or whistle while you work," which most of our elders of that generation had. Then, for recreation, the families would gather round the piano and "sing from the hymn book."

So, as was the case in so many Brenner homes up and down the land, she must needs learn the piano. After which, it was perfectly natural that she should become the pianist for the Sunday School and Church services for many years.

Her mother, Margaret Crisler, had a good alto singing voice, was an excellent cook and seamstress, and enjoyed getting up a big dinner for a house full of company.

Left as a widow with six children to raise alone, Edith did sewing night and day for a living, borrowing the strength from somewhere to keep going for a dozen years.

Her present husband, Knode, learned the baking trade at 16, and has been busy at perfecting the art ever since.

They live in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-6-1 Ralph Judson Brenner—Aimee Belle Thomas**

He was born October 30, 1904, at Rensselaer, Indiana. He attended Public and High Schools in Rensselaer and in Valparaiso, Indiana.

He then attended the University of Wisconsin for one year; then transferred to Stanford University, where he was graduated in the class of 1929.

He is at present employed by the Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation in San Jose, California.

Aimee was born September 28, 1906, at San Francisco, California. She completed the Grade and High Schools in San Francisco, Los Altos and Palo Alto.

She attended The Miss Ransome's School at Piedmont, Calif.; then matriculated at Stanford University, finishing in the class of 1928.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-9-1 James Emmet Brenner, Jr.—  
Marian Helen Cameron**

He was born March 29th, 1916, at San Diego, California. At the age of 18 he was elected to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, where he finished in the class of 1938.

He then chose the carriers as his branch of the Navy, and served on various "Flat Tops" during the war. With his present rank of Commander U. S. N., he is on shore duty with the Naval Reserve Officers Training unit at the University of Southern California.

In spite of his heavy schedule with his school teaching and mid-shipman summer cruises he somehow finds time to indulge in his hobby of building walls, lawns, relaxing in his own workshop as well as gardening on the side.

Marian was born May 10th, 1917, at Los Angeles, Calif. She was graduated from the University of Southern California at Los Angeles in the class of 1940, and the marriage of the happy couple followed immediately.

During the war years she followed the fleet at various address stops throughout the country, but when the war was over she and Jim found a way to get back to California.

At Long Beach the school system sponsor adult education courses each evening in the different schools. She has taken advantage of

this opportunity to learn tailoring, which she has found most useful and profitable during the days of postwar prices and scarcity of clothes.

Their present address is 4439 Faculty Ave., Long Beach, California.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-9-2 John Marshall Brenner (known as "Jack")—  
Lois Marie Christensen**

He was born October 9, 1917, at New York City. His earliest recollections are naturally associated with the life his mother led in "following the fleet" during the war years. He recalls living in Los Animos, Colorado, for a while then moving to Redlands, California, where he started in kindergarten.

He moved with his family to Palo Alto about 1923, where he attended grade school through the seventh grade, then to Menlo School for Boys, Menlo Park, California, for the eighth grade.

He entered Palo Alto High School in 1930, and was graduated in 1934. He played three years of lightweight basketball, and captained the team in his senior year. He played one year of varsity football; was on the lightweight swimming team for three years, and was on the lightweight track team for three years.

In September, 1934, he entered Severn School, Severna Park, Maryland, to prepare for Annapolis. Here he continued his active interest in athletics. He was selected all-state left halfback for two years. He also played baseball and lacrosse.

He entered the Naval Academy in the summer of 1936, and continued to concentrate on sports. He played plebe football, basketball, and lacrosse.

He was forced to resign from the Academy in the spring of 1937 because of red-green color blindness. He then entered Stanford University in the fall of 1937 as a sophomore.

There he joined the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. He played varsity football in 1938 and rugby for a few games in the winter of 1939. His athletic career then came to an abrupt end when he broke an arm playing rugby.

From then on, he concentrated on academic work. He was graduated "Cum Lauda" in 1940 with economics as his major. He entered Stanford Law School that fall, and joined the Phi Delta Phi national law fraternity.

In the summer of 1940 he received a reserve commission as ensign in Naval Intelligence, and was later assigned to Naval Censorship. He reported for active duty in San Francisco before 6:00 P. M. on Pearl Harbor Day, and served there as Naval Censor until September, 1943.

After several months of training and waiting, he went to sea as Armed Guard Officer in February, 1944. He spent the following nine months in this capacity on convoy duty.

In November, 1944, he was sent to Beachmaster Training School at Oceanside, California, for amphibious training. In March, 1945, he was assigned to the U. S. S. Fillmore (APA-83) as Beachmaster.

He served as such until October, 1945, making three trips from the Pacific Coast to the South Pacific. In October, 1945, he was transferred to the District Legal Office in San Francisco, where he remained until his retirement as Lt. Commander Naval Reserve in March, 1946.

He considers 1939 an important year in his life, for then he met Lois. They were married in Palo Alto, June 20, 1942. For over two years their home was in San Francisco, but after their daughter Carolyn Lou arrived in 1944, they purchased a home in Palo Alto.

Immediately upon his release from active duty, he returned to Stanford Law School in April, 1946, where he was graduated at the top of his class in June, 1947. He was elected to the Order of the Coif—legal scholarship society—thus keeping abreast with his illustrious father in one respect.

He was admitted to the California State Bar Association in December, 1947, and on January 1, 1948, became the Junior Partner of the newly organized firm of Hardy, Carley & Brenner with offices in Palo Alto.

At present he is a member of the Palo Alto 20-30 Club, and will serve as president of the club for the next term.

Lois was born May 29, 1915, at Palo Alto, California, to Christian Hansen and Jessie Mae (Hereford) Christensen. She attended the local schools and was graduated from high school there in the class of 1933.

After high school she attended secretarial business school, then obtained a secretarial position, which she held until her marriage to Jack.

In high school she was a member of the Thespian Club, was interested in sports, especially swimming and horseback riding.

#### **No. 1-1-4-3-7-4-1 Ruth Esther Hamblen—Harry Carl Kinney**

She was born September 7, 1896 at Hoopston, Ill., where she joined the Christian Church in her teens, and taught a Sunday School Class.

She finished the grade schools and started high school, but due to her mother's illness, was compelled to leave school and take over the care of the home.

Her family moved from Illinois to North Dakota where her youngest brother, Howard, was born. Then they moved to Marion, Ind., and from there to Kokomo.

She and Harry were married December 28, 1917, and have lived in Kokomo since that time.

For the past few years, since her family are grown enough to per-



mit her leaving them, she has taken up practical nursing. In this profession, her naturally cheerful and optimistic disposition tends to create a constant demand for her services. In January 1944 she received the "thrill of a lifetime" when her name was drawn for \$800.

Her skill in crocheting, which she has developed as a hobby through the years, gives an added attractiveness to her presence in any sick room.

Their address is 1313 N. Courtland Ave., Kokomo, Ind.

**No. 1-1-4-3-7-4-4 Howard Brenner Hamblen—Flossie Maxine Blue**

He was born April 27, 1911, at Roslund, North Dakota. His early life was spent in Hoopeston, Illinois, and Marion, Indiana. He attended his first school in Marion, and was graduated from the Jackson Township Consolidated High School in Howard County, Indiana.

He attended Purdue University one year ('29-'30) and then returned to the farm until 1934.

He then moved to South Bend, Indiana, to take a position in the diet kitchen at Healthwin Hospital. In June 1935 he returned to Marion to work as orderly. In 1936 he returned to South Bend in the sales department of a large department store in G. E. Appliances.

He continued in sales work until August 1942, when he went into defense work at Bendix Aviation Corporation, where he remained until the end of the war.

In February 1945 he joined with W. B. Edwards to form the partnership of Edwards & Hamblen Paint & Appliance Company in South Bend.

He is a member of St. Paul's M. E. Church, St. Joseph Lodge, Masonic Lodge No. 45, The Royal Arch Chapter No. 29, and The South Bend Council No. 82, R. & S. M.

Flossie was born July 6, 1914, in Grant County, Indiana. She attended school at Jackson Township School in Howard County, Ind., and finished in the schools at Swayzee, Indiana.

She is also a member of St. Paul's M. E. Church; finds herself quite busy in her home, yet takes an active interest in the Marquette P.-T. A.

Their address is 1837 N. Johnson Street, South Bend, Indiana.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1 Ralph Leone Zufall—M. Dean—  
F. Headley—M. Campbell**

Ralph was born in West Lebanon, where he grew to manhood. After his marriage to Madge Dean, the nation was caught in one of the worst plagues it has ever known. Because so little was known about its origin, and not knowing how to combat it, it was called "Flu," and many were taken in a very short time. It was true with

Madge, she left her two-day old babe, who bears her name, and Cora took her as if she were her own.

On February 12, 1921, he was married to Florence Headley, and they were blessed with four lovely daughters. He was engaged in the dairy business, which was quite a new idea at that time—that of bottling milk and delivering right to the customer's door. Again death entered his home and took his companion. He had greatly expanded the dairy and lived in Williamsport.

Here he met Mabel, who had had a similar experience, and they decided they had much in common and should share life together. That was on December 10, 1932, and has proven to be a very happy and congenial union. Mabel was county Recorder from 1928-1932. After the expiration of her term, Ralph quit the dairy business, and together they started an "Abstract & Title" establishment, with real estate and insurance. They have done marvelously well, and have now expanded their office and opened up a new office in Covington, in Fountain Co., and have a thriving business.

He and Mabel have been blessed with a son—Larry L., and the entire family are members of the local Christian Church.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-3-2 Harold L. Zufall—Evelyn Phillips

He was born July 22, 1901, at West Lebanon, Indiana, where he finished high school. He enlisted in the Army Air Force and became a bomber pilot, with the rank of Captain.

In 1945 he was on the staff of Major General Benjamin Giles, stationed at Cairo, Egypt. On November 7, 1945, he was killed in action over North Africa, along with 7 others in the plane crew. He is buried in the Military Cemetery in Cairo, from whence his body will be brought home for burial.

Evelyn was from Fresno, California.

Their son, Harold L. Jr., was born August 6, 1924. He enlisted in the Air Force and served 2½ years. He became a cadet just before the end of hostilities.

He has one son, Harold Wayne, who was born January 18, 1947.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-2-1-1 Cynthia Marie Bowlus— Benjamin Franklin Clark

She was born June 11, 1905, on the Remsberg Homestead, 3 miles south of West Lebanon, Indiana. She was graduated from the West Lebanon High School in 1923.

During her youth she was quite active in 4-H Club work. Her interest in this led her to Purdue University to pursue the engrossing studies in it further.

While there she majored in Home Economics and obtained her degree in 1927. She was elected to the Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority.

She taught school for two years at Alvin, Illinois, and two years in Divernon, Illinois.

She is a member of the local O. E. S., serving as Worthy Matron in 1941. She is also a member of the Presbyterian Church.

B. Franklin Clark was born October 3, 1896. He was graduated from the West Lebanon High School, and went on to finish at Purdue University in the Department of Agriculture.

While there he joined the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. He served in World War I, and is a member of the local American Legion.

He is a member of the West Lebanon Presbyterian Church, Past Patron of the O. E. S. and a Master Mason.

Frank Melvin Clark, their older son, was born August 9, 1932. He finished grade school at Marshfield, Indiana, and is attending the West Lebanon High School.

He is a member of the basketball and baseball teams. He is a member of the 4-H Club, is a junior 4-H leader; also a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Richard Alan Clark was born April 12, 1934. He was graduated from the Marshfield Grade School and is attending West Lebanon High School. He is on both baseball and basketball squads.

He is a 4-H Club member, in which he is a junior leader, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-2-1-2 George Melvin Bowlus—  
Lorraine Virginia Walla**

He was born February 25, 1909, on the Barrens, 3 miles southeast of West Lebanon, Indiana.

He attended grade school at the Barrens School House. He then attended high school at West Lebanon, where he was graduated in the class of 1928. He then spent one year at Purdue University.

For several years he was active in 4-H Club work. While he was in high school, he offered a bid as operator of the school bus. His contract was accepted, and he operated the bus during his last two years in high school. His father, Clarence Bowlus, then continued driving for 15 more years.

On November 18, 1929, he accepted a position with the Continental Fire Insurance Company in Chicago. Then, electing fire underwriting as his life's work, he promptly enrolled in the La Salle Business College.

He first completed a four-year course in business correspondence. Then he started a four-year course in fire insurance. This he completed with honorary grades in both fire and marine underwriting.

The insurance course was beneficial in obtaining the position he now holds as fire insurance underwriter.

Lorraine, second child of Anna and Joseph Walla, was born in

Chicago, November 18, 1913. Her parents were likewise both born there. Her mother is of German descent, her father before her having fought in the Franco-German War. Lorraine's maternal grandparents were both born in Germany.

Her father is of Bohemian and German descent. His father was born in Taber, Bohemia, and was in Chicago at the time of the great fire. His mother was born in Austria.

Lorraine finished high school in 1930. During her years there, she studied piano and harmonica. She is a member of the Omega Theta Rho Sorority.

She has long been an active member of the Mayfair Presbyterian Church. She has a record of 17 years perfect attendance in the Sunday school. She has also taught a Sunday school class for many years.

She worked four years for the Dartnell Publishing Company before her marriage to Melvin.

Their present home is located at 4873 W. St. Paul Avenue, Chicago 39, Illinois, in the Craigen District.

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No. 1-1-4-3-2-2-1-3 Omer Emerson Bowlus—Dorothy Irene Bliss

He was born December 31, 1913, on a farm on the "Barrens" south of West Lebanon, Indiana. He went 4 years to the "Barrens" school, then attended West Lebanon School, graduating from high school there in 1931.

He was graduated from Purdue University in 1935 with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. He received his degree "With Distinction" and was elected to three honorary fraternities—Eta Kappa Nu (electrical engineering), Tau Beta Pi (all engineering), and Sigma Xi (research in science). He received the degree of Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the Chrysler Institute of Engineering in 1939.

He was employed by Emerson Electric Co., in St. Louis, Mo., 1935-36; by Prest-O-Lite Battery Co. in Indianapolis, Ind., 1936; and by Chrysler Corporation, Detroit, Mich., 1937-48. While with Chrysler, he has been engaged in electrical research. During World War II, he designed and developed (at Chrysler) an Electronic Frequency Changer for the Army Air Forces at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and assisted in the design and development of Alternating Current Generating Systems for the Army Air Forces. Since the war he developed an Alternating Current Generator for automotive vehicles, which generator is now being produced and sold by the Leece-Neville Co., in Cleveland, Ohio.

He was one of the pioneers in the art of Radio Frequency Induction Heating of steel. By this method, steel parts which require a

matter of hours for heat treatment by the conventional oven method can be heat treated in a fraction of a second by radio frequency.

In addition to the honorary fraternities, he has been a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers since 1934, and is, at present, Vice-Chairman of the Michigan section of this national society. The Michigan membership is approximately 830 electrical engineers.

He owns several U. S. Patents and is co-author of a technical paper on "Electronic Frequency Changers for Aircraft," published in *Electrical Engineering*, May, 1947, and in *Electronics*, March, 1948.

He is a member of Trinity Methodist Church of Highland Park, Mich.

Dorothy was born April 14, 1911, on a farm near Hiram, Ohio, to Martha E. (Phillips) and Owen G. Bliss. At the age of 3, her parents moved to Detroit, Michigan, and 2 years later to Highland Park, a suburb.

She attended schools there and was graduated from Highland Park High School in 1929. She received a diploma in stenography from the Detroit Business Institute in 1930. Was employed part time by the S. S. Kresge and F. W. Woolworth Companies between 1927 and 1929; the Highland Park Board of Education, 1929 and the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. of Detroit, Mich., 1929-41, as office clerk, typist and stenographer.

She is a Past Councilor of the Order of the Daughters of America of which she has been a member since 1935. She has been a member of Trinity Methodist Church of Highland Park, Mich., since 1922 and for several years taught a Sunday School class. It was at Trinity Church that she first met Omer, and also where they were married on June 7, 1941. At present, they reside in their own home in the northwest section of Detroit.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-4-5-1 Kathleen Delores Routzahn—  
Raymond Lefton, Jr.**

She was born May 11, 1919, at West Lebanon, Indiana, very early she acquired the name of "Betty," and has carried that "sobriquet" ever since.

She started school at Danville, Illinois, and finished High School at West Lebanon. While at school she took tap dancing and later gave lessons in the art.

After graduation she attended Uterback's Business School at Danville, and then spent one year in the Danville Soil Conservation Office.

After her marriage, she moved to Attica, Indiana, and transferred her Church Membership to the Methodist Church there. She still maintains an active interest in dancing, singing, golf and bowling.

Raymond was born July 29, 1916, at Kramer, Indiana. He started school there and later moved to Attica, Indiana.

He attended High School 2 years in Chicago, Illinois, and later was graduated at Attica. He took part in all the High School Social activities and played on the basketball and golf teams. He took a great interest in music and has since sung with several dance orchestras.

He is a member of the Methodist Church at Attica. In sports he is still interested in baseball, football, basketball and golf.

He is assistant foreman at the Timber Products Company at Attica, Indiana.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-4-5-2 Barbara Jean Routzahn—  
Thomas Charles Ransom**

She was born July 18, 1926, at Danville, Illinois. She attended school at West Lebanon, Indiana. Member of the Girls Glee Club; hobby is singing, tap dancing and bowling,

She is a member of the Federated Church and an employee of the Brown Rubber Company, Lafayette, Indiana.

Charles was born July 28, 1924, at Talbot, Indiana. Attended the Williamsport Schools, where he completed High School, class of 1942.

He played basketball and was President of his Senior Class. During the war he worked at the Studebaker Aviation Plant at South Bend as a test engineer. At present he is in the electric division of the Public Service Company of Indiana.

He is a member of the Attica Lutheran Church and maintains his interest in bowling.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-4-5-3 Jo Ann Routzahn**

She was born November 30, 1931, at West Lebanon, Indiana, where she has attended school. She is now a Senior in High School, and is planning a business career.

She has been interested in dramatics, having played lead parts in several High School plays. She also does tap dancing in which activity she has appeared in many entertainments in several places.

She is a member of the Federated Church.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-4-5-4 William Joseph Routzahn**

He was born May 12, 1934, at West Lebanon, Indiana. He is now attending the schools there, and is quite active in athletics. True to the good old Indiana tradition, he is keen over basketball.

He is a member of the Federated Church.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-1-1 Louis Martin Coblentz—  
Evelyn Luciel Schmieding

He was born January 10, 1909, at LaHarpe, Kansas. When he was 7 years of age, his family moved to Quinton, Oklahoma, where he was graduated from the High School in the Class of 1926.

In his school days he acquired the nick-name of "Big Cobe," in deference to his stature, while his younger brother Charles went as "Little Cobe."

Probably due to the fact that his father was active in the oil and gas development in the state, Martin became interested in Geology. He attended Oklahoma University and finished there in 1932 with a B. S. Degree in Geology.

At the University he became a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

After graduation he became associated with his father in the natural gas and banking business. Then, together, they began acquiring registered Hereford cattle, and Martin took over the management of the cattle business. It is now admitted in the livestock industry that this herd is producing the best registered Herefords in Eastern Oklahoma.

At present he is Secretary-Treasurer Geologist and General Manager of the Choctaw Gas Co. He is Secretary-Treasurer and General Manager of the Capitol Gas Co. He is Vice-President and Chairman of the Board of the Farmers State Bank. He is Manager of the Choctaw Cattle Co. He is also Director of the Pittsburg County Free Fair.

He is Trustee of the Quinton Methodist Church.

His Lodge and Civic Associations are:

Quinton Masonic Lodge

Indian Consistory, McAlester, Okla.

Bedouin Temple, Muskogee

Lions Club

Clerk Quinton School Board since 1936

Evelyn was born November 29, 1910, at Hartshorne, Oklahoma. There she attended grade school and finished high school in the Class of 1929.

She then entered the East Central Teachers' College at Ada, Okla., and was graduated in the Class of 1934 with a B. S. Degree in Education.

In school her associates fastened onto her the familiar soubriquet of "Swede."

After graduation she taught school in Indianola, Okla., for one year. She then taught in the Quinton schools for the two years prior to her marriage.

She is past Matron of the Eastern Star; she is the President of the Parent-Teacher's Association; she is also the Vice-President of the Civic Improvement Club.

Their address is Quinton, Okla.

Following is an extract from the West Lebanon Gazette issue of January 14, 1909:

Title—"Grandparp Hugh"

The first grandchild, Louis Martin Coblentz, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Philip Coblentz at LaHarpe, Kans., Sunday, January 10, tipping the scales at 10½ pounds. The mother, Monta, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brenner of this city.

When Hugh received the word from his good wife who is with her daughter, the "office devil" caught a moving tintype of him in the first ecstasies of his joy and rushing into the sanctum, seized a pencil and composed the following sonnet appropriate to the occasion.

#### GRANDPARP PUGH

A message came from Kansas-LaHarpe  
On the Monday morning mail  
It read: "J. H. Brenner, you're now a grandparp  
To a bouncing young man—it's a male

He came to the home of Mr. Coblentz  
And announced his intention to stay  
He was such a sweet, wee tot of a mite  
That we couldn't send him away."

As for Grandparp Hugh, he stood on his head  
And he kicked up his heels in glee  
He strutted about like an old turkey cock  
And whistled the tune "Sweet Marie"

But he found the tune didn't fit with the sex  
So he whistled another with power  
Perhaps you've whistled the tune for yourself  
"I'm happy as a Big Sunflower."

Some day he danced—but this we doubt  
He's an Elder—a Deacon you see  
But he sang and shouted so loud and long  
The cat shinned a crab apple tree.

The horses stopped munching the new mown hay  
The cow stopped chewing her cud  
But to blame him for this exuberance of joy—  
Just show us the man who could!



It's a dandy boy of the old "Sunflower State"  
And he weighs a full ten and a half  
No wonder that Grandparp Hugh was pleased—  
No wonder it made him laugh!

It's the first in line, the very first  
And we all rejoice with Hugh  
Now we've told the tale, tis finished and done  
Certainly, thanks, the cigars will do.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-1-2 Charles Brenner Coblentz—  
Ruth Elizabeth Moore**

He was born November 15, 1910, at LaHarpe, Kansas. When he was 6 years old, his family moved to Quinton, Okla., where he finished high school.

He was graduated in 1930 from the New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, New Mexico; in 1934 he was graduated from Oklahoma University.

He is a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity and of the Masonic Lodge. After graduation he worked for the Central States Power & Light Co. for 5 years. This was taken over by the Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. and he continued on with them until 1943.

He then spent 2 years in the Army serving in the Philippines and in Japan. At present he is with the Capitol Gas Co., Oklahoma City, Okla., as Manager.

Ruth was born July 8, 1915, at McCurtain, Okla. She was graduated from the Quinton High School, Class of 1934.

After one year at Oklahoma University she and Charles were married and she elected the home career; she is a member of the Eastern Star.

Their present address is 4217 South Haney, Oklahoma City, Okla.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-1-3 Warren Edwin Coblentz—  
Nan Coor Pender Harris**

He was born May 28, 1917, at Quinton, Okla.; was graduated from the Quinton High School, Class of 1935. He was a member of the football team there for 3 years.

He then attended the New Mexico Military Institute at Roswell, N. M., for 2 years. He entered Oklahoma University at Norman, Okla., where he was graduated from the Business School in 1941.

While there he joined the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity and served one year as its Vice-President; after graduation he returned to Quinton to assist his father in his extensive cattle ranch and gas utilities operations. On April 12, 1948, he accepted a position with the Farmers State Bank at Quinton, of which he has just been elected

Vice-President. His community activities include Chairman of the Board and Treasurer of the Methodist Church, Past Master of the Masonic Lodge, Past Patron Eastern Star, Past President and Secretary Lions Club. He has quite an ambitious flower growing hobby, specializing in roses and dahlias.

Nan was born May 20, 1920, at Kiowa, Okla. Her father had been discharged from the Army in 1919 and moved to Kiowa to practice medicine with his brother. In 1924 the family moved to Wilburton, Okla., and there she finished High School, Class of 1936.

After graduation she entered Oklahoma College for Women at Chickasha, Okla., for her Freshman year. She then transferred to Lindenwood College at St. Charles, Mo. (near St. Louis), to study dramatics and the Museum Arts. There she finished the Sophomore year.

In 1938 she entered Oklahoma University to start her pre-med course fully intending to follow the Harris family tradition and become a physician. But cupid intervened and upset her ambitions, and she was married before starting her Senior year. She and Ed were then graduated together in the class of 1941.

In 1943 she was called to replace the Science teacher in the Kinta, Okla., high school, who had been drafted. After two years there, she left to join Ed at Fort Knox, Ky. There she spent a year as dietitian at the Army Post nursery school. After Ed was discharged she returned to Kinta and taught one more year.

She is a member of the Delta Gamma Sorority. She belongs to the Methodist Church where she has taught S. S. Classes through the years. She belongs to the Civic Improvement Club, the Women's Society of Christian Service, and is Past Matron of the Eastern Star.

Their address is Quinton, Okla.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-1-4 Virginia Louise Coblentz—  
Wayne Ernest Lash

She was born August 29, 1920, in Quinton, Okla. There she attended Grade School and was graduated from High School in the Class of 1938.

From thence she went to the Ward-Belmont School for girls at Nashville, Tenn., where she finished in June 1940. She then matriculated at the University of Oklahoma at Norman, Okla., where she was graduated in Jan. 1943. There she was elected to the Chi Omega Sorority. She is also a member of the Methodist Church. She was then employed by the McBride Clinic at Quinton until her marriage March 14, 1946.

Wayne was born Sept. 29, 1918, at Wichita, Kansas. He completed High School at Cunningham, Kansas, as an Honor Student and President of his class at the age of 17.

He enlisted in the Navy Aug. 8, 1937, and was on the Cruiser "Detroit" in the Pacific Fleet as Yeoman 2nd Class. Received his Honorable discharge Sept. 10, 1941. He entered the Armed Forces Mar. 3, 1942, and attended Officers Candidate School, was commissioned 2nd Lt., Sept. 17, 1942. He was in the Field Artillery branch at Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Bragg, N. C., until he went overseas. There he was in action in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and Southern France. He was wounded near Toulon, France, by rifle, was evacuated in Oct. 1944 to the U. S. and spent until Sept. 1946 in Army Hospitals.

He was awarded the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the French Croix de Guerre with silver star, and the Purple Heart. He received his discharge as Captain on Dec. 28, 1946.

He spent half his Freshman year at Drury College, finished out his Sophomore year at Oklahoma City University, then entered the University of Oklahoma in the Petroleum Engineering School, where he is now in the Class of 1950.

## The Brenners Branch Out to Washington

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-2-1 Ena Petrine Stephenson—  
Leonard Alfred Kinsley

She was born January 9, 1914, at Yakima, Washington. As a child she moved with her parents to a farm in northern Wisconsin, near Winter. After four years in Winter, she moved with her parents to Iowa, where she lived for eight years before returning to Winter. There she finished grade school and was graduated from the Winter High School in the class of 1931 as valedictorian of her class.

In high school she was a member of the student council, library group, and the dramatics and school newspaper and annual staff of the publication.

She earned a coveted "A" teacher's certificate from the Sawyer County Normal School in 1932. She began teaching that fall near Winter, and continued for nine years, along with some summer school work at Eau Claire State Teachers College.

For four years she was an enthusiastic member of the 4-H Club. During that time she won her full share of prizes and trips by her work in sewing, baking, canning, demonstrating, judging, etc.

She joined the Christian Church in Adaza, Iowa, and later transferred to the Presbyterian Church at Winter. She taught Sunday School classes for several years there, and is now active in the same work in the Community Church at Issaquah.

She is secretary of the Pre-School Mothers' Group in her community. She and Leonard have a large yard and garden surrounding the new home which they purchased in 1946. With her 4-H experience they have made these produce heavily in vegetables, fruit, and poultry. She also maintains her interest in sewing, especially in these days of high cost of living is a valuable and useful art in a home with bright and active youngsters.

Leonard was born May 23, 1913, at Murds, South Dakota. In 1931, he was graduated from the high school there as valedictorian of his class. During his high school days he was catcher on the baseball team, and a member of the glee club, band, football and track teams.

The failure of the bank in which his funds for further education were being held, together with the South Dakota droughts and dust bowl wind storms frustrated his educational hopes. With his parents he moved to Wisconsin in 1935. At a time when jobs were scarce, he managed to find employment, and continued to study nights and use every spare moment in the course in electricity, diesel engineering, automotive, and air conditioning.

In 1941, the year after their marriage, the young couple moved to Seattle where he started as a mechanic with the Boeing Aircraft Company. He won an "A" rating quickly, and during the war, was given many awards for efficiency, production, and the completion of more perfect Super-Fort wings than any other mechanic there.

He is at present employed at the new Kaiser-Frazer station as automotive mechanic. His hard work and efficient service have been recognized to the extent that he is to take charge of the new shop as soon as it is complete.

Although his work has been a hard-driving 7:00 to 5:00, seven-day week grind, he has managed somehow to keep the home and little ranch in top condition. They have an orchard, berries, big garden, pigs for their own meat, cow, and two calves and are expanding their poultry facilities.

And withal he is yet a father; can always find time to repair a broken toy, read aloud from a kiddie book, take a hike with a couple of excited youngsters, or sit proudly in the audience and watch little Kathryn at a musical recital, or little, bashful Lennie at some children's program.

## The Brenners Branch Into Illinois

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-2-2 Bertha Chorine Stephenson

She was born May 14, 1915, at West Lebanon, Indiana. When she was five months old, she went with her family to Winter, Wisconsin. When she was four years of age, the Stephenson's moved to Adaza, Iowa, where she attended grade school in classes one through three. She attended grades four and five at Lohrville, Iowa.

The family again moved to Winter where she finished grade school and graduated from high school in 1933. Since she was planning a teaching career, she furthered her education by attending the Sawyer County Normal School at Hayward, Wisconsin, graduating in 1934.

She taught in the rural schools in Sawyer County for six years, 1936-1942. Between terms she attended the summer session at the River Falls State Teachers College. From 1942-1946 she taught in the Radisson State Graded School, at Radisson, Wisconsin. In 1945 she attended the summer school at the State Teachers College in Superior, Wisconsin.

During her ten years of teaching experience, thirty-five students completed their 8th grade course. Most of these young people went on to complete their high school education and many attended institutions of higher learning.

While she was still in high school and grade school, she was a member of the 4-H clubs of Sawyer County. She spent six years in projects of sewing, canning, baking, gardening, and demonstration.

In the spring of 1946 she moved to Rockford, Illinois. She was employed for a time at the Swedish-American Hospital as an assistant laboratory technician. Following that, she accepted a position in the sales office at the Car-Pet-Line Store, where she is still employed.

Since her baptism at the age of nine years, she has maintained an active interest in all church activities. She is a charter member of the Evangelical Free Church at Winter, Wisconsin.

She began teaching Sunday School at the age of sixteen and is still engaged in that important capacity. At the present time she has a class in the Primary Department of the Evangelical Free Church of Rockford, Illinois.

Pioneer Girls Club, similar in nature to Girl Scout work, also takes up much of her time and interest. She is one of the counsellors for a group of approximately fifty girls. These girls are taught the fundamentals of good living and developing a well rounded life. The ultimate aim is to aid in equipping them for Christian service, at home or abroad. They must be trained and prepared today for the responsibilities of tomorrow.

She is a member of the D. A. R. Ouibache Chapter at Attica, Indiana.

During the war, while teaching at Radisson, she did defense work at the Washburn Company, during the summer vacation from school.

Her present address is 1227 16th Avenue, Rockford, Illinois.

# The Brenners Branch Into Hawaii

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-2-3 Gerald Wesley Stephenson—Evelyn Schneider

He was born September 10, 1918, at Winter, Wisconsin. His parents moved to Adaza, Iowa, when he was but a few months old. Later they moved to Lohrville, Iowa, where he attended grade school for a time. In 1926 the Stephenson's returned to Winter, where he finished grade school and graduated from high school with the Class of '36.

At that time he took great interest in basketball, and found the excellent fishing and hunting in Wisconsin to be very attractive.

After graduation he spent one year in the C. C. C. camp at Brule, Wisconsin, and one year in the logging camps of Northern Wisconsin.

In 1939 he entered the U. S. Coast Guard as Apprentice Seaman at Port Angeles Air Station, Washington. He was then assigned to the cutter "Spencer" in the "Black Gang," as the engineers are called. This vessel served on Neutrality and weather patrol in the Atlantic.

In 1941 he was assigned to the Deisel powered "Mahoning," an ice breaker and harbor cutter. In that ship, he helped combat the Normandy fire.

With a First Machinist Mate rating he was transferred to a sister ship, the "Arundel," for a cruise in the Arctic, starting in June, 1942. For fifteen months this little three hundred ton, one hundred four footer, proudly shouldering her two fifty calibers, with two little "Ash Cans" lashed on her stern, was mistress of the Greenland waters. In the chores of ice-breaking, rescue missions, supply runs, burials, charting and scores of routine runs, she crossed the Arctic Circle eighty times.

He arrived in the States September, 1943, as Chief Machinist Mate and was assigned to New London, Connecticut, where he was commissioned as ensign with water wings in February, 1944.

He was then sent to Miami to a sub-chaser training school, then assigned as engineer officer on the "Escatawpa," a twenty-three hundred ton gasoline tanker. It was while aboard this tanker he received severe burns which necessitated hospitalization in the Aica Hospital near Pearl Harbor in December, 1944.

After temporary duty as engineer officer at Hawaii, he reported to the L. S. T. No. 205 as engineer. He chased her all over the Pacific, finding such "Hot" spots as the Solomons, Marianas, and the Marshalls. He was later assigned to the "Centaurus" AKA 17 as second engineer, in charge of all boilers, machine shops, and refrigeration equipment.

This boat covered the Okinawa area and later took two runs to China with reloads in Guam. He arrived back in Seattle with the commission as lieutenant (jr. gr.), and was placed on inactive duty.

In April, 1946, he reported to the Diesel shop in Pearl Harbor, in charge of repairs and overhauls. He was then transferred to Oahu, in charge of refrigeration at the Marine Corps Air Station—his present assignment.

His hobbies are photography, hunting, fishing, and sailing. He still has his active church membership in the Presbyterian Church at Winter, Wisconsin.

Evelyn was born April 25, 1921, in the Bronx, New York City, where she finished grade school at Public School No. 2. Then she attended Roosevelt High, Jane Adams, and Bronx Vocational Schools.

At the end of her senior year she came to the aid of her father and took over the home duties.

She was active in the Lutheran Church, into which she has brought both of her children.

Her hobbies are music, reading, and with her Coast Guard husband, travel. Instead of considering the hardship of it all, she is taking it in her stride and trying to make as much of a “lark” out of it as possible.

## The Brenners Branch Into Connecticut

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-3-1 Robert Howard Brenner

NOTE: Since one of the purposes of this book is to permit each one to share the thoughts of the others, in cases wherever possible, we have encouraged the writing in the first person—rather than in third person. (The Editors.)

I was born at 234 Haney Avenue, South Bend, Indiana, July 22, 1914, just a week before the outbreak of World War I. About a year later my parents moved to Brooklyn, New York, where my father gave up his position with the Oliver Chilled Plow Works to accept an offer from the Kirkman Soap Company, whose enlightened management policy was much different from that of Oliver.

What it meant to them to sacrifice at great loss a home they had built, to leave behind in Indiana all their friendships and associations of a lifetime and to take up residence in the hustling, crowded, impersonal East was lost to me. My attitude towards the whole affair, as I look back on it, was one of complete indifference.

It was only in later years that I came to realize the significance of that move. Although my dad was able to get away from it, I have imagined the thousands of industrial workers, caught in the selfish tyranny of Corporation Managements, who squeezed the last drop out of their employees without consideration and without a sense of responsibility for social and national welfare.

That was in the period prior to labor unions, employer's liability,

and the host of social gains made since then. My dad's experience in South Bend illustrated to me how such corporate management policies could be a real peril to the corporation method of enterprise. Since then the pendulum of public thinking has been swinging the other way, and with such a violent start, it is in danger of swinging too far. When it does, the just suffer along with the unjust.

What I believe to be my earliest recollection was the meeting of my mother, maternal grandmother, and myself with my father at the Brooklyn Bridge Plaza. He had gone ahead for a few months to find a place to live. It may be open to question whether a baby of fifteen months can collect memories, but I have a vivid recollection of a sunlit plaza in a strange place, of my mother and grandmother, and of myself in a folding go-cart with a wicker hood, waiting for dad.

After two "moving day" experiences in different apartments, the family was "priced out" of apartment facilities in 1918 during the acute housing shortage. The landlords of today may think the present rent controls are unfair, but we learned in those days what no rent controls can mean. No leases longer than one year were being granted. At the expiration of our lease in 1918, the rent was considerably more than doubled because there were two children in the family.

So my parents were forced to buy a house and vacate the apartment before possession of the house was available. For a time we had to live in a filthy dilapidated tenement, on Cranberry Street in old downtown Brooklyn. The unsanitary conditions in that building were a source of constant concern to my mother, who was greatly worried about her two young children. Just about every day she would wash the walls with disinfectant "to get rid of the germs." I can remember the confusion in my mind then between the germs mother was fighting and the Germans everybody had been talking about fighting somewhere (though actually the war had ended).

We lived in our house at 637 East 3rd Street in Flatbush, Brooklyn, for eight years. Our playgrounds were the streets and small back yards of the neighborhood, and we suffered the space restrictions that handicap the children of all cities. A manhole cover was home plate in our baseball games, and the ball was a hollow rubber one anywhere from four to eight inches in diameter and sluggish enough not to break any windows. But at that we considered ourselves lucky to be no longer confined to an apartment house.

But Flatbush had proved unhealthful for the children of many families and, over the years, there had been an exodus to suburban communities. In 1925 the critical illness of my brother, Jim, coming on the heels of continual attacks of sickness that hit him, my sister, Lois, and myself convinced our parents they should seek a healthier place to live.

Our move in 1926 took us to Ridgewood, New Jersey, a village of 12,000 people, twenty-three miles northwest of New York City. It was here that we children found the opportunity to develop the



recreational and social activities which are the rightful, normal outlet for every youngster. In Ridgewood I developed a real interest in football and played actively until my latter years in high school when I became outclassed in size and weight.

I entered Dartmouth College in 1932. There I worked on the business board of the Daily Dartmouth, the college newspaper, and joined the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity. I found a life-long interest in the sport of skiing while there, just a few years before it became the million dollar industry it is today, before there were tows and lifts to whisk you to the top, and before there were carefully laid out trails of all degrees to come down.

Writing in the magazine *Holiday* for December, 1948, Carl L. Biemiller strikes the note that explains my interest in skiing when he states in part: "The spiritual home of the ski in America is the New England village of Hanover, New Hampshire, a postcard community devoted to producing evangelists for winter called Dartmouth men.

"If, as some experts predict, nearly 15,000,000 Americans are destined to become ski enthusiasts by 1960, not the least of the reasons will be the fact that Hanover and Dartmouth, in a solid 'town-grown' relationship, have pioneered more things to do in the snow than the Erl King of German mythology. The best known of these innovations is the Dartmouth Winter Carnival.

"Once each year, usually after mid-term exams, an organization known as the Dartmouth Outing Club invites approximately one hundred fifty alien athletes for a week-end of skiing, skating, hockey, basketball, and swimming competition. Such muscular details arranged, Dartmouth students then invite some 1600 young women from more than one hundred different schools (Maine to Florida) to grace the normally frill-free campus. The net result is the Dartmouth Winter Carnival, a frostbitten blend of pageantry, antic, and athletics, which for thirty-eight years has done more to popularize chilled outdoor life than long underwear."

After finishing Dartmouth in 1936, I went on to the Harvard Graduate school of Business, where I received my masters degree in Business Administration in 1938. I went to work for Arthur Andersen & Company, Public Accountants and Auditors on Wall Street, New York City, staying with them two and one-half years, during which time I spent the summers of 1939 and 1940 on leave of absence in the business office of the New York World's Fair.

This latter was perhaps the most glamorous job I shall ever have. As employees we had passes to the Fair Grounds and spent many a lunch hour and evening reviewing the countless exhibits and shows offered by that \$155,000,000 Exposition. Probably no one came any nearer seeing everything the Fair had to offer than did I.

I left Arthur Anderson in 1941 and went to work as Accountant for the Bludworth Division of International Projector Corporation of New York City.

I volunteered for military service in World War II in 1942, was accepted and donned the uniform on June 11. I attended the Air Force Officer Candidate School in Miami Beach for administrative personnel and received my commission December 9, 1942.

My army service was spent entirely in the Zone of the Interior in prosaic assignments, which nevertheless gave me an opportunity to travel in the eastern half of the United States. I served in San Antonio, Texas; Dayton, Ohio; Chicago; South Bend; Detroit, and Indianapolis, in that order.

It is interesting that in Dayton my path crossed those of my great, great, great, great grandfather Philip and his son Jacob, who are buried there. At the time I didn't know it. A then recent mayor of Dayton, however, had borne the name Brenner, and I was frequently asked by Daytonians if I were any relation. Unfortunately I always responded in the negative. Who knows what valuable contacts I may have missed thereby.

While in South Bend, however, I was aware of the significance of that town to me personally and visited a few of my parents' old friends who were still there. The Hoosier tradition of friendliness was in evidence, even very warmly so, by a strange family named Buchanan, who then lived in my birth place on Haney Avenue.

I received my discharge as a Captain from the A. A. F. August 1, 1946, and shortly thereafter, having decided that I preferred not to live in, nor to commute in to, crowded New York City, I accepted a position as office manager at Trinity College, a liberal arts college for men with a student body of approximately eight hundred fifty, located in Hartford, Connecticut.

In 1947 was made assistant Comptroller. Perhaps my chief contribution to the college to date has been a modernization and streamlining of the accounting system which had not been changed for many years.

I joined the Flatbush Christian Church in Brooklyn in 1925. In Ridgewood I transferred to the First Presbyterian, as there was no Christian Church there. I now belong to the First Presbyterian in New Rochelle, where I am a member of the Ushers' Association and the Singletons, a young peoples group.

## The Brenners Branch Into Georgia

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-3-2 James Hugh Brenner—Mary Drew Clay

He was born June 2, 1916, in Brooklyn, New York. Although a robust youngster, he was hit by the "flu" in 1918, and when he was ten years old, his family were advised to seek a better climate than the Flatbush section of Brooklyn.

They moved to Ridgewood, New Jersey, a residential village of New York commuters, famed throughout the state for its school system. Here, in the junior high and high school, Jim participated in the extra-curricular activities, being graduated in the high school class of 1935. He was Interlocutor in his senior class Minstrel Show—the main presentation of the dramatics department.

He then entered Dartmouth College at Hanover, New Hampshire. He joined the Kappa Kappa Kappa fraternity, the oldest local fraternity in the United States. Although he found the curriculum was no light chore, he managed to participate in inter-fraternity dramatics, baseball, football, and hokey. He received his A. B. degree in 1939.

After graduation he worked eleven months as desk clerk at the Hotel Gotham, New York City, after which he went with the J. J. Newberry Chain Store Company. At the time he entered the army he was assistant manager of the Newberry Store at Bloomburg, Pennsylvania.

He enlisted November 30, 1940, and escorted the first Ridgewood contingent to Fort Dix, New Jersey. There he was assigned to Classification and personnel. He enlisted for Officers' Training, and received his commission as Second Lieutenant in the infantry, and then applied for over seas service. However, this was denied, and he was transferred to the Adjutant General's Department, where he remained for the duration.

Those duties took him to Fort Dix, New Jersey; to Camp Wheeler, Georgia; to Fort Benning, Georgia; to Fort Belvoir, Virginia; to Fort Washington, Maryland; to Fort Eustis, Virginia; to Camp Pickett, Virginia; to Camp Roberts, California; to Camp White, Oregon; to Camp Howze, Texas; to Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was discharged December 4, 1945, with the rank of Captain.

During his stay at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, he met the famed Southern feminine charm at first hand, and was married in 1943—after a three months' romance.

Upon his discharge from the army, he returned to Macon with Mary, and decided to make the South his home. He spent ten months with the First National Bank there in getting back into civilian stride. On October 11, 1946, he joined the Cotton States Fertilizer Company, as office manager. The president is Mr. C. B. Clay, Mary's father. In January, 1947, Mr. Clay was made president of the newly-formed Macon Hosiery Mills, Inc., and Jim went along as the office manager.

He is at present a member of the Board of Stewards of the Cherokee Heights Methodist Church; is a member of the Macon Junior Chamber of Commerce; is Cub Master of Cub Scout Pack No. 23, and a Captain in the 347th Organized Reserve Composite Group.

Mary was born December 17, 1917, in Macon Georgia, attended Macon schools, graduating from high school with honors in 1935.

She attended Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, where she was a member of the Kappa Delta Sorority, serving as treasurer, and later vice-president. She was graduated in 1939, with an A. B. degree in Social Service.

She was awarded a Kappa Delta scholarship at the University of Wisconsin to continue her studies, but instead, did graduate work at Mercer University in Education. She then accepted a position with the Macon Board of Education, and taught in the Macon schools until her marriage.

Their wedding on July 31, 1943, took place while Jim was stationed at Camp Wheeler, near Macon. She then spent two and one-half years packing and unpacking suit cases in the various army posts mentioned above.

Upon their return to Macon, she immediately renewed her activities in her own Cherokee Heights Methodist Church, and its Women's Society of Christian Service.

She has served two years as recording secretary of the Cherokee Morning Garden Club, and is the present vice-president. She is also an active member in good standing in the Federated Garden Clubs of Georgia. From her father who has been a pioneer civic leader in the new Georgia transition from the old 'King Cotton Era,' she has inherited a lively civic interest. Along with her mother, she has participated conspicuously in local and state garden shows that have created wide interest throughout the entire state.

From the "American Journal of Sociology" we have taken the following extract: "The Southern family is rapidly departing from the traditions of the Agrarian ruling class. Formerly, the emphasis on kinship made family status and heritage the avenue to social rank.

"The South's new class of leaders that have emerged in the fields of engineering, medicine, industrial expansionists, bankers, merchants, etc., indifferent to the old patterns, have discovered new resources, both within themselves and within their borders.

"The family ties are still strong, and the people have retained and broadened the social ways of life, wherein they know how to take time out to live. Their belief in education, recreation, and hospitality is apparent, and is deep seated."

The New Look referred to in the above article is very noticeable in Georgia. Many new industries all over the state have pushed forward to replace King Cotton that left her destitute in 1929. In the mountains are new power projects. In the Piedmont Central portion are livestock, kaolin, peanuts, and tobacco. All ground not otherwise used is being planted in the valuable pulp pine.

There is more timber per square mile in Georgia than in any other state east of the Mississippi. Aside from peaches and watermelons, the three things that have made Georgia noted in recent years are its camellias, azaleas, and pulp pine. Literally thousands of all of them are planted each year throughout the state.

Garden clubs have vied with each other in waves of enthusiasm. Some fifty new varieties of camellias have been developed in Macon alone. One of these—"The Cherokee Morning"—was named for the Garden Club of which Mary was a Charter member.

The middle Georgia Camellia Show in 1947, received the national award for meritorious achievement in horticulture—with some 4,000 specimen blooms exhibited.

They live at 1-A Twin Pine Apartments, Macon, with their *new* arrival, "David Clay Brenner," arriving June 1, 1949—weight seven pounds, three ounces.

## The Brenners Branch Into Massachusetts

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-3-3 Lois Elinor Brenner—Charles Vincent Ramsey

She was born May 13, 1920, in Brooklyn, New York. At the age of six, her family moved to Ridgewood, New Jersey, where she was graduated "with honors" in the high school class of 1938.

While in high school she was cheer leader, Junior class president, and served three years on the student council, a school governing board that worked in cooperation with the faculty.

In her senior year she was elected president of the "Girls' Club"—the high school social organization in charge of school events, jointly sponsored by the Y. W. C. A., the faculty, and the Parent-Teachers groups.

She took an active interest in the high school glee club and A-Cappella choir, the latter winning a state contest in Trenton in 1938.

Through her work in Y. W. C. A., she went as a delegate to the Northfield Seminary Girls' Religious Conference in Massachusetts in 1937, and was sent again in 1941, as Assistant Director of the Ridgewood delegation.

She entered Connecticut College for Women, New London, Connecticut, in the fall of 1938. Her class there has been called "The Hurricane Class" ever since, as New London was in the heart of the storm that hit all New England as her class enrolled.

At Connecticut College for Women she was cheer leader and a member of the student-faculty forum. She served four years on the student council. She was Junior Class President, the largest duty of which was to organize and supervise the "Junior Sisters" plan at Connecticut College for Women, where each incoming Freshman is welcomed and escorted around by some Junior Sister during Freshman Week.

She was Chief Justice of the Honor Court, the judiciary board governing academic and social honor system in the College.

She majored in a unique Economics and Retailing group in the College, which worked in cooperation with Mrs. Beatrice Auerbach, President of G. Fox & Co., Department Store, Hartford, Connecticut. Her spring and summer vacations were spent on interesting on-the-job assignments in Fox's store.

When family reverses occurred in 1940, she was able to secure college scholarships to help finish her Junior and Senior years, and she did self-help work by waiting on tables.

She was graduated in 1942 "with honors," and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity.

Upon her graduation, she was hired by International Business Machines Company to join a training class of seventy-nine graduates of various colleges all over the country. This class went to the famous I. B. M. school at Endicott, New York, to train as "Systems Service" representatives for the company.

After the training period, she was assigned to "Systems Service" in the I. B. M. office in Newark, New Jersey. The work consisted of adapting and applying various customers' accounting systems to the I. B. M. electrical accounting machines, along with instructions as to operation.

Upon her marriage in 1942, she was transferred to the I. B. M. Chicago office, since Charles was stationed there in the Naval Reserve. There, in the absence of men in the service during World War II, she becomes a sales representative.

She bowed out as a wife-career woman late in 1944, for the arrival of Charles, Jr., January 9, 1945.

Charles Vincent was born November 5, 1920, in Brooklyn, New York, son of Mary O'Holloran Ramsey and Charles H. Ramsey. The name Ramsey had undergone a number of interesting changes as a result of Huguenot persecution. The French Huguenot family "Ramoubillet" changed to "Ramsey" in England—to "Rambusek" in Czechoslovakia—and back to Ramsey when Charles H. changed it for ease in spelling for business purposes.

At the age of five months, his family moved to Glen Rock, New Jersey. He attended the schools there until, along with other Glen Rock students, he entered Ridgewood High School, where he played football.

Nine years of summer camps for boys led to his interest in becoming a boys counselor himself. From 1938 through 1940, he was a counselor and the swimming instructor at Camp Raleigh, Stinson Lake, New Hampshire.

In 1938, he entered Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, where he was on the swimming team. He joined the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, and served as the social chairman in his senior year.

A lover of music, one of his major incidents was managing a production of Gilbert & Sullivan's "Iolanthe," in which Amherst and Mt. Holyoke College joined talent.

He was graduated with a B. A. degree in Economics in 1942. Immediately afterwards, he entered the U. S. Naval Reserve, and received his training at the U. S. Midshipmen School at Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois. After receiving his commission as Ensign, he was retained as Navigation instructor, where he taught until going to sea in February, 1945.

His sea duty was in the Atlantic on reverse lend-lease British Corvette Destroyers and Destroyer Escorts. As Lt. Senior Grade and Executive Officer at the close of the war, he de-commissioned ships in the Philadelphia Navy Yard, which duties kept him in service until April, 1946.

At present he is the Sales Representative in charge of the entire east for the Smead Manufacturing Company, Hastings, Minnesota, manufacturers of commercial filing and stationery supplies.

They live at 17 Vernon Street, Northampton, Massachusetts.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-4-1 **Raymond Cornelius Fleming—**  
**Mildred Louise Comer**

He was born March 5, 1916, at Williamsport, Indiana. There he finished the grade schools, and was graduated from the high school in the class of 1935.

He played in the high school band, and was a member of the First Sectional Williamsport Champion Basketball team.

It was during his generation that Indiana became known as "The Basketball State." Every high school in the state caught the fever, and the youngsters down in the grades all strove and trained to become basketball stars when they should "grow-up" and enter high school.

In the Saturday Evening Post issue of August 7, 1948, appeared an interesting story of "Indianapolis." It calls the city "The Cross-Roads of America." It goes on to state:

"An outsider eventually gets the feeling that it isn't just Indianapolis that is gregarious—the entire state of Indiana likes to get together at meetings. There are four hundred conventions there a year.

The gregariousness starts early. Children, especially teen-age adolescents, all organize themselves around some program or other, but especially basketball.

A lot of what is wonderful in America can be seen in Indianapolis. There is some intolerance, but much human warmth. It goes wild on race day, and in the latter stages of the basketball season, when the state high school final tournament is held in Butler University's field house. One observer—dead serious—said, "You know, we are an unusually unhomogeneous city. I suppose the only thing that really holds us together is basketball."

Any person would have to actually see the community spirit backing the local teams, and the earnest seriousness of the inter-sectional rivalries, to understand the grip the game has on the state.

Throughout the year the playoffs in each state sectional area would determine the Sectional Champs. Then these Champs would assemble at Purdue or Indiana University or some Regional center to settle the Regional Championships. Then, finally the Regional teams would run off the finals at Butler for the coveted title of State Champions.

After high school, Raymond attended Purdue University in the fall of 1935, and was a member of the First String Freshman Football team. He was baptized into Christian Church at West Lebanon, January 16, 1925.

Mildred was born March 6, 1918, at Clay City, Indiana, where she attended grade school, and finished high school in the class of 1936.

While in high school, she was the Drum Major for the school band. Simultaneously with the rise of basketball came the era of high school bands throughout the state, and "the rage" rapidly spread into other states.

In the "Nation's Business" Magazine for September, 1948, appears the following article:

"Schools start up this month, and so do the school bands, some 20,000 of them. Members of the National Association of Music Merchants were told recently how this all started some forty-two years ago in Connersville, Indiana.

W. Otto Meissner, who now heads the Meissner Institute of Music in Chicago, was a teacher in this Hoosier town. He came across three schools rowdies, who had been expelled, listening to a corner minstrel show. They didn't want to study music, they just wanted to play instruments, it seemed.

He promised the instruments, and these boys were members of the first group trained school band."

Mildred was privileged to play her role in this drama of the history of our American youth.

She became a member of Williamsport Christian Church on June 22, 1947.

She and Raymond and their two children now live on the "Sylvan Lair" farm between West Lebanon and Williamsport, Indiana.

#### **No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-4-2 Edgar Clarke Fleming—Ruth Maxine Howard**

He was born September 24, 1920, on the "Sylvan Lair" farm—address, R. R. No. 1, West Lebanon, Indiana. He was a birthday present for his Dad, since he came on this day. He attended West Lebanon Grade School through the second grade, then finished at Williamsport, Indiana, where he was graduated in the high school class of 1939.



As a toddling youngster he was caught into the swirling tide of "Hoosier hysteria" and "hooplaphobia" which has characterized the traditional brand of basketball madness that sweeps unchecked over his state every year.

He was a member of the 7th and 8th grade basketball teams, which were the county champions. In high school he was a member of the second and third sectional championship squad of Indiana, serving as Captain in his senior year. As early as his sophomore year he was chosen on the all-sectional selections.

The high-tension voltage that perennially electrifies the entire communities during these play-off tournaments is the constant habit of small schools to rise up to a frenzied height somewhere to smite down the big and mighty. And there is never any warning where this kind of lightning will strike. This suspense keeps the fans coming back, milling around in mobs after the precious admission tickets, and weak and limp after the shouting is over.

In his Junior year Clarke participated in a wierd season where a comparatively green team took fire and went on to a championship final that required a double overtime to decide. In the following year during his captaincy, the thirty-eight team were underdogs again, but once more came up against each supposedly stronger opponent and captured the dark horse honors.

A sports writer who covered that tournament wrote—"Fleming was again the chief ramrod offensively for Williamsport in the pay-off game. His work was brilliant, and he deserves unlimited praise for his play throughout the tourney. He was high scorer of all players in the tourney."

He played third base for two years on the high school baseball team. He also played in both the orchestra and the band. He attended Central Normal College at Danville, Indiana, in 1939-40. While there he continued his basketball activities. He was a member of the State Champion team that represented Indiana in the National Industrial League Tournament at Denver in March, 1941.

He was baptized February 19, 1932, by Pastor Richard Moore; is a member of the Christian Church and the Masonic Lodge. He is also a member of the Zeta Sigma Fraternity.

After leaving school he worked with the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., Indiana Harbor Works until December 21, 1943, when he enlisted in the Army Air Corps as Air Trainee.

He enlisted in Pilot Training as a B-29 Flight Engineer and entered service December 20, 1943, and served in that capacity until he received his discharge on December 1, 1945.

He then attended Coyne Electrical School to study radio and refrigeration. He is now employed by Standard Oil Co., Whiting, Indiana.

Ruth was born February 22, 1921, at Albuquerque, New Mexico, where her father lived until she was three months old. Her father

was a construction foreman, and as such, he kept his family moving around a great deal.

Her grade school education was received in approximately twenty schools all over the U. S. At times she attended three different schools in one year. She finished high school at Williamsport, Indiana—Class of 1939.

She then worked in a law office for two years. Then she and Clarke were married July 4, 1941; an out-door sunrise wedding.

During the war she entered the Civil Service, and worked in the offices of the various Army Air Fields for two years.

At present she operates a bookkeeping machine at the State Bank at Whiting, Indiana.

She and Clarke are members of the Christian Church at Whiting, where he is a Deacon and she a Deaconess. Their address is 1961 Hamann Court in that city.

#### No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-5-1 Hugh James Brenner—Ethel Maxine Jones

He was born September 12, 1917, at West Lebanon, Indiana. He moved with his family to Paxton, Ill., where he attended grade school, finishing in 1931.

The family then moved to Loda, Ill., where he attended high school, and was graduated there in the class of 1936. He won his Letter in both basketball and baseball.

As an ex-Hoosier in the far-west state of Illinois, he was wont to dispute the Hoosier claim to the title of the "Cradle of Basketball State." In their cracker-barrel forums he found the "Suckers" or "Illini" were laying claim to considerable basketball interest themselves, an opinion he shared at the time.

But at last the Hoosier basketball virus proved too much for him, so he had to return to his native state. One sports writer has said, "Barnum used to claim the Greatest Show on Earth," but that was before the days of Indiana basketball tournaments. Barnum never could produce a blue-ribbon event that would draw 50,000 people into a howling variety, scrambling for the 15,000 available tickets.

So after graduation he returned to work on the farm of his grandfather, James Flesher, near Marshfield, Indiana, where he remained for two years.

He played and managed basketball and softball teams for four years. When his family returned to West Lebanon in 1937, he moved back with them. He drove a high school bus for five and one-half years.

Since 1939 he has been working with wells and drilling machinery. In that year he attended the New York World's Fair.

Ethel was born June 7, 1925, at West Lebanon to James and Florida Jones. There she attended grade school and finished third in her high school class of 1942.

She and Hugh James were married May 12, 1943, after which they visited in Oklahoma where his brother Ralph was stationed during the war.

**No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-5-2 Ralph Dean Brenner—Elizabeth Jane Leazenbee**

He was born March 21, 1922, near West Lebanon, Indiana, two years later the family moved to Paxton, Illinois, where Ralph started to school at five years of age.

In 1932 the family moved to Loda, Illinois, where he finished grade school in 1935. While there he joined the Christian Church and attended high school for one year.

On January 1, 1937, his family returned to West Lebanon, where he finished high school in 1940. During that time he was on the school basketball team.

After graduation he assisted his father in the well drilling business. He and Hugh James are the 3rd generation of well drillers—Grandfather, Father and Sons. On October 5, 1942, his Uncle Samuel called him long distance.

So he reported to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. From there he was transferred to Huntsville, Texas, and from there on to Camp Swift, Texas, and from there on to Madill, Okla. He was then transferred to Fort Cluster, Michigan, where he was discharged on August 13, 1943.

He then returned to the water well drilling business. He and Betty were married August 9, 1947, in Covington, Indiana.

Betty was born October 4, 1924, in Columbus, Ohio, to Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Leazenbee. Her father was a farmer by trade, so soon after she was born they moved to a farm.

She entered grade school in a small country school at Broadway, Ohio. In 1937, the family moved to Williamsport, Indiana, where she completed grade school and two years of high school. There she became a member of the band and the glee club.

In 1940, the family moved back to Ohio, and she started her Junior High School year in Marysville. There she became a member of the Girl Reserves and won a position on the Debating Team. She was graduated in the class of 1942, and soon after Commencement the family moved back to Williamsport, Indiana.

She started to work immediately at the Bell Telephone Co. of Indiana at Lafayette as a clerical sorter. In January, 1944, she returned home and started as a clerk in the Grab-It-Here-Store. In 1946 she transferred to the Variety Store, where in January, 1947, she was made Assistant Manager.

She held this position until her marriage. She and Ralph then lived with his parents until February, 1948, when they moved to their own apartment in West Lebanon.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-5-5-3 Dorothy Mae Brenner—  
Charley Edwin Thomas, Jr.

She was born January 13, 1927, at Paxton, Illinois. While still a child, her family moved to Loda, Illinois, where she started in grade school.

In her third grade she played the part of a green cricket in an Operetta which was put on by the school there.

The family then moved to Bismark, Illinois, where she attended the first semester of the grade school. Then moved to West Lebanon, Indiana, where she finished school on the Honor Roll in the high school class of 1946.

While in high school she participated in an Operetta and in two high school plays. The wave of enthusiasm for basketball and high school bands which was sweeping over Indiana, carried its tidal crest into West Lebanon.

As a result it caught her enthusiasm and she became the baton twirler and also played the drums and cymbals in the Band during the games.

She was a member of the Glee Club in each of the four years high school. She gave some twirling lessons, and in her senior year she kept the office in the school and also taught some classes in the lower grades.

After graduation she worked at Milliken's in Danville, Ill., then at the Brown Rubber Co. at Lafayette, Indiana. Then at the Haywood Publishing Co. at Lafayette.

She then worked for eight and one-half months at Purdue University in one of their offices with forty-five employees. She was then appointed Deputy in the Warren County Auditor's office at Williamsport, Indiana, which position she now holds. She also assists her father part time on the books in his well drilling store.

Charley Edwin was born April 15, 1923, on a farm northwest of Tab, Indiana, where he attended grade school up to the 5th grade. He then finished the grades at Hederick, Indiana.

He finished high school at Williamsport, Indiana, in the class of 1941. While there he was a member of the Track Team, participating in the sprints.

He was then associated with his father in farming until he joined the U. S. Army, March 2, 1943. He went first to Fort Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis. Then to Camp Hood, Texas, in the Tank Destroyer Division. He received a medical discharge in August, 1943, and returned to the farm.

In October, 1944, he started working for the International Harvester Co. in Danville, Illinois. In June, 1945, he entered the employ of the Public Service Co. of Indiana, Inc., with headquarters in Lafayette, where he is at the present time. His duties consist of checking and servicing the high-tension lines, transformers, etc.

He is a member of the Methodist Church at Locust Grove, Indiana. They recently purchased the Williams White homestead in West Lebanon.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-1-2 John Hardy—Barbara Cain**

Born May 2, 1907, at Mt. Ayr, Indiana, he learned the trade of lithography pressman. He became interested in the two-color press, and devoted his energies to mastering the operation of it.

He was then employed by the government in Washington, D. C., as an expert in Army and Navy lithography. During the war his services were directed exclusively to the map service.

Their home is now in Washington.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-1-6 Norman Hardy—Gladys Ruhn**

Born November 15, 1916, at Mt. Ayr, Indiana, he became a machine tool operator, learning the machine shop trade. During the war he enlisted, and was assigned to duty in Texas and Mississippi.

Slightly over a year later he was invalided out, due to an injury. After some months he returned to the service at Eagle Pass, Texas, but was later retired and sent home.

He is now employed at St. Joseph, Michigan, in a plant making locomotive assembly parts.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-1-4 Garland Hardy—Mildred Worthman**

He was born at Mt. Ayr, Indiana, December 22, 1911. While teaching school for eleven years he continued to study for his degree. During the war he was in the service for four years, being assigned to the 91st General Hospital in England. After V-Day he was stationed in Belgium until April, 1946.

He was then discharged, and entered the Ball State College at Muncie, Indiana, where he obtained his two degrees, and was married June 28, 1947.

He is now Principal of the grade school in Rensselaer, and Mildred, also a teacher by profession, teaches Home Economics.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-1-5 William Hardy—Anna Joboroski**

He was born December 31, 1914, at Mt. Ayr, Indiana. As a youngster, he was always pillaging his grandfather's carpentry tools, and hacking something up to "make something" for his widowed mother.

The grandfather's hunch seemed to be correct for Bill is now a carpentry contractor in Rensselaer, Indiana.

During the war he was in Japan, and on some of the Pacific Islands.

**No. 1-1-4-3-6-1-2-2 Robert I. Adams**

Born on a 500 acre plantation at Faunsdale, Alabama, he selected the Navy as his career. At the outbreak of the war, he held the rating of Chief Electrician on the destroyer Reid in the Pacific.

He was transferred to Seattle to oversee the wiring on a new ship construction, which duties he carried on until the close of the war.

He is now a Naval Instructor at Great Lakes.

**No. 1-1-4-3-7-4-1-1 Harry Carl Kinney, Jr.—Jean Margaret Walsh**

He was born Nov. 23, 1918, at Marion, Ind. He enlisted in the U. S. Navy May 18, 1937.

He was present and in action at the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He participated in the Philippine campaign—in the bombing and fall of the Dutch East Indies—in the bombing of Australia—and in the Aleutian Islands campaign.

He was on the Island of Saipan when the war ended, and at the present time is attached to the Naval Air Station at Lakehurst, N. J. His rating is Aviation Chief Machinist Mate.

Jean was born May 25, 1921, at Bridgeport, Conn.

**No. 1-1-4-3-7-4-1-2 Edward Hamblen Kinney**

He was born Feb. 21, 1921, at Marion, Ind. At the age of 2 months, he moved with his family to Kokomo, Ind.

While in the Kokomo High School he quit school to enlist in the U. S. Army at the age of 15 years. After 3 years in the Service, he received his honorable discharge.

He reenlisted Oct. 1, 1940, in the Air Force and spent 2 years at Fort Knox. He was then transferred to Hickam Field, Hawaii, for 2 years, after which he was attached to the 15th A. A. F. in Italy as an Engineer Waist Gunner Staff Sergeant on a B-24 Liberator Bomber.

On a bombing mission over Augsburg, Germany, on Feb. 27, 1945, his plane crashed in action and the crew of 10 were reported missing until Feb. 28, 1946, when they were declared officially gone.

News finally arrived that the plane had been salvaged by the Germans who had buried 6 of the crew. At the present date 4 have not been identified, and if they ever are, will be brought back to the U. S. and buried in a National Military Cemetery.

“Eddie,” as he was known everywhere from the time he could toddle, had been promoted to Technical Sergeant, but had not received word at the time of the crash, so he never knew.

No. 1-1-4-3-4-3-7-3 F. N. Jesse Raymond Wood

Born June 28, 1930, in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Danville, Illinois. F. N. Jesse Wood (Jack) is in the United States Navy aboard the U. S. S. Lioba A. F.-36. He enlisted July 12, 1947. He got his training at Great Lakes. He was then sent to Philadelphia and Boston and sent out to the Mediterranean Sea area. He has visited many countries since that time. He is now on his way to England.

He has been in the Mediterranean area three times. While there he visited several ports of Africa, also Greece, Italy, Sicily, Ireland, Bermuda Islands, Cuba and South America. He will return to Norfolk, Va., about May 15.

F. N. Wood is studying for Diesel Machinist. He will receive his rating of 1st Class in September of 1949.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-2 Lois Ellen Zufall—James Joseph Brier

She was born Sept. 21, 1922, at West Lebanon, Ind. She was graduated from the Williamsport High School, Class of 1940, in the Commercial Stenography Course.

She entered the employ of the law firm of Mehaffey and Haupt in Williamsport as Stenographer. This position she held until her marriage in 1944.

She is a member of the Christian Church at Williamsport, and a member of the Pine Township Home Economics Club. She is also a member of Prairie Chapter No. 158, Order of Eastern Star, at Boswell, Ind.

James Joseph was born August 30, 1922, on the Brier farm near Williamsport, Ind. He was graduated from the Boswell High School, Class of 1941. As claimed by his family, he "is a born farmer," and knows how to make it a real life's interest.

To be a "born farmer" in these days means something a lot different from what it was 100 years ago. Today, to the "born farmer" it has become the most exciting occupation in the world; something new all the time.

He has to be a soil expert who can spot potash and nitrogen deficiencies like a dentist does cavities. He has to be up to the minute on breeds of wheat, oats, alfalfa, soy beans, hogs, cattle, tractors, combines, trucks, electric motors, pumps, plumbing, soil erosion, poultry, garden produce, and an expert on politics, markets, sports, and the latest movie releases. (The Editors.)

He and his father now farm 420 acres, the farm having been in the Brier name for over 100 years, having received the official 100 year award from Purdue.

He is a member of the Methodist Church in Boswell, and an active member of the Masonic Lodge there.

Their address is R. R. 1, Williamsport, Ind.

No. 1-1-4-3-2-1-3-1-3 Dema Jean Zufall—Guy James Fisher

She was born Jan. 26, 1928, at West Lebanon, Ind. Her family having moved to Williamsport, she attended Grade School and High School there. She was graduated in the High School Class of 1945.

She then became a Stenographer in the Zufall Abstract Office in Williamsport, operated by her father, Ralph Zufall.

She was married Dec. 7, 1946, and moved with her husband to West Lebanon, where they now reside.

She is a member of the Christian Church in Williamsport, and belongs to the Eastern Star in West Lebanon.

Guy was born Feb. 2, 1925, at West Lebanon, Ind. He attended the schools there, being graduated in the High School Class of 1943.

He then served in the armed forces for 2 years, and was a prisoner in Germany for 6 months.

He is now in the employ of the Wabash Railroad as Assistant Foreman.

He is a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 352 at West Lebanon, also a member of the Eastern Star there.

## The Colorado Branch of Brenners

No. 1-1-4-3-3-1 William Henry Brenner—Adalaide Myers

Just as we are ready to go to press, a wonderful thing has happened, which we cannot possibly let pass. We have tried so many ways to contact people, written Post-offices, sent forwarding addresses, and what-not. Finally Clarence had the brilliant idea to contact the nearest bank. Rainey Shannon gave him the address, and he sent them the request. The answer has just come in from Anna Grace Brenner Tevebaugh that they received the call from the bank, and she wanted to know all about us. Her address is 824 North Hancock, Colorado Springs, Colo.

She has one son, who will be a Senior at Denver University this fall, who served three and one-half years as Bombardier in the European theater during the war, and was fortunate enough to return safely.

Her sisters are as follows: Mary Elizabeth ("Lizzie") Hope, lives in Boulder; Ida May Collette, lives with her daughter Ethel at Sterling, and her son Edwin, lives at Longmont, Colo.; Lillie Belle Jackson and husband returned from San Francisco years ago and live in Colorado Springs, have one son Ralph.

Her brother Charley died in 1943, but has two sons living there, one daughter in Denver and one daughter in New York City.



So, it is putting it very mildly to say we are glad to have this message to include—we are “Tickled Pink,” as they say, and we hope to have more data to insert later.

## Colorado Branch—Brenners

Another letter from Grace Brenner Tevebaugh tells us that: Curtis Henry Burden lives at Bloomington, Ill., c/o Miller Jones Shoe Co., instead of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Mildred Brenner Underhill, whose husband Burton passed away in 1933, remarried Major Robert Stark of Denver, Colo. He was in the Service—both the Aleutians and the South Pacific armies. Charles Brenner, Berlyn Brenner served in Japan; served in the Aleutian theater; Burton Underhill and Lewis Ramsey served in the South Pacific in the Navy. Lois Brenner Saulnier was clerk of the District Court of our County many years before her marriage to Stanley. Grace's son Kenny was in the 9th Air Force and served in and around “Brenner pass” and Wurtenburg. His Chaplin was a Captain Brenner. Edwin G. Colette served in World War I, also Jacob Price Tevebaugh served in the Army Secret Service in the States in War I.

We regret so very much that we are unable to locate anything about Aunt Sarah Catherine B. Dunn, who seems to have migrated to Kansas—and have no trace of this branch.

### No. 1-1-4-3-3-1-2-1 Lois Adelaide Brenner—

#### Colonel Stanley Gloninger Saulnier

After the book had gone to press, we learned of a distinguished member of the Colorado Branch of the family—Colonel Saulnier—of the Inspector General's Dept., U. S. Army. His story is so unique and worthy of note that we had to hold up the book to get it included.

If properly written up, the story would be “a book” in itself. But all we have are the mere facts in tersest form, viz.:

Commissioned	6 Nov. 1916—2nd Lieut. Infantry ORS U. S. Army
	15 July 1917—1st Lieut. Inf. Regular Army
	25 Jan. 1918—Capt. Inf. (Temporary), A. E. F. 2d Div.
	Aug. 1918—Major (Temporary)
	1 July 1920—Capt. (Regular Army)
	1 Oct. 1934—Major (Regular Army)
	21 Oct. 1939—Lt. Col. Inf. (Regular Army)
	23 Sept. 1942—Colonel AUS
	28 Dec. 1945—Colonel Infantry (Regular Army)

Normandy Invasion —as Inspector General  
XIX Corps —Investigation Div. Hq. USFET and  
After VE Day Chief Investigation Hq. EUCOM  
Germany  
Returned U. S. 16 Mar. 1948—Inspector General, New York Port  
of Embarkation to date.

Decorations, etc.

Victory Medal World War I—5 campaign stars  
American Defense Medal  
American Theater Medal  
European Theater Medal—3 campaign bronze stars  
Victory Medal World War II  
Occupation Medal—Germany  
Bronze Star Medal  
Commendation Ribbon  
French Croix de Guerre with 2 Palms  
Verdun Medal—Verdun Clasp  
Chateau-Thierry Medal  
Distinguished Service Medal—New York State, World War I  
and World War II

Their address is QTS. 87-C  
Ft. Hamilton Mil. Res.  
Brooklyn 9, N. Y.

## “THE THREE HATS”

The THREE HATS was a sample of entertainment, that was popular in the early part of the century. There being no movies, youngsters had to make their own, and good clean plays were given for the benefit of the churches—as is the case here. It was given at the OPERA HOUSE, which afterwards became known as the Palm Garden. As is seen—all of the cast was local talent, as well as all numbers rendered between acts. The sponsors were also members of the church.

The plot involved quite a mix-up, but was very humorous and of course turned out happily for everyone. This original program is one of the choice souvenirs of Clarence E. Brenner.

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### THE THREE HATS

A farcial comedy in three acts, will be given by home talent at the

Opera House, Saturday Eve, Dec. 29, '06.

The proceeds will be applied for the benefit of the Christian Church.

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### CHARACTERS.

SAM SELWYN—A Married Man . . . . . ALLEN BRENNER  
FRED BELLAMY—His unwilling Slave . . . . . JOE FLEMING  
DIBBS—A boy in buttons . . . . . RAY HALL  
BASCO BLITHERS—Professor of Penmanship . . . . .  
. . . . . CLARENCE BRENNER  
CAPT. KATSKILL, of the Kilkenney Irregulars . . . . .  
. . . . . RAE FLEMING  
MRS. SELWYN—Selwyn's better-half . . . . . MONTA BRENNER  
GRACE—Her daughter . . . . . OPAL SALTS  
TILLY—A Parlor Maid . . . . . BEULAH LAKE  
LOTTIE BLITHERS—Fred's Fiancee . . . . . ETHEL WOODS

**SCENE.**

London: The Drawing Room in the Selwyn Mansion

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**SYNOPSIS.**

**ACT I.**

EARLY MORNING—Mr. Selwyn taking advantage of his wife's absence has been out the previous night and has made an unfortunate exchange of hats.

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**ACT II.**

COMPLICATIONS INCREASE—Fred Bellamy snubbed by Mrs. Selwyn and Grace and not understood by Blithers to whose daughter he has been secretly married. Capt. Katskill takes Blithers to be Mr. Selwyn. Through this misunderstanding Bellamy and Katskill think they are suitors of the same girl and agree upon a duel.

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**ACT III.**

PREPARATIONS FOR DUEL—Unraveling of misunderstandings.

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**MUSICAL PROGRAM.**

Piano Solo . . . . . Gladys Bourden  
Piano Duet . . . . . Gladys Hall and Una Stewart.  
Vocal Solo . . . . . Bertha Brenner.

**BETWEEN ACTS I and II.**

Vocal Solo . . . . . Leota Kiser  
Vocal Duet . . . . . Rena Cating and Bertha Brenner

**BETWEEN ACTS II and III.**

Piano Solo . . . . . Opal Maupen  
Duet, Piano and Violin . . . . . Gladys and Rae Hall.

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**PLAY COMMITTEE.**

Katherine Brenner,            Mrs. Isaac Hall,            Mrs. Luke Salts.

## A TRIBUTE TO OUR LONG LIST OF EXCELLENT COOKS



By permission of Alberta Wilson Constant, author of the article "They Set a Good Table"; by permission of "The Southwest Review"—the University Press of Southern Methodist University: by permission of "The Readers Digest," as the article was condensed by them in April, 1947:

We are happy to use the above as the basis of a special tribute the Brenner, and James boys would want to pay to the skill and artistry and devoted effort through the generations of the many Aces of the culinary profession.

The article will recall many happy memories to our readers with a little paraphrasing, it is a chapter in our own lives.

One of the serious problems of young mothers in our country today is how to get children to eat. With 3 robust young sons and a healthy husband the problem was to get enough of those marvelous meals onto the table.

A little glance back at the meals of those days is refreshing to the nostalgic "oldsters," and an education to the later generation. Breakfast was not a hasty gulp on the way to the garage or the commuters' local, but a curriculum ritual to get the day's heavy job under way.

Let's say it starts with berries and thick cream. "Mushmelons" had not become cantaloupes then yet. Oatmeal with more top cream was a steady stand-by. Then would come the real breakfast: ham in

summer, sausage in winter, with eggs country style or scrambled. Hot biscuits, grits or mush, as we called it, or fried potatoes, then apple pie with more cream. That would be about all for breakfast, unless it happened to be open season for buckwheats, in which case the batter jar yeast colony was kept at high tempo, replenished daily for the next morning.

Of course no one had yet heard of the fireless cooker for the oatmeal or other long-cooking items. In winter they sat on top of the old base burner. In summer—on the back part of the old wood stove.

Dinner in those days for everyone came at noon. There would be ham or salt pork or baked rabbit or spare ribs or backbone or chicken—fried, baked, stewed with noodles or dumplings, or pressed. Later, after more luxury was available, came stewed beef or fried steak, cut thin with flour well beaten into it. But whatever the foundation base of the meal was, it had to provide plenty of brown gravy for the huge helpings of mashed potatoes, that came on, oozing butter and more cream.

In the party to claim our attention would be creamed peas, cole slaw in vinegar, boiled cabbage, or stewed in some bacon drippings with a bit of sugar and butter; pots of string or navy beans, turnips, carrots, and always plenty of onions. Big red slices of fresh tomatoes held forth for several months every year. Then after fresh green corn arrived would come the really serious attention to eating. After that season was over, lye hominy took over to continue the rule of King Korn.

Then came the desserts. There were all kinds but the ones remembered by most men as the ace-royal of their boyhood days were the cobblers: The comparative merits of cherry, peach, raspberry, or blackberry cobblers have been argued by their respective champions over the years. But, regardless of the brand, when the long black pan came on with the juice oozing and bubbling through the fancy gashes in the brown crust, the aroma was something to live in memory through a lifetime.

Well, that was dinner. In summer it was then, back to the fields for a grueling afternoon. In the fall or spring it was baseball. In winter it was skates or sleds. But invariably it was chores to be done afterwards. Regardless of season, those excess calories always seemed to get used up.

So after dark, in would come the troupers, tired and starved, asking the invariable question, “when do we eat?”

We marvel yet at the grace and patience, at the skill and ingenuity, where artistry persisted in triumphing over drudgery, to bring forth three times a day those masterpieces that when fitted together into the mosaic of our memories, are entitled, “They Set a Good Table.”

Through the generations, these heroines have indeed played leading roles in the great American drama, whose cast we have attempted to portray for you as real “flesh and blood characters.”



Tow Row—Fred Thomas, Jim Johnston, Fred Haupt, Richard Simms, Frankie, Dick, Marie B. and Franklin Clark, Charles and Dorothy (Crone) Smith, Louise (Moore) and James Weaver, Raymond Fleming, Betty Brenner, Junior Thomas, Jack Brewer, Larry Brenner, Alice Johnston, Corrine Hamilton, Ernie Watson, Cecil and Grace Day, Bud Wood, Golda and Sam Shelton, Earl Hamilton, Charles Tharpe.

Second Row—Gladys H. Johnston, Clara Smith, Mabel Routzahn, Laura Simms, Lillie Gunn Thomas, Elmer Smith, Pearl Pierce, Leo Brewer, Coral Swisher, Grace Peterson, Margaret Steeley, Harry Zufall, Mildred Fleming, Ralph Dean Brenner, Dorothy B. Thomas, Opal Brenner, Rae Fleming, Rosemary Brenner, Glenn Evans, Ruth Brenner, Ruth and Clarke Fleming, Mildred Brenner, Della Brenner, Zola Hamilton, Mae Wood, Nellie Watson.

First Row—Melvin Bowlus, Jerry Lefton, Carl Routzahn, Carole and Lorraine Bowlus, Chorine Stephenson, Raleigh Pierce, Fred Crone, Linda Smith, Alta Crone, Flora (Crone) Moore, Andrew Steeley, Cora Zufall, Monta Coblentz, Aunt Grace Brenner, Allen Brenner, Bertha Fleming, Lillie Bowlus, Melvin Bowlus Jr., Clarence Bowlus, Hugh Morton Brenner, Ivah B. Evans, Wm. D. Brenner, Clarence Brenner, Ethel, Michael and Hugh James Brenner.

On the Ground—John Steven Fleming, Barbara Rae Fleming, Charles Weaver, Charlotte Ann

# The Brenner—James—Remsberg Reunion

Such families as live near enough to have their reunions often are most fortunate—more so than they realize. Those who cannot do so miss a great lot. There is—and should be a feeling of nearness to kin-folk that isn't matched in the every day association of acquaintances, even amongst friendly folks.

From the ancestors of the Brenner, the James, and the Remsberg families came an heritage of pride in belonging to such a race. It was the accepted code to set high standards—even higher than was possible of achievement—and to maintain high purposes, even in the face of defeats and frustrations.

It was considered important that these things be passed on to the children of each generation: that there must be in each one a driving urge to leave some little spot in the world just a bit better place for their having been here.

It was only natural, under such conditions, that these families should “go visiting” a great deal among one another. But on July 10, 1904, it occurred to the members of the Brenner-James-Remsberg groups to assemble for a joint reunion. This was arranged at the site of the “Miller Log Cabin,” a vacation picnic modern version of the pioneer Hoosier style of architecture.

After 1904 there were many others, but the largest was in August, 1922, at Columbian Park, Lafayette, with over 300 in attendance.

But Sunday, Aug. 31, 1947, will long be remembered as a red letter day for the same three families, because it was held in the School House at West Lebanon where most of them went to school as youngsters. That fact alone would make the occasion a memorable one.

When the idea was conceived, it was a problem to find a place large enough for such a gathering. A homestead, of course, is the ideal place, but no home would be large enough. So in the wee small hours of the night, the chairman decided upon the Old Red Schoolhouse, dear to the heart of all of us.

Due to the generosity of the Trustees permission was granted and invitations were broadcast by mail and newspapers. The enthusiasm became contagious and invigorating, and to the joy of everyone the response was most gratifying.

Arrivals began rolling in by 11:00 A.M. and continued all afternoon. Over 125 enjoyed the noonday feast which consisted of all things imaginable. All the delicacies of famous cooks for generations were brought together in such variety and quantities that no one could in any measure do justice to anywhere near all of it.

After everyone had done his best, it was a great thrill to participate in an informal program in which everyone took part, with Mrs.



Bertha Fleming as toast-mistress. Speeches of presentation and appreciation were made, while each one stood, giving name, address, names of parents, and to whom married. Mrs. Grace Brenner was presented with a beautiful corsage as the only remaining aunt. Mrs. Ralph Dean Brenner received a bride's cake as the newest bride, young Harold Dean Brenner, child of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh James Brenner, the youngest baby. The prize for the couple who had come from the greatest distance represented close to 1000 miles.

In order to be there, folks had traveled from Jamestown and New Rochelle, N. Y., from Quinton, Okla., and from Worthington, Ohio. Illinois contributed its quota from Chicago, Danville, Peoria, and Rockford. The Hoosier clan gathered from Whiting, Richmond, Mishawaka, Marion, Converse, Indianapolis, Fountaintown and Attica.

The afternoon was spent in renewing old acquaintances and many meeting for the first time, and in the taking of many pictures, including colored movies.

The following suggestion was submitted as expressive of the spirit of fellowship which animated each of those present:

I am counting up my friends  
Near and far away;  
Through the years the list extends  
To the present day.  
First come father, mother dear  
Sisters kind and true;  
Then along the way appear  
You and you and you.

I am counting on my brothers  
Also many others  
Much the charm of life depends  
On their faithfulness;  
Girls and boys so free from care  
Prospects bright in view  
Folks whose griefs and burdens bear  
You and you and you.

I am counting with my friends  
Evermore to be  
When the summons comes which ends  
This life's ministry;  
We've a Friend above to guide  
He's our Saviour too  
I would see them by his side  
You and you and you.

(And there indeed we shall have the Grand *Perfect* Reunion)

## OTHER REUNIONS



The Brenner-James reunions have been held jointly for many years and one of them that has lingered in memory was the one held at the Old Log Cabin at the Lon Miller Summer Resort northeast of West Lebanon on State Road 28, just east of where Ernest Banning now lives. The following item appeared in the Williamsport newspaper and the date given was July 10, 1904.

### A Pleasant Pic Nic

“Last Sunday a very pleasant Pic Nic was held in the beautiful grove of Alonzo Miller, about four miles west of this place in honor of Mrs. Jane McAlister and daughter, Mrs. Tuttle, and granddaughter, Eveline Tuttle. The parties attending were all relatives, there being 103 persons present. A fine Pic Nic dinner was spread on the grass in the shade of the trees and everybody was able to eat until worn out and then had to rest. Those who attended were: Taylor Lincoln and family, of Wingate; Jesse Swisher and family, J. E. McAlister and family, George Steely and family, Andrew Steely and wife, Hugh Brenner and family, Will Brenner and family, Vic Biser and family, Ross French and family, Ferguson French and Family, Fletcher Wood and family, Harvey Wood and wife, James Flesher and family, Joe Routzahn and family, Sam Erskine and wife, Mrs. Mary Stewart, Wesley James and wife, of Alvin, Illinois; Luke

Salts and family, Mrs. Charles Crawford and son, Allen; George Bowlus and family, Cecil Day and wife, Wm. Strumpfer and family, Ray Lincoln and wife, of Wingate; Wm. Gibson and wife and Lester Swisher and wife.”

It became a family tradition to meet somewhere almost every year.

### TRIBUTE TO THE HOME GENIUS

There is not a male member of the Brenner or James line who, Man and Boy, does not take off his hat to do honor—to pay due respect—and to give credit where credit is due—to those resourceful General Managers who call themselves the Home Makers.

Industry has long been departmentalized to the point where the boss can't do much of anything for himself or anyone else. He can't run any of those new machines in the plant nor take any position in the production line. He can't make out an invoice or a profit and loss statement, nor write a letter. He couldn't service a piece of equipment in either the shop or the office.

To him, the word efficiency means just one of two things; either (1) get someone else to take the job over, or (2) specialize yourself down to the point of being able to do just one thing.

The Home Manager, on the other hand, has to learn and practice efficiency the hard way. She combines the skills of 15 to 20 trades and professions. She is the purchasing agent and her own production manager. She must acquire the skills necessary to turn out a whole host of products.

She must become an expert chef who can handle both staples and delicacies for both immediate and future consumption. Her timing in bringing together the different component parts of a dinner must be as accurate as any production assembly line anywhere.

She learns somehow the trade of seamstress, and runs her own Service and Maintenance Depts. for clothes, house, and furniture. She operates the laundry, and then moves over into the trade of interior decorating. She is the carpenter and repair man for all the household equipment.

All the while she has to “double in brass” as comparison shopper, designer, engineer, social director, teacher, moral and personal manager and supervisor, accountant, and finance director, and in particular the amateur physician. Nothing is more pitiful than the helplessness of the “efficient” industrialist in a sick room.

Then in the two most important areas of all of life's manifold endeavors, most men are content to sign over their title into the wife's name and call it well taken care of. These areas are (1) Child rearing and (2) Religious activities—especially when the emphasis gets around to the activity phase.

Her ambition is to build good citizenship—to make a place in the world where such folks can learn to live happily and feel proud of

the way they live. The reward she seeks and values is the love and appreciation of those she serves.

The reason these "girls" are so smart and alert and capable is that they start "taking hold" sooner. They outnumber the boys in Sunday School. A boy figures that "playing hookey" is a day well spent. Practically every girl student in the U. S. Schools today is in one or more home economics classes while less than a third of the boys take business courses.

Another reason is that there isn't the red tape between her and her associates that there is in industry. When she teaches her daughter to bake a pie or sew a seam, she instructs her personally. They make a game of it and the daughter's personality is blossoming out in the process. When she has to entertain little Johnny for a while to get him out of his tantrums or whimperishness, she sits down with him and a story book and takes him off into another world, and so Johnny's personality moves up another notch in his climb toward development.

But the "efficient" man is at a disadvantage. He is walled off from his associates by a private office or by red tape to where he has to deal with them through an emissary or else he passes out his instructions with a "Now go do it."

But in any event, we know that every one of our male readers will want to attach his signature to this well-deserved and hard-earned tribute of appreciation.

## THE INFLUENCE OF THE CHURCH

This Brenner-James story is the story of one American family. Its aim is to depict what we call Civilization in terms that we all can understand. That is, in terms of individual unit, which is,—each one of us, or each family. Millions of us, when added together, make Civilization, as we know it.

Civilization today is in peril. A feeling of insecurity, unrest, uncertainties, and confusion pervades the atmosphere in both high and low circles throughout the world. We seem suddenly faced by problems too complex for us to solve. What are we to do about it? What is the personal responsibility of each one of us?

Mark Sullivan in "Our Times" (Charles Scribner's Sons) says: "What is commonly called loosely, a nation's culture includes the points of view each one has about individual conduct and social relations: his attitude toward government and toward other peoples: his habit of mind about family, the duty of parents to children, and children to parents: his standards of taste and of morals, his store of accepted wisdom which he expresses in proverbs and aphorisms: his venerations and loyalties, his prejudices and biases, his canons of conventionality: the whole group of ideas held in common by most of the people.



“This body of culture comes to every individual mainly through well recognized channels, through parents and elders who hand it down by oral tradition, through religion, through schools and through reading.

“From the earliest beginning, in every section of America, education started as a religious conception, was regarded as a part of religion. The schools were instrumentalities of religion, wholly, their sole purpose to enable the child to read the Bible; that continued to be the sole purpose for approximately half the entire history of education in America.”

Let us admit, then for the purpose of this article that America was built upon The Church as its foundation. How far we have in this century supplanted and worshipped human wisdom to displace reliance upon Divine wisdom and guidance, is outside the realm of this article.

Let us, for our purpose, depict The Church in terms that we can understand: I.E. a single unit. In that way we can best portray for you its influence upon the lives of the Brenner—James families, and their individual sense of responsibility for building it into the American way of life.

New England was in the hands of the Puritans. The South as well as to some degree New York and New Jersey, was mainly Protestant Episcopal, or Church of England. In Maryland, Pennsylvania, and bordering states were the Lutherans, Catholics, Dutch Reformed, Quakers, Moravians, Presbyterians, and Baptists. Very soon there came the Methodists, Disciples (or Christian Church), Congregationalists, and other churches.

In order to get a closer look at the importance of the Church in the lives of our ancestors, let us take the one we know best—The Disciples or Christian Church, comprising some 8,739 churches and 2 million members.

In August, 1809 Thomas Campbell, a Moderator in Pittsburgh Presbytery of Washington, Pa., issued a remarkable Declaration and Address, deploring the narrow partisanship and hurtful divisions among Christians, and the general policy of enforcing upon church members denominational human interpretations of God's word in place of the pure doctrine.

His brilliant son, Alexander Campbell, cordially endorsed these principles and began to actively promote and urge them upon the various churches. It was hoped, and sincere and strenuous effort was made, to avoid setting up a new Denomination, but the temper of Christians at the time compelled such a course.

Barton W. Stone, David Purvience, and other men of great intellect in Kentucky; Walter Scott in Ohio; Dr. Chester Bullard in Virginia; “Raccoon” John Smith: these are merely a few of the fiery evangelistic figures at the same time who are lifting up their voices

against division in the body of Christ, although without knowledge of the views or actions of each other.

By 1832 these pioneers had attracted other national crusading leaders, and new members had joined up in such numbers that a national union or denomination was effected. Naturally when such numbers of folk of flaming hearts and fiery tongues launched the movement nationally, evangelism became the method: the creed,—“where the Book speaks, we speak, where the Book is silent, we are silent.” The world has never seen a more powerful, brilliant, dramatic, or effective evangelism than the pioneering of these early Disciples in the wonderful new “Golden West” at the time “The American Way” was being planted in the heart of our continent.

Now to get a still closer look at the Church in the lives of our ancestors, let us present on our stage a single unit—the West Lebanon Christian Church. It is probably similar to any church in the country of any denomination, but it happens to be one whose history we know the best.

William Pugh came to Warren Co., Ind., in 1823, having been an Elder in a Disciple Church in Tennessee. With his wife and two children, they had walked the entire distance by following the Indian trails. The old horse carried all their worldly goods.

In 1828 quite a delegation of Disciple members arrived from Preble Co., Ohio. Others had come from Ohio, Virginia, and Tennessee. Elder Pugh invited all these who were his neighbors to his cabin to make plans to organize a Church. He preached to them a sermon on “God’s mercy to man.”

In that meeting these Pioneers said, “We must have a Church in which to bring our children.” Most of them had walked the long trek from other states into this primeval wilderness, bringing their Bibles, guns, axes, dogs, and horses, just as the Pugh family had done. At that meeting in the Pugh cabin was organized the first Christian Church in Warren County.

Since every member of every family went to church in those days, the Pugh cabin was not large enough, so they met in the log schoolhouse (sometimes they met out of doors). Mr. Pugh did the preaching until 1830.

In that year they built a log church, and Dr. D. D. Hall, a farmer-preacher as well as a doctor, became the first pastor. He farmed during the week and preached on Sunday. Colbraith Hall, his brother, was also a preacher.

One group remained in the old building as the West Lebanon Church. Another went to the Evans Schoolhouse in Jordan Twp. at Pleasant View. A third group went to the Kiser Schoolhouse in Steuben Twp. The fourth chose the Gopher Hill Schoolhouse in Kent Twp. A fifth group selected the Clear Branch Schoolhouse in Washington Twp. which they used until 1869 at which time they become the Williamsport Christian Church.

The West Lebanon (Pike Twp.) congregation erected a new brick structure in 1868. At the dedication service in Sept., Rev. Wm. R. Jewell of Danville, Ill., preached the sermon. In the official body at the time appear the names of Brenner, Bowlus, French, Swisher, Frame, Pugh, Crawford, and others. The membership was 250.

On Sunday, August 30, 1936, a Pageant—"Faith of Our Fathers," was presented in an open field on the "Sylvan Lair" farm of Rae and Bertha (Brenner) Fleming, by the Christian Churches of West Lebanon and Williamsport. Appropriate band music was furnished by the combined bands of the two towns.

In costumes and in ten episodes the early church history was portrayed. A peaceful Indian camp scene showed an Indian peace dance. The Pugh family's hymns attract the Indians to call on the travellers. A covered wagon carries 15 children. A log hut home shows the "Old Spinning Wheel." Women churn, wash, make soap, sew, and rock babies.

The scene in the Pugh cabin is re-enacted, with the sermon, hymns, prayer, and the launching of the Church. The congregational meeting to branch out into five Churches drew the entire audience into the "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Hundreds attended the Pageant from miles around. In our 20th Century autos we were a far cry from the hardships of our Pioneer forefathers, but we could still realize—as did they—that the American Way of Life is built upon the Church: that without it, there will be no American Way.

In the Williamsport Church is a Memorial fluorescent Cross, erected above the baptistry window and communion table. It was a gift by Mrs. Bertha Brenner Fleming, made on her Mother's birthday, March 27, 1944. It is lighted every Sunday at Communion time and for every baptismal service.

This "Memorial of Spiritual Significance" thus typifies the light of parental love and sacrifice—originating from the Divine, and continued on through earthly parent to child—on through the generations.



GENEALOGY  
OF THE  
JAMES FAMILIES

# In Search of An Ancestor

We have been unable to locate any record of the parents of the three James brothers—Samuel, Hugh, and David.

The older obituaries and traditions indicate rather conclusively that their location was in Muskingum Co., Ohio, where Zanesville is the chief city.

There is a tradition that the Ohio ancestor was Isaac James there, and that his wife was Gwendolyn—who went by the familiar name of “Gwanny.” We have had several genealogists make an effort to trace them in Ohio, but the search has so far been fruitless.

There were several James families in Muskingum Co., in the early days, and the records indicate they all came from Fayette Co., Pa., which borders West Virginia south of Pittsburgh. The journey from Fayette Co. to Muskingum would therefore be equivalent to a distance across four or five Counties.

For the purpose of this record, therefore, we assign the “Serial No. 1” to our Unknown Ancestor, whether his name was “ISAAC” or not.

In the 1850 U. S. Census for Indiana—Genealogical Division—Indiana State Library—microfilm—Samuel James is listed, age 45, born in Virginia, farmer, home in Pike Twp., Warren Co. It also lists his wife, SYNTHA, and their children at that time.

So Virginia or Fayette Co., Pa., may be a hunting ground for some future member of this family.

## SECOND GENERATION

1-1.

SAMUEL JAMES

B—July 10, 1805

M—November 30, 1826

D—November 10, 1869

SYNTHA BAKER

(Born in Germany)

B—April 3, 1810

D—November 5, 1876

Graves in the Fletcher Wood  
Cemetery

## THIRD GENERATION

(1) ELIZABETH JAMES

B—January 7, 1828

M—James Harvey Lincoln

2nd M—Simon Weiden-  
hammer

(2) SUZANNE JAMES

B—January 8, 1830

M—Jacob Brenner

(See Brenner Genealogy)

(3) MARY (POLLY) JAMES

B—March 3, 1836

M—George Washington  
Woodward

2nd M—Dr. J. C. Stewart

- (4) CHARLES JAMES  
B—1838  
D—1839
- (5) MARTHA ELLEN JAMES  
B—March 4, 1842  
M—William Darnell
- (6) HUGH BALLENTINE JAMES  
B—December 11, 1845  
M—Anna Mary Schlosser
- (7) LAVINIA JANE JAMES  
B—1848  
M—Harvey McAllister
- (8) WILLIAM JAMES  
B—1849  
D—July 21, 1863
- (9) EMILY JAMES  
B—September 30, 1851  
D—October 21, 1854

SECOND GENERATION

1-2.

HUGH JAMES  
B—October 22, 1807  
M—  
D—April 27, 1852

ELIZABETH JANE STARKEY  
B—June 11, 1815  
D—January 27, 1898

THIRD GENERATION

- (1) WESLEY M. JAMES  
B—1836  
M—Rebecca Jane French
- (2) ELIZABETH JAMES  
B—April 23, 1840  
M—James C. Hall
- (3) SAMUEL JAMES  
B—1845  
M—Elizabeth Ann  
Beamer

(4) ADALINE JAMES  
B—September 24, 1848  
M—Sylvester Ferguson  
French

(5) MORRIS JAMES  
B—

(6) HARRIET PRISCILLA JAMES  
B—December 12, 1851  
M—John Fletcher Wood

ELIZABETH JANE JAMES  
remarried to Joseph Davis

(7) EMMALINE DAVIS  
B—April 7, 1857  
M—Tillman Howard Salts

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1-3.

DAVID JAMES

B—February 1, 1819

M—July 28, 1844

D—December 22, 1891

1st wife—MARY DAVIS

D—November 26, 1845

Daughter of John and Mary  
Davis—died when 21 years  
old.

2nd wife—SARAH JANE HURST

B—January 4, 1825

M—September 19, 1846

D—March 30, 1852

(1) One infant died

(2) THEODORE JACKSON JAMES  
D—December 9, 1847

(3) MARY HONOR JAMES  
B—March 6, 1848  
M—Finley Clawson

(4) JOHN WESLEY JAMES  
B—January 12, 1850  
M—Nan Thompson

(5) SARAH GWENDOLYN JAMES  
B—February 21, 1852  
M—John Bolinger

(6) Infant son  
B—May 26, 1855 (dead)

3rd wife—FRANCIS SHERWOOD  
B—January 27, 1829  
M—September 30, 1852  
D—June 24, 1859

4th wife—CATHERINE BLIND  
B—August 28, 1828  
M—April 10, 1861  
D—December 4, 1890

Was a teacher at Green Hill

(7) MICHAEL JAMES  
B—February 16, 1862  
D—May 28, 1892

(8) ELIZABETH JANE JAMES  
B—January 27, 1864  
M—Erastus Smith Cloyd

(9) FLORA ELLEN JAMES  
B—May 8, 1865  
Died young

(10) MARGARET ANNA JAMES  
B—April 3, 1868  
M—Logan David Etnire

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### THIRD GENERATION

1-1-1.

ELIZABETH JAMES  
B—January 7, 1828  
M—December 9, 1847  
D—July 26, 1904

JAMES HARVEY LINCOLN  
B—February 12, 1820  
D—August 20, 1864

2nd Husband  
SIMON WEIDENHAMMER  
B—August 13, 1837  
M—November 16, 1868  
D—April 26, 1926

### FOURTH GENERATION

(1) TAYLOR ZACHARIAH LINCOLN  
B—April 26, 1849  
M—Mildred Florence Cloyd

(2) JAMES WALLACE LINCOLN  
B—January 23, 1858  
M—Ollie Ammernam

(3) ELLA MAY LINCOLN  
B—September 14, 1863  
M—Samuel Wright

### THIRD GENERATION

1-1-3.

MARY (POLLY) JAMES  
 B—March 2, 1836  
 M—March 5, 1854  
 D—July 13, 1916

GEORGE WASHINGTON WOODWARD  
 B—1831  
 D—August 11, 1874

2nd Husband

DR. J. C. STEWART  
 B—  
 M—November 14, 1875  
 D—

### FOURTH GENERATION

(1) LILLISE ROSE WOODWARD  
 B—September 28, 1856  
 M—John Ellis Greeley  
 2nd M—Ross French

(2) SYNTHA ADELIA WOODWARD  
 B—October 12, 1865  
 M—Charles Lincoln Crawford

(3) MARY PEARL STEWART  
 B—September 30, 1878  
 D—March 9, 1948  
 M—June 22, 1904  
 M—Samuel Erskine  
 B—November 27, 1876

1-1-6.

HUGH BALLENTINE JAMES  
 B—December 11, 1845  
 M—January 1, 1867  
 D—April 28, 1932

ANNA MARY SCHLOSSER  
 B—  
 D—July 30, 1889

(1) DELLORA DELPHINE JAMES  
 B—January 28, 1867  
 M—David Milton Landon

(2) CHARLES JAMES  
 B—October 1, 1868  
 D—December 29, 1870

(3) CYNTHIA ("CINIE") ELLEN JAMES  
 B—November 21, 1870  
 M—Charles Renville

(4) ELIAS EDWARD JAMES  
 B—March 9, 1872  
 D—December 28, 1872

(5) HARLEY WILLIAM JAMES  
 B—February 6, 1874  
 M—Minnie Bush

2nd Wife

Mrs. MARY SWEENEY

M—September 13, 1894

D—May 3, 1920

(6) MELINDA GERTRUDE JAMES  
B—June 30, 1885  
M—Charles Alexander

(7) ERNEST JAMES  
B—died in infancy

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1-1-7.

LAVINIA JANE JAMES

B—1848

M—December 25, 1865

D—

(1) CHARLES McALLISTER  
B—  
M—

(2) CORA McALLISTER  
B—  
M—..... TUTTLE

HARVEY McALLISTER

B—1845

D—December 2, 1926

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1-2-2.

ELIZABETH JAMES

B—April 23, 1840

M—January 1, 1861

D—August 29, 1904

(1) ELMER HALL  
B—December 24, 1861  
D—November 13, 1864

(2) CHARLES HALL  
B—May 9, 1864  
D—December 17, 1864

JAMES C. HALL

B—June 4, 1837

D—December 1, 1927

(3) FRANK HALL  
B—October 5, 1867  
M—Mary Martin

(4) HARVEY HALL  
B—July 28, 1867  
M—Belle Reynolds  
Re-M—Parthena Reynolds

(5) ISAAC LILBURN HALL  
B—March 16, 1870  
M—Mettie Leona Williams

### THIRD GENERATION

1-2-3.

SAMUEL JAMES

B—1845

M—August 24, 1865

D—April 30, 1888

ELIZABETH ANN BEAMER

B—December 8, 1845

D—March 16, 1918

### FOURTH GENERATION

(1) VELLA JAMES

B—September 4, 1866

M—Albert Williams

(2) LOURA JAMES

B—May 30, 1868

M—Lewis Wallace Pribble

(3) EVA JEANETTE JAMES

B—June 7, 1869

M—Elias Reynolds

Re-M—Willis Oland

Re-M—William Steeley

(4) CARRIE DELONA JAMES

B—January 7, 1871

M—George Lyons

(5) FRED JAMES

B—January 1, 1874

D—February, 1916

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1-2-4.

ADALINE JAMES

B—September 24, 1848

M—December 31, 1865

D—June 8, 1918

SYLVESTER FERGUSON FRENCH

B—May 12, 1844

D—January 20, 1906

(1) FAIRY FRENCH

B—November 19, 1866

M—James Monroe Salts

(2) WILLIAM FRENCH

B—May 12, 1868

M—Martha Flynn



1-2-6.

HARRIET PRISCILLA JAMES  
B—December 12, 1851  
M—March 20, 1872  
D—October 4, 1934

JOHN FLETCHER WOOD  
B—October 21, 1848  
D—February 28, 1930

- (1) CLAUDE WOOD  
D—Died in infancy
- (2) NELLIE LENORE WOOD  
B—May 5, 1875  
M—Ernest Watson
- (3) MINNIE CORAL WOOD  
B—November 15, 1878  
M—Harry Wood
- (4) GRACE EFFIE WOOD  
B—October 24, 1883  
M—Cecil Day
- (5) LETTIE ETHEL WOOD  
B—July 3, 1886  
M—Elwood Anderson
- (6) RUSSEL CLARENCE WOOD  
B—June 11, 1889  
M—May White
- (7) DOROTHY LORAIN WOOD  
B—August 8, 1892  
M—Herbert Hilkey

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THIRD GENERATION

FOURTH GENERATION

1-2-7.

EMMALINE DAVIS  
B—April 7, 1857  
M—April 27, 1877  
D—February 1, 1921

TILLMAN HOWARD SALTS  
(Called "Luke")  
B—August 2, 1856  
D—January 11, 1913

- (1) Still-born girl  
May 10, 1885
- (2) OPAL KATHRYN SALTS  
B—October 7, 1886  
M—Allen L. Brenner  
(See Brenner Genealogy)
- (3) GARLAND OWEN SALTS  
B—February 26, 1891  
D—November 10, 1891

1-3-3.

MARY HONOR JAMES  
B—March 6, 1848  
M—December 10, 1868  
D—July 30, 1876

(1) CHARLES CLAWSON  
B—February 19, 1872  
M—Mary Brutus  
D—October 17, 1936

FINLEY CLAWSON  
B—June 14, 1845  
D—November 15, 1930

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THIRD GENERATION

FOURTH GENERATION

1-3-4.

JOHN WESLEY JAMES  
B—January 12, 1850  
M—March 10, 1870  
D—September, 1926

(1) NELLIE JEANETTE JAMES  
B—August 12, 1872  
M—James Mather

NAN THOMPSON  
B—August 2, 1851  
D—November 21, 1941

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1-3-5.

SARAH GWENDOLYN JAMES  
B—February 21, 1852  
M—  
D—

(1) JOHN BOLINGER JR.  
B—

JOHN BOLINGER  
B—  
D—

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1-3-8.

ELIZABETH JANE JAMES  
B—January 27, 1864  
M—January 31, 1892  
D—February 22, 1941

(1) NELLIE RUTH CLOYD  
B—February 24, 1895  
M—Lee Foxworthy

ERASTUS SMITH CLOYD  
B—August 30, 1850  
D—November 11, 1927

(2) VALORA LORRAINE CLOYD  
B—April 4, 1912  
M—Clinton Vernon Wagner

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1-3-10.

MARGARET ANNA JAMES  
B—April 3, 1868  
M—August 19, 1891  
D—December 21, 1918

(1) DAVID LEONARD ETNIRE  
B—September 4, 1894  
M—Panay Irene Marks

LOGAN DAVID ETNIRE  
B—January 9, 1868  
D—May 14, 1931

(2) CATHARINE ELIZABETH  
ETNIRE (Kathryn)  
B—March 16, 1897 (Twin)  
B—Oliver Astell

(3) JAMES CLAIR ETNIRE  
(Twin)  
B—March 16, 1897  
M—Ruth Wagner

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#### FOURTH GENERATION

#### FIFTH GENERATION

#### SAMUEL—ELIZABETH

1-1-1-1.

TAYLOR ZACHARIAH LINCOLN  
B—April 26, 1849  
M—March 4, 1869  
D—July 10, 1905

(1) GILBERTIE LINCOLN  
B—February 18, 1870  
M—James Flesher

MILDRED FLORENCE CLOYD  
(Called "Milly")  
B—February 28, 1850  
D—December 21, 1929

(2) LOULA CORAL LINCOLN  
B—June 1, 1873  
M—Jesse A. Swisher

(3) EVA MAY LINCOLN  
B—April 1, 1879  
D—April 13, 1910

(4) RAY LINCOLN  
B—May 20, 1886  
M—Ethel Snow

(5) LEE LINCOLN  
B—July 15, 1894  
D—(Died at birth)

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SAMUEL—POLLY

1-1-3-1.

LILLISE ROSE WOODWARD  
B—September 28, 1856  
M—January 31, 1875  
D—October 27, 1934

(1) HORTENSE GREELEY  
B—January 5, 1876  
M—Wm. Strumpfer

JOHN ELLIS GREELEY  
B—  
D—

2nd Husband

ROSS FRENCH  
B—April 8, 1854  
M—November 30, 1880  
D—March 21, 1939

(2) FLORA FRENCH  
B—June 9, 1882  
M—Lester Swisher

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1-1-3-2.

SYNTHA ADELIA WOODWARD  
B—October 12, 1865  
M—November 19, 1883  
D—November 22, 1937

(1) ALLEN IVAN CRAWFORD  
B—February 9, 1886  
M—September 11, 1922  
M—Gladys Galyean  
B—1892  
D—May 13, 1941  
Re-M—December 17, 1942  
to Myrtle Tufts

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CHARLES LINCOLN CRAWFORD  
B—January 16, 1861  
D—February 2, 1897

SAMUEL—HUGH

1-1-6-1.

DELLORA DELPHINE JAMES  
B—January 28, 1867  
M—1887  
D—1940

(1) GOLDA VIOLA LANDON  
B—September 1888  
M—Samuel C. Shelton

DAVID MILTON LANDON  
B—1863  
D—1941

(2) ARCH CLYDE LANDON  
B—August 1891  
M—Lillian Adams  
2nd Wife—Myrtle Moody

(3) CORINTHA MAY LANDON  
B—May 10, 1894  
M—Lindsey Foreman

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SAMUEL—HUGH

1-1-6-3.

CYNTHIA ELLEN JAMES  
B—November 21, 1870  
D—September 18, 1915  
M—December 11, 1889  
M—Charles Renville  
B—April 11, 1866  
D—January 8, 1843

Re-M—Mary Ann Siddens  
B—February 9, 1871  
D—January 24, 1945

(1) Infant son still born

(2) CECIL EDITH RENVILLE  
B—October 8, 1889  
D—March 26, 1906  
M—January 18, 1906  
M—Joe Larkins

(3) OLLIE HAZEL RENVILLE  
B—December 2, 1891  
M—Elmer Elwood Roberts

(4) BONNIE BELLE RENVILLE  
B—January 25, 1894  
M—Clarence Albert  
Morgason

(5) FORREST WILLIAM RENVILLE  
B—April 7, 1896  
M—Leona Olive Wyatt

(6) BESSIE MAUDE RENVILLE  
B—June 29, 1898  
M—Eugene Herbert  
Thurman

(7) NORA PAULINE RENVILLE  
B—June 11, 1903  
M—Norman Eugene  
McNett

1-1-6-5.

HARLEY WILLIAM JAMES  
B—February 6, 1874  
D—August 2, 1937  
M—October 8, 1902

MINNIE BUSH  
B—September 30, 1883

(1) BLANCHE IRENE JAMES  
B—February 10, 1904  
M—Albert Foster

(2) DELMAR JAMES  
B—January 20, 1908  
M—Elizabeth Ross

(3) PAUL EMERSON JAMES  
B—May 28, 1917  
M—Pauline Crose Dixon

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1-1-6-6.

MALINDA GERTRUDE JAMES  
B—June 30, 1885  
M—August 28, 1904  
D—

CHARLES ALEXANDER  
B—October 14, 1883  
D—

(1) INEZ ROSE ALEXANDER  
B—November 16, 1907  
M—December 30, 1933  
to Albert Henry DeWitt  
B—February 6, 1900

Live at Lima, Ohio

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#### HUGH-ELIZABETH

1-2-2-3.

FRANK EDGAR HALL  
B—October 5, 1865  
M—September 9, 1887  
D—December 11, 1917

MARY PICKFORD MARTIN  
B—January 31, 1866  
D—

(1) ARNOLD BENEDICT HALL  
B—November 18, 1888  
M—Ethyl Doty

(2) HAZEL DORA HALL  
B—January 23, 1890  
D—September 2, 1890

(3) ROSSA VALENTINE HALL  
B—February 14, 1892  
M—Dale Mills

(4) IRMA PEARL HALL  
B—February 8, 1894  
M—Ralph Flesher

- (5) ESTHER IRENE HALL  
B—July 31, 1896  
M—Wm. Reynolds
- (6) ELIZABETH ALTONA HALL  
B—June 9, 1898  
M—Earl Howard  
B—April 17, 1893
- (7) HERBERT GAROLD HALL  
B—August 13, 1900  
D—February 26, 1924
- (8) MARY KATHRYN HALL  
B—December 29, 1901  
M—Leander Lewis
- (9) HAROLD LEWIS HALL  
B—October 1903
- (10) JAMES COLBRETH HALL  
B—December 30, 1905
- (11) CLAIR MARTIN HALL  
B—April 20, 1911  
M—Mary Lois Sellers

1-2-2-4.

HARVEY HALL

B—July 28, 1867

M—

D—September 21, 1946

BELLE REYNOLDS

B—

D—April 16, 1888

2nd Wife

PARTHENA FRANCIS REYNOLDS

B—July 9, 1859

D—March 12, 1908

- (1) RAYMOND REYNOLDS HALL  
B—March 1, 1888  
D—Dec. 10, 1911

1-2-2-5.

ISAAC LILBURN HALL

B—March 16, 1870

M—August 30, 1888

D—April 30, 1945

METTIE LEONA WILLIAMS

B—May 12, 1870

D—December 21, 1938

(1) ZOLA PAULINE HALL

B—June 28, 1891

M—Earl A. Hamilton

(2) GLADYS RUTH HALL

B—July 23, 1893

M—James E. Johnston

(3) IRENE ELIZABETH HALL

B—June 21, 1897

M—John B. Crone

(4) MADELINE PEARL HALL

B—January 3, 1903

M—Wilbur Astell

Re-M—Russell Bacon

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1-2-3-1.

VELLA JAMES

B—September 4, 1866

M—September 14, 1882

D—June 1, 1926

(1) ALMA DALE WILLIAMS

B—April 29, 1886

M—December 24, 1910

M—Van E. Hamilton

B—November 21, 1885

ALBERT WILLIAMS

B—January 30, 1861

D—February 23, 1924

(2) GERNIE LORENZO WILLIAMS

B—July 21, 1887

D—March 24, 1946

M—October 19, 1929

M—Inez Hale Brown

(3) CLYDE OWEN WILLIAMS

B—August 1, 1889



1-2-3-2.

LOURA JAMES

B—May 30, 1868

M—October 10, 1889

D—November 26, 1936

LEWIS WALLACE PRIBBLE

B—June 21, 1863

D—January 23, 1937

(1) ALTONA PRIBBLE

Died in infancy

\* (2) RUSSELL STEVE PRIBBLE

B—April 12, 1891

M—June 17, 1944

M—Mary Elizabeth Smith

B—March 29, 1904

(3) GLENN WOOD PRIBBLE

B—October 10, 1892

M—Edith McIntosh

(4) CLARENCE ALBERT PRIBBLE

B—December 15, 1897

D—May 8, 1922

(5) GLADYS PRIBBLE

B—April 3, 1902

M—Earl Kiser

(6) RUENA PRIBBLE

B—May 19, 1904

M—Clair Kirts

(7) EVANGELINE PRIBBLE

B—January 10, 1906

M—Elwood Biggs

\* Russell Steve Priddle entered the Army Dec. 11, 1917. He was overseas for more than a year in the Argonne and in the Army of Occupation. He was discharged Aug. 19, 1919. Clarice June Smith, daughter of Mary by former marriage, was born Aug. 31, 1931.

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1-2-3-3.

EVA JEANETTE JAMES

B—June 7, 1869

M—March 13, 1895

D—March 22, 1942

(1) CHESTER REYNOLDS

B—

M—Iona McCloud

ELIAS REYNOLDS

B—

D—

2nd Marriage

WILLIS OLAND

B—

D—

3rd Marriage

WILLIAM STEELEY

B—March 10, 1870

D—October 5, 1936

(2) FAUNEIL OLAND

B—September 18, 1913

M—Ford Wilson

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1-2-3-4.

CARRIE DELONA JAMES

B—January 7, 1871

M—

D—September 13, 1940

(1) HARRY LYONS

B—

(2) ROBERT LYONS

B—

GEORGE LYONS

B—

D—July 5, 1930

(3) ERNEST LYONS

B—April 7, 1896

(4) ORPHA LYONS

B—

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HUGH—ADELINE

1-2-4-1.

FAIRY FRENCH

B—November 19, 1866

M—October 10, 1887

D—October 24, 1923

(1) DICIA ABIGAIL SALTS

B—August 31, 1888

M—Donald Porter Crawford

JAMES MONROE SALTS

B—November 9, 1854

D—November 25, 1935

(2) GUY AUGUSTUS SALTS

B—December 24, 1891

M—Bertha Adeline  
O'Connor

1-2-4-2.

WILLIAM FRENCH

B—May 12, 1868

M—December 18, 1894

D—February 22, 1936

\*(1) OWEN FRENCH

B—October 24, 1896

M—Leota Starkweather

MARTHA FLYNN

B—April 7, 1872

D—September 27, 1929

(2) ETHRIDGE C. FRENCH

B—January 28, 1907

M—Mildred Larson

\* Owen left home at the age of 16, saw service with the U. S. Army, and was stationed in the Philippines for a number of years during the World War I.

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HUGH—HARRIET

1-2-6-2.

NELLIE LENORE WOOD

B—May 5, 1875

M—February 15, 1899

D—

(1) LOWELL WOOD WATSON

B—April 18, 1901

D—September 11, 1902

ERNEST MARTIN WATSON

B—January 10, 1875

D—

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1-2-6-4.

GRACE EFFIE WOOD

B—October 24, 1883

M—December 16, 1903

D—

(1) MARY ELIZABETH DAY

B—June 1, 1916

M—November 28, 1937

M—Virgil Riley

CECIL DAY

B—May 16, 1876

D—

1-2-6-5.

LETTIE ETHEL WOOD

B—July 3, 1886

M—February 1, 1907

D—

JAMES ELWOOD ANDERSON

B—November 3, 1885

D—

(1) HARRIET JUANITA ANDERSON

B—April 18, 1908

M—August 4, 1934

M—Hugh Cockman

B—February 19, 1906

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1-2-6-6.

RUSSEL CLARENCE WOOD

B—June 11, 1889

M—November 1, 1914

D—

(1) HARRIET VIRGINIA WOOD

B—July 19, 1916

M—

MAY WHITE

B—May 28, 1890

D—

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1-2-6-7.

DOROTHY LORAIN WOOD

B—August 8, 1892

M—June 28, 1920

D—

(1) GLADYS MARGORIE HILKEY

B—November 8, 1921

M—Chas. Landrum

HERBERT HILKEY

B—August 1890

D—

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DAVID—MARY

1-3-3-1.

NELLIE JEANETTE JAMES

B—August 12, 1872

M—

D—May 2, 1934

(1) JOHN MATHER

B—January 6, 1891

M—Nellie Laffin

JAMES MATHER

B—

D—

(2) ALICE RAE MATHER  
B—March 24, 1893  
M—Hugh Wantland  
D—October 23, 1945

(3) FRIEDA GWENDOLYN  
MATHER  
B—February 13, 1897  
M—January 24, 1914  
M—Marion Allenduff  
D—September 23, 1945

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DAVID—ELIZABETH

1-3-8-1.

NELLIE RUTH CLOYD

B—February 24, 1895

M—January 5, 1916

D—

(1) JAMES A. FOXWORTHY  
B—October 22, 1917  
M—Mary Elizabeth Hamilton

J. LEE FOXWORTHY

2nd Husband

FRANK KOPIS

M—April 15, 1944

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1-3-8-2.

VALORA LORRAINE CLOYD

B—Apr. 4, 1912

M—June 26, 1935

D—

(1) LARRY CLOYD WAGNER  
B—June 2, 1938

CLINTON VERNON WAGNER

B—

D—

DAVID—MARGARET

1-3-10-1.

DAVID LEONARD ETNIRE  
B—September 4, 1894  
M—  
D—April 24, 1947

(1) ILLENE MARIE ETNIRE  
B—April 1, 1922

(2) LEONARD HAROLD ETNIRE  
B—

PANSY IRENE MARKS  
B—  
D—

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1-3-10-2.

CATHERINE ELIZABETH ETNIRE  
B—March 16, 1897  
M—December 2, 1917  
D—

(1) JOHN OLIVER ASTELL  
B—July 4, 1921  
M—Mary Smith  
M—July 20, 1947

OLIVER PALMER ASTELL  
B—March 27, 1896  
D—

(2) CAROLYN LOU ASTELL  
B—August 28, 1927  
M—Lloyd Hickman

(3) CLAIR EUGENE ASTELL  
B—August 25, 1933

(4) RICHARD LEE ASTELL  
B—December 12, 1936

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1-3-10-3.

JAMES CLAIR ETNIRE  
B—March 16, 1897  
M—September 30, 1916  
D—

(1) ROBERT CLAIR ETNIRE  
B—October 28, 1918  
M—Joan Wamsley  
(Eng. War Bride)

(2) MARGARET ANN ETNIRE  
B—November 28, 1921  
M—Robert F. Schroeder

RUTH WAGNER  
B—December 24, 1896  
D—

## FIFTH GENERATION

1-1-1-1-1.

GILBERTIE LINCOLN

B—February 18, 1870

M—July 23, 1890

D—February, 1941

JAMES FLESHER

B—March 5, 1865

D—November 4, 1940

## SIXTH GENERATION

- (1) EARL CLOYD FLESHER  
B—November 19, 1891  
M—
- (2) RALPH LINCOLN FLESHER  
B—May 9, 1893  
M—Erma Hall
- (3) ARCHIE LYNDEN FLESHER  
B—February 20, 1895  
M—
- (4) MILDRED FLORENCE  
FLESHER  
B—May 22, 1897  
M—Clarence Edward  
Brenner  
(See Brenner Genealogy)
- (5) CLIFFORD CARL FLESHER  
B—October 5, 1899  
M—THELMA RATHBUN
- (6) ETHEL MARIE FLESHER  
B—March 3, 1905  
M—Keith Nehrig
- (7) EDNA ALNEA FLESHER  
B—December 5, 1908  
(Lived only 4 days)

1-1-1-1-2.

LOULA CORAL LINCOLN

B—June 1, 1873

M—November 20, 1890

D—

JESSE A. SWISHER

B—

D—April 26, 1944

- (1) LEO MARY SWISHER  
B—April 16, 1893  
M—Alza Allerton Brewer

1-1-1-4.

RAY LINCOLN  
B—May 20, 1886  
M—December 19, 1903  
D—May 21, 1930

(1) LAURESTINE LINCOLN  
B—June 2, 1913

ETHEL SNOW

B—  
D—

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SAMUEL—POLLY—LILLISE

1-1-3-1-1.

HORTENSE GREELEY  
B—January 5, 1876  
M—May 13, 1893  
D—May 13, 1913

(1) EVANGELINE STRUMPFER  
B—December 2, 1899  
M—Lt. Geo. D. Crawford

WILLIAM STRUMPFER  
B—  
D—May 5, 1941

(2) RUPERT STRUMPFER  
B—February 15, 1901  
D—March 13, 1920

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SAMUEL—POLLY—LILLISE

1-1-3-1-2.

FLORA FRENCH  
B—June 9, 1882  
M—December 25, 1907  
D—August 12, 1941

(1) MADGE SWISHER  
B—January 27, 1918  
M—Arthur Dale Lucas

LESTER SWISHER  
B—December 6, 1879  
D—May 15, 1938

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SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA

1-1-6-3-3.

OLLIE HAZEL RENVILLE  
B—December 2, 1891  
M—October 16, 1910  
D—

(1) JAY ELWOOD ROBERTS  
B—September 23, 1911  
M—Bernice Alora Baxter



ELMER ELWOOD ROBERTS  
B—January 11, 1891  
D—

(2) CLAIR RENVILLE ROBERTS  
B—May 1, 1913  
M—Eunice Arlene Grines-  
staff

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1-1-6-3-4.

BONNIE BELLE RENVILLE  
B—January 25, 1894  
M—December 23, 1914  
D—

(1) CHARLES WILLIAM MORGAS-  
SON  
B—October 11, 1915  
M—Mary Imogene Coop-  
rider

CLARENCE ALBERT MORGASON  
B—November 4, 1889  
D—

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1-1-6-3-5.

\*FORREST WILLIAM RENVILLE  
B—April 7, 1896  
M—November 29, 1919

(1) LOU ELLEN RENVILLE  
B—September 28, 1920  
M—Harry B. Lyman

LEONA OLIVE WYATT  
B—December 31, 1896  
D—

\* Forrest served overseas in France in 1918-19 in Co. B-12th.  
Machine Gun Battalion. Then was assigned to the Army of  
Occupation in Germany.

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1-1-6-3-6.

BESSIE MAUDE RENVILLE  
B—June 29, 1898  
M—March 3, 1915  
D—

(1) VERA MAXINE THURMAN  
B—September 10, 1918  
M—Jason Howard McKee

EUGENE HERBERT THURMAN  
B—June 17, 1895  
D—

(2) ROBERT MASON THURMAN  
B—September 23, 1919  
D—Same day

(3) MARJORIE LUCILLE THUR-  
MAN  
B—November 4, 1920  
M—June 21, 1946  
\*M—Karl Joseph Bernhard  
B—June 5, 1912

\* Karl Joseph served in A. A. F. of U. S. A. from April 1943 to Dec.  
10, 1945.

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1-1-6-3-7.

NORA PAULINE RENVILLE  
B—June 11, 1903  
M—July 25, 1921  
D—

\*(1) NORMAN EUGENE Mc-  
NETT JR.  
B—April 4, 1923  
M—Irene Yarbrough

NORMAN EUGENE McNETT  
B—May 25, 1902  
D—

\* Norman Jr. served 2 years, 7 months, 21 days in World War II, in  
Central Europe, Normandy, Northern France, Ardennes, also  
European, African Middle East campaigns. Rating of T-5, and  
received 4 Bronze stars and Good Conduct Medal.

(2) ROSEMARY McNETT  
B—February 8, 1926  
\*M—Clarence Koca Adams

\* Clarence served 52 months in World War II, 17½ months over-  
seas. He was P. F. C. and has the E. A. M. E. Medal—the Vic-  
tory Medal—Service Medal and America Defense Medal.

(3) BETTY LOUISE McNETT  
B—February 13, 1927  
M—March 16, 1943  
\*M—Clayton Fortin

\* Clayton served overseas 2 years in World War II.

SAMUEL—HUGH—DELLORA

1-1-6-1-1.

GOLDA VIOLA LANDON B—September 23, 1888 M—November 29, 1905 D—	(1) LOIS MARGUERITE SHELTON B—January 11, 1907 D—January 3, 1932
SAMUEL CLYDE SHELTON B—March 15, 1883 D—	(2) CHARLOTTE ELLEN SHELTON B—February, 1914 M—Larkin Tyler

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1-1-6-1-2.

ARCH CLYDE LANDON B—August 4, 1891 M—1912 D—September 21, 1948	(1) RAYMOND LANDON B—May, 1913 M—Lucile Whitkins
LILLIAN ADAMS B— D—1918	(2) JOHN PHILIP LANDON B—July, 1916 M—Marian Thompson
2nd Wife MYRTLE MOODY M—1927	(3) LOUIS M. LANDON B—August, 1931

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1-1-6-1-3.

CORINTHA MAY LANDON B—May 10, 1894 M—1912 D—	(1) BERNICE FOREMAN B—May, 1920 M—Dale Castle
LINDSEY FOREMAN B— D—	(2) ROBERT FOREMAN B—July, 1925 M—
	(3) WANDA FOREMAN B—May, 1927 M—

SAMUEL—HUGH—HARLEY

1-1-6-5-1.

BLANCHE IRENE JAMES  
B—February 10, 1904  
M—March 12, 1931  
D—

(1) JAMES LEROY FOSTER  
B—April 10, 1937

(2) RICHARD DEAN FOSTER  
B—March 7, 1944

ALBERT FOSTER  
B—March 22, 1898  
D—

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1-1-6-5-3.

PAUL EMERSON JAMES  
B—May 28, 1917  
M—July 20, 1946  
D—

(1) ROBERT LARRY JAMES  
B—September 23, 1947

PAULINE CROSE DIXON  
B—

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HUGH—ELIZABETH—FRANK

1-2-2-3-1.

ARNOLD BENEDICT HALL  
B—November 18, 1888  
M—December 21, 1910  
D—

(1) ROBERT LEWIS HALL  
B—September 18, 1911  
M—Luella Fritters

ETHYL DOTY  
B—December 8, 1890  
D—June 27, 1928

(2) HELEN PAULINE HALL  
B—July 13, 1914  
D—May 15, 1923

(3) MARY EMILY HALL  
B—September 27, 1917  
M—Archie Greenwood

1-2-2-3-3.

ROSSA VALENTINE HALL  
B—February 14, 1892  
M—  
D—April 11, 1923

DALE MILLS

- (1) MADGE MILLS  
B—December 22, 1913
  - (2) ELIZABETH MILLS  
B—August 21, 1914  
M—November 20, 1940  
M—John Bernadi
  - (3) MAXINE MILLS  
B—February 8, 1918
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1-2-2-3-4.

IRMA PEARL HALL  
B—February 8, 1894  
M—  
D—

RALPH FLESHER  
B—May 9, 1893  
D—

- (1) ELIZABETH FLESHER  
B—October 1, 1918  
M—December 17, 1942  
M—Ivan Wurtsbaugh  
B—December 26, 1911
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1-2-2-3-5.

ESTHER IRENE HALL  
B—July 31, 1896  
M—June 6, 1914  
D—April 25, 1943

WILLIAM REYNOLDS  
B—September 17, 1894  
D—

- (1) PAUL EDWARD REYNOLDS  
B—September 13, 1914  
M—Ethel Rainwater
- (2) ELIZABETH IRENE REYNOLDS  
B—November 15, 1918  
M—Quentin Kiser (Pete)
- (3) RICHARD FRANKLIN REYNOLDS  
B—June 18, 1920  
M—Alyce Alexandra Boltus

- (4) ELINOR JUANITA REYN-  
OLDS  
B—December 21, 1923  
M—January 25, 1947  
M—John Harvey Young  
B—June 11, 1922

John H. Young entered Great Lakes Training Station May 21, 1943. He was afterward transferred to Bainbridge, Md. He then served 2½ years at Davisville, R. I., as Chief Auditor in the office of Welfare and Recreation. He was discharged in April 1946 as 1st Class Petty Officer U. S. N.

He was graduated from Wabash College in June 1948. While there he was on the first teams of both the baseball and basketball squads. He is at present in the Auditing Department of Kiefer Stewart Wholesale Drug Co., Indianapolis.

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1-2-2-3-8.

MARY KATHRYN HALL  
B—December 29, 1901  
M—October 18, 1937  
D—

(1) JANICE LEE LEWIS  
B—October 16, 1938

LEANDER LEWIS  
B—August 8, 1895  
D—

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1-2-2-3-11

CLAIR MARTIN HALL  
B—April 20, 1911  
M—  
D—

(1) JAMES LEE HALL  
B—July 12, 1933

(2) JACKALON HALL  
B—December 19, 1934

MARY LOIS SELLERS  
B—February 25, 1914  
D—

(3) JERRY HALL  
B—September 21, 1936

HUGH—ELIZABETH—ISAAC

1-2-2-5-1.

ZOLA PAULINE HALL  
B—June 28, 1891  
M—June 5, 1909  
D—

(1) PAUL EUGENE HAMILTON  
B—December 25, 1913  
M—Glenna L. Crow

EARL A. HAMILTON  
B—March 11, 1887  
D—

(2) CORRINE HAMILTON  
B—December 31, 1924

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1-2-2-5-2.

GLADYS RUTH HALL  
B—July 23, 1893  
M—October 4, 1926  
D—

(1) JAMES NORWELL JOHNSTON  
B—May 3, 1927

JAMES E. JOHNSTON  
B—August 10, 1891  
D—

(2) ALICE LOUISE JOHNSTON  
B—December 16, 1929

(3) WILLIAM S. JOHNSTON  
B—March 7, 1936

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1-2-2-5-3.

IRENE ELIZABETH HALL  
B—June 21, 1897  
M—August 16, 1917  
D—

(1) JOHN HALL CRONE  
B—May 25, 1918  
M—Iva Lucile Brown

JOHN BLESSING CRONE  
B—July 5, 1894  
D—

(2) ANNA JEAN CRONE  
B—March 15, 1921  
M—Herbert Park Hunter

(3) BOYD MACKSON CRONE  
B—June 8, 1922  
M—Virginia Smith

1-2-2-5-4.

MADLINE PEARL HALL  
B—January 3, 1903  
M—March 29, 1926  
D—

(1) DONALD E. ASTELL  
B—February 17, 1933

WILBUR ASTELL  
Re-M—Russell Bacon

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HUGH—SAMUEL—LOURA

1-2-3-2-3.

GLENN WOOD PRIBBLE  
B—October 10, 1892  
M—February 17, 1921  
D—

(1) MADGE PRIBBLE  
B—December 17, 1921  
M—Charles Barnhart

EDITH McINTOSH  
B—October 14, 1892  
D—

(2) MARJORIE PRIBBLE  
B—June, 1923

Glenn Pribble entered the Armed Forces in World War I on June 15, 1918. He was discharged March 17, 1919.

Marjorie Pribble completed her course as Graduate Nurse at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Ind., in 1944. She entered the Army February 22, 1945; was discharged March 25, 1946, as 1st Lieutenant A. N. C. She is now in St. Francis College since September 1947.

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1-2-3-2-5.

GLADYS PRIBBLE  
B—April 3, 1902  
M—1939  
D—

(1) GARY LEE KISER  
B—November 10, 1943

EARL KISER  
B—  
D—



1-2-3-2-6.

RUENA PRIBBLE

B—May 19, 1904

M—May 12, 1921

D—

(1) JAMES KIRTS  
B—1923

(2) WM. LEWIS KIRTS  
B—1924

CLAIR KIRTS

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HUGH—SAMUEL—EVA

1-2-3-3-1.

CHESTER REYNOLDS

B—

M—September 24, 1922

D—

(1) JAMES REYNOLDS

(2) SAM REYNOLDS

(3) FAITH REYNOLDS

(4) DOROTHY REYNOLDS

(5) RICHARD REYNOLDS

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1-2-3-3-2.

FAUNEIL OLAND

B—September 18, 1913

M—

D—

(1) DOROTHY FAUNEIL WILSON  
B—November 27, 1934

(2) LE ANNA WILSON  
B—September 18, 1936

FORD WILSON

B—

D—

(3) THOMAS HENRY WILSON  
B—April 7, 1938

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HUGH—ADELINE—FAIRY

1-2-4-1-1.

DICIA ABIGAIL SALTS

B—August 31, 1888

M—December 31, 1915

D—

(1) DONALD PORTER CRAW-  
FORD II  
B—September 4, 1916  
M—Lyell Elaine Smith

DONALD PORTER CRAWFORD

B—October 30, 1882

D—May 23, 1936

(2) MARGUERITE CRAWFORD  
B—April 23, 1918  
M—February 16, 1947  
M—Max Vaughn Whitten

1-2-4-1-2.

GUY AUGUSTUS SALTS

B—December 24, 1891

M—June 19, 1912

D—

(1) MARY ADELINE SALTS

B—March 28, 1913

M—Robert Elmer Town-  
send

BERTHA ADELINE O'CONNER

B—February 19, 1895

D—

(2) FRED MONROE SALTS

B—October 23, 1914

M—November 10, 1934

M—Dorothy Irene Rick-  
ets

B—April 30, 1908

(3) THOMAS WILLIAM SALTS

B—November 20, 1921

M—Mary Eleanor Cates

(4) JOYCE ALEASE SALTS

B—November 20, 1930

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HUGH—ADELINE—WILLIAM

1-2-4-2-2.

ETHERIDGE C. FRENCH

B—January 28, 1907

M—June 23, 1929

D—

(1) ELOISE FRENCH

B—June 19, 1930

M—

MILDRED LARSON

B—January 28, 1907

D—

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HUGH—HARRIET—DOROTHY

1-2-6-7-1.

GLADYS MARJORIE HILKEY

B—November 8, 1921

M—

D—

(1) LINDA SUE LANDRUM

B—March 4, 1946

(2) ROBERT CHARLES LANDRUM

B—November 11, 1948

CHARLES LANDRUM

B—

D—

DAVID—MARY—CHARLES

1-3-3-1-1.

PAUL E. CLAWSON  
B—September 25, 1898  
M—February 5, 1929  
D—

(1) MARIANNA CLAWSON  
B—August 13, 1930  
M—November 22, 1948  
M—Richard Brown

GLADYS WEIGLE  
B—April 15, 1898

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DAVID—JOHN—NELLIE

1-3-4-1-1.

JOHN MATHER  
B—January 6, 1891  
M—December 21, 1911  
D—

(1) JAMES MATHER  
B—October 23, 1912  
M—Rachael Rehling

NELLIE LAFFIN  
B—March 20, 1891  
D—

(2) GWENDOLYN ELIZABETH  
MATHER  
B—November 26, 1913  
M—Edgar Smith

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1-3-4-1-2.

ALICE RAE MATHER  
B—March 24, 1893  
M—  
D—October 23, 1945

(1) GEORGIA MAY WANTLAND  
B—July 23, 1912  
M—

HUGH WANTLAND

(2) HUGH REED WANTLAND  
B—December 11, 1922  
M—

Infants dead

J. DEAN  
B—December 1, 1925  
MIRA JANE WANTLAND

1-3-4-1-3.

FRIEDA GWENDOLYN MATHER

B—February 13, 1897

M—January 24, 1914

D—

(1) MARY ELIZABETH ALLEN-  
DUFF

B—August 10, 1915

M—September 29, 1934

M—Alton Richie

MARION ALLENDUFF

B—April 12, 1891

D—September 23, 1945

Re-M—January 26, 1949

M—

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DAVID—MARGARET—CATHERINE

1-3-10-2-2.

CAROLYN LEE ASTELL

B—July 28, 1927

M—August 18, 1945

D—

(1) HAROLD LOYD HICKMAN

B—September 2, 1947

LLOYD HICKMAN

B—April 24, 1925

D—

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DAVID—MARGARET—JAMES

1-3-10-3-1.

ROBERT CLAIR ETNIRE

B—October 28, 1918

D—

M—Joan Wamsley

B—November 25, 1924

(1) MICHAEL CLAIR ETNIRE

B—June 12, 1945

(2) GOEFFREY CLAIR ETNIRE

B—April, 1948

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1-3-10-3-2.

MARGARET ANN ETNIRE

B—November 28, 1921

D—

M—April 10, 1943

M—Robert F. Schroeder

B—August 13, 1920

(1) JAMES CARL SCHROEDER

B—June 18, 1944

(2) DAVID PAUL SCHROEDER

B—November 8, 1948

## SIXTH GENERATION

## SEVENTH GENERATION

SAMUEL—ELIZABETH—TAYLOR—CORAL

1-1-1-1-2-1.

LEO MARY SWISHER  
 B—April 16, 1893  
 M—August 29, 1914  
 D—

ALZA ALLERTON BREWER  
 B—  
 D—

(1) MARTHA CORAL BREWER  
 B—June 25, 1916  
 M—Paul Sigrist

(2) MARY JANE BREWER  
 B—February 25, 1922  
 M—Paul Francis Kruyer

(3) JOHN ALZA BREWER  
 B—May 31, 1925

SAMUEL—POLLY—LILLISE—FLORA

1-1-3-1-2-1.

MADGE SWISHER  
 B—January 27, 1918  
 M—June 27, 1945  
 D—

ARTHUR DALE LUCAS  
 B—May 5, 1918  
 D—

(1) ROBERT DALE LUCAS  
 B—January 30, 1947

SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA—OLLIE

1-1-6-3-3-1.

JAY ELWOOD ROBERTS  
 B—September 23, 1911  
 M—March 28, 1929  
 D—

BERNICE ALORA BAXTER  
 B—August 1, 1912  
 D—

(1) PATRICIA ANN ROBERTS  
 B—April 28, 1930

(2) JAMES ELWOOD ROBERTS  
 B—October 13, 1932

SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA—BONNIE

1-1-6-3-4-1.

CHARLES WILLIAM MORGASON

B—October 11, 1915

M—December 16, 1938

D—

(1) JANE MORGASON (“Janie”)

B—March 14, 1949

at Terre Haute, Ind.

MARY IMOGENE COOPRIDER

B—August 27, 1915

D—

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SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA—FORREST

1-1-6-3-5-1.

LOU ELLEN RENVILLE

B—September 28, 1920

M—January 1, 1944

D—

(1) GEORGE EDWIN LYMAN II

B—January 9, 1946

HARRY B. LYMAN

B—July 18, 1921

D—

He served 5 years in U. S. Navy during World War II.

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SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA—BESSIE

1-1-6-3-6-1.

VERA MAXINE THURMAN

B—September 10, 1918

M—March 15, 1946

D—

(1) KIMMY KAY McKEE

B—November 30, 1946

(2) BONNIE LEE McKEE

B—April 8, 1948

JASON HOWARD McKEE

B—October 26, 1915

D—

SAMUEL—HUGH—CYNTHIA—NORA

1-1-6-3-7-1.

NORMAN EUGENE McNETT II	(1) JUDITH ANN McNETT
B—April 4, 1923	
M—February 5, 1943	(2) JOAN MARIE McNETT
D—	Twins
	B—September 24, 1946

IRENE YARBROUGH  
B—April 19, 1920  
D—

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1-1-6-3-7-2.

ROSEMARY McNETT	(1) LINDA LOUISE ADAMS
B—February 8, 1926	B—March 17, 1946
M—June 10, 1945	
D—	(2) RICHARD EUGENE ADAMS
	B—June 18, 1947

CLARENCE KOCA ADAMS  
B—February 24, 1917

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1-1-6-3-7-3.

BETTY LOUISE McNETT	(1) FORREST EUGENE FORTIN
B—February 13, 1927	B—January 28, 1944
M—March 16, 1943	
D—	(2) CYNTHIA ELLEN FORTIN
	B—March 22, 1947

CLAYTON FORTIN

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SAMUEL—HUGH—DELLORA—CHARLOTTE

1-1-6-1-1-2.

CHARLOTTE ELLEN SHELTON	(1) JOYCE MARGUERITE TYLER
B—February, 1914	B—July 29, 1933
M—1932	
D—	(2) VIRGINIA RUTH TYLER
	B—August 18, 1936

LARKIN TYLER  
B—  
D—

	(3) JUDITH ARLENE TYLER
	B—May 5, 1941

(4) LARRY KEITH TYLER  
B—October 15, 1943

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SAMUEL—HUGH—DELLORA—ARCH

1-1-6-1-2-2.

JOHN PHILIP LANDON  
B—July, 1916  
M—1936  
D—

(1) GARTH LANDON  
B—June, 1938  
M—

MARIAN THAMPSON  
B—  
D—

(2) KARREN LANDON  
B—  
M—

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SAMUEL—HUGH—DELLORA—CORINTHA

1-1-6-1-3-1.

BERNICE FOREMAN  
B—May, 1920  
M—1940  
D—

(1) DALE CASTLE JR.  
B—1942  
M—

DALE CASTLE  
B—  
D—

(2) LINDSEY CASTLE  
B—1946  
M—

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HUGH—ELIZABETH—FRANK—ARNOLD

1-2-2-3-1-1.

ROBERT LEWIS HALL  
B—September 18, 1911  
M—June, 1941  
D—

(1) BENNY LOUIS HALL  
B—February 26, 1943

LUELLA FRITTERS  
B—August 9, 1913  
D—

(2) LARRY WAYNE HALL  
August 14, 1945



1-2-2-3-1-3.

MARY EMILY HALL  
B—September 27, 1916  
M—December 24, 1937  
D—

(1) JOHNNY LEE GREENWOOD  
B—July 21, 1942

(2) JAMES ROBERT GREENWOOD  
B—August 2, 1944

ARCHIE GREENWOOD  
B—September 17, 1912  
D—

(3) THOMAS REX GREENWOOD  
B—November 15, 1947

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HUGH—ELIZABETH—ISAAC—ZOLA

1-2-2-5-1-1.

PAUL EUGENE HAMILTON  
B—December 25, 1913  
M—October 8, 1938  
D—

(1) LAYNA LORAIN HAMILTON  
B—April 18, 1942

(2) PHILLIP E. HAMILTON  
B—May 8, 1946

GLENNA L. CROW  
B—January 25, 1916  
D—

(3) GRETCHEN L. HAMILTON  
B—November 15, 1948

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HUGH—ELIZABETH—ISAAC—IRENE

1-2-2-5-3-1.

JOHN HALL CRONE  
B—May 25, 1918  
M—September 3, 1942  
D—

(1) NANCY JEANETTE CRONE  
B—April 2, 1948

IVA LUCILE BROWN  
B—January 23, 1923  
D—

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1-2-2-5-3-2.

ANNA JEAN CRONE  
B—March 15, 1921  
M—June 4, 1941  
D—

(1) JOHN PARK HUNTER  
B—May 22, 1943

HERBERT PARK HUNTER  
B—February 23, 1919  
D—

(2) HERBERT BENJAMIN  
HUNTER  
B—August 6, 1946

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1-2-2-5-3-3.

BOYD MACKSTON CRONE  
B—June 8, 1922  
M—September 27, 1942  
D—

(1) RONALD MACKSTON CRONE  
B—May 17, 1944

(2) CAROL JEAN CRONE  
B—July 15, 1945

VIRGINIA SMITH  
B—December 28, 1921  
D—

(3) WM. BOYD CRONE  
B—November 15, 1947

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HUGH—SAMUEL—LOURA—GLENN

1-2-3-2-3-1.

MADGE PRIBBLE  
B—December 17, 1921  
M—October 18, 1945  
D—

(1) MARILYN KAY BARNHART  
B—November 7, 1946

CHARLES BARNHART

Madge completed her course as Graduate Nurse from St. Elizabeth Hospital, Lafayette, Ind., in 1943.

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HUGH—ADELINE—FAIRY—DICIA

1-2-4-1-1-1.

DONALD PORTER CRAWFORD II  
B—September 4, 1916  
M—February 6, 1946  
D—

(1) LYNN CARY CRAWFORD  
B—December 27, 1946

(2) GAIL ANN CRAWFORD  
B—July 23, 1948

LYELL ELAINE SMITH  
B—March 11, 1926  
D—

## SIXTH GENERATION

1-2-4-1-2-1.

MARY ADELINE SALTS  
B—March 28, 1913  
M—October 6, 1932

ROBERT ELMER TOWNSEND  
B—November 26, 1904

## SEVENTH GENERATION

- (1) ROBERTA ELLEEA TOWNSEND  
B—December 21, 1933
- (2) BERTHA JEAN TOWNSEND  
B—December 12, 1934
- (3) FREDERICK LEE TOWNSEND  
B—January 7, 1936
- (4) PATRICIA JOAN TOWNSEND  
B—February 27, 1937
- (5) PEGGY EARLEAN TOWNSEND  
B—February 3, 1938
- (6) JACZULIN KAY TOWNSEND  
B—February 23, 1939
- (7) ALYS DARLENE TOWNSEND  
B—February 18, 1940
- (8) JANICE MARLINE TOWNSEND  
B—March 20, 1941
- (9) WILLIAM WAYNE TOWNSEND  
B—July 27, 1942
- (10) LOIS JANE TOWNSEND  
B—May 3, 1946
- (11) RICHARD JOE TOWNSEND  
B—January 13, 1948

1-2-4-1-2-3.

THOMAS WILLIAM SALTS  
B—November 20, 1921  
M—January 3, 1942  
D—

(1) THOMAS LEE SALTS  
B—November 17, 1946

MARY ELEANOR CATES  
B—June 22, 1923

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DAVID—JOHN—NELLIE—JOHN

1-3-4-1-1-1.

JAMES MATHER  
B—October 23, 1912  
D—  
M—July 19, 1935  
M—Rachael Rehling  
B—

(1) MALINDA LOU MATHER  
  
(2) MELINDA SUE MATHER  
Twins  
B—February 11, 1939  
D—Died infants

(3) DEBORAH GWENDOLYN  
MATHER  
B—February 27, 1946

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1-3-4-1-1-2.

GWENDOLYN ELIZABETH  
MATHER  
B—November 26, 1913  
M—December 1, 1934  
D—

(1) DONNA JOYCE SMITH  
B—August 21, 1937

(2) CANDRA SUE SMITH  
B—August 17, 1945

EDGAR SMITH  
B—

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DAVID—JOHN—NELLIE—FRIEDA

1-3-4-1-3-1.

MARY ELIZABETH ALLENDUFF  
B—August 10, 1915  
M—September 29, 1934  
D—

(1) MONA RITCHIE  
B—

(2) JUDY RITCHIE  
B—

ALTON RITCHIE

SEVENTH GENERATION

EIGHTH GENERATION

SAMUEL—ELIZABETH—TAYLOR—CORAL—LEO

1-1-1-1-2-1-2.

MARY JANE BREWER

B—February 25, 1922

M—July 11, 1942

D—

(1) PAULA JANE KRUYER

B—January 17, 1949

PAUL FRANCIS KRUYER

B—

D—

Live at 1102 Roosevelt St., South Bend, Ind.

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Just a common regular get-together of the "Brenner-James Boys" to test out one of the good dinners.

## No. 1-2 Hugh James—Eliza Starkey

The following obituary appeared in the West Lebanon Gazette a few days after January 27, 1898, the date of "Grandma" Starkey James' death:

"Mrs. Eliza James (nee Starkey) died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. H. Salts, in Steuben Township, on last Thursday, of general debility coupled with old age.

The deceased was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, June 11, 1858. She came to Warren County when 13 years of age and was an esteemed resident of the vicinity for nearly seventy years.

She leaves four daughters and one son to mourn her loss, all of whom are past forty years of age, and attended her funeral. They are Mrs. J. F. Wood, Mrs. J. C. Hall, T. H. Salts and Mrs. S. E. French, all of this county, and Wesley James of Alvin, Ill. Her other children had preceded her to the great beyond.

At an early age she united with the Christian Church under the ministry of Dr. Hall, and ever remained a faithful and consistent member until her death.

Funeral services were held at the residence of T. H. Salts, Friday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. A. Mavity, after which the remains were laid for their long sleep in the Wood Cemetery, four miles south of town."

### No. 1-1-1 Elizabeth James

#### No. 1-1-1-0 James Harvey Lincoln

#### No. 1-1-0 Simon Weidenhammer

She was born January 7, 1828, in Muskingum County, Ohio, near Zanesville. Her parents came to Indiana when she was six months old.

She united with the Christian Church as a young girl and remained a faithful attendant throughout her life.

On December 9, 1847, at the age of 19, she was married to J. Harvey Lincoln, who had been born February 12, 1820. He died August 20, 1864, survived by their three children, Taylor, Wallace, and Ella May.

She was then united in marriage to Simon Weidenhammer on November 16, 1868.

Simon was born in Berks County, Pa., August 13, 1837. In his young manhood he came to Indiana to follow the life of a farmer.

After his marriage to Elizabeth, they made their home on The Barrens for 36 years. After her death he made his home in Williamsport, Ind.

In 1916 he entered the Elks' National Home at Bedford, Va., where he spent his last 10 years.

During their life on The Barrens, he was one of the best known farmers of the neighborhood. They lived on what was later known as the George O. Crawford farm.

**No. 1-1-3 Mary (Polly) James—George Washington Woodward**

**No. 1-1-3-0 Dr. J. C. Stewart**

She was born March 3, 1836, on "The Barrens" in Warren Co., Ind. There she received a pioneer education and at the age of 16 she joined the Christian Church at West Lebanon under the pastorate of Reverend Shockey.

To that church she maintained a vigorous faithfulness which provided an attractive example to the two or three generations of associates who knew her. In her late years she was a great sufferer from rheumatism so she could not attend church, but maintained a regular course in Bible study at home, keeping in touch with the Adult Bible Class.

She was married March 5, 1854, to George W. Woodward. To this union were born two daughters, Lillise Rose and Snytha Adelia. Her husband died August 11, 1874.

She was again united in marriage to Dr. J. C. Stewart. To that union was born one daughter, Mary Pearl.

**No. 1-1-6-5 Harley William James—Minnie Bush**

He was born February 6, 1874, in a family of farmers, and grew up as a normal Warren County farmer boy in the lush "corn and hog" section.

Minnie was born September 30, 1883, near Huron, South Dakota, where she started in the Country School. She still remembers the time the scholars and teacher were marooned there all night by one of the famous "Dakota Blizzards."

Her family later moved to Illinois and from thence on to the prairie section of Warren County, Ind., north of where the town of Pence later sprang up.

Her father, as the head of a large family was accustomed to the then national grange habit of hitching a team to a hay wagon and taking his family and all the near neighbors to fairs and different celebrations of one sort or another.

The couple were married October 8, 1902, and moved into a new house which Harley had built on his 62½ acres south of Pence, which had been started by Frank Pence the year before.

There they lived until his death, August 2, 1937, and there she still makes her home. He is buried in the Jordan Cemetery.

As a family, they were all active in all the various branches of church work.

No. 1-2-7 Emmaline Davis—Tillman Howard Salts (called Luke)

She was born April 7, 1857, on the Barrens near the Wabash River. Being small of stature as a youngster, lithe and wiry and vibrant with energy, she was quite a "spark-plug" in all the youngsters' activities in the Township Grade Schools in that area.

As a young lady she became one of the most graceful and radiant performers in the Virginia Reel and other square dances with which a large number of the Barrens families enlivened their social occasions.

Her most outstanding characteristic all through her life was her sunshine and cheerful disposition. She radiated a smile everywhere she went, and if she could bring a bit of joy into any person's heart, it made her happy. She loved people, loved to have them around her, and enjoyed seeing their hearts remain young.

She, being a 7th child, married a 7th child as a singular coincidence. "Luke" was the 7th child of William Salts and Eliza Ann (Clem) Salts, also of the Steuben Township section of the Wabash Valley. He was born August 2, 1856.

After their marriage on April 27, 1877, the young couple started farming, partly in the fertile "river bottom" land, where the Wabash in its rampaging floods would often destroy a crop after it was well along, and partly in the uplands of the "Riverside" section near the Opossum Run area.

"Luke" discovered on his farm a vein of good, choice semi-block coal, which, according to Indiana geology surveys, is an outcrop that has been traced from near the Ohio River in Dubois and Pike Counties to the Middle of Warren County. These veins run from 2 to 3½ feet thick.

He then built some miners homes to house the families of the men he hired who knew that profession, while he operated the farm.

The couple, together with their daughter, Opal Kathryn, joined the Christian Church in 1903. "Luke" was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Order of Redmen, and they were both members of the Eastern Star.

They left the farm in 1906 and moved to West Lebanon.

Then in 1909 they moved to Fairmount, Indiana, and shortly afterward moved to a farm they had purchased near Leiter's Ford in Fulton County. There "Luke" died January 11, 1913. Emma then lived part time on her farm and partly with her daughter, Opal Brenner, in Brooklyn.

But she never could learn to like Brooklyn. Her remark was—"There are some fine people there, but it is no place to live, especially after a taste of the Old Hoosier State."

She died February 1, 1921, and both graves are in the West Lebanon cemetery.



**No. 1-2-4-2 William French—Martha Flynn**

He was born May 12, 1868, in Warren County, Indiana. Started married life on a farm near Pence, which he later sold; and bought a grocery store in Pence, which he operated for some time. He then sold the store and took over the managership of a lumber company there.

In 1908 the family moved with their two children to a farm north of the famous old Tippecanoe Battle Ground near Lafayette where Gen. William Henry Harrison defeated Tecumseh—The Shawnee Prophet—and his Miami Confederation of redskin tribes.

William farmed there a year, then moved to Lafayette and took employment with the Sanitary Basket Co. In 1914 he left there and went with the Ross Gear and Tool Co., as a machinist, where he worked until his death.

He was a faithful and devout member of the St. Paul Methodist Church, vigorous and active in all its affairs.

Martha was the youngest of six girls born to Michael Flynn and Amanda Poe, she lived most of her life until her marriage in and around Warren County.

**No. 1-1-6-5-3 Paul Emerson James—Pauline Crose Dixon**

He was born May 28, 1917, on the farm south of Pence, Indiana. He was graduated from the Williamsport High School and then learned the carpenter trade.

He entered the Military Service in 1941 and served four years overseas in New Guinea and Japan.

He returned home in October 1945. He and Pauline were married July 20, 1946. They now live in Hoopeston, Illinois, where he is still engaged in the carpenter business.

**No. 1-2-4-2-1 Owen French—Leota Starkweather**

Born October 24, 1896.

Married first to Leota Starkweather to which union one daughter, Joyce was born. Two daughters, Elaine and Patricia were born to a second marriage.

Owen left home at the age of sixteen, saw service with the United States Army and was stationed in the Philippines for a number of years during the first world war.

**No. 1-2-4-2-2 Ethridge C. French—Mildred Larson**

He was born January 28, 1907, at Pence, Indiana. When a year old his family moved to a farm north of Battle Ground near Lafayette.

He was graduated from the Centennial School after which he was employed at the Ross Gear & Tool Works. He later learned the refrigeration and air conditioning business and is at present a member of the Refrigeration Sales and Service Co. of Lafayette.

As a youth he was a member of DeMolay and is now a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Mildred was born February 3, 1908, at Lafayette, eldest of five children of Victor J. Larson, formerly in the plumbing business there.

She was graduated from the Jefferson High School of Lafayette, and is now Cashier and Bookkeeper at Newmark's Drive-In Grocery in that city.

Their daughter, Eloise, is a graduate of Jefferson High School, now employed at the Telephone Company. Their address is 819 Union Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

#### No. 1-1-3-1-2-1 Madge J. Swisher—Arthur Dale Lucas

She was born January 27, 1919, in Warren County, Indiana. She was graduated from the Williamsport High School in the class of 1935. She then completed the course at the Sommers College of Cosmetology at Danville, Illinois.

She is a member of Beta Beta Lambda, a beauticians' Sorority; also a member of the National Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association.

She belongs to the Williamsport Christian Church, to the Pythian Lodge, and the Lincoln Temple.

She worked as beautician in Williamsport for 10 years, and as hair stylist in Indianapolis for one year. This is another important profession developed in this generation. Our grandmothers would have scorned the idea of going to a Beauty Parlor for a permanent wave or shampoo. But today it is a "must" to give one "morale" and considered good grooming to have it done professionally. It is now as much a profession for men also, as women.

Arthur was born May 5, 1918, in Warren County, Indiana. He was graduated from the Williamsport High School in the class of 1938, after which he finished at Central College, Indianapolis.

He entered the U. S. Army in 1941 and spent 4 years in the Signal Corps. He received his honorable discharge with the rank of Sergeant at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., November 29, 1945. He is now employed as district plant clerk with the Indiana Association Telephone Corporation at Lafayette.

He is a member of the Williamsport Christian Church and the Fall Lodge Knights of Pythias.

#### No. 1-1-6-3-3-2 Clair Renville Roberts—Eunice Arlene Grinestaff

He entered the Military Service on January 27, 1944. He took his Infantry training at Camp Blanding, Fla., from February 24 to June 24. While there he was awarded the sharp-shooter medal in the rifle class.

He landed in Southern Italy August 13, 1944. One month later

he was sent to Southern France with Company G, 141st Infantry, in the 7th Army.

He was wounded December 2, 1944, losing one eye. After 7 months in the hospital he received his Disability Discharge July 3, 1945.

He was decorated with the Purple Heart and the Infantry Combat Badge with 3 Battle Stars.

**No. 1-1-6-3-4-1 Charles William Morganson—  
Mary Imogene Coopridner**

He entered the Military Service June 1, 1943. Left the States in June 1944 for Overseas Service in the 8th Air Force, 486th Bombing Group, Bomb Squadron No. 834.

He completed his 35 missions on a B-17, then returned to New York from London on May 24, 1945. He was sent to Florida for a two weeks rest, thence to Camp Atterbury, Indiana, where he received his honorable discharge in June 1945.

After his return he again entered Indiana State College at Terre Haute and received his B. S. degree on June 8, 1947. He is now working on his Master's degree and teaching shop work. He is "Dean" of the boys.

Mary Imogene was reared at Clay City and has been a real "help-meet" for her soldier husband. They have one child, "Janie," born March 14, 1949. They live in Terre Haute in a new, modern brick structure, Charles having done most of the work himself.

**No. 1-1-3-1-1-2 Rupert Strumpher**

Although this young man, born February 15, 1901, died March 13, 1920, lived only nineteen years, a human interest event happened in his life when he was eight years old.

On September 4, 1909, a big Odd Fellows Picnic was held at Williamsport, Indiana. Large delegations with their brass bands attended from West Lebanon, Pence, Boswell and surrounding towns.

At 10:30 the parade moved through town to the grove near the south end for the big dinner and the oratory from the speakers stand afterward.

Then came the inevitable ball game between "Williamsport" and "Boswell"—the best of the West Lebanon boys being chosen by Williamsport for the day, which "good neighbors" alliance proved to be the winning combination.

Then at 5:00 o'clock came the event, without which, in those days, no Fair nor big Picnic could claim distinction—the balloon ascension and parachute jump.

The balloon was inflated, the aeronaut climbed into the basket, gave the word and the big gas bag shot into the air. Then the crowd was horrified to see a loop in the rope catch the foot of this Strumpher lad and jerk him upward by one leg with his head hanging downward.

The aeronaut saw it immediately, pulled the boy up by the rope and placed him in his lap. As the parachute would not sustain the extra weight of the boy, the chutist didn't dare cut loose, but gradually came down with the big bag on the site of the old Court House.

He stated that when they had risen about 1000 feet the lad remarked, "Hey, Cap, haven't we gone up about far enough?"

At the time the balloon took off, a team became frightened and turned a carriage upside down, spilling out a load of occupants.

His life was cut short by the dread disease of tuberculosis and he died in a hospital in Chicago, Ill., and funeral services were conducted at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ross French, in West Lebanon, Ind., followed by interment in the West Lebanon cemetery.

One sister, Eva S. Crawford, who lives in California, survives.

#### No. 1-2-2-5-3 Irene Hall—John B. Crone

I was the third daughter of Mettie Williams and Isaac Hall, born in West Lebanon the 21st of June, 1897. Grew up here, answered to the name of Irene or "Fatty." Went to school winters and worked in the store summers. Finished High School and took a teaching course at Winona Normal and taught in Mound and Kent Townships.

Married John B. Crone August 16, 1917. The War was on then and we set to housekeeping in Gettysburg, Pa., where his Division was being organized. Later moved to Charlotte, N. C. When the troops went to France I came back to West Lebanon to start raising our family.

Our first, J. Hall, was born May 25, 1918. "Warren County's first war baby," and as J. B. did not get back until August, 1919, Anna Jean, our second was delayed until March 17, 1921. We were farming by then, living on J. B.'s father's place west of town. Anna Jean and Boyd were both born there, Boyd coming along June 8, 1922.

We bought our place north of West Lebanon in 1935. It had been in J. B.'s mother's family ever since they received their land patent from the government.

The children grew up so fast we didn't get to live there long. The 2nd World War came on and J. Hall and J. B. went into the army and I began camping again. J. Hall got to Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines, and Okinawa, and back safe. J. B. and I spent the next 3½ years in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Illinois, and finally came back to West Lebanon to make our home where the children are farming and bringing up their families.

## Conclusion

We, the Editors, have endeavored to bring you this brief sketch, in order that the line of descent might be comprehended with a greater degree of clarity and understanding. We have spared neither time nor effort to trace these lines; wherever we had a lead to follow, sometimes traveling many miles to interview some individual, or to procure dates from a cemetery. If we have said more about some than others, it was because we knew more, or received a greater response from those contacted. If we have left some out entirely, it was not intentionally, and of course, there is bound to be mistakes in an undertaking as big as this; but we have tried hard to make it as accurate as possible. We are grateful to each and everyone who has contributed and co-operated in any way, either financially or materially.

For the typing we are indebted to—Clarence's office girl, Mary Lou Kennedy; Dicia Crawford; Chorine Stephenson; Ruth Fleming; two or three typists in New Rochelle; Mable Zufall; Betty Brenner; Rosemary Brenner; Dorothy B. Thomas, and Rae Fleming.

Material, data and letters have flown back and forth from New Rochelle to Williamsport so fast and furiously that often we did not take time to sign our names, and the salutation—only some pet name we would happen to seize, on the spur of the moment. The ones that seemed to stick were: "PAL GAL" and "CHUMBO" (chum-beau).

We have been proud to record the many achievements of such a fine family, and it has been a joy to note the sincere religious tendency throughout the whole line of descent. May it grow more fervent in the present and future generations, that we may be worthy of such noble ancestry.

We are grateful to Monta and Clarence for their help, and Rae and Opal need to be especially commended for their understanding and co-operation. They have been *wonderful* throughout the entire procedure. In the beginning we only meant to use the "FAMILY REGISTER," but as we progressed, we wanted to expand with "Life Stories" to show the development of the times, and so it grew into quite a volume.

It has been said that "WE ARE WHAT WE ARE, BECAUSE OF WHAT WE HAVE BEEN. LIFE RENDERS HONEST RETURNS." And so it is, truly we are a part of all we have met, and of what has gone before. We owe much to those who have suffered and sacrificed for our present and future.

Therefore as we conclude this strenuous, but pleasant task, we do hope that you will like it, and be as proud of it as we are, for it is, in reality: "A dream come true," and again we say—"THANK YOU!"

“If you sit down at set of sun  
And count the acts that you have done,  
And, counting, find  
One self-denying deed, one word  
That eased the heart of him who heard—  
One glance most kind  
That fell like sunshine, where it went—  
Then you may count the day well spent.”

(UNKNOWN).

“CHUM-BO MICKEY”—Allen Lewis Brenner

“PAL GAL PATTY”—Bertha Ann Brenner—Fleming





Our best wishes to your and yours—"Pal Gal" and "Chumbo."

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Reynolds	Richard	6	122315	247
Reynolds	Richard Franklin	6	122353	243
Reynolds	Sam	6	122312	247
Reynolds	William	5	122350	229-243
Richie	Alton	6	1341310	250-258
Richie	Judy	7	1331312	258
Richie	Mona	7	1331311	258
Rickets	Dorothy Irene	6	1241220	248
Riley	Virgil	5	126410	233
Roberts	Clair Renville	6	116332	239-264
Roberts	Elmer Elwood	5	116330	227-239
Roberts	James Elwood	7	1163312	251
Roberts	Jay Elwood	6	116331	238-251
Roberts	Patricia Ann	7	1163311	251
Ross	Elizabeth	5	116520	228
Salts	Dicia Abigail	5	12411	232-247
Salts	Fred Monroe	6	124122	248
Salts	Garland Owen	4	1273	223
Salts	Guy Augustus	5	12412	232-248
Salts	James Monroe	4	12410	222-232
Salts	Joyce Alease	6	124124	248
Salts	Mary Adeline	6	124121	248-257
Salts	Opal Kathryn	4	1272	223
Salts	Thomas Lee	7	1241231	258
Salts	Thomas William	6	124123	248-258
Salts	Tillman Howard (Luke)	3	1270	218-223-262
Schlosser	Mary	3	1160	217-220
Schroeder	David Paul	6	13-10-322	250
Schroeder	James Carl	6	13-10-321	250
Schroeder	Robert F.	5	13-10-320	236-250
Sellers	Mary Lois	5	1223-11-0	229-244
Shelton	Charlotte	6	116112	241-253
Shelton	Lois	6	116111	241
Shelton	Samuel C.	5	116110	241
Sherwood	Frances	2	130	219
Sigrist	Paul	7	11112110	251

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Smith	Donna Joyce	7	1331121	258
Smith	Edgar	6	1331120	249-258
Smith	Lyell Elaine	6	1241110	247-256
Smith	Mary	5	13-10-210	256
Smith	Mary Elizabeth	5	123220	231
Smith	Virginia	6	1225330	245-256
Snow	Ethel	5	111140	225-238
Starkey	Elizabeth Jane	2	120	217-260
Starkweather	Leota	5	124210	233-263
Steeley	William	4	12330	222-232
Stewart	Dr. J. C.	3	1130	216-220-261
Stewart	Mary Pearl	4	1133	220
Strumpfer	Evangelina	6	113111	238
Strumpfer	Rupert	6	113112	238-265
Strumpfer	William	5	113110	226-238
Swisher	Jess A.	5	111120	225-237
Swisher	Leo	6	111121	237-251
Swisher	Lester	5	113120	226-238
Swisher	Madge	6	113121	238-251-264
Thompson	Marian	6	1171220	241-254
Thompson	Nan	3	1340	218-224
Thurman	Eugene Herbert	5	116360	227-239
Thurman	Marjorie Lucille	6	116363	240
Thurman	Robert Mason	6	116362	239
Thurman	Vera Maxine	6	116361	239-252
Townsend	Robert Elmer	6	1241210	248-257
Tufts	Myrtle	5	113210	226
Tyler	Joyce	7	1171121	253
Tyler	Judith	7	1171123	253
Tyler	Larkin	6	1171120	241-253
Tyler	Larry	7	1171124	254
Tyler	Virginia	7	1171122	253
Wagner	Clinton Vernon	4	13-10-20	225-235
Wagner	Larry Cloyd	5	13-10-21	235
Wagner	Lorraine	4	13-10-30	225-236
Wamsley	Joan	5	13-10-310	236-250
Wantland	Georgia May	6	133121	249
Wantland	Hugh	5	133120	235-249
Wantland	Hugh Reed	6	133122	249
Watson	Ernest	4	12620	223-233
Watson	Lowell Wood	5	12621	233
Weidenhammer	Simon	3	1110	216-219-260
Weigle	Gladys	5	132110	249
White	May	4	12660	223-234
Whitkins	Lucile	6	1171210	241
Whitten	Max Vaughn	6	1241120	247
Williams	Albert	4	12310	222-230

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Williams	Alma Dale	5	12311	230
Williams	Clyde Owen	5	12313	230
Williams	Gernie Lorenzo	5	12312	230
Williams	Mettie Leona	4	12250	221-230
Wilson	Dorothy Fauneil	6	123321	247
Wilson	Ford	5	123320	247
Wilson	LeAnna	6	123322	247
Wilson	Thomas Henry	6	123323	247
Wood	Claude	4	1261	223
Wood	Dorothy Loraine	4	1267	223-234
Wood	Grace Effie	4	1264	223-233
Wood	Harriet Virginia	5	12661	234
Wood	Harry	4	12630	223
Wood	John Fletcher	3	1260	218-223
Wood	Lettie Ethel	4	1265	223-234
Wood	Minnie	4	1263	223
Wood	Nellie Lenore	4	1262	223-233
Wood	Russell Clarence	4	1266	223-234
Woodward	George Washington	3	1130	216-220-261
Woodward	Lillise Rose	4	1131	220-226
Woodward	Syntha Adelia	4	1132	220-226
Wright	Samuel	4	11130	219
Wurtsbaugh	Ivan	6	1223410	243
Wyatt	Leona Olive	5	116350	227-239
Yarbrough	Irene	6	1163710	240-253
Young	John Harvey	6	1223540	244

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The *Brenner* and *James* Lines merged in the marriage of Jacob Brenner and Suzanne James. All their descendents are shown in the Brenner section of this book. They would rightfully appear in the James section also, except it would be needless repetition, as they would appear in exactly the same order in both.

Jacob's Serial No. came down to him as 1-1-4-3-2. Suzanne's No. came to her through the James Line as 1-1-2. In the Brenner Index, these descendents have their Serial Numbers going on from 1-1-4-3-2.

When shown in the James Index, their Numbers go on from 1-1-2. Following is a list of these descendents:

- Column 1 Numbers of Generation in the Brenner Index
- Column 2 Ditto in the James Index
- Column 3 Serial No. digits to be added to the 1-1-2

Name		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
Bantien	Betty Jane	9	7	4211
Bantien	Phyllis Jean	9	7	4212
Bantien	William E.	8	6	4210
Beckett	Ruth	7	5	610

Name		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
Biser	A. Harrison	7	5	72
Biser	Cynthia Beatrice	7	5	75
Biser	Grace Leverta Maud	6	4	60
Biser	Lillie Pauline	7	5	76
Biser	Mable	7	5	71
Biser	Madeline A.	7	5	73
Biser	Victor	6	4	70
Biser	Victoria	7	5	74
Bliss	Dorothy	8	6	2130
Bowlus	Barbara Ann	9	7	2141
Bowlus	Beverly Jean	9	7	2131
Bowlus	Carl Raymond	7	5	22
Bowlus	Carole Lorraine	9	7	2122
Bowlus	Clarence Melvin	7	5	21
Bowlus	Cynthia Marie	8	6	211
Bowlus	David Wayne	9	7	2142
Bowlus	Edward William	8	6	214
Bowlus	George Melvin	8	6	212
Bowlus	George Washington	6	4	20
Bowlus	Lloyd Melvin	9	7	2121
Bowlus	Omer Emerson	8	6	213
Brenner	Alilen Lewis	7	5	53
Brenner	Bertha Ann	7	5	54
Brenner	Clarence Edward	7	5	55
Brenner	Cannie Sue	8	6	633
Brenner	Cynthia Frances	6	4	2
Brenner	David Clay	9	7	5323
Brenner	Dorothy May	8	6	553
Brenner	Harold Dean	9	7	5512
Brenner	Hugh James	8	6	551
Brenner	Hugh Morton	7	5	63
Brenner	Lvah Ann	7	5	62
Brenner	Jacob Hugh	6	4	5
Brenner	James Hugh	8	6	532
Brenner	James Michal	9	7	5511
Brenner	John S. T.	6	4	3
Brenner	Kathryn Estelle	7	5	52
Brenner	Larry	8	6	631
Brenner	Lois Elinor	8	6	533
Brenner	Martha Jane	6	4	4
Brenner	Mary Ann	9	7	5322
Brenner	Mary Elizabeth	6	4	2
Brenner	Minnie May	6	4	6
Brenner	Monta Viola	7	5	51
Brenner	Ralph Dean	8	6	552
Brenner	Randall Hugh	8	6	632
Brenner	Robert Allen	9	7	5321
Brenner	Robert Dean	9	7	5521

Name		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
Brenner	Robert Howard	8	6	531
Brenner	William David	7	5	61
Brenner	William Harvey	6	4	6
Brier	James David	10	8	13121
Brier	James Joseph	9	7	13120
Bryant	Jerry Lee	9	7	4622
Bryant	Roscoe	8	6	4620
Bryant	Sharon Kay	9	7	4620
Campbell	Mabel	8	6	1310
Clark	Frank Melvin	9	7	2111
Clark	Franklin	8	6	2110
Clark	Richard Allen	9	7	2112
Clay	Mary Drew	8	6	5320
Coblentz	Carolyn Luceil	9	7	5112
Coblentz	Charles Brenner	8	6	512
Coblentz	Charlotte Ann	9	7	5121
Coblentz	Judith Nan	9	7	5131
Coblentz	Louis Martin	8	6	511
Coblentz	Louis Philip	7	5	510
Coblentz	Louis William	9	7	5111
Coblentz	Martha Elizabeth	9	7	5122
Coblentz	Virginia Louise	8	6	514
Cole	Margeria Emma	8	6	712
Cole	Ira	7	5	710
Cole	Victor Donald	8	6	711
Cole	William Ira	8	6	713
Comer	Mildred Louise	8	6	5410
Danner	Kathryn A	8	6	4410
Davis	Pearl Irene	8	6	421
Davis	Zona	7	5	420
Dean	Madge	8	6	1310
Evans	Charlotte Ann	8	6	621
Evans	Glenn	7	5	620
Fisher	Guy J.	9	7	13130
Fleming	Barbara Rae	9	7	5411
Fleming	Edgar Clarke	8	6	542
Fleming	John Stephen	9	7	5412
Fleming	Rae Walter	7	5	540
Fleming	Raymond Cornelius	8	6	541
Flesher	Mildred Florence	7	5	550
Galyean	Alethia	7	5	440
Harris	Nan Coor Pender	8	6	5130
Haskel	Esther	8	6	1110
Headley	Florence	8	6	1310
Hipsher	Betty Pearl	8	6	464
Hipsher	Dorothy Maxine	8	6	462
Hipsher	Edward Allen	8	6	463
Hipsher	Ira	7	5	460



Name		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
Hipsher	Larry Dean	9	7	4631
Hipsher	Martha Jane	8	6	461
Hoff	Lillie Montrose	7	5	210
Howard	Ruth Maxine	8	6	5420
Jones	Ethel Maxine	8	6	5510
Kingsley	Kathryn Irene	9	7	5211
Kingsley	Leonard Lloyd	8	6	5210
Kingsley	Leonard Lloyd Jr.	9	7	5212
Kiser	Mable	7	5	450
Kiser	Mildred	7	5	630
Lash	Wayne Ernest	8	6	5140
Leazenbee	Elizabeth Jane	8	6	5520
Lefton	Jerry Dean	9	7	4511
Lefton	Raymond Jr.	8	6	4510
Lefton	Vickie Lynn	9	7	4512
Mendenhall	Howard	7	5	430
Moore	Ruth Elizabeth	8	6	5120
Odle	Lillian	8	6	2140
Phillips	Earl	7	5	740
Phillips	Evelyn	8	6	1320
Phillips	Morton	8	6	742
Phillips	Paul	8	6	741
Phillips	Stella May	8	6	743
Ransom	Cynthia Starr	9	7	4521
Ransom	Thomas Charles	8	6	4520
Ramsey	Charles Vincent	8	6	5330
Ramsey	Charles Vincent Jr.	9	7	5331
Remsberg	Jennie Rebecca	6	4	50
Ritchie	Lillie	7	5	110
Ritchie	Margaret	7	5	120
Routzhan	Barbara Jean	8	6	452
Routzhan	Carl Jacob	7	5	45
Routzhan	Earl William	7	5	41
Routzhan	Gertrude May	7	5	43
Routzhan	Jo Ann	8	6	453
Routzhan	Joel	6	4	40
Routzhan	Kathleen Delores	8	6	451
Routzhan	Louise Opal	7	5	46
Routzhan	Paul K.	8	6	441
Routzhan	Pearl Ann	7	5	42
Routzhan	Ralph Isaiah	7	5	44
Routzhan	Stephen Ralph	9	7	4411
Routzhan	William Joseph	8	6	454
Salts	Opal Kathryn	7	5	530
Schmeiding	Evelyn Luceil	8	6	5110
Schneider	Evelyn	8	6	5230
Sorters	Basil	8	6	4610
Sorters	Karen Ann	9	7	4611

Name		Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3
Sorters	Margaret Jane	9	7	4612
Spangler	Robert	9	7	13140
Steely	Catharine	9	7	1111
Steely	Cecil Dale	8	6	111
Steely	Cora Ann	7	5	13
Steely	George Andrew	7	5	12
Steely	George Washington	6	4	10
Steely	William Haskell	9	7	1112
Steely	William Jacob	7	5	11
Stephens	Hazel	8	6	745
Stephens	June	8	6	744
Stephens	Otto	7	5	740
Stephenson	Bertha Chorine	8	6	522
Stephenson	Claude Lee	9	7	5232
Stephenson	Ena Petrine	8	6	521
Stephenson	Gerald Wesley	8	6	523
Stephenson	Gerald Wesley Jr.	9	7	5231
Stephenson	George Walter	7	5	520
Thomas	Charley Edwin Jr.	8	6	5530
Thomas	Garry Wayne	9	7	5531
Walla	Louraine Virginia	8	6	2120
Wright	Beverly Ann	10	8	13113
Wright	Sharen Lee	10	8	13112
Wright	Stanley	9	7	13110
Wright	Stanley Wayne	10	8	13111
Zufall	Charlene	9	7	1314
Zufall	Dema Jean	9	7	1313
Zufall	Harold L.	8	6	132
Zufall	Harold L. Jr.	9	7	1321
Zufall	Harry	7	5	130
Zufall	Lois Ellen	9	7	1312
Zufall	Madge Dean	9	7	1311
Zufall	Ralph L.	8	6	131
Zufall	Zella Mae	9	7	1315

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