

GENEALOGY
OF THE
FARMER, COX
AND
HOPKINS FAMILIES
OF
FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS



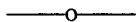
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The Farmer Family

THE FARMER FAMILY

(Copied from the "Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine", February, 1922)

FARMER

"The family of Farmer, name spelled various ways, is derived from one of the companions of William the Conqueror, and was at an early period established in the Lordship of Somerton, Oxfordshire, England. Resided at Easton-Neston about 1480.

Anne, daughter of Richard Farmer, Esq., married before 1545 William Lucy, and their son, Sir Thomas Lucy, of Charlecote, Knighted by Queen Elizabeth 1565, was the magistrate so famous in the time of Shakespeare.

John, eldest son of Richard Farmer, was made Knight of the Carpet at Westminster 1553, the day of the coronation of Queen Mary, in Her Majesty's presence, under Cloth of State, by Earl of Arundel, Commissioner for the occasion. He married Maud, daughter of Sir Nicholas, Knight.

His eldest son George, knighted 1586, had the honor of entertaining King James 1st and his Queen at Easton-Neston 1603, when His Majesty was pleased to confer the honor of knighthood upon his eldest son, Sir Hatton Fermor.

Sir George married Mary, daughter of Thomas Curzon. He was the personal friend of Sir Philip Sydney and was one of the few invited to walk in his funeral procession with the family.

Lord Nelson served under George Farmer of the Royal Navy, who commanded His Majesty's ship QU'EBEC, off Ushant, 1777, and engaged a French frigate of greatly superior force.

1685, Major Jasper and Jasper Farmer, Jr., direct descendants of George Farmer, with their respective families, came to America and settled in Pennsylvania."

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(See "Virginia Gazette"—State and Congressional Libraries)

"Lodowik Farmer came from England and settled in the Colony of Virginia in 1740. He renounced his inherited title of "Lord Farmer". He brought with him wealth which he invested in land and negroes. Lodowik had saw-mills erected on his estates and engaged in merchandizing. He was a man of prominence and influence. He was in the Virginia Assembly Nov. 7th, 1769, and in May, 1776."

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(See "The Robertson, Purcell and Related Families".

By Laura Purcell Robertson)

"Lodowik Farmer's will, a lengthy document, was recorded in Lunenburg County, Va., in 1783. This will records that he gave to each child, as they married, a "horse and saddle", hogs, cows, two negroes, chairs, knives and forks, and a large body of land."

He was a Vestry man in Lunenburg Parish as recorded in "Old Churches and Parishes", by Bishop Meade.

Lodowik Farmer had twelve children, namely:

1. Benjamin—married Elizabeth Dew.
2. Elijah.
3. James.
4. Jeremiah.
5. Dyce—married William Thweatt.
6. Sally—married Cheatham.
7. Thomas—married Fanny Tollar.
8. Henry.
9. Julianey.
10. Lodowik—married Elizabeth Knight.
11. Ann—married James Eastham.
12. John—married Nancy Crymes.

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(William Farmer, the founder of the family in Fayette County, Illinois, was the son of Absalom Farmer and grandson of Benjamin Farmer—eldest son of Lodowik Farmer of Virginia.)

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(See D. A. R. Lineage Book, Vol. 98, page 223.)

"Benjamin Farmer enlisted (1781) in Capt. Lytle's Company, 10th N. C. Regiment. His will was probated 1827 in Edgecombe County, N. C. Married Elizabeth Dew."

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Records copied from an old Family Bible found in the home of
Thomas R. Altom of Patoka, Ill.:

"Benjamin Farmer deceased
Oct. 17th in the year of our Lord 1840.

"Ailcy Farmer deceased
March the 31st in the year of our Lord 1848.

"Absalom Farmer departed this life
May the 22nd in the year of our Lord 1853.

"Joseph Efrain Jackson departed this life
Nov. the 4th in the year of our Lord 1847.

"Emily J. Jackson departed this life in
November 1848.

BIRTHS:

1. James Farmer, the son of Absalom and Ailcy Farmer. He was born in the year of our Lord on the 8th of March, 1800.
2. Phebay Farmer. She was born in the year of our Lord on the 18th of July, 1801.
3. Benjamin Farmer. He was born on the 25th of February in the year of our Lord, 1803.
4. Elizabeth Farmer. She was born October the 23rd in the year of our Lord, 1804.
5. Jesse Farmer. He was born the 27th of in the year of our Lord, 1806.
6. William Farmer. He was born the 3rd of March in the year of our Lord, 1808.
7. Renda Farmer. She was born March the 2nd in the year of our Lord, 1810.
8. Mary Farmer. She was born the 16th of in the year of our Lord, 1812.
9. Ryle Farmer. He was born February the 17th in the year of our Lord, 1814.
10. Tolitha Cuma Farmer. She was born February the 5th in the year of our Lord, 1817."

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND EMILY JACKSON .

1. Lucy Ann—married William Farmer.
2. Henry—(2 sons, Albert, Milton). Albert had son Henry.
3. Milton—married Rowena Arnold (widow).
4. James—married Kate Binion.

Children:

1. Andy—married Mindora Nichols.

Children:

1. Clifford—died young.
2. Emmett—settled in California.
3. William—married Pearl Farmer.

2. Martin—married Mary Stuart.

Children:

1. Chester—married Josie Cox.
2. Marlin—died young.
3. Lola—married George Thomasson.
4. Bertha—married Jim King.

3. Nora—married Thomas B. Walker.
(3 children—Frank, Ross, Ruth.)

5. Irvin—married Tolitha Cuma Farmer.
6. Newton
7. Betsy—married Tom Cox.
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GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

Benjamin Farmer (brother of Absalom Farmer)
(Born in N. C.) Married Zillah Morris.

CHILDREN:

1. Aaron—married (1) Francis Pierson. (2) Lucinda Anderson.
2. Absalom—died young.
3. Benjamin—died during Civil War at Atlanta, Georgia (111th Ill. Inf.)
4. Morris—married (1). Cox; (2). Carter—died 1867.
5. Squire—married (1). Wright; (2). Polly Foster; (3) Jennie Spencer.

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Children of Aaron Farmer and Francis Pierson:

1. Margaret—married Albert Perry. (3 sons—Roy, Frank, Chesley.)
2. Zillah—married John Anderson.
3. Benjamin—married Dora Anderson.
4. Rhoda—married Ed Smith (2 daughters—Doris, Eleanor).
5. Florence—married Ed. Thalman (1 daughter, Eva May).

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Children of Aaron Farmer and Lucinda Anderson:

1. Josie—married Wesley Douthitt (3 children—Grace, Eloise, Charles).
2. Charley—married California girl. Died childless.

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Children of Morris Farmer (above) and his wife Cox:

1. Benjamin, born March 17, 1844—died April 1, 1908. Married Eliza A. Pauley. (Adopted Bessie Rowena Bright.)
2. William—born 1846; died 1864.

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Children of Squire Farmer and his first wife Wright:

1. Morris—married Nancy Snell. (One son, Floyd.)
2. Zerah—married Kate Meador. (Two daughters—Pearl, Opal).
Pearl married Will Jackson. Opal married Francis Rogier.
(Francis, Jr., Nancy Sue.)
3. Sarah—married Calvin Vail. (4 children—Oscar, Edgar, Bertha, Lillian.)
4. Nancy—married (1). John Kennedy; (2), Ernest Shell.

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Children of Squire and his second wife Polly Foster:

1. Virgil—married Olive Davidson (son, Leland; daughter, Esther, died young.)
2. Alice—married William Archer (son, Lee; daughter, Madeline).

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Squire Farmer was born in Fayette County, Ill., March 24, 1832.
Died in Fayette County, Ill., aged 84 years.

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Tolitha Cuma Farmer, born Feb. 5, 1817—died June 11, 1882.

Married (1), Irvin Jackson (1833).

CHILDREN:

1. Arrenia—born June 1, 1834.
2. Emily J.—born Feb. 16, 1836—died 1848.
3. Elizabeth Ann—born Sept. 20, 1838.
4. Sarah Nelpia—born July 16, 1840—died July 18, 1922.
5. Milton Wilkie—born March 21, 1844.

(Irvin Jackson died and Tolitha Farmer married (2) John Altom.)

CHILDREN:

1. Lucy Ann—born Sept. 7, 1856.
2. Hannah—born July 3, 1858—died April 17, 1861.
3. Mary Lavada—born March 23, 1860.
4. Robert S.—born Jan. 8, 1862—died March 7, 1864.

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Sarah Nelpia Jackson married her step-brother, Jesse Altom.

Jesse Altom—born Feb. 1, 1840—died July 22, 1898.

Married March 30, 1861.

CHILDREN:

1. Hannah Josie—born Jan. 14, 1862—died April 24, 1941.
2. John L.—born Sept. 12, 1867—died Nov. 4, 1922.
3. Nora T.—born Dec. 10, 1869—died Jan. 24, 1916.
4. Silvanus Ervin—born Oct. 30, 1871—died May 5, 1941.
5. Thomas R.—born Aug. 18, 1876.

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Hannah Josie Altom married Emmett Vallow.

Children: 1. Jessie Altom. 2. Archie Lee. 3. Ivy May (died July 4, 1921.)

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John L. Altom married (1), Josie Shultz (June, 1891).

(Son, J. L. Dayne—born May 14, 1892—died April, 1902.)

Josie Shultz died Jan. 14, 1893.

John L. Altom married (2), Jessie Entrekkin.

(Two adopted daughters, Juanita Margarite and Pauline.)

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Nora T. Altom married Jacob Irvin Buss (Dec. 9, 1888).

Children: 1. Harold. 2. Nelpia. 3. Cecil. 4. Anna. 5. Eleanor.
6. William. 7. Ena. 8. Dayne. 9. Velma.

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Silvanus Ervin Altom married Nellie Mansfield Clark (April 1, 1891).

(Son, Lawrence Dale—born Jan. 9, 1896.)

Nellie Altom died Feb. 24, 1924.

Silvanus Ervin Altom married (2). Olga Purcell (Jan., 1928).

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Lawrence Dale Altom married Eunice Murfin.

Eunice Murfin—born Aug. 14, 1894.

(Daughter, Betty—born May 9, 1921.)

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Thomas R. Altom married Lora Livesay (Jan. 24, 1917).

(One son, Robert Dean—born Jan. 23, 1918.)

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Descendants of Tolitha Cuma Farmer:

Milton Wilkie Jackson married Lucy Ann Pratt.

Lucy Ann Pratt—born Aug. 8, 1846—died Feb. 9, 1900.

CHILDREN:

1. Hannah—married John Phelps.
2. John Irvin—died in infancy.
3. Addie—married Carson Chandler.
4. (Twins) Mary—married Charles Cothorn. (Two children—Clara, Forrest).
5. (Twins) Martha—died in young womanhood.
6. Kathryn—married Nathan Smith.
7. Ora—married Sophia Pratt.
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9. Inez—married Frank Davidson.
Six boys—Bruce, Albert, Carl, Wilson, Robert, Ora.
10. Josephine—died in young womanhood.
11. (Twins) Floyd.
12. (Twins) Lloyd—married Julia Apple.
13. Wyatt Irvin—died in infancy.

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Children of Addie Jackson and her husband Carson Chandler:

1. Leo—unmarried.
2. Delcie—married Jack Minton.
3. Harold—married Gladys Arnold.
4. Josephine—died unmarried.
5. Walter—unmarried.
6. Esther—married John Frederick.
7. Pauline—married Marion Woods.
8. Wilbur—unmarried.

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of Ryle Farmer and his wife Patsy Ann Rodman:

CHILDREN:

1. Kate—married "Black-eyed Billy" Cox.
2. Tolitha—married William Altom.
3. Sarah Ann—married (1), Morris; (2), Newt Jackson; (3), Joe Jimmerson.
4. Nan—married Wesley Walker.
5. Ryman—married Fanny Gaultney.
6. William—married (1), Salina Morris. (Sarah Jane, John Riley, Martha and Leroy).
William—married (2), Ryman's widow, Fanny Gaultney Farmer (son Thomas).
7. Ryle—married Mary Nichols.
8. Henry—died young.
9. Absalom—died young.

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RECORD

The Family of Kate Farmer and her husband "Black-eyed Billy" Cox:

CHILDREN:

1. Mattie Luella—married William Linton.
2. Hattie Costella—married Jim Hellerman.
3. Lyda Rosetta—married John Davis.
4. William Hamilton—married Sydney Cole.

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Children of Mattie Luella Cox and William Linton:

1. Clarence—married Irma Easton (one son, Donald James).
2. Grace—married Cecil Jones (2 girls, 3 boys).
3. Vines—married Florence Walker (2 girls, Lois and Donna May).
4. Eunabelle—married Eugene Leininger.
5. Burl—married Ruby Eagan.

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Children of Lyda Cox and John Davis:

- (1. Elsie. 2. Edgar. 3. Gusta and Electa (twins). 5. Genevieve.
6. Paul and Pauline (twins). 8. Dayne and Wayne (twins).

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WILLIAM FARMER

(Copied from "A History of Fayette County, Illinois," published by Brink McDonough & Company, Philadelphia, 1878.)

(This book is in possession of Mrs. Virginia Farmer Schulte of Vandalia, Ill.)

"Among the first settlers of 'Pope Township' were William Farmer—who settled in the eastern part of the Township—and Henry and Milton Jackson.

William Farmer, born in Christian County, Kentucky, March 3, 1808, was the son of Absalom and Ailcy (Heyatt) Farmer. They were natives of North Carolina and emigrated to Kentucky shortly after their marriage.

Absalom Farmer was one of those adventurous frontiersmen, always in the vanguard of the victorious army of civilization, consequently his son, William, enjoyed none of the advantages of early education.

In 1829 William Farmer removed to Illinois, then a comparative wilderness. He had married on the 28th of September, 1828, Miss Lucy Ann Jackson (sister of Henry and Milton Jackson), by whom he had nine children—the first, Urias, being the first child born in Pope Township. The first house built in the Township was that of William Farmer. The first marriage in the Township was that of a sister of William Farmer to Joseph Gilmore.

William Farmer was married three times and reared three sets of children. He was a public spirited man and held public office continually. He was a soldier in the Black Hawk War. He was a great student of the Bible and carried a license from the Presiding elder to 'exhort' in the Methodist Church. He also made a study of medicine and was considered a very good physician. At different times he was Constable, Justice of the Peace, and at the time of his death, June 18, 1888, he had been Township Treasurer for twenty years."

EXHORTER'S LICENSE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

This Certifies that Wm. Palmer, having
been examined by us concerning his gifts, grace, and usefulness,
we judge that he is a suitable person to officiate as an
EXHORTER in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and we
accordingly renew his License as such, subject to the requirements
of the Discipline of said Church.

Signed by order of the ^{District} ~~Quarterly~~ Conference of
Wm. & Vanidalia District,
of S. Lee Conference, this 23rd day of
Aug., 1876.
W. L. Davis Presiding Elder.

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of William Farmer and his first wife, Lucy Ann Jackson,
married Sept. 28, 1828. in Christian County, Kentucky.

CHILDREN:

1. Uriah—born June 1, 1829.
2. Nancy Jane—born July 19, 1830—died Sept. 19, 1866—married John Cox.
3. Lucinda—born July 13, 1832—died Jan. 23, 1859—married Pomeroy Easton.
4. Eliza Ann—married Albert Davidson.
5. Asbury—died in camp of Union Army in Missouri during Civil War.
6. Richard—married Elizabeth Carter.
7. Tereasa—died in infancy.
8. Henry—married Fanny Morris.
9. Louisiana—died aged 32.

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(For records of the family of Nancy Jane Farmer see "Cox Family").

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RECORD

The Family of Lucinda Farmer and her husband, Pomeroy Easton:
One daughter, Lucy Ann, married Dowan Walker (1).

CHILDREN:

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|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Charles. | 6. Timothy. |
| 2. Harve. | 7. May. |
| 3. Elebee. | 8. Myra. |
| 4. Cleveland. | 9. Belle. |
| 5. Louis. | 10. Clifford—died young. |

Lucy Ann Easton married (2) Jake Schaulbert (no children).

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(Richard (Dick) Farmer married Elizabeth Carter. No children, and they adopted Irving Cox, youngest child of Nancy Jane Farmer and John Cox, as his mother died when Irving was one day old. Richard Farmer died five years later and Elizabeth Carter Farmer married Jess Ballard. Irving Cox continued to share their home until he was married.)

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Henry Farmer married Fanny Morris.

(One child, Eliza, married George Schaulbert.)

(One child married Lamdreth.)

(Fanny Morris later married Jack Richards.)

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Eliza Ann Farmer and her husband Albert Davidson:

CHILDREN:

1. Clara—married Tom Towler.
2. William Duncan—married Etta Mears.
3. Frank—married Inez Jackson.
4. Lulu.
5. Lilly.
6. Anna.
7. Ada.

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RECORD

The Family of Clara Davidson and her husband Tom Towler:

CHILDREN:

1. Ellen—married Jobe Murray.
 Son, Hubert, married Mary Alexander (no children).
 Daughter, Marie.
2. Clifford—married Viola Johnson (no children).
3. Ralph—married Opal (4 children).
4. Albert—married Julia Marohl.
 Four sons: Dale, Donald, Robert, Wayne.
5. Fred—married Virden Brumfield.

Children:

1. Glen Dean. 2. Betty. 3. Clifford Ray. 4. Pauline. 5. Tommy.

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RECORD

The Family of William Duncan Davidson and his wife

Etta Mears:

William Duncan Davidson—born Feb. 17, 1874.

Etta Mears—born April 27, 1873.

CHILDREN:

1. Harold Clark—born Aug. 18, 1898—married Lillian Bendel (dau. Nancy Lee).
2. Carl Robert—born Nov. 28, 1905—died young.
3. Kenneth Eugene—born May 4, 1909—married Mary Cathryn Graves.
 (Son, Ross Michael—born June 7, 1942.)
 (Settled at Decatur, Ill.)

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of William Farmer and his second wife
Margaret Phelps:

(William Farmer's first wife Lucy Ann Jackson, died March 3,
1848.)

(William Farmer married (2) Margaret Wright Phelps.)
(Widow with one son—Wash Phelps.)

RECORD

The Family of William Farmer and Margaret Phelps:

CHILDREN:

1. John A.—born Jan. 28, 1850—died Nov. 11, 1918—married Martha Jane Pratt.
2. Mary Jane—born Sept. 26, 1851—married (1) John Kidder; (2) Jeff Trout.
3. William M.—born June 5, 1853—died Aug. 28, 1931—married Illinois Virginia Henninger.

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RECORD

The Family of John A. Farmer and his wife Martha Jane Pratt:

CHILDREN:

1. Belle—married John Belcher (no children).
2. Walter—born May 29, 1878—died Jan. 16, 1919.
3. Ransom—born March 13, 1883—married Anna Linton.
Anna Linton—born Dec. 20, 1882—died Jan. 23, 1919.
(2 children—Glenn and Isabelle.)

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RECORD

The Family of Mary Jane Farmer and her husband John Kidder:

CHILDREN:

1. Ed.
2. Farmer.
3. Susie.
4. Clem.
Second husband Jeff Trout (no children).

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Ed Kidder married Mary Morris.

CHILDREN:

1. Elva.
2. Cleo.
3. Josephine.
4. Will—married Elsie Harper.



Judge William M. Farmer

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of William Farmer and his second wife
Margaret Phelps:

William M. Farmer Virginia Henninger

RECORD

The Family of Judge William M. Farmer and his wife
Illinois Virginia Henninger:
(Settled in Vandalia, Ill.)

Judge William M. Farmer—born June 5, 1853—died Aug. 28, 1931
Illinois Virginia Henninger—born May 29, 1854—died June 1, 1925
Married, December, 1875.

CHILDREN:

1. Homer—born June, 1877—died in infancy.
2. Mabelle—born Dec., 1879—died May 10, 1902.
Married Lt. A. Owen Seaman, Sept., 1901.
3. Maurice—born March, 1885—died in infancy.
4. Virginia Louise—born Feb. 20, 1886—married Charles Schulte.
5. Gwendolyn—born Aug. 21, 1892—married Benjamin Franklin Young.

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RECORD

The Family of Virginia Louise Farmer and Charles Schulte:
Married Jan. 1, 1917.

CHILDREN:

1. Virginia Jean—born Dec. 21, 1917—married Charles W. Davis.
2. William Charles—born March 2, 1921.
3. Thomas Allan—born Aug. 15, 1927.
(Charles Schulte—born Nov. 17, 1884.)

(Settled in Vandalia, Ill.)

Virginia Jean Schulte married Charles W. Davis, June 15, 1940.
Charles W. Davis—born June 15, 1917.

Daughter Karen Jean—born Aug. 4, 1942. (Weight nine pounds).
(Settled in Washington, D. C.)

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RECORD

The Family of Gwendolyn Farmer and her husband
Benjamin Franklin Young:

Gwendolyn Farmer—born Aug. 21, 1892.
Benjamin Franklin Young—born May, 1886—married Aug. 8, 1918

CHILDREN:

1. Robert Farmer—born Aug. 8, 1919.
 2. Richard—born May 8, 1922.
(Settled in New York City.)
- (Benjamin Franklin Young—general auditor and vice-president of
New York Telephone Co.)

Copied from the "St. Louis Globe-Democrat", Aug. 29, 1931.

**William M. Farmer, Former Illinois High Court Justice, Dies—
Vandalia Jurist, Who Retired July 1, Succumbs to
Heart Disease.**

By Associated Press.

Vandalia, Ill., August 28.—Former Justice William M. Farmer of the Second Judicial District of Illinois, died at his home here about noon today. Death came suddenly from an attack of angina pectoris, a heart disease, the attending physician said.

Justice Farmer was 78 years old. He suffered a severe paralytic stroke in April, 1926, but resumed his work in the Supreme Court in December despite a paralyzed right side.

He was born on a farm in Fayette County, June 5, 1853, and lived the greater part of his life in Vandalia, the old capital of Illinois. Justice Farmer was a graduate of McKendree College and Union Law College, and was elected to the Supreme Court in 1906 after serving as a jurist in the Circuit Court, the Appellate Court, both Houses of the State Assembly, and as State's Attorney of Fayette County.

He was married in 1875 to Virginia Henninger, who, with two daughters, Mrs. Charles Schulte, Vandalia, and Mrs. B. F. Young, Yonkers, N. Y., survive.

Statement by Judge Norman L. Jones:

"Judge Farmer was ripe in experience as a Circuit Judge and as a Justice of the Appellate Court before he was elected to the Supreme Court. He took with him to that Court a great wealth of learning and knowledge. His keen sense of the rights of persons, coupled with his profound knowledge of the law, destined him to take a place in the front rank of American jurists.

Among judges and lawyers everywhere Judge Farmer's opinions are accorded the highest respect. He leaves a record behind him unexcelled in wisdom and accuracy by that of any other man who has graced the great court of Illinois.

His character and integrity were above reproach. His kindly disposition made him loved by all who came in contact with him. His passing away is a loss to the state and to his legion of friends, as well as to his family, of whom he was so fond."

GENEALOGY OF THE FARMER FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of William Farmer and his third wife
Elizabeth Linton Brown:
(Widow of Jim Brown)

CHILDREN:

1. Hiram—married Zoe Ballew.
Daughter, Francis—Executive in Radio Station, Hollywood,
California. Married Wilder.

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Children of Elizabeth Linton and Jim Brown:

1. Henry—married Eliza Gray.
Children:
 1. Edward—married Ivy Poole.
 2. Nora—married Francis Marion Smith.
 3. Elizabeth—married Harve Johnson.
 4. Mary—married Martin Reed.
2. Aaron—married Katie Stelling.
Children:
 1. Mamie. 2. Eddie. 3. Minnie. 4. Aaron, Jr.
3. Sidney—married John Linton.
Children:
 1. Jennie Revis. 2. Charley. 3. Sarah Kinney. 4. Francis White.
4. Jane—married Tom Christie.
Children:
 1. Jim. 2. Jessie. 3. Carl. 4. Marion. 5. Elsie Lake.
5. Isaac—married Marinda Wall (no children).



The Cox Family

COX

(Copied from the "Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine"
October, 1920—page 582)

"Among the names of the French followers of William the Conqueror is found that of Walter de Chelworth, and from him descend the 27 English families of Cox, coke, Coxe, etc., whose armorial devices show both kinship and difference.

Walter Cokkes, or LeCock, of Chelworth, lived in the County of Kent in 1250. During the reigns of Henry VIII, Mary and Elizabeth, members of the family were connected with the royal household.

In Hertfordshire no man of note in religious (Reformation) controversies was more widely known than Richard Cox, the famous Bishop of Ely, 1499-1581.

Of the same family was Sir Richard Cox, 1563-1623, who was buried in Westminster Abbey, third son of Thomas Cox, of County Hertford, Esq. In a later generation Sir Edmund Cox, of Broxwood, was one of the heroes at Poitiers, a devoted adherent of the King, who died of wounds received at the battle of Naseby, 1645.

Thomas Cox, Esq., was the ancestor in direct line of Charles Cocks, whose plain English name was superseded by that of Lord Somers, Baron of Eversham, on his elevation to the Peerage, 1784.

Daniel Cox, gent of Somerset, was father of Doctor Daniel, of London, born 1640, physician of Charles II and Queen Ann, the most eminent medical authority of his day. He acquired vast tracts of land in America, principally in New Jersey, through his influence with the Crown, and was proprietary Governor of the colony, although he never set foot in America."

THE COX FAMILY

"An article by Ruby Haskins Ellis, published in the Richmond, Va., 'News Leader' on Dec. 4, 1930, says:

"There are exactly 27 English families of the name of 'Cox'. There are other variations of spelling such as 'Cocks', 'Cokkes', and 'Coxe'. The first of the Cox family and the common ancestor of all branches, was one Walter de Chelworth, who was one of the followers of William the Conqueror in 1066. He established the family in Kent County, England, taking the name of 'Cokkes'.

A descendant, Walter Cokkes (or LeCock) was also a resident of Kent County, England.

Dr. Daniel Cox, of London, born in 1640, became an eminent physician and was the special attendant of Charles II and Queen Anne. It was through the influence with the Crown that Dr. Daniel Cox acquired immense tracts of land in America, mostly in New Jersey where he became proprietary governor."

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"One excellent book on the Cox family says that Walter de Chelworth, Norman-French soldier in the army of William the Conqueror, was of small stature but such a plucky fighter he reminded his comrades of a game cock, so they nick-named him Walter 'le Coq', which is French for 'the Cock'. The nickname stuck so he became 'Walter the Cock' and his children 'little Cocks', which in time became Cox.

All branches of the Cox Family, wherever you find them, are of English origin."

(See "Our Family Genealogy", compiled by Rev. Wm. E. Cox and Mrs. Oliver Cox McCormac. Page S2.)

THE COX FAMILY

(Notes from different D. A. R. Lineage Books.)

No. 72—page 88.

"William Cox served in the Revolution as did also his four brothers. He was born in Cambridge, Mass., 1750—is buried in West Fairlee, Vt. Upon his tombstone is this inscription:

'He helped steep the tea in the Atlantic'."

Vol. 45—page 217.

"John Cox (1747-1820) served as a private in the Orange County Militia, commanded by Col. Ann Hawks Hay. He was born in Long Island, died in Goshen, N. Y."

Vol. 3—page 246.

"John Cox of Bloomsbury, N. J., was member of the Committee of Observation and major of the 2nd battalion of Associators in 1775. He was in the battles of Trenton and Princeton and later was assistant quartermaster of Major Greene. Married Esther Bowes. Had daughter, Rachel."

Vol. 48—page 286.

"James Cox (1753-1810) commanded a company of militia at the battles of Germantown and Monmouth. He rose to the rank of brigadier general. He was born and died in Monmouth County, N. J. Married Ann Borden Potts."

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We find different branches of the Cox Family in England settled in America prior to the Revolutionary War. One branch located in Maine, another in Massachusetts, one in the state of New York. Three brothers arrived together in Virginia, while the branch that settled in New Jersey about 1665 is the one from which this genealogy is compiled.

Members of the Cox family may now be found in every state in the Union.

NEW JERSEY RECORDS OF THE COX FAMILY

Copied from Lineage Book, Vol. 12—1924.

"National Society of Daughters of Founders & Patriots of America."
Page 95.

"Thomas Cox, born in England, resided in Newtown, New Jersey, 1665; he joined the colony that settled at Middletown and Shrewsbury in 1667, was chosen Overseer of Fences and Constable and later Deputy of the town to meet the Governor and his Council at Woodbridge."

(Married Elizabeth Blashford April 22, 1665. Died Aug., 1681.)

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Sons of Thomas Cox and Elizabeth Blashford:

1. Thomas.
2. Joseph. (See Calendar of Wills, 1730-1750, Vol. 2, N. J. Archives.)
3. John. (See Calendar of Wills, 1786-1790, Vol. 7, N. J. Archives.)
4. James.

Will of John Cox proved Jan. 27, 1786.

"John Cox of Upper Freehold, Monmouth Co. Son of James.
wife Mary, son William.

(Grandson Joshua—son of my son James.)

(Grandson Abel—grandson Elisha.)

See "D. A. R. Lineage Book", Vol. 48, page 364.

"William Cox (1758-1832) enlisted as a private in Capt. James Dillon's Co., 2nd N. J. Regiment, commanded by Col. Israel Shreve. He was born in Wantage. His wife, Mary Hoff."

See Delaware Archives, Del. Militia, Vol. 3, and Index.
page 1057.

"William Cox served in legion commanded by Col. Henry Lee.
page 1199. Enlisted Feb. 6, 1778."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

John Cox, born in Monmouth County, New Jersey (1797), was the son of William Cox and a direct descendant of Thomas Cox, who settled there in 1667.

The above John Cox was married four times. His first wife, Rachel Hackney, whom he married in New Castle County, Delaware, in 1821, died the following year leaving an infant son, John—born Oct. 2, 1822.

(This son became the founder of the Cox family in Fayette County, Illinois, some twenty-five years later.)

Early in the year 1823 John Cox married his second wife, a "widow Cox", who had two sons—Tom and Jefferson. Her first husband was probably a relative. The family moved to the state of Ohio and two more sons were born—William and Emanuel. Those were pioneer days and families were constantly moving west. About the year 1842, John Cox and his family removed to the state of Kentucky and three years later they were definitely settled in "Pope Township", Fayette County, Illinois.

In the year 1854 John Cox, accompanied by his son William, joined a company going to California in search of gold. The father returned home in 1858, leaving William in California—who was later drowned while on his way from San Francisco to the Territory of Washington. In the meantime the other son, Emanuel, was prospecting for gold in the mountains near San Bernardino, California. He never returned to Illinois but lived a bachelor—never very successful—but contented. He died, aged about 75 years, near the mountains he loved so well.

The step-brothers, Tom and Jefferson, married and never left Fayette County. Their mother died, and John Cox married a third time—a Miss Lee—and their children were Malinda (who married a Mandell) and Zachariah.

John Cox was an old man when his third wife died. He batched and visited around among his married children, and finally married for the fourth time. But according to tradition they were not congenial and separated before he died, aged about 81 years.

For records of descendants of the step-brothers, Tom and Jefferson, see page 78. For Zachariah Cox see page 77.

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(In the early histories of Illinois we read that a "Henry Cox" lived with his family in a block house on Shoal Creek in Bond County, seven miles from Greenville. On June 2, 1811, he was working in the field with his son when the boy was captured and murdered by Indians. A daughter, too, was captured but she managed to escape and returned home badly wounded.

It is believed—but not proven—that this Henry Cox was an uncle of the above John Cox, and his descendants drifted into Fayette County and settled.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Copied from an old Family Scrap Book.

"A BIT OF HISTORY"

"In the spring of 1854, about the first of May, as well as I remember, my father and brother William left Illinois for California with a man by the name of 'Decker', who had just returned from California and bought up a large drove of cattle to take back with him. I think father paid \$50.00 each for his and my brother's passage, beside helping with the cattle.

I had several letters from my brother after coming to this part of the state, but never got to see him, or father, after leaving them near St. Louis in 1854.

In the latter part of February, 1862, my brother left San Francisco for Washington, then a territory, and—being a Freemason—made the acquaintance of a brother Mason on the way up who got off the schooner the day before she capsized, and seeing the account in the paper, knew my brother was lost and wrote to father, who had returned to Illinois in 1858, telling him of the loss.

In February, 1864, I received a letter from home with the Mason's letter enclosed, which was the first I knew of the matter, when I penned the following lines:

"He left his home in search of gold,
Far o'er a desert wide,
And lost his life, as we were told,
In the ocean's foaming tide.
From San Francisco he set sail
In the month of February.
The wind did blow a pleasant gale,
And all on board were merry.
In a vessel called the 'Tolo',
As she was northward bound,
With a light, assorted cargo,
Destined to Puget Sound.
On the night of February 24th,
While sailing up the Sound,
A gale of wind capsized the boat
And all but three were drowned.
Our brother met his fate
While sleeping in his berth,
And though horrid to relate,
Sleeps beneath the briney surf!
All honor to Freemasons
For their kindness to others,
In revealing this information
Of the loss of our brother."

EMANUEL COX.
San Bernardino, California.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

JOHN COX

Born in Delaware, Oct. 2, 1822

Reared in Ohio—settled in Fayette Co., Ill., 1845.

Died at "Pope's Bluff", Fayette Co., Sept. 7, 1899.

Married (1) Nancy Jane Farmer, 1847.

Nancy Jane Farmer—born July 19, 1830.

CHILDREN:

1. Rachel—born Aug. 20, 1848—died May, 1879—married William Bright.
2. William—born Dec. 12, 1849—died May 7, 1933—married Elizabeth Bright.
3. Henry—born June 4, 1851—died 1872.
4. Louisiana—born April 6, 1853—died in infancy.
5. Elizabeth—born Sept. 1, 1855—died Feb. 10, 1888—married Henry Balance.
6. Martha—born 1856—died Aug. 28, 1879—married John Messenger.
7. John Harvey—born Dec. 17, 1857—died April 3, 1930—married Prudence Belcher.
8. Lucinda—born April, 1859—died July 14, 1928—married Fred Leininger.
9. Aaron—born Sept. 11, 1860—died Jan. 23, 1920—married Rosa Dunham.
10. Fanny—born April 15, 1862—died Dec. 18, 1940—married Wm. Chandler.
11. Irving—born Sept. 18, 1866—died Nov. 17, 1919—married Mary Bowers.

Nancy Jane Farmer Cox died Sept. 19, 1866.

(Irving Cox was adopted by his uncle, Richard Farmer.)

John Cox married (2) Matilda Hopkins (widow—nee Holt), 1867.

Matilda Holt Hopkins—born Nov. 27, 1839—died July 17, 1915.

Children of John Cox and Matilda Hopkins:

1. Elona—born 1868—died aged one year.
2. Ira—born 1869—died in infancy.
3. Emanuel—born June 25, 1871—died Feb. 2, 1924—married Hattie Payne.
4. Lucullus—born March 12, 1873—married Sarah Jones.
5. Floyd—born 1874—died in infancy.
6. Tom—born Sept. 18, 1876—married Myrtle Hopkins.
7. Emmett—born Jan. 1, 1878—married Maggie Muckle.
8. Gertie—born Sept. 21, 1883—died Nov. 22, 1932—married Silas B. Jarrett.

Matilda Holt Hopkins had three sons when she married

John Cox:

1. James Monroe Hopkins—born Oct. 10, 1859.
2. William Rasmus—born March 8, 1861.
3. Henry Augustus—born Sept. 18, 1864.

(From the above we see that John Cox was the father of nineteen children and he reared three step-sons.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of John Cox and his first wife Nancy Jane Farmer:

RECORD

The Family of Rachel Cox and her husband William Bright:

Rachel Cox—born Aug. 20, 1848—died May, 1879.

William Bright—born; died

CHILDREN:

Bessie Rowena—born Dec. 1, 1878—married (1) Floyd Everet Smith.

Floyd Everet Smith, born Nov. 2, 1877—died Nov. 2, 1902.

CHILDREN:

1. Nellie Ruth—born Sept. 22, 1899.

2. Floyd Everet—born Oct. 27, 1902—died Aug. 15, 1903.

(Bessie Rowena Bright was adopted and reared by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Farmer of Patoka, Ill.)

Bessie Rowena Smith married (2) Dr. Warren Wesley Murfin (2nd wife), Jan. 21, 1911.

Dr. Warren Wesley Murfin—born Aug. 6, 1862.

(Daughter Alice, born Dec. 26, 1912.)

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(Clipping from Centralia Sentinel, Jan., 1937.)

"VETERAN PHYSICIANS HONORED AT BANQUET"

"Two Marion County physicians who have practiced medicine for more than 50 years were honored by the County and State Medical Societies last night at the Langenfeld Hotel.

The physicians, Dr. W. D. Richardson of Centralia, and Dr. W. W. Murfin, of Patoka, were honored guests at a banquet and were then presented with gold pins, emblematic of their long service.

The presentation followed an address by Dr. I. H. Nice of Decatur, a representative of the Illinois Medical Society. After paying tribute to the records of the two physicians, Dr. Nice declared that during the past century the medical profession had done more for the human race than was ever before accomplished. He pointed out that the large measure of a doctor's reward was the knowledge that he was serving society for humanitarian purposes.

Dr. Nice was introduced by Dr. J. P. Kissel, president of the Marion County Society, who was the toastmaster.

Both Dr. Richardson and Dr. Murfin recounted many of their early experiences as practicing physicians and described some of the handicaps under which early day doctors worked.

Testimonials were given by several other doctors and guests before the honored guests were presented with bouquets of roses.

Dr. Walter Murfin of Decatur, a son of Dr. W. W. Murfin, gave a brief explanation of the program outlined by the State Medical Committee for maternal welfare. His remarks were augmented by Dr. Williamson, representing the same committee."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of William Cox and his wife Elizabeth Bright:

William Cox—born Dec. 12, 1849—died May 7, 1933.

Elizabeth Bright—born Jan. 1, 1854—died June 15, 1941.

Married March 10, 1872.

CHILDREN:

1. Millie—born Oct. 2, 1873—married (1) John Nelson: (2) William Jimmerson.
2. Minnie—born 1876—died Nov. 7, 1937—married Alfred Stilley.
3. Ida—born Oct. 29, 1878—married John A. Smith.
4. John Henry—born Feb. 6, 1881—married Nellie Lackey.
5. Pherbe—born June 3, 1883—married Alexander Fistus.
6. Virgil—born Nov. 20, 1885—married Ethel Hopkins.
7. Josie—born July 4, 1888—married Chester Jackson.
8. Rollin—born April 11, 1891—married Corrine Lynch.
9. George—born Aug. 23, 1893.

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RECORD

The Family of Millie Cox and her husband John Riley Nelson:

Millie Cox—born Oct. 2, 1873.

John R. Nelson—born Dec. 18, 1868—died Oct. 23, 1908.

Married May 11, 1893.

CHILDREN:

- Maude—born Feb. 10, 1894—married Ed Lawson, Sept. 28, 1921.
Martin—born March 20, 1900—married Ethelene Sharp, Sept. 16, 1925.
Howard—born Sept. 25, 1902—married Grace Caldwell, Feb. 23, 1924.

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RECORD

The Family of Martin Nelson and his wife Ethelene Sharp:

Ethelene Sharp—born

CHILDREN:

- John—born July 25, 1926.
Maurice—born Jan. 20, 1934.
Robert—born Jan. 31, 1936.

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RECORD

The Family of Howard Nelson and his wife Grace Caldwell:

Grace Caldwell—born

CHILDREN:

- Kathleen—born March 16, 1925.
Darrell—born Feb. 15, 1927.
Burl—born Dec. 3, 1933.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Minnie Ethel Cox and her husband Alfred Stilley:

Minnie Ethel Cox—born Nov. 5, 1875—died Nov. 7, 1937.

Alfred Thomas Stilley—born Jan. 2, 1869—died Jan. 12, 1941.

Married Jan. 14, 1897.

CHILDREN:

1. Dallas Wesley—born March 4, 1898 (one son, Ernest Dean—born July 6, 1920).
2. Mary Elizabeth—born Sept. 23, 1899 (one son, Lawrence—died in infancy).
3. Nellie Agnes—born March 13, 1901 (daughter, Marjorie G. Albers—born June 24, 1920).
4. Minnie Edith—born March 26, 1904 (one son, Merriell Donald Williams—born Aug. 11, 1921).
5. Esther Josephine—born July 30, 1913—died Jan. 13, 1914.
6. Alfred Dean—born Oct. 1, 1915.

Children:

1. Judith Ann, born Nov. 14, 1936.
2. William Dean—born Jan. 22, 1939.
3. Robert Merle—born June 21, 1940.
4. Elizabeth Pearl—born July 17, 1941.

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RECORD

The Family of Ida Cox and her husband John A. Smith:

Ida Cox—born Oct. 29, 1878.

John A. Smith—born Oct. 6, 1869—died Oct. 25, 1913.

Married October 15, 1907.

CHILDREN:

1. Harry D.—born Nov. 25, 1908—married Eunice G. Woods, Aug. 22, 1928.
2. John B.—born Sept. 18, 1911:

Children of Harry D. Smith and Eunice Woods:

1. John Dean—born March 19, 1929.
2. Harry Deneen—born July 28, 1930.
3. Ronald Ray—born Jan. 26, 1941.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of John Henry Cox and his wife Nellie Lackey:

Settled at Rialto, California.

John Henry Cox—born Feb. 6, 1881.

Nellie Lackey—born Nov. 15, 1888—died May 1, 1942.

Married July 24, 1907.

CHILDREN:

1. Beryl Edith—born March 2, 1910.
2. John Kenneth—born Oct. 10, 1912.

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RECORD

The Family of Pherbe Cox and her husband Alexander Fiscus:

Settled in Fayette County near Patoka, Ill.

Married Dec. 23, 1903.

Pherbe Cox—born June 3, 1883.

Alexander R. Fiscus—born Oct. 12, 1869—died July 25, 1941
(accident).

CHILDREN:

1. Edna Faye—born Feb. 10, 1905—married John B. Richards.
2. Xelpho David—born Oct. 19, 1908—married Dorothy Richards.
3. Cecil Edgar—born Jan. 1, 1912—married Alice Beckler.

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RECORD

The Family of Edna Faye Fiscus and her husband John B. Richards:

Edna Faye Fiscus—born Feb. 10, 1905.

John B. Richards—born March 7, 1900.

Married June 3, 1931.

(One daughter, Roberta Anne—borne Aug. 5, 1932).

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RECORD

The Family of Xelpho David Fiscus and his wife Dorothy Richards:

Xelpho Fiscus—born Oct. 19, 1908.

Dorothy Richards—born Sept. 11, 1915.

Married Oct. 28, 1936.

CHILDREN:

1. Richard Ray—born Feb. 19, 1938.
2. Robert Dean—born Nov. 24, 1941.

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RECORD

The Family of Cecil Fiscus and his wife Alice Beckler:

Cecil Fiscus—born Jan. 1, 1912.

Alice Beckler—born June 23, 1917. Married Jan. 22, 1934.

CHILDREN:

1. Barbara Lorene—born May 13, 1937.
2. Donald Lee—born Oct. 25, 1940.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Virgil Cox and his wife Ethel Hopkins:
Settled at Rialto, California.

Virgil Cox—born Nov. 20, 1885.

Ethel Hopkins—born Sept. 6, 1889—married Sept. 15, 1908.

CHILDREN:

1. Lloyd Dale—born June 14, 1909—married Margaret Church.
2. Gladys Claire—born Nov. 4, 1913—married Reginald Savio (born March 2, 1912).
3. Loretta Ethel—born Feb. 4, 1916—married Albert Jones (born April 10, 1911).
4. Evelyn Elizabeth—born July 25, 1921.

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RECORD

The Family of Josie Cox and her husband Chester Jackson:
Settled at Rialto, California.

Josie Cox—born July 4, 1888—married Oct. 14, 1908.

Chester Jackson—born Nov. 12, 1886—died Oct. 16, 1940.

CHILDREN:

1. Helen Lucille—born Aug. 30, 1909—married Ray Edward Ullom, June 30, 1930.
2. Ruby Geraldine—born July 3, 1911—married Robert Wagoner.
3. Pauline Evelyn—born Aug. 4, 1914—married Ralph Moore.
4. Elva Louise—born Oct. 2, 1918.

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RECORD

The Family of Helen Lucille Jackson and her husband Ray E. Ullom:
Helen Lucille Jackson—born Aug. 30, 1909—married June 30, 1930.
Ray Edward Ullom—born Sept. 5, 1907.

CHILDREN:

1. JoAnn—born Nov. 21, 1931.
2. Dianne Rae—born July 15, 1933.
3. Linda Lou—born Feb. 1, 1937.

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RECORD

The Family of Ruby Geraldine Jackson and her husband
Robert Wagoner:

Robert Wagoner—born Sept. 12, 1907.

CHILDREN:

1. Richard Lee—born July 14, 1933.
2. Jacqueline—born Aug. 31, 1938.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Rollin Cox and his wife Corrine Lynch:

Rollin Cox—born April 11, 1891.

Corrine Lynch—born Jan. 23, 1896—died April 29, 1932.

Married Jan. 14, 1915.

CHILDREN:

1. Virginia—born May 22, 1916—married Austin Wyant.
2. Geneva—born July 24, 1917.
3. William Gerald—born Nov. 28, 1919—married Helen Jennings.
4. Maurice—born Feb. 25, 1922—married Margaret Hudspeth, Jan., 1942.
5. Edith—born March 20, 1923.
6. Russell—born March 4, 1925.
7. Clyde—born Feb. 27, 1927.
8. Velma—born March 3, 1929.

(Rollin Cox settled in Rialto California, in 1936.)

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RECORD

The Family of William Gerald Cox and his wife Helen Jennings:

William Gerald Cox—born Nov. 28, 1919.

Helen Jennings—born Nov. 8, 1924—married Sept. 2, 1941.

(One son, Jerry Ray—born April 23, 1942.)

Two younger children were adopted after the death
of their mother:

Clyde Dean was placed in the Kemmerer Home at Asumption,
Ill., and adopted by a family in or near Chicago.

Velma was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Ed L. Carter, an old neighbor
of the Cox family, and settled at Park Rapids, Minnesota.

Obituary of William Cox

William Cox, son of John and Nancy Cox, was born in Pope Township, Fayette County, Ill., Dec. 12, 1849, and departed this life May 7, 1933, aged 83 years, 4 months and 26 days. His entire life was spent in Pope Township. He was a man of honesty and integrity and always stood for the principles which he considered right. When a young man he was converted and joined the M. E. Church at Mound Chapel, and in later years of his life expressed himself as willing to go. He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Bright, March 10, 1872, and to this union nine children were born, all of whom survive: Minnie Stilley of Waukesha, Wisconsin; John Henry, Virgil and George Cox and Josie Jackson of Rialto, California; Millie Jimmerson of Boulder, Ill.; Pherbe Fistus, Ida Smith and Rollin Cox of Patoka, Ill.

He leaves to mourn their loss his devoted wife who tenderly cared for him during the three years of his affliction, the nine children above named, thirty-one grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. Also one sister, Mrs. Fanny Chandler of Patoka; three half-brothers and two step-brothers, and many other relatives and friends. Burial was in Pratt Cemetery.

Obituary of Elizabeth Bright

Elizabeth Simpson Bright, daughter of William T. and Polly Bright, was born Jan. 1, 1854, near Boulder, Ill. Departed this life June 15, 1941, at her home in Mound Chapel neighborhood, at the age of 87 years, 5 months and 14 days.

On March 10, 1872, she was married to William Cox of Patoka, Ill. To this union nine children were born, four sons and five daughters, all living except one daughter, Mrs. Minnie Stilley, who passed away Nov. 7, 1937. On May 7, 1933, her husband was called from her side and "Aunt Liz" as she was familiarly known by her friends and neighbors alike, was left to face the sunset of life alone.

About 60 years ago she was converted, accepting Christ as her Savior, and later joined the Northern Methodist Church at Mound Chapel. She was active in both church and Sunday-school work and when physically able to do so, was usually found in her place ready to do her part in service for her Lord.

She leaves to mourn her passing the following named children: John Henry, Virgil, George, Rollin, and Mrs. Josie Jackson, all living in California. Also Mrs. Pherbe Fistus, Mrs. Millie Jimmerson, and Mrs. Ida Smith of Patoka, Ill. The last named daughter has lived with her mother during the past few years of her life, administering to her needs and sharing her joys and sorrow when she so much needed companionship.

There are 32 living grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, also a host of nieces and nephews and other more distant relatives. For a number of years "Aunt Liz" had been in failing health and she seemed to realize that the sands of Time were running low, and that the end was near, for recently she said to a daughter that she was ready and waiting for the final summons.

Early on Sunday morning the messenger came and the tired body sank to rest while the spirit took its flight to God who gave it. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 17, at the Mound Chapel Church. Burial in Pratt Cemetery.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Elizabeth Cox and her husband Henry Balance:

Elizabeth Cox—born Sept. 1, 1855—died Feb. 10, 1888.

Henry Balance—born Feb. 13, 1842—died May 23, 1906.

Married Jan. 30, 1876.

CHILDREN:

1. Agnes—born Dec. 27, 1877—married Melvin Hines.
2. Mordacai—born Feb. 16, 1878—died in infancy.
3. Fanny Edith—born March 6, 1880—married Wiley Campbell.
4. John—born July 21, 1882—died in infancy.
5. Molly Etta—born Sept. 13, 1885—died 1889.
6. Carl Ander—born Jan. 21, 1888—died in infancy.

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RECORD

The Family of Agnes Balance and her husband Melvin Hines:

Agnes Balance—born Dec. 27, 1877—married Feb. 10, 1895.

Melvin Hines—born Jan. 31, 1871—died March, 1933.

CHILDREN:

1. Otis Gary—born May 1, 1896—married Amy Johnson, Dec. 4, 1921.
2. Florence Irene—born July 27, 1897—married Austin Wood, Sept. 27, 1927.
3. Carl Lewis—born Jan. 10, 1900—married Mary Britt, June 27, 1929.
4. Lloyd Omer—born July 30, 1901.
5. Elizabeth Meddie—born Nov. 14, 1902—died April 7, 1918.
6. Gale William—born Aug. 8, 1904—married Helen Huck, Dec. 29, 1931.
7. John Ellis—born Jan. 21, 1907.
8. Edith Bertha—born March 4, 1911—married Russell Jones, Nov. 20, 1937.
9. Agnes Dorothy—born Nov. 26, 1914—married Dean Cleasson, Nov. 2, 1935.

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RECORD

The Family of Otis Gary Hines and his wife Amy Johnson:

CHILDREN:

1. Roy Otis—born Dec. 25, 1922. Married Frances Olean, April, 1941.
2. Ruth—born Sept. 22, 1924.
3. Marion Melvin—born Dec. 29, 1926.

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RECORD

The Family of Carl Lewis Hines and his wife Mary Britt (born March 5, 1907):

CHILDREN:

1. Betty Lou—born Jan. 6, 1931.
2. Olive John—born June 22, 1933.
3. Patricia Anne—born July 5, 1940.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Gale William Hines:

CHILDREN:

1. Helen Edith—born Sept. 13, 1932.
2. John William—born Oct. 13, 1934.
3. David Gale—born April 7, 1940.

(Gale William Hines is an ordained minister.)

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RECORD

The Family of Fanny Edith Balance and her husband Wiley
Campbell:

Fanny Edith Balance—born March 5, 1880.

Wiley M. Campbell—born Nov. 26, 1871.

Married 1899.

CHILDREN:

1. Dicie—born Jan. 20, 1901—married Reuben Rhodes.
2. Herschell Henry—born Jan. 30, 1906—married Vivian Williams.
3. Agnes—born Dec. 17, 1909.
4. Della—born Oct. 23, 1916—married Russell Caldwell.
5. Jean Isabelle—born March 20, 1923.

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RECORD

The Family of Dicie Campbell and her husband Reuben Rhodes:

Dicie Campbell—born Jan. 20, 1901.

Reuben Rhodes—born

Married Sept. 26, 1917.

CHILDREN:

1. Marsehel—born Aug. 17, 1918.
2. Eugene—born Sept. 10, 1924.
3. Bernice—born Dec. 31, 1930.
4. Ruby—born March 7, 1933.
5. Marie—born May 25, 1941.

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RECORD

The Family of Herschell Campbell and his wife Vivian Williams.

Married August, 1924

(Son, Ronald—born May 24, 1934. Daughter, Janice Kay—born
Sept. 19, 1939.)

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RECORD

The Family of Della Campbell and her husband Russell Caldwell:

Married Sept. 24, 1932.

CHILDREN:

1. Wilma Jean—born June 27, 1933.
2. Irma Lew—born Dec. 15, 1934.

RECORD

The Family of Martha Cox and her husband John Messenger:

Martha Cox—born 1856—died Aug. 27, 1879.

John Messenger—born May 17, 1839—died Aug. 26, 1879.

Married Oct. 14, 1875.

CHILDREN:

1. Charley—born Jan. 18, 1877—died Sept. 27, 1935.
2. Estelle—born March 23, 1878.
3. Eleanor—born June 5, 1879—died Aug. 31, 1879.

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John Messenger was married when only 20 years old to his first cousin, Ida Amelia Kiefhaber, at Belleville, Ill.

Six children were born. The first two died at birth, and a little son died aged three. The marriage was unhappy. There was much family interference because of the close relationship and after fifteen years John Messenger and his cousin were divorced.

When he and his second wife, Martha Cox, met such a sudden tragic death from accidental milk-sick poisoning at the Mound Farm, the first wife, Ida Amelia Messenger, requested grandfather Cox to allow her the custody of the little girl, Estelle. Several years later when her other three children had died before reaching maturity, she became the guardian of Charley also, and she reared the two children in her home near Belleville.

Charley Messenger married his first cousin, Maud Messenger, Nov. 18, 1910. No children. Settled at Des Moines, Iowa.

Estelle Messenger married Frederick Charles Harrington and settled in St. Louis, Mo.

Frederick Charles Harrington was born Dec. 26, 1878, at Watervliet, Albany County, N. Y., the son of John Elmer Harrington and his wife Mary Jane Dunn.

He is a direct descendant of John Harrington who, with his four brothers, stood shoulder to shoulder in the Battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775—the morning following the famous ride of Paul Revere.

The Harringtons have been in America just 300 years—the first one, Robert Harrington, arrived from England and settled at Watertown, Mass., in the year 1642. He served as selectman for 15 years.

Eleven of his grandsons participated in the Battle of Lexington. Two were killed, and the others continued to serve through the Revolutionary War.

(See "The Harrington Family in America")

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Like the Cox and Farmer families, different members of the Harrington family have scattered until now they may be found in every state in the Union.

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(John Messenger was the grandson and namesake of John Messenger, speaker of the house in the first Illinois General Assembly at Kaskaskia in 1818.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Estelle Messenger and Frederick C. Harrington:

Married Dec. 6, 1904.

CHILDREN:

1. Frederick Charles—born May 26, 1906—married Lenore Wehking.
2. Leonora May—born Nov. 10, 1907—married (1) Ralph Mitchell, March 18, 1927.
3. Ira Parmelee—born July 12, 1912—married Sarah Georgene Clemens. Settled in St. Louis, Mo.

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RECORD

The Family of Frederick C. Harrington, Jr., and his wife Lenore Wehking—born Jan. 19, 1907.

Married June 16, 1926.

CHILDREN:

1. Frederick Charles—born July 4, 1927—died Nov. 12, 1931.
2. William Robert—born June 24, 1928.
3. Judith Ann—born May 20, 1933.
4. Charles Messenger—born Oct. 5, 1936.

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RECORD

The Family of Leonora Harrington and Ralph Mitchell—born Feb. 27, 1906:

Daughter, Susan Jane—born Feb. 17, 1929.

Leonora Harrington Mitchell married Harold Jenkins, May 20, 1933.

Harold Jenkins—born June 30, 1908.

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RECORD

The Family of Ira Parmelee Harrington and his wife Sarah Georgene Clemens—born Nov. 21, 1916.

Married May 3, 1940.

(Daughter, Cynthia Jane—born Aug. 10, 1941.)

(Ira Parmelee Harrington is a Captain in the 743rd Tank Battalion, stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of John Harvey Cox and his wife Prudence Belcher:
John Harvey Cox—born Dec. 17, 1857—died April 3, 1930 (accident).

Lucy Prudence Belcher—born Aug. 17, 1858.

Married March 9, 1882.

(Settled at San Bernardino, California.)

CHILDREN:

1. Omer—born Dec. 20, 1882—married (1) Minnie Eggloff.
2. Lloyd—born June 9, 1884—died June 25, 1915 (accident).
3. Nellie—born Sept. 20, 1885—married (1) Robert Sharps.
4. Fred Austin—born May 8, 1893—married Ruth Rawlings.
5. Mildred—born Oct. 31, 1899—married Guy Chambers.

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RECORD

The Family of Omer Cox and his wife Minnie Eggloff:

Omer Cox—born Dec. 20, 1882.

Minnie Eggloff—born 1882—died Jan. 12, 1921—married 1907.

CHILDREN:

1. Isabelle—born Sept. 2, 1908—married Cecil Meadows.
 2. Jack Stewart—born 1910—died 1916.
 3. Hazel Mae—born Aug. 11, 1919—married James Thompson.
(Hazel Mae Cox was adopted by her father's cousin, Mabel Cox.)
- Omer Cox married (2) Emma Rosman (widow with four children).

Children of Omer Cox and second wife:

1. Omer, Jr.
2. Ruth.
3. Naomi.

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RECORD

The Family of Isabelle Cox and her husband Cecil Meadows:

Isabelle Cox—born Sept. 2, 1908.

Cecil Meadows—born April 2, 1903—married Feb. 12, 1927.

(Son, Robert Lewis—born Feb. 23, 1928.)

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RECORD

The Family of Hazel Mae Cox and her husband James Thompson:

Married May 30, 1940.

(Daughter, Vonnice Jean—born Nov. 25, 1941.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Lloyd Cox and his wife Ada Macklin:

Lloyd Edwin Cox, born June 9, 1884—died June 25, 1915 (accident):

Ada Macklin, born

CHILDREN:

1. Wilma—married Morgan (daughter Kay).
2. Winifred.
3. Ada—married (son and daughter).

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RECORD

The Family of Nellie Cox and her husband Robert Sharps:

CHILDREN:

1. Elizabeth Elaine—born Aug. 5, 1910—married Fred Almon Wortley. (2 sons—Almon, Jr., Stephen.)
2. Margaret Prudence—born June 29, 1913—married Lt. James Cochran.

(Nellie Cox married (2) Emery West.)

Emery West—born April 24, 1872.

RECORD

The Family of Fred Austin Cox and his wife Ruth Rawlings:

CHILDREN:

1. Ruth. 2. Barbara. 3. Ralph.

RECORD

The Family of Mildred Cox and her husband Guy Chambers:

Mildred Cox—born Oct. 31, 1899.

Guy Chambers—born July 15, 1896—married Sept. 18, 1917.

CHILDREN:

1. Harvey Lee—born Dec. 24, 1918.
2. Betty Louise—born Dec. 25, 1920—married Ruel Uptain.
3. Lois Lucile—born Feb. 22, 1923—married Fred Russell—born Dec. 16, 1919.
4. Ilene Eloise—born Jan. 14, 1925.

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RECORD

The Family of Betty Louise Chambers and her husband Ruel Uptain:

Ruel Uptain—born April 29, 1917—married Aug. 1, 1938.

Daughter, Linda Joan—born July 11, 1940.

WEDDING BELLS RING

"The dawn of June 8, 1941, brought forth a great day in the lives of Fred Taylor Russell of Puente, and Lois Lucille Chambers of San Bernardino, for at 8:20 a. m. on that day this young couple were joined in holy matrimony at the Methodist Church in Las Vegas, Nevada, by the Reverend Ford J. Gillius.

Fred is a graduate of Puente Union High School where he was active in student executive affairs and athletics. He attended the University of Southern California for three years, majoring in Journalism. He is at present employed by the California Real Estate Association as Assistant Editor of the California Real Estate Magazine, monthly publication of this organization.

Lois is a graduate of San Bernardino High School.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover T. Russell of Puente; the bride the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Chambers of San Bernardino. They listed their ages as being 21 and 18.

Accompanying them on their matrimonial adventure were Leland DeMent of Puente, who acted as best man, and Mrs. Betty Uptain of San Bernardino, sister of the bride, who served as bridesmaid. Following the ceremony, the group visited famous Boulder Dam.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Russell plan to reside in Los Angeles previous to their purchase of a new home in the Bella Vista-Montebello area. A honeymoon is being planned for Lake Tahoe later in the summer.

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And thus another young couple have started out in the great adventure of life together. And this particular couple hopes that all its friends will come some time to visit them in their new-found happiness.

Sincerely,

Fred and Lois."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Lucinda Cox and her husband Fred Leininger:

(Settled at Vernon, Ill.)

Lucinda Cox—born April 1, 1859—died July 14, 1928.

Fred Leininger—born July 20, 1844—died June 5, 1935.

Married Dec. 25, 1884.

CHILDREN:

1. Nellie—born Dec. 15, 1885—died Sept. 26, 1889.
2. Edna—born Oct. 6, 1888.
3. Della—born March 30, 1890—married Radford Hanson.
4. Infant son—born April 5, 1894—died April 6, 1894.
5. Lewis Lee, born April 26, 1897—married Cora Shinn, Aug. 1, 1936. Cora Shinn—born Nov. 22, 1903.

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RECORD

The Family of Della Leininger and her husband Radford Hanson:

(Two daughters—Dorothy and Martha.)

(Dorothy Lucile Hanson married Marlyn Reed.)

(Settled at Decatur, Ill.)

OBITUARY

Lucinda Cox Leininger

Lucinda Cox, daughter of John and Nancy Cox, was born April 1, 1859, departed this life July 14, 1928, at her home in Vernon, Ill., aged 69 years, 3 months and 13 days.

On Dec. 25, 1884, she was united in marriage to Frederick Leininger of Vernon, Ill. To this union five children were born, two of whom, Nellie and an infant son, preceded her to the great beyond. Those living are: Mrs. Della Hanson of Oconee, and Edna and Lewis of Vernon.

She was one of a family of fifteen children, having nine brothers and sisters, six of whom have gone on before: Irve, Henry, Aaron, Mrs. Rachel Bright, Mrs. Lizzie Balance and Mrs. Martha Messenger have preceded her in death.

There are also four half-brothers and one half-sister. Of this number, one, Emanuel, of California, has passed on to his reward. Early in life she professed faith in Christ as her Savior and united with the Methodist Church at Mound Chapel.

She was a devoted wife, a loving mother and kind neighbor and friend and will be sadly missed in the home circle of which she has been the center. She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, frail in health and standing in the very sunset of life; their three children, Edna, Della and Lewis, one step-daughter, Mrs. Josie Davis of Bloomington, and one half-sister, Mrs. Gertie Jarrett of Patoka; two brothers, William of Patoka and Harve of California; three half-brothers, T. T. Cox of Patoka, and Cullus and Emmett of California; three step-brothers, Monroe, Ras and Henry Hopkins; two grandchildren and many distant relatives and friends.

When mother is called away it always seems that the light of the home has gone out, her smile of welcome, her words of cheer which always greeted her loved ones on their return to the old home.

How she will be missed, but just across the river a little further on, mother is still waiting and watching for the loved ones in that home which will abide throughout eternity.

The funeral service was held from the M. E. Church in Vernon on Sunday evening, the Rev. J. M. Smith conducting the service and burial was made in the Vernon or better known as Tillman Cemetery.

OBITUARY

Mr. Frederic Leininger

Frederic Leininger was born in the State of Wisconsin, County of Washington, on the 20th of July, 1844, passed away at his home in Vernon, Illinois, June 5, 1935, at 11 a. m., after an illness of the past few years, at the age of 90 years, 11 months and 15 days.

At the age of 20 years he enlisted in the Civil War in Company F, 50th Regiment of Wisconsin. After the war was over he returned to his home in Wisconsin, and soon afterwards he came with his parents and settled on a farm about 3½ miles northeast of Vernon and remained with them until he was united in marriage to Mariah Epperson in the year 1871. To this union was born three children, two of them died in infancy, and Josie, a daughter, passed away in 1930 at Bloomington, Ill.

Mr. Leininger was again united in marriage to Lucinda Cox in 1884, a daughter of the late John Cox, who was at that time Sheriff of Fayette County. To this union were born five children, two sons and three daughters, Edna and Lewis at home, and Della of Decatur, the other son and daughter died in infancy. He also leaves two granddaughters, Dorothy and Martha Hanson of Decatur.

He had seven brothers and one sister whom have all crossed the great divide, some of them many years ago. Several nephews, Lewis, Fred and Francis of Patoka, and Vernon and others in the states of California, Wisconsin and other localities.

For many years Mr. Leininger lived on a farm 2½ miles southwest of Vernon where he reared his present children. In the year 1919 he moved to the home in Vernon where he passed away.

Mr. Leininger was a member of the Methodist Church and helped build the building in which the service was conducted. It was erected in the year 1881 under the supervision of Col. Sturgess of Civil War fame. Uncle Fred was an honorable man and will be greatly missed by the family and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Revs. Smith and Story Friday afternoon. Burial in Tillman cemetery.



Aaron Asbury Cox

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Aaron A. Cox and his wife Rosa Dunham:

Aaron Asbury Cox—born Sept. 11, 1860—died Jan. 23, 1920.

Rosa Dunham—born March 16, 1866—died Dec. 18, 1937.

Married Sept. 28, 1886.

CHILDREN:

1. Mabel Lucile—born April 29, 1887—died April 8, 1935.
2. Harold—born Oct. 14, 1889—married Hattie Brown.
3. William Lawrence—born June 30, 1891—married Esther Pearson.
4. Roy—born Dec. 3, 1893—died Nov. 16, 1940—married Florence Woodhouse.
5. Clifford—born May 1, 1896—died June 1, 1923.
6. Donald Aaron—born Nov. 24, 1897—married Rosemary Moll.
7. Geraldine—born June 13, 1901—married James Willitts.

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RECORD

The Family of Harold Cox and his wife Hattie Brown:

Harold Cox—born Oct. 14, 1889—married Jan. 10, 1911.

Hattie Brown—born April 6, 1891.

CHILDREN:

Rose Elizabeth—born Oct. 27, 1911—married Jim Perry, Oct., 1939.
Roy Aaron (Pelkey)—born May 20, 1913.
Phyllis Adele—born Jan. 30, 1919—married John H. Meyer.
Jean Louise—born March 8, 1921.

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Hattie Brown Cox, daughter of

Henry H. Brown—born 1860—died Dec. 11, 1931.

Elizabeth Goodwin—born June 16, 1863.

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RECORD

Phyllis Adele Cox and John H. Meyers—married Nov. 9, 1940.

Son, John Harold Meyer—born Jan. 1, 1942.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of William Laurence Cox and his wife Esther Pearson:

William Laurence Cox—born June 30, 1891.

Esther Pearson—born Nov. 22, 1892—married Dec. 26, 1912.

CHILDREN:

1. Dorothy Evelyn—born June 3, 1914—married Kenneth Kelly.
2. Kathryn Doris—born Oct. 3, 1915—married Joseph Elden Dick.
(Esther Pearson was the daughter of Andrew Pearson—born Oct. 1, 1859—died Feb. 6, 1916. Anna Sandall—born June 17, 1851—died May 4, 1932. Both born in Sweden and died in San Bernardino, California.)

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RECORD

The Family of Dorothy Cox and her husband Kenneth Kelly:

Dorothy Cox—born June 3, 1914.

Kenneth Kelly—born July 2, 1909—married June 27, 1935.

(Daughter, Patricia Ann—born May 16, 1936.)

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RECORD

The Family of Kathryn Cox and her husband Joseph Elden Dick:

Kathryn Cox—born Oct. 3, 1915.

Joseph Elden Dick—born Feb. 12, 1907—married Oct. 22, 1936.

CHILDREN:

1. Lawrence Lee—born March 12, 1938.
2. Robert Elden—born June 1, 1940.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Roy Cox and his wife Florence Woodhouse:

Roy Cox—born Dec. 3, 1893—died Nov. 16, 1940.

Florence Woodhouse—born Jan. 11, 1897—married April 6, 1915.

CHILDREN:

1. Roy Darrell—born Feb. 14, 1918—married Arline Hughett, May 11, 1940. Arline Hughett—born July 1, 1914.
2. Glen Wilgus—born May 23, 1921.
3. Florence Beth—born Sept. 20, 1929.

(Florence Woodhouse Cox, daughter of John William Woodhouse—born June 5, 1868, in Soltare, Yorkshire, Eng. Millicent Amy Lambert—born Nov. 16, 1874, in Toronto, Canada—married 1896.)

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RECORD

The Family of Donald Aaron Cox and his wife Rosemary Moll:

Donald Aaron Cox—born Nov. 24, 1897.

Rosemary Moll—born Jan. 20, 1908—married June 5, 1928

CHILDREN:

1. Donna—born April 15, 1929.
2. Donald Aaron—born Sept. 23, 1935.

(Rosemary Moll Cox, daughter of John Bernard Moll—born Feb. 21, 1873. Margaret Gallanaugh—born March 14, 1875 (in Kansas)—married Oct., 1899.

CHILDREN:

1. Leo Bernard Moll—married Ruth McCann.
2. Pauline Moll—married Clarence Redinger.
3. Rosemary Moll—married Donald Aaron Cox.
4. Bernice Moll—married Weldon Stanley.

(John Bernard Moll, son of Joseph Moll—born April 13, 1837 (in Albany, N. Y.). Anna Dolisi (born in France).

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RECORD

The Family of Geraldine Cox and her husband James Willitts:

Geraldine Cox—born June 13, 1901.

James Willitts—born June 18, 1893—married Oct. 30, 1920.

CHILDREN:

1. Doris—born June 3, 1921.
2. Vera—born Aug. 4, 1924.
3. Betty—born April 2, 1926.
4. Patricia—born Oct. 22, 1927.

Copied from a San Bernardino Newspaper, January 24, 1920:

"Aaron A. Cox Goes Gently to His Rest"

1860-1920

"Deceased was one of leading citrus men of California, making success of line. Widow, two daughters, five sons survive. Funeral services will be here on Monday."

San Bernardino has had more than her share of sadness in the past few weeks, as one by one many of her best loved sons have passed away, and last evening she was called upon again to mourn, when Aaron A. Cox of North Mt. Vernon Avenue, answered the last summons.

Mr. Cox went quietly to sleep at 7:15, having been unconscious for some days. He had been failing in health the past six months although only perceptibly since the first of the year, having taken to his bed on January 4th.

In the death of A. A. Cox, the community loses not only a citizen of the first rank, but a man of dominating, forceful personality, one of those men which any city can ill afford to lose.

He was a big-hearted man, full of resourceful energy, putting his whole strength into the work at hand.

Mr. Cox was 59 years old last September and had come to San Bernardino some 32 years ago from Colorado. He was born in Fatoka, Ill., and married there, later going to Colorado, and finally drifting west. He was employed by a Citrus Fruit Grower when he first came to this community and so thoroughly did he absorb knowledge of orange orchards that he became an expert orchardist. Such an expert, in fact, that he could go through a given grove and estimate the number of boxes on the trees, and his ability in that line was regarded as nothing short of remarkable. He often bought run down orchards and made them wonderfully productive within a short time, for he knew all about irrigation and fertilizing.

Mr. Cox was president of the Rialto Orange Co., owner of the packing house there, and another on Base Line and I street, and of orchards at Rialto in the Mt. Vernon district at which place he had made his home for the past 16 years. He was also the owner of considerable other property and was worth something like a quarter million dollars. He was director of the Farmers' Exchange Bank and a member of the Woodmen of the World, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Loyal Mystic Legion.

Sympathy of the many friends and acquaintances who had come to esteem Mr. Cox through personal and business relationships, will go out to the family today, to the home circle where the loss of husband and father is so keenly felt.

Besides the widow, Mrs. Rosa D. Cox, there survive: Two daughters, Mabel and Geraldine, and five sons, Harold, William L., Roy, Clifford and Donald, and a brother, J. H. Cox.

Interment will be in Mountain View Cemetery."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(San Bernardino Newspaper, June 2, 1923.)

**"Clifford Cox Falls Victim to Dog Bites—Young Man Was Ill
But Several Days Before Death"**

"Bitten by a dog nearly three months ago, Clifford Cox, 27 years old and a member of one of the best known families of San Bernardino Valley, died shortly after 11 o'clock last night from rabies, at the home of his mother, Mrs. A. A. Cox, at Mt. Vernon Ave. and Base Line. Clifford did not become seriously ill until yesterday afternoon when the horrors of hydrophobia developed. For hours he suffered before death brought an end to his agony.

Four physicians were called. The illness beyond their skill, they could do but little as the dread disease went its course.

It was not realized until last night that the dog, killed at the time, was suffering from rabies. It required the strength of four men to hold the rabies-stricken youth to his bed. Members of the family, suffering from grief, had been told that death must come.

Roy Cox, a brother, drove madly to Los Angeles to secure Pasteur treatment serum with which to inoculate his two little children, Harold D. Cox, himself, and two children of the neighborhood, all of whom were bitten nearly three months ago by the dog. The dog was killed but its head was not examined for the presence of rabies.

As the days went by and none of those bitten was stricken the incidents were forgotten until Clifford complained Tuesday and Wednesday of pains in his arm. A physician was called to the Cox home Thursday. Definite diagnosis of the disease was established yesterday but aid was impossible. Late yesterday Clifford suffered from convulsions which continued until death.

Clifford Bryan Cox was born in San Bernardino. He was graduated from the San Bernardino High School in the class of 1916. In the World War Clifford volunteered for service with Company K and was later transferred to the Fortieth Division with which he served 11 months in France. He attended the Oregon Agricultural College and was an expert in citrus fruit culture, being active in the operation of the A. A. Cox Estate. He was a member of the San Bernardino Lodge of Elks, and Arrowhead Parlor Native Sons.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. A. A. Cox; two sisters, Mabel L. Cox and Mrs. J. S. Willits, Jr., of Auburn, California, and four brothers, Harold D. Cox, William L. Cox, Roy Cox and Donald A. Cox.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(San Bernardino Newspaper, April 9, 1935.)

"Mabel Lucile Cox died yesterday at her home, 2865 Pershing Avenue. She was 47 years old. She is survived by one adopted daughter, Miss Hazel Mae Cox; her mother, Mrs. Rosa Cox; four brothers, Harold D., William Lawrence, Roy and Donald Cox, all of San Bernardino, and one sister, Mrs. Geraldine Willitts of Auburn, California; 11 nieces and 3 nephews.

Scores of friends attended the funeral services from the J. W. Woodhouse Chapel. They were conducted by the Rev. Otis D. Ironmonger, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. W. J. McCarthy, accompanied at the piano by Frank T. Perkins, sang two selections.

Miss Cox's death followed an illness of several months."

(Mabel Lucile Cox was a graduate of Stanford University and taught in the San Bernardino schools for several years.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(San Bernardino Newspaper, Dec. 19, 1937.)

"Death Claims Mrs. Rosa Cox After Stroke"

"Widow of A. A. Cox, pioneer in Valley Citrus Development, succumbs at age of 71.

Death last night took one of the San Bernardino Valley's beloved pioneer mothers, Mrs. Rosa Dunham Cox.

The widow of Aaron A. Cox, one of the early day developers of the valley's vast citrus fruit industry, she had resided in the valley since 1888, and was the mother of one of its prominent families, including four sons, who continued the development founded by the late Mr. Cox. She died at 6:25 p. m. at her home, 2865 Pershing Ave.

Mrs. Cox had been gravely ill since Monday when she suffered a stroke of paralysis which followed months of failing health.

Since last Monday she had been unconscious and her passing was not unexpected. All of her children, Harold D., Lawrence W., Roy and Donald A. Cox, and Mrs. Geraldine Willitts of Auburn, California, were at the bedside. A sister, Mrs. Lydia Walters of Independence, Kansas, 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive Mrs. Cox.

A grandchild, Mrs. Joseph Dick of Lyons, Kansas, formerly Miss Kathryn Cox, arrived in San Bernardino Friday. She was accompanied by her husband. Mrs. Rosa Dunham Cox was born in Lincoln, Ill., March 1st, 1866, and attended the public schools and the University of Lincoln. As a young woman she was married to Aaron A. Cox and within a few months they migrated westward, settling first in Colorado. A year later they pushed on into the West, coming to the San Bernardino Valley, where Mr. Cox, a farmer, entered the citrus industry. In later years he acquired unimproved acreage and planted orchards.

Originally the Cox's settled in the Highland district, but later they established a home in the Rialto section. In 1903 Mr. and Mrs. Cox with their family moved to a new home at Mt. Vernon and Base Line. Mr. Cox died in 1920. Although widely known, particularly among the earlier residents of the valley, Mrs. Cox devoted most of her life to her home and family. Her oldest child, Mabel, died two years ago and a son, Clifford, in 1923.

In recent years Mrs. Cox made comparatively frequent visits to her girlhood home and visited relatives in the East. Once she went to Europe, traveling extensively on the Continent.

Three months ago she made an automobile trip to Kansas with her granddaughter, Miss Phyllis Cox. In later years Mrs. Cox's once vigorous health failed but she remained active until stricken with the severe attack early in the week."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

The Family of William H. Dunham and his wife Lydia Wilgus:
(Parents of Rosa Dunham Cox)
(Wife of Aaron A. Cox)

William H. Dunham—born Nov. 15, 1821—died July 12, 1878.

Lydia Wilgus—born July 4, 1823—died Nov. 6, 1893.

Married Oct. 30, 1844.

CHILDREN:

1. Augustus—born Feb. 10, 1846—died Nov. 20, 1856.
2. Quincy—born Aug. 6, 1847—died Dec. 9, 1881.
3. Monroe—born Sept. 9, 1849—died Nov. 24, 1881.
4. Lucy—born July 7, 1851—died Dec. 13, 1881.
5. William James—born April 2, 1854—died Dec. 17, 1857.
6. Mary Kathrine—born June 14, 1856—died Dec. 23, 1857.
7. Annie—born May 17, 1860—died Sept. 2, 1864.
8. Lydia—born Sept. 19, 1862.
9. Rosa—born March 16, 1866—died Dec. 18, 1937.

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Quincy Dunham married Laura Belle Alsop, Dec. 15, 1870.

Monroe Dunham married Kate L. Alsop, Dec. 24, 1874.

Lucy Dunham married Linzy Zollers—Dec. 25, 1872.

Lydia Dunham married Harden Brooks Walters—May 29, 1883

CHILDREN:

1. Violet.
2. Noel.
3. Eva.
4. Harry.
5. William.
6. Ruth.
7. Francis.

Violet Walters married Daniel Stolfus.

CHILDREN:

1. Eunice—married Lee Swift (daughter Sandra Lee).
2. Vivian—(Air Hostess).
3. Mary.
4. Evelyn.

Revolutionary Ancestry of Rosa Dunham

Rosa Dunham—born March 16, 1866—died Dec. 18, 1937.
Aaron Asbury Cox—born Sept. 11, 1860—died Jan. 23, 1920.
Married Sept. 28, 1886.
Rosa Dunham, daughter of
William H. Dunham—born Nov. 15, 1821—died July 12, 1878.
Lydia Wilgus—born July 4, 1823—died Nov. 6, 1893.
Married Oct. 30, 1844.
William H. Dunham, son of
James Dunham—born Jan. 29, 1797—died March 20, 1850.
Catherine Banta—born March 18, 1798—died June 23, 1880.
Married Jan. 1, 1821.
Catherine Banta, daughter of
Peter Banta, born May 10, 1760—died May 12, 1829.
Rachel Van Cleve—born Oct. 25, 1762—died April 26, 1842.
Married 1782.

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"Peter Banta, born in Bergen Co., N. J., married Rachel Van Cleve, July, 1782. Served as scout in above Co., N. J. See page 500. "Official Register of the Officers and Men of N. J. in the Revolutionary War."

(Courtesy Mrs. Clara K. Williams, 222 Warren St., Lebanon, Ohio.)

See D. A. R. National, No. 99708—also No. 83108.

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See Page 98, "Banta Genealogy".

Peter Banta's children:

1. Mary—born June 6, 1783—married Peter Cassatt.
2. Magdalene—born Nov. 1, 1785—married Albert Cassatt.
3. Elizabeth—born June 13, 1787—married John Hatfield.
4. Albert—born Dec. 12, 1788—married Mary Voorhees.
5. Rachel—born Oct. 6, 1790—married John Painter.
6. Samuel—born Sept. 13, 1792—married (1) Hannah Newport.
(2) Mary Cook.
7. Charity—born Jan. 6, 1796—married John Collins.
8. Aaron—born April 24, 1794—unmarried.
9. Catherine—born March 18, 1798—married James Dunham.
10. Peter—born Jan. 30, 1800—married Elizabeth Brown.
11. Henry—born Nov. 8, 1803—married Mabel Gustin.
12. Jane—born Jan. 8, 1805—married Joseph Verrable.
13. Benjamin—born June 18, 1808—married Jane Malloy.

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Peter Banta, son of Albert Banta—born Aug. 29, 1728—died
Sept. 29, 1810.

Magdalena Van Voorhes—died July 15, 1810.

Grandson of Hendrick Banta—born Jan. 13, 1696.

..... Terhune—born 1694—married Jan. 26, 1717.

Great-grandson Hendrick Epka Banta—born 1657.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(San Bernardino Newspaper, November 17, 1940.)

"Long Illness Takes Life of Fruit Grower"

**"Member of City's Water Board Claimed at His Residence by
Disease of Heart."**

Roy Cox, prominent San Bernardino rancher and member of the City Board of Water Commissioners, died at his home early last night after a long illness.

Born in San Bernardino 46 years ago he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cox, pioneer residents. He succumbed at 7 p. m. to a heart ailment attributed to a leg wound suffered in the World War.

Mr. Cox, an orange grower for many years, and a water authority, was appointed to the Water Board in 1934 for a two-year term. In 1936 he was re-appointed by Mayor C. T. Johnson for the full term of six years. He was Secretary of the Mt. Vernon Water Company and a member of the Lytle Creek Water Conservation Board.

His death, followed by only two weeks his return to his 1306 Mt. Vernon Avenue home, after three months at San Bernardino Hospital. Educated in the public schools of San Bernardino, he attended the old San Bernardino Business College before going overseas with the 91st Division, A. E. F. He later lost a leg as the result of a wound received in France.

He was a member of the Native Sons of the Golden West, the Lion's Club, San Bernardino Lodge of Masons, Scottish Rite at Long Beach and the American Legion.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence Woodhouse Cox, and one daughter Beth, both of San Bernardino; two sons, Darrell of Rialto and Glenn of San Bernardino; three brothers, Harold, Lawrence and Donald Cox, and one sister, Mrs. J. S. Willitts, all of San Bernardino."

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

(San Bernardino Evening Telegram, July 10, 1941.)

"Cox Families in Reunion to Honor Cousins"

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Cox welcomed members of the Cox family hereabouts for a happy reunion at their attractive residence, 3196 Arrowhead Avenue, Wednesday evening.

The gathering was planned in honor of cousins visiting here from St. Louis, Mo. The guests are Mrs. Frederick C. Harrington, her daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Harold Jenkins and Susan Jenkins.

Thirty-four members of the family and their children joined in the festivities, which featured a chicken dinner served in colorfully arranged tables in the back yard. Pinochle was played afterward with Mrs. Jenkins and Glenn Cox winning the high prizes, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fogg claiming the second awards.

The family gathering was complete, with only one missing. She is Mrs. Joseph Dick (Kathryn Cox) who with her husband and two children is spending two months in Kansas.

Others enjoying the *al fresco* affair numbered: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cox, Mr. and Mrs. James Willits, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fogg, Mr. and Mrs. James Perry (Rose Cox), Mr. and Mrs. Jack Meyer (Phyllis Cox), Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth K. Kelly (Dorothy Cox), Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cox, of Rialto, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cox, Mrs. Roy Cox, Miss Ida Pearson, Miss Beth Cox, Miss Jean Cox, Glenn Cox, Roy A. (Pelky) Cox, Donna and Donald Cox, Patricia, Doris, Vera and Betty Willits and Patricia Ann Kelly.

RECORD

The Family of Fanny Cox and her husband William Butler Chandler:

Fanny Cox—born April 15, 1862—died Dec. 18, 1940.

William Butler Chandler—born Feb. 15, 1844—died Oct. 18, 1920.

Married Jan. 6, 1887.

CHILDREN:

1. William Guy—died in infancy.
2. John Hurshel—died in infancy.
3. Binnie—born Sept. 29, 1891—married Charles Humes.
4. Rose Mae—born April 3, 1894—married Philip Jule Mojonnier.
5. Helen Marie—born March 3, 1899—married Harvey Lee Smith.

Settled at Patoka, Ill.

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RECORD

The Family of Binnie Chandler and her husband Charles Humes:

Binnie Chandler—born Sept. 29, 1891.

Charles Humes—born Aug. 16, 1892—married Oct. 6, 1917.

(Daughter, Mary Helen, born Jan. 18, 1924.)

Settled at Centralia, Ill.

OBITUARY

William Butler Chandler "Answers Last Call"

One week ago, little did we think that we would be called on to give our readers the death message of one of our most highly esteemed and respected citizens, our neighbor and our friend, but such is fate, and when the word went out Sunday that Uncle Bill Chandler, as most everyone knew him, was fast sinking, little did we realize that the end was so near. Stricken on Wednesday he gradually grew worse until the end came Monday evening.

There are now only a very few of the Grand Army men left. Of that organization Mr. Chandler was affiliated and his greatest interest seemed to be in any service connected with the Stars and Stripes, and he always looked forward to the time when he could march with this banner. Members of the Edgar Rogier Post acted as the funeral escort and served as pall bearers.

William Chandler was born in Stateville, Tenn., Feb. 15, 1844, died at his home in Patoka, Oct. 18, 1920.

He is the last of 13 children of John M. and Mary Ann Chandler. He came with his parents from Tennessee to Kentucky where his father died. He came with his mother and settled northeast of Patoka.

In the year 1862 he answered the call to serve his country and was a private of Capt. James H. Hudspeth, Co. K, 8th Reg., Ky. He volunteered on the 5th of August, 1862, served one year, and was discharged the 23rd day of September, 1863.

He was married to Miss Fanny Cox Jan. 6, 1887. To this union five children were born, the two boys, William Guy and John Hurschel died in infancy. He was converted in 1887 at Mound Chapel and lived a Christian life until God called him home. He was a devoted husband, a loving father, and a good neighbor. He had a host of true friends in Patoka and he will be missed by all.

The funeral was held from the Baptist Church on Tuesday evening, Rev. Etter officiating, assisted by Rev. J. M. Smith, and burial in the Patoka Cemetery. He leaves to mourn their loss a wife, three daughters, Mrs. Binnie Humes, Misses Rose and Helen Chandler; one nephew, Carson Chandler; two nieces, Mrs. Ethel Robb and Miss Rettie Chandler, the nieces of Decatur, the others of Patoka, a host of other relatives and friends.

RECORD

The Family of Rose Mae Chandler and her husband Philip
Mojonnier:

Rose Mae Chandler—born April 3, 1894.

Philip Jule Mojonnier—born March 1, 1882.

Married (2nd wife) April 10, 1932.

(Settled at Patoka, Ill.)

Note: "Philip J. Mojonnier married Rose Chandler, daughter of Fanny M. Chandler, nee Cox, April 10, 1932, in her home in Patoka. He is president of Patoka First State Bank, Patoka Co-operative Elevator Company and Patoka Telephone Company.

He has been Worthy Patron of Victoria Chapter No. 253, O. E. S., of Illinois, seven years, and Worshipful Master of Patoka Lodge, A. F. & A. M., two terms, and held various offices in both fraternal organizations for 22 consecutive years.

He is a member of Patoka Baptist Church and served many years as Sunday School Superintendent, and 14 years as Church Treasurer, also taught Sunday School class several years.

Philip's parents died when he was eight years old and he has fought the battles of life ever since. His paternal grandfather, Frederick Mojonnier, immigrated from Canton Vaud, Switzerland, in the spring of 1850, and from the day he landed in America he was a true American, getting his naturalization papers as soon as possible.

It took 80 days to make the voyage from Switzerland to St. Louis. During the voyage a young Englishman died on the ship and Frederick Mojonnier asked the captain's permission to hold a religious service before the body was buried at sea. This privilege was granted and all on board were very reverent and took much interest in this service, and all passengers held him in high esteem the balance of the voyage. They landed in New Orleans and came up the Mississippi River on a tugboat. His maternal grandfather, Frederick Beguelin, came from Switzerland in 1856 with his family."

RECORD

The Family of Helen Marie Chandler and her husband Harvey
Lee Smith:

Helen Marie Chandler—born March 3, 1899.

Harvey Lee Smith—born Aug. 11, 1893—married Nov. 11, 1927.

(Daughter Evelyn Marie—born Feb. 9, 1933.)

Settled at Decatur, Ill.

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Obituary of Mrs. Fanny Chandler

Mrs. Fanny Chandler passed away at her home in Patoka Wednesday, December 18, 1940, at 11:15 a. m., aged 78 years, 8 months and 3 days.

Fanny M. Cox, daughter of John and Nancy Jane Farmer Cox, was born in Pope Township, Fayette County, April 15, 1862, where she spent her girlhood days. She lived her entire life in this community with the exception of eight years when she resided with her parents in Vandalia during her father's term of office as sheriff of Fayette County.

She was united in marriage January 6, 1887, to William B. Chandler and to this union five children were born, two sons preceding her in death. Her husband passed away twenty years ago.

She was converted when quite young and joined the Mound Chapel Church. She united with the Patoka Baptist Church in September, 1912. She leaves to mourn her loss three daughters, Binnie C. Humes of Centralia, Ill.; Helen Smith of Decatur, Ill., and Rose Mojonnier; two granddaughters, Mary Helen Humes of Centralia, and Evelyn Smith of Decatur; two step-grandchildren, Alice and Carroll Mojonnier; one step-brother, Monroe Hopkins of Patoka, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon from the Baptist Church by Rev. Walter Miller, and burial in Patoka Cemetery.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral of Fanny Chandler were: Mrs. Frederick C. Harrington, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Ethel Robb, Mrs. G. I. Garrett and Mrs. Joe McMahon, of Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Reed, of Brownstown; Mr. Will Humes and Miss Vonna Stein, of Centralia; Mrs. Elizabeth Stein, of Sandoval; Mrs. Agnes Hines, Lloyd Hines and Carl Hines, of Alma; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jones of Vernon.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of John Irving Cox and Mary E. Bowers:

John Irving Cox—born Sept. 18, 1866—died 1919.

Mary E. Bowers—born Sept. 20, 1871—died 1902.

Married March 20, 1889.

CHILDREN:

1. Richard—born April 25, 1891—married Esta Carter Dec. 20, 1918.
Esta Carter—born April 29, 1891.
(Son, Richard Wayne—born Dec. 12, 1928.)
2. Florence—born Dec. 6, 1892—married John David Pratt, March 20, 1912.
John David Pratt—born June 3, 1888.

Children:

- Dale—born Aug. 31, 1912. Robert—born Nov. 25, 1920.
Carl—born March 24, 1914. Marie—born April 3, 1924.
Mary—born July 20, 1916. John—born Feb. 28, 1927.
Ruby, born Aug. 8, 1918. Ray—born Nov. 27, 1930.
3. Lizzie—born Feb. 27, 1895—married Arthur Ahlf, Dec. 22, 1920.
Arthur Ahlf—born Sept. 10, 1892—died March 17, 1928.
Children:
Bernard—born April 15, 1923.
Geraldine—born April 13, 1925.
 4. Bryan—born May 18, 1897—married Kathryn Sheldron, August 9, 1931.
Kathryn Sheldron—born July 19, 1906.
(Son, John Terry—born Oct. 13, 1941.)
 5. Ruby—born Jan. 11, 1899—died April 22, 1914.
 6. Nelpha—born Oct. 20, 1900—died May 8, 1901.

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RECORD

The Family of Florence Cox and John David Pratt:

Dale Pratt—born Aug. 31, 1912—married Florence Kline,

May 30, 1935.

Florence Kline—born Feb. 2, 1916.

Children:

- Charles David—born Jan. 29, 1936.
Carl Wolder—born July 30, 1938.
Geraldine Ester—born May 31, 1940.
Mary Ann—born Dec. 24, 1941.
- Carl R. Pratt—born March 24, 1914—married Margaret Dewalt,
March 3, 1940.
Margaret Dewalt—born May 8, 1922.
(Son, John Richard.)
- Mary Pratt—born July 20, 1916—married Francis Hattan,
Feb. 1, 1938.
- Children:
- Robert Wayne—born Oct. 11, 1938.
Betty Lu—born April 6, 1941.
Ruby Pratt—born Aug. 8, 1918—married Rosco K. Judd,
May 10, 1942.
Rosco K. Judd—born Nov. 26, 1917.



John Cox

Matilda Holt Hopkins

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of John Cox and his second wife Matilda Holt Hopkins:

(Nancy Jane Farmer died Sept. 19, 1866.)

John Cox married (2) Matilda Holt Hopkins (1867).

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RECORD

The Family of Emanuel M. Cox and his wife Hattie Payne:

(Settled in Rialto, California.)

Emanuel M. Cox—born June 25, 1872—died Feb. 2, 1924.

Hattie Payne—born July 5, 1875.

Married at Vandalia, Ill., Feb. 19, 1896.

CHILDREN:

1. Estella Faye—born Dec. 26, 1897—married John W. Rogers.
2. Merritt Clark—born July 14, 1899—married (1) Marie Pemberton.
3. Jessie Aileen—born June 17, 1901—married Basil Rose.
4. Robin Vernon—born April 14, 1903—married Margaret Zibler.
5. Emanuel Eugene—born July 24, 1906.
6. Helen Lucile—born Feb. 14, 1909—married Leonard Sidney Loucks.
7. Ruth Matilda—born Aug. 1, 1911—married William Simon Boardman.

(Hattie Payne was the daughter of Americus Clark Payne—born Aug. 9, 1835—died Feb. 26, 1922, and Mary Connolly (born in New Orleans), July 4, 1838—died Sept. 19, 1894.)

(Both parents died in Pope Township, Fayette Co., Ill.)

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RECORD

The Family of Estella Faye Cox and her husband John W. Rogers:

Estella Faye Cox—born Dec. 26, 1897.

John W. Rogers—born Dec. 26, 1901—married Oct., 1926 (in Los Angeles).

CHILDREN:

1. John W. Jr., born Feb. 14, 1928.
2. William Marion—born Nov. 19, 1929.

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RECORD

The Family of Merritt Clark Cox and his (1) wife Marie Pemberton:

Married July 12, 1920.

CHILDREN:

1. Helen Elizabeth—born March 31, 1921.
 2. Robert—born Nov. 21, 1922.
- (Helen Elizabeth Cox married Allen Bumpus, July 5, 1939.
Son, Allen Clark—born Nov. 11, 1940.)
(Marie Pemberton died Oct., 1925.)

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RECORD

The Family of Merritt Clark Cox and his (2) wife Viola Mallett.

Viola Mallett—born Jan. 4, 1900—married July 12, 1926.

CHILDREN:

1. Viola—born June 16, 1927.
2. Eugene—born Feb. 4, 1929.
3. Harriett—born Jan. 24, 1931.
4. Melvin—born Dec. 27, 1933.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Jessie Aileen Cox and her husband Basil Rose:

Jessie Aileen Cox—born June 17, 1901.

Basil Rose—born Sept. 30, 1900—married Jan. 3, 1924.

CHILDREN:

1. Jean—born Jan. 18, 1925 (in Los Angeles).
2. Barbara Faye—born April 11, 1928 (in Wynoka, Oklahoma).

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RECORD

The Family of Robin Vernon Cox and his wife Margaret Zibler:

Robin Vernon Cox—born April 14, 1903.

Margaret Zibler—born Feb. 21, 1905 (at Stanton, Nebraska)

Married Sept. 4, 1927.

(Daughter, Carolyn Frances—born Oct. 5, 1932.)

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RECORD

The Family of Helen Lucile Cox and her husband Leonard

Sidney Loucks:

Helen Lucile Cox—born Feb. 14, 1909—died July 15, 1934 (accident).

Leonard Sidney Loucks—born Aug. 25, 1907—married Aug. 3, 1929.

(One son, Richard—born July 27, 1932.)

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RECORD

The Family of Ruth Matilda Cox and her husband William

Simon Boardman:

(Settled at Paragonah, Utah.)

Ruth Matilda Cox—born Aug. 1, 1911.

William Simon Boardman—born April 23, 1912.

Married Sept. 1, 1940.

(Son, William Eugene—born Dec. 8, 1941.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Cullus Cox and his wife Sarah Jones:
One son, Richard (and grandson).
(Settled in Southern California.)

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RECORD

The Family of Tom Cox and his wife Myrtle Hopkins:
(Settled at Pope's Bluff, Fayette Co., Ill.)
Tom Cox—born Sept. 18, 1876.
Myrtle Hopkins—born Jan. 31, 1885.

CHILDREN:

1. Letta—born March 25, 1904.
2. Ora—born May 21, 1906.
3. Wayne—born Oct. 4, 1908—died May 30, 1921 (accident—
drowned).
4. Marie—born Oct. 9, 1910—married Alex Reed.
5. Lucile—born Sept. 30, 1912—married Victor Maliongas.
6. John, born Feb. 25, 1915—married Dorothy Thompkins.
7. Alece—born Oct. 4, 1917.
8. Elaine—born Oct. 16, 1919—married Jim Osborne.
9. Charlotte—born Nov. 3, 1921.
10. Maurice Lee—born Nov. 2, 1924.
11. James Max—born March 19, 1930.

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RECORD

The Family of Marie Cox and her husband Alex Reed:
Married Aug. 20, 1930.

CHILDREN:

1. Carolyn Sue—born May 29, 1932.
 2. Sylvia Ann—born Dec. 17, 1937.
- (Alex Reed, Principal of Township High School, Brownstown,
Ill.)

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John Cox and Dorothy Thompkins:
Married Oct. 12, 1940.
Daughter, Janet Sue—born Oct. 5, 1941.

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Children of Elaine Cox and Jim Osborne:

1. Nancy Kay—born May 10, 1939.
2. David Lee—born July 17, 1940.

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Gertie Cox and her husband Silas Jarrett:

Gertie Cox—born Sept. 21, 1883—died Nov. 22, 1932.

Silas Burton Jarrett—born Nov. 30, 1882—married Feb. 10, 1903.

CHILDREN:

Three died in infancy.

Frieda—born Sept. 26, 1906—married Radford Chriss.

Radford Chriss—born Feb. 4, 1900—married April 10, 1922.

(Settled at Vernon, Ill.)

CHILDREN:

1. Paul Radford—born Aug. 17, 1922.
 2. Clyde—born Feb. 6, 1925.
 3. Robert Eugene—born July 30, 1926.
 4. Charles Wayne—born June 2, 1928—died May 17, 1939 (accident).
 5. Donald Beryl—born Aug. 9, 1929.
 6. Ernest Everett—born July 27, 1930.
- (Two boys, Leroy and Kenneth, died in infancy.)

GENEALOGY OF THE COX FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Zachariah Cox:

Zachariah Cox—born Aug. 9, 1849—died Oct. 26, 1926.

Lydia Ann Emmaline Connor—married Jan. 14, 1877.

CHILDREN:

1. Charles Ralph—born Feb. 9, 1881—married Hilda Green, Jan. 17, 1908.

Children:

1. Zola Arlene—born July 28, 1908—died March 2, 1942.
2. Evelyn Naomi—born Dec. 12, 1910—married Oscar Gaffner, Sept. 23, 1939.
3. Darrell Duward—born Sept. 4, 1913—married Mary Echart, July 20, 1940. (Joyce Carol—born July 26, 1941).
4. Ralph Leon—born Nov. 15, 1916—died July 12, 1917.
5. Hallie Marie—born July 3, 1918—married Eugene Crenshaw, Aug. 13, 1938.
6. Erma Louise—born May 19, 1921.

2. Alfred Berle—born Oct. 7, 1882—married Maggie Etta Albert, April 2, 1904. Maggie Etta Albert—born April 5, 1886.

Children:

1. Everett Reuben—born Oct. 27, 1904—married Cora Jane Daniels, Dec. 24, 1927. Cora Jane Daniels born March 19, 1908.
2. Beatrice Mae—born June 19, 1908—married (1) Edward Kingston. Edward Kingston, born April 14, 1905, died Oct. 13, 1938.
Beatrice Mae married (2) George W. French, March 22, 1940. George W. French—born Sept. 29, 1911. (no children).

3. James Franklin—born Aug. 7, 1885.
4. Goldie Gertrude—born June 25, 1895—married Leonard I. Heather, March 14, 1925.

Children:

Norma Jean—born March 3, 1929.
Verna Elaine—born June 18, 1930.

5. Maggie Jeanette—born July 23, 1890—married William Leo Guthrie, Feb. 18, 1909.

Children:

1. Lloyd Ransom—born March 28, 1910.
2. Burl Clinton—born Oct. 2, 1912—married Mary Louise Jarrett. (One child, Rita Lee—born Feb. 28, 1931.)
3. Wilma Evelyn—married Melvin Andrew Johnson.
4. Irvin Lee—married Eleanor Curry. (One child, Judith Lynn—born Oct. 31, 1941.)

RECORD

The Families of Tom and Jefferson Cox:

Tom and Jefferson Cox were step-brothers of John Cox. They were born in New Castle County, Delaware, and when their father died, their mother (the widow Cox) married a relative of her deceased husband—John Cox—who was a widower with an infant son, John.

Children of Tom Cox and his wife Betsy Jackson:

1. Mark—born Feb. 15, 1846—died Dec. 31, 1920—married Mary Christie. Mary Ann Christie—born Feb. 1, 1848—died Sept. 22, 1916.

Children:

1. James Albert—born July 29, 1874—married Myrtle Cothern. (Two sons, Gordan and Albert). Settled in Colorado.
2. Minnie—born March 29, 1876—died Feb. 11, 1894.
3. Thomas Robert—born Nov. 14, 1878—married Nannie Doolen. Settled in Maroa, Ill.

Children:

1. Gerold—married Florence Wood (one child, Tommy).
 2. Rosemary—not married.
 3. Robert Willis—not married.
(Two children died in infancy.)
 4. Frederick Leroy—born Dec. 17, 1880—married Josie Peddicord.
One child—William Marcus—married Margaret Balance. (Patoka Undertaker.)
 5. Flora Mae—born Jan. 14, 1885—never married. Champaign, Ill.
 6. Nellie Myrtle—born Aug. 2, 1890—married Arlie Sprinkle. (Three daughters, Mary Doris, Winnifred, Loraine.)
2. Irving—married Rosalie Blankenship.

Children:

1. Ida—married Mort Walker.
2. Leone—married Forrest Cothern (son, Forrest).
3. Florence—married Viness Linton (Lois, Donna May).
4. Leslie—married Mary Belle Singer (son and daughter).
5. Francis—married Mary Caldwell (one daughter).
6. Gladys—married Luther Perrine (two daughters).
7. Clyde
8. Marvin.
9. Eulavonne.
10. Lorene.

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3. Millard—born March 24, 1857—died April 10, 1935—married Nov. 25, 1879. Elizabeth Albert—born April 25, 1858—died April 30, 1937.

Children:

1. Charles—born Sept. 29, 1880—married Lottie Lawler, Jan. 16, 1907. Lottie Lawler—born Feb. 5, 1890. (One son, Charles—born March 27, 1908.)
 2. Mayme—born April 13, 1883. (Single.)
 3. George—born July 4, 1885—married Aug. 4, 1906. Gertie Bethard, born Aug. 24, 1887. (No children.)
 4. Jessie—born Sept. 11, 1890—married Sept. 25, 1914. Wilbur Roberts—born Feb. 12, 1891. (One son, Harold B.—born Sept. 19, 1915.)
Harold B. Roberts—married, April 29, 1938.
Ruth Kelley—born July 26, 1914. (One daughter, Judith Ann—born Aug. 13, 1939. (Harold B. Roberts died Nov. 26, 1940.)
 5. Fred—born Jan. 12, 1895—married Jan. 10, 1931. Mae Harmon—born May 28, 1904. (No children.)
 6. Ethel—born Jan. 30, 1897—married June 28, 1919. Cecil Smith—born Feb. 7, 1898.
4. Zipporah Ann—born Jan. 18, 1848—died May 30, 1925—married Thomas E. Balance, Feb. 19, 1871. Thomas E. Balance—born Oct. 25, 1844—died March 11, 1893.

Children:

1. Emily Jane—born Jan. 7, 1873—died May 20, 1893.
2. John Irvin—born March 23, 1874—died Oct. 8, 1902.
3. Mary Elizabeth—born Nov. 3, 1875.
4. William Henry—born May 7, 1877—died Nov. 26, 1881.
5. Charley—born April 20, 1879.
6. Ida—born June 3, 1881—died Oct., 1882.
7. Robert—born Dec. 17, 1882.
8. Clementine—born Nov. 17, 1884.
9. Lemuel—born April 16, 1886.
10. Cora—born February 16, 1888.

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Mary Elizabeth Balance (3rd child above) married Oct. 22, 1915. Henry O. Acom—born June 3, 1852. (Daughter, Sophia—born Jan. 4, 1919).

Charley Balance (5th child above) married April 3, 1901. Tamer Matheny—born July 23, 1883—died May 5, 1919.

Children:

1. Clifford—born Feb. 4, 1902.
2. Gladys—born June 11, 1905.
3. Thelma—born Jan. 27, 1908.
4. Verneille—born Oct. 10, 1911.
5. Genevieve—born Jan. 23, 1913.
6. Stephen—born April 28, 1919.

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Lemuel Balance (9th child above) married Jan. 1, 1912, Myrtle Alice Meador, born July 14, 1892.

Robert Balance (7th child above) married Nov. 6, 1920, Susan Irene Oates—born Feb. 24, 1895.

Children:

1. Glen Robert—born Aug. 17, 1921.
2. Ruby, born Jan. 22, 1923.
3. Lyle Leon—born April 24, 1925.
4. Ross Harry—born Jan. 1, 1930.

Cora Balance (10th child above) never married and lives on the old home place near Vernon, Ill.

Clementine Balance (8th child above) married Oct. 25 1905, Charles Arthur Greenwood—born April 23, 1881.

Children:

1. Harold Raymond—born Nov. 27, 1906—married March 22, 1924, Lucile Emma Girard—born March 23, 1910.

Children:

1. Betty Louise—born Jan. 7, 1926.
 2. Annamary—born Oct. 1, 1928.
 3. Shirlie Iris—born March 11, 1932.
 4. Darlene Harriet—born Aug. 5, 1935.
 5. Charles Edward—born Aug. 29, 1939.
 6. Donna Kay—born March 29, 1942.
2. Donald Robert—born Nov. 1, 1909—married May 27, 1937, Claire Shirlie Boss—born May 27, 1904.
3. Everett Lemuel—born Jan. 26 1912—married Dec. 7, 1935, Clairbel McCombe—born April 5, 1916.

Children:

1. Robert Carl—born Sept. 12, 1937.
 2. Linda Ethel—born Feb. 4, 1940.
4. Dean Arden—born Sept. 4, 1914.
5. Paul Eugene—born Oct. 6, 1916—married Jan. 17, 1942, Mary Jane Priester—born April 17, 1925.
6. Charles Arthur—born Nov. 7, 1918—married Aug. 7, 1940, Dorothy Elizabeth Tallman—born May 8, 1922.
7. Doris Ruth—born Feb. 28, 1921—married Aug. 5, 1939, Edgar Allen Stephens—born Feb. 8, 1920.
(Daughter, Iris Jean—born Sept. 20, 1941.)
8. Iris Annamary—born Feb. 8, 1927—died Feb. 9, 1927.

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5. Henry Cox (5th child of Tom Cox and Betsy Jackson) married Henrietta Klinge.

One son, Glen—born Oct. 3, 1895—married Aug. 14, 1922, Hazel Hathaway—born Sept. 24, 1902.

Children:

1. Donald Allison—born Jan. 13, 1923.
2. Mildred Elizabeth—born Oct. 4, 1925.

(Glen Cox died Jan. 3, 1931.)

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RECORD

The Family of Jefferson Cox and his wife Mahala

Brother of Tom Cox—half-brother of John Cox.

ONE CHILD:

1. Sarah—married John Bess. (3 children—Fred, Ed and Nelly).
Mahala married (2) "One-arm" John Cox.

ONE CHILD:

1. Charley—married Agnes Simcox.

Children:

1. Madeline—married Lee Belcher. (Children, Charles and Gayle).
2. Darrell—married girl in Colorado.
3. Gerold—bachelor at home.
4. Christina—married Frank Elifritz. (Children, Frances and James).
5. James—married Evelyn Black (deceased). (One child, Jimmie).
6. Mabel—married Walter Whiting.

The Hopkins Family

GENEALOGY OF THE HOPKINS FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Matilda Holt and her first husband Martin Hopkins:
Matilda Holt—born Nov. 27, 1839—died July 17, 1915—married 1856.
Martin Hopkins—born; died 1865.

CHILDREN:

James Monroe—born Oct. 10, 1859—married Retta Carter, Sept.
16, 1880.
William Rasmus—born March 8, 1861—died July 24, 1928—married
Gilla Bundy.
Henry Augustus (Bub)—born Sept. 18, 1864—died Sept. 11, 1938.
Married (1) Clara Doolen, Feb. 13, 1884; (2) Laura Bucher.

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RECORD

The Family of James Monroe Hopkins and his wife Retta Carter:
James Monroe Hopkins—born Oct. 10, 1889.
Retta Carter—born Feb. 5, 1862—died Feb. 15, 1939.
Married Sept. 16, 1880.

CHILDREN:

1. Martin—born Sept. 17, 1882—died June 18, 1940—married Lola Belcher.
2. Myrtle—born Jan. 31, 1885—married Tom Cox.
3. Ray—born Feb. 27, 1887—married Lulu Bowles.
4. Clara—born Oct. 10, 1896—married Elmer Kenny.
5. Minnie—born Nov. 8, 1891—married Carl Silkey Sept. 12, 1912.
6. Pyrie—born June 25, 1894—married Charles L. Bowers.
7. Ethel—born Sept. 6, 1889—married Virgil Cox, Sept. 15, 1908.
8. Orville—born March 30, 1899—married Ludy Pugh Oct. 16, 1926.
(Two sons—Bobbie Gene, Deene.)

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RECORD

The Family of Martin Hopkins and his wife Lola Belcher:
Married Nov. 25, 1903.
Martin Hopkins—born Sept. 17, 1882—died June 18, 1940.
Lola Belcher—born Feb. 15, 1889—died Oct. 23, 1938.

CHILDREN:

1. Harold—died in infancy.
2. Irene—born Aug. 12, 1905—married Bert Walker Feb. 15, 1930.
(One son died at birth, March 29, 1931.)
3. Thelma—born March 27, 1908—married Harold Simcox May 25,
1929. Harold Simcox—born Jan. 11, 1907.

Children:

1. Dean—born June 17, 1930.
2. Martha Sue—born July 31, 1939.
4. Gale—born Jan. 26, 1924. (Single.)

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Children of Minnie Hopkins and Carl Silkey:

1. Carl Dayton—born May 24, 1915.
2. Dorothy Corrinne—born March 7, 1919.

(Settled at Decatur, Ill.)

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RECORD

The Family of Ray Hopkins and his wife Lulu Bowles:
(Two sons and two daughters.)

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RECORD

The Family of Pyrlle Hopkins and her husband Charles L. Bowers:
(Settled at Pana, Ill.)

Pyrlle Hopkins—born June 25, 1894.

Charles L. Bowers—born Feb. 18, 1892—married Dec. 21, 1910.

CHILDREN:

1. Mildred—born Oct. 9, 1915—married Wilbur Sams, June 19, 1937.
2. Fred—born Sept. 17, 1917—married Joan Sanders, May 27, 1939.
(Son, Donald Dean—born July 14, 1940.)
3. Kenneth—born Oct. 26, 1923.
4. Betty—born Jan. 14, 1934.
5. Buddy—born Feb. 3, 1935.

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RECORD

The Family of Clara Hopkins and her husband Elmer Kinney:

Clara Hopkins—born Oct. 10, 1896.

Elmer Kinney—born March 14, 1896—married April 11, 1915.

CHILDREN:

1. Harold—born March 19, 1916—married Ruby Patterson Jan.
14, 1940. Ruby Patterson—born July 23, 1914.
(Daughter, Sandra Sue—born Nov. 13, 1941.)

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For record of the Families of Myrtle and Ethel Hopkins
See Cox Genealogy.

GENEALOGY OF THE HOPKINS FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of William Rasmus Hopkins and his wife Gilla Bundy:
William Rasmus Hopkins—born March 8, 1861—died July 24, 1928.
Gilla Bundy—born Feb. 29, 1864—married Feb. 10, 1887.

CHILDREN:

1. Maud—born Jan. 8, 1891—married Arthur Thomas.
2. Oma—born Oct. 26, 1892—married Chester Belcher.
3. Arbie—born Nov. 19, 1894—married Mabel Tune.
4. Chleo—born Sept. 12, 1897—married Claude Walker.
5. Leona—born Dec. 8, 1899—married Howard Kinney.
6. Mildred—born Feb. 21, 1902—married Jim Wasem.
7. Ormell—born Jan. 12, 1904—married Clark Simcox.
8. Joe—born Nov. 2, 1907—married Juanita Harrison.
(Settled at Patoka, Ill.)

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RECORD

The Family of Maud Hopkins and her husband Arthur Thomas:
Maud Hopkins—born Jan. 8, 1891.
Arthur Thomas—Born Oct. 18, 1894—married Feb. 10, 1915.
One daughter, Gwendolyn—born Jan. 20, 1917.
Gwendolyn Thomas married Harold Sharp April 12, 1941.
Harold Sharp—born April 28, 1913.

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RECORD

The Family of Oma Hopkins and her husband Chester Belcher:
Oma Olga Hopkins—born Oct. 26, 1892.
Chester Belcher—married Dec. 2, 1914.

CHILDREN:

1. Alice Maud—born Oct. 14, 1915—married Richard Smith, Oct. 14, 1940.
(Daughter, Margaret Alice—born Feb. 10, 1942.)
2. Helen Evelyn—born Aug. 26, 1916.
3. Beatrice Virginia—born Sept. 6, 1917.
4. Twins: Dorothy, Rose—born Feb. 14, 1919.
5. Eleanor Ruth—born Feb. 14, 1919.
6. Edith Louise—born April 17, 1920.

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RECORD

The Family of Harvey Arbie Hopkins and his wife Mabel Tune:
Harvey Arbie Hopkins—born Nov. 19, 1894.
Mabel Tune—born June 4, 1893—married Dec. 5, 1917.
(One son, Albert Leroy—born Dec. 18, 1919.)
Albert Leroy married Margaret Hintz, Aug. 29, 1939.
(Daughter—Janet Kay—born Feb. 18, 1941.)

GENEALOGY OF THE HOPKINS FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Chleo Hopkins and her Husband Claude Walker:

Gracie Chleo Hopkins—born Sept. 12, 1897.

Claude Walker—born Nov. 17, 1897—married Feb. 21, 1918.

CHILDREN:

1. Donald Leon—born May 16, 1918—married Ruth McKinney, Nov. 7, 1941.
2. Maurice Wayne—born Nov. 23, 1921.
3. Floyd Eugene—born Oct. 22, 1922—married Eunice Ververs, June 21, 1941. (Daughter, Carolyn Joyce—born June 24, 1942.)
4. Darrell Claude—born Aug. 24, 1924.

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RECORD

The Family of Leona Hopkins and her husband Lloyd Kinney:

Mary Leona Hopkins—born Dec. 3, 1899.

Lloyd Kinney—born Sept. 7, 1894—married March 16, 1920.

CHILDREN:

1. Kenneth Clifford—born May 13, 1921.
2. Ada May—born Aug. 2, 1922—married Fred Benedict, Sept. 13, 1940. Twins, Lloyd Dean, Frederick Gene—born Sept. 7, 1941.)
3. Howard Edwin—born Dec. 12, 1928.

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RECORD

The Family of Mildred Bernice Hopkins and James Wasem:

Mildred Bernice Hopkins—born Feb. 21, 1902.

James Wasem—born Jan. 11, 1903—married Aug. 2, 1922.

(One son, James Louis—born Aug. 7, 1935.)

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RECORD

The Family of Ornell Hopkins and her husband Clark Simcox:

Ornell Hopkins—born Jan. 12, 1904.

Clark Simcox—born Dec. 12, 1894—married April 12, 1922.

CHILDREN:

1. Nancy Jane—born Jan. 13, 1924.
2. Naomi Jo—born June 30, 1935.

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Joseph Glenn Hopkins married Juanita Harrison, April 20, 1937.

(Daughter, Judith Joan—born Oct. 14, 1938.)

Juanita Harrison—born Dec. 11, 1913.

GENEALOGY OF THE HOPKINS FAMILY, FAYETTE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECORD

The Family of Henry Augustus (Bub) Hopkins and his wife
Clara Doolin:

Henry Augustus Hopkins—born Sept. 18, 1864—died Sept. 11, 1938.

Clara Doolen—died Aug. 30, 1929.

Married Feb. 13, 1884.

CHILDREN:

1. Clementine—born Feb. 28, 1885—married (Rowland), D., Irma:
g. d., Jo.
2. Matilda—born Feb. 19, 1887—married (Bennette), 2 daughters.
3. Nettie—born June 8, 1889—married (Kroh), son, Harry.
4. Albert—born Jan. 15, 1892—married.
5. Forrest—born March 5, 1894—married.
6. Dorothy—born Aug. 31, 1896—died; married (Thomas)
six children.
7. Floyd—born Dec. 22, 1898.
8. Gladys—born Oct. 13, 1901—married (Young).
9. Loyce—born Nov. 28, 1904—married (Keeney), two sons.

(Henry Augustus Hopkins married (2) Laura Bucher, Nov. 16,
1934.)

Descriptive Letters
On A Foreign Tour

The "News-Champion", Maplewood, Mo.

We are in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Frederick C. Harrington of 6935 Mitchell Ave., who is on a tour of England, Scotland, Holland, Germany, Italy and France, conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Arthur H. Armstrong.

Mrs. Harrington has many friends in Maplewood and promised before starting on this trip to send an occasional letter to the "News-Champion", describing interesting features of the trip.

Her first letter is as follows:

On Board the "Empress of Scotland"

Atlantic Ocean, July 3, 1928.

Dear Friends of Maplewood:

Enlisted with the Armstrong party for a foreign tour, we reached the historic city of Quebec Tuesday P. M. June 26, having picked up different members of our party at Detroit, Montreal and Toronto. We are a jolly group—numbering twenty—including five gentlemen (each accompanied by his wife), three college girls and the 21-year-old son of Dr. Armstrong.

At Quebec we stopped at the Chateau Frontenac Hotel which is built on a high bluff overlooking the St. Lawrence River. It was very interesting to be whisked up the steep, narrow streets, through a great arch into a courtyard paved with cobble stones, and every sort of conveyance lined up at the curb. The most unusual were the dozen or so old-fashioned high-wheeled, horse-drawn "Victorias", some with four wheels—some with two—and were driven by old gentlemen with white whiskers.

Quebec is one of the oldest cities in America and most foreign in appearance. There are 133,000 population, 90% being French Canadian. There are 48 Catholic churches, 7 Protestant churches and 1 synagogue. The narrow streets wind around, up and down steep hills. One cannot help holding his breath and thinking what would happen if the brakes did not hold. As a matter of fact there are many horsedrawn vehicles in evidence.

Our party took a sight-seeing bus and drove all over the city. The houses are built right on the street with spiral staircases built on the outside to the second and third stories. Many of the houses are over a hundred years old, and there are many historic monuments. The only thing at all familiar looking was a Woolworth 5 and 10 cent store.

After a tour of the city we were taken out about 20 miles along the river to St. Anne de Beaupre. This is one of the oldest missions in the country, famed for its faith and healing.

This interesting drive was along the foot of the bluff, the road winding around curves under an arch of trees, up and down the hills.

past hedges of blooming lilacs and patches of wild strawberries. We passed through village after village, each with its Catholic church, each tiny home with its display in the front yard of handsome quilts and gay, fancy rugs for sale. Each home, too, had its supply of cut stove wood piled under the front porch or at the side of the house.

We stopped to inspect "Kent House" which was the home of the father of Queen Victoria during his residence in Canada. This is kept in perfect repair and protected by uniformed guards, day and night.

Our party went on board the "Empress of Scotland" Wednesday noon, June 27, in time for luncheon, but did not sail until 5:30 P. M. Those hours were filled with excitement and confusion, the delivery of telegrams and steamer letters, boxes and baskets of wonderful flowers.

I will hastily outline the program of the day: A hot salt-water bath in the early morning and a walk eight times around the deck—which makes a mile. Breakfast in the beautiful dining room, decorated with a profusion of flowers. A couple of hours on deck in a steamer chair—wrapped in a rug—with an interesting magazine. After luncheon, a game of Bridge in the Lounge, or participating in the various games on deck. There is also an attractive Swimming Pool. Everyone dresses for dinner—8 P. M.—and this is followed by a dance in the ball room.

Nothing of special interest occurred until Friday morning we ran into a dense fog, so dense the steamer was obliged to stand still for four hours—much of the time the fog horn blowing a blast every sixty seconds. We were in the Strait of Belle Isle. About 5 P. M. we passed out into the ocean proper and were inspired with awe at the sight of an iceberg. It appeared to be about 150 feet above water and said to be only one-sixth visible.

Sunday service was conducted by Dr. Armstrong. We land at Cherbourg tomorrow, where the mail will be taken off and our party will proceed to Southampton, where we will take train for London.

Yours very sincerely,

Estelle M. Harrington.

"Great Central Hotel,
London, Eng., July 14, 1928.

The News-Champion:

My Dear Friends in Maplewood:

We have been in Great Britain ten days and we seem to have been dropped into a different world—everything appears so strange and the customs are so different.

The first thing in London to attract the attention of a visitor is the sight of the chimney-pots on every building. Each roof has from ten to fifteen chimney pots, while the larger buildings have from fifty to one hundred. While London is the largest city in the world, I have not seen any business building more than twelve stories high—the average around seven stories. The Bank of England is one story, covers four acres of ground and is lighted entirely by a skylight—no windows. Of course everything over here is very old; they have a wonderful historic background.

We have visited so many famous shrines—Windsor Castle, the Tower of London, Westminster Abbey, House of Parliament, the British Museum—and we have stood at the graves of Dickens, Thomas Gray, Tennyson, Queen Elizabeth, Mary Queen of Scots, and all the other kings and queens of England. We visited the churchyard where Gray wrote his "Elegy", and we saw the original copy in the British Museum.

We stood on the spot where the wives of Henry VIII were executed and saw the ax and block in the Tower of London. I could tell much more of this, but perhaps some of you are not so interested in English history. Last Sunday morning, after seeing Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong safely off to church service, the rest of the party took a subway car and visited "Petticoat Lane"—said to be the slums of London. It was an interesting experience and we became separated in the mob and returned to the hotel in twos and threes before the Armstrong's returned from church.

Monday we left London for a tour of the English Lake country, the Shakespeare country and through the Trossachs and Loch Lomond and Loch Katrine by boat in Scotland. We visited more castles in Edinburgh and Sterling and the scenery is indescribably beautiful. We would travel a hundred miles or so by train in an observation car, then fifty miles by bus, then back on a train, eating in the diner and putting up at some quaint hotel at night. They do not have bath rooms over here, and every hotel bedroom is embellished with a beautiful bowl and pitcher.

All traffic here goes to the left. Many bicycles are used, especially in the suburbs by both men and women. All the women and girls smoke cigarettes as casually as we chew an after-dinner mint. The twilight is very late here, and we positively do not light the lights until 10 P. M. I must not close my letter without mentioning the wonderful English gardens—a riot of color—every home has its garden. We cross the North Sea tonight and reach Amsterdam tomorrow morning.

Sincerely, Estelle M. Harrington."

"Interlaken Switzerland.

July 25, 1928.

Editor News-Champion:

Dear Friends:

We have done some traveling since my last letter. We arrived in Holland on Sunday morning at half-past five o'clock. June 15, having crossed the North Sea at night. We went immediately to a waiting train for Amsterdam where we arrived at 9 A. M. having breakfast on the train.

As our train sped swiftly through this strange new country, with its wind-mills and canals and green fields, we saw hundreds of bicyclers, both men and women, pedaling along the highways.

We stopped at a comfortable hotel in Amsterdam where they actually had bath tubs. The city has a population of 700,000—15% being Jews. There are 348 canals which are enlivened by numerous barges and the different quarters of the town are connected by means of drawbridges. We had a motor trip around the city which was most interesting. Here we found our first sidewalk cafes under gay awnings. We were puzzled to find a notice in our bedrooms to leave the key on the hook outside the door when not occupying the room. But on entering a cathedral a large sign advised, 'Beware of Pickpockets'.

We stayed at our hotel in Amsterdam two days, going on Monday on an excursion in one of the pleasure boats out the canal, across the Zuiderzee to the Isle of Marken. This is the home of the poorer class of the Dutch, and here we found all the natives in their wooden shoes and picturesque costumes of their country. The place was crowded with souvenir shops and the women and children, and even the old men, insisted on posing for a photograph and holding out their hands for pennies.

Amsterdam is the commercial capital of Holland and has an excellent harbor. The diamond polishing mills are here, and the royal palace and art museum. Here are many of Rembrandt's pictures. Amsterdam was his native city.

Leaving Holland, our next stop was Cologne, Germany, where we spent one night and the next morning we went on board one of the luxurious river steamer for a sail 115 miles up the beautiful River Rhine. We had luncheon and dinner on the boat--and how we enjoyed the wonderful scenery, the legendary castles and the thousands of vineyards! It is easy to understand why the Germans love their wine. We stopped a few minutes at the famous town of 'Bingen-on-the-Rhine' to let off passengers.

Our visit to Heidelberg came next—to the University 500 years old—and the old castle now in ruins but surrounded by beautiful gardens.

Our next stop was Bale on the Rhine River at the intersection of Germany and Switzerland. One-half of the city is in one country

and the other half is across the River in the other country. We were on the Switzerland side and had the most luxurious hotel. My room opened on to a gay balcony overhanging the Rhine River—containing a quaint wicker tea-table and chair.

But we tarried here only one night—then on to Luzern where we stayed two days. The hotels are crowded with American tourists and the displays in the shops are bewildering.

Leaving Luzerne we passed through some of the most beautiful scenery in Switzerland—over the Brunig Pass, and arrived at Interlaken where we have been three days. Here we have taken excursions to the Jungfrau and Truemmelbach Falls, which have given a wonderful view of the majestic snow-capped mountains and the picturesque Swiss cottages far below. We had the thrilling experience of witnessing a terrific thunderstorm high up in the mountains. The echo of the thunder sounded like a hundred storms in one.

My letter is getting lengthy and I must close. We leave here this afternoon and will be in Italy next week.

With best wishes to all,

Estelle M. Harrington."

Armstrong Party Now in Rome, Italy

"News-Champion and Dear Friends in Maplewood:

My last letter was from Interlaken, Switzerland, and we have had many a thrill since then.

An hour's ride on the train took us to the little Swiss village of Meringen where we spent the night in a tiny hotel at the very foot of a high mountain—a restless waterfall dashing down the cavern directly in front of the hotel.

This was a very unimportant village but a starting point for the thrilling motor excursions by Charabanc to the Rhone Glacier over the Grimsel Pass.

We started on the trip very early in the morning in a government charabanc (motor bus) with a musical Alpine horn which re-echoed up and down the mountain as we climbed to the Rhone Glacier, one of the wonders of the Swiss Alps. The hotel where we had luncheon was perched like an eagle's nest on a mountain ledge, and was surrounded by snow. We walked through an artificial tunnel of solid ice underneath the Glacier.

From here we went by train to Zermat, a miniature village in the very heart of the Alps. Zermat is famous because it is located at the very base of the Matterhorn. This was a most awe-inspiring trip. The grandeur of the majestic mountains towering 7000 feet above us, the Rhone River dashing and foaming first on one side of our train then on the other. In the valley far below were the tiny villages clustered around a miniature church, and women working in the fields, while our train climbed higher and higher, and cascades dashing down the precipices and pounding against the huge rocks.

At Zermat we took an electric car for a side trip still further up the mountain to view the snow on the level where the dangerous climb of the Matterhorn begins. The sides of the mountains were beautiful with wild daisies, forget-me-nots, pink larkspur and thousands of tall, slender larch trees with their feathery leaves.

We had hot chocolate at the Gornergrat Hotel on the 'top of the world', then down again to Zermat. After two days in this delightful Swiss village we were back on the train again.

For two hours we traversed the wild mountains that had so fascinated us the past week, then suddenly we plunged into the famous Simplon Tunnel—thirteen miles long—the longest tunnel in the world—it took 22 minutes to pass through it—and we were in Italy!

Milan was our first stop, where we stayed over to visit the wonderful Cathedral and to view the famous painting, 'The Last Supper', by Leonardo de Vinci. This picture is painted on the wall of an old Convent and is gradually becoming faded. Milan is a prosperous city with a population of one million. Our hotel rooms had private baths and we were rather regretful to leave such luxury, but Venice was our next stop and we were soon on our way.

Arriving there, we were taken from the train to a waiting gondola and a very much withered old Venetian piloted us to the

'Hotel Royal Danieli', which was to be our home for the next three days. This captivating establishment had been a Palace four hundred years ago. The vast ceilings and broad staircases, the beautifully carved woodwork, the tapestries, the stained glass windows, and the endless display of statues and paintings were breathtaking.

In my immense bedroom, two-thirds of one side wall was a beautiful marble fireplace with an elaborate mirror above, reaching to the ceiling. It was somewhat disturbing to sleep in a silk-canopied bed with golden cupids aiming their arrows at one all night long.

It was exciting, too, to realize that we were really in the old romantic city of Shylock and Bassanio and Antonio. We visited the Rialto several times during our stay. This is a great covered Bridge crossing the Grand Canal and is the most important business center in Venice. There are shops of every description and an endless throng buying and selling from early morning until late at night. The Italians are very excitable and they gesticulate a lot when driving a bargain. It was very amusing to witness their activities.

The entire city of Venice is built on piles in a shallow Bay of the Adriatic Sea. One hundred and seventeen small islands are formed by more than 150 canals connected by 378 bridges built of stone. The canals, generally passable by small boats only, are separated from the houses by narrow paths. Among these houses extends a labyrinth of lanes paved with stones and alive with picturesque and busy throngs, irresistibly charming shops and sidewalk cafes.

We visited everything of historic importance and the famous glass factory. We were out in a gondola one night and listened to a light opera by native singers--by moonlight.

From Venice we traveled to Florence where we beheld the churches and Art Galleries. We stood beside the grave of Elizabeth Browning (where a group of American tourists from Boston had just placed a sheaf of roses). Then we came on to Rome where we have been three days and it has been just one grand thrill after another.

We have visited St. Peter's Cathedral, the largest in the world, the Vatican--the home of the Pope--the ruined Coliseum, the old Forum, the Catacombs. Here we had a friendly priest for a guide and each of us, with a lighted candle, followed him around the underground labyrinth to view the tombs of the early Christians.

I will not take time to tell of all the pictures, statues, and works of Art but we have certainly seen 'em.

It is very warm here and we go on to Naples tonight where it is still warmer.

With best wishes,

Estelle M. Harrington.

Armstrong Party Returning Home

"Montreux, Switzerland, Aug. 17, 1928.

Dear Friends in Maplewood:

My last letter was from Rome, and now I would like to write you about our most interesting trip to Southern Italy. From correspondence from friends at home we learned it was very warm in St. Louis, and I assure you we are not very cool in Italy. We arrived at Naples at midnight, in order to travel the coolest part of the day, and were up early the next morning for a motor trip to Pompeii. This was an hour and a half ride from Naples which is a city with a million population.

Our route was through the poorest section, or slums, and we were horrified at the dirt, poverty and degradation of the people. The streets were paved with cobble stones and were jammed with two-wheel carts drawn by small donkeys. The drivers were mostly small boys or old women with skraggly hair and bare feet. The carts were filled with miscellaneous objects—fruit, vegetables, hay, old rags or spaghetti—and, as there were no traffic regulations, our motor was frequently stopped until a balky donkey could be removed from our path.

There were no sidewalks, and the family laundry was being done on the street outside the front door. We saw two slovenly women leave their washboards for a fist fight, and children 4 and 5 years old ran naked in the street.

Just outside of Naples is a large coral factory, where we stopped for half an hour, and where we saw women and girls shaping and polishing coral beads, and men were cutting cameos of intricate designs. There was an imposing 'Show Room' and Sales Department and everything so reasonably priced that each member of our party provided himself with a worthwhile souvenir.

And then we came to Pompeii!

I wish I could describe the feeling of awe one has when walking through the ruins of this wonderful city—lost for 1700 years—buried by the fury of a volcano. Everywhere were evidences of fabulous wealth—marble pillars, mosaic floors, hand-painted walls, fountains and baths—and the suffering of the stricken city was portrayed by the position of skeletons of these happy people, trapped so suddenly that bright, sunny day two thousand years ago.

Evacuations are still being made and rich discoveries of gold and silver and priceless jewels.

After leaving Pompeii we went on by motor over the famous Amalfi Drive, which wound around the mountain, mounting higher and higher with each turn—and Mount Vesuvius, smoking, in full view. We had luncheon at the celebrated Hotel Cappuccini Convent where many important Americans have sojourned. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow spent a season here and wrote a beautiful poem on this fascinating retreat. A life-sized portrait of Longfellow hangs on the wall of the hotel lobby.

From Amalfi we motored on over the other side of the mountain, 30 miles beside the blue Mediterranean, then down gradually

until we came to the little village of Sorrento—where we spent the night. We had dinner on the hotel veranda overlooking the beautiful Bay of Naples—Vesuvius still in view.

Seven of our party, with Dr. Armstrong, left Sorrento the next morning by boat to visit the 'Blue Grotto'.

This is a small inlet of the sea under a huge cave in the mountain, the opening into the cave so small only one boat can enter at one time, this being a small row boat holding only three persons, and it was necessary to lie flat in the boat when passing through the low entrance. Once inside the cave we seemed to be in Fairyland, the water a beautiful, indescribable blue, and the jagged walls and ceiling blue, reflected from the clear water. All had the appearance of being artificially lighted from the bottom of the sea by electric lights. Some 25 boats were inside this cave at one time, young Italian boys rowing and singing their native songs. Several college girls from the United States were swimming in colorful bathing suits. This was an experience never to be forgotten.

We stopped at the 'Isle of Capri' for luncheon and visited the little shops with their bewildering display of beads, then returned to Naples by boat where the other members of the party had gone by motor.

The next two days were passed on a hot, uncomfortable train traveling north to Genoa. Much of the way was beside the Mediterranean. We passed through 90 tunnels piercing the mountains. We passed through the city of Pisa and from the train had a good view of the 'Leaning Tower' which is 179 feet high and 14 feet out of plumb.

We spent only one night at Genoa. This is an important sea port with a million population, and I was interested to see a most imposing monument to Christopher Columbus in the Square directly in front of our hotel. Our next stop was at Nice, France, a celebrated winter resort 25 miles from Monte Carlo. We went by motor to visit this famous gambling establishment and, while it was very interesting and luxurious, it was the dull season and about only one-half the place was open. However, there was a feverish crowd of several hundred playing cards or surrounding the roulette wheels.

We had luncheon in the beautiful gardens here beside the Mediterranean. From Nice, we have traveled back to Montreux, Switzerland, where we are resting for two days in this beautiful quiet spot on the shore of Lake Geneva, before going on to Paris. Yesterday we visited the 'Castle of Chillon', made famous by Lord Byron's stirring poem, 'The Prisoner of Chillon'.

Our journey is nearing an end as we sail for the United States on August 25, after a full week in Paris. We expect to be on the move there every minute as there is so much to see. We will attend the Opera one night, and one day will be spent visiting the Battlefields. I will have to tell you about Paris when I return home, as this will probably be my last letter. Dr. Armstrong has the love and loyalty of our entire party. He has been most patient and kind under all circumstances—a charming conductor.

With best wishes,

Estelle M. Harrington."

NOTES FROM MY DIARY

August 18, 1928

Paris, France

We were called this morning at 4:30, breakfast at 5:00, and on the train for Paris at 6:00 o'clock. The trip was not unpleasant. The scenery was new and interesting, and the weather cool enough for a coat. We reached Paris at 2:30 P. M. and went to the Lutetia Hotel in the Latin Quarter. There were letters from home awaiting the entire party.

Sunday, August 19

Several of our number attended the "American Church" this morning. We went in a taxi (where four could ride for the price of one). A large American flag was floating over the entrance.

Dr. William Lyon Phelps of Yale University was in the pulpit—a courtesy guest. He is not an ordained minister, but oh—it was fine to hear his good American voice. He gave the beautiful sermon on "Love" (which was published two months later in the Good Housekeeping Magazine). The church was crowded and all the aisles filled with extra chairs. The congregation, of course, was made up mostly with tourists from the United States.

In the afternoon our entire party went with a guide, by motor bus, to visit Versailles—the palace of Louis XIV and other French kings—about twenty miles from Paris.

August 20th

This morning our party broke into different groups, each to occupy the time according to his own pleasure. We drove around the city in a taxi and did some shopping, and back to the hotel for lunch. The entire party attended the opera at night. We were thrilled with "Lohengrin" and the famous Paris Opera House.

August 21st

This morning we visited the Louvre. This was originally a palace, the home of the French kings, and it contains many of the most treasured art pieces in Europe, including "Venus De Milo" in sculpture and the celebrated picture "Mona Lisa."

In the afternoon we took a sight-seeing bus around Paris and made frequent stops at places of unusual interest. We were first taken through the Latin Quarter where the schools are located and where the art students mostly live. "Boulevard St. Michel" is the main artery of the Latin Quarter.

We stopped at the Pantheon and visited Notre Dame (the largest Catholic Church in France). Napoleon I was crowned Emperor here. We visited his magnificent tomb where his body was removed in 1843 some twenty years after his death. We stopped at the site of the old Bastille—the cruel prison before the Revolution—and where now is a very tall imposing monument of "Liberty".

We viewed the Luxemburg Gardens and were driven around the most important boulevards of Paris, then back to the hotel for dinner.

In the evening we attended the "Moulin Rouge," the most racy Music Hall in Paris. We witnessed a very modern and spectacular show, the most gorgeous stage setting, the most brilliant coloring of costumes and graceful dancing. And while much of it was startling (at the absence of attire of the chorus) the whole effect was beautiful and well worth seeing once in a life time. (Once is enough.)

August 22nd

This day was set aside for our excursion by motor bus to Rheims and the battle-fields. We were called at 5:45 and breakfast was served on a tray in our rooms—but the coffee was cold, the rolls stale, and nothing satisfactory to eat.

We left the hotel at 7 o'clock and stopped just outside Paris to view the aviation field where Charles Lindbergh landed that famous day in May just the year before. Search lights in tall towers guided him to a safe landing. Our way was through rural France, along beautiful avenues lined on either side with old forest trees whose long branches formed an arch overhead for miles.

The peasants in France do not live in scattered farm homes as in America, but are clustered together in small villages about five miles apart. They work the fields by day and back to the village and home at night. Each village had its little church and it was sad to see the ravages of war. It seemed the churches were targets for the German guns and none escaped their fury. In many instances entire villages were wiped out. After ten years much has been reconstructed, but the men and women of that district look old, broken and discouraged.

We passed through many villages where half the buildings were abandoned ruins, and we passed one cemetery after another—with their hundreds or thousands of white crosses—mute evidence of the tragedy and sacrifice of our boys in the World War.

We reached Rheims about 2 P. M., which is 110 miles from Paris. We had luncheon, then visited the famous Cathedral which was devastated by German bombs. It was sad indeed to see the destruction and heartless vandalism of this sacred historic monument. The outside was adorned with hundreds of beautiful statues of saints and angels, which now stand mutilated, many without heads or limbs, but they are gradually being repaired. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has donated \$1,000,000 for the reconstruction of the church, and a new roof has been completed but the beautiful art glass windows have not been replaced. The priceless tapestries, fortunately, were saved and are now in safety vaults.

After a very late luncheon we went shopping and some of the gentlemen of the party visited "Mum's Winery," said to be the largest in the world. (Nuf said.) We returned to Paris by a

different route, had supper at 9 o'clock along the way and reached our hotel sometime after midnight.

August 23rd

Another day to do as we pleased. Five of the gentlemen (with their wives) took an excursion to Deauville to witness the races. I was glad to spend the day resting after our previous strenuous trip to Rheims. But in the evening I joined a group of women at 9:30 for a taxi ride to see the lights of Paris at night.

We drove to the Eiffel Tower which was beautiful with its ever changing illumination of colored lights. After driving up and down the principal avenues: Rue De Saint Honore, Rue De Castiglione, Rue De Rivolie, and Rue De L'Opera, we stopped at the Cafe Rue De Le Paix and had ice cream at a table on the sidewalk where we sat for half an hour watching the crowds, a very interesting experience. Returned to the hotel and to bed at 11:30.

August 25th

We left the Lutetia Hotel at 10:30 A. M. and were on the boat train for Cherbourg at 11. to sail in the afternoon on the "Empress of Scotland" for the United States of America. It was a grand and glorious feeling for the "Armstrong Party."

ESTELLE M. HARRINGTON.

AMERICA FOR ME

By

Henry Van Dyke

'Tis fine to see the Old World, and travel up and down
Among the famous palaces and cities of renown,
To admire the crumbly castles and the statues of the kings.—
But now I think I've had enough of antiquated things.

So it's home again, and home again, America for me!
My heart is turning home again, and there I long to be,
In the land of youth and freedom beyond the ocean bars,
Where the air is full of sunlight and the flag is full of stars.

Oh, London is a man's town, there's power in the air;
And Paris is a woman's town, with flowers in her hair;
And it's sweet to dream in Venice, and it's great to study Rome.
But when it comes to living, there is no place like home.

I like the German fir-woods, in green battalions drilled;
I like the gardens of Versailles with flashing fountains filled.
But, oh, to take your hand, my dear, and ramble for a day
In the friendly western woodland where Nature has her way!

I know that Europe's wonderful, yet something seems to lack;
The Past is too much with her, and the people looking back.
But the glory of the Present is to make the Future free.—
We love our land for what she is and what she ~~used~~ to be.

Oh, it's home again, and home again, America for me!
I want a ship that's westward bound to plough the rolling sea,
To the blessed Land of Room Enough beyond the ocean bars,
Where the air is full of sunlight and the flag is full of stars.

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