

THE DESCENDANTS AND ANCESTORS

OF

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OF

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PREFACE

I clearly remember my mother say that my Grandfather Lantz made many trips to see his Virginia relatives. I remember frequent reference to Thurston Lantz Wright who came from Virginia and lived on the Link Shaver farm near Amish (Joetown), Iowa for one year and then in Iowa City with his uncle Franklin S. Lantz for two years.

There also was the time Virginia (Jenny) Wright came out to our farm 25 miles southwest of Iowa City. My father had bought a new buggy and was pulling it home behind the old buggy. I don't know whether it was my father's idea or Jenny's but she rode alone, but in state, in the new buggy while father rode up ahead in the old buggy.

Perhaps it was because these stories excited my interest, but at any rate, about 1930 I decided to find out more about these relatives of whom I knew so little. I was living in Chicago and I knew about Newberry Library. I had heard that it was a simple matter to trace one's ancestors. "Just go to Newberry." I soon learned that it isn't that easy. Newberry is a fine historical and genealogical library but a library has only what has been placed there; apparently no one had compiled anything on the Lantz family and I could find no reference to the few Lantz's that I knew. Through the years my files and my knowledge of the Lantz family gradually grew. Now, over thirty years later, my knowledge is still more limited than I would prefer, but my files are quite impressive.

This history would have been impossible without the cooperation of many people who, because of their number, cannot be named here. I do feel compelled, however, to mention cousin Ella Blakemore White (now deceased) and her son Garold who, in those early years, gave me so much help and encouragement and became my good friends.

The portion of this book devoted to Christian Lantz (1811-1876) of Bridgewater, Virginia, and his descendants is entirely original work. That portion relating to earlier generations was the subject of much traveling, research through burial grounds, church records, libraries and the archives of many county courthouses. The Lantz Genealogy by Jacob W. Lantz was also of great help. His work was published in 1931 and is available today in many libraries. While his book did not include Christian Lantz of Bridgewater, Virginia, or any of his descendants, it was nevertheless of tremendous assistance in identifying and eliminating many Lantz's from our study that otherwise would have required much research.

It is impossible, within the scope of this work, to include biographical data on individuals for the more recent generations. Instead I have concentrated on searching for elusive bits of information about our ancestors of years long past, extending back in history well before the birth of our nation.

Several times I have been asked, and no doubt more times people have wondered, why I have spent so much time and energy and have gone to so much expense on family records. Largely, I have indulged in an avocation that has provided a welcome diversion from my regular work. It is a quest that holds a special and unique fascination. In searching for clues and gradually acquiring knowledge of our ancestors, we seem to make a personal acquaintanceship with kindred long since dead. This gives life a continuity and strengthens our faith in immortality.

The Scripture says, "Honor thy father and thy mother and thy ways may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee". Exodus 20:12. And from Romans 14:7 we find "For none of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself".

We must not concentrate on the past to the exclusion of the more important future, because there - in lies our destiny. On the other hand our knowledge, our culture, and our civilization are the accumulation of many generations and those who have no understanding and appreciation for the past usually accomplish little in the future. The creative leaders of our civilization are guided by the valid traditions of their heritage, and their forward drive is steadied by an understanding of the past.

Francis M. Marvin, author and naturalist, has said, "The qualities that were best in our ancestors we recognize as best today and forevermore, and while casting off forgiveness over all shortcomings we dwell with pleasure and pride upon ancestral courage, patriotism and fidelity to all that was pure".

There is something splendid about life if we cherish the finest and best in our heritage, dedicated to the basic values that are eternal.

Lawrence L. Lantz

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ORIGIN OF THE LANTZ NAME

The name LANTZ is of Teutonic origin. Dr. Robert Oehler, professional genealogist (Familienforscher) of Bern, Switzerland, has provided me with the following interesting opinion, and comments on the name LANTZ. His letter is as follows:

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25 March 1965

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Lombard

Dear Sir,

In your letter of the 16 March you ask informations concerning the surname Lenz and Lanz.

The family name LENZ is most probably derived from the personal name LORENZ or LAURENZ. (The patron is Sanct LAURENTIUS martyr in 258.)

Lenz is a contraction: Lorenz = L(or)enz = Lenz. Your given name Lawrence and your surname Lantz are therefore two forms of the same name.

Lanz in Switzerland could be derived from an other personal name like LANZELOT.

The formation or institution of the German mercenaries named, "LANDSKNECHTE" has been founded about 1490/1500 from the emperor Maximilian (1459-1519), emperor 1493-1519. Also the name or denotation "Landsknecht" is formed in this period. "Lanz" is a short form and "cri" (battle cry" in the war of 1499 between Swiss and German armies. ("Schwyz" contra "Lanz")

But the family name Lanz is much more elder, than the military name. We find the name in a document from 1318 at Almendingen "R(odolfus) dictus Lanzi" (R. named Lanzi) and 1328 a chanoin at Amsoldingen "Wilhelmus dictus Lanzi" and 1375 a Heini Lanz, at Mättenbach, near Madiseil, in the region of the home - places Lantz.

The way of emigration is from Switzerland to the Palatinate and further to America, or directly from Switzerland to America, but no from the Palatinate in Switzerland.

Sincerely yours

Dr. Robert Oehler

I have seen the names of members of what appeared to be the same family spelled several ways. In one case the names of the adults was written LANCE while the names of those under 16 was written LANTZ.

Names, as recorded by the early U. S. census takers, were frequently spelled as they sounded to the census taker and to make matters worse there was frequently a language barrier.

County court house clerks copied all recorded documents in long hand and at times would write the same name with two spellings within the same document.

This looseness with names is not too surprising if we remember that family names were not generally used until about the 13th century. moving on up to the 18th century in early America, life for many of our colonists was struggle for existance with little time or facilities for education. The early county records reveal that a mark used in lieu of signature was common practice. This was especially true of women who had about the same legal status in early Pennsylvania as did "minors and mentally deficient".

In our specific branch of the Lantz family the name was spelled Lentz until about 1800. Christian Lentz (1732 - 1798) signed his name LENTZ on his will dated July 25, 1791 but when his estate was settled in 1811 the records on file in the county court house in Hagerstown, Maryland show his name as LANTZ and LANTZ it has been ever since.

The given name CHRISTIAN appears in every one of the early generations of our branch of the Lantz family. CHRISTIAN as a word means a follower of Christ. In Greek it is from CHRITO, to annoint and CHRISTOS, the annointed. In Hebrew it occurs as CHRISTLY, CHRISTEL and CHRIST.

"A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches." Book of Proverbs.

THE LANTZ'S

WHEN AND WHY THEY CAME TO AMERICA

I have determined with reasonable certainty that our immigrant ancestor came to America well before 1750. His identity remains unproven but he could have been the first Lantz in America; namely Johannes Lantz, who, according to ships passenger lists, landed in New York June 14, 1710.

The Lantz's were Palatines and came from the vicinity of Speyer in Bavaria, on the west bank of the Rhine. They came to America to escape the suffering and privation caused by religious wars.

In order to know and better understand our immigrant ancestors, it is necessary to study their history. This I have done and following are a few of the events and conditions that must have made deep imprints on their character and perhaps contributed to our own cultural background.

What was the lower Palatinate, the Palatinate of the Rhine? There is a pamphlet in the British Museum written July 12, 1709, at the time when the Palatine refugees were pouring by thousands into England entitled "A Brief History of the Palatine Refugees," which thus speaks of the country from which they came:

"It was Alsace, part of Lorraine, and Swabia, and the south part of Treves, and Lorraine on the west and part of Mentz. Franconia and Swabia, on the east, 110 miles long from South East to North West, and it's greatest breadth from North East to South West about 70. 'Tis called the Lower Palatinate to distinguish it from that part of Bavaria called the Upper. This country is much the pleasantest part of the German Empire, and has been coveted by neighboring princes in all ages. Their hills are covered with vines which yield the well known Rhinish wine; their plains and valleys abound with all sorts of corn and fruits, and their forests are well stocked with Deer and other game. The Rhine passing through the middle of their country does very much improve their Commerce and with the Necker, Nahe (nahe) and other rivers supplies them with plenty of fish, and their mountains abound with minerals."

A brief granted by Queen Anne (of England) for the relief of the Palatines has the following preamble:

"Whereas by reason of the many great hardships and oppressions which the people of the Palatinate, near the Rhine in Germany (more especially the Protestants) have sustained and lain under for several years past, by the frequent invasions, and repeated inroads of the French (whereby more than two thousand of their great cities, market towns and villages) have been burnt down to the ground as Heidelberg, Mannheim, Worms, Spire, Frankendale, and other Towns, and great numbers have perished in the woods and caves, by hunger, cold, and nakedness, several thousands have been forced to leave their native country, and seek refuge in other nations, and of them near eight thousand, men, women, and children are come, and are now in and near our city of London in a very poor and miserable condition."

Here they were fed from this time (1709) by her bounty.

In the state documents still preserved in England relating to these people there is this description of the encampment of the Palatines:

"There are now some thousands of them lodged in tents at Black Heath and Camberville, where they spend their time very religiously and industriously hearing Prayers morning and evening, with singing of Psalms and preaching every Sunday, where both old and young appear very serious and devout.

"Some employ themselves by making toys of small value, which they sell to the multitudes that come daily to see them. They are contented with very ordinary food, their bread being brown and their fresh meat of the coarsest and cheapest sort, which with a few roots and herbs they eat with much cheerfulness and thankfulness; great numbers of them go every Sunday to their Church in the Savoy, and receive the sacrament of their own ministers.

"Many of the younger are married every week, the women weaving Rosemary and the men Laurel in their hair at the time of their marriage. Adultery and fornication being much abhorred by them.

"When they are buried, all the attendants go singing after the corpse, and when they come to the grave, the coffin is opened for all to see the body; after that is laid in the ground, they sing again for some time, and then depart. They carry grown people upon a bier, and the children upon their heads.

"So that in the whole, they appear to be an innocent, peaceable, healthy and ingenious people; and may be rather reckoned a blessing than a burden to any Nation where they shall settle."

The character of the refugees is ascertained from the official report of their occupations. Of the first 6520 who landed it was reported that:

"Of these there are Husbandmen and Vinedressers 1083, Schoolmasters 10, Herdsmen 4, Wheelwrights 13, Smiths 46, Cloth and Linnen Weavers 66, Carpenters 90, Bakers 32, Masons 48, Coopers and Brewers 48, Joiners 20, Shoemakers 40, Taylors 58, Butchers 15, Millers 27, Sadlers 7, Stocking Weavers 5, Tanners 7, Miners 3, Bricklayers 4, Glaziers 2, Hatters 3, Silversmiths 2, Cook 1, Student 1, Carvers 2."

According to other historical sources, about one third of the Palatines who went to England died of privation and other causes. The survivors were transported to America. One group of four thousand left England on Christmas day 1709 on ten sailing vessels. Of these seventeen hundred died en-route or just after landing in America.

In spite of the hardships and persecution to which they were subjected, the Palatines left their native land with sorrow and reluctance as evidenced by the following written by Franz Daniel Pastorius about 1715:

"Hail to posterity! Think how your fathers left their native land — Dear German land! Oh sacred hearths and homes beyond the mighty sea. There undisturbed and free to live as brothers of one family, what pains and cares befell, what trials and what fears, remember, and where in we have done well follow our footsteps, men of coming years! Where we have failed to do aright, or wisely live, be warned by us, the better way pursue and knowing we were human, even as you, pity us and forgive! Farewell posterity! Farewell dear

TABLE I

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS

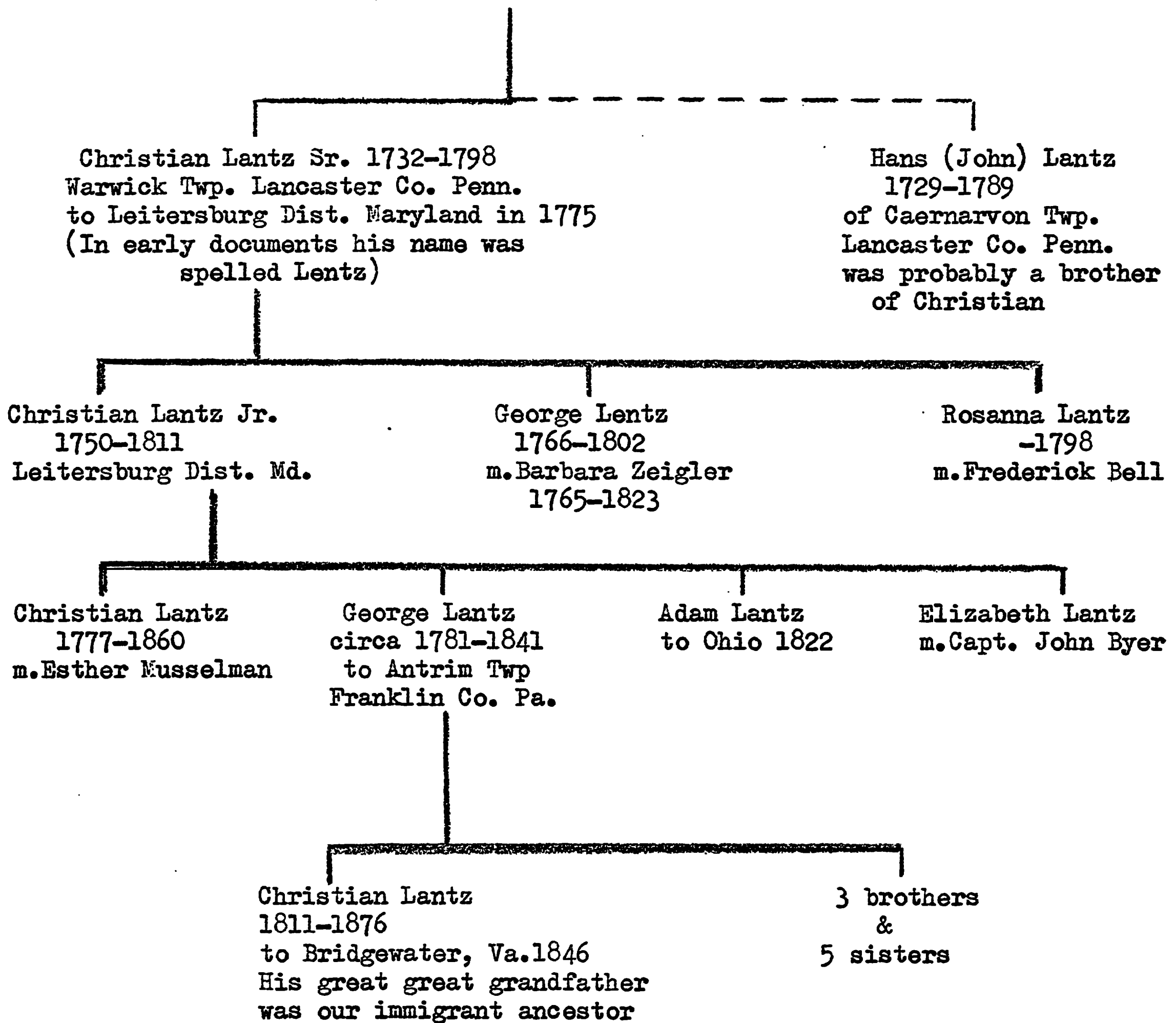
OF

CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER, VIRGINIA

Johannes Lentz

This immigrant ancestor could have been
Johannes Lans who landed in 1710

but more likely was
Johannes (John) Lentz who landed in 1732



Germany! Forever more farewell!

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PART I

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER

Johannes Lantz

Our Immigrant Ancestor

I have not established proof of identity of our immigrant ancestor. I have however learned a great deal about his son, Christian (1732-1798), whom we have established as our ancestor, and from this we can make certain deductions that serve to indicate that our immigrant ancestor was Johannes Lentz.

Christian, on September 29, 1760, at about 28 years of age, purchased 205 acres of land in Warwick Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania from Michail Betley "for the sum of Six Hundred Pounds Lawful Money of the Province of Pennsylvania". (Lancaster Co. Penn. Deed Book P Page 5)
Christian was thus a man of considerable means at the age of 28. Since the early refugees from the Palatinate were practically destitute, it seems likely that the Six Hundred Pounds represented Christian's inheritance from a lifetime of saving by his parents.

The only Lantz's, on ship listings prior to 1745, who spelled their name "Lentz" seem to have been the Johannes Lentz family who landed in 1732.

The departing German Palatines about this time usually traveled down the Rhine, and then crossed the Atlantic on small coasting vessels. The total trip normally took six months, although there were some voyages that took over a year. The trip was a terrible ordeal on the small, crowded ships, and great numbers died at sea or shortly after arrival. It was general practice for the men to pay for their passage by selling their services for a period of three years after landing in Philadelphia. The children were usually bound out until they were of age. Cruel though this seems, it did enable the children to learn the ways of the new world before starting out for themselves.

Johannes (John) Lentz came to America on the coasting vessel, Samuel, landing in Philadelphia August 11, 1732. The family, according to the ship's listing, consisted of:

Johannes Lentz - age 24
Maria Lentz - age 25.
Christina Lentz - age 49
John Lentz - age 3

The ages indicate that Christina was the mother of Johannes, and John the son of Johannes and Maria. No mention is made of the younger son, Christian, thus indicating either that the captain did not bother to list an infant in arms or that he was born after the family's arrival in America.

Of one thing we can be very certain, the Johannes Lentz family lived in the Palatinate during a period when they were subjected to the devastation and cruelty of invading armies. They suffered great hardship in crossing the Atlantic, and their life in the new world must have been one of privation and hardship until they were established.

To better understand how our ancestors lived during this period, we must remember that the preliminary phase of the Industrial Revolution did not start until about 1770.

It was not until 1710 that coke from coal was used for smelting iron. Before this, iron ore was mixed with burning charcoal in a simple oven and heated using hand bellows. No wonder iron was expensive and poor in quality.

Two steam ships crossed the Atlantic in 1830, but it was in the 1850's before propellers took the place of paddle wheels, and about this time shipbuilders began using iron in building hulls. Of course sailing ships were in common use for many more years.

The first railroad was built in England in 1830.

Mechanical weaving of woolens and linens took over about 1840.

Cameras were unknown until about 1840.

Food canning was unknown until about 1840.

Fireplaces were used for cooking.

Fat lamps were in common use.

The first machine for making paper was developed in 1803. Before this, paper was made one sheet at a time by hand.

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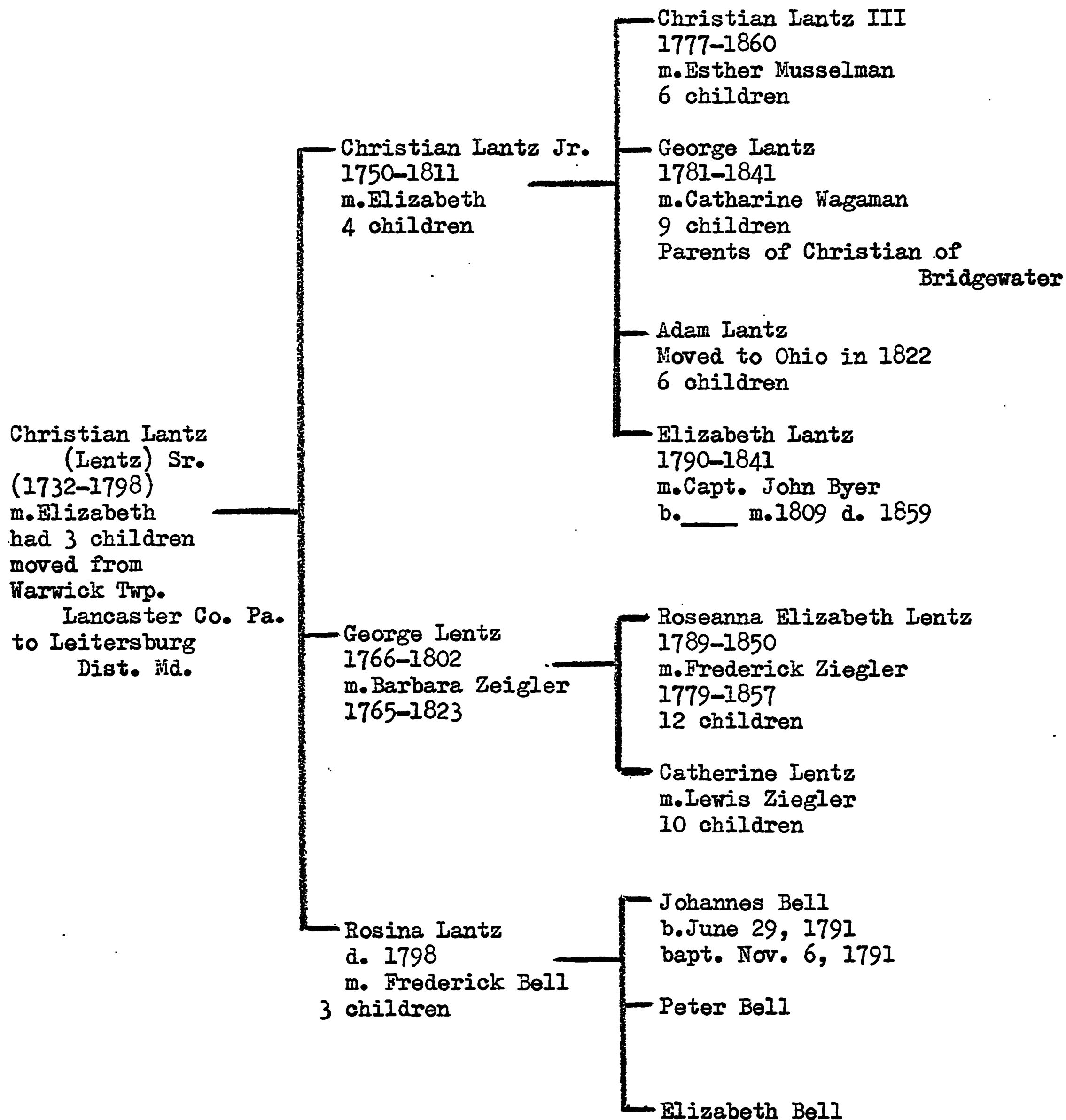
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THE LANTZ ANCESTORS

OF

CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VA.



CHRISTIAN LANTZ (LENTZ) 1732 - 1798

Christian Lantz (1732-1798) was probably the son of immigrants Johannes and Maria Lentz and the grandson of Christina Lentz.

It is not certain whether Christian was born before or after his parents landed in America. It is indicated that he was born about 1732, and that he had an older brother John (Hans) who was born in 1729.

Christian was son of Johannes and grandson of Christina and is the first of our Lantz ancestry about whom we have extensive and authentic information. Because he lived during the period of the birth of our nation, a period about which we have rather meager information, except in regard matters of war and state, we believe it is only proper that we should go into considerably more detail than we will about anyone in succeeding generations.

There is some indication that Christian's parents acquired land in Caernarvon Twp., Lancaster Co., Penna., and apparently prospered.

Christian's older brother, John, in accordance with customs of the time, probably inherited the plantation in Caernarvon Twp., while Christian probably received money.

Sept., 26, 1760, "Christian Lentz, yeoman" purchased 205 acres of land⁽¹⁾ in Warwick Twp., Lancaster Co., Penna., from Michael Betley for a consideration of 600 pounds. Christian was then only 28 years old so it seems probable that the purchase money was inherited from his father Johannes Lentz.

Christian's land was located on the Chicus Allongo Creek and Christian's interest turned to milling. People on the frontier traveled considerable distances to the nearest grist mill to get their grain ground into meal and flour. The trip in some cases, required several days. In 1767 Christian purchased land and water rights⁽²⁾ for a consideration of 50 pounds from his neighbor Martin Bohler. This enabled him to build additional dams and flood more land for water storage. In the following year, 1768, he obtained still more water rights⁽³⁾ from Martin Bohler and in 1770 additional water rights from another neighbor George Patzer.

In the meantime, Christian Lentz had acquired an additional 200 acres of land through two Proprietary Warrants, one dated June 22, 1763 and the other dated May 24, 1769.

Mills were scarce and Christian was engaged in a profitable enterprise although the various water rights transactions may indicate water shortages during part of the year.

Taxes, then as now, were an interesting subject. From the Tax Listings⁽⁴⁾ we find the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Twp.</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Horses</u>	<u>Cattle</u>	<u>Tax</u>		
Christian Lentz	Warwick	1771	300	5	5	1	5	0
" "	"	1772	300	4	5	1	5	0
" "	"	1773	315	4	6	1	5	0

(1) Lancaster Co., Penna., Registers Office Deed Book P Page 5

(2) " " " " " " S " 195

(3) " " " " " " S " 194

(4) Tax listings Lancaster Co., W. H. Egle

The amount of taxes for each of the three years was 1 pound, 5 shillings and 0 pence. There is no record of taxes levied between 1773 and 1779. Christian's name does not appear in the 1779 listing because he sold out and moved to Maryland in 1775.

On May 3, 1775 Christian Lentz, miller, sold the mill property⁽¹⁾ with 197 acres of land, grist mill, buildings, dams, watercourses etc. to John Stauffer for a consideration of 2000 pounds. An additional transaction⁽²⁾ covering 15 acres for 10 pounds was sold to the same John Stauffer the same day. About this same time the 200 acres⁽³⁾ acquired by warrents was sold to George Hockwerder for 375 pounds. Christian was now a man with a considerable fortune at age 43.

The above transactions were signed by both Christian Lentz and his wife Elizabeth Lentz. The records note that Elizabeth signed in German. It is interesting to note that one of these transactions was signed just two days after the Declaration of Independence. The previous transaction on the same page was actually signed July 4, 1776.

In 1775, the year that marks the beginning of the Revolutionary War, Christian Lentz, age 43, removed with his wife Elizabeth and 3 children, Christian Jr. age 25, George age 9 and daughter Rosanna to the Leitersburg District, Washington Co., Maryland. Here he purchased 476 acres of land along the Antietam River for 2350 pounds.

In the spring of 1964 I walked through the fields and meadows of the old Lantz Plantation along the Antietam a short distance west of Leitersburg and was puzzled as to why Christian Lentz, nearly 200 years ago, moved from the rich farmland in Lancaster Co., to the stony soil in Maryland with its frequent outcroppings of rock. Perhaps I found the answer from an elderly man in Leitersburg who told me that the rocks had "grown" since he was a boy, and some fields then under cultivation now have underlying rock too close to the surface for plowing. So it would seem that erosion has changed the character of the soil. Christian's chief interest however was in milling and this may be the reason for moving west to a much better water power site located in a frontier region where there was great need for grist mills.

Christian received 2385 pounds for his lands and mill in Lancaster Co., Penna., and paid almost this identical amount for his new holdings along the Antietam in Maryland. The price paid seems excessive unless considerable value is placed on the excellent potential for water power. It is also possible such a development was already under construction. Christian almost immediately purchased 2½ acres of land from Jacob Leiter that he needed for development of the mill site.

The Lantz mill was located one mile west of present Leitersburg, Md., on the opposite side of the Antietam Creek, a short distance above the "turnpike bridge" over that stream. In early days this crossing was referred to as Lantz's fording. The Lantz mill was probably the first in the area. It was later

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| (1) | Recorded Aug., 1, 1775 | Lancaster Co., | Book S | Page 196 |
| (2) | " Aug., 1, 1775 | " " | " S " | 197 |
| (3) | " July 6, 1776 | " " | " R " | 49 |

expanded to include a hempmill, sawmill and distillery.

In the spring of 1964 I was still able to see part of the foundation rocks of the ancient mill site and the path of the mill race that served it.

The new Lantz plantation in Maryland consisted in part of the land tract named Skipton - on - Craven by Col. Cresap the original owner. It was named for his native place in England and was thus identified on the Certificate of Survey dated Nov., 27, 1740. Skipton - on - Craven was in the fork of the Antietam and the Little Antietam. A hundred years later the Battle of the Antietam was to be waged not many miles distant. But in 1775 the Revolutionary War had not yet been fought, Leitersburg as a town did not yet exist and Hagerstown was a small town called Elizabethtown. The name was changed Jan., 26, 1814. The first log house in Leitersburg was not built until 1810.

The Surrounding tracts of land carried interesting and descriptive names such as the following: ⁽¹⁾ Well Taught; All That's Left; Allamangle; Rich Barrens; The Farmer's Blessing; Ellysian Fields; Scant Timber; Father's Good Will; Surveyor's Last Shift; Small Timber; Miller's Fancy; Strawberry Bottom; Brown's Grief; Tom's Chance; Small Gain; and Well Meant.

The Revolutionary War started the same year that Christian moved with his family to Maryland. There is ample evidence that his position in the community was one of influence. He was an ardent patriot and served as one of the Committee of Observation, representing Upper Antietam Hundred, for Elizabethtown District from the organization of that body, Sept., 12, 1775 to Thursday Jan., 9, 1777. During that time he held many important offices and served as Captain of the Maryland Militia mustered in the District.

In a provisional disposition of his lands in 1792 Christian Lantz assigned the mill property with adjacent land to his son Christian Jr. and most of the farm land to his son George reserving to the latter "the use of the water every Monday night, Thursday night and Saturday night forever, to be let through a hole one foot square in the Christian Lantz mill race where George Lantz may think proper for the convenience of watering the said George Lantz's meadows.

Following the death of Christian Lantz Jr., in 1811, the mill property was inherited by Elizabeth Lantz Byer, wife of Capt. John Byer. Records indicate that the grist mill, hemp mill, sawmill, distillery and tannery were operated by Capt., Byer. The tannery comprising 20 vats was located directly above the mill and may have been added by him.

Fowler and Zeigler were the next owners and operators of the mill. They replaced much of the equipment and transacted an extensive business. The Zeigler in this partnership was a son - in - law of George Lantz.

The distillery was housed in a separate building. Most of the large plantations had stills and considered them a normal and necessary part of their farm equipment. Transportation to the eastern markets was difficult and expensive. Whiskey was a commodity that could be hauled to Baltimore. Tools, Machinery and other manufactured items were hauled on the return trip. Most of the roads were hardly worthy of the name. It is said that Zeigler whiskey became a favorite brand in the early congress of the United States. There is also a

(1) Bell's History of the Leitersburg District.

story that Frederick Zeigler sent a barrel of cider to the White House shortly after the inauguration of President Harrison in March of 1841. His wagoner delivered the cider at the White House with a six horse team. This was rather unusual but the cider was graciously accepted and duly acknowledged by the President.

Local histories tell us that the common acceptance of whisky distilling on the large farms was a mixed blessing. It provided a means of getting money with which to buy much needed manufactured items that were imported from the old country but it frequently led to ruin for some who drank to excess. Whether or not this applies to the Lantz's we do not know.

Christian Lentz was active in the church and may have been the prime mover in the founding of Jacob's church which in it's early days was known as Frieden's church.

Jacob's church is located 2 miles north of Leitersburg on the Mason - Dixon Line. It was the oldest church in the district having been organized in 1791 with Guenther Wingardt as pastor until 1795. The subscription list for 1795 shows that Christian Sr. subscribed 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2s 6d, that he was an elder and that his two sons, Christian Jr. and George, were also members of this church.

Jacob's church was the mother church for the Lutheran churches located in the present towns of Waynesboro, Leitersburg, Quincy and Rouzerville.

The original mother church was a small structure made of logs from the surrounding forest. Records show that subscriptions in labor and money were taken for the "Kirch Decker" (church roof). No doubt the rest of the structure was made possible in the same manner.

The site of the church and it's burial ground, comprising $\frac{3}{4}$ acres is part of a tract of land called "Martin's Good Hope". The property was deeded by Martin Jacobs to Christian Lantz for use by the German Lutheran Congregation and their successors Nov., 18, 1799. The log structure was replaced by a brick one in 1841. In the summer of 1962 we found this church still in use and appearing just as it did in a photograph dated 1898 even to the same nearby rail fence.

The description of the church sounds most austere. There was no provision for either artificial light or heat until about 1825 when a ten - plate stove was installed. One important item they did have was the "Klingenseckel" (tinkling pocket), a velvet bag with pendant tassel and bell hung from an iron hoop at the end of a long pole. Considering the uncomfortable benches and lack of heat it is hard to understand the need for the tinkling bell, if it was intended to arouse sleepy members to their financial duty.

Rev. Guenther Wingardt was the pastor from 1791 until 1795 when he was succeeded by Rev. John Ruthrauff; who had a small body & a large & commanding voice. German was the language of worship during the many years of Rev. Ruthrauff's ministry. Bell's history written over 60 years ago states that the old tombstones were of unmarked limestone. No such stones were in evidence when we visited Jacob's church in 1962 and 1964. Perhaps this explains why, after much diligent searching, I have failed to find the grave of Christian Lantz. He died in 1798 and this seems to be a logical place for the "Christian Burial place" he requested in his last will and testament.

The year 1791 seems to have been a year of reflection for Christian Lantz Sr. Now at age 59 he was independently wealthy and apparently ready to turn over

more responsibility to his sons Christian Jr. age 39 and George age 25. This he did by deeding the mill interests to his son Christian Jr. and most of the farm land to his son George as outlined in his will dated July 25, 1791. 500 acres of land in nearby Pennsylvania were to be divided between the sons Christian Jr. and George and daughter Roseann.

Christian Lentz - His Will

In the Name of God Amen this 25th day of July 1791 I Christian Lentz of Washington County and State of Maryland Being in perfect health and good and Sound memory thanks be to God for the same Knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this and no other to be my last will and Testament first I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body to be Buried in some Christian Burial place nothing doubting but at the General resurrect I shall receive the Same again by the mighty power of Jesus Christ my redeemer in whom I trust for forgiveness of my Sins past as for this worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and dispose of the same in manner and form following

I Give to my wife Elizabeth all my Lands and plantation in Maryland and the use of personal Estate during her natural life, or for so long as she shall remain my widow, to have her living, out of it as she pleases she paying all my Debts.

Further I give on the death or Marriage of my wife, I give to my Son Christian Lentz all them there tracts of Lands Together with all houses Building and Improvements whatsoever to the said tracts of Lands belonging to have and to hold unto him his heirs or Assigns forever According to a platt and Deed bearing date in June One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One, which I had laid off for him by Jonas Hogmire he paying the sum of four hundred fifty pounds for which I have his bond and I desire after my said wife Marriage or her Decease the same deed to be recorded and I do hereby burthen Subject and Charge the Lands and plantation with the payment thereof.

Further on the Death or Marriage of my wife I give to my son George Lentz all them there Tracts of Land together with all houses, Buildings and Improvements whatsoever to the said Tracts of Land belonging to have and to hold unto him his heirs or assigns forever. According to the platt and Deed bearing date in June One Thousand seven hundred and Ninety one which I had laid off for him by Jonas Hogmire he paying the sum of three hundred and fifty pound for which I have his Bonds and I desire after my wife's Marriage or her decease the same to be recorded and I do hereby burthen subject and charge the Land and plantation with the payment thereof.

Further whereas I hold five hundred Acres of Land or thereabout in Frank County and State of Pennsylvania if I do not divide and lay off the same Tract of Land in my Life time I give to my son George Lentz his heirs or assigns forever two hundred acres a part of said tract on the uper end of the Land whereon there is a Saw Mill erected then I give to my Son Christian Lentz his heirs or assigns forever one hundred and fifty acres or Land next adjoining to George his part. The remainder one hundred and fifty acres on the lower end next adjoining Heirshmans lines I give to my daughter Rosana Married to Frederick Boyer his heirs or assigns forever. Further I devise and order that after my wife's Decease what may be remaining of my personal estate to be equally divided among my three children above mentioned.

I appoint my wife Executrix and desire no appraisement may be made of any personal Estate nor any amount thereof returned or settled in the Orphan's Court in Witness whereof I have set my hand and Seal this 25 day of July 1791.

Signed Sealed by the
said Christian Lentz as
his last Will and Testament in the
presence of Samuel Hogmire
Conrad Hogmire Mary Hogmire

Christian Lentz Seal

On the back of the original Will of the aforesaid Christian Lentz are the following endorsements to wit

Washington County Se On the 24 day of February 1798 came Samuel Hogmire and Mary Hogmire two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Christian Lentz late of said County deceased and severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator herein named Sign & Seal this Will, that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to his Will in his presence and at his request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other, and that they saw Conrad Hogmire the other subscribing Witness do the same.

(8 Sides)

Certified by
Thomas Belt Regr.

While the provisions of the will no doubt were original with Christian, the style and form are typical of that used by men "learned in the law" of 1791.

Christian Lantz Sr. carefully planned for the eventual transfer of his large estate to his three children, Christian, George & Rosanna, but then as now, men could not foresee the future. Christian's widow, Elizabeth, outlived all of her three children, and it was necessary to appraise and liquidate the large estate in 1811 because of the complexity brought about by the changed circumstances and the many heirs.

Christian's daughter, Rosanna, is referred to in Christian's will, written in 1791, as being the wife of Frederick Boyer. The earliest baptismal entries of Jacob's Church (then called Peace Church) and which are the earliest Jacob's church records extant, read as follows:

"Frederick Bell et uxorem Rosina; sohn
Johannes; geboren den 29 Juni; getauft
den 6te November, 1791. Taufzeichen, Johannes
Bell et Margaretha Bell."

This Rosanna, wife of Frederick Bell, whose son was born 29 June 1791 and baptized 6 Nov., 1791 with Godparents Johannes and Margareth Bell is probably the Rosana, wife of Frederick Boyer referred to in the county clerks transcription of Christian's will. Samuel Lantz's genealogical research also uses the name Bell. Bell may have been adopted as the American version of the German name more nearly Boyer.

A statement by the witnesses dated Feb., 24, 1798, referring to the deceased, indicates that Christian Sr. died very shortly before this date.

Christian's name in his will was spelled Lentz and was signed by him as Christian Lentz but in all papers recording the settlement of his estate the name is spelled Lantz and hence the spelling Lantz today.

It had been the wish and intention of Christian Lentz Sr. that the property be divided between his three children rather than liquidated. He could not foresee that his daughter Rosanna would die Feb., 13, 1798 which was almost the same date as his own death or that his son George would die only three years later. Thus there were numerous heirs and it was eventually necessary to liquidate the large estate.

APPRAISMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

A recorded appraisal and inventory of personal property is dated April 19, 1811. Christian Lantz Jr. is listed as the Executor and gave oath as to the authenticity and completeness of the inventory. It is interesting to note that the previous entry in the county records is in terms of Pounds, Shillings, Pence. The Appraisal and Inventory of the Christian Lentz Estate is the first recorded in Washington County Maryland in terms of Dollars and Cents.

The detail appraisal of personal property totals \$3500, a very large sum in 1811 and includes an interesting array of items such as livestock, farm tools and equipment, furniture, spinning wheels, tobacco, hemp, beecaps, 1000 pounds of bacon, 12 barrels of whiskey, pewter dishes, crocks of apple butter, barrels of dried apples etc. etc. all listed and priced in detail.

Bacon and whiskey were the commodities most commonly hauled over the primitive wagon trails to Baltimore. The round trip required six days. Honey was the principal sweetener and accounts for the many hives of bees and "bee caps". A barrel of lamp oil in the sale brought 70 cents per gallon. Lamp oil consisted of whale oil and accounts for the high price and explains why candles and fat lamps were more commonly used. Kerosene was yet unknown.

THE AUCTION SALE

A public sale of the personal property of Christian Lantz was held the next month following the Appraisal and Inventory. Due to the large amount of property involved the sale lasted three days - May 6, 7 and 8th 1811. The sale probably created quite a stir in the community and the large number of buyers would seem to indicate that the countryside for a considerable distance was well represented.

The sales clerk's record of the auction sale lists the name of the purchaser, description of item sold and the sale price in dollars and cents. This document was recorded in long hand and is included in "Sale of Private Property" Book E Page 82 through 102 on file in the office of Wills, Washington County, Hagerstown, Maryland. Because of the uniqueness and historical value of this remarkable document, it is reproduced here in its entirety. Names and descriptions follow the original spelling but are subject to error in a few cases due to difficulty in interpretation.

The names of Christian's grandsons, Christian, age 34, George, age 30, who later moved to Antrim Twp., Franklin County, Penn.; Adam who moved to Ohio in 1822; Capt. John Byer who, with his wife, Elizabeth Lantz Byer (granddaughter of Christian Lantz), soon were to be the new owners of Skipton - On - Craven, and Frederick and Lewis Zeigler who married grand daughters, Roseanna and Catherine, appear frequently among the Clerk's list of items sold.

It seems a rather sad commentary on the custom of the times that it was necessary for the Widow Lantz to buy back her own copper kettle and spinning wheel at the sale.

Christian Lantz Jr., the oldest son and executor of his father's estate, died later this same year — 1811.

The name of Lentz and Lantz was carried on through their children's children but a page of history had closed on this giant among pioneers, Christian Lantz Sr. (1732 - 1798).

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INVENTORY OF THE GOODS, CHATELS, AND PERSONAL ESTATE
OF

CHRISTIAN LANTZ LATE OF WASHINGTON DECEASED.

May 6th 1811

				\$	cts
Cook Henry	1	Lot of old Iron			56
Barr John (Miller)	1	Do Do			16
Jackson Simon	1	Ditto Ditto			55
Zeigler Lewis	1	Ditto Ditto			30
Snieder Leonard	1	Ditto Ditto			60
Strite John	1	Ditto Ditto			15
Myer John	1	Ditto Ditto			10
Strite John	1	Ditto Ditto			11
Gilbert Samuel	1	Basket & Iron			45
Starrett James	3	Light Barrels			50
Zeigler Lewis	3	Ditto Ditto			82
Myer John	1	Hogshead & Cooler	1		15
Strite John	1	Lot Old Iron			19
Ditto Ditto	1	Ditto Ditto			11
Barr John - Lancaster	1	Ditto Ditto			65
Newery John	1	Ditto Ditto			35
Gilbert Sam	1	Ditto Ditto			30
Wolfinger Michael	2	Ditto Ditto			14
Ditto Ditto	1	Ditto Ditto			72
Leigher (?) John (of Petes)	1	Ditto Ditto			26
Lackron Simon	1	Ditto Ditto			28
Tom George	1	Pair Steelyards			51
Myer John	1	Bees Cap & old iron			15
Lambert Jacob	1	Keg & Baskett			26
Myer John	2	Beescaps & old iron			25
Lester Henry	2	Ditto Ditto			41
Rep Peter	2	Ditto Ditto			45
Snider Leonard	1	Basket & Iron			50
Wolfinger Michael	3	Ditto Ditto			57
Myers Michael	1	Iron Trap	2		
Zeigler Frederick	1	Lot of tres (?) hoops	1		55
Burkhart Daniel	2	Hoggs first choice	13		75
Do Do	2	Do 2nd Do	13		
Do Do	2	Do 3rd Do	13		
Do Do	2	Do 4th Do	9		25
Trossell Peter	2	Do 5th Do	7		05
Do Do	2	Do 6th Do	7		30
Marshall John	2	Do 7th Do	6		50
Smith John	2	Do 8th Do	6		35
Updegrove Peter	2	Do 9th Do	6		30
Metz Christian	2	Do 10th Do	5		50
Martin German	2	Do 11th Do	4		75
Do Do	4	Do 12th Do	8		03
Reynolds John	4	Do 13th Do	5		05

			\$	¢
Frenn Paid	4	Hoggs 14th choice	4	30
Lantz Christian	5	Do 15th Do	1	10
Scott Charles	20	Bu Rye 69	13	80
Saylor Mathias	20	Do Do 70	14	
Charles Henlinwine	1	steer	40	
South Gero	1	cow & calf	28	
Watson Levi	1	cow	16	70
Kenterwine Charles	1	steer	27	
Mong Peter	1	Do	24	05
Rench Levi	1	Bull	30	
Widow Lantz	1	cow	24	
Kenterwine Charles	1	steer	38	
Lantz Christian	1	calf	15	
" "	1	calf	18	50
" "	1	Horse	110	
" "	1	Ditto	40	
" "	1	Ditto (Bay)	52	
" "	1	Ditto	50	
" "	1	Bees in a Barrel	4	
Reynolds John	1	Calf	20	
Deitrich Frederick	1	Heifer	16	25
Snider Leonard	2	Calves	17	
Wolfinger Michael	3	Ditto	25	01
Barr John	1	Horse	80	75
Lantz Adam	1	Ditto	62	
Raymond Stephens	1	Ditto	31	25
Boyer John	1	Black Mare	40	
Barr David	2	Sheep	5	65
Rep Peter	2	Ditto	4	
Leider Jacob	2	Ditto	7	50
" "	2	Ditto	7	30
" "	2	Ditto	6	55
" "	2	Ditto	8	
Mong Jacob	2	Sheep	8	75
Leitner John	2	Ditto	6	20
Repp Peter	2	Ditto	8	30
Barr David	2	Ditto	9	05
George Oiler (?)	1	Hive & Bees	3	20
" "	1	Ditto Ditto	4	
" "	1	Ditto in Barrel	2	
Zeigler Lewis	1	Ditto	4	
" "	1	Ditto	4	
Leider John & Peter	1	Ditto	2	80
" "	1	Ditto in Barrel	4	05
Shook Daniel	1	Ditto	4	
" "	1	Ditto	3	75
Newey John	1	Ditto in Barrel	2	81
" "	1	Ditto	3	79
Lambert George	1	Ditto	4	
" "	1	Ditto	2	
Hause Thomas	1	Ditto	2	25
Zingerfoose	1	Ditto	2	
Luder Saml	1	Ditto	2	15
Shur George	2nd	Ditto	2	70
Meyer John	1	Ditto	1	30
Graybill Michael	1	Ditto	4	12
Cook Henry	1	Ditto	4	15

			\$	¢
Baker Morris	1	Bees	4	50
" "	1	Ditto	4	
" "	1	Ditto	4	05
" "	1	Ditto	4	25
Shus George	1	Hive Bees	2	25
Gilbert Samuel	1	Do Do	3	40
Lantz Christian	1	" "	6	10
" "	1	" "	4	50
" "	1	Still	100	00
" "	1	Bbl flour	7	50
" "	1	" "	7	25
" "	1	" "	7	31
" "	1	" "	7	26
" "	1	" "	7	26
" "	1	" "	7	26
Zeigler Frederick	1	Hive Bees	4	60
" "	1	Grindstone	8	75
Lambert George	1	Hive of Bees	4	
Luceter Andrew	1	" "	4	35
Hartell Sebastian	1	" "	4	40
Lackron Simon	1	" "	3	55
Kellar John	1	" "	4	10
Shook Daniel	2	Bees Caps	1	10
Baker John	1	Ditto with Tim seed	2	02
Unger Frederick	2	Bbls & Hopps	2	25
Shup George	1	" "	2	76
Lantz Adam	1	Ten Plate Stove	18	55
Oyler George	1	Five Ditto	3	55
Hause Thomas	1	Ten Ditto	15	80
Leiter John & Peter	1	Ditto Ditto	12	75
Strite John	2	Bbls	1	25
Reynolds John	1	Still	16	
Kanon John	32	lb bacon	3	20
Reynolds John	1	Bbl flour	7	54
" "	1	" "	7	50
House Thomas	33	lbs bacon	3	30
Zeigler Frederick	1	Bbl flour	7	59
Lowman John	1	" "	7	55
Leiter John	1	" "	7	50
" "	1	" "	7	25
Deitrick Frederick	20	lb "	1	90
" "	21	Ditto	2	10
" "	30	Ditto	5	25
" "	21	Ditto	2	10
" "	23	3/4 Ditto	2	37 $\frac{1}{2}$
" "	21	Ditto	2	10
" "	24	Ditto	4	44
Shus George	21	Ditto	2	31
Shook Daniel	20	Ditto	5	80
" "	20	Ditto	5	80
Oyler George	20	Ditto	6	
Lantz Adam	34	Hemp	5	78

SECOND DAY'S SALE

			\$	¢
Trovinger Christopher	1 Morter			13
Zeigler Frederick	1 Hatchett			56
" "	1 Swamp Hoe			70
Gilbert Samuel	1 Maddock			87
" "	2 Baggs	1		32
" "	1 "			86
Gilbert Jacob	1 Hatchett			35
Lantz Christian	3 Hammer & Pincers(?)	1		30
" "	2 Hoes			70
" "	2 Picks	1		25
" "	1 Lot Rakes	1		70
Myers John	1 Basket Lumber			11
" "	1 Crow bar	2		20
Deitrick Frederick	1 Auger & Pincers	1		30
Wolfinger Michael	1 Sledge & set hammer	2		05
" "	1 lot lumber			50
" "	1 " "			31
" "	1 " "			35
Broomate Michael	2 Bags			75
Winter Daniel	1 Bell & lumber			60
Lantz George	1 Sledge & Crowbar	2		30
" "	Crocks with honey			55
Lambert George	1 Spade	1		
Zeigler Lewis	2 Forks			82
" "	2 Rols Tobacco			41
" "	4 " "			44
" "	4 " "			46
Shook Daniel	1 Spade	1		20
Zeigler Frederick	1 Tub of Cabbage	1		07
Baker John	1 Oil Bbl			50
Crawford John	1 Keg soap fat			25
Cook John	2 Lots Lumber 15' 5"			20
Aldug Michael	3 Rolls Tobacco			40
" "	2 " "			42
" "	4 " "			46
Zohn David	2 " "			43
" "	4 " "			46
Kellar John	2 " "			43
Spitsnaugle George	2 " "			41
Barr John	4 " "			41
Schneider John	4 " "	4		43
Leider John	4 " "			43
" "	4 " "			48
Zeigler Frederick	4 " "			44
" "	4 " "			47
Switzer Peter	4 " "			45
Wolfinger Michael	4 " "			46
Lantz Christian	4 " "			45
" "	4 " "			44
" "	2 Hay forks	1		75
" "	2 Tubs			54
" "	2 "			67
" "	2 "			66
" "	1 Tlike(?) stand	5		06
" "	2 Tables	3		35
" "	2 "			95

			\$	¢
Wolfinger Michael	1	old saw & others		75
Meyer John	1	sieve & Baskets		24
" "	1	tub & Bbl	1	01
Zeigler Frederick		Pots iron	1	45
" "	2	Tubs	3	05
" "	2	"	5	
" "	2	"	3	75
Fritz Nicholas	1	screen	1	10
Lantz Christian		shuttles & sundries	2	05
" "	3	Doubling Kegs	1	55
" "	4	" "	2	65
Weaver Lewis	1	Washing Tub	1	05
Wolfinger Michael	1	Tub	2	55
" "	1	Light Bbl Staves	2	05
Travinger Christian	1	Churn	4	56
Dittehunt William	1	Stain for		53
" "		Robs at		50
Lambert Jacob	1	Bbl Tar	3	05
Tom George	1	soap pot		43
" "	1	Crock with fat		13
" "	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	lbs fat	1	14
Lantz George	1	Bbl with oil	1	61
" "	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	lbs fat	1	10
" "	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	lbs	1	48 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lantz Adam	1	Fat Tub		09
Cook Henry	1	" "		10
" "	1	Tar Bbl		27
" "	1	Tub with Pickel	2	50
Tom Henry	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	lbs fat	1	50
Zeigler Lewis	1	Tub		40
" "	14 $\frac{1}{4}$	lbs fat	1	35
Leiter Samuel	1	Tub with Pickles		50
Zeigler Ludwick	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	lbs fat	1	25
Leiter John	18	3/4 lbs fat	1	64
Shook Daniel	11	lbs fat	1	10
" "	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	" "		87
McCall Robert	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	" "		82
Ash James	13	" "	1	30
Spitsnaugle George	12	" "	1	44
McCall Robert	12	" "	1	44
Altig Michael	3	" "		11
Weaver Lewis	33	gall. whiskey 51¢	16	99 $\frac{1}{2}$
" "	1	Bbl cyder	1	55
" "	1	" "	2	06
" "	1	Hogshead	3	05
" "	1	Bbl	2	75
Baughman Andrew	33	Galls Whiskey 49¢	16	17
" "	33	" " 55¢	18	15
" "	33	" " 52¢	17	16
" "	33	" " 52¢	17	16
" "	33	" " 55¢	18	15
" "	33	" " 51¢	16	83
Neill Jonathon	33	" " 53¢	17	65
Leider George	33	" " 51¢	16	83
Black John	27	" Cordial 39¢	10	63

			\$	¢
Byers John	32 gal	Lamp oil 74¢	23	68
Barr John	1 Bbl	Vinegar	4	05
Zeigler Lewis	1 "	"	2	05
Baker John	1 "	Cyder	2	10
Lantz Christian		Shad	1	27
Burkhart Christopher	$\frac{1}{2}$ Bbl	Vinegar	1	37
" "	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Herrings		13
Sweitzer Peter	23 Bus	Wheat 1.55	35	65
Leigher Abraham	20 "	" 1.56	31	20
Burgher Daniel	50 "	Rye .75	36	
" "	36 "	" .70	25	20
Gilbert Jacob	34 lbs	Bacon 9	3	06
Widow Lantz	31 lbs	ditto 10	3	10
Little Joseph	35 lbs	ditto 10	3	50
Tom George	30 lbs	ditto 11	3	30
" "	18 lbs	ditto $9\frac{1}{2}$	1	71
McCall Robert	23 lbs	ditto 9	2	07
Shuck Daniel	27 lbs	ditto 10	2	70
Marshall John	29 lb	ditto 10	2	90
Carson Robert	$21\frac{1}{2}$ lbs	ditto 10	2	15
Broomatis Michael	1 Bed	— Bedstead	16	25
Graybill Michael	1 Bed	Do	20	
Zeigler Lewis	1 Bed &	"	22	75
Baker John	1 "	"	21	80
Fritz Nicholas	1 "	"	28	
Lambert George	1 Anvill		9	30
Unger Frederick	2 Bags	Wool	1	80
Protzman Ludwick	3	Baggs	3	
Myers Michael	2 Bbls	Dried Apples	2	35
Leiter Abraham	1 Waggon	Cloth	5	57
Tom George	3	Wheels	3	30
Marshall John	2	Ditto	2	20
" "	17 Lbs	Low yarn 72	12	24
Shuts John	2	Wheels		65
Leiter Andrew	1 Reel &	Wheel	1	80
Myer Michael	1 Bbl	dried apples	2	55
" "	1 Bbl	dried do	2	05
Widow Lantz	1	Wheel	1	10
" "	8 lb	Hemp 65	5	20
Barr Jacob	1	Sett Nett	5	66
Fritz Nichols	1	Nett		
Zeigler Frederick	31 lbs	Low yarn 31	9	61
Myer James	15 lbs	Hemp 80	12	
Lantz George	21 lb	ditto 72	15	20
" "	17 yds	Linen 80	13	60
" "	14 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs	Hemp 72	11	27
Zeigler Lidwick	$11\frac{1}{2}$ lb	Feathers 68	9	54
Zeigler Lewis	17 yds	Linen 66	11	22
Strite John	1	Table	2	25
" "	1	Crout Knife	1	55
Hindn Henry	1	Side Saddle	1	25
Zeigler George	113	Feet Boards	5	10
Lantz Christian	58	Waggon Fellers	11	95
" "	1	Saddle & Lumber	3	58
" "	1	Waggon	69	
" "	1	Ditto	25	50

			\$	¢
Lantz Christian	1	Pair Ladders	1	02
" "	1	Plough	1	00
" "	2	Forks & Tongs	1	00
" "	1	Fan	15	20
" "	1	Cutting Box	2	58
Little Joseph	127	Spokes 2 05 ea	2	56
Zeigler Frederick	1	bug	1	42
" "	1	Cart	20	75
Barr John	1	Waggone	30	00
Graybill Michael	1	Grubbing Hoe	1	00
" "	1	Ton Hay	6	20
Searburg Abraham	1	Grubbing Hoe	1	00
Rohrer David	1	Cradle	2	80
Spitsnaugle George	1	Stove	5	00
Fritz Nicholas	1	Screw	5	00
McCall Robert	1	Stack	10	00
Burkhart Christopher	1	ditto	5	00
Ash John	1	Ton Hay	6	80
Shees George	1	Clover Seed	2	10
Olinger Dennie	1	Saddle Humler (?)	2	01
Lantz George	3	Chairs	3	25
" "	2	Books	1	15
Lantz Christian	60	Bundles of Shaves	1	20
" "	2	Volumes Shure Plan	2	75
Shees George	1	Bbl with Clover Seed	3	00
Tom George	1	Crock Applebutter		30
" "	2	Augers	1	50
" "	1	Bible	7	05
Weldy Jacob	1	Crock Applebutter		45
" "	1	Do Do		50
Rohrer David	1	Do Do		30
" "	1	Do Do		30
" "	1	Do Do		29
" "	2	Bucketts	2	
Aleig Michael	1	Crock Applebutter		46
" "	3	Books		90
" "		Queens Ware	2	02
" "		Pewter	1	70
McCall Robert	1	Crock Applebutter		50
Altig Michael		Queensware	1	30
Talhelm Jacob	1	Map	2	
" "	2	Books		34
" "	2	Ditto		30
" "		Queensware		12
" "		Do		13
Boyer John	1	Book	2	10
" "		Kitchen Ware	2	10
" "	1	Book	5	20
Spitsnaugle George	2	Books	1	00
Myer John	1	Lot of Books		58
" "	1	" " "		55
" "	1	Crock Applebutter		49
" "	1	" " "		41

			\$	¢
Byer John	1	Book	1	05
Leider Jacob	1	Do	1	05
Leiter John		Cups & Saucers		61
Altig Michael	1	Lot Queensware	1	17
Zeigler Lewis	1	Pewter Platter	1	04
" "	1	Do Do	1	73
Lantz Christian	1	Do Do	2	03
" "	1	Do Do	2	11
" "	1	Do Do	2	01
" "	1	Ten Plate Stove	20	00
" "	1	Cupboard	1	50
" "	1	Do	1	76
Lantz George	1	Desk	10	00
" "	1	Do	4	20
Ash James	1	Crock		47
Webb William	1	Gallon & other measures	1	58
Sheets John	1	Bason & Dish	1	64
" "		Knives & Forks	1	52
" "	1	Lot Spoons	1	
" "	1	Lot Do	1	83
Graybill Michael	1	Table	2	51
Boyer John	1	Book	2	85
" "	1	Ditto	2	40
Keller John	1	Do	1	80
Crawford John		Coffee Pott	1	50
Hartle Sabastian		Sundry Lumber		78

THIRD DAYS SALE

Kinder (?) Harry	1	Candlestick & Lamp		06
" "	2	Lamps		15
" "	1	Pair Tongs & Hook		11
" "	1	Iron Pott		76
" "	1	Dutch Oven		42
Fritz Nicholas	1	Cabbage Knife		37
" "	1	Iron Pott	1	45
Nale Elizabeth	1	Pepper Mill		07
Shook Daniel	1	Coffee Mill		90
" "	2	Flat Irons	1	07
Shook Henry	2	Crooks		14
Leigher John & Peter	1	Iron Pott		70
Cook Henry	1	Do Do	1	75
Byers John	1	Pepper Box		25
" "	1	Pan		59
Lantz Christian	1	Conk Shell & Screw		25
" "	1	Tongs & Hooks		75
" "	1	Iron Pot		55
" "	1	Do Do		25
Webb William	1	Gridiron & Tongs		75
Widow Lantz	1	Bucket		07
" "	1	Ditto		59
Lantz George	1	Ditto		58
" "	1	Pan		50
Lantz "	1	Jug		38
Lantz Adam	1	Griddle		90
" "	1	Cream Pott		07
Zeigler Frederick	1	Griddle	1	55
" "	1	Pearing Machine		09

			\$	¢
Lambert Frederick	1	Hare Napper (?)	1	00
Shook Daniel	1	Salt Box		56
" "	1	Baskett & Beans		50
Strite John	1	Crock	1	81
" "	1	Ditto		26
Byer John	1	Bras Bowl	1	60
" "	1	Bead & Bedstead	24	11
" "	1	Hhd & Leather	1	54
" "	1	Bbl Salt	1	40
" "	1	Barley		44
Lantz George	1	Pair Steelyards		45
" "	1	Shot Gun	10	06
Leiter John	1	Coffee Kettle	1	86
Leiter John	1	Sheep Shears		70
" "	1	Vinegar Keg	1	45
Lantz Christian	1	Earthern Pot		07
" "	1	Tub		50
" "	1	Bread Tray		40
" "	1	Sword	8	
" "	1	Chest		50
" "	1	Kitchen Dreser	10	07
Myers John	1	Crock & Butter		56
" "	1	Pair Saddle Bags	1	07
Webb William	2	Chairs		63
" "	1	Saddle & Bridle	2	02
" "		Cards		51
Burkhart Christopher	2	Baskets & Bottle		17
Leiter Andrew	1	Half Bushel		37
Altig Michael	1	Bottle Campire (?)		47
" "		Lumber		60
Shoop Jacob	1	Lot Flax	1	64
Weaver Lewis	1	Bed & Bedstead	29	
" "	1	Hand Axe	1	05
Altig Michael		Sheep Shears		51
Short Jno		Wool Cards		50
" "	1	Auger & Sifter		56
" "	1	Bbl with wool	1	60
" "	1	Basket & Lumber	1	
Burkhart		Lumber		45
Feilas George	2	Bus Salt	2	00
" "	1	Bbl Salt	1	40
Leighen John	2	Bus ditto	2	
Lambert Jacob	1	Do Plaster	1	03
" "	2	Do Do	2	08
Myers John		Sash		60
" "		Gin Berries		72
" "	1	Bed Cord		54
Lantz Christian	1	Hhd (?)		75
" "	1	Mill Screw	8	00
" "	1	Plaster Pounding Mitten		53
" "	3	Tubs	1	00
" "	1	Bus Plaster	1	01
Hatter Jacob	1	Bbl with wool		33
Myers James	1	Bag Wool	1	76

Leighter Sam	1	Barrel Wool		13
Rench Levi	11	lb steel	3	30
Kinter Henry		Do		18
Webb William		Do		26
Short John	1	Tubb	2	00
" "	1	Do	4	50
" "	2	Bbls		29
" "	2	Bbls		52
Byers John		Hemp seed	3	20
Lantz George		Do	3	20
Oswalt		Do	2	30
Shoop Jacob	10	Lbs Woolen Yarn	10	
Strite John	1	Ton Plaster	23	11
" "	1	Grind Stone		75
Burkhart Christopher	15	lb Hemp Yarn	12	15
" "		White Caps	2	03
" "		Do Do		17
Sheer George	1	Bbl Barley	1	00
" "	24	Bus Rye	16	32
" "	33	" "		33
" "	7 1/2	Bus Barley	3	00
Fields George	1	Lot Beef	2	03
Wolfinger Michael	1	Baskett		14
" "	20	Bu Rye	13	00
" "		Old Sash		32
" "	1	Lot Buckwheat	5	04
" "	1	Lot Shingles		04
Oswalt John	1	Lot Hempseed	2	30
Halter Jacob	1	Flax Hackle	1	83
Kinter Henry	2	Bbls Shopt (?)	1	10
Leiter Andrew	20	Bus Bran	3	00
" "	20	Do Do	2	80
" "	2	Tubs	2	60
Christiman Michael	1	Bbl Middlings		75
Fritz Nicholas	1	Bus Plaster	1	11
" "	1	Bus Do	1	02
" "	1	Turning Lay & Barrel		35
Zeigler Fritz	10	Bus Ear Corn	4	10
Myers John	25	Bus Rye	16	75
Lantz Christian	20	Bus Rye	13	20
" "	9	Bus Corn in ear	4	14
" "	10	Bus Do	4	10
" "	20	Bus Rye	13	43
" "	20	Bus more or less	13	43
" "	20	Corn	10	20
" "	20	Bus Corn	10	00
" "	20	Bus Corn	10	
" "		Mill & prep (?)	36	
" "	3	Doors		55
Myers John	25	Bus Rye	16	50
" "	20	Bus Do	13	60
" "	20	Bus Do	13	40
" "	20	Bus Do	13	40
Leiter John	20	Bus Do	13	40
Lantz George	20	bus Do	13	60
Strite John		Pine Plank		39
Strite John	2	Barrels	2	40
" "	1	Copper Kettle	20	10

				\$	#
Zeigler Frederick		Hemp Brake			13
" "	2	do do		2	10
" "		Lumber			53
" "	1	Jointer			90
Boyer John	1	Wheel Barrow		3	20
Strout John	1	Churn			40
" "		Lumber			80
Lantz Christian	1	tub			25
" "	1	Lot Boards		1	
" "	100	Cogs more or less		1	12
" "	1	Lot Cooper Tools		1	62
" "	1	Lot do		1	05
Myers John	2	Tubs			77
" "	2	Stove Plates		1	
" "	2	Barrels		2	60
Wolfinger Michael	1	Lot Leather			30
" "	1	do Scantling		2	02
" "	1	do Cooper Tools			38
" "	1	do Plank		1	15
Barnhart Henry	1	Scythe		1	69
Rep Peters	1	Scythe		1	40
" "	2	Augers			68
Baker John	1	Scythe			60
" "	1	Lot Cooper Tools		1	50
" "	27	Lb Beef		1	89
" "	1	Scale Beam		1	10
Branstitter Daniel	1	Crowbar & fork			81
Feilds George	29	lbs Bacon	8	2	32
Strout John	1	Jointer			34
" "	1	Mall & Wedge			83
" "	26	lbs Bacon	7	1	82
" "	25	lbs Ditto	10	2	50
" "	18	lbs Beef	5		90
Oiler George	1	Mall & Wedge		1	04
Leighter John	35	lbs Bacon	10	3	50
Lantz Adam	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	lbs Do	10	2	95
Widow Lantz	1	Copper Kettle		5	25
Rohrer David	14	lbs Beef	6		86
Neil Bets	29	lb Bacon	11	3	19
Shook Daniel	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	lb Beef	6	1	35
Lantz Christian	23	lb Pork	8	1	84
" "	23	lb Beef	4	1	02
" "	1	nail Cutting Machine		2	
" "	32	Galls Whiskey	36	11	52
" "	1	Hemp Millstone		2	
" "	32	Galls Whiskey	41	13	12
" "	1	Boring Auger & Chisel			38
" "	1	Stove		10	50
" "	1	Adz		2	
" "	1	Lot Timber		2	
Zeigler Frederick	2	Covers		1	
Byer John	3	Ditto		1	53
" "	2	Ditto			10
Lantz George	32	Gs Whisley	47	15	04
" "	1	Stove		15	
Bargdell Peter	32	Gs Whiskey	52	16	64

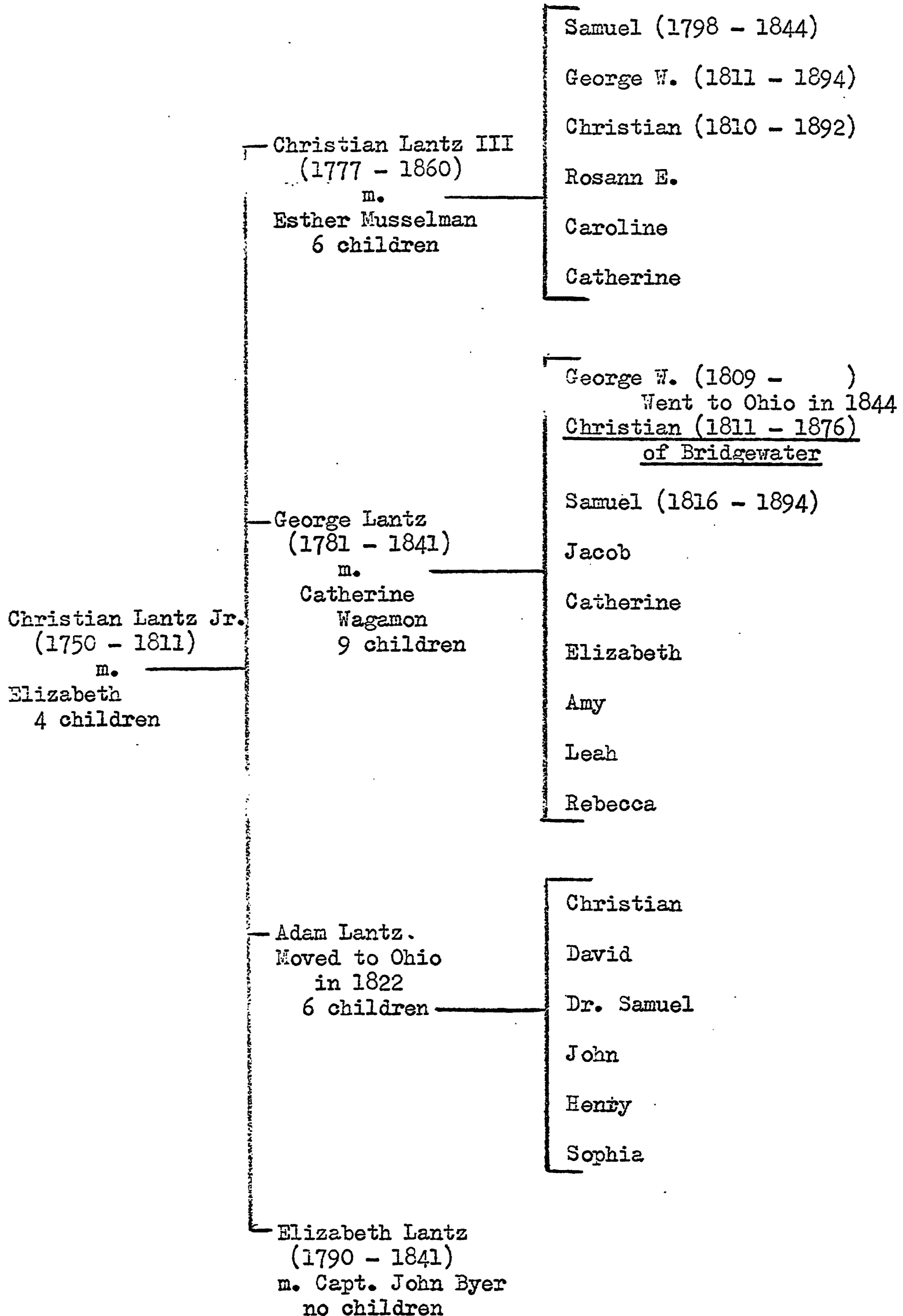
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Leiter Jacob	32	Gs Whiskey	50	16	
Oiler George	1	Lock			60
Barr	1	six plate stove		3	76
Cook John	3	Bus Potatoes	13		39
Lantz George	1	Ten plate stove		21	
" "	1	Bed cord			51
Oiler George	2 ¹ / ₂	Bus Potatoes	25		62 ¹ / ₂
" "	1	Looking Glas			25
Cook John	3	Bus Potatoes	21		63
" "	3	Bus Do	27		81
Widow Lantz	3	Bus Do	16		48
Shees George	3	" Do	17		57
Ash James	2	" Do	16		40
" "	3	" Do	14		42
" "	3	" DO	11		33
Lantz Christian	3	" Do	15		45
" "	3	" do	15		45
" "	3	" Do	13		39
" "	3	" Do	10		30
" "	1	Harrow		3	
" "	1	Half Bushel Measure		1	
" "	1	Long Ladder			06
" "	1	Rail Ditto		1	
" "		Lumber		3	40
" "	1	Ton Hay		6	30
" "	1	Do		6	30
Cook Henry	3	Bus Potatoes			33
Lambert Jacob	1	Rail Ladder		1	99
Baker John	2	Maple Boards		1	05
" "	1	Map of Maryland		2	05
Byers John		Spectacles & Cases		1	03
Leiter John	1	Brush			76
Lantz George	1	Trunk		1	26
Oiler George	1	Case Razors		1	95
" "	1	Book			51
Boyers John		Wool Cards			32
" "		Do			15
" "	1	Hydrometer		3	05
" "	1	Book			55
" "	1	Do			28
Baker John		Lumber			50
" "		Shott			50
" "	1	Hone			66
Strite John	1	Lot Glass			18
Lantz Christian		Spanish Brown			06
" "	1	Lot Glass			51
" "	1	Knife & Steel			50
" "	1	Box gold Scales			60
Rohrer David		Tobacco			07
Leiter Jacob	7	Panes Glass			75
Myers Michael	1	Looking Glass		1	10
Wolfinger Michael	1	Oil Stone		1	96
Webb William	1	Doz Forks			40
Leiter John	1	Lot Lumber			20
Zeigler Lewis	1	Do Do			40

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Barr John	1	File & Pulican			75
Shees George	1	Do Do			60
Lantz George	2	Do Do	1		01
Lambert Jacob	1	Clerks Magazine	1		11
" "	2	Do Do			51
Fritz Nicholas	1	Book			92
" "	1	Ditto	1		65
" "	2	Chissels			25
" "	2	Ditto			06
Byers John	2	Books			39
" "	5	Ditto			69
" "		Ditto			14
" "	1	Lot Lumber			19
" "	1	Lot Do			25
Lantz George	1	Lot Books			26
" "		Steel			13
" "		Silver Buckles	1		14
" "	1	Silver Watch	16		65
Leiter John		Lot Sundries	22		10
" "		Whet Stone			07
" "		Flax Seed			32
Lambert Jacob	3	Files			53
" "		Lumber			26
" "	3	Files & Steel			57
Oiler George	2	Bolts			27
" "		Lumber			25
" "		Ditto			40
" "	1	Bottle Whiskey			18
Shook Daniel		Lumber			10
" "		Knitting Pins			03
Wolfinger Michael	1	Slate			27
Lantz Christian	1	Drain	2		01
Leiter Andrew	1	Barrel Flaxseed	1		08
McClanahan Wm	1	Cross Cut Saw	4		05
Lantz Adam	1	Gold Watch	22		05
Leiter Andrew		Flax Seed			37
Byers John		Holster & Cartridges			33
McClanahan Wm		Sickles & sythes			09
" "	1	Lot Lumber			06
Lambert Jacob	1	Broad axe	2		80
Lantz George	1	Bottle			23
" "	1	Ditto			06
Leiter John	1	Proof Bottle			12
" "	1	Flat	2		05
Leighter Andrew	10 7/8	Acres Rye	\$5	54	37
Zeigler Frederick	11 7/8	" do	\$6.27	74	45
Cook Henry	15 1/2	" Wheat	\$9.99	159	22
Lantz Christian	13 1/2	" ditto	\$9	125	44
" "	1	Sett Horse gurs (?)		5	15
" "	1	Do Do		3	51
" "	1	Do Do		3	55
" "	1	Do Do		4	35
" "	4	Chairs		3	26
" "		Lumber			12
" "	1	Waggon Saddle		4	
" "	1	Plough		1	50

			\$	¢
Lantz Christian	1	Plough		31
" "		Do	1	08
" "		Do	1	46
" "		Do		75
" "	2	Single Trees		30
" "	1	Feeding Trough		50
" "		Lumber		10
" "		Stretchers		56
" "	11	Geese	4	51
" "	1	Jack Screw	5	06
" "	1	Chain & Hookers	1	15
" "	1	Log Chain	3	06
" "	1	Stillers Bed		25
" "	1	Streachers Chains		40
" "	1	Fifth Chain	1	29
" "	1	Bay Horse	29	
" "	1	Feathers Case	1	51
" "	1	Ink Stand		50
Wolfinger Michael	1	Sleigh	32	05
" "	1	Lot Plank		38
" "	1	Axe	1	33
" "	1	Remnant		33
Cook Henry		Lumber		15
Lantz George		Do		49
Hatters	1	Tub	2	
Zeigler Frederick	4	Troughs & 2 Hoops	2	02
Myers		Pepper		07
Gilbert Peter		Linen		75
Leiter Frederick	1	Tub	1	
Barr John	1	Small Millstone	3	
Byer John	1	Bolting Cloth	1	85
" "	1	Curtain	3	20
" "	1	Feather Case	2	14
Ash James	1	Cradle		26
Burkhart	1	Housecloth		56
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TABLE III

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VA.



CHRISTIAN LANTZ JR. (1750 - 1811)

Christian Lantz Jr., son of Christian and Elizabeth Lantz (Lentz) was probably born in Lancaster Co., Penn., about 1750. Early in 1775, shortly before the start of the Revolutionary War, he moved to Washington Co., Maryland with his parents, his brother George and his sister Rosann.

The new home along the Antietam in the Leitersburg District of Maryland is 80 miles southwest of Lancaster, a short distance over present roads but a formidable trip in 1775 with roads over much of the distance practically non - existent.

Lancaster Co., with its fertile farm land and proximity to Philadelphia and the Susquehanna River was by this time quite well settled and developed but this was not the case a short distance to the west.

The lack of mills in the new area may have presented Christian's father with an opportunity that prompted the move. He built what may have been the first mill in the area. Christian Jr. was the oldest son and probably this is why he concentrated on the milling operation while his brother, George, was more closely related to the farming operation.

In 1891, sixteen years after moving to Maryland, Christian Jr.'s father drew up his will assigning the mill property to Christian Jr. and most of the farm land to George.

Christian Jr. and his wife Elizabeth lived on the mill property until Christian's death in 1811. Surviving children were:

Christian Lantz b. Oct., 7, 1777 d. Aug., 27, 1860 who married Esther Musselman.

George Lantz who married Catherine Wagaman and who was father of Christian of Bridgewater.

Adam Lantz who moved with his family to Ohio in 1822.

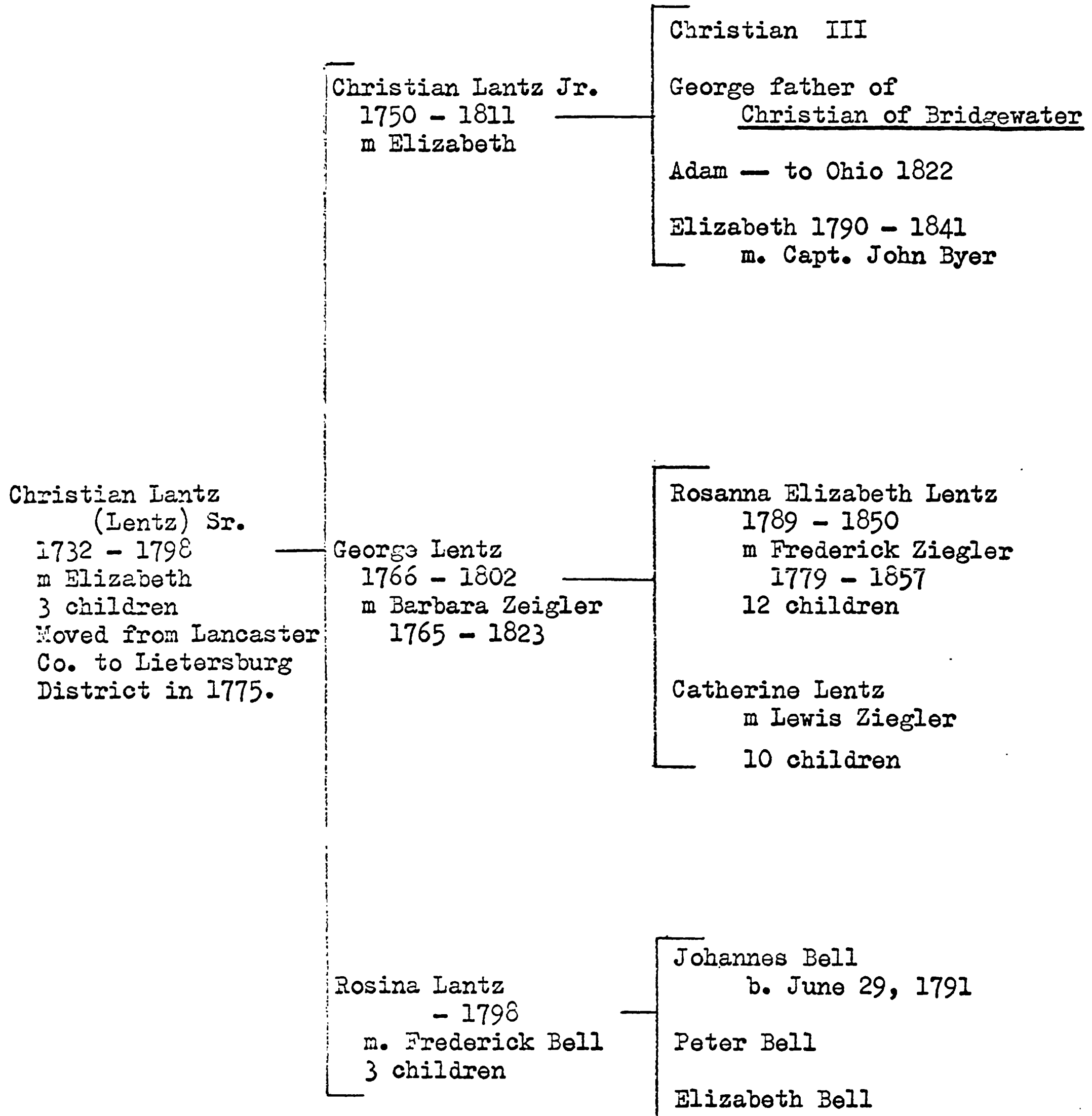
Elizabeth Lantz who married Capt. John Byer and acquired the mill property after her father's death.

The earliest subscription list of record for Jacob's church includes the names of Christian Lantz Jr., his father, Christian Sr., and his brother, George.

Christian Jr. and his wife Elizabeth were probably buried either at Jacob's Church or in the burial ground on the Lantz plantation but their graves cannot be identified in either location at the present time.

TABLE IV

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS OF
CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA



GEORGE LANTZ (LENTZ) 1766 - 1802

George Lantz (Lentz) son of Christian Sr. and Elizabeth Lantz and brother of Christian Jr. was born in Lancaster Co., Penn., May 19, 1766. In 1775 he moved, with his parents, his brother Christian Jr. and his sister Rosann to the Leitersburg District, Maryland.

George Lentz b. May 19, 1766 d. April 22, 1802

m. Barbara Zeigler b. 1765 d. Aug., 29, 1823

They had two daughters:

1. Rosanna Elizabeth Lentz b. July 1, 1789 d. Dec., 22, 1850

m. Frederick Ziegler b. Jan., 19, 1779 d. May 30, 1857

They had 12 children

Elizabeth m. Charles Fletcher

George W. (1810-1897) Grandfather of G. Fred Ziegler, publisher of Greencastle Pa., Echo-Pilot

Catherine m. Dr. Frederick Byer

Magdalena unmarried

Sophia b. Nov., 18, 1812 d. Feb., 12, 1888 Unmarried

Anna m. Rev. John Heck in 1847

Lewis m. Elizabeth Myers

Frederick K. (1815 - 1887) m. Louisa Swailes

Henry Unmarried

David Unmarried

Barbara b. June 7, 1826 d. Nov., 24, 1911 Unmarried

Lydia m. James Leiter

2. Catherine Lentz b. July 12, 1792 d. Jan., 26, 1851

m. Lewis Zeigler

They had 10 children

Magdalena m. Dr. Josiah Harris

George L. (1812 - 1866) Unmarried

Lewis m. Elizabeth Demuth

Barbara (1817 - 1842)

Frederick Died in infancy

Elizabeth m. David Martin

Samuel m. Louisa Barr

Charles A. m. Margaret Barnheart

James m. Rebecca Hand

Mary m. Josephus Ground

The will of Christian Lantz Sr. dated July 25, 1791 provided that after his wife's death or marriage "all tracts of land, houses, buildings and improvements covered by plat and deed dated June 1791" should be left to George subject to payment of 350 pounds. This was part of the original tract named "Skipton on Craven". The succession of owners down to the present day is as follows:

Christian Lantz Sr.

George Lantz

Rosanna Lantz and Frederick Ziegler

George W. Ziegler

George Frederick Ziegler I

George Frederick Ziegler II

Mary L. S. Campion

"Skipton on Craven" thus stayed in the family six generations before its recent sale by G. Fred Ziegler, publisher of the Echo - Pilot of Greencastle, Penn., to Mary L. S. Campoin.

George built the stone mansion along the Leitersburg - Hagerstown road about 1800. It is located about one mile west of Leitersburg near the Antietam Creek where we found it in 1962 and 1964 in good condition and still in use, but now as a multi - family dwelling.

"Skipton on Craven" it would almost seem has imparted some of the strength of its soil to the rugged character of its succession of owners. Col. Cresap who received the first grant and gave it its name was a frontiersman and well known Indian fighter. Christian Sr. and his son George Lantz were pioneers building the foundation of young America. Rosann Lantz and Frederick Ziegler were founders of the Ziegler dynasty. George W. Ziegler who enlarged his land holdings to 800 acres, who was a studious reader and writer of volumes of letters that to this day are being used in research for their keen and detailed observations of the Civil War that was being waged around him. George Frederick Ziegler I who attended Amhurst, Princeton and Hiedelberg. G. Fred Ziegler II publisher of the Greencastle Echo - Pilot which perhaps must be classed as a small paper but whose editorial quality is excellent and whose editorial policy is idealistic and unselfish. And the Mitchell family who in 1962 lived in the "mansion" and enjoyed and appreciated the natural beauty of the area where the two boys could roam the historic banks of the Antietam searching for Indian relics.

The name of Ziegler was firmly established by George and Barbara Lantz's two daughters Rosanna and Catherine. Rosanna married Frederick Ziegler and had 12 little Zieglers. Catherine married Lewis Ziegler and had 10 little Zieglers.

1795 records of Jacob's church list George Lantz, his father Christian Sr., and his brother Christian Jr. as members who were subscribers to the expense of operating the church that year.

The uncertainty of life and future planning is well illustrated by the final outcome of Christian Sr.'s will which provided for the final allocation of his estate to his three children following the death of his wife. The Widow Lantz outlived all of her children.

George Lantz died in 1802 at the age of 35, and was buried in the family burial grounds on the farm where he had lived all of his adult years. It was no doubt referred to as the "Lantz Burial Grounds" but is now known as the "Ziegler Burial Grounds". The plot is enclosed with a substantial brick wall with stone coping and an ornamental arch entrance. The interior at this time is completely grown over with day lillies. Bell's History of the Leitersburg District states that this was a burial place as early as 1783.

The headstones of George and Barbara Ziegler Lantz in 1964 could still be read as follows:

Memory of
GEORGE LENTZ
Senior He departed this life
the 22nd day of April in the
year of our Lord
1802
Aged 35 years 11 months and
3 days

Memory of
BARBARA LENTZ
Consort of
George Lentz who
departed this life
the 29th day of August A D
1823 in the 58th year of
her age

The term "consort" at this period, was frequently used in place of "wife" and was a term of honor and respect. Since then it has fallen into disuse. Webster's "Speller and Definer" published in 1845 defines consort as "a companion; a wife or husband".

The spelling Lantz with an "e" is consistent with the spelling of Christian Sr's signature on his will. Land descriptions and other references to Christian Lantz and members of his family usually were written by the scribes as "Lantz" and sometimes "Lance". The family probably finally followed the line of least resistance and adopted the Lantz spelling.

ZIEGLER BURYING GROUNDS

Family burial plots on the owners farms were common in the early days of our nation. Many of them have completely disappeared. This is a gradual process. First they are no longer used, then they are no longer cared for; as a result, they grow up with weeds, brambles and brush; fences finally disintegrate; livestock knock down many tombstones and markers that may still remain erect and eventually all trace of what was intended to perpetuate the memory of those buried there is gone forever.

The Burial Ground on the old Lantz Plantation, Skipton - on - Craven, is thus far an exception and is in relatively good condition. It is located about one mile west of Leitersburg and approximately 40 rods south of the Leitersburg - Hagerstown highway.

The earliest grave that I have been able to identify marks the grave of Mama Elizabeth Hausamin, nee Engel, daughter of Philip Engel, born in the "Deischlant" October 22, 1702 and died August 21, 1789. The ancient flat stone marker with its message crudely chiseled in german is in surprisingly good condition. I could not help but wonder in examining this marker if there might be a story behind the three bullet holes that marked its face. The Battle of the Anteitam was waged not far distant.

Credit for the relatively good condition of this burial ground is due to the massive brick and stone wall enclosing it. The masonry arch over the gateway is inscribed "Ziegler Burying Grounds". Inscriptions cut in the stone face of the ornamental stone gate entrance tell the rest of the story as follows: "The gateway and body of this wall were erected by George W. and David Ziegler, sons of Frederick and Rose Ann Elizabeth Ziegler 1889 A D", and "The foundation of this wall was repaired and the coping stone provided in accordance with the bequest of Sophia Ziegler daughter of Frederick and Rose Ann Elizabeth Ziegler 1889 A D."

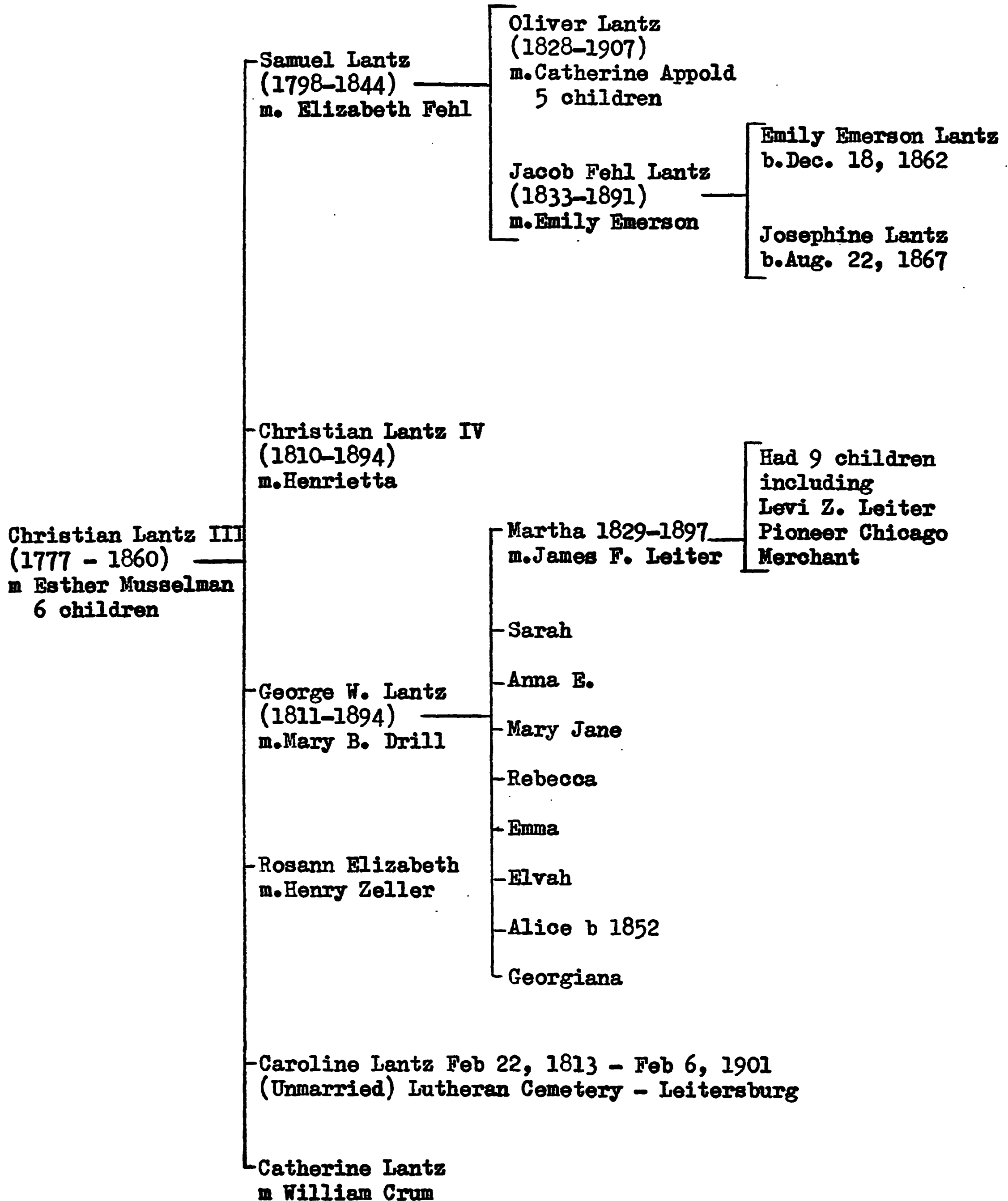
Tombstones or markers in this burial ground that can still be identified include those of

George Lentz (1766 - 1802)
Barbara Lentz (1765 - 1823)
Rosanna (Lentz) Ziegler (1789 - 1850)
Frederick Ziegler (1779 - 1857)
Sophia Ziegler (1812 - 1888)
Elizabeth Zeigler (June 7, 1826 - Nov., 24, 1911)

The tombstone inscription of Sophia Ziegler unmarried grand daughter of George Lentz is especially interesting and reads as follows:

"SOPHIA ZIEGLER Daughter of Frederick and Rose Ann Elizabeth Ziegler. Born Nov 18, 1812. Died Feb 12, 1888. A loving, dutiful daughter, A kind affectionate sister, A sincere, unselfish friend, A devoted member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Humility and chastity marked her life, Her end was resignation and peace."

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS OF
CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER, VA.



THE FAMILY OF
CHRISTIAN LANTZ III (1777 - 1860)
SON OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ Jr.
AND
UNCLE OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER

Christian Lantz III, son of Christian³ (Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Grandson of Christian Lantz Sr. was born Oct., 7, 1777 during the Revolutionary War, on the Lantz plantation on the Antietam, in the Leitersburg District, Washington County, Maryland.

He acquired the mill property and adjacent land following his father's death in 1811. His father, Christian Jr., was administrator of Christian Sr's estate which was finally settled in 1811 shortly before the death of Christian Jr., Christian III (then age 34) his brothers George and Adam and his brother - in - law, John Byer, are names that appear frequently in the clerk's record of the auction sale during the summer of 1811.

Christian III sold the mill property shortly after acquiring it to his sister Elizabeth and her husband John Byer, who was to become Capt. John Byer in the war of 1812. John Byer added a tannery to the mill properties.

Christian III married Esther Musselman (b. Aug., 30, 1784 d. Aug., 9, 1862) and had six children; Christian, George W., Samuel, Rosann, Caroline and Catherine.

Christian III died Aug., 17, 1860 at age 82 and was buried in the Lutheran Cemetery in Leitersburg. His wife Esther joined her husband 2 years later age 77.

Samuel Lantz son of Christian⁴ (Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Esther (Musselman) Lantz was born Aug., 5, 1794. He married Elizabeth Fehl a niece of Frederick and Lewis Ziegler. He died Jan., 10, 1841 and was buried at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Leitersburg, Maryland. He had two sons, Oliver Frederick Lantz and Jacob Fehl Lantz.

He served under Capt. Shryock with the Hagerstown Militia in defense of Baltimore in 1812. There is a stained glass window in St. Paul's Church in memory of Samuel and Elizabeth Lantz.

Oliver Frederick Lantz son of Samuel⁵, (Christian⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Elizabeth Fehl Lantz was born Sept., 20, 1828. He married Catherine Appold and had 5 children. He was a director of the Baltimore Corn and Flour Exchange and The National Exchange Bank. He died Jan., 5, 1907.

Jacob Fehl Lantz son of Samuel⁵ (Christian III⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Elizabeth (Fehl) Lantz was born July 27, 1833. He married Emily Emerson and had two daughters, Emily and Josephine.

Emily Emerson Lantz daughter of Jacob⁶ (Samuel⁵, Christian⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz was born Dec., 18, 1862. She had a journalistic career of over 40 years with the Baltimore Sun. She was prominent in Baltimore society and was a close friend of Henry L. Mencken.

Christian Lantz IV, son of Christian⁴ (Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Esther Musselman Lantz married Henrietta. Grave markers in Beard's Church cemetery near Chewsville, Maryland read as follows:

CHRISTIAN LANTZ

Born Feb. 10, 1810

Died Feb. 2, 1892

Dearest father thou hast left us
How thou loss we deeply feel
But who's God who hath bereft
He can all our sorrows heal

HENRIETTA

Wife of Christian Lantz

Died Feb. 10, 1888

Aged 74 Years 9 Days
Our mother sleeps death's dreamless sleep
Her calm and placid brow
Clouds not amend the tears we weep
She heeds no anguish now.

In another part of the cemetery is a stone reading:

In memory of CATHERINE ELIZABETH LANTZ

daughter of Christian and Henryetta Lantz

was born Sept. 7, 1840

Died Aug, 27, 1845

This little girl was a 2nd cousin and contemporary of Franklin S. Lantz.

George W. Lantz son of Christian⁴ (Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eshter Musselman Lantz was born Jan. 8, 1811 and died May 26, 1894. He married Mary B. Drill who died July 27, 1882, age 68. The graves of George W. and Mary B. Drill Lantz are in the Lutheran Cemetery, Leitersburg, Maryland. Their children are as follows:

1. Martha H. (Oct. 1, 1834 - Nov. 28, 1912) m. James Freeland Leiter and had 7 children

- (1) Anna M. married George H. Wolfinger
- (2) Titus Benton Leiter
- (3) Levi Z. Leiter became a pioneer Chicago merchant who was associated with Marshall Field and Potter Palmer. He owned the Monroe - Wells Leiter Building and the Sears Roebuck Building at the southeast corner of Van Buren and State Streets. This building was also called the Leiter Building.
- (4) Dr. Joseph G. Leiter practiced in Brooklyn N. Y.
- (5) Fannie K. Leiter married A. K. McGraw
- (6) Dr. James W. Leiter practiced in Brooklyn N. Y.
- (7) Martha A. married Walter Young and lived in Littlestown, Pa.

James Freeland and Martha H. (Lantz) Leiter's graves are in the Lutheran Cemetery, Leitersburg, Maryland.

2. Sarah Elizabeth Lantz married John Leiter and moved to Topeka, Kas.
3. Anna C. Lantz married Elias Stottlemeyer.
4. Mary Jane Lantz married Samuel Dayhoff.
5. Rebecca Lantz married Sylvester Trout.
6. Emma Sophia died June 19, 1887 aged 10, Lutheran Cemetery, Leitersburg.
7. Elvah H. Lantz married John B. Barkdoll.
8. Alice Octavia Lantz married Charles Pascal.
9. Georgiana Lantz married David Roswarn.

TABLE VI

THE LANTZ ANCESTORS
OF
CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER, VA.

Johannes Lentz
our Immigrant Ancestor

Christian Lantz (1732 - 1798)
Moved with his family from
Warwick Twp. Lancaster Co. Penn.
to Leitersburg Dist. Md. in 1775

Christian Lantz Jr. (1750 - 1811)
Leitersburg District, Maryland

George Lantz Circa 1781 - 1841
Lived on farm in Antrim Twp.
Franklin Co. Penn.

Christian Lantz (1811 - 1876)
Moved to Bridgewater, Va. in 1846
He had 3 brothers and 5 sisters
He married Lydia Raby

THE FAMILY OF GEORGE LANTZ (1781 - 1841)

George Lantz, son of Christian³, (Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and father of Christian of Bridgewater was born on the Lantz plantation, Skipton - on - Craven in the Leitersburg District, Md., about 1781. He married Catherine Wagamon and had 4 sons and 5 daughters, as follows:

1. George W. Lantz b. Dec., 9, 1809 m. Rebecca Picking.
The family moved from their Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn., farm to Ohio in 1844. They had 11 children as follows:
 - (1) Jacob b. Aug., 21, 1840
 - (2) Kathern b. July 6, 1842
 - (3) John b. April 19, 1844
 - (4) Susan
 - (5) Leah
 - (6) Henry
 - (7) Margaret
 - (8) William
 - (9) George
 - (10) James
 - (11) Samuel
2. Christian Lantz b. April 22, 1811 m. Lydia Raby
Christian was raised on the Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn., farm. It appears from the 1840 U. S. Census that he was considered the head of the household at that time and made a home for his parents. His father, George, died the following year. The Christian Lantz family moved to Bridgewater, Va., about 1846 and is the subject of Part II of this book.
3. Jacob Lantz was probably born in 1814. This is based on the U. S. Census for 1850. He married Catherine Johnston and had one son, John, who was born Sept., 11, 1832. Records accounting for his father's estate show that he received compensation for making fence during the years following his father's death in 1841.
4. Samuel Lantz was born circa 1816 and died in 1894. He was born and reared on his father's farm in Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn., near Upton. He learned the milling trade but eventually took up farming. He served on the board of the U. B. Church. He married Elizabeth Meyers (b. 1820) and had 11 children as follows:
 - (1) Susan b. 1843
 - (2) George W. b. 1845
 - (3) Martin L. b. 1848
 - (4) John C. b. 1850
 - (5) Theodore H.
 - (6) William C. b. Jan., 15, 1856 Became an M D and practiced in Le Masters.
 - (7) Catherine
 - (8) Laura
 - (9) Charlotte
 - (10) Annie
 - (11) Henry

(Birthdates of the Samuel Lantz family based on U.S. Census for 1850. Other data Franklin Co., Penn., Biog., by Genealogical Publishing Co., 1905.)

5. Catherine Lantz
6. Elizabeth Lantz
7. Amy Lantz
8. Leah Lantz At the time of the 1850 Census she was 30 years old and unmarried.
9. Rebecca Lantz was born on the Antrim Twp., farm in 1825. Based on the 1850 Census it is indicated that she married Henry Shetito (sp?) b. 1822 and had daughters, Helen age 3 and Margaret 9 mo. Her husband's trade is listed as carpenter. They were apparently living on the parental Lantz farm, since her mother, Catharine, age 70, is listed as head of the household.

George Lantz, father of Christian of Bridgewater, moved from the Leitersburg District, Md., to Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn., with his family about 1812 and took up farming. The new home near Upton was only about 16 miles from Leitersburg so no doubt contacts were maintained with the Maryland relatives.

George attended the auction sale liquidating the personal property in his grandfather, Christian Lantz Sr's estate and purchased a number of items including:

1 crock with honey	.55	3 chairs	3.25
25 Lbs fat	1.58	1 Desk	10.00
17 yds linen	13.60	1 Lot Books	.26
36 Lbs hemp	26.47	1 Trunk	1.26
1 Jug	.38	1 Steelyard	.45
1 Ten-plate stove	21.00	Silver Buckles	1.14
Bed cord	.51	1 Shot Gun	10.06
1 Silver watch	16.65	20 Bu. Rye	13.60
2 Books	1.15	32 Gal.(Bbl.) Whiskey	15.04

The 1840 U.S. Census for Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn., Lists George's son, Christian, as head of the household. The census at this time gave the name of only the head of the household as follows:

<u>Head of Household</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Identification by Author</u>
Christian Lance	1	M	20 & under 30	Christian b. April 22, 1811
	1	F	20 " "	Lydia Raby b. July 21, 1815
	1	M	50 " "	George b. circa 1781
	1	M	50 " "	Catharine b. " 1781
	1	M	under 5	Franklin S. b. Feb., 4, 1836
	1	F	" 5	Catherine b. April 9, 1838
	1	F	" 5	Mary Ann b. July 2, 1840

The misspelling of Lantz is of no particular consequence. The recording was done by the census taker and errors such as this were common and frequent.

THE WILL OF GEORGE LANTZ

December 29, 1840, only a few months after the census was taken showing son Christian as head of the household, George Lantz, apparently aware he did not have long to live, made his will and testament. A few weeks later he was dead.

Recorded in Will Book D, Franklin County Courthouse, Chambersburg, Penn. The last Will and Testament of George Lantz of Antrim Township, Franklin County:

I George Lantz considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine Lantz during her natural life the Orchard field as the fences runs to the woodland, also two acres of timber land bounded by said field & land of Henry Stickel, together with the house and all the Household furniture and other buildings there on, the Barn excepted. She is to have one Stable & some room in the Barn for her use, the residue of my land is to be rented until all my debts are paid and afterwards farmed on shares during my said wifes life of which shares she is to have the one third off all that is raised on said farm the residue is to be equally divided among my children share & share alike & after my said wife's decease, my will is my real estate be sold at public sale & the proceeds equally divided among my children, share & share alike. Signed, published & declared by the above named George Lantz to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of me who at his request & in his presence have subscribed my name as witness thereunto the twenty ninth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.

Interlineation before signing

GEORGE LANTZ

SEAL

Witness present: Isaac Reed

Codicil to the above, I do hereby nominate & appoint my wife to be my executrix witness my hand & seal the day & date above written.

GEORGE LANTZ

SEAL

Witness present: Isaac Reed

I hereby decline and renounce my right to act as executrix under the Will of George Lantz my late husband deceased and request that the letters testamentary may be issued to my son Christian Lantz as Executor of the said deceased witness my hand and seal this 2 Febry 1841.

Witness: F. Smith

her
Catharine X Lantz
mark

SEAL

A true copy taken from the Original

Henry Ruby, Reg.

When the U.S. Census of 1850 was taken the widow Catharine (Wagamon) Lantz age 70, was still living on the Antrim Twp., farm and was listed as head of the household as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Comments by Author</u>
<u>Catharine Lantz</u>	70		
Henry Shetito(Sp?)	28	Carpenter	Catharine's son-in-law
Rebecca	25		Catharine's youngest daughter
Helen	3		
Margaret	9 mo.		

Census recorded Sept., 21, 1850 Farm est. value \$1200

The transactions involving the purchase and sale of the George Lantz farm are duly recorded in the Franklin Co., Penn., records in Chambersburg but from the description I was unable to locate the land. the descriptions are entirely in reference to trees, rocks, and adjacent land owners names.

In 1840 there were several related families of Lantzs in Antrim Twp., but there are none today. In 1962 I inquired of old timers in Upton, Antrim Twp., if they had any memory of the names Lantz and Raby. The answer was "no"; neither did they recall seeing these names on local grave markers. Life is fleeting and mortals are soon forgotten.

On February 2, 1941 the widow Catharine, who had been named executrix withdrew in favor of her son Christian. Christian then accounted for the estate until he filed his final accounting April 8, 1846. Shortly after this the Christian Lantz family removed to Bridgewater, Va. Samuel Lantz, the 3rd son, then served as administrator of the estate until October 25, 1862 when the remaining personal property was sold at a public sale. Prices realized at the sale were pitifully low at this time. Several typical items are as follows:

1 Cow	\$7.00	1 Butcher Knife	\$.14
Steelyards	.12	1 Sink	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$
1 Cradle	.01	1 Corner Cupboard	1.70
1 Bureau	.75	1 Coffee Mill	.16
Bowls and Teapot	.04	4 Crocks	.08

The two sons, Samuel and Jacob, remaining in Pennsylvania were the principal buyers. Son George had removed to Ohio in 1844 and son Christian to Bridgewater, Va., probably in 1846.

PART II

CHRISTIAN LANTZ

OF

BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA

AND

HIS DESCENDANTS



CHRISTIAN LANTZ

of

Bridgewater Va.

1811 - 1876

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LYDIA RABY LANTZ

1815 - 1882

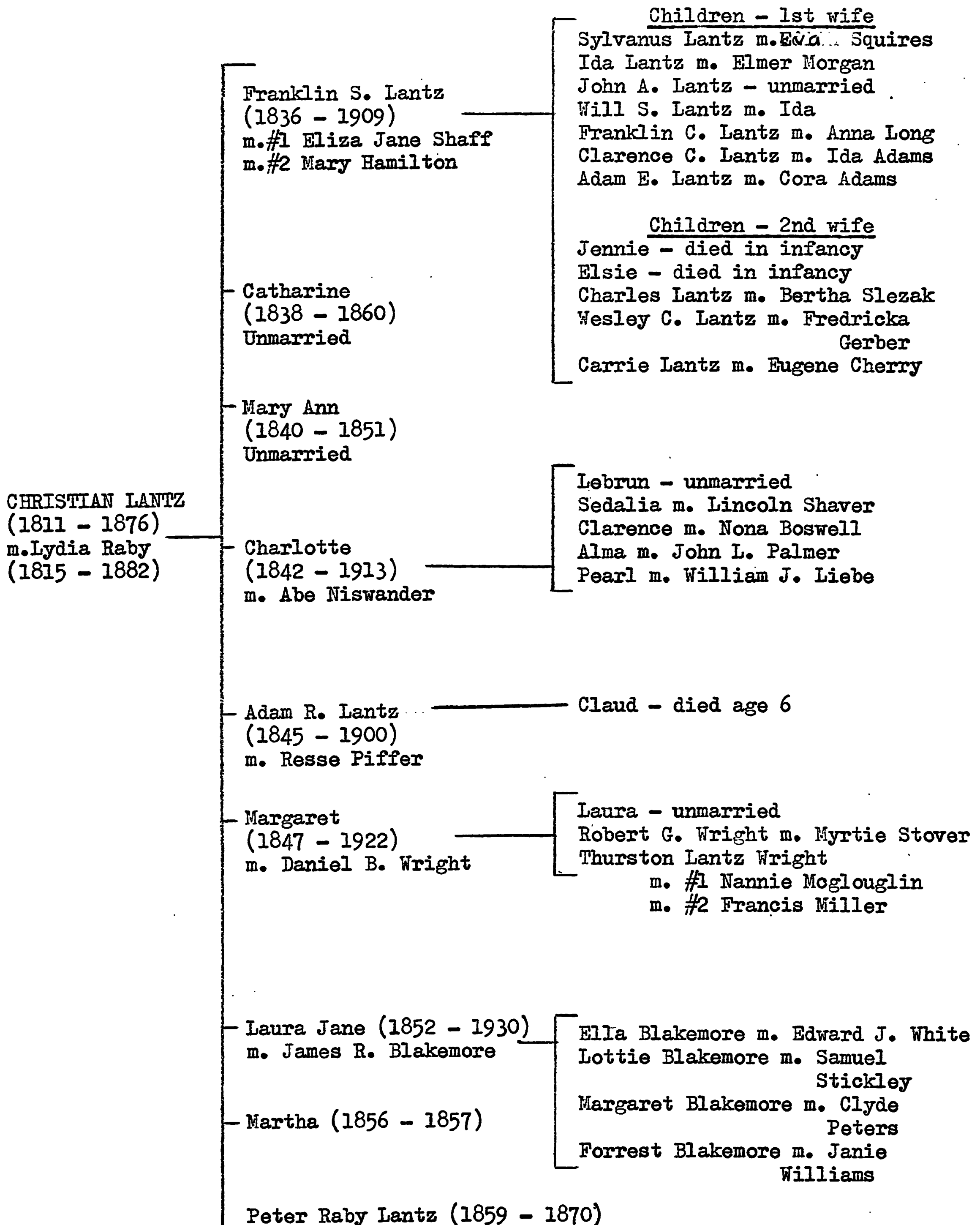
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THE FAMILY OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER, VA.



CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER

Christian Lantz, son of George, (Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz was the second of nine children born to George and Catharine (Wagamon) Lantz. His date of birth is recorded in the family Bible as April 22, 1811. The family moved from the Leitersburg District, Maryland to Antrim Twp., in Franklin Co., Penn., near Upton where they engaged in farming. This was a short move of about 16 miles to the northwest.

The Christian Lantz family Bible states that he was married to Lydia Raby by Rev. John Reck, May 14, 1835. At this time Rev. Reck was pastor of the Lutheran Church in Greencastle, Penn.; in fact he was the first minister to preach in English in this church.

The U.S. census for 1840 lists Christian as the head of the household and lists his parents, George and Catharine as members of the household. That census indicates that Christian and his wife had three children. Christian, whose father, George, died in 1841, served as administrator of George's estate until 1846. That date, 1846, is presumably the year that Christian moved his family about 150 miles southwest to Bridgewater, Va. He was now 35 years old and had 5 children. Four more children were born in Bridgewater, making a total of nine, the same number that there were in his father's family.

Christian's family was a closely knit one with deep religious training. It was from the large family Bible, of this family, that many authentic names and dates became available. The eldest son, Franklin, made a number of trips back from the frontier in Iowa to see his family in Virginia. He must have cared a great deal for them and they for him.

Christian built two houses in Bridgewater. One of these houses, of log construction, was the Lantz home for many years. This house, located on West Riverside Street, is only a stone's throw from the beautiful North River and can be seen clearly from the river bridge. The old home, when visited in 1962, was owned by Paul Paine, a cabinet maker. It has been remodeled and there is an addition on the back. The exterior of the old log house is covered with siding and the interior is plastered. The old part of the house has two very large rooms upstairs and two downstairs with a fireplace at each end. Originally there was a second floor veranda with railing. The veranda has been replaced with a porch and a window installed in place of the second floor door.

The North River must have been a source of interest and pleasure for the Lantz family. It may have also, at times, been a source of concern. In the great flood of September 27, 1870 it is said the water almost reached the second floor where the Lantz family stood in the doorway and in the darkness could hear the crashing of timbers as the highway bridge two blocks distant, was swept away. this flood was caused by a cloudburst in the mountains where the North River has its headwaters.

The first bridge, built on posts near the water, was washed out in the freshet of 1842.

The second was swept away in the flood of 1852.

The third bridge was burned by the Confederates in 1862. Stonewall Jackson crossed on a temporary bridge of planks resting on wagons May 19, 1862 following the McDowell battle.

A story, still told locally by old timers, tells how Ned Luck, with a small group of Confederates, came to the bridgeless crossing at flood stage while closely pursued by Federals. Under fire, they swam their horses. Ned Luck's saddle girth broke when his horse leaped into the river, and he held the saddle on with his legs. The man next to him was mortally wounded. On the far side they paused to give the rebel yell. The Yanks gave an answering cheer.

The fourth bridge with center support was built in 1866 and the northern half was swept away in the great flood of 1870.

The fifth bridge had a single 240' span constructed of great wooden arches said to be the longest of its kind. This was a covered bridge.

In 1915 an iron bridge was started. A ferry was used for three years while the bridge was being built.

The present concrete bridge was built in 1955.

There is an unobstructed view of the bridge from the Lantz home front porch, so it must have been a major item of interest in their lives.

Bridgewater was started about 1800 by John and Jacob Dinkel, brothers of German ancestry who came from Philadelphia about 1800 to the south bank of the North River where Route 42 now crosses. The town was a popular stopping place on the turnpike between Washington and points to the south and west.

Christian Lantz was a cabinet maker, and it is an interesting coincidence that Paul Paine, the present owner of the Lantz home, is likewise a cabinet maker.

The Christian Lantz family of Bridgewater was as follows:

Christian Lantz b. April 22, 1811 d. May 1, 1876
m. Lydia Raby b. July 1, 1815 d. May 25, 1882
Their children were as follows:

- i Franklin Syrus Lantz b Feb., 4, 1836 d Dec., 17, 1909
- ii Catharine Lantz b April 9, 1838 d Nov., 5, 1860
- iii Mary Ann Lantz b July 2, 1840 d June 10, 1851
- iv Charlotte Lantz b Nov., 24, 1842 d Jan., 22, 1913
- v Adam R. Lantz b Jan., 31, 1845 d Sept., 1, 1900
- vi Margaret Caroline Virginia b May 8, 1847 d Dec., 22, 1922
- vii Laura Jane Lantz b Oct., 23, 1852 d March 21, 1930
- viii Martha Elizabeth Lantz b June 22, 1856 d Apr., 23, 1857
- ix Peter Raby Lantz b Nov., 19, 1859 d April 2, 1870

Christian and Lydia Raby Lantz and four of their children, Catherine age 22, Mary Ann nearly 11, Martha Elizabeth (called Elizabeth) age one year and Peter age 10, were buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Bridgewater, Virginia. The grave markers, considering their ages, are in comparatively good condition.

An old newspaper clipping relative to Christian's death reads as follows:

"DIED — In Bridgewater, Rockingham County, Virginia, Christian Lantz, aged 65 years and 9 days. Brother Lantz was a member of the Lutheran Church for many years. About 20 months ago he was stricken

with the disease that caused his death. During all these months of painful suffering, not a murmur escaped his lips, apprehending by a "living faith" that his chastening was of the Lord who loved him. From the beginning of his illness he seemed to be impressed with the conviction that his sufferings would end only in a release of the spirit from its encumbering clay, and waited for the coming of the Bridegroom with becoming christian patience, confidently committing his wasting body into the hands of Him who he trusted to bring it forth from the dust again; his spirit sheltering beneath the "Rock of Ages" triumphed over the darkness of the approaching tomb, growing brighter and brighter, when —

"The voice at midnight came,
And he started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame —
He fell but felt no fear.
At midnight came the cry,
"To meet thy God prepare!"
He woke and caught his captain's eye;
Then strong in faith and prayer,
His spirit with a bound
Left its encumbering clay.
His tent at sunrise on the ground
A darkened ruin lay.
Soldier of Christ, well done,
Praise be thy new employ,
And while eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Savior's Joy!"

J. H. B.

Thirty seven years later in 1913 the Bridgewater News recorded the death of Christian's daughter, Charlotte, and included the following reference to Christian:

"Her parents came here from Pennsylvania and Mr. Lantz built what is now the Thomas dwelling on Main Street and the residence on West Water now owned and occupied by Mayor H. C. Hale, and was prominently identified with the business affairs of the town."

Christian Lantz's widow, Lydia, was well known in Bridgewater and was referred to as the "Widow Lantz". In 1882, six years following the death of her husband, Lydia went back to Upton, Pennsylvania to visit her brother and while there became fatally ill. Her death was recorded in the Bridgewater Paper as follows:

DEATH OF MRS. LYDIA LANTZ. — On the 4th March, Mrs. Lydia Lantz, a very highly esteemed lady of this place, and mother of Mrs. Abraham Nisewander, and Mrs. James W. Blakemore, left Bridgewater for a short visit to her brother, at Upton, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. A few weeks ago, when her anxious and loving kindred were looking for her return, a letter was received by Mr. A. Nisewander, informing him of the extreme illness of his mother - in - law. To Mr. Nisewander, this

was the premonition of her death, and he so expressed himself. Then comes to him, on Thursday last a telegram announcing the sad news of her death — On Friday her lifeless remains were quietly brought to town by Undertakers Humphreys & Loose, followed by her weeping kindred. On Saturday the 27th May, 1882 after an excellent and appropriate funeral sermon by the Rev. W. G. Campbell, of the Lutheran Church, of which she was an exemplary member, the remains of Mrs. Lantz were committed to her mother earth, by the side of her deceased husband, in the Bridgewater Cemetery.

Mrs. Lantz was born on the 1st day of July, 1815.



CHRISTIAN LANTZ

1811 - 1876

LYDIA RABY LANTZ

1815 - 1882

The original of this picture
is an artists portrait.

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER

Christian and Lydia (Raby) Lantz of Bridgewater had the following descendants:

- 1.1 Franklin Syrus Lantz b Feb. 4, 1836 d Dec. 17, 1909
Franklin, the eldest son, moved to Iowa in 1856
See the FRANKLIN S. LANTZ Family for his descendants
- 1.2 Catharine Lantz b April 4, 1838 d Nov. 5, 1860
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Bridgewater, Virginia
- 1.3 Mary Ann Lantz b July 2, 1840 d June 10, 1851
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Bridgewater, Virginia
- 1.4 Charlotte Lantz b Nov. 24, 1842 Married Abe Niswander
and moved to Iowa in 1883.
See the NISWANDER, SHAVER, PALMER AND LIEBE Families
for descendants.
- 1.5 Adam R. Lantz b Jan. 31, 1845 d Sept. 1, 1900
Moved to Marshall Missouri in 1870
Married in 1871 to Resse Piffer of Bridgewater, Virginia
Son Claude died Aug. 11, 1877
Proprietor of carriage factory. Later bought a fruit and
vegetable farm south east of Marshall.
Suffered stroke in 1896. Died from 3rd stroke Sept. 1, 1900
Burial Ridge Park Cemetery, Marshall, Missouri.
No descendants.
- 1.6 Margaret Caroline Lantz b May 8, 1847 d Dec. 22, 1922
See WRIGHT Family for descendants
- 1.7 Laura Jane Lantz b Oct. 23, 1852 d Mar. 21, 1930
See BLAKEMORE Family for descendants.
- 1.8 Martha Elizabeth Lantz b June 22, 1856 d April 23, 1857
Burial Greenwood Cemetery, Bridgewater, Virginia
- 1.9 Peter Raby Lantz b Nov. 19, 1859 d April 2, 1870
Burial Greenwood Cemetery, Bridgewater, Virginia.

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

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Christian Lanty
Was Born the 22
of April 1841

Adam Lanty Was
Born January
the 31 1845

Lydia Baby Was
Born July 1 1845

Margret Caroline
Was Born May the
8 1847

Franklin S Lanty
Was Born Feb
the 4 1846

October
Laura Jane Lanty
Was Born October
the 25 1852

Catharine Lanty
Was Born April
the 9 1838

~~Harth Lanty Was Born~~
~~October the 22 1856~~

Martha Elithebeth
Lanty Was Born Jun
the 22 1856

Maryann Lanty
Was Born July the
2 1840

Peter R Lanty Was
Born November
the 19 1849

Charlot Lanty Was
Born November the
24 1842

1893

1836

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FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

Mary Ann Lantz
died June the 10th
1851 - aged 10 years
11 months & 25 days -

Mary Ann Lantz
died April the 23rd 1857
aged 10 months one day

Catharine Lantz
died november the
5th aged 22 years 6 months
26 days november the 2nd 1858

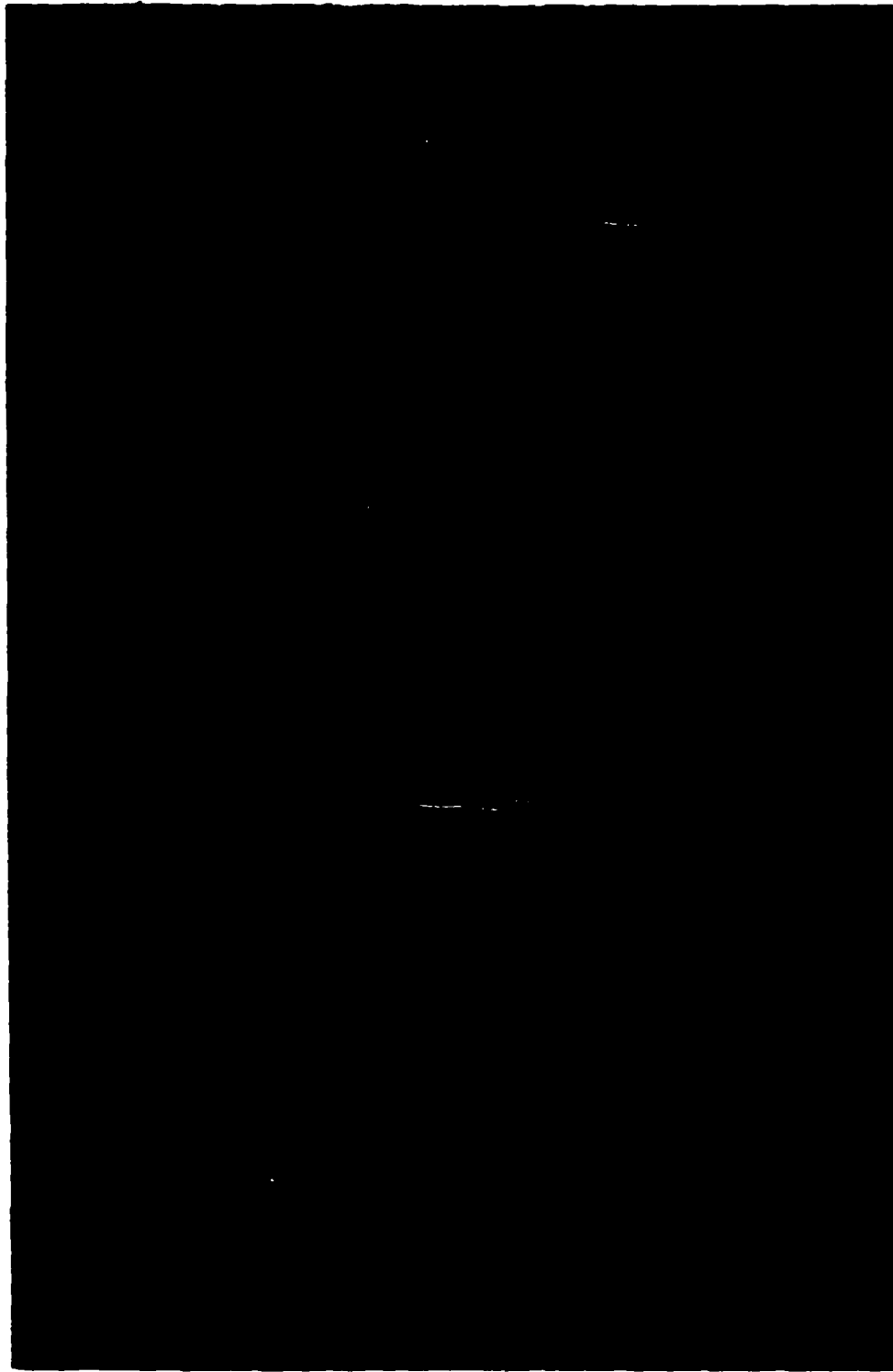
Ellen R. Lantz
died April the 2nd
1870 aged 16 years
4 months and 13
days

DEATHS.

Christian Lantz died
May 1st 1876. aged
65 years and 9 days

Lydia Lantz died
May the 25th 1882.
aged 66 years and
10 months & 25 days

Christian Lantz
was married to Lydia
Babey by the John Reed
May the 14 1835



IOWA PIONEERS

ELIZA JANE SHAFF - LANTZ

1838 - 1873

FRANKLIN S. LANTZ

1836 - 1909

Picture probably taken
about 1865

ELIZA JANE SHAFF - LANTZ

1838 - 1873

The original of this
picture appears to be
an artist's drawing
and was probably made
about 1860



BIOGRAPHY

FRANKLIN SYRUS LANTZ 1836 - 1909

Franklin Syrus Lantz, son of Christian and Lydia (Raby) Lantz, was born February 4, 1836 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania near the small town of Upton.

About 1846 the family moved to Bridgewater, Virginia where young Franklin, the eldest of nine children, attended school and became a member of the English Lutheran Church. Franklin's father built two houses in Bridgewater, one of which became the family home. This house was located on Riverside Street, a stone's throw from the beautiful North River. Franklin probably learned carpentry helping his father build these two houses.

While Franklin was in his teens, farm land in the middle west was being opened up to settlers. In 1856 at the age of twenty Franklin decided to go west. The Chicago Rock Island Railroad had reached Rock Island, Illinois in 1852. In 1856 a railroad bridge crossing the Mississippi River was completed, and the same year a railroad to Iowa City, Iowa was put in service. Franklin was one of the early passengers to use this means of reaching the rich Iowa farm land.

It is interesting to note that before the bridge was a year old, a steamboat, the Effie Alton, rammed one of the piers and took fire. The boat owner brought suit and Judge Love ruled that the bridge piers should immediately be removed since there would never be anything west of the Mississippi of sufficient importance to warrant impeding the flow of the river. The case was appealed and Abe Lincoln came to Davenport and won for the bridge company the right of the bridge to remain.

1858 was an eventful year for Franklin. Now twenty-two years old, he married Eliza Jane, the nineteen year old daughter of James and Eliza (Cowell) Shaff, and he bought his first land — 10 acres from Daniel Yoder for \$90.00. This land was located at the S. E. corner of the town of Amish (Joetown).

By the time Franklin and Eliza had been married three years they had two children, Sylvanus and Ida and had saved \$300 with which to buy the twenty acres of land adjoining them on the south. Franklin was now Justice of the Peace and was working in his spare time as a carpenter. He helped Sam Flury build the "16 Mile House" which for many years was a popular stopping point on the heavily traveled Iowa City - Sigourney - Montezuma road.

The Civil War started April 12, 1861 and Franklin was in a difficult position. His parental home and family were in the south in the very heart of the conflict and he was in a northern state. This probably explains why he chose to pay \$400 (a large sum at that time) for an alternate.

1863 - Franklin and Eliza had now been married five years. They wanted more land and being unable to buy more adjacent land, they sold their 29 acre farm for \$625 and bought 80 acres of unimproved land 2 miles east of Amish for \$468.

In February of 1866 the Lantz Family, with five small children, moved to Missouri. The war was over but it may have been a deciding factor in this move - or it may have been merely the pioneer urge to push farther west. The Iowa farm of 80 acres was sold to Philip Brandt for \$2000. The new farm home was located in Benton Township, Cedar County, Missouri, near Montevallo. The namesake, baby Franklin, was less than three months old when the long trip to Missouri by covered wagon was undertaken.

The United States census taken in August of 1870 indicates that Sylvanus 11, Ida 9, and John 7 had attended school the previous school season. William 6, Franklin 4, and baby Clarence 1 had not yet attended school.

Extract From U. S. 1870 Census

Benton Twp. - Cedar County - State of Missouri Page 7 & 8

Recorded Aug. 22, 1870 by Assist. Deputy James M. Connamy

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>
Franklin Lance	33	Farmer	Va.
Eliza	28	Housekeeper	Iowa
Sylvanus	11	At Home	"
Ida	9	" "	"
John	7	" "	"
William	6	" "	"
Franklin	4	" "	"
Clarence	1	" "	Mo.

The above census data was transcribed from microfilm Records in Newberry Library, N. Clark Street and Walton Place, Chicago, Illinois on August 1, 1962 by L. L. Lantz.

Franklin Sr's age was actually 34 and Eliza's 31 when the census was taken. The census enumerator probably guessed at Eliza's age.

1873 saw the collapse of the nation's financial structure. Money was scarce, prices collapsed and banks closed their doors.

Franklin Lantz had enough of Missouri and was ready to return to Iowa. He sold his farm in Benton Township, Cedar County, Missouri to his brother - in - law, James Frederick Shaff, and in turn bought the 200 acre Shaff farm in the old Amish community in Johnson County, Iowa. The value placed on the Iowa farm was \$3000 but in effect they traded farms.

The return to Amish was a sad and tragic one. The long trip back with 7 children under 14 years of age was made with two covered wagons. Franklin Jr., in 1962, at age 96, remembered crossing the Missouri River on a ferry boat, but remembered little else of this trip except that they had two wagons. Eliza Jane, the mother, was desperately ill. Almost to their destination, they stopped for the night near Wassonville (near Wellman, Iowa) and here the mother died on February 28, 1873 at the age of 35 and was laid to rest in the Lantz Cemetery lot, adjoining her parents, James and Eliza Shaff, near the entrance to the Pleasant Hill Church Cemetery at Amish, Iowa.

In 1874 Franklin S., now 38 years old, married Mary R. Hamilton. In February of 1874 he had purchased more land -- 100 acres from Marshall Z. Shaff for \$925. Franklin was now running a large farm operation. Sylvanus, the oldest son, was at that time 15 years old, John 12, William 11, Franklin Jr., 9, Clarence 5, and Adam 2. As this large family of boys grew up and helped with the farming, more land was added to the 300 acres until some years later the Lantz farm comprised all of section 33 Washington Township except the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ (80 acres). The farm at it's largest totaled about 600 acres.

Franklin was Justice of Peace many of the years he lived near Amish and was commonly known as the Squire. He performed many marriage ceremonies for which the fee was \$2. He was a deeply religious man and this probably was reflected in the marriage ceremonies. In those early days the Squire's court was an active one. Franklin Jr. told how lawyers frequently came from Iowa City to try their cases. Court was frequently held under the trees. The cases were of a miscellaneous nature but more of them involved boundary line disputes than any other one item.

The United States Census was again taken in 1880 and a transcript of the Frank S. Lantz family is as follows:

EXTRACT FROM U. S. 1880 CENSUS

WASHINGTON TWP., JOHNSON CO., IOWA Page 22

Recorded June 22, 1880 by Enumerator Mathias Zimmerman

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Father's birth place</u>	<u>Mother's birth place</u>
Lantz, Frank S.	44	m	Farmer	Penn.	Penn.	Penn.
Mary R.	35	f	Keeping House	Ohio	Va.	Ohio
Sylvanus	21	m	Son farming	Iowa	Penn.	Canada
Ida	18	f	At school	"	"	"
John	16	m	Son working on farm at home	Iowa	Penn.	Canada
Wilderson	14	m	" " "	"	"	"
William	12	m	" " "	"	"	"
Clarence	10	m	" " "	Mo.	"	"
Adam E.	8	m		"	"	"
Charles	5	m		Ia.	"	"
Carra	4	f		Ia.	"	"
Elsie	1	f		Ia.	"	"

My father, Frank C. Lantz, was 14 in 1880. Why he was recorded as "Wilderson" in the census is an intriguing question. Could there have been a comment about his being the "wilder son" that was misunderstood as being his name? Or could this have in some manner been a mix up with a member of his Aunt Alvira Shaff - Wilderson's family? Unfortunately, I did not discover this incident until after my father's death. He had a good sense of humor and would have enjoyed it. Franklin's first wife Eliza Jane Shaff was born in Canada; his second wife, Mary Hamilton, mother of Charles, Carrie and Elsie was born in Ohio, not in Canada.

The United States census is an excellent source of information but for those early years it is not always conclusive in regard ages.

Women were reticent about telling their ages and many census takers, no doubt, guessed rather than embarrassed the lady by asking her age.

There is also sometimes a question as to whether the age recorded was in reference to the last birthdate or to the nearest birthdate.

A comparison of the census of 1870, that of 1880 and dates from family records is as follows:

FRANKLIN S. LANTZ CENSUS COMPARISON

	Date of Birth (not from Census)	U.S. Census Aug.22, 1870	Ages in 1870 Based on other Records	U.S. Census June22, 1880	Ages in 1880 Based on other Records
Franklin S. Lantz	Feb.4,1836	33	34+6mo.	44	44+4mo.
Eliza Jane Shaff	Dec.10,1838	28	31+8mo.	—	Died Mar.7,1873
Mary R. Hamilton	Apr.28,1842	—		35	38
Sylvanus	(1) 1859	11		21	
Ida	Feb.27,1861	9	9+6mo.	18	19+4mo.
John	(2) 1863	7	6 or 7	16	16 or 17
Wilderson	(3) No such person	—		14	This had to be Franklin
William	(4) 1865	6	5	12	15
Franklin	Dec.18,1866	4	3+8mo.		13+6mo.
Clarence	(5) Mar.21,1869	1	1+5mo.	10	11+3mo.
Adam E.	(6) Aug.16,1872	—	—	8	7+10 mo.
Charles	July14,1875	—	—	5	4+11mo.
Caroline	(7) 1876	—	—	4	
Elsie	(8) 1879			1	

Notes: — Source of Data

- (1) Based on census.
- (2) Grave marker - Died while a young man.
- (3) Wish I had found this sooner. My father would have gotten a great kick out of being called The Wilder Son.
- (4) Grave marker says 1865 and is probably correct.
- (5) Some disparity in year shown on records but 1869 is probably correct since 1870 census lists age as 1 year.
- (6) Based on affidavit signed in 1912. His mother died March 7, 1873.
- (7) Grave marker.
- (8) Grave marker.

FRANKLIN S. LANTZ

1836 - 1909

MARY HAMILTON LANTZ

1842 - 1896

This picture may have
been taken in 1874 at
the time of Franklin's
second marriage



Another photograph of

MARY and FRANKLIN

taken a few years later

circa 1880

There were five children born to Franklin and Mary Hamilton Lantz. Two little girls, Jennie and Elsie, died when about a year old. The Johnson County record of deaths shows that Elsie E. Lantz died September 5, 1880 of pneumonia and whooping cough, age 1 year, 28 days. Jennie died September 9, 1882, age 1 year, 4 months, 1 day. Both were buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

The inscriptions on the grave markers read as follows:

"Elsie E. Dau. of F.S. & M.R. Lantz

— — — left this world of care

We hope at last to meet her where

No flowers fade nor deaths cold hand

Can mar the days of heavens fair land"

"Jennie J. Dau. of F.S. & M.R. Lantz

— — — — — not legible — — — — —

— — — — — not legible — — — — —

But then all have to rest above

Yet in our hearts thou wilt have a place

To bear our loss, God of all, give us grace.

The Iowa City Directory for 1893 - 1894 lists F. S. Lantz as residing at 825 Walnut Street. Thus, at the age of about 57, Franklin left the farm and moved to Iowa City. The change in environment and the proximity of better schools probably accounts for the better education obtained by Carrie, Charles, and Wesley, children of the second marriage, than was obtained by all except Clarence of the first marriage.

Mary Hamilton Lantz died March 24, 1896 and Franklin was again a widower — this time at age 60.

During the summer of 1897 Franklin went on an extended visit to his native state of Virginia. While in Charlottesville he met and became infatuated with a very young and fashionable woman, Blannie B. Bryant. They were married in the old Daniel B. Wright home near Bridgewater, August 31, 1897. The story is told that little Herschel Wright, then 6 years old, duly admonished that during the ceremony he must be very quiet; but in the midst of the ceremony his mind was occupied with

other important matters and he suddenly asked in a loud clear voice, "Uncle Frank, would you like a piece of watermelon?" The great disparity in ages and a total lack of mutual interests doomed this marriage — a very unwise one from the start. They were divorced the following year and tradition tells that Blannie did exceptionally well in the financial arrangements.

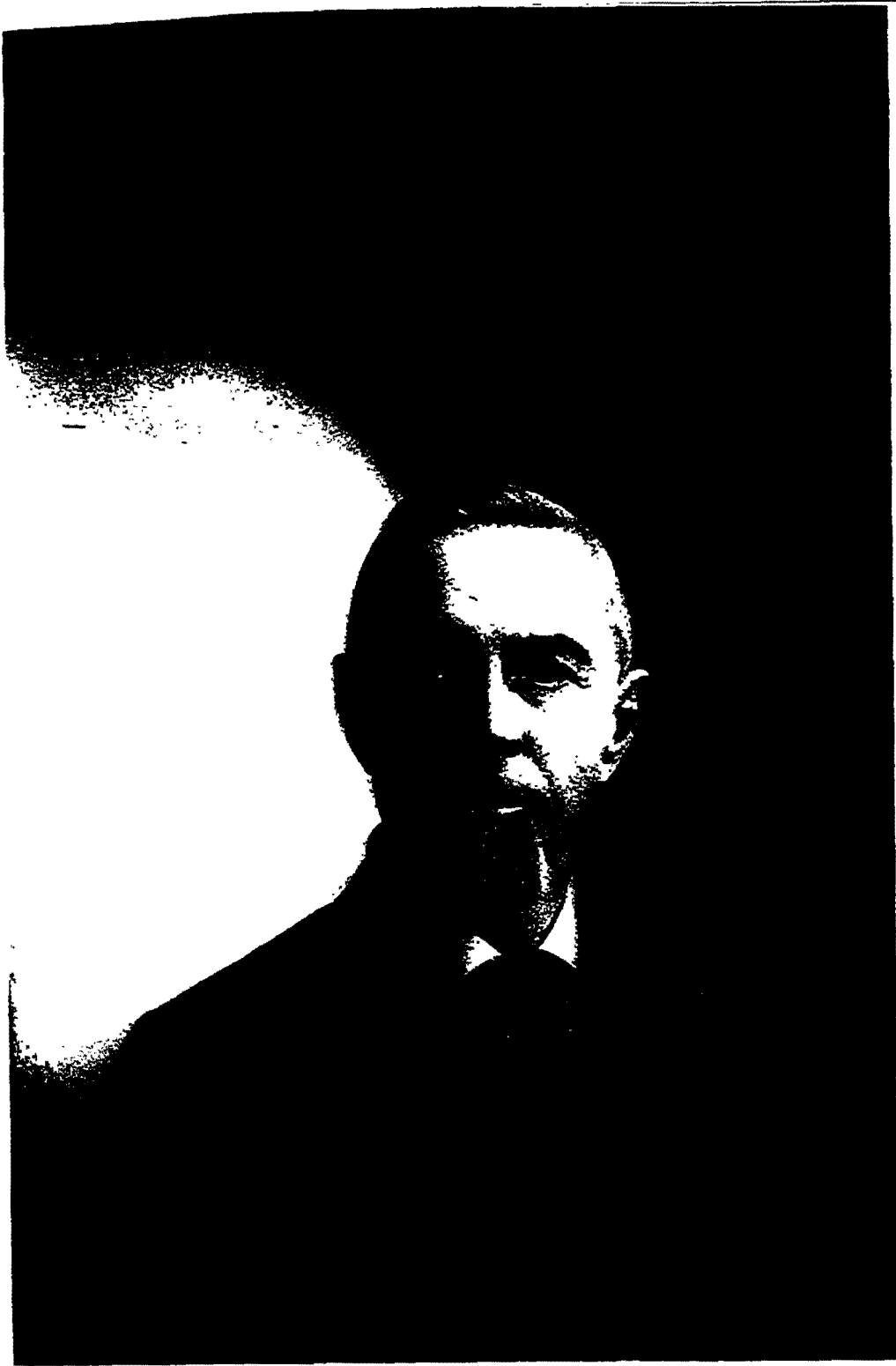
In spite of the catastrophe of his third marriage, Franklin did not long remain single. His fourth wife was Mary E. Sawyer, a widow, who it is said was a fine woman and who was more nearly Franklin's own age.

The Franklin Lantz home in Iowa City, from 1893 to 1899 was located at 825 E. Walnut Street. With a change in Iowa City street numbering this later became 725 E. Walnut Street. A letter from Frank A. Kinney dated July 20, 1965 reads in part as follows "I am sure the picture you showed me was of the house at the then 825 Walnut Street. I now own the lot on Walnut Street and garden it, the house having been torn down before I purchased the lot from William Seemuth. I checked the abstract for the lot and find it is one of two lots which were sold by F. S. Lantz to Jacob Seemuth and recorded in 1899."

About 1901 Franklin built a new home at 120 South Summit Street. This house on the corner of Summit and Burlington Streets has since been removed and the corner is now occupied by an apartment house. The Iowa City Directory for 1909 lists 120 South Summit as the residence of F. S. Lantz, Mary E. Lantz and L. Sawyer. Lou Sawyer was Mary (Sawyer) Lantz's daughter by an earlier marriage and was an invalid with a heart condition.

In 1908 Mary Sawyer Lantz and her daughter, Lou Sawyer went on an extended trip to the southwest and on to California intending to return in the spring of 1909 by way of their former home in Nebraska. But in 1909 the sands were running out for Franklin S. Lantz. At one time he was a wealthy country squire. Now his resources were running out and he was a sick man. Due to lack of funds, Mary and Lou remained in Nebraska and Franklin went to live with his daughter Carrie Lantz Cherry.

In December 1909 Franklin fell on the stairs, breaking his hip, and died in University Hospital December 17, 1909 at the age of 73 years.

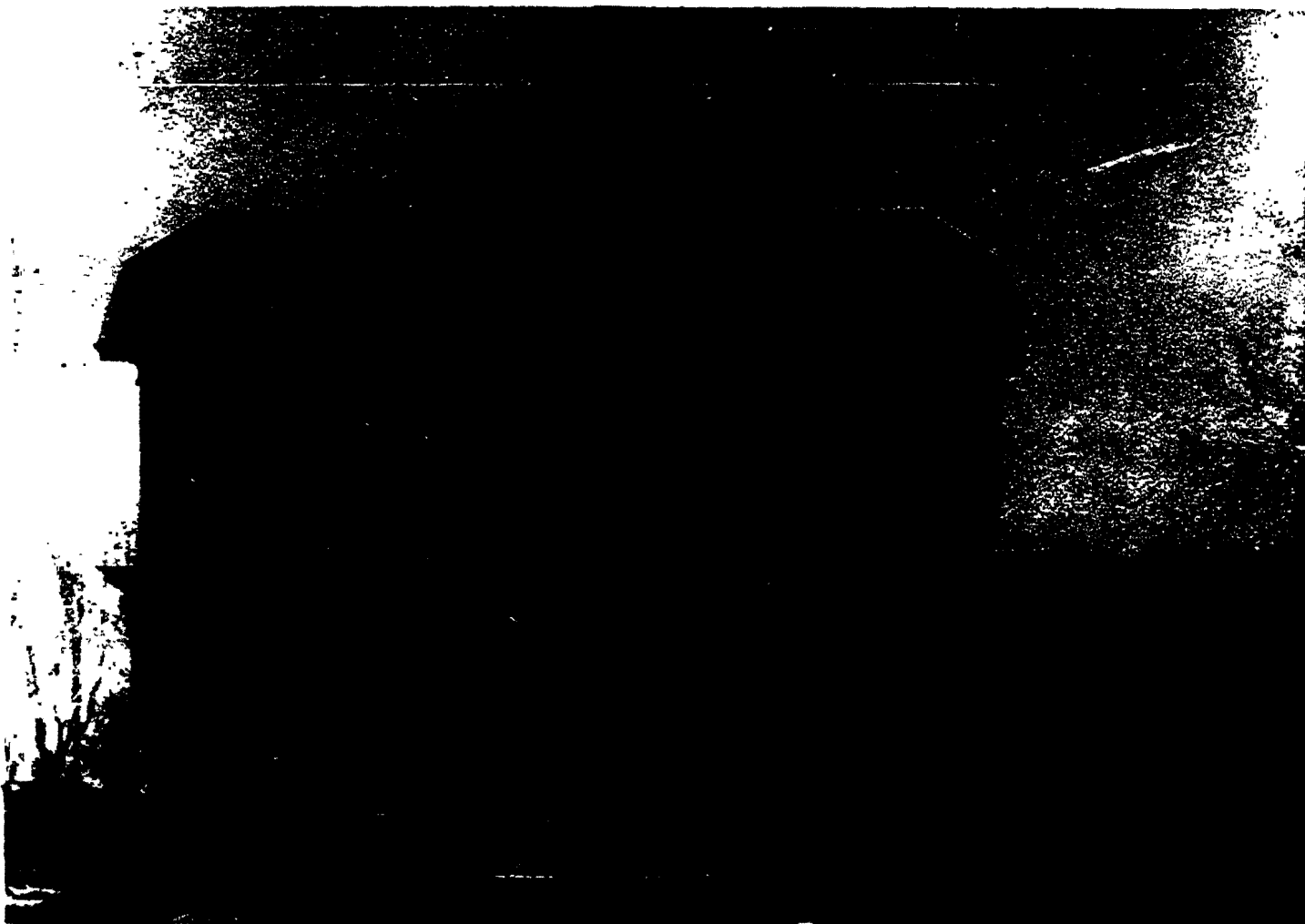


FRANKLIN S. LANTZ

(The Squire)

1836 - 1909

MAR • 66



825 Walnut St. about 1895

Standing — Charles, Franklin, Mary and Wes Lantz

In Buggy — Carrie Lantz

LETTERS WRITTEN BY FRANKLIN S. LANTZ

Franklin S. Lantz must have written many hundreds of letters in his life time, yet only four have been preserved. Two of these I found in Virginia, one in Kalona, Iowa, and the fourth in my childhood home.

These four letters are of such interest that they are reproduced here in full:

FIRST LETTER

This letter was written by Franklin to his parents, Christian and Lydia Raby Lantz. Peter was probably named for Lydia's brother, Peter Raby. Franklin was 34 years old when this letter was written.

Montevallo Mo April 23/70

Dear Mother

and Family under the Circumstances which has again thrown its influence around us as a Family yet remaining upon the Foot Stool of Gods Mercy death has again made its inroads upon us and taken from our Embrace one that no doubt has been a watch care upon our minds for many sleepless Hours and one no doubt that had won the admiration of the Entire Family being in delicate Health from his Existence to his last and Dying moments and Whilst we may feel it our great loss the Evidence he left behind in his Expiring moments was to us an assurance that our loss his gain, which should be to us a great consolation and with this Evidence before us we should feel Ready to Exclaim not our will But the Will of the Lord be done — His being an Entire Stranger to me although a Brother you no doubt think the stroke has not been felt by me as by you that were always present from his Birth to his Expiring moments. It no doubt may seem strange to you that although one Thousand miles were between us something of a Peculiar nature was resting upon my mind about the time of his death there was a burden resting upon me that I never could solve until last Thursday Evening when your letter carried the sad intelligence of Peter being no more among the living. I could not sleep at night and I could not solve the mystery until the arrival of your Letter. And as his expiring moments have left an Evidence of his Exceptance with God we that yet Remain By this last admonition should improve our days in Gods service in an Exceptable manner that our last moments may be like his with a hope that will be a safe anchor to us Beyond the reach of time when death cannot sepperate us and where we will for Ever be one common Family with God our Father in Heaven. Dear Father and Mother I Presume you often think my long absence from your Embrace would be a frooff that all Parental

Feeling was banished from my bosom But you can rest assured that is not the case for I feel there are ties that only death can sever. I prefer my home in the west in order that I can comfortably support and Educate my six Little children which I believe to be my duty as well as a privilege. It is not riches that I seek But a comfortable home for myself and Family and a decent Education which is all I claim to be my duty and for anything more merely a privilege, This is the Sabbath day and I must get Ready to teach my Bible Class we have a prospect of a very interesting Sabbath Schoole.

I finished Planting corn yesterday,
This Leaves us all in good health
We join in sending our Respects to you all

Your Son

F. S. Lantz

SECOND LETTER

Unfortunately we have no letters written by Franklin during the zenith of his life as a country squire. The following letter was written when he was 66 years old.

Bridgewater, Va.,
Oct. 31, 1902

Dear Editor: I took advantage of the cheap rates given the "old vets" for the G. A. R. reunion at Washington, D. C., and in company with my niece Mrs. L. G. Shaver, left Iowa City on October 5 for the capital of the United States, passing through the great metropolis of the west, Chicago, and then via the Big Four to Cincinnati, Ohio, Stanton and Charlottesville, Va., and arrived safely at the end of our journey.

After sojourning in Missouri and Iowa for forty-six years, it is with glad heart that I am again permitted to visit my old home in the "Sweet Sunny South." While many changes have taken place since I cast my fortune with the good people in the "Wild and Woolly West," and only about twelve of my old acquaintances were left to greet me and bid me welcome, yet, the old town and its surroundings in the war-renowned valley look quite natural. I never expected to see a railroad pass through this place, but while I write I can see the Iron horse from my window rushing along over the Chesapeake and Western R. R. which intersects the Shenandoah branch of the Norfolk & Western at Elkton, Va., running west through Harrisburg and up into the North River Gap to the Dora coal mines. I

am informed by those in a position to know that in the near future it will be a trunk line through to some point on the Ohio River.

To say that I am enjoying the scenes where my feet pressed the soil in early childhood, is putting it mild. My old friends received me with open arms and lavished on me old Virginia hospitality and have given me a royal good time. While I find the people here behind the times in agriculture and manufacturing yet they have the facilities and the day is not far distant when there will be decided improvement along those lines. But in one thing I must confess they lead us, and that is in teaching and practicing the great principles of Odd Fellowship. I visited Bridgewater Lodge No. 120, I. O. O. F., in which the late Bro. Abram Niswander was initiated, and found a number of whole souled brethren who vied with each other in fraternal greetings to the stranger within their gates. I found them well informed, intelligent and bright in the work of the order.

The weather here is beautiful. Warm, bright days, vegetation green, wheat looking as fine as I ever saw it, and the corn crop is a fair average. Have had but three frosts this fall.

Accompanied by Mrs. Shaver and another niece, Mrs. Jennie Wright of this place, I leave for home tomorrow hoping to arrive in time to vote for the cause I think is right. I leave behind me old friends and many new ones, bearing with me pleasant recollections of a most delightful visit, trusting that sometime, somewhere, I may have the pleasure of meeting and greeting them again.

Yours respectfully,

F. S. Lantz

THIRD LETTER

Grandfather Franklin S. Lantz wrote the following letter to his granddaughters, Leah and Amber Morgan, whose mother was Ida Isophrene (Lantz) Morgan who died in 1894. "Ma" and "Lou" referred to in the letter were Franklin's fourth wife, Mary (Sawyer) Lantz and her daughter, Lou Emma Sawyer. Mary Shaff may have been the elder sister of Franklin's first wife, Eliza Jane Shaff. Mary Shaff would have been 76 years of age when the letter was written. The original of this letter is the treasured possession of Amber Morgan Moomey, Kalona, Iowa who was 13 years old when it was received.

Iowa City Ia March 8th 1903

Miss Leah & Amber Morgan
Amish Ia

Dear Grand Children This beautiful Sabath day will try and answer your letter received several days ago Ma & Lou have been quite sick during the past two weeks but are better now But Ma still takes treatment from the Dr for deafness in one ear once per day She has been waiting on Mary Shaff during her Sickness and caught a terrible cold and was threatened with Pneumonia. Mary Shaff is very low cant live much longer Takes no nourishment only water. notices no one that is around. I think from appearances She is not Concious of her Surroundings. Saturday Evening I went in to see her and she took hold of my arm and it took two persons to make her let go my arm. It is now Seven weeks since she took this bad spell And scarcely Eaten any thing all this time.

Suppose you are both at home at this time. The Gallaguer trial closed last night (Saturday / 12 Oclock) And the Jury Locked up dont know what the verdict is, but every one thinks she will get Clear again.

Say Girls do you know the roads are muddy. Guess you do.

Come in to Iowa City fine show at Opera House every night this week. Said to be a good one This is a beautiful day was at church today herd a good Sermon

We join in our best regards to all

yours truly Grand Pa Lantz

LAST LETTER

The following letter was written to my mother, Anna (Long) Lantz.
Grandfather, F. S. Lantz, was 72 years old and died the following year.

Iowa City, Ia., Feb. 8th / 08

Mrs F. C. Lantz & Family
Wellman Ia.
My Dear Friends:

Your letter received several days ago And haveing only one Eye by which I could see to read or write It was getting so weak I had to give my Eye a rest from both reading and writing. Otherwise I am feeling fairly well but still retain that swimming in my head some days worse than others. And I still have to be carefull about going out in the wind on account of taking cold so easy.

Mildred Cherry was quite sick yesterday and last night but is some better today.

Quite a number of deaths in and around Iowa City generally Pneumonia & Grip.

Mrs Snyder one of the oldest citizens of Iowa City will be Burried to day St Marys Church.

We had about six inches of snow but not cold 10 below zero only two Mornings this year. Sleying good in the Country Rural Routs had to be shoveled out so as to get their mail.

My lost strayed or Stolen Loved ones are Camping out in New Mexico. Latter part of February will go to California Then in spring back to their sand bank in Nebraska.

To Morrow Sunday will be the Dedication of our new Church which cost \$75,000 Dollars. 25 thousand dollars yet to raise to clear the indebtedness.

Too much money to pay for 750 members about one half are Poor People. But those who wanted such a fine church will have to get down in their pockets before it is paid.

Pansey Cherry is out in Marshalltown canvassing for a new Superior gas Lamp is making fairly good wages at it.

The Elks had a big Mascarade Dance Thrusday night Charley got badly stuck on Carrie. She was so disguised no one knew who she was. The boys guy Charley for getting so stuck on her.

Carrie is washing to day taking saturday so as to get a student to run the washing machine for her. A. E. has about ten lods of Hay wood & straw & grain halled into his new aboade.

W. S. Lantz is still rushing the real Estate business. One section is Nebraska at 14.00 per acre His home trade is the best S. R. Lantz's wife sister has moved to Iowa City her son has a run on the Rock Island and is at home at night her name is Bowen her husband is some Kind of a traveling man and only gets home once a year I rather think not at all I am only guessing at this.

With best wishes to Family

Yours truly

F. S. Lantz

Comment:

"My lost, strayed or stolen loved ones" had reference to his fourth wife, Mary Sawyer, and his step - daughter, Lou Emma Sawyer. Charley never heard the end of the story about his falling for his own disguised sister. Carrie was a lot of fun and no doubt led him on.

Lawrence L Lantz

TABLE II

		<u>Children - 1st marriage</u>	
1.1 Franklin S. Lantz 1836 - 1909 Married 1st Eliza Jane Shaff 1838 - 1873 Seven children Married 2nd Mary R. Hamilton 1842 - 1896 Five children		11.1 Sylvanus Lantz	For Descendants see Table IIa
		11.2 Ida Lantz	
		11.3 John Lantz	
		11.4 William Lantz	Table IIb
		11.5 Franklin Lantz	
		11.6 Clarence Lantz	Table IIc
		11.7 Adam Lantz	Table IIId
		<u>Children of 2nd marriage</u>	
		11.8 Charles Lantz	For Descendants see Table IIe
		11.9 Carrie Lantz	
		11.1A Elsie Lantz	
		11.1B Jennie Lantz	
		11.1C Wesley Lantz	

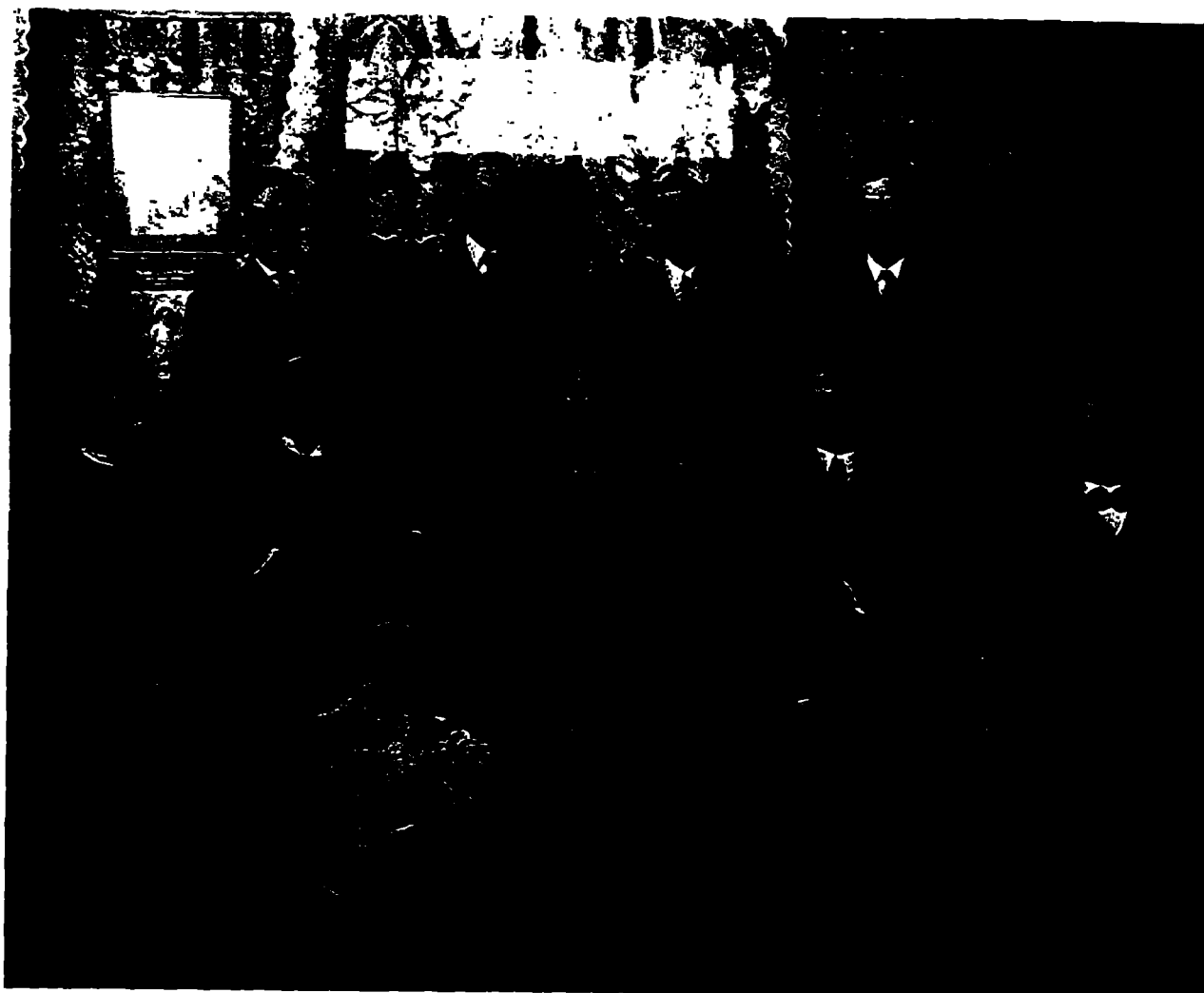


FAMILY REUNION
of the Lantz Family about 1906

Wesley - Adam - Clarence - Franklin Jr.

Carrie Lantz - Cherry with daughter Mildred

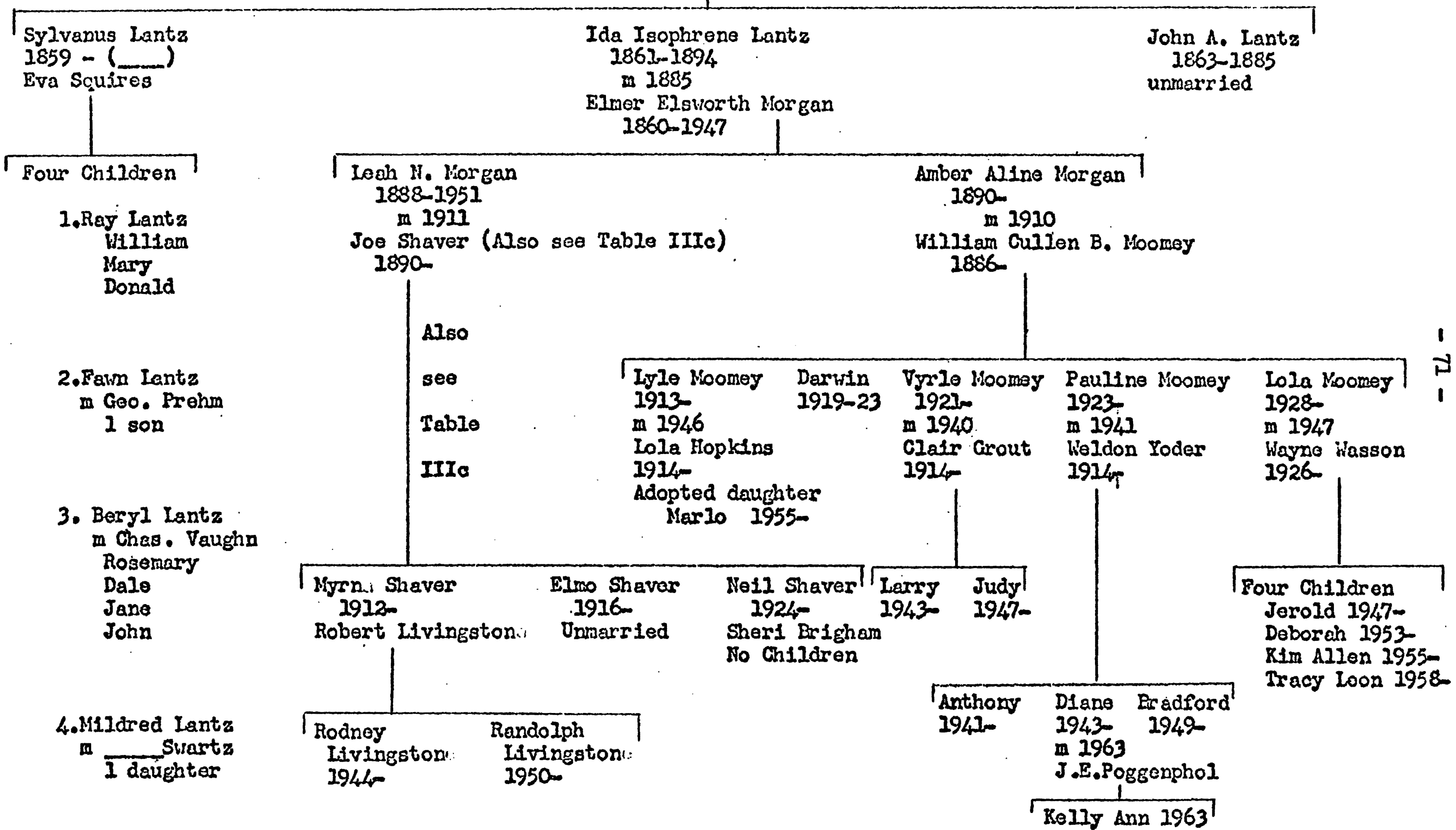
Franklin Sr. - Sylvanus - Will - Charles
(Note the roast pig)



Wesley
Charles
Will
Clarence
Carrie
Sylvanus
Franklin Sr.
Adam
Franklin Jr.
Mildred

TABLE IIa

CHRISTIAN LANTZ 1811 - 1876 m LYDIA RABY 1815 - 1882
FRANKLIN S. LANTZ 1836 - 1909 m ELIZA JANE SHAFF 1838 - 1873



THE FRANKLIN S. LANTZ FAMILY

- 1.1 Franklin Syrus Lantz₁ first born son of Christian (George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Lydia Raby -
Born Feb., 4, 1836 near Upton in Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Penn.
Died Dec., 9, 1909 Burial : Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish (Joetown), Iowa
Married 1858 to Eliza Jane Shaff, daughter of James Shaff and Eliza Cowell.
Eliza - Born Dec., 10 1838. Died Feb., 28, 1873.
Children of Franklin S. Lantz and Eliza Shaff:

- i Sylvanus Lantz Born 1859 Died
- ii Ida Isophene Lantz b Feb., 27, 1861 d June 19, 1894
- iii John A. Lantz b 1863 unmarried d 1885 Burial Amish, Iowa
- iv William S. Lantz b 1865 d 1944
- v Franklin C. Lantz b Dec., 18, 1866 d Dec., 31, 1963
- vi Clarence C. Lantz b Mar., 21, 1869 d May 9, 1929
- vii Adam E. Lantz b Aug., 16, 1872 d Mar., 6, 1961

2nd marriage in 1874 to Mary R. Hamilton, daughter of W. T. Hamilton of Wellman, Iowa Born Aug., 28, 1842 Died March 24, 1896
Children of Franklin S. Lantz and Mary R. Hamilton:

- viii Charles H. Lantz b July 14, 1875 d March 19, 1913
- ix Caroline L. Lantz b 1876 d 1921
- x Elsie E. Lantz b 1879 d Sept., 5, 1880
- xi Jennie J. Lantz b 1881 d Sept., 9, 1882
- xii Wesley C. Lantz b May 18, 1883 d April 3, 1956

- 11.1 Sylvanus Lantz first child of Franklin (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff
Born 1859 near Amish, Washington Twp., Johnson Co., Iowa
Died in California
Married Eva Squires, daughter of Joseph Warren Squires and Nancy Jane McDowell

Children of Sylvanus Lantz and Eva Squires:

- i Ray Lantz Married and had children: William, Mary & Donald
- ii Fawn L. Lantz Married George E. Prehm Nov., 22, 1909
and had one son
- iii Beryl Lantz married Charles Vaughn and had children
Rosemary, Dale, Jane and John.
- iv Mildred Lantz Married _____ Swartz and had one daughter.

In 1894 Sylvanus bought 52 acres of land from his brother Franklin C. Lantz for \$2400. This was recorded as being in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sect. 34 Washington Twp., Johnson Co., adjacent to his father's holdings. Hard times followed and may have influenced Sylvanus to take up selling. In 1909 he was living in Kansas City, Mo., and in 1921 in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Considerable effort has been expended to locate the children and grandchildren of Sylvanus Lantz and Eva Squires but without success.



IDA ISOPHENE LANTZ

1861 - 1894

Photo Circa 1880



LANTZ BROTHERS

Clarence - Wesley - Charles - Will - Adam - Frank

Photo Circa 1898

11.2 Ida Isophene Lantz daughter of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff.

Born Feb., 27, 1861 Johnson co., Iowa.

Died April 26, 1894

Married March 29, 1885 to Elmer Ellsworth Morgan

Elmer Born Nov., 25, 1860. Died June 19, 1947.

Burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish (Joetown) Iowa.

Children of Elmer Morgan and Ida Lantz:

i Leah Nettie Morgan b Dec., 23, 1888 d Jan., 21, 1951.

ii Amber Aline Morgan b Sept., 24, 1890

112.1 Leah Nettie Morgan daughter of Ida Lantz and Elmer Morgan

Married her 2nd cousin Joe Shaver (142.4)

For descendants see the Shaver family.

112.2 Amber Aline Morgan daughter of Ida Lantz and Elmer Morgan

Born Sept., 24, 1890

Married Aug., 23, 1910 to William Cullen Bryant Moomey.

William Cullen Born April 20, 1886

Residence Kalona, Iowa

Children of Cullen Moomey and Amber Morgan:

i Lyle Ivo Moomey b Nov., 18, 1913

ii Darwin Dwain Moomey b July 12, 1919 d Aug., 28, 1923

iii Vyrle Lorraine Moomey b Nov., 4, 1921

iv Pauline Ione Moomey b July 29, 1923

v Lola Rae Moomey b July 10, 1928

1122.1 Lyle Ivo Moomey son of Cullen Moomey and Amber Morgan

Born Nov., 18, 1913

Married May 29, 1946 to Lola Marie Hopkins b Oct., 1, 1914 Pittsburg, Pa.

Residence 18625 E. Burnside St. Portland, Ore.

Children of Lyle Moomey and Lola Hopkins

i Marlo Adell, adopted daughter born May 18, 1955

1122.3 Vyrle Lorraine Moomey daughter of Cullen Moomey and Amber Morgan
Born Nov., 4, 1921
Married Aug., 29, 1940 to Clair Wilson Grout son of James Lee Grout
and Nina Laura Southwick.

Children of Clair Grout and Vyrle Moomey:

- i Larry James Grout b Dec., 16, 1943 Iowa City, Iowa
- ii Judy Jean Grout b Nov., 15, 1947 Iowa City, Iowa

1122.4 Pauline Ione Moomey daughter of Cullen Moomey and Amber Morgan
Born July 29, 1923
Married 1941 to Weldon Curtis Yoder b Jan., 21, 1914
Divorced Dec., 1960
Residence Corralville, Iowa
Children of Pauline Moomey and Weldon Yoder:

- i Anthony Paul Yoder b Nov., 13, 1941 Iowa City, Iowa
- ii Diane Kay Yoder b Feb., 24, 1943 Iowa City, Iowa
- iii Bradford C. Yoder b Aug., 27, 1949 Washington, Iowa

11224.2 Diane Kay Yoder daughter of Pauline Moomey and Weldon Yoder
Born Feb., 24, 1943
Married 1963 to James E. Poggenphol
Residence (1964) 1410 line St., Iowa City, Iowa
Children of James Poggenphol and Diane Moomey:

- i Kelly Ann Poggenphol b July 24, 1963

1122.5 Lola Rae Moomey daughter of Cullen Moomey and Amber Morgan
Born July 10, 1928
Married 1947 to Wayne Wilber Wasson b July 15, 1926 son of Wilber
Chester Wasson and Florence Bell Dane
Residence Wellman, Iowa

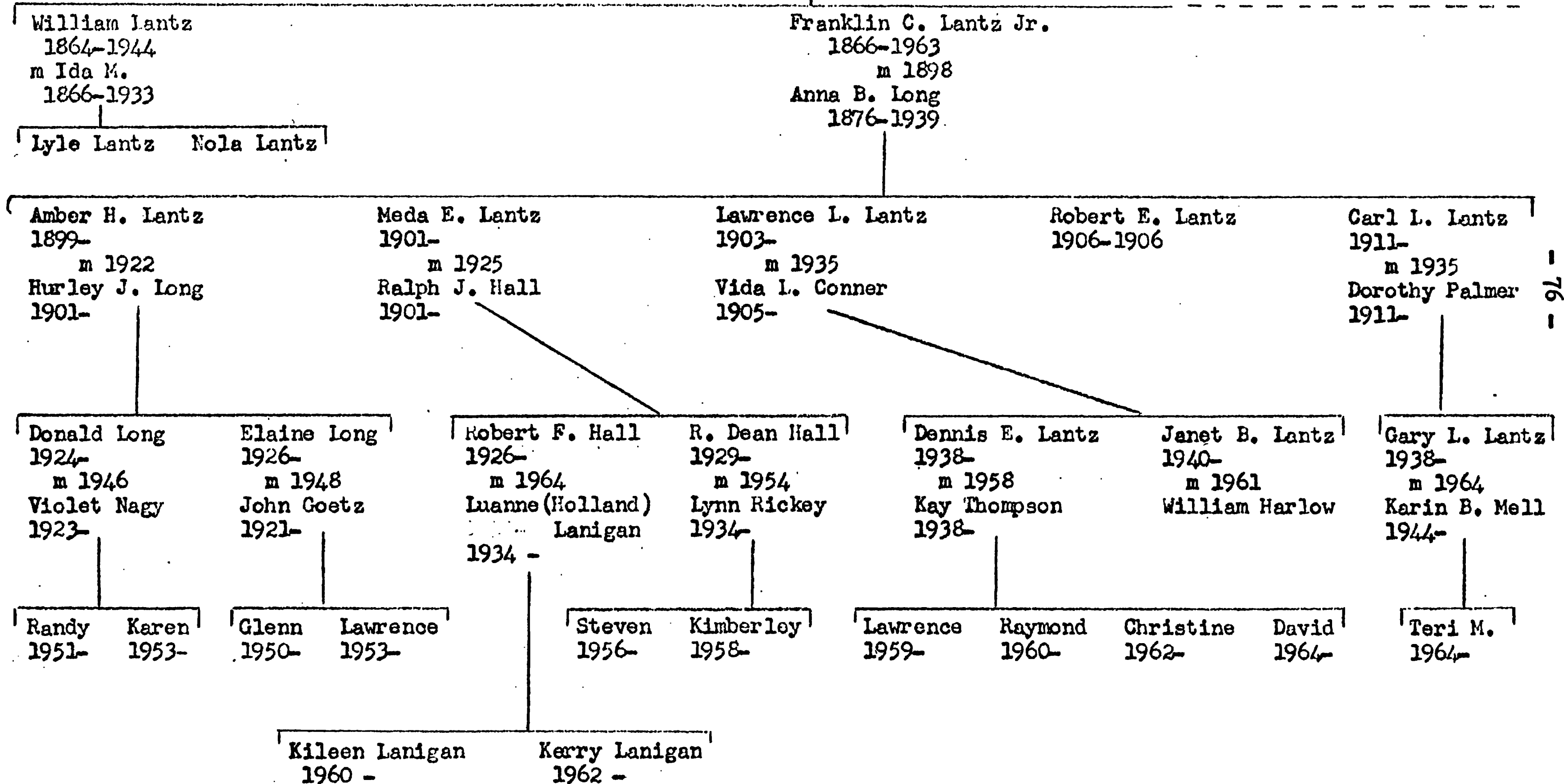
Children of Wayne Wasson and Lola Moomey:

- i Jerold Wayne Wasson b Oct., 29, 1947 Iowa City, Iowa
- ii Deborah Rae Wasson b March 2, 1953 Washington, Iowa
- iii Kim Allen Wasson b Sept., 21, 1955 Washington, Iowa
- iv Tracy Leon Wasson b Oct., 18, 1958 Washington, Iowa

TABLE IIb

CHRISTIAN LANTZ 1811 - 1876 m LYDIA RABY 1815 - 1882

FRANKLIN S. LANTZ 1836 - 1909 m ELIZA JANE SHAFF 1838 - 1873



"WILL" LANTZ FAMILY

- 11.4 William S² Lantz son¹ of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff

Born 1865 Johnson Co., Iowa Died 1944 Rhodes, Iowa

Married Ida M. Born 1866 Died 1933

Burial Rhodes, Iowa

Children of William S. and Ida M. Lantz:

i Lyle Lantz

ii Nola Lantz

"Will" like his brothers helped operate his father's large farm near Amish. A letter written by his father in 1908 indicates that he was selling real estate at that time. In 1909 his address was Anita Iowa. In 1921 he was farming near Beaconsfield, Iowa and may have lived there for some time. He was living in the small town of Rhodes, Iowa in 1933 when his wife died from cancer. My mother stayed for a week during the final days of Ida's life helping care for her. "Will" remained in Rhodes until his death, eleven years later, in 1944.

A substantial monument marks their burial place at Rhodes, Iowa.

No evidence has been found that the children, Lyle and Nola, ever lived in Rhodes. Efforts to locate them have been unsuccessful.

"FRANK" LANTZ FAMILY

- 11.5 Franklin Cyrus Lantz son of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff

Born Dec., 18, 1866 near Amish, Washington Twp., Johnson Co., Iowa

Died Jan., 31, 1963 Wellman, Iowa

Married on Thanksgiving day Nov., 24, 1898 to

Anna Barbara Long daughter of Adam B. Long and Elizabeth Meer.

Born Nov., 4, 1876 Died Aug., 19, 1939

Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa.

Children of Frank Lantz and Anna B. Long:

- i Amber Helen Lantz b Dec., 8, 1899
- ii Meda Elizabeth Lantz b Oct., 1, 1901
- iii Lawrence Lee Lantz b June 4, 1903
- iv Robert Earle Lantz b Dec., 13, 1906 d Dec., 26, 1906
- v Carlson Long Lantz b Dec., 25, 1911

While still a young man "Frank" started west in a covered wagon with boyhood friend, Charlie Meyers, but the prospects for farming did not compare favorably with the rich Iowa land, and he returned to his father's farm. In 1898 he moved to a 120 acre farm in Green Twp., Iowa Co., Iowa. In 1901 this farm was purchased from the R. F. McCartor estate and remained the Frank Lantz family home for over 40 years until Mrs. Lantz's death in 1939 and continued as Frank's home until his death in 1963 at the age of 96. A letter written by his grandson, Dennis E. Lantz, remarked in part, "The world at large will never remember him as a great man, but it should remember him as a very good man".

- 115.1 Amber Helen Lantz daughter of Frank C. Lantz and Anna B. Long
Born Dec., 8, 1899 Iowa County, Iowa
Married Nov., 29, 1922 to Hurley Jesse Long, farmer son of Jesse
John Long and Margaret Aggson
Hurley Born Oct., 30, 1901
Residence: North English, Iowa

Children of Hurley Long and Amber Lantz:

- i Donald Hurley Long b Feb., 9, 1924
- ii Elaine Margaret Long b July 2, 1926

- 1151.1 Donald Hurley Long, Delta Airlines pilot, son of Hurley Long and
Amber Lantz
Born Feb., 9, 1924 North English, Iowa
Married Sept., 21, 1946 to Violet Elizabeth Nagy
Violet Born July 13, 1923 Detroit, Michigan
Residence 710 San Juan Drive, Coral Gables, Florida

Children of Donald Long and Violet Nagy:

- i Randal Donald Long b Oct., 1, 1951 Miami, Florida
- ii Karen Violet Long b Oct., 12, 1953 Miami, Florida

- 1151.2 Elaine Margaret Long daughter of Hurley Long and Amber Lantz
Born July 2, 1926 North English, Iowa
Married June 26, 1948 to John Lawrence Goetz, engineer Collins Radio Co.
John Born April 14, 1921 Riverside, Iowa.
Residence 1430 40th St. NE Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Children of John Goetz and Elaine Long:

- i Glenn Eldon Goetz b Dec., 7, 1950 Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- ii Lawrence James Goetz b Sept., 21, 1953 Cedar Rapids, Iowa

115.2 Meda Elizabeth Lantz daughter of Franklin C. Lantz and Anna Barbara Long
Born Oct., 1, 1901 Iowa County, Iowa
Married Aug., 23, 1925 to Ralph Jesse Hall, farmer, son of Jesse Theodore
Hall and Eva Catharine Moffit

Ralph Born Feb., 5, 1901
Residence Wellman, Iowa

Children of Ralph Hall and Meda Lantz:

- i Robert Franklin Hall b July 7, 1926
- ii Ralph Deane Hall b Sept., 26, 1929

1152.1 Robert Franklin Hall, high school instructor, son of Ralph Hall and
Meda Lantz

Born July 7, 1926, Iowa County, Iowa
Married June 8, 1964 to Elsie Luanne Holland - Lanigan, daughter of
Ralph Waldo Holland and Elsie Mary Caldwell.
Elsie Luanne Born Aug., 4, 1929
Residence 5211 E. Lee St., Tucson, Arizona

- i Kileen Luanne Lanigan b June 25, 1960, Houston, Texas.
- ii Kerry D'Ann Lanigan b June 29, 1962, Houston, Texas.

1152.2 Ralph Deane Hall, public school educator, son of Ralph Hall and Meda Lantz
Born Sept., 26, 1929, Iowa County, Iowa
Married Dec., 10, 1954 to Myrna Lynn Rickey, daughter of Thomas Ellis
Rickey and Louise Braden

Myrna Lynn Born June 30, 1934
Residence 5259 Kalmia St., San Diego 5, California

Children of Deane Hall and Lynn Rickey:

- i Steven Deane Hall b Sept., 17, 1956, Tucson, Arizona
- ii Kimberley Lynn Hall b Sept., 26, 1958, Tucson, Arizona

115.3 Lawrence Lee Lantz, engineer, son of Franklin C. Lantz and Anna Barbara Long
Born June 4, 1903, Iowa County, Iowa
Married Oct., 12, 1935 to Vida Lenore Conner, daughter of Jacob Henry
Levi Conner and Harriet Gertrude Whitney
Vida Born Nov., 1, 1905, Chicago, Ill,
Residence 134 N. Charlotte St., Lombard, Illinois

Children of Lawrence L. Lantz and Vida L. Conner:

- i Dennis Earle Lantz b April 15, 1938 Chicago, Ill.
- ii Janet Brady Lantz b March 16, 1940 Chicago, Ill.

1153.1 Dennis Earle Lantz, engineer, son of Lawrence L. Lantz and Vida Conner
Born April 15, 1938, Chicago, Illinois
Married June 7, 1958 to Evelyn Kay Thompson daughter of Everett R.
Thompson and Marguerite E. Rose
Evelyn Kay Born May 17, 1938
Residence: 14055 Hawes St., Whittier, California

Children of Dennis Lantz and Kay Thompson:

- i Lawrence Christian Lantz b June 6, 1959, Urbana, Illinois
- ii Raymond Earle Lantz b April 19, 1960, Milwaukee, Wis.
- iii Christine Denise Lantz b Feb., 12, 1962, Bridgeton, Mo.
- iv David James Lantz b Feb., 7, 1964, Whittier, Cal.

1153.2 Janet Brady Lantz daughter of Lawrence L. Lantz and Vida Conner
Born March 16, 1940, Chicago, Illinois
Married June 10, 1961 to William Gary Harlow
Divorced July 1965
Residence: 317 Monterey Road, South Pasadena, California

115.4 Robert Earle Lantz, son of Frank C. Lantz and Anna Long
Born Dec., 13, 1906, Iowa County, Iowa
Died Dec., 27, 1906, Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa

115.5 Carlson (Carl) Long Lantz, manager Iowa County A.S.C. office, artillery
major - World War II
Born Dec., 25, 1911, Iowa County, Iowa
Married Aug., 9, 1935 to Dorothy Augusta Palmer
Dorothy Born Jan., 31, 1911, Ames, Iowa, daughter of Gay Edward
Palmer and Hilda M. Anderson
Residence: 805 W. Welsh St., Williamsburg, Iowa

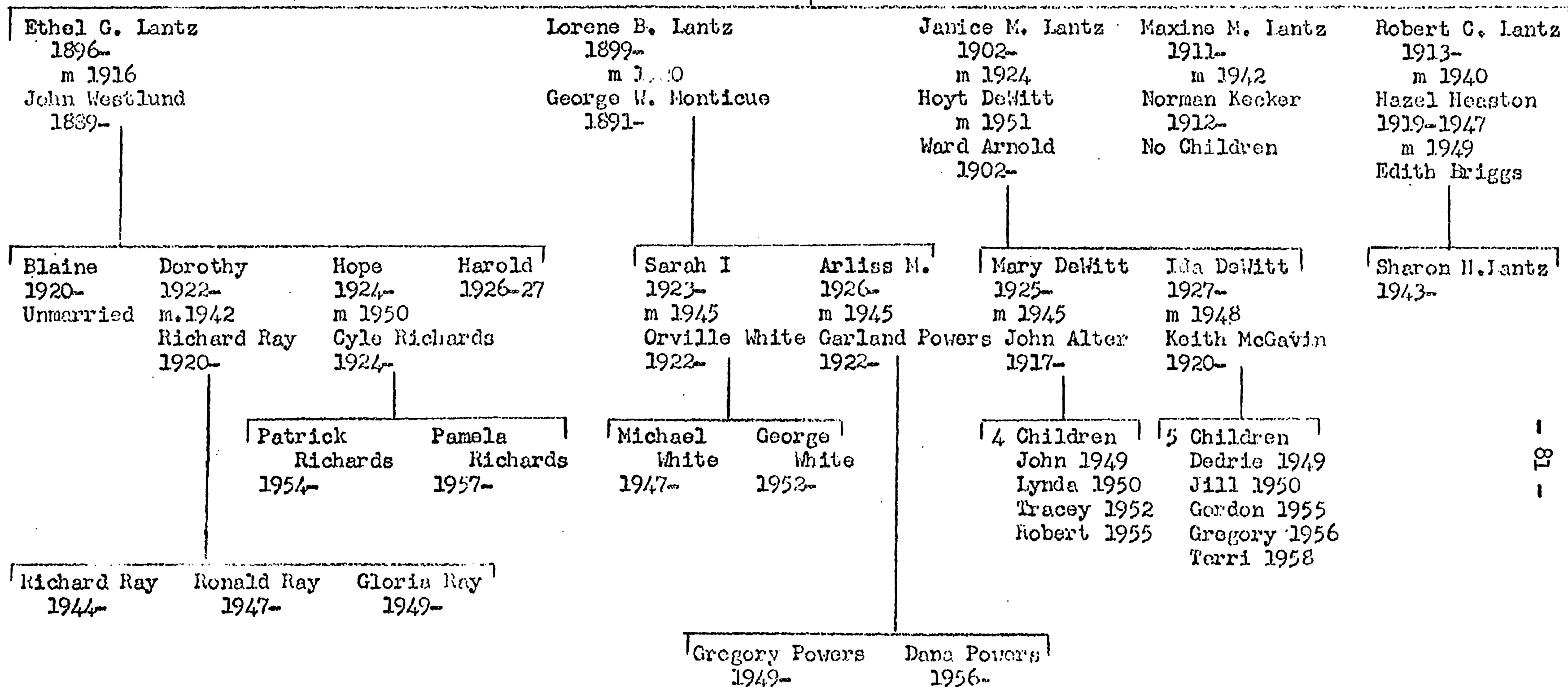
Child of Carl Lantz and Dorothy Palmer:

- i Gary Lynn Lantz b June 26, 1938

1155.i Gary Lynn Lantz son of Carl Lantz and Dorothy Palmer
Born June 26, 1938, Ft. Collins, Colorado
Married Karin Brunhilda Mell, daughter of Karl Frederick Mell and
Auguste Martha Hess of Eschwege, Germany
Karin Born July 26, 1944, Eschwege, Germany
Residence: 733 20th Ave., Coralville, Iowa
Child of Gary Lantz and Karin Mell
i Teri Michalla Lantz b Nov., 30, 1964

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CHRISTIAN LANTZ 1811 - 1876 m LYDIA RADY 1815 - 1882
 FRANKLIN S. LANTZ 1836 - 1909 m Eliza Jane Shaff 1838 - 1873
 CLARENCE C. LANTZ 1869 - 1929 m 1893 Ida Blanche Adams 1874 - 1961



CLARENCE LANTZ FAMILY

- 11.6 Clarence Caldren Lantz, teacher, farmer, son of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff. Born March 21, 1869, Benton Twp., Cedar Co., near Montevallo, Missouri. Died May 9, 1929, Pierre, South Dakota. Married Dec., 7, 1893 to Ida Blanche Adams Born Sept., 10, 1874 near Wellman, Iowa, daughter of Ira Adams and Nancy McCartor
Died June 21, 1961
Burial Riverside Cemetery, Pierre, South Dakota.

Children of Clarence Lantz and Ida Adams:

i	Ethel Gladys Lantz	b Feb., 23, 1896
ii	Lorene Blanche Lantz	b Oct., 28, 1899
iii	Janice Merideth Lantz	b Oct., 20, 1902
iv	Maxine Muriel Lantz	b Oct., 19, 1911
v	Robert Caldren Lantz	b Dec., 15, 1913

Clarence's early years were spent on his father's farm. He graduated from the Academy in Lebanon, Ohio in 1891. He taught school for several years and while teaching in Washington County, Iowa, met Ida Adams whom he later married. In 1896 Clarence and Ida Lantz bought 200 acres of his father's farm in Section 33 Washington Twp., Johnson County, Iowa. In the Wellman Advance, dated April 16, 1904 there appeared the following news item:

Mrs. C. C. Lantz has a new incubator. Hen setting will be an old foggy idea if a few more get incubators.

In 1905 they moved to a ranch near Blunt, South Dakota where they lived until Clarence's death in 1929. Ida then moved to Pierre, South Dakota where she made her home until 1959 after which she lived with her daughter, Ethel, in Pierre, and her daughter, Lorene, in Tucson, Arizona until her death in 1961.

- 116.1 Ethel Gladys Lantz, daughter of Clarence C. Lantz and Ida Adams Born Feb., 23, 1896, Johnson County, Iowa Married Nov., 30, 1916 to John Martin Westlund Born Nov., 8, 1889 son of Magnus Westlund and Emma Dahlein Residence: 1208 E. Dakota St., Pierre, South Dakota

Children of John Westlund and Ethel Lantz:

i	Blaine Lantz Westlund	b June 2, 1920	Unmarried
ii	Dorothy Dean Westlund	b June 10, 1922	
iii	Hope Blanche Westlund	b June 10, 1924	
iv	Harold Kieth Westlund	b Oct., 7, 1926	d Jan., 10, 1927

- 1161.2 Dorothy Dean Westlund daughter of John Westlund and Ethel Lantz Born June 10, 1922 Married Oct., 1942 to Richard James Ray Born July 30, 1920 son of Richard Ralph Ray and Theresa Rhoda Fackelman Residence: 1212 E. Dakota St., Pierre, South Dakota

Children of Richard Ray and Dorothy Westlund:

- i Richard John Ray b July 7, 1944
Married Nov., 27, 1965 to Geraldine Francis Aby
Born Oct., 1, 1944 dau. of Perry Commodore Aby and Irma May Masek
- ii Ronald Dean Ray b July 27, 1947
- iii Gloria Jo Ray b March 23, 1949

- 1161.3 Hope Blanche Westlund daughter of John Westlund and Ethel Lantz
Born May 7, 1924
Married Sept., 9, 1950 to Cyle Leamon Richards
Born Feb., 17, 1924 son of Lewellyn Richards and Ruby Helen Cooper
Residence 1209 E. Dakota St., Pierre, South Dakota

Children of Cyle Richards and Hope Westlund:

- i Patrick Cyle Richards b Sept., 5, 1954 Pierre, So., Dakota
- ii Pamela Hope Richards b Aug., 12, 1957 " " "

- 116.2 Lorene Blanche Lantz daughter of Clarence Lantz and Ida Adams
Born Oct., 28, 1899 Johnson County, Iowa
Married Dec., 20, 1920 to George Washington Montecue
Born Oct., 29, 1891
Residence: 5350 East 4th St., Tucson, Arizona

Children of George Montecue and Lorene Lantz:

- i Sarah Idalene Montecue b July 5, 1923
- ii Arliss Marie Montecue b Nov., 7, 1926

- 1162.1 Sarah Idalene Montecue daughter of George Montecue and Lorene Lantz
Born July 5, 1923 Hughes County, South Dakota
Married Nov., 25, 1945 to Orville Lee White
Born Nov., 5, 1922
Residence: 5350 E. 4th St., Tucson, Arizona

Children of Orville White and Sarah Montecue:

- i Michael Dennis White b Sept., 18, 1947
- ii George Lee White b May 23, 1952

- 1162.2 Arliss Marie Montecue daughter of George Montecue and Lorene Lantz
Born Nov., 7, 1926 Hughes County, South Dakota
Married March 10, 1945 to Garland Elwood Powers
Born Jan., 1, 1922 son of Charles Franklin Powers and Ethel Jane Wheeler
Residence: 1819 Ironwood Drive, Fairborn, Ohio

Children of Garland Powers and Arliss Montecue:

- i Gregory Joel Powers b April, 20, 1949 Pierre, So. Dakota
- ii Dana Montecue Powers b Nov., 6, 1956 Denver, Colorado

- 116.3 Janice Merideth Lantz daughter of Clarence Lantz and Ida Adams
Born Oct., 20, 1902 Johnson County, Iowa
Married 1924 to Herman DeWitt b April 8, 1900
Married Dec., 27, 1951 to Ward Arnold
Born Sept., 4, 1902 Died June 25, 1965
Residence: 4049 Frieda St., Klamath Falls, Oregon

Children of Janice Lantz and Hoyt DeWitt:

- i Mary Lois DeWitt b July 21, 1925
- ii Ida Mae Dewitt b Nov., 2, 1927

- 1163.1 Mary Lois DeWitt daughter of Janice Lantz and Hoyt DeWitt
Born July 21, 1925 Butler, Missouri
Married Dec., 14, 1945 to John Lee Alter
Born Jan., 25, 1917
Residence: 9505 W. Wright, Boise, Idaho

Children of John Alter and Mary DeWitt:

- All born Klamath Falls, Oregon
- i John DeWitt Alter b May 19, 1949
 - ii Lynda Lee Alter b Oct., 3, 1950
 - iii Tracey Lois Alter b Nov., 4, 1952
 - iv Robert Wesley Alter b Aug., 22, 1955

- 1163.2 Ida Mae DeWitt daughter of Janice Lantz and Hoyt DeWitt
Born Nov., 2, 1927 Pierre, South Dakota
Married June 20, 1948 to Keith Lorin McGavin
Born June 25, 1920 son of Lorin McGavin and Mary Brower
Residence: 609 Lockwood Drive, Ogden, Utah

Children of Kieth McGavin and Ida Mae DeWitt:

- i Dedrie Jan McGavin b Aug., 30, 1949, Klamath Falls, Ore.
- ii Jill McGavin b March 16, 1950, " " "
- iii Gordon Lee McGavin b Jan., 25, 1955, Twin Falls, Idaho
- iv Gregory Kieth McGavin b May 14, 1956 " " "
- v Terri Fern McGavin March 12, 1958 " " "

- 116.4 Maxine Muriel Lantz daughter of Clarence Lantz and Ida Adams
Born Oct., 19, 1911 Blunt, South Dakota
Married Aug., 21, 1942 to Norman Otto Kecker
Born Jan., 12, 1912
Residence: 430 S. Bright Ave., Whittier, California
No Children

- 116.5 Robert Caldren Lantz son of Clarence Lantz and Ida Adams
Born Dec., 15, 1913 Blunt, South Dakota
Married Nov., 17, 1940 to Hazel Alice Heaston
Born April 14, 1919 Died March 19, 1947
Married Edith Briggs 1949
Child of Robert C. Lantz and Hazel Heaston:

- i Sharon Hope Lantz b Aug., 3, 1943 Ellsworth, Kansas

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FRANKLIN S. LANTZ 1836 - 1909

m 1858 1st Eliza Jane Shaff 1838 - 1873

m 1874 2nd Mary R. Hamilton 1842 - 1896

Adam E. Lantz
1872 - 1961
m 1894
Cora Adams
1874 - 1945

Charles 1875-1913	Carrie 1876-1921	Elsie 1879-1880	Jennie 1881-1882	Wesley 1883-1956
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Glen C. Lantz
1895-
m 1919
Bertha Barrer
1892-1960

Helen L. Lantz
1904-
m 1928
Vern F. Weber
1904-

Margaret Lantz
1907-
m 1931
Leo T. Gaffney
m m 1963
Byron Nalder

See Table II e
for Descendants of
Franklin S. Lantz
& Mary Hamilton

Mark G. Lantz
1920-1945

Henry A. Weber
1935-
m 1955
Winifred Kilpatrick
m 1962
Joann Pullen
1934 -

Nanci Weber
1937-
m 1956
Robert Linn

Patrick L. Gaffney
1932 - 1963
m 1950
Betty L. Collard
1933 -

Michael Weber
1957-

Debra Linn
1957- David Linn
1959-

Sherrie
1951- Terry
1953- Patricia
1955-

ADAM E. LANTZ FAMILY

- 11.7 Adam Ellsworth Lantz son of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Eliza Jane Shaff.
Born Aug., 16, 1872 in Benton Twp., Cedar Co., near the present college town of Montevallo, Missouri.
Died March 6, 1961 in Huntsville, Utah.
Married Dec., 4, 1894 to Cora Adams daughter of Ira Adams and Nancy McCartor.
Born Oct., 4, 1874 near Wellman, Iowa, Died Dec., 25, 1945, burial beside husband, Adam, Memorial Gardens, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Children of Adam E. Lantz and Cora Adams:

- i Glen Clifford Lantz b Dec., 10, 1895
- ii Helen Lucille Lantz b Nov., 11, 1904
- iii Margaret Irene Lantz b Sept., 11, 1907 d Jan., 27, 1966

In 1873, when Adam was a baby less than one year old, the Lantz family moved, by means of two covered wagons, to a farm near Amish, Iowa. "Ad" always said that he was a year old and that he drove one of the teams. His name did not appear on the U.S. Census recorded August 22, 1870. An affidavit signed by him, December 31, 1912 and on file in the Johnson County Courthouse, stated that he was 40 years of age. If this was correct, he must have been seven months old when the trip from Missouri to Johnson County, Iowa was made. This raises some question in regard his driving the team, but in other respects attests to an exceptional memory and a keen sense of humor.

On December 4, 1894 Adam E. Lantz married Cora Adams, 18 year old daughter of Ira Adams and Nancy McCartor and engaged in farming. In 1898 they purchased 80 acres of land from Adam's father, Franklin, and his wife Blannie for \$3200. In 1899 they purchased an additional 80 acres from Clarence Lantz (brother) and his wife, Ida Adams-Lantz for \$3800. In 1908 they moved to Iowa City where Ad's principal occupation until his retirement was that of a painting contractor.

His latter years were spent primarily with his daughter, Margaret, and son, Glen, near Ogden, Utah where he became fond of the beauty and spaciousness of the west, and, while his eyesight permitted, he enjoyed gardening and fishing.

- 117.1 Glen Clifford Lantz son of Adam E. Lantz and Cora Adams
Born Dec., 10, 1895 Amish, Johnson County, Iowa
Married June 10, 1919 to Bertha Agnes Barrer
Born July 18, 1892 Died Aug., 12, 1960 Burial Huntsville, Utah
Residence: (1965) 1883 W 5300 So Roy, Utah

Child of Glen Lantz and Bertha Barrer:

- i Mark Glen Lantz b May 17, 1920 Iowa City, Iowa
d Feb., 14, 1945 World War II

117.2 Helen Lucille Lantz daughter of Adam E. Lantz and Cora Adams
Born Nov., 11, 1904 Amish, Johnson County, Iowa
Married May 23, 1928 Iowa City, Iowa by Rev. Wilfred C. Keeler to
Verne Frederick Weber
Born April 27, 1904 son of Henry Weber and Arigal Pace
Residence: 445 York St., Riverside, Illinois

- i Henry Adam Weber b Dec., 29, 1935
- ii Nanci Cora Alice Weber b Dec., 3, 1937

Verne and Helen were graduates of The university of Iowa.

Verne spent his entire career as an executive with Western Electric Co.

1172.1 Henry Adam Weber adopted son of Verne Weber and Helen Lantz
Born Dec., 29, 1935
Married June 12, 1955 to Winifred Lee Kilpatrick
Divorced Dec., 23, 1960

- i Michael Henry Weber b March 2, 1957 Independence, Missouri

Married Aug., 17, 1962 to Joan Pullen Born Dec., 15, 1934

1172.2 Nanci Cora Alice Weber adopted daughter of Verne Weber and Helen Lantz
Born Dec., 3, 1937

Married July 14, 1956 to Robert Donald Linn
Born Dec., 9, 1935
Residence: 7512 Drew Ave., Burr Ridge, Illinois

- i Debra Ann Linn b Nov., 3, 1957 Elmhurst, Illinois
- ii David Paul Linn b March 16, 1959 " "

117.3 Margaret Irene Lantz daughter of Adam Lantz and Cora Adams
Born Sept., 11, 1907 Amish, Johnson County, Iowa
Died Jan., 27, 1966 Layton, Utah
Married June 28, 1931 to Leo Thomas Gaffney
Born March 17, 19__ Deceased
Married Nov., 22, 1963 to Byron John Nalder

Child of Margaret Lantz and Leo Gaffney

- i Patrick Leo Gaffney b Aug., 12, 1932 d Nov., 14, 1963

1173.1 Patrick Leo Gaffney son of Margaret Lantz and Leo Thomas Gaffney.
Born Aug., 12, 1932 Kansas City, Missouri
Married Dec., 1, 1950 to Betty Lew Collard
Born July 25, 1933 daughter of William Orson Collard & Lew Gruenett Smith.

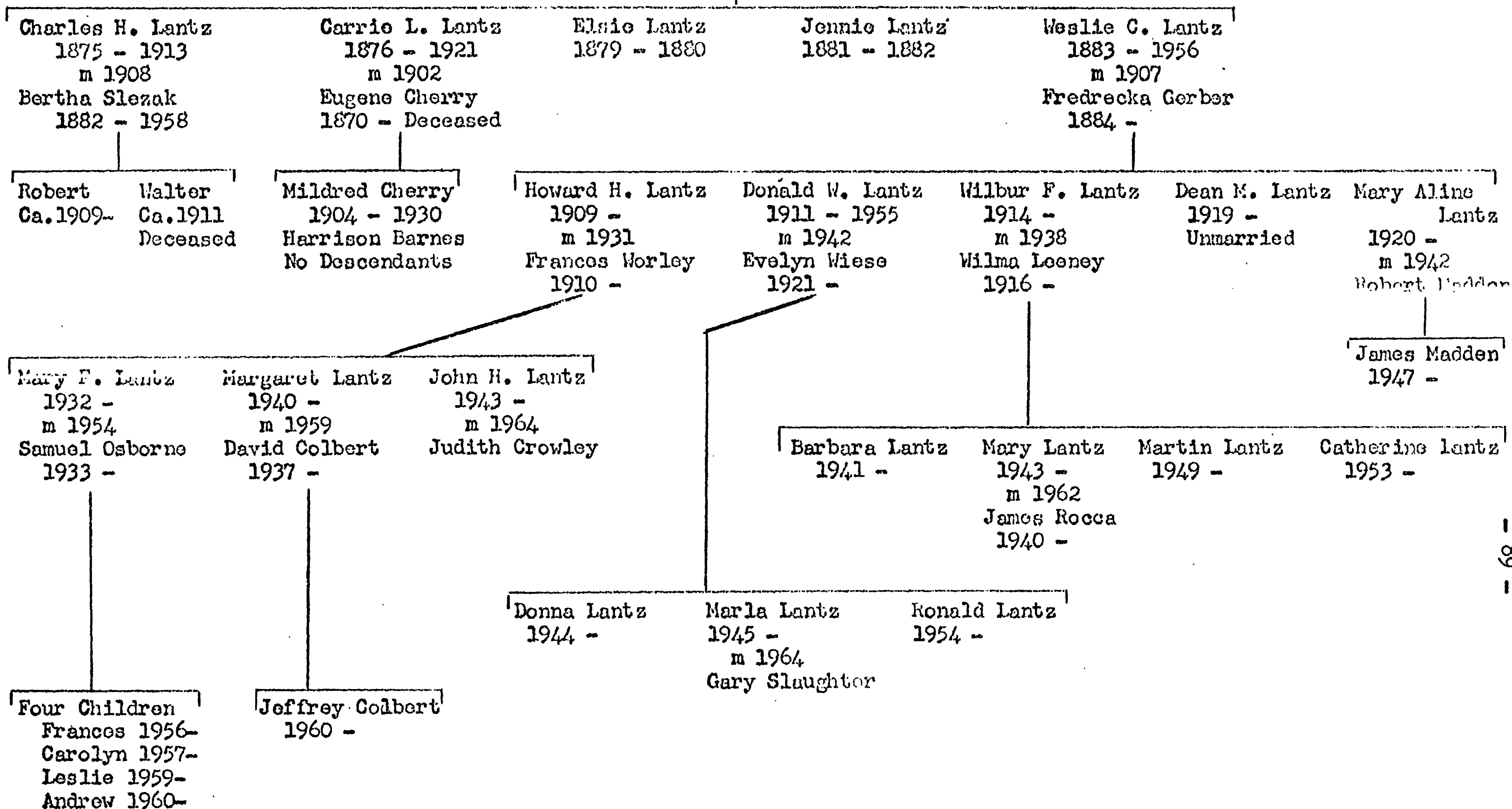
Children of Patrick Gaffney and Betty Collard:

i	Sherri Lou Gaffney	b July 8, 1951	Ogden Utah
ii	Terry Glen Gaffney	b Sept., 5, 1953	Salt Lake City, Utah
iii	Patricia Margaret Gaffney	b June 13, 1955	" " " "

Pat L. Gaffney was struck by a crane and fatally injured at the Kennecott plant in Magna, Utah on November 14, 1963. Betty maintained the home at 7686 Glenwood Ave., Magna, Utah. On August 19, 1965 she married Bruce Glad.

TABLE 11c

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CHARLES H. LANTZ FAMILY

- 11.8 Charles Hezakiah Lantz son of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Mary R. Hamilton.
Born July 14, 1875 near Amish, Johnson County, Iowa.
Died March 19, 1913 Wellman, Iowa
Married June 10, 1908 to Bertha L. Slezak
Born Nov., 2, 1882 Died Dec., 31, 1958
Burial Lot 2 Blk 15 Oaklawn Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa.

Children of Charles Lantz and Bertha Slezak:

- i Robert Lantz b 1909 Unmarried
- ii Walter Lantz b 1911 Deceased. No Descendants.

A review of city directories in the Iowa State Historical Society files shows that Charles Lantz in 1893 - 1894 was a student at University of Iowa and was living with his father at 825 (now 725 E. Walnut.) From 1902 to 1908 he lived with his sister, Carrie Lantz Cherry at 836 (now 736) E. Kirkwood. Following his marriage he moved to 324 E. Linn. From 1897 to 1909 he was a book keeper for the Johnson County Savings Bank. From December 1, 1909 until his death from tuberculosis in 1913 he was cashier of the Iowa Savings Bank, Wellman, Iowa.

During the period that Uncle Charlie lived in Wellman the automobile industry was still in its infancy. On several occasions I accompanied my father, Frank C. Lantz, from the farm to Wellman, seven miles distant, by buggy, then drove to Iowa City with Uncle Charlie at the wheel. To make the round trip without at least one flat tire was an accomplishment never omitted in the many retellings of the adventure.

"CARRIE" LANTZ - CHERRY FAMILY

- 11.9 Caroline L. Lantz daughter of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Mary R. Hamilton.
Born Dec., 31, 1876 near Amish, Johnson County, Iowa.
Died 1921 at the Cherry home 329 S. Lucas, Iowa City, Iowa.
Married Aug., 27, 1902 to Eugene F. T. Cherry, Capt. 50th Iowa Infantry, Spanish American War and son of Amos P. Cherry, Johnson County Treasurer. Married by Rev. Dana C. Johnson, 1st English Lutheran Church, Iowa City.
Burial: approximately 200 feet north of the "Black Angel" monument, Oaklawn Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa.

At the time of his marriage, Eugene Cherry was operating a real estate and insurance business from his father's home at 511 S. Johnson St. By 1904 he had his own office at 113½ E. Washington St. In 1909 he started work in the Iowa City Post Office and remained in this position until his retirement. In 1906 the Eugene Cherry residence was at 836 (now 736) Kirkwood (later renumbered to 736); in 1909 it was 503 S. Van Buren and then for many years 329 S. Lucas.

Caroline or Carrie as she was known was a woman of statuesque beauty and rare winsomeness. In 1915 she contracted tuberculosis, recovered and then six years later, after a severe siege of influenza, suffered a fatal recurrence.

Children of Eugene Cherry and Carrie Lantz:

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| i | A stillborn | 11d | b Jan., 3, 1907 |
| ii | Mildred Cherry | b 1904 | d Oct., 1930 |

- 119.2 Mildred Cherry daughter of Carrie Lantz and Eugene Cherry:
Born 1904 Iowa City, Iowa
Died 1930 " " "
Married Aug., 15, 1925 to Harrison Barnes, athletic coach, Born Aug., 6, 1902.

Mrs. Albert Huff, a close friend and neighbor of the Cherry family, told me in 1962 that Mildred was the most beautiful girl she had ever known. This agrees with my own memory of her in "Toots".

Mildred attended University of Iowa and was a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority. She died of tuberculosis in 1930 at the age of 28 and was buried near her parents in Oaklawn Cemetery.

There were no children.

WESLEY C. LANTZ FAMILY

11.1C Wesley Cornelius Lantz 12th and last child of Franklin S. (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz & Mary R. Hamilton. Born May 18, 1883 near Amish, Johnson County, Iowa. Died April 3, 1956 Burial Iowa City, Iowa. Married Oct., 23, 1907 to Fredreca Marguerita Gerber, Born Feb., 1, 1884 daughter of Martin Gerber and Margaret Schwattach.

Children of Wesley Lantz and "Freda" Gerber:

i	Howard Hamilton Lantz	b Jan., 21, 1909	
ii	Donald Wesley Lantz	b April 1, 1911	d Aug., 10, 1955
iii	Wilbur Franklin Lantz	b Nov., 21, 1914	
iv	Dean Martin Lantz	b Jan., 18, 1919	
v	Mary Aline Lantz	b Dec., 3, 1920	

111C.1 Howard Hamilton Lantz son of Wesley "Wes" Lantz and Fredreca "Freda" Gerber

Born Jan., 21, 1909 Iowa City, Iowa
Married July 27, 1931 by P. S. Shannahon, Pastor St. Patrick's Church
to Frances Margaret Worley
Born June 19, 1910 daughter of Charles Gray and Mary E. Finn.
Residence: 523 Rundell St. Iowa City, Iowa.

Children of Howard Lantz and Frances Worley:

i	Mary Frances Lantz	b May 20, 1932
ii	Margaret Ann Lantz	b July 27, 1940
iii	John Howard Lantz	b Dec., 9, 1943

111C1.1 Mary Frances Lantz first child of Howard Lantz and Frances Worley
Born May 20, 1932 Iowa City, Iowa
Married Aug., 7, 1954 To Samuel George Osborne
Born April 14, 1933 son of Leroy Osborne and Mary Lucille Gillespie
Residence: Wellman, Iowa

Children of Samuel George Osborne and Mary Frances Lantz:

i	Frances Kay Osborne	b May 14, 1956	Iowa City, Iowa
ii	Carolyn Ann Osborne	b Nov., 27, 1957	" " "
iii	Leslie Marie Osborne	b March 3, 1959	" " "
iv	Andrew Joseph Osborne	b Dec., 13, 1960	" " "

111C1.2 Margaret Ann Lantz 2nd child of Howard Lantz and Frances Worley
Born July 27, 1940 Iowa City, Iowa
Married Aug., 29, 1959 to David E. Colbert
Born Oct., 6, 1937 son of John Joseph Colbert and Delphine Marie Rummelhart
Residence: Iowa City, Iowa

Children of David Colbert and Margaret Ann Lantz:

i	Jeffrey Howard Colbert	b June 2, 1960	Iowa City, Iowa
ii	Jill Marie Colbert	b June 25, 1963	" " "

111C1.3 John Howard Lantz 3rd child of Howard Lantz and Frances Worley
Born Dec., 9, 1943 Iowa City, Iowa
Married June 1964 to
Judith Mae Crowley daughter of Peter P. Crowley Jr. and Grace A. Becwar.
Residence: 1811 High St., Iowa City, Iowa.

Children of John Howard Lantz and Judith Crowley:

i	Bradley John Lantz	b Oct., 16, 1965	Iowa City, Iowa
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111C.2 Donald Wesley Lantz 2nd son of Wesley Lantz and Fredrecka Gerber.
Born April 1, 1911 Wellman, Iowa
Died Aug., 10, 1955 Texarkana, Texas in crash of cropdusting airplane.
Married June 14, 1942 to Evelyn Mae Wiese
Born Jan., 19, 1921 daughter of Oscar Herman Wiese and Anna Rebecca Bell.
Residence: Lone Tree, Iowa

Children of Donald Lantz and Evelyn Wiese:

i	Donna Kay Lantz	b Aug., 17, 1944	Terrell, Texas
ii	Marla Gale Lantz	b Sept., 19, 1945	" "
iii	Ronald Dean Lantz	b March 15, 1954	Texarkana, "

111C2.2 Marla Gale Lantz daughter of Donald Lantz and Evelyn Wiese
Born Sept., 19, 1945
Married 1964 by the Rev. Clifford A Egert to
Gary Slaughter son of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Slaughter.

111C.3 Wilbur Franklin Lantz 3rd son of Wesley Lantz and Fredrecka Gerber
Born Nov., 21, 1914 Wellman, Iowa
Married June 16, 1938 to Wilma Mary Leeney
Born March 13, 1916 at Whittemore, Iowa daughter of Edward Martin Leeney
and Sadie Rita King.
Residence: 116 E. Benton St., Iowa City, Iowa.

Children of Wilbur Lantz and Wilma Leeney:

i	Barbara Aline Lantz	b March 2, 1941	Omaha, Nebraska
ii	Mary Jo Ann Lantz	b May 20, 1943	" "
iii	Martin Edward Lantz	b Aug., 3, 1949	" "
iv	Catherine Rita Lantz	b Jan., 9, 1953	Iowa City, Iowa

- 111C3.2 Mary Jo Ann Lantz daughter of Wilbur Lantz and Wilma Leeney
Born May 20, 1943 Omaha, Nebraska
Married Aug., 18, 1962 to James Peter Rocca
Born Aug., 25, 1940 Iowa City, Iowa
Residence: Ames, Iowa
- 111C.4 Dean Martin Lantz 4th son of Wesley Lantz and Fredrecka Gerber
Born Jan., 18, 1919 Wellman, Iowa
Unmarried
Residence: 218 $\frac{1}{2}$ E. College St., Iowa City, Iowa
- 111C.5 Mary Aline Lantz 5th child and only daughter of Wesley Lantz and
Fredrecka Gerber
Born Dec., 3, 1920 Wellman, Iowa
Married Dec., 26, 1942 to Robert Junior Madden
Born Feb., 17, 1922 son of Robert Madden Sr. and Jessica Sherman
Residence: 4003 F Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- Child of Robert Madden and Mary Aline Lantz:
- i James Craig Madden b Feb., 1947 Iowa City, Iowa

AMISH (JOETOWN) HISTORY

I would be remiss if I did not include some of the Amish, Iowa history in the Lantz Family Record. My grandfather, Franklin S. Lantz, came to this community from Virginia when he was 20 years old in 1856. Ten of his twelve children were born here and, except for seven years spent in Missouri, this was the home of his family until he moved to Iowa City about 1893.

The following history of Amish was written by Charlie Meyers and published in the Wellman Advance of Wellman, Iowa April 18, 1940. My father, Franklin C. Lantz Jr., carefully saved it and gave it to me. He and Charlie Meyers were boyhood friends in Amish and, as young men, started west in a covered wagon.

The town of Amish received its name in the 1850's. Amish is still the official name and is so recorded on all maps (1965). Locally it is usually referred to as "Joetown" and Charlie Meyers history explains why.

So here is the history of Amish as told by Charlie Meyers:

From The Wellman Advance

Thursday, April 18, 1940

"Nestled among the wooded hills, Joetown has in the last 80 years seen few of these changes — only the younger generations taking the place of the older ones.

"In just what year Amish was laid out and plotted seems shrouded in the past, but in the later fifties a John Francisco put in the first store and later the post office was established, giving it the name of Amish.

"Joe Lightner of Iowa City then bought the store, and in 1872 Charlie Yoder took over the business and managed both the store and post office for over thirty years, with the exception of four years in the early nineties when Adam Long (father of Miss Ida Long and Mrs. Nellie Spears) kept the post office in connection with a general store one-fourth mile east of town.

"When rural delivery came into operation the post office was discontinued, and the old store has since changed hands many times. The old tavern or Sixteen Mile House, (so called as it was that distance from Iowa City) was built by Sam Flory and Frank Lantz some time in the early sixties, and was first kept as a hotel by a Mr. Laughter and a few years later was rebuilt by Nelson Shaft, who in turn sold it to Joseph Holloway in 1966. Uncle Joe, as everyone knew him, was a congenial, happy - go - lucky character with many friends, and was himself, his only enemy. People sought his company and enjoyed

his friendship until the town was scarcely mentioned except in connection with Uncle Joe. Hence the name Joetown.

"Mr. Holloway did a thriving business for near a score of years until the railroad was laid west from Muscatine and heavy freight and passenger traffic over the diagonal road was almost suspended. The old Holloway House was torn down in 1890, and the modern residence that still stands was built in its place, occupied by C. C. Yoder and family.

"The first parsonage was a little house on the old John Palmer farm on the Iowa City road near the home where the S. J. Palmer family now live. It was first occupied by the Rev. Thomas Miller. The M. E. Church was organized in the late fifties, and services were first held in the school house a short distance west and across the road from where the present church now stands.

"A Miss Reta Crosby taught several terms of school here when the building burned down and was never rebuilt near the town. The present church structure was built by Albert Taylor, carpenter, under the pastorate of Alex Telfer in 1898. For the last 65 years the parsonage has been located in town.

"Dr. Glasgo was the first M.D. to set up a practice, sometime near 1870. He was followed by a German named Dr. Soloman. Like the preachers, the doctors have come and gone but none remain more in the hearts and minds than the late Dr. Sam Smith. Deep mud and high drifts never stopped him from making his calls.

"The village at one time boasted of a drug store owned and operated by Gosh Squires. The building stood just west of where the store now stands. It was later moved across the road and now forms the back rooms of the C. C. Yoder house.

"The first blacksmithing shop was put up by a Mr. Quiggan who soon sold out to Sam Ford who did the blacksmithing in connection with a wagon repair department, the work being done by Walt Livezey, now of Wellman. Mr. Livezey is the only one I can recall who is still living who carried on a business in the little village back in the eighties.

"My father, Ferdinand Meyers, took over the business from Ford and Livezey in 1883, and carried it on for 12 years. I want to say a word here that can't be said of many horseshoers. A horse never came into my father's shop to be shod and left without shoes. No matter how mean and vicious, he always accomplished the task without mechanical devices. In the worst cases he dismissed all from the shop and finished the job alone. He won through kindness and patience.

"I remember so well, along in the eighties when the mode of travel was still in the slow stage, what a place of trade the little town was, especially in the spring and summer months.

Young men and boys would come to the store after working hours, often afoot, carrying baskets or buckets of eggs to trade for household necessities. On Saturday night they would come en-mass, filling the store room and porch until there was scarcely room to move around.

"On moonlight nights the evenings would be spent in visiting, wrestling, jumping, running foot races, etc. All this after a week in the field. Can anyone feature the young men of today doing the like, when now in going even half a mile a machine representing \$100 to \$800 at a cost of 10 cents a mile is employed? Were the boys of those years made of more enduring stuff, or what?

"On those nights everyone seemed in good congenial spirits, and I don't recall or know of a drunken brawl or fight of any kind.

"Shoe cobblers helped to swell the town's business, and the one which carried on the longest was Uncle Pete Shafer (father of the late Duff and Nick Shafer of Wellman).

"Among the early emigrants from the eastern states was a number of those of the Mennonite faith — Amish as they were commonly called. By their piety and sobriety they have contributed much to the high standard of everyday life. Although very exclusive on the day of worship and rest, they were very neighborly and cooperative in any enterprise or project that was for the best of all concerned. They gave freely of their means to those in need, especially to those who suffered misfortune. They have lent an able hand to advance and raise the standards of a sober, peaceful community.

"There are the ever gathering cities of the silent — the beautiful cemeteries of Pleasant Hill and others, where so many have "laid down their armor," after a life of strenuous activity, for a well-earned rest from a life of care. May their graves be kept green as a recompense for having once lived, fought and died in the shaping and development of one of the beauty spots of this great commonwealth of ours.

"This, in a measure, is 'Joetown'."

Sincerely,

Charlie Meyers.

TABLE III

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA

CHARLOTTE LANTZ m. A. Niswander					
1842 - 1913			1841 - 1900		
Christian Lebrun Niswander 1872-1889 Unmarried	Sedalia Niswander 1866-1926 m Lincoln Shaver 1865-1936	Clarence Niswander 1868-1938 m Nona Boswell One Daughter Charlotte Edmund 1894- Unmarried	Alma Niswander 1876-1943 m John L. Palmer 1871-1945 For Descendants of Alma Niswander & John Palmer see Table V	Pearle Niswander 1880-1964 m William J. Liebe For Descendants of Pearle Niswander & William Liebe see Table VI	
Elmus Shaver 1885-1907 Unmarried	Hettie Shaver 1887- m Earl Fry 1886-	Robert G. Shaver 1888-1954 m Lela M. Fry 1891-	Joe Shaver 1890- m Leah Morgan 1888-1951 For Descendants see Table IV	Nina V. Shaver 1893- m Dr. E. E. Stutsman 1882-	Ethel Shaver 1895-1955 m Dr. Warren Ives 1892-
Margery Fry 1912- m Howard Moffitt 1912- Two Children Howard Jr. 1938- Mary 1948-	Ethel Fry 1914- m John Denton 1914-1958 Dixie Lee 1939- m Lee Kiefer One Child	Robert R. Shaver 1916- m Frances Quinn 1920- Three Children Phillip 1944- Craig 1948- Kevin 1956-	Eugene L. Shaver 1924- m Martha Ashby 1926- Three Children David 1945- Stephen 1946- Susan 1950-	Gale Shaver 1927- m Margery Yoder Five Children Glaudia 1949- Eric Dean 1951- Nancy 1954- Gale Lea 1959- Robert E. 1961-	Leland Shaver 1930- m Sue Ann Sukulin 1938- Two Children Randy 1958- Jeffrey 1962-

THE NISWANDER FAMILY

- 1.4 Charlotte (Lantz) Niswander daughter of Christian (George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz.
Born Nov., 24, 1842 in Franklin County, Pennsylvania.
Died Jan., 22, 1913.
Married Feb., 9, 1865 in Bridgewater, Virginia to Abraham Niswander.
Born July 4, 1841 Died March 16, 1900
Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish (Joetown), Iowa.

Children of Abraham Niswander and Charlotte "Lottie" Lantz all Born
in Bridgewater, Rockingham County, Virginia:

- i Christian Leburn Niswander b Oct., 6, 1871
Died of heart disease May 30, 1889. Services conducted
by Rev. S. F. Bishop assisted by Rev. John Davis.
 - ii Sedalia L. Niswander b 1866 d April 11, 1926
See "SHAVER FAMILY" for descendants.
 - iii Clarence Raby Niswander b Aug., 1, 1868 d April 7, 1938
Married Nona Boswell. They were both interested in church
work and conducted evangelistic services for a number of years
and later made their home in Duluth, Minnesota. Burial
Oakland Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa.
1. Charlotte Edmond Niswander born March 7, 1894 in
Hannibal, Missouri. Was given the name "Edmond"
to honor the "Edmonds" who raised her mother. She
is an educator and did not marry. Her home is in
Duluth, Minnesota.
- iv Alma Lydia Niswander b Oct., 17, 1876 d Sept., 7, 1943
See "PALMER FAMILY" for descendants.
 - v Pearle E. Niswander b Feb., 25, 1880 d Nov., 20, 1964
See "LIEBE FAMILY" for descendants.

Abe Niswander was an officer in the Confederate Army. It is interesting
to note that his marriage to "Lottie" Lantz took place during the clos-
ing days of the war between the states.

The move from Bridgewater, Virginia to a farm in Johnson County, Iowa
in February of 1883 may have been influenced by "Lottie's" brother
Franklin who operated a large farm in the same neighborhood in Wash-
ington Twp., Johnson County, Iowa.

The baby daughter, Pearle, was just three years old when the family moved to Iowa in 1883, but in her later years, she still remembered how she and the family suffered in the unaccustomed Iowa cold of mid winter.

The family prospered and became substantial and respected members of the community. Abe, the ex-confederate soldier, was so well known and so well liked that when he died after only 17 years in his northern home, there was no room in the church for many who came to the funeral.

His obituary reads as follows:

Abraham Niswander was born in Shenandoah Valley, Virginia July 4, 1841, and died of pneumonia on Friday, March 16, 1900, at 12:15 AM, at Amish, Iowa, aged 58 years, 8 months and 12 days. He was confined to his bed but eight days.

The departed was united in marriage to Lottie Lantz of Bridgewater, Virginia February 9, 1865. To this union was born five children — two boys and three girls — all living except Christian Leeburn who preceded his father to the Celestial City eleven years ago, and all were present at his bedside during his last illness and death.

The deceased was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church during the civil war. He, with his family, came to Iowa in February 1883, soon thereafter uniting with the M. E. Church at Amish, Iowa of which he was a member until his death, leaving the assurance in his last testimony that all was well.

His pastor was present at his bedside a few hours before his departure, and listened to his parting words spoken to his loved ones while the death damp gathered on his brow. In answer to the question of his pastor, "Brother Niswander, have you any advice to leave with your family?" he said: "Yes! I advise you all to live good Christian lives and trust in Christ, for if you do you have the promise of eternal life." The pastor asked "How is it with you Brother Niswander? Does the Savoir stand by you now? Does it seem like you thought it would when you came to this hour?" "Yes! it is bright. Wouldn't I be an unhappy man if Christ was not with me now? I have always tried to live a Christian life, but the world you know is always against it. I believe the promise of Christ that I shall have eternal life and I knew that he would not forsake me in this hour."

The funeral sermon was preached by his pastor, R. Breeden, at Amish M. E. church, March 18, 1900, where the deceased was a member, from the text Phil. 1, 21: "For me to live in Christ, and to die is gain," and the burial service was under the auspices of the Odd Fellows of which order he was a member in good standing.

The body was laid to rest in the Pleasant Hill cemetery where it awaits the resurrection of the just.

Charlotte (Lantz) Niswander or "Lottie" as she was known lived 13 years following her husbands death. Her obituary was recorded as follows:

Charlotte Lantz was born in Franklin County, Penn., Nov., 24, 1842. When yet a child, with her parents she moved to Bridgewater, Virginia. She was united in marriage to Abraham Niswander Feb., 9, 1865. To this union were born five children, three daughters and two sons. In February 1883, they moved with their family to Amish, Iowa, near which place they resided for the remainder of their lives. All the children remain to mourn their mother excepting one son, Leburn, who departed this life in 1889. Her husband also preceded her to the better land March 16, 1900. His death was a great shock to her, from which in her quiet way she never ceased to mourn.

While in their native state she and her husband were members of the English Lutheran Church, but after removing to Iowa they took up their membership in the M. E. Church at Pleasant Hill where they were faithful members until death.

Those that remain to mourn are her four children: — Sedalia, wife of L. G. Shaver of Kalona, Clarence, of Duluth, Minn., Alma, wife of John Palmer, and Pearle, wife of Will Liebe of Wellman. Also twelve grandchildren and two great grand-children, two sisters living in Virginia, and a great wide circle of friends.

She was beloved by all who knew her and her life was an example of true Christian womanhood. She was a constant sufferer for five years, but bore her suffering patiently until the end, and expressed a desire to get well in order to be with her children.

She quietly passed away at 9:40 Wednesday night Jan., 22, 1913, at the home of her daughter, Pearle, in Wellman, aged 70 years, 1 mo., 28 days.

The funeral was held from the Pleasant Hill M. E. Church on Friday Jan., 24th, Rev. R. L. Patterson of Wellman, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. E. Berg, pastor of the church. The burial took place in the cemetery adjoining the church.

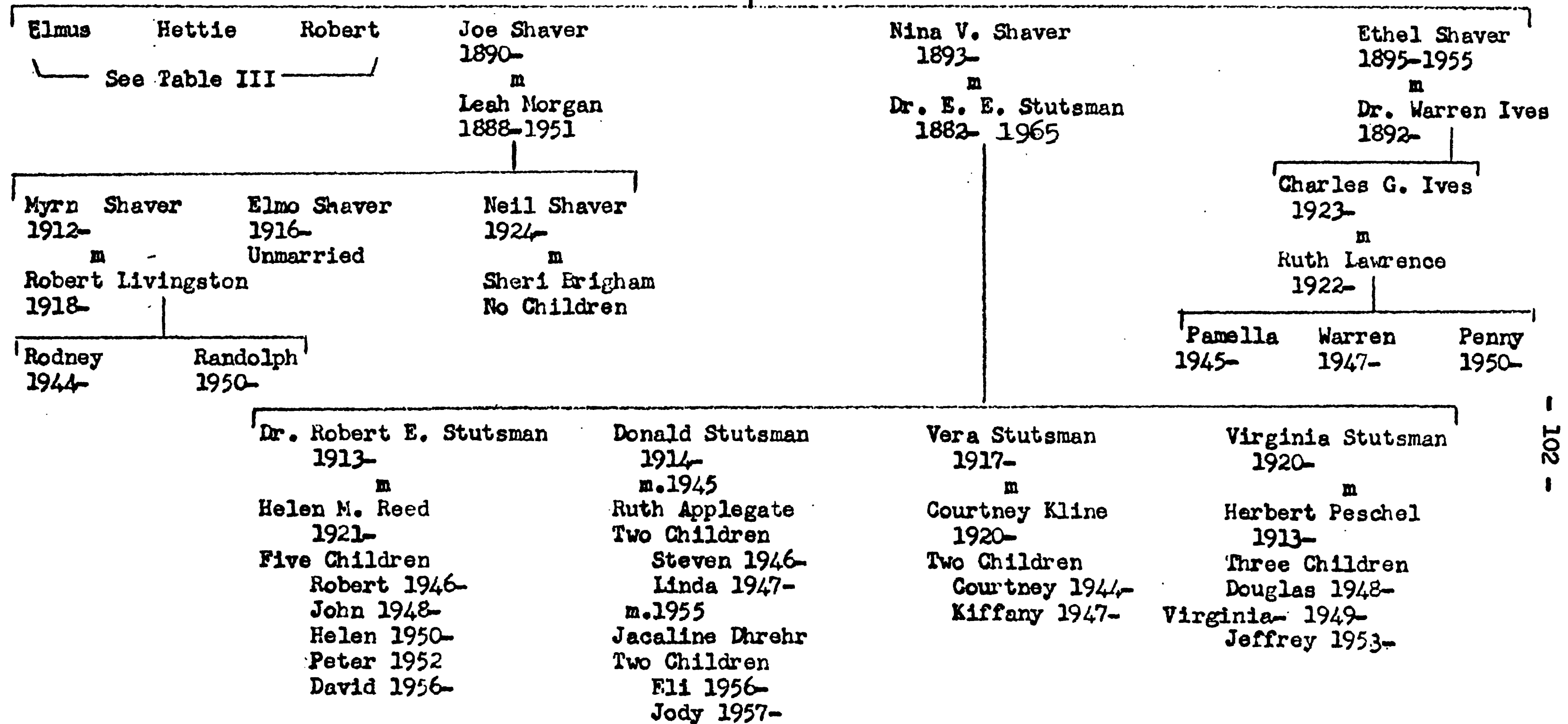
TABLE IV

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA

Sedalia Niswander 1866 - 1926

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Lincoln G. Shaver 1865 - 1936



THE SHAVER FAMILY

(Branch of the Niswander Family)

- 14.2 Sedalia Niswander - Shaver daughter of Charlotte (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Abraham "Abe" Niswander. Born Dec., 11, 1866 in Bridgewater, Virginia. Died April 11, 1926. Married 1885 in Johnson County, Iowa to Lincoln "Link" Grimes Shaver Born March 28, 1865 son of Capt. Phil Shaver, Died Dec., 7, 1936 Burial Lot 9 Blk 19 Oaklawn Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa.

Children of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander all born near Amish (Joetown) Johnson County, Iowa:

i Elmus Shaver	b Oct., 1, 1885	d Jan., 7, 1907
ii Hettie Pearl Shaver	b April 20, 1887	
iii Robert Grimes Shaver	b June 10, 1888	d July 31, 1954
iv Joe Shaver	b July 1, 1890	
v Nina Virginia Shaver	b Oct., 15, 1893	
vi Ethel Shaver	b Jan., 15, 1895	d May 1955

- 142.1 Elmus Shaver son of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander. Born Oct., 1, 1885 Died Jan., 7, 1907 of pneumonia. He was a student at Miss Irish's business college in Iowa City and planned to attend Iowa State Agricultural College at Ames.

- 142.2 Hettie Pearl Shaver daughter of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander. Born April 20, 1887 Married June 8, 1907 to Earl Fry Born Aug., 6, 1886 son of John Fry and Agnes Seitz.

Children of Earl Fry and Hettie Shaver both born near Kalona, Iowa:

- i Margery Lorraine Fry born Dec., 11, 1912
Married May 29, 1934 to Howard Bruce Moffitt
Born April 20, 1912 son of Jess Moffitt and Loretta Hanley
Director of teacher placement Univ. of Iowa
Residence: 491 Grand Ave., Iowa City Iowa

Children of Howard Moffitt & Margery Fry:

1. Howard Lee Moffitt b March 1, 1938 Waukon, Ia.
2. Mary Elizabeth Moffitt b Sept. 21, 1948 Iowa City, Ia.

- ii Ethel Lorene Fry born Sept. 28, 1914.
Married June 1936 to John Denton who was killed Nov., 30, 1958 in a plane crash.
Residence of Ethel Fry - Denton: 3652 Ungraham, San Diego, Cal.

Children of John Denton and Ethel Fry:

1. Dixie Lee Denton born May 3, 1939 in Cedar Rapids, Ia.
Married Dec., 1960 in San Diego, Cal. to Lee Kiefer
2. John Earl Denton born June 1949 in San Diego, Cal.

142.3 Robert Grimes Shaver son of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander.
Born June 10, 1888 Died July 31, 1954
Married Dec. 1910 to Lela Mae Fry
Born Nov., 1, 1891 daughter of Richard Fry & Edith Marsh.
Residence: Kalona, Iowa.

Children of Robert G. Shaver and Lela Fry:

- i Robert Richard Shaver born March 10, 1917 Kalona, Iowa
Married Nov., 1, 1941 to Frances Madalene Quinn
Born July 27, 1920 daughter of John Quinn & Catherine Fisher.
Residence: 276 Boice Rd. NW Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Children of Robert Shaver and Frances Quinn:

1. Phillip Robert Shaver b Sept. 7, 1944 Iowa City, Ia.
2. Craig Grimes Shaver b April 13, 1948 Vinton, Iowa.
3. Kevin Quinn Shaver b Dec., 28, 1956 Cedar Rapids, Ia.

- ii Eugene Lincoln Shaver born Jan. 1, 1924
Married March 6, 1943 to Martha Charlene Ashby
Born June 16, 1926 Divorced March 7, 1957.

Children of Eugene Shaver & Martha Ashby:

1. David Eugene Shaver b June 19, 1945 Washington, Ia.
2. Stephen Charles Shaver b Sept. 4, 1946 " "
3. Susan Jane Shaver b Aug., 21, 1950 " "

- iii Gale Dwight Shaver born June 30, 1927
Married June 19, 1948 to Marjorie Belle Yoder
Born June 25, 1930 daughter of Urie Yoder & Lorena Beaney.
Residence: Box 4 Kalona, Iowa.

Children of Gale Shaver and Marjorie Yoder:

1. Glaudia Anne Shaver b Aug. 21, 1949 Wooster, Ohio.
2. Eric Dean Shaver b June 25, 1951 Iowa City, Iowa.
3. Nancy Jean Shaver b Jan. 27, 1954 " " "
4. Gale Lea Shaver b May 1, 1959 " " "
5. Robert Eugene Shaver b Sept. 26, 1961 " " "

- iv Leland Fry Shaver son of Robert Shaver and Lela Fry.
Born March 20, 1930.
Married July 2, 1958 to Sue Ann Sakulin born June 11, 1938
daughter of Glenn Sakulin and Ida Kline.
Residence: 424 Elder Lane N.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Children of Leland Shaver and Sue Ann Sakulin both born
in Cedar Rapids, Iowa:

1. Randy Lee Shaver b. Dec. 23, 1958
2. Jeffrey Glenn Shaver b Oct. 5, 1962

- 142.4 Joe Shaver son of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander
Born July 1, 1890
Married Aug., 3, 1911 to Leah H. Morgan
Born Dec., 23, 1888 daughter of Elmer Morgan & Ida Lantz.
Leah died Jan., 21, 1951. Burial Sunnyside Mausoleum, Long Beach, Cal.
Joe Shaver is President of Shaver's Food Marts, Omaha, Nebraska.
Residence: 5302 Davenport St., Omaha, Nebraska.

Children of Joe Shaver and Leah Morgan:

- i Myrn Arlene Shaver born Sept. 6, 1912 in Johnson County, Iowa.
Married 1940 to Allen Boyd b 1914. Divorced 1942
Married 1943 to Robert Livingston b 1918. Divorced 1955.
Residence: 5302 Davenport St., Omaha, Nebraska.

Children of Myrn Shaver and Robert Livingston:

1. Rodney Shaver Livingston b May 23, 1944
Married June 25, 1966 to Barbara Kennington Hill
b Jan., 4, 1944
 2. Randolph Morgan Livingston b July 16, 1949
- ii Elmo Elton Shaver born June 20, 1916 in Kearney, Nebraska.
Prof. French, German, Spanish, Orange Coast College, Costa Mesa, Cal.
Residence: Le Chateau Belmont, 4215 Livingston Dr., Long Beach, Cal.
- iii Neil Sterling Shaver born Feb. 2, 1924.
Married March 1955 to Sheri Brigham — Divorced 1962.
Married 1966 Maxine Frances Schmitz b Mar. 12, 1941
Westphalia, Iowa

142.5 Nina Virginia Shaver daughter of Lincoln Shaver and Sedalia Niswander.
Born Oct., 15, 1893 Johnson County, Iowa.
Married July 17, 1912 to Dr. Eli Edgar Stutsman b. April 17, 1882
d. Dec., 14, 1965
Residence: 628 W. Main St., Washington, Iowa.

Children of Dr. Eli Stutsman and Nina Shaver:

- i Dr. Robert Elwin Stutsman b April 29, 1913
Married Nov., 2, 1945 to Helene Marie Reed b Feb. 7, 1921
Naval NAAS New Iberia, Louisiana
Residence: 8107 Louwanda Dr., Little Rock, Ark.

Children of Robert Stutsman and Helene Reed:

- 1. Robert Elwin Stutsman b Nov. 14, 1946 Philadelphia, Pa.
- 2. John Michael Stutsman b Mar. 23, 1948 Newfoundland
- 3. Helene Reed Stutsman b Dec. 8, 1950 San Diego, Cal.
- 4. Peter Joseph Stutsman b Oct. 1, 1952 Miami, Fla.
- 5. David Kennedy Stutsman b Feb. 14, 1956 Coronada, Cal.

- ii Donald Duane Stutsman b Feb., 14, 1914
Married July 10, 1945 to Ruth Applegate
Married Aug. 25, 1955 to Jacaline Dhrehr b May 18, 1937
Residence: 755 N. 3rd Apt. 24, Corvallis, Ore.

- 1. Steven Duane Stutsman b June 24, 1946 Iowa City, Iowa
- 2. Linda Stutsman b May 1, 1947 " " "
- 3. Eli Duane Stutsman b May 25, 1956 El Cajon, Cal.
- 4. Jody Stutsman b May 28, 1957 " " "

- iii Vera Venita Stutsman b March 23, 1917
Married June 7, 1941 to Courtney Paige Kline b Nov. 8, 1920
Residence: Wen Mar Apts., 1231 E. Colter, Phoenix, Arizona

Children of Courtney Kline and Vera Stutsman:

- 1. Courtney Paige Kline II b Apr. 4, 1944 Denver, Colo.
- 2. Kiffaney Lynn Kline b Oct. 30, 1946 Iowa City, Iowa

- iv Virginia Stutsman b March 30, 1920
Married Mar. 1, 1947 to Herbert A. Peschel b Sept. 2, 1913
Residence: 46 Bay St., Potsdam, N. Y.

Children of Herbert Peschel and Virginia Stutsman:

- 1. Douglas Gregory Peschel Jan. 8, 1948 Mineola, N. Y.
- 2. Virginia Suzanne Peschel b Jan. 26, 1949 Rockville, N.Y.
- 3. Jeffrey Craig Peschel b Jan. 2, 1953 Mineola, N.Y.

142.6 Ethel Shaver born Jan. 15, 1895. Died May 1955.
Married Dr. Warren Charles Ives born Jan. 2, 1892 son of Dr. Charles
G. Ives and Helen Chamberlain.
Burial Fort Rosecrans Cemetery, San Diego, California.

Children of Dr. Warren Ives and Ethel Shaver:

- i Lt. Col. Charles G. Ives born Jan. 16, 1923 Rockford, Ill.
Married July 19, 1944 to Ruth Ann Lawrence b Dec. 4, 1922
daughter of Robert Alexander Lawrence & Olive Stafford.
Residence: 610 McClellan, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Children of Charles Ives and Ruth Lawrence:

- 1. Pamela Ann Ives b June 15, 1945 Rockford, Ill.
- 2. Warren Charles Ives b Apr. 25, 1947 Stuttgart, Ger.
- 3. Penny Carol Ives b Sept. 10, 1950 Owensboro, Ky.

CHRISTOPHER LANTZ 1841 - 1876 m 1865 LYDIA RABY 1815 - 1882

CHARLOTTE LANTZ 1842 - 1913 m 1858 A. Niswander 1841 - 1900

Alma Niswander 1876 - 1943 m 1894 John L. Palmer 1871 - 1945

Vernon Palmer
1895 - 1918

m
Francis Fritz

No Descendants

Milo Palmer
1896 -
m 1915
Marie Sullivan

Eneid
1898-
see
Table
Va

Marie
1901-

Marcus
1904-05

Evered
1909-

Charlotte
1915-

See Table Vb

Myrtle Palmer
1916 -
m 1933
Clark McGinnis

Three Children
1. Carole 1934
2. Sharon 1935
3. John 1945

Mildred Palmer
1920 -
m 1941
Arthur Martin

Four Children
1. Eric 1947-49
2. Gregory 1950
3. Randall 1952
4. Kevin 1956

Milo Palmer Jr.
1923 -
m 1950
Mary C. White
1929 - 1961
No Children
m 1963
Beverly Wade
1940 -

Bethyl Palmer
1924 -
m 1949
Joe Mistik

Two Children
1. Steven 1950
2. Katherine 1954

Rosemary Palmer
1930 -
m 1947
Robert Shank
m ()
() Tucker

Six Children
1. Robert Shank 1948
2. Kimberly Shank 1949
3. Mark Shank 1954
4. Lee Ann Shank 1955
5. Scott Tucker 1957
6. Thomas Tucker 1958

Table Va

CHRISTIAN LANTZ 1821 - 1876 m 1839 Lydia Raby 1815 - 1882
 CHARLOTTE LANTZ 1842 - 1913 m 1858 Abe Niswander 1841 - 1900
 AIMA NISWANDER 1876 - 1943 m 1894 John L. Palmer 1871 - 1945

Vernon Palmer
1895 -

Milo Palmer
1896 -

Eneid Palmer
1898 -
m 1916
Waldo Phend
1893 -

Marie
1901 -

Marcus
1904-05

Evered
1909 -

Charlotte
1915 -

See Table V

See Table Vb

Elmo Phend
1818 -
m 1950
Marie _____
No
Children

Mable Phend
1921 -
m 1941
Harry Swihart
1910 -
m 1956
Paul Milan
1904 -

Clara Phend
1925 -
m 1942
Alex Ross
m. _____ Walker
m. Frank Green
1907 -

Grover Phend
1930 -
m Marie

Eneid Phend
1933 -
m 1951
Warren Dawson

Lois Phend
1934 -
m 1956
Edward Groves

Grace Phend
1935 -
m 1956
Robert Ross
No
Children

James
Swihart
1943 -

Dianne
Swihart
1946 -

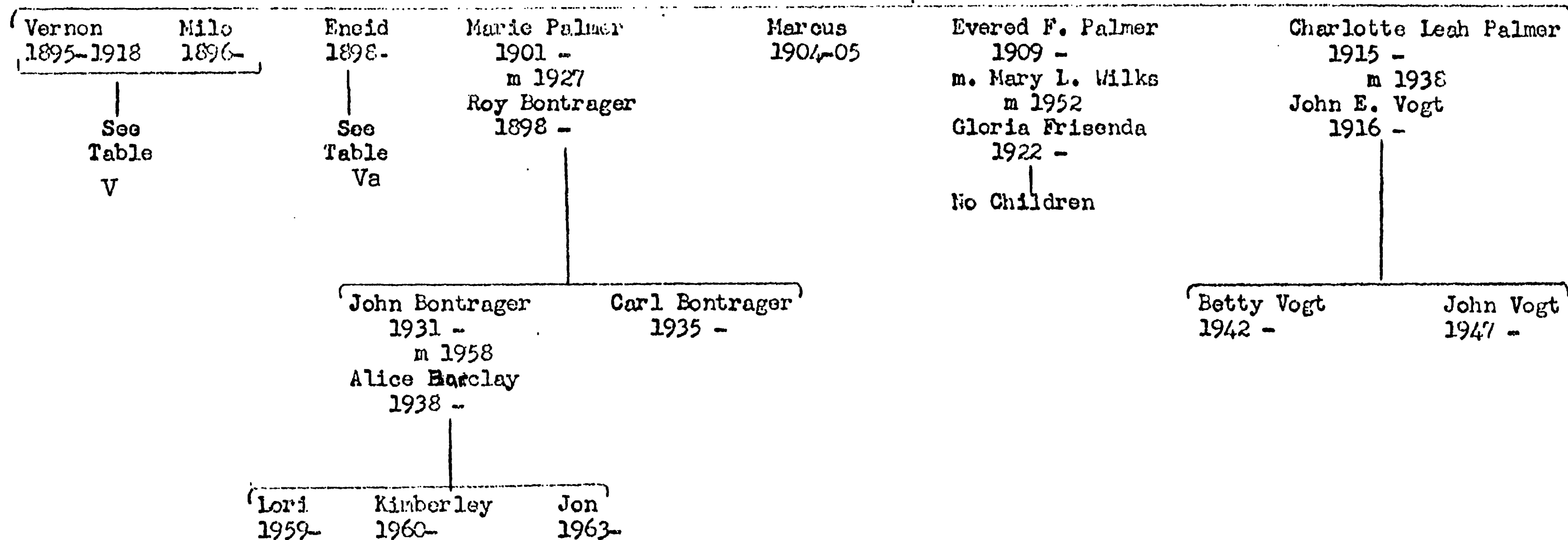
Seven Children
 1. Ernst Ross 1943-
 2. Linda Ross 1944-
 3. Jean Ross 1951-
 4. Bradley Ross 1953-
 5. Lory Walker 1957-
 6. Arch Green 1960-
 7. Martha Green 1963-

Two Daughters

Three Children
 1. Warren 1952-
 2. Michael 1954-
 3. Douglas 1960-

Three Children
 1. Penny 1959
 2. Brian 1961-
 3. William 1963-

CHRISTIAN LANTZ	1811 - 1876	m 1831	Lydia Ruby	1815 - 1882
CHARLOTTE LANTZ	1842 - 1913	m 1858	A. Niswander	1841 - 1900
AIMA NISWANDER	1876 - 1943	m 1894	John L. Palmer	1871 - 1945



THE PALMER FAMILY

(Branch of the Niswander Family)

- 14.4 Alma Lydia Niswander - Palmer daughter of Charlotte (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Abraham Niswander.
Born Oct. 17, 1876 in Bridgewater, Virginia. Died Sept. 7, 1943.
Married June 28, 1894 to John Lilly Palmer.
Born Aug. 23, 1871 son of Swithin C. Palmer & Leah Catherine Shaff.
Died Feb. 7, 1945.
The farm home was not far from the M. E. Church in Amish where they were active members. Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa.

Children of John Palmer and Alma Niswander all born near Amish, Iowa:

- | | | | |
|-----|--------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| i | Vernon Clayton Palmer | b 1895 | d 1918 |
| ii | Milo Leburn Palmer Sr. | b 1896 | |
| iii | Eneid Lorene Palmer | b 1898 | |
| iv | Lottie Marie Palmer | b April 27, 1901 | |
| v | Marcus Donald Dey Palmer | b May 19, 1904 | d Apr. 1, 1905 |
| vi | Evered F. Palmer | b Jan. 31, 1909 | |
| vii | Charlotte Leah Palmer | b 1915 | |

- 144.1 Vernon Clayton Palmer son of John Palmer and Alma Niswander.
Born 1895
Married Francis Fritz
Died during the influenza epidemic of 1918 while serving in the
army of World War I.
Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa.

- 144.2 Milo Leburn Palmer son of John Palmer and Alma Niswander.
Born June 26, 1896.
Married Oct. 21, 1915 to Marie Lillian Sullivan b May 24, 1899.
Residence: 620 S. St. Joseph St., So. Bend, Indiana.

Children of Milo Palmer and Marie Sullivan:

- i Myrtle Palmer born April 2, 1916
Married July 7, 1933 to Clark McGinnis.
Residence: 6490 S W 83rd St., Miami, Florida.

Children of Clark McGinnis and Myrtle Palmer:

- | | | |
|----|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. | Carole McGinnis | b April 15, 1934 |
| 2. | Sharon Lynn McGinnis | b Sept. 3, 1935 |
| 3. | John Ralph McGinnis | b Jan. 22, 1945 |

- ii Mildred Palmer born April 6, 1920.
Married July 4, 1941 to Arthur Floyd Martin b Aug. 5, 1913
Son of Thomas E. Martin & Alice Woodruff.
Residence: Rte. #1 North Liberty, Iowa.

Children of Arthur Martin and Mildred Palmer:

1. Eric Allen Martin b Mar. 1, 1947 d Feb. 17, 1949
2. Gregory Lane Martin b Mar. 28, 1950
3. Randall Palmer Martin b May 23, 1952
4. Kevin Mitchell Martin b Mar. 5, 1956

- iii Milo Palmer Jr. born Jan. 29, 1923.
Married Nov. 4, 1950 to Mary Claire White born May 9, 1929
daughter of Paul White and Helen Comfort. d Sept.
27, 1961 and buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery,
Amish, Iowa.
Married Jan. 5, 1963 to Beverly Wade b Jan. 6, 1940 daughter
of Paul Wade and Julia Scoufil.
Julia Scoufil - Wade died in an auto accident Mar. 3, 1963. Her
3 minor children are being raised by their sister Beverly and
her husband Milo.
There were no children by Milo's first marriage.
Residence: 423 Ronald St., Iowa City, Iowa.

- iv Bethyl Jeanne Palmer born June 15, 1924
Married July 27, 1949 to Joseph Kenneth Mistik.
Residence: Rte. #3, Manchester, Iowa.

Children of Joseph Mistik and Bethyl Palmer:

1. Stephen Allen Mistik b Apr. 2, 1950 Iowa City, Ia.
2. Katherine Marie Mistik b Apr. 23, 1954 " " "

- v Rosemary Palmer born April 3, 1930
Married June 28, 1947 to Robert Shank.
Married 2nd to Tucker.
Residence: 930 Fairchild St., Iowa City, Iowa.

Children:

1. Robert Jeffrey Shank b Mar. 31, 1948
2. Kimberley Brean Shank b Nov. 14, 1949
3. Mark Allen Shank b Mar. 9, 1954
4. Lee Ann Shank b Mar. 6, 1955
5. Scott Francis Tucker b Feb. 5, 1957
6. Thomas John Tucker b Sept. 1958

- 144.3 Eneid Lorene Palmer daughter of John Palmer and Alma Niswander.
Born Feb., 17, 1898.
Married 1916 to Waldo Phend born Oct., 27, 1893.

Children of Waldo Phend and Eneid Palmer:

- i Elmo Lowell Phend born April 15, 1918
Married Oct. 1950 to Marie in Kyoto, Japan.
Residence: RR Jefferson, Iowa
No children.
- ii Mable Marie Phend born Feb., 21, 1921.
Married 1st Harry E. Swihart June 13, 1941 in Goshen, Ind.
Married 2nd Nov. 6, 1956 to Paul Milan born June 4, 1904.
Residence: 511 Davis St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

Children:

- 1. James Ellis Swihart b Oct. 1, 1943 in Goshen, Ind.
- 2. Dianne Marie Swihart b Feb. 12, 1946 " "

- iii Clara Jeanette Phend born Aug. 23, 1925.
Married Jan. 3, 1942 to 1st Alex Ross 2nd Walker.
Married 3rd May 16, 1958 to Frank Green b Aug. 11, 1907
Residence: 714 East 36th St., Tucson, Ariz.

Children:

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|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1. Erinst Ross | b Mar. 27, 1943 | So. Bend, Ind. |
| 2. Linda Diane Ross | b Oct. 24, 1944 | " " " |
| 3. Jean Ross | b June 4, 1951 | " " " |
| 4. Bradley Ross | b Mar. 27, 1953 | St. Louis, Mo. |
| 5. Lory Eugene Walker | b Feb. 27, 1957 | Linda, Ind. |
| 6. Arch Green | b July 1, 1960 | Tucson, Ariz. |
| 7. Martha Ann Green | b Jan. 25, 1963 | " " |

- iv Grover Edwan Phend born Sept. 14, 1930.
Married Marie
Residence: 3110 Lemon St., Dubuque, Iowa
Children: 2 daughters.

- v Eneid Louise Phend born June 31, 1933.
Married May 30, 1951 to Warren Gillette Dawson.
Residence: 1418 N. Brookfield, So. Bend, Ind.

Children of Warren Dawson and Eneid Phend:

1. Warren Gillette Dawson Jr. b Feb. 15, 1952
2. Michael Ward Dawson b Oct. 15, 1954
3. Douglas Wayne Dawson b Dec. 18, 1960

vi Lois Ann Phend born Mar. 28, 1934
Married Sept. 8, 1956 to Edward Eben Groves son of
Jacob Groves and Alma Gage
Residence: RR #3 Box 299 Edwardsburg, Mich.

Children of Edward E. Groves and Lois Ann Phend:

1. Penny Ann Groves b Dec. 16, 1959 So. Bend, Ind.
2. Brian Edward Groves b May 28, 1961 " " "
3. William Wayne Groves b Mar. 18, 1963 " " "

vii Grace Joan Phend born Dec. 8, 1935.
Married Dec. 24, 1956 to Robert Ross
Residence: 826 So. Chestnut St., Jefferson, Iowa.
No children.

144.4 Lottie Marie Palmer daughter of John Palmer & Alma Niswander
Born April 27, 1901
Married June 4, 1927 to Ora Roy Bontrager son of David E. Bontrager &
Magdalene Kempf of Fairfield Co., Ohio.
Residence: 317 Hickory St., California, Penn.

Children of John Bontrager & Lottie Marie Palmer:

i John David Bontrager born Oct. 12, 1931 Iowa City, Iowa
Married June 30, 1958 to Alice Ann Barclay b May 6, 1938
daughter of Orlando J. Barclay & Emma Sager.
Residence: 315 Hickory St., California, Penn.

Children of John Bontrager & Alice Barclay:

1. Lori Lynn Bontrager b May 20, 1959 Uniontown, Pa.
2. Kimberley Ann Bontrager b Aug. 17, 1960 " "
3. Jon Scott Bontrager b May 2, 1963 Pittsburgh, "

ii Carl Allen Bontrager born April 30, 1935 Normal, Ill.

144.5 Marcus Donald Dey Palmer born May 19, 1904
Died April 1, 1905 Burial Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa.

144.6 Evered F. Palmer son of John Palmer and Alma Niswander b Jan. 31, 1909.
Married 1930 to Catherine Pugh — Divorced
Married Mary L. Wilks — No children — Divorced.
Married May 3, 1952 to Gloria Marie Frisanda daughter of Arthur Frisenda
and Altesina Rossina.
Mr. Palmer is president of E. F. Palmer and Co.
Residence: 2640 Granville Ave., Chicago, Ill.

144.7 Charlotte Leah Palmer daughter of John Palmer & Alma Niswander.
Born Dec. 18, 1915.
Married Oct. 11, 1938 to John Edward Vogt born May 12, 1916 son of
Albert Vogt and Clara Dilger.
Residence: 2222 Wellesley Dr., Lansing, Mich.

Children of John Vogt and Charlotte Palmer:

i	Betty Louise Vogt	b Oct. 17, 1942	Iowa City, Iowa
ii	John Robert Vogt	b Oct. 22, 1947	Lansing, Mich.

TABLE VI

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER, VIRGINIA

PEARLE NISWANDER 1880 - 1964

m

WILLIAM J. LIEBE 1877 -

DeLos D. Liebe 1908 -

Jule E. Liebe 1918 -

m

Reba L. Midcalf 1908-

m

Carl H. Gill 1917 -

Caroline
1945-Charles
1948-Julie Ann
1951-Jo Ellen
1956-William E. Liebe
1932 -Robert D. Liebe
1934 -Terry L. Liebe
1940 -

m

DeLayne Welch
1937 -

m

Joyce Trachta
1934 -

m

Rose M. Kirk
1938 -LeAnn
1957-LuAnn
1958-William
1959-Lorin
1960Timothy
1959-Kelly
1961-Rory
1962-Everett
1964-Gary
1952-Connie
1954-Linda
1955-

THE LIEBE FAMILY

(Branch of the Niswander Family)

- 14.5 Pearle E. Niswander - Liebe daughter of Charlotte (Christian⁵, George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Abraham Niswander.

Born Feb. 25, 1880. Died Nov. 20, 1964.

Married Jan. 19, 1904 to William J. Liebe b July 16, 1877
d Feb. 18, 1957.

Burial: Oaklawn Cemetery, Iowa City, Iowa

Pearle was three years old when the Niswander family moved from Bridgewater, Virginia to a farm near Amish, Iowa. March 1st was traditional moving day for farmers. The Niswanders arrived in late February unaccustomed to the Iowa winters. Pearle was so impressed with the northern winter and the terrible cold that she caught that she always remembered it.

In 1904 Pearle was married to William J. Liebe at Sharon Center, Iowa by the Rev. S. H. Streyfeder VDM. The Liebe's made their home in Amish, Iowa until about 1910 when they moved to Wellman, Iowa. Charlotte Lantz - Niswander, Pearle's mother died in this Wellman home in 1913. In 1921 the family moved to Iowa City where they made their home for twenty years before moving to Marion, Iowa in 1941. Here William died in 1957 and here Pearle continued to make her home at 935 6th Ave., until her death in 1964.

I remember Pearle for her zest for life, her enthusiasm and her tremendous vitality. She had a reputation for being an outstanding cook and an excellent housekeeper. Pearle thought quickly, spoke rapidly and moved accordingly. She was active in the Marion Christian Church until her final illness. In spite of her age her death came as a shock. As Dr. Eli Stutsman expressed it — "it just didn't occur to anyone that Pearle wouldn't go on forever."

The children and descendants of William Liebe and Pearle Niswander are as follows:

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- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| i DeLos Donald Liebe | b Sept. 23, 1908 |
| ii Jule Ethelyn Liebe | b Feb. 22, 1918 |

- 145.1 DeLos Donald Liebe son of William Liebe & Pearle Niswander.
Born Sept. 23, 1908 near Amish, Johnson County, Iowa.
Married Feb. 16, 1931 to Reba Loretta Midcalf, b Feb. 22, 1908 daughter of William Midcalf & Nettie Spires of Martinsville, Illinois. The marriage service was conducted by Rev. H. D. Henry.

Children of DeLos Liebe and Reba Midcalf:

- i William Edward Liebe b June 30, 1932 Marion, Iowa
Married Nov. 15, 1955 to DeLayne Welch b Nov. 20, 1937
daughter of Thomas E. Welch & Arline Mace.
Residence: 4730 Glenwood Dr. Everett, Washington (as of 1963)

Children of William Liebe and DeLayne Welch:

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Le Ann Liebe | b May 21, 1957 Cedar Rapids, Ia. |
| 2. Lu Ann Liebe | b June 27, 1958 " " " |
| 3. William Lane Liebe | b Sept. 15, 1959 Everett, Wash. |
| 4. Lorin Liebe | b Dec. 21, 1960 " " |

- ii Robert Donald Liebe b Feb. 5, 1934 Marion, Iowa.
Married July 6, 1952 to Joyce Ann Trachta b Sept. 2, 1934
daughter of Leonard C. Trachta & Lenora Brokel, Marion, Ia.
The wedding was conducted in the Little Brown Church, Nashua, Ia.
Residence: Central City, Iowa (as of 1963).

Children of Robert Liebe and Joyce Trachta:

- | | |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Gary Lee Liebe | b Dec. 29, 1952 Walker, Iowa |
| 2. Connie Jean Liebe | b Feb. 27, 1954 Anamosa, Iowa. |
| 3. Linda Lou Liebe | b Feb. 8, 1955 Central City, Iowa. |

- iii Terry Lee Liebe b June 24, 1940 Marion, Iowa.
Married Oct. 5, 1958 to Rose Marie Kirk b May 2, 1938
daughter of Harold A. Kirk and Glenna Starry.
Residence: 5631 Glenwood Dr., Everett, Washington (as of 1963)

Children of Terry Liebe and Rose Marie Kirk:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Timothy Lee Liebe | b July 16, 1959 |
| 2. Kelly Renae Liebe | b Jan. 5, 1961 |
| 3. Rory Joseph Liebe | b Jan. 21, 1962 |
| 4. Everett Washington Liebe | b _____ |

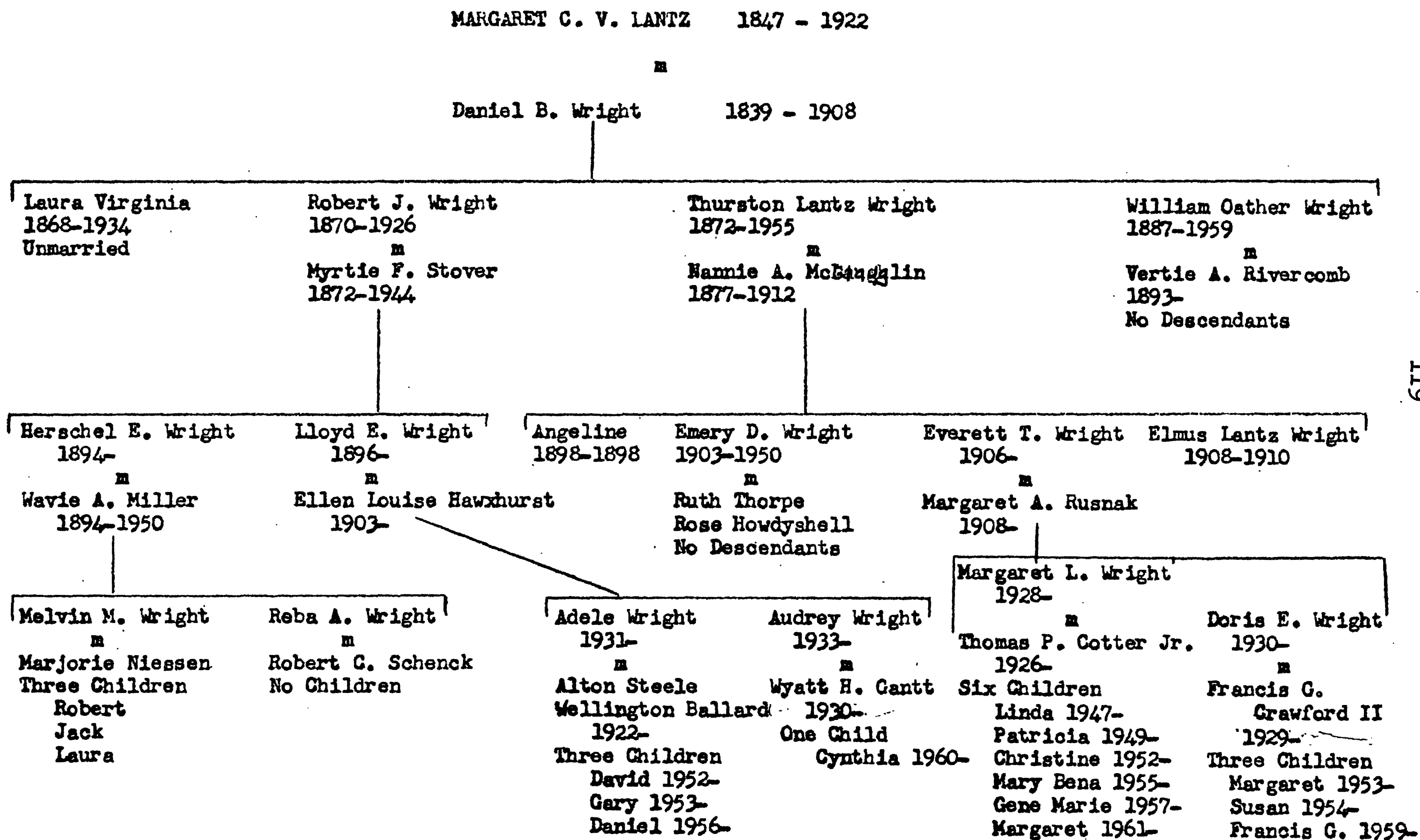
- 145.2 Jule Ethelyn Liebedaughter of William Liebe & Pearle Niswander was born
Dec. 25, 1918 Wellman, Washington County, Iowa.
Married Aug. 9, 1944 to Carl Henry Gill b Oct. 11, 1917 son of Charles
W. Gill and Nettie Evers.
Residence: 712 E. Mills St., Creston, Iowa.

Children of Carl Gill and Jule Liebe:

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| i Carolyn Jane Gill | b Nov. 17, 1945 Albert Lea, Minn. |
| ii Charles Thomas Gill | b Feb. 2, 1948 Creston, Iowa. |
| iii Julie Ann Gill | b Nov. 2, 1951 " " |
| iv Jo Ellen Gill | b Dec. 25, 1956 " " |

TABLE VIII

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA



THE WRIGHT FAMILY

- 1.6 Margaret "Maggie" Virginia Lantz - Wright daughter of Christian (George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Lydia Raby.
Born May 8, 1847, Bridgewater, Virginia. Died Dec. 22, 1922.
Married Jan. 9, 1868 to Daniel Benjamin Wright son of Robert J. Wright
And Sarah Byerly. Daniel b Nov. 22, 1839. d Oct. 11, 1908.
Burial Beaver Creek Cemetery near Dayton, Virginia.

Children of Daniel Wright & Margaret Lantz all born in Rockingham Co., Va.

- | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| i | Laura (Jennie) Virginia Wright | b Nov. 15, 1868 |
| ii | Robert James Wright | b Mar. 31, 1870 |
| iii | Thurston Lantz Wright | b June 24, 1872 |
| iv | William Oather Wright | b Dec. 21, 1887 |

In 1962 and again in 1964 we visited the old Daniel Wright home near Dayton and Bridgewater, Virginia. Oather's widow, Vertie, living there alone, graciously showed us the house and its furnishings so rich in memories and antiques. Some of the furniture probably was made by Christian Lantz in his Bridgewater cabinet shop. The old part of the house is of log construction, now plastered on the inside. On a hot June day we found it delightfully cool in the living room. Vida was enraptured with the antique furnishings in the five upstairs bedrooms and the natural pine walls and ceilings of inch thick and extremely wide, clear boards, rich in the patina of the years.

Margaret was paralyzed the last three years of her life and was cared for in this home by Vertie, her daughter - in - law. Margaret was known as "Maggie" and is so identified on her gravestone in Beaver Creek Cemetery (Church of the Brethern). This cemetery is only about a mile distant, as the crow flies, from the old Daniel Wright home.

- 16.1 Laura "Jennie" Virginia Wright daughter of Daniel B. Wright and Margaret Lantz

Born Nov. 15, 1868 Died Oct. 9, 1934.

She did not marry. She was a favorite of her Uncle Frank Lantz, who lived in Iowa. During much of her lifetime she was afflicted with cancer but, in spite of it, lived to age 68. She was buried in Beaver Creek Cemetery.

- 16.2 Robert James Wright son of Daniel B. Wright and Margaret Lantz.
Born Mar. 31, 1870 and died Feb. 13, 1926.
Married April 26, 1893 to Myrtie Florence Stover, b Aug. 30, 1872 daughter
of Sylvester Granville Stover & Frances Jane Wine. Myrtie d Mar.
23, 1944.

Children of Robert Wright and Myrtie Stover born in Rockingham Co., Va.

- i Herschel Emmett Wright b Oct. 24, 1894
- ii Lloyd Elmer Wright b Mar. 5, 1896

162.1 Herschel Emmett Wright son of Robert J. Wright & Myrtie Stover
Born Oct. 24, 1894
Married Mar. 26, 1919 to Wavie Alice Miller b May 14, 1894, d Apr. 17, 1950.
Burial Flint Hill Cemetery, Virginia.
Residence: P O Box 359, McLean, Virginia.

Children of Herschel Wright & Wavie Miller both born in Washington, D. C.:

- i Melvin Miller Wright b Feb. 18, 1925
Married Aug. 8, 1947 to Marjorie Niessen b Nov. 13, 1926 Cleveland, Ohio.
Residence: Box 555 RR#1 Great Falls, Virginia.
Children of Melvin Wright & Marjorie Niessen:

- 1. Robert Melvin Wright b May 13, 1948
- 2. Jack Lloyd Wright b Apr. 7, 1951
- 3. Laura Ann Wright b July 1, 1957

- ii Reba Alice Wright b Jan. 12, 1928
Married June 24, 1961 to Robert Charles Schenck b Mar. 5, 1927
Residence: PO Box 359 McLean, Virginia.
No Children.

162.2 Lloyd Elmer Wright son of Robert J. Wright & Myrtie Stover.
Born Mar. 5, 1896
Married Aug. 23, 1924 to Ellen Louise Hawxhurst b Aug. 16, 1903 daughter
of Henry Hawxhurst & Margery Smith
Residence: Ojai St., Sun City, Florida.

Children of Lloyd Wright & Ellen Hawxhurst both born in Washington, D. C.:

- i Adele Wright b April 4, 1931
Married Aug. 28, 1950 to Alton Steele
Married Dec. 9, 1961 to Wellington Earnest Ballard b Feb. 13, 1922
at Milton, Vermont.
Residence: 110 Wilmer Pl., N. W. Vienna, Virginia.

Children:

- 1. David Edward b Mar. 9, 1952
- 2. Gary Lloyd b Aug. 14, 1953
- 3. Daniel Bruce b Feb. 17, 1956

- ii Audrey Wright b Mar. 3, 1933
Married Nov. 9, 1952 to Wyatt Harvey Gantt b Nov. 6, 1930 Chevy Chase, Md.
Residence 426 Worthington Dr. Winter Park, Florida.

Children of Wyatt Gantt & Audrey Wright both born in Winter Park, Fla:

1. Cynthia Sue Gantt b May 26, 1960
2. Sandra Lynn Gantt b Jan. 12, 1963

- 16.3 Thurston Lantz Wright son of Daniel B. Wright & Margaret Lantz.
Born June 24, 1872 d Nov. 8, 1955. Burial Beaver Creek Cemetery, Dayton, Va.
Married Jan. 20, 1898 to Nannie A. McLaughlin b Oct. 2, 1877 d July 14, 1912
Married Dec. 12, 1915 to Francis Sarah Miller b Aug. 27, 1872 d Jan. 4, 1956

Children of Thurston Wright & Nannie McLaughlin:

- i Angeline Wright b Oct. 17, 1898 d Oct. 17, 1898
- ii Emery D. Wright b April 23, 1903 d July 27, 1950
Married #1 Ruth Thorpe #2 Rose Ann Howdyshehl.
Killed while driving a truck.
- iii Everett Thurston Wright b Mar. 20, 1906
Married Sept. 17, 1925 to Margaret Ann Rusnak
Everett is Plant Superintendent, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.
Residence: 4640 Princeton Rd. Memphis, Tenn.

Children of Everett Wright & Margaret Rusnak:

1. Margaret Louise Wright b April 18, 1928 Akron, Ohio.
Married Dec. 28, 1946 to Thomas Peter Cotter Jr. b Nov. 18, 1926 Boston, Mass., son of Thomas P. Cotter Sr., & Mary Bena Todd.
Employed by Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.
Residence: 611 Western Dr., Memphis, Tenn.

Children of Thomas Cotter Jr. & Margaret Wright:

- (1) Linda Louise Cotter b Oct. 14, 1947 Jackson, Miss.
- (2) Patricia Ann Cotter b May 25, 1949 " "
- (3) Christine Lee Cotter b Aug. 13, 1952 " "
- (4) Mary Bena Cotter b June 15, 1955 " "
- (5) Gene Marie Cotter b Oct. 5, 1957 Memphis, Tenn.
- (6) Margaret Ann Cotter b July 27, 1961 " "

2. Doris Elaine Wright b June 14, 1930 Akron, Ohio.
Married Aug. 25, 1951 to Francis Graham Crawford II b Dec. 14, 1929 son of Francis Graham Crawford & Helen Francis Spicer. Employed by Sears Roebuck Co.

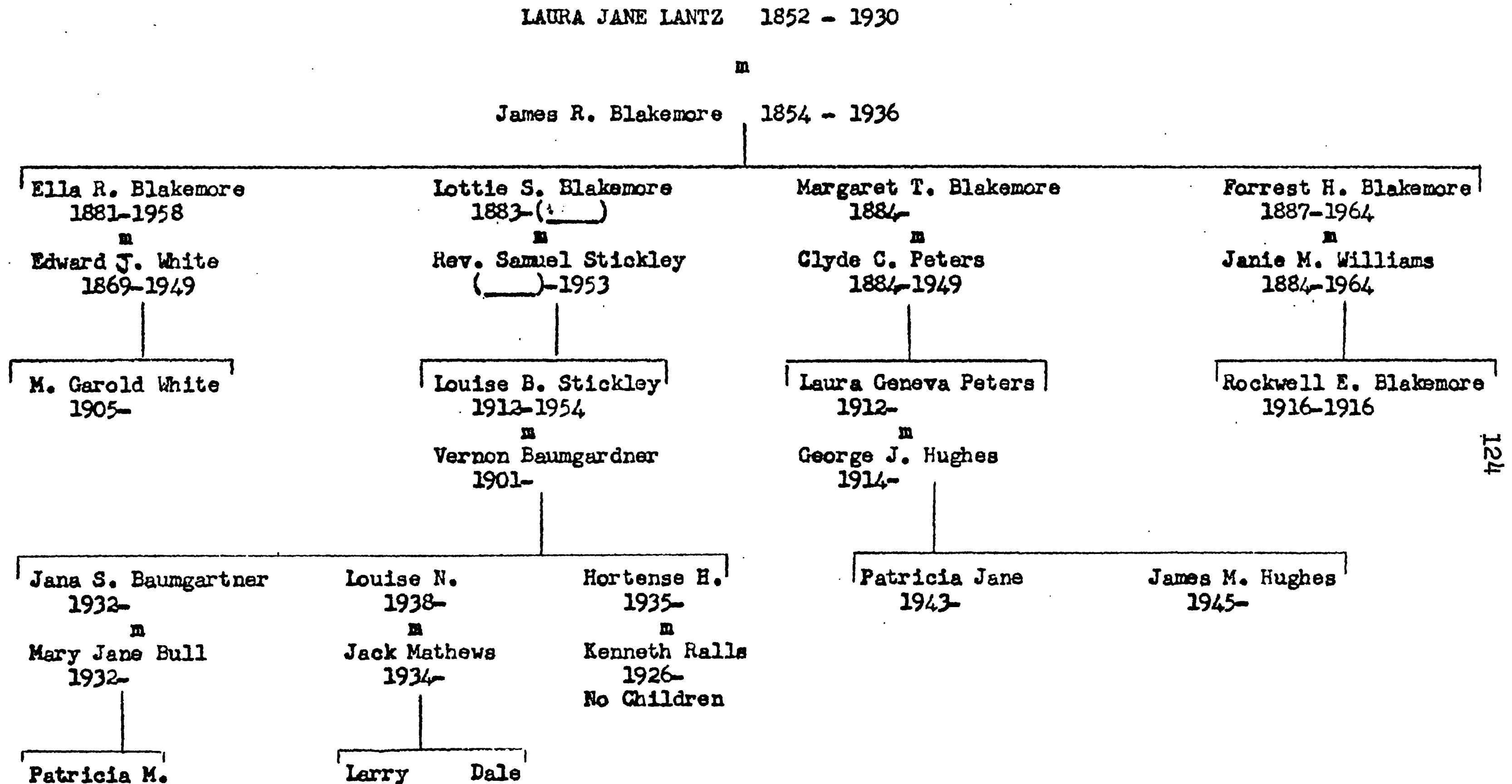
Children of Graham Crawford and Doris Wright:

- (1) Margaret Louise Crawford b Feb. 3, 1953
 Anchorage, Alaska
- (2) Susan Marie Crawford b Feb. 1, 1954
 Anchorage, Alaska
- (3) Francis Graham Crawford III b Sept. 12, 1959
 Memphis, Tenn.

iv Elmus Lantz Wright son of Thurston Lantz Wright
Born Dec. 20, 1908 Died Nov. 1, 1910

TABLE VIII

THE DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTIAN LANTZ OF BRIDGEWATER VIRGINIA



THE BLAKEMORE FAMILY

- 1.7 Laura Jane Lantz - Blakemore daughter of Christian (George⁴, Christian³, Christian², Johannes¹) Lantz and Lydia Raby.

Born Oct. 23, 1852 in Bridgewater, Virginia. Died Mar. 21, 1930.

Married James Robert Blakemore b June 12, 1854, d July 22, 1936

Burial Woodbine Cemetery, Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Children of James Blakemore and Laura Jane Lantz:

- i Ella Reese Blakemore b May 9, 1881 d Aug. 11, 1958.
- ii Lottie Sedalia Blakemore b Oct. 6, 1883 d Mar. 5, 1908
- iii Margaret Thelma Blakemore b Dec. 24, 1884
- iv Forrest Hunter Blakemore b Feb. 1, 1887 d June 5, 1964

An insight into the early life of James R. Blakemore is to be gained from the following Article of Agreement written in longhand by his father and which is reproduced here in full because of its historical value in portraying the tremendous changes in our way of life since 1868, the year it was written:

An article of agreement made and entered into the first day of April 1868 between Wm. C. Blakemore of the County of Augusta and State of Virginia of the one part and David Hisey of the County of Rockingham and aforesaid of the other part witnesseth that the said Wm. C. Blakemore has this day hired his son James to the said David Hisey for a term of eight months from this date, for the following considerations. The said Hisey is to treat him well, and to furnish the said James the following clothing, First for summer, Two pair of linen pantaloons, two shirts, one coat and vest, one pair of shoes and one hat, Second for winter, One woollen Roundabout one vest two pair of pantaloons, two pair of drawers, two shirts, one pair of Boots and yarn for two pair of socks, and is to board him and to wash and mend and make his clothes during the eight months, The clothing to be decent and substantial. And in addition to the above The said Hisey is to pay to the said Blakemore Twenty Dollars in produce at (Wheat, Corn and Meat) Wheat at one Dollar per bushel corn at fifty cents per bushel, Pork at six cents per pound to be proportioned between These Three articles named, and if the said Hisey should have any other produce to spare That said Blakemore may want he will take it provided They can agree upon the price. The said Blakemore hereby binds himself That his son James shall work regularly for the said Hisey during The eight months, and That he shall not take him away at any time during The eight months without said Hisey's consent, Should he get sick The said Blakemore is to take him home, and to be at all expense during his sickness. The said Hisey is to let him go home every Saturday evening and to return on Sabbath evening or Monday morning in time to go to work. It shall not be obligatory on the said Hisey to furnish any of the above considerations except The sum-

mer clothing until after the next harvest which he hereby binds himself to do. To all of Which The parties hereby bind Themselves to each other to perform. Given under our hands and seals The day and year above written.

David Hisey (SEAL)
Wm. C. Blakemore (SEAL)

The life of James R. Blakemore was obviously not an easy one. He was bound or hired out to work at age 14 by his alcoholic father who, strange though it seems, was an educated man and a surveyor by profession.

Laura Jane was raised in the Lutheran church but changed to the Methodist church following her marriage. Her husband, James R. Blakemore, was treasurer of the Bridgewater Methodist Church for forty years.

Laura Jane Lantz - Blakemore had a thyroid ailment for many years. Her death from a heart attack in 1930 was said to have been brought on by the thyroid condition. Her husband died six years later in 1936.

- 17.1 Ella Reese Blakemore daughter of James R. Blakemore & Laura Jane Lantz
Born May 9, 1881 died Aug. 11, 1958
Married Edward Jones White b Aug. 29, 1869 d Sept. 14, 1949
Burial Woodbine Cemetery, Harrisonburg, Virginia.

After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. White moved to Harrisonburg, Virginia. In 1939 they returned to Bridgewater to the same house (406 N. Main St.) where Ella was born and spent her early life. After Edward's death in 1949, Ella moved to Roanoke and made her home with her son, Garold. She transferred her membership from the Bridgewater Methodist Church to the Raleigh Ct., Methodist Church in Roanoke. In 1958 while being shown through the remodeled Methodist church in Bridgewater, she fell, breaking her hip, and died a short time later.

Son of Ella Blakemore and Edward White:

- i Garold Malcolm White born Mar. 10, 1905
Principal of Radford, Virginia High School. Active in
YMCA organization. Church organist.

- 17.2 Lottie Sedalia Blakemore daughter of James R. Blakemore & Laura Jane Lantz.
Born Oct. 6, 1883 Died _____
Married March 5, 1908 to Rev. Samuel Coiner Stickley, Methodist Minister
b _____ d Feb. 5, 1953

Children of Rev. Samuel C. Stickley & Lottie Blakemore:

- i Louise Blakemore Stickley b June 11, 1912 d Sept. 6, 1954
Married Dec. 12, 1930 to Vernon Benjamin Baumgardner
b Oct. 6, 1901 d _____
Burial Front Royal, Virginia

Children of Vernon Baumgardner & Louise B. Stickley:

1. Janna Stickley Baumgardner b Feb. 26, 1932 Remington, Va.
Married April 17, 1954 to Mary Jane Bull b Jan. 29, 1932

Children of Janna Baumgardner & Mary Bull:

- (a) Patricia Mae Baumgardner b Sept. 25, 1955
Front Royal, Virginia.

2. Hortense Hildegard Baumgardner b July 10, 1935
Front Royal, Virginia.
Married May 6, 1961 to Kenneth Allen Ralls b Sept. 16, 1926
Front Royal, Virginia.
No Children.

3. Louise Norene Baumgardner b July 31, 1938 Front Royal, Va.
m Jack Arnold Mathews b Aug. 28, 1934 " " "

Children of Jack Mathews & Louise Baumgardner:

- (a) Larry Coiner Mathews b Aug. 31, 1959 Front Royal, Va.
(b) Dale Mathews b June 17, 1962 Pittsburg, Penn.

- 17.3 Margaret Thelma Blakemore daughter of James R. Blakemore & Laura Jane Lantz.
Born Dec. 24, 1884
Married Dec. 6, 1911 to Clyde C. Peters b Aug. 9, 1884 d July 19, 1948
Residence: 75 Booth Ave., Englewood, New Jersey.

Child of Margaret Blakemore & Clyde Peters:

- i Laura Geneva Peters b Aug. 31, 1912
Married Mar. 28, 1942 to George James Hughes b Sept. 22, 1914

Children of George Hughes & Laura Peters:

1. Patricia Jane Hughes b Aug. 2, 1943
2. James Michael Hughes b June 12, 1945

Laura Geneva Peters before her marriage was a registered nurse. Her husband, George J. Hughes, is a banker. His father was Welsh and his mother was English. The George Hughes family are members of The United Church of Christ.

- 17.4 Forrest Hunter Blakemore son of James R. Blakemore & Laura Jane Lantz.
Born Feb. 1, 1887 Died June 5, 1964
Married Sept. 8, 1914 to Janie Mary Williams

Forrest Blakemore and Janie Williams had one son:

- i Rockwell Emerson Blakemore b April 11, 1916 d April 19, 1916

Forrest was named for a minister of that name and for a Dr. Hunter. After his marriage in 1914 Forrest and Janie lived in Charlottesville and Bridgewater prior to moving to Harrisonburg in 1922. Janie was the daughter of Octavus and Annie Sutton Williams of Reedville, Virginia. She was a life member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. She suffered a stroke in April of 1953 and was an invalid from that time until her death eleven years later.

Forrest was a traveling representative for the May Hardware Co., for many years. In 1940 he entered the florist business and in 1945 opened his own store called "Blakemore Flowers" in downtown Harrisonburg. He was active in church, civic and business circles. He and Mrs. Blakemore were members of the Asbury Methodist Church in Harrisonburg. Their burial was in Woodbine Cemetery in that city.

THE SHAFF FAMILY

The Shaffs are not descendants of Christian Lantz of Bridgewater. Eliza Jane Shaff, however, was the first wife of Franklin S. Lantz and the mother of seven of his children. Also, the Shaffs are intertwined with the earliest history of Amish and so an outline of the early generations is included here.

James and Eliza Cowell Shaff came from Canada and settled in Johnson County, Iowa in 1840. They were among the earliest settlers. Ten of their thirteen children were born in Canada.

The US census for 1850 states that James Shaff was born in New York and that his wife, Eliza, was born in Canada. This is our best evidence, although Adelaide Shaff told me "I am sure my grandfather originally came from Germany and I think my grandmother came from England." Others have told me Eliza Cowells parents were French. Possibly Eliza's mother was French and her father English.

James Shaff was a giant of a man. Tradition says that his wife, Eliza, could stand under his outstretched arm. James Shaff had many virtues but good looks was not among them. Elmer Morgan is said to have remarked that James Shaff was "ugly as an ape". It is also said that James frequently went to Pleasant Hill church barefoot.

James and Eliza were a religious couple and attended church regularly after Pleasant Hill Methodist church was established in 1860.

The Shaff family homestead farm was located near the "Brush" country school south of Amish (Joetown). This farm later became the property of their son James F. Shaff and in 1873 was sold to Franklin S. Lantz.

James Shaff and Eliza Cowell - Shaff were buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Amish, Iowa. Their gravestones are just inside the entrance gate and are among the early gravestones of the cemetery.

The outline of the early Shaff family is as follows:

James Shaff b May 5, 1788 d Oct. 30, 1865
Married in 1820 to Eliza Cowell (spelling not verified) b Oct. 10, 1804
d Nov. 3, 1873

Children of James Shaff and Eliza Cowell:

- i Sherman W. Shaff b Jan. 14, 1821
- ii Horatia Nelson Shaff b Sept. 12, 1823
- iii John Spur Shaff b Oct. 13, 1825 He started West and is thought to have been killed by Indians.

- v Frances Shaff "Aunt Fan" b Dec. 31, 1829
Married Timothy "Tim" Chapman

Children of Frances Shaff & Timothy Chapman:

1. John Chapman m Mary Aggson (Aunt of Hurley J. Long)
2. Angeline Chapman m Richard (Dick) Wade.
They had no Children.
3. Eliza Chapman
m _____ Best & had daughter Grace.
m _____ Martin
4. Jacob Chapman m Lettie McCarter
 - (a) Iva Chapman
 - (b) Erma Chapman
 - (c) Francis Chapman
 - (d) Charles Chapman (killed)

- vi David Duncombe Shaff b Oct. 2, 1831

- vii Elmina Adelaide Shaff "Aunt Min" b May 15, 1834
m Adam Patterson and had 13 children only 2 of whom grew up.

1. Jacob Patterson
2. Ephriam Patterson m Augusta Hammer

Children:

- (a) Eva Patterson m Theodore Zillmer
- (b) Jennie Patterson m Charles Webster
- (c) Bruce Patterson b Jan. 17, 1877 d 1965
m Letha Bucher Nov. 22, 1906 and had son Lyle.
- (d) Irwin Patterson died age 14

- viii James Frederick Shaff b Nov. 2, 1836

He was the father of Adelaide "Addie" or "Dot" M. Shaff who attended The University of Iowa and was a court reporter in Iowa City District Court. She provided part of the data on the Shaff family. In 1943 she said she had 6 brothers and sisters, all living.

- ix Eliza Jane Shaff b Dec. 10, 1836 d Mar. 7, 1873

She was named for her mother.

Married in 1858 to Franklin S. Lantz (See FAMILY OF FRANKLIN S. LANTZ)

Children: Sylvanus, Ida, John, Frank, Clarence, & Adam.

- x Leah Catherine Shaff b May 15, 1840

Married Swithen Palmer (See PALMER FAMILY)

xi Marshall Zelman Shaff b Aug. 1, 1842 d Dec. 4, 1922
Married Mary Middleton

Child:

1. Samuel "Mac" Edwin Shaff (lived in Iowa City)

xii Alvira Ellen Shaff b Oct. 22, 1845
Married Peter Wilderson & moved to Oklahoma City.

xiii Lozana Angeline Shaff b Jan. 15, 1848

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