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Wedding Portrait of
James Stickney & Henriette Beaulieu
17 August 1897 in Negaunee, Michigan
Witnessed by
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Society meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. at the Chabot Center Community Room, Suite 107, 4637 Chabot Drive, Pleasanton. Board Meetings are the 1st Monday at noon at the CitiCorp Savings 2033 Railroad Ave., Livermore. The public is welcome at any of our meetings.

For more information call:

846-5297 443-2576, 447-6861 Cover Photo: James Stickney was born in Marquette, Michigan April 1872, son of John & Eliza-(McGinnis) Stickney, beth born in Germany & the former latter in Ontario, Canada. Henriette Beaulieu was born on 29 July 1876 in Island Pond, Vermont daughter of John (aka Xenophon) Beaulieu & Ambeline Goulet. "Hattie" 1901 Jim & pioneer residents of Virginia, Minnesota where they raised their ten children.

EDITORS COMMENTS:



A BIG THANKS! to all of you who contributed articles for this issue of the Tracer. Space limitations did not allow me to include everything submitted in this quarterly, but it will be used, as much as possible, in the next issue...because of postage costs it has been decided to limit each issue to 20 pgs

When I volunteered to edit this issue of the Tracer my motives were purely selfish. We had just purchased a new computer and I had some new programs to work the kinks out of so what better way to learn than by doing.

I recieved a nice letter from Shirley Terry with a run down on the May 13 Everton Workshop. It sounded like a success. Thanks go to Shirley, chairperson of the event, and to the following persons for their help in making it a success: George Anderson, Virginia Moore, Marge Stout, Madge McDonald, Dottie Bevard, Liz Moir, Bill Wolcott, & Nancy Harding.

Shirley phoned later to add that she has in her possession, for a few weeks, all the back issues of Fellowship of Brethern Newsletters 1976 to present. If you are interested call her and she will share her interest in the Church of the Brethern with you.

I know most of this is not really editor business but there wasn't any space left in the quarterly to make some of these comments. So while I'm at it I want to say THANK YOU to the twenty people who gave from one to two hours of their time for the fitness fair and in turn earned for our group \$300. That is a very good income for a very little time and besides its a lot of fun. I hope more of you will help us out next year.

I'll get off the podium and give space to our:

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I want to congratulate our newly elected officers - Bev Ales Liz Moir, Jon & Gail Bryan, Harriet Anderson & our long Clarence serving treasurer, Parkison; & to thank them for agreeing to serve. I hope everyone will get behind them & support them in every way. Many of you in L-AGS are too busy to give much time to club activities, but you can help by trying to attend meetings, and showing interest in our various projects; Library, Tracer, etc.; even if unable to attend or give physical help. Please make suggestions & comments. input is needed & most welcome. The Officers want & need to know your feelings. I have really appreciated the support I have received as President & hope it will continue in my new job as program chairman. Thanks to all of you that have given me so much help in the past two years.

Virginia Moore, Outgoing Pres.

VALLEY ROOTS

submitted by Willis F. Wolcott (source-an old church history)

In 1867, a man named T.H. Hooker started the Asbury Methodist Church in Livermore. Originally six members in addition to Mr. Tooker gathered in a home to worship. They were Mr. & Mrs. John Manzer (Mr. Tookers' son-in-law), Mr. B. F. Branon, Mr. & Mrs. A. A. Overacker and Scott. At that time Livermore was a small town of about four hundred people whose chief sources of livelihood were crops of grain & fruit. The also raised domestic animals for their own use.

"The countryside was in a virgin state. Even as late as 1873 there was not a fence or a bridge in the valley. The roads were mere trails. Wild animals & game were abundant."*

In 1868 Independent Hall** became the Methodists' meeting place and two years the church was on the Lafayette Circuit. Presbyterians & Methodists met together in the rented hall over a saloon, having a Methodist service one Sunday and a Presbyterian service the next. In 1874 The Presbyterians erected their own church, leaving the hall to the Methodists. (According to some sources, the Methodists used the Presbyterian Church two Sundays of the month for a while.)

In 1873 Rev. Eli A. Winning had moved into the valley and had started preaching to the Livermore Congregation. The following year he was regularly appointed to Livermore.

In 1870 Mr. William Martin Mendenhall donated a large lot for a church building and parsonage. The years that followed were difficult ones for the church and it was semi-abandoned from 1877-1882. In 1882 Livermore, San Ramon & Pleasanton were served by the same pastor.

Under the leadership of Rev. Eli A. Winning who returned to Livermore, the church chose the Asbury name Methodist Episcopal Church on August 1883. Despite opposition small group proceeded with plans to build a church. After back taxes of \$5.00 had been paid to clear the land deed, the church advertised on Sept. 4, 1883 for construction bids.



The contract was awarded to Charles W. Bradshaw for \$357.00 on September 25, 1883. The lumber from Santa Clara Valley Mill and Lumber Co. cost \$675.35.

The church was dedicated on January 13, 1884 by Rev. F. F. of Howard St., San Jewell Francisco. of The Board Trustees was composed of E. B. French, J. M. Jones, Charles Bales, Martin Mendenhall and Doctor B. C. Bellamy. The total cost of the church was about \$3100. The Church Extension Society \$500. of this sum part gift and part loan. On the day of dedication \$1386.00 had been donated.

On May 3, 1884 the question of a parsonage was first considered and on September 17, 1885 the church voted to build a parsonage. All indebtedness was cleared in 1890.

In the January 10, 1889 issue of the Livermore Echo, there appeared an announcement of meetings being held to unite the Methodists and Presbyterians into union church. This effort failed.

The church and property have been described as very pretty during 1911-12. With no water meter running, there was a lovely green lawn edged with a white picket fence. The church grew slowly and in the 1920's one-half block of land was sold in order to build some Sunday School rooms and a social hall. There was a small white house on Third Street next to the church that was also sold. original church and the added rooms served seventy-seven years.

During this period and through the 1930's and 40's many moneymaking activities were _ sponsored by the Ladies Aid, later called the Woman's Society of Christian Service. They had numerous church dinners including a regular Election Day dinner, to which all the town came. During rodeos they sold hot dogs out the window of the social hall. With they this money largely maintained and furnished the "floor church. Once their covering savings" had to be used to pay the minister's salary.

Again in the year 1937-38 a vote was taken as to whether the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches should be united. It was decided that they should remain separate churches. The average church attendance at this time was from fifteen to eighteen people.

About this time the streets of Livermore were paved and sidewalks were built. There had been a wooden sidewalk in front of a "downtown" store since 1930. The population was about 3,000 then.

During World War 11 the church grew considerably. There were nineteen in the choir. Following 1952 when the town began to grow the church grew with it.

Until 1954, the original parsonage was used. It was decided then that the house was too drafty to be used any longer as a parsonage and a new one was purchased on Harvard Way. The former parsonage was then used for additional Sunday School rooms.

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VALLEY ROOTS (con't.):

In 1956 the congregation voted to move to a new site where a larger plant could be built. A site on Neilson Lane of approximately eight acres was purchased. In the meantime, property at 4743 East Ave. which more nearly met the needs of the church was put on the market. In June 1961, the 100 x 200 foot downtown site was sold for \$40,000 and the new 10 acre site on East Ave. bought for \$35,000. (The church kept the property on Neilson Lane). In thirty days the land was cleared, the old house on the new site remodeled for temporary use, a metal building erected & supplies moved from downtown.

The chapel & educational wing with 7,000 square feet was completed at a cost of \$105,000. The unique structure has an exterior which symbolizes Noah's Ark and the Old Testament with the emphasis on Law. The interior represents the New Testament with the Church, like a ship, carrying the Cross to those in need.

- * Braue, Fred. newspaper clipping, Laddville.
- ** Also referred to as Exchange Hall, later destroyed by fire.

PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED THIS CHURCH:

T.H. Hooker (layman) Richard Kernich George Bryant Bowman Isaac Jenning Ross (Supplied) Eli A. Winning Elias Alexander Wible Elmer Miles Stuart Joseph Asbury Bruner Semi-abandoned William D. Crabb Semi-abandoned Philander Goodrich Buchanan	1867-68 1868-69 1869-70 1870-71 1871-73 1873-74 1874-75 1875-76 1875-76 1876-77 1877-78 1878-80 1880-81	Peter Ruf Henry W. Waltz, Jr. N. C. Mitchel Samuel J. Hocking Charles W. B. Ellis & B. F. Donavan Charles G. Lucas Edward N. Dabritz Alfred J. Kennedy Christopher R. Hess Rosal K. Acuff Glenn Allen Young Walter Coleman Raymond S. Werner	1918-20 1920-21 1921-22 1922-29 1929-30 1930-34 1934-37 1937-38 1938-39 1939-40 1940-41 1941-42 1942-43
John H. Bacon	1882-83	John A. B. Fry	1943-47
Eli E. Winning	1883-85	Newell P. Knudson	1947-50
Solomon Kinsey	1885-88	H. Earl Morris, Jr.	1950-53
Charles S. Haswell	1888-91	William C. Eddy	1953-55
John Lewis Trefren	1891-92	Donald R. Fellers	1955-66
John Wesley Ross	1892-93	Wayne M. Kessel	1966-to
John Stephens	1893-95		Jan1970
Joseph R. Wolfe	1895-96	Wendell Kramer	Jan1970
Monroe H. Alexander	1896-99	to	July1970
Carl M. Warner	1899-1902	John Emerson	1970-75
John L. Burcham	1902-03	Norman G. Callaway	1975-81
Luther P. Walker	1903-04	A. J. Carter, Jr.	1981-83
Harry W. Baker	1904-06	Richard K. Ernst	1983
Manfred Orlando Brink	1906-07		
Albert N. Sweet	1907-09		
Charles G. Lucas	1909-11		
Walter C. Howard	1911-14	Who says our family is w	vorthless?
Thomas Leak	1914-15		
J. H. Ainsworth	1915-16	Have you priced nuts	; lately?
Edwin Everett Malone	1916-17		
Alfred Kummer	1917-18		



Bill GREEN

I was born in Natchez, Mississippi on 28 July 1930 to Richard Josiah & Minnie Lee (Freeman) Green. After graduation from high school in June 1948 I enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps where I spent During this twenty-two years. time I married Lorraine Ann Pallone and we have five children and nine grandchildren.

Immediately after retiring from the Marine Corps I went to work for the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) retired from there in May of 1986.

Although I have wanted to do genealogical research on family for a long time inaccurate facts about my paternal grandparents kept leading me up dead end streets. Finally, last year after retirement, while my wife and I were visiting my father in Mississippi, I got lucky by coming across a document that my Grandfather carried in his coat pocket for most of his life.

The document, which attested Grandpa's character and gentlemanly qualities, was dated August 11, 1879 and had originated in New Kent County, Virginia. It was signed by seven prominent gentlemen of the County and, as it turned out the second signer, who was the Clerk of the Court, was also Grandpa's brother-in-law (having married two of his sisters). Armed with the document, we went to the Virginia State Library searched the New Kent County Census records of 1860 looking for a Green family that included Richard Josiah Green. my grandfather's children, including my 87 year old father, knew their grandfathers' name.

found him listed under John J. We Green and Martha E. R. Green (my great-grandfather & great grand mother). Grandpa was shown as five years old along with three sisters ..ages 7, 3 & 2.

After we left Virginia State Library we went to the New Kent County Court House and found a wealth of information on my Great-Grandfather, John Jefferson Among other things, we found marriage certificates for four of my five great aunts. showed that Great Aunt Sophia had married in the same church as Washington and Martha George Dandridge Custis. Another docushowed that Great-Grandpa John had been the Deputy Clerk of the Court; The Commissioner Revenue; the Superintendent of the County Poor House and had owned the land that even the County Court House stood on.

Before leaving Rich; mond, I a current procured Richmond Telephone Directory. returning home to California, I looked through the phone directory for surnames of my Great Aunts for whom I had the marriage certificates. One certificate, for the marriage of Mary Belle Green and Conway H. Pendleton on September 28, 1887 was a near match for a CONWAY E. PENDLETON listed in the current Richmond telephone directory.

I wondered if there could be connection since the name "Conway" just doesn't scream out to you when you are thinking of names for your kids. So I decided I would write to the current Conway to see if he was one of our long lost kin. To make a long story short...Conway had died but his wife forwarded my letter to his cousin, Thelma, with whom I have been corresponding, exchanging information with and have recently visited in Richmond.

Bill Green:

Now I have met her, her son and daughter-in-law and two grandchildren all because of a crazy hunch. I'll probably try this technique again...NOTHING VENTURED, NOTHING GAINED!

Areas and Names Being Researched

Mississippi - Counties of Adams, Franklin & Copiah. Surnames of Chaney, Freeman, Harrigill & Black.

Louisiana-Parish of East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana & Ouchita. Surnames of Chaney & Brown.

<u>Virginia</u>-Counties of New Kent & King William. Surnames of Green, Williams, Gregory and Sutherland.

(editor's note: Be sure to read The "Grandfather's Watch" File on page 254.)

GAYL KEAYS WILSON

I was born January 18, 1955 in Middletown, Ohio. My husband is Thomas W. Wilson. He was born July 27, 1952 in Hayward, California. I came from a family of 7 girls and Tom comes from a family of 7 boys and 3 girls - what a housefull! And I thought our family was large. Tom is the oldest. Two years ago for his birthday his mother & father gave him the family photo album. It is a beautiful old album with red velvet on the back cover & binding edge, and a scene with a girl on the front cover. It is filled with 3 x 5 pictures and none of the photos are identified. I began to work on Tom's genealogy in order to help me identify the people in the photos. Since I've always wanted to do the research for my family, I began my own a year ago.

My father, Robert W. Keays was born in El Paso, Texas to Richard Keays & Dora LaPrad Keays. Richard & Dora had six children & there were two older children from one of Richard's previous marriages. Some of these children were born in Texas, some in Mexico, and some were born on the land that went back & forth between Mexico & Texas for years.

Richard Keays was born in Tipperary, Ireland to Dr. Joshua Keays & Elizabeth McCutcheon Keays. There were six other children born to the doctor & his wife. All of them except one were brought to the United States when they emigrated here. At this time I have no idea who Joshua's parents were, but Elizabeth's parents were William McCutcheon, Sr. & Jane Gunn.

Dora LaPrad was born in Monroe Michigan. She had two brothers & four sisters. Dora & her sister Zita were business school graduates & they were among the first females to take jobs as secretaries. Dora's father, Michael LaPrad was a farmer. From every account I have heard he was well liked & respected. His wife died of deptheria at the age of 49. Her name was Mary Bordeau. Michael's father was also named Michael. He emigrated from St Ture, Quebec, Canada in 1837 to Monroe, Michigan. There he met & married Anna Fix who had emigrated from Sedan, France in 1828 at the age of 8. Mary Bordeau's parents were John Bordeau & Frances Bartlett.

My mother Betty Louis Kosater Keays was born in Dayton, Mont-gomery, Ohio. She was the only child born to Albin John Kosater & France Isabelle "Issy" Harding Kosater.

Albin John Kosater was also born in Dayton, Ohio. He had one brother named Richard.

parents were Bernard Kosater Helen Feck Kosater. born near Homberg, Germany & was there were 10 boys & 1 girl in family. His parents, John & Kosater brought the family Dayton from Germany around 1879 1890. Helen Feck was or Tiffin, born in Ohio & was one of seven children born to Jake & his wife. Jake's wife died when the children were very Jake was a canal boat captain & couldn't take care of the children by himself. He put little ones uр adoption. Helen was adopted by the Fortner family.

Frances Isabelle "Issy" Harding Kosater was one of two children born to Silas Walker Harding & Martha Fandora "Fanny" Scott Harding. Silas was one of family twelve children o f Berea probably in born Livingston, Kentucky.

Fanny was one of 11 children Leonard Jackson "Jack" born to Scott & Matilda Elizabeth "Maw" Jack was one of 9 Scott. Ash children born to John Eliszabeth Jane Spears in Scott County Virginia. had a John brother named Jesse Scott. "Maw" Scott was one of 3 childborn to George W. Ash and Ann Williams in Scott JSarah County Virginia. George was killed in the Civil War as a member of the Kentucky Volun had 4 brothers George and 3 sisters.

To date, I have made two very exciting finds. One was a picture showing my grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother. The other was news of a twenty eight room castle in Ireland that belongs to the McCutcheon family.

It has been so wonderful to discover cousins I never knew existed. They have all been very kind & helpful. It has also been very interesting to find out who my ancestors were since I know so little, even about my own grand-parents. I have had a lot of fun putting things togeter. As one of my cousins said, "It's a real kick!!"

(editors note--Gayl sent a note saying she did not add her husband's information because it really would have been too long. Not so Gayl. I hope you will put your husbands info together for the next quarterly. We genealogists love to listen to family stories. Thanks Gayl.)

WANTED

Persons willing to spend four hours once or twice a month in the History Center assisting people with local history and/or genealogy library. Call Barbara Bunshah at 449-9927.

Are We Having Fun Yet?

Sometimes genealogy can be about as exciting as watching a pond scum over. Who else but a genealogist would sit in a dark room and look through miles of microfilm for a single name that might not even be there? A fisherman may have the same masochistic tolerance for boredom, but at least he can commune with Nature in his hobby. It is no wonder that genealogists can take pleasure in small diversions. One such diversion is coming across the name of a later-to-be-famous person in the census. I once happened to notice Carl Sandburg in the Galesburg, Illinois census. Another is finding an eccentric name that was foisted on some poor child by its parents. I don't mean a name like "Andrew Jackson Jones" -- we all have an Andrew Jackson X in our family. I mean names that are tantamount to child abuse, like the two we found recently: "North East South West Davis" and "George Washington Benjamin Franklin Tyler"! Those are names that will break any spell of tedium.

George Anderson



Reviewed by George Anderson

Marriages of Some American Residents and Guide to Documents. Volume III. December, 1986.

--, Volume IV. February, 1987.

Compiled and published by Yates Publishing Company, P.O.Box 237, Ozark, MO 65721. Soft cover, 8 1/2 x 11 inches, 240 pages (Vol. III), 213 pages (Vol. IV). \$8.00 per volume.

In the Spring 1987 issue of The Roots Tracer I reviewed Volumes I and II of Marriages of Some American Residents and Guide to Documents. We have now received Volumes III and IV. The publisher says that Volume V is on the way. Volumes III and IV of this series are similar in every detail with the first two volumes, so no details will be repeated. My conclusions are the same: Marriages of Some American Residents and Guide to Documents is a set of books that all of our members should consult -- it provides a quick and easy index to masses of data.

Directory of the Ancestral Heads of New England Families, 1620-1700. By Frank R. Holmes. Originally published 1923; reprinted 1980 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore. Cloth hardcover, 6 x 9 inches, 274 pages (all roman-numerals!), self-indexed, no illustrations. Price not given. Donated to the LAGS Library by Virginia Moore.

Mr. Holmes has catalogued about 5000 surnames (not counting variations) of residents of New England in the period 1620-1700. Under each surname he lists the male residents of New England he had identified as bearing this name during that time, and gives a very brief biography of each. No source for this biographical information is given. If Mr. Holmes had stopped there, his book would have been a useful, comprehensive biographical dictionary. What he does beyond this is more controversial. For about 20 percent of the surnames he gives a derivation of the name, and proposes an English, Saxon, Welsh, Norman or Danish historical

figure as the progenitor of the New England colonists. I am skeptical. For example, what are we to make of his entry:

NOYES, NOYCE, NOISE

Noy, an abbreviation for Noah. In Cornish British, noi, a nephew, and noys, night. The English family descended from William des Noyers, a military commander under William the Conqueror, the name being finally corrupted to Noyes.

If I were to carry on with the same level of scholarship that this exhibits, I would add that des Noyers in French means "from the walnut trees," so the family must be nuts. Incidentally, that can't be right, because the present-day Robert Noyce is a brilliant inventor, father of the integrated circuit, founder of Intel, and one of the richest men in California.

This book is valuable as a directory of about 10,000 early New Englanders, but ought to be used with caution for purposes beyond that.

Genealogical Abstract of York County, Pennsylvania: Birth Registration Book, 1852-1855. 1983. Special Publication Number 23 of the South Central Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, P.O.Box 1824, York, PA 17405. Soft cover, bound with clasps, 8 1/2 x 11, 13 pages, indexed, no illustrations. No price given.

Between 1852 and 1855 Pennsylvania tried to impose statewide mandatory registration of births, marriages and deaths. The law was unpopular and so widely flouted that it was repealed in 1855. Lawabiding physicians and midwives recorded 136 births in York County during those years -- hundreds of others went unrecorded. These 136 births are tabulated and indexed in this book. A remarkable feature of the entries is that each contains the names of the siblings of the newborn. Too bad that that feature of birth records was not reinstituted in later years when all states began universal registration of births.

Ancestors and Descendants of George Watkins, 1836-1901, and his wife, Ann Jones, 1842-1922. 1987. By George Watkins Anderson Jr and Harriet M. Anderson, 635 Oak Circle, Pleasanton, CA 94566. Buckram hardcover, 8 1/2 x 11 inches, 152 + vi pages, indexed for persons and places, illustrated. \$25. Donated to the LAGS Library by the authors.

Modesty prevents me from listing all of the outstanding features of this book. On the other hand, honesty forces me to admit that the scope of the book is fairly narrow. In the index there are fewer than 1000 names. This means that if you do come into the library to search this book for names of your own kinsmen, the risk is small that you will find yourself related to the male author.

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The 1787 Census of Virginia. Amherst County.

--. Botetourt County.

1987. By Netti Schreiner-Yantis and Florene Love. Published by Genealogical Books in Print, 6818 Lois Drive, Springfield, VA 22150. Paper cover, staple bound, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches, 43 pages (Amherst), 40 pages (Botetourt), indexed, no illustrations. \$5.+\$1.25 P&H per volume.

Federal census-taking began in the United States in 1790. Not until 1850 did the censuses list all family members instead of just the head of the household. Omission of these names before 1850 has always vexed genealogists. Some slight relief to this vexation can be found in this new series of books, if your area of interest is Virginia.

"The 1787 Census of Virginia" was really a tax list, but since it enumerated by name all white males over 21 even if they were not heads of households, it is in some ways more useful to genealogists than the 1790 census. There is other bonus information: the number of white males 16-21, the number of blacks under 16 and over 16 and details of livestock and other property owned. There is even a column for the number of billiard tables! Sometimes the tax commissioner noted the kinship between two registrants on the list.

The tax law required the commissioner to visit each household rather than have the householder visit him, and to record the date of his visit. The tax lists were recorded alphabetically by the taxpayer's surname, but Schreiner-Yantis and Love have recreated and published a chronological listing, so that researchers can infer which taxpayers were neighbors of each other.

These two books are part of a series that will later be published as a single volume of 2000 pages covering all of Virginia, having a composite index and costing \$125.00.

Thank God for the many bless-He has bestowed upon us. Especially for the one which enables us to reach back into that mental filing cabinet, we the "subconscious mind" and from; it files we find withdraw pleasing to our senses.

Memories are often triggered by sounds, sights, or scents associated with special times, persons, places or events & then our files are quickly withdrawn & reviewed. Having lived for over half a century, my own files are buldging with subjects which often provide me with many moments of blissful solitude.

Recently, it was an old pocket watch in a downtown San Francisco pawn shop window that my eye, -caught then my & very quickly the mind's eye file was reopened. Grandfather's Watch File."

The watch was one of the very few material possessions that Grandfather could call his own.. very own..given to him by his darling Emma who had sacrificed & carefully saved a few here & there until she had accumulated the unbelievable amount of twenty-two dollars and fifty cents. The price of the watch included engraving on the back proved, beyond anyone's doubt. that it belonged to: William J. Freeman that it was given to S. love by his wife Emma him with in 1869.

The old Ingersol, with its silver fob, was an extension of Grandfather's personality. He

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was never without it, always eager to sho it & equally happy to provide the ABSOLUTLY CORRECT TIME whenever called upon to do His day started & ended by referring to the watch to determine the amount of time remaining to perform his many chores. It was the watch that told him when to leave for the field to do the plowing, when to return home for supper & finally, cease all when to activity within the house to insure a proper night's rest in preparation for the next day. It was also the same watch which provided the correct time of birth for recording next to the of the nine name of each children listed in the family bible. Yes, the watch was truly a part of Grandfather's past, present & future.

I can't recall the number of times my Grandfather took me upon his lap to comfort me when some seemingly unsolvable problem had me "down-in-the-mouth", as he called it. It was then, and only then, that he would trust me, a five year old boy, to hold his most prized possession, the watch. Under his close supervision, I was allowed inspect the watch in its entirety. It was, without a doubt, the most fantastic work of art that I had ever seen. It seemed almost alive...as if I were holding grandfaather's very own heart in my hand. As I closed my hand tighter against smooth, round surface I could feel the ticking of its inner most parts, which of the comprised the heart beautiful machine. ì further fascinated to find that the back of the watch opened, revealing a picture of Grandmother at some other time when she was, perhaps, my own mother's age. Although he never told me, I was sure that Grandfather, when alone, frequently opened the back of the watch & remembered times long

The watch was so many things to Grandfather...an instrument which he could prudently with divide his daily responsibilities into workable segments; a beautiful piece of jewelry that housed likeness of his beloved Emma and a written reminder of love, devotion & willingness to sacrifice for him.

In 1945 Grandfather's time ran out, but if there's truly a place where people go after their life on this earth is over, I'm sure that "Pappa" is there proudly marking time with his Old Ingersoll.

B. D. Green



AUGUST 3:

National Smile Week Begins. L-AGS Board Meeting at noon. AUGUST 10:

L-AGS meeting at 7:30 p.m. will be sharing, book sale and or Bring your things to sell or swap or buy some of ours. SEPTEMBER 7:

Labor Day.

L-AGS Board Meeting??

SEPTEMBER 14:

L-AGS meeting at 7:30 p.m.. Elizabeth Zelen will speak on Research in Southern States.

OCTOBER 3:

Yom Kippur.

OCTOBER 3 & 4:

Livermore Festival of the Arts OCTOBER 5:

L-AGS Board Meeting at noon.

OCTOBER 12:

Columbus Day Observed.

L-AGS meeting at 7:30 p.m. John Ferris (dum-da-dum-dum) Private Investigator

Searching for

missing persons

St Michael's Cemetery Part XV Continued

Row 18 W

Amaral, Alexander V. Sept 14 1915 - Jan 9 1968 Amaral, Lillian J. Nov 27 1905 - Apr 12 1944 Amaral, Rosie C. Dec 8 1880 - Jan 13 1975 Amaral. George F. Apr 23 1870 - Sept 24 1940 Amaral, Rosie I. Feb 19 1912 - July 6 1937 Amaral, Paymond J. June 20 1917 - Apr 21 1980 Amaral, Frank E. Dec 4 1908 - Nov 7 1947 Amaral, Arthur M. Dec 4 1913 - July 2 1937 Amaral, George P. Mar 7 1904 - Aug 18 1936 Amaral, Alfred A. Sept 37 1910 - Apr 26 1934 Young Plot: Archie Margaret Rose Rita Laughlin, Harry K. 1905 1965 Stoner, Patricia Y. 1927 1975 Peters, Joseph 1854 - 1940 "Father" Lawrence, George S. 1884 1973 Lawrence, Louise 1889 1967 Bettencourt, Louisa Aug 15 1873 - Dec 11 1935 "Father" Bettencourt, Joseph Jan 9 1863 - Apr 19 1942 "Mother" Souza, Angelina F. Mar 24 1872 - Sept 11 1935 Silva, Manuel 1856 - 1964 Silva, Adeline 1855 - 1942 Campiotti, Angela 1882 - 1934 "Mother" Campiotti, Carlo F. 1881 - 1977 "Father" Jugum, Antone G. 1903 - 1961 Jugum, John B. 1906 - 1969

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Minoggio Crypt Minoggio, Felino Sr. 1868 - 1939 Minoggio, Irma 1884 - 1972 Minoggio, Felino 1909 - 1980 Moy, James L. 1881 - 1951 Moy. James L. Jr. July 18 1912 - Oct 3 1938 Graham, Annie B. 1883 - 1974 McVey, Julia I. 1909 - 1975 Van Pasten, Myrtle C. 1907 - 1976 Van Patten, L.E. 1887 - 1967 Volponi, Louis 1888 - 1952 Volponi, Margaret Aug 20 1892 - Apr 5 1971 Volponi Plot: Mother Maria - sm stone no dates Schenope Plot Schenone, Robert A 1896 - 1958 Schenone, Carolyn C - ept 10 1976 . Louis 1894 1945 Ferrario, Charles E. 1892 - 1961 Flynn Owen Nov 23 1860 "Gv 18 1946 "Dad" Flynn, Kate A. Feb 22 1885 May 29 1971 "Mom" Engstrand, Wm H. Der 24 10 1 - Apr 25 1978

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Engstrand, Evelyn Frates 1906 - 1972 Engstrand, Bengt Gussar 1901 - 1982 Schmeider, Julia H. 1909 - 1945 Schmeider, Johnie N. 1904 - 1982 Gallagher, Mary E. Galtagher, James P. McCormick, W.F. McCormick, M.V Marsh, Audrey Feb 19 1 07 - Nov 23 1956 Marsh, Sally Mar 7 1911 - Dec 17 1958 Marsh, William Mar 31 189% Jan 2 1972 Brown, Joseph B. 1871 - 1940 Brown, Katrina 1864 - 1944 Brown, Magel M. 1909 - "1981" (red chalk) Brown, Margaret 1907 -Brown, Raymond J. Sr. 1905 - 1970 Bettencourt Fist: Manuel, J 1898 -Nellie V. 1906 - 1975 Linda Marie 1950 1970 Dona Marie 1946 - 1947 Skov, Frank A. Oct 9 1883 - Dec 11 1940 Skov, Ethel L. Apr 28 1892 - Feb 27 1961 Ficetti, Luigi 1871 - 1940 Picetti, Benedetta 1869 - 1963

Row 28 F

Uliana, Angelo Dec 25 1888 - Jun C 1948 Twohey, Elizabeth V. 1868 - 1951 Twohey, Thomas M. 1868 - 1957 Ferrario, Maria M. Jun 26 1886 - Aug 4 1967 Ferrario, John A. Sept 4 1881 - Mar 19 1956 Zaro, Antonio Aug 12 1890 - Jan 15 1952 Born in Italy Langlois, Joseph C. 1870 - 1952 Langlois, Delma L. 1874 - 1952 Way, Harold C. Nov 5 1895 - July 5 1952 "Pop" Way. Marion J. July 23 1897 - Oct 9 1966 "Mom" Fraser, Anginette Aug 3 1871 - Feb 16 1965 "Nana" Sitra, Mary P. Mar 15 1898 - Mar 31 1973 Sitra, Charles May 20 1932 - Feb 23 1955 Cal ASC 340 Air RFLG SQ AF Worth. Elsie B. July 10 1912 Nov 10 1955 Silva, Rose Feb 25 1880 - May 3 1974 Silva, Pete Oct 22 1888 ~ May 10 1959 Pereira, Glenn J.E. Oct 51 1351 - Jan 21 1960 CAL TEC4 289 INF REGT WWII ASM Pereira, Patricia A. 1924 1931 Michelia, Catherine 1871 - 198 Michelia, Jose B. 1877 - 199 1982 Langlois, Laura Camelia i a 1980 Langlois, Felix Stevens 1973 1963 Reyes, Pacifico dun 1 157 or 19-6, aged 68y 5m 6d Santillanes, Manuela 1 175 1965 "Mother"

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Row 14 E (continued)

Santos, Miguel 1852 - 1920 Santos, Victoria 1865 - 1929 Furtado, Josephine Augusta Nov 14 1889 - Nov 3 1951 Furtado. Jesse Dec 11 1875 - 1956 Coronado, Nieves 1877 - 1927 Bonne, Leon 1891 - 1927 Bonne, Joseph 1856 - 1932 Minoggi, Elsi no dates Rosa, Manuel Dec 3 1926 aged 78 yrs Avila, Theodora S. 1900 - 1925 Freisman, Otto C. 1871 - 1925 Frates, Antone S. Oct 8 1925 aged 75 yrs Campbell, Isabella Sweetman Feb 9 1837 - Feb 20 1926 Plante, John B. 1863 - 1926 Vieira, Tamasia Feb 24 1928 Harvey, Marguerite 1906 - 1928 Pena, B. no dates Preve, Albert J. May 17 '85 - Feb 13 '28 Dall, Alfred E. Jan 21 '31 - Mar 31 '31 R., A. cross & stones no other information

Row 16 W

Dougherty Plot - no information Hock, Martin 1864 - 1937 Hock, Mary 1867 - 1944 Hock, John J. 1894 - 1925 Hock, Gertrude K. 1890 - 1951 Vargas, Manuel P. Feb 17 1882 - Feb 25 1960 Vargas, Rosie A. Dec 6 1888 - Mar 6 1981 Mitchell Plot - no stones or information Cunningham, John H. 1899 - 1930 Cunningham, Bernard 1896 - 1936 Cunningham, Catherine V. 1866 - 1936 Cunningham, Bernard 1867 - 1949 Cunningham, James L. 1891 - 1953 In Memory of "Jack" Cunningham, PG&E Gas Construction Crews; Headstones read: "Father, Mother, James, B.R." Vargas, John E. Dec 3 1932 - Feb 18 1933 Vargas, Mary G. Mar 29 1935 - June 29 1935 Vargas, Maria Nov 3 1862 - May 24 1956 Vargas, Joao June 24 1857 - Dec 31 1928 Vargas, J.L. born July - nothing more Alviso, Trinidad 1894 - 1957

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Alviso, Donald 1926 - 1928 Alviso, Teresa E. 1929 - 1969 Alviso, Manuel M. 1886 - 1962 Alviso, Rose Mary 1940 1942 Vargas, Derinda 1829 1926 Caldeira, Minnie E. 1886 - 1976 Caldeira, Tony 1877 - 1956 Frates, Thomas L. Feb 8 1894 - Sept 21 1957 Cal Pvt USMarine Corp WWI Biscay, Louis 1910 - 1930 Biscay, Michael 1884 1955 Biscay, Veronique 1885 - 1976 Georg, Manuel Sr. 1854 - 1930 Aged 76 Marker illegible 1947 Fonsone, Carlo 1868 Sachau, Daniel R. Oct 7 1929 Cal 76 Inf. 13 Div, Cook

Row 17W Front - "Erected by the Farishoners of St. Michael's Church, Livermore. To the loving Memory of the following:"

McKinnon, Rev. Donald J. Nov 16 1874 - Aug 24 1920 Born Frince Edward Island, Canada; Pastor 1915 - 1920 Looney, Rev. Edward M. Oct 2 1874 - Dec 27 1945 Native Cork, Ireland: Ordained June 9 1900 Egan, Rev. Patrick F. Aug 13 1910 - June 14 1951 Ordained June 10 1934 in Carlow, Ireland

Row 17 W

Raboli, Charles 1860 - 1936 Raboli, Adelaide J. 1879 - 1960 Garatti, Carlo 1847 - 1932 McGlinchey, Rose R. 1904 - 1960 Fragulia, Maria 1865 - 1933 Fragulia, Andrew 1862 - 1935 Fragulia, Fred B. 1901 - 1973 Fragulia, Ernest P. Mar 17 1911 - Jan 28 1970 Cal CPL USArmy WWII Garbene, Ernestine E. 1892 - 1968 Garbene, Joseph J. 1890 - 1975 Fragulia, Andrew J. 1896 - 1980, PFC USArmy WWI Fragulia, Rose K 1892 - 1979 Fragulia, John A. 1907 - 1974 Freisman, Irene A. 1878 - 1946 'Mother' Freisman, Walter J. 1969 - 1931 "Father" Freisman, Raymond J. 1912 - 1964 Coronado, Willy J. Apr 22 1976 - Feb 20 1981 O'Brien, Kathryn died Dec 21 1934, aged 6 months Barbera, Joseph 1882 - 1932 Barbera, Maria Anna 1880 - 1949 Williams, Barbara C. 1867 1946 Williams, James L. 1859 - 1931 Ferrario, G. Plot - graves, no markers

ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS of MOST USED GENEALOGICAL TERMS of FIVE COUNTRIES

ENGLISH	FRENCH	GERMAN	SWEDEN	DENMARK	SPAIN
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Unmarried	Célibataire	Unverheiratet	Ogift	Ugifte	Soltaro
Illegitimate	Illegitime	Unehelich	Odkta	Uegte	Natural
Buried	Enterrëe	Begraven	Begraven	Begravet	Enterrado
Died	Morte	Gestorben	Dött	Død	Murio
Mother	Mère	Mutter	Hoder	Moder	Madre
Father	Père	Vater	Fader	Fader	Padre
Brother	Frere	Bruder	Broder	Broder	Hermano
Sister	Soeur	Schwester	Syster	Søster	Hermana
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Uncle	Oncle	Onkel	0.0	Onkel	Tio
Aunt	Tante	Tante	**	Tante	Tia
:Boy	Garçon	Knabe	Pojke	Dreng	Muchacho
Girl	Fille	Maedchen	Flicka	Pige	Muchacha
Child	Enfant	Kind	Barn	Barn	Nina, Nino
Wife	Epouse	Ehefrau	Hustru	Hustru	Mujer
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Pedigree	Pédigree	Ahnentafel	Stamtavia	Slaegter-Re	gCenealogia
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Widower	Veuf	Witwer	Ankeman	Enkemand	Viudo

**Uncle and Aunt in Swedish, depends whether a mother's brother (Morbror) or Father's brother (Farbror): Mother's sister (morster) or Father's sister (Farster) -- the same with grand-parents, (Mormor, Morfar, Farmor, Farfar, etc.) There are many variations in the records depending on usage of the word. See 'A Guide for Genealogical Research' by Bennett, Arch. F., for these and other countries.

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