

# SOULE NEWSLETTER

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## THE SOULE KINDRED REUNION IN INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANA June 28th, June 29th and June 30th, 1974. Total attendance was 63.

These 63 people were in attendance during parts of three days. Friday night at the Atkinson Hotel we all met in the dining room for a "Coffee Hour" given by the Crismore's. Saturday morning a special tour of the City, with a stop for some of the highlight sites. Saturday evening the Banquet was attended by 48 Soules and Soule related people. Sunday Morning we went to Terre Haute in time to attend Church Services with the Terre Haute Soules...Then we took a tour of Terre Haute, two cemeteries where the early pioneer Soules were buried and which cemetery was a part of the early Soule people.

We went to the "Goody Shop" for a luncheon at noon. Then we went to James Sankey's home in the country and were given a tour of his little zoo. It had many nice birds, and several different types of animals.

We then were treated to a cake and punch reception in the yard. It was a beautiful day and a good time was had by all. We extend our thanks to our Terre Haute Kindred for a splendid day. We had three full days fully packed with fun and friendship. Now we look forward for a reunion in the East next year.

## SOULE KINDRED OFFICERS

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## Editor's Corner

**We did it again!**

**Moved that is:**

**To: 3139 West 51st Street  
 Indianapolis, Indiana 46208**

**Telephone: 293 6561**

**Frank and Mary Crismore**

**Come see us, write or call!**



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Be it ever so humble there is no place like home!!  
 We are moved into our new home. Moved but not settled yet. We must seed a lawn and pretty up a bit outside and get some pots of flowers, trees, shrubs, etc.

The inside is nearly done but my DEN. I have a new big desk and two bookcases (full) so I have no excuse after this issue to not get it out on time. I hope!!

I do Mayflower work as I am the Historian for Indiana Mayflower; I do Genealogy Research for the D.A.R. too, and last but not least SOULE NEWSLETTER.

Thanks to everyone for sending news items, letters, cards and Family Histories. I do enjoy them. Right now with moving and reunion all within a week and a half of hard work, I am behind. There are many letters to answer, many queries sent in and some answers. Will do some now and write letters to those I can maybe help.

I had a letter from Mrs. Francis R. Soule, Jr. and she asks: "Is anyone keeping a record as to who has the Ridlon Volumes?" She has a set.

How nice it would be to know who has these volumes and if they would look up items for others. We have a set in the Indiana State Library but seldom get there to use them. Are there any volumes for sale, if so, how much? I would like a set.

I have a fairly small library of my family histories, State and County Histories of my people's living areas. I do have Mayflower books, a Devol book, a Stith family and a "Solles-Eiland" family. These I use when I can assist anyone.

I have made a book of the SOUL, SOULES, etc. family lineages from the Mayflower Indexes. I have included SOULE or SOULE related families in this book and will share data with others. Please everyone send me your lineage that I may list them also.

Editor's Corner - cont. -- Herewith is a note sent to officers of Newsletter by Col. John Soule.

I am trying to get set up to where I can answer some Queries better and faster by doing them as they come to me and not wait for the next Newsletter.

PS Alternatively, why not let all of these queries go to Mary Crismore for the Q&A Section of N/L bearing a regular notation of the fees to be billed by the Historian if eventually answered by him.

In this issue you will find many pages done for this issue by Col. John Soule. He is our anchor when we are at sea, floundering about for help. He does have a set fee for work he does for our Kindred but it just goes to meet expenses which is great counting postage, printing and typing, and trips to look up items not available in home libraries.

Please let me know what books are available in our different home to use in checking lineages for others. I will make a list of books and owners addresses and have them available to others if you care to assist Col. John and I.

Since we haven't had a real "President's Corner" letter, I will try and fill you in on Ken Tiffin and his work. First let me say their granddaughter Tracy sent us word that her Grandparents Ken and Celia are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary next month. I hope this letter gets to you in time to send them a card.

Ken Tiffin writes: "We are home, after leaving Indianapolis then to Southern Pines, N.C., then to Washington D.C. to witness a full Military Funeral with all the extras, then to Southern Pines again, to settle up the estate and put the home on the market. (This was a very dear friend of his that died.) Next order of business at home was mow the lawn which barely escaped being a hayfield. I appreciate all you did for SOULE KINDRED. The organization would fall apart without the Newsletter, and each one is better than the last. Any ideas you or others have for next meeting send them in as it is not to late or too early to think of another meeting in the East for the reunion."

There was no new Secretary voted on at this reunion and therefore no Secretary's report as yet. Our good old stand-by, Shirley Soule Smith, took the minutes of the meeting and they have not come to me yet to be printed. This gives us something to look forward to for next issue.

The matter of the STAMP as suggested by Mr. Grant W. Soule was approved and turned over to someone to get prices, sizes, etc. Mr. Soule we say thanks for your idea.

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Notes from others:-

Mrs. Francis G. Soule, Jr. - Sorry can't make the reunion. Have set of Ridlon's books could help others.

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Mrs. Elizabeth King - Sending a picture of four charming girls riding horses in in the shallows of Lake Chautauqua off SOULE ROAD east of Clearwater.

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Miss Theodate H. Soule - Sending material about SOULE-SEABURY house. She talked with Mr. Cosimini and he was seeking Soule History of this particular Soule Home family. If Mr. Cosimini sees this issue (and he should be sent one) he may get some useful data. (I wish I were near to help dig into this history. Editor M.C.)

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Mrs. Iva W. Shippee - Sending Soule-Seabury home data. Iva is in Nursing Home and writes a nice letter.

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Miss Shirley Soule Smith - What a wonderful time I had and a fine time for all.

## SOULE REUNION PICTURES --

These pictures were taken by Alg Johnson of Evenston, Illinois.

The tall stone is a monument in honor of one the Pioneer Soules. This William Soules was a drummer boy in the Revolutionary War. The flag is in honor of his service during the War.

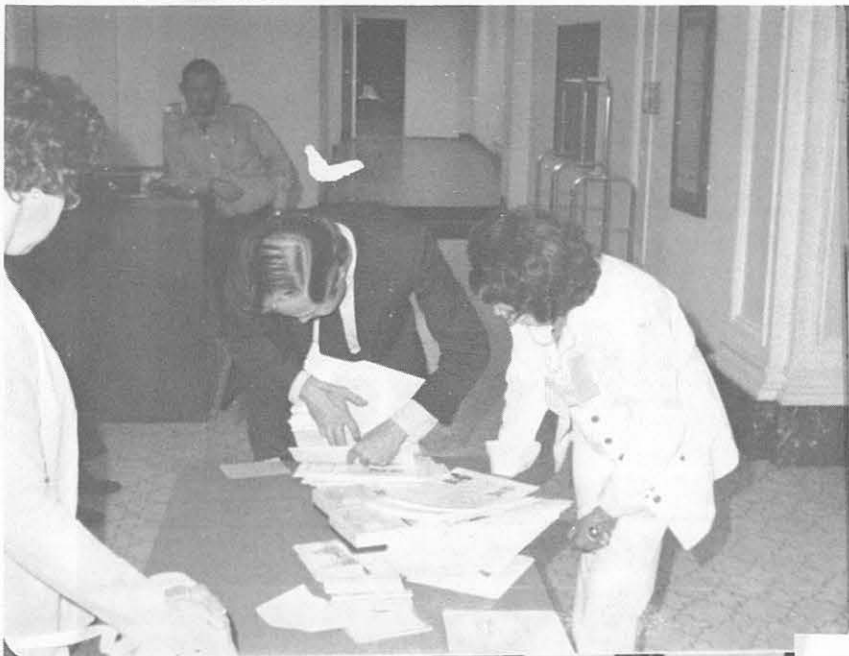
The picture was taken in the old Cemetery.

The other three pictures are taken in the newer cemetery. Origen Brigham Soules and his wife Frances Ann Watkins-Draper Soules were the grandparents of Gertrude Soules and Esther Soules Whitlock, both of Terre Haute, Ind. They were the great grandparents of Elizabeth (Betty) Whitecotten of Florida.

Betty and John Whitecotten with the assistance of Gertrude and Esther were the hosts and hostesses of the Sunday in Terre Haute, Ind.



George Soule, Betty-Jean Maner  
Dr. Glenn Whitecotten and John  
Whitecotten



## Upper left:

Betty-Jean Haner, Treasurer  
 George Soule, Past President  
 Roberta Johnson  
 "Selling some the past issues News  
 note paper, Coat of arms, Christmas  
 cards, etc."  
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## Upper right:

Betty Whitecotten  
 Roberta Johnson  
 Mary Crismore  
 Mrs. Ben George (Jane) Soule  
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## Middle:

Nikki Johnson  
 Betty Whitecotten  
 Mrs. Ken (Nina) Whitecotten  
 Mrs. John (Mary Ann) Crismore  
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## Lower right:

Ruth Cope - Indexer  
 Mrs. Elvin (Beryl) Crismore

Kenneth Tiffin - President

Soule Kindred Reunion  
 1974





The upper left picture:

Mary Crismore, Newsletter Editor

Roberta Johnson, wife of photographer.

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Upper right:

The beautifully decorated cake done in - red, white and blue, which was served at close of reunion at Uncle Jim Sankey's.

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Roberta Johnson and two of Uncle Jim's beautiful dogs. They are a part of the Zoo. There were yellow pheasants, Other colors of them too. Llamas, ostriches, peacocks, Chickens form Japan, deer, and many other animals and birds.

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Lower left:

Uncle Jim Sankey in front. He was a perfect host at his home gathering. (A little secret - his application for Mayflower membership has arrived, as well as one from Charles Origen Sankey, Jr.)

Several others in picture were Shirley Soule Smith, Dr. Glenn Whitecotten,

Catherine Soule Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Ben George Soule, George Soule, Gertrude Soules, Esther Soules Whitlock, and many others, taken in the older cemetery in Terre Haute.

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 1974 21  
22 THE TRIBUNE, TERRE HAUTE, IND

# 'Soule Kindred' Reunion Attracts Many Relatives

The three-day Indiana reunion of a U.S. family, whose initial ancestor came to America 354 years ago and whose Terre Haute and Vigo County contingents date back more than 100 years, culminated in Terre Haute June 30.

Listed as the "1974 Soule Kindred In America Reunion in Indiana," the annual nation-wide family get-together included 17 local persons who joined in the pioneering recap of one George Soule, a Pilgrim passenger on the Mayflower on its historic voyage. The name is presently spelled "Soules" by local family-membership.

George Soule was also a signer of the Mayflower Compact which was a set of laws drawn up to govern the first colony in America, according to the family's historical fact-finding.

Local members of the Soule family in attendance were Miss Gerturde Soules, Mrs. Esther Soules Whitlock, James R. Sankey, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clingerman, Mrs. William Soules, Mrs. Pansy Soules Persinger, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Whitecotton and children (John, Vince, Carol and Jim), Mrs. Mae Ripley, Mrs. Ruth Butt, Mrs. Marvin Bettenbrock, Charles O. Sankey, Jr.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mattingly and daughter, Katrina, of Rosedale were in the group.

When the family motored to Terre Haute from Indianapolis less than 10 days ago, they were escorted by local residents to the Union Christian Church on State Highway 46 at the Hulman St. Road, home Terre Haute church of the Soules family since 1855. They were welcomed to the morning worship service by the church pastor, the Rev. Floyd Miller.

They then drove through the area viewing farms of Soules family ancestors and the Highland Lawn Cemetery burial sites and marker legends of their births and deaths.

On to Woodlawn Cemetery, they lingered in meditation at the grave of William (Bildad) Soule, a Revolutionary War

drummer boy who was born in 1766 and died in 1832. Since the war began in 1776, young Soule as per his birth date must have been little more than 10 years of age when he played for the line of march.

In the afternoon, the group terminated its Terre Haute tour with a visit to the Margaret Avenue Mini Zoo residence of James R. Sankey.

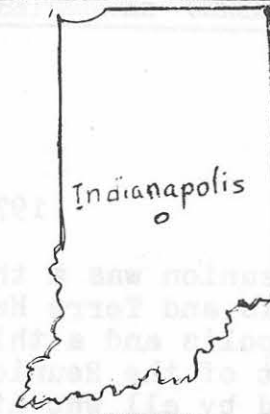
A colorful refreshments table was set on the lawn and decorated with a centerpiece of American flags amid greenery arrangements. A cake of red, white and blue colors and bedecked with flags and red roses bore the inscription "Soule Kindred in America 1620-1974."

During the previous two days of celebration in Indianapolis, the family descendants toured the city's points of interest by chartered bus, attended a banquet in the Atkinson Hotel, were entertained by a musical vocal group of the family's youth and heard other features directed by reunion president Kenneth Tiffin of Holliston, Mass.

A film on "The Last 1,000 Years of Soule" family history and information of the various generations in the progress of the nation was shown by George Soule of Philadelphia, Pa.

Plans are being made for the 1975 reunion which will be held Sept. 6-10 in Plymouth, Mass., site of the original landing of the Mayflower.

Out-of-town descendants welcomed here included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crismore of Indianapolis and granddaughter, Miss Rachael Crismore, of Charlestown, Ind.; Mrs. Ruth Cope, Hudson, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson and granddaughter, Miss Nikki Johnson, all of Decatur, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Alger Johnson, Evanston, Ill.; Miss Catharine Soule Hall, Marion, Mass.; Miss Betty Jean Haner, Schenectady, N.Y.; Miss Shirley Soule Smith, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Glenn L. Whitecotton, Savannah, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Ben George Soule, Minneapolis, Minn.; George Soule and Mr. and Mrs. John Whitecotton, Ft. Myers, Fla.



PROGRAM

SOULE KINDRED REUNION

1974

BANQUET 6:00 P.M., Saturday, June 30th

WELCOME

Mary Crismore

Review of Morning Bus Tour passing many fine buildings and sites and stopping to tour inside "Scottish Rite Cathedral", "Indianapolis Museum of Art" and "Indianapolis Motor Speedway".

Invitation to Terre Haute, Ind. for Sunday to attend Church together followed by a tour of the old Soule homes and Cemeteries. Honoring the Revolutionary War man, William Bildad Soules. Lunch together and visiting the home and zoo of James Sankey. Final meet there with cake and punch served by the - Terre Haute Soules.

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag - led by

Elvin Crismore

"Ain't God Good To Indiana" - read by

John Crismore

"Indiana" - a song by - The Indiana Youth

"Indiana Soule History" - Gertrude Soules

"Ittsy Bitsy Spider" - Jennie Crismore

"The Choral Ninth Symphony, Op 125" and "Under The Double Eagle" - Nancy Crismore

"Entertainer" - Rachel Crismore

Guitar Solo - Jim Crismore

"Beethoven Sonata Opus 46 - Gregg Cislak

"Remembering" - Rev. Charles A. Gillespie

Introductions and presentation of Life Membership Certificates to Elvin and John Crismore, sons of Frank and Mary Crismore

-SOULE MEETING- President KENNETH TIFFIN

James Whitcomb Riley's poem Prayer Perfect

## SOULE KINDRED

BETTY-JEAN HANER-TREASURER

1491 MC CLELLAN STREET

SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK 12309

## 1974 REUNION ATTENDANTS

The 1974 Reunion was a three part program. Some members attended in Indianapolis and Terre Haute while others were able to attend only in Indianapolis and a third group was in attendance only for the Sunday part of the Reunion held in Terre Haute. It was a fine Reunion and was enjoyed by all who attended.

## INDIANAPOLIS AND TERRE HAUTE ATTENDANTS

Mrs. Ruth Cope - Hudson, Illinois  
 Mr. & Mrs Frank C. Crismore - Indianapolis, Indiana  
 Miss Rachel Crismore - Charlestown, Indiana  
 Miss Catharine Soule Hall - Marion, Massachusetts  
 Miss Betty-Jean Haner - Schenectady, New York  
 Mr. & Mrs. A.L. Johnson - Decatur, Illinois  
 Mr. & Mrs. Alger Johnson - Evanston, Illinois  
 Miss Nikki Johnson - Decatur, Illinois  
 Mr. J.R. Sankey - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Miss Shirley Soule Smith - Boston, Massachusetts  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ben George Soule - Minneapolis, Minnesota  
 Mr. George S. Soule - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
 Miss Gertrude Soules - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Dr. Glenn L. Whitecotten - Savannah, Georgia  
 Mr. & Mrs John Whitecotten - Ft. Myers, Florida  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Whitecotten - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mrs. Esther Soules Whitlock - Terre Haute, Indiana

## INDIANAPOLIS ATTENDANTS

Mrs. Peter Cislak, Susan & Gregg Cislak- Indianapolis, Indiana \*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Elvin Crismore, Bill & Jim Cislak, Indianapolis, Indiana  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Crismore, Nancy & Jennie Crismore -Charlestown, Indiana  
 Rev. & Mrs. Gillespie - Indianapolis, Indiana (SPEAKER)  
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Goodwin - Worthington, Ohio  
 Mr. & Mrs. Harold Kerr - Cridersville, Ohio  
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kohrt - Clearwater, Florida  
 Mrs. La Mar - Indianapolis, Indiana  
 Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Tiffin - Holliston, Massachusetts  
 Mr. & Mrs. Roger Turner -Perrysville, Ohio

## TERRE HAUTE ATTENDANTS

Mrs. Marvin Bettenbrock, Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mrs. Ruth Butt - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur E. Clingerman - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Mattingly & Katrina Mattingly, - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mrs. Pansy Soules Persinger - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mrs. Mae Ripley - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mr. C.O. Sankey, Jr. Terre Haute, Indiana  
 Mrs. William Soules - Terre Haute, Indiana  
 John, Vince, Carol & Jim Whitecotten - Terre Haute, Indiana

\* Miss Cathy Ann Boyd (friend in Indianapolis, Ind.)

## SOULE KINDRED TREASURER'S REPORT

For the period June 21, 1973 to June 22, 1974

Balance on hand June 20, 1973	-	Checking Account	\$ 533.68
		Savings Account	1519.64

RECEIPTS

Interest on Savings Account	\$ 84.26
Dues	2120.00
Newsletter Sales	173.25
Preparation of Lineage	8.00
Gifts & Miscellaneous	171.15
Greeting Cards & Notepaper	28.75
Post Cards	15.20
Plaques	195.00
Ridlon's Index	55.25
George Soule Memorial Stone	324.50
Life Memberships	200.00
Reunion (Registrations & sales)	<u>126.75</u>

3502.11  
\$5555.43

EXPENDITURESNEWSLETTER EXPENDITURES

Printing	1694.70
Postage & Supplies	<u>446.78</u>

2141.48

MEMBERSHIP EXPENDITURES

Postage and supplies	66.25
Typing	<u>27.50</u>

93.75

FAMILY HISTORIAN EXPENDITURES

Including post., phone, photocopying, reproduction, supplies, vital stat., clerical help, transportation and miscellaneous

405.49

GREETING CARDS & NOTEPAPER (Postage)

10.96

SECRETARY'S EXPENSES (Postage & supplies)

29.62

TREASURER'S EXPENSES (Postage & supplies)

10.00

EDITOR'S EXPENSES (Supplies)

12.58

REUNION (1973)

Printing, post., miscellaneous expenses

74.14

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES

	166.25)
Postcards	144.25)
Plaques	300.40
V. Walker-Servicing Mail Box-Postage, etc.	25.00
State of Texas - Sales Tax	91.29
Jane Soule (Refund - Plaque)	25.00
T.L.Brownyard (Overpayment of Ridlon Index)	2.25
V. Walker-Grat. for 1973 for servicing box in Duxbury	<u>25.00</u>

779.44

TOTAL ALL EXPENDITURES

\$3557.46

CASH BALANCE JUNE 22, 1974\$1997.97

Savings Account # E 617 063 - Philadelphia Savings Fund Society

63.15

Savings Account # 5 614 942 - Schenectady Savings Bank

1779.75

Checking Account # 148 81547 2 - Fidelity Bank of Colonie, N.Y.

155.07

\$1997.97ALL BILLS PAID

Respectfully submitted,

*Betty-Jean Haner*  
(Miss) Betty-Jean Haner, Treasurer

## NEW MEMBERS - July 1973 - Feb. 1974

Mrs. Robert W. Ausley  
 Mrs. Harry G. Beebe  
 Mrs. William O. Berner  
 Mrs. Theodore L. Brownyard  
 Mrs. Peter Cislak  
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 Miss Mary Sue Farenthold  
 Mrs. William H. Gamwells  
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 Mrs. Lester Hanshaw  
 Mrs. Gilbert Harvey  
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 Mr. Stanley D. Soules  
 Miss Tracey R. Tiffin  
 Mrs. Ruby Wilking  
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## March 1974

Ms. Gretchen Sowle Cahill  
 Ms. Sara Clawson  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary M. Soule

Mrs. Ron McGil  
 Ms. Maryann Sowle Messing

## June 1974

Mrs. Gerard A. Doyle  
 Mrs. W. J. Grady, Jr.  
 Mr. William E. Grandy  
 Mrs. T. J. Hickey  
 Mrs. Claude W. Fisher

Mrs. Robert D. Kaminski  
 Mr. Albert F. MacDonald  
 Mr. James J. Soule  
 Mr. and Mrs. Walker D. Lyman

## SUSTAINING MEMBERS - March 1974

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 Mrs. A. M. Johnston  
 Mrs. Leroy C. Mason  
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 Mr. Dorance A. Soule  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary M. Soule

Mrs. Josephine Soule  
 Mr. Lewis Soule  
 Mr. Philip K. Soule  
 Mr. Robert W. Soule  
 Mr. and Mrs. Warren E. Soule  
 Mrs. Joseph C. Stout  
 Mrs. Chester H. Weaseman  
 Mr. Charles M. Lyman

## Editor's Note:-

How many new SOULE Kindred can we get to become members of this organization?  
 There are many "Back Issues" of this Newsletter to be sold. Are you in need of any?  
 Do you have your lineage worked out and up to date?  
 Did you order any the "Note Paper; Soule Christmas Cards; Memorial Post Cards;  
 Soule House Post Cards; Compact Post Cards or the Coat of Arms Plaque"?  
 Watch for the SOULE STAMP that should be out soon. Then order some of them too.

Orders should be sent to our Treasurer - Betty-Jean Haner  
 1491 McClellan Street  
 Schenectady, New York 12309



# The spirits are friendly at Soule-Seabury House

The Providence Sunday Journal, April 28, 1974

By KEN PARKER

*Here is my house in readiness for  
you:*

*.... as any eye can see;*

*But I warn you that there lingers  
here*

*Some ineradicable part of me.*

*My heart was keen to every grace  
of it,*

*Pride of seasoned strength in room  
and rafter—*

*My house to guard against un-  
loveliness,*

*To make it a citadel of laughter.*

*May your own be bright as mine.*

*So if you hear a small thin sound  
at dusk,*

*A rustle as of someone on the  
stair,*

*Please do not stir. It will be likely  
I,*

*Hoping to find a mislaid dream  
somewhere.*

WITH SUCH AFFECTION and pride the last occupant of the Soule-Seabury House at Tiverton Four Corners, Miss Lilian Potter, wrote of it before she died in 1946.

The present owners of the house, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cosimini of Portsmouth, swear there is indeed an occasional creaking on the handsome stairway, but always in the early evening.

The Cosiminis will open the house Saturday as a museum, complete with its generations of family furnishings. They bought it in 1967 from Mrs. Horace P. Beck of Tiverton, who died about two years ago.

In her later years, Miss Potter was assisted financially by Mrs. Beck, and willed the house to her. Mrs. Beck, however, never lived in

the house, and it has been vacant since 1946.

Mrs. Beck had been a customer at Cosimini's pharmacy (called Nadeau's Pharmacy) and a friend for nearly 19 years. One day in 1959 she showed him and his wife Margaret through the house. Later she asked if they would like to buy it, saying she would like someone to have it who would care for it, and knowing of their love for antiques.

Last year, Cosimini and his wife began a research into wallpaper, paint and draperies with an eye to restoring the interior as authentically as possible. They used 35 books in their study. In the actual redecorating, the Cosiminis were aided by about half a dozen close friends.

All new utilities and a comprehensive security system were installed by commercial contractors. Cosimini had to replace only three beams. The foundation is sound and the roof tight. The walls, although of wood, are about a foot thick.

Research on the history of the house was done (and is continuing) by James E. Garman, head of the history department at Portsmouth Abbey, and Mrs. Edna Snell, president of the Tiverton Historical Society, helped with the family history.

The house is one of four major elements in a National Register District nomination for the Tiverton Four Corners area sent by the Rhode Island Historical Preservation Commission to the National Register of Historic Sites in Washington. According to Mrs. Elizabeth Warren of the Rhode Island commission, there are 14 buildings involved in the district nomination.

Cosimini and Garman have found all the deeds and related papers concerning the several transfers of title, a collection of some 250 documents.

Garman also has what amounts to a lifetime career going through the hundreds of old books stored from basement to garret.

The house was built by Abner Soule in the late 1700s. He gave it to a son, Cornelius, in 1809. Cornelius rebuilt it the same year. Cornelius was a famous sea captain, but apparently had financial setbacks for only seven years later, he deeded the house to a cousin, Cornelius Seabury, who ran a general store at Tiverton Four Corners, for debts of about \$4,600.

Seabury left Tiverton for awhile on a sealing trip and a try at farming in New York, but returned and acquired quite a bit of Tiverton real estate. He left the house to a son, Joseph, another sea captain. Joseph retired, unmarried, and his widowed sister, Nancy Reid, came to share the home.

Upon his death, Nancy had her niece, Caroline Potter, live with her. Caroline's husband had had respiratory trouble and left his family here, going to California to live. Caroline inherited the house and in turn passed in it on to her children, Lilian and Joseph. Joseph died in 1937.

Lilian attended Rhode Island School of Design and studied art under Sidney Burleigh. Several of her paintings hang in the house. She trained for a nursing career at Union Hospital, Fall River, and was interested in the theater, geology and poetry. Her poem about her house was among the papers found there.

**NOTE:** This article was sent in by: Tom and Doris Soule; George Standish Soule; Mrs. Iva W. Shoppee and Miss Theodate H. Soule, and Merton C. Soule.

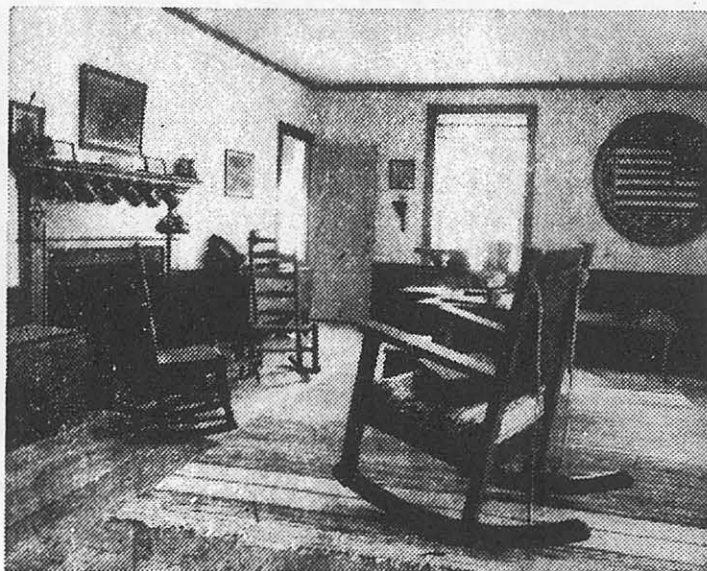
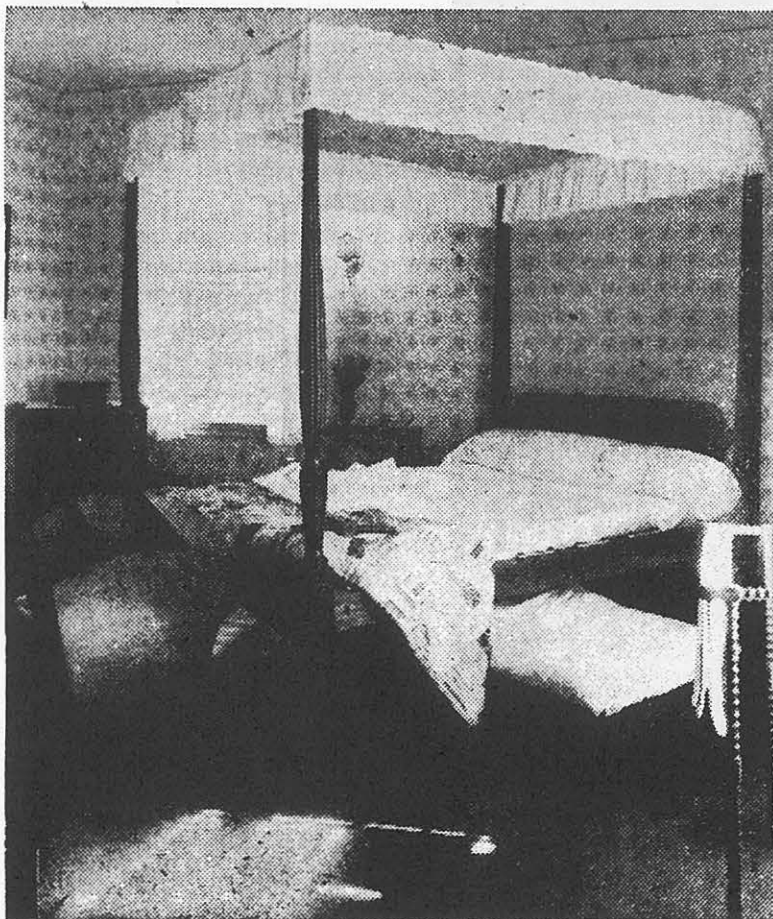
## SOULE-SEABURY House - cont. (2)



### *Gateway to the past*

AS YOU enter the Soule-Seabury House through the front gate, right, you enter the past. The captain's room, below, had a rocker with cords a servant could pull to rock the sitter. At left is a bedroom with rope bed. Above is the basement kitchen.

PICTURES BY LAWRENCE S. MILLARD



saved a house from time



TIVERTON FOUR CORNERS is little changed from the day the Soule-Seabury House was raised. Silvery weathered shingles of nearby cottages of another age are visible over stone walls that seem to have been here forever, and the sod itself is very old. This remains a peaceful country place, as unhurried as it was when Abner Soule returned from Washington's army.

Succeeding generations have so respected this house that nothing was changed. Until last year, the original fireplaces were the only source of heat, and an iron pitcher pump by the soapstone sink the only concession to modernization. The pewter stands on mantels where it was first placed, and Jacobean wineglasses are in the cupboards.

Nothing was altered, nothing discarded. One generation followed another in this house, replacing only what was broken.

Stepping through the entrance is entering another age. The hand-blown hall lamp hangs on its original hook, candle ready. A Jacobean chair was old when this hall was new, a lovely Sheraton sideboard arrived a little later, and the huge oval mirror was hung in the heyday of the whalers.

A Chippendale slant top desk in the parlor may have been brought by sloop and wagon from the Newport cabinet shops, and the crystal and silver inkstand with its satinwood pinwheel cover is still in place. The tiny Boston rocker was given to some child a century afterward, and Victoria reigned when the small reed organ first sounded.

The black walnut table in the dining room is done in the best mission style, of William Morris, served by six fancy maple chairs that proclaim Lambert Hitchcock. Long ago, one occupant fitted a Franklin facing to the fireplace for more warmth, but the superb Queen Anne dropleaf table was very old when first placed in this room.

Early chinaware and glass from Sandwich are on the cupboard shelves, quite compatible with blue willowware from Staffordshire, and a lustre tea service is tucked in a

# The respect of generations saved a house from time

SOULE-SEABURY House - cont. (4)  
tiny wall cupboard high above. Sunlight streams into these cheerful rooms through tiny panes as old as the house itself.

Cooking was confined to a working basement kitchen, but there is a serving kitchen beside the dining room, with Windsor chairs of the 1700s, fiddlebacks from later days, and a dark oak dropleaf table.

Upstairs, the great central front chamber was the sunny retreat of the last Captain Soule. His sextant is there in its case, and the jawbone of a whale attests to his prowess. Exotic shells, brought from the far corners of the world, are on shelves facing wonderfully compact wicker chairs that once graced the deck of a steam yacht.

The captain's reeded Sheraton bedstead with its crisp Acanthus carved detail remains in the adjoining bedroom, its rope spring intact. The nearby pine washstand still holds a small Staffordshire pitcher and bowl. The Atkins & Downs clock on the mantel shows the hour, looking down on a tiny Franklin stove some later family member brought from Boston.

An "Oriental room" is filled with

strange things brought back to Tiverton in clipper ships, and tucked inside the frame that protects a picture embroidered in silk is the receipt for a telegram sent from Japan in 1886.

Returning along the upstairs hall, one that the tiger maple stairway comes almost as a surprise. These curly maple planks were always rarities, and the first builder went to great pains to find enough pieces of matching grain to achieve such a stairway.

This is a remarkable and unique house, maintained with care by every generation that has occupied it, and each has preserved all that was in it to pass on. After the death of the last owner, it came into the hands of Richard F. Cosimini, who respects it as fully.

For one who knows and loves antiques and fine early structures, this house can be a great adventure. That it could remain intact, with all of its furnishings unchanged, challenges the imagination. The Cosiminis do not plan to live here. They visit it days, and sometimes during the evenings light the candles to enjoy these rooms.

## Public opening next Saturday

AN INVITATIONAL PREVIEW of the Soule-Seabury House will be held today from 2 to 5 p.m.

The house will be opened to the public Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., beginning next Saturday, and will also be open Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 5 p.m., beginning June 18.

Visiting hours will continue thus through Oct. 1. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children age

6 to 15. Group rates are available and visits may also be made by appointment. Call 401-624-3076.

The house is at Tiverton Four Corners on West Main Road, which is Route 77. From Providence, take Route 195 east to Route 24 south to the Route 77 exit in North Tiverton. From South County, cross the bridges to Newport, take Route 24 north to the Route 77 exit. In both cases, proceed south on Route 77.

The Providence Sunday Journal, April 28, 1974

See excerpts from letter to Editor of SOULE Newsletter about the lineage of this Cornelius SOULE (1709-1822). This part of letter comes after this story.

Very fine article and a great place to see when you visit Rhode Island.

# The History of the Soule-Seabury House

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Circa 1770

## Tiverton Four Corners Tiverton, Rhode Island



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6 June 1974

My dear Mary Crismore:

George's memo of 13 May 1974 with copy of the Soule - Seabury House article from the Providence Sunday Journal of 28 April 1974 has been received and reviewed with great interest. Of course, it is obvious that this is excellent material for SOULE NEWSLETTER. We're certainly delighted to provide the requested genealogical data on this family from SOULE KINDRED's files despite the interruption to "The Project".

Information in the newspaper clip needs considerable documentation from an historical viewpoint - and that apparently exists. Admittedly, our research has been directed toward family relationships and vital statistics with only enough search of real estate and other contemporary documents to provide the needed clues to support this basic purpose.

Enclosed is copy of our Family Group No. 5343 giving this family (ABNER<sup>5</sup> SOWLE) as we have it ready for the editor of the long delayed "Mayflower Families Through Five Generations", long and more familiarly known as the Five Generation Project. All records we have indicate that this Abner Sowle (1748-1814) was a blacksmith. Undoubtedly my 20th Century economics contribute to amazement that the local blacksmith should be a man of sufficient substance to have built such a pretentious mansion.

Additional relevant "snippets" from our records:

- (a) Tiverton DB 5:537 Abner, blacksmith, conveyed 10 Oct 1797 to son Christopher, also blacksmith.
- (b) Register of Seamen's Protection in R.I. Historical Society Library dated 3 Aug 1801 records Christopher, age 27, dark complexion, born Tiverton. In this connection it should be borne in mind that it was not uncommon in those days for a seaman to be master of his own vessel and even the owner thereof at age 21 or so and with a successful voyage to the Orient behind him. Incidentally, younger brother Abner Sowle, Jr. (1783-1825) was registered concurrently. The latter (Kindred No. 53439) is the ancestor of your own Sowle family of New Albany.
- (c) Tiverton DB 7:201 Christopher of Rehoboth 5 Feb 1808 quit-claimed to brother Cornelius.
- (d) Tiverton DB 7:202 Abner & Dorcas conveyed 15 Apr 1808 for love and affection to son Cornelius.
- (e) Tiverton DB 7:204 Cornelius of Providence, mariner, executed 22 Apr 1808 leasehold agreement to Abner and Dorcas.
- (f) Newport Court of Common Pleas 15:174 May term 1809 John Cooke of Tiverton, merchant, sued and recovered from Christopher Sowle, blacksmith of Tiverton the "in custody of Sheriff".
- (g) Scituate DB 9:682 and 10:172 Cornelius of Rehoboth, MA acquired extensive property holdings in Scituate.

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- (h) Scituate DB 10:329 Cornelius Soule of Providence, gentleman, conveys with wife Dorothy.
- (i) Scituate DB 10:442 Cornelius et al conveys Mt. Hope Cotton Factory in Scituate.
- (j) Tiverton DB 9:140 Cornelius, mariner of Providence, with wife Dolly conveyed 12 Nov 1816 for \$4,600. While we made no notation of the grantee, this is apparently the sale of the Soule - Seabury House to cousin Cornelius Seabury mentioned in the clipping. It may be of significance that father Abner had died in 1814, brother Christopher had also died in 1815 and the rest of his brothers had either died or left the Tiverton area.
- (k) Scituate DB 13:94-96 Cornelius, by Administrator (he had died intestate), conveys in 1823.

The Captain Cornelius<sup>6</sup> Sowle (1769-1822) of this story (Kindred No. 53433) was descended thru Abner<sup>5</sup>, Cornelius<sup>4</sup>, Nathan<sup>3</sup> and George<sup>2</sup> from George<sup>1</sup> Soule of the Mayflower. His property holdings suggest that he was a man of financial substance. It is easy to speculate that he might well have contributed extensively to the reputed magnificent furnishings of the Tiverton museum. On the other hand, the Captain Cornelius Soule master of Schooner PENELOPE when she arrived in San Francisco 30 Nov 1850 after a 23-day voyage from Honolulu (NEWSLETTER 3:20 - Jan 1969) was almost certainly a much younger man <sup>7</sup> Cornelius<sup>7</sup> Soule<sup>3</sup> (1813-1874) with descent thru Sylvanus<sup>6</sup>, Cornelius<sup>5</sup>, Barnabas<sup>4</sup>, Moses<sup>3</sup> and John<sup>2</sup> from George<sup>1</sup> Soule of the Mayflower (Kindred No. 29331X).

We certainly hope that Mr. & Mrs. Richard Cosimini, with the continuing help of James E. Gorman of Portsmouth Abby and Mrs. Edna Snell of the Tiverton Historical Society will bring to light the entire story, if they haven't already done so, and allow SOULE KINDRED to publish all of it. From what we have outlined herein, it promises to be a most fascinating tale!

Faithfully yours,

  
JOHN SOULE  
Colonel USA Retired

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Thanks to George Standish Soule for compiling this Soule-Seabury news item and he also writes: "You may use parts of this letter from Mrs. Hazel (Sowle) Smith."

Hazel's letter quote in part:

"My mother and sister were out for a Sunday drive, and had the fantastic luck to find the Soule-Seabury House open to the public.

"Mother and Edna met Mr. & Mrs. Richard Cosimini, the present owners, who were most cordial, and also Mr. James E. Garman who is cataloging the books.

"The line of descent is as follows: George<sup>1</sup>, George<sup>2</sup>, Nathan<sup>3</sup>, Cornelius<sup>4</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>.

"We shall not be able to attend the reunion this year as we have a wedding to attend on the 29th of June."

Signed: Hazel (Sowle) Smith (Mrs. Clinton S. Smith)  
North Dartmouth, Mass.

# FAMILY GROUP No. 5343 Husband's Full Name ABNER<sup>5</sup> SOWLE

This Information Obtained From:	Husband's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
Mayflower Index Nos. 29,799 & 31,762	Birth	27	Mar	1748	Tiverton	Newport	RI	
TAG 39:213 (Oct 1963) & 40:94 (Apr 1964)	Chr'nd				do	do	RI	
GR Swan Point Cem, Providence, RI	Mar.	1	Dec	1766	do	do	RI	
GR Mineral Springs Cem, Pawtucket, RI	Death	17	Dec	1814	Pawtucket	Providence	RI	
DAR Patriot Index & DAR 10:229, 17:202 18:111 #414,605	Burial				Swan Point Cem - Providence			
Arnold RIVR 4:49,137	Places of Residence	Tiverton thru 1800 Census; Providence ca 1808						
Military Svc Record National Archives	Occupation	blacksmith					Church Affiliation	Military Rec. Am. Rev.
	Other wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	None						
	His Father	Cornelius		Sowle	Mother's Maiden Name		Sarah Dennis	

## Wife's Full Maiden Name Dorcas Seabury

Wife's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife
Birth	9	Jan	1747	Tiverton	Newport	RI	
Chr'nd							
Death	6	Feb	1824	Pawtucket	Providence	RI	
Burial				Mineral Springs Cem - Pawtucket			
Places of Residence	Tiverton thru 1800 Census Patriotic Service						
Occupation if other than Housewife						Church Affiliation	Am. Rev.
Other husbands, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	None						
Her Father	Sion Seabury		Mother's Maiden Name		Anna Butts		

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Sowle 6 Comfort Seabury Full Name of Spouse* JOHN TOMPKINS	Birth	14	(2) Oct	1767	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53431
		Mar.		1	Jan	1785			
		Death		18	Jan	1853			ae 85-3-16
		Burial							
2	SEABURY SOWLE Full Name of Spouse* Mrs. Mary Howard	Birth	15	Oct	1769*	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53432
		Mar.		Aug	1798	Providence	Providence	RI	
		Death		27	Oct	1798	Havana	CUBA	in 27th Yr (sic)
		Burial							*Twins.
3	CORNELIUS SOWLE Full Name of Spouse* Dorothy "Dolly" Travis	Birth	15	Oct	1769*	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53433
		Mar.		29	Mar	1798	Rehoboth	Bristol	MA
		Death			1822	Providence	Providence	RI	
		Burial							
4	Susanna Sowle Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	13	Dec	1771	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53434
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
5	CHRISTOPHER SOWLE (1) Elizabeth Taber (2) "Polly" Watson	Birth	6	Feb	1773	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53435
		Mar.	(1)	25	Nov	1798	do	do	RI
		Death		11	Apr	1815	In Narragansett Bay - by drowning!		
		Burial					(See NOTES - File 53435)		
6	Anna Sowle WILLIAM COOK MANCHESTER	Birth	17	Mar	1776	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53436
		Mar.							
		Death		29	Nov	1838	North Providence	Providence	RI
		Burial							
7	Sarah Sowle Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	6	Aug	1778	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53437
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8	PELEG SOWLE Full Name of Spouse* Betsey Manchester	Birth	12	Feb	1781	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53438
		Mar.		24	Apr	1808	Little Compton (?)	do	RI
		Death			1826	Westport (?)	Bristol	MA	
		Burial							

ABNER SOWLE - cont.

CHILDREN CONTINUATION SHEET for FAMILY GROUP No. 5343Husband's full name ABNER<sup>5</sup> SOWLEWife's full maiden name Dorcas Seabury

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9	ABNER SOWLE Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	28Apr1783	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 53438		
		Mar.	20Oct1803	Westport	Bristol	MA			
		Death	23Sep1825						
		Burial							
Nancy Hazard/Hazzard									
10	ISAAC SOWLE Full Name of Spouse*	Birth	1Mar1786	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 5343X		
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. Info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.									
sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
No. 11	JOHN <sup>6</sup> SOWLE Full Name of Spouse	Birth	21Oct1788	Tiverton	Newport	RI	File 5343A		
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

## ADDED COMMENTS by COMPILER:

- (1) The will of NATHAN SOULE/SOWLE on file at the Bristol County, MA Register of Probate at Taunton "of Dartmouth" is recorded in Will Book 8:418. It is dated 15th day of 9th month called November 1735 bequesths to wife Mary, - - - - bequeaths to son Cornelius "land bought of Jacob Soule and James Tripp". The will was proved 19 Oct 1736.
- CASE: Sowle, Mary of Dartmouth 1772. Will dated 7th day of 5th month called January 1772 "Widow and Releck of Nathan Sowle, Late of Dartmouth Deseased" bequaths to - - - - son Cornelius Sowle, - - - - grandson Abner son of son Cornelius; - - -. Will proved 27 Jan 1772.
- (2) The military service record of ABNER SOWLE in the National Archives records the fact the he served 1-26 Aug 1778 in Captain Isaac Cook's company in Colonel Nathan Miller's regiment, 1st Division of Tiverton militia. This is confirmed by the various Revolutionary and Colonial War records of Rhode Island and accepted by DAR; also, that Dorcas (Seabury) Sowle has been recognized and honored for her capture of a British spy at Newport during the Revolution.
- (3) The 1776 (state), the 1790 (US) and 1800 (US) Census returns all have enumerated this family at Tiverton, RI. Although their death at Pawtucket is fully documented, we haven't established the date of their removal from Tiverton to Pawtucket although this is only a matter of about 25-miles and, consequently, not a matter of great moment.

## Lineage to the Indiana (New Albany) SOWLE:-

George<sup>1</sup> Soule  
 George<sup>2</sup> Soule  
 Nathan<sup>3</sup> Soule  
 Cornelius<sup>4</sup> Sowle  
 Abner<sup>5</sup> Sowle  
 Abner<sup>6</sup> Sowle  
 John Innis<sup>7</sup> Sowle  
 Sheridan<sup>8</sup> Sowle  
 William Davis<sup>9</sup> Sowle  
 William Curtis<sup>10</sup> Sowle

# Hand-Made Tools:

## Ancient Symbols Of Another World

EDITOR'S COMMENT: We are proud to reprint this article from THE WASHINGTON POST for Sunday 21 April 1974 for two good reasons. First, in memory of one of our early active members - ERNEST HOWARD<sup>9</sup> SOULE (1883-1970) (Kindred No. 29324D82) who had the unique hobby of collecting, cherishing and preserving old-time carpenter tools (see NEWSLETTER 2:9 Jan 1968). Second, it has always been the policy of SOULE NEWSLETTER to help our readers know the way of life of their ancestors.

"Most of today's tools have the cheapness of mass production; the old hand-made tools often had design that made them examples of fine art," writes Eric Sloane in his sketchbook, "A Museum of Early American Tools." Excerpts and sketches from the book are reprinted by permission of Funk and Wagnalls, Inc., 666 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Finding an ancient tool in a stone fence or in a dark corner of some decaying barn is receiving a symbol from another world, for it gives you a particular and interesting contact with the past. Men used to build and create as much for future generations as for their own needs, so their tools have a special message for us and our time. When you hold an early implement, when you close your hand over the worn wooden handle, you know exactly how it felt to the craftsman whose hand had smoothed it to its rich patina. In that instant you are as close to that craftsman as you can be—even closer than if you live in the house that he built or sit in the chair that he made. In that moment you are near to another being in another life, and you are that much richer.

Why an ancient tool should be closer to the early craftsman than a modern tool is to a modern work-

man is not readily understood by most people. Even the ardent collector is sometimes unaware of the reason an ancient tool meant so much to its user. But reason there is. Henry Ward Beecher said it nicely when he explained that "a tool is but the extension of a man's hand." Whereas today's implements are designed with the idea of "getting a job done quickly," there was an added quality to the early implements and an added quality to early workmanship too. For, like the nails on a beast's paws, the old tools were so much an extension of a man's hand or an added appendage to his arm, that the resulting workmanship seemed to flow directly from the body of the maker and to carry something of himself into the work. True, by looking at an old house or an old piece of furniture, you can imagine the maker much more clearly than you can by beholding anything made today.

The early implement was also a piece of art, as much as the work it fashioned, for the worker designed his tools too. In Early America the ironworkers forged only the cutting blade; they gave no thought to the design of the wooden handle and the rest of the finished tool. Plane blades and even knife-blades were hand-forged and sold like axe heads, and the



"The lines of the early tools were traditional, functional, honest, beautiful in a harmonious simplicity."

## Hand Made Tools:

craftsman was left to make his own wooden "hand" to hold the "fingernail," or cutting part. A small hand needed a small handle and a big hand needed a big handle; the man who used an apprentice had notches in his big plane that enabled the apprentice to help push it along with a stick.

A man whose architectural creations followed the Greek or Roman tradition would find it natural to include Greek or Roman artistic touches in the ornamentation of his implements. Decoration on the early tool, however, sprang from the pride of the maker rather than from any custom.

The feeling that certain tools had souls of their own was not unusual; an axe might be marked "Tom" or "Jack" simply because the owner felt it was a companion worthy of a pet name. All this sounds strangely superstitious. Yet today motor trucks are often named "Sally" or "Babe"; boats almost always have names; even large machine tools, such as presses or bulldozers, are graced with pet names.

The religious man probably felt that sacred initials or Biblical quotations might have their effect upon the work done by that tool. Perhaps mindful that the carpenter Jesus once worked with such tools, some of the early woodworking implements have crosses carved upon them.

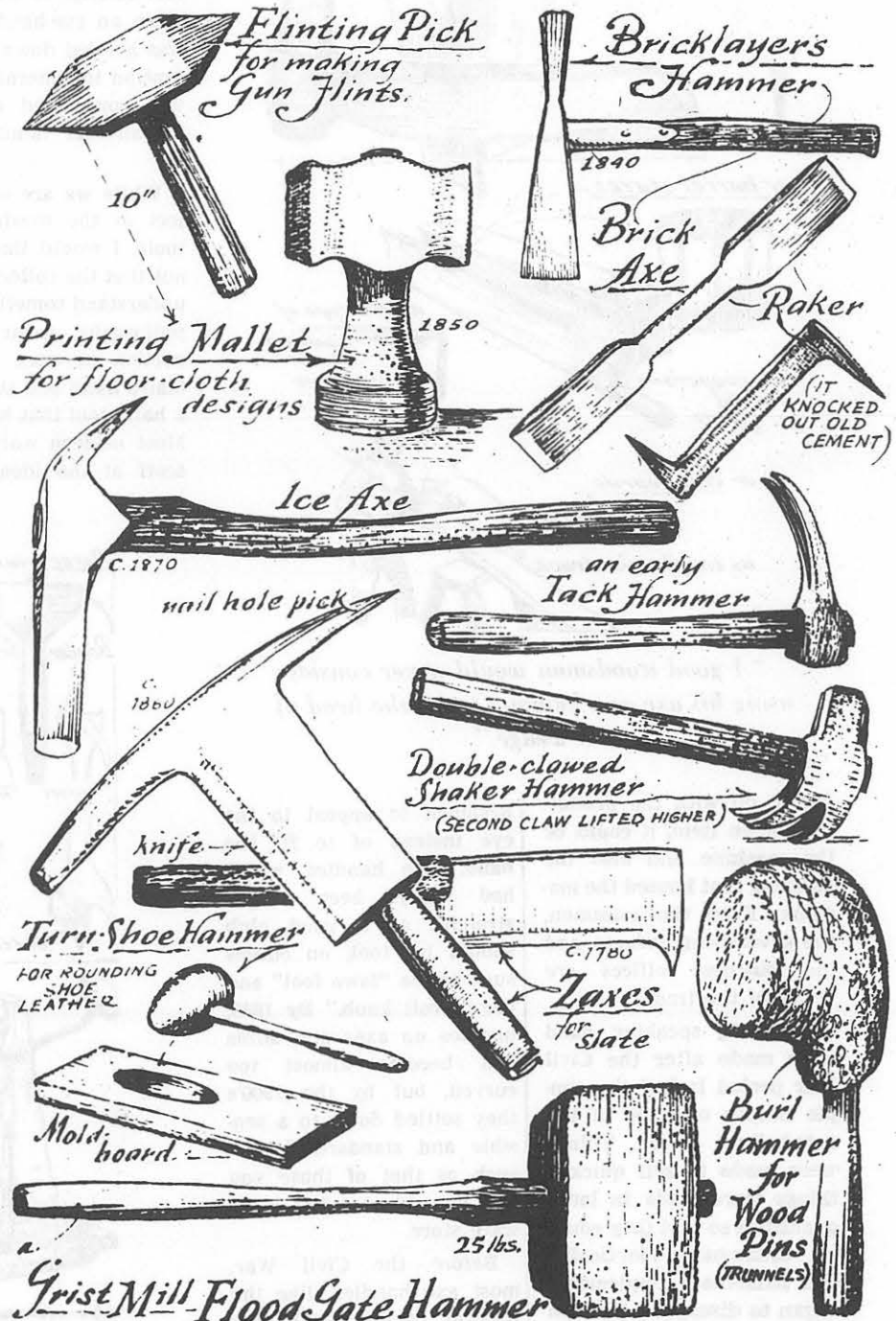
One of the finer pieces in a recent showing of modern art was a piece of steel that curved like a bird's wing. It was set into a square block of wood and its title in the catalogue was "number 1760." The artist had an even more honest sense of beauty than a sense of humor, for it you looked closely and with an informed eye, you would recognize the piece as the head of an Early American "goose wing" broad axe. In the back of the blade, the year 1760 had been marked, which, of course, explained the title.

To many it was, at first, the most beautiful piece of art there, but when they learned that it was only an old axe head, they felt as if they had been hoaxed. How, after

all, could an axe head be considered a work of art!

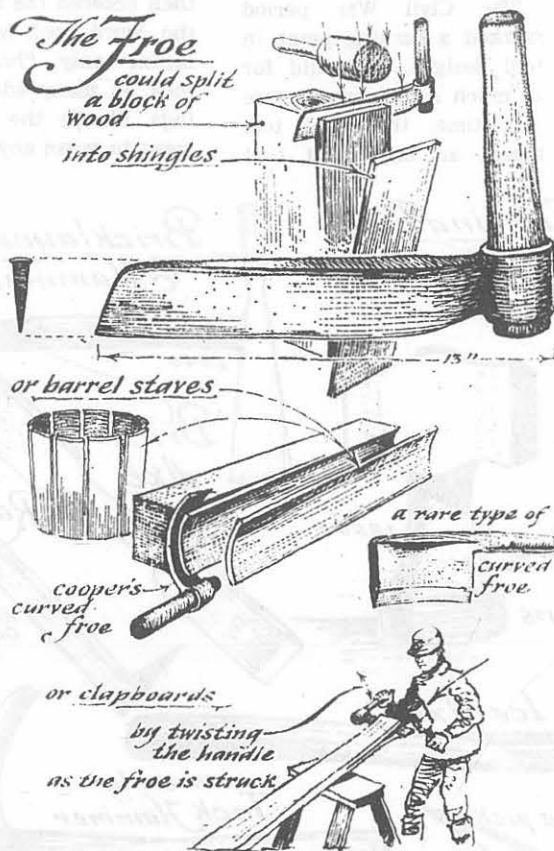
The Civil War period marked a turning point in tool designs, as it did for so much Americana. Before that time, the word tool meant an implement that

could make one thing at a time; mass-production tools then entered the scene, and the word tool, which had meant only "hand tool," took on many added meanings. Finally the word tool came to mean any item hav-



"Today we think a hammer is a hammer—the same thing that lays a roof, cracks a nut! But the early craftsman (like a good golfer) knew that how you hit and what you hit with could make a difference in the job being done."

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"A good woodsman would never consider using his axe as a hammer to hit the head of a wedge."

ing to do with the production of an item, it could be the machine and also the building that housed the machine. Even the salesmen, the advertising gadgets, and the business offices are "tools of the trade."

Generally speaking, hand tools made after the Civil War period lacked the simple beauty of those of the ante-bellum period. Things were made to sell quickly, things were made in large quantities so that they could be catalogued identically, and hand-made implements began to disappear. Wooden handles became "fancier," more curved and ornamental, but the severe beauty of folk art and primitive usage was lost. Saw handles became "trickier"; they were

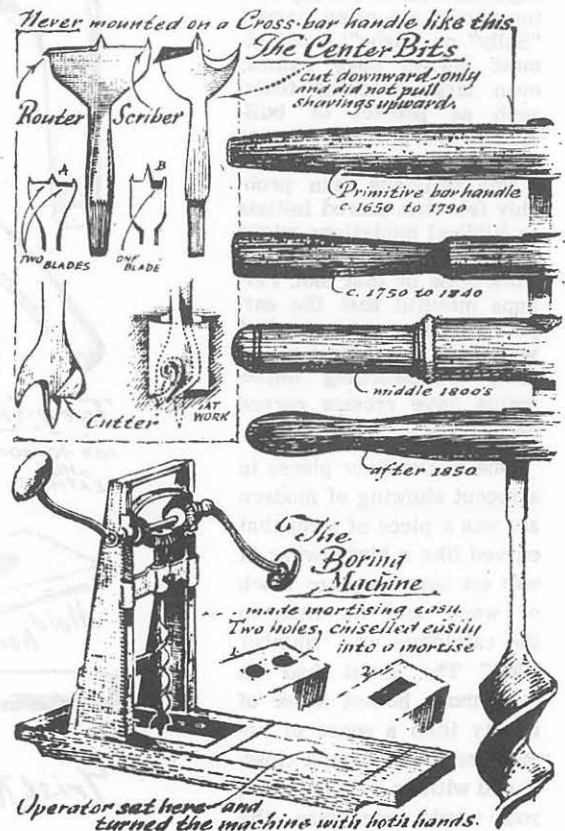
designed to appeal to the eye instead of to fit the hand. Axe handles, which had always been almost straight, as a good club should be, took on curves such as the "fawn foot" and the "scroll knob." By 1885, handles on axes and adzes had become almost too curved, but by the 1900's they settled down to a sensible and standard design, such as that of those you can buy now at the hardware store.

Before the Civil War, most axe handles (like the handles of all tools) were made by the man who would use the axe. A pattern was cut from a piece of flat wood and saved as the model from which future handles would be fashioned.

Axe patterns (which you can still find in old barns) were so subtly curved and proportioned that they were as distinctive as a man's signature; you could take one look and say, "This tool belongs to Jones" or "That tool belongs to Smith." Very often an axe-handle pattern was handed down from generation to generation, and it was considered counterfeit for another family to copy it.

While we are on the subject of the handles of old tools, I would like to point out that the collector should understand something of the philosophy about the connection between the workman's hand and that part of a hand tool that he touches. Most modern workmen will scoff at the idea, but any

fine craftsman will tell you that the right wooden handle (let us say, on a hammer) helps you along with your work. A metal or plastic handle or even an incorrect wooden handle can feel "dead" and not "spring back" against pressure, thus causing blisters and slowing your work. The proper handle's "feel" or "heft" is the unexplainable quality that a fine violin has to the musician. "The Oxford History of Technology" quotes Christian Barman's comments on an exhibition of early hand tools: "Everybody who appreciates the qualities of materials loves wood, and here was wood formed into a special kind of tactile sculpture made to be felt with the hand. I remembered that old craftsmen, when they buy a new set of modern chisels, throw away the handles and carefully fit their own. These handles, polished bright by



"Recently a 'revolutionary speed bit' was introduced for electric drills. Actually it is an adaption of an early American 'button bit.'"

## Hand Made Tools:

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a lifetime of use, became part of their owners' lives."

Always in the fine art of working with wood, the old-time craftsman's laboratory was in his head and his hands and his heart. He called it "knack"; some now believe it was a "sixth sense" or an extrasensory power. Elusive as this "knack" may be it is the most important part of those

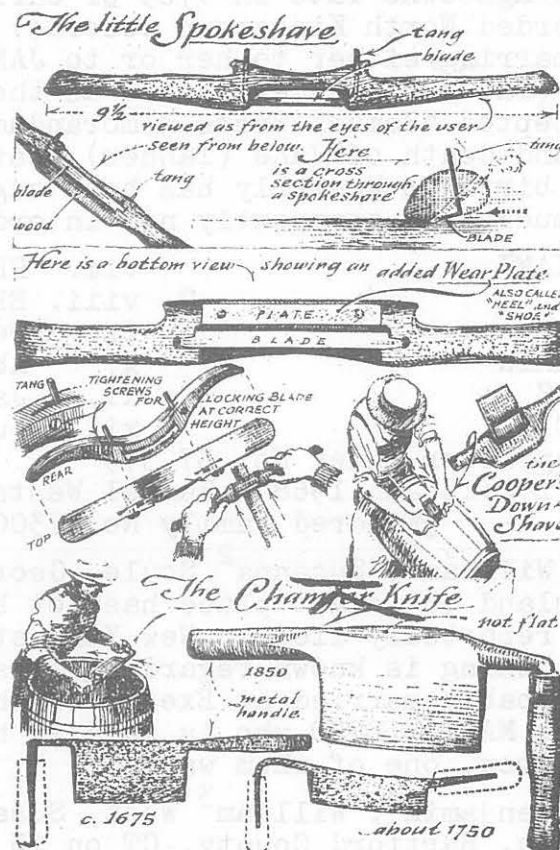
small differences that distinguish the master craftsman from the good workman.

When we consider tools, we are dealing with human benefactors of the most primary sort. Tools increase and vary human power; they economize human time, and

they convert raw substances into valuable and useful products. So when we muse on historic tools as symbols, we are always analyzing the

romance of human progress.

Although Early American tools were traditional in design to such an extent that one can usually tell the nationality of the maker, there are almost always subtle differences and decorative touches in design that equally identify the region of American countryside from which the tool came. A collector can easily tell a piece coming from Pennsylvania from one originating in Connecticut. This distinctiveness was often intentional; the Early American's urge for identification was born of pride both in himself and in his time. An extraordinary awareness of life and time permeated our early days; when something was made and the maker was satisfied, it wasn't complete until his mark and the date were added. Nowadays things are almost obsolete before they leave the drawing board. How lucky we are that so many of the old tools and the things that were made with them were dated and touched with the craftsman's art.



## A WEST Branch Of SOULE Family

[Kindred Family No. 7380 - see SOULE NEWSLETTER 2:3 Jan 1968]

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1. GEORGE SOULE of the Mayflower married Mary Becket. Their daughter was
2. Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule (George<sup>1</sup>) who married FRANCIS WEST.

References: Mayflower Index No. 32,048 (N/L 5:83 Apr 1971)

N/L 2:13 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book

N/L 1:37 Oct 1967 - Francis & Susanna West House

[Kindred Family No. 7000]

Their son was

3. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> WEST (Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born at Kings Towne, Rhode

Island[Established 28 Oct 1674, divided Feb 1722/23 into North Kingstown and South Kingstown with original records retained by the former] on 31 May 1681 (per North Kingstown records), and died presumably in Rhode Island at a date not as yet ascertained. He may have married 1st in Kingstowne late in 1709 or early 1709/10 (intention 24 Dec 1709 recorded North Kingstown records) to ABIAH SPRAGUE but no record of a marriage either to her or to JANE TANNER, daughter of Francis & -?- (Babcock) Tanner, named as the wife of William West in the fully accepted "Samuel Wests Memorandum Book". The places and dates of birth and death of Jane (Tanner) West have not been ascertained although birth at Westerly has been suggested. Their children as listed by Samuel West apparently not in order of birth, were:

- |        |                      |          |          |
|--------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| i.     | WILLIAM <sup>4</sup> | vii.     | HEZEKIAH |
| ii.    | JOHN                 | 7. viii. | EBENEZER |
| iii.   | JOSEPH               | ix.      | Deborah  |
| 4. iv. | BENJAMIN             | x.       | Abiah    |
| 5. v.  | THOMAS               | xi.      | Jane     |
| 6. vi. | FRANCIS              | xii.     | Susannah |

References: Mayflower Index No. 37,379

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[Kindred Family No. 7300]

4. BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup> WEST (William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), undoubtedly was born in Rhode Island but exact place has not been established, possibly about 1730, and reportedly died in New York state. Apparently married twice, nothing is known regarding first wife. His second wife, whom he probably married at Exeter, Washington County, RI circa 1752/3, was MARY ELDRED who is said to have died after 1769 leaving six children, one of whom was:

HEZEKIAH<sup>5</sup> WEST (Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup> West, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born at Farmington, Hartford County, CT on 13 Jan 1754, died at Burlington, Hartford County, CT on 15 Jan 1805 or 1806. He married at Farmington, date unknown, EXPERIENCE DAVIS, born Hopkinton (or possibly just over the town line in Westerly), Washington County, RI, on 30 Mar 1759, died at the village of Lakeville in the Town of Livonia, Livingston County, NY, 13 Sep 1839 ae 89. A son was:

ERASTUS<sup>6</sup> WEST (Hezekiah<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup> West, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born at Hartford, Hartford County, CT. 24 May 1794.

References: Mayflower Index Nos. 75,669 - 74,692 - 75,682

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Seventh Day Baptist Memorial 3:127, 135, 147

History of the Sabbatarians (Henry Clarke-1811) p. 39  
Farmington, CT., VRs

Hale Index of Connecticut Deaths

[Kindred Family No. 7340]

5. THOMAS<sup>4</sup> WEST (William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born presumably at Hopkinton, Washington County, RI circa 1732/3, died at Vershire, Orange County, VT., 23 Jan 1797 in his 65th year. He married at Hopkinton 28 Feb 1752 AMIE COLGROVE, daughter of Francis & - ? - (Bailey) Colgrove, whose birthplace and birth date have not be found, died at Vershire 1 Mar 1788. Their children were:

- i. JONATHAN<sup>5</sup> WEST, born at Newport, Newport County, RI, 28 Nov 1754 and was probably the one listed in the 1790

- Census of Vershire, Orange County, VT., with himself, two males under 16 and four females.
8. ii. Susanna West, born Newport, Newport County, RI, 3 Jun 1756.
  - iii. Phebe West, born Newport circa 1757/8 and died in infancy.
  - iv. MICHAEL WEST, born Hopkinton, Washington County, RI, 15 Dec 1759 and died there 24 Oct 1792, apparently unmarried.
  - v. THOMAS WEST, born Hopkinton 21 Feb 1762 and reportedly married, residing at Woodstock, VT., in Oct 1799.
  - vi. FRANCIS WEST, born Hopkinton 15 Apr 1764 and died there 16 Sep 1791 presumably unmarried.
  9. vii. SAMUEL WEST, born Hopkinton 6 Oct 1766. He was the author the Samuel Wests Memorandum Book from which extensive genealogical data has been extraced and will be presented subsequently in this article.
  - viii. EBENEZER WEST, born at Hopkinton circa 1768/9 and died in infancy.
  10. ix. JOSEPH WEST, born at Hopkinton 4 Oct 1771.
  - x. Amie West, born at Hopkinton 3 Apr 1774. Places and dates of her death and marriage are unknown. However, her husband's name was - ? - EDDY with whom she was living at Wethersfield, Windsor County, Vt., in Oct 1790.
  - xi. Abigail West, born Hopkinton 31 Jul 1776.

References: Mayflower Index No. 37,376

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[Kindred Family No. 7350]

6. FRANCIS<sup>4</sup> WEST (William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born in Rhode Island but a resident of Petersburg, Rensselaer County, NY, enumerated there in the 1800 Census as "Francis West Jun" and visited there in Aug or Sep 1802 by Samuel West, who obtained from this Uncle Francis the West family ancestry detailed in the Samuel Wests Memorandum Book.

Reference: N/L 2:15 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
[Kindred Family No. 7360]

7. EBENEZER<sup>4</sup> WEST (William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Rhode Island, likely North Kingstown, Washington County, circa 1732 or 1734 (but not recorded there), died at Minerva, Essex County, NY, in 1822.

He married at Newport. Newport County, RI, by Rev. Thurston Gardner, 23 Feb 1760, WAITE CARR, said to have been born at Newport 17 May 1742 (subsequent and less logical dates have also been cited by descendants), died at Minerva after 1822, probably the daughter of William & Elizabeth (Cory) Carr. This family was enumerated at Newport in the Rhode Island Census of 1774 and probably remained there until migration to Vershire, Orange County, VT. where Ebenezer West was named as being present at the first meeting of proprietors of Vershire 28 Aug 1783 but then removed to Minerva by about 1805. Their children, probably all born Newport but not necessarily listed in order of birth, were:

- i. WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> WEST, b. possibly as early as 1761 or 1762, married Lucy - ? -
11. ii. NATHAN WEST, b. 22 Mar 1763
- iii. JOSEPH WEST, b. circa 1766, d. Minerva 1847, m.(1) Ruth

- Munson, (2) Sally Felch.  
 12. iv. JOHN WEST, b. 1767.  
 13. v. EBENEZER WEST, b. 1768.

References: N/L 2:15 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
 [Kindred Family No. 7380]

8. Susanna<sup>5</sup> West (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Newport, Newport County, RI, 3 Jun 1756, died at - ? - 21 Aug 1840. She married first at - ? - on - ? - , - ? - TANNER, second at - ? - on 26 Jun 1785 NATHAN PORTER, born Westerly, Washington County, RI, 26 Jun 1742, died - ? - on - ? - Children by first husband, if any, have not been ascertained; neither have the children by second husband, if any, other than the following:

SANFORD<sup>6</sup> PORTER (Susanna<sup>5</sup> West, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Brimfield, then Hampshire, now Hampden County, MA 7 Mar 1790, died at Porterville, Morgan County, UT 9 Feb 1873. He married at Vershire, Orange County, VT., NANCY WARRINER, born at Vershire 29 Jul 1791, died at Porterville 21 May 1864, daughter of Reuben Warriner of Vershire. This family did not long remain in Vermont as their first child:

CHAUNCY WARRINER<sup>7</sup> PORTER, was born Holland, Erie County, NY, 20 Oct 1812.

References: Mayflower Index Nos. 75,715 - 66,251 - 66,198  
 N/L 2:13 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
 Diary of Sanford Porter  
 [Kindred Family No. 7352]

9. SAMUEL<sup>5</sup> WEST (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Hopkinton, Washington County, RI 6 Oct 1766, died at Madison, New Haven County, CT 18 Nov 1836.

He married three times: first at Preston, New London County, CT 10 Mar 1785 JERUSHA STANTON, born at Preston in 1761, died at Saybrook, Middlesex County, CT 24 Feb 1816, daughter of David Stanton of Preston; secondly at - ? - 1 Aug 1816 MARY (SMITH) LESTER, born about 1764, died at - ? - 6 Apr 1830 in 67th year, widow of Elder Eliphet Lester of Guilford, CT; thirdly, 12 Sep 1830 ANNA ARNOLD "daughter of Christian Arnold late of Haddam (CT) deceased. She was born July 3 AD 1784." His children, all by first wife, were:

14. i. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> WEST, born Preston 26 Nov 1785  
 ii. DAVID STANTON WEST, born Vershire, Orange County, VT 24 Aug 1786; "1806 Lords day July 6 I Baptised 4 persons one of them was my Son David S"; "My Son David returns home on a visit in june" [1809]; [1810] "my Son David made is a short visit in april & returned to Pennsylvania where he has commenced a settlement on the Same land which I attempted to settle on in 1794"; "1812 begins with heavy rain - - - February 2nd My Son David Stanton was married at Pennsylvania to Keziah Stanton - - - October 1st [1814] My Son David mad (sic) me a visit with his wife - - -"  
 [Items within quotation marks are excerpts from "Samuel Wests Memorandum Book" and constitute all we have learned about this family.]  
 iii. Sally [Sarah?] West, born Vershire 26 Aug 1789, married

- ? - 8 Feb 1817 EZEKIEL GLOVER.
- iv. MICHAEL WEST, born Vershire 21 Jan 1792, died at place and date not ascertained. He married at - ? - 24 Mar 1811 REBECA MALARY (sic) whose parentage, birthplace and birth date are unknown. However, Samuel West records in his Memorandum Book that he baptized her 1 Aug 1813 and that she died in childbirth 3 May 1825 with a still-born son. The often quoted Memorandum Book contains several entries this family may have resided in Pennsylvania.
  - v. LEVI WEST, born Norwich, New London County, CT 19 Apr 1796 and died there of whooping cough 10 Sep 1796.
  - 15. vi. SAMUEL BAILEY COLGROVE WEST, born Norwich, 25 Feb 1798.
  - vii. Nancy West, born Norwich, New London County, CT 14 Jan 1800 and died at - ? - 29 Nov 1827. She married at - ? - 7 Dec 1819 EDMOND DOANE, Jr. concerning whom we have no information. However, her father's MEMORANDUM BOOK states that she "left three little daughters" at her death.
  - viii. Amie Colgrove West, born at Norwich, New London County, CT 17 Mar 1802, died at New London in the same county 11 May 1804.

References: Mayflower Index No. 37,367

N/L 2:13 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
[Kindred Family No. 7357]

10. JOSEPH<sup>5</sup> WEST (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Hopkinton, Washington County, RI 4 Oct 1771, died at Norwich, Chenango County, NY 31 Mar 1808 (which appears compatible with his brother Samuel Wests Memorandum Book notation for 10 Nov 1808 "I received information that my Brother Joseph was killed last may in the county of Chenango in the state of New York by the fall of a timber at the raising of a fraim").

He married twice: first at Reading, Windsor County, VT -?- 1798 LUCY RICE, born at - ? - 4 Feb 1776 and died at Norwich, Chenango County, NY 24 Mar 1807, parentage unknown; secondly perhaps at Norwich 12 Nov 1807 PHOEBE EDWARDS, dates, places and parentage also unknown.

Children by first wife:

- i. ELIJAH HERRICK<sup>6</sup> WEST, born Norwich, New London County, CT 13 Jan 1800.
- ii. JOSEPH PORTER WEST, born Norwich, New London County, CT 21 Jul 1801, died Chenango County, NY 4 Jun 1874, buried there in Brackel Church Cemetery.

He married twice: first probably at LaFayette, Onondaga County, NY 11 Feb 1823 ROWENA VINALL, whose birth place and parentage have not been established, died LaFayette, Onondaga County, NY 14 Feb 1834 after bearing six children; secondly at Pitcher, Chenango County, NY 9 Sep 1835 ELIZABETH CORNING, born Voluntown, Windham County, CT 19 Dec 1804 and died 7 Jun 1899, after bearing six additional children. Names and dates of all twelve children are available.

- iii. THOMAS BAILEY WEST, born Norwich, New London County, CT 31 Dec 1802.
- iv. OLIVER ELLSWORTH WEST, born Middletown, Orange County, NY 2 Nov 1804.
- v. Lucy West, born Pharsalia, Chenango County, NY 1 Oct 1806,

probably died there 27 Nov 1806.

Child by second wife:

- vi. SAMUEL WEST, born Norwich, Chenango County, NY -?- Apr 1808  
place and date of death unknown.  
He married at - ? - 22 Jul 1827 ANNA SNOW.

References: N/L 2:13 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
"Grandma Newton's Book" now in possession of Kenneth H.  
Parker of 1085 Key West Drive, Clawson, MI 48017  
Gravestone Inscriptions from Old Brackel Church Ceme-  
tery, Chenango County, NY copied by Kenneth H.  
Parker.

[Kindred Family No. 7359]

11. NATHAN<sup>5</sup> WEST (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), undoubt-  
born Newport, Newport County, RI 22 Mar 1763, died Minerva, Essex  
County, NY 1 Apr 1835.

He married at Vershire, Orange County, VT 16 Jul 1787 MARTHA  
TITUS, born at - ? - 14 Feb 1770, died at Minerva, Essex  
County, NY 6 Dec 1851, daughter of Lenox Titus. Probably moving to  
Vershire soon after service in the American Revolution as a private  
in the Rhode Island Line, he undoubtedly remained there until after  
the 1800 Census.

Children, probably all born at Vershire:

16. i. Waitsey<sup>6</sup> West, b. 29 Apr 1788  
ii. LENOX TITUS WEST, b. 14 Mar 1790, d. 15 Sep 1837; m. 11 Jun  
1812, Anna Gates.  
iii. "Polly" (Mary?) West, b. 11 Jul 1792; m. 26 Aug 1810  
ELIJAH JONES.  
iv. ANSON WEST, b. 21 Mar 1795, d. 16 Sep 1881; m. 10 Mar 1816  
Hannah Gates.

References: N/L 2:13 Jan 1968 - Samuel Wests Memorandum Book  
DAR Patriot Index  
Pension File, National Archives (Extract copy available  
upon application GSA Form 6751, fee \$2.00 upon  
receipt of copy.)  
Family Bible in possession of Robert Kingsley Evans,  
433 East University Street, Owatonna, MN 55060  
History of Essex County, New York pp 632 & 633

[Kindred Family No. 7382]

12. JOHN<sup>5</sup> WEST (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), undoubt-  
edly born Newport, Newport County, RI in 1767, died Minerva, Essex  
County, NY after 1855.

He probably married at Vershire in the 1780s BETSEY MILLER, by  
whom children.

[Kindred Family No. 7384]

13. EBENEZER<sup>5</sup> WEST, Jr. (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>),  
undoubtedly born at Newport, Newport County, RI in or about 1768  
(although other family records suggest as early as 1761 or 1762),  
died probably Minerva, Essex County, NY after 1807.

He married in Rhode Island JANE - ? - , probably also born RI,  
died Minerva after Dec 1807. This family is found in Vershire in the  
1790 Census with one infant son but were in Hartford, Washington  
County, NY in the 1800 Census enumeration, obviously joining other

members at Minerva a few years later.

It appears obvious that our record of children is incomplete but we do have:

EZRA BLISS<sup>6</sup> WEST, born Vershire, Orange County, VT 25 Nov 1793, died Waupaca, Waupaca County, WI 26 Nov 1858; married at Minerva, Essex County, NY 11 Aug 1815 SOPHIA LEONARD, born Hoosac, NY 23 Jul 1796, died after 1840. We know of only one son:

AZARIAH SMITH<sup>7</sup> WEST, b. Minerva 7 Nov 1825.

References: Family Bible in possession of Roxanna West Hebard of Randolph, VT

Census Enumerations, etc. as noted above.

[Kindred Family No. 7385]

14. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> WEST (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Preston, New London County, CT 26 Nov 1785, died - ? - 28 Feb 1828.

He married, probably in Connecticut 8 Jan 1811 ABBY WEEKS. Record of children is far from complete. However, we do have a few clues:

- i. "Eldest child, a daughter" d. 4 Jan 1812 "about 3 months"

THOMAS J<sup>7</sup> (and eight others)

At death "Left disconsolate widow and nine children"

References: Mayflower Index Nos. 37,377 & 37,378

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[Kindred Family No. 73571]

15. SAMUEL BAILEY COLGROVE<sup>6</sup> WEST (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>), born Norwich, New London County, CT 25 Feb 1798; died Lenox, Susquehanna County, PA 21 Feb 1876.

He married at Madison, New Haven County, CT 3 Aug 1817 HARRIET BAILEY, born Haddam, CT Dec 1801, died Lenox, PA 21 May 1880.

Our list of children, obviously incomplete, includes:

AMIE COLGROVE<sup>7</sup> WEST, b. Guilford, New Haven County, CT 4 Jul 1819

ELVIRA JERUSA WEST, b. Madison, New Haven County, CT 29 Nov 1838

References: Mayflower Index Nos. 37,368 & 37,325

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Guilford (CT) Vital Records 2:286

[Kindred Family No. 73576]

16. WAITSEY<sup>6</sup> WEST (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Soule, George<sup>1</sup>) born at Vershire, Orange County, VT 29 Apr 1788, died at Minerva, Essex County, NY 6 Nov 1832.

She married at Minerva 8 Nov 1807 RICHARD MILLER, born Bradford, Orange County, VT 24 Mar 1780. He married secondly, as his second wife, 30 Sep 1833 widow Deborah Pierce.

Children, all born Minerva:

- i. Lovina<sup>7</sup> Miller, b. 21 Jul 1809, died young.

- ii. Martha Miller, b. 28 Aug 1811, d. Mich. 1894; m. REUBEN HILL (1806-1890)

- iii. Jane Miller, b. 20 May 1814, d. Minn. 28 Dec 1898; m. WARREN HILL (1809-1892)

- iv. THOMAS MILLER, b. 21 Sep 1816; m(1) Louise Lewis, m(2) Elizabeth Morrill

The following is a typed transcript of a photocopy of "GRANDMA NEWTON'S BOOK" sent to SOULE KINDRED by Cousin Kenneth H. Parker of 1085 Key West Drive, Clawson, MI 48017.

### West

#### Some account of the West families

1st Francis West, who came from Yorkshire, England to America soon after the first Settlement at Plymouth and soon after his arrival he married a daughter of George Soule, who came in the May Flower, and tradition saith (probably true) that his daughter was born at sea during the passage! By this woman (sic) By this woman Francis West had seven sons and two daughters. The sons were

1st Francis	
2 Thomas	Daughters
3 Peter	1 Martha
(4) William	2 Susanna
5 Richard	
6 Clement	
7 John	

The fourth son William

2nd of Francis had eight sons and four daughters

1st William	daughters
2 John	1st Deborah
3 Joseph	
4 Benjamin	2 Abiah
(5) Thomas	3 Jane
6 Francis	4 Susanna
7 Hezekiah	
8 Ebenezer	

3<sup>d</sup> The fifth son of William married Annie Colgrove daughter of Francis Colgrove, by her he had seven sons, and four daughters.

1st Johnathan	Susanna
2 Michael	Phebe
3 Thomas	Amie
4 Francis	Abigail
5 Samuel	
6 Ebenezer	
(7) Joseph	

4th Joseph, seventh son of Thomas, Joseph West and Lucy Rice, were married at Reading, Vermont A. D. 1798.

Elijah Herrick West son Joseph & Lucy West was -?- Norwich, New London Co Jan 13th 1800.

Joseph Porter West son of Joseph & Lucy West was born in Norwich New London Conn. July 21st 1801

Thomas Bailey West, son of Joseph & Lucy West was born in Norwich, New Lon - Conn. Dec 31st 1802

Oliver Ellsworth West so - Joseph & Lucy West was b - in Middletown New Yor - Nov 2 - 1804.

Lucy West daughter of Joseph & Lucy West was bo - in Pharsalia Chenang- New York. Oct 1. 1806 and died Nov 27-1806.

Lucy wife of Joseph West died March 24- 1807 aged 31 years 1 mo 20 days

married Joseph West & Phebe Edwards Nov 12 -

Joseph West died Mar 31st 1808. in Norwich New York, Chenango Co. aged 36th years.

Samuel West son of Joseph & Phebe West born April 1808. in Norwich New York.

In transmitting the foregoing, our contributor commented that this book belonged to his Grandfather & Grandmother Newton but appeared all written

- v. Mary Ann<sup>7</sup> Miller, b. 12 Mar 1820, d. 3 Mar 1832  
 vi. Amanda Miller, b. 25 Oct 1822, d. 11 May 1900; m. 17 Feb 1841  
 EDWARD TALBOT (1812-1891)  
 vii. NORMAN MILLER, b. 14 Feb 1824, d. 2 Jan 1827  
 viii. Eliza J. Miller, b. 7 Aug 1827; m(1) JOHN ASHLEY, m(2)  
 WILLIAM EVANS

References: Not cited but all information contributed by Mrs. Ruth  
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## Additional Information on WEST Families

1774 Census of RHODE ISLAND - Abstracted by Colonel John Soule

NAME	Page	PLACE	MALES		FEMALES		REMARKS
			16+	16-	16+	16-	
WEST, Benjamin	53	Providence	2	1	2	3	
do do	168	Exeter	1	0	2	1	
do Catharine	36	Newport	1	0	1	0	
do Ebenezer	36	do	1	5	1	0	
do Francis	225	Hopkinton	1	3	2	2	
do do	73	Westerly	2	2	4	2	
do Ishmael	67	Warwick	-	-	-	-	10 Indians
do James	183	Bristol	1	1	1	2	
do John	36	Newport	2	2	4	2	
do do	74	Westerly	1	2	1	2	
do do	126	Scituate	1	1	0	1	
do do	183	Bristol	3	2	2	1	
do Martha	36	Newport	1	1	1	1	Plus 1 black
do Nathan	36	do	1	2	1	1	
do Oliver	183	Bristol	1	1	1	1	
do Samuel	74	Westerly	2	4	2	4	
do do	183	Bristol	1	3	2	0	
do Thomas	225	Hopkinton	2	5	2	1	
do William	36	Newport	1	0	1	0	
do do	126	Scituate	4	3	3	4	Plus 2 blacks
do do	183	Bristol	2	2	1	2	
do Zurvia	73	Westerly	1	1	2	0	

### PERTINENT EXCERPT

### FIRST UNITED STATES CENSUS 1790

(Vermont actually 1791)

### HEADS OF FAMILIES—VERMONT.

#### ORANGE COUNTY—Continued.

NAME OF HEAD OF FAMILY.	Free white males of 16 years and upward including heads of families.	Free white males under 16 years.	Free white females including heads of families.	All other free persons.	Slaves.
VERSHIRE TOWN—con.					
Titus, Ephraim.....	1	2	1		
Titus, Lenox.....	3	3	3		
Titus, Michael.....	3	3	5		
Town, Asa.....	2	5	4		
Walker, Elijah.....	1	1	1		
Walker, Joel.....	2	3	3		
Warriner, Reuben.....	1	1	4		
West, Ebenezer.....	1	1	1		
West, Ebenezer.....	2	1	1		
West, John.....	1	1	1		
West, John.....	1	1	4		
West, Jonathan.....	1	2	4		
West, Joseph.....	1	2	1		
West, Samuel.....	1	2	2		

in her hand. There is, in the opinion of your Family Historian, every likelihood that all was written by the same person at or nearly all at the same time. In other words, it does not appear to have been written from time to time as events transpired such as to be expected in - say a Family Bible. Perhaps it was copied from earlier sources. Certainly, it is most interesting and illuminating when "tradition saith" matters which we know from careful research into history to be less than historically correct!

From the viewpoint of our FIVE GENERATION PROJECT, we would like to have a volunteer to flesh out the information presented in the foregoing article. Preferred would be one with some research experience having access to the Genealogical Library in Salt Lake City, alternatively with a nearby Branch Library and the patience to await rental microfilms.

## In the News:-

From TIME Magazine 3 June 1974:

### EDUCATION

#### Troubles at Ohio U.

Tranquillity has returned to most U.S. campuses, but Ohio University at Athens stands out as a troubled exception. In the past month alone, the campus has been rocked by a strike of student workers, two successive nights of rioting, and demands that University President Claude R. Sowle resign. Last week the progressive young president decided that he had had enough. In a terse statement of resignation, he declared that he could "no longer ask myself or my family to serve the university under such insane conditions."

The troubles first broke into the open when about 700 students with on-campus jobs went out on strike last month. Reason: they had been denied admittance to the university employees' union because it regarded them as competitors for jobs, and demanded the right to form their own union. During four days of turmoil, officials hired scab workers to take the students' places and broke up picket lines with university security police before finally agreeing to allow the students to vote on the issue. Last week they did so and lost.

Tension rose again this month when a weekend music festival climaxed in clashes between students and police. Rioting started when a gasoline fire was set in the middle of the city's main street.

Police moving in to douse the flames were pelted with bottles and bricks. Windows were smashed, and before the weekend was out, 39 persons had been arrested and 38 injured.

Then came a confrontation between Sowle and 200 black students demanding increased financial support for the Center of Afro-American Studies.\* As he left the meeting, Sowle said, he was given some "pretty healthy shoves." Shortly after, a student coalition presented the president with a list of 51 demands, including elimination of the ROTC as well as campus-wide referendums on all university issues, to be acted upon within 24 hours.

It was not the first time that Sowle, 46, had had to deal with student disturbances. In the wake of the 1970 Cambodian invasion and the deaths of four students at Kent State, he had successfully steered Ohio U. through the chaotic aftermath with a minimum of violence. But the recent events, he said last week, were "the straw that broke the camel's back."

**Cost Squeeze.** In fact, the troubles at Ohio U. go far deeper than the disturbances suggest. Like more and more schools across the U.S., the university has been caught in the squeeze between rising costs and declining enrollment.

which since 1971 has dropped from 18,722 to an expected 14,000 next fall. The decline meant a \$2.8 million cut in this year's \$42.2 million budget, requiring a drastic reduction in activities and programs. The university has also announced that five teaching positions will be eliminated next year and an additional 60, including those of 13 tenured professors, in 1975-76.

Last week Sowle conceded that his own commitment to an open administration might have caused Ohio U.'s problems to surface sooner than those at other schools; he had initiated student-faculty participation in policy decisions, public budget hearings, weekly press conferences and even hosted a radio call-in show called *Open Line*. These innovations gave widespread publicity to Ohio U.'s problems, and may have helped to agitate the student body, which Sowle says contains a high percentage of "activists."

A combination of "openness and activists can be destructive," he says, "or it can make this the best institution in the country. I still believe openness is a key virtue." Would he withdraw his resignation as the faculty senate and the board of trustees have asked? Said Sowle: "The chances are very, very remote."

\*Funding for the program has dropped from \$250,000 when it was started five years ago to \$234,000 for 1974.

Our distinguished cousin CLAUDE RAYMOND<sup>11</sup> SOWLE became the president of Ohio University 1 August 1969 after serving as dean of the College of Law and professor of law at the University of Cincinnati since 1965. He had, prior to that time, been a member of the faculty at Northwestern University School of Law. Dr. Sowle was graduated from Northwestern in 1956 with a juris doctor degree after serving as editor-in-chief of the Northwestern Law Review and was honored by election to the Order of the Coif. His ancestry can be traced in SOULE NEWSLETTER 5:59 (April 1971) with other commentary appearing 3:97-100 (July 1969) and 4:6 (January 1970)

Kindred No. 41532334

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Sent by: Mrs. Francis G. Soule, Jr.

Timothy Dr.  
Andover, Mass.

BOSTON, MASS.

SUNDAY HERALD ADVERTISER, JANUARY 6, 1974

LAWRENCE EAGLE-TRIBUNE, Lawrence, Mass.—Friday, April 26, 1974

**Things Talked About****Honor Roll**

Jo Ellen Soule, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Soule, Salem, N.H., has been named to the honor roll for the winter term at Northfield Mount Herman School. Jo Ellen, a sophomore, is one of 214 students selected for honor roll.

San Antonio EXPRESS-NEWS—Sunday, April 21, 1974

**Market Briefs**

## Joe Soules Appointed to General Food Broker's Advisory Council

Joe Soules, left, is congratulated by Luke Soules, president of Luke Soules, incorporated, San Antonio food brokerage firm, as the former receives his appointment to the Food Product 1974 Broker Advisory Council of General Foods Corporation. The council is comprised of six brokers selected throughout the country to direct and facilitate com-

munications and solidify the link between food product management and the many Birdseye food brokers in the nation. Previous efforts of the council have set very high standards regarding the important issues and the forthcoming sessions of the group will continue to set the pace for outstanding performance.

May 1, 1974

*I am very pleased to announce that*

*Joe C. Soules*

*has been named President of Luke Soules, Inc.*

*We are beginning our thirteenth year in business*

*and are extremely gratified by your*

*friendship and support*

*which has helped us to build*

*the finest food brokerage house in South Texas.*

*L. H. Soules, Jr.*

*Chairman of The Board*

**Waco, Texas**

**Waco Tribune-Herald  
Tuesday, May 7, 1974**

**Consulting Engineers  
Add Soules to Board**

**Fred Soules of W. F. Soules,**

and Associates has been elected to the board of directors of the Consulting Engineers Council of Texas.

Installation ceremonies were held during the council's 15th annual conference at Lakeway Inn near Austin last weekend.

18—Springfield (O.) DAILY NEWS

Monday, May 20, 1974

## Dr. Sowle Asked Not To Resign

ATHENS, O. — (AP) — The Ohio University Board of Trustees say they will ask university president Dr. Claude R. Sowle to reconsider his decision to resign.

The board in a statement issued Sunday night said Dr. Sowle had its full support, and asked him to reconsider.

Sowle, in a surprise announcement Sunday, told trustees Chairman William Morris that "the mindless destructive events of the past week have convinced me that I should no longer ask myself and my family to serve the university under such insane conditions."

"Universities are among the most fragile institutions in our society," Sowle said. "It is unfortunate that in such a setting, the dedicated selfless efforts of so many can be nullified by the senseless acts of so few."

The last nine days have been repeated instances of violence or disruption on the OU campus.

Two nights of rioting in Athens city streets May 11 and 12 resulted in 38 arrests, injuries to both students and police, looted shops and smashed windows.

The weekend incidents were followed by a confrontation Tuesday between Sowle and a group of black students on the OU campus. The students, who said they were protesting the lack of minority oriented entertainment and academic programs, refused to listen to him in a meeting, however, the president said.

Sowle said as he left the meeting he was "physically abused with shoving and pushing," and said it was the worst abuse he had taken since becoming president.

On Wednesday, students gave him a list of six demands. On Thursday, they followed with a list of 51 demands, which they said had to be fulfilled within 24 hours and which included lowering of university fees, resignation of some top administrators and a democratically elected board of regents.

Taylor Culbert, OU executive vice president, called the resignation "disheartening."

"It is shocking that, in an university particularly, such a strong and talented person can be driven to the point that he feels compelled to resign," Culbert said.

Springfield (O.) DAILY NEWS

Tuesday, May 21, 1974

## Dr. Sowle Says Chances Remote On Resignation

ATHENS, O. — (AP) — Ohio University President Claude R. Sowle agreed Monday to reconsider his resignation, but also told the board of trustees the chances he will change his mind are "very, very remote."

Because of the likelihood that the 46-year-old Sowle will stand firm in his decision to quit this summer, board Chairman William R. Morris announced he will appoint a presidential search committee "in a few days."

"In light of all factors concerned, I feel it necessary to consider all possible eventualities," Morris said.

Sowle cited insane conditions at the 12,000-student, state-supported school in announcing his resignation. He expressed dismay that "the dedicated selfless efforts of so many can be nullified by the senseless acts of so few."

The resignation came after nine days of student disturbances and demands from minority students and student labor groups.

It was learned Monday that Sowle had received a threat that he or members of his family would be kidnaped if he did not meet demands of dissident students.

However, school officials labeled the threat, received in a phone call to Sowle's office Friday,

as "more of a nuisance than real."

Peg Black, school public relations officer, said "the dumbness of it irritated him (Sowle) more than anything else."

University security police refused to discuss the alleged threat.

Meanwhile, The Post, student newspaper at the school said the real roots of Sowle's frustration lay in OU's floundering enrollment and tight budget.

"It is as difficult for a university to deal with disagreeable actions by students as it is for students to stomach budget cuts to their academic areas," the newspaper said Monday in an editorial.

While once students complained of wars, the paper said, "students complain now of things they lack, like black programs and a student workers union."

A school spokesman said recent events may have hastened Sowle's decision to resign, but the move had been in the making for a long time.

ZORAH SHRINE  
Terre Haute, Ind.

A. A. O. N. M. S.

To most Nobles, there is no need of telling about one of the most friendly members of our Marching Patrol. But just in case someone a bit unfamiliar might be reading this article, we have a very enjoyable member we'd like to report on. He is none other than a grand gentleman named James Sanky. Everyone calls him Jim.

Jim is 85 years YOUNG and has been a member of the Marching Patrol for twenty-five years. Jim even makes some of the younger men feel a little envious on some of those long parade marches as he never gives the first inkling of being tired. He joined Shrine in 1948 and has been in patrol unit ever since. He joined the Scottish Rite in St. Louis in 1921.

The Patrol is not the only group calling on Jim for a helping hand. He is always on hand to help cook for the Shrimp Peeler events as well as some of the cook-outs. He is also active in the Wheelchair Club.



Jim, a former railroad man, lives on a farm on Route 31, Terre Haute, near the interchange of Highway 46 and 59. Jim's farm is a virtual zoo which is visited regularly by some school groups. He had nearly 700 student visitors from April to December of last year.

Included in his menagerie of animals are 5 limas, 3 ostriches, 50 peacocks, 4 black Persian sheep, 50 ornamental pheasants, Japanese deer, Japanese chickens as well as several registered St. Bernard dogs. He also likes to train turkeys for turkey trot races. Last year his turkey, entered in the Saline City Turkey Trot by Richard Harden, took top honors.

Jim, we are mighty proud to have you as a member of the Marching Patrol and wish you many more years of Shrine-dom.

Cleon Overbay, Reporter

**BIRTHS-**

Sent by: Mrs. Francis Gordon Soule, Jr., Five Timothy Drive, Andover, Mass. 01810

Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon Soule welcomed their first child, a daughter, on Sunday the 23rd of June 1974. LAURIE ELIZABETH SOULE was born at Seton Hospital in Austin, Texas. Her grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Francis G. Soule, Jr. of Andover, Massachusetts and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Arkwright of Corpus Christi, Texas.

The new arrival is the first great grandchild of Mrs. Frank G. Soule of North Reading, Massachusetts and Dr. and Mrs. Harold E. Ragle of Palo Alto, California. Her other great grandmothers are Mrs. Dennis L. Arkwright and Mrs. Dwight F. Lewis of Des Moines, Iowa.

Also extending greetings are her aunt and uncles: Mrs. Richard D. Sweeney, Jr.; and the Messrs. Thomas D. Arkwright, Richard M. Soule and Robert R. Soule.

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Laurie Elizabeth<sup>13</sup> Soule, daughter of John Gordon<sup>12</sup> and Patricia Ann (Arkwright) Soule, granddaughter of Francis Gordon Jr.<sup>11</sup> and Mary Elizabeth (Ragle) Soule of Andover, Mass. with descent through Frank Gordon<sup>10</sup>, William St. John<sup>9</sup>, John Nason<sup>8</sup>, Joseph<sup>7</sup>, Amasa<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Deacon Ezekiel<sup>4</sup>, Joshua<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, to George<sup>1</sup> Soule of the Mayflower. Soule Kindred # 33311311.

Sent by Mrs. Virginia L. Soule

Benjamin Thomas Soule was born November 5, 1973, Lenoir, N.C. (second son of Frederick Lewis and Susan G. Soule and my grandson).

Sent by: Charles M. Wyman, 848 N. E. 67th Street, #210, Seattle, Washington 98115 - "Am sending names and birth dates, etc. of our four youngest great grandchildren. Four have been given prior to this date."

Second child of Gerald Edward and Tamara (Wyman) Freeman. #33322 - 33324.

Lena Jenine Freeman<sup>13</sup>, born 4 April 1973 at Vancouver, B.C. - Canada. Now residing at 8409 - 110 A. St., Delta, B.C. V4c 2K5, Canada.

Second child of Thomas Robert<sup>12</sup> and Donna (Hjorth) Nilsen, Jr., Sarah Elizabeth Nilsen<sup>13</sup>, born 7 July 1973 at Austin, Texas now residing at 1216 B. Brackenridge Apts., Austin, Texas 78703. #33322 - 33324

Second child of Willard Delwin and Teresa<sup>12</sup> (Wyman) Aldridge. Willard Delwin<sup>13</sup> Aldridge, Jr., born 5 May 1973 at Seattle-King County, Washington, now residing at 3011 N.E. 95th Street, Seattle, Washington 98115. #33322 - 33324

Second child of Allen Kaj and Meredith<sup>12</sup> (Nielsen) Simon. Ronald Rudolph<sup>13</sup> Simon, born 25 February 1974 at Shawinigan, Sud. P.Q. g9p 2p6 where they now reside.

The above four children descend thru my Mother's lineage, Winnifred<sup>9</sup> (Soule) Wyman.

**DEATHS:-****THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN**

Tues., July 9, 1974

**MRS. ELVERA G. SOULE**

Mrs. Elvera G. Soule, 78, of 101 W Boeing, Midwest City, died Monday at home. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Paylor's Midwest City Funeral Home with burial in the Arlington Memorial Cemetery.

Mrs. Soule was born at New Orleans, La., and moved to Midwest City in 1972.

She is survived by a son, Leon, Cleveland, Ohio; a daughter, Mrs. Elvera Richards, 544 E Grumman, Midwest City, and a brother, Lester Garitty, Las Vegas, Nev.

**MYRON E. SOWLE**

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Myron E. Sowle, 76, of 60 South Clay Street, Coldwater, Michigan, died Tuesday morning, April 9, at the Health Center following a two weeks illness.

Services were held on Thursday, April 11, at the Baggerly-Dutcher Funeral Home with the Reverend Mark D. Graham in charge. Burial followed in the Ray Cemetery.

Sowle was born February 25, 1898, in Steuben County, the son of Myron and Rhoda (Wells) Sowle. He had been a Coldwater resident for 20 years coming from Fort Wayne. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors are two daughters, three sons, four sisters, Mrs. Eva Mabie and Mrs. Wilbur Sours, Coldwater, Michigan; Mrs. Imo Demorest, Fremont, and Mrs. Marvle Binkley, Helmer, and three brothers, Avon J., Helmer; Max Robert, Fort Wayne, and Harlo L., Colorado.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers and sisters.

Lt. Col. and Mrs.  
Roger E. Turner  
Pleasant Hill Rd. RR 2  
Perrysville, Ohio 44864

Cal. Ohio Citizen Jour  
Mar. 21, 1974

**SEWELL**

Albert W. Sewell, age 49 of 162 Franklin Ave., Westerville, Sunday. Survived by wife, Marilyn; daughter, Mrs. Barbara Travers, Miami, Fla.; mother, Mrs. Ethel Sewell, Westerville; 4 brothers, George and Roy of Col., Kenneth of Hollywood, Fla., Floyd of E. Liverpool, O.; half-brother, John Sewell of Marietta. Friends may call at the MORELAND FUNERAL HOME, 55 E. Schrock Rd., Westerville, Tuesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. where service will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. Rev. Dale Riggs officiating. Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery. 21

Mrs. Ruth Cope sends:

J. Curtis Jensen husband of Mae Soule Jensen died Jan. 1, 1974.

Mrs. Lester A. Hall, P.O. Box 297, Plymouth, Mass. 02360, the Historian General of the Mayflower Society has been elected to the Membership Committee of the Pilgrim Society. She sends an item telling about this Society. Donations accepted.

### *Privileges of Membership in the Society*

1. Free admission to Pilgrim Hall Museum for members and guests.
2. Free paper-back publications of the Society and substantial reductions in the price of hard-back books, the product of an active publication program.
3. The use of the outstanding collections of the Society's library of 12,000 volumes and manuscript and rare book collections. A place to think, read and write in the only scholarly surroundings south of Boston.
4. 10% discount on purchases of \$10 or more in the Pilgrim Society Gift Shop.
5. Invitations to attend the many lectures held in the library of the Society, with the receipt of printed notice of such lectures sent to all members.
6. The Annual Dinner on Forefathers' Day, December 21st, held in Plymouth since 1769, with the Annual Business Meeting of the Society at Pilgrim Hall, with the sherry party following the meeting.
7. Free Pilgrim Society Note Series of informal papers delivered to the Society.
8. Pilgrim Society Newsletter.
9. Consultation Services in the area of historic preservation.

### *The Place of the Society*

The Pilgrim Society of Plymouth, Massachusetts was incorporated A.D. 1820 "to perpetuate the memory of the virtues, the enterprize, and the unparalleled sufferings of the First Settlers of New England who landed at that place on December 21st, 1620." Since the Society's organization in 1820, it has been its endeavor to ensure a universal appreciation of the Pilgrims and their contributions to the American heritage. Pilgrim Hall, maintained by the Society in Plymouth, is the oldest public museum in North America. It was designed in 1824 by the famous 19th century American architect, Alexander Parris of Boston. In the museum is displayed a collection of Pilgrim relics and material bearing on the history of Plymouth Colony. Pilgrim Hall is now designated a Registered Massachusetts Historic Landmark and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The Society also maintains the National Forefathers' Monument and Park in Plymouth and the National Historic Landmark, Cole's Hill, across from Plymouth Rock. Every effort is made to enlarge and improve the collections of the Society and to preserve in the Pilgrim Hall Library a comprehensive history of the founders of New England and the Colony they established. That this history may be as complete as possible the Society constantly adds to its manuscript and book holdings and encourages and engages in research projects in its field. The Society has in recent years established a vigorous publication program, publishing works which appear to be of general and permanent interest. In addition to these publications, on a less formal level, the Society supplies its members with notes and articles that would otherwise remain undiscovered among the personal papers of students of Pilgrim and Colonial history. It also sponsors lectures by outstanding scholars in the field. The Society is intimately involved in the historic preservation movement in America and is associated with the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The Pilgrim Society - cont.

## The Pilgrim Society

75 Court Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360

I accept the invitation to membership in

### The Pilgrim Society

and enclose check covering the annual membership fee,\*

Name { Miss  
Mrs. .... (please print)  
Ms.  
Mr.

Address .....

..... Zip Code.....

\*Dues - Annual Membership \$10.00

Family Membership \$15.00

Life Membership \$100.00

Please make check payable to Pilgrim Society

From the desk of -  
COLONEL JOHN SOULE

THE WASHINGTON POST

Wednesday, April 10, 1974

### Dean—Soule

Anna Hopton Dean and Lindsay Soule are planning a May wedding. She is the daughter of Mrs. Daniel Holland of Waterford, Va. and of the late Mr. Hazen Stewart Dean Jr., and a senior at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg. Mr. Soule, son of Mr and Mrs. Charles Beckler Soule of Bethesda, Md., attended the University of Denver and is currently the manager of the Rockville Travel Center.

### Q U E R I E S and A N S W E R S :-

Dear Mrs. Crismore,--

Enclosed is a bit of Soule Genealogy, that is my own line including my child Barbara and her children as well as the family of my brother and his children and grandchildren. If you would like I can send you also more on the descendants of Jane Soule Rogers.

When I was five or six years old my mother took me to call on a distant cousin, Zuriah Soule who was visiting relatives here in Hanover. At that time she was about 95 years old. Although I was but a small child I can remember several things she told. One was her description of an operation for cataract. Then she told about knowing Abilail and Rebecca Bates, the army of two, who scared away the British sailors who were about to land at Scituate Harbor. The two girls were alone when they saw the boat approaching. One took a drum, the other a fife and hid behind a stone wall and played marching music. The sailors, hearing this, thought that men were behind the wall so they turned and rowed back to their ship.

The third story I have spend a lot of time trying to find out the persons involved. A man she called "Uncle Joseph" was working in the field when British sailors captured him and tied his hands behind his back. They intended to press him into serving as a British sailor. His wife being sick in bed, he asked permission to bid her good-bye. This was granted. The sailors watched him through the window. As he leaned over to kiss her good-bye she threw her arms about him. The British, thinking that she was about to untie his arms, shot him and he fell dead across his wife's body. I have tried in vain to find out who "Uncle Joseph" was and where the incident happened. Of course "Uncle Joseph" may not have been a Soule. My memory is very clear on the basic facts of the

Letter from Donnell B. Young - cont. (2)

story. If any of the Kindred can give further information I will appreciate it very much.

If you want me to give more about the descendants of Jane Soule Rogers I will be very glad to do so.

Yours truly,

*Donnell B. Young.*  
Donnell B. Young.

1137 Main St.,  
Hanover, Mass., 02339.

### My SOULE Line.

George Soule, (1)  
John Soule (1-2)  
Joshua Soule, (1-2-12)  
Nathan Soule, (1-2-12-9)  
Simeon Soule, (1-2-12-9-2)  
Livinia (Silva) Soule, (1-2-12-9-2-4) who married Thomas Rogers.  
Jane Soule Rogers, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1)

b. Marshfield, Mass., 15 May 1804.

m. " " " , 4 May 1826, Hiram Oakman, son of Constant Fobes  
& Rachel (Hatch) Oakman, b. Marshfield, 1 May 1801;  
d. Marshfield, 25 Mar. 1890.

r. Marshfield.

d. " , 12 Oct. 1884.

Children, b. Marshfield.

1. Hiram Abif, b. 10 Apr. 1827.
2. Thomas Rogers, b. 9 Mar. 1829.
3. Henry Phillips, b. 27 June 1831.
4. Otis Briggs, b. 17 June 1833.

## 5. Nathan Soule, b. 20 Jan. 1837.

6. Mary Jane, b. 7 June 1839.

7. Susanna Adaline, b. 29 May 1842; d. unm. 21 Apr. 1886.

Nathan Soule Oakman, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5)

b. Marshfield , 20 Jan. 1837.

m. Hanover, Mass., 13 Nov. 1859, Hannah Eliza Brooks, dau. John &  
Amy (Mann) Brooks; b. 26 Feb. 1840; d. Hanover,  
5 Apr. 1921.

r. Hanover.

occ. Carpenter. Served in Civil War. Capt., Co. C, 58th Mass. Vol.  
Was a prisoner in Andersonville for two years.

d. Hanover, 4 June 1868 as a result of war injuries.

Children, b. Hanover;

1. Nellie Soule, b. 27 June 1860

2. Nathan Otis, b. 27 Oct. 1867;

m1) Clara Redsell.

m2) Sara Cummings.

(No Children)

continued - Part - Letter from Donnell B. Young (3)

Nellie Soule Oakman, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1)

b. Hanover, 27 June 1860.

m. 1 Jan. 1884, Edward Lorraine Young, son of William &amp; Zuriel (Towle) Young, b. 1 Aug 1856; d. 3 Oct 1932 at Lamoine Me.; bur. Hanover, Mass.

Children, b. Hanover.

1. Edward Lorraine Jr., b. 6 July 1885.

2. Donnell Brooks, b. 25 Apr. 1888.

3. Malcolm Oakman, b. 24 July 1893. Never married.

Edward Lorraine Young, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-1)

b. Hanover, 6 July 1885.

m1) Dorchester, Mass., 24 June 1913 to Charlotte Wales, dau. William Quincy &amp; Lota Bliss (White) Wales; b. 19 Nov. 1887; d. 19 Jan. 1943.

m2) Brookline, Clotette Biggs.

r. Brookline.

occ. Physician &amp; Surgeon. Graduate of Harvard &amp; Harvard Medical School; Chief Surgeon, Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain &amp; West Surgical, M.G.H.; one of the founders of White Cross, now Blue Cross Blue Shield; President of Physicians Forum; member, A.M.A., Am. Urological Soc., Am. College Surgeons; Mass Med. Soc. and was instrumental in formulating the Medicare program.

d. Brookline, 17 Feb. 1969.

Children, b. Jamaica Plain;

1. Edward Lorraine 3rd., b. 25 June 1914.

2. Charlotte Wales, b. 14 Oct. 1916.

3. Margaret Quincy, b. 4 Dec. 1921.

Donnell Brooks Young, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-2)

b. Hanover, 25 Apr. 1888.

m1) Northampton, Mass., 21 June 1916, Helen Hartwell Sewall, dau. John &amp; Katharine (Hartwell) Sewall; b. 17 June 1891; d. St. Albans, Vt., 5 Mar. 1919.

m2) New York, N. Y., 4 June 1920, Helen Daniels, dau. William &amp; Effie (Morgan) Daniels; b. 5 Jan. 1894.

Child, b. Bangor, Maine;

Barbara Arnold, b. 26 Jan. 1928.

Edward Lorraine Young 3rd, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-1-1)

b. Jamaica Plain, Mass. 25 June 1914.

m. Waterville, Maine, Helen Nivison, dau.

b.

She m2) Telford Miller.

d. Killer in Germany.

Grad. Harvard &amp; Harvard Medical School. Capt. in U.S. Medical Corps. Killed while trying to get medical air to a paratroop division behind the German lines.

Chile, b. Jamaica Plain;

1. Charlotte Wales, b. 19 Jan. 1943.

## Letter from Donnell B. Young - cont. (4)

Charlotte Wakes Young, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-1-2)

b. Jamaica Plain, 30 Oct. 1917.

m. Brookline, 24 Nov. 1937, George Cadigan

d. Jamaica Plain, 22 Mar. 1943.

Children; b. Jamaica Plain;

1. Peter Young, b. 12 May 1939

2. David Quincy, b. 13 May 1941.

Margaret Quincy Young, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-1-3)

b. Jamaica Plain, 4 Dec. 1921.

m.

Andrew Myrum.

r. Chicago.

an Architect. The first woman to get a B.A. degree from Harvard.

Child,

*a daughter*

Barbara Arnold Young, (1-2-12-9-2-4-1-5-1-2-1)

b. Bangor, Me. (Eastern Maine Gen. Hospt.) 26 Jan. 1928.

m. Chevy Chase, Md., 19 Oct. 1950, Arnold Itz, b. Brunsum, Holland,  
s. of Henricio & Anne Itz of Brunsum.

b. 2 Dec. 1927.

r. Brunsum, Holland, Ridgewood, N. J., Andover, Mass.

A graduate of Mt. Holyoke College.

Children, 1-3 b. Brunsum Holland others Ridgewood, N.J.

1. Helen Catherina, b. 16 June 1952

2. Charles Donnell, b. 24 Aug. 1954

3. George, b. 17 Nov. 1954

4. Alice, b. 23 Jan. 1858

5. Evelyn, b. 6 Aug. 1959.

Mrs. Henry F. Israel, 5928 N.W. 37, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73122 asks:

Desire any information on FREEMAN SOLES, born about 1816, New York and Mariah  
(Slaughter) Soles, born about 1816, New York. Children--

Sarah Ann Soles	(m)	Lewis B. Moon
James Soles	(m)	Abby Goodman
Henry Soles	(m)	_____ killed in Civil War
Emma Soles	(m)	Alfred Fisher
Mary Soles	(m)	John Fisher
Ruth Soles	(m)	_____ Hatch
Harriet Soles	(m)	_____ Rector

Albert F. Mac Donald, 710 East Tufrenga Ave., Apt. A, Burbank, California 91501 --

Needs information from his past great grandfather...Lineage:-

George<sup>1</sup> Soule; John<sup>2</sup> Soule; Joshua<sup>3</sup> Soule; Sarah<sup>4</sup> Soule; Alice<sup>5</sup> Bisbee; **Judith**<sup>6</sup> (Kinder)  
McDonnell, Albert<sup>7</sup> S. McDonald; Arthur<sup>8</sup> McDonald; Albert<sup>9</sup> F. MacDonald.

First four are listed in Mayflower Index. Alice married William Kinder. Judith married Nicholas McDonnell, Albert married Chastina Sumner, Arthur married Harriet G. Bolton and Albert married Frances Edwards.