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It is with regret that Miss Jeneve M. Melvin will no longer be able to continue as Secretary. Miss Melvin is well-known to most of the members wherever they may live. She has served diligently since 1966 and for most of one year served as President pro tem after the death of Erwin R. McLaughlin. The work has been very demanding, especially during the past year or two with the added demands by the publication of the big, New Book. This took her from her professional work as a certified genealogist. Without her great abilities, her fervent interest and her desire to get our genealogical collection published, the book could never have been printed. Without her the Association would not have prospered as it has, neither would the 1970 Reunion have been one of the best. Many will want to, or have, expressed their gratitude to her.

THE 1970 ANNUAL MEETING

This year's meeting was held in the United Methodist Church buildings, Sudbury, Mass., where we met in 1965. It is not far from the cemetery nor from Wayland Center. There was ample space in the big hall for the meeting, as well as for serving the dinner to over fifty members and guests, with plenty of parking space too. It was nice to be in the open spaces where the good Deacon tread his meadows or rode his horse.

Vice President Vincent F. Rice is to be commended for the fine job of making the arrangements for this meeting. The luncheon was good and nicely served and the entertainment was exceptionally good. Special mention goes to Miss Margaret S. Rice, a Director, for the attractive program. Reproduced on the cover is a pen and ink drawing, by Pauline Attlee, of the Deacon Edmund Rice homestead located near the Old Spring. The first part of the house was built by Thomas Axtell. Deacon Rice and his sons as well as a grandson added to the structures of the old house in later years.

Shortly after 2:00 P.M., most of those present joined a 'procession' to "God's Acres", the North Graveyard, Sudbury Road, Wayland, Mass., for a ceremony at the Edmund Rice grave. Here, President Rice, gave a brief address on the character of the worthy Deacon and his influence on his fellow men, and then expressed the need for the practice of those very principles today. He concluded by placing a beautiful wreath at the base of the large, bluestone tombstone. The Rev. Col. E. J. Graebner spoke a few appropriate words and closed with an invocation and blessing. The inspired and friendly "Cousins" took leave, one from another, and departed with, "We'll see you all next September."

It is hoped that we may get some good pictures of the Services for our files, from the two photographers who were there. For you members who could not be present, we must tell you that the day was a heart-warming experience for all.

Thomas R. Silverberg, a vocalist student, provided a fine musical program. He captivated his audience with his lovely voice and easy manner. Miss Mary Jane McMullen ably accompanied him on the piano. Mr. Silverberg, a young man yet in his teens, has exceptional talent. He and his three brothers, Eric John, Arthur Arvo and Lawrence Lars, are Rice descendants. They are the sons of our Secretary, Constance Campbell and grandsons of Vincent F. Rice.

It was encouraging for the Rice Association to see so many fine young Rice people there. Others attending the Meeting were Linda Ward and her sister, Mrs. Marilyn Schnittkind, also, the two daughters and son of Attorney and Mrs. R. Rand Haven, Jr. and John E. Vivian, who is a recent graduate of M.I.T., and has held office in our Association as Assistant Treasurer. Yes, also add to this list June M. Estabrook and William Canfield.

BOOKS

As to be expected, the interest at the meeting was strong in the new books and aroused a new fervor in tracing ancestry.

A sample copy of the new book, "A Genealogical Register of Edmund Rice Descendants" arrived in Cambridge on July 25, for the approval of the Managing Editor. An approval and the final payment was immediately returned and a few days later the shipment was made by water to New York. By the 8th of September, they were delivered to Stanley Rice in Worcester. The miracle had really happened; the books, after many years of labor and hope, were here for the 1970 Reunion Meeting. As Mr. Rice said, "It doesn't seem real."

It is a 1608-page book, printed on bible paper, beautifully bound between red cloth-covered boards, matching that of Ward's "Rice Family" reprint. The index is a wonder; thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rice. The books are encased in nice hard-board boxes ready for shipping.

In August, a manuscript index, compiled several years ago by Frederick R. Rice, was printed. It consists of Rice names not found in the index to A. H. Ward's "Rice Family" of 1858. After editing this list, your Managing Editor had it printed by photo-offset and then assembled and staple-bound it into 32-page booklets, 5½ x 8½ inches. Only 100 copies were made. It contains 1,350 names, two columns to the page, and gives the married names of some of the Rice women not known to Mr. Ward. Another aid to Rice searchers; these booklets may be obtained by ordering them through the Secretary, at \$1.25 each.

Send orders to:

Mrs. Constance Campbell, Secretary
1361 Main Street
Concord, Mass. 01742

Through the efforts of your Managing Editor, the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc., has, since 1966, considerably extended the publication of Rice genealogical records from that of Andrew H. Ward's book of 1858.

In 1967; the "Supplement to Mr. Ward's 1858 book, the 110-page text compiled by Mr. & Mrs. Frederick R. Rice, was published.

In 1970, the biggest and by far the largest undertaking; "A Genealogical Register of Edmund Rice Descendants", was realized. This is a book of 1,608 pages with a 260-page index, and contains eleven generations. It was compiled chiefly from the descent records of members by Elsie Hawes Smith and Mr. & Mrs. Frederick R. Rice, assisted by Mr. & Mrs. Stanley I. Rice.

In 1970; the third publication was done for the Association. It is an "Index to Rice Names" not found in the index to Ward's "Rice Family".

The Association has now published most of the known descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice, 1595-1663. The twelfth and thirteenth generations are typed ready for printing, but were not included in the new book because of the limit put on the size of the book. Unfortunately for others, like the Vivian and Ellis lines, the descent records were somehow inadvertently not included in the manuscript. Mrs. Florence (Frye) Vivian's descent is printed in this News Letter (October 1970). Others who have met a similar fate, may have their "Record of Descent" published in a News Letter of the "Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc.

PERSONAL NEWS

Mr. & Mrs. Earle Rice came up from Rhode Island for the meeting and here met his brother and wife, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur W. Rice who came down from New Hampshire. Nice going boys!

Miss Margaret S. Rice, a Director, has by now arrived in Europe on an extended tour of England and the continent.

Mrs. Chester C. Doe purchased one of the new booklets, "Index to Rice Names" not found in Ward's Rice Family" for the Beaman Public Library, W. Boylston. This Library was given by George Calvin Rice, born 1833.

Mary S. Ball, our faithful member of many seasons, is now living and has permanently settled, with relatives in California. She had hoped to be with us again this year, but had to forgo the trip the last minute. Do write her at: 474 Henderson Ave., San Luis Obispo, Cal. 93401

REMINDER:

Please note the address of the 'new' Secretary. As in the past, send all correspondence, including monies and orders for "Rice Books" to:

Mrs. Constance Campbell, Secretary
1361 Main Street
Concord, Mass. 01742

Frederick R. Rice, Past President and Historian, did not recover well enough after a siege in the hospital to be able to come and bring his wife, Wilma. His Summer address is: P.O. Box 3555, Arlington, Va. 22203; Winter address: R-3001 Estero Blvd., Box 28, Ft. Meyers Beach, Fla. 33931

Mr. Edward W. Proctor received the prize as the eldest member present.

Mrs. Helen R. Randall, a long time Secretary-Treasurer, was able to be with us.

BEVERLY ELIZA (FAYE) HARRISES DESCENT FROM EDMUND RICE

1257.9 VI (1-3-24-88-209)

AARON RICE b. 11 Nov 1768 Marlboro, Mass.; son of Jabez Rice

d. 18 Jul 1822 Greensboro, Vermont (Bible says aged 53)

mar. Sarah Whipple (b. 1776; d. 31 Jan 1824 Greensboro, Vt.)

(Bible says aged 47)

RICE children

- .1 Samuel b. 20 Apr 1798; d 23 Oct 1892 age 94½
mar. Abigail S. Cate 20 May 1823
- .2 Harvey b. 1800; d 23 Sep 1848 (Bible)
- .3 Sarah b. 1814; d 22 Apr 1833 (Bible)
- .4 Harriet
- .5 Sabrina
- .6 Roxanna
- .7 Sally
- .8 Willard
- ? of 9; Anna

1257.9.1 VII (1-3-24-88-209)

SAMUEL W. RICE b. 20 Apr 1798 Norwich, Vermont (V.R.)

d. 23 Oct 1892 Greensboro, Vt. (Bible) bur. East

Craftsbury, Vt.; son of Aaron Rice

mar. Abigail S. Cate 20 May 1823; (dau of Benjamin & Anna (Hoit) Cate.

(b. 25 Oct 1799 Walden, Vt.; d. 23 Jan 1888 Greensboro, Vt.; buried

East Craftsbury, Vt.)

RICE children

- .1 Harvey Rice b. 25 Apr 1824; m Sophia Rice
- .2 Nathan C. b. 5 Apr 1826; d 15 Feb 1851
m Jane A. Curtis 28 Aug 1850
- .3 Mary S. b. 4 Apr 1829 Greensboro, Vt.
m George Paige 4 Dec 1851 Greensboro Vt
- .4 Evaline A. b. 9 Oct 1835 Greensboro Vt.;
m James B. Calderwood 1 Jan 1862
- .5 Hiram b. 9 Jan 1837 Greensboro, Vt.; d 17 Aug 1863; unmar

1257.9.1.3 VIII (1-3-24-88-209)

GEORGE LEMON PAIGE b. 31 Aug 1828 Greensboro, Vt.;

d. 7 April 1900 Cabot, Vt.; son of George Hanmer &
Betsy (Grow) Paige.

mar. Mary S. Rice 4 Dec 1851 Greensboro, Vt.; (dau. of Samuel W.

& Abigail S. (Cate) Rice; b 4 April 1829 Greensboro, Vt.; d 11 Mar 1860
Cabot, Vt.)

PAIGE children

- .1 Abbie Abigail b. 30 Sep 1854 Cabot, Vt.
mar. Ira Dexter Read 17 Feb 1875 Cabot, Vt
- .2 Henry H. b. 6 Nov 1857 Cabot, Vt.; d 12 Nov 1935
mar. Niel Carter
- .3 Eugene Wallace b. 14 Oct 1853; mar. Ada Bancroft in 1876 at Woburn,
Mass.; mar. (2nd) Alice Pillsbury 2 Jul 1906 at Danville, Vermont.

Beverly Eliza (Faye) Harrises Descent from Edmund Rice, continued

1257.9.1.3.1 IX (1-3-24-88-209)

IRA DEXTER READ b. 11 Mar 1850 Woodbury, Vermont; d. 12 May 1940
Danville, Vt.; son of Dexter Warren and Roxanna (Powers) Read.
mar. Abbie Abigail Paige 17 Feb 1875 Cabot, Vermont; (dau. of
George L. & Mary S. (Rice) Paige.

READ children

- .1 Flora May b. 20 May 1877 Cabot, Vermont
m Walter I. Abbott 3 Jun 1895
- .2 Nellie F. b. 8 Aug 1881 Cabot, Vt.
- .3 George Henry b. 21 Apr 1887 Cabot, Vt.
m Glenn Little 20 April 1912 at
Wells River, Vt.
- .4 Arthur Eugene b 11 Feb 1898 Cabot, Vermont

1257.9.1.3.1.3 X (1-3-24-88-209)

GEORGE HENRY READ b. 21 April 1887 Cabot, Vt.; son of Ira Dexter
& Abbie A. (Paige) Read.
mar. Glenn Eliza Little 20 Apr 1912 Wells River, Vt.; dau of
Robert Burns & Alma (Kidder) Little; (b 21 Aug 1890 North Montpelier Vt.
READ children

- .1 Vincent Dexter b. 23 Jul 1916 Daytona, Florida
d. 5 Aug 1916 Daytona, Florida
- .2 Beverly Faye b. 21 Jan 1925 Barre, Vermont
mar. George E. Harrises 8 May 1948
at Shelburne, Vt.

1257.9.1.3.1.3.2 XI (1-24-88-209)

GEORGE E. HARRISES, son of Efthemious & Gramate Harrises; b 1 March 1917
Manchester, N. H. mar. Beverly Faye Read 8 May 1948 (dau. of
George Henry & Glenn (Little) Read; b. 21 Jan 1925 Barre, Vt.)
HARRISES children

- .1 Stephanie Tabitha b. 14 April 1949 Manchester, N.H.
mar. David Lee Draper 29 May 1970
at Manchester, N.H.

The son of Harry and Barbara (Kendall) Draper of Milford, N. H. Resides
Brighton, Michigan. He is an industrial designer of Motor Homes for
Rectrans, Inc. in Brighton, Mich.

The Little line is completed and Glenn Eliza Little is a direct des-
cendant of George and Alice (Poore) Little of Newbury, Mass. in 1640.
Glenn Eliza Little is also a direct descendant of James and Anna
(Moore) Kidder. James Kidder came to America in 1649.

NEW MEMBERS 1970 - 1971

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur H. Rice, Hollis, N.H.

Mr. & Mrs. Earle H. Rice, Pawtucket, R. I.

Miss Barbara Bouten, Minneapolis, Minn.; grand dau. of Mrs. Robert E. Cole, Fargo, N.D. Barbara is the 8th current member of this family in our Association.

Mrs. Charles Teater (Barbara Hoeffler), Glendora, Calif.

Mrs. Alfred Owens, Riverside Nursing Home, Oxford, Kansas. Mrs. Owens is the Aunt of Mrs. Eugene J. Graebner, Assistant Editor in our Association.

Mrs. William N. Rice, 115 Van Meter Drive, Amherst, Mass. 01002

Mrs. Lawrence A. LaChance, former Anna Marie Werntz, writes that her parents, Leon and Catherine (Rice) Werntz, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 2, 1970. Mrs. Werntz was one of six daughters of Edward and Nellie (Jennings) Rice. The latter's great-granddaughter, Linda Marie Becker, was married in Kailua, Hawaii to Douglas Hume, son of Mrs. Ray Childers of California. Mr. Hume was born in Australia.

One of our younger members, James H. Trudeau, William St., Chester, Mass., is presently in basic training at Fort Dix, N.J. He is the son of two other members, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Trudeau of William Street Chester, Mass. Best wishes to the family. We appreciate James carrying on the Rice tradition of service to one's Country.

Mr. Stanley I. Rice is handling the distribution of the books until other arrangements are made. He has begun mailing those books to them who have placed their orders.

Please send your orders and checks to the Secretary: Mrs. Constance Campbell, 1361 Main St., Concord, Mass. 01742

Ray Lowther Ellis, Chairman of Publications and the Managing Editor for the "Genealogical Register of Edmund Rice Descendants", has asked to be relieved of his duties after four strenuous years of activity for the Association. Mr. Ellis states that he will be working full time on preparing for publication, his mother's lineage - - some 8,000 direct ancestors; three line of descent from Edmund Rice.

IN MEMORIAM: Arthur Edward Rice, b. 2 July 1906 Becket, Mass.; d. 30 July 1970 Chester, Mass.; m. Ethel L. Ranson.
Children: Alfred A., Louise M. and Maurice E. Rice.

Arthur Cleveland Hoeffler, b. 11 Mar 1896 Geneva, N.Y.; d. 28 Aug 1970 Moravia, Calif.; m. Julia E. Harris; (d. 26 Oct 1953)
Child: Barbara E. (Hoeffler) Teater.

Sturgis Channing Rice, Past President and Sec. Treasurer; b. 19 July 1897 Saranac Lake, N.Y.; d. 9 May 1970; mar. 1926 Mrs. Marion J. (Whiting) Rice, wid. of brother Walter N. Rice.