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COVER

The Picture of the EDMUND RICE HOMESTEAD, Sudbury, Massachusetts (this section now Wayland) is copied from an old post card owned by Pres. William H. Drury.

This old homestead probably was built by Philemon Whale (also an ancestor of many Rices) was added to and improved by Edmund Rice after his purchase of it about 1650. This was the home of many Rices until it burned in the early 1900's. Many annual reunions were held there. This picture is only another view of previous published pictures.

President's Message

Dear Cousins,

It was nice to see so many of you at the reunion. It's too bad that some of the more distant relatives (pun intended) couldn't be here with us, but I realize that transportation costs are prohibitive.

I appreciate the chance to continue serving as your President for 1981-82 and with the help of a fine slate of officers and directors I know we will have a very successful year. We continue to attract new members at a satisfactory rate, but our number remains nearly static due to drop-outs. If you, or someone you know, is thinking about leaving the Association, please let me know the reason for the decline in interest. It is your Association and we must try to make it what you want it to be.

Sincerely,
William H. Drury

Editor's Note

You will find this issue is basically full of reports, lineages and only a few stories. If you have any short stories you would like our "cousins" to read please submit them to me. We can use them!!

I do wish each and everyone of you could have had the opportunity as I did at our annual reunion to meet one of our newly elected directors, Prescott Woodbury Baston of Marblehead, Massachusetts. In our news letter no. 39 - page 8, a story about him and his work appeared. To those of you who didn't read it, Mr. Baston founded "Sebastian Studio" forty years ago. Over the years, this skilled miniaturist has researched, sculpted, cast and painted a variety of detailed scenes and figures. "The Sebastian Miniatures" represent elegant and authentic hand-crafted American art. I'm sure most of you at some time have viewed and even collected these "Miniatures" and didn't realize he was a descendant in two lines from Deacon Edmund Rice. At present he has just finished a sculpted self-portrait which we all will be looking forward to seeing and perhaps even buying. Prescott says his son "Woody" now has become a miniaturist in his own right. Good Luck, Woody!

There are just so many people to visit with at a reunion that an old housewife like me just can't comprehend how great some of our "cousins" have become!

Louise Rice Trudeau

Additional News Letters

Original copies of the following news letters that are still available on a first come, first serve basis; number 1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,23,24,25,27,28,29,31,33,36,38,40, and 42 at a cost of \$2.00 each, postpaid.

Checks, payable to **The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc.**, should be sent with orders to your News Letter Editor, Mrs. Louise Rice Trudeau, William Street, Chester, Massachusetts 01011.

Report of Annual Meeting 1981

September 26, 1981

Another Rice Reunion has come and gone – it seems to go by so fast. This year our gathering was held at the "First Unitarian Parish Church" in Chelmsford, Massachusetts.

At 10:00 a.m. people started flowing in for hot coffee and delicious muffins plus greetings to old and new relations.

An Officers and Directors meeting lasted slightly over an hour followed by a delicious luncheon approximately at 12:30 p.m.

The business part of the day for everyone was at 1:30 p.m. We had a moment of silence for those relatives who had passed away since our last reunion.

Our President, William H. Drury gave the welcome greeting and also a brief summary about the church our reunion was at.

The Recording Secretary's report and Treasurer's report were read and accepted.

Margaret Rice, who besides being corresponding secretary and historian and who is also on the Publications Committee, announced that she is almost done with the 11th generation and is now working on the 12th – 15th generation. She also mentioned the newest book out by Corinne M. Snow named "The Deacons" and how enjoyable it is. (Order blank in this news letter)

All members should know that there is now a handling charge for all books. \$2.50 for large books and \$1.00 for small books.

Nineteen new members have joined the Rice Association since May, 1981. Congratulations!

A new change in the amendment by-laws will now allow spouses to be contributing members.

Also a new policy has been added so that if you would like to become a life member of the Rice Association it will cost you \$100.00.

Our President, Mr. Drury read off the names nominated for Officers and Directors for 1981–1982. All names accepted. The recording secretary was directed to cast one vote for the slate. (Names of the new governing board of the Association appear on page one.)

The yearly gifts for oldest, youngest and farthest were distributed as follows:

Oldest – Ralph H. Barton of Sudbury, Massachusetts – 87 years young
Youngest – Cynthia A Blomstrom of Worcester, Massachusetts – 26 years
Farthest – David G. Proctor of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

The business part of our meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Our guest speaker was David Day from the National Park Service. He gave a very interesting slide show and lecture about the "Lowell National Park".

The end of a wonderful day came quickly. People started leaving around 4 p.m. Some went home and some went to the Deacon Edmund Rice grave in Wayland, Massachusetts.

For all of you who missed this year's reunion – I hope to see you next year.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia A. Blomstrom
Recording Secretary
1981–1982

Treasurer's Report

Report from September 1, 1980 through August 31, 1981

Check book balance August 31, 1980	\$2,197.37	
16 deposits	<u>1,619.25</u>	
Totaling	\$3,816.62	
20 checks drawn	<u>-1,852.08</u>	
Sub total balance	\$1,964.54	
Less Canadian M.O. fee .50 and 1 bad check	<u>-3.50</u>	
Current check book balance August 31, 1981		\$1,961.04

Our other money assets are divided into 4 accounts:

1. A 6 month Certificate of Deposit at 12.328% due October 1, 1981 (Dana Rice legacy) interest from this account goes into the regular account at 5.5%.	\$20,000.00	
2. A regular account at 5.5% interest with \$1,165.36 (remainder of Dana Rice legacy) with its regular interest and interest from 6 month Certificate of Deposit as of September 10, 1981.	3,582.16	
3. Former account of \$2,000.00 plus interest through May 10, 1981 = \$3,171.59 transferred to regular account at 5.5% now totaling	3,230.89	
4. One year term account at 6.5% matures November 10, 1981, \$2,000. original deposit with interest to August 10, 1981.	<u>2,728.78</u>	
Total - 4 accounts		<u>\$29,541.83</u>
Total cash assets, August 31, 1981		\$31,502.87

John E. Rice
Treasurer

Report of the Committee on Publications

A number of questions have been asked concerning adoptions and divorces in connection with the Rice Genealogical publications.

Adopted children are listed, but identified as "adopted". If desired, names of their natural parents can be given.

In cases of divorce, year of divorce is all that is necessary unless otherwise wished.

Information is pouring in and additions and corrections to the Register should be, perhaps, published by next spring (1982). This publication will be only through the 11th generation.

Lineages from the 12th generation as far as we may have them (probably through the 15th or 16 generations from Edmund and Thomasine or Mercy) will be published in another book at a later date.

Margaret S. Rice

P.S. If you would like to have your family record correct and up-to-date, the "Rice Family Information" - centerfold sheet is again available to you herewith.

Our Members Write . . .

"I am interested in corresponding with any "cousins" who descend from the same branch of the Rice family as I do." So please check your lines and write if you do. (2 lines descending from Edmund Rice to David Rice and Love Moore.)

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
- 3 Daniel Rice m. Bethia Ward
- 4 Daniel Rice m. Elizabeth Taylor
- 5 David Rice m. Love Moore (see No. 6 below)
- 6 Benjamin Rice m. Betsy Oliver
- 7 Moore Rice m. Clarissa Phillips
- 8 Moors M. Rice m. Emma Ricks
- 9 Harry M. Rice m. Dorothea Burckhardt
- 10 Margie Rice m. Floyd Hazen

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Samuel Rice m. Elizabeth King
- 3 Hannah Rice m. Jonathan Hubbard
- 4 John Hubbard m. Hannah Blood
- 5 Hannah Hubbard m. Paul Moore
- 6 Love Moore m. David Rice (see No. 5 above)
- 7 Benjamin Rice m. Betsy Oliver
- 8 Moore Rice m. Clarissa Phillips
- 9 Moors M. Rice m. Emma Ricks
- 10 Harry M. Rice m. Dorothea Burckhardt
- 11 Margie Rice m. Floyd Hazen

Margie Rice Hazen
5375 Colonial Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

"Wish I could be with you at the reunion but due to a heart condition for myself and my 91 year old better half is house confined from several shocks and having twenty four hour duty to care for him, I think I had better stay home where I've stayed for over a year, but I will be thinking of you all and hoping you have a wonderful time and all goes well as planned.

Ella A. Knapton
Quincy, Massachusetts

"I have several letters written by my great grandfather Jonathan Rice to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Rice of Marlborough, Massachusetts, in which he tells of his journey west. He left Watertown and went thru Philadelphia and New York. He was not pleased with New York for the hogs were at large in the streets there.

It was after New York that he came to Philadelphia and then on to Pittsburg. From Pittsburg he took passage on the "fine steamboat" Columbian and arrived in Quincy, Illinois.

Jonathan was born 24 January 1811 and was the fifth child according to our records. He died in 1865. He was involved in the "Underground Railway" and was found hanging from a tree in his woods. It was thought that the "Knights of the Golden Circle" were responsible for the tragedy as they were very active in the Peoria area at that time and previously.

His letters were very interesting, telling of his life in Illinois. I do not know how the letters arrived back at my grandpa James Rice unless my Aunt Inez brought them back from Massachusetts when she visited relatives there in 1900.

I thought it would be of interest to tell some about my great grandfather."

Phillip M. Rice
Waterman, Illinois

"My second cousin, Mrs. Texas Wiley (Callie Burris) is now in the Crown Manor Nursing Home, 27th Street, Zion, Illinois 60099. Cards or letters would be welcome."

Albert L. Woody
Bainbridge Island
Winslow, Washington

Mr. Henry A. Sawin, who is Deputy Registrar General of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, and a new member and director of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, has sent word that an area Chapter of the Colonial Dames of the XVIIth Century was recently chartered in Worcester, Massachusetts, and named the Edmund Rice Chapter.

Births

A magazine clipping from Redbook Magazine, December 1975 issue, showed a unique announcement of the birth of *Angela Marie Rice* born 11 March 1975, daughter of James A. Rice and Elaine Rice of Copperas Cove, Texas. Perhaps you will want to look up the announcement on page 15.

Allison Ames Rice, born 31 August 1981, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ames Rice of Plainville, Massachusetts. Allison is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Rice of Wrentham, Massachusetts and great-great grandniece of Seaver M. Rice of Southbridge, Massachusetts.

In Memoriam

Clifford Eugene Rice, born 16 November 1889 of 51 St. Helena St., Perry, New York died 15 February 1981 at his home.

He was noted in the Perry area as a landscape artist, beginning his art career in 1909. Mr. Rice enjoyed using the subject material found within Wyoming County, Letchworth Park and Silver Lake, in his paintings. He continued his art avocation until the time of his death.

His son Clark Thomas Rice of Perry is a member of our association as was his father for some years, both direct lineal descendants of Edmund Rice.

In the 26 April 1981 copy of the New York Times newspaper, we note that Helen Steiner Rice who had been called "the poet laureate" of the greeting card industry died 23 April 1981 at the Franciscan Terrace Nursing Home in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was 80 years old.

We all at sometime I'm sure have read verses she had written on greeting cards we have received. Devoutly religious, Mrs. Rice said her verse derived from divine inspiration.

A verse she wrote for a sympathy card entitled "I Do Not Go Alone" went:

I take death's hand without a fear
For he who safely brought me here
Will safely take me back.

Mrs. Estelle E. Herington wrote us that her sister, Mrs. Eva M. Ledoux of 180 Amherst Street, Nashua, New Hampshire passed away very suddenly on 19 May 1981. Eva was a member of our association for many years.

Harold S. Rice, 78 years old of Newton, Massachusetts, one of the professors who worked on the Manhattan Project, the first atomic bomb, died 25 May 1981. His daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Charlotte Reed of Andover, Massachusetts is a member of our association.

New Members

The following people have joined our association since our last News Letter No. 41

Harry M. Ball – North Hollywood, California
Mrs. B. Elizabeth Bell – Memphis, Tennessee
Mrs. Betty Jeanne VandenBosch Gilmore – Wayne, New Jersey
Mrs. Dorothy D. Harvey – New York, New York
S. Alexander F. Hays – Baltimore, Maryland
Mrs. Charlotte E. Holbrook – North Grafton, Massachusetts
Mrs. Susan Powers Jeffers – Somerset, Ohio

Mrs. Armanilla Johnson – Racine, Wisconsin
Mrs. Ruby Mae McKelvie – Wilmington, Delaware
Mrs. Janice Rice McPherson – Atlanta, Georgia
Virginnia T. Miller – Brea, California
Mrs. M. Ellen Powell – Northfield, Vermont
Glen H. Rice – Eureka, Kansas
Hiram Rice – Trufant, Michigan
Lewis Clark Rice II – Oxford, Maryland
Mrs. Jill B. Roberts – Jefferson, Massachusetts
Henry A. Sawin – Worcester, Massachusetts
Mrs. Ruth I. Ward – Hopkinton, Massachusetts
Mrs. Wendolin E. Wesen – Catonsville, Maryland

MEMBER GENEALOGIES

Mrs. Ruth I. Ward, 86 Spring St., Hopkinton, Massachusetts 01748
Mrs. Charlotte E. Holbrook, No. 18 Hingham Rd., No. Grafton, Mass. 01536

(Both mother and daughter – three lines from Edmund)

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
- 3 John Rice m. Tabitha Stone
- 4 Abigail Rice m. Uriah Wheeler
- 5 Thankful Wheeler m. Isaac Gibbs
- 6 Isaac Gibbs, Jr. m. Lois Townsend
- 7 Lois Gibbs m. Timothy Walker
- 8 Lois Walker m. Ezekiel Braley
- 9 Benjamin P. Braley m. Nancy Stone
- 10 Waldo B. Braley m. Ella Stockwell
- 11 Edith Braley m. Ervine Thayer
- 12 Ruth I. Braley m. William M. Ward
- 13 Charlotte E. Ward m. Herbert P. Holbrook, Jr.

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Thomas Rice m. Mary King
- 3 Mary Rice m. Josiah White
- 4 Thankful White m. Jonathan Houghton
- 5 Mary Houghton m. Capt. Nathaniel Sawyer
- 6 Relief Sawyer m. John Houghton
- 7 Relief Houghton m. Moses Stockwell
- 8 Seth Stockwell m. Sarah Kendall
- 9 Ella L. Stockwell m. Waldo B. Braley
- 10 Edith Braley m. Ervine Thayer
- 11 Ruth I. Braley m. William M. Ward
- 12 Charlotte E. Ward m. Herbert P. Holbrook, Jr.

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore
- 3 David Rice m. Hannah Walker
- 4 Bezaleel Rice m. Sarah Buckminster
- 5 Bezaleel Rice, Jr. m. Susanna Jennings
- 6 Hezekiah Rice m. Abigail Eames
- 7 Betsey Rice m. Amos Ward
- 8 Almond A. Ward m. Ellen M. Temple
- 9 Charles J. Ward m. Charlotte E. MacLeod
- 10 William M. Ward m. Ruth I. Braley
- 11 Charlotte E. Ward m. Herbert Holbrook, Jr.

Lillie Grace Ransom, Route 1, Freeport, Kansas 67049

(Three lines from Edmund)

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Samuel Rice m. Mary Dix Brown
- 3 Edward Rice m. Lydia Fairbanks
- 4 Martha Rice (Howard) m. John Bannister
- 5 Sophia Bannister m. Ivory Bigelow
- 6 William Bigelow m. Catherine Brigham
- 7 John Bigelow m. Hepzibeth Barnes
- 8 Emeline Bigelow m. David Rice Allen
- 9 Rufus Jefferson Allen m. Ellen Elizabeth McWilliams
- 10 Albert Lee Allen m. Laura Ella Heath
- 11 Lillie Grace Allen m. Hugh Donald Ransom

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore
- 3 Mary Rice m. Thomas Brigham, Jr.
- 4 Nathan Brigham m. Elizabeth Howe
- 5 Sarah Brigham m. Uriah Eager
- 6 Uriah Eager, Jr. m. Tryphosa Bush
- 7 Rebecca Eager m. Lovewell Barnes
- 8 Hepzibeth Barnes m. John Bigelow
- 9 Emeline Bigelow m. David Rice Allen
- 10 Rufus Jefferson Allen m. Ellen Elizabeth McWilliams
- 11 Albert Lee Allen m. Laura Ella Heath
- 12 Lillie Grace Allen m. Hugh Donald Ransom

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
- 3 Lydia Rice m. John Woods
- 4 Benjamin Woods m. Elizabeth Morse
- 5 Catherine Woods m. Antipas Brigham
- 6 Catherine Brigham m. William Bigelow
- 7 John Bigelow m. Hepzibeth Barnes
- 8 Emeline Bigelow m. David Rice Allen
- 9 Rufus Jefferson Allen m. Ellen Elizabeth McWilliams
- 10 Albert Lee Allen m. Laura Ella Heath
- 11 Lillie Grace Allen m. Hugh Donald Ransom

Book Number

To: HARMON ASSOCIATES

34 Elsmere Avenue
Delmar, New York 12054

Please send me _____ copies of The Deacons, by Corinne M. Snow, @ \$19.95 per copy + \$2.50 for
mailer, postage and handling. (Total of \$22.45 per book.) Enclosed is a check for \$_____.

Name _____
Street and Number _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(Please make checks out to: HARMON ASSOCIATES and send to above address.)

*Timothy Laurie Sanford, % Mrs. Loretta D. Sanford, R.R.4 Annapolis Royal,
Annapolis County, Nova Scotia, Canada BOS IGO*

(Two lines from Edmund)

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Thomas Rice m. Mary King
- 3 Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Balcom
- 4 Matthias Rice m. Mary ?
- 5 John Rice m. Sarah Smith
- 6 Silas Rice (Reg. pg. 205) m. Sarah Kniffen
- 7 Elizabeth (Betsey) Rice m. William Berry
- 8 Thomas Berry m. Ann O'Dell
- 9 Annie "Elizabeth" Berry m. John Amos Fraser
- 10 Albert A. Fraser m. Bertha Turpin
- 11 Rita Fraser m. Walter Sanford
- 12 Laurie Sanford m. Loretta Rice
- 13 Timothy Laurie Sanford

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Thomas Rice m. Mary King
- 3 Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Balcom
- 4 Matthias Rice m. Mary ?
- 5 John Rice m. Sarah Smith
- 6 Silas Rice (Reg. pg. 205) m. Sarah Kniffen
- 7 Joseph Rice m. Sophia Miller
- 8 Norman Rice m. Julia Lent
- 9 Freeman B. Rice m. Eva May McSwain
- 10 Norman Clarke Rice m. Edna Grace Thibault
- 11 Loretta Rice m. Laurie Sanford
- 12 Timothy Laurie Sanford

Mrs. Bertha Elizabeth Rice Bell, 1672 Haywood Ave., Memphis Tennessee 38127

(Rice Register - page 1339)

Mrs. Ruby Mae Jordan McKelvie, 3608 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington, Del. 19805

(Rice Register - page 1186)

*Walter Edward Brusco, Sr., 6508 103rd St., Court East, Puyallup, Washington
98373*

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
- 3 Daniel Rice m. Bethia Ward
- 4 Bethia Rice m. Jonathan Newton, Sr.
- 5 Gideon Newton m. Hannah Lawrence
- 6 Tyrus Newton m. Hannah Johnson
- 7 Rebecca Newton m. Joseph Goddard
- 8 Hannah Goddard m. Willard S. Tainter
- 9 Almeda E. Tainter m. Peter Brusco
- 10 Fred Willard Brusco m. Mary Ellen Connors
- 11 Walter Edward Brusco m. Shirley Anne Phelps

Mrs. Dorothy D. Harvey, 200 Cabrini Boulevard, New York, NY 10033

- 1 Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2 Samuel Rice m. Elizabeth King
- 3 Hannah Rice m. Jonathan Hubbard
- 4 Mary Hubbard (Ward pg. 34) m. Daniel Davis
- 5 Jonathan Davis m. Abigail ?
- 6 Capt. John Davis m. Sarah Beebe
- 7 Eleazer Davis m. Amy Bundy
- 8 Lovina Davis m. William Davenport
- 9 Lucinda Davenport m. John Olmsted
- 10 Cecelia Mayhew Olmsted m. Horace Erastas Dresser
- 11 Gardiner Sherman Dresser m. Jessie Muir
- 12 Dorothy Dresser m. Douglas Stewart Harvey

Lost Cousins

News Letters for the following people have been coming back to the Editor's desk with no forwarding addresses according to the Post Office.

If you know the whereabouts of any of these cousins, please let us know.

Mrs. Jane Bickley, 381 Middle St., Portsmouth, NH 03801
Mrs. Naomi Long Hopperstad, 615 Ocean Blvd., St. Simons Island, GA 31522
Mrs. Elsie B. Kempton, 210 E. Fairfax St., Apt. 307, Falls Church, VA 22046
Mrs. Ethel Rice Lewis, 1020½ B. Eight Street, Lafayette, LA 70501
Mrs. Mary Rice McAskil, 52 King St., No. Sydney, N.S., Canada, B2A 2S8
Edward A. Rice, 41 Calmcrest Dr., Kitchener, Orono, Ontario, Canada
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An Interesting Cousin

The following obituary from the Lowell (Mass.) Sunday Telegram of July 12, 1936, tells of an interesting and talented Rice cousin. Fanny Rice, the daughter of Edward C. Rice, may be found on page 561 of the Rice Family Register where she is given the family number 3818.4. One should note that there are two errors relative to her entry in the book. The death date is wrong, although the date of birth (1859) is correct in that it agrees with the obituary as well as the 1870 U.S. census.

According to the City Clerk of Franklin, New Hampshire, official records indicate that it was Fanny's sister Inez who married Artemas T. Burleigh on July 9, 1885.

This obituary is reproduced with permission of The Lowell Sun Publishing Company, which absorbed the Telegram in 1952.

New York, July 11 – Funeral arrangements were completed here today for the late Fanny Rice, prominent Lowell-born actress, who died yesterday at the age of 77 in the Home for Incurables, 183rd Street and 3rd Avenue, the Bronx. Miss Rice, who played important roles in the many comedies and musical shows in her half century on the American

stage, last appeared on the stage at the Belasco Theatre, Los Angeles, in "The Banker," and in November 1930, entered the Actors Fund Home, Englewood, New Jersey.

The native Lowell actress made her debut with the Boston Ideal Opera Company. In 1883 she joined Ralph Aaronson's company at The Casino, this city, and played there for many years with Jefferson DeAngelis, Edwin Stevens, James T. Powers and Francis Wilson. She was in the famous long run of "Nadja" and the original production of "Ermine," "The Brigands" and "Poor Jonathan."

Later she headed her own company in several farce comedies, including "The French Ball" and "A Jolly Surprise." In 1896 she acted with Joseph Jefferson, William J. Florence and Mrs. John Drew in "The Rivals." The funeral under the auspices of the Actor's Fund, will be held in the Cooke Chapel, 117 West Seventy-second Street, at noon on Tuesday. Burial will take place in the family lot in Franklin Cemetery, Franklin, New Hampshire.

Miss Rice will be pleasantly recalled by many of Lowell's older residents. In the heyday of her professional career she never lost her love for her native city and visited it frequently. Often on such occasions she was an honored guest of the Lowell Press Club, which was a live organization of newspaper publishers and workers and an important factor in the social life of the community.

Jane B. Drury
Chelmsford, Mass.

Church Suppers

Whenever someone mentions a church supper, two things which may well come to mind are juicy pies and bustling women. Being a man, I'm tantalized by a glimpse of pie juice; moreover, being "decidedly single," I'm terrified by all those zealous women barging about – especially of one who intimates that she made the pie.

Yes, what I have to say here is bound to be somewhat personal; yet I'm equally bound not to speak slightly of anyone or to use words which tend to make offensive comparisons. Accordingly, I shall attempt to keep in mind what the semanticists are forever stressing, that pig(1) is not pig (2), because it certainly follows that parson (1) is not parson(2). Although parsons are known to be exceptionally ravenous eaters at these parish house affairs – except I'm afraid *those* words didn't help matters any.

As for the pies, those golden brown beauties with the juice running out are merely symbolic of the great heaps of food at all kinds of suppers: baked bean, turkey, Swedish meat ball, roast ham and pineapple, fried chicken, possum and turnip greens, corned beef and cabbage, and smorgasbord, just to name a few.

Yes, and everything will not only be appetizing, but digestible as well; you'll get all you want and not wish you hadn't – not for an hour or two, at any rate. On the other hand, the bustling women are a definite hazard. They fairly swarm at church suppers, and when one who is both buxom and brawny starts "closing" on me (as they say in the navy), my reaction is thalamic, sudden. In short, I run. But if all these ardent characters barging hither and yon with coffee pots, platters, bowls, and pie plates were the only hazard! Don't forget the kids chasing each other; as they say in the army, "you can evade the tanks and run into a sniper."

Now these gastronomic orgies are nearly always accompanied by what's known as a bazaar. And among the items offered for sale are likely to be pea shooters, arrows with suction cup heads, and darts — maybe without suction cups! — so some of those kids will probably be armed.

Certainly there are hazards (not only these, but one or two others which I must remember to tell you about sometime), yet just as the navy's function is to sink enemy ships and the army's to take enemy positions, your basic function at such times is simply to eat.

And I for one do an exceptionally good job on rare roast beef sided by lyonnaise potatoes, Harvard beets, little boiled onions in butter, hearts of lettuce with Roquefort cheese dressing, and especially when accompanied by bread like folks still bake in stone ovens, outdoors, down on the Gaspé Peninsula. But then comes a choice: You can have hot apple pie with rat cheese, "cross-barred" cherry, or — I'll bet you'll settle for a slice of that lemon pie, the one with meringue half way up to your elbow.

By the way (and while you're trying to recover to where you can crawl over to see what's on the bazaar tables), a cross-barred pie is one with latticework on top; as my Aunt Irma used to say, "pies come cross-barred, open faced, and kiverlidded."

Which reminds me that Aunt Irma once told about a lady who had a hired girl, Nora, fresh over from the "Old Country." It seems she couldn't resist giving Nora what we now call "the business," and with this in mind she cut the initials T M in the crust of a mince pie. Now Nora could see these weren't anybody's initials (the family's name was O'Brien), so she asked what they stood for. "'Tis mince," said the lady, near "busting a gusset." Well sir, Nora soon learned to cook, and one of the first pies she made was a very presentable apple — except it, too, had the letters T M cut in the crust. Curiosity got the best of her employer, so she asked Nora about it. "'Taint mince," the girl answered with an impish grin.

And now I guess chuckling must breed like rabbits because here I go thinking about a strange pie some folks down in Maine told me about. How it happened: A delightful young lady in her early twenties (an excellent cook in later years, to that I can personally attest) was continually being pestered and embarrassed at their parish suppers by a local character who kept asking, loudly, that she "bake a special pie, just for me." The young lady's mother suggested that the cure was to go ahead and fix one for him — but good! Anyhow, she rolled out a crust, filled it with a large slice of pickled tripe topped with chicken corn, seasoned it with cayenne pepper, and baked it to a turn. Folks say he showed amazing fortitude, got down nearly a whole slice; she had no further trouble with him, they say.

But to get back to church suppers in the abstract. A lady I know (though, may I hurriedly add, not as "broad shouldered" across the hips as some) has had quite a bit of experience at these affairs. She tells me she *knows* what they sell at the bazaars, that they have food tables and fancywork tables, and almost everything is homemade. The food they sell, she says, is likely to be such things as macaroni and cheese casseroles, cakes, cookies, and jars or red pepper relish and all kinds of jelly; then she says the other stuff consists of aprons, pillow cases, towels (not big enough to wipe your nose on even if the embroidery had left them smooth enough), baby sets, and decorated coat hangers and wastebaskets.

Have you seen some of those wastebaskets? To begin with, they're a fire hazard — and why didn't they keep that purple peacock wallpaper back in the room it was left over from? It's a cinch it won't match anywhere else.

Now I don't exactly question my friend's list, but I'm sure I've seen chipped crockery, mildewed copies of *Pollyanna* and *Rubaiyat of Omar Kahyyam*, faded pictures of Uncle Tom and Little Eva, beat-up catnip mice, back copies of *The Old Farmer's Almanac*, drinking glasses from the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, used

teething rings, and cans of dried-up blowout patches — take you pick and pay the little girl with a fist small enough to get your change out of the baking powder can.

Why, then, do men attend these orgies? for wasn't one of them referred to as "feeding time at the lion house"? Well, a single man may go to find something to write an essay about; a married man because his wife, instead of bustling around home getting his dinner on the table, is down there at the parish house. And she took the pie with her.

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"School Teacher Lost in Snow Storm"

"Mrs. Mary J. Peterson of Eugene, Oregon sent us the following story as it appeared in the "Pioneer Days by Curt Beckham" column in the "McKay's People Pleaser News" that is published weekly in Coos Bay, Oregon."

Some years the snows get real deep in the coastal mountains of western Oregon. Such a year was that of the winter of 1930 when middle aged Florence Rice came to Coos County looking for a teaching job.

She had come to Coquille and had contacted the country school superintendent, Martha Mulkey, and was told that there might be an opening at a little country school near Broadbent. Miss Rice was from Portland and was not used to the wilds of the southern Oregon coast.

She caught the stage from Coquille and got off at Broadbent during a snow storm. It was late in the afternoon as she made her way toward the Art Chandler home where she hoped to see Mr. Chandler about a school teaching position. She struggled up the snow filled road carrying her small suitcase. Eventually, sometime after dark, she came to the Taylor Dement home where she was made comfortable for the night. The next morning she went on her way, although it was still snowing hard. That was the last time she was seen for two days. She was found by two loggers from the Best and Laird Logging camp who found her in a very serious condition suffering from exposure and fatigue. She was taken to the camp where she spent several days recovering from her ordeal. Her shoes were worn out so the loggers found a pair of logger boots for her to wear.

She told of spending two nights in the extreme cold under a leaning tree. Being a stranger to the country she thought the best way to be found was to stay put. Her biggest fear she said was the wild animals she imagined were near her at night.

When she got back to Portland, she wrote a letter to Edna Massey who was at the Dement Ranch, stating that she was glad to get back to civilization in Portland and she was not about to look for a school teaching job in the country again.

Miss Rice was lucky to survive in one of the worst storms that had hit the country for over twenty years, especially with such light clothing and lack of survival knowledge.

News Item

Some 40 members of the Jabez Judson, John Sherman and Adelbert Rufus families, all descendents of Edmund Rice through Oren D. Rice (page 277 of the 1970 Rice Register), gathered for the annual reunion/covered dish dinner held Sunday, October 11 at the meeting hall of the Greenwood county court house in Eureka, Kansas.

The affair this year was co-hosted by Mrs. Doris Rice-Barb of El Dorado, Kansas, and by Mrs. Josephine Rice-Smith of Wichita, Kansas. The cool, cloudy fall day was spent at visiting. Devotionals were conducted by Mrs. Barb.

The gathering of the clans next year will be held at the senior citizens hall in Fall River, Kansas, with hosting by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McClayland, who farm and ranch near the town.

Ruth Rasey Simpson Books Available

If your forefathers came from Vermont (as many Rices did) you will want to read these two books written by Ruth Rasey Simpson, a member of our association. Both books have been taken by the Library of Congress for reproduction in materials for the blind and handicapped. Also both books were chosen by the American Folklore Society for registry in their "Legacy Books."

"Hand Hewn in Old Vermont" is available in hard cover at \$9.00 plus 85 cents for mailing single copies, \$1.10 for mailing two copies. The paper cover book is \$5.00 plus 63 cents for mailing single copies or 85 cents postage for two.

"Out of the Saltbox" is now available in paperback at \$6.00 plus 85 cents for mailing one copy or \$1.10 postage for two.

Checks should be made payable to Mrs. Ruth Rasey Simpson and mailed with orders to her address -286 Goundry Street, North Tonawanda, NY 14120.

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- Over 75 years - no fee - Senior Member

If you are over 75 years of age, please do let us know so we can keep your name on our file and mailing list.

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It is very important when making checks out for dues and publications that they are made out to **The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc.** not the people in charge. There is undue delay when folks fail to do this and your check may become stale dated in the process.

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More About Those Rices - by Elsie Hawes Smith. Still a few left, copyright 1954 \$3.50 plus \$1.00 for postage and handling.

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Husband's Full Name

Date Born Where

Date Deceased..... Where

Father's Name.....

Mother's Maiden Name

Husband Married wife...Date

Where.....
Wife's Maiden Name

Date Born Where

Date Deceased..... Where

Father's Name.....

Mother's Maiden Name

On reverse side list subsequent marriages and children, also any military record and/or other outstanding honors.

Names of Children	Born				Died			Place of Death or Present Residence
	Day	Month	Year	Place	Day	Month	Year	
No. 1								
No. 2								
No. 3								
No. 4								
No. 5								
No. 6								
No. 7								
No. 8								

Marriages of These Children	To Whom Married	Date				Present or Last Address
		Day	Month	Year	Place	
No. 1						
No. 2						
No. 3						
No. 4						
No. 5						
No. 6						
No. 7						
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