

Greetings



EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, INC.

NEWSLETTER, DECEMBER, 1983

NOTICE. DUES PAYMENT CHANGE

Please make checks or money orders payable to "The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc." and remit to William H. Drury, Treasurer
24 Buckman Drive
Chelmsford, MA 01824

Schedule of Dues:	Under 70 years of age.....	\$5.00
	70-75 years of agr	3.00
	Senior Member (over 75)	None
	Life Member.....	100.00

OFFICERS FOR 1983-84:

- PRESIDENT. .Janice R. Parmenter, 15 Hudson St., Northborough, MA 01532
- 1st VICE PRESIDENT,..Unfilled
- 2nd VICE PRESIDENT..Henry A. Sawin, 21 Buckingham Rd., Worcester, MA 01605
- RECORDING SECRETARY..Calista D. Vickery, P.OBox 105, Princeton, MA 01541
- TREASURER/MEMBERSHIP...William H. Drury, 24 Buckman Dr., Chelmsford, MA 01824
- HISTORIAN..Corinne Snow, 47 Sunset Dr., Delmar, NY 12054

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER, 1983

At 1:55 p.m., on Saturday, September 24, 1983, the Annual Meeting of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association was called to order by President Patricia P. MacFarland in the ancient barn at the estate of Margaret S. Rice, Lion's Mouth Road, Amesbury, Massachusetts.

Registration for the meeting was at 10:00 a.m. in the barn where there was an array of Danish pastries and other irresistables, accompanied by coffee, juices and cider. Our books were displayed for sale, and Charles and Harriett Rice had a showing of fourteen of their collection of rare Currier and Ives prints, which were much enjoyed.

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held in Margaret's home at 10:30 a.m..

The annual business meeting was preceded by a delicious catered luncheon, served at tables out on the lawn where we could enjoy the beautiful, warm weather. A social hour was enjoyed- with fruit punches and excellent cheeses and crackers before lunch.

The first order of business was the appointment of a temporary secretary, as Cynthia Blomstrom, a new director, had declined to serve. Upon motion, duly made and seconded, it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That Janice R. Parmenter be appointed as Secretary pro tempore,

After a moment of silence in memory of deceased members, the President asked members to watch for Rice family death notices or other vital statistics in the newspapers, so that the information might be sent to our Historian for our ongoing records.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That reading of the minutes of the last meeting be

New Director Cynthia Blomstrom was introduced by the President.

The annual prizes were awarded as follows:

- OLDEST. Mrs. Ella A. Knapton of Quincy, Massachusetts, aged 88 years. It was noted that Ralph H. Barton of Sudbury, Massachusetts, aged 89 years, had graciously declined to acknowledge his age this year, having received the honor in several previous years, so that Mrs. Knapton might have the honor of receiving the prize for the eldest present.
- YOUNGEST. Christopher Whiting Rice of Sheldonville, Massachusetts, aged 18 months, son of C. Whiting, Jr. and Larisa L. Rice.
- LONGEST DISTANCE TRAVELLED TO ATTEND: Robert & Helen Hackett of Hood River, Oregon

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.. President Patricia P. MacFarland had previously introduced incoming President, Janice R. Parmenter, who had then thanked Mrs. MacFarland for her service during the past year and led the members in a round of applause.

Mrs. MacFarland introduced the speaker of the day, Margaret S. Rice, who gave a most interesting and informative slide lecture of the famous engraver and creator of the "Currier and Ives" prints", Nathaniel Currier, Mr. Currier once lived in the house across the street from Margaret's home.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER, 1983

Checking Accounts

Balance, 9/1/81	\$	612.36	
Income:			
Publications		474.00	
Luncheons/Annual Reunion		276.00	
Dues		841.00	
Transfer from Savings		1,499.00	
Total Income	\$	3,090.00	
Expenses			
Publications		1,637.79	
Meetings & Reunion Luncheons		782.88	
Postage, Telephone, etc.		206.11	
Miscellaneous		460.00	
Total Expenses	\$	3,086.78	
Balance, 8/31/83	\$	615.58	

OTHER Assets

Bank Savings Accounts	\$	2,108.85	
6-month Certificate of Deposit	20,000.00		(Due 9/31/83)
Sentry Cash Mgmt. Account Fund	15,013.28		
Sales value of books in invent.	10,108.50		

Total Assets, 8/31/83 \$47,846.21

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fond Greetings to all the Cousins, near and far:

We know, from your communications, that many of you have been wondering what happened to the Newsletter, and I am sorry for the long delay, which was unavoidable, and want you to know that your officers are still here and functioning, and thinking of you all.

We had a glorious New England Autumn day for our Annual Meeting, attended by about forty members. The weather was mild enough for outdoor

lunching and for visiting at Edmund Rice's gravesite in Wayland, Massachusetts. The meeting has been held on the last Saturday in September for many years, save for a few Sunday meetings. We wish you would keep this date in mind (September 29 in 1984) in case you could join us next Fall, or on some future meeting day. Start planning now! It is exciting to get together with cousins from all over the country. You'll love it!

Some cousins have had annual family reunions in their own areas and that is a wonderful idea, also. If any of you do that, why don't you write and tell us about it? We could insert the accounts in our newsletters. Our membership needs to keep in touch, so let us know what you are doing.

And don't forget that you are allied to many other family lines, some of which come down from friends and fellow immigrants of our ancestor, Edmund Rice. Those petitioners for the settlement of Marlborough Plantation, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1656, were:

Edmund Rice	John Howe
William Ward	John Bent, Sr.
Thomas King	John Maynard
John Woods	Richard Newton
Thomas Goodnow	Peter Bent
John Ruddocke	Edward Rice
Henry Rice	

The next year the names below-listed were added to the list of original grantees above:

William Kerly	Solomon Johnson
John Rediat	Samuel Rice
John Johnson	Peter King
Thomas Rice	Christopher Bannister

Are some of these people also your ancestors? If you have not already done so, please send your family line of descent (there is a form to make it easy for you, on the last page) to Historian Corrine Snow, 47 Sunset Drive, Delmar, NY 12054, so that you, too, may be written into history via the Rice Family records. If you need a little help with your line we might be able to assist you, or tell you about sources of information.

We regret that John E. Rice has recently tendered his resignation as Treasurer. He deserves our appreciation for his years of conscientious work and we shall miss his good advice. Mr. Rice was on leave of absence during the second half of last year and, during that time, former President William H. Drury took over the treasurer's duties and we are most grateful to him for serving in this capacity. Past President Patricia P. MacFarland served as treasurer from September 24th until a few weeks ago when Bill Drury accepted the post of Treasurer/Membership Secretary for the rest of the term. As your new and green president, Pat's services as treasurer were of tremendous help to me, and were appreciated more than I can say. I feel very fortunate now in having the able services of Bill Drury and I am deeply indebted to him for his willingness to take on the responsibility of keeping the Rice Family accounts in order.

Which reminds me! Annual dues for 1983-84 are payable to The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc, and should be sent to William H. Drury, 24 Buckman Drive, Chelmsford, MA 01824. Do not send dues to former Membership Secretary Margaret S. Rice, who has retired from that position.

I hope that you will all have a wonderful Christmas and

"May all the days of all the years
That God has still in store
Be filled with every joy and grace
To bless you evermore"

Janice R. Parmenter, President

OBITUARIES

The names of fiye Rice descendants whose deaths have been reported during the past year were announced at the September Board meeting by Margaret S. Rice, past Membership Secretary, as follows;

Miss Jane J. Rice of Marlboroug, Mass., daughter of Edward and Sophia Rice, aunt of past Treasurer John E. Rice, sister of late Atty. John E. Rice, past President.

Thomas D. Cook of Shoreham, Vt., who died April 19, 1981

Esmond S. Rice, Sr. of Waban, Mass. who died Dec. 28, 1982

Esmond S. Rice, Jr. of Waban, Mass. who died March 11, 1983

Col. Albert S. Rice of Savannah, Georgia, who died Sept. 1, 1983

Alvin Ira Rice, grandson of John Sherman Rice, great grandson of Oren D. Rice (Rice Register p. 454) died at his home in Tulsa OK, Tuesday, April 12, 1983. Services were conducted from Memorial Christian Church on April 14, with interment in Tulsa's Memorial Park Cemetery.

Born in Fredonia, Kansas, son of 9th generation Jacob Aville Rice, he later moved to Cushing, Oklahoma, and to Tulsa in 1938, where he re-tired as station superintendent of the U.S. Post Office in 1973 after 33 years of service. He was a World War II veteran, a retired lieutenant colonel of the U.S. Army Reserves. He was a member of the Tumbleweed Square Dance Club of Tulsa. Mr. Rice was 70 years of age.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, the former Lora Genevieve Howe; two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Julie) Haefke of Kansas City, Missouri, and Mrs. Steve (Patti) Wheeler of Fort Worth, Texas; two brothers, Franklin Oliver Rice of Tulsa and Arthur John Rice of Lindsay, California; a sister, Mrs. Hazel Louella Steele of Modesto, California and two grandchildren.

Rolland Virvil Crane, retired owner of Crane's Refrigeration Service of Spencer, Iowa died Saturday, Oct. 22, 1983, at the Spencer Municipal Hospital following a long illness, aged 78years, 6 months and 20 days. Services were conducted from the Warner Chapel in Spencer on October 25, with interment in Northlawn Cemetery there.

He was the great grandson of Oren D. Rice (Rice Register p. 454) and the grandson of both Delia Marie (Rice) Crane and Sylphina Eve (Rice) Fink, daughters of Oren D.. His parents were Floyd Jay Crane (son of Delia Marie) and Hope Nrytle Fink (daughter of Sylphina Eve), cousins who had married.

Rolland Crane was born in Dickens, Iowa, Apr. 2, 1905. Schooled in Dickens and Royal, Iowa, he attended Gates Business College, Waterloo, Iowa, later working in carpentry and road construction with his father and brothers, followed by building and operating a Waylite plant at East Chicago, Indiana. He subsequently studied and went into refrigeration and air conditioning, a profession he followed until his retirement.

He was a member of the Refrigeration Service Engineers Society, Grace Methodist Church and Evening Shade Lodge 312 A.F. and A.M.. A special Masonic service was held by the Lodge at the Warner Chapel on October 24.

Survivors include his wife, the former Jennie Elizabeth Boom; two daughters, Mrs. Janice Swartz of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Mrs. Margaret Hartzler of Boulder, Colorado; a sister, Mrs. Hazel Jensen of Spencer, and five grandchildren.

WEDDINGS

The three children and many grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lucas of Pittsburg, Kansas, honored their parents with a 50th wedding anniversary buffet for family and invited guests there, on Sunday, November 20, 1983. The Lucases were married November 4, 1933, at Lamar, Missouri.

Mrs. Lucas is the former Rotha Fern Rice, daughter of Elmer Day Rice

and granddaughter of 8th generation Jabez Judson Rice, Her great grandfa-ther was Oren D. Rice (Rice Register p. 454),

Among those attending were a sister-in-law, Mrs. Kathryn Rice, wife of the late Royal Judson Rice, and her son and daughter-in-law, Larrie Dean and Cynthia Ann Rice, all of Perry, Oklahoma; and a cousin and wife, Roger E. and Fern Rice of Oklahoma City,

RICE FAMILY REUNION IN KANSAS

The annual Rice Family reunion and covered dish dinner was held in the Hospitality Room of the Greenwood County Courthouse in Eureka, Kansas on Sunday, Oct. 9, 1983, sponsored, this year, by the "Del" Rice families of the area.

Held each second Sunday in October, the affair brings together the Ja-bez Judson. Adelbert Rufus and John Sherman Rice families. The three bro-thers, who migrated from Iowa to settle in Kansas, are the sons of Oren D. Rice (Rice Register, p. 454). Their families, though concentrated in Kan-sas are also spread across the breadth of the land.

More than fifty 10th, 11th and 12th generation offspring were in at-tendance this year from all over the Sunflower State and as far away as Mound, Minnesota and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Included were two who have never been able to attend the gathering be-fore Louie Brittin Bate of Climax, Kansas, whose mother was Nellie Leah Rice-Bate, daughter of Adelbert Rice; and Mrs. Aletha Inez Foust of Parsons, Kansas, whose mother was Myrtle Rice-Broddle, daughter of John Rice.

Hosting the 1984 reunion will be Mr. and Mrs. Roger E. Rice of Okla-homa City. Oklahoma. The affair will be on Sunday, October 14.

EDWARD F.P. BRIGHAM

Word has been received from Marion W. Brigham of the death, in November, 1982, of Life Member Edward F.P. Brigham of Brigham Tree Farms, Micaville, North Carolina. A long-time Director and benefactor of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, he will be greatly missed. Mrs. Brigham writes. "He was deeply interested in the family Association and very proud of his membership. He had hoped to attend another reunion but travel was, at times, a difficult matter for him." We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN/PUBLICATIONS

Margaret Rice reported, for the Publication Committee, that bids have been received from:

- #1. New England Historic Press Co. of Somersworth, N.H. as follows: 500 hard bound copies off-set printing on acid free paper, trim size 6 x9", photo camera ready, computerized, index & page numbered, black ink, no photos, gold stamped on spine & shrink wrapped;
400 pgs. @ 12¢ ea. \$6,000.00
500 pgs. @ 15¢ ea. \$7,500.00
- #2. Rowley Printing Co. of Rowley, Mass. as follows:
500 hardbound copies, offset print, black ink, acid-free 6x9' trim size, photo camera ready, computerized, indexed & page numbered, Smythe stone, gold stamped on spine @ \$17.75 per book \$8,875.00

The order could be ready by Christmas, 1983. The number of generations will depend upon whatever can be accomadated in the 500 pages. Upon motion, duly made & seconded, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the printing contract for 500 of the new Rice Genealogy books, hardbound, gold stamped on the spine, offset printed in black ink on acid free paper, trim size 6x9", photo camera ready, computerized, indexed, page numbered, Smythe stone, be awarded to the Rowley Printing Co. of Rowley, MA, for an amount of money not to exceed \$9,000.00, of which amount 1/3 shall be paid upon receipt of the galley sheets and 1/3 shall be paid upon delivery of the 500 books to the designated agent of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association.

The selling price agreed upon by the Board shall be \$25.00 plus handling.

The publication Committee recommended reprinting of the Elsie Hawes Smith "Rice" books. Book Custodian Bill Drury has on hand about 80 "More About Those Rices" for \$3.50 ea. It was voted to have Publications Committee prepare a written report to the Executive Board of the findings of a poll by mail of the membership as to whether or not they wish to have the Elsie Hawes Smith books on the Rice Family reprinted and, that the Directors them be polled for approval or disapproval.

Margaret next reported on her attendance at the "Hartford 83 Genealogical Conference" held at Hartford, Conn, July 14-16, 1983 under the auspices of the Conn. Historical Soc., the Conn. Sate Library & the Conn. Genealogical Soc., Seminars were held on ethnic research, computer & genealogy, establishing a genealogical business and other subjects of concern to genealogical researchers. Upon metion duly made & seconded, it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the report of the Historian & Publication Committee be accepted.

NOTICE: If you paid your dues at the September meeting, or just before that date, and have not received acknowledgement and your dues card, it may be due to the change in officers and their duties. Please contact Treasurer Bill Drury (address on p. 1) if you have any questions.

RICE FAMILY INFORMATION

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						
No. 8						