

EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION, INC.

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NEWS LETTER

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Mrs Margaret B. Morrell	Cochituate, Mass.	
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Donald H. Whittemore	Minot, Mass.	1960

NEW MEMBERS: Space does not permit the listing of new members while we are showing additional information from Ward's genealogy on the Rice Family. However, we do want to greet the twenty-five new members who joined since our last News Letter in December.

ANNUAL REUNION: Our Treasurer, Mrs Margaret Bent Morrell, has advised me that she has contacted the officials of the First Parish Church of Wayland and it will be available for our annual reunion on Saturday, September 28 1963, Mark this date down and plan to attend. It is a great time to meet your Past President and Mrs Edgar W. Rice will again serve as Chairman and Hostess for the meeting. I think I can promise a novel entertainment that both children and grown-ups will enjoy.

POSTAGE BILLS: With the increase in postage rates our postage bill has also gone up. We would like to suggest that return postage be included where a reply is required. Every nickel saved means another nickel in the book fund!

IN MEMORIAM: It is with profound sorrow that we report the loss, by death, of the following members:

Mr. Henry Eugene Rice died at his home in Nowwood, Mass. on January 2, 1963, in his 94th year. Mr. Rice was one of the original organizers of the Rice Association and attended the first meeting held August 30, 1912 at the First Parish Church in Wayland, Mass. He was President of the Association in 1921 and 1922 and at the time of his death was our oldest past-president in years and service. Mr Rice was one of the most faithful attendants at reunions and we always counted on greeting him. During his term of office there is a notation that one reunion was a basket lunch on the grounds of the old Rice Homestead.

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Mrs. George Franklin Smith (Elsie Hawes Smith) died on Wednesday, January 30, 1963, at the Mary Lane Hospital in Ware, Mass. Burial in Barre, Mass.

Mrs. Smith attended her first Rice Reunion in 1933 and from that time on was one of the Association's most active workers. In 1935 and 1936 she was Vice-President and elected President in 1937, with re-elections in 1938 and 1939.

In 1940 she became our Historian and served continuously until her death. She was vitally interested in history and genealogy. Her name will be remembered for ages for while historian she wrote two books "Edmund Rice and His Family" also "More About Those Rices". In addition she wrote many articles on Barre and the Rices

The Barre Gazette, in its issue of January 31st, had the following editorial comment. "Elsie Smith - A frequent contributor to our columns, a close and friendly neighbor, Elsie Smith's passing is deeply felt in our shop as well as the rest of the town where she exerted a restrained but potent influence for a long time. Writing was her hobby. History and Genealogy were the areas in which she excelled. She wrote voluminously, interestingly and devotedly about Barre and the Rice family. A crisp personality, she betrayed a well concealed tenderness in all dealings concerning her ancestors or her grandchildren. A woman of brilliance in the New England tradition of Abigail Adams, the like of Elsie Smith occurs but seldom in any sphere and we shall miss her."

We, who have worked with Mrs. Smith, know that for years she urged members to file their lineages with her. Four years ago she was instrumental, with the then President, Stanley I. Rice, in getting the Association to vote to issue a supplement to Andrew Ward's book on the Rice Family. Since then she gave unstintedly of her time and amassed a vast amount of material that will be used. She has been a great inspiration to us all!

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Miss Edith Allen Rice of Milford died in January, 1966. She was a sister of the late Hattie Louise Rice who died just a year ago. They used to attend reunions in the early dates and had always shown a deep interest in the Rice Family

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Harold R. Rice died at his home in Springfield, Mass. on February 8, 1963 in his 77th year. Mr. Rice had been a member for several years but due to poor health had been unable to attend our reunions. He was a brother of your president.

RICE GENEALOGY One of the pressing questions asked by members is, "When will the new Rice Genealogy be out?" Our only answer is to point out some of the problems involved. All the material that Mrs. Smith had received she listed for the other two members of the Committee. She then maintained her file by generations.

Your President, as a member of the Committee, made a card for each head of a family and filed it in alphabetical order. In addition he received many many lineages that had not yet reached Mrs. Smith. We now have Mrs. Smith's file and it becomes a matter of reconciling the material. Often lineages covering the same persons contained conflicting information, additional children, marriages and dates. Some sent in a single lineage and when a full family record was received we found a child that was thought to be number one was later in the list of children and meant the re-numbering of numerous cards. Our progress is slow even though we work long hours each day. After that there is the question of listing for the printer as well as a complete index. We can only report that we are working hard - making progress - and ask your indulgence over conditions we cannot help.

NOW! After mentioning the amount of work ahead we draw another breath and urge ALL Descendants to send in their material for our records - and what is just as important - keep us advised of all changes such as births, marriages and deaths. FOR THE PRESENT SEND ALL MATERIAL TO THE PRESIDENT, who is also serving as Historian, Genealogist, News Editor etc.

With the vast amount of material at hand we are not sure just what can be covered in this next book until it is nearer completion. However, it is our ambition to have and maintain the most complete record on Rice's in existence. It will be available to all Deacon Edmund's descendants.

ANNUAL DUES We are happy to report the largest membership that the Association has had for years. However, there are still some who need reminding that their 1963 dues have not been received. Please do not put this off! Any surplus over expenses will aid the book fund - when needed.

Many members have sent in the names of persons who might be interested in joining the Rice Association. To these friends we have sent copies of the current News Letters in hopes that they might become interested in our project. We cannot continue sending the News Letters indefinitely to non-members.

SOUVENIR PROGRAMS Mrs James Adams - 25 Ridgewood Road - Worcester 6, Mass. reports that she has received a number of orders for the 50th Anniversary Programs, containing a facsimile of Deacon Edmund's unrecorded deed. This was the proof that we have of his daughter Lydia. Copies may still be secured from her at 50¢ for one copy, five for \$1.25, postpaid. They are mailed out in mailing tubes.

RICE BOOK Mr. Stanley I. Rice - 16 Longmeadow Ave., - Worcester 6, Mass. still has copies of the reprinted edition of Andrew Ward's book on the Rice Family. How long the supply will last is questionable. It should be remembered that the new Rice Genealogy will be in the nature of a supplement to Ward's book and carry on his numbers without repeating what he published. Both books will be needed to make a full study of the family.

SMALL BOOKS Mr. Sturgis C. Rice - P.O. Box 105 - Plainville, Mass. still has a few copies of Mrs. Elsie Hawes Smith's book, "More About Those Rices", as well as copies of the reprinted book by Charles Elmer Rice, entitled "By The Name Of Rice". The books sell at \$2.00 each, postpaid.

ADDITIONAL The following has reference to Ward's book on the Rice Family. It
 GENEALOGICAL contains corrections and additional information that Mr. Ward was
 INFORMATION not aware of, such as names of additional children, names of wives
 and important dates. No attempt will be made to carry a family be-
 yond this book for that will be the function of the new Rice Genealogy now being
 compiled.

FIFTH GENERATION

- (167) Nathan Brigham #383 m. Dinah Rice #308
 1004 Dinah b 5 Sep 1719; m Jonathan Witt, Jr. 9 Nov 1743
 1005 Eunice 4 Oct 1721; m Hezekiah Newton 8 Sep 1742
 1006 Moses 2 Jan 1722; m Mehitabel Grout 2 May 1749
 1007 Persis 3 Apr 1724; d 12 Jul 1740
 1008 Elizabeth 18 Dec 1725; m Jedidiah Fay 10 Oct 1749-Sutton, Ms.
- (168) Thomas Brigham #384 m Sarah Stratton
 1009 Aaron b 17 Mar 1720; m Elizabeth Brown
 m 2nd Sarah Winchester
 1011 Ezekial m Martha Bigelow
 m 2nd Mellicent Sherman
 1012 Elisha m Sarah -
 1013 Ithamar m Ruth Ward
 m 2nd Mary Beaman
 1017 Ephraim 1739; d 22 Jun 1740
 1018 Abner 1742; d 28 Sep 1746
- (170) Israel Rice #402 m Sarah Rose
 1019 Grace b 27 Feb 1734/35; m Ebenezer Dudley #472.4
- (171) Jonathan Rice #419 m Ruth Eames
 1028 Hezekiah b 19 Sep 1748; m Elizabeth Eames 18 May 1775
 (Note) The Vermont records show that Hezekiah and Elizabeth Rice died
 in that State and that he was the son of Jonathan and Elizabeth
 (Eames) Rice.
 1031 Grace b 5 Jun 1753; m Thomas Drury, Jr.
 1032 Ruth 4 Apr 1755; m Nathaniel Fay 13 Aug 1744-Southboro, Ms.
 1034 Fanny (Anna) 18 Oct 1758; m Josh. G. Haven 6 Aug 1781
 1035 Lucia bp 28 Mar 1760; m Timothy Kendall 29 Jun 1785-Framingham
 1040 Olive bp 29 Apr 1770; m Samuel Perry, Jr. Oct 1789
- (172) Peter Rice #420 m Ruth Trowbridge
 1043 Eleanor 22 Sep 1763 per Framingham vital records
- (173) Jonathan Rice #422 m Abigail Nichols
 1049 Richard b 30 Mar 1748; d 19 Oct 1771
 1050 Abigail 13 Jun 1750; d 9 Oct 1771
 1051 Abraham 12 May 1755; d 10 Dec 1771
 1055 Submit 22 Feb 1759; m Samuel Rowe 19 Feb 1783
 1059 Eunice 25 May 1769; d 10 Aug 1845; m Ezra Hastings 27 Nov 1809
- (174) Abraham Rice #423 m Susanna Wilder
 1060 Silas b 6 Aug 1749-Bolton, Ms.
 1061 Nathan 28 Nov 1751; m Lucy Barber
 1064a David 19 Mar 1769; m Dorcas Amadon 20 May 1790

- (176) Henry Rice #427 m Sarah Bowdoin
 1065 Abiah b 10 Nov 1765; m Sarah Sterling 8 Mar 1787
 1070a Mollie 25 Aug 1770
 b Bettee 27 Jun 1773
 c Rhoda twm 26 Aug 1775
 d Sophia 26 Aug 1775; m Gardner Goddard
- (180) Uriah Rice #437 m Rachel she d 7 Sep 1777
 m 2nd Eunice Church of Petersham 7 Sep 1780-Athol
 1085a Benjamin b 5 Jul 1767-Athol
- (181) Peter Brewer m Elizabeth Pratt #439
 1086 Peter b 1 May 1750; d 13 Feb 1829
 1087 Joel 24 Jul 1752; m Lovisa Newton 26 Feb 1778
 1089 Lucia (Lucy) 27 Apr 1757; m Joseph Tuttle 4 Jan 1776
 1090 Sarah 18 Dec 1760; m Reuben Newton 24 Jun 1784
- (183) Daniel Bigelow m Martha Pratt #441
 1103 Daniel b 14 Jun 1758; m Elizabeth Gallot #442.1
- (184) Caleb Drury m Zerviah Rice #445
 1115 Anna m Josiah Rutter 29 Jun 1806
 m Luther Haven 16 Dec 1819; d 12 Jul 1851 @81
 Anna died 23 Sep 1842
- (186) Bezaleel Rice #464 m Susanna Jennings
 1123 Hezekiah b 2 Oct 1745; m Abigail Eames
 (Note) Vital records of Hopkinton show that Hezekiah, husband of
 Abigail, died 12 Mar 1827 in 83rd year; that Abigail, wife of
 Hezekiah Rice died 9 May 1825, age 79
 1125 Sarah 5 Sep 1750; m Eliab Brewer #94.1
- (187) David Rice #465 m Hannah Winch
 1132 Anna b 29 Mar 1755; d 15 Dec 1826; m Jonas Rider 17 Jun 1779
 Jonas b 2 Mar 1748/9; d 25 Aug 1818 age 69
- (190) Edward Rice #490 m Mary Stone
 1158 Josiah b 8 Feb 1759
 1159 Nathan 19 Dec 1765
 1160 Rachel 9 Aug 1761
 1161 Susanna 2 Apr 1762
 1162 Amy 14 Apr 1767; m Joel Estabrook
- (191) John Rice #491 m Sarah Martin
 1166 Persis b 11 Apr 1748
- (194) Samuel Rice #496 m Dorothy Martin
 1176 Martin b 1 Jan 1748; m Lucy Rice #1443
- (195) Aaron Rice #498 m Freedom French
 1190 Freedom b 20 Sep 1773
- (198) Artemas Rice #502 m Mary Stevens d 13 Oct 1777
 m 2nd Catherine Taylor 14 Apr 1778

- (202) Jason Rice #526 m Susanna Haven Jason d 6 Mar 1801-Hopkinton
 1219 $\frac{1}{2}$ Abigail b 10 May 1753; m Solomon Snell 1 Jul 1772
 1219 $\frac{1}{2}$ a Susanna 26 Feb 1755
 (It is possible that there were other children)
- (204) William Rice #528 m Abigail Willis
 1221a Rebecca b 29 Jan 1758
 1223 Ruth 2 Mar 1764; m Thomas Conant, Jr. 12 Dec 1784
- (205) Elijah Rice #530 m Elizabeth Rice (Elizabeth not identified)
 1225 Elizabeth 18 Apr 1753-Sudbury vital records (not Elijah)
 1228a Olive 19 Apr 1761
- (208) David Rice #544 died 22 Apr 1801
 m Love Moore of Rutland - bn 26 Apr 1734
- (209) Jabez Rice #548 m Miriam Morse he died 4 Nov 1809-Marlboro
 1254 Stephen b 8 Jun 1762; m Anna Hammond 6 Apr 1785
- (212) Abraham Eager bn 14 Sep 1709; m Dinah Rice #551
- (215) Jotham Howe bn 29 Oct 17 28; m Priscilla Rice #555
 he died Feb 1809-Barre; she died 27 Oct 1819
 1292 Alvan b 4 Nov 1753; m Mary Wellington
 1298a William res Bridport, Vermont
- (218) Tilly Rice #567 m Mary Buckminster
 1310 $\frac{1}{2}$ Tilly Merrick bp 6 May 1750
 1310 $\frac{1}{2}$ a Mary bp 2 Aug 1752; d 12 Aug 1754-Springfield, Vt.
 1316 Frances 29 Oct 1770; m William Fiske
 1317 Sally bp 16 Dec 1759; m Maj. Cheney Reed
- (221) Obadiah Rice #575; d 7 Jan 1826-Waterford, Vt.
 mar Hannah Hill 2 Mar 1771; she d 29 May 1828-Waterford, Vt
 1322 Persis b 1 Oct 1771; m Silas Davidson 19 Dec 1790
 1324 Squier 5 May 1777; m Katy Winch 22 Aug 1799-Hartland, Vt.
 1325 Hannah 11 Feb 1779; m Jonah Carpenter 1 Jan 1800
 1327 John 13 May 1783; m Catherine Walker 27 Oct 1787
 1327a Nancy m Daniel Brown 29 Nov 1811
- (222) Paul Fay m Rebecca Rice #577
 1327 $\frac{1}{2}$ Mary
- (225) Jason Rice #582 m Ruth Goddard She died 11 Dec 1798-Henniker, N.H.
 1345 Patience b 1 Jul 1770; d 1773
 1346 Shuthelan 31 Mar 1772
 1346a Jacob 23 Apr 1774; d 1774
 1347 Jacob 2 Apr 1776; m Susan Green
 1348 Ruth 21 Jul 1779; m Samuel Cressey 17 Jul 1811; bn 19 Oct 1776
 1349 Bridget 19 Oct 1782; m Gershom Heath 19 Oct 1802
 1350 Calvin 2 Aug 1785; m Nancy Hartwell; He died in Jordan, N.Y.
 1351 Eber 26 Oct 1787; m Lydia Sana 1817; res Parma, N.Y.

Application for Membership
EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION

Print name in full

Residence (Street and No.)

City Zone State

I hereby apply for membership as a descendant of Edmund Rice

I hereby apply for membership as a contributing member
(This applies to wives of descendants, persons whose lineage has not yet been
connected and friends of the Association)

Signed

Membership Fee \$2.00 per year starting from meeting in each September.

Applications and annual dues should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer:
Mrs. Helen Rice Randall - 12 Berkshire Road - Framingham, Massachusetts

Form for remitting Annual Dues

Please find enclosed my remittance in the amount of \$ covering the fol-
lowing at \$2.00 per person:

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(Please print name and addresses plainly)

Remitted by