

EDMUND RICE (1633) ASSOCIATION, INC.

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NEWS LETTER

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OFFICERS 1963-1964

PRESIDENT - William H. Hoefler - 150 Jay Street - Geneva, N. Y.

VICE-PRESIDENT - Ray Lowther Ellis - 1137 Mass. Avenue - Cambridge 38, Mass.

2nd VICE-PRESIDENT - Mrs. Margaret B. Morrell - 43 Main St. - Cochrasset, Mass.

SEC-TREAS. - Mrs. Helen R. Randall - 12 Berkshire Road - Framingham, Mass.

HISTORIAN -

DIRECTORS AND PAST PRESIDENTS

Albert W. Rice	Worcester, Mass.	
Charles W. Rice	Wrentham, Mass.	1955
Daniel H. Rice	Worcester, Mass.	1935-1936
Edgar W. Rice	Wellesley Hills, Mass.	1956-1957
Edmund T. Rice	Wellesley Hills, Mass.	
Frederick R. Rice	Arlington, Mass.	1960-1963
John E. Rice, Jr.	Marlboro, Mass.	
Ralston F. Rice	New York, N.Y.	1950-1951
Richard B. Rice	South Lincoln, Mass.	
Rufus D. Rice	Dearborn, Mass.	
Russell J. Rice	Needham, Mass.	1932-1934
Scaver M. Rice	Southbridge, Mass.	
Stanley I. Rice	Worcester, Mass.	1958-1959
Sturgis C. Rice	Plainville, Mass.	1940-1941, 1954
Willard W. Rice	Weston, Mass.	
John A. Bigelow	Marlboro, Mass.	1952-1953
Edward F. P. Brigham	Miami, Florida	
Erwin R. McLaughlin	Delmar, N.Y.	
Miss Ruth Weller	Framingham, Mass.	
Donald H. Whittemore	Minot, Mass.	1960

REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING President Rice opened the annual meeting with a prayer. This was followed by the officer's reports, election of officers, (listed above) and selection of "Old Sturbridge Village" as the meeting place for 1964. Details of the reports will follow.

RETIRING PRESIDENT'S REPORT President Frederick R. Rice stated that his report covered his activities as President, Editor of the News Letter and as a member of the Committee working on the new Rice Genealogy. As president the duties had been comparatively light, consisting mainly in conducting the annual meeting. No momentous decisions had been made.

Two News Letters had been issued since the last meeting. The first covering details of the annual reunion and both continued the genealogy material that supplemented Ward's book, such as additional children, dates, places and marriages that Ward had not known about. Nothing was carried forward since that will be the function of the new genealogy.

With respect to the new genealogy! The loss of Mrs. Elsie Hawes Smith was a tragedy and one it will take time to overcome. All her records were promptly turned over

to the President and he, with Mrs. Rice, have been devoting long hours each day reconciling the two records. Mrs. Smith received many lineages while from other sources, covering the same material, lineages were received by the president. Naturally many differences developed in names, dates and places. The result was correspondence or reference to vital and other records where available.

After working all winter on Rice records the President and Mrs. Rice left for Florida in April, hoping the warm weather would be good for their arthritic conditions. After Florida they traveled with their trailer about the country and in Canada all summer, only returning in time for the annual meeting.

The President expressed his profound thanks to the officers and past-presidents who came forward and worked out the details for the annual meeting. He mentioned in particular Mrs Margaret Motrell for securing the meeting place; Mr. & Mrs. Edgar W. Rice for taking charge of the luncheon and entertainment; Stanley I Rice for handling sale of the reprinted Andrew Ward book and securing the programs; Donald H. Whittemore in securing the badges; Russell J. Rice for securing the flowers and conducting the tour to Edmund Rice's grave; Sturgis Rice for keeping us supplied with addressograph photos and handling the sale of small books; to the ladies who helped register those attending the meeting and Mrs. Helen Randall in her performance as secretary and treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT We believe that our members are vitally interested in our finances and for the first time we include the Treasurer's report. The Association has planned on issuing a new genealogy but that takes money so this report is made to let our members see what we have.

GENERAL FUND		
Balance - end of last year		\$1438.12
Receipts	\$706.50	
Disbursements	523.72	
Balance on hand September 1963		\$1620.90
SPECIAL ACCOUNT (For Book)		
Balance on hand - end of last year		\$1453.78
Receipts	360.84	
Disbursements (Trans. to reg. fund)	4.00	
Balance in Special Account - Sept 1963		\$1810.62

FINANCING BOOK The Chairman of the Publication Committee, Mr. Stanley I. Rice, expressed the opinion that the cost of the new book would run in the neighborhood of \$5,000. Many of those present stated they would be willing to advance money on their books, if they only had some idea what the cost per book would be. The best estimate at this time would be \$15.00 per copy and persons sending in advance payments would naturally receive any pre-issue credits that could be given. Money for the books should be sent to Stanley I. Rice, 16 Longmeadow Ave., Worcester 6, Mass. He will record the order and forward money to Treasurer.

MEMORIAL FUND In 1958 the Association was asked if it would accept money in memorium to a deceased member. The answer was "YES". This money to be placed in the special book fund for the new genealogy. The Publication Committee plans a special "IN MEMORIUM" page in the new book. Donations should be sent to Stanley I. Rice.

NEWS letter During the past few years our membership has more than doubled. The officers and committee chairman have been very frugal with their expenditures. For instance the Editor purchased a mimeograph with his own funds so the cost of the News Letters covered only materials and postage. We have held

the News Letters down to two a year. Why are we telling you this? Merely to let you know that every penny saved means more towards the printing costs of the new book.

We have requested the membership to give us names of descendants so copies of the News Letter would go out to them. Now that they have received one or more copies and have not taken steps to help with the work by sending in a membership application we MUST drop them from our mailing list. We still ask that names be sent of persons who might be interested in joining to Frederick R. Rice, 16 Eastern Avenue, Arlington, Mass. 02174. Some who have previously been members can be restored to good standing by sending in their \$2.00 to the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Randall.

HISTORIAN In memory of our late Historian, Mrs. Elsie Hawes Smith, no one was elected to this office this year.

Lineages, newspaper clippings and other material for the historian can be sent to the Editor, Frederick R. Rice - 16 Eastern Avenue - Arlington, Mass 02174.

NEW PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE MY COUSINS:- It is with real humility that I accept the office of President of the Edmund Rice Association for the ensuing year of 1964.

Our Association is a small nucleus of one of the great families of America. One might say that the Association is the heart of a great family that keeps alive it's traditions and records by the efforts of it's members. Therefore I would urge upon each of you to attend our meetings, to bring in new members; and to inculcate an interest in genealogy to the younger members of our families. Through the subject, universally, considered very dry as conversation or reading; there are many incidents in a family history that are of great interest to future generations. Many of us are grateful to those who compiled the 1858 Ward "Rice Family Genealogy." Consequently it is up to us to continue to supply our records to the genealogy committee.

This is a hard working group and the enormous amount of work that our beloved Elsie Hawes Smith compiled is a great big start and is being continued by Stanley I. Rice and Frederick R. Rice with a great incentive to complete this great work to the publishing stage.

I am looking forward to seeing a large turnout of our Rice Family at old Sturbridge this Fall for our meeting.

Wishing all a Happy New Year.

signed W. H. Hoefler, President.

INCORPORATION CHARTER A letter from Sturgis C. Rice stated that he had the Association Charter. The President recommended that steps be taken to determine what should be done to place the corporation in good standing with the State of Massachusetts. By vote of the members the officers were empowered to take such steps as they deemed necessary to be restored in good standing.

Our new Vice-President Ray Lowther Ellis checked in the State House and found that by filing out seven reports covering years 1957-1963 and upon payment of five dollars for each year that we would be restored to good standing. The papers are presently being typed and signed.

Forms for use in paying dues and purchasing books will be found on page 7. There is still time to order books for Xmas presents.

We are devoting an extra page to Association affairs just to give our membership an idea of what is going on. Our committees are working hard on your behalf and

we trust you will support them in every way possible - including payment of dues, sending in advance payment on the new genealogy, adding someone's name on the "In Memoriam" page or, as a number have, remitted a little extra as a gift for the book fund.

FAMILY LINEAGES The committee working on the new book notes that many dates (births, marriages and deaths) are missing from material submitted. Are YOU satisfied to have your sketchy records appear in print - when upon a bit more effort it could be made complete? Places are also important in aiding future generations in tracing their ancestors. If a town or State are known it could lead to court records and possibly finding a list of heirs to an estate or mention of them in a will.

DRURY FAMILY The Northampton (Mass) Public Library has a hand written manuscript on the Drury Family. Deacon Edmund's daughter Lydia married Hugh Drury. It took a number of day trips to Northampton to copy this material for our files

BRIGHAM FAMILY The Brigham Genealogy and its several supplements have been studied with a view of incorporating Rice descendants in our records. Since they already appear in print they will not at this time be repeated in our new genealogy. There is still a lot of work in the future to arrange and bring this family up to-date.

INDEX FILE We have an index card for every RICE child where a birthday is known and who did not die young or unmarried. This card also included the parents names for quick identification.

Our files also contain a cross-reference card under the husband's name for every girl by the name of RICE. Keep us posted when your girl or boy gets married!

SHAFFER FAMILY Mrs. Vera Kemper - Rt #2 - Moses Lake, Wash. writes that; "We are putting our a news letter on the Shaffer Family and would like pedigrees on this family.

MISSING LINKS Mrs. G. C. Roberts - 1827 West Park - Pasco, Wash. is interested in a Harlo Rice who came from N.Y. State. Children born in 1830's were Brister, Alonzo, Rhoda and another daughter. The family went to Wisconsin around Lake Winnebago, before 1864

Mrs Ranson Bradley - 222 West 7th St. - Pecatonica, Ill. writes about David Rice who mar. Maria Curran of Westport, 7 Dec 1817. Children born in Andover, Mass. were Harriet Elizabeth, Elizabeth Ann 1820; Mary Livingston 1822; David 1826 and William (Albert) 1828.

Mr. Stanley E. Pefin - 3722 So. Wigger St. - Marion, Ind. asked about Rachel Rice, b 1 Apr 1782; d in Council Bluffs, Iowa; mar John Perrin 10 Dec 1803; b 18 Dec 1774 d 21 Jan 1866. They had twelve children.

Mrs. Louis A. Brown - R. R. #3 - Connersville, Ind. writes - I am hopelessly trying to find my great grandfather's ancestor, Abraham Rice. My great grandfather was Amos Rice, b 15 Oct 1787-N.Y. State. In 1803 went to Indiana. Mar Mrs Martha (Hatton) Davies and had three children.

These are just a few inquiries received. We maintain a "no record" file of Rice's and if a lineage comes in we notified the interested party.

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS to Andrew Ward's book on the RICE FAMILY

FIFTH GENERATION - conti.

- (227) Thomas Rice #589 m Abigail Knagood
 Abigail b 13 Aug 1755; d 18 Apr 1828 @73
 1368 Willard b 7 Sep 1794; d 14 Mar 1855; m Anna Barnes 3 Jun 1815
 Anna b 2 May 1789; d 7 Aug 1876
- (228) Gershon RICE #591 m Susannah Howe
 1372 Susanna b 5 Dec 1787; m Ivory Bigelow (not Brigham)
- (229) SOLOMON RICE #592 m Mary Binney
 Mary Binney, Mayflower #42470 was descended from Stephen Hopkins and
 all descendants of this couple are eligible for Mayflower Society
- (231) BENJAMIN RICE #600 m Sarah Upham
 1383 William b 28 Oct 1759; m Sally Demond 27 Mar 1788-Sturbridge
- (232) OLIVER RICE #602 m LUCY RICE #695
 1388 Eunice b 25 Dec 1759; m Jesse Parker 14 Oct 1798
- (235) JOSEPH HOWE, Jr. #393.1 m GRACE RICE #616
 1418a Hepzibah Howe d 14 May 1866
- (236) EBENEZER RICE #618 m Patty Wells
 m 2nd Elizabeth Howe 1 Jun 1775; b 12 Dec 1734
 d 17 Feb 1801
- (238) ZEBULON RICE #633 m Abigail Forbush (Westboro V.R.)
 1435 Susanna b 25 Sep 1758; m Ephraim Potter 31 Jul 1752
- (239) SOLOMON RICE #634 m Anna Rice 12 Mar 1741
 Solomon d 11 Mar 1802 @88; Anna d 9 Apr 1802 @86
 1436 Antipas b 25 Sep 1744
 1437 Thankful b 16 Jan 1742/3; m Edward Higgins 17 Oct 1764
 1438 Jonas b 16 Sep 1746
 1439 Hannah b 25 Mar 1748; m Jonathan Fiske 18 Jan 1770
 1442 Elizabeth b 12 Sep 1751; m John Nims 4 Feb 1771
 1443 Lucy b 31 Oct 1753; m Martin Rice #1176, 6 Jul 1779
 1445 Ruth b 2 Feb 1757; m John Rice #1182, 6 Mar 1782
- (243) ADONIJAH RICE #640 m Hannah Crosby
 1474 John b 9 Sep 1765; m Mary Gilbert 28 Feb 1789
- (244) CHARLES RICE #641 m Leah Jennings
 Leah mar 2nd in 1761 Jesse Burke and d 5 Aug 1811 @75
 1478 Charles b 7 May 1758; m Sarah _____
- (245) ABNER RICE #642 m Martha Daniel
 1479 Pelatiah b 1 Apr 1753 (Spencer VR bp 9 Dec 1753)
 1479a Abner bp 19 Jan 1755
 b Archibald bp 12 Sep 1756
 c Thankful bp 26 Nov 1758

Wives of descendants and persons whose lineage has not yet been connected are eligible for membership in the Rice Association as "Contributing Members".

- (246) ASHUR RICE #644 m Dinah Allen 13 Dec 1764--Sturbridge
 m 2nd Sarah Phelps 3 Oct 1782; d 5 May 1813
 644.1 Dinah b 13 Sep 1765; m Isaac Comar 22 Nov 1784
 .2 Sarah b 18 Jul 1783
 .3 Anna bp 4 Jun 1786
 .4 Sarah b 9 Aug 1788
 .5 Achsah b 7 Mar 1791; d 24 Aug 1830
 .6 Lucy b 2 Jan 1794; m Charles Watson 27 Dec 1812
 .7 Asher b 16 Dec 1796; m Sally Ludden Nov 1826
 .8 Annah b 16 Dec 1804; m \$ David S. Stebbins 31 May 1841
- (247) PHINEAS RICE #654 m Hannah Cummins
 1481 Hannah b 26 Jul 1747; m John Haskell (int) 22 Jul 1765
 1482 Mary b 10 Feb 1751; m Eli Freeman 26 Mar 1767
 1484 Abigail b 17 Apr 1755; m Stephen Johnson 31 May 1774
 1486 Noah b 5 Mar 1760-Sutton; m Prudence Luce 30 Aug 1781
 1486a Lydia b 29 May 1763-Sutton
- (248) JEDEDIAH RICE #655 m Mehitabel Cutter (Cuttler in VR)
- (249) STEPHEN RICE #661 m Ruth Stone she d 31 May 1771-Sutton
 1491 Daniel b 3 Jul 1769; dy
 1491a child b Jan 1771; d 22 Mar 1771
 1492 Stephen b 27 Sep 1772
 1493 Ruth b 10 May 1774
 1497 Lucinda belongs to Stephen Rice Jr. #1492
 1498 Daniel also belongs to Stephen Rice Jr. #1492
- (250) ASAPH RICE #663 m Mary Morse 26 Dec 1765; she d 29 Mar 1767 @20
 m 2nd Thankful Clough 14 Feb 1777; she d 16 Feb 1782 @44
 m 3rd Lucy (Barron) Shattuck 7 Jul 1786; she d 16 Apr 1821
 Asaph d 30 Mar 1816 per "Columbian Centinel" newspaper
 1499 Persis b Nov 1766; m Silas Beaman 24 Aug 1786
 1502 Asaph b 1775; d 27 Sep 1776
- (251) STEPHEN RICE #665 m Dorothy Woods
 1508a Hepzibah bp 15 Nov 1769
 1509 Hepzibah b 12 Feb 1771; d 5 Nov 1859-Castleton, Vt.
 1512 Stephen bp 8 Jun 1777; d 16 Aug 1821; m Fanny Paige
- (253) THOMAS RICE #672 m Rebecca Kingsbury
 Thomas in index #27941, being descended from John Alden.
 All descendants of this couple eligible for Mayflower membership
 1514a Rebecca b 11 Mar 1770; d 1772
 b John b 24 Aug 1771; d 1772
 c Rebecca b 6 May 1773; d 1773
 d John b 15 May 1774; d 1790
 1515a Charles b 21 Nov 1777; d 1778
 1517 Rebecca b 9 Mar 1781; m Rev. Freeman Parker 1804
 Rev. Parker also Mayflower desc. #25703, descending from John Howland.
 Descendants of this couple have two Mayflower lines.
 1518a Lydia b 29 Sep 1785
- (255) Lydia RICE #676 m Timothy Bacon
 676.1 Abijah Bacon b 1758; d 19 Jan 1778-Dudley

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