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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE      Your President was very pleased that so many Rices gathered for the 1964 Reunion. However, let everyone now interested in the Association, work for a greater attendance at the 1965 Reunion.

The legend is that the day of our meeting is invariably a fine Fall day. In the 12 years of my attendance it has rained on that day but once.

The President wishes to extend his gratitude to the various members who made the meeting such a success, such as Fred's and Wilna's work on the genealogy and the news letter promotion - Stan's work on the genealogy and nomination committee - Don Whittemore's fine organization at Old Sturbridge Village - Ray Ellis' splendid program - Mrs. Morrell's talk on the program map - Russell Rice's transportation leadership - Seaver's presentation of attendance gifts and to the Directors and Past Presidents in attendance. It was very gratifying to have so many members take part in the discussions during the meeting.



ANNUAL REUNION Saturday, September 26th, was warm and sunny. It was one of the nicest days we have ever had for a Reunion. Close to 100 descendants of Deacon Edmund Rice attended the meeting at Old Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, Mass. The member travelling farthest came from California, Arthur C. Hoefler, while Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred E. Rice came from Miami, Florida to attend their first Reunion. Others came from Michigan, Ohio, Tenn. and seven from New Jersey. New York and the New England States had the largest representation.

Past President Edgar W. Rice was selected as Committee Chairman for the arrangements for next year's reunion. Announcement of their plans will be made in the next News Letter.

Theo L. and Josephine S. Rice were unable to attend this year's reunion being away on a cruise celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary.

This year's printed program was compiled by Vice President Ray L. Ellis. He secured permission to reproduce, on the front page of the program, the map of "The Village Center, Sudbury, Mass." from the author of the new book, "The Puritan Village" by Sumner Chilton Powell. This map is of interest to us because Edmund Rice built his first home on Lot #5, Mill Road and his son Henry had Lot #6. We had extra copies made and anyone interested may have a copy of the program by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to the Editor, Frederick R. Rice.

NEW GENEALOGY The Committee working upon the new genealogy reported to the membership that they are still working on the vast amount of material that has been received. Most of the data has been placed on index cards for ready reference. From these cards typed slips are being made for final arrangement and listing to the printer. In addition to all this there are many "snag cases" where conflicting information requires further research and correspondence. The Committee feels that there is still much work to be done before a genealogy that the Association can be proud of, can be issued. Also, there is that little problem of raising funds for the printing.

Your Historian wishes to remind each and everyone to keep him posted on all births, marriages and deaths of Edmund Rice's descendants.

BOOKS AVAILABLE It was the concensus of opinion of those present that the membership had had sufficient time to purchase copies of the "Rice Family" by Andrew Ward. (reprinted edition). It was voted to increase the price of this book from \$12.50 to \$20.00 as of January 1, 1965.

During the discussion it was stated that many libraries do not have copies and that they might be interested in securing one if it was brought to their attention by members, especially before the first of the year at the old price. There are only about 300 copies left! Order from Stanley I. Rice - 16 Longmeadow Avenue - Worcester, Mass. 01606 (\$12.50 until Jan. 1st)

Director Sturgis C. Rice reports that our supply of Books "Edmund Rice and His Family" by Elsie Hawes Smith and "By The Name of Rice" by Charles Elmer Rice are exhausted.

Effective as of January 1, 1965 the price of the small book "More About Those Rices" by Elsie Hawes Smith, will be \$4.00 per copy. Less than 300 copies are left of this book. Order from Sturgis C. Rice - P.O. Box 1615 - Plainfield, Mass. Until Jan. 1st the price will still be \$2.00 per copy.

Our Annual Reunions are held on the last Saturday in September. It is not too early to make plans to attend. (1965)



NEWS LETTERS Each edition of the News Letter carries valuable information that supplements Ward's book on the "Rice Family". The News Letter goes to members as part of their membership dues. By vote of the Association a price of \$1.00 per copy was set for back issues and to non-members. Your Editor has a very limited supply of the following numbers; 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 available.

ENGLISH PICTURES On their last visit to England our Director and Mrs. Erwin R. McLaughlin visited Berkhamstead, Hertfordshire, about one hours run from London. They took a number of colored pictures of the Town and had a set of enlargements on display at the Reunion. The Association is proud to make them a part of its archives. They also presented us with a picture of the marker located on the original Rice farm in Wayland.

A number of pictures were taken at Edmund's grave when a wreath was placed there. How about copies for the records?

DEATHS Reports have been received covering the following losses. The Rice Association extends its deepest sympathy to the families:

Ernest Wilson Rice born 11 Jul 1874; died 2 May 1964

George Arthur Rice born 25 Feb 1882; died 21 Oct 1962-Ojai, Calif.

William Ball Rice born 24 Apr 1901; died 7 Oct 1964-Wellesley, Mass.

NEW YEAR Mrs. Helen Rice Randall - 12 Berkshire Road - Framingham, Mass. wishes to remind the membership that we are starting a new year and that . . . annual dues of \$2.00 are now due.

All our revenue comes from dues and the sale of books so add your encouragement to those who are doing so much for the Association, by sending in YOUR dues now! There are no paid officers or help, but News Letters and postage are big items that your dues pay for.

INFORMATION NEEDED One of our members is anxious to complete her lineage from the following facts: Lydia Rice, daughter of Hezekiah Rice #1028 and Elizabeth Eames, mar. Samuel Ober of Rockingham, Vt. in 1804. Their 1st child was Persis Ober, b 1805, who mar. Calvin Oak or Oakes of Grafton, Vt. or Athens, Vt. Persis died in 1847. Her father's will stated "one share to the children of my deceased daughter Persis Oaks". Wanted the children of Calvin and Persis Oaks.

Parentage is also needed for the following Rices

Col. David R. Rice, b 13 Oct 1785; mar Maria Green Gerron 22 Nov 1817. Had dau Harriet Elizabeth Rice who mar. Seth Whittier at Bangor, Me. 2 Oct 1837.

Aaron Rice who mar. Elizabeth Hide 28 Oct 1798; she d 24 Sep 1829 @56 (Bos. VR)

Aaron Rice who mar. Hannah Strong 27 Jun 1797, dau Simeon Strong & Chloe

Aaron Rice b 22 Mar 1809-Swanzey, NH; mar. Melinda Nash (Sullivan NH VR)

Aaron Rice of Boston mar. Hannah Gardner Oct 1821 (Cambridge VR)

Aaron 2nd of Petersham mar. Sally Hinckley 17 Nov 1831 (Barre VR)

Aaron Rice and Lydia had dau. b 7 Dec 1843-Petersham, Mass.

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ADDITIONAL This continues the material that your Committee has found supplement-  
 GENEALOGICAL ing Ward's book on the "Rice Family". It does not continue the fam-  
 INFORMATION ilies beyond his book, but, instead lists additional children, dates  
 of birth, marriages, deaths, places and names of spouses, etc. The  
 number in brackets (301) are the family numbers as they appear in his  
 book and the other numbers belong to the individual persons.

FIFTH GENERATION - continued

- (304) Jonas Rice #817, b 5 Aug 1732; d 1 Nov 1824  
 m Bathshabah Parmenter 3 Dec 1751; prob. d 9 Mar 1801  
 Conway vital records show the following:  
 Jonas m widow Margaret Oliver 12 Sep 1801; d 20 Dec 1802 @63  
 Jonas m widow Zeruah Pulsipher 28 Apr 1803  
 wife of Jonas d 9 Mar 1801 @70  
 wife of Jonas d 3 May 1817 @69  
 1790 Joel b 17 May 1752; d 16 Dec 1834-Conway; m Lydia Farnsworth, int 30 Jul  
 1774-Conway. (This could not be the Joel from Greenfield listed by  
 Ward.  
 1791 Bathshebah b 4 Apr 1754  
 Possibly the one from Conway VR with int. 9 Feb 1803 to marry  
 Ebenezer Goodenough of Guilford, Vermont.  
 1792 Jonas (per VR) b 5 Oct 1756; m Abigail  
 1792a Prudence b 14 Apr 1768-Conway; d 25 Feb 1825  
 b Hannah b 1 Oct 1771-Conway; d 28 Sep 1776
- (310) Josiah Gale, Jr. b 1744  
 m Elizabeth Rice #825 on 1 Dec 1768  
 825.1 Azubah Gale bp 13 Jan 1782  
 .2 Elizabeth bp "  
 .3 John Gale bp "  
 .4 Molly Gale bp "  
 .5 Nabby Gale bp 10 Feb 1782
- (314) Abel Rice #832 m. Anna Nichols  
 1825 Sally b 8 Mar 1777; m Ebenezer Holbrook 10 Oct 1796  
 1827 Anna b 20 May 1780; m Ebenezer Warren  
 m 2nd James Moore, Jr. 24 Feb 1801; she d 20 Sep 1813  
 1828 Persis b 28 Mar 1782; d 14 Apr 1852- unmar.  
 1828a Phares m Wealthy Case 5 Nov 1813
- (316) Lt. Jonas Rice #837 went to Orwell, Vt. and d. there 17 Feb 1839  
 m Elizabeth Carver and she d. 16 Mar 1843
- (317 through 326 eligible for membership in Mayflower Society, being descendants of  
 William White, passenger on the Mayflower)
- (321) Ezekiel Rice #848 m. Elizabeth Rice #875; He d 17 Apr 1815  
 Elizabeth (Rice) Rice m 2nd Eliphas Colman and for her 3rd husband  
 Lemuel Fisk when she was age 72  
 1866 Elizabeth b 11 Feb 1796; m William Ball 21 Dec 1813-Lancaster  
 1867 Dolly b 9 Apr 1798; m Danforth Wilder 16 Aug 1818-Lancaster  
 1868 Copiah b 12 Apr 1800  
 1868a Josiah b 20 Dec 1801; m Mary Brooks  
 b Sally b 18 Feb 1804; m Joseph Cutting  
 c Lucy b 19 May 1806; m George Wesson Brown Feb 1833



- (322) Elijah Rice #852 m. Relief Williams of Princeton at Lancaster  
 1869 Joseph b 19 Jan 1773; m Mary Eldridge  
 1870 Tryphena b 28 Apr 1774; m Rufus Holman 29 Nov 1798  
 1871 Nahum b 27 Oct 1775; m Nancy Young  
 1874 Martin b 8 Mar 1781; m Lucy Wheeler  
 1874a Huldy b 28 Dec 1782; d 14 Jul 1784  
 1875 Azubah b 14 Aug 1784; m Rufus Pratt 17 Jan 1818-Boston  
 1877 Alexander b 27 Dec 1788; m Sarah Drury  
 1878 Olive b 6 Oct 1790; m Billings Briggs  
 1879 Abner b 7 Sep 1792; m Lucy Wheeler
- (324) Jonas Rice #862, b 16 Feb 1754; d 26 Apr 1836-Ashburnham, Mass.  
 m Zilpah Townsend (pub) 10 May 1779; d. 22 Jul 1846 @90-Ashburnham  
 1889 Persis b 1 Jul 1782; d 4 Jul 1857 @75  
 1892 Mary b 9 Jun 1788; m Luther Willoughby 28 Jan 1813  
 1896 Susan b 20 Jan 1796; d 13 Jun 1863
- (325) Eliakim Rice #863 b 1 Apr 1756-Lancaster; d 4 Aug 1834- Hartland, Vt.  
 m Hannah Kendall 5 Nov 1778-Lancaster; d 13 Sep 1827-Hartland, Vt.  
 863.1 John b 17 Jul 1780-Lancaster  
 .2 Sarah b 5 Jun 1782 "  
 .3 Hannah b 13 Nov 1785-Hartland, Vt.  
 .4 Eliakim, Jr. b 19 Jun 1788-Hartland, Vt  
 .5 Oliver b 8 Apr 1790 "  
 .6 Stephen b 27 Dec 1792 "  
 .7 David b 25 Sep 1795; m Patience Wheeler  
 .8 Luther b 24 Nov 1799; d 22 Mar 1876-Middlebury, Vt.
- (326) Reuben Rice #864 m Sarah Metcalf who d 8 Jun 1784  
 m 2nd Charlotte Johnson of Dublin, NH int 2 Dec 1816  
 dau. Simeon Johnson  
 1905 Zebulon b 6 May 1801; d 14 Jan 1888; m Susan Whiting 1 Jun 1826  
 she d 18 Feb 1871 @67  
 1908 Emma b 6 Mar 1811; m Benjamin Adams
- (329) Benjamin Rice #884 b 4 Jan 1740/41; d 23 Apr 1811  
 m Susanna Weeks 22 May 1764; b 5 Nov 1743; d 17 Feb 1826  
 1924 Phebe b 23 Oct 1768; m Samuel Williams; she d 20 Jan 1794  
 Thier dau Phebe Williams bp 19 Feb 1792  
 1926 Susanna b 28 Dec 1771; d 9 Dec 1849 @78-unmar.  
 1928 John b 27 Nov 1780; d 20 Apr 1788
- (331) William Williams m Phebe Rice #886  
 1935 Lydia Rice Williams b 27 Sep 1764; m John Howe 1 May 1800
- (341) John Rice #911 m Esther Fay  
 1988 Mehitable b 20 Feb 1806  
 1988a Rufus b 17 Dec 1808
- (347) Jabez Rice #957 m Alice Howe 27 Jun 1776; b 9 Sep 1750  
 2018 Hannah b 5 Aug 1777; m Joseph Whitney 10 Dec 1797  
 2020 Aaron b 30 May 1782; d 5 Oct 1782

We appreciate the copies of bible records, vital records and lineages that have been sent in. Not all are Deacon Edmund's descendants but all become part of our records and may help someone asking for information in the future. Send all to Editor.



- (348) Noah Rice #958 b 10 Sep 1751; d 1 Oct 1820  
 m Sarah Cazneau 24 Dec 1778; she d 15 May 1781 @28  
 m 2nd Hannah Cole 10 Mar 1784; b 13 Oct 1751; d 17 Sep 1826  
 2032 Hannah b 3 Sep 1796; d 12 Jul 1863
- (349) Jonah Rice #959, b 30 Oct 1742; d 12 Jun 1827  
 m Phebe b 1751; d 23 Apr 1826  
 2033 Nathan b 8 Oct 1775; m Arethusa Moore 12 Apr 1798  
 2033a Jonah b 7 Oct 1763; d 16 Jun 1833-Otisco, N.Y.  
 Son of Submit Gleason and in his marriage record he is called Jonah Jr.  
 Ancestry assumed as son of Jonah Rice #959  
 m. Mary Hoyt (Hoyt) 8 Apr 1789; b 28 May 1773; d 22 Nov 1858  
 Ten children listed for this marriage, with many descendants.  
 2035 Elizabeth b 18 May 1779; m John Hunting, son of Samuel and Elizabeth  
 Hunting, b 9 Feb 1781; m 21 Jul 1801  
 2037 Edward b 22 Feb 1783; d 12 Sep 1858; m Lydia Gates 6 Nov 1817; b 10 Oct  
 1788; d 9 Dec 1857  
 2041 Harvey (not Henry) b 25 Mar 1791; m Thusa Houghton
- (350) Nathan Rice #964 m Mariel Leavitt and 2nd Sophia Blake  
 2047 Priscilla b 11 Jun 1786; m Judge Alvan Foote of Burlington, Vt.  
 (Judge Foote was a descendant of William Bradford of the Mayflower  
 and descendants of this couple are eligible for membership in the  
 Mayflower Society)  
 2051 Sophia Blake b 12 Feb 1797; m Dr. Gamaliel Bradford (Also a descendant  
 of William Bradford)
- (356) Charles Rice #980 m Susanna Moore 16 Dec 1779  
 2071 Josiah b 14 May 1780-Sudbury  
 2071a Susannah b 1 Apr 1783  
 2072 Mary (Polly) b 22 Aug 1785-Packersfield, NH  
 2073 Elizabeth b 15 Apr 1787 "  
 2074 Oliver b 24 Jan 1789 "
- (358) Phineas Rice #982 m Abigail Livermore 5 Oct 1758  
 2079 Sarah b 12 Nov 1761; m Dr. Reuben Phillips in 1790 and had 4 chil.  
 2081 John bp 14 Apr 1765  
 2082 Phineas b 9 Feb 1768; m Lucy French 6 May 1792; d 1 Jun 1826-Walpole, NH  
 2083 Abigail bp 6 May 1770; m William Clark 8 Mar 1795  
 2087 Hannah m Ebenezer Cram 5 Feb 1807-Alstead, NH
- (362) Timothy Rice #987 m Mary Thwing  
 2106 Daniel b 26 Jun 1771; m Bethiah Newhall  
 2107 Isaac b 18 Oct 1773; m Anna Ware  
 2108 Thankful b 24 Sep 1775; m George Stearns  
 2109 Mary b 14 Oct 1777; m Consider Amsden  
 2110 Timothy b 14 Feb 1780; m Dorothy Newhall  
 2111 Sarah b 14 Feb 1782; m Joel Stearns  
 2112 Electa b 5 Apr 1784; d 1787  
 2113 Elisha b 24 Apr 1786; d 1805 (Conway VR says Elihu)  
 2114 Leonard b 12 Aug 1788; m Charlotte Billings

Next News Letter will conclude the fifth generation and start the sixth.

If you know of a Rice descendant who is not a member send the name to your Editor and he will mail out a copy of the News Letter.