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## PRESIDENT'S PAGE

October, 1990

Dear Cousins,

We're still basking in the afterglow of a fine reunion and annual meeting. It was wonderful to see so many turn out and to meet you personally.

Now we must turn to the business of the next year, especially the activity of the association in supplying a well-rounded selection of books on the Rice Family to members and interested parties. We should, I think, consider this a two-fold opportunity. First, we can learn more about ourselves and our ancestors. Second, this is a method the Association has of raising money for promoting those activities necessary in its purpose. Bill Drury, Book Custodian, will be most happy, I'm sure, to receive from you an order for books. A list of those available is printed elsewhere in this Newsletter, along with an order blank. This is our main financial effort, and since it is my belief that strong institutions have strong financial foundations, I must ask you to consider seriously contributing to ours. There is a multitude of ways that your generosity will be reflected back to you.

I'd like to extend a special acknowledgement and thanks to Alex Snow, Past President, for his service and inspiration. He's a great guy and a gracious gentleman. We should think of him as a true cousin.

Best regards,





OUR 1990 ANNUAL REUNION: August 25, 1990.

It was a great "party", well attended and enjoyed by all. The day opened with coffee and pastries, and a social time, at the Marlborough Country Club in Marlborough, Mass. After a delicious buffet luncheon the meeting itself began at about 1:00 P.M. A summary of the minutes, by our outgoing secretary, Pat Vickery, follows.

The meeting was opened with a minute of silence in remembrance of those of our kin who passed away in the past year. (See Obituaries, the last issue and this one, for names.) Then followed the Secretary's report of the September 16, 1989 Meeting, including the comment that the luncheon and refreshments are partially subsidized by income from a bequest of Dana Rice, who left \$20,000 to the Rice Association for that purpose.

The Treasurer's report followed. A copy of this will be found at the end of this article. Cousin Bill Drury pointed out that the retail value of our stock of books is \$40,075, about 60% of our total assets. Another plea to those who see fit, to buy our books - help liquidate our assets, so that we can publish more and newer books!

The membership/historian's report included the fact that we grew by 29 members in the past year, making a total, including member-spouses, of 458. It is a lively membership, and we are grateful to all of you who have sent notes and items for the newsletter.

Next, Mona Rice of Ashburnham introduced herself and stated that she had brought with her a book, *The History of Ashburnham*, which might be of interest since there were many Rices living in Ashburnham during the 1700's up to 1888.

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Fred Rice showed us an old poster, found in a cabinet which his father had given him, telling of the theft of a horse and wagon from his great-grandmother.

President Alex Snow then offered prizes to those who had come the farthest, the oldest and the youngest present. Those who had come the farthest were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gray Rice, of Palo Alto, California, and the youngest was their granddaughter, Sophia Axtman, aged 22 months. The

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oldest member present was Mrs. James Parker Rice, aged 86 years.

Finally, the secretary, Pat Vickery, presented the new slate of officers named by the Nominating Committee. They are:

President:	John Bates
First Vice President:	Fred Rice
Second Vice President:	Jane Kirk
Secretary:	Virginia Grammer
New Directors (two):	Lawrence Patterson Henry Adams

It was moved, seconded and voted unanimously that the secretary cast one vote for this slate.

Our new president, John Bates, introduced the speaker, your scribe, Corinne (Mickey) Snow; the topic, "Who are we and what are we doing here?" The piece, an overview of the Rice family during three-and-a-half centuries in America, was well received. Several people asked for copies. These have been printed up, and are available on request to me (Mickey)

for \$1.00 postage and handling cost. (Will those who asked verbally please write to me also, to remind me?)

Lastly, Russ Vickery moved to give a standing vote of thanks to our out-going president, Alex Snow, "who has served well, faithfully and diligently for the last three years and before that on the Board. The motion was seconded and enthusiastically and unanimously approved."

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M., and was followed by a cavalcade to the Edmund Rice memorial in Wayland Cemetery. Here a wreath was placed at the memorial by John Bates and Alex Snow. President John Bates spoke a few very moving words about the early Rices and our heritage from them, a very precious heritage which needs to be remembered and preserved.

With a sense of kinship renewed, the members parted and went their separate ways.



## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

AUGUST 31, 1990

Checking Account:

Balance 9-1-89 \$1191.43

## Income:

Publications	2608.00
Dues	1224.00
Transfer from Savings	3773.00
Meetings	1490.00
Total Income	9095.00
	<u>\$10286.43</u>

## Expenses:

Publications	2248.01
Reprinting	
"The Rice Family"	3273.00
Meetings	2446.07
Miscellaneous	15.00
Transfer to Savings	1500.00
Postage, Telephone, etc.	165.73
Total Expenses	<u>\$9647.81</u>

Balance 8-31-90 \$638.62

Other Assets:

Bank Savings Account	5199.85
12-month Cert. of Dep.	
(due 12-3-90 @8.1%)	21246.85
Retail Value of Books	
in Inventory	39694.50
Books on order	3273.00

Total Assets 8-31-90 \$70052.66

Respectfully Submitted,  
William H. Drury, Treasurer

NEW MEMBERS:

We welcome the following people who have joined us at or since the Annual Meeting.

Barbara A. Bodeen, McMinnville, OR 97128

Pamela Mercer Coyne and her daughter, Alison M. Coyne  
of Huntingdon Valley, Penna. and her father,  
Robert Arlyn Mercer, Jr. of Jaffrey, N.H.

Arthur W. Day, of Ludlow, Mass.

Anne R. DiBuono, of Hubbardston, Mass.

John James Flood, of Sturgeon, Mo.

Karol J. Holnbach, of Upland, Cal.

James St.J. Hughes, of Ramsey, N.J.

Mary Lombardi, of Ivoryton, Conn.

Clarence McClayland, of Fall River, Kansas

Ross McCurdy, of Cumberland, R.I.

Ann Rampke, of Molalla, Ore.

Howard F. Rice, of Westminster, Vt.

Jane Rice, of Moultonboro, N.H.

Stephen P. Rice, of Worcester, Mass.

Elizabeth F. Tonucci, of Manchester, Conn.

We regret that there are too many names to give each one's  
genealogy, and we also ask; *Will those of you who have not  
submitted a genealogy please do so?* Please include all of  
the information you have. Thank you, Cousin Mickey.



QUERIES:

*Any questions about Rice ancestors and their spouses are welcome in this column. You may get a lot of answers or you may get none - it's worth a try! If you have ever sent in a query which was not printed, we apologize and ask you to try again. If you have the information requested, please correspond directly with the questioner.*

We have four challenging Queries for this issue, all about ancestors who moved west to Ohio, and some, on to Michigan.

The first is from Cousin June Layton, (Mrs. Harry Layton, 369 Avery Rd. E., Chehallis, WA 98532) and concerns people who lived in New York State in the early 1800's. Cousin June would appreciate hearing from anyone who might know something about Tamesin Rice, born April 20, 1782, and married to Joseph L. Collins, born in 1789. They lived at Groton, Tompkins Co., NY, and had fourteen children born there. The children were:

Delaney, b.1799	Ruth Elizabeth, b.2 Aug.1813
Lucy, b.2 May, 1801	Emily, b.4 July, 1815
Jesse, b.17 Feb. 1803	Phebe, b.4 June, 1817
Moses, b.18 Jan. 1805	Joseph, b.13 June, 1819
Anna, b.5 April, 1807	Lois, b.15 June, 1821
Tamesin, b.4 Feb. 1809	Sarah, b.23 Mar. 1823
Lucinda, b.24 Feb. 1811	George, b.12 June, 1826

Soon after George's birth the family moved to Norwalk, Ohio, and then, in the early 1830's, on to Michigan. Does anyone know anything about this family?

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The second query is from Cousin Francis Thraen, (10417 S. 47th St., Phoenix, AZ 85044) and puzzles your scribe. Cousin Francis wants to "learn more about Henry Rice who married Sarah Foster. He died November 6, 1717. His father was Thomas Rice, b.June 30, 1654, m. Anna Rice, June 24, 1688 in St.Peter's Church, Kent, Va.

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Henry was Thomas' youngest son." The birth date is correct, Cousin Francis, for our Thomas<sup>28</sup>, son of Thomas<sup>4</sup>. However, our Thomas was born in Sudbury, Mass., moved to Marlborough as a child and spent the rest of his life there. He did, indeed, marry his cousin, Anna Rice, but on Nov. 10, 1681. Of the thirteen children that I know of, none were named Henry, and this couple was married in Marlborough, Mass., not Kent, Va.

The Henry Rice whom Cousin Francis inquires about had two sons, Henry, b.1717 in Hanover, Va., d.1817 in Lost Creek, Tenn., and Levi, who married Mary C. Mitchell.

At first glance it seems we are dealing with a different Rice family, with the coincidence of "Thomas Rice, b.June 30, 1654, m.Anna Rice" being either an error or a true coincidence. Can anyone shed further light on this question

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A new member, Ms. Ann Rampke,

(P.O.Box 571, Molalla, OR 97038)

wonders if anyone knows the parents of a Michael Rice and a Cornelia Rice, who may have been brother and sister.

Michael was born in Ringwood, Passaic Co., N.J. in March, 1764. He died in Greenfield Twp, Fairfield Co., Ohio, on 15 Oct. 1853. He fought in the Revolutionary War as a youth, and in 1790 married Rachel Bean Kester. Until 1800 the family lived in Chester Co., Penn.; they then moved to Fairfield Co., Ohio, their children were:

Jacob, b.1792	m.Lydia Wickizer
John, b.1794	m.Isabel Himrod
Hannah, b.1796	m.#1.John Coole, #2.Friend Biggerstaff
George, b.1799	m.Ruth Jackson
Samuel, b.1802, d.1812, bur. in James Brooke family plot	
Elizabeth, b.1806, m.Shipman Newkirk	
Rachel K. b.1808, m.Jacob Harrison	
Lydia, b.1810	m.Van S. Burton

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Cornelia Rice married James Brooke. Her date and place of birth are unknown, but she died on 7 Nov. 1834 and is buried in the same cemetery as the boy Samuel, above. James and Cornelia Rice Brooke had eleven children:

Joseph, b.1797 m.Elizabeth  
George, b.1798 m.Wealthy Wickizer  
Isaiah, b.1801 d.y.  
Ann, b.1803 m.John B. Wickizer  
(Ms. Rampke's ancestors)

Isaiah, b.1805 m.Marian Carpenter  
Hezekiah, b.1808 m.#1.Polly Pence, #2.Frances Brandt  
Hannah, b.1810  
Benjamin, b.1812, m.Elizabeth Wickizer  
James, b.1815 m.Priscilla Luckey  
Sarah, b.1817 d.y.  
Sarah, b.1819 m.John A. Rhodes

James Brooke was born prob. in Chester Co., Penn. in 1771. About the age of 14 he moved with his father, Joseph Brooke, to Northumberland Co., Penn. He became a carpenter, and married Cornelia Rice, and here their first child, Joseph, was born. Also in Pennsylvania James built a home for a Jacob Kester (relationship to Rachel Bean Kester, Michael Rice's wife?) Around 1800 the Brooke family also moved to Fairfield Co., Ohio.

This query is quoted in some detail on the chance that someone may be connected to one of the children and know their ancestors. Also, there is a real possibility that this family also is not descended from Edmund, but from Robert (Royce), a contemporary unrelated to Edmund, who settled in Conn. This Newsletter is sent regularly to the Robert Royce Association, one of whose members might recognize the family.

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Lastly, Cousin Elva R. Wheeler writes,  
(336A Cherry St, South Haven, MI 49090)

"My gr.gr.grandmother Jane Babbitt, who married Charles Rice, was the daughter of Simeon and Mary (Ashley) Babbitt. She was born about 1778 in Dartmouth, Bristol, Mass. Her father died on the prison ship 'Old Jersey' during the Revolutionary War. Her mother died soon after, leaving three or four small children to be farmed out."

Jane married Charles Rice, and the family moved to Pennfield N.Y., then to Henrietta, N.Y. and then to St. Joseph Co., Mich. Charles died 28 Dec. 1866. Does anyone know:

1. Where and when Jane married Charles Rice?
2. Where and when she died?
3. Where and when son Isaac was born?
4. How many other children (esp. daughters) did they have?

"Any information on this family will be greatly appreciated."





OBITUARIES:

Recently we have learned of the passing of several of our cousins. Most of them were members of the Association, others were not. We do not have information enough for adequate obituaries; nevertheless, we mourn for all of them and express our sorrow and sympathy to their surviving relatives.

On January 17, 1990, Rudolph Rice Malone, of Memphis, Tenn., died of Parkinson's disease. Father of member Shirley M. Fritsche, Cousin Rudy was a long-standing member of the Association, and very interested in genealogy.

On March 22, 1990, Charles Gordon Sanderson passed away following a heart attack. He was descended from Thomas and Edward through Thomas and Anna. His widow, Jessie M. Sanderson and their daughters, Debra and Doris, continue his interest in the Rice Association.

In April, 1990, Mrs. Esmond Rice, Sr. died. She was also a long-standing member with her late husband.

On May 10, 1990, Richard Rice Snow, brother of member Sydney Snow, died in Bellevue, Washington. Born on 31 January, 1907 in St. George, Maine, Cousin Richard was a graduate of M.I.T. in Cambridge, Mass., and worked as an engineer for U.S. Steel for 37 years. He is survived by his wife, Edith, two sons, Donald and David, his brother Sydney and a sister, Eleanor Rounds.

On June 4, 1990, Richard's son, Donald Carpenter Snow, died in Rockford, Ill. Donald was born on 3 July, 1940 in Worcester, Mass.

On July 15, 1990, Abbey Galvin Brooks died of a brain tumor, and

On July 24, 1990, her son, Thomas E. Norton, died of throat cancer.

They were the mother and brother of members Marie Negrelli and Mary Lombardi.

BOOK LIST

THE RICE FAMILY: by Andrew Henshaw Ward (1858) 379 pages.  
\$20.00 + \$2.50 handling.

INDEX (computer printout, 34 pp.)

\$4.00 postpaid.

SUPPLEMENT to THE RICE FAMILY: (1967) 110 pages.

\$10.00 postpaid

INDEX (computer printout, 18 pp.)

\$2.50 postpaid.

BOTH INDEXES TOGETHER: \$5.00 postpaid.

A GENEALOGICAL REGISTER of RICE DESCENDANTS: (1970) 1594 pages.

\$25.00 plus \$2.50 handling.

SUPPLEMENT #2, Part 1. (1983) 224 pages.

\$25.00 plus \$2.50 handling.

SUPPLEMENT #2, Part 2. (1987) 663 pages.

\$30.00 plus \$2.50 handling.

EDMUND RICE & HIS FAMILY: (1938) Elsie Hawes Smith

WE SOUGHT THE WILDERNESS: (1949) Rev. Clayton Rice both: 357 pages.

\$17.00 plus \$2.50 handling.

MORE ABOUT THOSE RICES: (1954) Elsie Hawes Smith 109 pages.

\$3.50 plus \$1.00 handling.

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<u>Book</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>No. Copies</u>	<u>Amount</u>
"The" REGISTER:	\$27.50		
Ward's THE RICE FAMILY:	\$22.50		
Indexes:	\$5.00		
SUPPLEMENT #1 (Ward's)	\$10.00		
SUPPLEMENT #2, Part 1:	\$27.50		
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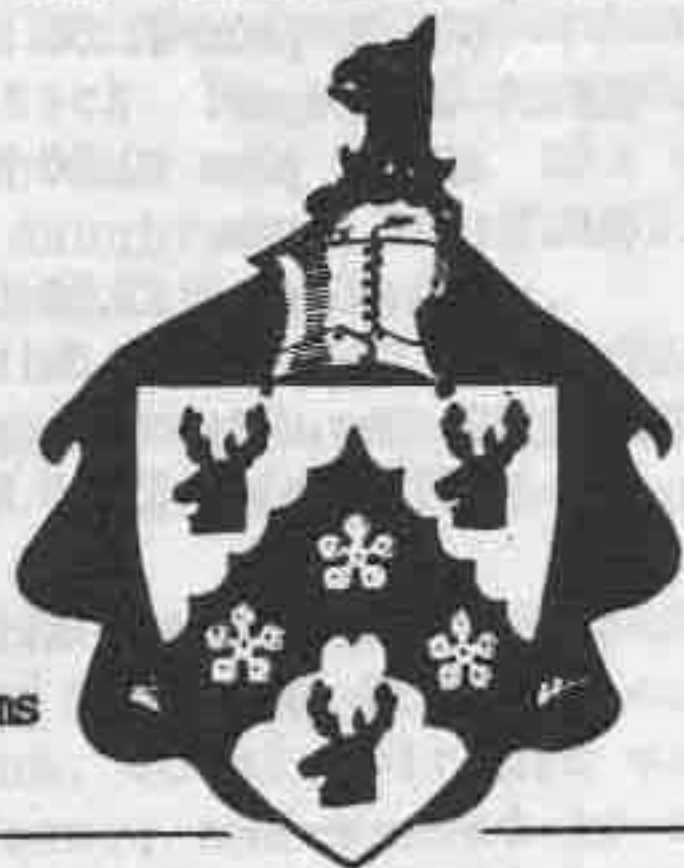
**EXTRA! EXTRA!**

Due to popular demand, we are making available copies of the speech given at the 1990 Annual Reunion of the Rice Association, entitled, "Who Are We and What Are We Doing Here?"

We have also received a copy of the speech given by Ethel Rice, at the 1949 Annual Reunion at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury. It presents some of the history of the Wayside Inn, as well as stories of Henry<sup>2</sup> and his descendants.

Copies of either one or both of these speeches can be obtained by writing to me, enclosing \$1.00 for each copy.

(Corinne M. Snow,  
P.O.Box 151,  
West Dover, VT 05356)

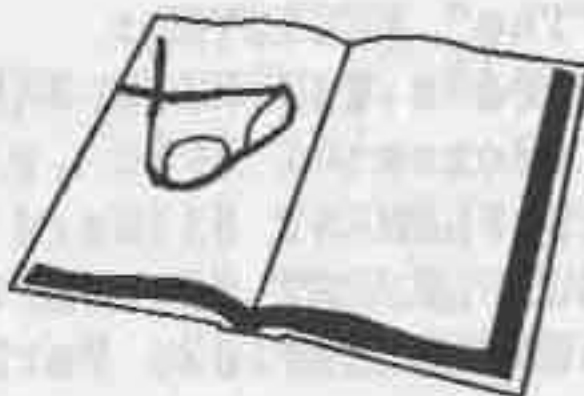


The Rice Coat-of-Arms

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All of the books listed on the previous page are available to Association members from the Association. To order books, please fill out the other side of this blank, clip and send, with your check for the total, to:

William H. Drury, Book Custodian  
EDMUND RICE (1638) ASSOCIATION  
24 Buckman Drive,  
Chelmsford, MA 01824 (over)

**STORIES:****COVER STORY**

A new member, Cousin James Hughes, sends us a copy of a well-used communication about the newly organized Edmund Rice (1638) Association. Like too many documents, this one is undated. Since the date of this Association's founding is 1851, one might guess that that is the date of this document. However, the historical sketch at the bottom lists the "most famous names" of certain Edmund Rice descendants. They are; "Gov. Alexander Rice, Brig.Gen. Edmund Rice, Samuel F.B.Morse, Bishop Haven, Clara Barton, Harriet Hosmer, and Mary A. Livermore." Since most of these people achieved their fame after the Civil War, a date of 1851 is impossible. Other clues include the proposal to erect a marker near the Rice Spring, the "revision of the Rice Genealogy" Ward's? (published in 1858) and the offer of transportation "from car lines to the place of meeting." The marker was placed near the spring in 1913.

This, then is probably an early twentieth century document, denoting one rebirth of the Association. Whenever it was written, the officers were not anxious to have their own names go down to posterity, for I can find only two of them in our books. One is Frank H. (ubert) Rice, born in Brighton, Mass. in 1853, and treasurer of the "new" Association. Frank Rice married Lucy Dana in 1877, had two daughters, and died in 1929. The other one is Clara Davis, who collected the donations for the Memorial. She was born in 1862.

Does anyone have any records, information, or knowledge about the "clues", which could give us a date for this document?

**TID-BITS from the MAIL BAG:**

Past President Pat McFarland, has sent us a sheaf of historical material about past meetings of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association. Space does not permit nor does the material demand inclusion in the Newsletter.

However, a news item from a weekly "newsmagazine" called GRIT, published in Williamsport, Pa., is of interest,



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especially to our readers in the Intermountain Area.

It seems that the Bureau of Land Management is mapping back roads and trails on federal land throughout the west so that daring tourists can get off the beaten track and visit back-country sites of interest without getting lost. The picture illustrating this article is reproduced here.



Rice Cemetery, a resting place for Nevada pioneers, is located in Lincoln County

Notes on William Marsh Rice, founder of what is now Rice University. Two alert readers have pointed out your scribe's error in arithmetic. If Mr. Rice was born in 1816, and murdered in 1900, then he was aged 84, not 94 when he died. Cousin Reginald Rice asks if William Rice lived another ten years after being murdered? Cousin John Rice says "Agatha Christie could not have solved this case - the dates are wrong." Agatha did use the same m.o. for murder in several of her mystery stories, however, Cousin John.

Cousin Reg also sends a "blurb" from Rice University selling sweatshirts, etc., mostly with "Rice University" and the college seal on them, but some with simply the name, "RICE".

The sweatshirts with the simple Rice name are \$27.95 for a crew neck, \$32.95 for one with a hood, and \$19.95 (adult) and \$15.95 (youth) for sweatpants. Drop me a card if you might like to order one or more. If there is enough interest, we will inquire about prices for bulk orders.

While on the subject of institutions named "Rice", our daughter, who lives in Sandy, Utah, wonders if anyone in the Salt Lake City area can identify the Rice for whom the Rice Stadium of the U.of U. is named?

Cousin Reg also informs us of something I suspected but could not prove: The missionary to Hawaii named Rice, whose name is given to many places in that State and who became a wealthy sugar planter, is apparently not related to us.

MAIL BAG, cont.

Finally, two special ladies from Kansas:

Cousin Doris Rice Barb, of Eldorado, is a "culinary master". She sends us a newspaper article to prove it - more than 400 ribbons in 35 years of competition at the Kansas State Fair. In 1979 she won a special award, illustrated in this clipping -



In 1979, a lucky combination of 13 varieties of cookies and a hand-painted sunflower and cattail design on the jar earned Doris Barb top honors in the Governor's Cookie Jar competition. (Photo courtesy of Doris Barb)

And a personal note to Grace Ransom, of Freeport.

Many congratulations on your 66th Wedding Anniversary! And our best wishes also to your husband for continuing good health following his recovery from brain surgery!

Surely all of our members will be cheering for you both!

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POST SCRIPTS:

Just a short note to apologize for the lateness of this issue. It was expected in September, but a visit from all three of our daughters and bc grandchildren, followed by a visit by us to No.1 daughter in Salt Lake City, delayed publication by a month. However, it will still be Fall when you get this, and better than a few years ago, when the Fall issue was skipped completely!

With that introduction, a word about our past and new officers. Yes, this year, for the first time in several years, several positions in the organization changed hands. Your immediate past president for three years, Alex Snow, would say that "It's about time!" As for Alex, we shall le



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the words of our present president, John Bates, in the front of this issue, suffice. Cousin John is a magnificent choice for our new president. Born and raised in Wayland, on land which originally belonged to Rices, John recently discovered his Rice descent. He is a writer, a sensitive person, and is devoted to his now greatly enlarged family of Rice relatives. He truly cares about the Association and its growth and welfare. You will be hearing more from him as time goes by.

Our second Vice President, Fred Rice, who lives in Manhattan, Kansas, is the son of Katrina Rice and the late Stanley I. Rice, long-time enthusiastic members of our organization. Cousin Fred is equally as enthusiastic, but feels that he lives a bit too far away to participate in the active administration. Therefore he chose to retain his post as second vice-president when John Bates became president. Our new first Vice President is Jane Seaver Kirk, a delightful, outgoing person who also cares deeply about the Rice Association. We welcome you to the team, Cousin Jane!

We cannot leave the subject of vice-presidents without a word of appreciation to Cousin David Knapton, who resigned his post a couple of years ago because of the press of family responsibilities. When he could, David worked actively with the Association, and we hope that he will continue to do so when he is able.

Calista (Pat) Vickery has been an able and efficient Secretary, and we give her our personal thanks for her support. Cousin Pat is now retiring, to be replaced by a relatively new member, Virginia Grammer. Cousin Virginia is a librarian, and has a special interest in history and genealogy. We welcome her "aboard", and look forward to working with her.

Lastly, your scribe and your treasurer/book-custodian are still plugging away, working to keep track of you and to maintain contact with you all. We love our jobs!

Affectionately, your cousin,

*Wickey Snow*

## PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

1954-1955:	Charles W. Rice
1956-1957:	Edgar W. Rice (1916-196?)
1958-1959:	Stanley I. Rice (1898-1985)
1960:	Donald Whittemore (1894-1988)
1961-1963:	Frederick R. Rice (1895-1973)
1964-1965:	William H. Hoefler (1893-197?)
1966-1967:	Ray Lowther Ellis (1901-1982)
1967-1968:	Erwin R. McLaughlin (1893-1968)
1969:	Jeneve R. Melvin
1969-1973:	Col. Allen Foster Rice (1904-1984)
1973-1974:	Margaret E. Allen
1974-1975:	Charles W. Rice
1975-1976:	Seaver M. Rice (1892-1988)
1976-1978:	Henry E. Rice, Jr. (1907-1984)
1979-1980:	C. Whiting Rice, Jr.
1980-1982:	William H. Drury
1982-1983:	Patricia MacFarland
1983-1985:	Janice Parmenter
1985-1987:	Margaret S. Rice
1987-1990:	Alex W. Snow



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# Newsletter

## Edmund Rice (1638) Association

### TO ALL DESCENDANTS OF EDMUND RICE:

On August 30th, in Wayland, Mass., through the efforts of Mrs. Nellie Rice-Fiske, one hundred and twenty descendants of the pioneer, Edmund Rice, who came from Berkhamstead, England, in 1638, met in the First Parish Church, and organized, the above officers being elected.

It was moved that a marker be placed near the old Rice spring, in memory of the founder of the Rice family in America. This idea was received with enthusiasm and immediately voluntary subscriptions were made by many present. *We ask you to add to this splendid project.*

The reunion planned for next summer on the old homestead site promises to be very largely attended, and will be marked by important features, including probably the dedication of the memorial, or marker. Dinner will be served. Transportation will be furnished from car lines to the place of meeting.

The revision of the Rice Genealogy will be another difficult task for the Association, bringing it up to date and adding interesting facts concerning descendants of note.

### To sum up:

1. Annual membership is fifty cents (50c.), payable to our Treasurer, 48 Wallingford Road, Brighton, Mass.
2. We ask you to spread the fact that there is a Rice Association.
3. New names and addresses of Rice descendants; please send to Sec'y, Lock Box 303, Warren, Ohio.
4. Contributions towards Memorial to be sent to Miss Clara Davis, Framingham, Mass.
5. Please state if you wish a copy of the Rice Book (probably cost \$2. or \$3.) to Pres., New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Mass., or to Shaw St., West Newton, Mass.
6. Remember the Reunion; and that we want you present to help by your personal interest.
7. If you are uncertain of your connection with Edmund Rice, send what information you can to the Secretary, and he will investigate your line of descent.

Fraternally,

EUSTACE B. RICE, President.

LESLIE O. RICE,

Sec'y Edmund Rice (1638) Association.

The following is a brief historical sketch by our historian, Prof. Geo. H. Barton, Natural History Museum, Boston.

### EDMUND RICE

#### ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF SUDBURY, WAYLAND, AND MARLBORO, MASS.

Edmund Rice was born in Buckinghamshire, England, possibly in the town of Sudbury, in the year 1594. Later he and his wife, Tamazine, lived in Berkhamstead, in Hertfordshire. Thence they came, with seven children, to New England and landed in Massachusetts in 1638, where five more children were born.

Edmund Rice settled on the east bank of the Sudbury river in 1639 and took an important part in building up the new settlement to which was given the name of Sudbury. He was one of the seven persons appointed by the General Court to lay out the lands for the inhabitants and was chosen Deputy for Sudbury for the years 1640, 1652, 1653, 1654. In 1641 he was appointed Magistrate. His name appears more than thirty times in the Colonial Records always in connection with important trusts. He was prominent in the Church and is commonly known as Deacon Edmund. In 1656 he headed a petition for a large tract of land to the west that now includes Marlboro and adjoining towns. He removed to Marlboro, became its foremost citizen, and died there in 1663. His descendants now number many thousands, including some of our most famous names. Among these are Gov. Alexander Rice, Brig. Gen. Edmund Rice, Samuel F. B. Morse, Bishop Haven, Clara Barton, Harriet Hosmer, and Mary A. Livermore. May all his descendants unite in an association to perpetuate his memory and to strive to live up to the ideals that he set before us.

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