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## MAYFLOWER FAMILIES Through Five Generations



### VOLUME THREE

GEORGE SOULE

NOW ON OUR SHELVES.



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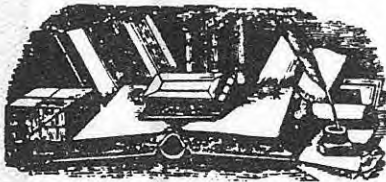
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From the Editor ...

This issue is late in reaching you because I waited until all of the Waco reunion news had been collected prior to sending the completed manuscript to the publisher. The delays were unavoidable because of the closeness of the reunion and the publication dates. My thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

Please note that the 1981 Reunion in Plymouth, Massachusetts will be a joint venture with the Alden Society. Mark the date, the first weekend after Labor Day; it is not too early to begin planning for the trip.

Congratulations to all of the new Kindred officers!

*Glenn Whitecotten*

## President's Corner...

Dear Cousins!

You that did not make the Waco Reunion missed quite a lot. Most of it was hot weather; however, we did have a wonderful time and I believe that the Brazos Queen cruise and the Bar-B-Que at the Olson Ranch were the two highlights of the reunion. We were able to do a lot of visiting which I enjoyed very, very much.

I would like to point out that since the last day of the reunion we have "enjoyed" 42 consecutive days of 100°+ temperature and absolutely no rain. The last rain we have had was the Friday night of the Reunion. We enjoyed a thunderstorm which brought us a 1" rain in our particular area.

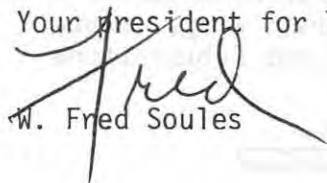
I would like to say that it is an honor that I was chosen as President of the Kindred again. I don't know whether that was a wise choice or not. I did not solicit the responsibility but when I was asked to share it, certainly my love and concern for the Soule Kindred would not permit me to do otherwise. Therefore, I shall serve as best as I know how. I have no platform but I have two goals that I would like to publish now in order that we can begin thinking of them immediately.

(1) It was suggested at the reunion that we organize sectional or regional subchapters because our family could be larger than it is; however, so many of the Kindred feel that traveling hundreds of miles under today's economy is out of the question. I must admit that I concur. I feel that more of my first cousins and Texas area cousins would become more involved in our organization through these subchapters.

(2) The second goal that I would like to accomplish is that we have a permanent place in the Duxbury or Plymouth area and not just a post office address. I'm sure that none of you are aware but I have now an accumulation of unsold or undistributed Kindred Newsletters that date back to October, 1972. My storage space is becoming more limited each year. I would like to suggest that we create a national headquarters and if necessary hire a secretary or someone to work one day a week in this office to process mail, mail back issues of the Soule Kindred Newsletter, and take care of the Kindred business.

These are the only two aims that I have and hopefully we will be able to accomplish some of them. Here's looking forward to working with you this year and certainly I look forward to seeing you in Plymouth next year in September just before the national conference of the Mayflower Descendants.

Your president for 1980-81,

  
W. Fred Soules



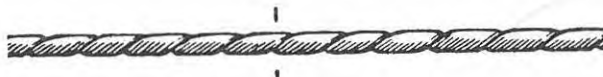
THE PRESENTATION OF THE FIRST COPY OF VOLUME III, MAYFLOWER FAMILIES THROUGH FIVE GENERATIONS TO COLONEL JOHN SOULE ON 4 APRIL 1980



Colonel John E. Soule after inspecting his gold stamped personal copy of Volume III



Mr. Harlan C. Thomas, General Society Mayflower Descendants Publication Committee Chairman, Illinois Society Governor, Illinois Assistant General, Soule Kindred member. Mr. Colonel John Soule. Mr. Merwin Almy, General Society Mayflower Descendants, Treasurer General, member Publications Committee.





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20 April 1980

Dear Kindred,

We presented Volume III, Mayflower Families Through Five Generations to Colonel John Soule on 4 April 1980 at Colonel John's apartment in McLean, Virginia

An outline of the day, 4 April 1980: "Good'Great' Friday". I left O'Hare in Chicago at 7:35 A.M. I transacted General Society Mayflower Descendants publication business and arrived at John's at approximately 3:00 P.M. - previous arrangements were all made the day before. After some small talk, Colonel John was presented with his copy of Volume III - gift wrapped. The accompanying photograph is evidence of his satisfaction and pleasure. It was an emotional moment for all of us. To commemorate the occasion, John later broke out a bottle of champagne to toast the occasion. The other photographs are of me on the left, Colonel John, and Merwin Almy, G.S.M.D. Treasurer General. The picture on the right was taken in Colonel John's office - just off the bedroom where literally thousands of Soule references are on file. All in all, it was a great day and a privilege to make the presentation to Colonel John.

Other particulars:

1. Colonel John's book is stamped in gold!
2. Betty-Jean Haner's list indicated 489 books were sold by the Kindred.
3. 594 were shipped from the printer to Dr. Milton Terry for signatures as promised, and as of this morning, 20 Apr 80, all but 30 (459) have been shipped and the balance will be sent out tomorrow to Kindred members.
4. To date, we have shipped 998 with more orders to come from Plymouth.
5. Total volumes sold = 1683 and probably by the month's end, this number will exceed 1800.

Sincerely,

Harlan C. Thomas



- L. Mrs. John A. Ryan (Barbara), IL Society Historian, member of Soule Kindred
- M. Colonel John Soule
- R. Mrs. Algier Johnson (Roberta), IL Society Board Ass't, member Soule Kindred.

The photograph was taken at the last Tri-Congress in Plymouth (1978), the day after the Kindred voted to "push" for Volume III printing under Kindred auspices.

## MEMORIES OF A SIBLING

### "COLONEL JOHN"

BY  
Betty Soule Merritt



One of my earliest memories of John Soule is of a slightly bigger, and older brother who turned out to be somewhat of a nuisance. He talked too slow, was quite deliberate and I had little patience with a slowpoke though I'm sure he was less trouble to Mother than I was.

When we advanced to school and were supposed to give an accounting of how our allowance was spent he had a detailed account, just imagine, if he bought two pencils for a penny he pulled out his little notebook and wrote it down. At the end of the week, he always had an exact account while I just did a lot of guessing and turned it in. Well, I'm sure that this careful accounting of everything followed him through life and is the reason that John takes such pleasure in searching and recording births, weddings, and death dates back through family history.

All his life we knew he had his eye on West Point. To such an extent that when he received an appointment to Annapolis, much to my disgust he turned it down because it was the wrong branch of the service. He finally got into the Army by way of the reserves when he was in college and graduated with a commission in the reserves. But John Edward Soule had too much determination to be kept out of the Army and nearly 30 years later he was retired with the rank of Colonel, Regular Army Corps of Engineers with a very interesting career behind him.

When John was in high school he was a member of the little known, young ROTC. When he became the first Cadet Captain at Carl Schurz High School, Chicago, he was chosen as one of a select group to go to Culver, a very elite Officer's Training school at the high school level. There they received a week or two of highly concentrated training, and on return to Chicago the group were pictured and written about in all the Chicago papers as a sales pitch for young men to join the ROTC.

Since West Point didn't want John and he didn't want Annapolis, he headed for college at the University of Illinois, where he majored and received his degree in Civil Engineering, as well as a Commission in the U.S. Army Reserve. A year later he received his Masters in Civil Engineering at the University of Alabama. Some ten years after finishing college he had to his credit both

civilian service and some as an Army reserve, until in 1932 the Army finally found out what John had known all along, the Army needed him! He went to several schools, Ft. Belvoir, Va.

Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Armed Forces Staff College and miscellaneous other Army schools.

Aunt Mamie, Daddy's oldest sister, sent John a copy of Ridlon and John began to be interested in our forbears, When he was stationed for a time, about 1934, in Washington he started delving into the unlimited archives of the past at the Library of Congress. During this time he also took leave time driving up through New England searching County Archives, Cities of the dead, and Church records, all of this a pastime which he still loves.

After several tours of duty within the United States, in 1946 he was posted to the Engineering Division Far East Command with headquarters in Tokyo. We've heard a lot about the services he received from the Japanese girls who bathed him and such, (the Japanese hadn't become as westernized then.)

One of the most interesting jobs seems to have been traveling over every island along the coast from Japan to the Philipines, including Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Guam and any others in which the U.S. had an interest. It seems that most of his jobs included keeping track of all buildings, I wonder if he kept track of all the temporary barracks and even tents. At least I'm pretty sure he didn't find any records of our ancestors.

But after a few years back in the States, including Post Engineer Camp Gordon, Ga., where he became Historian for the Georgia Mayflower Society, which position I think he still holds, he was sent to France. From the long letters he wrote to my mother, I think in between a lot of hard work, the Army, and Soules rather lived "high on the hawg" not that the French would know what that Southern colloquialism meant, but judging from some of the menus, it was rich living.

During his tour of duty in France, John did much traveling all over the area, and during leaves visited much of Europe and as far East as Istanbul, but, of course, much of it pertained to our genealogy. As all of the Soule Kindred know from his slide program he managed to get into the province of SOULE in the Pyrenees. Of course, he covered a good deal of England and Scotland. He found much of our Mother's family in England, but like many of the other researchers, didn't find much of provable fact about Pilgrim George.

After three years in France, and arrival of the time of his retirement, there was a very formal Military Farewell, with, I'm sure, much gladness and much regret.

He came to the States, and not being ready for complete retirement, he managed to find a very interesting job with an American Engineering firm in Pakistan for two years. They sort of "flew through" the States from New York, via Pensacola where Brother Bill and Mary gave a large party so all the Pensacolians could see our wandering Brother, hence on to Asia once more, this time all the way to Karachi, Pakistan. There, the Colonel really enjoyed his other love. He acquired a sail boat and membership in the Karachi Yacht Club and I think he spent all possible time there. All the Soules have loved the water all of our lives, so, though he wanted to be a soldier, I still don't understand



why he didn't choose the Navy.

While living in Pakistan they followed the same pattern that they had done while in France and spent any vacation time sightseeing around Asia, at least the part not having seen while in Japan.

This included India and many other interesting places. When the time came to return to the States, I expect they didn't think they had seen enough of the world yet, so they chose to come by slow boat along the coast of Africa, stopping wherever their vessel, a cargo boat, stopped to load or unload. This rather completed their tour of the four continents. I don't think he ever made South America, but he surely covered the rest of the world.

When finally returning to settle down, Washington seems to have been the only choice. Of course, the Congressional Library, and the DAR Library were both at hand, and New England was once more available for researching.

John's heart and time centered on his genealogy, but now it seems to have settled on the Five Generation Project with his co-author Dr. Milt Terry, and now to the delight of all the Soule Kindred it is off the press.

My Brother John is the proud grandfather of John Soule Preston, who with his mother, Linda and Uncle Peter are all members of Soule Kindred.

"Colonel John", an affectionate name used by many Soule cousins, has had a varied and interesting career and received many awards, none of which in his heart can touch the publishing of the "Five Generations."

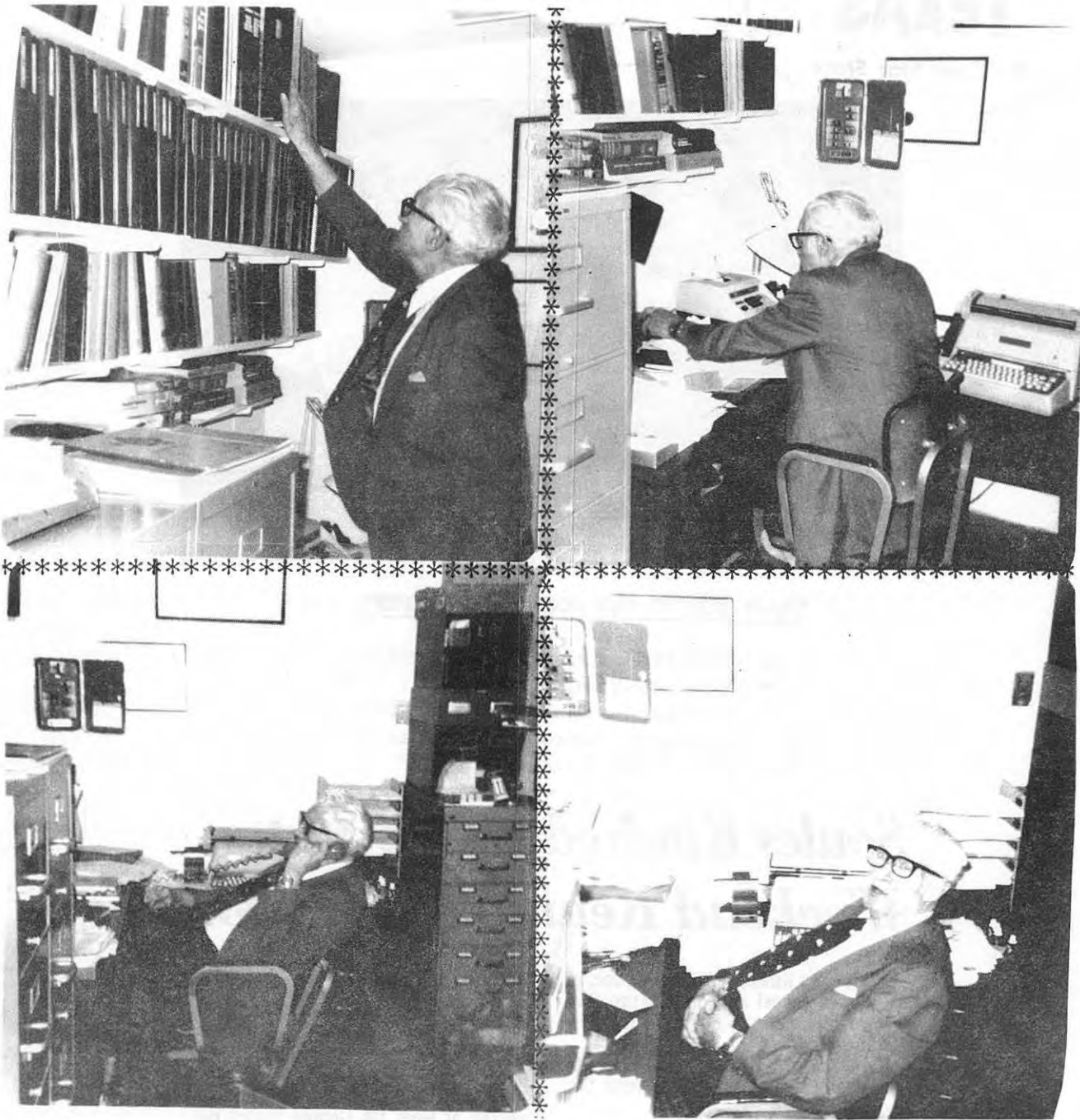


"Colonel John" enjoying his family's favorite pastime..... boating and the water.....



JOHN E. SOULE  
COLONEL, U.S. ARMY  
RETIRED





This is John's office "space" where he worked on the Five Generation Project. WORK, WORK, WORK, AND SOME PLAY!!!!!!

HELLO FROM  
**TEXAS**

The Lone Star State

1980 SOULE KINDRED REUNION  
IN WACO



THANK YOU TO OUR HOSTS AND HELPERS

Sybil and Fred Soules. Greg Brigham served as chauffeur and general all-around helper. Secretaries Brenda J. Hill and Karen James do the work in mailing out our Newsletter.

## *Soules Kindred Group Slates Weekend Reunion in Waco*

The Soules Kindred In America Inc. is holding its annual reunion in Waco this weekend with family members from 11 states registered.

Fred Soules of Waco and Mrs. Ned Harris of San Antonio are co-hosts for the gathering.

The Soules Kindred was incorporated in 1972. Members are the descendents of George Soules, a Huguenot who immigrated from Holland to England and came to America on the Mayflower as a 19-year-old indentured servant in 1620. He was one of 20 Mayflower passengers who assumed the Mayflower indebtedness in 1626, thereby freeing all the other passengers who were indentured.

**FRED SOULES**, a consulting engineer in Waco, is a 12th-generation descendant of George Soules. He was president of

the national organization in 1971-72. Mrs. Harris, wife of a retired Army colonel, is an 11th-generation descendant and was national president in 1976-77. Dr. Milton Terry of New Jersey is the current president.

Research conducted by Soules has uncovered at least 165 George Soules descendants in Texas, many of whom are attending the reunion.

The Soule Kindred is presenting a copy of Volume III of *Mayflower Families* to the Genealogical Collection of the Waco-McLennan County Library. The volume covers the first five generations of pilgrim George Soules and includes more than 30,000 names.

**THE REUNION** will include a dinner cruise on the Brazos Queen tonight and a barbecue at the Olson Ranch near Valley Mills Saturday. Headquarters is at the Sheraton Inn.



SOULE KINDRED REUNION  
SHERATON MOTOR INN  
WACO, TEXAS

JUNE 19 - 22, 1980

On Thursday, June 19, the Soule Kindred group began descending on Waco, Texas for the Annual Reunion of the descendants of George Soule, which was hosted by W. Fred Soules and his wife Sybil. They had made arrangements for a Reception Suite at the Sheraton where everyone could register in and get acquainted with others attending. Somehow Fred managed to coerce his two secretaries, Brenda Hill and Karen James and another employee, Greg Brigham to devote their weekend to assisting the Soule Kindred get registered in, seeing that everyone got signed up for all the activities they had planned, and seeing that everyone got to all the events scheduled. Congratulations Brenda, Karen and Greg -- you did an excellent job! We adopt you as "Honorary Soule Cousins."

We were sorry that the founders of the Soule Kindred were unable to attend: Col. John Soule, whose health did not permit him to come, and George Standish Soule, who was traveling around Europe at that time. (I understand his trip had been scheduled before the date of the Reunion had been set, or he would have been there. Also learned that his office has just transferred him to Washington, D.C.) We were also sorry that the President, Milton Terry, and the Treasurer and Membership Secretary, Betty Haner and Avis Haner, were unable to be with us, as well as many others who have normally attended past Reunions. Hopefully they will be able to attend the one next year in Plymouth the weekend following Labor Day.)

Since Glen Whitecotten, editor of our Newsletter, is now stationed in Guam and was unable to attend, he asked if I would write up the report on the Reunion for the Newsletter.

My sister, Marie Sevier, and I left for Waco Thursday morning (where temperature was in the low 70's and arrived in Dallas at 1:00 PM where temperature was 102. It was hot! As we were making our way to get the train to transfer to Rio Airlines for our flight to Waco, we ran into Betty Whitecotten. She had just arrived from Florida and was on her way to the same Airlines and it was a real nice surprise to see her. When we finally reached the Rio terminal, there was Opal Manley, who had just arrived from Los Angeles, waiting for her flight to Waco. (I understand that Opal and Betty had prearranged their meeting in Dallas at the Reunion in Pensacola last year.) They were scheduled to leave Dallas for Waco on an earlier flight than we were -- we weren't able to get booked on that flight as it was sold out. However we went to the desk to see if there was any chance we could get on it and they said they had a waiting list, so we spent two hours wandering around the Dallas airport looking at the various shops, etc. When we finally boarded our flight at 3:30 PM, I could understand why we couldn't get on the earlier flight -- they have small planes (our plane had 14 seats) making that flight to Waco. It was a rather rough flight and I was greatly relieved when we landed in Waco at 4:10 P.M.

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When we walked into the airport we were pleasant surprised when Gregg Brigham walked up and said "Are you Soule Kindred?" I would like to think that Fred sent him out specifically to pick us up, but since he didn't know our time of arrival, I can't. However, fortunately for us, some of the luggage belonging to Betty Whitecotten and Opal Manley did not get on their flight and he had come back to get it -- and we thank Betty and Opal for telling him we would be on the flight as I found that you couldn't just hail a cab at the airport -- you had to call one to come get you. The Texas heat was a little more than we had expected so it was indeed a pleasure to ride in Fred's air-conditioned Seville. Thanks, Fred, for making it available.

When we arrived at the Sheraton, Betty and Opal were already busy in the Reception Suite helping Fred's secretaries get people registered in and signed up for the various activities they had planned for the group. Thursday night was spent greeting and visiting with the Soule cousins. Coffee and home made cookies were available in the Suite. Fred and Sybil made everyone welcome.

Friday morning they had arranged to present a copy of Volume III of the Fifth Generation Books - the Soule Book -- to a representative of McLennan County Library of Waco, Texas. So at 10 o'clock everyone assembled in the Reception Suite where Betty Harris, the Acting President for the meeting, presented the book to Dorothy Progar, Director of the Library, in the name of the Soule Kindred. Miss Progar thanked the group for presenting the book to the Genealogy Department of the Library, and pictures were taken of the presentation. Betty Whitecotten was the official photographer and I am sure she has many pictures which will be printed in our News Letter.

After the presentation of the book, the following officers adjourned to Fred Soules' suite for a Board meeting: Fred Soules, Betty Harris, Betty Whitecotten, Opal Manley, and Marian O'Connell. Among other matters discussed, we prepared a slate of officers and directors for presentation to the group at our dinner on Saturday night.

At 2:00 PM, we all assembled in the parking lot for the motorcade to Ft. Fisher and a tour of the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame. We were shown a film giving the background on the forming of The Texas Rangers and then toured the Hall. We then returned to the Sheraton and relaxed for a short while. At 6:00 PM we again gathered in the parking lot for form our motorcade for the dinner and cruise on Lake Brazos aboard the Brazos Queen Paddle Wheel Riverboat. It was a nice relaxing excursion and a good dinner. We returned to the Sheraton about 8:30 PM and spent the rest of the evening visiting.

Saturday morning we again formed our motorcade and went to Baylor University campus where we visited the Armstrong Browning Library, which contains more than 2000 original letters and other

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manuscripts written by and to Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. The collection also includes most of the book, periodical articles, pamphlets and other publications that deal with Robert Browning, and other materials are constantly being added to the collection. We had an excellent young girl as a guide, who told us about the bronze entrance doors, the stained glass windows designed to illustrate poems and themes by Robert Browning or Elizabeth Barrett Browning, and other items of interest. We then went to visit the John K. Strecker Museum on the campus -- an excellent display of objects of natural science.

Saturday afternoon was free so some went on a brief shopping trip and others stayed at the Sheraton and visited. More people arrived on Saturday in time for the Bar-B-Que. Fred had arranged for a bus to transport everyone to the Olson Ranch, departing the Sheraton at 5:30 PM. It was a nice setting and we had a delicious Bar-B-Que dinner. After dinner, we had a short business meeting. Betty Harris said she had been asked by our President, Milton Terry, to preside at the meeting and read a message from the President. She announced that a business meeting was not held at the 1979 Reunion in Pensacola, so that there were no minutes to be read. Betty Whitecotten read the Treasurer's Report which had been submitted by Betty-Jean-Haner, our Treasurer. Fred Soules moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as read. Marie Sevier seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Fred Soules gave a brief report on how the organization was started by Col. John Soule and George Standish Soule and the Soule Kindred received its charter in 1972 in Texas and Massachusetts, and said that since that time Col. John Soule has been the Historian. He said he was sorry that Col. John's health did not permit him to attend and that everyone should remember him in their prayers since he has been the one to get this organization started and kept it going. He then read a telegram from Col. John to all cousins attending the Reunion.

Opal Soule Manley said that George Standish Soule was in Europe and was sorry he was not able to be present. She also announced that he had just been transferred to Washington by his company.

Betty Harris informed the group that Betty Whitecotten was our Indexer; and that the editor of our **Newsletter**, Dr. Glen Whitecotten, was **now** stationed in Guam and was unable to be with us. Betty Whitecotten said Glen was very enthused about the group and recommended that people sending anything for the **Newsletter** to be sure to give their full name and address.

Betty Harris then asked if everyone had seen the new **Five Generations Book** - the Soule volume. She said it had taken much longer than they had expected to issue the books stating the first book covered three families; the second book two families, and the third book was entirely the Soule Family history. She said a lot of work had been done - quite a lot of it gratis - and hoped everyone would get one.



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Betty Harris then announced the proposed slate of officers for 1981 and the Directors by Class, as follows:

President: W. Fred Soules

1st Vice-President & Counsellor: Kenneth C. Tiffin

Second Vice-President: Ben George Soule

Treasurer: Betty-Jean Haner

Assistant Historian & Clerk: Isabelle Vernon Freeman

Membership Secretary: Mrs. Paul "Avis" Haner

Secretary to the Board: Mrs. Thomas L. "Marian" O'Connell

Directors:     Class of 1981:     Betty Harris  
                                      Mary Crismore  
                                      Hazel Sowle Smith

Class of 1982:     Dr. Glenn L. Whitecotten  
                                      George Standish Soule  
                                      Irene Jones

Class of 1983:     Linda Preston  
                                      Opal Soule Manley  
                                      Betty Whitecotten

The motion was made and seconded that the above slate be approved as read, and was approved unanimously.

Our new President, W. Fred Soules, then announced that the 1981 Reunion would be held in Plymouth, Massachusetts the week-end following Labor Day and that they were going to try to make it a joint meeting with the Alden Society; and hoped all those present would be able to attend the meeting in Plymouth.

The meeting was then adjourned and the group returned to the Sheraton Inn by bus.

That was the last event planned and most everyone was leaving Sunday to return home, etc.

It was a lot of fun and Fred and Sybil were great hosts.

Marian L. O'Connell

Dear Betty Harris,

Col. John and George Standish Soule called me last night and insisted that you would prefer to have me, in writing, confirm our agreements.

This is to authorize Past President Betty Harris to preside at the annual meeting of the Soule Kindred in Texas, June, 1980.

#### Order of Business

Reading of Secretary's report  
Reading of Treasurer's report

Statement by presiding officer: Under motions of the Kindred, Attorney Ken Tiffin drew up an agreement between our organization and the General Society of Mayflower Descendants whereby:

1. The General Society would accept the copyright issued to Col. John Soule and Milton E. Terry and would assume responsibility for publishing as Volume Three, the SOULE BOOK.
2. The treasury of the Kindred would be replenished from the eventual profits in the amount expended for the research undertaken for the book.

The publications committee has announced that 2000 volumes have already been sold.

The Chair would ask the membership here tonight to offer a motion for forming a library committee which would advise as to the merits of placing one of our books with a specific library.

The Chair will entertain a motion that our next annual meeting be at Plymouth.

The Chair wishes to announce that the Alden Kindred have voted to consider a joint meeting with the Soule Kindred in Plymouth in 1981. We will entertain a motion to authorize our officers to meet the Aldens and consider such a joint meeting.

Message from the President:

My wife and I wish we could have been here for this meeting. However, I have promised to have Volume One of the new index out of the computer by the middle of July to August. In order to have any chance of meeting that commitment we have deferred any other activity. I would like to thank Fred for his energy in getting this meeting on track. I would also like to invite anyone who is willing to serve this organization to let Fred know. If you know of a shy member who is capable and willing, let Fred, or Ken, or Isabelle Freeman or me know. We want participation from all the members. Thank you for coming to this meeting.

Milton Terry



**SOULE KINDRED TREASURER'S REPORT**  
For the period Aug. 1, 1979 - June 1, 1980

Balance on hand Aug. 1, 1979 - Checking Account \$ 235.16  
- Savings Account 5875.27

RECEIPTS

Dues	\$2384.00	
Newsletters	49.00	
Life Membership Fund	357.00	
Life Members (4)	400.00	
Patron Member (1)	50.00	
Reunion-Genealogy Workshop	65.70	
Historian - Lineage	10.00	
Five Generation Book	225.00	
Interest on Savings	195.29	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>3735.99</u> <u>\$9846.42</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Newsletter (printing, postage, typing, etc).	1839.94	
Membership (typing, postage, supplies)	142.10	
Secretary (postage, supplies)	22.50	
Treasurer (postage, supplies)	19.50	
Five Generations Book-Refunds-		
Ruth Freeman - \$15.00 didn't want to wait for publication, R. Johnson - inadvertently ordered 2 sets of 4 books, \$50.00, \$225.00 - in and out for books ordered with dues in same check, \$3.98-Postage to send mailing labels & order cards to H. Thomas	293.98	
Miscellaneous - Servicing mail box and gratuity to V. Walker for her help in mail forwarding from Duxbury Box	55.00	
TOTAL - ALL EXPENDITURES		<u>\$2373.02</u>

CASH BALANCE. - June 1, 1980 \$7473.40

Savings Account No. E617-063 Philadelphia Savings Fund Society		84.53
No. 03514942-9 Schenectady Savings Bank		2383.20
No. 035344968 - Schenectady Savings Bank		4880.83
Life Membership Scholarship Fund		
Checking Account No. 6402-808-6 Key Bank, N.A. (formerly National Commercial Bank & Trust Co.		<u>124.84</u> <u>\$7473.40</u>

ALL BILLS PAID

Respectfully submitted,

*Betty-Jean Haner*

Betty-Jean Haner, Treasurer





Mayflower Society  
House-1754



Four Sisters Attend the Reunion :  
Faye and Seth Daily, Monahans, TX,  
Marian O'Connell and Marie Sevier,  
both from Washington D.C., and  
Irene and George Jones from Pueblo,  
CO.



Dancing on the Brazos  
Queen, Eleanor Jacoby  
from Eureka, KS and  
Herb Soule' from San  
Antonio.



Herb Soule' and daughter  
Cindy.



Justin Rind, Wanda Soules  
Rind, Letha Mae Soules (Mrs.  
Luther Hugh), Goldthwaite, TX.  
Donna Soules, Marble Falls, TX,  
and Holli Rind, Goldthwaite, TX.



The Kansas Group -- Eureka, Kansas  
 Back row--left to right: Betty Uhl, Bertha Erickson, Bill Soule, Kay Soule.  
 2nd row: Phyllis Enos, Eleanor Jacoby, Sharon Urton, Peggy Soule, Donald Soule.  
 1st row - seated: Diana Soule holding Wanda Soule, Sarah Soule (Mrs. Freeman Wilbur Soule), Perry Soule.  
 Lineage: George-1, George-2, William-3, George-4, George-5, Joseph Randall-6, Gilbert Randall-7, Freeman Gilbert-8, Freeman Wilbur Soule-9 (1880-1961)



Roomates: Opal Soule Manly from Los Angeles, and Betty Whitecotten from Ft. Myers, Florida



Dinner on the Brazos Queen  
 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Sowle from San Antonio, Texas



Opal Soule Manly and Wm. Fred Soules, our host in Waco.



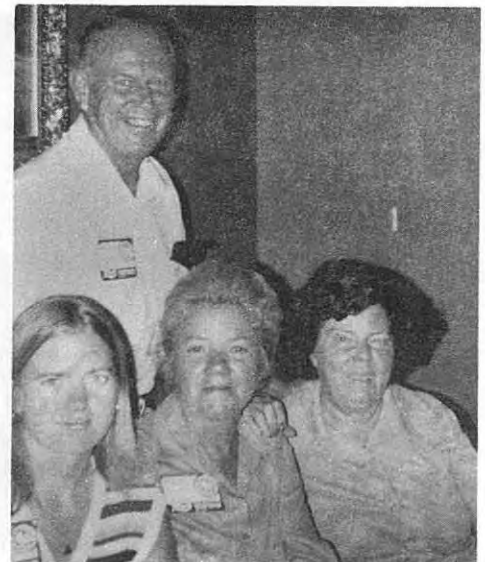
Past President, Betty Harris  
and her husband, Lt. Col.  
Edwin S. (Ned) Harris and  
grandson, Bobby Harris.



Opal Soule Manly and  
Herb Soule' dancing on  
the Brazos Queen



DINNER ON THE BRAZOS QUEEN



Herb Soule', his daughter,  
Cindy, and his wife, Mary,  
Ann, San Antonio, TX and  
his siter, Mildred Soule'  
from New York City.





Lt. Col. Edwin S. Harris who designed our Soule Kindred flag with Wm. Fred Soules, our new President of Soule Kindred & Mrs. Betty Soule Harris, Past President in whose term the flag was presented to the Kindred.



Dorothy Progar, Director of Libraries, Waco-McLennan County Library, receiving the Soule Five Generations book presented by Mrs. Betty Soule Harris of San Antonio, TX



Mary Bille and Charles H. Sowle, San Antonio, TX. Mr. Sowle is originally from Wisconsin.



OUR HOST & HOSTESS -- Mr. and Mrs. William Fred Soules, Waco, TX



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## QUESTION

Someone asked... "Was George Soule-1 related to Sarah Soule who d. 1656?" Sarah Soule was married at Hawkjurst, Kent, England in 1617 to Samuel Hinkley. Samuel Hinkley (1595-1662) with wife Sarah and children came over on the Hercules to Scituate, MA in 1635, and by 1640 they had settled at Barnstable, MA. He married - 2- Bridget Bodfish. Their son Thomas Hinkley was Governor of Plymouth Colony from 1681 to 1692. Reference: Immigrant Ancestors by Virkus, Vol. VII. Anyone with information please correspond.

Edith Pierce, 716 Columbus Ct., Wallingford, PA 19086

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THE STORY OF THE SECOND DAUGHTER OF GEORGE SOULE

MARY SOULE and JOHN PETERSON as given by Charlotte McShea, a lineal descendant.

Feb. 22, 1980

Dear Mary,

Hope the enclosed is of interest to you. I tried to figure a way to make a chart, but gave up that idea. Most of my data can be confirmed by Davis' Register of Plymouth Families - up to the 6th generation. I have all documents from there on, also the Cushman genealogy, Mayflower Planters, etc.

When I started putting my pedigree together, I only knew of my descent from George by way of his son John through two of his sons, each by a different wife! I really had a time getting it all straightened out. I am our family genealogist and have been very busy, as you can imagine.

Last year I applied for membership to the Nat. Soc. of the Daughters of Colonial Wars, Inc. on the lineage of George Soule and my papers were accepted with no question for which I am very proud. To my knowledge no other member in N.Y. State has applied on the service of George Soule.

I enjoyed the recent Newsletter very much and am looking forward to receiving my copy of Vol. III.

Sincerely,

*Charlotte McShea*

Charlotte McShea

P.S. Referring to the article regarding Mayflower Descendants, there are untold numbers just within my lineage. Cousins that I am not even aware of. I do have aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, children and grandchildren who, of course, are not counted. I am the only family member who has the genealogy "bug".

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ARE THERE OTHER DESCENDANTS THAT WOULD LIKE TO SHOW RELATIONSHIP TO THIS SECOND DAUGHTER, MARY SOULE?

Are there descendants of PATIENCE (SOULE) DRAKE that would like to have their lineal descent put in the next issue of the Soule Newsletter? If so, please contact me and send your lineage.

I am writing a DRAKE history in book form. Interested? Write me:  
MRS. F. A. CRISMORE, 3139 WEST 51st STREET, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208

STORY OF THE SECOND DAUGHTER OF GEORGE SOULE ----- Mary Thomas Crismore

MARY SOULE and JOHN PETERSON

This portion of Mary Soule's history has been reported by:  
Charlotte Cushman (Bean) McShea  
740 Lowell Road  
Uniondale, New York 11553

Two charts with two lineages to George Soule-

Lineage of Charlotte Cushman(Bean) McShea

1. George Soule b. Eng. ca. 1597 m. Mary Bucket (Beckett) aft 1623
2. Mary Soule b. ca. 1644 Duxbury, Ma. d. aft. 1720 Plymouth, Mass.  
m. ca. 1666 Duxbury, Ma. John Peterson
3. Benjamin Peterson b. 1699 m. Hannah Wadsworth b. 1672 d. 1732/3  
d. 1760
4. Mercy Peterson b. 1699 Duxbury, Mass.  
m. 18 May 1721 Duxbury, Mass. V.R. Joseph Weston  
d. 27 Sept. 1768 Duxbury, Mass. V.R.
5. Thomas Weston b. 4 Oct. 1726 Duxbury, Mass.  
m. 1st wife Mary Standish (she d. 1 May 1765)
6. Joseph Weston Jr. b. 2 Apr. 1751  
d. 20 Nov. 1813  
m. Rebecca ? b. 14 Sept. 1758 d. 21 Aug. 1825 Dux. V.R.  
Ref: 'Dec. of Edmund Weston' NEHG&R 1887
7. Judith Weston b. Feb. 2, 1795 (twin of Rufus)  
m. George Cushman  
d. Mar. 7, 1868 Duxbury, Mass. V.R. bur. Mayfl. cemetery
8. John Cushman b. 17 Dec. 1826 Duxbury, Mass.  
m. 1 Feb. 1862 Duxbury, Mass. Rebecca G. Delano  
d. 6 Mar. 1895 Scituate, Mass. bur. Mayfl. cemetery Duxbury, Ma.
9. Cassius Elmer Cushman b. 5 July 1861 Duxbury, Mass.  
m. 15 Nov. 1882 Scituate, Mass. Mary Morphet Dryden  
d. 2 Feb. 1943 Staten Island, N.Y. (bur. Rockport, Mass.)
10. Marion Virginia Cushman b. 17 Aug. 1900 Rockport, Mass.  
m. 27 Oct. 1918 Rockport, Mass. Merton Howard BEAN  
res. Miami, Fla.
- \* 11. Charlotte Cushman Bean b. 3 Aug. 1922  
m. Aug. 4, 1940 Oceanside, N.Y. Frederick Howard MCSHEA  
res. 740 Lowell Road  
Uniondale, N.Y. 11553



## MARY SOULE - Lineage - cont.

## Lineage of Charlotte Cushman(Bean) McShea

1. George Soule b. Eng. ca 1597 m. Mary Bucket (Beckett) aft 1623
2. Daughter MARY SOULE b. ca 1644 Duxbury, Ma. d. aft. 1720 Plymouth, Mass.  
m. abt. 1666 Duxbury, Ma. John Peterson
3. Their Son Benjamin Peterson b. 1699 m. Hannah Wadsworth b. 1672  
d. 1760 d. 1732/3
- Their Dau.
4. ABIGAIL PETERSON b. 1700 Duxbury, Mass  
m. 1729 Duxbury, Mass Abraham Pierce
5. Their son Joseph Pierce b. 1731  
d. 1813 Duxbury, Mass.  
m. Mrs. Olive (Cushing) Fish Duxbury, Mass. V.R.
6. Their dau.  
Hannah Pierce b. 1771 Duxbury, Ma. V.R.  
m. 17 Nov. 1791 Duxbury, Ma. V.R. Charles Delano  
Ref. 'Seven Pierce Families'  
Hist. of Hingham, Ma.
7. Their son Charles Delano b. 1806 Duxbury, Ma. V.R.  
d. 5 April 1873 Duxbury, Mass. (V.R. Boston)  
m. 24 Nov. 1833 Abigail Bates Dux. V.R.  
(Pembroke)  
also Bible record
8. Their dau. Rebecca G. Delano b. 31 Oct. 1834 Duxbury, Mass. V.R.  
m. 1 Feb. 1852 John Cushman V.R. Boston, Ma.  
d. 2 Jan. 1918
9. Their son Cassius Elmer Cushman  
b. 5 July 1861 Duxbury, Ma.  
m. 15 Nov. 1882 Scituate, Mass. Mary Morphet Dryden  
d. 2 Feb. 1943 Staten Island, N.Y. (Bur. Rockport, Ma.)
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RUTH HERMANN WITH CHIEF HARRY WINNEMUCCA

My friend, Ruth Hermann, writes about my Paiute people as I told her while we sat out the day. We were there many times by my people's lake—or by our Stone Mother—while I talked. We walked sometimes a long way on the land where my ancestors used to be, and we looked at sagebrush and at rubberbrush and at the little plants of the desert. Well, sometimes we looked up, sometimes we watched the big pelicans fly away or come back to their nests on Anaho Island and their young ones. One day we found a white arrowhead at a place that used to be an old Indian fish camp. I've taken her to other Paiute elders, and she talked to them, also. What she says of my people and our land is what I and others said to her. Much of what we tell has never been written down before. She's the first to come to me and want to write down our legends—stories about our lake, our tribe, our leaders—for the next peoples to come.

# THE PAIUTES of PYRAMID LAKE

by RUTH HERMANN



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## Gold and Silver Colossus William Morris Stewart *and his Southern Bride*



A SENATORIAL DESPERADO  
"Take my silver or I'll take your life!"  
PUCK caricature by Dahymple, October 4, 1893

Ruth Hermann

New Soule Kindred member, Ruth Hermann, is an author of note. Her latest book, *Gold and Silver Colossus* has won critical acclaim. *Colossus* covers some genealogy, especially that of Stewart's wife, Annie Elizabeth Foote, a daughter of an early famous stump speaker, Henry Stuart Foote who was prominent long before the Civil War as a U.S. Senator & Governor from Miss. The book can be obtained from Mrs. Hermann, P.O. Box 202, San Mateo, CA 94401.

Ruth Hermann is a daughter of Rachel Almatia Soule Johnson, a daughter of Charles Dexter Soule, born in Dexter, ME in 1836, and Frances Marion Melville Soule. Charles Dexter Soule was the son of Solomon Soule who with his wife (2nd marriage), Lydia Besse, and large family, including a son and his family, crossed the Plains to Oregon Territory (see Newsletter Vol. II, No. 4, Pg. 105, Oct., 1968, *Pioneers of the Oregon Tr.*)

1312 E. 215th Place  
Carson, Calif. 90745  
May 25, 1980

Dear Dr. Whitecotten:

I have been reading the Soule Kindred Newsletter with interest. I would like to submit the enclosed article for consideration for publication. Hopefully it can help some other searcher find their line.

I would like the opportunity to say what a wonderful aid I have found vol. 3 of the Mayflower Families. I was able to fill in many blank spots on my charts. I also discovered a descent from Pilgrim John Howland which I had never suspected. Both my maternal grandmother and grandfather are descendants of George Soule by different lines which I am quite sure neither ever suspected. My grandmother is the granddaughter of Lucy Sampson and William A. Davis mentioned in the enclosed article. So I am an eleventh generation descendant of George Soule.

The enclosed article mentioned above refers to the following article, "A Weston-Soule Interrelationship: Joseph Weston-5 of Duxbury."

Sincerely,

*Esther Rancier*  
Esther Rancier

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A WESTON-SOULE INTERRELATIONSHIP: JOSEPH WESTON<sup>5</sup> OF DUXBURY

A number of distinguished genealogists and family members have written about the Edmund Weston family particularly covering the first five generations in Duxbury, Massachusetts. But the record in regard to Joseph Weston of the fifth generation is contradictory. Most accounts contain errors of some sort, although the new Mayflower Families through Five Generations, volume 3 is remarkably clear.

The 1849 record of Justin Winsor in A History of the Town of Duxbury, Massachusetts With Genealogical Registers made Joseph the son of his grandfather, but it does give the names of his children. When William T. Davis in 1883 wrote about the Westons in Ancient Landmarks of Plymouth, he made Joseph a twin. When the family historian, Thomas Weston, Jr. detailed his family in 1887 in the "Descendants of Edmund Weston of Duxbury, Mass. for Five Generations" published in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, v. 41, Joseph had a new year of birth and no descendants listed. In short, the record is unclear.



I. Edmund Weston<sup>1</sup> d. at age of 80 in 1686. He came to Plymouth on the Elizabeth & Ann when he was thirty years old. He married late in life. Weston says his wife was a De La Noye (Delano); Winsor says she was a Soule. The Mayflower Five Generations Project on the Soules does not identify her as a Soule. Edmund settled in Duxbury, Mass.

II. Elnathan Weston<sup>2</sup> (Edmund<sup>1</sup>) b. 1657; m. Jane \_\_\_\_\_ who d. 13 May 1735; d. 23 April 1729.

III. Joseph Weston<sup>3</sup> (Elnathan<sup>2</sup> Edmund<sup>1</sup>) b. 1692; m. Mercy Peterson 18 May 1721; d. 11 Sept. 1778 at age 86. Mercy was born Oct. 1699 and died 27 Dec. 1768. She was the daughter of Benjamin Peterson and Hannah Wadsworth of Duxbury, Mass. The first Peterson to arrive in Duxbury was John who married Mary Soule, daughter of Pilgrim George Soule. John was Mercy's grandfather. A full description of this Soule line can be found in Vol. 3 of Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, p. 10, 31, 102, and 310.

IV. Thomas Weston<sup>4</sup> (Joseph<sup>3</sup> Elnathan<sup>2</sup> Edmund<sup>1</sup>) b. 4 Oct. 1726; m. (1) Mary Southworth who d. 16 May 1776; (2) Martha Chandler; d. 10 May 1767. Mary was born 1724 and was the daughter of Constant Southworth and Rebecca Simmons. Both Constant and Rebecca were descendants of Pilgrims John Alden and Priscilla Mullins. The Southworth family is also considered a legitimate royal line with direct descent from King Alfred the Great and Charlemagne.

V. Joseph Weston<sup>5</sup> (Thomas<sup>4</sup> Joseph<sup>3</sup> Elnathan<sup>2</sup> Edmund<sup>1</sup>) b. 1753; m. Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_ d. 21 Nov. 1813 or 3 Feb. 1814. The dates of birth vary with the sources, but Winsor and Davis put his birth in 1753; Weston says 1754. Weston puts his sister Mary's birth in 1755, while Davis says Joseph and Mary were twins born 1753. There are only two references to his wife and they both agree, although her family remains unknown. Weston says Joseph died in 1814 while Winsor says 1813. He is buried in Duxbury. Only Winsor lists his children. However, The Vital Records of Duxbury confirm this list.

1. Thomas<sup>6</sup> b. 1777; d. 1778.
2. Thomas<sup>6</sup> b. 3 Dec. 1778.
3. Polly<sup>6</sup> b. 16 Jan. 1781; m. 29 Dec. 1801 Lewis Sampson; d. 15 July 1861.
4. Joseph<sup>6</sup> b. 29 Jan. 1783; m. 2 Aug. 1811 Anna Cushman.
5. Joshua<sup>6</sup> b. 3 Feb. 1785; d. 1 Apr. 1789.
6. Peleg<sup>6</sup> b. 25 Feb. 1787.
7. Mercy<sup>6</sup> b. 8 Jan. 1789.
8. Lewis<sup>6</sup> b. 2 Jan. 1791.
9. Rebecca<sup>6</sup> b. 4 Aug. 1793.
10. Rufus<sup>6</sup> b. 2 Feb. 1796.
11. Judith<sup>6</sup> b. 2 Feb. 1796.
12. Joshua<sup>6</sup> b. 5 Oct. 1798.

VI. Polly (Mary) Weston<sup>6</sup> (Joseph<sup>5</sup> Thomas<sup>4</sup> Joseph<sup>3</sup> Elnathan<sup>2</sup> Edmund<sup>1</sup>) b. 16 Jan. 1781; m. 29 Dec. 1801 Lewis Sampson; d. 15 July 1861. Lewis was the son of John Sampson and Abigail Stetson. He is a descendant of Pilgrim Henry Sampson. (Lewis<sup>5</sup> John<sup>4</sup> John<sup>3</sup> Stephen<sup>2</sup> Henry<sup>1</sup>). After their marriage and the birth of several children, the family went to Mexico, New York in Oswego County. Lewis was born 5 Mar. 1783 in Duxbury and died 26 June 1822 in Constantia, N.Y. He is buried in the Primitive Cemetery in Mexico, N.Y. Later Polly remarried to Jared Blount. No issue. She is buried beside Lewis. A bible record exists of their children.

1. Weston<sup>7</sup> b. 18 Nov. 1802.
2. George<sup>7</sup> b. 18 Feb. 1804; m. Lucy Davis; d. 9 Nov. 1889.
3. Joseph<sup>7</sup> b. 20 Oct. 1806.
4. Lewis<sup>7</sup> b. 27 Aug. 1808; m. Rachel \_\_\_\_\_; d. 12 Mar. 1858. Children:
  1. Weston
  2. Elvira
  3. Eliza.
  5. Lucy<sup>7</sup> b. 22 Apr. 1810; m. 28 Mar. 1829 William Augustus Davis; d. 4 Apr. 1904.
  6. Rebecca<sup>7</sup> b. 29 May 1812.
  7. John<sup>7</sup> b. 10 Mar. 1814; m. (1) Evaline Anderson who d. 29 Mar. 1857; (2) Maria W. Wimple b. 1833 and d. 1913, daughter of Henry and Eliza Dickenson Wimple; d. 1895. Children: 1. Amelia 2. Orvilla 3. James 4. Ellen 5. Mary who d. 3 May 1866 at age 2 months.
  8. Martin<sup>7</sup> b. 10 Mar. 1815; m. Mary V. Evarts, daughter of Philo and Venera Carr Evarts; d. 23 Oct. 1896.
  9. Elisha<sup>7</sup> b. 12 Mar. 1817.
  10. Mary<sup>7</sup> b. 4 June 1818.

An extensive list of the descendants of Polly Weston and Lewis Sampson is recorded in The Colonial Genealogist, vol. 10, no. 2, p. 76-84.

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Mary Jo Hurdle (Mrs. C. R.), 7414 Lynalan Avenue, Whittier, CA 90606, came across the following while searching another line...

CEMETERY ON PILLAR POINT on road running west from village - JEFFERSON Co., NY

SOLE, JUDILLA S., daughter of D. B. and L. E. d. 11 Aug 1848 age 6 yrs  
3 mos 3 days

SANDY LOAM CEMETERY - PAMELIA, JEFFERSON Co., NY

SOWLE, THOMAS A. d. 5 May 1884 age 78 yrs  
HARRIET, wife of Thos., d. 19 June 1888 age 72 yrs  
(daughter of Seth and Mary Cole)  
ALPHONSO A., d. 3 March 1852, age 6 mos 11 days  
FRANCES A., died 1 March 1887, age 41 yrs.  
(Alphonso and Frances are the children of Thomas and Harriet)

JOB, 1812-1873  
CATHERINE, wife of Job, 1821-1889  
BEULA C. 1881 - (on Beattie monument)  
I. L., died 14 Jan 1883, age 34 yrs, 5 mos, 24 d. (on Beattie plot but not on monument)

Source: microfilm No. 836,756 Whittier State General Library  
Cemetery, Church and Town Records compiled by (Mrs. Frank Howland)  
Elise Hoxie Parcello, Chirman, Genealogical Research Committee NY State  
Congerence DAR 1925-1926.  
(written in Vol. 1 16342 NER 1933)



1606 West North Street  
Springfield, Ohio 45504  
15 March 1980

Dear Editor,

Enclosed is a feature article on the Hotel Sowles, 1888, which appeared in our Springfield, Ohio News-Sun on Sunday, January 13, 1980.

In January issue, 1977, Soule Kindred Newsletter, page 9, is a typescript of a biographical sketch of David W. Sowles as it appears in the 1881 History of Champaign County, Ohio, the man for whom the Sowles Hotel was named.

Please note that this old landmark is in Urbana, Champaign, Co., Ohio.

Sincerely,  
Ada E. Lewis

### HISTORIC HOTEL REMODELED FOR NEW BUSINESS

By **JAMES R. JOHNSON**  
State Editor of the News-Sun

**URBANA** — The historic American Hotel on the south side of Scioto St. here, one of the oldest, if not the oldest building in Urbana dating back to 1803, has been remodeled into the Pantree clothing store and living quarters.

Owners Nelson and Deborah King are in partnership with her parents Lawrence and Jane Davis formerly of Xenia, now of Pennsylvania. They bought the hotel in June.

Half of the first floor is finished, a new roof is installed and new furnace and plumbing completed with Bodey and Sons as contractor. Neer Enterprises chemically washed the exterior bricks.

The Kings also have a Pantree store in Xenia where they started in the clothing business. Originally, they planned to open the Xenia store in April, 1974, but the fateful tornado of April 3, 1974 delayed their opening until May. Then a fire Aug. 15, 1977 wiped out their business in one location and they moved to W. Main St., Xenia, where they are located today.

A tin roof was salvaged from the Xenia fire to be-fashioned into an inside roof over the dressing rooms of the Urbana store.

The American Hotel has been known under such names as the "Hunter Tavern," the "Exchange Hotel," the "Sowles Hotel" and the "American Hotel."

From the very beginning of the history of the city of Urbana, the history of this hotel has been interwoven with the history of the city and Champaign County.

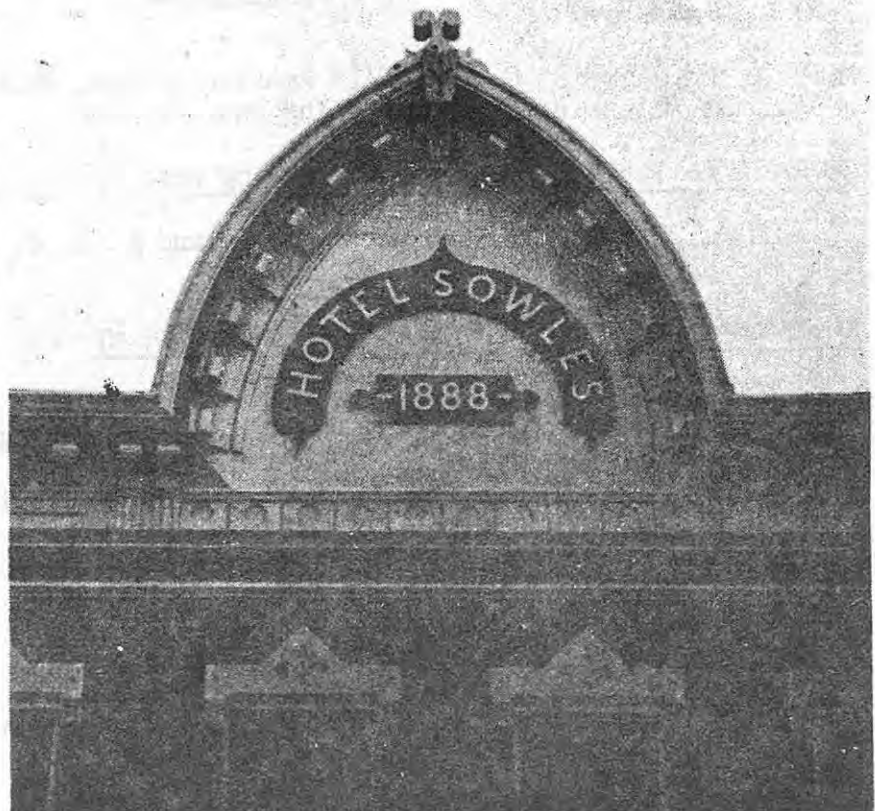
The hotel reportedly was a stopping place for the pioneer and his family

who came to Urbana seeking a home and business opportunity. Some would stay a few days, a few weeks, or make it their home for years.

Political meetings and political banquets were held within the hotel. An early reference states that every governor of Ohio from Edward Tiffin

to William McKinley had been wined, dined and entertained there.

The American Hotel had the seeds of its foundation made on the corner of the square where Conyer's Jewelry Store was located for many years. Almost as soon as Urbana was platted, the "Widow Fitch" built a log house



News-Sun Photos by James R. Johnson

**URBANA** — The top of the American Hotel on 113 E. Scioto St., Urbana, bears the name Hotel Sowles and the date 1888. The hotel, owned by Mr. and Mrs. David W. Sowles, was remodeled and modernized on that date. The hotel dates back to 1803.

Hotel Remodeled, Continued.

on lot No. 1 and constructed another log building facing the Square located just where the jewelry store stands. In this building she conducted a tavern for several years. The "Widow Fitch" was a descendant of the Randolph family of Virginia. She and her husband, Jacob Fitch, had come to Champaign County before Urbana was established. They located with a family of children somewhere in Mad River territory. The husband died and Widow Fitch, having had experience at tavern keeping, moved to Urbana and set up in business.

Some years later George Hunter and his wife operated the hotel on the west one half of the lot, the site of the American Hotel.

At almost the same time the Blanchards become the owners of the brick building on the east half of the same lot.

The brick building or the Blanchard building, bears the date 1811 on its front wall.

Later owners of the American House think that the hotel building, although it was remodeled in 1888, is the older of the two buildings and there is a possibility that they may be right. Deed records show that William Ward owned the lot until 1815, when he sold the west half to Gov. Joseph Vance, and the east half to Hugh Gibbs.

It was in 1829 when George and Sarah Fitch Hunter bought the Hotel site from Gov. Vance, and 1832 when the east half became the property of the Blanchard part of the Fitch daughters. There is some evidence that the hotel was in operation when Gov. Vance owned it, but he leased to other parties.

In 1834 David W. Sowles, a native of New York state, arrived in Urbana and worked as a clerk in the "Exchange Hotel" as it was then called. In 1845 he married Sallie Hunter, daughter of the late George Hunter and the hotel proprietress Mrs. Hunter. Sowles began buying out the heirs one by one and by 1863 was sole owner of the hotel.

In 1888 Mr. and Mrs. Sowles began a remodeling and modernizing program of the hotel proper, the building on the west half of the lot. The end result was the modern building as the American Hotel is known today.

The year 1900 marked the end of control of the American Hotel by the Sowles family. Mrs. Sowles was the last to die. In that year her executors sold the entire lot to an Urbana law firm, known as trustees. A short time later Claude C. Craig was the owner of both buildings. He in turn sold each building to a separate owner. James Rawlings became the owner of the American Hotel or the west side of the lot. From Rawlings it eventually passed to the hands of Charles H. Greer in 1915.

The Kings bought the hotel as an afterthought. They were looking to expand business and consulted Levi's publishers. Urbana was discovered to have one of the lowest per capita sales of Levi's in the state of Ohio. They came to Urbana looking for a place to rent and none was available at the time. They drove by the hotel and saw a "For Sale" sign in the window.

"I guess we are just a 'glutton for punishment,'" Mr. King said.

"The interior had been remodeled so many times and lacked character. However, when a linoleum was removed from one section of a floor, we discovered a beautiful, mosaic inlaid ceramic tile floor, possibly the lobby or dining room area. This will be cleaned and polished as time permits," King said and used as a women's area of the store."

Another room, yet to be remodeled, is to be used for children's clothing.

King said they chose the Levi clothing line because it is a "good product. They stand behind it very well."

A west side room is to be remodeled later with rental to a retail store that will complement the Kings' business. They have had some inquiries from persons wanting to rent the store area.

Other employees of the Pantree include Renee' Daulton, Urbana; Brian King, Kettering, who will live in the hotel in the rear; Carrie Rupert, Urbana; and Lisa Grogan and Ray Rice, Urbana High School students.

1860 U. S. census - Champaign County, Ohio  
Town of Urbana - enumerated 16 June 1860 - 496/496

SOWELS, David W.	49 m	Hotel Keeper	NY
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George H.	14 m	Clerk	OH
Adell	19 f		OH
Frank	9 m		OH
Charles	7/12 m		OH



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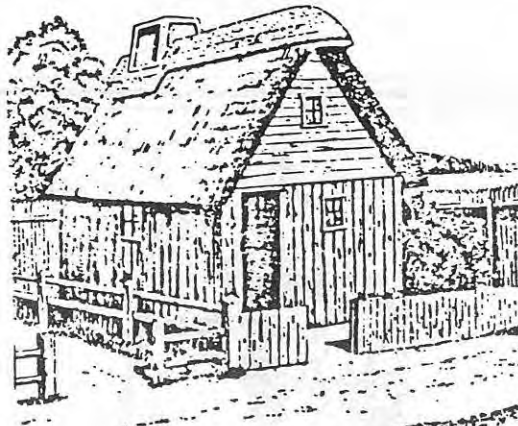
SOULE'S SOLILOQUY, 1639

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Across the Bay I see the Eagle's nest,  
that hides the fields this side of Brewster's home,  
so close to Standish dwelling on the crest  
of ridge below the hill the Redmen roam  
in retrospect. We came across the foam,  
through crashing waves, almost two decades past,  
and now I fish, or spade the fertile loam  
that skirts the marsh and flooding tides held fast  
by Nature's law. No love can ever last  
a longer time than mine for England's shores  
but now my heart is bound to lands so vast  
we only dream what endless mileage stores.  
Perchance my sons will venture far afield  
to seek horizons from my eyes concealed.

Isabelle Freeman

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SOULE HOUSE  
Plimoth Plantation



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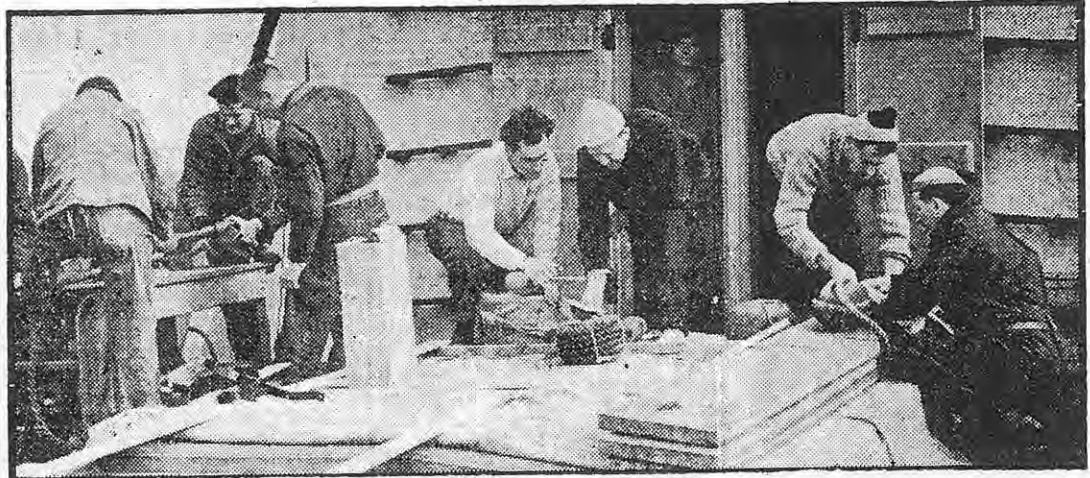
**Plymouth Rock**

The surveying party found exactly the place they wanted for a settlement behind the famous Plymouth Rock—where there was a considerable amount of land cleared for Indian corn plots. "and there is a very sweete brooke runnes under the hillside. where we may harbour boats and shallows exceeding well, and in this brooke much good fishe in their seasons."

By March 21, 1621, the last of the Pilgrims was able to come ashore to live in a wattle and daub thatched cottage and the Mayflower was now free to return to England.

On April 5, 1621, the Mayflower began her homeward voyage, she arrived safely, for she was last seen lying at Rotherhithe three years later—in poor trim, valued at £138 8s. with all her fittings and "one suit of worn sails."

These four pages from The Western Morning News, Plymouth, England conclude the collection from that source. Contributed by Col. John Soule.



Members of the crew at work aboard Mayflower II.

## A CREW IN WHICH EACH MAN IS AN EXPERT

### Even the doctor is a seaman

THERE was never any problem in getting a crew for the new Mayflower. The difficulty was in saying "no" to so many who wanted to go. It is a handpicked crew, each man chosen for his individual skill and knowledge and many of them old and wise in the way of sail.

Consider the captain—Com. Alan John Villiers, D.S.C., R.N.V.R., Comendador of the Portuguese Order of St. James of the Sword, Trustee of the National Maritime Museum, Fellow of the Dougal and Owencon Geographical Societies Vice-President of the Society for Nautical Research Governor of the Cutty Sark Preservation Society, Member of H.M.S. Victory Technical Advisory Committee. He has spent half his life at sea in sailing ships.

Born in Australia 54 years ago, he first went to sea in sailing ships at the age of 16. A few years later he was whaling to the Antarctic with the Norwegian Carl Anton Larsen's first Ross Sea Expedition, in the whaler Sir James Clark Ross. Then came a period in journalism in Australia and London but the commander is no dry-land animal and in 1931 he joined with Capt. De Cloux in buying the four-masted barque Parma, and then in 1934 purchased the Danish ship Georg Stage, which he renamed the Joseph Conrad and sailed her round the world.

### Wrote book

His experiences in the Joseph Conrad provided him with material for a book which became known to sailors and lovers of the sea in all parts of the world.

Before the last war he sailed in those rather exotic-looking craft which have barely changed for hundreds of years—the Kuwait Arab dhows. Then came the war, in which he served from the beginning in the R.N.V.R., rising to the rank of commander and gaining the D.S.C. Since the end of hostilities he has been a master in the training-ship Warspite and at the Outward Bound Sea School, and sailed in a schooner with the Portuguese Arctic cod-fishing fleet. He has written many books on ships and the sea.

And now he has a command, which must be the most exciting of his life, even though that has already been filled with thrills and adventure, the like of which fall to few men in these days.

### Worked with crew

As the Mayflower II, is entirely rigged with hemp rope, like her predecessor, instead of the steel

wire and flexible steel wire ropes which stand up to chafing so much better, Villiers spent six weeks last year in one of the last ships in the world with a galleon hull and cordage rigging—in the Maldivé Islands.

In a 200-ton ship with no modern comforts he worked with the native crew, getting the feel of the cordage, sketching the run of the rigging, and noting methods of

avoiding chafe. He also questioned the men who made the ropes and tackle.

The mate is Mr. Godfrey Wicksteed—a schoolmaster, but of a rather unusual kind, for he has an extra master mariner's licence and is a qualified master in deepwater sail. He and Com Villiers have been shipmates before in a big four-mast barque called The Ballards.

Holder of a mate's licence in sail is the second mate, Adrian Small, who since the end of the last war has served in two of the few remaining sailing ships still afloat. These are the *Passat* and film producer John Huston's whale ship, the *Pequod*. Another former shipmate of the *Mayflower II*'s captain is the third mate Mr. H. C. Sowerby who is also an R.N.V.R. officer. They sailed together in the *Joseph Conrad*. The bos'n, Ike Marsh, has been a seaman all his life and his last square-rigger was also the *Pequod*.

### South African born

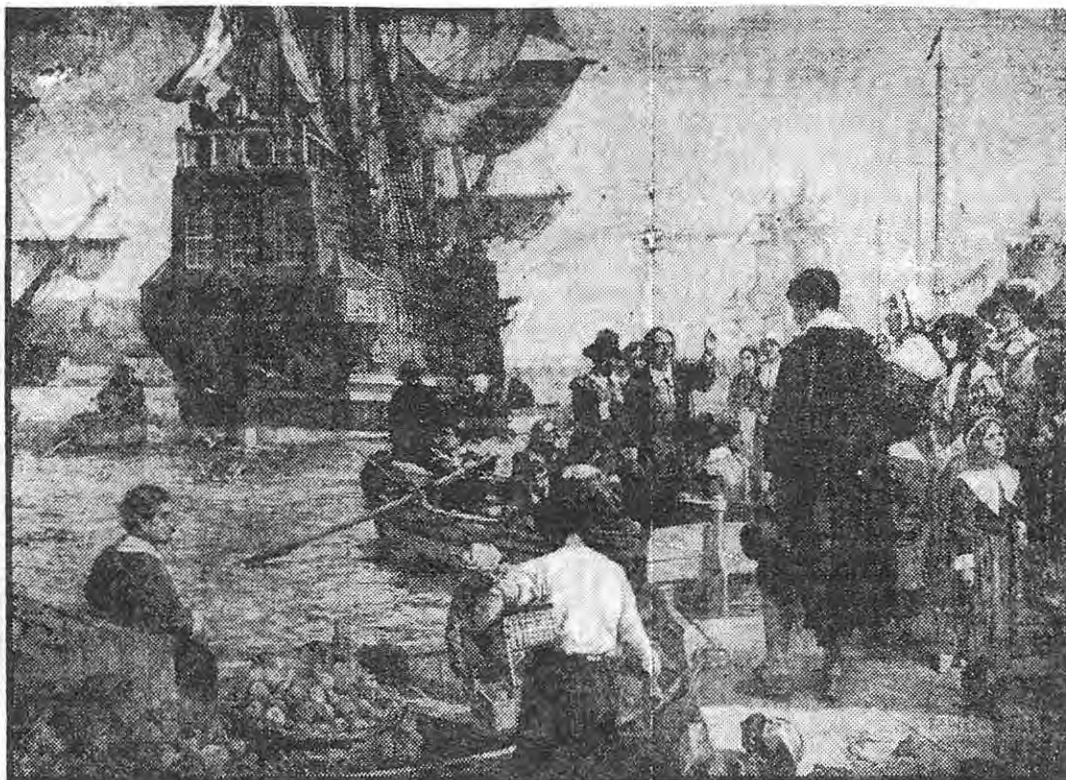
There is no vacancy in the *Mayflower II*'s complement for a surgeon, though there will be one aboard, but he is rated and will have to work as an able-seaman. He is South African-born Dr. John Stevens, who, however, has had sea experience as a sub-lieutenant in the submarine service during the last war.

Apart from the fact that he is a sailor, there was a special reason for the selection as an A.B. of Acting Sub-Lieut. Winslow, R.N., for he is a descendant of one of the original *Mayflower* pilgrims—Edward Winslow. His father, Lieut. Com. D. K. Winslow, R.N. (Retd.), formally laid the keel of *Mayflower II*.

The ship's carpenter will be Edgar Mugridge, of Brixham, who knows more about the vessel than any other member of the crew, for he has worked on her since the keel was laid.

Other members of the crew are Joe Powell, who also sailed in the *Pequod*—a Commando for 4½ years, he is a partner in a film stunt team; Beric Watson—an amateur sailing enthusiast and the man who rescued the cup traditionally thrown overboard at the launching of *Mayflower II*, last September; Joe Lacey—a former *Pequod* man; F. E. Edwards—served in the cadet ship *Calchas*, a lieutenant, R.N.V.R., and the holder of a first mate's certificate; South African D. M. Cauvin, a midshipman in the *Blue Funnel Line*; Jim Fuller—sailed in the *Joseph Conrad* as ship's boy when aged 14; A. Anderson Bell—an architect, but with Merchant Navy experience and the man who made the journey home from Ethiopia, where he held an appointment, just on the offchance of getting selected; M. J. Ford—a keen sailing enthusiast with international experience; D. C. Thorpe, P. L. N. Padfield and Jack Scarr.

The original *Mayflower* carried a crew of 21. The new *Mayflower*'s complement corresponds as nearly as possible to this number.



"The Departure of the Pilgrim Fathers from Plymouth"—the oil painting in Plymouth Art Gallery, which shows the original Mayflower in the Cattewater.

## MID-OCEAN REPAIRS SAVED Passenger 'who dyed in a desperate' way

IN the summer of 1620 a party of Englishmen and their families, members of a community exiled in Holland because of their religious convictions and "meditating a great hope and inward zeal for the propagating and advancement of the Gospel of the Kingdom of Christ in the vast and unpeopled countries of America," set off from Leyden for England in the Speedwell of 60 tons, bought and commissioned in Holland by the community to join another ship chartered for them in England, at Southampton.

Armed with letters patent from the Crown to settle in North Virginia and a band of hopeful emigrants to add strength to the enterprise, they planned to set sail with both ships across the Atlantic, hoping for a fair summer passage.

The vessel awaiting them at Southampton was the Mayflower, a square-rigged brigantine double-decked, broad bottomed stout, and solid—in fact of greater burthen and more strength than many of the other craft which had successfully crossed the Atlantic

### Stout ship

A London ship, her master and part-owner, Christopher Jones, of Rotherhithe, was a seasoned and reliable navigator, as sturdy as his vessel. Of her stoutness, the Pilgrims had reason later on to be grateful. They must have been grateful also that she was "sweet," having been on the Mediterranean wine trade since 1616. Before that she had been plying in northern seas—carrying turpentine, fish, and tar—which would have been a noisome accompaniment to a long voyage.

In the Speedwell—their own

ship—the Pilgrims were less fortunate. The Speedwell had been overmasted at Leyden and was a bad sailer. She also had a timid and unwilling master. However, after delays while the Speedwell's rig was altered the two vessels finally set sail from Southampton on August 5—late enough for a safe Atlantic crossing—carrying between them 120 passengers, a nucleus of Pilgrims and the vast majority strangers—hired men, indentured servants, and plain emigrants, collected by the Virginia Company.

The two ships slipped down the coast in the August weather with a good stiff breeze. Nevertheless, things went badly. They had to put into Dartmouth because the Speedwell was "open and leaking like a sieve." Worse, at Dartmouth the ill-assorted company had already begun to disagree.

The delay at Dartmouth, for it took two weeks before "the said lesser ship was searched and mended and judged sufficient for the voyage by the workmen that mended her" was serious—it meant the loss of a fair wind and the season was getting later and

later. And then, having left Dartmouth and rounded Land's End and actually got some hundreds of leagues from shore, the captain of the Speedwell pronounced her "so leakie as he must bear up or sink at sea for they could scarce free her with much pumping."

There was nothing for it but to make for Plymouth, and the limping voyage back in a terrifyingly leaky ship must have tried Pilgrims and strangers alike pretty hard.

At Plymouth once again, the Speedwell was examined. No specific trouble was found save a "general weakness." But it was decided to sail without her and carry the whole burden of the expedition in the Mayflower alone. The Mayflower on September 6 with a "fine small gale" set off on her "waighty voiage" alone.

### Loaded to gunwales

The Mayflower sailed loaded to the gunwales, for she carried 102 passengers and their supplies.

Plymouth, alas, was the last place of comfort and entertainment that the Pilgrims experienced before their landfall. Although there was a "prosperus wind" yet "according to the usual manner many were afflicted with sea-sickness." One, a "proud and very profane young man" "dyed in a desperate manner."

Through all this the sturdy Mayflower sailed, until they were "half the seas over." Then, however, the most dangerous incident

of the voyage occurred—one of the main beams amidships cracked. But she was "firm and strong under water" still and was saved by a "great iron scrue," which had been providentially brought out of Holland by one of the Pilgrims, and which was used to force the cracked beam back into place, secured and reinforced with a timber brace against the lower deck. Which done, "they committed themselves to ye will of God and resolved to proseeede."

### In stuffy bunks

For 66 days out of Plymouth the voyage continued, the Pilgrims and strangers crouched in stuffy bunks with the ice-cold water that the leaky seams in the deck and superstructure let in fountaining down on them to add to their misery.

Yet extraordinarily evil though the conditions were cramped and dirty, with victuals poor and scanty, all save the profane young man who had died early on and one passenger, who died as the Mayflower approached the coast, survived the journey, even the infant Oceanus Hopkins—named for his birth on the high seas.

On November 10, at dawn, "after long beating at sea land was sighted—they had reached Cape Cod and now, by dint of careful navigating, for these were treacherous waters, the Mayflower's experienced crew brought them safely round the Cape into what is now Princetown Harbour. The Mayflower had accomplished her voyage.

### Housed on board

But although they had arrived safely "they had now no friends to welcome them, no inns to entertain or refresh their weather-beaten bodies, no houses, nor much less towns to repair to to seeke for succoure." The Mayflower had to remain their headquarters while they searched for suitable land for a settlement and that found all had to be housed on board until their cottages were built.

Parties were sent to reconnoitre and explore one of the first bringing back a boatload of juniper branches, which was made into a fire on board to sweeten the ship with its clean fragrance.

On December 18 Capt. Jones himself led a party to survey the site. He found woods fringing a large harbour, a freshwater stream flowing into it, and clearings where Indians had planted corn. The soil seemed good, it grew pine, walnut, beech, ash, birch, hazel, and sassafras (reckoned of medicinal value).

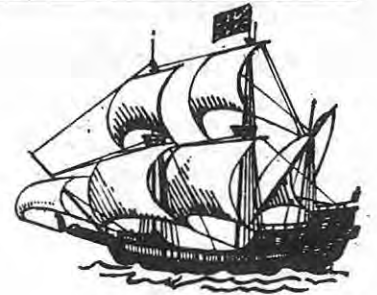




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## Mayflower II.



### Building of the new Mayflower has been a task for experts

**BUILDING** the new Mayflower has been as great an adventure as actually sailing in her, though at least two Brixham men, Mr. Stuart Upham and Mr. Edgar Mugridge, will enjoy the dual experience.

In Devon particularly there can be few people without any idea what an Elizabethan ship looked like, but there was a tremendous difference between the drawings and the models and a life-sized vessel which it was planned to sail across the Atlantic, using much the same navigational aids as those available on the original journey in 1620.

Research brought little information to Mr William A Baker a naval architect, of Hingham, Mass., who undertook the task of accumulating sifting and pronouncing upon the details he could elicit from the journal of William Bradford, one of the Pilgrim Fathers, and similar sources

#### Few facts

Few facts emerged. It was established that the original Mayflower was not as large as the settlers wanted and that her burden was about "nine score". She was the larger of two ships chartered in Holland and it is thought she was at least 60 years old when she made her historic voyage.

Mr Baker weighed all considerations and finally produced plans for a ship of three-masted rig and solid bulwarks with a 58ft keel, a beam of 25ft., and a depth of 12ft, which by the tonnage rule of 1582 gives a burden of 181 tons. The complete design was a masterpiece of its kind and the evolution of the vessel from the drawing board to reality is perhaps as immense a tribute to Mr Baker as to the craftsmen who have done the work.

Once it was decided by the Mayflower Project that the replica should be built in the shipyards of Messrs J W and A Upham, Mr Stuart Upham threw himself into the additional research necessary as there were still many questions left to be answered. Messrs. Uphams had been building ships for well over a century. Records existed going back to 1837 but these were not a great deal of help in tackling a vessel which had to be identical with one which was in the blueprint stage at about the turn of the 17th century.

#### Novel problems

To Mr Upham at the beginning the dimensions, as established by Mr Baker, posed problems which the original shipbuilders would not have had to face. In those days it was almost certain they worked from the size of the timber available. He had to find the timber to meet the specifications. The timber needed for the new Mayflower had to be of tremendous size. For example, the Devon oak used for the stem had a girth of 72 inches. The keel, described by foreman George Phillips as "a fine stick," is some 14 inches by 12, though in two pieces, joined by a keel scarf ("it becomes even stronger than a single log"), is 58ft. long, bent upwards at one end to take the stem.

The keel was laid by bringing the two pieces together on July 28, 1955, the honour of turning the jack to do this being given to an Englishman, Lieut.-Com. D K. Winslow, R.N. (Ret.), who can trace his ancestry back to the Pilgrim Fathers, and whose son, John Winslow, also of the Royal Navy, is a member of the crew.

#### Drawn in chalk

Meanwhile, other preparations were going on in the mould loft of the shipyard. There, in chalk the lines of the hull were drawn to working size on the wooden floor. And because the Mayflower is larger than the shed, the hull was halved, the lines crossing each other in what to the layman would appear hopeless confusion.

Explaining the necessity for all this, Mr Upham said the lines, taken from Mr Baker's blueprint, represented cross sections of the hull at frequent intervals, giving the desired curves. Nails were driven into the floor and the curves set with pine stripping and drawn with chalk. Originally these lines were drawn directly on to the pine boards without a paper pattern as a guide. This time the nature of the job demanded a blueprint but again the lines were put on boards, and from them the Mayflower was built.

#### Accurate to fraction

It speaks volumes for the skill of the designer, Mr. Baker, and the painstaking accuracy of the shipbuilders that everything worked out to the smallest fraction of an inch.

The undertaking was also having its repercussions in the Western coast of Canada where seven huge spars of Douglas fir were being prepared for the three masts and similar purposes.

The hull was completed during the summer of 1956, the shipyard attracting thousands of visitors from all parts of this country, the United States and the Continent. Weekly services were also held around the hull.

The launching on September 22 was an occasion that those present will never forget. The launch had to take place early in the morning because of the tide, and it was as if the elements had conspired together to make the worst of the occasion. Rain pelting on the galvanised roofs deadened the speeches, lightning illuminated the surrounding murk and water, which drenched the spectators, made soggy masses of cameras and other equipment brought to record the historic occasion.

#### No superstition

Yet it was a successful ceremony. Mayflower II "took the water like a bird" and shipwrights dismissed any idea of the weather being a bad omen as "superstitious nonsense".

Since then work has gone steadily on. Difficulties have been met and overcome. Some of the tools used had been known for centuries and might have been identical with those worked on the original ship. Mr. Upham comments that the main difference between then and now is in the sawing of the timber which in the old days was done by the pitsaw, adze, and axe.

The rigging of the ship required special study. The problem was to get all possible data of the construction, sail plans and particulars of the standing and running rigging. Chafe had to be avoided

as all the rigging is of rope. Here, as in all other phases of construction, the way eventually became smooth, a working model of all the ropes and rigging leads, helping a great deal.

Of the sails, Com. Alan Villiers has said: "Two of the masts carried two square sails each, a course and a topsail, and the third carried a small fore and aft sail set on a lateen yard more or less the same way Arab dhows and some Mediterranean craft do to this day. On the bowsprit she set a square spritsail, not the jibs with which we became familiar in later days."

He added: "The Mayflower was a very straightforward little ship, as merchantmen were, and she ought to present no particularly awkward problems at least so far as the ocean passage is concerned. As for getting her across the North Atlantic to the Westwards, that can be difficult. Even the famous clippers used to take six weeks to beat from Liverpool to Boston or New York, on the average."

#### Living link

Her completion represented the culmination of years of research and study and of many months of loving craftsmanship by every one of the 40 or 50 men who have been proud to work upon her. She is a living link between the past and the present and the fervent hope down Brixham way is that she may forge a new chain of friendship and understanding between this country and the United States for the future.

### HOUSED PROVISIONS FOR PILGRIMS

It is reputed that the monastery in Southside street was used to accommodate stores and provisions for the Pilgrim Fathers during their stay in Plymouth. On the site of this monastery now stands the Blackfriars Gin Distillery which is engaged in a considerable export business to America. Another building in which the emigrants were accommodated is situated in Exeter-street, Plymouth, a warehouse which now contains large stocks of sherry and other products which are also exported to America on a large scale.

### TRADE LINKS

Many other direct trade links exist between Plymouth and the United States which indicate that with enterprise and vision local manufacturers could develop a valuable dollar earning trade. From present business relationships there appears to exist a valuable foundation of historic connections—and indeed of goodwill.



## Old documents disclosed the techniques for making some of the Mayflower's rigging

IN an atmosphere of tar and hemp, the Mayflower's "engines"—her sails and rigging—have been produced. The landsman would look in vain for anything mechanical on board, however, since the ship's sole means of propulsion presents a lovely but bewildering picture of spars, rigging, and sail.

The success of the Mayflower venture depends to a great extent upon it; the hemp rigging and flax sailcloth must stand up to the rigours of Atlantic weather, and help haul the 185-ton ship across more than 1,000 miles of ocean.

The ship's company will have the support of the sound workmanship of craftsmen at Port Glasgow and Arbroath to whom has been handed down a tradition of skill in rope-making and flax spinning and weaving.

The firm responsible for her ropework and cordage is the Gourcock Ropework Co. Ltd., Port Glasgow, and the Plymouth branch by a happy coincidence, has premises in the Barbican's Southside-street near the spot where the Mayflower set out on her high adventure.

### Tarred Italian hemp

Carrying out extensive research with Mr. W. A. Baker, the designer of Mayflower II, and Mr. Stuart Upham, her builder, the firm's experts have scrutinised many old documents, and checked and rechecked information.

The ropes are all of lightly-tarred Squadron Italian hemp. The Gourcock Ropework Co. consulted old hand-written records, dating back to the early 18th century, and from them points on early practice and technique were obtained.

Broadly speaking, the rigging and cordage for the ship could be divided up into standing and running rigging, working ropes, ground tackle ropes, towing and deck tackle ropes, and spars. Altogether, they are likely to weigh more than eight tons.

In the main rigging, nearly 350 separate ropes have been used. In addition, miscellaneous items, ranging from flag-halyards, deck tackle ropes, to the humble heaving line, bring the total to over 400.

### Working ropes

Working ropes include four 90-fathom (540ft.) lengths of hauling lines, five inches in circumference; the main tow, a 120-fathom (720ft.) length of seven-inch circumference three-strand rope; the "towing spring"—a 60-fathom line of nine-strand cabled rope, 12in. in circumference, and a drogue rope.



Types of cordage for Mayflower II, at the Gourcock Ropework Company's Port Glasgow depot.

Twenty-eight different sizes of rope and more than 20 different lays and constructions of rope have been incorporated in the rigging proper.

Of these, perhaps, the most interesting are the shrouds and stays—the standing rigging supporting the masts. The largest rope in the ship is the 10in. mainstay securing the mainmast, while one of the smallest is in the shrouds securing the mizzen—or third and shortest mast—with a circumference of a little under three inches.

Some of the most difficult ropes

to make were for the main and fore course tackles (used to wear round the yard-arms to alter the ship's course) which are tapered throughout their lengths. Involving a complicated process, this was a speciality among 17th century ropemakers and the art has almost been forgotten.

From Scotland have come the ship's sails, supplied by Messrs. Francis Webster and Sons Ltd., of Arbroath. Unlike the ropeworkers, however, the weavers of the flax that went into their construction had no need to search the archives on how to make their cloth. Their knowledge has been handed down to them by succeeding generations and simply improved upon.

Flax is the ideal fibre to use for long distance sea-going which involves tough climatic conditions, and there is no doubt that the original ship was dressed in suits of sail made from it.

"There is some oak in the Mayflower that came from our own estate at Lustleigh and also from a tree which was owned by a retired Lustleigh schoolmaster, Mr. B. R. Newman, of Wreyland Down. He had to have a tree, taken down some time ago and a piece of timber from it is now in the Mayflower. He is delighted."

Messrs. Griffiths and Sons, of Snail Mill, Totnes, also supplied much of the oak from which the Mayflower has been built. Two vital pieces were found in their yard—the keel and the stem. They also provided timber for the framing and other purposes.

### GROWN NEAR TOTNES

Mr. C. F. Griffiths said "All this timber from our mill was grown locally within a few miles of Totnes. The stem piece came from Maj. S'r Samuel Harvey's estate at Dunderidge while the main part of

the keel, 42ft. in length, came from Allerton."

He said. "The keel timber had been in the yard for three or four years seasoning and had been kept for some special job as it was exceptionally long. The stem piece had a naturally grown turn and a straight length of about 20ft. Usually it is most difficult to find this class of timber, but we happened to have it in hand."

The timber for the framing of the Mayflower also presented special problems because crooked pieces of oak could not be cut from straight trees and had to come from timber which had been turned naturally.

They were able to find it from the Bovey Tracey-Haytor area, from trees probably turned over when young by the wind.

## 250-YEAR-OLD DEVON OAK TREES PROVIDED THE BEST TIMBER

OAK trees which had graced the Devon countryside down through the last 250 years have gone into the building of the Mayflower.

With gnarled and twisted oaks playing an equal part with straight, majestic trees in supplying the timber, the trees were felled years ago, mostly in the Totnes, Bovey Tracey, and Tiverton districts.

The builders, J. W. and A. Upham obtained the timber for the Mayflower largely from two Devon saw mills. One belongs to three Moretonhampstead brothers, Messrs. G. Brimblecombe and Sons, and the other is a 120-year-old Totnes concern, Messrs. Griffiths and Sons, of Snail Mill.

### 50 PER CENT. FOUND

Mr. P. R. Brimblecombe explained at Moretonhampstead that the shipbuilders before accepting the contract to build the Mayflower surveyed yards and saw mills in the county.

From the Moretonhampstead brothers over 50 per cent. of the timber needed for the Mayflower was forthcoming. "We had a lot of oak in stock at that time, about 18 months ago," said Mr. Brimblecombe.

The timber from the firm included what was to become part of the Mayflower's stem, a difficult piece of wood to find because of the turn; deck beams 26ft. long and

15in. square, with a camber, framing and planking.

"We must have sent hundreds of tons of timber to Brixham," said Mr. Brimblecombe. "It was mostly oak, but there was also elm from which two windlasses have been made, and some ash for adze handles. We must have been engaged on the work for about nine months, while, of course, carrying on our usual business."



Selecting oak trees for the Mayflower II, at Brimblecombe's Sawmills, Moretonhampstead.

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LOCAL MAN BURIED DOWN UNDER

Bowsprit got a letter from Australia a couple of weeks ago from a New South Wales man named Ted Waight.

It seems Mr. Waight was traveling through the western part of his country and found himself in a little coastal town called Busselton.

"To fill in time while waiting for a bus, I visited the local church of St. Mary, and wandering through the old graveyard, came across this ancient grave, with its Jarrah wood head board which I thought might interest some of your readers," Waight wrote.

It is the grave of one William Sowl, born in Westport, who died in 1850 at the age of 34 while on a whaling voyage. Sowl was first officer on the "Hiburnia," captained by Archelaus Baker, and owned by Robert Gibbs.

Elton W. Hall, curator of collections at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, said the Hiburnia was built in New York in 1830 and scrapped in Honolulu in 1860. It made 13 whaling trips from New Bedford during that time.

The Whaling Museum has the logs of three of those trips, but alas, not the one that left New Bedford on Oct. 2, 1849, and saw the death a little over a year later of Sowl.

"Perhaps even, some of the descendants of these doughty 'ancient mariners' are still alive and living in your district, in which case, I am sure they would be pleased to know that the grave of their ancestors is being well looked after," Waight wrote.

Unfortunately, the only "Sowl" that now lives in Westport told Bowsprit she has no recollection of any whaling ancestor named "William Sowl".

Mrs. Smith suggested that the lineage of William Sowl might be: George-1, George-2, William-3, Johathan-4, Joseph-5, Jonathan-6, William-7 (born ca 1817, living with parents, a sailor, in 1850 census - T.A.G., Oct., 1964, page 220.

A card from Colonel Soule's files was found affixed to the above:  
William Sowle (1817-1851) Jonathan, Joseph, p 164 d.(pub) 31 Oct 1851  
aged 34 at sea, William of Westport.

I am a descendant of James Weston, Page 132, Mayflower Famillies, III. If you know of anyone doing research on the Weston family, I will be pleased to contribute whatever material I have.

James Weston, b. 30 June 1755, m. Sally (Sarah) Witherell (parents not known) on 12 August 1784 at New Braintree. James Weston d. 23 May 1840, Ausable, NY. Sally Weston d. 24 May 1840, Ausable, NY; both are buried in a small cemetery a few miles east of Clintonville, East, NY. A large Weston stone is on the lot; many other Westons are also buried there. There is no probate record in either Plattsburgh, Clinton Co., NY or in Elizabethtown, Essex Co., NY.

*Flora M. Mattingly*

Flora May Mattingly  
588 Lee Street, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137



**GEORGE SOULE CHAPTER**

*Officers, Front Row — Mrs. H. J. Posey, Registrar; Mrs. George W. Paschen, President; Mrs. Gary Ersland, Vice President; Second Row — Mrs. Edith Naylor, Historian and Librarian; Mrs. John C. Alcorn, Chaplain; Miss Ivadell Ross, Treasurer; Mrs. Wayne Ebart, Second Vice President; Miss Esther Charlotte Smith, Secretary.*

The organizational meeting of the George Soule Chapter, National Society of the Colonial Dames, XVII Century, was held at the home of the Organizing President, Mrs. George W. Paschen, 718 Third Street SW, Mason City, Iowa, at a 1:00 P. M. luncheon on July 13, 1978.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Paschen, followed by an invocation by Mrs. John C. Alcorn. The objects of the society, the

history of the name George Soule, a signer of the Mayflower Compact, and letters of confirmation from the President General, Mrs. H. B. Chait and the Organizing Secretary General, Mrs. Paul V. DeVoe as to the official title of the chapter were read.

Newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. Paschen. Miss Ivadell Ross, Bylaws Chairman proposed the bylaws which were adopted. There were two guests present.



Box 186  
Charlestown, RI 02813  
6 February 1980

Soule Kindred in America

Dear Friends:

Yesterday, while at the library of the Rhode Island Historical Society, I looked through your newsletters and found my contribution to its contents concerning Mercy Soule who married Samuel Bartoll and (2) Eliphas Phillips of Gray, Maine. This reference is in Volume VIII, No. 4, Page 190... but there is an error.

Eliphas Phillips was married to Mercy Soule Bartoll, daughter of Jedediah and Tabitha Bishop Soule and widow of Samuel Bartoll of North Yarmouth. Hannah Bartoll is a daughter of Mercy Soule and Samuel Bartoll, and a step-daughter of Eliphas Phillips, not his wife!

I'm sorry if the information I sent you about this case was jumbled, causing an error.

Sincerely yours,

C. Vance Allyn



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# MILESTONES

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## MARRIAGE

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Miss Kathryn Lynn Keleher and William George Soule-12, both of Guelph, Ontario, were united in marriage on 9 June 1979 in Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church, Guelph. Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Keleher of Guelph and her bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Soule-11 of Guelph. George's father is Clyde M. Soule-10, Guelph, a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Genral No. 35953, and of the Michigan Society No. 1145, as well as a member of Soule Kindred. Following the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. William George Soule honeymooned on Grand Bahama Island. They reside in Guelph, Ontario. Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Soule, Apt. 507-33, Dawson Road, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1H 5V3

Miss Lucinda Taylor and Michael James Menard-12 were united in marriage on 7 July 1979 at the First Church of God, Warren, PA. A reception followed at the North Warren Community Hall. Lucinda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Taylor of Warren, PA. She is a graduate of Warren Area High School in 1972, and a 1974 graduate of the Maryland Medical Secretarial School. Michael-12 is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Menard-11 of Warren, PA. He is a 1972 graduate of Warren Area High School and a graduate of Alfred University. Michael is employed by Northwest Engineering Company of Coudersport, PA, where the couple will reside. The groom's father, James C. Menard, is a son of Bessie Soule Menard-10 and Charles Menard (both deceased). Bessie Soule Menard is a sister of Clyde M. Soule-10 of Guelph, Ontario. Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Soule, Apt. 507-33, Dawson Road, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1H 5V3

Miss Linda Marie Spade of Russell, PA, and Patrick H. Sisk Jr. of Russell, PA were married on 25 August 1979 at the Inter Faith Chapel, North Warren, PA. Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spade, Russell, PA. Patrick H. Sisk, Jr.-12 is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Sisk, Sr. of Russell, PA. Patrick is a 1973 graduate of Eisenhower High School of Warren; he also attended Paul Smith College. The couple will reside in North Warren, PA. The groom's mother is a daughter of Bessie Soule Menard-10 and Charles Menard (both deceased). Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Soule, Apt. 507-33, Dawson Road, Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1H 5V3

*Richard C. Soule was married 8 July 1979 in Grand Forks, ND, to the former Wendy Wegener.*

*Submitted by Col. Robert F. Soule, USAF, Ret., 17211 Fruitport Rd., Spring Lake, MI 49456*

*Our son, Alan Ray Hurdle, was married on 8 December 1978 to Shawneen Patrice Sinjem. The marriage took place at West Covina, CA.*

*Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hurdle, 7414 Lynalan Ave., Whittier, CA 90606*

## BIRTH

*Timothy Lee Vine was born to Herbert and Caroline Vine, Ontario, NY on 15 June 1979.*

*Submitted by Mrs. Margaret Soule Bulau, 121 Manor Pkwy., Apt 2, Rochester, NY 14620*

Mickle Patrick Shultz was born 4 October 1979. The parents are Patrick and Rebecca Anne Harvey Shultz, 108 Waverly St., Cattaraugus, NY 14719. Patrick and Rebecca Anne Shultz were married 25 November 1978.

Contributed by Mrs. Lloyd Harvey (Norma Conger Harvey), 70 Levenworth St., Cattaraugus, NY 14719: George-1, Patience-2, John Haskell-3, Squire Haskell-4, Jonathan Haskell-5 (clergyman, Amer. Revolutionary Soldier), Jonathan Haskell-6, Jonathan Haskell-7 (Surrogate Judge, Erie Co., NY), George Haskell-8, Allie Haskell-9, N. George Conger-10, Norma Conger Harvey-11.

*I wish to announce the birth of James Alton Travis, III. He is the son of Karen Soule Travis and James A. Travis, II. The child was born on 26 Aug. 1979 in Pine, Colorado.*

*Contributed by Mr. Asa C. Soule, Sr., 2214 Calvert St., Hyattsville, MD 20783*

*I wish to report the births of two great grandsons: Kevin Todd Hrynkiw on 31 January 1979, and Brian Paul Hrynkiw on 24 January 1977.*

*Submitted by Ella G. Appleman, Box 1069, Salmon, ID 83467*

Jacob Walden Soule was born on 22 June 1979 to Robert F. Soule, Jr., and Judith Dingle Soule. The birth took place at East Lansing, MI.

Submitted by Col. Robert F. Soule, USAF, Ret., 17211 Fruitport Rd., Spring Lake, MI 49456

*Eleanor Jennie McNelis was born on 21 August, 1979. The parents are Eleanor and Joseph P. McNelis, 6332 Pilgrim Court, Cornwell Heights, PA 19020.*

*Submitted by the maternal grandmother Mrs. Edward H. Couture, 1529 Covinton Circle, Fort Myers, Florida 33907*

*I wish to report the birth of my grandnephew, Scott William Whitting. He was born on 16 September 1979. The parents are Jeffery Wade Whitting and Vikki Walker Whitting. The child's brother, Richard Charles, was born on 17 August 1970.*

*Contributed by Mrs. Janice R. Pierce, 801 N. Proctor, Tacoma, WA 98406*

Our granddaughter, Sally Ann Blanchard, was born 25 June 1978 to our son, William Bevan, and his wife, Christy. The birth took place in Indianapolis, IN. Submitted by Jeanette S. Blanchard, P.O. Box 313, W. 65 N 705 St. John Ave., Cedarburg, WI 53012

Justin Paul Lieberman was born to Paul and Lynn Lieberman, Ontario, NY on 13 September 1979.

Contributed by Mrs. Margaret Soule Bulau, 121 Manor Pkwy., Apt 2, Rochester, NY 14620

*Chad Martin was born on 29 June 1979 to Natalie and Milo Olson. Natalie is the daughter of Guida Lewis Ide who resides at Surrey, ND.*

*Contributed by Mrs. Gertrude Soule Lewis, Box 49, Kemmerer, WY 83101*

*Our grandson Frederick Charles Coleman married Pamela Reichlein on 3 Nov. 1979. Submitted by Mrs. J. Malcolm Loring, 19622 N.E. Wasco St., Portland, OR 97230*

*Our granddaughter Barbara Louise Leach married James Ray Sherrill on 14 January 1978.*

*Submitted by Mrs. J. Malcolm Loring, 19622 N.E. Wasco St., Portland, OR 97230*

*Jenny Larson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Larson was married on 2 June 1979, in Tyler TX. Her husband is Mr. Dwight Huse.*

*Submitted by Mrs. Barbara Soule Larson, 3722 Chartwell, San Antonio, TX 78230*

*A granddaughter, Danita Marie Lewis, married Daniel Brun on 21 April 1979 in Helena, Montana. Danita is the daughter of my son, Duane Lewis.*

*Submitted by Mrs. Gertrude Soule Lewis, Box 49, Kemmerer, WY 83101*

*Jenean Ide married Cliff Bartholomew on 17 Nov 1979 at Ft. Collins, Colorado.*

*Submitted by Mrs. Gertrude Soule Lewis, Box 49, Kemmerer, WY 83101*

Paul B. Crain, my son by a previous marriage, was married on 11 August 1979 to Karin Louise Magnuson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Roger Magnuson, Long Beach, CA. He is the 13th generation from George Soule. (George-1, George-2, William-3, George-4, Benjamin-5, Ebenezer-6, Benjamin-7, Almenia-8, Albert-9, Mae-10, Clayton-11, Ellen Jane-12.) Contributed by Mrs. Ellen Jane Sebern, 3163 Josie Ave., Long Beach, CA 90808

## Engagements

**The Minneapolis Star**

**Monday, May 5, 1980**

### Sjolseth-Sowl

Marion Sjolseth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bueford O. Sjolseth, 6924 S. Washburn Ave., Richfield. She works for Rich/Lynn Corp. Ethan Sowl, 1339 W. Maynard Drive, St. Paul, son of Mrs. Alfred F. Sowl, Duluth. He is owner of Sowl Candy and Tobacco. May 10 wedding.

Contributed by Ben  
George Soule, 7405  
Queen Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55423

Miss Soule received a degree in sociology from USC. She is a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, the Ticktockers and the Assisteens.

Her fiance received a degree in business administration from USC and is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

The couple plans a May wedding.



**EDWARD KLOSTERMAN JR.  
WENDY SOULE**

Contributed by Opal Soule  
Manly, 200 S. Ave 56, Los  
Angeles, CA 90092

**Glendale News-Press**

**April 16, 1980**

### KLOSTERMAN-SOULE

The engagement of Wendy Soule and Edward Klosterman Jr. has been announced. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Soule of Glendale. Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Klosterman of Glendale, Calif.



## DEATH

My wife, Elizabeth Ann Carrithers Soule, passed away on 5 March 1979. Mrs. Soule was a graduate of Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She was married to Robert F. Soule on 18 January 1946 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. During WW II she served in the American Red Cross. Survivors, besides her husband, are: Robert F. Soule, Jr., East Lansing, MI, Thomson Patrick Soule, Roosevelt, MN. Richard C. Soule, Grand Forks, ND, Ms. Ann Gleason, Spring Lake, MI, and Mary Linn Soule, Spring Lake, MI. Mrs. Soule was a member of Delta Delta Delta Sorority, P.E.O., Tri-Cities Historical Society, North Ottawa Community Hospital Guild.  
Contributed by Col. Robert F. Soule, USAF, Ret., 17211 Fruitport Rd., Spring Lake, MI 49456

Mrs. Benjamin H. Soule (Ruth) passed away on 25 April 1979. She was the widow of B. H. Soule who died in 1957. She was born Ruth Christine Linn in Chicago, IL on 5 November 1896. Three Children survive her: Vigrinia Soule Nichols, Fredonia, NY, Dr. BiLinn Soule, Corvallis, OR, Col. R. F. Soule, USAF, Ret.  
Submitted by Col. Robert F. Soule, USAF, Ret., 17211 Fruitport Rd., Spring Lake, MI 49456

Rutland Herald, VT  
3 June 1980

**Dorothy S. Hevey**

MANCHESTER — Mrs. Dorothy Soule Hevey, 54, wife of the Rev. Jerome J. Hevey Jr., pastor of the First Congregational Church here, died Monday morning at her home on the West Road following a long illness.

She was born Feb. 4, 1926, in Pawtucket, R.I., the daughter of Nelson Soule Jr. and Dorothy (Munroe) Soule.

She was a 10th generation descendent of George Soule, a signer of the Mayflower Compact.

Mrs. Hevey attended schools in Pawtucket and graduated from Attleboro (Mass.) High School. She attended Andover-Newton Theological Seminary in Newton Centre, Mass., and had taken several courses at Ethan Allen Community College in Manchester.

She married the Rev. Hevey on Aug. 26, 1947, in the chapel at Andover-Newton Theological Seminary. The couple had resided in Middletown, N.Y., Norwood, Mass., and Philadelphia, Pa., before coming to Manchester in 1965.



Mrs. Hevey was active in church affairs and a member of the chancel choir of the church. She had studied voice as a young woman and was a soloist with the Northeast Oratorical Society while living in Philadelphia.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Thomas Jerome Hevey of Castleton; a daughter, Myrle Anne Hevey of New Britain, Conn.; two brothers, William N. Soule III of Seekonk, Mass., and Donald C. Soule of Plainville, Mass.; three sisters, Mrs. Marjory Lindon of Pocasset, Mass., Mrs. Helen Sweeney of Mashpee, Mass., and Mrs. Charlotte Cooper of East Providence, R.I.; nieces and nephews.

Contributed by Shirley Soule Smith, 140 Monticello Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Miss Evelyn R. Soule, 74 Woodmont St., West Springfield, MA 01089 submitted to the Newsletter information regarding her family. Her sister, Dorothy Elizabeth Soule, was born 20 September 1924, died 4 March 1938. Her father, Charles Henry Soule, was born 2 February 1883 and died 26 April 1968. Her mother, Mabel Frances Robinson Soule, born 28 January 1888 in Filchburg, MA, and died 6 October 1974. Her aunt, Julia Lovell Robinson, died 1 January 1955. Her brother, Charles E. Soule, was born 11 December 1910. Evelyn R. Soule was born 16 December 1906.

Rt. 8, Box 175A  
Hendersonville, NC 28739  
29 February 1980

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Spicer:

Thank you for your letter and the historical information on the Soule Family.

I am very sorry to tell you that my beloved wife, Vera, passed to her rest on January 19, 1980, of a heart attack.

We would have had our 50th anniversary this coming July. She was a wonderful wife. Our three daughters and eight of the grandchildren were here for the funeral. She is laid to rest in the hills of Western North Carolina, awaiting the call of our precious Savior. She was 72 years of age.

Some day we will understand that the Lord's way was best.

I am of good courage, but this old world has lost all of its attraction. I am looking for a better land. Remember me in your prayers.

Sincerely yours,

Lowell A. Rasmussen

Contributed by Anna Soule Spicer, Box 128, Angevin, CA 94508. Mrs. Spicer states that Vera Rasmussen was the daughter of Pearl Soule Hills-10, who is the daughter of Orlando-9 Soule by his first/second - ? wife. Mrs. Spicer is a daughter of Orlando Soule by his third wife.

Lineage: George-1, George-2, William-3, George-4, Benjamin-5, Jonathan-6, Benjamin-7, Joel-8, Orlando-9, Orlando-10.

### Clifton A. Soule

BUXTON — Clifton A. Soule, 72, died Monday in a Portland hospital.

He was born in Buxton, son of Rupert and Myra Moody Soule, and attended local schools.

Mr. Soule was a self-employed auto mechanic here all of his life.

He is survived by two brothers, Irving of Saco, and Philip of Buxton; and three sisters, Mrs. Doris Evans of Narberth, Pa., Mrs. Helen Murphy of Portland and Mrs. Eleanor Cressey of Bar Mills.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Neal and York Funeral Home, 76 State St., Gorham. Spring interment will be in Highland Cemetery.

Portland, Maine Press Herald,

Wednesday, February 20, 1980



H S SOULE  
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Katherine S. Lewis was the granddaughter of Capt. Julius Soule and great-granddaughter of Enos Soule, Sr. Enos Soule was one of the members of the Soule Brothers Shipbuilders of South Freeport ME. Two brothers also survive her, Julius Soule and George Soule (decoy duck manufacturer) of Freeport, ME.

Contributed by Henschman S. Soule, Rt. 3, Freeport, ME 04032

