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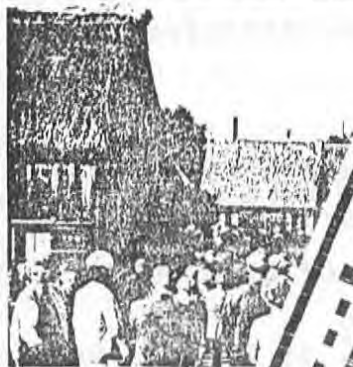
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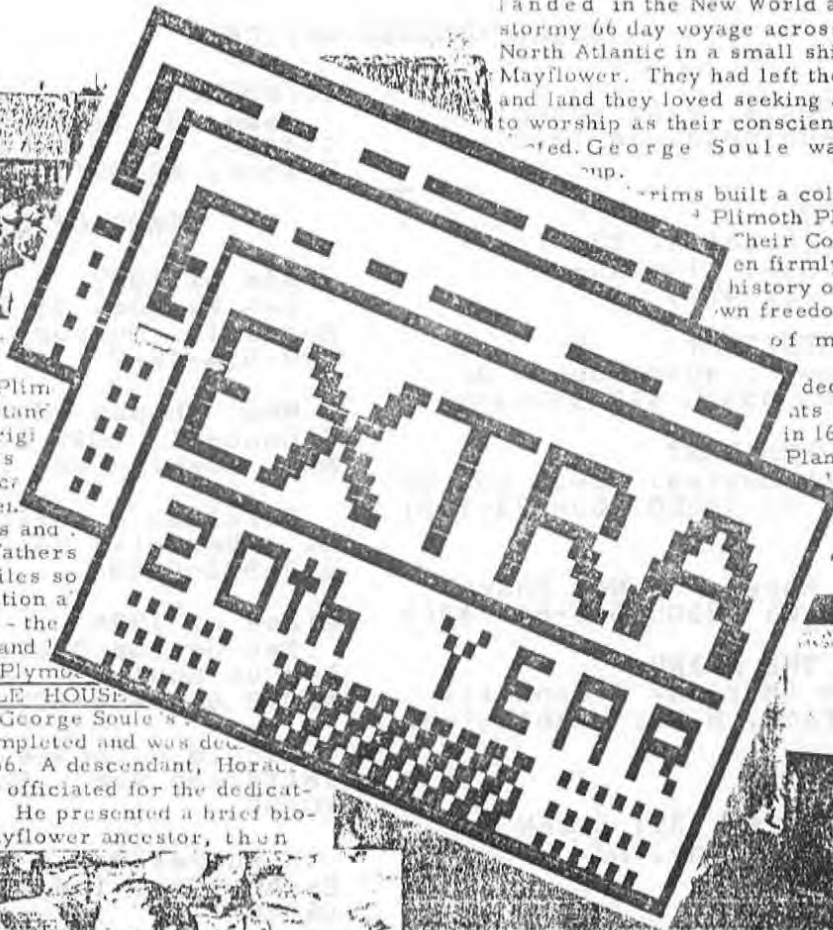


Horace H. Soule III coaxes the fire into activity at the George Soule House.

PLIMOTH PLANTATION
 § Late in 1620 a group of Englishmen
 landed in the New World after a
 stormy 66 day voyage across the
 North Atlantic in a small ship - the
 Mayflower. They had left the homes
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visited a neighboring house in the village,
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 and with them lit the first fire on the new
 hearth. Cranberry juice and corn bread
 were then distributed to the enjoyment of
 all attending. When are you going to visit
 this fascinating and hallowed place?

Editor's note: The Soule Kindred wishes
 to thank Horace Soule III & all the other
 "descendants" who helped raise the funds
 for the Soule House. **STILL NEEDED** ar
 furnishings for it.



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FROM YOUR EDITOR



Soule Kindred is celebrating the completion of 20 years as an organization of "cousins helping cousins". I have just completed 5 years as editor of this newsletter. I have welcomed all the family members I've met at reunions and through correspondence. I'd like to mention those editors who preceded me in communicating with our members: George Standish Soule - 1967-1972, Mary Thomas Crismore - 1973-1978, Dr. Glenn L. Whitecotten - 1979-1981; each one has contributed to the growth of our organization. Any volunteers for replacing me? After 5 years one approaches editorial burnout!

There is an announcement of the 1987 Reunion in Plymouth on page 6. Every three years we return there to convene just preceding the Mayflower Congress. Plan to come, and stay for the Congress as a delegate from your state. We always like to have a good SOULE representation there. Every time I visit the Plymouth/Duxbury area I am inspired by viewing the places where our ancestors lived. Won't you join us in 1987?

President's Corner...

Has it been twenty years? When I see the volume number on the top of the Soule Newsletter I wonder where the time went to. I thank the Kindred for electing me president, a position I have had twice before. As an organization, we certainly have a lot to be proud of. A list of projects we've done could fill up a whole page, but behind each project was someone as a driving force. Our volunteers over the years have given of themselves and I hope everyone appreciates the thousands of hours of donated labor.

As was mentioned in the last newsletter, we now have, thanks to Dr. Milton Terry, an index of Soules which will get many back to the Mayflower. **AS FAR AS I KNOW, SOULE KINDRED IS THE ONLY FAMILY ORGANIZATION TO HAVE PRODUCED SUCH AN INDEX!** This research tool with its 135 pages and 7041 names makes Soule Kindred truly one of the outstanding family groups. Thank you, Dr. Terry!

We are also blessed to have such a wonderful Newsletter Editor as Geraldine Schlosser. Having edited it myself for 5 years, I know how many late nights can go into its preparation. I hope each of you will give Geraldine a note of appreciation for her efforts.

Our past president, Linda Soule Preston, is fighting a battle with cancer. We all hope the treatments are effective and I ask the Kindred to remember Linda in their prayers.

A funny thing happened to me on the way to the airport. I had agreed four months ago with Lutheran Refugee Services to sponsor a Czechoslovakian woman as a housekeeper. When she arrived there were six more refugees at the airport and the church people had only a home for one of those. They said they would have to put them up in a motel until they could find sponsors.....Not wanting to see anyone homeless I spoke up. When you ask for one and get six, life gets interesting to say the least. I'm in the process of finding jobs for the refugees at the moment and I certainly can no longer complain about not having a staff to help at Wynnestay!

The October 1986 issue of your newsletter had a wonderful article about cousin Nancy Fitch who cares for four handicapped people in her home. Over the years we have had several such Kindred families giving of themselves. The wife of Robert Soule was named U.S. Lady-of-the-year and we featured her in Vol. III, No. 1, January 1969 Soule Newsletter. The story of this family continues and after raising 11 children, they adopted more to fill up their big house. (We need someone to continue the write-up of this story in the Soule Newsletter - any volunteers?)

One opportunity I want all Soule Kindred to be aware of is Girard College. This is a free boarding school for needy boys. Please pass the information on the next page to anyone who can use it...Call me for further information.

George Soule

Girard College, founded in 1831 under the Will of Stephen Girard, was opened on January 1, 1848. It is a privately endowed, free boarding school for boys from six to eighteen years of age who have lost their fathers or mothers through death. It maintains and educates free of charge as many boys as the income from the endowment will permit, regardless of race, color or creed.

Girard College is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Pennsylvania Association of Private Academic Schools.

The School assumes responsibility for every phase of a boy's life throughout his stay at Girard. In addition to his maintenance and the care of his health, he receives an excellent elementary school education and a comprehensive secondary school education. The latter includes college preparatory courses, vocational education, business or industrial training along either business or trade shop lines. The college preparatory curriculum is complemented by a general education. Personal, social and educational guidance, athletics and physical education, art, library, instrumental and vocal music augment academic and vocational offerings. All combine to prepare boys successfully for college, for business and trade positions, and also for a successful, happy living in a complex society.

Application for admission to Girard College, as provided by Mr. Girard in his

Will, may be made for boys who:

1. Have lost their fathers or mothers through death.
2. Are at least six and less than 15 years of age.
3. Are in sound physical and mental health.
4. Come from families of limited income.
5. Show promise of scholastic growth.

A boy's name may not be placed on the list of applicants until he has reached six years of age. No boy may be admitted after his fifteenth birthday and applications should be made as far in advance of that date as possible. Applications are accepted for boys regardless of race, color or creed.

The campus at Girard College comprises a plot of forty-three acres. Founder's Hall, the main building on the campus, is an imposing structure of Greek architecture, and contains the sarcophagus of Stephen Girard, many memorials of the Founder, The President's Room, rooms for conferences, as well as for social purposes.

There are more than twenty other buildings for meeting the needs of the School. These include a chapel, a beautiful and well-equipped library, school and dormitory buildings, dining halls, an infirmary, a mechanical school housing the various trade shops and a recreation hall containing three large indoor play areas. Two gymnasiums, two swimming pools, tennis courts and five playgrounds are provided within the College grounds. A central power plant caters to the self-sustaining needs of this miniature city and

supplies heat and hot water to all the buildings.

The initial inquiry may be by letter, telephone call or a visit to the College. All inquiries are handled as received, being given individual attention. The steps leading to Admission are as follows:

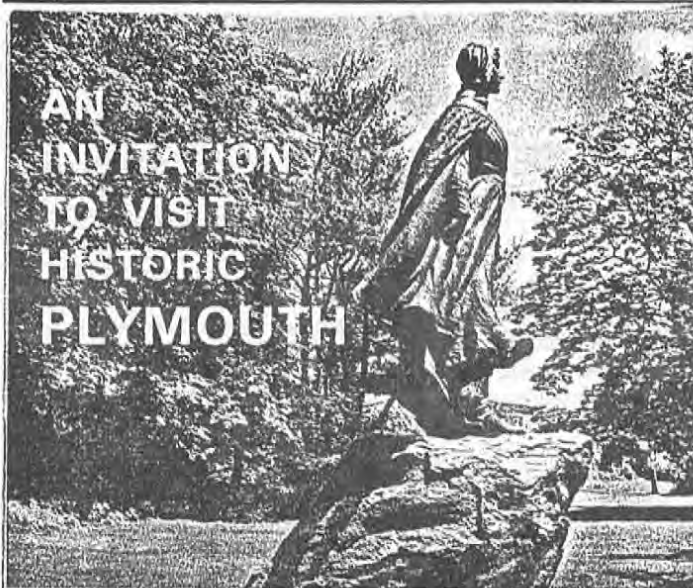
1. Request to the Director, Student and Home Relations for information.
2. Completion of Preliminary Application.
3. Completion of complete Application.
4. Completion of Questionnaire.
5. Submitting of the three required certificates:
 - a. Marriage certificate of the parents.
 - b. Birth certificate of the boy.
 - c. Death certificate of the deceased parent.
6. Interview and examination of the boy at the College. Interview with the parent or guardian.
7. Review of Application, test results, physical examination and interview by the College. The parent or guardian is notified of the decision. If the applicant is accepted, an admission date is given. The parent or guardian brings the boy to the College for the actual admission procedure.

FOR SALE

Now available from Soule Kindred is the INDEX to the Ridlon Soule Genealogy. This index is a must for anyone wishing information from the two volume set of books titled *A Contribution to the History, Biography and Genealogy of the Families named SOLE, SOLLY, SOULE, SOWLE, SOULIS with other forms of spelling from the Eighth Century to the Present with Notes on Collateral Families both Foreign and American*. This index to SOULE names is 74 pages softbound. Cost is \$5.00 including handling. Order from the Soule Kindred Office, P.O. Box 1146, Duxbury, MA 02331.

Have you remembered SOULE KINDRED in your will? If not, do so today. Gifts and bequests to Soule Kindred are tax exempt.

Do you have a full set of Soule Newsletters? A lot of family history, news items, and genealogical research has been published and most of the back issues are still available. Order yours today while the supply still exists. Order form is on page 39.



**AN
INVITATION
TO VISIT
HISTORIC
PLYMOUTH**

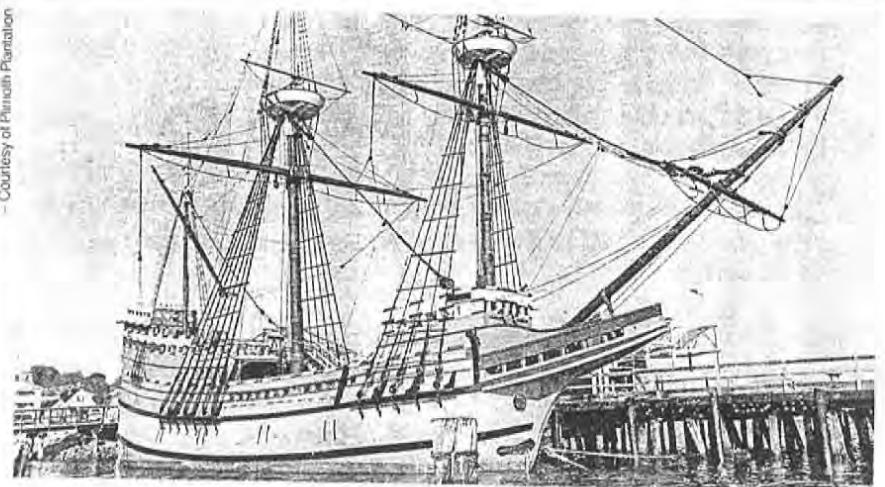
PILGRIM MAIDEN STATUE, in Brewster Gardens, south of Plymouth Rock. Town Brook runs through this glade . . . in which is located the original spring, where the Pilgrims found fresh water — it still flows today!

At **PLIMOTH PLANTATION**, two and one half miles south of Plymouth Rock on Route 3A, is a replica of the Pilgrim settlements of 1627. In this full-scale village trained guides and hostess in Pilgrim dress will tell you about the Pilgrims and answer your questions.



MAYFLOWER II is an actual-size replica of the original ship and is moored in Plymouth Harbor at the State Pier from April through November. To go aboard is a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Courtesy of Plimoth Plantation

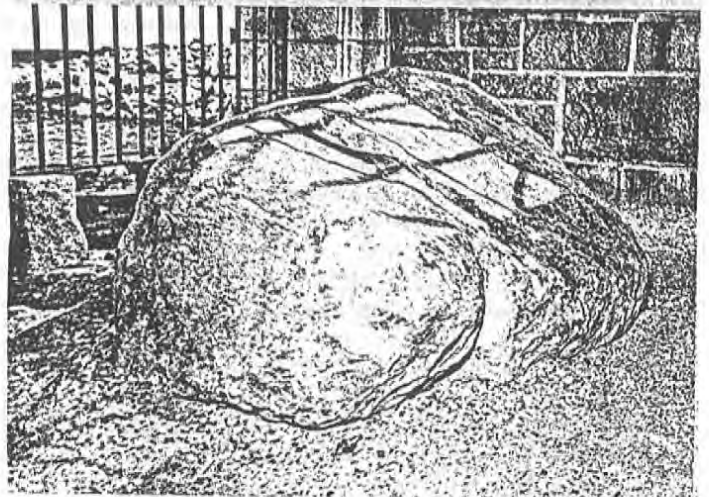


**SOULE KINDRED
REUNION
1987**

Plymouth, MA

We will gather
Friday to Sunday,
Sept. 11-13, just
before the Mayflower
Congress. Details
will appear in April
& July Newsletters,
but make your plans
now to join us.

PLYMOUTH ROCK, one of the most widely known historical landmarks in the United States . . . sometimes called the Cornerstone of the Nation.



SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

Soule Kindred in America, Inc. will continue to award a scholarship to a George Soule descendant. This scholarship is known as the COLONEL JOHN EDWARD SOULE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. The sixth award will be made in 1987. Application on the reverse page should be completed and sent by March 1, 1987 to:

Miss Betty-Jean Haner
Chairman, Scholarship Committee
53 New Shaker Road
Albany, NY 12205

(Remainder of this sheet to be used by applicant.)

Soule Kindred in America, Inc.
Col. John Edward Soule Memorial Scholarship
\$500.00 Award

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

- I. Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Father's Name _____
Mother's Maiden Name _____
- II. Proven Lineage to George Soule - Mayflower Passenger. (on separate sheet)
- III. What college or training program do you expect to attend?

- IV. Have you been accepted by this college or training program? _____
- V. What will be your major field of study? _____
- VI. List school and community activities below:
- VII. Please write a short statement of your goals for the future on the back of this form.
- VIII. Please enclose 2 letters of reference from teachers or religious counselor.
- IX. A transcript of student's grades is requested to be forwarded with this application.
- X. All applications must be received by Chairman of Scholarship Committee by March 1st of applicant's Senior year, or of year of application.

1986 Scholarship Recipients



Jana Whitman is the daughter of James and Jane Whitman of Normal, Illinois.

She is a Jr. member of the Illinois Mayflower Society.

In high school, Jana was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council officer, and active in a wide variety of school activities.

She participated in the Youth Fellowship of Calvary Methodist Church and taught Vacation Bible School.

Other community activities included Operation Snowflake (a drug prevention program), Safe-at-home (a ride program to prevent drunk driving), and 4-H.

Jana attends the University of Illinois, and plans to major in Business.

**JANA ANDREA WHITMAN
COL. JOHN E. SOULE MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

**CHRISTINE ANNE SCHLOSSER
AVIS ROBERSON HANER MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

Christine is the daughter of James and Geraldine Sowle Schlosser of Tomah, Wisconsin.

She is pursuing a second Bachelor's Degree at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, majoring in Business Administration with an emphasis in Management Information Systems.

While attending school, Chris has worked part time at Newspapers, Inc., the publisher of the Milwaukee Journal and Milwaukee Sentinel, and at Aris Isotoner, Inc.

In her off hours, Chris serves as Membership Secretary of Soule Kindred. She is a member of the Wisconsin Society of Mayflower Descendants, Milwaukee Admirals Hockey Booster Club, Audubon Society, The Nature Conservancy, and Data Processing Managers Association.



MILESTONES

From Mr. & Mrs. Norman R. Soule', 9011 S.E. 88th St., Silver Springs Shores, Ocala, FL 32672

A granddaughter, Alicia Dawn Soule', was born April 3, 1986, in Chaffee Hospital, Springville, New York. The parents are Robert and Dawn Soule' of Springville, New York.

Lineage: George-1, Nathaniel-2, Nathaniel-3, Wesson-4, James-5, Gardner-6, William-7, James-8, Norman-9, Robert-10, Alicia-11.

THE TOMAH JOURNAL
THURSDAY, OCT. 30, 1986

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Nicol (nee Donna Farmer) announce the birth of their son, Jason Robert, born Oct. 17, 1986 at Tomah Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Farmer of Tomah and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicol of Bradenton, Florida.




*Dorothy Walsh,
Scott Nicol
to wed Nov. 15*

Dorothy Walsh and Scott Nicol are happy to announce their engagement. Parents of the couple are William and Audrey Walsh of Mauston, Wisconsin, and Robert and Junie Nicol of Bradenton, Florida.

Dorothy and Scott will exchange their wedding vows on November 15 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Mauston.

Brent and Scott Nicol have the same lineage through their father, Robert Sowle Nicol: George Soule-1, Nathaniel-2, Nathaniel-3, Wesson Sowle-4, James-5, Wesson-6, Hiram-7, Harvey-8, Lucie Sowle Nicol-9, Robert-10, Brent & Scott-11.

Submitted by Geraldine Schlosser.

FROM:  Mrs. James V. Fiori
P.O. Box 52
Endicott, NY 13760

4B Friday, October 25, 1985 Press & Sun-Bulletin

**Mary M. Soules
of Binghamton**

Mary M. Soules, 75, of 12 Winding Way, Binghamton, died Thursday at her home. She is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Maynard J. and Gladys Conklin, Deposit; grandchildren, James J. and Karen Conklin, Barry L. and Renee Conklin, Christopher and Vera Conklin, Donald M. Conklin, all of Deposit; three great-grandchildren, Jeffery J. and Denise Soules, Binghamton, and Kimberly M. Comfort, Chenango Bridge; a sister, Leta Andresen, Deposit.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Zacharias Funeral Home, Deposit with Rev. Joseph Axtell officiating. Burial in the McClure Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. Friends wishing may make donations to the Hospice Unit at Lourdes Hospital in memory of Mrs. Soules.

4B Press & Sun-Bulletin, December 15, 1986

**Clifford E. Soules, Sr.
of Greene**

Clifford E. Soules, Sr., 68, of 50 Bird-sall St., died Saturday evening, December 13, 1986 at his home. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. George (Janet) Sibley, Masonville; a son and daughter-in-law, Clifford and Jane Soules, Jr., Greene; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; a brother, Henry Soules, Binghamton; a sister, Mrs. Alice Reynolds, Sidney. He was a former employee of the Bendix Corp. in Sidney for 33 years.

Funeral and committal services will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Root Funeral Home, 23 North Chenango St., Greene. The Rev. John Koopman will officiate. Burial will be in Sylvan Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the Root Funeral Home Tuesday from 2 to 4 p.m. Those wishing may make memorial contributions to the Greene Emergency Squad.

SOULE KINDRED NEWS

T.V. Guide Nov 14, 1986

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PRIMETIME

"LBJ" to be shown on CBS, 2/1/87



Andrew Cooper

James Kelly is the son of Board Member Mary Soule Kelly of Hendersonville, NC. She sent us the clipping from T.V. Guide.

Seeing Double

James Kelly (above) will portray Robert F. Kennedy in two upcoming TV-movies: NBC's "LBJ" (opposite Randy Quaid) and Showtime's "J. Edgar Hoover" (opposite Treat Williams). "I wasn't born James Francis Kelly for nothing," says the relatively unknown 35-year-old actor. "I'm an Irish Catholic. I grew up in Washington, D.C., during the Kennedy Administration, and Robert Kennedy was a hero of mine." The two projects filmed at the same time, which meant Kelly sometimes worked on one during the

day and the other at night—often in the same makeup. "In a sense," he says, "it was like going from LBJ's office down to Hoover's office."

OCALA * STAR-BANNER, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1985

BIG SUN SENIOR GAMES WINNERS - Ocala, Florida

The fourth Big Sun Senior Games were held recently and attracted more participants and spectators than ever.

All events were divided into age categories and Gold, Silver and Bronze medals were awarded each category of the Olympic-type activities.

Dance competition Waltz: Lorraine and Leo LeBeau, first; Elva and Leonard Schleicher, second; Florence and Norman Soule; Tango: Rose and Leon Swedlow, first; Evamae and Theodore Grohoski, second, Cha-Cha: Evamae and Theodore Grohoski, first; Lorraine and Leo LeBeau, second; Sam and Virginia Napolitano, third; Peabody: Tuffi Williams and Tom Cihadini, first; Jitterbug: Florence and Norman Soule, first; Emma and Dick Burnstin, second; Lorraine and Leo LeBeau, third.



Florence and Norman Soule'

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1984

Awarded first place in the dancing competition were Charles and Gloria Keicher. Coming in second place were Norman and Florence Soule and Leonard and Elva Schleicher. Third place went to Donovan and Edith Smith and Annette and George Horowitz.

Florence Soule' of Ocala, FL writes: "We are still enjoying every minute of our retirement and striving to keep healthy and active. Dancing is one of our special pleasures. We entered the Senior Dance Competition in 1985 and enjoyed it so much that we entered again this year."

Silver Lake students are learning building trade

By Chris Cook
Mariner Correspondent

Unknown to many residents of the Silver Lake School District, a well trained and highly motivated construction crew is building homes and constructing additions at virtually no cost to the customer.

The building-cabinet making program at Silver Lake Regional High School's vocational department takes its classrooms onto the work site to produce student-built construction projects. Charging only the cost of materials, teacher George Soule's class recently completed an addition to 214 Chapel St. in Pembroke.

Soule and his students built a connection between the Chapel St. house and its garage. On top of the garage, the class built a 24'x24' family room, a 20'x24' bedroom and a bathroom, according to Soule.

Soule estimated the value of his students' recent project to be "between \$25,000 and \$30,000." Soule added that the materials are billed directly to the customer by the suppliers. As a result, the School has no direct involvement with the actual transaction. Therefore, stressed Soule, his figures represent a "very rough estimate."

(Though proposals for charging a fee for the students' work have often been discussed, at this writing customers pay no labor charge for work completed.)

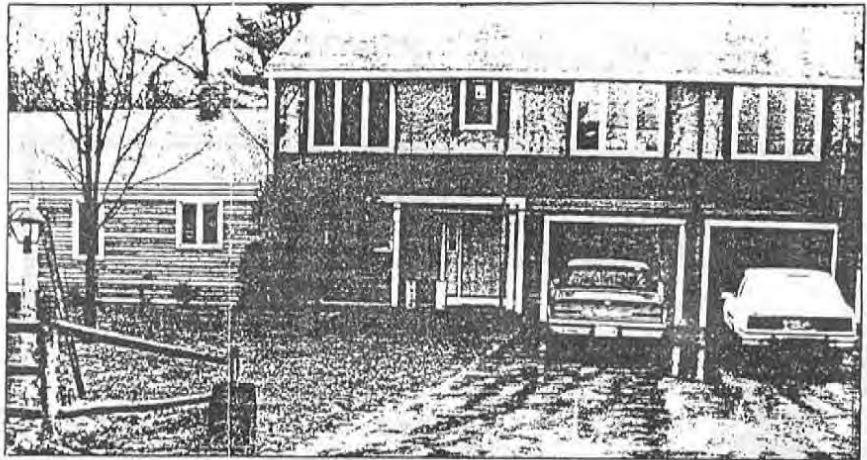
Since joining the school in 1967, Soule and his classes have built many homes and additions, averaging about one project per year. The selection of projects is based exclusively on the educational value and the necessary time investment. "We try to do a different project each year," Soule said, adding "We also like to rotate among the towns of the school district."

Requests by residents for the student builders are submitted to the school committee, the board which ultimately decides whether or not to permit Soule to accept the job for his class.

A small amount of residents actually submit requests, "though I think that will increase when this hits the Mariner," Soule stated.

Soule is happy with his work and satisfied with

* Charge to customers is tentatively figured at 15% over building material costs.



Silver Lake students constructed this addition to 214 Chapel Street. (Eric Francis photo)

his school's vocational program. Prior to becoming a teacher at Silver Lake, in 1967, Soule was an independent builder for four years.

Unlike most one year student/teacher relationships, Soule spends three years with the students in his program. "I like them (his students) and they know that. I like being there. Of course, you have to keep the distance of teacher-student but you do get to know them over the years," Soule said.

* Nearly twelve years of teaching has apparently not diminished Soule's enthusiasm. "At Silver Lake the vocational program is not considered a dumping ground," said Soule. Furthermore, because Silver Lake is not exclusively vocational, "there is mingling between the academic and vocational students. With that mingling, both groups benefit."

Many vocational programs "are afraid of on-site training," according to Soule. "Some schools just build models and they (the students) never know if

they can even climb a ladder," Soule said.

Soule speculated that "other schools may be afraid of lawsuits (in case of injuries) or pressure from unions." At Silver Lake, the low on-site student-teacher ratio has enhanced safety. Said Soule, "We've been very fortunate never to have had a serious accident." Regarding the former point, Soule said, "We've never had any complaints here by the unions."

Soule was asked if residents are uneasy about high school students working on their homes. "The biggest problem we have is that people hate to see us go," Soule responded. "They can't find anyone cheaper than us," he added.

Soule, relaxing in his pond-side Middleboro home, described the "ideal" project. "In the ideal project, we'd design, build, and actually sell the finished house on the market," Soule said. "There's no reason we couldn't do that. No reason at all."

* was 18 years of teaching --

George Soule is son of Alberta N. Soule of Middleboro

Sent to us by Alberta N. Soule, Middleboro, MA

You are cordially invited
to join in
the making of local history
on Tuesday, September 30, 1986,
at a reception honoring
The First Poet Laureate
of the
West Florida Panhandle.

The gifted and accomplished writer
chosen for this special honor
will be recognized in ceremonies
during the reception
to be held from 5-7 p.m.
at the
St. Michael's Community Center,
at Palafox & Chase Street, Pensacola.

Adelia Rosasco-Soule was
honored as the first Poet Laureate
of the West Florida Panhandle at a
ceremony in Pensacola on September
30, 1986.

Adelia is the former wife of
the late Col. John Soule,
co-founder of Soule Kindred, and
the mother of past president Linda
Soule Preston.

She is a life member of the
Kindred. Long-time members will
recall her participation at early
reunions, and reporting on them in
the Newsletter. The tribute on the
next page was written by Ron
Cannon, who is editing her fourth
book.

Adelia Rosasco-Soule: The Woman and Her Writing

"Each of us carries some rare memories etched deep - never to be forgotten, graven not only in the mind, but in the heart."

For the woman who wrote them, these timeless words echo a lifetime of memories - 85 years and counting - memories recorded not only in mind and heart, but also in her writing. "Basically, I am a born storyteller," she says. "Thank God for memories . . . the privilege of recall for self and for posterity. Nobody can take away your memories."

A religious person such as Adelia (herself a Catholic who gives the word devout new meaning), might attribute her "giftedness" for recall, for recording and interpreting the colorful circumstances and events of her life and times, to the Hand of God. Another might say it's a case of the right person in the right place at the right time. There can be no doubt, however, that much of the "giftedness" is due to the special genius and larger-than-life character of the woman herself.

Adelia was born in the Old World and brought to the New World as a girl of three to live a storybook childhood in a backwoods Panhandle mansion. She attained a college education with advanced degrees and foreign studies, then set out on her own as a "liberated woman" even before World War I had made it into the history books. She traveled the world as a military wife, writing and teaching, and eventually returned to Pensacola once again to start life anew, and alone. Through it all and for more than 70 years, she has written about what she saw, felt, and garnered from the recollections of those who have peopled her extraordinary life.

And it has truly been an incredible life, made even more extraordinary by her ability to record and interpret what happened to her and those around her. Not just an amateur journalist or keeper of girlish diaries, Adelia Rosasco-Soule is a writer in the truest sense, that rare combination of skilled craftsman and gifted artist who can breathe life into mere words through what she calls "Furor scribendum." And as she writes, she creates the universal out of the ordinary and the mundane. She writes of the human condition and of the human spirit. For much of her writing, the geographic inspiration is Adelia's beloved Florida Panhandle, her characters those who have peopled the area since its earlier days as a center of timber and seafood, a "pioneer" territory of the turn of the century.

Her poems, essays, short stories, inspirational prayers, and articles have been published in magazines and newspapers all over the world. One can only speculate as to the literary heights she may have scaled had she pursued her career full-time in lieu of her role as full-time mother and military wife. But immediately obvious to anyone familiar with her writing is the creative scope of what Adelia Rosasco-Soule has achieved, its importance to us all, and particularly, its unique and cherished contribution to the legend, literature and lore of the Florida Panhandle. And who better to tell the tale than the woman, the

writer, who says of herself: "I've been most everywhere and done most everything - save go to jail, swim naked, and smoke opium!" After all, this is the same woman, who in 1926, climbed a fire ladder to the top of the San Carlos Hotel in downtown Pensacola, as a charity stunt to solicit contributions for the carving on Atlanta's Stone Mountain. Her grasp of the lives and times of the inhabitants of Florida's Panhandle, as so skillfully wrought in her prose, is as sure as her grasp that exhilarating day on the fire ladder that led her to the peak of the once-proud San Carlos.

It would take such a writer to pen the tales now being edited and prepared for publication as Adelia's *fourth* book. The first three were collections of poems and inspirational prayers, and this book will be anything but! Actually, the fourth volume will contain some poetry and prayers, as well as special recipes. But most of the work consists of stories related by Adelia herself and the beloved Aunt Mariah, the mulatto woman Adelia calls her "second mother." Aunt Mariah, Adelia says, is one of three persons (the other being her mother and father) "who helped me become myself." This fourth book then is of even greater significance to the Panhandle in its revelations of the area's history and the daily lives of its people. Adelia writes of people and names you will recognize, and a world many will remember. Because she writes about our world and life as it has been lived here in the Florida Panhandle for some 80 years.

She writes of the "quality" folk of Pensacola and Milton, and those who were not; of education, politics, religion, medicine, and transportation; of romance and sparking, marriage and morality, "bush babies" and mulatto offspring; of virgins and voodoo; of madness and mayhem, crime, death and suicide; moonshine and drugs; crazy old maids and moonstruck bachelors and unrequited love; the yellow fever epidemic of 1905; the hurricane of 1906; goings-on behind the doors of those big North Hill mansions; the only three men from this area who didn't go off to help fight the Spanish-American War; the day her father engaged in fisticuffs with the bastard son of the King of Italy; language and colorful colloquialisms; local girls who wanted to marry Navy men, and aviators who called Pensacola "the mother-in-law of the Navy;" of home-birthing and child-rearing, of diet and cooking, snapper throats and gopher gumbo - in other words, she writes of the whole spectrum of humankind as represented in the Florida Panhandle. And in so doing, Adelia goes about the business of writing much as she says you must go about preparing gumbo or soup: "It's not only what you put in . . . it's when you put it in and how." The result is an exhilarating and entertaining panorama of Panhandle life, sometimes light and frothy, at others, rich and heavy, and always with just the right spice to balance this delicate human concoction. It's the stuff of which life - and history - are made.

- Ron Cannon

We reproduce here one of Adelia Rosasco-Soule's reports from the Newsletter: Vol. IV, No. 4, October 1970, Page 201.



SOME HIGHLIGHTS
OF THE
SOULE KINDRED REUNION

by
Adelia Rosasco Soule (Mrs. John)

To sort out special attractions of the SOULE KINDRED REUNION during the 350th commemorative year of the Mayflower Landing is difficult. Many events deserve particular mention. Two of the most outstanding were the lecture and slide talk presented by Dr. James Deetz of the University of California in Santa Barbara, followed by a tour of the SOULE house; the other, was the attendance of SOULE KINDRED as a body at the Congregational Church of Plymouth, where the minister and a member of the Mayflower Anniversary Committee (who presented to the pastor a copy of the Geneva (britches) bible), wore the costumes of the Pilgrim days.

After splendid selections from the vested choir, Scripture readings and sermon, the minister welcomed the Soule Kindred as interested descendants of those early, formative days of our country's beginning.

Dr. Deetz's talk at Plymouth Plantation showed the project from the point of view of the centuries. Artifacts dating from 1650-1700 were sifted out beneath the Winslow house; between 1759-1779, the diggers found ships' stores' diaries; still later, between 1700-1830 came the "cesspits", and in all, 30,000 artifacts. Brown University Students provided the man power and research for the project; the Plimoth Plantation Society, the finances needed to carry out such an extensive dig.

Dr. Deetz spoke with verve, lucidity and scholarship. His talk was well received and appreciated.

The Soule House tour had a meal in progress of preparation: a large fish with a hearty vegetable stew. The costumed attendants welcomed us and asked if we would like to share their humble meal. Gratefully, we declined!

Aside from the Soule program, Plymouth had much to offer us: gift shops, candle making and makings, the enacted landing of the Founding Fathers; their first hard year of survival; the encounters with friendly Indians; the Thanksgiving Feast of gratitude and so on. All the city offered hospitality; merchants tarried to explain or just plain visit. Our Canadian cousins renewed friendship and kinship with feeling.

An interesting result of this commemorative year was the death of the ANTI-SOULE SOCIETY. With the vigor, interest and sustained efforts of the new officers, Sue Doane suggested that since we "in-laws" were not "anti" anybody, and since the country needed peace, love and tradition, we call ourselves the "non-Soules." Never slow at a decision, I suggested that "since we can't fight them; let's join them." Flattered by Alberta and two others of John's cousins who told me that they hoped I would continue my page of screeed, I agreed to do so.

In closing, let me tell you about Frances Young's hegira. She and her Cadillac toured the East Coast from Washington, D. C. her last residence, to Kitty Hawk, N. C. thence, to Hatteras, Sea Island, the Space Center on the East side of Florida. Nothing daunted, our past secretary crossed over to the West Coast to Tampa, and alluring Sanibel Island (a conchologist's paradise), the Everglades Park and flamingo country, up the state to Ding Darling Refuge (bird sanctuary); then Atlanta and the impressive cyclorama; the Great Smokies and back to Washington. Later, Frances met her daughter, Margaret Allison Young to tour Canada and some lake Trips before going to Ft. Collins, Colorado to live where her son has an appointment at Colorado State University in the department of Economics. We of the East Coast shall miss Frances and her careful work in the interest of SOULE KINDRED.

LINDA SOULE PRESTON

Linda was elected Soule Kindred President for 1986 at the reunion in Minneapolis in 1985. That fall she returned to Italy for further Montessori study and work. She joined the Soule Kindred Tour in London in May of 1986, and was a gracious spokes-person for our group. As George has mentioned, Linda is courageously fighting a battle with cancer. She is planning to move to Australia at the end of January, where she will be principal and upper level teacher at Forrestville Montessori School in Sydney. She has asked me to express to you her enjoyment of the year that she served as president. She was particularly pleased with the interest of several young people, as evidenced by their presence on the English tour and the Minneapolis reunion. For the benefit of those members who may not know her background, Linda has asked me to repeat the biographical sketch that she prepared for the April 1982 Newsletter, just before she hosted the Cincinnati reunion. ---GSS

My introduction to "Soule Kindred" came about through my father's efforts as Historian and Co-founder. Although I cannot claim to be a genealogist, I do have a genuine love of history passed down from both parents. This was re-enforced by the travels that came with my Dad's military career as well as seeing the world through the eyes of my European born mother. Perhaps that is why today, as a Montessori Elementary teacher, I most enjoy teaching history and the cultural subjects to children of a younger age than are taught traditionally.



Linda at Minneapolis Reunion 1986

Before going into education, I had an earlier career designing "apres-ski" fashions in Aspen, Colorado under the design label of LISO. After the birth of my son, John Soule Preston, my interest in

Montessori education took us to Italy where I completed the Advanced Montessori Training. From there we moved to Cincinnati where I have been teaching since, as well as enjoying the many cultural activities this town has to offer and restoring the older home where we live.

It was a special treat to visit Plymouth Plantation and attend our first Soule Reunion in September 1975. Next came the 1976 Reunion in Philadelphia that was highlighted with the Bi-Centennial festivities and also brought my brother, Peter Fayette Soule, home from France. The 1979 Pensacola Reunion brought together close family relatives as well as distant Kindred to enjoy the special charm of that historic town. It was during the reunion in Plymouth in the fall of '81 that I offered to host the '82 reunion in Cincinnati.

[In his president's letter George Soule commented on the "U.S. Lady-of-the-Year". We are reproducing the article from Vol.3, #1, January 1969. Please, will someone write the editor to bring us up to date on this family?]

The following article is reprinted from "U.S. Lady", a service family journal, Vol. 4, No.8, January, 1960.



Homely little pastimes like reading fairy tales to the younger set help Dortha relax after dinner. These are the twins, Debbie and Denise.

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Any person or group may nominate a service wife or service woman for this honor. The nominee should exemplify the highest qualities of selfless devotion to her family, her service, her community and country. Send nominations to U. S. LADY, 1835 Jefferson Place, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. Nominations will be returned on request if return postage is supplied, but expect a delay as selections are made months in advance of publication date.

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THE sociologist who once declared "big families usually get the most fun out of life" might have had in mind ones like that of Dortha Soule, chosen "U. S. Lady-of-the-Year."

Eleven children, seven of her own and four adopted when her twin sister was killed in an auto accident six years ago, make up the busy and happy family of this outstanding mother. She is the wife of Cdr. Robert M. Soule, USN, Assistant Bureau of Naval Weapons Representative at the Chance Vought Aircraft plant in Dallas, Texas. Dortha was chosen as the No. 1 "Lady" by a committee composed of wives of the service secretaries and the Joint Chiefs of Staff—the first Navy wife to be so honored.

The Soules and their "stair steps" brood of lively youngsters, ranging from three to 18 years in age, reside in "Breezy Hill Manor," a three-story seven-bedroom house resembling the family dwelling in the movie, "Giant," with overtones of Mt. Vernon.

Dortha had three children of her own when her sister, Dorrie Peterson, was killed in an Arizona auto accident. Her husband had died two years earlier. She went to Arizona and brought back the four youngsters to live with her own and since then has added four more Soules, the last two being twins,

U. S. LADY-OF- THE-YEAR DORTHA SOULE

WIFE OF CDR. ROBERT M. SOULE.
STORY AND PHOTOS BY
ARTHUR L. SCHOENI

Debbie and Denise.

When Commander Soule was transferred to Dallas last July, the problem of finding a home large enough to house a family of 13 persons presented itself. A doctor's former residence atop a hill, with lots of space all around it, proved the answer. Three cars, three television sets, four horses, a lake to fish in and room for the youngsters to run in help solve transportation and recreation problems. The horses belong to others but the children get in plenty of riding on the Texas prairies.

The family includes Gayle, 18, Lynne, 17, Gary, 15, and Dee, 10, all children of the Peterson branch of the family, and Vicki, 16, Bobbie, 13, Ronnie, 9, Dorris, 6, Kent, 5, and the three-year-old twins.

Not only does Dortha find time to care for her large family but she has been active in PTA, church and Scouting groups and has won her 100-hour Navy Relief pin several times over. She goes bowling each week at the Naval Air Station and is one of the top scorers in her league.

Being a Navy wife, she has moved her family across the country several times and once to Adak, Alaska. Her big ambition is to take them overseas for duty but the Navy rule against transporting large families such dis-



It takes a big turkey to feed this family. Seated, left to right are: Kent, Denise, Dee, Robert, Debbie, Dortha, Ronnie and Dorris. Standing: Robert, Vicki, Gayle, Ivonne and Gary.



Even going shopping in the family Goliath can be a project. Here Dortha prepares to "load" with Dee, Ronald, Denise, Dorris, Kent and Debbie as passengers.



Three-year-old Debbie contemplates a holiday turkey almost as big as she is.

stances has not made that possible as yet.

Sea duty being what it is in the Navy, with her husband commanding fighter squadrons aboard aircraft carriers in far-off waters, Dortha has had to do much of the rearing of her family herself. On one stretch, Bob was away from his family for 27 months, with only a three-months' break in the absence. Before coming to Texas, he was stationed in Newport, Rhode Island, while attending Naval War College. On arrival there the family lived out of suitcases for a month until their household effects arrived. "You get pretty tired of the same old clothes at a time like that," Dortha said.

When Bob transferred to Dallas, it was the first service duty change he had made that did not involve shipping his household effects and family all the way from one coast to the other. But even the transfer to Dallas produced a minor crisis.

Bob had come to Texas ahead of time to obtain housing for his family. When he returned to Rhode Island to bring another car and a couple of the boys back, he left the bus-like Goliath car at Amon Carter airport at Ft.

Worth. Dortha and nine youngsters flew down to Texas—but their plane landed instead at Dallas, 30 miles away. On top of that Dortha had lost the keys to the Goliath. Luckily, Bob had left a set of keys with an officer in the Navy office at Chance Vought and a phone call to him brought the needed wheels to Love Field in Dallas.

A few months after they had settled down in their new home another crisis arose. A cold wave hit Texas, sending temperatures down to 20 degrees. The family's huge house is heated by butane gas and the tank supply ran out at 10:30 p.m. The Soules bundled the smaller children into one room and tried to keep it warm with a small electric heater. The rest of the family just shivered through the long, cold night and into the next day until a new gas supply could be obtained.

"We can laugh about it now, but it wasn't funny at the time," Dortha commented wryly.

"In spite of having an extra large family," she explains, "we try to treat each child as an individual. They have various kinds of amusements, parties and frequent overnight guests. I may be pretty busy, but not too busy to do



Looking at picture books on the floor in front of the fireplace can be fun. Kent, Denise, Dorris and Debbie give it a try.



Washing and ironing clothes is not a two-day chore at the Soule home. It's an everyday affair. Dortha irons while Gayle helps with the folding. The older girls are a big help around the house.

those things for them."

On the day "U. S. Lady" went out to take pictures of Dortha and her family they had, besides the 13 members of the group, another of Mrs. Soule's sisters and her small son, plus a visiting Navy ensign who was calling on one of the attractive daughters.

Since they live short of the boundary line where school buses will pick up their children, the Soules have a transportation problem that keeps both busy as chauffeurs. The parents run shuttle service to get their eight school-age youngsters back and forth to classes.

As is the case with most large families, the elder children are helpful in looking after the younger ones and as "assistants" doing household chores.

Both Bob and Dortha are natives of Arizona. They were high school sweethearts since the days when Bob was drum major for the school band and the twin sisters were majorettes. Besides his other affiliations, Bob is a member of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots, organized recently in the Dallas area. He is a graduate of the Navy's test pilot school at Patuxent River, Maryland. ***



Our U. S. LADY-of-the-Year casts a practiced eye at the bowling alley as she takes a turn at her favorite winter sport.



Using a field archery target featuring the fore-quarters of a deer, Bob Soule sharpens up his eye in the front yard. Gary and Bobby look on.

* Bob Soule, who has been skipper of three jet fighter squadrons, prepares to take off in the world's fastest Navy fighter, the F8U-1 and F8U-2, as part of his duties as assistant Bureau of Naval Weapons representative in the Chance Vought Aircraft plant in Dallas, Texas.

* Robert Marion¹¹ Soule, Sr. was born at Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona on 9 Aug 1921, the son of George Francis¹⁰ & Beatrice Alice (Davenport) Soule. He was married at Phoenix on 9 Aug 1942 to Dortha Bond Baker, born at Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona on 28 Aug 1920. Commander Soule received two distinguished flying crosses and other honors during WWII & Korea, and considered being an astronaut at one time. He is presently an Aeronautical Engineer.

(Soule Kindred No. 337161)

MEET YOUR OFFICERS

HELEN R. GALLENTINE - Board Member - Class of 1989

I was born in Marshalltown, IA, 29 Oct. 1924. I grew up on the farm and also married a farmer, Richard (Bud) J. Gallentine in Feb. of 1944. We then lived on a farm near Green Mountain, IA, till we moved to Conrad, IA in April 1958 and then became city farmers, otherwise commuting to the farm. We have two sons and three grandchildren.

I attended all 8 grades in a country school located across the pasture from my home. Then I attended and graduated from Marshalltown High School in 1942, also attended Iowa State University for two quarters. I never did like school as I was a tomboy and much preferred being out in the fields operating machinery and driving trucks. I'm just not a typical "housewife". We now have a family farm corporation and own and operate 1300plus acres.



Bud & Helen Gallentine

After July 1946 when Bud was discharged from the army we both decided to take flying lessons and both obtained our private pilot's license. We enjoyed flying for recreation and attended many Sunday morning "Flying Farmer" breakfasts at various airports around the state. At that time I also belonged to the "Ninety-Nines", a national women's flying organization.

As time progressed and life became busier, we dropped flying as a pastime because to be safe one had to fly often so as not to become rusty. About 15 years ago a friend piqued my interest in family history. I now have enough records to fill two bedrooms to overflowing and am also an inactive member of the Mayflower Society and the D.A.R. About 7 years ago when my youngest son married, his wife took over my farming adventures, such as sitting in long lines at the elevator, and I was able to fire myself from farming and devote more time to genealogy.

My lineage: George Soule-1, George Soule-2, William Soule-3, George Soule-4, Rowland Soule-5, Rowland Soule-6, William Soule(Soules)-7, Betsey Soules(Soule)-8, Alva T. Stewart-9, William Randall Stewart-10, Mae Wilma Stewart-11, Helen Rae Robinson Gallentine-12.

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The design of the Soule Kindred cup plate features the Soule House at Plimoth Plantation, with a border design of trailing arbutus. If you'd like one (or several), they are available by mail for \$7.00. Postage is \$1.50 for the first plate and .75 for each additional plate. Any profits go to the Col. John Soule Scholarship fund. Make checks payable to Soule Kindred, Inc. and send your order to Mrs. Francis G. Soule, Jr., 27 Windswept Drive, RR 3, Sandwich, MA 02563.



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It is VERY important to list sources of data; if the information comes from a family Bible or other record, a photocopy of the information should be included. Send completed form to our Historian:

Dr. Milton Terry
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Soule Kindred

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Other biographical data

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Names in full, date and place of birth, marriage, death, and to whom married

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FROM THE PAST

[We present more of East Middleboro, MA history, as sent to us by Alberta Soule. She has made corrections and added notes to the article from the Middleboro Gazette.]

REFLECTIONS *from the Middleboro Gazette*

Three centuries in East Middleboro

Mayflower Compact signer was first of many Soule Neighborhood settlers *

By JANE LOPES

It's unlikely that George Soule, thirty-fifth signer of the Mayflower Compact, knew what he was starting when he purchased land from the Indians in what is now East Middleboro in 1661.

"In 1850, every family on Cedar St. as far as Soule St. but one, and every family on Soule St. but one, bore the name of Soule," says Alberta N. Soule, unofficial historian of the Soule Neighborhood.

Only one Soule family member remains in the neighborhood now, Mrs. Mildred (Soule) Badger, Alberta's sister, but the family's roots in East Middleboro are still visible, the best example being the sturdy brick homestead on Cedar St. built by Jonathan Soule in 1837.

Like many other immigrants to the New World, George Soule came from his native Worcestershire, England as an indentured servant. That he must have prospered after he worked off his debt to Edward Winslow is evidenced by the fact that he took part in the "Twenty-Six Men's Purchase" of 1661, and had large landholdings on the shores of the Winnetuxet River.

By the turn of the century, the neighborhood was "a prosperous farming community with almost every family in business for itself," Mertie E. Romaine says in her history of Middleboro.

At one time there were three blacksmith shops in the neighborhood, one at the head of Winter St., one at the head of Soule St. and one on the James Soule property on Cedar St.



ALBERTA SOULE, who grew up in the Soule Neighborhood of Middleboro, keeps scrapbooks, clippings and articles to preserve the history of the neighborhood for her family. (Photo by Jane Lopes)

"As a child, I was briefed many times by my grandfather, Orlando Soule, on certain facts of historic interest regarding this section of town," writes Alberta Soule, whose husband, Albert, was also a Soule.

Mrs. Soule recalls hearing about the blacksmith shops, as well as a brickyard and several shoemaking shops, one of them located in her grandfather's home. One of the blacksmith shops, located at the intersection of Winter and Cedar Sts., was on property owned by Alberta Soule's great-great-grandfather, Isaac Soule III.

Another blacksmith shop in the area was sold to Mrs. Soule's father, Charles H. Soule, in 1899 and moved across Cedar St. to his

property, while the third was moved after the Civil War to Station St. and Everett Square, where it became known as the establishment of Bailey and Soule, Blacksmiths and Carriage Builders, employing from six to eight blacksmiths.

The Soule Neighborhood's brickyard was located on Cedar St., about one-quarter mile from the brick Soule homestead. Mrs. Soule's great-grandfather, Jonathan Soule, manufactured bricks, and built his home of bricks from the yard. Four thicknesses of brick were used in the first story and three thicknesses in the second story of the house, which was also unique in having a cellar that went under the whole house.

* George Soule, the Pilgrim, was a large land-holder in Middleboro, but did not reside here. His two daughters Priscilla Haskell and Elizabeth Welker, son John and grandson James were residents of Middleboro.

REFLECTIONS *from the Middleboro Gazette*

Three centuries in East Middleboro

Jonathan Soule was a discriminating brick maker who prided himself on his work. Hired in 1844 to establish a brickyard in Yarmouthport for the magnificent sum of ten cents an hour plus room and board, Soule soon returned home because he felt the brickyard was manufacturing an inferior product.

Remains of the old brickyard on Cedar St. are still in evidence. Many of the homes in the area contain bricks from that yard.

Other industry in the Soule Neighborhood included Augustus Soule's and Albert Deane's dairy farms, Washburn and Soule's box mill, and Charles H. Soule's duck farm.

At 16, Charles Soule was already adept at managing a poultry farm, having been left "in charge" when his father was in the midwest for the season.

Charles sent for a "hatching" of 16 Pekin duck eggs while his father was away, "hatched them out by 'Mother Hen' process, and so became interested in the raising of Pekin ducks for market," writes his daughter Alberta Soule. Each summer he raised and marketed from 12,000 to 15,000 ducks, shipping them by express each day from the East Middleboro station to Boston.

In later years, Charles Soule began raising turkeys and may still be remembered, his daughter said, "as supplying the traditional bird for Thanksgiving and Christmas festivities around this town and surrounding towns."

Albert Deane conducted a prosperous chicken and egg business on

the Augustus Soule farm and later went into the dairy business, a business that was eventually taken over by the Guidabonis.

Edwin Everett Soule and Asaph Foster Washburn manufactured cranberry barrels and boxes for many years at the Washburn and Soule Mill, just over the Middleboro line in Plympton. The mill burned in 1941.

Another neighborhood business was operated for a short time in the early 20th century by Ernest Pratt, whose charcoal pits were on the Cedar St. property of Orlando Soule.

The Soule Mill on Soule St. was operating at the turn of the century and probably dated back to the 19th century. By 1915, when he died at the age of 86, Augustus Soule was operating the mill "for his own needs and purposes." Augustus Soule wrote in a letter to a descendant tracing her "roots."

"We remember the time he (Augustus) nearly severed his arm on the saw at the mill," Alberta Soule wrote. "The doctor had to remove the arm right there at home, and I remember my Father and Grandfather talking about it

and the fact that Augustus would not take any spirits (whiskey or rum) to have the job done."

In addition to compiling a history of Middleboro's Soule Neighborhood, Mrs. Soule and her husband arranged the first Soule family reunion in Plymouth. The family now gets together from every state in the union and Canada every three years, when the General

Congress of Mayflower Descendants meets.

While the members of the Soule family have mostly scattered, some landmarks still remain — including two tracts of land that have not been owned out of the Soule family since George Soule bought them from the Indians more than 300 years ago.



SOULE HOMESTEAD on Cedar St. was built by Jonathan Soule in 1837 from bricks manufactured at his brickyard. (Photo by Jane Lopes)

Note: Although the "Soule Families" of the East Middleboro or "Soule Neighborhood" area have scattered, there are eleven families bearing the name of Soule still living in Middleboro. Also families with other surnames such as Washburn, Perkins, Carver, Nourse, Caron, Gailey etc., who are all descendants of the first George Soule through his grandson, James Soule, son of John, also a large land-holder in the Town of Middleboro. by Alberta Soule.

LINEAGES

LINEAGE of Merton F. Snyder of Minneapolis, MN to George SOULE

SOULE

George¹ b.1593-1600 Eng. d. in Duxbury, MA bef. 22Jan1679 (O.S.) m.bef.?1626 probably at Plymouth, MA Mary BUCKET (Becket?), d. Dec1676 at Duxbury, MA.
 John² b.1632 at Plymouth, dca.1707, in Duxbury. m.1) 1655 Rebecca SIMMONS d.1665-1668, (dau. of Moses & Sarah Moses d. bef. 16Mar1691).
 Sarah³ bca.1660, at Duxbury, d.1693-1698, at Plymouth, MA, m. probably at Duxbury or Plymouth before 1680 Adam WRIGHT (1644/5-1724).
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Adam² bca.1644/5 at Plymouth, d.20Sept1724, Plympton, MA. m.1)prob. bef. 1680, Sarah SOULE (ca. 1660-aft.1693).
 John³ b.ca.1681 at Plymouth, d.31May1774 at Plympton, m.20May1708, Mary LUCAS (1684-1735).
 Adam⁴ b. at Plympton, MA 27Sept1724, d. there Feb1776, m. at Plympton, 28Feb1754 Ruth SAMPSON (1733-1771).
 Esther⁵ b. at Plympton, MA 28Sept1754, d.1806, m.Asa HOOPER (1745-).

Refs. Plympton, MA. Vi.R. *Mayflower Families Vol.3-Soule-*. *Mayflower Descendant* 2:164,239-241. 3:165, 4:165. TAG 59:165.

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Asa⁴ b.12Mar1745, m. Esther WRIGHT (1754-1806). Ref. Plympton MA VIR.
 Asa⁵ b.30Sept1782 Plympton, d.1June1867 Benson VT. m.Damaris SHURTLEFF (1781-1875).
 Laurilla⁶ b.bca.1800, d.9June1892 m.1)Warham GIBBS (1794-1820), [m.2) Andrew GIBBS].

Refs. GIBBS PEDIGREE by Capt. George S. Gibbs-1907. Hooper Gen. by Charles Henry Pope. Benson, VT Town Clerk's Records. Plympton MA ViR to 1850. Damaris' father's (John⁴ Shurtleff) will.

GIBBS

Warham⁷ b.1June1794, d. 5July1820, m. Laurilla HOOPER, (bca.1800-d.1892).
 Mary Ann⁸ b.24Aug1817, d. 25Aug1904, m. probably at Benson, VT Walter Lewis FULLER (1809-1882). Lived near Painsville, OH, Fond du Lac Co. WI and Austin, MN.

REFS. *Pedigree of the Family of GIBBS, -1907-* by Capt. Geo. S. Gibbs. Benson, VT Town Clerk's Records.

FULLER

Walter Lewis⁷ b.29Oct1809 Coventry, d.16Nov1882 Austin, MN, m.29Mar1835 Mary Ann GIBBS, both bur. in Oakwood Cemetery, Austin, MN.
 Rosetta J⁸ b.28Aug 1851 at Fond du Lac Co.WI (as Jane Rosetta), d.25Nov1944, m. 17Dec1871, Austin MN, William Rose SNYDER (1846-1922). Both bur. Oak Creek Cemetery, Bottineau, ND.

Refs. *History of Hower Co. MN* p577. *Letters of Laurilla to Walter and Mary Ann Fuller in 1838 and 1876.*

SNYDER

William Rose⁴ b.19July 1846 Deerpark, Orange Co. NY, d.7July1922 at Bottineau, ND. m.17Dec1871 at Austin, MN. Rosetta Jane FULLER (1851-1944).
 Nicholas Frederick⁵ b.19Nov1880 at Rose Creek MN, d.25July1977 at Atlanta, GA. bur. Bottineau, ND. m. Mary Edna MOORE (1882-1957).
 Merton Fuller⁶ b. 12Aug1909 Schafer, ND, m. Mildred JOHNSTON.

[The accompanying clipping, probably from a Wenatchee, WA newspaper, was given to me by Don Fox of the Milwaukee Public Library, before I retired from there in 1982. He was related to Emma Roach, wife of Oscar Burton Soule. Because the clipping (probably copied from a family bible) is difficult to read, we retyped it...GSS]

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From the Soule Kindred Index, we derive the following lineage: George-1, George-2, Nathan-3, Timothy-4, Joseph-5, Hiram Barlow-6, John Sanford-7, Oscar Burton Soule-8.

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We reproduce on the next page a family group sheet for JOHN SANFORD SOULE, father of Oscar Burton Soule, taken from Soule Kindred files. This shows the kind of information available from Col. John Soule's "red books", all of which are indexed in Dr. Milton Terry's *Soule Kindred Computerized Index* recently published. Handwritten on the back of the sheet (not known by whom) is:

Parents of John Sanford Soule
 Hiram Barlow Soule
 Born 12. 3, 1790
 Married
 Died 24. 3, 1847
 Lucreatia Olmstead
 Born
 Died

Parents of Maria Phoebe Kingsbury
 John Kingsbury
 Born 28, 12, 1804
 Married 23, 10, 1825
 Died
 Sarah Mason
 Born 8, 8, 1806
 Died 25, 1, 1836

[I believe that the way these dates are written indicates a Quaker family....GSS]

SOULE File

FAMILY GROUP No. 535190 Husband's Full Name **JOHN SANFORD SOULE**

This Information Obtained From:		Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband
National Archives:		Birth	6	Aug	1817	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
Bounty Land Claim dtd		Chr'nd				<i>Fairfax</i>			
5 May 1863		Mar.	12	Mar	1847				
U. S. Census: 1850 & 1860		Death	18	Mar	1904	Ripon	Fond-du-Lac	WISCONSIN	
Fairfax, Franklin Co., Vermont		Burial				<i>Ripon Valley Cemetery</i>			
1880 Ripon, Fondu-Lac County, Wisconsin		Places of Residence				Fairfax, Vermont & Ripon, Wisconsin			
History of Fond-du-Lac County (Western Historical 1880) p906		Occupation	Lawyer & Farmer			Church Affiliation		Military Rec. NE Frontier	
History of North Dakota (Hennessy-1910) p274 NEH&GR 76:90		Other Wives, if any, No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.	6			None		6-23 April 1839	
Compiler COLONEL JOHN SOULE Address 1709 - 34th Street N. W. City, State Washington 7, D. C.		His Father	Hiram Barlow Soule			Mother's Maiden Name	Lucretia Olmstead		
Date 13 Apr 1968		Wife's Full Maiden Name	Maria Phoebe Kingsbur						
Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)		Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1 Sarah Maria ⁸ Soule Full Name of Spouse* LEONARD MOVERS		Birth	6	Dec	1847	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	5351911
		Mar.	6 Dec 1870						
		Death	16	9	1942	<i>Ripon</i>	<i>Fond du Lac</i>	<i>Wisc</i>	
		Burial							
2 Hortense L Soule Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	1	Nov	1850	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Mar.				Unmarried			
		Death	17	Sep	1862	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Burial							
3 HIRAM ALLEN SOULE (1) Julia E. Ryan (2) Lucy A. Ryan		Birth	30	Mar	1853	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Mar. (1)	21	Apr	1897	Glencoe	McLeod	MINN.	
		Death	1	Aug	1929	Cogswell	Sargent	N. D.	
		Burial							
4 Ida L Soule Full Name of Spouse*		Birth	9	Aug	1855	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Mar.				Unmarried			
		Death	17	Apr	1858	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Burial							
5 JOHN KINGSBURY SOULE Full Name of Spouse* <i>Willie Burre 2. Cora Bush</i>		Birth	11	Sep	1857	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Mar.							
		Death	1	4	1930	<i>Mpls</i>	<i>Henrietta</i>	<i>Minnesota</i>	
		Burial	<i>Cogswell Sargent N. D.</i>						
6 ELMER EUGENE SOULE Full Name of Spouse* Nell Brooks		Birth	30	Nov	1861	Fairfax	Franklin	VERMONT	
		Mar.	16	Dec	1891	Brookland	Sargent	N. D.	
		Death	26	Aug	1953	Wenatchee	Chelan	WASHINGTON	
		Burial	<i>Wenatchee Cemetery Wenatchee</i>						
7 Venetia H Soule Full Name of Spouse* <i>Green Bailey Taylor</i>		Birth	6	Mar	1864	Ripon	Fond-du-Lac	WISCONSIN	
		Mar.	6 Mar 1887			<i>Taylor Township</i>		<i>N. D.</i>	
		Death	21	Feb	1951	<i>Britten</i>	<i>Marshall</i>	<i>So Dak</i>	
		Burial							
8 OSCAR B ^{son} "Bert" SOULE Full Name of Spouse* <i>Emma Roche</i> <i>These names omitted</i>		Birth	1	Feb	1866	Ripon	Fond-du-Lac	WISCONSIN	
		Mar.	20 Sept 1899						
		Death	23	Mar	1947	<i>Wenatchee</i>	<i>Chelan</i>	<i>Wn</i>	
		Burial							
Mabel Clara Soule Full Name of Spouse* <i>William Cooper</i>		Birth	24	Jan	1868	Ripon	Fond-du-Lac	WISCONSIN	
		Mar.	29 Nov 1894			<i>Brampton</i>	<i>Sargent</i>	<i>N. D.</i>	
		Death	Oct 1939						
		Burial							
10 Lucretia Hulda Soule Full Name of Spouse* <i>Harry M Pinck</i>		Birth	16	Feb	1870	Ripon	Fond-du-Lac	WISCONSIN	
		Mar.							
		Death	26-8-1957			<i>Shakane</i>	<i>Shakane</i>	<i>Wn</i>	
		Burial	<i>Ripon</i>						

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IN SEARCH OF GEORGE SOULE OF THE MAYFLOWER

This book by Nils Wilkes of Eckington, England, will be reproduced by Soule Kindred for sale in the U.S. From the response your editor has received, there are many of our readers that would like a copy. We have not made the final arrangements for printing, but should have an order blank in the April Newsletter. The price will be about \$10.00.

INDEX TO SOULE DAUGHTERS

Our historian, Milton Terry, has completed a first draft of a computerized index to Soule women who have married, thus losing the SOULE surname. The index is similar to that of SOULE names, and is based on Soule Kindred Files. The index carries through to about 1900. It will be very helpful for those whose female SOULE ancestor married before that time. In order to estimate how many copies to print, Dr. Terry would like you to let us know if you would be interested in purchasing one-- price not known at this time, but probably not over \$10.00. Please contact the editor if you would like a copy. (Address on page 2.)

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