

The Parke Society

Promoting Fellowship, Genealogical Research, and the Preservation of our Heritage

Society's Library Expands

by David L. Parke #13

During the past three years our Society's library has been expanding dramatically. When I became Historian in August, 1976, our only available books (half a dozen or so) were kept in the Preston CT town hall vault. Now I have most of those listed in this issue, with copies of pages from many references to Park/e/s in other genealogies and historical records. We have also received copies of Bible records and manuscripts.

Perhaps our greatest boost came from a mailing to public libraries, genealogical and historical societies all over the country. A list of known Park/e/s genealogies was sent with a letter asking librarians to check those books found in their libraries. They were also asked to note
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REUNION

August 24, 25 & 26

RAMADA INN
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Send your reservations to the Secretary NOW.

\$10 for Room reservation

\$10 Social Hour & Banquet

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Plans For Wethersfield Reunion

Start making plans now to attend the 1979 Parke Society meeting in Wethersfield CT. Never before has there been so much for us to see and do. We have set aside a 3-day weekend, Friday through Sunday, for our activities, though you may want to stay longer to see many other sights.

On Friday you can visit the Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum, open 10-4, three houses maintained by the Colonial Dames. This will not be part of our Saturday afternoon tour. It will be open again Sunday afternoon, 1-4. There is an admission charge.

You will also find the Connecticut State Library and State Historical Society especially worthwhile, only a ten minute drive to Hartford. Those who want to do research on Connecticut families may
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Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum

NEWS LETTER of
The Parke Society

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always welcome on any Park/e/s or
their descendants.

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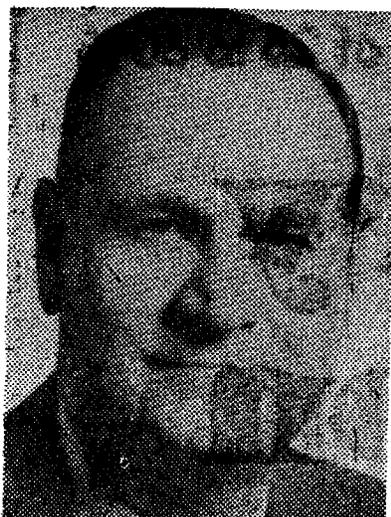
Miss Priscilla C. Parke,
Secretary
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Any change of address should be
forwarded to the Secretary promptly
to assure delivery of the NEWS
LETTER.

Gallup Family Association

Last winter the NEWS LETTER
listed the many Parke-Gallup
connections within the first
five generations. We have been
in touch with Mrs. Joseph L.
Hetzl, 546 Breakneck Hill,
Middlebury CT 06762, the sec-
retary of the Gallup Family
Association, Inc. She will
receive our NEWS LETTER; in
turn we shall receive notice
of their annual meetings. They
have no Historian, so if you
have Gallup questions, please
contact our member, Esther
Gallup Snyder #250.

IN MEMORIAM



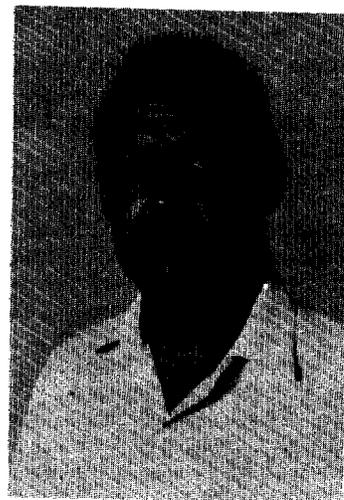
Lee I. Park #121 died
suddenly on August 24th while
on a vacation in the Montana
Rockies. His wife writes
that he had just finished
catching his day's quota of
trout - his favorite occu-
pation. He was 83, Senior
Partner in the Washington DC
law firm of Hamel, Park,
McCabe & Saunders. An art-
icle about him appeared in
the last issue of the NEWS
LETTER. He is survived by
his wife, Alice Mary (Grandall)
Dr. Lee C., of Baltimore, a
daughter, Mrs. John W. Kern
III of Westgate MD, and four
grandchildren.



Charter member and former
trustee Edwin Avery Park #12
died on October 18th at Han-
over NH aged 87. He was born
in New Haven CT the son of
Franklyn Allen & Lucy Amelia
(Cowell) Park. Following
graduation from Columbia's
School of Architecture, he
taught at Yale and Princeton,
and later founded the Art
Dept. at Bennington College.
During WW II he served in the
Office of War Information. He
is survived by his wife, the
former Winifred Neef, his son
Dr. David A. Park of Williams-
town MA #149, and four grand-
children. Edwin was the reci-
pient in 1978 of our Soc-
ciety's Dedicated Service
Award.

Welcome New Members

- 318. Mrs. Carlton Kendall
- 319. Mr. Emerald O. Miner
- 320. Mrs. Robert W. Seamans
- 321. Mrs. W. B. Petty
- 322. Mrs. Joseph B. Park
- 323. Mrs. Jack Mundell
- 324. Mrs. Mary Park Reyda
- 325. Mr. Harold F. Park
- 326. Mr. Edward F. Kilpatrick
- 327. Mrs. Edward F. Kilpatrick
- 328. Mr. Homer L. Parks
- 329. Mrs. Jane Adams Beling
- 330. Mrs. Martha P. Carter
- 331. Mr. George A. Parks
- 332. Mrs. Jeanette A. Wisner
- 333. Mrs. Eleanor I. Larson
- 334. Mrs. Jean Carroll
- 335. Mrs. Edgar M. Walker
- 336. Mr. John Bartlett Park
- 337. Mr. William J. Park
- 338. Dr. Mary Cathryne Park
- 339. Mr. W. Halsted Park Jr.
- 340. Mrs. Marilyn A. Waller
- 341. Mrs. Margaret A. Latham
- 342. Mrs. Donald B. Huprich
- 343. Mrs. Dennis Rodrigues
- 344. Mr. Peter J. Zimmerman



Stanley E. Hammond

The son of Florence Hammond
#173, Stanley Ernest Hammond,
died 23 Feb at Shreveport LA.
He was born at Natural Bridge
NY 20 Oct 1919, served in the
Army Air Corps during WW II,
and later went into teaching
in Louisiana. He leaves his
wife, the former Cynthia Stev-
enson, seven sons, Stanley Jr.,
Jerry, John, Joseph, Robert,
Paul and William, two daughters
Yvonne and Cindy, and nine
grandchildren. His sister,
Bess Hope #170 and Nell We.
#175.

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Congratulations!

Jaime Marie Weaver, daughter of John Oliver and Jennie (Oliver) Weaver was born 1 October 1978 in Richmond VA. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Vernelle Weaver #175 and gt granddaughter of Mrs. Florence Hammond #173.

Katy Suzanne Baldrige, daughter of Christopher and Joan (Hammond) Baldrige was born 12 October 1978 in Richmond VA, also a gt granddaughter of Mrs. Florence Hammond #173. Both children are 13th generation from Robert¹.

Elisabeth Parke Hayes #200 and her husband Robert were awarded the Army Commendation Medal on February 25th. Reserve members of the 399th Combat Support Hospital Unit in Taunton MA, they volunteered to man an ambulance during the great blizzard of 1978. Their efforts were instrumental in saving many lives under extreme conditions. The 42

inch snowfall made travel almost impossible. On one occasion, Elisabeth was performing CPR while her patient was strapped to a toboggan being moved from his home to the ambulance. She is an RN on the staff of St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford MA.

Queries

for addresses see member list

#85 Leona⁸ Parks dau Joel⁷ (Daniel⁶⁻⁵, Joseph⁴, Nathaniel³, Thomas², Robert¹) lm Benjamin Perry Martin. Both d in Pelham Twp, Welland Co ONT. she 1830 she 1862. Need info on their m at Scipio NY (?). She 2m - Currie.

#319 Elizabeth Parks b 1742 Greenfair NC m 1760 Nathaniel Brittain s James from VA. They had James, William, Mary, Levi and George. Need info on Elizabeth's parents back to immigrant and beyond if possible.

#23 Zerviah Parke dau William (Borden) Parke b 19 Feb Plainfield CT m 27 Jun John Wedge at New London CT. Need Zerviah's d date and place to prove she was mother of Stephen Wedge b 1759 Kent CT

Parks in the News

William John Park #337 is the president of Park Seed Co of Greenwood SC. His colorful catalogs are well known to most of us, showing the beautiful blooms that we dream of having in our gardens. The following article appeared in the press recently.

Saved Energy

GREENWOOD, S.C. (UPI) — A mail order seed company expects to save about 4,200 gallons of oil a year with an experimental solar system installed recently to help heat two of its 11,000-square-foot greenhouses.

Company president William J. Park says engineers who installed the system predict a 14 percent saving on fuel bills with the prototype units but recommend the firm closely monitor both the weather and fuel consumed this winter.

The system is designed to provide as much as 60 percent of the greenhouses' annual energy needs.

REUNION from page 1 need more than one day there. Our own Society's books and genealogical records will be available for your examination at the Ramada Inn all three days. The society's Historian will be present to help you. Past NEWS LETTER issues will be for sale, \$1 a copy.

Friday evening at 8 the Trustees will have their Summer Board Meeting. You are cordially invited to sit in and participate if you wish. Our organization has no secrets! Your ideas and opinions are always appreciated.

The annual Seminar will start promptly at 9 Saturday morning. A full program is planned. First, David Parke, our Historian, will bring you up to date on current research, centered at present on Southern Park/e/s families. He will explain the scope and method of our indexing project and will tell you how you can help. For our many new Members, he will explain our genealogical records briefly, and will tell how to use them.

Brainerd Peck, past President attend the Old Wethersfield of our Society and Book Reviewer Meeting House service at 10. for the CT Society of Genealogists' NUTMEGGER, will lead the

second part of the program. He will point out the important features of the State Library and State Historical Society. If you have questions on CT families, he can probably help you. His own ancestry includes lines back to more than 15 CT immigrants.

After a coffee break, Mr. C. Douglass Alves Jr, Director of the Wethersfield Historical Society, will show a few slides and give some background for our afternoon tour. Since Old Wethersfield has over 120 buildings dating before 1840, it is by far the largest historic area in the state.

After an informal lunch, we shall divide into small groups (two car loads each) for the tour. There is obviously much more to see than we can fit into three hours. Therefore we suggest that you visit the Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum on either Friday or Sunday afternoon.

We shall stop in four places all maintained by Mr. Alves and his Society (see the map in the last issue). 1. The Old Academy Museum, including exhibits, collections, manuscripts and a library; 2. the Capt. Francis House; 3. the Cove Warehouse, a maritime museum; 4. the Hurlbut-Dunham House.

On returning to the Inn, we shall hold the Annual Meeting at 4. This should be quite brief and to the point. All the problems should have been solved at Friday evening's Trustees' Meeting. An exceptional film will be shown immediately after the Meeting. It is being made available by the Mormon Church, and describes their genealogical research facilities in Salt Lake City.

A social hour will begin at 6, followed by the Banquet. We are particularly honored to have as our guest speaker that evening, Mr. George E. Williams President of the Connecticut Society of Genealogists, and recently elected President of the Federation of Genealogical Societies.

Sunday morning we shall attend the Old Wethersfield Meeting House service at 10. There will be opportunities at

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Interesting Ancestors

Bo'son Parks 1744 - 1829

Josiah⁶
(Josiah⁵, Thomas⁴⁻³⁻², Robert¹)

by Bess Hope #169

Josiah Parks, generally known as the Bo'son, was born in Preston, New London Co. CT, 15 Aug 1744. He was engaged as boatswain's mate on a British ship at the taking of Havana in 1762. At an early age, he had entered the British service and sailed on a man-of-war on an expedition against the Spaniards among the Greater Antilles. Here he first showed the remarkable energy and indifference to danger that always distinguished him.

During the expedition, the fleet attacked a massive, and seemingly impregnable castle or fort commanding the entrance to Havana harbor. After several unsuccessful assaults, the fleet's commander found that his guns could not batter down the stone defenses.

While seeking a better plan of attack, the commander was told that a young officer had been overheard to say that he could carry the works if authorized. He sent for the young man and demanded his plan. Josiah Parks replied: if he could command a squad of men, he knew a nearby point on the coast where they could land, climb the cliff, and gain the fort's rear. From a cliff above the fort they could hurl large rocks down on the enemy; while confused by this attack from above and behind, the enemy could not adequately guard their gates and outer defenses. The fleet could then land a large detachment to rush upon the defenses, and easily take the fort.

The Commander gave Parks the necessary men, and he was successful. As expected, the British captured the fort, and then Havana itself. Thus one sailor's strategy accomplished what military skill and power could not. For this he was promoted to Boatswain. (Bo'son).

Bo'son went to Wyoming PA after his discharge from the British service, and joined the Connecticut settlers in the Pennamite War. Josiah had learned that many of his former Connecticut neighbors were in serious trouble with Penn's Quakers in Pennsylvania, where they had moved. The colonists had settled in the Wyoming Valley, near Wilkes-Barre, under the Susquehanna Land Company's protection taking up land to form a settlement with allegiance to Connecticut. Their claim was based on a Land Grant issued by Charles II of England embracing all land not possessed "by any other Christian Prince". Connecticut's charter was vaguely worded: Connecticut had the lands from its northern boundary on the Massachusetts border south to Long Island Sound, then west to the South Sea (Pacific Ocean). This covered a great deal of land; disputes arose about it from the start.

Bo'son took up a 150 acre tract of land on the west side of the Delaware River at Stockport, two miles below Shehocken Point, including Preston's Flats, then cleared by the Indians and containing several Indian cabins or wigwams, shown on an old map. In one lived Canope, grandson of an Indian named "Old Abram", two miles below the Cookhouse (Deposit NY) near a spring on Whitaker's Flat, called Old Abram's Springs.

With the help of Canope Bo'son built a cabin on Equinunk Island. Parks had married and first lived at Shawangunk about 20 miles west of the Hudson in Ulster Co NY. Then briefly in Goshen NY and Minisink (Port Jervis).

At the beginning of the Revolutionary War, Parks became a Scout among the Indians and Tories, for the Continental Army. His character fitted him well for this service. It is said that he was inspired by Nathan Hale's famous last words: "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." Since Hale once lived in New London Co. CT before he himself became a famous Scout this seems likely.

Parks directed his efforts chiefly against the Tories. Their companions slain, their schemes thwarted, they hated and dreaded his very name. This hatred was reciprocal. To the day he died, the very word "Tory" roused him to instant anger. He operated between the Hudson and Delaware Rivers, and down the Delaware to the Water Gap.

Josiah Parks is recorded as a member of the Mamakating Committee of Safety. The Public Papers of George Clinton Vol III note his testimony on 17 Apr 1778 about Indian and Tory raids in Ulster Co. during February. This evidence showed that the Wyoming Massacre (3 Jul 1778) was planned months before.

The first warnings of serious Indian danger to the settlers of Wyoming on the Susquehanna were considered baseless rumors. The friendly Indian, Old Abram, who had learned the Tories' and Indians hostile designs, traveled a long way on the Delaware to Equinunk Island to warn his friend, Bo'son Parks. Parks thought it nonsense but the Indian seized him and exclaimed "Go! They will kill you!" Convinced now that Old Abram was in earnest, Parks resolved to go and warn the Wyoming settlers. Leaving Minisink, he plunged into the trackless forests. With only his pocket compass to guide him, he went over sixty miles of uncharted

mountains and swamps to give them the information from Old Abram. When he arrived at Wyoming Settlement (Wilkes-Barre) and told his tale the settlers were suspicious. Because he had served in the British Navy they suspected him of being a British spy and Tory. They arrested him and thrust him into a wooden pen used as a jail, where he was held for some time.

In this emergency Bo'son remembered that several of his friends from Connecticut had moved near here years before. If they recognized him, they would vouch for him. Among them were two brothers, Silas and Asa Gor. He asked his captors if the

lived nearby. To his delight Asa, the elder, then commanded the little fort there. He was sent for at once, recognized

instantly and got Col. John Butler to release him. Asa Gore urged the settlers to heed Bo'son's warning. A few did heed it and escaped. Their only safe route was through a large swamp. Twenty died from hunger and fatigue. One infant died in its mother's arms: she carried the little body twenty miles to keep it from falling into Indian's hands or being devoured by wild beasts. The other settlers stayed behind and were massacred on July 3 by Butler's Raiders led by the Loyalist John Butler. Asa and Silas Gore were among those who perished.

(they were sons of Hannah⁵ Parke, Thomas⁴-3-2, Robert¹)

Bo'son now sadly returned home, crossing again the gloomy forests and swamps, later called "the Shades of Death" because many fleeing settlers left their unburied bones there.

The Scout returned home the tragic news that one of his daughters had fallen into a heap of coals drawn from the great oven that supplied the Minisink fort, and had burned to death.

During these dangerous days of Tory and Indian raids Josiah Parks' Indian friends saved his life many times. Two of them were Canope and Ben Shanks. They often warned him of imminent danger. When he moved to Minisink, they had told him that Brant, the Indian Chief, was coming down the West

Branch of the Delaware to burn and kill. As one way to keep in touch, the Indians played a lively tune on their rude flute, that meant safety; a mournful tune meant danger!

In spite of all precautions, the Indians finally captured him. They built a log pen on Knight's Flat, in which they jailed him, with a half-witted white companion, a guard being chained outside. One day when the captors were off hunting, the guard pried the logs apart, became the guard, and

Park/e/s Patriots of the Revolution

No doubt many of our members are active in one or more patriotic societies, especially the DAR and SAR. This was emphasized in letters from Bess Hope #169, who has recently researched Josiah⁶ Parke (see story p4). An application for her mother, Florence Hammond #173, is based on Josiah, the first time he has been accepted by the DAR as a source for membership.

Listed here are many other Parks who have been accepted from earlier evidence. Certainly there are many others yet to be proved. (refer to PARKE FAMILIES OF CT, 1906

F. S. Parks p277) Descendants of Robert's son William, of course, are not named Parke, his daughters having married the sons of Robert Williams. One such descendant was Mjr. Gen., Joseph Warren, the first distinguished martyr in the cause of independence and liberty. (see Vol XIV p9)

At least one DAR chapter carries the Parke name, that of Rebecca (Gibson) Parke, wife of Thomas Kinney⁶ of VT, in Galesburg IL. A number of names are listed here by state. If you can identify any of these, please pass the information on to the Historian.

(The number at the left in the following list is from PARKE FAMILIES OF CT, 1906 F S Parks)

Desc. of Robert¹, Thomas²

- 208 Amos⁶ 1729-1804 m Grace Herick
- 274 Amos⁶ 1749-1797 m Phebe Farmer
- 315 Daniel⁶ 1742-1818 m Lydia Marvin S 7296
- 313 Daniel⁶ 1758-1836 m Esther Ranney
- 328 David⁶ 1766-1845 m Sarah Woodworth S 43804
- 215 Ebenezer⁶ 1750-1821 m Bathsheba Smith S 14109
- 276 Elijah⁶ 1755-1793 m Lucy Starkweather
- 232 Elijah⁶ 1756-1821 m Anne Smith
- 213 Elijah⁶ 1744-1795 m Olive Brown
- 325 Ezra⁶ 1759-1827 m Anna Beebe W 16362
- 112 Hezekiah⁵ 1740-1776 m Martha Kinne
- 108 James⁵ 1731-1810 m Mary Grant
- 102 Jeremiah⁵ 1725-1783 m Hannah
- 630 Joel⁷ 1761-1850 m Chloe Foster
- 314 John⁶ 1760-1819 m Bethiah Smith S 43789
- 326 Joseph⁶ 1761-1851 m Abigail Rowley
- 210 Josiah⁶ (Bo'son) 1744-1829 m Thankful Weekley
- 105 Moses⁵ 1733-1787 m Sarah Brewster
- 251 Nathan⁶ 1758-1849 m Keziah Doolittle W 5484
- 341 Nathaniel⁶ 1747-1815 m Thankful Eccleston

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escaped with his companion, who soon left him.

Bo'son would never sleep in a bed. A disease, brought on by a life of constant exposure, at length crippled and bent his body. During his last years he became very lame and used to walk with two canes to see his friends and descendants to whom he would tell his adventures and hairbreadth escapes.

Josiah lived to be 84. His last days were spent near Fish's Eddy, in the town of

Hancock NY, where he died 8 Feb 1829. He was buried without a monument in the Partridge Island Cemetary at Fish's Eddy. His grave, marked with a common field stone, is near the fence between the cemetary and the right of way of the New York, Ontario and Western Railway. Other graves are marked the same way, so no one now knows which grave is his.

(More about Bo'son's family in the next issue)

Robert Parke Story Part IV

Robert Parke's move from Wethersfield to Pequot (Later New London CT) in 1647, only two years after the first settlers arrived, must have been extremely taxing experience. It is hard for us today to imagine his problems. The eight years spent in Wethersfield had required building a home and developing a farm in the wilderness.

Now, at 67, Robert moved his belongings and again built himself a home and barn, and prepared ground for farming. Although he moved only about 40 miles, there were no moving vans, highways or realtors. Also it was only a few years since the warring Pequot Indians had controlled that area.

Perhaps Robert's move grew from his friendship with the Winthrops, John Jr. (later governor of CT) and his brother Deane. They were among the settlers on the banks of the Thames River. The Winthrops, with Robert and a later arrival, Jonathan Brewster, are recorded with the title "Mr", while all others were called "goodman" or had no prefix. Jonathan was the son of William Brewster, Mayflower passenger and ruling elder of the Plymouth Church. Many of his descendants married Robert's, thus providing a Mayflower link.

Early in 1650 the Rev. Richard Blinman was called to New London as the first minister of the gospel. His wife, Mary (Thompson), was Robert's stepdaughter. The Parke barn became the temporary meeting house. It stood on the corner of today's Hempstead and Granite Sts. A drum roll called the settlers to service. On 29 Aug 1651 the town fathers voted "For Mr. Parkes barne the towne doe agree, for the use of it until midsummer next, to give him a days work a peace for the meeting house, to be by the Saboth amoneth." The barn remained the meeting house for at least five more years.

Robert was a New London selectman in 1651 and a rep-

resentative for the town in the General Court meeting at Hartford in 1652. In that year he sold his New London ahouse and settled on land purchased from the Rev. Mr. Blinman to the east on the banks of the Mystic River. Here he spent his remaining years. He was designated by court order along with George Denison, William Chesebrough, Thomas Stanton and Walter Palmer to manage the area called Southertown (later Stonington). This was still part of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay. In 1662 King Charles II gave a new charter to Connecticut, enlarging its borders. Robert's friend, John Winthrop Jr., who had been governor in 1657 was again appointed in 1659, serving until 1676.

Wheeler's HISTORY OF STONINGTON states that Robert served in the Colonial Wars. As the average life span then was less than 40 years, it is more likely that it was his son, Thomas, who actually served rather than his father.

Robert's will was drawn up and signed on 4 May 1660 (age 80) showing that he was then perhaps not too well. In those days a will was usually made within months or even days of an individual's death. Witnesses to the will were James Morgan Sr, his son James Jr and daughter, Hannah. (Dorothy, daughter of Thomas², married a younger Morgan son, Joseph, in 1670.)

The will appointed Robert's eldest son, William, as executor. He was a resident of Roxbury MA, now part of Boston. "All houses and land at Mystic on both sides of the river" (some 170 acres) were left to him. A third of the estate "in land or good pay" were given to Thomas, and £50 was left to Samuel "in case he shall first come and demand the same in Roxsbury within 7 years next".

The fact that Robert's will does not mention Richard Park of Newton shows that there were no close family ties if any.

Thomas Miner's diary under date February 1664 says: "the 4th of februarie mr perke departed this life and was buried the 7th day being Tuesday in the year 1664". His grave marker no longer exists, but he was buried in the Whitehall Cemetary, a short distance from his home. Today Interstate 95 divides his home lot and the cemetary. In 1930, the 350th anniversary of Robert's birth, a stone and tablet were placed in the cemetary by his descendants.

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lunch and in the afternoon to visit with your many cousins and perhaps do more sightseeing.

The Society now has a number of Junior Members. We hope they will join us in Wethersfield this year. Of course they may want something more exciting than seeing an 18th century house. A few miles North in West Hartford is the Childrer's Museum, and at Warehouse Point the CT Electric Railway Trolley Museum - over 40 trolleys on display and a three mile ride on an open car. The admission charge includes the CT Fire Museum old time fire trucks, hand-drawn, horse-drawn, and motor-driven. There is also the Dinosaur State Park, with hundreds of dinosaur tracks made 200 million years ago! And if the trolley ride doesn't satisfy them, the children can take a ferry-boat ride across the Connecticut River to Glastonbury on the oldest ferry in continuous operation in America since 1655. All this and more, to come!

IN MEMORIAM from page 2

Word has been received of the death of Eleanore E. (Cole) Anger #141. She was the only descendant of John³ (Thomas², Robert¹) in our Society. Her home was in Plummer ID, where she was active in genealogical research.

1st generation

2nd generation

3rd generation

Robert Parke bp 3Jun1580 Poslingford d 1664
 1m Martha Chaplin
 2m Alice (Freeman) Thompson

Martha bp 6Oct1603 Semer

Robert bp 4Jun1606 Semer

William ^(W) bp 21Apr1607 Semer d 1685
 m Martha Holgrave

John bp 3Mar1611 Ringshall

Jane bp 10Aug1613 Ringshall

Thomas ^(T) bp 13Feb1615 Hitcham d 1709
 m Dorothy Thompson

Anne ^(AA) bp 3Dec1618 Hitcham d 1641
 m Edward Payson

Samuel ^(S) bp 20Jun1621 Bildeston d
 m Hannah

Theoda 1637-1718
 m Samuel Williams

Hannah 1639-1655

Martha 1641-1676
 m Isaac Williams

Sarah 1643-1644

John 1645-1646

Deborah 1647-1648

John 1649-1663

Deborah 1651-1679

m Samuel Scarborough
 son & dau. bur 1653

William 1654- d young

2 ch. bur 1658

Hannah 1658-

Martha 1646-1717

m Isaac Wheeler

Thomas 1648-1699

m Mary Allyn

Nathaniel 1650-1718

m Sarah Geer

Robert 1651-1707

1m Rachel Leffingwell

2m Mary Rose

Dorothy 1652-1704

m Joseph Morgan

William 1654-

m Hannah Frink

John cl656-1716

m Mary Witter

Alice cl658-1729

m Greenfield Larrabee

Richard cl664-1707

m x

Mary 1641- d young

Elizabeth 1670-1751

m John Bennett

Samuel cl672-1700

m Elizabeth Eddy

Martha 1674-

Robert 1676-1752

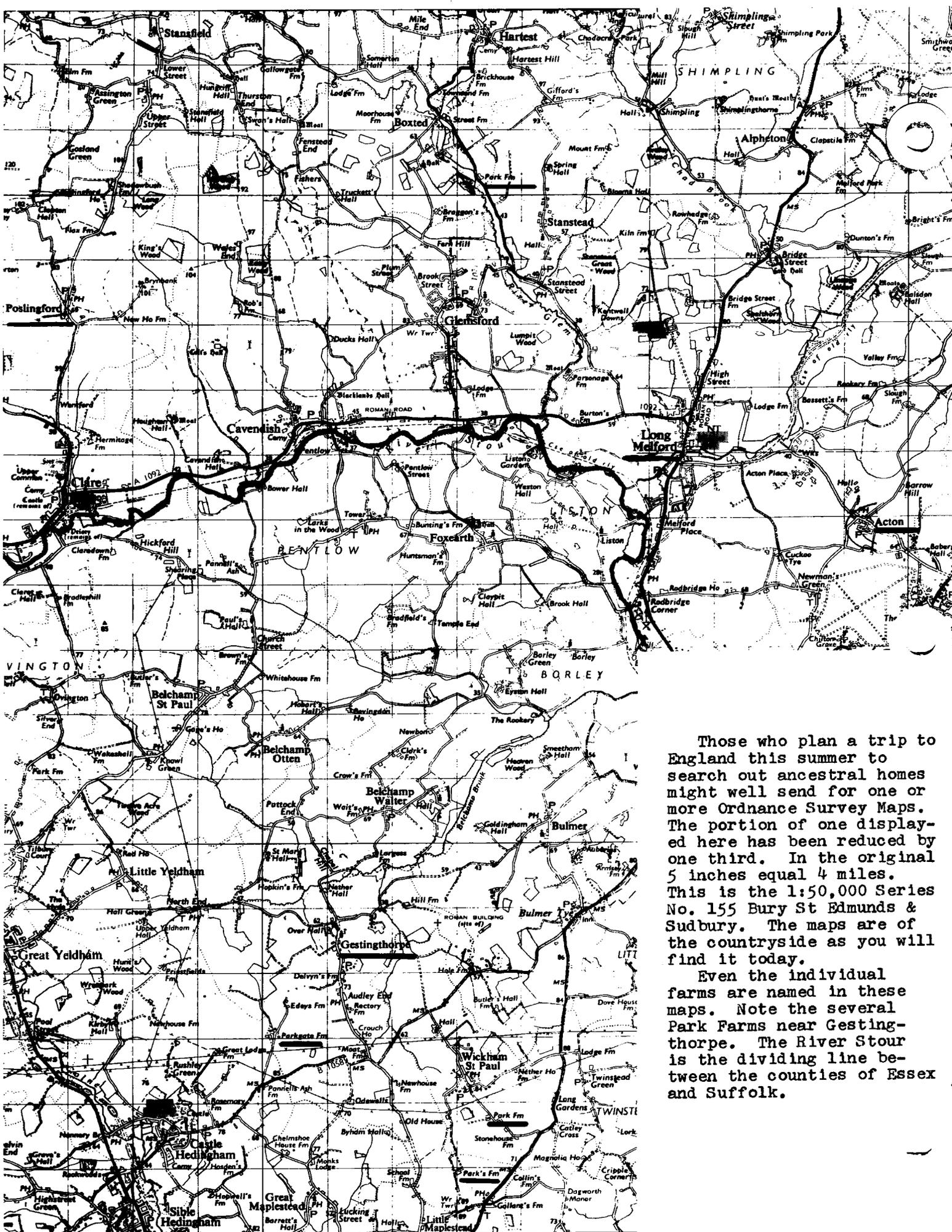
m Tamsen (Packer) Bromley

William 1678-1750

m Jane Bordon

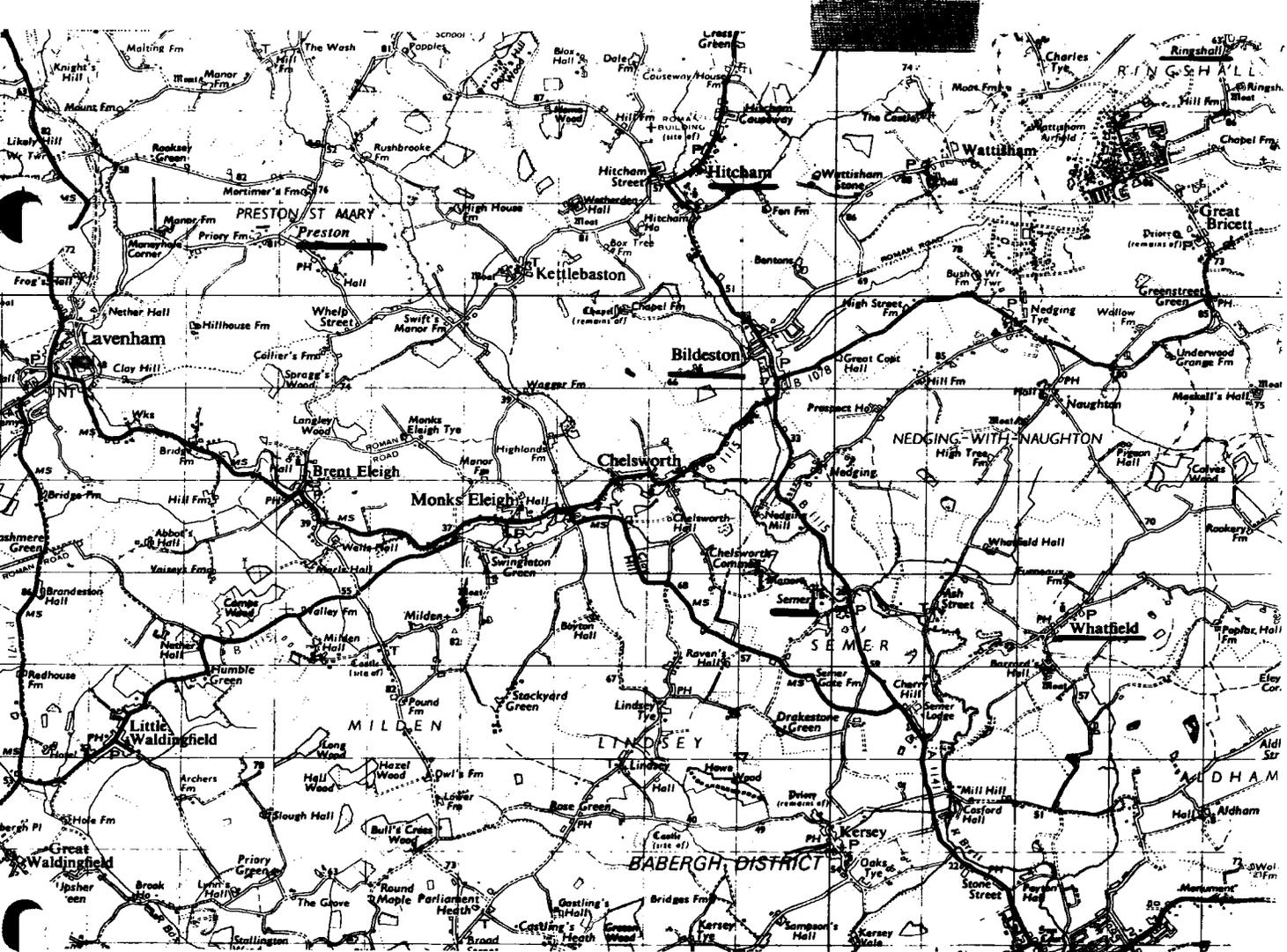
Thomas 1680-

Joseph 1682- d young



Those who plan a trip to England this summer to search out ancestral homes might well send for one or more Ordnance Survey Maps. The portion of one displayed here has been reduced by one third. In the original 5 inches equal 4 miles. This is the 1:50,000 Series No. 155 Bury St Edmunds & Sudbury. The maps are of the countryside as you will find it today.

Even the individual farms are named in these maps. Note the several Park Farms near Gestingthorpe. The River Stour is the dividing line between the counties of Essex and Suffolk.



The price for the 31" x 31" colored map is £2.10. The rate of exchange is roughly \$2 to £1. There is a bank service charge of \$1.30 for a foreign draft. You should allow about \$2. for postage by air. So the map will cost about \$7.50. Make the draft payable to:

Cook, Hammond & Kell Ltd.

They will gladly send you an index of their maps to identify the ones you want. The maps are available from:

The London Map Centre
 22-24 Caxton St
 SW 1 HOQU London
 England



LIBRARY from page 1

any unlisted Park/e/s books.

The response was heart-warming! Some replies included a Xerox copy of all cards in their file pertaining to Park/e/s, even references in other genealogies and local histories. Thus we learned of a multitude of hitherto unknown sources. Through further correspondence we obtained copies of many additional works. We bought reproduced copies of some. Other material was sent us through the kindness of the libraries.

This program is now becoming reciprocal. One city library has ordered from us copies of two volumes of F. S. Parks' genealogies. Various members have also used this Parke Society service.

(PARKE FAMILIES OF CT and PARKE FAMILIES OF MA are \$40 each Xerox, hard cover. Volumes III & IV bound together, are also \$40. Orders should be sent to the Secretary. Volumes I & II of PARKE SCRAPBOOK are also available at \$15 each.)

In my column in the last NEWS LETTER I noted that Pennsylvania has apparently been a crossroads for many Park/e/s descendants of several different immigrants. Therefore Philadelphia's reply, in view of its sizable genealogical collection was surprising: "As the Free Library of Philadelphia holds none of the listed items, we feel that the Parke NEWS LETTER is not necessary for our collection." Our letter referred to our offer to put them on our mailing list. One would have expected them to have at least the genealogy of Arthur¹, who settled in Chester County. Perhaps our Society should help fill this unfortunate void!

Most libraries, however, indicated that they had several of our listed books. The New England H. G. S. Library in Boston and Newbury Library in Chicago were among the best. Of course the Salt Lake City collection is impressive, as expected - and they copied their complete file on the subject.

Member Pat Geisler #255 informed us that the LDS

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Church Library (Archives Section) had 9 books containing family group sheets on Park and Parke - 700 to 1000 per volume! This is certainly a fabulous collection. A query to the library brought the reply that this is on microfilm, available for viewing at their regional libraries, but that their policy forbids selling copies to any person or society. As your Historian has no access to a regional library at present he feels frustrated!

In this issue we are printing a list of the most important sources for each Park/e/s immigrant. We hope that this will help both our members and researchers in libraries. On your visits to libraries if you find a good source or biography, please send a postcard or brief note about it to me. (404 Wellington Ave, Reading PA 19609)

Our members have sent in many interesting papers, gleaned from their active research. Example: one completed last Fall by Edwin D. Witter Jr #170 entitled: CHARTS OF THE ANCESTRY AND DESCENDANTS OF DR. GEORGE FRANKLIN WITTER, FRANCES LOUISA PHELPS, MARY ANN CARTER, 85p plus index. Ed is a thorough researcher; he has drawn information from many sources and presented his findings most concisely.

Another paper, from Florence Pascawis Hammond #173, is called MEEHAN & RANDOLPH. These are Wisconsin towns where her family has lived more than 100 years. She includes complete family group sheets, with stories and pictures. Her mother was Emily Christina⁹ Parks (Silas Thomas⁸, Moses⁷, Josiah⁶ (Boson), Josiah⁵, Thomas⁴⁻³⁻², Robert¹.)

These and many others contain valuable Parke genealogy. So we need not only the published bound volumes, but your research results, copies of Bible records (including title page), and interesting experiences of Park/e/s descendants. Many members are still seeking their lineage. We hope that the Society can become a

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 104 Silas⁵ 1726-1802 m Sarah Ayers
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165 Aaron⁶ 1758-1832 m Anne Jennison
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 72 William⁵ 1734-1790 m Lydia Hager S 19017
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Desc. of Alexander¹ NH

Alexander³ 1753-1837 m Martha Betton

Desc. of Arthur¹ PA

Arthur⁴ 1736-1822 m Jennet Hope
 John Arthur⁴ 1726-1780 m Anne Noblett
 Joseph⁴ 1734-1823 m Ann (Grubb) Sinclair
 William⁴ 1742-1806 m Frances Boyd

Desc. of John¹ PA

John² 1755-1834 m Isabella McMullen

Desc. of Edward¹ CT

David⁴ 1740-1825 m Rachel Griffin
 Elijah⁴ 1742-1790 m Anna Beaumont
 John⁴ 1752-1820 m Sarah Wallen

John¹ NJ 1739-1798 m Mary Gordon

Desc. of John¹ MA

John 1759-1811 m Mary Joslin

Desc. of John¹ VA

Richard² 1736-1817 m Mary Graves

Desc. of Peter¹ CT

Melvin² 1751-1804 m Margaret Palmer

Matthew¹ PA 1760-1819 m Martha -

Desc. of William¹ MA

Thomas² 1745-1806 m Rosanna Conn

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Desc. of James¹ VA

James² 1756-1823 m - Sankey

Desc. of Thomas¹ VA

Joseph² 1735-1808 m Esther Sankey

Connecticut

Aaron 1763-1796 m Dolly Walker

New York

Jacob 1757-1845 m Deborah Stevens

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 William 1750-1825 m Eunice Stone

Pennsylvania

James 1763-1836 m Jenny Entrekin

John² 1753-1788 m Isabella Galbraith

John 1758-1815 m Rebecca -

John 1758-1832 m Sarah McDowell

Jonathan 1758-1818 m Margery Woodward

Joseph 1746-1782 m Jean Robinson

Maryland

David 1742-1814 m -

New Jersey

Joseph 1757-1844 m Martha Ansley

William³ 1746-1794 m Rachel Rowland

William 1755-1803 m Mary -

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John 1756-1841 m Ann Ewell

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We'd like you to know-

One of the ten members descended from Daniel⁶ Parke of Camden NY is Betty Francis Lawrence #288 of San Jose CA. We are glad to learn that through her genealogical studies she has found a closer relationship with her cousins in the east! In addition to the Parke line, she has researched her Phelps ancestry (from George¹).

Born in San Jose, Betty attended local schools, and later the University of California at Berkeley, where she was president of her sorority. A young fighter pilot took her away from all that. "During war time," she says, "things had a way of happening suddenly! I met Bill (William Henry Lawrence Jr) my senior year in high school ... suddenly he appeared again in my life ... he proposed on Sunday, I accepted on Monday, and we were married the following Saturday."

Following the war they settled in San Jose; in the next five years three children arrived. During the late 1950s to early 1970s "I was deeply involved in Democratic politics on a volunteer basis." Her most exciting experience was attending the 1960 Democratic National Convention as a delegate to nominate John F. Kennedy.

Betty's husband is Section Center Manager/Postmaster, overseeing some 50 postoffices in four counties. Eastern members probably do not realize that San Jose is nearly the size of Boston!

Of special concern to Betty in recent years has been her involvement with various organizations associated with mental retardation. In 1977 she was chairman of the state-wide Organizations for Area Boards. This required much travel throughout our 3rd largest state. "A large part of our social life," she reports, "seems to be involved with charitable causes and postal organizations."

Betty's lineage is through the Phelps family: Elizabeth⁸, William⁷, Pliny⁶, Benjamin⁵, Daniel⁶, Joseph⁵⁻⁴, Nathaniel³, Thomas², Robert¹.



Florence Mabel Piscawis Hammond #173 is the mother of members Bess Hope #169, Ver-velle Weaver #175, and three sons. Her early life was spent in the mid-Wisconsin towns of Meehan and Rudolph. During WW I her family moved to Virginia. She was married in 1918 at Chesterfield Court-house to Ernest Adolphis Hammond.

For several years they lived in upper New York State in Lewisburg and Carthage, then returned to Virginia. Florence has compiled the family genealogy, including pictures and family stories. A copy of MEEHAN & RUDOLPH was presented to our Society. The story on page 4 tells of her gt gt grandfather, Bo'son Parks.



Emerald Oral Miner #319 is a direct descendant of Thomas¹ Miner of Stonington CT who came to America in 1629. Thomas was one of the first settlers of New London along with Robert¹ Parke. Although you might expect his Park lineage to be from CT, it is not. His 4th gt grandmother was an Elizabeth Parks of Greenfair NC born in 1742. Now he is searching for her parentage (see query p3).

He describes himself as an Oceanographer, retired by the Navy. At present he is freelancing as a proofreader and editor for local publishing companies near his home in Bowie MD. Researching his family genealogy is one of his time-consuming interests.

He is a member of the Prince George's County MD Genealogical Society, SAR, and Society of Mayflower Descendants. His wife is the former Jessie Evelyn Weir from Bedford IN. Emerald was born in Scottsburg IN in 1911, the son of Jessie William & Maud Mae (Mount) Miner. They have three children and a grandson.

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Florence Phelps Mott #295, her aunt, Elizabeth Phelps Francis, and Mrs. Francis only daughter, Betty Francis Lawrence #288. (picture taken about 1968)



Bess Hope #169, her grandmother Emily Christina Parks Pascawis, and mother Florence Pascawis Hammond #173. (picture taken about 1958)

Historian's Corner

Last Spring I mentioned the great importance of indexing the Society's records. Several members have offered to help, which I greatly appreciate. Because I want to be sure that the project is done correctly, I have asked Dana Parks #44, Certified American Lineage Specialist, for his recommendations.

He comments, "I feel very strongly that a growing society needs to catalog all pertinent information that accumulates. Otherwise, we may soon have a large volume of valuable information without the ability to retrieve any of it."

Dana proposes indexing of all correspondence, which I hope to undertake myself. A second index should contain all names on the Family Group Sheets. This can be expanded as additional facts are found: individuals' notable actions should be recorded, and the places where they lived identified.

Finally, a third index must include each published genealogy of Park/e/s families. Numerous references found in other genealogies should also be listed. Where possible the immigrant will be shown. Manuscripts must be identified, and location of the original manuscript noted. This entire subject will be discussed in detail (to show its magnitude) at our next Annual Meeting in Wethersfield CT.

The Family Group Index Card will be 4x6 and made out for each person, with enough information to show each individual's family relationship and the sheet where it will be found. For names not yet on a Family Group Sheet, identification must be more complete, describing all known facts.

This completed index will segregate those with like first names, helping us to locate more readily the individual we want. For example, correspondents can sometimes trace back only to their gt grandfather, let us say Hervey, who lived in Michigan in the early 1800s. The file may list two or three

possible candidates. On referring to their family group sheet, we can tell whether the correspondent's ancestor is indexed.

At present, I must often rely on my memory: as I grow older this becomes less reliable! Some years ago I prepared family group sheets from sources at hand: published genealogies, local histories, etc. To date I have perhaps 2000 sheets covering the first five generations from Robert¹, Richard¹, Arthur¹ and many other immigrants. These I have tried to index by name only, as in the back of a genealogy. The Park/e/s names also have a birth date, approximated where unknown. This has been helpful but includes only the early generations. It also leaves many places to look because each of Robert's three sons has a separate index with another for each known immigrant. Now this must all be combined into a central file.

Once this is completed, a microfilm might be prepared that could be circulated to members and libraries. Because the spelling of the surname differs even within a family group, we plan to combine PARK, PARKE, PARKS and PARKES.

Now, what can YOU do! You can get standard 4x6 index cards, available at your stationers or 5x10. I will supply group sheets to you. You can then prepare a card for each person mentioned. First we must complete index cards for all existing family group sheets. Then, as new sheets are prepared, cards will be made at the same time.

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"clearing house", to help them find needed facts. As space permits, we shall summarize important and interesting material from the Society's archives.

We must emphasize that we are not limiting our records to Robert¹ or Richard¹ descendants. Information on ANY Park/e/s immigrant and his descendants is welcome. Only thus can we ever hope to trace the multitude of Park/e/s lineages.

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Thomas Frank Park Jr.

One of many looking to the Parke Society for help in their search for ancestors is Thomas Frank Park Jr. of Westerville OH. Although born in New York City, he has traced his Park line to Virginia and Philadelphia. We hope that the Society's new indexing will provide clues.

His father died when Tom was 13 months old. "It is a great disappointment of my life that I did not know him, because everyone that knew him spoke well of him." Thomas Sr. was a "commission merchant" in the famous Washington Market at the time of his death.

Tom started with Nationwide Insurance Co. in Columbus OH after WW II. Later he became services manager at the regional office in Raleigh NC. A promotion made him administrative manager for the Southeast Region (NC, SC, GA & FL). He retired at the start of 1979.

In 1940 he married Betty High Smith. They have two children, Thomas Frank III and Frances Allison.

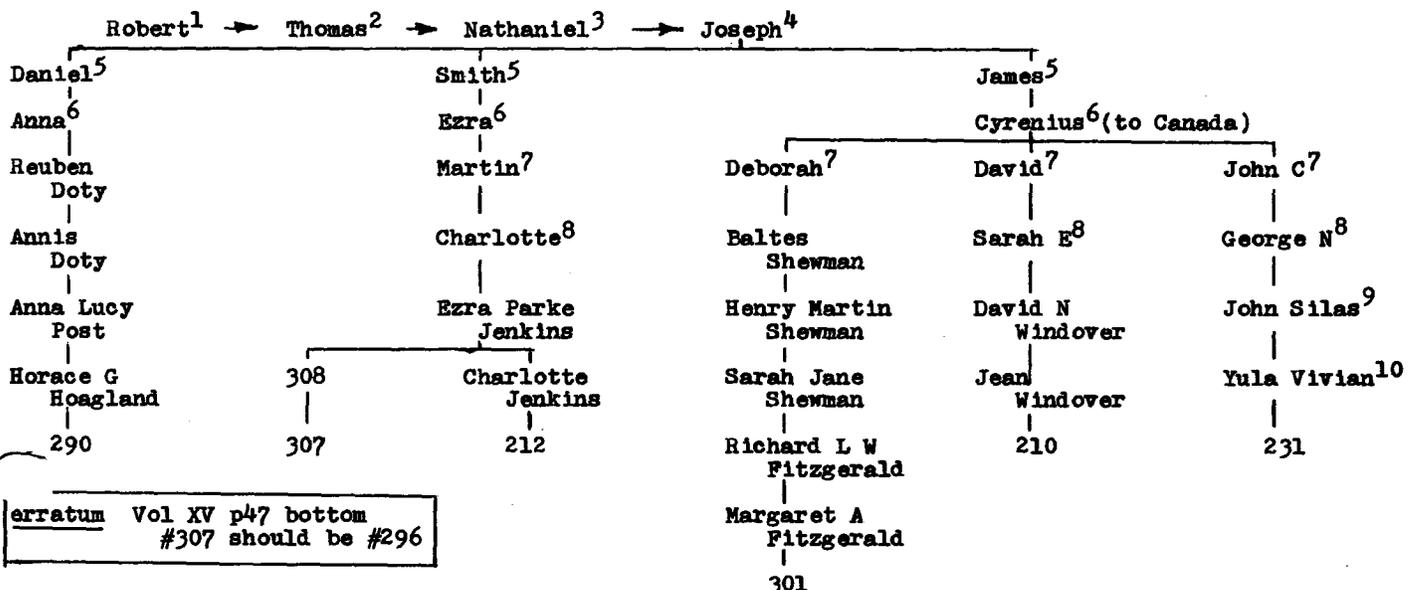
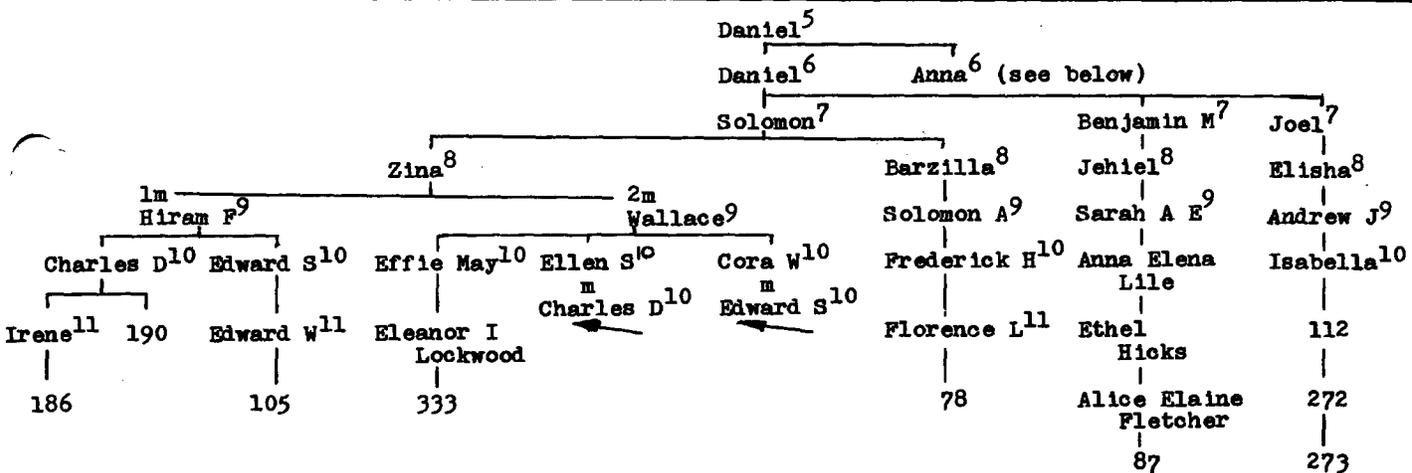
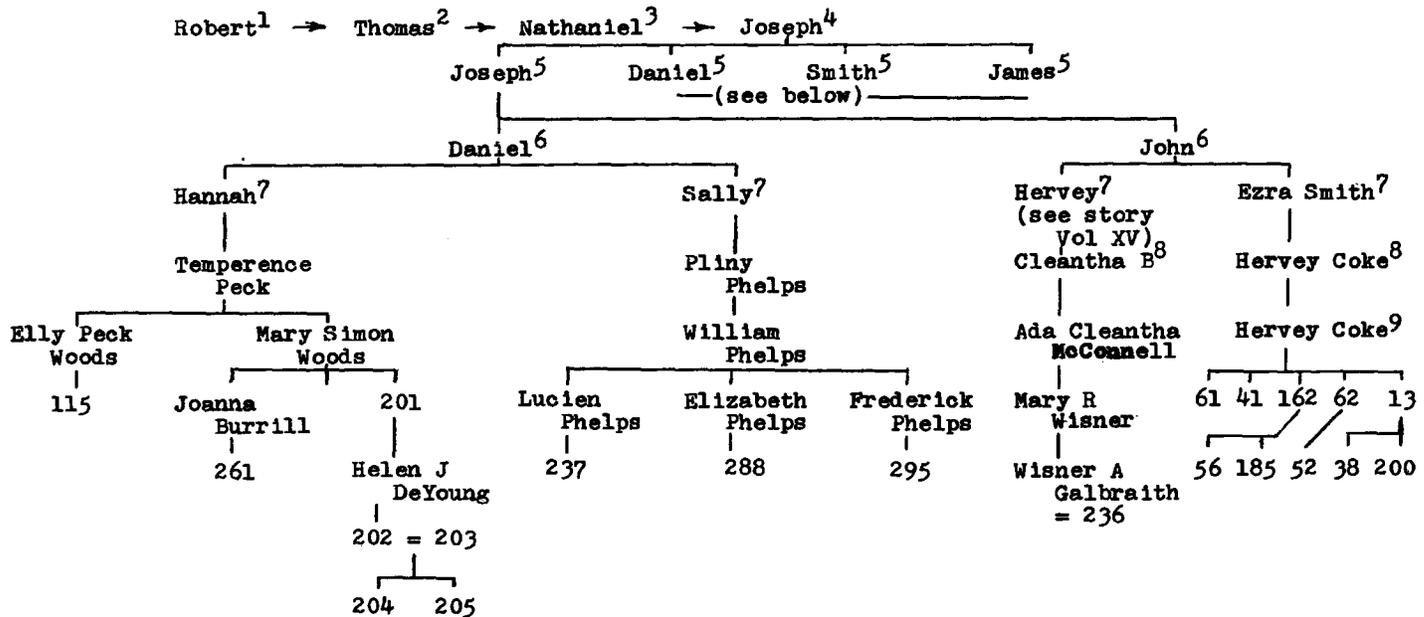
Gift Memberships

In the last year 20 new Park/e/s descendants have joined the Society through the generosity of a member. The gift membership is an excellent way to introduce your relative to their rich heritage. \$5 pays for their first year including 3 issues of the NEWS LETTER.

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In the following lineages of members, those whose name was Park/e/s have a generation number from the immigrant thus: Sally⁷. The name of her child will be followed by her married name as: Pliny Phelps. The member's society number appears at the bottom of the column.

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 #307 should be #296

1st generation

2nd generation

3rd generation

Alexander Park c1688-1762
m Margaret Waugh

Alexander¹ Park came to New England in the winter of 1728-29 from county Antrim, Ireland, landing in Boston. With him were his wife Margaret (Waugh) and their six children. Snow's HISTORY OF BOSTON tells us that the cost of transportation to America at that time was: For every adult person £5, three children under four years £5, two children under eight years £5, three children between 8 and 12 years £10, over 12 years reckoned as adults.

A native of Scotland, Alexander had already determined to join the Scotch settlement in Londonderry, NH. From Boston the Park family journeyed north to the Merrimack River where Lawrence now stands. It had been a cold stormy day; night was fast approaching. The ferry to take them across was on the other side, and the ferryman unaware of them. Thereupon Alexander, a strong, sturdy man, swam across to arouse the ferryman.

Not finding a place to settle, as he had expected, Alexander moved his family to Methuen MA, where they stayed four years. During the 1730s there was a boundary dispute between Massachusetts and New Hampshire. When this was settled, the family moved to their permanent home in the present Windham, New Hampshire.

Alexander early became identified with town interests, was moderator of special meetings in 1742 and 1746, and selectman in 1743.

Robert 1717-1788
m Jane Wear

Jennet (or Jane) 1719-1800
m John Park

Thomas c1722-c1729

Alexander 1724-1808
m Sarah Maxwell

Sarah c1725-
m Charter Robert Boyes

Mary c1727-
m Hugh Smiley

Joseph 1729-1762
m Alice Boyd

Agnes 1746-1838
m Nathaniel Hemphill
- Margaret 1747-
m William Thorn
- Andrew 1749-1820
m Mary Cochran
- Janet 1751-1832
- Alexander 1753-1837
1m Martha Betton
2m Rebecca Carliss
- Sarah 1757-1789
m Samuel Morrison
- Mary 1761-1799
m Robert Dinsmoor
- Joseph 1770-1820
m Mary Dinsmoor

John 1742-
m Rhoda Finney
- Andrew c1746-
(Rev. War)
- William c1748-c1827
m Eunice
- Joseph 1753-1807
m Mary Peirce
- Margaret c1754-
m John Little
- Molly or Marcy c1755-
m John Kelsey

Margaret 1766-1768
- Mary 1769-1848
m Samuel Dinsmoor
- Sarah 1771-1867
m Robert Park
(James³, Robert², Roger¹ NJ)
- Alice 1775-1830
m Robert Armstrong

- Mary c1755-
m Eliphalet Ladd

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Georgia

Ezekial Evans 1757-1826 m Susan Smythe
Henry 1758-1845 m Martha Justice

North Carolina

George 1759-1837 m Milly Davidson
George 1735-1810 m Catherine Dunlap W 27457
Hugh 1754-1830 m Mary Davis R 7967
John 1751-1795 m Jean Kerr
Moses 1738-1828 m Mary Hill
Robert 1759-1841 m Sarah McEwen
Samuel 1757-1844 m -
William 1740-1776 m Tabitha Ware