OUR NAME'S THE GAME

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LOOKING AHEAD

JULY/AUGUST - There will be no monthly meetings held during the Summer months of July and August. All committees will, however, continue performing their regular functions.

One Summer issue of Our Name's The Game will be published in place of a July and August issue. Look for it in early August.

REMINDER - HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP YET?

Membership renewals are now due for the 1 July 1986 to 30 June 1987 Fiscal Year. This will be your LAST issue unless dues are paid before the next mailing deadline.

DECEASED MEMBER

Neil E. Hoover (Huntsville, IL) 12 November 1985.

HIVELY'S GENEALOGICAL NOTES

Polly Rachel McGaughey Sutton has published the book Descendants of William and Margaret McGaughey 1740-1984. The earliest known ancestor of this Scotch-Irish family was William McGaughey who died in 1750 in Hamiltonban Township, then York County, PA, but now Adams County, PA. Some of his descendants stayed in the area but many others moved South and West. Related families are Alexander, Bigham, Gordon, Grier, Robinson, Gammill, Thompson, Walker, and many others. The hard cover 271 page book with indexes costs $24 plus $2.50 for postage and handling. It can be ordered from Mrs. Charles W. Sutton (2700 N.W. 61st St., Oklahoma City, OK 73112).

Schuyler Brossman in his genealogy column, Our Keystone Families, recently reported the availability of two cemetery publications. The Lebanon County Historical Society (924 Cumberland St., Lebanon, PA 17042) has published a "Cemetery Map of Lebanon County, PA". This is a PA Department of Transportation Map on which 168 cemeteries of the county have been located. The cost by mail is $2.50 plus $1 for postage, with PA residents adding an additional 15 cents for the sales tax. The Spring 1986 (Vol. IV No. 1) issue of the Keystone Seekers quarterly published by the Capital Area Genealogical Society (P.O. Box 4502, Harrisburg, PA 17111) contains a listing on pages 9 to 16 of about 160 cemeteries in Cumberland County, PA. This back issue can be purchased from the above Capital Area Genealogical Society for $3.

Margaret Hawkes Lindsley (705 Jensen, Idaho Falls, ID 83401) is looking for information on Andrew Henry who was born in PA and on his parents, George and Margaret(Young) Henry, particularly in the period between 1775 and 1799. She has published a booklet, Major Andrew Henry in Idaho. This interesting 24 page booklet can be purchased from her for $4 plus 50 cents for postage and handling.

Edward G. Schwaegerle (10196 E. River Rd., Elyria, OH 44035) has a large, semicircular, seven generation chart of the descendants of Jacob Bohn (d. 1780, York Co., PA) which has over 500 names with dates until 1934. About 90% of the names are persons descended from Jacob's grandson, Valentine Bohn (b. 1793, York Co., PA; d. 1857, Mt. Carroll, IL). Valentine had 8 children with his

first wife, Barbara Strickler (1796-1837). She was the daughter of Henry Strickler and Anna Rhodes and granddaughter of Henry Strickler and Anna Beidler. Valentine's oldest son Adam Bohn (b. 1793, York County, PA) died in Dallas Center, IA. He had 10 children. Valentine's daughter Catherine (b. 1822) md. David Nelson (b. 1814, York Co., PA) and they had 9 children. Other children of Valentine Bohn left fewer children but some of their descendants are listed on the chart. Valentine had a brother Adam Bohn (b. 1795) who married Hannah Wingert. A few of their descendants are also listed on the chart. Anyone interested in the family can receive a reduced size copy of the chart plus a full sized copy of the portion of specific interest for $1 and a large SASE from Mr. Schwaegerle. The chart came into his possession after the death of a friend and he wishes to share the information with interested persons.

SCPGS member Wayne D. Mower (19 Ruby Dr., Claymont, DE 19703) has sent a copy of a letter he found while researching in Ohio. The letter was written in 1882 (or 1884?) by John Porter Black. In the letter, which he directed to his children, Mr. Black gave information about his and his wife's families. His grandfather Black was Thomas Black, "born in South Side of York County--now Adams County, PA, not far from the present town of Gettysburg. He was born about the year 1752 and died near Dillsburg on Sunday Sept. 9, 1821." Thomas Black's first wife is given as a Miss Boner and the second as Martha Bracken. The letter writer's father was James Black who married Martha Porter. The latter's parents were John Porter and Mary (Ross) Porter. The letter writer's wife was Margaret Harruff, daughter of Peter Harruff. Margaret Harruff's one grandfather is given as a Smith who lived in Cove Valley, Perry County, PA. Numerous other individuals of various surnames and locations are given. If anyone is interested in these families, Wayne Mower will be willing to share additional information he has on these families. For a copy of the letter (a transcript of the original) send a SASE to the SCPGS.

Not many makers of last wills and testaments included their exact ages as information in such documents. There is at least one early York County, PA will which is an exception. Michael Valentine's (Walentin, as he signed) will was written in German on 24 November 1761 while he was a resident of York Township. The will was probated 18 December 1761. The contemporary translation states that "whereas God through his mercy has Brought me to the age of fourty one year Eight months and Teen Days and has aflicted me with Bodly weakness and has Laid me on this sick Bed with a havy and hard Disorder, and Great Bain, so that I Recomand my Soul to the Lord, and my mortall Body to the Earth." Although he gave his age, he did not give the names of any of his children, whom his wife "Maria Elisabeth Walentin, after my Death shall Raise and Bring op ..., send them to to scoole and Let then Larn". York County, PA church registers and other sources provide the information that Michael Valentine married Maria Elizabeth Dittenhafer (daughter of Paul) on 12 Dec. 1752 and they had children Anna Catharine (b. 1753), Julianna (b. 1755), John Jacob (b. 1757), and Anna Maria (b. 1760). A Johan George and a Hans Michael Vallendin arrived in Philadelphia on the St. Andrew in September 1749. Perhaps the Michael Valentine of York County and the immigrant Michael Valentine of 1749 are the same person.

Mrs. Raymond J. Adamson, Honorary President of the Augusta Genealogical Society (P.O. Box 3743, Augusta, GA 30904), writes that if any SCPGS members are looking for information on that section of Georgia or the Central Savannah River Area of South Carolina that society's Research Roundtable will attempt to be of help. They try to undertake any reasonable amount of research if a name, place, and time frame are given. If you wish to contact the Research Roundtable, write to Mr. Ron Humphrey, Chairman, at the above address. The Augusta Genealogical Society also maintains a Surname-Area File by which they place researchers in contact with others working on the same lines.

For a list of available early land owners maps of portions of Baltimore and Carroll Counties in Maryland write to George Horvath, Jr. (Olde Map Shop, 5818 Mineral Hill Rd., Eldersburg, MD 21784). Also for sale from Mr. Horvath are pages of the Atlas of Carroll County(1877). Some research will also be done in Baltimore County Tax Lists 1804-1823 and in the 1798 Federal Assessment Records of (old) Baltimore County.

The Office of Community Services of George Mason University has scheduled a Middle Atlantic Genealogy and History Institute for July 27-August 1, 1986 at its main campus at Fairfax, Virginia. This location is 16 miles West of Washington D.C. Three levels (Fundamental, Advanced, and Research in Middle Atlantic States) have been planned. For more information call (703) 323-2198.

After a long delay the National Archives Trust Fund Board has published Military Service Records: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications. This catalog does not reproduce any military or related records, but it briefly describes the record groups and lists by individual roll number what records are available on microfilm. This 330 page publication costs $5 for individuals and can be ordered from Cashier, National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C. 20408. Make check payable to National Archives Trust Fund.

The Prowell Family Reunion will be held on Sunday, 24 August 1986 at 1:00 p.m. at Salem UM Church, Valley Rd., Fishing Creek (Exit 16 off I-83), Fairview Twp., York Co. Bring covered dish. For more information contact Sally Lambert, 99 Nittany Dr., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 (717-766-2394) or Re Prowell Vargosko, 505 N. Springdale Rd., Westminster, MD 21157 (301-857-5270).

QUERIES

John FRANKENBERGER/FRANKELBERGER imm. with bro., Conradt, in 1736 & settled in Berwick & Paradise Twps., York Co., PA. Need maiden name of his wf., Barbara. John d. prior to 18 May 1779 when his will probated. Barbara remar. to Michael RITZ. When did she die? George, Catherine, & Mary, ch. of John & Barbara, had Philip ZEIGLER appointed as their guardian and 2 other ch., Jacob & Barbara, had Peter HOUSILE as their guardn. Were these 2 men related to the FRANKENBERGER fam.? Witnesses to John's will were Peter DEARDORF, Christian RAFENSBERGER, & Samuel ARNOL/ARNOLD. Were they related?

Who was the fath. of William SHANKS b. 26 Aug. 1747 on the Atlantic Ocean. One source says Thomas SHANKS b. ca. 1726, Constable of Warrington Twp., York Co., PA, in 1780, who d. 8 Jan. 1806, York Co. Another source says David SHANKS. Need name of wf. of Thomas or David. William mar. Sarah HANLEY & moved to Lincoln Co., KY.

Joy Shreyer, 2063 Mohawk Dr., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

Michael BLESSING/BLESSINGER b. 24 Feb. 1739, d. 29 Dec. 1819, bur. "Old Kreutz Creek Cem., Hellam Twp., York Co., PA. Lived & d. in Hellam. Need maiden name of his wf., Mary Magdalena b. 6 Dec. 1756, d. 29 Apr. 1837. Were Conrath BLASING (mar. 7 Jly. 1765 to Catharina Margaret SOMMER) & Jacob BLESSING (b. ca. 1728, d. ca. 30 Apr. 1790) brothers of Michael? Who were his par.? Have info. on desc., but need info. on ch. of some families. Michael was overseer of the Poor in 1781 and Supervisor of Highways in 1787.

Seeking info. on George BLESSING/BLESSINGER b. 16 June 1790, Hellam Twp., York Co., PA, d. 16 Oct. 1870, York Co. Mar. Magdalina REASINGER b. 10 Feb. 1808, d. 14 Aug. 1879. Were her par. John & Rebbecca REASINGER?

Helen N. Blessing, 425 Park Ave., Clearfield, PA, 16830.

A John McFERRON d. 1782, Cumberland Twp., York (now Adams) Co., PA. Wf.,

Martha, bro. Samuel, & ch.: William; John; Elizabeth; Mary; Jane; Angness; Susanna; & Martha. From Will: "Real estate to be sold 1 yr. after death and be divided among Wf. & Ch." Need to locate sale of land for list of persons who signed.

Who was Ann McFERRON in 1800 Census of Adams Co., PA?

Was s. of above John, John McPHERRIN, d. 1814, Findley Twp., Washington Co., PA, who in will, had wf., Nancy, decd., with will listing John McPHERRIN HOSACK & Nancy McPHERRIN HOSACK as ch. of nephew George HOSACK, and Nancy McPHERRIN HOSACK, dau. of nephew Michael HOSACK? This Michael is s. of Michael & Jane McPHERRON HOSACK. He b. ca. 1776, Cumberland Twp., York Co., mar. 5 June 1805 in Washington Co., PA, to Susanne LAWRENCE, & d. 1 Jan. 1842 in Carroll Co., OH. Was Jane McPHERRON HOSACK dau. of John McFERRON who d. 1782? Was above Susanne LAWRENCE HOSACK dau. of Joseph (d. 1795, Washington Co., PA.) & Sarah MOFFITT LAURENCE?

Verona Hosack, 2120 Orleans, Detroit, MI 48207.

Seeking information on date & place of marriage, ca. 1895, of Zelma Cassandra STROMAN and Joseph SNYDER, both of York, PA. Daughter, Ethel, b. 1896.

Austin Thoman, 20 China Cockle Lane, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928.

Would like information on Alexander CRIEGHTON and Esther PURDY, mar. ca. 1766 or later, possibly in York Co., PA.

Mrs. Martha Lewis, R 3, Box 182, Shelby, OH 44875.

Seeking clues/info. for John LESLIE/LASLEY/LESLEY & wf. Marjorie PAXTON before 1790. Adults Samuel & John LASLEY and George PAXTON in 1790 Census of York Co., PA. John & Marjorie LASLEY known to have moved to VA, Roanoke area ca. 1790. A son, Samuel, was b. 1793. Rev. John LESLIE & Marjorie PAXTON LESLIE on 28 Jly. 1814 signed a mar. bond for Samuel & Elizabeth WINEGAR. Samuel WINEGAR (d. 1888) was also a Baptist minister. Needing to know date & place of b., immigration, & citizenship records. John's d. in VA, but have found no records. Willing to trade information.

Neoma Leslie Plank, 9 Hospital Dr., #207, Canyon, TX 79015.

Does anyone know the relationship, if any, that existed between the 4 people named RAVEN in the 1850 Census of East Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co., May amensing Ward 2, Phila. Co., Jackson twp., Lebanon Co., Franklin twp., Westmoreland Co., & Williamsport Boro., Lycoming Co. Is anyone researching this name? Would like to find a desc. who can establish the connection between them & my forebears in Australia. If it is any help, my forebears migrated as stonemasons. They were also members of the Grand Lodge of Freemasonry.

Betty D. Wundersitz, Box 85, Victor Harbour, South Australia, 5211.

Would like to exchange data on family of Robert MILLER b. 1807 in PA, or OH, mar. Magdalena Ettla YOUNG and d. 1892 in York, PA. His father, Henry MILLER, was Irish & prob. fought in Rev. War. Would like name of his wf. & other children.

Mary Alice Hubert, 3 Overlook Dr., Amherst, MA 01002.

Seeking parents or other info. on John ZIGLER b. approx. 1770, York Co., PA. Mar. Jane DEARDORFF ca. 1788-1794, poss. at Dunkards Church. Ch.: George b. ca. 1790-1800; Anne b. ca. 1794-1804; John, Jr., b. 1800 (all in PA); and Daniel b. OH in 1807. They came to OH, ca. 1805.

Karl Zeigler, 577 E. Perry, Salem, OH 44460-3729.

Seeking corres., info. sharing with desc. of Mary Ann BRUNGAR(D)T b. 31 Mar. 1823, York Co., PA. Moved with par., George & Barbara, & bro. Adam & George, ca. 1832 to Mahoning Co., OH. Mary Ann mar. Rev. John G. ELLINGER, E. Luth. Ch.,

b. 1811/12, Welzheim, Ger., who attended Gettysburg College ca. 1833/34.

As a desc. of Daniel ARMOR b. PA, ca. 1816 of foreign born Scottish par., I wish to share info. on the ARMO(U)R(ER) family who imm. into southern PA, in the late 18th cent.

Thomas W. Armour, 264 Monte Vista Ave., Oakland, CA, 94611.

Need info. on Millard W. DIEHL b. 1868 & wf., Orella FREESTON, b. 1866. Ch.: Sadie Grace b. 1889; Plummer Lloyd b. 1890; Luiro M. b. 1891; Warfield Ross b. 1893; Clarence b. 1899; Romaine b. 1901; Herbert b. 1906; & Leona. Want death, mar., spouse, & ch. of each. All lived in or near York in 1910 & later.

Need info. on Levi S. MILLER b. 1865 & wf., Jennie FREESTON b. 1862. Ch.: Addie M. b. 1889, mar. ? HERBST; Flossie b. 1891; & Homer C. b. 1900. Want death, mar., spouse, & ch. of each. Lived North Hopewell Twp., York Co., PA, in 1900.

Would like to correspond with desc. or anyone who knew these families.

Ruth Enyeart Clark, P.O. Box 5247, Reno, NV 89513.

Am seeking par. of Julianna SECHLER, wf. of Christian DIEHL. Her b. & d. date plus mar. date. Julianna's cousin was Christian's second wf., Magdeline SECHLER.

Need the name of Mollie (FOUTS) DIEHL's parents, her b. & d. dates, & mar. date to Peter DIEHL. Know they were res. of Mahoning Twp., Columbia Co., PA.

Trying to find par. of Paul ADAM's, Sr., he b. 1758, d. 1834. Was from Washington Co., PA. Wf. was Abigail PARKHURST.

Can anyone help me in search for LOCEY, HORSEMAN (HORSMAN/HOSMAN), Ephraim CROOK, Rev. James SWANEY (SWEENEY, etc.), & FISHEL.

Carrol L. Fishel, Box 94, Westport, PA, 17778.

Would like to hear from anyone with info. about Lydia DAWSON. She mar. Miles RICE 15 May 1845 in Warrick Co., IN. Goodspeed History says Lydia a "native of PA", but where in PA? Miles was s. of Joseph RICE & Frances BROADWELL of NC. Any PA, DAWSON info. might help.

Mrs. Ruth Nicholson, 18 S. Alvord Blvd., Evansville, IN, 47714.

Seeking Jacob BARDT who mar. Christina, dau. of Jacob WILLET & Rosina FLINCHBAUGH, & granddau. of Christopher WILLET & Christina HAS. Was b. 12 Apr. 1796 & bapt. 5 June 1796, St. John's Luth. Ch., Littlestown, Germany Twp., Adams Co., PA.

Seeking info. on Johannes, son of Stephanus BARD(T) & Catharina of Germany Twp., Adams Co. Johannes b. 8 Mar. 1778, bapt. 17 Apr. 1778, Christ United Ch. of Christ, Union Twp., Adams Co., near Littlestown.

Irene Forrer, 108 Cliff St., Dayton, OH, 45405.

Seeking info. on ancestors of Joseph MILLER b. 2 Jan. 1836, d. 8 Dec. 1905, mar. 1st. on 2 Jan. 1857 to Nancy MOORE (20 Jan. 1836-10 Nov. 1899), and 2nd. on 12 Mar. 1902 to Mary Sue LEWIS (1863-29 Aug. 1960). Joseph had 4 sons: James; Wm. Lincoln; Andrew; & Joseph. Believe all were b. at Walnut Bottom, Cumberland Co., PA. Joseph last lived in Mechancisburg, PA.

Paul A. Miller, 412 N. Market St., Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

Seeking info. on Rev. Jacob SNIVELY b. ca. 1781, mar. to Barbara RHODES. Was Brethren minister & early settler of Shenandoah Valley. After Rev. moved to Franklin Co., PA, & purchased land from Capt. PHILLIPS. Both d. in Williamsburg, Blair Co., PA. Their dau., Elizabeth mar. Abraham SHELLY b. 11 Feb. 1802 in Williamsburg. He s. of Abraham & Barbara (SMITH) SHELLY. Abraham, Sr. b. 1775, Schuylkill Co., PA, & was deacon in Brethren Church. Like to correspond with someone seeking same families.

Seeking info. on ances. of Valentine COOK, Sr. b. ca. 1730, Eng., d. 1797 in Greenbriar, VA, mar. Susannah BAUGHMAN b. ca. 1750 in York, PA. His moth. mar. 2nd. William SLY, who brought him to Am. ca. 1744. Susannah b. 24 Aug. 1732, was dau. of Jacob BAUGHMAN & Mararetha SCHWIZIGLER. Valentine had bro., Jacob.

Mrs. Eleanor Witter, 1 Las Vegas Rd., Orinda, CA, 94563.

John Koch b. ca. 1747, came to Canada in 1800 with Mathias KLEIN and Abraham & Henry ORT/ORTH/etc. These fam. were related by mar. Lived in York Co., PA (poss. Earls Twp. - Ed. Note: If Earls, it was Lancaster Co.). Both KLEIN & OORT came from Manchester Twp., York Co. John mar. Anna ? b. ca. 1753, poss. Lutheran. His ch.: John b. 1783; Anna b. 1784; Henry b. 1785; Abraham b. 1785; Helena b. 1786; Jacob b. 1792; Ebenezar b. 1793; & Sally b. 1797. Who were his par. & when did he come to PA? Would like to hear from anyone with info. about KLEIN & ORT fam. as well. Would be glad to pay their postage.

Am also interested in hearing from anyone with info. about Calvan, Moses, & Isaac COOK/KOCH who are in Canada in early 1800's. They do not seem to be in John KOCH's fam., but they were German & prob. came from PA.

Marilyn Cook, 273 Fincham Ave., Markham, Ont. Canada, L3P 4E5.

Who were par. of Andrew ARMSTRONG, d. 1782, Chanceford Twp., York Co., PA? Seeking par. & dates of b., mar., & d. of his 2nd. wf., Elinor ELLIOT.

Wish names of par. of Elizabeth McILROY, b. ca. 1761, came from N. Ireland in 1774. She mar. John ARMSTRONG (s. of above Andrew) in 1780. When in 1780? She had relative, fath., or broth., named Martin ELLIOT.

Wish all data on Ann McLAUGHLIN, said to be dau. of George of Peach Bottom Ferry, Lanc. Co., PA. She mar. Robert KING of Little Britain Twp., Lanc. Co., in 1736.

Catherine S. Chandler, 4725 Montgomery Ave., Downers Grove, IL, 60515.

Seeking info. and old photos on the town of Lineboro, MD. Am doing research on this town's history in order to publish a book.

Joyce P. Whay, 3603 Lineboro Rd., Manchester, MD 21102.

Derick/Dirck UPDEGRAFF, son of Isaac & Maria (?), b. ?, mar. Margaret ?, dau. of ?. When & where mar.? Derick d. 1738. They lived in Amity Twp., Berks Co., PA, & in Lancaster. Any clues welcome. Will exchange info.

Lois Barton, 84889 Harry Taylor Rd., Eugene, OR, 97405.

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