

DESCENDANCY of WILLIAM FISHER (b c1775) and HANNAH [FISHER]

William's parents are not known to us
Hannah's parents and birthdate are not known to us

Note 1: material in smaller type is written by BFE (Barbara Ann Fisher), wife of KFE (Karl Frederick Edler Jr), while larger type material is primarily from our family history database maintained by KFE.

Note 2: names of direct ancestors of BFE are underlined.

I. William¹ Fisher¹, born about 1775, married Hannah [Fisher] East Riding, Yorkshire, England; at least four children baptized St John and St Martin Church, Beverley, East Riding.¹

William's birthdate is estimated, based on the birthdate of his oldest child. We have no other information about William, and nothing about Hannah other than her given name. Someday we hope to find out more about them, and perhaps *their* ancestors.

We began with notes written by BFE's grandmother (ECF, Edith Cole Fisher), probably in the 1930s and '40s. Mostly, this material is her recollection of events which happened during her lifetime, plus earlier events she remembered hearing others tell about.

It was, and is, wonderful that we had such a great resource to begin with! As usual with family researchers, we also looked for, and found, information in sources such as census and church records, and most enjoyable trips to Ontario (September 1997) and Yorkshire (April 2001). But, we still don't have answers to many of our questions.

WHERE WILLIAM AND HANNAH LIVED -- The family probably lived at least for a time in Thearne, near Beverley, East Riding, Yorkshire. Their children were baptized in Beverley, which is located about 15 miles northwest of Kingston-upon-Hull. It is perhaps a mile west of the river Hull, a tributary on the north side of the river Humber on the east coast of England. More on our 2001 visit to Yorkshire begins on page 7-2.

OUR FISHER "IMMIGRANT" -- was the oldest son, William, who came with his family in 1851. He was actually the second of our Fishers to arrive in Canada; his younger brother John was first. We were not able to find out exactly when John came, but it must have been several years before William. There is a John Fisher on the 1846 rolls in Brooklin, Whitby Township, ON. We know our John and his family lived in Whitby, but we don't know whether in the township or the village itself.

Incidentally, one other Fisher family came to Ontario County in the mid-1800s, that of George Fisher, a Protestant clergyman. Most of the Fishers in Whitby Twp today are descended from George. We had to make sure that family's records didn't sidetrack us.

We don't know why our John and William and their families left England, but it was a time when conditions were often difficult and opportunities very limited. Large numbers of people came to Canada during the period leading up to the 1867 Confederation. Although we've made a number of visits to different parts of Canada, it's obvious we do need to study more of her history. And we need lots more time in Yorkshire!

A. William² Fisher, baptized 23 Oct 1797, married Hannah **Robinson** and married Sarah Allison

-- see page 7-2.

B. John² Fisher, baptized 16 Apr 1799, married Catherine **Hutty**

-- see page 7-8.

C. Edward² Fisher¹ was baptized 28 Mar 1800.

D. Lucy² Fisher¹ was baptized 15 Oct 1802.

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WILLIAM FISHER (bapt 1797) and HANNAH ROBINSON and their descendants
and
WILLIAM FISHER and SARAH ALLISON and their descendants
from page 7-1

William's parents were William Fisher and Hannah [Fisher]
Hannah's and Sarah's parents and birthdates are not known to us

A. William² Fisher^{12,19} was baptized 23 Oct 1797 St John and St Martin Church, Beverley, East Riding, Yorkshire.¹ He married Hannah **Robinson** 11 May 1826 Parish Church, South Cave, East Riding;⁵ seven children baptized South Cave. William was a farmer, and in 1841 was a bricklayer in South Cave.⁷

Born about 1799 Yorkshire, Hannah died 2 Mar 1845, age about 46, from an infected knee, buried in the yard of St Anne's Church, Ellerker, Yorkshire.

Secondly, William married **Sarah Allison**,¹² probably about 1849 or 1850. They are said to have emigrated to Ontario on the ship *Isabella* April 1851, with several of his children from his first marriage. William died about 1855, age about 58, near Keswick, York Co ON.

Sarah married William **Hodson**, probably 1857 or later; one child.

SOUTH CAVE is a small town and parish about 3 miles north of the river Humber, 7 miles south of Market Weighton, and 13 miles from Hull. (Kingston-upon-Hull is Hull's proper name, and refers to the river Hull, which enters the Humber at the city.) South Cave is named after the Cave family, prominent in the area since the 1200s. Cave Castle has been the residence of the Barnard family since the 1500s. The term "East Riding" isn't official any more, and the area is now referred to as East Yorkshire.

YORKSHIRE RESEARCH TRIP -- in April 2001 we visited Yorkshire with our son Karl Frederick "Fritz" Edler III and our grandson Cory Alexander Simmons-Edler. We had only a few days to explore the towns and the lovely countryside, and what seemed like just a few hours for research.

We were charmed by Beverley. It's a great "ancestral town" -- it still has a little of its medieval town center, market cross, magnificent large churches, the old canal wharf, etc. We highly recommend it, and wish for more time there.

One really does have to make field trips whenever possible, to find things otherwise unobtainable. We keep running into folks who claim they do all their research on the internet, but we just don't see how that's very realistic. Our time limit was due to Cory's need to get back to school, and of course we're happy we had as much time as we did.

You should be warned, however, that the trip was pretty expensive, much more so than we had expected, based on our past experiences. But worth every ha'penny! Mostly, we stayed in B&B's, partly because they cost less than hotels, but really because we like to visit with the people who run them. As expected, they were great.

It's easy to do. One just goes to the "Tourist I" (Tourist Information Office) in each of the larger towns. They'll call ahead to other towns if you want. You pay them 10%, which they keep to support their operations, and then you pay the B&B the other 90%. It makes it so nice to travel on, knowing you've got a place for the night. This service was offered everywhere we went, except the one in the Heathrow Airport, where they would only give you some information and you had to make your own calls.

In the olden days, we just drove around and spotted the sign in the window. It was usually a family that had a spare room, and one shared the bathroom, very informal, inexpensive, and nice. But nowadays almost all the places have "en suite" bathrooms and charge accordingly. The big English breakfasts are, fortunately, still the same!

WHERE WILLIAM FISHER LIVED -- even though our time in Beverley was very limited, we did make some wonderful (to us) discoveries in the Archives there. A very chatty diary has been published, written by a man who lived near Beverley in the time period, with a detailed index. What a find! Blessings on the people who did the index and published the book!

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The book is *The Diary of Robert Sharp, of South Cave; Life in a Yorkshire Villaage 1812-1837*. It was published for the British Academy by the Oxford Press, 1977. We also found and copied maps of the area at the public library in Beverley, in our attempts to find the locations where William lived.

The diary mentioned that William Fisher leased "Mr Barnard's" farm in Brantingham in 1827, and a farm in Ellerker in 1834 which had been previously leased by Thomas Allison. It said that Mr Fisher gave £200 per year, but that Mr Allison had given £240. We didn't find anything about William Fisher becoming a bricklayer in South Cave, but there would have been plenty of time for him to become an apprentice bricklayer, and then a journeyman, before his emigration in 1851.

HANNAH ROBINSON -- The hamlets of Brantingham and Ellerker are small and charming. The biggest excitement of all was when we went to the church in Ellerker, walked around in the cemetery, and found the grave of William's first wife Hannah. Of course, the stone itself doesn't prove anything, there were a lot of folks in the cemetery with similar names, but it does seem to fit quite well.

It gives her death date as 2 Mar 1845, and says she died at age 46. Later we were able to obtain a copy of her death certificate. Other confirming records stated she died of complications of an ulcerated knee. We believe her father may have lived at Mount Airey, a very tiny hamlet not far from Brantingham and Ellerker. (Note, Hannah's surname was earlier thought to be Reynardson.)

Although she's not a direct ancestor of BFE, we were touched to find her grave. We did feel connected to her and we seemed a little more at home in the lovely area; it made it easier to sense more about the family and their time there.

THE SHIP *ISABELLA* -- in old local newspapers on microfilm in the Archives in Beverley, we found an advertisement announcing the forthcoming sailing of the *Isabella* and a later news item that she had sailed 17 Apr 1851. Now we have confirmation of the name of the ship and the actual sailing date. Notes of ECF said April 1851, and that the trip took six weeks and three days, but we didn't know if April was the departure or the arrival.

So we now have a new clue for further search, if we can make another trip to Ottawa, where it is said that some records exist for ship arrivals prior to 1856. The newspaper article said the *Isabella* was bound for Quebec. ECF's notes said the family arrived in Whitby ON, and we had been looking in Toronto.

They would have had to take another, perhaps smaller, vessel from Quebec to Whitby. Of course, they could have gotten to Whitby by land, but it seems more likely that they would have gone by water. With this new information, we can look for the *Isabella's* arrival in Quebec in the records (if they exist and if we can find them).

WHERE DID WILLIAM AND SARAH MARRY? -- A rather charming part of the story is that ECF said Sarah's father was "Lord Allison" who "disowned her for marrying a commoner" -- which implies they married in Yorkshire. For a while we thought however, that William and Sarah most likely met and married in Ontario after his arrival there. This was because we checked Burke's Peerage and didn't find a Lord Allison in the appropriate time period, and because Sarah is shown on the 1870 census record as having been born in Canada.

We looked for the ship's passenger list, which could settle whether or not Sarah came to Canada with William, but so far haven't been able to find such a list. We went to the Toronto archives in June 1999, but it turns out that whatever ship records exist prior to 1865 are in Ottawa. That'll be our next trip!

There were Allison families at the time in Ontario, including at least one rather wealthy family involved in the timber industry (logging, papermaking, etc.). Perhaps the head of this family could have been known as "Lord Allison" by his employees. If Sarah were a member of this family, and they thought she was marrying beneath her, we think this could possibly explain the family story about her father.

It would be interesting to know what happened. William already had seven children. He was over 50 when they married, 20 years older than Sarah, who couldn't have been much over 30. The 1870 census gives her age as 50, so she would have been born about 1820. Although William was probably a journeyman, it doesn't seem likely that he would have had a great deal of material goods at that time to offer a new wife, while continuing to provide for several children still at home. If we knew more of Sarah's previous circumstances, we would be able to understand better.

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As one result of our 2001 trip to Yorkshire, we now have a little more indication that William and Sarah did indeed marry in the Brantingham/Elkerker area. There were Allison's in the cemetery, and farms with the name Allison on the mailbox. One of the farms mentioned in the diary as being leased by William, had previously been leased by Mr Allison. So, it seems obvious William would've known the Allison family.

We aren't positive, but (from an 1834 directory of trades in Cottingham) we believe Sarah's father was Thomas Allison, an innkeeper in Cottingham, a town and parish between South Cave and Kingston-upon-Hull.

Now that we've found local Allison families, we're much less anxious about finding the *Isabella's* passenger list. We now think the Lord Allison story was just fun that Sarah made up to entertain the children. Maybe her father wasn't too happy about her going off across the ocean with a middle-aged bricklayer and several of his children, and wasn't planning to offer any help if she did go.

We know she certainly did have a hard time after William died, when she had to bring up and support her child by herself. And her later second marriage had its difficulties as well. From what little we know of her, she seems like a terrific person, probably high spirited enough to tell a fanciful story that was passed along and appealed to ECF!

ONTARIO RESEARCH TRIP -- in September 1997, we made a most enjoyable ten-day trip to Ontario. As a result, we were able to clarify and expand a good deal of the information about the Fisher family we had gathered earlier, and add lots more. (One never finds answers to *everything*...) On this trip, we were especially impressed with the quality of the local volunteer-run museums in Ontario and the excellent larger ones. Volunteer and professional staff members helped us locate data in libraries, archives and historical society files, or suggested other resources.

CEMETERIES -- we found burial places of a number of relatives in Ontario, the tombstones of which told us things we had previously had no idea about. One reason for this really stands out -- in the cemeteries, most of the tombstones gave the wife's name as well as the husband's. We don't recall seeing this to any extent in other places. Having the wife's own name shown may not seem like much to a person who hasn't done this kind of looking, but experienced researchers will understand what a boon it is!

Many of the tombstones are made of a beautiful pinkish granite. Many appear to be of about the same vintage, and bear names and dates for individuals who died at widely varying times. It seems obvious that such stones replace old ones, so they may not be in exactly the place where each person is buried.

We also saw several places where stones from old cemeteries have been gathered together in one place, presumably without removal of the actual burials. Some stones are placed side by side, flat, on a slanted cairn of earth, and some are upright, rather close together, in a group on normal ground level. Some within fences; some in cemeteries and some not.

This gathering of old stones was new to us. Apparently it is done when a site is to be cleared for building and an old burying ground is discovered. If it has been so neglected that stones are missing, broken, and/or scattered, its condition may be such that the burials themselves cannot be identified and moved. Preserving the remaining stones is then an effective way to remember what would otherwise be completely lost.

THE AREAS WHERE OUR FISHER FAMILY LIVED -- the areas where they lived most of their time in Ontario are very attractive, with rolling hills, good-looking farms, and pleasant towns. We especially liked the rather distinctive style of many of the brick houses, with sharply peaked front gables like the ones we had seen in Nova Scotia.

The higher land on the western side of the Niagara Escarpment, including the areas around Tara and Keswick, was a little different, still attractive but not rolling, and with fewer lakes and ponds. Heavy rain kept us from really walking on the Bruce Trail along the Escarpment, but we did find the trail, where it crosses a beautiful waterfall near Owen Sound. Trail markers are the same as those on the Appalachian Trail.

We found the terminology of towns, townships, counties, and regional municipalities just a little confusing at times. One term we enjoyed was applied to some very small places -- signs welcomed us to the "hamlet" of such-and-such. We never did find out the intended function of "regional municipalities" -- a lady we asked kept saying they were forced into them, but couldn't bring herself to acknowledge a reason.

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Timing for our trip turned out to be good; lots of places were having fests of one sort or another. We stayed two extra days around Brooklin so we could attend its 150th anniversary celebration. We watched the tractor pulls (one of our favorite contests) at the Uxbridge Fair. The rain kept us from staying for the parade at Tara's autumn fair but we did see all the posters and signs and talk to some of the people.

The sightseeing and the special events made the area seem more real to us. Even though things in the mid-1800s, when our family was here, would certainly have been different, we felt a little bit at home.

WHERE WILLIAM AND SARAH LIVED -- the family first lived in Whitby Township, York Co, Upper Canada, probably near the family of William's brother John, who had come to Whitby earlier. William and his family later lived in Brooklin, Whitby Township, Ontario Co, and in Greenwood, Pickering Township, Ontario Co, before settling near Keswick in York Co. It was a time of great expansion and building, so we *assume* William was perhaps able to continue his trade of bricklaying.

Present day Keswick is a rather spread out resort community on the eastern shore of Cook's Bay, off the south of Lake Simcoe. To the north of Keswick is Roches Point, a more compact town on, as its name implies, the point where the bay joins the lake. We had hoped to find William's grave and his deathdate, but we were unable to locate the Fishers anywhere in the Keswick area at all.

Then, a complication appeared. On an 1860 map, the town on the point is named Keswick, and the present day Keswick location is named Medina. At first, we were pleased and thought it cleared things up a bit, because the small town of the "old" Keswick seemed a more likely place for the Fishers than the new.

But the puzzle is still there, because we don't know to which Keswick ECF referred. She may have written what she was told, referring to "old" Keswick. Or, if the original story did refer to Medina, she might have said Keswick because that was what the town was named when she did her writing. We don't know when the names were changed.

Incidentally, we later found that Whitby ON was originally known as Perry's Corners, after an early settler, Peter Perry. Also known as Windsor, in 1848 it was renamed Whitby, after a very attractive seaport town in Yorkshire (which we visited in Apr 2001).

THE FAMILY LATER ON -- William probably died about 1855. According to ECF, he died from a punctured lung. Notes of BFE's grandaunt Laura Fisher Burleigh say he was felling a tree, and it fell on him, one branch piercing his lung, and that Sarah later worked hard to support Joseph. She did laundry and everything else she could honorably do. Finally Sarah found employment in an Episcopal (or Church of England) boarding school, and there Joseph was educated.

There is a family story that Sarah was absolutely fearless. She and Joseph were allowed to live in a house rent-free, because it was haunted. She decided to get rid of that "hant" which was a scraping sound at certain times, when the wind blew a certain direction. She took a saw and told Joseph to follow her upstairs to a window overlooking a "stoop" or "leanto" of the house. She handed him the saw and told him to go out on the stoop and cut off a certain branch from a tree. Thus they got rid of the hant, and lived there for several years. He often drew pictures of this house and the lake.

As Joseph grew older he planned to make a home for his mother when he grew up, but she married William **Hodson**. We don't know when they married, but think it must have been 1857 or later, possibly several years later. This is based partly on some other family stories of Sarah and Joseph when he was about five years old, and partly on the belief that he would have had to be at least four to six years old to go to the school.

THE HODSON FAMILY -- Family notes say Sarah and William Hodson had a son, Eralzo, but we know almost nothing else about their life together. In 1866 the family emigrated to Minnesota. More of our comments on this major move are on the pages for Joseph Fisher, for Joseph's half brother William Fisher, and for Joseph's son Alexander Wadden Fisher.

We thought Sarah's husband's name was Hodson because ECF spelled it that way, but couldn't find a Hodson family. After much searching for spelling variations, we found a Hodges household (indexed as Hedges) in the 1870 census of Northfield Twp, Rice Co MN, which seemed to be our family. Incidentally, we found "Hodgson" families in Ontario and in Beverley, Yorkshire, so we think perhaps that may have been the original name.

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We think an extract of the 1870 census is interesting enough to show here:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Birthplace</u>
Hodges, William	50	M	W	Blacksmith	England
Sarah	50	F	W	Keeping House	Canada
Rose	15	F	W		Canada
McAnder, Thomas	20	M	W	Apprentice	Canada
Fisher, Joseph	19	M	W	Laborer	Canada

We wondered why Eralzo isn't shown; see page 7-7 for how we finally found him. (We don't know anything about Thomas McAnder.)

Despite much looking, we haven't found William and Sarah on the 1880 census. Alas, we don't know whether they were simply skipped on the census, or had gone back to Canada, or had died. We did find her son Joseph Fisher in the 1880 census, with his wife Amelia Jones and three little sons.

-- Children of William Fisher and Hannah Robinson --

1. Alice³ **Fisher**, born about 1826 South Cave, East Riding, Yorkshire,⁷ was a "teacher of school" in South Cave, Yorkshire, 1841. She married William **Dartnell**² in Canada; at least four children.

a) Edward⁴ **Dartnell**.²

b) Anne Harriet Rebecca⁴ **Dartnell**.²

c) Mabel Elizabeth⁴ **Dartnell**.²

d) Ada Louise⁴ **Dartnell** (1867-1940) married Robert **Steed** (1870-1947); son Robert J (1905-1992) and wife Jane (Jean) **Flavell** (1899-1973). Their tombstones are in Creemore Union Cemetery, Creemore ON.

2. Hannah³ **Fisher** was born about 1831 East Riding, Yorkshire.⁷

We don't know anything about Hannah or her sister Rebecca, or whether they emigrated to Canada with their father. They appear on the 1841 census records, so they didn't die as infants or very young children.

3. Rebecca³ **Fisher** was born about 1833 South Cave, East Riding, Yorkshire.⁷

4. Elizabeth³ **Fisher**² was baptized 8 Oct 1833 Parish Church, South Cave. She married Robert **Leighton**⁵ about 1854 Durham Co ON as his third wife. Born 1813 England, Robert died 5 Jul 1880, age abt 67. Elizabeth died 26 Jan 1888 Dufferin ON, age about 55.³⁵

Two sons: Samuel (married Sarah Jane Kirby 13 Mar 1877) and Richard.

5. William³ **Fisher**, baptized 16 May 1836 Parish Church, married Mary Ann **Davidson** and married Louise **Wakefield**

-- see page 7-9.

6. Jane³ **Fisher**, baptized 20 May 1838 Parish Church, married David **DeLong**

-- see page 7-11.

7. Ann³ **Fisher**² was born about 1840 South Cave.⁷ She married William **McAvoy**;² no children known to us.

She lived to be over 90; ECF's notes about the family in Ontario say Ann was small, and very bright and charming.

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-- Child of William Fisher and Sarah Allison --

8. Joseph H³ (Harry?) Fisher, born 30 Aug 1852 Whitby Township, Ontario Co ON, *
married Amelia Jones

-- see page 7-12.

-- Child of Sarah Allison and William Hodson --

9. Eralzo "Ralzy" **Hodson**¹² was probably born about 1856.

Notes of ECF and Laura Burleigh Rector don't give any information about Eralzo, except that he was called Ralzy. He was probably the "uncle" who was helping clear the land on the farm in Minnesota where A W Fisher was born, page 7-22.

We didn't know why Eralzo isn't listed on the 1870 census record with his family. We tried to think of various reasons, including the possibility that he might have died. We wanted to find more about him, as it was one of the "mysteries" in our family.

"Rose" is shown, age 15, on the 1870 Rice Co MN census, in the William "Hodges" household, so we thought she might be a daughter of Sarah and William. We also thought she could possibly be a "hired girl" who was living in the household at the time, or she might have been William's daughter from a previous marriage.

Then, as we knew nothing about a daughter in the family, and we were familiar with census misspellings, we began to think "Rose" could possibly be Ralzy.

At last, when we were about to give up, we found Ralzey Hodson, a blacksmith age 24, in the 1880 census. He was boarding in Lake Benton Village, Lincoln Co MN. He is shown as married, but no wife is in the boarding house or nearby. Although we don't know anything about what happened to him later, we are very pleased to find him.

Incidentally, Ralzy is shown on the census as born in England, with father born in England and mother born in Ireland -- hint, don't believe everything you see on a census record!

Note: We use Hodson as the surname of William and Eralzo, because we think that is what the name was. However, future researchers should be aware that many sources say it was Hodges.

- York County was created from part of the "Home District" of Upper Canada in 1792. Ontario County was created from part of York County in 1851. Uxbridge, Whitby, and Pickering were among the original townships of Ontario County. The town of Whitby was incorporated in 1855.

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JOHN FISHER (bapt 1799) and CATHERINE HUTTY and their descendants
from page 7-1

John's parents were William Fisher and Hannah [Fisher]
 Catherine's parents were James Huddy and Rachel Jackson
 Catherine's birthdate is not known to us

B. John² Fisher² was baptized 16 Apr 1799 St John and St Martin Church, Beverley, East Riding, Yorkshire.¹ He married Catherine **Huddy** 26 Oct 1829 St John and St Martin, Beverley; at least four children born East Riding. Her parents were James Huddy and Rachel **Jackson**.

John and Catherine emigrated to Canada prior to 1851, and lived Whitby Township, York Co, Upper Canada. John's will is dated 1873, but we don't know when he or Catherine died.

In the Ontario Archives, John and his son Samuel are shown as inhabitants of York Co, Upper Canada in 1851, on two lots. In 1866, they are again shown as residents, on separate lots, of Whitby Township, Ontario Co. They appear again in 1869-70 as residents of Whitby Township.

Catherine's father James Huddy was born about 1761 England. He and Rachel Jackson married about 1788, and are said to have had 13 children.¹⁸

Catherine Huddy must have been a truly special person. She had two granddaughters named after her, using both her first and last names (Catherine Huddy Fisher and Catherine Huddy DeLong), and Huddy is the middle name of several other grandchildren.

1. Elizabeth³ Fisher², born about 1829 (age 51 in 1880), married David H **Mcfarlane**;² no children known to us. He was born about 1824 (age 56 in 1880). They lived in Butte City, Deer Lodge Co MN, where they were hotel keepers.

2. Samuel H³ (Huddy?) **Fisher**, born about 1834, married Isabel **Sadler**. -- see page 7-16.

3. John³ Fisher² remained in England.

a. Harry⁴ **Fisher**.

4. Hannah³ Fisher, baptized 9 Apr 1838 Woodmancy, East Riding, married James Henry **DeLong**. -- see page 7-17.

WILLIAM FISHER (bapt 1836) and MARY ANN DAVIDSON (b c1845) and their descendants
and

WILLIAM FISHER and LOUISE WAKEFIELD [THOMPSON] and their descendants

from page 7-6

William's parents were William Fisher and Hannah Robinson

Mary Ann's parents are not known to us

Louise's parents and birthdate are not known to us

5. William³ “Bill” **Fisher** was baptized 16 May 1836 Parish Church, South Cave, East Riding, Yorkshire.⁸ He married Mary Ann **Davidson**;² two children. Born about 1845, she died 19 Jan 1884, age 39, buried Uxbridge Cemetery, Uxbridge, Ontario Co ON.

Secondly, he married Louise **Wakefield [Thompson]**² 7 Apr 1887; one child. She was a widow from the town of Prince Albert.

William died 11 Feb 1927, age almost 91, buried beside Mary Ann.

William accompanied his stepmother Sarah Allison, half brother Joseph, and others in the family to Hastings MN in 1866. In July of that year he joined the Masons. Later he returned to the Uxbridge area, and lived there for 25 years before he died, having moved there from Reach Township. According to the 1881 census, he was a farm laborer.

When he died, he was the oldest Mason in the area. His obituary, in the North Ontario Times, describes a large funeral. The minister said William was "the most optimistic man I ever knew. If anyone asked him how he was, his answer invariably was that he was 'fine'. He was affectionately called 'Daddy' Fisher. He was never heard to say a mean word about anybody. In the vernacular of the street, he was a 'good sport'."

William was in his ninety-first year and made daily trips up and down the streets of Uxbridge, calling on his friends, and could enjoy a joke with any of them. He read the daily papers, retaining his good eyesight even at his advanced age.

We found his tombstone in the Uxbridge Cemetery. It includes names and dates for his first wife Mary Ann and their daughter Gertrude. We don't know when William's second wife Louise died, but we assume she was buried elsewhere with her first husband.

-- Children of William Fisher and Mary Ann Davidson --

a) Benjamin William⁴ “Bennie” **Fisher** was born about 1873 (age 8 in the 1881 census). He died about 1892, age 19.¹²

b) Gertrude⁴ “Gertie” **Fisher**² was born 10 Aug 1876 Ontario. Never married, in the 1911 census she was listed as a “tailoress”. She died 2 Jan 1980 Uxbridge, Ontario Co ON, age 103, buried Uxbridge Cemetery next to her parents.

In a letter to BFE's aunt Eleanor Fisher Duke, in the 1930s, Gertrude sent a little chart about various relatives. She said she (Gertrude) wasn't "much good at drawing, can use a needle better and I still make all my clothes."

-- Child of William Fisher and Louise Wakefield [Thompson] --

- c) Rebecca Mae⁴ **Fisher**,² usually known as Mae, was born Jan 1888.¹⁹ She married Frank **Myers**.²

Mae was a dressmaker and milliner. At age about 24 in 1912, she worked for Art Hagerman, General Merchant (successor to Jesse Cook), Zephyr ON. The store sold dry goods, groceries, crockery and glassware, hats, caps, boots and shoes.

A picture in a newspaper clipping shows Mae with Louise **Colby** and three other women helpers at Duncan Campbell's Tailor Shop. (Louise was a sister of the wife of Mae's cousin John E DeLong.)

In 1927 Mae and Frank lived in Cannington ON. All we know about Frank is that he was a "huckster" (salesman) and a "trucker in Zephyr 1932-41". His first wife was Beryl **Urquhart**.

- i) Aldra⁵ **Myers**² is said to have been a nurse.

We have a photograph identified as "at Annie DeLong's home, Tara, Ontario, 1930". It was taken when BFE's grandparents AWF (Alexander Wadden Fisher) and ECF (Edith Avanelle Cole) and their daughter visited their cousins in Canada. Gertrude, Mae, and Aldra are included in the picture.

- ii) Reginald⁵ "Redge" **Myers**.

JANE FISHER (bapt 1838) and DAVID DELONG and their descendants
from page 7-6

Jane's parents were William Fisher and Hannah Robinson

David's parents were John DeLong and Abigail Capron

David's birthdate is not known to us

6. Jane³ **Fisher** was baptized 20 May 1838 Parish Church, South Cave, East Riding, Yorkshire.⁵ She married David **DeLong** about 1863.^{2,10,11} His parents were John DeLong and Abigail **Capron**.

Jane died 1913, age about 75. She and David were buried Hillcrest Cemetery, near Tara, Bruce Co ON.²²

David's brother, James Henry DeLong, married Jane's first cousin Hannah Fisher, page 7-17.

-- See page 7-21 for some information about the DELONG family --

a. Anna Rebecca⁴ **DeLong**^{2,10} was born 1863¹⁰ Ontario. She died 1935, age about 72, Bruce Co ON, buried Hillcrest Cemetery.

We believe she was "our beloved Annie of Tara", whom ECF (Edith Cole Fisher) admired and wrote about in her notes. ECF and Annie corresponded for many years. The photograph mentioned on the previous page was taken in her yard, when ECF, her husband AWF, and their daughter visited in 1930.

Earlier we had wondered how these cousins became acquainted with each other. Now we think this may have been when AWF was assigned to the YMCA in Hamilton ON 1907-1908. We think the family didn't accompany him to Canada, so perhaps only AWF made the initial contacts. It's possible there may have been other family visits; the DeLongs may have come to see the Fishers one or more times.

b. Eva Alice⁴ **DeLong**¹⁰ was born 1865 or 1867 Ontario.¹⁰ She married Joshua E **Moore** 23 Apr 1890 Derby, Huron Co ON.¹⁰ He was born 1848. His parents were George Moore and Margaret **Hammond**.

Joshua was a farmer. He and Eva Alice were both Presbyterian. She died 1920 Ontario, age about 54. He died 1943, age about 95. They were buried Hillcrest Cemetery.

We had earlier thought they might have had two children, Reginald and Olga, but we now believe this was only a misreading of some notes. Perhaps there was confusion with the names of Reginald and Aldra, children of Rebecca Mae Fisher and Frank Myers, page 7-10.

c. Ernest Russell⁴ **DeLong**¹⁰ was born 18 Dec 1880 Derby, Huron Co ON.¹⁰

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JOSEPH H FISHER (b 1852) and AMELIA JONES (b 1850) and their descendants
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Joseph's parents were William Fisher and Sarah Allison
Amelia's parents were Edward Jones and Celeste Strayner

8. Joseph H³ (Harry?) Fisher,^{2,12} born 30 Aug 1852 Whitby Township, Ontario Co ON,² married Amelia Jones 29 Nov 1871 Dundas, Rice Co MN, probably in the Church of the Holy Cross, probably by a minister named Gould or Gold; eight children. She was born 21 May 1850 Pottsdam NY. Her parents were Edward Jones and Celeste "Alice" Strayner.

Joseph was a locomotive engineer.¹³ He died 2 Feb 1900, age 47, buried Wyuka Cemetery, Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE.¹⁵ Amelia died 21 Apr 1930, age 79, Plattsmouth NE.

-- See page 7-14 for some information about the JONES family --

When Joseph was three years old, his father died. His mother, Sarah Allison, worked to support him. He received his education at an Episcopal boarding school where Sarah was employed.

Notes of BFE's grandaunt Laura Fisher Burleigh say Joseph was left very much to himself and the friendly Indians there. While he was very young he learned many things from them.

One morning when he was about 5 years old, his mother missed him. She hunted and hunted, and finally saw a tiny speck away out on the lake. She thought it might be Joseph, so as the canoe drew nearer, she hid behind some bushes so he would not see her at first and become excited. "Oh, how happy she was when her laddie brought the canoe safely to land!"

While they lived in Canada, Joseph's Uncle John wanted to go west, and requested that Joseph's beloved dog accompany him. Of course he went, but about a year later, Joseph was awakened one night by a scratching on the door. When he opened it, there stood his dog -- footsore and weary, but happy to be with his little master again. Joseph hugged him and cried tears of joy, as any 8-year-old boy would do. They learned that when John reached Denver the dog disappeared.

ARRIVAL IN THE UNITED STATES -- Joseph came to the USA when he was about 14 years old, via the Grand Trunk Railroad, crossing at Port Huron. Family notes didn't say anyone came with him, so we had wondered if he had run away from home. Even for that time, age 14 seemed a little young to come by himself!

With what we learned on our 1997 research trip to Ontario, however, we now believe he came with his mother, stepfather and other family members. For instance, we found a newspaper obituary for Joseph's older half-brother William. It says he (William) accompanied the family to Hastings MN in 1866 and joined a Masonic lodge there, but later returned to Ontario.

Joseph was naturalized in Lincoln NE some time after his marriage to Amelia. Earlier we had thought it was in Faribault MN; the papers are said to have been burned.

JOSEPH's WORK -- Our notes about BFE's grandfather Alexander Wadden Fisher, page 7-22, include some information about where the family lived and about Joseph's work before he became an engineer.

Railroad work seems to have run in the family -- two of Joseph's sons were also railroad workers -- Chesterfield Darwin Fisher was an engineer on the C&RW Railroad and Joseph Woodmus Fisher was a locomotive fireman. Perhaps Joseph would be pleased to know that his great-great-grandson, our son Karl Frederick "Fritz" Edler III, is also a railroad engineer.

AMELIA JONES -- was "raised Catholic, but was married in an Episcopal church and attended the Methodist Episcopal Church". BFE's cousin Helen Burleigh Rector remembers that Amelia "was very bitterly opposed to the Catholics". Helen said our cousin Grace Fisher told the story that when Amelia was a teenager, she "came home from Confession at the Catholic Church mad as a hornet, declared 'I will never step foot in a Catholic Church again!' and she never did". Helen said she would rather believe that Amelia had asked the priest to marry her to Joseph and he refused, but we will never know.

The church where she and Joseph were married was still standing in 1988, and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The bishop was H B Whipple, who is historically famous for his church work, building of schools, and for his intercession for the Indians when it was not a popular view.

We had wondered how Amelia and Joseph met, and now think their families lived not far from one another. In the 1870 census Amelia's family is in Bridgewater Township, next to Northfield Township.

In the 1910 census Amelia is shown as nursing in private homes, living with her son Chester D Fisher in Dawes Co NE. In 1920 she was living with her daughter Laura Fisher Burleigh in Denver CO.

a. Alexander Wadden⁴ Fisher, born 2 Sep 1872 Dundas, Rice Co MN, married Edith Avanelle Cole -- see page 7-22.

b. Edward Spencer⁴ **Fisher**, born 17 Dec 1874 Dundas, married Ida May **Keester** -- see page 7-27.

c. Chesterfield Darwin⁴ “Chester” **Fisher**, born 1 Jun 1877, probably Dundas, married Estella Mae **Heckerman** -- see page 7-28.

d. Harry⁴ **Fisher** was born 2 Jul 1879. He died when 3 days old.

e. Eralzo Thomas Howard⁴ **Fisher**, probably known as Howard, was born 23 Mar 1881 Faribault, Rice Co MN. He died 22 Aug 1882, age 1½.

His first name is one of the reasons we believe Sarah Allison and her second husband William Hodson had a son named Eralzo. He would be this child's half-uncle and could reasonably be honored by a namesake.

f. Eva Mary Pearl⁴ **Fisher**, born 10 Jan 1884, was adopted 4 Nov 1886, age 2 years 10 months 7 days. She died 23 Oct 1890, Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, age 6 years 9 months 25 days.

Called Eva Pet, her name on cemetery records is Eva M Fisher. We don't know whether "Pearl" was her third given name or the name of her birth parents. A widowed worker at the railroad, where Joseph H Fisher worked, couldn't care for her, and gave her to him and Amelia. ECF notes say the little girl died from diphtheria.

g. Joseph Woodmus⁴ **Fisher**, born 27 Jul 1887 Faribault, Rice Co MN, was a locomotive fireman in 1910. He married Lottie **Anderson**; no children. She didn't live long, and he married Frances [Fisher]; no children. He died 2 Jan 1920 Denver, Denver Co CO, age 32, soon after coming home from World War I.

h. Laura Amelia Avanel⁴ **Fisher**, born 11 Jan 1891, married Franklin Willard **Burleigh**. -- see page 29.

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-- Some information about the JONES family --

referenced on page 7-12

Note: Much of the information on this and the following page is from notes of ECF, and some is from *Helen Burleigh Rector. Recently we have found additional dates, places and complete names from census records of Rice Co WI. We hope a future researcher will find this a useful starting point.*

I. John Jones, born about 1795, married **Modeste Beaulieu**; at least three children. Both John and Modeste died young. We believe the Jones family may have been originally from Wales; Jones is often a Welsh surname, and at least one of their great-grandchildren was given a Welsh name.

A. Edward Jones, born about 1819 Quebec City, Quebec, was one of the sons of John and Modeste. He and his brother John were bound out to an uncle. Edward became "a sailor, ran away from home".

He married **Celeste "Alice" Strayner** 12 Jan 1840 St Jean-Chrysotome, Valleyfield, Montreal. It is said they had eleven children who lived, and five who died in infancy. She was born about 1818 St John's, New Brunswick. Her parents were **John Edward Strayner** (sometimes written **Stringer**) and **Josephete (Louise?) Beaudin** (sometimes written **Beaudweau**).

Edward became a farmer (according to parish records) and/or a laborer (according to army discharge papers). Sometime between 1843 and 1845 the family moved to New York. He served in Captain Copp's Company, 98th New York Regiment, US Volunteers, having enlisted 25 Feb 1864 for three years' service.

He was discharged 11 Apr 1865, on disability due to "broken down constitution, the result of typhoid(?) fever. Will never be fit for any duty. Unfit for Veterans Reserve Corps, disability total." The discharge papers indicate he was 5'3½" tall, fair, with gray eyes and brown hair, 40 years old. This would have had him married and a father at age 15; perhaps he lied about his age in order to enlist.

The family moved to Rice Co MN about 1868. Edward died 20 Aug 1888 Faribault, Rice Co, age about 68, having lived there 20 years, buried Maple Lawn Cemetery.

THE STRAYNER FAMILY -- John Edward Strayner was an English Canadian whose forefathers are said to have settled Newfoundland from Rhone, France. Josephete Beaudin was a French Canadian, whose parents were **Louis Beaudin** and **Marie Grenier (Seegar?)**, both French Canadian. Josephete died when Celeste was 13, and John Edward died when she was 15; she and her brothers Joseph and John were bound out.

1. **John Jones**, born 23 Oct 1840 Hemmingford, Quebec, drowned when 9 years old.
2. **Marie Jones**, born 3 Feb 1842 Hemmingford, married **John Welch**; no children known to us. He was a coachman for the School of the Deaf.
3. **Salomee "Sally" Jones**,³⁰ possibly named Sarah rather than Salomee, was born 16 May 1843 Hemmingford. She married **Augustus "Gus" St Denis**; they adopted five children. He was born 1830 in NY. In 1900 they were living Steele Co MN.
4. **William E Jones**,³⁰ born 6 Mar 1846 New York, married **Mary Ann Gutzler**; six children born MN. She was born Sep 1852 in IA. In 1910 they were living next to his brother Thomas. William was a carpenter and building contractor, and may have been Union Army drum-major US Civil War.
 - a. **Alice Pearl Jones** was born Aug 1881.
 - b. **Cecil Edwin Jones**, born Nov 1882, married **Glenna Sabin** and married **Ann Maria [Jones]**; no children known to us. He died 1941 Ely MN, age about 59.
 - c. **Daisy B Jones** was born Apr 1884.
 - d. **Arthur Jones** died as an infant (or possibly at age 12).
 - e. **Frank Jones** died as an infant.
 - f. **George Edward Jones** was born Mar 1891.
5. **Edward Jones**, twin of Alexander, was born about 1847 in NY. He was a bachelor.

6. Alexander "Alec" **Jones**,³⁰ twin of Edward, was born about 1847 in NY (age 23 in 1870). A farmer and carpenter, he married Emily **Cheney**; four children. She died before 1900.
- a. Alice Elizabeth "Bess" **Jones**, born Jun 1880, married her first cousin Orville **Jones**, below.
 - b. Frances M **Jones** was born Aug 1884.
 - c. Lucy **Jones**.
 - d. Cinderella **Jones** married (--?--) **Breckenridge**. She died Madelia, Watonwan Co MN.
7. Amelia Jones, born 21 May 1850 Pottsdam NY, married Joseph H Fisher -- see page 7-12.
8. Alice (Celeste?) **Jones** was born about 1854 in NY (age 16 in 1870).
9. Eliza A **Jones**, born about 1856 or Apr 1858 (age 14 in 1870, 42 in 1900) in NY, married John F **Cheney** 28 Mar 1877 Dundas MN; three children. He was a farmer, born Sep 1854 in MI, living Rice Co in 1900.
- a. Melvin **Cheney**, born about 1878, married Anne **Spartz**. He died about 1950, age about 72.
 - b. Phoebe **Cheney**, born Jan 1883, married William **Rose**; 3 children. She died about 1955; age about 72.
 - c. Jesse **Cheney**, born Jul 1886, married Violet **Koons**; 3 children. He died about 1947, age about 61.
10. Levi **Jones**,³¹ born about 1858 in NY (age 12 in 1870), married Delphine "Della" **Sweet**; 3 children. She was born about 1861 (age 9 in 1970). Her parents were Oscar and Mary Sweet, Cannon City, Rice Co MN.
- a. Archie **Jones**.
 - b. Alice Lorraine **Jones** may have married (--?--) **Carpentier**. She lived in CA, still living at age 74.
 - c. Orville **Jones**, born 12 Dec 1880, married his first cousin Alice Elizabeth "Bess" Jones, above; two children. She was born Jun 1880. He was an electrical engineer. ECF said he was a poet, whose work she thought very good. In 1930 Bess was a magazine sales representative Los Angeles CA. She died Jun 1961, age about 91. He died Aug 1964, age 84. They were buried West Los Angeles.
 - i. Archibald W **Jones**, born about 1906, was a Los Angeles CA school warehouseman (1930), age 24.
 - ii. George Robert "Bob" **Jones** was born 14 Nov 1922 Huntington Park CA. His first wife died 1972. He married Ruth [Jones] 10 Nov 1979 San Gabriel CA. He died 19 Sep 2002, Temple City CA, age 80.
11. Thomas A **Jones**,³⁰ born 24 Jul 1860 in NY, married Lydia Grace **Anderson**; four children. She was born Jun 1869. A carpenter and millwright, he died Faribault MN. Grace was still living at age 95.
- a. Inez A **Jones**, born Dec 1889, may have married (--?--) **Sweet**. She died Faribault MN, age at least 75.
 - b. Gladys M **Jones** was born Nov 1893.
 - c. Lloyhed **Jones**, born Jun 1896, lived Sandstone MN. *We note the Welsh spelling of his name.*
 - d. Venita **Jones**, born about 1908, may have married (--?--) **Pearson**. She lived Virginia MN.
12. George **Jones**, born about 1861 in NY, is said to have been killed in 1916 as a soldier on the Mexican Border. This may be incorrect; he would have been 55, older than most soldiers; perhaps he was an officer.
13. Jane **Jones** married John **Sloan**, a painter and paper hanger. We have no birthdate or birthplace for Jane.
14. Daisey **Jones** married Hayes **Preston**. We have no birthdate or birthplace for Daisey.
15. Albert **Jones** died at age 12. We have no birthdate or birthplace for him; it may be that he has been confused with Arthur, son of William Jones, previous page.
16. Frank **Jones** died in infancy. We have no birthdate or birthplace for him; it may be that he has been confused with Frank, son of William Jones, previous page.

SAMUEL H FISHER (b c1834) and ISABEL SADLER (b 1837) and their descendants
from page 7-8

Samuel's parents were John Fisher and Catherine Hutty
 Isabel's parents are not known to us

2. Samuel H (Hutty?)³ **Fisher**,¹⁶ born about 1834, married Isabel **Sadler**; at least four children. She was born about 1837. They lived six miles west of Brooklin, Whitby Twp, Greenwood ON.

He died 18 Feb 1869, age 35. In the 1881 census, she was living Pickering Twp, Ontario Co ON, with her four children. She died 30 May 1920, age about 83. She and Samuel were buried Salem Church Cemetery, Salem Road, Pickering Twp.

We found Samuel's and Isabel's gravestones in the Salem Church cemetery. The small, apparently inactive, building is engraved "Wesleyan Church 1880" on a stone set into the brick above the door.

The name Isabel Fisher and dates 1837-1920 are at the bottom of a stone for her daughter Mary Ann Fisher. This stone is in Section B, lot #34. "S.H.Fisher/died Feb 18, 1869/age 35 yrs" is on a stone in a nearby lot in the same section. Two other names are on this stone: "Annie Sadler/died Jan 10, 1909, age 66" and "James Sadler/d 1904/age 86". We haven't identified Annie or James. We think it's possible they are Isabel's sister and father.

Obviously these two stones, as well as many others in the cemetery, replaced earlier stones and/or honored earlier burials which never were marked. We assume this was done when the earlier stones, if there were any, were becoming illegible. This seems to us an excellent way of resolving such situations.

We note that Samuel died within a year after his and Isabel's youngest child, Mary Ann, was born. We don't know how the family got along afterwards, but it would have to be difficult for Isabel to be left a widow with three young children and an infant not very old. Mary Ann and Isabel are on the same gravestone, so perhaps Isabel lived with Mary Ann much of the time.

a. Catherine Hutty⁴ **Fisher** was born July 1862 (age 18 in 1881, 37 in 1900). It is said she went to Montana, and married W N **Alysworth** (or Aylsworth); no children. They were living Deer Lodge MT in 1900. She was a widow, lodging Butte City MT at 1930 census.

b. John⁴ **Fisher** was born about 1864 (age 17 in 1881).

c. William⁴ **Fisher** was born about 1866 (age 15 in 1881). He may have married and had a child.

d. Mary Ann⁴ **Fisher** was born about 1868 (age 17 in 1881). She married Harris M **Sadler**; at least two children. She died 1947, age about 79.

Mary Ann's gravestone is in the Salem Church Cemetery. It gives her name and dates, followed by "Wife of Harris M. Sadler". Below, on the same stone, are names and dates for two children, Catherine and Samuel, and Mary Ann's mother Isabel Fisher.

Harris is evidently buried elsewhere, possibly with an earlier wife. We saw a number of Sadler tombstones in this and other cemeteries in the area.

a) Catherine H⁵ **Sadler** was born 1887. She died 1947, age about 60.

b) Samuel L⁵ **Sadler** was born 1889. He died 1959, age about 70.

Note: Some say that Samuel and Isabel had a fifth child, Samuel Hutty Fisher, born 22 Dec 1869, who moved to Bozeman MT, but we have found no evidence to support this.

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HANNAH FISHER (bapt 1838) and JAMES HENRY DELONG (b 1838) and their descendants
from page 7-8

Hannah's parents were John Fisher and Catherine Huddy
 James' parents were John DeLong and Abigail Capron

4. Hannah³ **Fisher**, baptized 9 Apr 1838 Woodmancy, East Riding, Yorkshire,^{1,9} emigrated to Canada with her parents before 1851.

She married James Henry **DeLong** about 1857;¹⁰ ten children born in ON. He was a carpenter, teamster and/or laborer. He was born 1838. His parents were John DeLong and Abigail **Capron**.

James died 14 Oct 1899, age about 61, buried Groveside Cemetery, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON.
 Hannah died 5 Feb 1901 Ontario Co, age 62.¹⁰

James and Hannah were both Methodist Episcopal. We found his tombstone; it is shared with their daughter Phoebe. We don't know where Hannah was buried.

James' brother David married Hannah's first cousin Jane Fisher, page 7-11.

Note: a few sources say Abigail's surname was "Portmanteas" -- we have found nothing to support this, and believe it must be in error. Notice that one of the children of John DeLong and Abigail Capron, page 7-21, was named Capron DeLong, not Portmanteas DeLong.

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a. John Ephraim⁴ **DeLong**, born 3 Jul 1860, married Minnie Elizabeth **Colby** and married Janet Wilson "Jessie" **Colby** -- see page 7-19.

b. George Nelson⁴ **DeLong**, born about Mar 1861, married Catherine **Creasor** -- see page 7-20.

c. Sheldon⁴ **DeLong**, born about 1864,¹⁰ married Josephine **Skinner** 22 Nov 1887 Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON;¹⁰ one child. She was born 1867. He was a laborer in Whitby Twp. They were both Methodist. She died 11 Apr 1903, age 35, buried Groveside Cemetery.

Secondly, he married Catharine **Long [Johnson]** 21 Feb 1906 Uxbridge, Whitby Twp.⁹
 Her parents were Leonard Long and Elizabeth **Worden**.

Josephine's tombstone is inscribed "In memory/Josephine Skinner/beloved wife of/Sheldon DeLong/died Apr 11, 1903/aged 35 years & 9 mos".

When Catharine married Sheldon, she was a 28 year old widow. We don't know whether she had any children during her first marriage, or whether she and Sheldon had any children together.

i. Allan Osborne⁵ **DeLong** died 22 Apr 1897, age 3 days.

d. Margaret Jemima⁴ **DeLong**, born about 1866,¹⁰ probably married (--?--) **Foster**; at least one child, Robert, born about 1890.

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- e. Catherine Hutton⁴ **DeLong**¹⁰ was born about 1869.⁹ She died 20 Aug 1951,¹⁰ age about 81.
- f. Abigail Jane⁴ **DeLong**, born about 1873,¹⁰ married John Henry **Lavis** 30 Nov 1892; no children known to us. His parents were William Lavis and Mary [Lavis].
Secondly, Abigail married James **Quail** 1 Apr 1906 Whitby Township;⁹ no children known to us. His parents were James Quail and Jane **Greer**.

- g. Phoebe⁴ **DeLong** was born Dec 1874 Brooklin, Whitby Township.¹⁰ She died 31 May 1892,¹⁰ age 17, buried Groveside Cemetery.

We found Phoebe's tombstone. It is inscribed:

"PHEBE/daughter of/Jas.H. & Hannah/DELONG/died May 31, 1892/aged/17 y's & 5 m's
& 21 d's/One lesson earth/Its pain its sorrow and its toil to share/But kiss the pilgrim's daily
loss to bear/One more the crown of the blessed to bear/At home in heaven."

On the other side of the tombstone is "James H/DELONG/died/Oct 14, 1899/in his/61st year".

- h. James Henry⁴ **DeLong** was born 15 Jan 1879. He died of heart failure 27 Jan 1879, age 12 days.

- i. Frank⁴ **DeLong** was born 17 Dec 1881.

- j. Hannah Elizabeth⁴ **DeLong**,⁹ born 11 Nov 1882, married Kenneth Norman **Mowbray**¹⁰ 23 Dec 1914; no children known to us. He was born 16 May 1888. He died 2 Aug 1928, age 40. She died 24 Oct 1967 Oshawa General Hospital, Oshawa, Durham Co ON, age 84.¹⁰ Both were buried Groveside Cemetery.

**JOHN EPHRAIM DELONG (b 1860) and MINNIE ELIZABETH COLBY (b c1874)
and their descendants
and
JOHN EPHRAIM DELONG and JANET WILSON "Jessie" COLBY (b c1866)
and their descendants
from page 7-17**

John's parents were James Henry DeLong and Hannah Fisher

Minnie's parents were Silas Colby and (--?--) [Colby]

Jessie's parents were Silas Colby and Mary Hill Elder

a. John Ephraim⁴ **DeLong**, born 3 Jul 1860,⁹ married Minnie Elizabeth **Colby** 5 Apr 1897 Uxbridge, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON; at least one child.⁹ She was born about 1874. Her father was Silas Colby. Minnie died 9 Feb 1901, age about 27, when her child was only about 9 months old.

In 1902 John was a machinist.¹⁰ He married Janet Wilson "Jessie" **Colby** 5 Apr 1902 Sunderland ON;⁹ at least two children She was born 4 Aug 1865. Her parents were Silas Colby and Mary Hill **Elder**. Jessie died 6 Aug 1917, age almost 52.

Some information on this page is from Ron Cox³⁴

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Minnie and Jessie were sisters or possibly half-sisters. Minnie is shown in some records as M E or Mina. She was 23 years old when she married John. Jessie was 36 years old, a spinster, when she married John. Silas Colby's sister, Rhoda Mary Colby, married John Ephraim DeLong, page 7-20.

THE COLBY FAMILY -- On the wall of the Uxbridge-Scott Museum there is a picture of Silas' family, with Minnie, Jessie, Louise (who worked with Rebecca Mae Fisher), and other adult relatives. The picture was a pleasant surprise. The Colbys lived in Sandy Hook, a suburb of Uxbridge.

Silas had many children, perhaps twelve. With regard to the mother(s) of Minnie and Jessie, we found several conflicting records. Some say Silas had only one wife, and that Mary Hill Elder was the mother of both Minnie and Jessie. However, we believe Silas probably was married twice.

Silas was born about Apr 1833 Ontario. He married Ellen [Colby], who was born about 1833 Ireland. Their marriage date is said to be 16 Dec 1856, with her maiden name as **Coyen**; it is given elsewhere as **Titus**.

As of 1881, Silas is recorded as being married to Mary Hill Elder, born in Scotland, daughter of James E Elder and Janet **Wilson**.

i. James H **DeLong** was born 21 May 1900. His mother died when he was about 9 months old. After that, we think he was probably taken in by his uncle and aunt, George Nelson DeLong and Catherine Creasor, page 7-20. He died of infant cholera 29 Aug 1901 Uxbridge ON, age 15 months.

ii. Clifford⁵ **DeLong**, born about 1905, lived Brooklin, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON. He died Oshawa General Hospital, Oshawa, Durham Co ON 19 Feb 1990, age about 84.

iii. Roy James⁵ **DeLong**, born about 1908, married Reta [DeLong] 21 Sep 1934. He died Oshawa 30 Aug 1992, age about 84.

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**GEORGE DELONG (b 1861) and CATHERINE CREASOR (b c1838)
and their descendants**

from page 7-17

George's parents were James Henry DeLong and Hannah Fisher

Catherine's parents were Isaac Creasor and Rhoda Mary Colby

b. George Nelson⁴ **DeLong**, born 15 Mar 1870, married Catherine **Creasor** 6 Nov 1885; at least three children. She was born 2 Feb 1863 Reach ON. Her parents were Isaac Creasor and Rhoda Mary (May?) **Colby**.

Both George and Catherine were Methodist. He died 16 Jun 1902, age 41, buried Groveside Cemetery, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON. She died 11 Sep 1906 Oshawa ON, age 43.

Some of the information below is from Roderick Ward³³ and some is from Ron Cox.³⁴

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We believe we found George's gravestone. It reads as follows:

"Father/Geo.DeLong/died/June 16, 1902, aged 41 y's 3 ms 10 ds/Weep not my wife and children/
dear/I am not dead but sleeping here/I am not yours but Christ's alone./He loved me best..."

It seems so sad for Catherine, who lost an infant daughter, then lost her husband when her two sons were children, and finally lost both sons when they were barely adults.

In addition to the children listed below, some say that George and Catherine had another son, James H DeLong. However, we believe he was not their son, but their nephew, taken in by them after his mother died when he was 9 months old. His parents were John E DeLong and Minnie Elizabeth Colby, page 7-19. Baby James died of infant cholera 29 Aug 1901, age 15 months.

RHODA MARY (May?) COLBY -- was born 2 Mar 1843 Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON. Her parents were Solomon D Colby and Mary Abigail **Boyce**, who had one son and six daughters. The son was Silas, father of the two Colby sisters who married John Ephraim DeLong, page 7-19.

i. Darcy James⁵ **DeLong** was born 5 Jun 1889. He died of tuberculosis 2 Mar 1911, age 21.

ii. Edith **DeLong**⁵ died 24 Sep 1892, age seven days.

iii. David Henry⁵ **DeLong** was born about 1899. He died 25 Oct 1918, age 19, buried Groveside Cemetery.

We found his tombstone. It indicates that he was in the military service with the Canadian Expeditionary Force. He probably died in Europe, perhaps in combat.

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referenced on pages 7-11, 7-17, 7-19 and 7-20

Note: sources for most of the information below are in endnotes 10 and 24-27.

I. Arie Fransen DeLange, born about 1653, married Rachel Jansen **Pier**. She was born about 1657. Probably born Amsterdam, they probably immigrated to America before 1679. He died about 1699, age about 46. She died about 1723, age about 66.

A. Jonas DeLange, born about 1696 Ulster Co NY, married Blandina **Pearson**. She was born 1696 New York City. He died about 1739, age about 43.

1. Arie DeLong, born about 1719 Ulster Co NY, married Rachel **Ferguson**. She was born about 1737. He died 30 Jan 1798 Prince Edward Co ON, age about 79. She died 9 Jun 1811, age 74. Eleven children: Arie (below), Blandina, Elizabeth, Jonas, John, Richard, Charles, Eleanor, Hannah, Rachel, and James.

a. Arie DeLong was born about 1756 Dutchess Co NY. He married Jannetje "Jane/Jennie" **Van Vlack**; eight children. Jane was born about 1761 in NY. Her parents were Jan Van Vlack and Helena **Bulsen**. Arie and Jane died Prince Edward Co ON. We found various spellings for the name Arie.

i. John DeLong,¹⁰ born 27 Jan 1792 Fishkill, Dutchess Co NY, married Abigail **Capron**; six children born in ON. He died about 1871 Durham Co ON, age about 79. *Some think Abigail's surname was Portmanteas -- but notice the first name of her fifth child.*

a) David DeLong, born May 1835, married Jane **Fisher**

-- see page 7-11.

b) James Henry DeLong, born about 1838, married Hannah **Fisher**

-- see page 7-17.

c) Jane DeLong was born about 1841.

d) Elizabeth DeLong was born about 1841.

e) Capron DeLong was born about 1844.

f) Clark DeLong was born about 1847.

ii. Dinah (Blandina?) DeLong was born 5 Dec 1793.

iii. Heyltje (Helen) DeLong, born 3 Dec 1795, married Enoch **Orser**; two children. He was born about 1803. She died 12 Mar 1883 Hastings Co ON, age 87, buried Wellman's Cemetery, Hastings Co. He died 1 Oct 1888, age about 85.

iv. Phoebe DeLong, born 6 Mar 1798, married Gilbert **Barton**; six children. He was born 1800. He died 1849, age 49. She died 18 Sep 1893, age 95, buried Barton's Cemetery, Hastings Co ON.

v. Richard DeLong was born 6 Apr 1800. He died 13 Feb 1861, age 65, buried Groveside Cemetery, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON.*

vi. James Henry DeLong, born about 1802, married Polly **Ostrander**; two children.

vii. Arra DeLong, born about 1803, married Anna Ellen Dianah **Barton**; six children. She was born 1808. He died 9 Nov 1869, age 66, buried Pierson's Cemetery, Hillier Twp, Prince Edward Co ON. She died 1874, age about 66.

viii. Peter DeLong, born 5 Feb 1895, married Silence **Waite**; four children. She was born 1810. He died 24 Oct 1862, age 67, buried beside his brother Richard.* She died 1883, age about 73.

* Note: we found the tombstone of Peter and Richard in Groveside Cemetery, Whitby Twp, Ontario Co ON, and can't help wondering what may have happened. The stone is inscribed:

"Two Brothers/Peter DeLong/Oct 24, 1862/67 yrs 8 mos 17 d/Richard DeLong/Feb 13, 1861/aged 65 y/
Side by side/They're sweetly sleeping/Freed from grievous care and sorrow/Oh rejoice they are at rest".

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**ALEXANDER WADDEN FISHER (b 1872) and EDITH AVANELLE COLE (b 1871)
and their descendants
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Alexander Wadden's parents were Joseph H Fisher and Amelia Jones
Edith's parents were John Wesley Cole and Annie Rebecca Badger

a. Alexander Wadden⁴ Fisher,¹³ usually known by his initials A W, was born 2 Sep 1872 Dundas, Rice Co MN. He married **Edith Avanelle Cole** 28 Sep 1893 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE. She was born 27 July 1871 Carrollton, Carroll Co MO. Her parents were **John Wesley Cole** and **Annie Rebecca Badger**.

Edith died 20 July 1954 St Petersburg, Pinellas Co FL, age almost 82. A W died there 19 Mar 1964, age 91. They were buried in lots 33-34, block 1, section 7, division H, Memorial Park, St Petersburg.

With the marriage of **Alexander Wadden Fisher** and **Edith Avanelle Cole**
our **FISHER** lineage is joined by our **COLE** lineage
– see {Section 6b} --

ALEXANDER WADDEN FISHER

Note: For brevity, we refer to him as "AWF" in this document.

EARLY DAYS -- he was born on the family farm in Bridgewater Township, Rice Co MN.² The farm was four miles from Faribault and six miles from Dundas. His father was driving a team for the Dundas Flour Mill at the time.

The farm was in the midst of almost solid timber, which his grandfather and uncle were clearing. The spring was 200 feet from the house; wolves were so thick that no one dared go for water after dark.

The uncle and grandfather were probably AWF's step-grandfather William Hodson and his son Eralzo, AWF's half-uncle. The only family story we have heard about William Hodson is an unfortunate one about something that happened later. It says that William had some money to buy a pair of shoes for AWF, who was a child at the time. But William spent the money on liquor, which he drank, and the family had to make a pair of moccasins for AWF to wear that winter.

In any event, the Joseph Fisher family moved into Dundas and AWF was christened in the little Episcopal church there. Incidentally, we believe his name was originally Wadden Alexander, and he reversed his first and middle names later. Our reasons for believing this are that relatives recall his being called "Wad" and "Uncle Wad", and that he appears on the 1880 census as 7-year-old "Wadie".

AWF's father Joseph quit the flour company and went to work for the railroad where he worked as a wiper, then as a hostler in the roundhouse, then as a fireman (the engines were wood-burning in those days), and finally as an engineer. Each year he got a raise as he went from handling locals to longer runs, and the family moved several times, to Hiawatha KS in May 1888 and then to Lincoln NE in November 1888.

AWF's FIRST JOB -- he worked when 16 years old as a clerk and night guard for English & Hedges store for three years, sleeping in the store with a 12 gauge shotgun and a .38 pistol. Their safe was the only one in town that was not cracked -- possibly, they said, because a case of limburger cheese was kept nearby.

HIS CAREER -- AWF was with the YMCA for forty years.¹³ YMCAs were established in locations where they could provide much needed services to men away from home, such as in railroad or manufacturing centers, or near military posts. AWF was usually Physical Director or, sometimes, general or special secretary. (We assume the "secretary" positions were administrative or executive in nature.)

A few years ago our cousin Helen Burleigh Rector sent us information from national YMCA headquarters, giving dates and places for AWF's service. From ECF's notes, we already knew the family moved to Corsicana TX 13 Jan 1896, to Cedar Rapids IA 4 Aug 1898, and to Galveston TX 1 May 1904.

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YMCA records show him in Hamilton ON in 1907 and 1908, but we don't know whether the family went along. There aren't any family stories about living in Canada, which we think there would be if they had gone.

AWF was general secretary in Nelsonville OH 1909-1911. While there, he had first aid classes in some of the mines in the area. ECF said the miners were grateful and pleased. Later, Columbus OH said the deaths in the mines were much reduced since AWF had those classes.

Next he was general secretary in Columbia SC ("the mills") 1912-13. He was Physical Director in Bristol TN 1914-1916, and in Knoxville TN beginning 1917. While in Knoxville during the war, he would ride the train with new recruits, then return and do his regular day's work, saying he never got tired.

He was at Ft Oglethorpe GA from 27 June 1917 to 24 Sep 1917, at the same time his sons were there. AWF went to France 24 Dec 1918, returning 20 Sep 1919, and to Poland and Rumania 21 Feb 1920, returning 18 July 1921. He also traveled in several other countries, on other YMCA assignments or perhaps when he was on leave. There is a family story that a Frenchwoman may have had his illegitimate son, but we have no documentation to support this.

ECF said AWF brought 3000 pictures back from Europe, many of which he had taken himself. He had a good voice, which he used in church choirs all his life, and was often involved in YMCA entertainments. ECF said he would never sing or give his stereoptican lectures for money, but he was willing to do either for church or YMCA.

After the European tours, AWF was special secretary at Monaville WV 1921-1923, and DeGraff OH in 1924. Next he was at the "Railroad Y" in Bellefontaine OH in 1926, and the "Railroad Y" in Dickerson Run PA 1927-1929. His last post was Physical Director in Scottdale PA 1930-1932, where he retired 2 Sep 1932.

HIS MILITARY TITLES -- ECF's notes say AWF was made an honorary Colonel in the 117th Infantry, National Guard of Tennessee, by the governor of Tennessee, for his YMCA work in Europe.

She also said he was an honorary Colonel in the Polish Army, and an honorary Captain in the Rumanian Army. We've been rather curious about these tours of duty in Poland and Rumania after the close of World War I. A family story says he worked with the Rumanian Women's Army, teaching them how to play games (which they had never known), presuming thereby becoming able to relax from stress.

While we have no records to verify details, we now believe we understand what these tours were probably about. Post-WWI was a time of YMCA expansion, and helping various European countries expand their programs was probably considered somewhat of a patriotic service.

As YMCA representative, AWF would have worn an American army uniform with YMCA insignia when working with military units of the countries. As standard practice, each army would have given him an "honorary" rank to facilitate relations with their personnel.

To help establish and expand YMCA services, part of his work would have been to show the value of physical and recreational activities with both troops and civilians. Among other things, he would probably have presented what might be called master lessons in leading such programs, or demonstrations to show what could be done.

AFTER RETIREMENT -- AWF and Edith made their permanent home in St Petersburg FL, at 94 All States Court beginning 20 Dec 1934. They lived in their trailer which he had built. BFE remembers his craftsmanship on the trailer being pointed out, the construction all with screws, no nails involved. In 1948 he became the full-time postmaster of the Post Office Sub-station in the trailer camp, serving a large area in that part of the city.

AWF was director of a Methodist Episcopal camp, in Scottdale PA near Laurel PA, for many years. They took the trailer there each summer, and he continued directing the camp even after Edith could no longer travel with him. BFE remembers once going to the camp for two weeks, probably in 1941. She had a good time the first week, when other children were there, and enjoyed the campfires when AWF would entertain with songs and skits. The second week was less interesting to her as only some football players were there, but she liked being in the beautiful forest. She remembers they put logs in the swimming pool at the end of the season to keep it from being damaged by ice.

In retirement, AWF did lots of fishing and liked to say he was successful because he was named Fisher, his wife was named Fisher, his children were named Fisher, etc. He built a large roof over the trailer, with decks and screened porches, where he kept his woodworking equipment. He did elaborate inlay work; we have a sewing cabinet and some beautiful doll house furniture he made for BFE. There's a family story that he may have been apprenticed to a cabinetmaker when he was a boy, which would certainly explain how he learned his skills. Another special hobby was playing chess.

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He kept himself in superb physical condition all his life. BFE remembers that he surprized everyone with his prompt recovery from a seriously broken leg two different times. The second time was 29 Dec 1941. He stumbled over a stringer while fishing on a bridge at Welsch's Causeway in the St Petersburg area. His knee cap was splintered into 12 pieces, and a surgeon used silver wire to hold it together. It was his left leg, same one as hurt falling off a roof at the M E camp 9 Jun 1933, when he broke 5 or 6 ribs and both bones in left leg above the ankle.

He and Edith went to live with their daughter Eleanor and her family, 643 41st Ave So, St Petersburg, 7 Nov 1950.

EDITH AVANELLE COLE

CHILDHOOD -- She was born in Carrollton MO, 60 miles east of Kansas City. Her mother Annie Rebecca Badger was sick a very long time after Edith's birth, and the doctor said there was "no use trying to save that baby, too far gone." This was probably at least partly because she was born with a harelip, and simply feeding her would have been difficult. (Some corrective surgery must have been done afterwards, for this slight blemish was rarely noticed by others later on.) The wife of the doctor next door said "this baby was put here for a purpose" and took her to her house. As we know, the baby not only survived but lived 82 years!

Edith's family moved to Lincoln NE when she was 11. A rather revealing little story from her memoirs tells how, when she was about 14, she asked her well-loved chum Minnie to tell her if she was pretty. Minnie didn't want to, but Edith insisted, and she said no. Many years later, AWF said to her "I thought you knew I think you are pretty." At first Edith felt cheated, but then thought that if the one whose opinion she valued thought her pretty, she would carry herself as a beautiful woman.

MARRIAGE -- Edith met AWF at Emanuel Methodist Episcopal Church in Lincoln in August 1890, and married him 28 Sep 1893 when she was 22. The marriage was at 2:30 pm, Thursday, in the home of her parents in Lincoln. Her uncle, Rev Samuel Douglas Badger, performed the ceremony with lots of family members gathered to witness the event.

Edith's dress was made at home (her mother was an expert seamstress), of fine sage green French serge with velvet in the same shade, also felt hat same shade (hat not worn at wedding). "The sleeves were long with much fullness at the top. The skirt was long, gored, and slim, with fullness at the back and a wide band of velvet at the bottom. The waist was smooth fitting, with a velvet yoke, and did not have the usual darts in front. The fullness was fastened in neat tucks or pleats and went down under the velvet fitted girdle which was at the edge of the waist, slightly below the waistline, and pointed front and back. The neck was finished with a standing collar and silk lace gathered at the top and hanging over the collar.

"I had black silk stockings with lavender toes and heels; almost no one wore silk hose then. My shoes were high, number 4½." They were ordered a half size larger than her usual fit because she expected to "do much walking". Her new home was about a half mile from her parents, a block from AWF's parents, and was located "quite a ways" from the church and stores. In the picture of Edith holding baby Douglas, her blouse was made from her mother's wedding dress.

Edith and AWF celebrated their 60th anniversary 28 Sep 1953. They enjoyed a lovely week of being "celebrities", with their name in the paper and many visitors, cards, letters and remembrances.

FAMILY LIFE -- After the 1906 tidal wave leveled Galveston and killed such large numbers of people, the city decided to fill most of the land. So the water would have a chance to run off if it happened again, certain streets were dug for canals. Houses, fences, greenery and anything wished to be saved were built up, as on stilts.

Part of the way from the YMCA to their house was on loose boards laid here and there on an abandoned railroad track (they had dug for a canal under the track), and their house and walk from picket fence to door were on stilts. One rainy dark stormy night, when it would seem suicidal to try to reach home, AWF went home so she would not be alarmed. The water was rushing under the track and he had to walk over their picket fence, after many other scary places on the way.

In Nelsonville OH, her younger son (CCF, Claire Cole Fisher) had three special friends in the neighborhood, who decided they would meet regularly at their different homes on certain evenings. CCF had to leave for home at 9 pm. One evening, the boy's mother didn't tell them the time, as they were so happy. So CCF got home late, and AWF said he could not go out any more in evenings. Then Edith had them most evenings all winter.

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She turned over the dining room and kitchen to them, to do as they pleased. For a while she drew patterns for them to make miniature furniture from cedar wood from cigar boxes. Then they melted colored sealing wax over the gas stove in the kitchen and made pretty little pins and other things. CCF invited a boy who lived in another part of town.

The boy said later, "When I went to your door, I was scared. But your mother knows what a feller wants, before he knows it himself."

SOME OF EDITH'S ACTIVITIES -- She started clubs in Galveston TX and Nelsonville OH, where they had delightful times with Bible study and needlework. She must have had one in Cedar Rapids IA also, because the ladies had a shower for her before her third child, Avanelle, was born. Edith said they brought the refreshments and more lovely things for the baby than she ever wore. (They wanted to provide everything in the layette but Edith said no, just the extra things.)

When she was sick with chronic colitis for so long, club members would take turns coming and going for them, until Annie-mama could come. One lady, or sometimes her mother, would come and work. They lived in a fine house and Edith understood they did not do much at home.

One day in Nelsonville, Edith noticed an extra number of women going into her neighbor's home. She got a sort of inkling that something unusual was going on that concerned her. So, while the crowd was gathering to stand around the table in the dining room, she went into the bathroom just a moment, to think of a suitable speech or starter, in case one would be needed. When they presented her with some table silver, she was ready.

HER SPECIAL INTERESTS -- Edith's need to express herself artistically must have been much stronger than that of most people. She painted and sketched, mostly landscapes and small intimate scenes of flowers and/or animals. When money to purchase new art supplies wasn't available (remember, her husband's profession wasn't noted for great material reward), she painted on whatever surfaces she could get, usually masonite but sometimes things like shells and weathered wood. We enjoy several pieces of her work in our home.

She did all kinds of needlework, including quilting which is a special interest of BFE's. Besides two quilt tops, BFE inherited a rather large number of quilt squares from her, which she has turned into two quilts. Whenever she shows these treasures to her quilting friends, they are impressed and perhaps a little envious!

HER WRITING -- One even more special treasure is a large notebook of her poetry. The pages are closely filled with writings, mostly poems, some clipped from newspapers where they were printed. Many of her subjects were religious, but some of the ones we like best are the whimsical ones. Examples of these are in terminology of an infant describing her surroundings, or a hospital patient defining the things around her. We've decided to attach a few pages to this Section to preserve a few of her writings.

In her memoirs, Edith talked about how she enjoyed writing and, at times, did so constantly. With pencil and paper on the table, she would prepare vegetables or fruit, then reach out and write down the few lines that were ready. While taking a walk was a good time to compose.

All day and also the long evenings were full of composing. Then at night, poems could be written in the dark; also first thing in the morning. Once she played a joke on herself. She was almost awake, when there came into her mind a four line verse. Instantly, she knew it was good, and it was! It was a quotation from a great poet.

Reading between the lines, and sometimes between the poems, reveals a strong person who was faithful in religion, deeply in love with her husband, and aspired to greater things. She persevered no matter what challenges came along. There were certainly lots of these, such as her many health problems, bearing her youngest child at age 44, and the frequent household moves, plus the loss of two babies and an adult son.

She was alone during her husband's three tours of duty outside the country. The rest of the time, his working hours would have left her alone much of the time. Yet she remained committed to seeing the best in persons and situations, making the best of things, and setting forth a cheerful countenance. BFE says that of course, she always *loved* her grandmother; but now, as she studies her writings and life story, she *admires* her more and more.

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i. Douglas Spencer⁵ “Doug” Fisher, born 21 Mar 1895 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, married Bettie Lou **White** -- see page 7-32.

ii. Claire Cole⁵ “Bud” Fisher, born 20 Feb 1897 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, married Johnnie Epperson **Wall** -- see page 7-33.

iii. Avel⁵ Fisher was born 7 Feb 1904 Cedar Rapids, Linn Co IA. She died 21 Jul 1904 Galveston, Galveston Co TX, age 5 months.

We have a picture of little Avel. She is in a beautiful white dress, propped on pillows. Her parents were obviously very proud of her. After she died, her grandmother Annie Badger Cole wrote: "...She blossoms now in God's own land...angels wait to welcome home the children of the King...and loud Hosannas sing."

iv. Edith May⁵ Fisher was born 31 Oct 1907 DeGraff, Logan Co OH. She died 5 Apr 1910 DeGraff, age 2 years 5 months.

We have a picture of her, and found a bit about her in some of ECF's notes, sent recently by cousin Edith Duke Kautsky. ECF wrote three pages, describing Edith May in detail at various times in her short life.

Very fair, she had pink cheeks, light curly hair, very blue eyes. "People often speak about how very pretty and bright she is." She began playing with a doll when only a few weeks old. Later she had 18 dolls and named them all (her favorite, Maimie). She called her grandpa by his full name. She called ECF "my own mama".

Then she had infantile paralysis. "About 4 AM Sunday 3 Apr 1910 the pain left and she suffered no more. They thought the disease had run its course, but the excessive pain had weakened her heart. She went away about 6 AM Tuesday 5 April 1910. She left a sweet memory. Many people loved her. Some knew her by seeing her in the bay window and would smile and wave, and she would return their salutation. She loved everybody and nearly everything.

"She looked so beautiful after death, that people seemed fascinated with her. They would stand by her a long time and smile, and come back again to the house to see her." Her grandmother Annie Badger Cole wrote "There must have been joy in Heaven among the angels when she came, as she was one of earth's rarest treasures. So fair, so bright, and so radiantly happy all during her short early pilgrimage."

v. Eleanor Anne⁵ Fisher, born 5 Apr 1916 DeGraff, Logan Co OH, married Laslie Dickerson “Slim” **Duke** 30 Jan 1938. He was born 24 Jun 1918 Statenville, Echols Co GA. His parents were William Thomas Duke and Ruby **Laslie**. Slim died 2 Oct 1981 Sebring, Highlands Co FL, age 63. Eleanor died 7 Feb 1996 St Petersburg, Pinellas Co FL, age 79. Their ashes were scattered in the Gulf of Mexico.

Two children: Edith Anne and Eleanor Frances.

With the marriage of **Eleanor Anne Fisher** and **Laslie Dickerson Duke**
 our **FISHER** lineage joins our **DUKE** lineage
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EDWARD SPENCER FISHER (b 1874) and IDA MAY KEESTER and their descendents
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Edward's parents were Joseph H Fisher and Amelia Jones
Ida May's parents and birthdate are not known to us

b. Edward Spencer⁴ "Ned" **Fisher**¹⁸ was born 17 Dec 1874 Dundas, Rice Co MN. He married Ida May **Keester** 4 Nov 1896 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE; two children born Lincoln. He died 2 Mar 1962 Lincoln, age 87, after several years of poor health. She died not long afterwards.

Uncle Ned worked in Lincoln NE for the telephone company, starting in 1891 until his retirement in 1946. He became Lincoln Wire Chief in 1913 and worked at many other jobs in the company over the years, becoming "the senior old time telephone man".¹³

His main outside interest over the years was music, and he often conducted bands and orchestras. Ned and Ida May celebrated their 60th anniversary in Lincoln 4 Nov 1956.

i. Chesta⁵ **Fisher**¹³ was born 18 Jan 1898. In 1923 she was a University of Nebraska alumna and a school teacher in Lincoln NE. She married Orrin **Beckwith**, and later married (--?--) **Scholz**; no children known to us. After her second husband died, in Colorado, she lived in a retirement center in Lincoln NE. She died Mar 1990 Lincoln, age about 92.

ii. Edward Cole⁵ **Fisher**,¹⁸ born 16 Apr 1900, married Hazel "Happy" **Poorbaugh** 16 Apr 1930; two children born Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE. He died 6 Dec 1979 Schaumburg, Cook Co IL, age 79.

He was a judge in Lincoln, Nebraska, and was later at the Traffic Institute of Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

a) a daughter⁶ **Fisher**, born 10 Aug 1937, married 26 Dec 1962 Evanston, Cook Co IL. In 1998, she was living Tipp City IL.

i) a daughter,⁷ married; a daughter born autumn 1997.

b) a son⁶ **Fisher**, born 22 Jan 1939, married; no children known to us. In 1998, he was living in Illinois.

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**CHESTERFIELD DARWIN FISHER (b 1877) and ESTELLA MAE HECKERMAN (b 1882)
and their descendants
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Chester's parents were Joseph H Fisher and Amelia Jones
Estella's parents were William Clinton Heckerman and Jane Evans

c. Chesterfield Darwin⁴ "Chester" **Fisher**, born 1 Jun 1877, probably Dundas, Rice Co MN, married Estella Mae **Heckerman** about 1900, at least four children. She was born 6 Nov 1882 Missouri Valley, Harrison Co IA. Her parents were William Clinton Heckerman and Jane **Evans**.

Chester died 1927, age about 50. Estella died 25 Jan 1952, age 69. They were buried Wyuka Cemetery, 3600 "O" Street, Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE.

According to the 1910 census, Chester was an engineer on the C&RW Railroad and owned a house free (not mortgaged) in Dawes Co NE. His mother was living in his household.

In the 1920 census Chester is shown as an inmate of the Nebraska Hospital for the Insane. We know nothing else about this unfortunate situation. We do know that, at that time, people with conditions which would be treatable nowadays, were often classified as insane and then confined.

ESTELLA's PARENTS -- William Clinton Heckerman, born 28 Oct 1852 Ligonier, Noble Co IN, died 3 Mar 1920, age 67. Jane Evans, born 24 Aug 1860 Neoga, Cumberland Co IL, died 16 May 1951 Lincoln NE, age 90. William and Jane also had a son and three other daughters.

i. Florence⁵ **Fisher**¹⁵ was stillborn 26 Dec 1900, buried Wyuka Cemetery.¹⁵

ii. Grace Irene⁵ **Fisher**, born 8 Mar 1902, married (--?--) **Steiner**; at least one child. She later married (--?--) **Poltz**; no children known to us. She died Jul 1988 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, age 86, buried Wyuka Cemetery.

a) a son⁶ **Steiner**, married Oct 1941 San Jose CA; one son.

iii. Mabel Leone⁵ **Fisher** was born 5 Jun 1903 Chadron, Dawes Co NE. Unmarried, she died 1983 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, age about 80, buried Wyuka Cemetery.

iv. Harry Joseph⁵ **Fisher**, born 31 Jan 1905 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, married Ellanora "Nora" **Brockman** 8 Apr 1928 Lincoln; no children known to us. She was born 29 May 1904 Avoca, Cass Co NE. Her parents were Hinrick F Brockman and Wilhelmiene **Gollner**. Harry and Nora lived Downey, Los Angeles Co CA. He died 21 Apr 1975 in CA, age 70. She died 4 Jun 1985 Saline Co KS, age 81. They were buried Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, Los Angeles Co CA.

NORA's PARENTS -- Hinrick F Brockman was born 9 Jun 1864. He died 9 Jul 1929, age 64. Wilhelmiene Gollner was born 8 Feb 1872. She died 7 Jun 1942, age 70.

LAURA AMELIA AVANELL FISHER (b1891) & FRANKLIN WILBERT BURLEIGH (b1887)
and their descendants
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Laura's parents were Joseph H Fisher and Amelia Jones

Frank's parents were James Wilbert Burleigh and Irma Harriet Spears

h. Laura Amelia Avanel⁴ **Fisher**, born 11 Jan 1891, married Franklin Wilbert **Burleigh** 14 Apr 1911; ten children. He was born 10 Nov 1887 Mt Ayr, Ringgold Co IA. His parents were James Wilbert Burleigh and Irma Harriet "Hattie" **Spears**.

Laura died 21 Sep 1960, age 69, buried Council Bluffs, Pottawottamie Co IA. Frank died 24 Nov 1971, age 84, buried El Cajon Cemetery, San Diego Co CA.

According to the 1910 census, Laura taught in a district school in Chadron NE before her marriage. Although BFE never knew Aunt Laura very well personally, she was one of her favorites in the family, based on things she heard about her. She was a very sweet person. Our only specific memory at this time is that she came to see us about 1955 when we lived Omaha NE.

FAMILY LIFE -- the 1920 census shows Frank as a streetcar conductor in Denver Co CO. Family members have said he was an itinerant preacher, never really supporting his large family. The older daughters had to do a great deal of the housework, constantly helping with child care, and left home at early ages.

Despite the hard times, Laura was very religious. A family story says that once, after the three oldest children, she became very discouraged and determined to put an end to her marriage. She got the little girls and herself dressed in their best, and took the streetcar into town to consult a lawyer. But it began to rain, and Laura took that as a sign from heaven that she should not divorce Frank. So she took the children home and eventually had seven more.

FRANK's PARENTS -- James Burleigh was born 27 Feb 1854 Vinton, Benton Co IA. Hattie Spears was born 9 Jul 1863, South Beloit, Winnebago Co IL (or Beloit WI).

They were also the parents of Bessie Edna Burleigh, born 10 Feb 1882 Winnebago Co IL. She married George **Phipps** 3 Sep 1902. She died 18 Dec 1913 Spencer, Clay Co IA, age 31.

Five children: Irving, Robert, Edward, Charles and Irma.

James and Hattie divorced when Frank was about 2 years old. James later married Birdie M'Belle **Bridgeford**. He died 21 Mar 1923 Crawford, Dawes Co NE, age 69.

Hattie married David **Harger**; one child, David Jr. Hattie and David Sr divorced. She married Charles A **Lockwood**, a career Marine. He died 7 Aug 1932 Indian Head, Charles Co MD, age 56, buried Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington VA. She died 9 Jul 1933 Indian Head, age 80, buried Arlington National Cemetery.

FRANK's GRANDPARENTS -- Hiram Burleigh, born 5 Nov 1816 Bernon, Oneida Co NY, married Caroline **Holcomb**; three children. She was born 5 Feb 1823 Westmoreland, Oneida Co. He died 16 Apr 1902 Des Moines IA, age 85.

Hiram was a pioneer Methodist circuit riding minister in Iowa, and Caroline had many thrilling experiences as his wife. One day some Indians came to their cabin. They made signs that they wanted food. Caroline opened the cupboard and showed them that it was bare, and pointed to her three boys. The Indians went away.

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After three days they returned with deer meat, corn, and other provisions. Caroline thanked them, but "mostly she thanked God for His wonderful care and protection."

Hiram and Caroline had two other sons: Charles (married Ruth **Kendall**; two children; he died age 84, buried Jason Lee Pioneer Cemetery, Salem OR) and Edward (married Ella [Burleigh]; one daughter; he died Mt Ayr, Ringgold Co IA).

James, Charles and Edward were graduates of Simpson College (then Iowa State Holiness College), Indianola IA. They were educated for the ministry, and Charles and Edward followed this calling, and also were newspaper publishers. James "filled in" when a pastor was absent, and later owned and published a newspaper.

i. Bessie Winifred⁵ **Burleigh**, born 20 Mar 1912 Columbus, Franklin Co OH, married Howard **Adams** 1928 when she was sixteen. She married Paul Lewis **Mayberry** 10 Oct 1937.

He died 4 Jul 1984. Bessie died of a heart attack 9 Mar 1988, age 75, while driving in Council Bluffs IA. They were buried Glenwood, Mills Co IA.

Bessie was named for her father Frank's sister. Paul's first wife had died of pneumonia, and Bessie helped him raise his children (Evelyn, Margaret, Richard, Phyllis and Robert, ages 9 mos to 12-14 yrs).

ii. Helen Wilberta⁵ **Burleigh**, born 2 Nov 1913 Kilgore, Cherry Co NE, married Ralph Smith **Rector**

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iii. Margaret Estella⁵ **Burleigh**, born 10 Dec 1914 Roca, Lancaster Co NE, married George Mitchell **Bechtel**

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iv. Doris Avanel⁵ **Burleigh**, born 27 Dec 1918 Denver, Denver Co CO, married William Kenneth **Mack**; one child. William died 1951. She married Robert G "Bob" **Russell** 30 Mar 1940 Papillion NE; one child. Bob died Oct 1985. She died 5 Jun 1990, age 71, of a massive stroke while visiting her sister in Albany OR. She and Bob were buried Memory Memorial Cemetery, Vancouver, Clark Co WA.

a) a son⁶ **Mack Russell**, born 9 Jul 1939, was adopted by Bob Russell. He married 29 Nov 1958; three sons. They divorced 9 Jul 1975. He married 6 Sep 1975; two adopted daughters. In 2002 they were living in Florida.

They came to visit us in March 2001 and we enjoyed meeting them. He was an engineer, working first for an international engineering firm and later, for most of his professional career, for the US State Dept in a number of foreign countries including Vietnam, Egypt, and Honduras.

b) a son⁶ **Russell**, a son born 21 Jul 1946, lives (1998) in Iowa.

v. a son⁵ **Burleigh**, a son born 20 Feb 1920, was serving at Pearl Harbor 7 Dec 1941. He married 2 Mar 1942 San Francisco CA; two children. They divorced and he married 22 Dec 1989 Council Bluffs IA. In 1999 they were living Council Bluffs.

a) a son⁶ **Burleigh** was born 23 Apr 1944.

b) a daughter⁶ **Burleigh** was born 24 Dec 1945.

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vi. James Allison⁵ **Burleigh**, born 9 Jan 1925, went into military service as soon as he finished high school. He married 3 Jun 1945 Albany OR. They divorced, and he later married Dorothy "DeDe" **Goodwin**. She died 4 June 1991. In 1999 he was living Salem OR. He died 20 Jan 2003, age 78.

a) a son⁶ **Burleigh** was born 28 Mar 1947.

b) a son⁶ **Burleigh** was born 14 May 1955.

vii. Paul Franklin⁵ **Burleigh**, born 21 Feb 1927 Mitchell, Davison Co SD, went into the navy as soon as he finished high school. He married; his wife had a son from her first marriage.

After Paul was discharged from the navy, he married secondly Apr 1959 Longview WA; one child. His wife had three children from her first marriage.

He died 31 Oct 1960 Portland, Clackamas Co OR, age 33, in an automobile accident when his son was seven months old.

a) a son⁶ **Burleigh**, born 14 Feb 1960, married; two children. In 1999 they were living Vancouver WA, not far from his aunt, Helen Burleigh Rector, page 7-37.

i) a daughter⁷ **Burleigh**.

ii) a son⁷ **Burleigh**.

viii. a son⁵ **Burleigh**, born 17 Sep 1929 Selfridge, Sioux Co ND, married 18 Mar 1950 Portland OR; three children. They divorced. He married again. In 1999 they were living Salem OR.

a) a daughter⁶ **Burleigh**, born 22 Aug 1953, married; four children.

b) a son⁶ **Burleigh**, born 9 Sep 1955, married; one son.

c) a daughter⁶ **Burleigh**, born 13 Sep 1957, married; one son.

ix. Ruth Alice⁵ **Burleigh** was born May 1932 and died the same day, Council Bluffs IA.

x. a daughter⁵ **Burleigh**, born 16 Jun 1933 Council Bluffs IA, married Harry Goodwin "Chuck" **Anderson** 10 Jun 1951 Albany OR; three children. He died 22 Jul 1972. She married 3 Dec 1977 Albany OR. In 1999 they were living Albany.

a) a son⁶ **Anderson** was born 8 Apr 1953 Albany OR.

b) a son⁶ **Anderson** was born 3 Sep 1954 Seattle WA.

c) a son⁶ **Anderson** was born 22 Feb 1957 Seattle WA.

DOUGLAS SPENCER FISHER (b 1895) and BETTIE LOU WHITE (b 1892)
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Douglas' parents were Alexander Wadden Fisher and Edith Avanelle Cole
 Bettie Lou's parents were George Berry White and Florence Richards Cook

i. Douglas Spencer⁵ “Doug” **Fisher**, born 21 Mar 1895 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE, married Bettie Lou **White** 14 Aug 1920; no children. She was born 6 Jan 1892. Her parents were George Berry White and Florence Richards **Cook**.

Doug wrote "Bettie Lou and I were married at the home of her brother in Emory University, a place about eight or nine miles out from Atlanta, at six o'clock last Saturday evening the 14th. There were only three ministers (all DDs, too) to do the tying".¹⁷ We have a picture of Doug and Bettie, a very handsome couple.

He died 18 Jun 1935 at 5100 Greenwood Ave, Chicago, Cook Co IL, age 40, buried 19 Jun 1935 Decatur City Cemetery, 299 Bell St (off Church St), Decatur, DeKalb Co GA, Section 7, Blk 1, Lot 8, Grave 1. Bettie Lou died Mar 1972, age 80, buried beside Doug.

We have a letter written by Doug when he was sixteen, telling his grandparents about going to get a load of coal and being invited to go into the mine. He wrote very well and went into considerable detail. In a 1948 newspaper story about his brother CCF (Claire Cole Fisher), there is a reference to Doug's being the godson of William Jennings Bryan. We don't know anything else about this interesting item.

Doug was in the army during World War I. He, his brother, and their father were at Camp Oglethorpe at the same time in 1917, with Doug a “cadet”, CCF the camp bugler, and AWF with the YMCA. We never did find the meaning of “cadet”. According to Doug's WW1 draft registration card, his occupation was stenographer for the US Government at Fort Oglethorpe GA. It also said he was a sergeant in the Tennessee National Guard.

He was injured seriously in an accident, from which we think he probably never fully recovered. BFE always believed the accident took place in England, prior to combat service, but we recently found a letter in which he mentions that he never did go overseas, so the accident must have been in a training camp in this country. We tried to get his service records, but were told they had been destroyed in a fire in 1973.

BFE always believed that his death was at least partly a result of the accident. His death certificate, however, indicates that he died of "disseminated encephalomyelitis acuta" and an acute upper respiratory infection.²⁸ We know from his letters that he was incapacitated and in a wheelchair for a long time after he had to resign from his work as YMCA Secretary in Chicago IL Mar 1932. He wrote of his excitement about the 1933 World's Fair, and how he was intrigued with new developments in radio. Now that we know more about him, we believe Uncle Doug must have been a truly fine person, and we much admire the way he reacted to his illness.

BETTIE LOU was an executive with the Reuben H Donnelly Co, Chicago in the 1930s. Although she was only 43 when Doug died, she evidently believed she would not marry again, and arranged for his burial near her family. We knew almost nothing about her, or her life with Doug, until we started the family history research. We found so many interesting things about her and her family; we wish we had space here to tell more.

In April 2003 we made a very enjoyable trip to several parts of the south, and found the graves of Doug, Bettie Lou, and several members of her family. We don't understand why BFE's parents and grandparents seemed so little interested in Bettie Lou and her family. We may have been the first in Doug's family to visit his grave.

-- THE WHITE FAMILY --

I. George W **White**, born about 1821, was a general merchant in the town of Griffin, Spaulding Co GA. He married Betty A [White]; three children: George Berry (1859, below), James A (1865), and Camile (1867).

A. George Berry **White**, born about 1859, was a clerk in his father's store in 1880. He married Florence Richards “Florrie” **Cook**; two children: Goodrich (1889, below) and Bettie Lou (1892). Florrie's parents were William Francis Cook and Louisa Jane **Richards**. As a widow, Florrie was keeping a boarding house in 1900, later was well-known for 32 years as manager of the Wesleyan College infirmary, Macon GA.

1. Goodrich Cook **White** PhD, Professor, Dean, President, and later Chancellor of Emory University, married Helen **Chappell**, author of at least four books; two children: Goodrich Cook White Jr (born 1918, killed in air combat over the Baltic Sea 1944) and Edwin Chappell White (1921-2004, noted Emory music professor). Emory University was extremely helpful in providing material from its archives. Rev 02/07

**CLAIRE COLE FISHER (b 1897) and JOHNNIE EPPERSON WALL (b 1896)
and their descendants
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Claire's parents were Alexander Wadden Fisher and Edith Avanelle Cole
Johnnie's parents were John Eldridge Wall and Mary Jane Breckenridge Pickard

ii. Claire Cole⁵ "Bud" **Fisher,¹³ a Civil Engineer, was born 20 Feb 1897 Lincoln, Lancaster Co NE. He enlisted in the US Army 9 Jun 1916 Knoxville, Knox Co TN;¹⁷ honorably discharged as Color Sergeant¹⁷ 8 Apr 1919.**

He married **Johnnie Epperson Wall** 14 Jul 1923 Cookeville, Putnam Co TN; two children. She was born 25 Dec 1896. Her parents were **John Eldridge Wall** and **Mary Jane Breckenridge Pickard**.

Bud received a Master of Science degree in Hydraulic Engineering, Cornell University Feb 1925.¹⁷ After WWII he was Director of Defense Department Surplus Disposal.¹³ He retired from Headquarters, Department of Defense, Washington DC¹⁷ 16 Jul 1959. He died 1 Feb 1966 Arlington County Hospital, Arlington Co VA, from a heart attack,¹⁶ age 68, buried Algood Cemetery, Algood, Putnam Co TN.

Johnnie died 25 Jan 1985, age 88, buried Algood Cemetery.

With the marriage of **Claire Cole Fisher** and **Johnnie Epperson Wall**
our **FISHER** lineage is joined by our **WALL** lineage
-- see {Section 4b} --

CLAIRE COLE "Bud" FISHER

CHILDHOOD AND EDUCATION -- Born Lincoln NE 20 Feb 1897 (in second house from corner of 22nd and Vine), Bud soon travelled with his mother and older brother Doug to Corsicana TX, where his father AWF was serving as the YMCA Physical Director. The family made many moves -- to Cedar Rapids IA, Galveston TX, Ohio, South Carolina, and Tennessee. In all these places his father served as Physical Director at the "Y", so the boys learned many sports, including swimming, boxing, wrestling, weight lifting, all kinds of games, including softball (invented, or probably adapted, by AWF), basketball, and checkers and chess.

Both Bud and Doug were Boy Scouts with AWF as Scoutmaster. Their first troop was formed so early that they had to use the British Scout Handbooks. Bud advanced through the ranks and became the first Eagle Scout in South Carolina. (Later his Eagle Badge was passed on to his grandsons, Karl Frederick Edler III and Jan Sterling Edler, when they earned this award; and then to his great-grandson Cory Alexander Simmons-Edler.)

Bud had a good scholastic record, was valedictorian of his 8th grade class in Nelsonville OH, and graduated from high school in Columbia SC in two years. Even though the Columbia High School was normally a three-year school, the University of South Carolina (USC) accepted him, and he completed one year there. Then the University of Tennessee (UT) would not accept his high school certificate, but did accept most of the college subjects taken in the first year at USC. He attended UT for three years, graduating 8 Jun 1921 with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. He felt his record was good, six years for high school and college!

MILITARY SERVICE -- Before his last year of college Bud joined the Army. On Mexican border duty in 1916, he won a prize -- a trip into Mexico with logistical support for General Pershing, who was in hot pursuit of Francisco Villa. Each night the expedition was fired upon, with arrows, and they fired back, with rifles. "Arrows" means Indians, and "firing back" means fighters, so Bud proudly laid claim to being one of the "last Indian fighters". He added that none of our boys were hit, though the tarps on a few wagons were burned. Also, we never hit anybody either.

Then in 1917 Bud went overseas as one of the first 100,000 US soldiers in WWI; everything changed. He transferred to the 105th Engineer Regiment where he worked as chief draftsman in the mapping section, and went through all the military grades to Color Sergeant, and finally became a Martin Engineer. He built a small (but necessary) bridge under fire.

As Color Sergeant of the Regiment, he accepted awards on behalf of the Regiment, including the Croix de Guerre and a kiss from Marshall Foch. On his own, he received the equivalent of the Purple Heart (three times wounded, but all light,

he said), several assorted citations, and a commission "for conspicuous gallantry in action". This last reached him as he was being discharged and he declined. One of the wounds left permanent brown marks on his hand and arm, from being gassed. A leg wound left significant scars. He wore his "wound button" proudly the rest of his life. It was a silver version of the brass button given to all soldiers being discharged. We don't know why his discharge certificate states no wounds; we haven't been able to access his service records as they were allegedly burned.

Following his honorable discharge 8 Apr 1919, Bud returned to school and soon went into the Tennessee National Guard where he worked his way up to the rank of Major with the 164th Engineers. He resigned his commission in 1939.

CIVILIAN CAREER -- Bud worked as a Civil Engineer and taught at TPI (Tennessee Politechnic Institute, later Tennessee Tech) in Cookeville TN, where he met and married Johnnie Epperson Wall, and Cornell University, where he received his Master's degree in Hydraulics Feb 1925. While waiting for a job, he took work toward his Doctoral degree in pure physics.

Then things opened up. He did some water power and highway development jobs and built many bridges for the Tennessee Department of Highways and Public Works. 1933 and the depression years found him working for the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) building fire towers, roads and recreational facilities in Tennessee forests. In 1938 he went to work for the US Corps of Engineers in Providence RI on flood control. Incidentally, he always said they lived 30 years in Rhode Island the first winter.

In 1941 he went to Washington DC and worked in Army G-4, Construction Planning Branch. One of his first jobs there was development of specifications for the Alcan Highway. Another was the Pentagon. He claimed that he signed the first set of drawings and wrote the order that started the construction of that huge building. During WWII he worked on engineer supply coordination and devised a project that saved badly needed funds by avoiding duplication of equipment. From 1945 until retirement he worked in Army property disposal.

PERSONAL INTERESTS -- Bud had a lifelong stamp collecting hobby. His specialty was precancelled stamps, and he was nationally known as an expert in that field. He served in several offices, including Secretary and President, of PSS, the Precancel Stamp Society, and wrote a column many years for its magazine. Following retirement, he went back to work on a part time basis for the Smithsonian Institution, organizing its precancelled stamp collection.

Precancels are stamps which were canceled before being affixed to mail. They are most often used for circulars and for parcel post. One can tell them from ordinary stamps by the fact that their cancellation (straight lines and the name of the city of origin) is much clearer and neater than it is on stamps canceled after they have been stuck to the letter or parcel. As of 1948 there were about 450,000 of them, from some 15,000 US cities and towns (few other countries have precancels). Most are precanceled locally, but about 5500 are precanceled in Washington at the Bureau of Engraving. These, representing about 300 towns, were Bud's specialty. He had all but one of them.

In addition to all of this, Bud did occasional surveying work on the side for many years. His daughter BFE, and later also her husband KFE, sometimes worked as his "chain men". The family still has some of his drawing instruments and one of his survey chains. His large collection of many different kinds of slide rules was donated to Tennessee Tech.

MEMORIES OF DAD -- BFE recalls a few things that made him a "Daddy" and not just a "Father." First, she remembers with special fondness his whimsical creativity, such as:

- asking if she wanted him to draw an elephant, then making a dot on the paper and saying the elephant was so far away that it couldn't be seen clearly;
- making up a song about baby animals, and singing it to her to see if he could keep from repeating animal names before she fell asleep;
- when she asked how the mother tiger said "I love you" to the baby tiger, he said the mother tiger said "I love you" but she said it in the language of the tiger, so that only the mother tiger and the baby tiger could understand;
- telling wonderful stories about things some little bears did, the brown one, the sorrel top one, etc; then pointing one out to her when driving along (it always turned out, when they got closer, that he'd been mistaken); and
- "blowing up" his biceps through a hole under his thumbnail (she wasn't ever sure if it was or wasn't real).

He took lots of pictures and carefully numbered them in the albums, one for BFE and one for her sister. He taught Sunday School many years for the Men's Bible Class at the Clarendon Methodist Church, Arlington VA. He served a year as chairman of the Arlington Girl Scout Council Camp Committee.

Always steadfast, he held to his youthful vow never to drink alcohol, and would not do so even when he was desperately ill with pleurisy about 1933. During WWII, there were times he went to work in a wheelchair or on crutches because of extremely painful gout. He said he had "been there" and he knew the soldiers in the trenches needed the supplies he could help get to them.

JOHNNIE EPPERSON WALL

Born on Christmas Day 1896, JWF (Johnnie Epperson Wall Fisher) was the sixth child in her family. This never seemed fair to BFE, because JWF said she never really had birthdays, they usually got "lost" in the bigger holiday. Four years later, Christmas Day was also the birthday of her little sister Eddie Lucille, who only lived seven months.

As the youngest child, JWF was called "Tootsie" and probably got lots of attention from the older ones while she was small. Her father's livery stable prospered and the family was able to move into a fine big house which they really liked.

Then they had to give up the house, and both JWF and her mother were deeply affected. They never quite recovered entirely from this disappointment, which they perceived as a come-down. Later on, after her siblings left home, her mother depended on her for housework, and perhaps for companionship after her father was not well and then died.

JWF was allowed to ride horseback, western style, and always enjoyed that. Later on she learned to drive cars as well as horses. She told how the speed limit was 15 miles an hour, and 8 around curves.

In her teens she wanted to play basketball, but her older brother Jeff looked in the windows of the gymnasium, saw her wearing bloomers, and told her parents. Her primary outlet then became music. Always so inclined, she learned to play both piano and organ, and gave some lessons to local children.

She was playing the organ in church one Sunday, when Bud saw her for the first time. He was especially attracted by her straight dark hair, worn in a bun at the back of her neck, such a contrast to the bobbed hair of most other young women at the time.

JWF was very smart and always interested in education, admiring higher learning and all the things related to it. Living at Cornell University after she and Bud married was probably the happiest time of her life. When BFE was two, they took out a life insurance policy to make sure there would be money for her to go to college. There must have been times over the years when it was hard for them to pay the premiums, but it was extremely important to JWF. By the time BFE was ready, the proceeds weren't needed and wouldn't have paid enough for more than perhaps a couple of terms, but it was a comfort to JWF over the years to feel that BFE's education was assured.

JWF's family was very important to her and she and Bud were able to live in Tennessee most of the time until 1938, so she was able to be with her mother, Molly Pickard Wall, fairly often before her death in 1934. BFE remembers that she and JWF stayed with her grandmother for extended periods several times. She thinks some of these were in the depression, when Bud was ill in the hospital, and also when he was working in a location where his family couldn't go.

There was a lot of visiting with JWF's siblings and their families. She and Bud bought a little house, called a "camp" in those days, on the Cumberland River outside of Nashville, which was their base whenever they could be there. She loved the "Homey House" (named by BFE) and often said she wished they had never left there.

Moving so far away, to Rhode Island and later to Virginia, was hard on her. She felt they could have done better, and accumulated more, if they could have stayed in one place. Sadly, she disliked the house in Arlington where they lived almost twenty-five years. She gave up driving and didn't have much outside activity. Reading, crocheting and watching television were her main hobbies. KFE, BFE, and their oldest child returned to the Washington area in 1956, and her grandchildren then became the highlights of JWF's life. She enjoyed having them stay with her whenever they could.

After Bud died, she lived with BFE for a short time, briefly with her other daughter Martha, and then had apartments of her own in Fairfax VA and Hyattsville MD, before moving to Centreville MD. There she lived in two apartments before moving in with Martha for her last few years. Always faithful to her beliefs and lifetime convictions in so many things, she nevertheless showed adaptability and did her best as time went by.

a) Barbara Ann⁶ “Bah” **Fisher**, born 5 Aug 1930 Nashville, Davidson Co TN,⁸ married Karl Frederick **Edler Jr** 4 Apr 1952 Herndon, Fairfax Co VA.⁶ He was born 14 Oct 1931 Evanston IL. His parents were Karl Friedrich Wilhelm Edler and Pearl Elizabeth **Keil**. Barbara died 18 Oct 2010, age 80, at Collington Episcopal Life Care Center, Mitchellville, MD after a six month battle with pancreatic cancer.

Bah and Karl have three children:

- Karl Frederick “Fritz” Edler III,
- Jan Sterling Edler (who is married to Janet Marion **Simmons**), and
- Hilde Melena Edler (who is married to Robert Leonard **Souweine**).

With the marriage of **Barbara Ann Fisher** and **Karl Frederick Edler Jr**
 our **FISHER** lineage joins our **EDLER** lineage
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With the marriage of **Jan Sterling Edler** and **Janet Marion Simmons**
 our **EDLER** lineage is joined by our **SIMMONS** lineage
 – see {Section 18} --

With the marriage of **Hilde Melena Edler** and **Robert Leonard Souweine**
 our **EDLER** lineage joins our **SOUWEINE** lineage
 – see {Section 19} --

b) Martha Claire⁶ “Marty” **Fisher**, born 31 Jul 1937 Knoxville, Knox Co TN, married James Straughn “Jim” **Redsecker** 4 Jun 1963 Clarendon Methodist Church, Arlington Co VA. He was born 21 Jul 1934 Colorado Springs CO. His parents were James Henry Redsecker and Sadye Patricia **Simon**.

Jim died 5 July 2001 Riverside CA, age 67, buried 21 Jul 2001 Chesterfield Cemetery, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co MD.

Martha and Jim had two daughters: Elisabeth Wall Redsecker and Laura Irene Redsecker.

With the marriage of **Martha Claire Fisher** and **James Straughn Redsecker**
 our **FISHER** lineage joins our **REDSECKER** lineage
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**HELEN WILBERTA BURLEIGH (b 1913) and RALPH SMITH RECTOR (b 1901)
and their descendants
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Helen's parents were Laura Amelia Avaneil Fisher and Frank Wilbert Burleigh
Ralph's parents were Timothy Smith Rector and Della Kirkham

ii. Helen Wilberta⁵ Burleigh, born 2 Nov 1913 Kilgore, Cherry Co NE, married Ralph Smith **Rector** 15 May 1931, Sioux Falls SD; five children. He was born 2 Apr 1901 Rockville, Park Co IN. His parents were Timothy Smith Rector and Della **Kirkham**.

Helen and Ralph divorced in 1956. He died 9 Jan 1969, Portland, Multnomah Co OR, age 67. She died of cancer 14 Aug 2003 Vancouver, Clark Co WA, age 89.

Helen was a great help to us in our family history research. We asked her to tell us about her own life, and she said it wasn't very interesting. We, however, think her story is remarkable. What an admirable person!

When she was a young girl, Helen helped a great deal with her younger siblings. At age 14 she left school and went to work. She was supporting herself, and stayed in Sioux Falls SD when the family moved.

MARRIAGE -- Helen and Ralph married when she was 17. He worked in a monument shop, but that job ended, so they began moving from place to place. He worked in monument shops, cut letters on tombstones in cemeteries, and did whatever work he could do. They first traveled in a "house car" (forerunner of present day motor homes), and later had a pickup and nice house trailer.

When their older children were school age, Helen insisted they stop travelling. Ralph went to school in Omaha NE studying sheet metal. They went to California, where he worked in an airplane factory early in the war, then to Portland OR, where he worked in the shipyards. At this time Helen realized he was drinking too heavily.

HER CAREER -- The children were in school, so she went to work at a shipyard as a welder. When the war ended and the shipyards closed, she worked at Montgomery Ward for a year, then in a wooden box factory for 15 years until they went on strike.

By then the children were grown and on their own. She went to California and stayed with her daughter Doris for a year, working in Northridge Hospital and going to school nights. Then she went to Omaha and stayed with her sister Margaret while she attended Licensed Practical Nurse School.

After graduation, she went back to Portland and worked in hospitals there until she got her appointment to the Vancouver WA Veterans Hospital. She retired at age 65 in 1979, and in 1998 was living in a retirement center there.

AFTER RETIREMENT -- Helen kept very busy. She volunteered at her church library and at the local YWCA. The Retired Senior Volunteer Bureau called her when she was needed; she took blood pressures at the retirement center and occasionally helped in the nursing home.

For at least 30 years, Helen was very involved with genealogy and family research. She provided much information we hadn't found otherwise. She shared the extensive notes of her mother, and letters and notes from various other relatives. She sent us many pictures.

She was modest, and perhaps didn't realize the value of her contributions to family knowledge and this book. But we do, and very much appreciate her!

a) Patricia Della⁶ Rector was born 21 Aug 1932. She was killed in an automobile accident in 1934, age 2 years, 1 week.

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b) a daughter⁶ **Rector**, born 8 Jan 1934 El Centro, Imperial Co CA, married 9 Dec 1952; they were divorced. She married secondly 29 Oct 1976. In 1998 she had a business (finance, taxes, real estate), and she and her husband, who was retired, were living Granada Hills CA.

i) Debra Jean⁷ **Winchester** was born 7 Aug 1953 San Pedro CA, and survived her first few days in an incubator. She married Gerald **Soo Hoo** Ventura CA; they were divorced. She died Aug 1997, Sherman Oaks, Los Angeles Co CA, age 44. He died Sep 1999 Los Angeles.

(a) a daughter⁸ (**Soo Hoo**) **Winchester** was born 6 Dec 1972 Ventura CA. She does not use her birth surname. In 1998 she was living San Louis Obispo CA.

ii) Susan Marie⁷ **Winchester**, born 15 Sep 1955, Portland OR, died unmarried 2 Feb 2000, age 44.

iii) a son⁷ **Winchester** was born 29 Aug 1957, Burbank CA. In 1998 he was unmarried.

c) Floyd Smith⁶ **Rector**, born 24 Oct 1935 Council Bluffs IA, married 24 Aug 1957 Spokane WA; one child. He died 13 Dec 1993, age 58.

After leaving the Air Force, where he was in the Air Police, he was an insurance adjustor for Aetna Insurance. He had a rare blood disease (Factor 3 Prothrombin Deficiency), and had many hospitalizations, including open heart surgery. He lived 18 years after the surgery, working until five years before his death.

i) a son⁷ **Rector** was born 5 Dec 1958 Spokane WA; in 1998 living Santa Rosa CA.

d) a son⁶ **Rector** was born 8 Sep 1937, married 7 Feb 1959 Portland OR; five children.

His wife had a son whom he adopted. After they had three more children, they adopted one of their grandsons. After 30 years in the Air Force, he was an attorney for 12 years at the Regional Post Office, Labor Relations Division, Memphis TN. He retired in 1997 and in 1998 they were living Vancouver WA.

i) a stepson⁷ **Rector**, 5 May 1957 Roseburg OR, was adopted about 1959. He married 12 Aug 1979 Alamogordo NM; no children known to us.

ii) a son⁷ **Rector**, born 30 Nov 1959 Portland OR, married; two children..

(a) a daughter⁸ **Rector** was born 11 Jan 1996.

(b) a daughter⁸ **Rector** was born 8 Feb 1997.

iii) Carla Ann⁷ **Rector**, born 27 Nov 1962, ended her life 31 Dec 1982 San Antonio TX, age 20.

iv) a daughter⁷ **Rector** was born 4 Sep 1964 Glendale AZ. Her son had medical problems and was adopted by her parents. She married and in 1998 they were living Memphis TN.

(a) a daughter⁸ was born 23 Feb 1989 Memphis TN.

(b) a daughter⁸ was born 17 Mar 1994 Memphis TN.

v) a grandson⁷ **Rector**, born 20 May 1983 Concord CA, was adopted before 1988.

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e) a son⁶ **Rector**, born 17 Aug 1939, married 2 Aug 1957; five children. They divorced; he had custody of the children. He married secondly 26 Apr 1975.

He was a photo composition operator and later had his own business. He lost most of his right hand in a chipper accident in his backyard about 1993.

i) a son⁷ **Rector**, 24 Aug 1958 Portland OR, married 27 Jan 1980 Hawaii. They were divorced.

(a) a daughter⁸ **Rector** was born 18 Aug 1981 Hawaii.

(b) a son⁸ **Rector** was born 16 Mar 1985 Portland OR.

ii) a son⁷ **Rector** was born 8 Mar 1960 Aloha OR. In 1998 he was unmarried.

iii) a son⁷ **Rector**, born 1 Jul 1961, married 8 Sep 1985. In 1998 they were separated.

(a) a daughter⁸ **Rector** was born 14 Oct 1986 McMinnville OR.

iv) a daughter⁷ **Rector**, born 30 Oct 1964, married in 1991.

(a) a daughter⁸ was born 25 Feb 1988 Beaverton OR.

v) a daughter⁷ **Rector** was born 2 Nov 1966 Forest Grove OR. She married; one child. Her husband is from an African country and has a son.

(a) a daughter⁸ was born 2 Dec 1981 Portland OR.

**MARGARET ESTELLA BURLEIGH (b 1914) and GEORGE MITCHELL BECHTEL (b 1909)
and their descendants
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Margaret's parents were Frank W Burleigh and Laura Amelia Avanel Fisher
George's parents were George Howe Bechtel and Mabel Eva Mitchell

iii. Margaret Estella⁵ **Burleigh**, born 10 Dec 1914 Roca, Lancaster Co NE, married George Mitchell **Bechtel** 4 May 1935 Nebraska City NE. His parents were George Howe Bechtel and Mabel Eva **Mitchell**.

Born 20 Jan 1909 Liberty KS, George died 1 Dec 1984 Mesa AZ, age 75. Margaret died 20 Feb 1998 Clemson SC, age 83.

We remember Margaret as a most excellent housewife and mother, and such a very great help to us when we moved to Omaha NE in 1953. She came to see us in our first apartment. She and her family welcomed us and were most kind to us. Our first child was born in Omaha and we took him to Margaret and George's house for the first few days. The family was a positive influence on us in standards for family life and home keeping.

George was was an engineer with the Corps of Engineers in Omaha NE, where they lived when we first knew them. He was very active in the Masons, and all three daughters were involved in Job's Daughters.

Margaret and George had lived in Kansas City KS before they moved to Omaha, and later they lived in Salem OR and Denver CO. After George retired, they spent quite a few years "trailerling" before settling in Mesa AZ, where George died of a massive stroke.

According to her sister Helen Rector, Margaret was "like a fish out of water" after George died. A little over a year later, she moved to Omaha NE and then to Vancouver WA, where she lived for several years in the same retirement center as Helen. Margaret later moved to Salem OR and then to Clemson SC, near the home of her oldest daughter.

Sadly, in December 1997 Margaret became seriously ill and began having hospice care in her assisted living apartment in Clemson. She died of cancer and complications from her history of heavy smoking.

Recently we learned that Margaret had a son before her marriage, born 29 Mar 1932. He was adopted shortly after birth by the **Kirkpatrick** family and named John W. Fortunately, Margaret and her daughters were able to know him for about four years before he died 26 Mar 1997 Alachua Co FL, age 64.

(a) a daughter⁶ **Bechtel**, born 14 May 1939 Omaha, Douglas Co NE, married; two children. Her husband was born 23 Oct 1929.

She is very musical, played the french horn. She received her MS degree from the University of Kansas in microbiology. She and her husband lived in Waukeegan IL and both worked at Abbott Labs. After they retired, they moved to Salem SC.

(i) a daughter⁷, born 12 Jan 1963, married; two children.

She has her MS in microbiology, and is an outdoor person and a bird lover, according to her mother. Her husband is a schoolteacher.

(a) a son⁸ was born 3 Oct 1990.

(b) a son⁸ was born 2 Apr 1993.

(ii) a daughter⁷, born 2 Mar 1965, married; no children. After three years they were divorced, and she married secondly 27 May 1994.

She has a bachelor's degree in microbiology and an MBA. Her husband has two children from his previous marriage (a son age 17 in 1998 and a daughter age 12 in 1998). Rev 06/99, 02/07

(b) a daughter⁶ **Bechtel**, born 16 Jan 1942 Kansas City KS, married; three children. They divorced, and she married secondly; one child. They also divorced.

As a child, she had celiac disease. Her older sister says she has managed it very well, especially with her diet, over the years. In 1998 she was a hospice nurse in San Diego CA.

(i) a daughter⁷ was born 23 Jan 1965, married 27 Feb 1988.

(a) a son⁸ was born 17 Dec 1989.

(b) a son⁸ was born 31 Mar 1992.

(ii) a son⁷ was born 24 Aug 1966, married 27 Feb 1989; one child. He married secondly 29 Apr 1997.

(a) a daughter⁸ was born 16 Oct 1993.

(iii) a son⁷ was born 29 Aug 1968.

(iv) a son⁷ was born 27 Feb 1980.

(c) a daughter⁶ **Bechtel** was born 12 Oct 1949 Omaha, Douglas Co NE. She married 29 May 1972 at Temple Emanuel, Denver CO; two children. Her husband was born 6 Aug 1949.

She has a degree in psychology and sociology from the University of Colorado in Boulder. She and her husband lived at Edwards AFB CA while he was in the Air Force. In 1975 they returned to Denver CO, where he worked with insurance companies for 17 years.

Meantime, she worked at several part time jobs, and started with The Children's Hospital in 1987. She advanced in her work and in 1998 was executive assistant to the President/CEO of the hospital's foundation, where money is raised for the hospital.

She likes cooking and other domestic activities, and especially enjoys quilting, an interest shared by BFE. She and her husband are quite active at their Temple. She converted to Reform Judaism 12 May 1972, is on the Board of Directors and chair of the Shwayder Camp Committee, and has worked on the Outreach and Religious School committees.

Her husband was a senior academic for the College for Financial Planning, and wrote insurance curriculum for distance education. In 1999 he was with FMI Corp, providing management consulting to the construction industry, specifically mergers and acquisitions. He was consulting on insurance publications, including books. He is a CLU (Chartered Life Underwriter) and a ChFC (Chartered Financial Consultant), and has his MBA.

(i) a son⁷ was born 17 May 1975, Edwards AFB CA. He graduated in 1998 from University of Colorado in film study, and in 1999 was working in Los Angeles CA as a "spec checker" in a post production company. He is a member of the Willshire Temple there.

(ii) a son⁷ was born 25 Mar 1978, Westminster CO. In 1998 he was at university in Greeley CO.

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SOME WRITINGS OF EDITH AVANELLE COLE FISHER

The Quilt

The flowers on the quilt
 Never seem to wilt.
 They stand up fresh and gay
 No matter how hot the day.

The roses glow brightly red
 As they wander o'er the bed.
 The patient stitches faintly show
 Where they crowd all in a row.

I think of her who planned
 And made the quilt so grand,
 Howe the tiny stitches grew
 To the many from the few.

How she worked day by day
 To make it come the right way.
 But now she has left us all
 And gone beyond recall.

So we prize it without measure.
 It is our dearest treasure.
 -- May 1933

Just Folks

I love peace at the end of the day
 When turmoil has rushed away.
 I love the glow of morning clear
 In the autumn of the year.

I love the long summer day
 And the spiciness of new hay.
 I love every green growing thing
 And all the birds upon the wing.

My homely daily task I love
 Also the clouds and sky above.
 But most interesting to me
 Are "just folks" whom I often see.

Neighbors

One little leaf nodded to another
 And said with a grin, "Good morning, brother."
 And then they both wondered whether
 If they would have a spell of weather.

Another said, "I think you are right.
 I felt it in the air all the night.
 It's getting damp and has commenced to rain.
 I see umbrellas down the lane.

Then we will have our coats washed clean
 Into a lovely restful green."

Your Brother

Help your brother, friend, today.
 Help him on his burdened way.
 Give to him whate'er his need.
 Show him you're a friend indeed.

To A.W.F.

I love you now as I did then
 In those far away days when
 Skies were bright and life was young.
 Ever has my heart sung.

A sweet quiet song of you,
 With your kind heart and eyes of blue,
 I think I never could forget
 Those pleasant days when first we met;

Your kindness to all, your smile true
 And all the sweet dearness of you.
 Forty years have passed away
 With much change since our wedding day.

Yet love changes never.
 I love you same as ever.
 'Though years have passed and we are old
 With silver hair where was the gold,
 Our hearts are young and brave and gay
 Eager to meet each coming day.
 -- 1933

Heat

O the people in the city,
 In the heat,
 Of the street--
 Blistering street!
 Some suffer, "more's the pity"
 With the heat
 From the street
 Brassy street!
 How they long for autumn days
 Under the trees
 With the breeze,
 Cooling breeze!
 How they long for woodland ways
 Away from heat,
 Tiring heat,
 Torturing heat.

My Ancestors

They have gone the way of mortal man.
 They busily lived, worked and loved when
 There were each here in my stead
 And toiled and at their daily bread.

At times it seems that I can see
 That they are all living in me.
 It makes me feel humble and sad
 To know mine's the privilege they had.
 -- 10 Apr 1934

The streets are grey, the sky is dull.
 The day drags when you're not here.
 A song of joy is in my heart!
 The day is bright when you're near.
 -- 28 Aug 1938, M.E.Camp, Scottdale PA

Spring

Golden hours,
 Lovely flowers,
 Joy and happiness bring
 In the laughing spring.
 Children gay
 On their way
 Merrily go maying
 For flowers swaying.
 In the breeze
 Under trees.
 Butterflies are winging.
 Birds are singing.
 Sky fair.
 Pleasant air.
 Gone is winter's chill.
 Free now is the rill.
 Roads call.
 Beckon all
 To follow the trail
 By motor or rail.
 -- *Apr 1933, Scottdale PA*

Trees

Lovely trees, grand old trees,
 With wind ruffling leaves
 Along your height of green,
 I wonder what you've seen.
 Can you recall yesteryears,
 Their days of joy or tears?
 Have they meant much to you,
 Things to love, things to rue?
 Perhaps the Master may,
 After a long hot day,
 Have rested in the shade
 That trees like these had made.
 I love to think that He
 May have watched how a tree
 Stood patiently and grew
 Tall and strong the years through.
 I wish that I could be
 As patient as a tree,
 When things are hard to bear
 In stormy days or fair.
 -- *13 Jun 1939, M.E.Camp*

A little flower grew by a tree.
 "I wish that I were big as he.
 I'd give every branch a flower
 And count my buds each passing hour.
 "Then every child could fill his hand
 And be the happiest in the land.
 But, as I am so very small,
 I'll stay here by the garden wall.
 "And shed my sweetness on the air
 To help someone his burden bear."
 -- *16 Jun 1939*

The Hills

Brown hills,
 Grey hills
 The passing of autumn mourn.
 They sadly stand, all forlorn.
 White hills,
 Shimmering hills
 Have a coverlid of snow
 Where they crouch all in a row.
 Purple hills.
 Golden hills
 Shine in splendor of sunset
 Where amethyst and rose met.
 Pale green hills.
 Pink and white hills
 Dance in the daintiness of spring
 And the flowers it can bring.
 Green hills,
 Shimmering hills
 Stand covered in verdure deep
 While summer climbs the sides steep.
 Windy hills.
 Gorgeous hills
 Of autumn show leaves of red
 Gold and crimson overhead.
 Beloved hills.
 My hills.
 I am glad I know and love you.
 You are old yet ever new.
 -- *May 1933*

The Trailer

A trailer is a friendly thing.
 He waves a beckoning wing.
 "Come go with me adown the way
 Where skies are sparkling, warm and gay."

 A trailer is a home that's fair.
 He helps each one to flee from care
 And fills him full of mirth and song
 While hours are happy all day long.

 He will take you from ice and snow
 To sunny climes, if you will go,
 And help you find your heart's desire
 Whether in valley or higher.

 So join with me in praising him
 Whether your name be Jane or Jim,
 Collect your clothes and children dear,
 Get a trailer and come down here.

 Florida's a very nice place
 For sheltering the human race.
 She sends a gracious, kindly call
 To visit with her, one and all.
 -- *25 Jul 1937, St Petersburg*

Pain

Pain does not wait for an invitation
 But is a visitor we care not for.
 Sometimes he is quiet and dark robed
 With stretched out hands seeking through the door.

Sometimes he boldly shrieks a greeting.
 We haste to close the door upon pain.
 Often we are in time to escape him.
 Often he returns again and again.

We never mean to prepare for pain
 Or garnish a room for him to use,
 But sometimes he comes to visit with us,
 'Though he is aware of our well known views.

Pain surely never was taught manners.
 That could perhaps be changed even yet,
 For it seems to me his manners
 Are worse than any I ever met.
 -- 11 Jan 1934

Greet the morn with thankfulness.
 Be thankful for the light of day
 With strength to go upon our way.
 Be thankful for the faith of friend
 With love that endures to the end.

Greet the morn with admiration.
 There's beauty in the sky's expanse,
 In the fluttering leaves that dance,
 In the freshness of the morning air.
 In the comfort of God's love and care.

Greet the morn with songs of praise.
 Praise the Lord who loves us all.
 Praise Him for the birds' sweet call,
 For the fullness of the earth
 And the land that gave us birth.
 -- Feb 1933

To the Trees

When your branches are bare
 In the cold chilly air,
 When the ground is all white
 Under the pale moon's light,
 O tell to me, trees,
 Don't you long for your leaves
 And the coziness there
 In the warm summer air?
 -- 15 Jun 1939, M.E.Camp

My heart sings a song of gladness;
 A song of joy and love,
 A paean of hope and worship
 And praise to One above.
 -- 11 Nov 1934

'Though one should attain to a ripe old age, it still would not
 be long enough to meet all the lovable ones.
 -- Feb 1937, St Petersburg

By a Virginia road I sit
 Playing nursemaid to a trailer.
 The trailer needs his second tire
 As much as ship needs a sailor.

The goodman rides hither and yon,
 If perchance a town he may find.
 The slow minutes and hours go by
 But, really, I do not mind.

The quick needle I ply awhile,
 Hoping to make something pretty.
 When that palls, a pencil I reach
 And try to write a ditty.

The cars go rushing, tearing by
 Much faster, truly, than the time.
 My thoughts fly madly, seeking words
 That can be formed into a rhyme.
 -- 15 Sep 1938, W Va #119, on way from
 Pennsylvania to home of CCF in Tennessee

Mother of Mine

I am thinking of days past,
 Of that far away time
 When we were together,
 Dear mother of mine.

Of the full busy years,
 Of the laughter and song,
 Of the contented days
 Whether short or long.

I can see even yet
 The child across the way
 Who came with her toys
 For a romp or a play.

I see your willingness
 With kind and ready hand
 To help or to guide us,
 What'er the demand.

I remember full well
 The doll clothes you'd make,
 The hurts you would mend,
 And the cookies you'd bake.

O dear mother of mine
 Across the lonely years
 I love and long for you
 And see you through my tears.
 -- Jan 1934

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