# AN ARNOLD FAMILY RECORD

### 323 YEARS IN AMERICA

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A record of some of the descendants of William Arnold and his son, Governor Benedict Arnold of Rhode Island and his grandson, Benedict Arnold, Junior.

### 1635 to 1958

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"My father and his family sett sayle from Dartmouth in Old England on May 1, 1635, and landed in Massachusetts Bay in New England on June 24, 1635."

### Benedict Arnold





THE OLD STONE MILL In Turo Park. Newport, Rhode Island, Land once owned by Governor Benedict Arnold.

### INTRODUCTION

The Arnold family is of great antiquity, its history having been traced back to Ynir, King of Gwentland, Wales, who reigned about the middle of the 12th century and who was paternally descended from Ynir, the second son of Cadwaladr, King of the Britians. Caldwaladr built Abergavenny about 650 A.D. in the County of Monmouth, Wales, and its castle, which was afterwards rebuilt by Hamlet ap Hamlet ap Sir Bruce of Balladon in France, a portion of the walls of which were standing in 1908.

In the 11th century the Arnold family was a royal family of Wales with castles at Abergavenny and Glamorgan (History of Wales 1788). The first of the family to use the surname, Arnold, was Roger of Llanthony, Monmouthshire, Wales, the 12th generation in direct descent of Ynir.

The writer has been seeking information on the history of our family for more than twenty years and in his endeavors has visited Newport and Providence, Rhode Island; Middletown and Falls Village, Connecticut; Batavia, New York; Great Barrington, Pittsfield, West Stockbridge, Taunton, Massachusetts and other places. Every effort has been made to secure accurate information by investigating and inspecting all possible sources of information such as Town, County, State and Federal records, Bibles, Histories, Libraries, Historical Societies, by appeals to members of the family and others and from notes made by the late Vrginia Arnold Hanna, and has obtained photostatic copies of county, state and government records.

The writer feels that the records are correct and the evidence of origin such as would be accepted by any genealogist.

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In compiling the record of the family of William Arnold in America the writer has only endeavored to include the names in his direct line. However, the record does cover our ancestry from 1550 to 1958.

A question was raised as to two Mary Wards. Investigation showed that they were both descendants of James Ward an officer in Cromwells' army, that Sion Arnold, brother to Benedict III, married Mary Ward, daughter of Thomas Ward of Newport, Rhode Island, in February, 1700. Sion died in 1753 and was buried in the Common Burying Ground at Newport. Next to his grave is that of Mary Arnold, his wife, who died in 1754.

Benedict Arnold III married, first Patience Coggeshall on January 23, 1705. She died February 2, 1719; married, second, Mary Ward, daughter of Thomas Ward of Middletown, Connecticut.

At Hartford State Historical Library are records from Middletown, Connecticut, which show land conveyances by Benedict Arnold III and the will of Thomas Ward, Sr. which makes a bequest to his daughter, Mary, the wife of Benedict Arnold of Newport.

At Newport are reclaimed records containing information concerning the family history. At the time the British occupied Newport during the Revolutionary War, they confiscated most of the public records and attempted to remove same to New York. The ship carrying the records sank in the New York Harbor, and later the records were recovered from the sunken ship. These records were not rehabilitated in any way for two or three years. After that they were returned to Newport and all of the records recovered are now in the custody of the Historical Society. Some of the records are so dim that with great difficulty they can be read. Reference will be made later to the information gained from these records. At Middletown the writer saw the original record of the birth of Fenner Arnold which is recorded in Volume 2, page 127, Record of Vital Statistics and recites that: "A son, Fenner was born to Mary, widow of Benedict Arnold, on July 17, 1738."

The military record of Fenner Arnold as a soldier in the Revolutionary War furnishes the information upon which the ladies of our family can be admitted to the D.A.R. and the present record will show their relationship to Fenner.

The facsimile signature of Fenner, from a photostatic copy of his pension application is of special interest.

The writer is a son of Alvin Fenner; George; Elijah; Fenner; Benedict III; Benedict Jr.; Benedict, Governor of Rhode Island, son of William, who arrived at Massachusetts Bay in the American colonies, from England, on the 24th day of June, 1635.

There are four living members of the ninth generation from William: Ruell Arnold and Blanche Lamb, grandchildren of Henry Arnold; Elva Shippy granddaughter of Electus Arnold; and myself, grandson of George Arnold.

Acknowledgment is here made of valuable information furnished by my cousins, Mrs. Ella Gonsalves of Honolulu, T.H.; Jean Hamilton of San Carlos, California; Marjorie Arnold of Menlo Park, California; Ada Arnold of Clearwater, Florida; Mrs. Blanche Lamb of Bemidji, Minnesota; the late Virginia Arnold Hanna, who formerly lived in Miami, Florida; and Mrs. Albert R. Arnold of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Dana Underwood, Owosso, Michigan; Miss Cora Edwards, Faribault, Minnesota; and my daughter, Elizabeth Arnold.

### ETHAN L. ARNOLD

"The various branches of the Arnold family have spread throughout the United States and have played a considerable part in the growth of the country. They have been noted for their strength of will, courage in battle, quickness of temper and self-confidence."



# FIRST GENERATION WILLIAM ARNOLD

William Arnold was born June 24, 1587 at Ilchester, England - died in Pawtuxet, Rhode Island in 1675 or 1676. He married Christian Peake, who was born in 1583. Children: Elizabeth - born November 23, 1611; Benedict - born December 21, 1615; Joanne - born February 27, 1617; and Stephen - born December 23, 1622.

William Arnold, the founder of the Arnold family in America, was of a family of wealth and distinction. The reasons inducing the removal to America of a representative of several of England's most ancient lineages are not known. William was 48 years old when he arrived in America. He came from a family of standing and it is assumed that he brought considerable wealth with him.

Nicholas Arnold, father of William, was born at Northover, Somersetshire, England about 1550 He married Alice Gulley, daughter of John Gulley Hubbolas served as an apprentice tailor at Northover until 1575 when he moved to the larger town of Ilchester on the opposite bank of the Ivel River, near the ancient Roman Ford. There he, and his son, William, were associated as merchant tailors until his death in 1622. During his life he had been an influential citizen of Ilchester as well as a member of the Guild of Tailors for nearly 50 years.

Alice Gulley, mother of William Arnold and wife of Nicholas, was born at Northover and baptized there on September 29, 1553. She was buried there after her death on April 25, 1596. Nicholas was married a second time to Grace (surname unknown). By his first marriage he had five children: Thomasine, baptized January 4, 1571, at Northover, married Robert Hacker on October 5, 1595; Joanne, baptized November 30, 1577, at Ilchester, married William Hopkins of Yeoviltown before 1613, and was buried March 10, 1621 at Yeoviltown in the Churchyard + Thomas b. 1616 of St. Bartholamew; Marjorie, baptized August 30, 1581, at Ilchester, married Thomas Bernard in 1603 at Northover; William, born June 24, 1587, at Ilchester; Robert baptized October 18, 1593; Elizabeth, born April 9, 1596. No baptismal or burial record exists for Elizabeth. It seems probable that both Elizabeth and her mother, who died on the 25th of the same month, died at the same time and were buried in the same grave.

Nicholas had only one child by his second marriage: Thomas, baptized on April 18, 1599 at Ilchester, married first Margaret (surname unknown) before 1623. Margaret was buried October 18, 1623. Thomas married second Jane (surname unknown) sometime before 1625. Children by his second marriage were: Thomas, born May 3, 1625; Nicholas, born January 15, 1627; George, born October 15, 1635; Elinor, baptized July 31, 1630; and a daughter mentioned in her father's will but not named.

William Arnold, son of Nicholas and Alice Gullev Arnold, married before 1610 Christian, daughter of Thomas Peake of Muchelney, Somersetshire. She was baptized there February 15, 1583 and died in 1659 at Pawtuxet, Rhode Island. The children of William and Christian were: (1) Elizabeth, born November 23, 1611 at Ilchester. She married William Carpenter, son of Richard Carpenter of Amsbury, Willshire, and they both died at Pawtuxet, Rhode Island on September 7, 1685. (2) Benedict, born December 21, 1615, at Ilchester, died June 19. 1678 at Newport, Rhode Island. (3) Joanne, born February 27, 1617 and died February 11, 1692, married on March 7, 1646 to Zachary Rhodes of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Zachary drowned off Pawtuxet Shore in 1665. She married, second, Samuel Reape of Newport, who died after February 11, 1692. (4) Stephen, baptized December

ANOTHER SON WAS Thomas Arenald 6.1616 d. Sept 1674 m. Phoebe Parkhurst (2) Had 10 children 22, 1622, at Ilchester, married Sarah Smith of Rehoboth, and died November 15, 1699. Sarah was born in 1629 and died April 15, 1713.

On May 1, 1635, there sailed from Dartmouth in Devonshire, England, a large group of people who were mostly from Ilchester, Somersetshire or within about five miles of that place, except William Carpenter one of the number. The group of which William Arnold was the leader landed in Massachusetts Bay on the 24th day of June, 1635, William's 48th birthday. In the group that came to the colonies were William Arnold and his family, Stukeley Westcott and his family and a few other persons whose names are unknown. In this group was the first son of William, Benedict and Damaris, the daughter of Stukeley Westcott. Several of this group of persons located first at Hingham, Massachusetts, and later about twelve of the families joined Roger Williams at Providence and helped organize that colony.

William Arnold assisted Roger Williams in founding the colony of Rhode Island and thereafter held positions of trust and honor in that state. In England he was interested in the Church, being warden of the Church of St. Mary's at Ilchester in 1622 where he attested the record of the birth of his youngest son, Stephen, and the record of the death of his father, Nicholas. He continued as warden until he left England. It is said that he was a great professor of religion in West England and he was one of the first 12 members to organize the first Baptist Church in Providence in 1639. Soon after arriving in the colonies he learned the Indian language, and it is said that he felt for the Indians a conscientious kindness and in his dealings with them was actuated by a sense of strictest justice.



Arms — Gules, a chevron ermine between three pheons or. Crest — A demi-lion rampant gules, holding a lozenge or. Motto — Ut vivas vigila (to live-watch)

### SECOND GENERATION BENEDICT ARNOLD

Benedict Arnold - born December 21, 1615 in Ilchester, England. Married Damaris Westcott, daughter of Stuckeley Westcott of Providence, Rhode Island on December 17, 1640. Benedict and Damaris had the following children: Benedict - born February 10, 1642; Caleb - born December 19, 1644; Joshia - born December 22, 1646; Damaris - born February 23, 1648; William - born October 21, 1651; Penelope - born February 10, 1653; Oliver - born July 25, 1655; Gods Gift - born August 27, 1658; and Freelove - born July 20, 1661.

Benedict Arnold, the son of William and Christian Peake Arnold, married Damaris Westcott, daughter of Stukeley Westcott, another of the thirteen owners of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations. They had, among other children, a son, Benedict, Jr. Benedict Arnold was first living at Hingham, Massachusetts, then at Providence. Then he moved to Newport, Rhode Island in November 1651, he became a freeman two years later and replaced Roger Williams as President of the colony, serving until May, 1660. He was again elected in 1662 as President. Under the terms of the Charter granted by Charles II in 1663 he was appointed Governor by the King and was re-elected several times as Chief Executive. He died in office in 1678. At his burial nearly 1,000 people attended the services.

On June 29, 1670 the General Assembly voted to have Governor Benedict go to England to settle disputes over the charter. On his return from England a reception was held for him in Newport and the chair in which he sat at this affair is in the Newport Historical Society.

In a span of 40 years Benedict Arnold had received high political honors, accumulated much wealth in land and personal property and had been an important personage in the Colony. There was erected a stone mill, now known as the Old Stone Mill, and located in Turo Park in Newport. There has been much controversy about who erected this mill, but a booklet published by Herbert Olin Brigham seems to indicate that there can be little doubt but what Governor Arnold actually erected the tower or mill and caused to be erected thereon a windmill for the grinding of corn, a former mill for such purpose located at Newport having been destroyed some two or three years before.

By his will dated December 24, 1677, Benedict Arnold gave his dwelling house and other properties to his wife, Damaris. By his will he directed that he be buried "in or near the line or path from my dwelling house leading to my stone built wind mill." In a later paragraph he bequeathed to his wife his various properties, including "my stone built wind miln" and at her decease bequeathed the property to his youngest daughter, Freelove.

On February 13, 1720, Edward Pelham, who was of royal descent and had married Freelove, gave to their son, Thomas, "for yearly payments during my natural life, possession of my homestead, mansion house and wind mill." The deed was not recorded until September, 1727, at the time of Thomas' death. In the same year Abagail, widow of Thomas, made a lease of mill fields. In 1737 with the consent of Edward, the husband of Freelove, the will was recorded (21 years after her death). In this will the son Thomas received the stone mill with all its appurtenances.

Benedict Arnold laid out Thames Street in Newport 100 feet wide and erected a stone mansion house upon this street. He also built a fort across the road from his house in which were placed two cannon, and it was said there was another cannon placed at his door which is still in existence. He also had boats patrolling the coast in front of the town. The site of the house is now occupied by the Union Bank.

There is information to the effect that Governor Benedict Arnold at one time owned much of the land where the city of Newport is now located. Also in the City Hall of Newport there is a record of a deed dated May 22, 1658, conveying to Benedict Arnold (the afterwards governor of Rhode Island) and John Green three islands. They are described as Nanteefinunk alias Goat Island, Weenat Shafitt alias Coaster's Harbor and a small island commonly known to the English by the name of Dyer's Island, all of which are near, enjoining upon the west side of Rhode Island in Narraggansett Bay. This deed was executed by Cachanaquant, a Chief Sachem of the Indians in Narragansett Bay.

Benedict Arnold, by his will, set aside a tract of about three acres for a family burial ground. This burial ground largely passed into the hands of strangers. About 1934 or 1935. I visited this burial ground and saw the graves of Benedict Arnold, Ir. and on a later visit we also discovered the graves of the Governor and his wife. A large part of this cemetery was occupied by a K. C. hall and a dwelling house. At the request of the secretary of the Historical Society, I visited the owners of the dwelling house and endeavored to secure an offer of sale from them. They finally made a price of \$10,000 which apparently was more than the place was worth. Two years ago Elizabeth visited Newport and ascertained that a lady, whose identity was not disclosed, had acquired the dwelling house and moved it away or demolished it and had the cemetery restored as much as possible. There were numerous small headstones that had been uncovered from the earth, that had previously covered them, and the markings in so far as possible had been restored.

A monument has been erected at the entrance to the Arnold family burial grounds on Pelham Street in Newport. This monument shows that Benedict Arnold was Governor of Rhode Island under the Royal Charter and served in 1663 - 1666, 1669 - 1672, 1677 and 1678.

The marker at the grave of Governor Arnold stated that he died June 20, 1678, aged 63 years and there is also a grave of Damaris, wife of the Governor, but the date of death was not shown. The tombstones are no longer legible.

### THIRD GENERATION

### BENEDICT ARNOLD, JR.

Benedict Arnold, Jr. — born February 10, 1642, at Pawtuxet, Rhode Island. Married first March 9, 1670, to Mary Turner, daughter of John Turner of Taunton, Massachusetts. She died December 16, 1690. She is buried in the common burying ground on Farewell Street, Newport. Her grave has an unusual marker which is very legible because it has recently been carefully recut by an outstanding artist. Married second to Sarah Mumford, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Sherman Mumford. She was born in 1668 — died October 14, 1756. Benedict Arnold, Jr. died July 4, 1727. He and his second wife are buried in the Arnold family burying ground on Pelham Street. Newport.

Children by first wife:

Benedict - born May 9, 1670. Died young.

Gods Gift - born May 19, 1672. She married March 13, 1695, Isaac Martindale and had six children.

Sion - born September 12, 1674. Married Mary, daughter of Thomas Ward, February 7, 1700, at Newport. He died August 6, 1753.

Mary - born 1678. Married Thomas Clark.

Content - born February 20, 1680. Married Col. William Coddington.

Benedict - born August 28, 1683.

Caleb - born 1685 - died July 24, 1700 at Newport. John - born September 30, 1686 - died November 15, 1686.

Children by second wife:

Comfort - born May 21, 1695.

Ann - born July 14, 1696. Married John Chase in Trinity Church, Newport.

Sarah B. - born November 3, 1698.

Among the records reclaimed from the ship sunk in New York Bay is Book V of Land Evidence Records. On page 80 of this record is a deed from Benedict Arnold, Jr. to his son, Benedict, designated as Benedict Arnold of Newport, Cooper. This deed conveyed to him a parcel of land on the east side of Thames Street.

Among the reclaimed records in the Historical Society of Newport is the Will of Benedict Arnold, Jr. The date of the Will is missing but the Codicil is dated in 1721. By his Will he disposed of a large amount of property to his children and grandchildren. To his son, Benedict III he gave the southern part of the farm called "Beavertail", the part of Newport called "Earl's Wigwam", land and building on Thames Street, two lots of land west of Harbor house and land in Tauntontown in New England (Taunton, Massachusetts) and an old iron shop in Taunton; he to pay his sister, Mary Clark, 10 pounds a year for 10 years out of the profits of the farm given him. Benedict Arnold, Jr. donated land for the First Congregational Church on which the Knights of Columbus building is now situated.

### FOURTH GENERATION

### BENEDICT ARNOLD III

Benedict Arnold III was born August 28, 1683. He was twice married: first to Patience Coggeshall, the daughter of Freegift and Elizabeth Coggeshall. Their marriage took place on the 23rd day of January, 1705 - they were married by Nathaniel Coddington and their marriage is recorded in the City Hall at Newport. Patience died February 2, 1719. The children by the first marriage were: Caleb, Oliver, Elizabeth, Ann, William, Benedict, Patience. Sarah and Bethsheba. He was married second to Mary Ward, the daughter of Thomas Ward, Sr. of Middletown. Connecticut, and his first wife, Ann Tappen. By his second wife he had two children of whom we have definite knowledge (there may have been more). Fenner, whose grave is in the common burying grounds at Newport near the grave of his grandmother, Marv, the first wife of Benedict Arnold, Jr. The grave marker shows that he was the son of Benedict and Mary Arnold and died December 21, 1736 in his tenth year (drowned in Narragansett Bay), and Fenner, born July 17, 1738 at Middletown, Connecticut, died February 29, 1836.

(Note: In an early day it was a common practice for people who lost one child to give to a second child the same name.)

Among the reclaimed records at the Historical Society in Newport is a deed from Benedict Arnold and Mary Arnold, his wife, to John Walton for land on Thames Street in Newport. This deed is dated July 11, 1728.

Mrs. Bolhouse of the Newport Historical Society was of great help as she very kindly read the reclaimed records for us. This is an almost impossible task as the ink is faint. the script antique and the paper damaged and torn by submersion in the water and years of neglect after that. These records are of great importance to us in establishing the fact of the marriage of Benedict III and Mary Ward through recorded deeds. She also helped in the location of the graves in the Newport Cemetery by finding them on the huge room size map in their office. Mrs. Bolhouse is a descendent of Caleb, elder son of Benedict III, and Sarah Tew whose marriage is recorded in Trinity Church, Newport. She made a note for their record of the fact that Fenner Arnold's birth is recorded at Middletown, Conn. as the son of Benedict III.

Among the reclaimed records also is a deed in Land Evidence Record Book VIII, pages 40 and 41, dated February 26, 1729, in which John Chase of Newport conveyed to Benedict Arnold, Jr., the son of our brother, Benedict Arnold of Newport aforesaid Cooper. It will be noted that in all or most of the transactions relating to Benedict Arnold III he is designated as Cooper.

On April 3, 1734, Benedict Arnold III conveyed lands to his son, Caleb, by deed recorded in Land Evidence Records, Vol. X on Page 200, and in this deed Benedict III is designated as Cooper, he being of Newport in the Colony of Rhode Island; and by this deed he conveyed to his said son a tract of land 50 feet front and 100 feet back in length and as a part of a tract of land called "Easton's Point", which lot is Numbered 123. This deed was executed in consideration of love and affection and his son to pay 30 shillings the 25th day of March in every year.

In one of the reclaimed records in Town Council's Record, Vol. X on Page 200 appears an entry that on August 24, 1739, Caleb Arnold, by his attorney, Mr. Thomas Ward, filed his petition to the Council asking liberty to sell some part of the estate of his deceased Father, Benedict Arnold, to pay debts and legacies, the personal estate not being sufficient. This petition was submitted to the General Assembly and on the same day the General Assembly granted the request of the petition. On the same day Caleb Arnold filed a bond in the sum of 800 pounds as Administrator of the estate of his deceased Father, Benedict Arnold, Cooper. This was to sell the dwelling house.

In Vol. 28, pages 169 and 170 at Taunton, Massachusetts, on the 23rd day of April, 1740, is shown a deed by Caleb Arnold of Newport, house carpenter and Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Benedict Arnold, late of Newport, Cooper, by which he sold and conveyed the land at Taunton, Massachusetts.

It is evident Benedict Arnold III left a Will. The probate proceedings and deed executed by Caleb each describe him as Executor, and a petition to sell real estate declared that it was necessary to sell the real estate to pay debte and legacies, the personal estate not being sufficient for such purpose; however, no Will has ever been found. It is probable it was among the records confiscated by the British and it may be among a large number of slips of paper that are held by the Historical Society. These slips of paper have never been sorted and arranged in any systematic order. It would seem that that is an impossibility.

We have been unable to find the record of the marriage of Benedict Arnold III to Mary Ward, but the records we have and the information we have gained show that they were in fact our ancestors. Thomas Ward. Sr., in his Will, described his daughter, Mary, as the wife of Benedict Arnold; and in the various instruments recorded of which copies have been preserved it is shown that his wife was named Mary, and this fact is further confirmed by the fact that they had a son named Fenner, who is our true direct ancestor. The name, Fenner, was derived from the family of Mary Ward Arnold's grandmother, her maiden name having been Fenner

Benedict III, in addition to land owned in Newport, Rhode Island, and Taunton, Massachusetts, owned land in Middletown, Connecticut. There is no evidence that he ever lived in Middletown, the home town of his second wife, Mary Ward, as all records of purchase or sale of land in Middletown refer to him as Benedict Arnold of Newport, deposition taken in Newport. These land evidence records are now in the Hartford State Historical Library: Volume 5, Page 335 —

Benedict Arnold of Newport, Rhode Island, buys land of William Whitmore December 28, 1728.

From Family Records Volume 0, Page 81 Town Clerk's Office, Middletown, Connecticut:

The Will of Thomas Ward (now in the State Historical Library at Hartford) mentions a daughter, Mary, now the wife of Benedict Arnold of Newport, Rhode Island. The Will is dated May 3, 1728.

Thomas Ward was born February 7, 1661, son of Ensign William Ward and his wife, Phoebe Fenner. Volume 8, Page 174 —

Benedict Arnold of Newport, Rhode Island, sells land in Middletown. October 19, 1737.

Volume 8, Page 482 —

Mary Arnold, wife of Benedict Arnold — late of Newport, deceased, sells land to Capt. Daniel Hall. May 12, 1739.

Volume 9, Page 140 —

Mary Arnold in settlement of land of Ward Estate (Thomas Ward, her father) sells land, March 3, 1741. Volume 17, Page 10 —

Mary Arnold, widow, sells land to Samuel Robbards, Jr. in Middletown, a place called "Maronic", also one other piece of woodland. October 23, 1755.

Volume 9, Page 140 ---

Mary Arnold buys land of Samuel Stow, April 14, 1741.

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### FIFTH GENERATION

### FENNER ARNOLD

Fenner Arnold - born July 17, 1738. Married Hannah Turner May 6, 1767. Hannah died in 1835. Fenner and Hannah had the following children:

Thomas - born in 1768. Mary - born in 1769 - died October 16, 1776. Fenner - born in 1770 - died September 15, 1774. Hannah - born 1772. Richard - born in 1775 - died October 9, 1776. Timothy - born in 1776. Elisha and Elijah (twins) - born in 1778. Benedict - born in 1780. Lois - born in 1782. Fenner - born in 1784. Fenner Arnold was born July 17, 1738, in Middle-

town. Connecticut. He was born subsequent to the death of his father as is shown by the record of Vital Statistics in the Town Clerk's Office at Middletown, Connecticut. He married Hannah Turner, May 6, 1767, at First Church in Middletown, Connecticut. Hannah died in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, in 1835. Hannah was the daughter of Sanford and Lois Turner.

The following is the information I originally received concerning Fenner's Military Service in the Revolutionarv War:

Fenner served in the Revolutionary Militia at Peekskill, New York, under the following officers:

Col. Thomas Belden of Weathersfield. Conn. Lt. Seth Smith of New Hartford. Conn. Maj. Nathanial Brown of New Hartford, Conn. Brig. Gen. Irastus Walcott of Windsor, Conn. Capt. Jerit Shephard

1st Lt. Ieremiah Hubbard

Fenner was in the march to Boston, Massachusetts, on an alarm in 1777 - April 7, to May 19. He was discharged on May 19, 1777.

We have just obtained from General Service Administration, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C., a photostatic copy of Fenner Arnold's application for pension, which shows several periods of service. It will be noted he states his age as 92. This is an error. He stated he had no record of his age, evidently being unaware of the record of his birth in Middletown, Conn. The following is a verbatim copy of the photostatic copy of the application, which shows the actual signature of Fenner:

"State of Massachusetts

County of Berkshire, SS,

On this Fifteenth day of August, A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Hon. William P. Walker, Judge of the Court of Probate in aforesaid County now sitting, Fenner Arnold a resident of Great Barrington, in the County and State aforesaid, aged Ninety two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 —

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated, — He was drafted in the Company under the command of Capt. William Hamlin in Middletown, in the State of Connecticut, — The name of the Col. of his Regiment was Matthew Talbott, — The time when he entered the service was the fore part of August 1776, the eighth day of the month according to his best recollection, — He then resided in said Middletown, County of Middlesex & State of Connecticut, — He went on board a schooner at said Middletown owned & commanded by Capt. Thompson Phillips, with about 300 others and sailed to New York City where they landed on a Sabbath day. — He staid in New York until a few days before it was abandoned by the Americans, when, being on sick list he was ordered to be conveyed to East Chester, with others of the troops that were sick, — He remained at this last named place until some time in the month of October, when he returned to Middletown, having been in the service as aforesaid all of two months, the precise day when he left the service not being recollected — It was in October.

In the following December while residing at aforesaid Middletown he enlisted in a Company commanded by Capt. Elijah Blackman for a term of three months, the Regt. to which aforesaid Company was attached was commanded by Col. Canfield, the Major was Nathaniel Brown — the certain day of the month when he entered this service he has forgot — from Middletown they marched to a place called Rye, from thence to New Rochelle in the State of New York, from thence to East Chester, — from thence back to New Rochelle, where he was at the end of his three months which was in March, 1777, the day being forgot — Gen. Wooster was his General in the above service — He cannot state precisely whether his company were called Militia or State Troops — they were not regular troops —

A few days from the time of his return, after the above service he was drafted from the Company of Militia in Middletown, commanded by Capt. Nathaniel Gilbert, and went into the service, in the Company commanded by Capt. Shepard, — The Lieut. was Josiah Savage and the Regt. was commanded by Col. Eno. — He marched from said Middletown thro' Newtown & Danbury (Con) to Peekskill hollow, in the State of New York, where he remained until he was dismissed — the time of this last service was six weeks — the day when he was dismissed he does not remember. — It was in May, 1777 — Here he recollects Gen. McDougal who commanded at aforesaid Peekskill.

In the same year in the summer thereof the month not being recollected he volunteered & went to New Haven in consequence of an alarm-He spent one week in this service. In the fore part of October, 1777, (the day forgot) he was drafted at said Middletown in the company under Capt. Nathaniel Gilbert — Marched to Fishkill — thence to Poughkeepsie & Red hook. He was at one of the last named places & thinks it was Poughkeepsie, when news arrived of Gen. Burgoyne's surrender, — he spent one month in this service. --- The troops were under the command of Gen. Putnam, - whom he often saw during this service — When Danbury was burnt he volunteered from thence he marched to Bedford, & from thence back to Middletown — He spent a fortnight in this service — In regard to this last service & the one occasioned by the alarm at New Haven he does not remember the names of the officers under whom he served. — On those two occasions the people able to bear arms in his vicinity turned out generally without reference to commandery.

He was born in Middletown July 28, 1740 & lived there 40 years — then moved to Farmington, Connecticut — lived there until 1803. Then moved to Great Barington & has resided there ever since. — He lived in Middletown, aforesaid each time when he entered the service. Has no record of his age — no documentary evidence & knows nobody by whom he can prove his services — is well known in Great Barrington. Refers to Revd. Sylvester Burt and to the following Justices of the Peace in aforesaid Great Barrington, viz., Moses Hopkins, Ezra Kellogg, Ralph Taylor, David Joy, Isaac S. Van Deusen & Increase Sumner Esqr. who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier of this revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

> (S) Fenner Arnold(S) William P. Walker, Judge of Probate

We, Sylvester Burt, a Clergyman, residing in the Town of Great Barrington and Increase Sumner & Ezra Kellogg residing in Great Barrington hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with Fenner Arnold who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be ninety two years of age; that he is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

- (S) Sylvester Burt
- (S) Ezra Kellogg
- (S) Increase S. Sumner

Sworn and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid. (S) W. P. Walker, Judge of Probate

And the said Court do here hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogatories, prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies, that it appears to them that Sylvester Burt who signed the preceding certificate is a Clergyman, resident in the town of Great Barrington in the County of Berkshire and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and that Ezra Kellogg & Increase Sumner who have also signed the He hereby relinquishes every claim wi atever to a pension or annuity, except the prosent, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any little

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#### FENNER ARNOLD 1738 - 1836

He was the son of Benedict III and his second wife Mary Ward and great grandson of Governor Benedict. The record of his birth is at Middletown, Connecticut. Shown above is a portion of his Revolutionary pension application in the National Archives. same, are residents in the town of Great Barrington in the County of Berkshire and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

(S) W. P. Walker, J. Probate

I, HENRY W. BISHOP, Register of the Court of Probate within and for the County of Berkshire in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court, in the matter of the application of Fenner Arnold for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office of said Court of Probate, this fifteenth day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

> (S) Henry W: Bishop, Register of Probate''

(SEAL)

Fenner was granted an annual pension at the rate of \$27.43, commencing on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Fenner and Hannah had eleven children. The seventh and eighth were twins: Elijah and Elisha, who were born in Farmington, Connecticut, in 1778. Fenner was buried from the St. James Episcopal Church in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. He and his wife are interred in the old South Cemetery near the center and just a short distance back from the street.

At the time of the 1790 census, Fenner was living in Farmington, Conn. He went from Middletown to Haddam, Connecticut; from Haddam to Farmington, Conn.; from Farmington to Bristol, Conn.; from Bristol back to Haddam for a short period and from there to Great Barrington, Massachusetts, in 1797 with two of his sons, Timothy and Elisha. They bought property and settled there. Fenner stayed there. He bought properties in all places named, also sold properties. He died February 29, 1836, aged 98 years.

The following item from the History of Great Barrington, written in 1885, is interesting:

"About the year 1801 came Timothy Arnold and his brothers, Fenner and Elisha (this must have been Fenner, Jr.). They bought the Misses Kellogg place and Timothy established himself as a hatter. His shop was in a building which was in Mrs. McLean's yard and had formerly been occupied by "Wise" Isaac Van Deusen, who used it as a tannery.

The Arnolds built the house later known (1882) as Mrs. McLean's. Timothy Arnold and his shop are still well remembered. He was a bachelor with a taste for the comical and and his shop was the headquarters for fun and frolic, the rendezvous of the wealthy young men and fox hunters of the town. The shop was moved to Castle Street in 1842 and later torn down."

In the Registry of Deeds at Great Barrington, Massachusetts are many deeds showing land transactions by Fenner Jr., Timothy II, and Elisha Arnold. Fenner Jr. is described as a merchant and Timothy and Elisha as hatters; the dates cover nearly every year between 1803 and 1811. In 1808 Elisha sold all of his interest in the Great Barrington properties to his two brothers and in 1811 Fenner Jr. sold out to Timothy. In 1809 Fenner Jr. and Timothy sold land in Sheffield to Elijah Arnold of Sheffield and took a mortgage on it.


#### FENNER'S GRAVESTONE At Great Barrington, Mass.

Inscription: To the memory of Fenner Arnold died Feb. 29th, 1836. Grave is marked with the D.A.R. emblem and an American flag. It is in the South Cemetery. The age is incorrect, he was 98.

## SIXTH GENERATION

## ELIJAH ARNOLD

(Son of Fenner)

Elijah Arnold was born in 1778 at Farmington, Connecticut. In 1799 he married Annis Graham, who was born in 1783, died January 18, 1860. They moved to Berkshire County, Massachusetts about 1800. Children: Sanford Elijah, Maria, Electus, Henry and George. Annis was the daughter of Isaac and Sarah Moses Graham.

In 1826 Elijah moved to Orange, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, with his son, Electus, and family, and he died there on January 18, 1867, aged 89 years.

When Elijah came to Ohio, his father, Fenner, was living in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, with his son, Sanford. I am of the opinion that Elijah may have lived for a time at Sheldon, New York, two miles east and two miles south of Varysburg. Sheldon is not far from Batavia. Records at Batavia show Elijah owned land at Sheldon.

George and Henry moved to Cass County, Michigan, in 1835. I believe that the daughter, Maria, who married Edmund Underwood, moved to New Haven township, Shiawassee county, Michigan. Her daughters entertained my mother on a visit she made to Owosso.

My grandfather, George Arnold, son of Elijah, married Harriet Barbour of Batavia. Records show that Jared Barbour and Roswell Barbour purchased land at Sheldon. I do not know the first name of my great-grandfather Barbour, but it seems probable one of said men was the father of my grandmother and that the Arnolds and Barbours were neighbors at Sheldon.

Note: In recording the children of Elijah Arnold and their families, they will each be designated as of the seventh generation and their families will follow after the name of each child.



ELIJAH ARNOLD 1778 - 1867 Born in Farmington, Conn., son of Fenner and grandson of Benedict III. Elijah had a twin brother Elisha.



ANNIS GRAHAM 1783 - 1860 Wife of Elijah Arnold She was born in Connecticut, died in Orange, Ohio.

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## SANFORD ELIJAH ARNOLD (Son of Elijah)

Sanford Elijah Arnold was born December 1, 1800 at Great Barrington, Massachusetts. He died June 7, 1886 at Van Dusenville, Massachusetts. He married Mary Maria Cummings, born January 1, 1806—died May 17, 1889. Their marriage occurred July 2, 1825. Children: Frederick, Elias, Cyrus, Frank, George Joseph, Alviria, Angie, Harriett and Caroline (twins).

Frederick Arnold was born August 21, 1826. He died May 9, 1886. He married Sarah Harris. Children:

Eliza Jane—born April 18, 1848. Married Harvey Mann.

Floyd George-born February, 1858.

Elias Arnold—born February 26, 1829. Married Mary Church. Children: Mary Madora—born January 6, 1854. Frank—born September 12, 1855. Frederick H.—born May 7, 1858. Charles—born October 24, 1860. Angie—born Junt 4, 1863.

Cyrus Arnold—born May 18, 1831. Married Mary Van Dusen.

Frank Arnold-born May 28, 1833-died in 1888. Married first Eliza Wilcox. Married second Maria Louise Snider, daughter of John and Matilda Gaudy Snider. Children by first wife:

> Helen Jane, who married William O. Griffith. Franklin Conrad married Elizabeth Corrigan. Llydia Maria. John (died in infancy).

George Joseph—born February 18, 1935, at Great Barrington—died February 4, 1879, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He married May 22, 1864, Virginia Caroline Snider who was born June 19, 1846.

George Joseph Arnold was a member of Co. I, 11th Regiment, Connecticut Volunteers in the Civil War. He lost fingers on his right hand at Antiedom. Their children:

> Rose Matilda. John Rush Mason Mary Marshall. Lillian—born March 30, 1867, married Joseph Clarence Reppert. Virginia Caroline

Virginia Caroline Arnold Hanna — born July 24, 1874 or 1875 — died October 10, 1954. Married on December 21, 1896, William Patterson Hanna, who was born May 29, 1858. Died September 23, 1917. He was the son of James Cook Hanna and Margetta Loy Hanna. Their children:

> Mildred Loy. Berniece Browning. Virginia Graham. Marguarite Laughner.

Mr. and Mrs. Hanna and their four daughters comprised "The Hanna Family Concert Co.", rendering classical music, vocal and instrumental. They traveled extensively entertaining in many cities. The program before me shows 15 numbers consisting of solos, duets and quartettes. After Mr. Hanna's death, Mrs. Hanna and her daughters continued their concert tours.

Virginia Arnold Hanna spent a great deal of time and considerable money in securing information and data on the Arnold family. All together she spent between 30 and 40 years on this work, but she never compiled the material she gained in the form of a book, although this had been her earnest desire. All of her notes and information were sent by her daughters to Mrs. Albert R. Arnold and by her to me and has been carefully examined by my daughter, Elizabeth, and myself. A great deal of the information she gathered concerning persons other than our own direct line, she having traced through lineage of every in-law in several generations. She prepared papers and appeared on radio and TV programs several times, the first occasion being on September 16, 1931, in a series of talks in which she dealt with the family histories of the early settlers in the United States. Much credit is due to her for her endeavors in this behalf.



VIRGINIA ARNOLD HANNA (MRS. WILLIAM HANNA) Daughter of George Joseph Arnold: Sanford, Elijah, Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr., Governor Benedict, and William.

#### Sanford Arnold family-Continued

Alviria Arnold Chase—born February 3, 1837. Married Charles Chase on July 2, 1864. Children:

Allie-born September 9, 1867. Married first Willis Miller. Married second \_\_\_\_\_ Springsted.

Angie—born July 5, 1871. Married first Edward Capin. Married second Henry Jacob Scheippers.

Bertha—born December 4, 1873. Married

Blanche—born July 1, 1875.

Arthur—born October, 1877. Married Rose Harrington Frank.

Angie Arnold Dailey — born August 27, 1839, at Falls Village, Connecticut — died April 1, 1868. Married Clarre Warren Dailey. Children:

Clarre Warren-born August 9, 1860, died in infancy.

Emma Clair—born January 25, 1868. Married first Harry Hefflon. Married second Mermyn Dennison Tuttle.

Harriett Arnold-No information.

Caroline Arnold Phelps Nettleton—born May 5, 1842. Married first George Phelps. Married second Joseph Nettleton.

Children by first husband: Guy Phelps—born August 20, 1867. Children by second husband: Roy Nettleton—born October 11, 1881; died in 1929.

Sarah M. Arnold, born August 20, 1845—died August 11, 1847 (drowned at Lee, Massachusetts). MARY MARIA CUMMINGS ARNOLD Wife of Sanford Arnold







CYRUS ARNOLD 1831 -Son of Sanford

ANGLE ARNOLD DALLEY 1938 - 1868 Daughter of Sanford



CAROLINE ARNOLD NETTLETON 1842 · 1909 Daughter of Sanford, shown here with her grandson, Roy W. Nettleton and his mother Mrs. Roy P. Nettleton (Julia Winkler).

## SEVENTH GENERATION

## ELECTUS ARNOLD (Son of Elijah)

Electus Arnold was born April 18, 1802. He died January 20, 1881. Married Electa Langworthy, born in 1797 and died September 13, 1880. They were married on. July 26, 1820. Children: Collins, Charles, Douglas, Eliza, Ralph and George.

COLLINS ARNOLD was born March 20, 1822, died October, 1897, married first Nancy R. \_\_\_\_\_, married second Laura Dunwell, married third Elizabeth Knowles on January 1, 1848, who was born May 12, 1828 and died March 8, 1910.

CHARLES ARNOLD was born May 22, 1824, died August 10, 1896, married Maria Benton December 25, 1848, who was born November 24, 1830 and died May 27, 1894.

DOUGLAS ARNOLD was born April 9, 1826; died August 17, 1906; married first Nancy Turner; married second Laura Fish June 9, 1862, who was born January 17, 1825.

ELIZA ARNOLD was born June 15, 1827; died September 13, 1907; married Charles Thomas December 27, 1850.

RALPH ARNOLD was born July 5, 1833; died March 10, 1917; married first Jane N. Smith April 28, 1858, who died in 1859; married second Nellie Brown October 13, 1868, who was born in 1839 and died September 7, 1912.

GEORGE ARNOLD, was born November 22, 1838; died January 15, 1909; married Elmina Ferris May 21, 1862, who was born January 12, 1842, and died January 16, 1909.



ELECTUS ARNOLD 1802 - 1881 Son of Elijah

Electus was a pioneer of Cuyahoga County, Ohio in 1826. We believe this to be a photograph of him but identification is not positive. He moved to Ohio from Berkshire County, Massachusetts.

## COLLINS ARNOLD (Son of Electus)

Children of Collins and Laura Dunwell Arnold:

Laura M — Josiah W. Russ Children: Ida M — Elmer Bauer Children: Alvin М — Child: M — — Bigler Mildred Paul М — Children: Sharyl Ann Barry Clark M \_\_\_\_\_ Bauer Earl Child: James Arthur M --- Drake Helen Ernest Edward M — Emma Fields (They died in an auto accident at Valley View, Ohio, October 11, 1948. Clarence M — Eva Vandermark Children: M — Marshall Mahan Lena Daniel W. M — Bradford Audrey M — Caszatt Dorothy Edward H. Edna H. (Edward and Edna are twins).

Children of Collins and Elizabeth Knowles Arnold:

M — Walter Smith Minerva Child Dean W. M — 1st Mauda Sundberg M — 2nd Gertrude McGuire Child of Dean W. and Mauda Sundberg Smith: M — George Rothermel Leona (Gertrude Smith had two daughters by a previous marriage: Mrs. Emil Reuter Mrs. John Gieske Candace M - Philo Edwards:Children: M — Lora Edwards (not related) Roy S. Children: M — Albert Harmon Charlotte Children Lawrence Parmela Donald Howard M --- Ruby Hand M - 1st H. F. Yeager Fern - 2nd Blaine Harrison Child of Fern Edwards and H. F. Yeager: Donna Lee Children of Fern Edwards and Blaine ELIZABETH Harrison: KNOWLES ARNOLD-Bonnie Jean B 1943 - D 1944 Wife of Collins Diane Lee Blaine Dabby Harrison

> Ruby Hope B 1884 - D 1903 Cora Lucy Edwards was a teacher in schools



CANDACE JANE ARNOLD EDWARDS 1852 - 1946 Wife of Philo Edwards Daughter of Collins and Elizabeth Knowles Arnold

at Faribault: Minnesota Deaf School: Brookings, South Dakota: Northern Minnesota, Wadena; Southern, Minnesota, Freeborn and Welcome; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Deep Haven near Minneapolis, Minnesota; Cleveland, Ohio and Bedford, Ohio. Cora is District Chairman of the D.A.R. Jerrold Collins M — Elda Bauer Child: Robert Creighton M — Kathervn Monical Child: Susan Diane M — Florence Detert Ira S. Children: Detert Arnold M — Helen E. Kalow Child: Candace Jan Lorraine M - Phillip Ween Ira S., Jr. M -- Jane Elizabeth Meyers Gregory Wilford M ----- Deloise Children: George Wilford, Ir. Daniel Phillip Alvin Collins Arnold M-1st Josephine McGurer M—2nd Agnes Worden Children by first marriage: Chauncey M — Myrtle Randles Children: Leon M — Theresa Benco Children: Viola Celia Kenneth Leona M — Elmore Reynolds Children: Carl L M — Marion R. Lamoreau Robert B.

Robert — B 1910 - D 1910 M — Mildren Kananen Vaughn Child: Vernon Gerald Dayle M — 1st Mary Lawson M — 2nd Mrs. Ethel Clark Maurice M — Anna Mae Peterson Children: Gary Allen Robin Lynn Morlena M — Sherman Randles Children: Eva M — 1st Richard Reidv M — 2nd Alton J. Williams Child by 1st marriage: Jane M — Frank Simpson Children by 2nd marriage: Ann Alfred Trask (adopted) Elizabeth Trask (adopted) Marion M — Dorthea Roberts Ralph M — Alta Nelisse Children: Linda Rose Evelyn Pluhar (adopted) She is daughter of Ralph's youngest sister. Grace M — 1st Emil Pluhar  $M \rightarrow 2nd$  James E. Wheat Child of 1st marriage: Evelyn Child of 2nd marriage: Kenneth Carl

Oliver D. --- B. 1887 - D. 1910 Guy M — Agnes Sperry Children: Ettə Fay M — Paul F. Carlson (He was in a plane crash off the coast of California and has been missing since). Child: Paul F., Jr. Mildred M — Willard S. Northrup Children: Willard, Jr. Virginia Alvin Collins Iean M — Albert Schroeder Children: Linda Jean Michael Albert Julia Ann

#### CHILDREN OF COLLINS ARNOLD

Pictured here with their wives at the fourth family reunion in Ohio



ALVIN COLLINS ARNOLD BERTIS ARNOLD ORA ARNOLD 1864 - 1942 1866 - 1944 1874 - 1957

Ford Collins - B. 1894 - D. 1907 Olin D. — B. 1899 - D. 1903 Warren M — Reba Landis Children: Eleanor M — James A. Ramsey Children: Randolph Joan Miria Diane Lynn Evelyn Children: Thomas J. III Gerald Warren Howard Warren Ida M — John Gould Children: M- 1st ----- Pickard Minnie M — 2nd Richard Bissett Children: by 1st marriage: Elizabeth M — Ernest Yale Children: Ernest, Jr. Phillip Edward J. M — Doris Goodiel Children: Kathrvn Edward John Children by 2nd marriage: Richard M — Ruth Skully Laurel M - Lee Fetters Grace M — Bohall (Grace B. 1887 - D. 1910) Ernest M — Doris Gilbert Children: Ernest I. Doris L. Harold D.

Bertis Abner Arnold M — Mary Hoffman Children: Bertis Abner, Jr. M - Ethel Thompson Lois June (Both girls teach English in the Clearwater, Florida, High School). Ida Dora M --- Claude A. Shankle Children: Bertis Andrew M - Ruth Bernhart Child: Bertis Abner Claude Arnold M---Mary Lee Stamper Child: Patrick Walter Mary M - Joseph D, Widner Child: Debra Ann Raymond S. (adopted) M - Edna Truex (Mary Hoffman Arnold had a daughter by a former marriage: Margaret Higgins M ----------- Roberts).

Amy M — Samuel Carter Children: Pearl M — Otto Klenert Children: Edna M — William F. Robertson Children: Ruthe M — Alter B. Miller William F. Jr. M—Barbara Simon Evelyn M — Robert C. Strobel Frances M — Robert E. Leidheiser Norena M — — Simmons Walter F. M — Jean Gilliam Children: Michael Richard Tracy Jean Clara M — W. E. Kay Children: Robert B. 1917 - D. 1939 (Killed in a Cleveland, Ohio, auto accident). Juanita M — Joseph L. Terrill Children: Linda Ann Stephen Frank (W. E. Kay died January 26, 1937 and Clara has never remarried). Hazel B. 1892 - D. 1908

Ora Richard Arnold M — Stella Morrison Children: Perry Morrison B. Nov. 1, 1897 - D. Aug. 28. 1935. M — Marjorie Whims Sept. 11, 1919. Child: Irene M — Ist Harold Lawless M — 2nd Amos Mitchell Child: Ralph Allen (Marjorie remarried in 1937 - Perry Cuthbert) Lucie M. M - Richard M. Schreffler Children: Ralph Arnold Ronald Richard M-Susan Jean Ashby Children: Robert Wayne Janet Ann

Dwight Ora M — 1st Ardith Morse M — 2nd Edith — M — 3rd Virginia Matthews Children by 1st marriage: Raymond Arthur M—Irene D. Madison Children: Raymond Arthur, Jr. Lawrence Lee Robert Ora M — Beverly Jean Sherman Leora M — Alan Hrabak Children of 3rd marriage: Virginia Matthews Arnold James Earl Bonnie Lee

Albert Ralph B. February 13, 1905 M — Edna Gladys Gray March 6, 1933 (Married on the Bank Holiday of 1933)

They were married in the Congregational Church parsonage by Rev. John Drew (Marysville Congregational Church). Edna is the daughter of Earl Walter and Orpha Ann Parmer Gray of Marysville, Ohio, and was born September 29, 1906. They now reside at 21215 Lorain Road, =36, Fairview Park, Cleveland 26, Ohio.

Albert graduated from Solon High School, Solon, Ohio, in 1924 and from Spencerian Business College, Cleveland, Ohio, in 1925.

He was born, reared and educated in Solon, Ohio, a small farming community a couple of miles from Orange, Ohio, where his great-grandfather, Electus, and his grandfather, Collins, had been farmers. His father, Ora, was a farmer until 1926 when he retired and moved to 141 Bradley Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, where he lived with his wife, Estella until his death. In 1928 his father purchased an electrical appliance store in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, but in 1929 the competition of the drug stores became too great and the store was sold. Albert took care of the office detail for his father, and was an apprentice in the wiring of homes.

In 1935 Albert worked in his brother Dwight's dairy, known as Arnold's Dairy, as plant worker, maintenance and bookkeeper. (Dwight sold the dairy about 1944 and bought the farm he is still operating).

Albert has been employed since April 29, 1941, by Warner & Swasey Company, 5701 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland 3, Ohio, in the Purchasing Department. He has been a Senior Buyer in this Department since 1950.

Mrs. Arnold has been Secretary-Treasurer of the Arnold Reunion Society of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, for over 18 years.

Edna Arnold, daughter of Ora R. M-Ward H Green

Children:

Donald Ward M — Mary Blakes Children: Thomas James Kenneth Paul Jeanette M — John Theodore Bertch

John and Jeanette graduated from Ohio State University on March 20, 1955. John is studying for the Ministry and is a student at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut. Jeanette is a fifth grade teacher in Elementary School of Cheshire, Connecticut. They live at Hamden, Connecticut, which is about half way between New Haven and Cheshire.



MR. AND MRS. ALBERT RALPH ARNOLD (EDNA GRAY)

Photographed on Easter Sunday, April 21, 1957. Albert is the son of Ora Richard and Estella Morrison Arnold, grandson of Collins and Elizabeth Knowles Arnold, great grandson of Electus and Electa Langworthy Arnold and great great grandson of Elijah and Annis Graham Arnold.

CHARLES ARNOLD (Son cf Electus) Children of Charles and Maria Benton Arnold: Alonzo B. 1840 - D. 1851 Alice M — Graham Walter Scott M - Hattie B. Gates Child: Blanche M — M Lucius B. McSpadden Child: Arnold McSpadden M --- Roberta Knapp Child: Mary Jean M — Robert L. Wilson Ella M - George Halstead Children: Perry M ------Children: Ruth M — Charles Moss Child: Anita M — Leo Green Marguerite Erma M — Charles S. MacIntyre Children: Donna Lee Kay Denige Linda Karen Ella Sara Charles M — Grace Thomas Children: Mildred M — Allen Parker Child: Charles Theo M — Harold Clark Children: Norman Ronald

Nine M — Lee J. Elliott Maud M — Bird B. Critchett Child: Harold Perry B. 1866 - D. Infancy

## DOUGLAS ARNOLD (Son of Electus)

Children of Douglas and Nancy Turner Arnold: M — — Coleman Perfinda Belinda William M — Elizabeth Youngklaus Children: LeRoy M — Nina Whitlam (He lives with his younger sister) Carrie M — 1st Ransom Landon M - 2nd John J. Schlessman Children by 1st marriage. Kenneth A. Beatrice M - Albert J. Myers Eleanor M — Joseph Planter Children: Joseph Ransom Carol Children by 2nd marriage: Noma M — William A. Belew Children: Barbara Ellen William Andre II William Arnold John Eugene Elsie M — John C. Betzer Children: LeRoy M — Bertha ——— Child: Lois Mae (adopted) Leatha M — Frederick C. Avis

Children: Beverly Lou Danforth Charles Wilma M --- Murray Talcott Children : Garv Mary Jean Teresa Laurence M — Emma — Child: Dallas Teresa Emily M — 1st George Whittam M — 2nd Frank Schaffer Child by 1st marriage: Gladvs M --- C. W. Thrift Children of Douglas and Laura Fish Arnold: Harry M — Belle Shippy Children: Delmer M — 1st Helen E. Baxter M — 2nd Grace Stoneman Child by 2nd marriage: Bonita Grace Leda M — George Zbronik (He fell from a boat while on a fishing trip). Children: Howard M — 1st Joyce Humpries M — 2nd Jane Reed Child by 1st marriage: John Howard Child by 2nd marriage: Karen Lee Norene M - 1st Edward Zitek M - 2nd William Frank Child by 1st marriage: Lynne Child by 2nd marriage: George

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Frances M — Louis Ely Children: Rose M — 1st Laverne Leggett M — 2nd Alger Battenfield Child by 1st marriage: Arthur M — Verna Wickel Child: Allen Arthur Children by 2nd marriage: Elsie Floyd Dorothy May Nettie Battenfield M - 1st Wilbert Birgy M - 2nd William Hawkins Children by 1st marriage: Ardith Mario M - Slewart D. Bredsan Lawrence Lee M - Jean Peters Child by 2nd marriage: William, Jr. Lawrence J. Battenfield M-Alta Besaw Harold Battenfield M --- Phyllis Brainard Children: John Ronald Gerald Thomas Catherine Rose Ruby Battenfield M - Stanley Ball Children: Katherine Marie Richard

Perry Elv M --- Sarah Gallibaugh Children: Walter M — Matilda Vanderbrook Children: Mary Theresa Bonnie Jo Pearl M — Robert Daniels Children: Robert Allen Douglas Lee Doyle Gordon Floyd M - Alice Thornborn Children: Leo Anthony Sandra George M — Irene Metrick Child: Kenneth Josephine M — Peter B. Hoffman Children: Charles R., Sr. M - Nina Ouderkirk Child: Rosella M — Clayton Merry Children: Ioan M — Richard Fitzgerald Glenda M — Rodney Allen John Michael Charles R., Jr. M — Doris Goetzman Children: Linda Carrol Charles Robert III Archie A. M — 1st — Mary Ann Parker M — 2nd — Leomia MacKay

Children by 1st marriage: Clifford H. Iune M. Theodore K. Addie M - Oakie Snider Children: Robert LeRoy M — Evelyn French Child: Iudith Ann Harold B. Violet M. Ruth P. George H. Bernard C. Gerald Lee Peter D. M - Frances Dembinskie Child: Bernard D. M - Mary Antoinette Lowe Children Frances A. Christine M. Lillian M — Arthur A. Asbell Children: Virginia Lee Dian Irene Henry James M - 1st Mary Iva Leeds M — 2nd Lavern Ann Heren Child by 1st marriage: Barbara Leeds Eva May M — William D. Burchell Child: Eva Aleen M — 1st — Simons M — 2nd Charles A. Satchfield Child by 1st marriage: William A. Children by 2nd marriage: Donald L. Charleen R.

M — Gilbert H. Kumps Ruth Sadie M — William J. Matthews Children: Ethel M — Harry Farrar Children: M — Albert Eden, Jr. Irene Child: Thomas Harry Robert Edward Betty June M — Eugene B. Brunst Children: Sharon Ann Sandra Lee **Richard Eugene** Robert Eugene M - Mary Ann Willingham Child: Michael Lynn Harley A. M - Edna Lewis Children: Irene Mae Diane Rae Susan Ann Elmer M — Myrtle Miller Leo B. M - Mildred Lewis Children: Leo Louis William Arnold Chester M — Eleanor Fleshinger Child: James E.

# ELIZA ARNOLD THOMAS (Daughter of Electus)

Children of Eliza Arnold Thomas and Charles Thomas: Alfred M - Emalie Sawyer Children: Cora M — J. A. Potter Children: May C. Lovd G. Pearl M — Martha Denne Children: Sreal Children: Iean lean Ruth Marilyn Ralph Shirley Helen Lydia M - Charles H. Niece Child: Lawrence M — Gertrude Knowles Belle M — Charles Smith Children: Vernon M — Matilda Juliane Fave M -- Anthon Smigel Harold L. M — Edna Masters Children: Robinette M - Richard May Harold L. J. M -- Dolores Cintovich Carlton M — Harry Jacque Maude Children: Hilda B 1907 — D 1908 Margaret B 1909 - D 1912

Charles M --- Elizabeth Matthews Child: William M — Florence Pulsford Child: Linda Lee Wilma M — Neal Bluhm Wilford M --- Janet Turner Children: Duane Allen Karen Lee Willa M — Edwin Hanni Children: Donna Jean Sharon Marie Hazel M — Arthur Matthews Child: Ravmond Thomas M — Jane Fagen Children: Judith Ellen Thomas Ravmond Florence M - John Carl Children: Rose M - Charles Nelson Children: Lawrence J. M - Lauren Gharky Child: John L. Lovd C. M — Ruth Border Children: Herman L. Gloria G. Lillian Carl M — Neal Nelson Almond T. Walter G. Arthur A. Children: Arnold Gale Gary Arnold

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#### RALPH ARNOLD 1833 - 1917 Son of Electus Arnold: Elijah, Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr., Governor Benedict, William



DR. ELI N. FOSTER 1880 - 1955 Son of Lilly Arnold Foster. He was a prominent physician of Pittsburgh, where he practiced for 52 years.





## RALPH ARNOLD

(Son of Electus)

Child of Ralph and Jane Arnold:

Lilly Arnold M — Rev. Frank Foster Children: Dr. Eli N. Foster M --- Pearl Thomas Children: Ralph N. M — Amy Crawford Richard Beatrice M — Carl N. Hicks Child: Marcia F. Iulia Foster M — Charles Smith Children: Lois M — Paul A. Koegler Charles M — Katherine Malach Children: Donald R. David Darrel Kenneth Denis Paul Kenneth Frank M — Esther Schultz She was a bride from Germany in World War II. They were married overseas and he brought her home with him. Children: Juliana Esther Kenneth Frank, Jr. Helen Smith M — James N. Bradbury Children: Cynthia Jean Debra Jo

GEORGE ARNOLD 1838 - 1909 He was the youngest son of Electus. He is pictured below as a young man and on the right with his wife, Elmina (Ferris) Arnold.







ELVA ARNOLD SHIPPY (MRS. HORACE SHIPPY) Daughter of George and Granddaughter of Electus

**GEORGE ARNOLD** (Son of Electus) Children of George and Elmina Ferris Arnold: Marion M – 1st, Mertie Meritte Children: Fern M — Norman L. Smith Child: Roger Norman M — 1st, Auriel Lee M - 2nd, Esther Kitchen Auriel Lee was a World War II Australian war bride. She refused to come to the United States but after the war Roger came home. After two years they were divorced. Child by 2nd marriage: Roger Norman, Jr. Marion M — 2nd, Ethel Miller Children: M — Nelson Ella Violet Granville G. M — Kathryn Myers Children: George G. M — Bertha Whims Children: June M --- Frederick Watkins Child: Arnold M — Beverly Payne Nadine M — Gordon Barr Child: Gregory Arnold Howard H. M — 1st, Beulah Sampson Child: Leonard L. M — Jeannette Gillard Child: Nancy Lenore M — 2nd, Phelena Andrews Child: Howard
In 1935 I visited Granville and Kathryn Arnold, and through them became acquainted with Virginia Arnold Hanna.

Arthur Electus M --- Bertha Youngklaus Children: M — Norman M. Rickey Vivian Children: M — David K. Wecht Phyllis Child: Wendy Jean Arline M – Peter H. Bliss Child: Gary Raymond Norma M — William Mitchell Children: William D. Donna Jane Della A. B 1874, D 1875 Ella Stella B 1877, D 1883 Zulev Electa B 1880, D 1880 Elva Gussie M --- Horace Shippy Children: Thelma M — Frederick Miller Children: Patricia M --- Frank Scotland Children: Dianne Mae Craig Frank Denise Althea M — Carl Wannamaker Children: lean M — Kenneth W. Pekrun Martha Louise LeRoy M — Ella Belnap Georgia Ann Ellsworth A.

# SEVENTH GENERATION

# MARIA ARNOLD

## Daughter of Elijah

Maria Arnold, the daughter of Elijah and Annis Graham Arnold, was born in 1803 in Connecticut. She married Edmond Underwood, a farmer and shoemaker by trade, a native of Massachusetts, in which state he was born in 1803. They were married at Sheffield, Mass. It is possible Maria may have been born at Falls Village, Connecticut, as my father used to often speak of that place. Soon after their marriage, the Underwoods moved to Ohio. about the year 1833, where they purchased 20 acres of land in Cuvahoga County. They remained in Ohio for 36 years. Then they sold their farm in Ohio and moved to Michigan, locating in New Haven Township, Shiawassee County where they purchased 40 acres of land in Section 13. They had six children: three daughters and three sons. Maria died in 1879 and Edmond in 1886. Both were buried in West Haven Cemeterv.

Willard H. Underwood was the youngest son and he married Abbey Morris in 1860. To them were born six children:

Names	Born	Died
Adell R.	Oct. 19, 1861	Feb. 21, 1863
Charles E.	Nov. 21, 1864	June 7, 1944
Everett C.	July 12, 1867	May 5, 1895
Lucien O.	Jan. 3, 1871	June 3, 1937
Herbert P.	Mar. 29, 1873	April 15, 1943
Blanche M.	May 2, 1875	Dec. 1, 1901

Charles E. married Carrie Farley and they had two children, Delta, who died when young, and Wayne, who married and had several children. No specific information on Everett.

Lucien O. married Anna Dickard. To them were born two girls. One died when very young. The other, Vera, married Cecil Jones and had one daughter, Barbara, now married to Charles Zacharias.

Herbert P. married Alice Pearsoll and they had five children:

First, Hazel, who married Walter Burge and they had one boy, Verne. Second, Francis M. who married Floyd Jones and had two children: Clare who married Geraldine Telfer and had two boys, Wayne and ——; Lois who married Clarence Perry and they have two boys, Jimmie and ——. Third, Dana H. who married Alta Van Riper and they had five children:

> 1st, Joyce A. married Donald E. Wiserup and they have three children, Michael, Shelly and Marcia;

> **2nd,** Dana R., who married Donna J. Speerman;

> **3rd**, Jo Anne who married Wilford Dickerman and they have two girls, Debra Jo and Lori Ann;

**4th,** Patricia A. who married Marvin Sanders;

5th, David H.

Fourth: Edwin, who married Lenore Whiting and had two children, Virginia, who married George Markham and has two children. Glen is unmarried. Fifth, Blanche M. married Howard Dollof and had one son, La-Forrest. He has two children.



HENRY ARNOLD 1807 - 1889 Son of Elijah Arnold: Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr. Governor Benedict and William. Henry was a pioneer of Cass County, Mich.

### SEVENTH GENERATION

#### HENRY ARNOLD

## (Son of Elijah)

Henry Arnold, son of Elijah Arnold, was born July 25, 1807 and died in 1889. His first wife was Maria Hewitt, whom he married in Massachusetts, probably at Great Barrington in 1828. Maria Hewitt was born in March, 1811, and died June 28, 1844.

They moved to Cuyahoga County, Ohio, the year of their marriage and lived there for about eight years. In 1835 they removed to Cass County, Michigan, entering land in Section 12 of Mason Township, and this land remained in his family for more than 120 years. The land entered by Henry Arnold was wholly unimproved and not a furrow had been turned. In fact, he had to cut his way through the woods to his claim, for no roads had been laid out. There were some Indian trails through the forest, but the trees stood in their primeval strength and there was little evidence of future development.

Henry built a small log cabin with a stick chimney and large fireplace which occupied one entire side of the room and furnished heat for the cabin and cooking with kettles hanging from cranes. There were few settlers in Cass County at the time Henry and his family arrived and the difficulties were tremendous. Henry had four children by his first wife, Maria Hewitt: William, Dayton, Ann and Wealthy, and five children by his second wife, Lovisa Diller: Calvin (called "Cab"). Lockwood, David, Charles and Lovisa. His third wife was Jerusha Lake. She had one son by a former marriage.

### WILLIAM ARNOLD

#### (Son of Henry)

William Arnold was born August 30, 1832, died January 5, 1923. On April 5, 1857, he married Ada C. Hatch, born March 29, 1842, died October 18, 1908. Ada was the daughter of Ezra Hatch and Sarah Mariah Allen. Ezra's father was Noah Hatch and his mother was Sarah Bunnell. Sarah's father was Luke Allen and her mother, Katharing Hunsiker. Both the Hatch and Allen families lived in Cass County, Michigan.

William Arnold was born in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and when three years old, came with his parents to Cass County, Michigan. He walked two miles to a small log cabin school, where they sat on slab benches. The curriculum was limited. On the day he was twenty-one, William left home and started out on his own and worked as a farm hand to obtain money for his own farm. He started with fifty acres and eventually owned three hundred. His first home was a log cabin which was replaced by a very fine house that is still an attractive farm home.

William and Ada Arnold had the following children: Ruell C., born November 26, 1861, who now lives at Clearwater, Florida, and Ada Aileen, born July 23, 1877, died July 22, 1908. Ruell C. Arnold married Fannie Collins. Their children are Ada C. Arnold, who lives at home, and Kathleen, who married J. R. Searson. The Searsons live in Clearwater, Florida, they have two children: Arnold and Walter. I saw both of the boys when they were young. Walter, who is the youngest of the two boys, married Carol Smith of South Bend, Indiana, and they lived in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. They have a daughter almost one year old. Arnold is married, has a three year old daughter and a son, Ruell Arnold Searson, Jr., born October 26, 1956.



RUELL ARNOLD born in 1861 Son of William, grandson of Henry, great grandson of Elijah

# Dayton Arnold (Son of Henry)

Dayton Arnold lived at Jones, Michigan. He had two daughters, both deceased. He also left one or more granddaughters but I have no specific information concerning them.

# Ann Arnold (Daughter of Henry)

Ann Arnold married David Merrill. They had four children: Henry, Fred, Nettie and Frank.

## Wealthy Arnold (Daughter of Henry)

Wealthy Arnold married Charles Cherry and they had three children: Edward, Minnie and Dolly.

# CALVIN ARNOLD (Called "Cab")

## (Son of Henry)

Calvin Arnold married Mattie Brown on February 22, 1872, at Constantine, Michigan. She died December 24, 1902. He died December 20, 1924. Their children were: Harry, Blanche and Callie.

Harry had three girls and one son and lived at Seattle, Washington. Harry died December 9, 1956.

Callie has two boys and one daughter. One son is a pilot on the Northwestern Airlines, and the other son is a railroad mail clerk.

The daughter's husband is a Federal Judge.

Blanche Arnold first married Clark Vincent. By him she had eight children—two are deceased. He died August 5, 1928. Afterwards she married H. A. Lamb, who died December 4, 1945. Children of Blanche Arnold Vincent Lamb, daughter of Calvin Arnold:

- David Arnold Vincent; wife's maiden name, Florence Anis
- Claire Carlton Vincent; wife's maiden name, Elizabeth Nelson
- Foster G. Vincent; wife's maiden name, Dorothy Malakowski
- Floyd H. Vincent; wife's maiden name, Adelaide Crandall

Loyd D. Vincent; wife's maiden name, Avis Chesborough June Vincent; husband's name, Elmer Roberts



MRS. BLANCHE ARNOLD LAMB

Cutting her eighty-third birthday cake on May 26, 1956, in Bemidji, Minnesota. Daughter of Calvin Arnold; Henry, Elijah, Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr., Governor Benedict. William.

# Blanche Arnold Vincent Lamb family continued. MARRIED GRANDCHILDREN:

#### David Arnold Vincent's children:

Gem Margret Vincent; husband's name, Jack Kerr Lucille Vincent; husband's name, Jack Wright Calvin Vincent; wife's name, Alna Larson Russell Vincent; wife's name, Hildegard Ulrich

Avis Vincent; husband's name, Frank Kelm Ida Vincent; husband's name, Lynn Heggie Margie Vincent; husband's name, Robert Himmelright

## Unmarried children:

Thomas Vincent, James Vincent, Charles Vincent, Charlotte Vincent, Grace Vincent.

# Claire Carlton Vincent's children:

Claire Junior Vincent; wife's name, llene Olson Blanche Darlene Vincent; husband's name, Royce Weinert

## Unmarried children:

Robert LeRoy Vincent, Donna Marie Vincent

## Foster Vincent's children:

Richard Julius Vincent; wife's maiden name, Marion Kamstad

Velma V. Vincent; husband's name, Thomas Kreckow Thelma J. Vincent; husband's name, Reuben Warday Jerry Vincent; wife's maiden name, Barbara Bahr

#### Floyd Vincent's children:

All unmarried: Vernon Virgil Vincent, Darrel Vincent, Barbara Vincent, Gary Vincent, Suszanne Vincent

#### Loyd Vincent's children:

All unmarried: Ronald Gene Vincent, Patricia Vincent, Linda Lou Vincent

June Vincent Robert's children: Dorothy June Roberts-unmarried

# Great Grandchildren of Blanche Arnold Vincent Lamb:

Mary Kerr, Earl Wright, David and Owen Vincent, Richard, Kathy, Shirley, Nancy, Pamela Kelm, Jodie Kay Kreckow, Richard, Robert and Dawn Weinert, Dexter and Ordean Vincent, Michael Vincent, Sherry Heggie, Debra Himmilright.

Her children live near Bemidji, Minnesota, except one son who lives in Arkansas and one daughter who lives in California. The daughter's husband has been in the Army almost 30 years and expects to be home in about six months. He is now in Monaco. One of Blanche's grandsons is in Alaska and one is in the Pacific someplace. Two other grandsons have served their military time and are at home.

Calvin Arnold formerly lived near Hubbard, Minnesota. Many years ago I went to Hubbard on certain business and being desirous of meeting some former residents of Elkhart County, I went to Calvin's home where Lockwood was then staying and persuaded Lockwood to go and introduce me to the people I wanted to see. Calvin's wife said Lockwood could go with me if I would agree to come back to dinner, which I did. We had a very nice dinner and while we were eating, Mr. Nathan Rhinehart, who had married Lovisa Arnold, daughter of Henry, having heard that I was there, came to see me and invited me to go to his house for a visit. I was unable to accept the invitation.

## LOCKWOOD H. ARNOLD (Son of Henry)

Lockwood H. Arnold was the son of Henry, born in 1850 and died in 1927. He never married. He injured a knee when he was a boy and was always crippled. He was quite a talker - very interesting. He and Elizabeth were quite friends. He visited my parents quite frequently when Elizabeth was about two or three years old. He lived with his father until after his father's death. After that I believe he lived in Minnesota with Calvin and later he lived in or near Union, Michigan, with Ethel Fisher, the granddaughter of Henry.

## DAVID L. ARNOLD (Son of Henry)

David L. Arnold, another son of Henry, was born in 1853 and died in 1914. He married Amelia Prayther. They had two children, Ethel and Earl, born August 31, 1882. I remember that their birth caused much interest in the neighborhood because of they're being twins. Ethel married Merton Fisher. She died in September, 1951. She lived on the Henry Arnold farm until a short time before her death. That farm was in the Arnold family for more than 120 years. Earl had three children, two boys and a girl.

# CHARLES ARNOLD (Son of Henry)

Charles Arnold had four daughters: Maude and Pearl, who have died, and Margaret and Ella who are still living. Margaret has conducted a Kindergarten School for eight years, since the death of her husband.

# LOVISA ARNOLD (Daughter of Henry)

Lovisa Arnold married Nathan Rhinehart. They had three girls and one son. The entire family is now deceased.



#### GEORGE ARNOLD 1812 - 1867

Son of Eiijah Arnold: Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr., Governor Benedict, and William. This engraving is made from a pastel drawing.

House built by George Arnold in 1835 near Union, Michigan



#### GEORGE ARNOLD

One of the earliest pioneers of Mason township, Cass county, Michigan, built this house with his own labor in 1835. This photograph was taken in 1957. The wing at the right was added at a later date.

### SEVENTH GENERATION

#### GEORGE ARNOLD

# (Son of Elijah)

George Arnold was born December 2, 1812, probably at Great Barrington, Massachusetts. He died in September, 1867, aged 54 years, 9 months. He married Harriett Barbour, I presume at Batavia, New York. She died September 7, 1852, age 37 years. He moved to Michigan in 1835 and entered land May 18, 1836, in Section 12, Mason Township, Cass County.

He was a carpenter by trade and built many houses and barns. His own home is still standing, although it has been remodeled to some extent. It was built of heavy planking, rather than logs and was a very substantial house. He seemed to have been interested in public affairs to a considerable extent and was supervisor of Mason Township in 1845, 1852, 1855, 1856 and 1864. My mother said he was a very kindly man and she liked him very much. From some of the incidents of his life that I have heard he was inclined to be a practical joker and enjoyed telling stories.

George and Harriett Arnold had six children: Annis O., Adelaide, Jerry Andrew, Alvin Fenner, Mary M., George A. and Charles G.

Annis O. Arnold was born May 27-1836, died August 29, 1869, aged 33 years. She never married.

Adelaide Arnold was born August 20, 1837. She married James H. Graham in Mason Township, Cass County, Michigan, on December 7, 1854.

James H. Graham was born at Wooster, Wayne County, Ohio, November 18, 1832, and he died January 3. 1913. He moved with his parents to near Mottville, Michigan, in 1850, remaining there about two years and then accompanied his parents to Mason Township where he resided continuously until his death.

For thirty years he served as Township Supervisor, also as Justice of the Peace and had held all the political honors the Township could give him. He was ever faithfull in his convictions, a steadfast friend, fair and generous to all and had many warm and sincere friends in all of Cass County.

Adelaide died in 1908. James H. Graham was born in 1832 and died in 1913. They had three children: Hattie, Rena and Herbert A., Hattie was born December 18, 1856, and died February 4, 1934. She never married. Rena was born in 1860 and died in 1896. She married a Mr. Hayes.

Herbert Arnold Graham was born June 25, 1864, and died October 8, 1956, at the age of 92 years. He married Luthera Hitchcock, who was born March 2, 1865, and died April 3, 1931. They had three children: Donald, born January 2, 1888, died February 2, 1938; Marguerite, married Leland Clare Heims, and Una Arlene Graham, born April 23, 1892, died December 18, 1920, was married to Arthur Krause.

Marguerite and Leland had three children: Winifred Evelyn, born November 21, 1916, married to Percy Hale; Barbara Lucille, born February 6, 1918, married John Tilitch; Rachaelle Genevieve, born August 27, 1924, died June 16, 1925.

Herbert Arnold Graham attended Hillsdale College. Subsequently he clerked in the general store at Union, Michigan. He also conducted a store at Penn, Michigan. After disposing of his store at Penn, he moved to Elkhart. Indiana, and clerked in a clothing store for a number of vears. He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Kane Lodge, Elkhart, Indiana, on March 17, 1892, and subsequently served as Master of that Lodge. He was Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the State of Indiana from April 15, 1917, to November 15, 1921. Then he became Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Royal Arch Masons and Grand Chapter for the State of Indiana. He was a 33rd degree Mason a member of Red Cross of Constantine and also a member of the Commandery and the Scottish Rite. He was held in high esteem in Masonic circles throughout the State of Indiana, in Michigan and elsewhere.

Mary M. Arnold, another daughter of George and Harriet, married Ozro M. French. She died June 14, 1866, aged 21 years. She died soon after the birth of a son named George. Her son, George, was supposed to have lived in Cleveland, but all positive knowledge of him has been lost.

Charles G. Arnold, son of George, died September 10, 1851, age 9 years.

George A. Arnold, son of George, died October 7, 1851, age 3 years. These boys and their mother Harriet Barbour Arnold, all died within one month.



JERRY ANDREW ARNOLD 1840 - 1927 Son of George, grandson of Elijah Wearing his Union Army uniform



#### JERRY ANDREW ARNOLD AND SONS

Jerry Andrew Arnold in his later years lived in Hawaii where this snapshot was taken with his two sons — George Ezra Arnold is in the front on the left and Lewis Edmund Arnold is in the center.

# JERRY ANDREW ARNOLD (Son of George)

Jerry Andrew Arnold, son of George and Harriet Arnold, was born February 13, 1840, died in 1927. He served in the army during the Civil War, having enlisted from Hamilton County, Illinois, on the 20th day of November, 1862, to serve for three years, or during the war, and was mustered into the service at Peoria. Illinois on the 7th day of January, 1863, as a Private under Capt. James D. Dent, Co. C., 14th Regiment, Illinois Voluntary Cavalry, under Col. Horace Capron. His regiment engaged in many important battles and he was finally captured at Sunshine Church, Georgia, August 3, 1864, and was confined in Andersonville Prison for several months. Then he was sent to Savannah, Georgia; then to Milon, Georgia; then to Florence, South Carolina; to Goldsboro, North Carolina; to Wilmington, North Carolina, where he was paroled and sent to parole camp at Annapolis Maryland; then to St. Louis, Missouri, and from there furloughed home. He received an honorable discharge at Springfield, Illinois, on the 16th day of June 1866.

Jerry Arnold married Sarah Marie Hatch in Indiana, probably at Elkhart. She was born May 19, 1846, died November 20, 1906.

My Uncle Jerry Arnold resided north and west of Union on a farm. When I was a very small boy he moved to California. He had three children, George Ezra, Lewis Edmund and Ella. Ella married James William Rath. I used to correspond with her. She has a daughter, Ella Gonsalves, who lives in Honolulu. In the last letter I had from my cousin, Ella Rath, she stated that her daughter, Ella, was married and living in Honolulu and had two babies. That letter was written in 1919. Recently Elizabeth and I were taken for a ride by my son-in-law, Dick Corns, and we drove out to Union, Michigan, then north and west past the Henry Arnold farm and stopped at my grandfather's old place. The house is still standing, although it has been remodeled to some extent. We also went past the Glines School house where I assume my father and uncles and aunts also attended school. We continued to go north and east and past the farm where my Uncle Jerry had last lived.

My cousin, George, in a letter written after my father's death, said he had always hoped to make a visit back to Michigan, but circumstances had never been such that he could make the trip.

Jerry Arnold left Mason Township, Cass County, Michigan to go to California during 1877. He settled with his family on a ranch in the hills near Black Mountain — east of Milpitas and about a day's trip at that time from San Jose. He died in Honolulu, Hawaii.

# GEORGE EZRA ARNOLD (Son of Jerry Arnold)

George Ezra Arnold was born January 5, 1868, died May 28, 1936. He married Leona Smith. They had three children: Alta, Ruth and Vera.

Alta has never married.

Ruth married, first, Hollis Hardy; married second Frank Peck. By her first husband she had two sons, Hollis Aiken and Alan Everett. Hollis Aiken Hardy married Kay Werts, June, 1952. Allan Everett Hardy married Diane Neubauer, March, 1949.

Vera Arnold married Arnold Martin. Their children: James Maurice and George Eric.

George Arnold was a graduate of Stanford. He was in the lumber business in Washington and also taught school in California. He later made his home in Honolulu, employed at Libby, McNeill & Libby.

## ELLA ORILLE RATH

#### (Daughter of Jerry Arnold)

Ella Orille Arnold, born March 26, 1871, died April 5, 1920, married James William Rath. They had three children: Jean Lea, Ella Marie and Arnold James.

Jean Lea married Frank Scott Hamilton. They had one son-Frank S. Hamilton, Jr., a captain in World War II and a U. C. graduate, who married Charlaine Hedrick, a U. C. graduate, and they have two children, Frank Scott Hamilton III and Susan Lea Hamilton.

Ella Marie Rath married George A. Gonsalves. They have two children: George A. Gonsalves, Jr. and a daughter, Maejean Maejean married Joseph Francis Acker, Jr.. They have three children: Jean Elizabeth, Joseph Francis III and Colleen Linda.

I received from Jean Elizabeth Acket age thirdeen years, a family tree of her family. It is very well executed and shows remarkable ability for one so young.

Arnold James Rath, son of Ella Rath, has not been heard from by his sister, Ella, for more than 20 years.

ELLA ORILLE ARNOLD RATH 1871 - 1920 Daughter of Jerry Arnold



#### LEWIS EDMUND ARNOLD

#### (Son of Jerry Arnold)

Lewis Edmund Arnold was born July 11, 1874. He was twice married; first to a Lillian Mae Hose. They had four children: Lloyd Edwin, Luita Mae, Wayve Lillian and Lewis Moffatt. By the second wife, Marjorie Schalk, whom he married in 1919, he had one daughter, Marjorie. He died December 26, 1951.

Lewis Edmund Arnold spent some time in Alaska during the Gold Rush where he ran a pack team out of Skagway. He was later employed as General manager at Libby, McNeil & Libby in Honolulu and the island of Molokai. He also surveyed land in Africa and Mexico for the company. In 1931 he moved with his wife and daughter to Chicago and in 1938 retired in California where he managed a ranch near Milpitas until his death in 1951.

Luita Mae Arnold, daughter of Lewis Edmund Arnold, married Howard H. Hurst. They have one son, Robert H. Hurst, who married Katherine Frederick and had two sons, Robert H. Hurst, Jr. and Frederick Hurst. He then married Barbara Tuttle and has two daughters, Marlee and Lindy.

Lewis Moffat Arnold married Patricia M. Winter and they have a daughter, Patricia M. Arnold, who is married to Donald M. Range and a son, Lewis Moffat Arnold, Jr., who is a student.

Lloyd Edwin Arnold married Mabel Marie Hutchinson. They have a daughter, Marion Mae, married to Charles E. Willett and they have four children: Susan Luita Willett, Sally Mae Willett, Todd Arnold Willet and Charlotte Willett.



ALVIN FENNER ARNOLD (left) JERRY ANDREW ARNOLD (right)

These brothers served in the Union Army. Jerry was a prisoner at Andersonville.



# ALVIN FENNER ARNOLD Son of George

Alvin Fenner Arnold, my father, was born in Cass County, Michigan, on October 16, 1841. He married Sarah Angeline Keene on April 7, 1867. To their union was born two sons, Leon Jerry Arnold, born March 11, 1869, and Ethan Laverne Arnold, born January 18, 1875. Alvin Arnold, my father, died on December 6, 1911. My mother was born January 9, 1843, and died on January 7, 1929. My mother was the daughter of Leonard and Alsey (Alci) Keene. They lived in Cass County, Michigan, near Redfield. My brother, "Jerry", as we called him, married Nora Lehman on October 22, 1896. She died May 12, 1939. My brother died August 5, 1955. They had no children.

My father served in Co. G. 1st Michigan Cavalry, called 1st Michigan Lancers in the Civil War.

I married Lotta M. Rhoades of White Pigeon, Michigan, on April 28, 1900. She was the daughter of Charles M. and Elizabeth Manwell Rhodes. She died December 13, 1956. To us were born three sons. Leon Laverne, Lewis Rhoades, Alvin Murray, and four daughters; Elizabeth, Charlotte Mary (died in infancy), Helen Idella and Margaret. Leon married Zena Thompson and they have one daughter, Judith Ann. Lewis married Catherine Goudy. They have eight children: Mary Charlotte, Lewis Michael, Joseph Ethan, Janet Catherine, William McKenna, Stephen John, Elizabeth Lynn and Timothy Martin, born October 31, 1957. Alvin married Dolores Beidler. They have no children. Helen Idella married Richard (Dick) Corns. They have two children: Margaret Joan (Peggy Jo) and Richard Alvin (Dickie). Margaret married Harold Denton. They have one son, David Arnold Denton, who is now a student at Indiana University.



MR. AND MRS. ALVIN FENNER ARNOLD AND SONS from a tintype of 1877 Ethan (held by his father) and Leon Jerry



MR. AND MRS. ALVIN FENNER ARNOLD AND SONS Leon Jerry (left) - Ethan (right)

Alvin Fenner Arnold, son of George Arnold; Elijah, Fenner, Benedict III, Benedict Jr., Governor Benedict, and William.



MRS. ETHAN L. ARNOLD (LOTTA RHOADES)

Daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Manwell) Rhoades. Her father's ancestors came to Connecticut in 1640 from England, her mother's parents David and Janet (Murray) Manwell were born in Paisley, Scotland.



ETHAN L. ARNOLD in 1925

I was born in Mason Township, Cass County. Michigan, and lived there for a short time. When I was about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years old my folks moved to Missouri in the hope of finding greater prosperity than prevailed in Cass County, Michigan, at the time but they were sorely disappointed at conditions they found there. After a short time, my parents returned to Cass County, taking up residence on a small farm about one mile east of Redfield, in Calvin Township.

Calvin Township, which adjoins Mason, was the end of the underground railroad, the refuge place for runaway slaves.

The population since pre Civil War days has been largely negro. Some of them have become quite prosperous and I believe the township officers are all negros at the present time. Calvin township and the adjoining townships have numerous lakes and are visited by the pleasure seeking public during the summer months. Many of the lakes are surrounded by cottages: some of them vary expensive.

Cass County, Michigan, has generally been a prosperous farming county. The soil, while rolling and somewhat inclined to be broken, is a good heavy soil and produces very good crops so that the farmers are generally prosperous.

My grandfather, Leonard Keene, was born in North Carolina. I believe his parents died when he was a small boy and he lived for a time with an older brother. Tradition has it that the older brother treated him badly and he finally ran away from home. He eventually migrated to Ohio, where he was employed by my great grandfather Peter Shaffer. He married Alsey (Alci) Shaffer and with his father-in-law's family migrated to Michigan. In route they stopped north of Elkhart for just a brief period, but they eventually located in Calvin Township, Cass County, Michigan. One reason for their selecting that location was the heavy timber growing on the land which was similar to the place where they had lived in Ohio.

The place in Calvin Township where my grandparents lived was about twelve miles northeast of Elkhart. They had relatives living on what is now known as Main Street.

In case the relatives were sick my grandparents often came to Elkhart to assist them, riding horseback. My grandmother told me that on one occasion when they came here, it was after night when they arrived at the St. Joseph River. They had to ford the river as there was no bridge at that time. It was raining and they could only see when there were flashes of lightning.

After a short time my parents moved to a larger farm north of Union, Michigan, where they resided for two or three years. It was while they were residing on this farm that I began attending school. Our parents sent my brother and I to the Glines School in Mason Township, a school where my mother was a teacher before her marriage. Before I started to attend school I attended the last day of school in the Glines School, which was then being taught by my cousin, Ruell Arnold. I was scheduled to speak a piece on that occasion and when it came my turn, I went to the teacher's rostrum, which was raised slightly above the floor level, stubbed my toe when I went up and fell down, and when I finished, I fell off the platform — was not hurt on either occasion.

From this farm my parents moved to Edwardsburg, Michigan, where my father conducted a meat market and had a delivery wagon that delivered meat throughout the countryside. After a year or two there they moved to Elkhart, Indiana, in the fall of 1882, if I remember correctly; and Elkhart has been our residence ever since. While residing in Elkhart, my father conducted a contracting and teaming business for a number of years. l attended the Elkhart schools and finally attended the Elkhart Business College. After completing the course there I entered the law office of Chamberlain & Turner as a student on June 9, 1891. I had studied shorthand and did the stenographic work of the office; also soon after entering the office I was entrusted with the estate work of the firm. In 1900 I was admitted to practice law by the Elkhart Circuit Court, Henry D. Wilson being the then Judge.

l continued with Chamberlain & Turner until 1902 when I formed a law partnership with Forrest E. Hughes. This partnership continued until 1933. On October 1, of the latter year I formed a law partnership with my two sons, Lewis R. and Alvin M., and continued the active practice of the law until August, 1954, when I suffered a heart attack and later I suffered two more such attacks in Florida. The doctor in Florida advised me to leave the office and I have not since participated actively in legal work. My health is much improved but I am still living under strict doctor's orders. I am surprised that i have been content with partial retirement to the extent that I have, and I think it has been a great surprise to others. To some extent I think it is due to the fact that I have remembered the saving frequently made by my father that "a contented life was a continual feast". Perhaps this was his interpretation of the statement by the Apostle Paul when he said "I have determined that whatever be my lot therewith to be content".

In conclusion I feel that it is only fitting that I pay a most well deserved tribute to my wife, Lotta. She was ever a kind, loving and thoughtful wife and mother, always concerned for the welfare of others. For many years she was very active in church work, even when the burden of raising a large family was most heavy. The high esteem in which she was held was well attested by the very large number of people who paid tribute to her memory.



MR. AND MRS. ETHAN L. ARNOLD with members of their family at an anniversary party Two later additions to the family (shown below.)



# SOME OF THE MANY BOOKS AND RECORDS WITH REFERENCES TO OUR FAMILY

Newport Historical Society - Reclaimed Records Official Records of the Colony of Rhode Island Vital Records of Rhode Island by James N. Arnold History of Rhode Island by Samuel G. Arnold The Arnold Memorial by Elisha Stephen Arnold Manwaring's Connecticut Probate Digest Middletown Record of Vital Statistics General Service Administration, National Archives and **Records Service** Taunton, Massachusetts Probate Records History of Great Barrington by Charles J. Taylor Registry of Deeds, Great Barrington, Massachusetts Record of Deeds. Batavia. New York Biographical Record of Cuvahoge Co-Ohio Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve by G. V. Wickham History of Cass County, Michigan by Howard Clark Pioneers from Massachusetts to the West by C. A. Flagg Biographical Record of Berrien and Cass County, Michigan Elijah and George under Mrs. James Graham (Adelaide Arnold) Cass County Twentieth Century Biographical Record of Clinton and Shiawassee County, Michigan United States Census Records of 1850, 1860, and 1870

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### Was Benedict Arnold,

#### the Traitor, an Arnold

My cousin, Virginia Arnold Hanna, said "No. He was not, either by birth or adoption." She claimed his real name was Ramsden. That he was a descendant of John Ramsden born about 1650 at Kingston-on-Hull, York, England. He was a school teacher at Newark, New Jersey, and other places. About 1670 he married Mary Benedict. It is uncertain when John Ramsden assumed the alias "Arnold," but there is evidence of probative value that such is the case.

Among the genealogical data gathered by Virginia Arnold Hanna, we found a newspaper clipping, which was probably taken from a Hartford, Connecticut, paper that published genealogy information as a regular service, and which seems to prove that Benedict Arnold's true name was Ramsden. A copy of the clipping follows:

"No. 5723 — ARNOLD—Children of John and Mary (.....) Arnold (Alias Ramsden), Stephen Arnold, born January 29, 168..... Had a son, Stephen, born Kingstown, R. I., February 22, 1710-11.

1730-31, February 11, Samuel Hare of Mansfield, Conn., for L165, sold to "Stephen Arnold of Woodbridge, County Middlesex, in ye East Jersey," land in Mansfield, at ye northeasterly part of the town, and is the same Andrew Warner conveyed to me — 100 acres more or less.

Richard Abbe and Sarah Hobart, witnesses. (L. Rec. Mansfield, Conn.; Vol. 3, page 215). 1732, June 28, Barnabas Hall of Mansfield, Conn., sold to Stephen Arnold of Woodbridge, County Middlesex, New Jersey, for L60, 30 acres "which is the northeast end of the farm I live on." (3-286).

1733, May 21, "Stephen Arnold, late of Woodbridge, County Middlesex, in East Jersey, now of Piscataway in said county," for L240, sold to Lewis Terrill of Windham, Conn., all the land purchased of Samuel Hare (3-338).

1733, May 27, Stephen Arnold of Woodbridge County Middlesex, New Jersey for L60, sold to Barnabas Hall, of Mansfield, Conn., thirty acres of land, which Arnold had purchased of Hall.

Eleazer Williams ( the minister) and Eunice Williams, witnesses.

Acknowledged at Windham, Conn., May 28, 1733 (1998) (3-386).

This is the last record of Stephen Arnold on Mansfield records, and proves him to be the Stephen Arnold of Woodbridge, and Piscataway, New Jersey.

This definitely places the Arnolds of Piscataway and Morristown, N. J., as descendants of John Arnold the schoolmaster, who, by his own affidavit (Mansfield Court Records) was not an Arnold, but son of Sir William Ramsden, Lord of Bilton, etc., Kingston-on-Hull, York, England.

Descendants of the schoolmaster have, in every case found, adopted the alias "Arnold" without knowing their real name, which the schoolmaster did not disclose until just before death."

# **BURIAL PLACES**

For the purpose of preserving a record of various burials and places of burial the following information is included in this book:

# Governor Benedict Arnold Burying Ground Pelham St., Newport, Rhode Island

Arnolds	Died	Age
William Benedict	September 26, 1739	2Ō
Mary (Josiah & Bridget)	March 6, 1782	8
Bridget (wife of Josiah)	September 2, 1780	47
Josiah	September 14, 1789	38
Oliver (Physician)	September 14, 1741	65
Governor Benedict	June 20, 1678	63
Damaris (wife of Governor)	No date	
Benedict of Newport	July 4, 1727	86
Sarah (wife of Benedict)	October 14, 1741	78
Comfort (daughter of		
Benedict & Sarah)	June 24, 1697	2
Caleb	July 24, 1700	11
William (son of		
Benedict & Sarah)	Cctober 4, 1701	17 <sup>(days)</sup>
Sarah (daughter of		
Benedict & Sarah)	January 26, 1717	19
Daughter of Governor		
Benedict	No date	
Josiah	No date	

Other surnames:

Belcher, Morris, Coggeshall (Elizabeth died in 1838). Becher, Rogers, Collins, Cox, Freebody, Chase, Cuttler, Paul, Boll, Goulding, Bannister, Updike, Taylor and Sherman.

Other members of the Arnold family may be buried here as there are many pieces of broken grave markers piled in one corner of the grounds.

# The Common Burying Ground

## Newport City Cemetery

# Farewell St., Newport, Rhode Island

Mary (wife of Benedict		
Arnold Jr.)	December 16, 1690	37
John (son of Benedict, Jr.		
and Mary)	November 15, 1688	2
Fenner (son of Benedict III		
and Mary Ward)	December 21, 1736	10
Sion Arnold (son of Benedict		
Jr.)	1753	
Mary Arnold (wife of Sion)	1754	
(All have tombstones)		

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY Middletown, Connecticut Ens. William Ward Phoebe Fenner Ward (Grandparents of Mary Ward Arnold)

SOUTH CEMETERY Great Barrington, Massachusetts Fenner Arnold Hannah Arnold, his wife

EVERGREEN CEMETERY Chagrin Falls, Ohio Granville Arnold

CLEVELAND CEMETERY (Name Unknown) Cleveland, Ohio Arthur Arnold

> FIFE LAKE CEMETERY Fife Lake, Michigan Frances Arnold

NORTH SOLON CEMETERY North Solon, Ohio Elijah Arnold Annis Arnold, his wife Electus Arnold Electa Arnold, his wife Collins Arnold Elizabeth Arnold, his wife George Arnold Elmina Arnold, his wife Douglas Arnold Laure Arnold, his wife

ROSE LAWN CEMETERY Chagrin Falls, Ohio Ora R. Arnold

Uniondale Cemetery North Side (formerly Allegheny) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania George Joseph Arnold

Oakdale Cemetery New Castle, Pennsylvania William Patterson Hanna (Burial in Hanna family plot).

> FISHERS CEMETERY Schenectady, New York Roy P. Nettleton Julia his wife Joseph P. Nettleton his son

PARK VIEW CEMETERY Schenectady, New York Caroline Arnold Nettleton West Haven Cemetery Owosso, Michigan

Maria Arnold Underwood (his wife) Edmund Underwood

> Union Cemetery Union, Michigan

> > Henry Arnold Wives:

> > > Maria

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David Arnold (son of Henry) Wife: Amelia Lockwood H. Arnold (son of Henry) George Arnold Wife: Harriet Daughters: Annis Arnold Mary M. French Granddaughter: Infant daughter of Jerry and Maria Arnold

> Moody Cemetery West of Union, Michigan

> > William Arnold Wife: Ada Daughter: Aileen

Grace Lawn Cemetery Elkhart, Indiana

Alvin Fenner Arnold Wife: Sarah A. Charlotte Mary, infant daughter of Ethan L. and Lotta M. Arnold Lotta M. (Mrs. Ethan) Arnold