

Shambaugh Family News - Letter

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A-T-T-A-C-H-M-E-N-T I-O-N ALL SHAMBAUGH'S, you are urged to meet together on Sunday August 31, in the fairground at Ashland, Ohio on route 42 off of Lincoln Hiway # 30 north east from Mansfield, or also on route 250 off of # 30 north west from Wooster. The basket dinner will be served promptly at 12 o'clock noon E. S. T. Coffee will be furnished, but bring your own table service.

Dale Shambaugh the President says - Whether you're a Democrat or a Republican, you're still a Shambaugh, and we are counting very much on you to help make this the largest "get-together" yet. Please pass the good word along.

Those coming from a distance for over night, should write or phone No. 27136 to Sam Shambaugh, R. 4, Ashland, Ohio.

The 26th Annual Shambaugh Reunion of the Carroll Co. group will be held at the Hall in Perrysville (Lamartine) Ohio, Sunday Aug. 17th. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock noon. Bring your own table service.

Anna Coggil, Pres. and Marge Morvatz, Sec'y

The Shambaugh's at Wabash, Ind. will hold their reunion on Sunday Aug. 17th, at the City Park in Wabash.

(Note - all Shambaugh's are welcome at all of these reunions)

The 31st annual reunion of the Shambaugh - Derflinger branch of the Barrow family was held in the park at Arlington, Iowa on July 27, 1952. There were about 20 relatives, each of the two groups present to enjoy the delicious dinner, ice cream and lemonade. Rev Wm. Seeley, Pastor of the Christian Church in Arlington asked the blessing before we filled our plates on the many good things to eat.

Gertrude Stapel of Oelwein gave a hearty welcome to all and conducted the business meeting. Next years officers are - Mrs Stapel, Pres. - James Carnall, Vice - Elma Ross, Sec'y and Hazel Manchester, Treas.

Three generations were represented by Gertrude Stapel, Ethel Allen and her children Annette, David, Alice and Andrea. Four deaths and two births were reported.

Pearl Michael, 77 Yrs. was the oldest Shambaugh line present and Andrea Jane Allen 11 days old was the youngest member present. Mattie Carnall, nearly 82 yrs. was the oldest Derflinger line present.

The Shambaugh descendants were: Mr and Mrs Frank Seeley of Mason City, Mr and Mrs Scott Gundlach of Oelwein, - Mr and Mrs A. C. Stapel of Oelwein, - Mrs Pearl Michael of Mertindale, - Mr and Mrs Alva Allen and children Annette, David, Alice and Andrea of Hazelton, - Leon Grapes, Davenport, Wm. Seeley and Elma Ross, Arlington, all of Iowa, Mr and Mrs Dan Woodson, Redsburg, Wis. - Mrs. Jona B. Conney of St. Joseph, Mo.

On July 9th, in the afternoon, your editor and wife were very much surprised and glad to have even a short visit with Harley and Catherine Shambaugh of Sunbeamita, Ariz. They left there on July 3rd, for Ohio because of the serious illness of Catherine's grandfather, Horace Chier, of Tiffin. They were making short calls on relatives and friends in this area and had to be back home by July 21st.

Harley works as a sheet metal mechanic on the B-74 Jet Bombers at Grand Central Aircraft at Tucson and Catherine works at the Hughes Aircraft on guided missiles.

Harley and his family have not missed a National Reunion until last year when they moved to Arizona.

In answer to an inquiry about Count Rochambeau, Mrs M. Opal Fore of 1412 - 1st St. St. Moines, Iowa, writes:

We belong to the clan descended from Count Rochambeau. I wonder if all of you know that his statue is in Lafayette Square, across from the White House, Washington D. C. My daughter, Wilma, is married to Captain Pump Grey J. Thomas, who is stationed at Bolling Air Field. Whenever I visit him, we always see Count Rochambeau and are grateful for what he did for America.

I believe no one except our family have any records of him (see Oct. - Nov. 1943 News Letter No. 46 - 7 pages 3 and 4) There was a sword which belonged to my grandfather and we had a history which was written by my grandfather's brother, Isaac Newton

Shambaugh, my grandfather was James Burr Shambaugh.

I tried to get possession of the sword, but a cousin got it, James Young, Weatherby, Mo. I wanted it to be placed in the Smithsonian Institute, Wash. In our family we called it the Count Rochambeau sword, but I notice in the history written by Isaac Newton Shambaugh he mentions only "Chambeau" and also states that Count Rochambeau died on the Plains of Abraham, but I found a history of his life which said he fought in the battle but did not die there. Legend has it that the name became Chambach when the family lived in the Palatinate.

My mother, Mrs Emma Zimmerman, who is now 91 years of age has been ill and bedfast for the past year. However she is always interested in the News-Letter. Her sister, Mrs Balle Young, lives with her son James Young at Weatherby, Mo. A cousin Robert Cope, whose mother was Helen Shambaugh Cope, recently passed away. Mrs Zimmerman's daughter, Mrs Virginia Lee, the wife of Dr. L. E. Lee, who is now deceased, lived in the area flooded last year by the Kaw River. She and her son, Paul Lee, lost heavily and were forced to leave their homes. The son bought land on a higher location and recently their house was badly damaged by a tornado.

Dr. Gordon Shambaugh has a Dental office quite near us and is always busy.

I worked for several years at the Clarinda State Hospital and for the past three years have been the Executive Director with the Iowa Mental Health Authority. The Department sponsors five psychiatric clinics and has an educational program for the state with a Speakers' Bureau, pamphlets, films and other publicity.

When you announce the Family Reunion we always think how pleasant it would be to attend. We recall a similar, smaller reunion, near Booneville, Iowa about 1939, when we met Mrs. Lois Castlebury and many others. Is there no possibility that her Family History can ever be published?

We are sorry to hear of the tragic death of Rev. Gleim's brother, LeGrand Gleim. Rev. Gleim is another Shambaugh whom we highly esteem.

If any of the Shambaugh family happen to pass through Des Moines, we would be happy to have them stay with us. They seem to be traveling to Florida, California and everywhere.

Mrs Margaret Anna Gilmore True, wife of Emmet L. True, died last March 28, 1952. She was a daughter of David Benson and Martha Alice Gilmore, born March 3, 1894 and married Mr. True June 6, 1918. Four daughters and several grandchildren survive.

Note: Mrs True wrote items frequently for our N - L

A son, Thomas James, born June 15, 1952 to James and Julia Coggil Litzenburg of Lamartine, Ohio. Anna Shambaugh Coggil is the proud grandmother.

Shambaugh's go on vacation! Earl and Ethel Troutwein Dome, accompanied by Mr. their friends Mr and Mrs William Bucher of Ada, Ohio took a fifteen day trip, leaving Ada on June 1st, going to Quebec Via Niagara Falls and Montreal, returning home by way of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York and Pennsylvania.

Quebec is an old walled city which was by French Catholic people. Interesting places seen were: the Hotel Frontenac, the old battlefield of Wolfe and Montcalm, the beautiful St. Lawrence River below the city and near-by Ste. Anne de Beaupre, with its beautiful Shrine and Cyclorama. The Cyclorama houses a painting 360 feet in circumference and 45 feet high which depicts the life of Christ, showing Herod's palace, the Last Supper, the Crucifixion, etc.

In New Hampshire were seen The Great Stone Face and Mt. Washington. We visited the Capital at Montpelier, the marble quarries near Burlington in Vermont. In New York we saw White Mountain and Santa's Workshop, and Watkins Glen.

It was a beautiful trip of around 3000 miles to reach home again. So many wonderful places were seen that it is hard to describe our trip in a brief sketch.

Dollars for the N - L - Harley Shambaugh 2.-, Dale B. Shambaugh 2. --, Mrs M. Spal Fore 2.-

WATTEAU DON AGAINT: Floyd Shambaugh of Wooster our Natl. Reunion Vep. just called by phone as I was finishing this N - L and said they thought best to C A L L O F T R our National Reunion for this year because of the recent increase of Followers near Ashland, and surrounding cities.

The same officers, location etc. will hold over for 1953.

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