Here's the American mother of 1942, Mrs. William N. Berry of Greensboro, N. C., as she arrived in New York to take part in ceremonies honoring her on Mother's Day. She was chosen by Golden Rule Foundation.
Berry-Vize Patch solicits your help in revising its directories. Please check your page of the BVP (October 1980) and send in corrections and/or additions as soon as possible.

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Subscription fees for 1982 are overdue. You may wish to include your check with your directory revisions. Mail to Margaret Berry, Editor BVP, 6511 Marsol Road #714, Cleveland, OH 44124, 216-442-0225.

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We welcome your reports, sketches, poems, letters, essays, and pictures.

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THE ORIGINALS

Jack calls Merse in Bolivia frequently. Jessie plans a November trip to Carmel, CA, to join Virginia Rogers for cruising down the coast of Mexico. Following Tom's Paris seminar in basic physics research, he and Madeleine will visit Margaret in England, then for a month campout in the national parks of Kenya, Africa. Madeleine's articles in Time have included the Computer Generation Mikrokids and Chicago Diocesan affairs.


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Her successor as treasurer of the Bolivian Province of the Daughters of Charity having been named, Merse looks forward to moving freely again among the poor and sick of her adopted country. Merse's telephone number (from Greensboro dial direct to Cochabamba) is 011-591-424-0011. The best time to call is 6 - 8 p. m. Consult Jack for particulars.

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Brother's 1982 activities have included talks in Canada; the June Teilhard de Chardin Conference in New York; a lecture on Technology and the Future of the Nation States, in St. Louis (where he visited Cousin Roy Vize); a presentation for the Chicago Matthew Pax Institute on Creation-Oriented Spirituality, participation in the United States Association for the Club of Rome, and, in Washington, D. C., a paper for the Association of Human Psychology; "Reinvesting in North Carolina" talk for Jim's Raleigh group August 25, 1982.

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*Political developments in Africa have caused the Nash safari to be canceled for the time being. Travel through Europe will be substituted.
Frank and Polly have attended medical meetings in Massachusetts, South Carolina, and Florida. They look forward to the late fall birth of their first grandchild, by Susan and John Griffin (P. O. Box 326, Lewiston, NC 27849, 919-348-2516). Patricia, assistant manager for Greensboro-held tennis tournaments, will, over Labor Day, attend the United States Tennis Open in New York.

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In Ohio Michael and Mary, Emily and Seth are hosting for one month a 13-year-old Japanese boy, Hsingo Hashi Moto, sent here by the Japanese LABO on a language-arts program administered in Ohio by the 4-H Club. The family will visit the Wisconsin Grasses in August. For the past four months Michael has been managing Mohican State Park as well as Malabar.

Annie Pie and Jim Pflaum work steadily at their Micro-Links Systems, Inc. Beth and Laurie have attended summer camp, Beth for horseback riding. Gabriel's costumes for a Charles-Ludlum play at the Ridiculous Theater, off Broadway, have won her nomination for a Design Award.

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In Chicago for the April Association for Asian Studies meetings, Margaret overnighted with Dodie and Henry Berry Payne, visited with the Ed C. Berrys of Elburn and Ed's sister Betty Lou Anderson; and enjoyed Szechuan MARGARETCuisine with Madeleine and Tom Nash on a windy Chicago night. In Houston for the College English Association meetings and a paper "Meredith and Tanizaki on Modern Love," she stayed with Jim and Elsa Kelleher, toured the Ninfa offices, where Jim serves as vice president for planning and quality control of the 18-unit restaurant chain, visited the new home of Silvia and Carlos, Elsa's sister and brother-in-law, and conversed with Betsy Truss, Elizabeth Berry Maloch's daughter. The June CEA Critic carries Margaret's article, "Genji: Gate to Japan for the Undergrad."
Katherine continues her work as examiner and expert witness for questioned documents. Retired early from the AF because of a back injury sustained in Saudi Arabia, Richard is living (and golfing) temporarily with Matt and Debbie while he explores the job market in electronics and computers. Margaret Ann Lee's publications for Stevenson Industries Greeting Cards are now advertised in an all-Lee brochure. Martha and Mickey Fritzinger have renovated their Black Knight Inn and renamed it Grand Central. Their swimming pool, installed last summer, has pleased siblings, especially over the Fourth. Eldest son Mickey, Jr., begins college this fall at Old Dominion University. Tom and Sara's little Axel was in February joined by little sister Hailey Allen. Janie's Paul Pavlides this July received his MBA from the Tidewater satellite campus of Golden Gate University. Mary Teresa continues OR supervision at Duke University Hospital.

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Joe and Jean enjoyed soldier-son Phillip's visit home for the wedding of brother Fred (Wake Forest Law School, now NC Bar) and Elaine Filipski. Teesie followed Phillip back to Germany to try her wings as world citizen. Their adventures culminated in a drive across France, a sail across the Channel, a drive through England, a sail across the Irish Sea, and visits to Jean's relatives in Dublin and Belfast. Joe continues regular visits to the NC prison to assist in the work of rehabilitation of offenders. Bobo, Ann and George Somers, Tom and Terrye have no news notes at this time.

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Teresa and Boots have as usual movement, excitement, and achievement among their eight. Kathy's Mark Sohn, now full professor (of psychology) at Pikeville College where Kathy directs Continuing Education, is working on a book, Appalachian Education. Laura (5) with her father toured the West Coast from Oregon to Disneyland. At home Brian (3) and Kathy cared for two cats and a turtle. Frank and Linda have sold their old home and moved into their new one with Jennie (9), Gretchen (7), Tara (4), and Sam.

Terry, Columbia Ph. D. in hand, spent several weeks in Hawaii as scholar member of a seminar on Neo-Confucian thought. Her article, "A Critique of Papers on Chinese and Japanese Novels," appears in the June 1982 CEA Critic. Joe and Liz are settling into their Lake Waccamaw home, largely built by Joe, with infant Kate Maureen and three-year-old Luke. In Houston, Jim and Elsa have this year hosted Joe and Jean, Margaret, and this summer Michael and Zoe. Zoe assists Jim in his restaurant work; Michael looks forward to a trip to Mexico City with Carlos and Silvia.
Ben's bright spot this summer was taking son John, via chartered bus, to New York, to the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, the zoo, the planetarium, and the Metropolitan, Guggenheim, Natural History, and Modern Art Museums (John preferred the museums to the ball games). On Broadway they saw Annie and Death Trap. At home with Jennifer and Grampa Ball, Jerry cultivated her garden, sharecropping and canning corn, tomatoes, and peas.

Tom and Ginny's son Joe graduates this August as a Bachelor of Business Administration from West Carolina University. Peter works with the Virginia Parks and Recreation Commission. Lisa attended summer school toward her social-work degree from UNCG next May. She and fiance Dan Shelton often visit twin Katie, Mrs. Ken Osmann. After soccer camp Mary Virginia heads for senior year at Grimsley High. Tom and Mary Virginia, with Stephanie and infant Ann Gabriel, are breaking in their new collie, Chief Bracken O'Battle.

Steve and Rosemary have had a quiet summer. Debbie, whose midwinter trip to Paris and to Russia took her as far as Samarkand, traveled to New York for a brief July vacation. When Steve, Jr., returns as senior to Notre Dame University, Brian will accompany him as a freshman, with advanced placement in calculus. Cub Scout Chris has taken up tennis. Sean, newly degreeed in marketing from East Carolina University, is exploring the business world.

"All teaching and no learning makes Zach a dull boy," says our cousin, "so I'm just reading and thinking this summer, much about my course in twentieth-century French literature." Frances and Zach are also planning Grandchildren's Day, Saturday, May 21, 1983, at Joe's, where the later generations may see who's who in this curious web of cousins, countless and increasing.

L A T E  N E W S  F L A S H

Unless political developments prevent (as the Chinese tennis-star brohuaha), Joe and Jean will join a team of 20 petroleum experts and spouses for a trip to China, September 1-22. Initiated by the Department of State, the project rises from the international People-to-People Movement. Joe's expertise in oil-line terminals and fuels wholesaling occasioned his invitation.
SECOND ANNUAL RE-UNION RALEIGH 1982

The thirteen Originals (Zach counts for Ann) and spouses came together for the second annual re-union, hosted by Brother, Jim and Mary at Jim's home in Raleigh, Saturday, May 15, 3 p.m.

With Jim presiding and following the reading of the 1981 Minutes, Margaret presented the Articles of Incorporation, stressing BVP aims: to perpetuate the memory of our parents, to promote family unity, and to further awareness of our relation to nature and to society. She also reported BVP finances for 1981-82; a copy of the report here follows.

Jack summarized estate affairs and distributed final Probate Court reports. Jim voted thanks to the executors.

Margaret raised the question of burial plots in the family lot, saying that Mother had allotted spaces for her and Katherine. In the absence of written notice to this effect, the family voted to affirm the arrangement and so to enter the fact in the Minutes.

[Jack later checked with City Cemetery official and determined that of 8 places, 4 have been used: for Mother, Father, Auntie, and 2 infant grandchildren occupying 1 place--in Berry Lot #464, Section 14 of Forest Lawn Cemetery. Two places are as yet unassigned.]
For Re-union 1983 Joe and Jean suggested that, on the occasion of Merse's fifth-year visit, we provide, not only the annual Originals' meeting, but also a Grandchildren's Day. After discussion, the group agreed and set Friday, May 20, for the Originals' and Saturday, May 21, for the Grandchildren's Day.

[Later Zach requested that he and Frances join Merse, Joe and Jean in hosting the double re-union and offered to engineer Grandchildren's Day, involving by present count 123 persons. Offer accepted.]

Jim passed the Berry coat-of-arms, carved by Mary Grasse Berry, to Joe and Jean, to be kept for the year as reminder of the re-union entrusted to them. Jim spoke briefly of the Archives. It was proposed that it may be more important at this time to preserve the rapidly developing present than systematically to pursue the past.

Brother called attention to the memory of our parents and other dead. We spoke of remembered things. Jim then played a tape on which he, some years ago, had captured Mother's voice and favorite stories and sayings.

The meeting concluded with Mass, social hour, and dinner.

IN MEMORIAM

There was that other blue-cool afternoon, Wednesday, May 14, 1980, 2:30 p.m., when Mother left us, released. Three days later we laid her body in Forest Lawn Earth. Sunday, June 1, we brothers and sisters met all together in our home for the first time in many years. After Mass we by lot disposed of family treasures and together resolved to remain a unity through the decades ahead. Twelve months later, May 15, 1981, eldest son Jack and Jessie hosted the first Family Re-union, all but Merse and Jerry there.
In October 1981 Berry-Vize Patch was officially incorporated as an organization not for profit under Sections 1702.01 et seq., Revised Code of Ohio. The following December, Savings Account #31-7043750 was established for BVP at Central National Bank, Cleveland, Ohio.

FINANCIAL REPORT
May 1, 1981 - May 1, 1982

BALANCE FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR $ 635
RECEIPTS FROM SUBSCRIPTIONS * 315
INTEREST 9
TOTAL $ 959

EXPENDITURE
Duplication, collating, stapling $ 192
Postage 69
Telephone (12 months) 36
Supplies 27
Editorial-clerical work (donated) --
Overhead (donated) --
TOTAL $ 324

SUMMARY
INCOME $ 959
EXPENDITURE 324
BALANCE ON HAND $ 635

* We shall be grateful for your remittance, if it has been delayed, of the 1982 subscription cost. Thanks to those who have paid.

Respectfully submitted,
[Signature]
May 5, 1982
CO-ORDINATOR BVP
THIRD ANNUAL RE-UNION 1983

HOSTS
Merse, Joe, Jean
Zach, Frances

Friday, May 20  Originals' Day  Saturday, May 21  Grandchildren's Day

JOSEPH LOUIS BERRY RESIDENCE
FOUR FARMS ROAD
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA 27410
919-288-1484

The 1983 meetings will be special: Merse will be with us for the first time since 1978. Grandchildren are included in the plans.
"Our Vizes are really concentrated in Evansville, Indiana," Mary Jane said. "Our aunts are there, for example: Lena (Mrs. Richard Abell Vize (now Burnett), Lillian (Mrs. Clyde Vize, mother of oral surgeon Dr. Clyde Vize of Indianapolis), and Norma (Mrs. Jerome Vize). Then there are our cousins, children of Edith Vize De Toro: Ethel "Sis" Vinson, Ramona Barrett, Dolores Will, and Joseph De Toro. Not to speak of their children and grandchildren.

"If you're in Evansville some Sunday morning and remark how beautiful the chimes are, ringing from the Pro-Cathedral, you might want to remember that they are pealing for Uncle Jerome Vize, in whose memory Aunt Norma had them installed in 1973."

Mary Jane (Vize) Mamie—tall, chic, articulate, beautiful—is our second cousin. Her grandfather (Thomas Joseph "Uncle Joe," father of five sons and six daughters) was the elder brother of our grandfather, John Ernest Vize.

Around 1919 Mary Jane's parents, James Robert and Mabel Vize, settled in Cleveland, he as tailor and dry-cleaner. Their three daughters have remained in Ohio: Mary Jane and Patricia (Posey) in Macedonia; Jean (Sajewski) in Cleveland.

Since husband Bill—a chemical and hospital-supplies salesman—died in 1979, Mary Jane has carried on with grace and efficiency. That life has included over twenty years' work with the Ferro Company and with the American Veterans Auxiliary (Bill fought with the Navy in the South Pacific during WW II), often serving as officer.

Above all it has centered on daughter Geraldine, now Mrs. Daryl Timm. While Daryl works as heating and AC contractor in nearby Frazeysburg, Geraldine manages their newly acquired Black Oak Farm. Its 46 acres include 10 of virgin forest, an oil well, natural gas, rolling hills, two
streams and a waterfall. Often Gerry herself drives the tractor, seeds, even helps with hay baling, this year 2,000 units. With Daryl she also works on renovating the old farm house, their home.

In August Mary Jane will, as Ohio delegate, attend the Amvets National Convention in North Hollywood, FL. Besides hospital work with veterans, the Auxiliary does community services, including benefits for the blind, the deaf, and the retarded.

Mary Jane's father was Uncle Joe's eldest son; his youngest was Richard Abell Vize, father of James Robert and Virginia. Jim, with Wanda, settled in New Lexington, OH, south of Columbus on property having its own oil well. Virginia "Sis" (Mrs. Kenneth Butler) lives on Marco Island, FL. In a future Patch we hope to have a story about this family, especially about Jim and Wanda's care for foster children.

A FOOTNOTE TO THE HISTORY OF AVIATION

What would a red-blooded youth be thinking about in 1911? Flying, of course. Orville and Wilbur Wright had in 1909 achieved enormous fame. The US Government had just adopted the Wright machine for Army use. Thus it was that young James Robert Vize (Mary Jane's father-to-be) envisioned a new kind of bird-machine and patented his idea. The following account appears in an undated Evansville newspaper; it begins with a story about one Acridas:

AS I SAY, perhaps he should have hung around a decade and waited for Jim Vize to grow up. Maybe we'd all be glad they got together.

Jim, who lived at 414 Line, got a patent on his one-man bird machine. It consisted of a balloon full of gas and strapped to the flyer's back. Attached to each arm and leg was a large, light-weight flipper or wing. By energetic flapping, the young inventor believed, he could flit about the heavens far above the heads of earthbound friends and neighbors.

Came the Fourth of July, 1911. Manager at Cook's Electric Park was a chap named Galligan. He heard of the young tailor's invention and invited him to give it its first public try-out before the holiday crowds there.

THERE HAD BEEN considerable publicity in the local press, whooping it up for the event which, if it worked, would be the marvel of the era. It is safe to assume that Mr. Vize's experimental flip-flop over the rooftops would be attended by a goodly throng.

What happened?

Blessed if I know. I had a press pass which was good for the exhibition — if indeed it came off at all — didn't report its success or failure. We'll just have to assume it didn't work out so good. If it had it is highly unlikely that the Evansville City Directory of two years later, 1913, would still be listing James R. Vize as "tailor, 414 Line Street."

And there it hung

"But I do," reported Bill Duncan of North Green River Road. "At the time I was but a 6-year-old kid and living in the neighborhood where the plane-balloon came down between Second and Third Avenues on Franklin. "It landed on and became tangled in some telegraph wires there and remained there for months. As I recall young Vize was hurt in the fall."
THE VIZES

IN NEW YORK . . .

(Information on our Vizes indicates English origin rising from remoter French ancestry in DeVizes, England. BVP January and April 1981 offer data. Undoubtedly some Vizes emigrated early to Ireland, there marrying Irish persons. Al Vize's unexpected letter offers new information.)

4 Webster Avenue
North Massapequa, NY 11766
June 28, 1982

Dear Editor of BVP:

Thank you for your reply to my note and for sending the copies of Berry-Vize Patch, which my wife and I have much enjoyed.

The attached sheet shows my family connections. To learn more about Vize history I have sent out numerous letters. Information about my grandfather Charles Vize is sketchy. He and my grandmother were separated or divorced. My mother doesn't ever recall meeting him.

My father and his brothers and sisters were born in Dublin. My father married my mother there, and my older brother was born in Kilrush, County Clare. My sister and I were born in the Bronx. Little is known about my father's siblings: Jack died in a car accident in Ireland at an early age; William went to Scotland, married, and had children; Cecil moved to London, married, had a family. I know nothing of the three sisters. All are deceased.

I want to find out more about my father's family. Perhaps someone can shed more light. Since there are so few Vizes, we're probably of the same stock. I await with excitement future copies of BVP and look forward to hearing from you again.

Sincerely,

Al Vize

P. S. As a police officer, I collect Police Patches from all over. If anyone sends me a Patch, I, in turn, will send that person a New York Patch.
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August 1982
THE LINCOLN - BERRY CONNECTION AGAIN

(David Keiser's research on the Lincoln genealogy, especially its Quaker and Berry aspects, was extensively and approvingly quoted by Dr. Henry Cadbury, Harvard Professor of Religious History, in a Friends' Journal article cited in the New York Herald Tribune February 11, 1962.)

55-23-C Tomahawk Drive
Greensboro, NC 27410
December 20, 1981

Dear Editor:

The Lincoln-Berry Connection article in the April 1981 BVP (lent me by Peter Berry, met at a Quaker meeting this fall)) is interesting. But the duo writing it (E. O. Kelley, Jr., and Ben Simms Hayden in the DAR Magazine), through accident or lack of knowledge made the article innocuous by altering the Lincoln-Hanks wedding document. They removed from it the only clue that Nancy was a niece of Richard Berry, Jr. The future President's mother has to be a daughter of some Berry sister of Richard, Jr., and a granddaughter of Richard and Rachel Berry, Sr. . . .

Sincerely,
David S. Keiser

(From the other end of the Continent more comment on the problem. Robert B. Berry might note, however, that our American Berry branch, not Irish but English and, remotely, Norman French, settled first in America in Virginia, afterwards moving to Maryland. BVP April 1981, pp. 57-63.)

156 Mizar Place
Lompoc, CA 93436
April 16, 1982

Dear Editor:

I recently read the January 1982 BVP, lent by Lt. Col. Michael R. Boldrick, son of Sallie May Boldrick of Owensboro, KY. Although we are from different branches of the American Berry bush--yours from Maryland, mine from Virginia--I suspect our roots are planted in the same Irish soil. The reference to our Lincoln connection intrigued me.

I, too, through my maternal grandmother, have a so-called Lincoln connection. Her mother was Mary McCutchen (Mrs. William Caldwell). An Elizabeth McCutchen married James Berry in Washington County, VA. This family ended up in Illinois, Lincoln country. The McCutchens migrated to Virginia and Tennessee from Maryland in the 1700s. . . .

Sincerely,
Robert B. Berry
Genealogical Sleuth Hunts Roots Of Lincoln Family

BY PAT AISPAUGH
Daily News Staff Writer

David Keiser is an 85-year-old sleuth.

Abraham Lincoln's ancestors are the people he has been chasing through dusty old records all over the county. He has been successful in his sleuthing too. He says he has found a dozen or more new Lincoln ancestors who have eluded other researchers for the past 60 years.

Keiser has worked at many professions, but none has fascinated him as much as searching out the origins of the 16th president of the United States.

Sitting in his cheerful living room on Tomahawk Drive in Guilford College recently, he discussed his fascination with Lincoln and his efforts to write a book.

As he talked he drank from a cup labeled "The World's Greatest Dad" and thumbed through hundreds of letters and research papers gathered over the years on his favorite subject.

His wife, Marjorie, played the straight man as he sprinkled the conversation with a special brand of Keiser jokes.

The Keisers, natives of Pennsylvania, moved to Guilford College from Elkins Park, outside Philadelphia, last March to be near their son, Dr. Melvin Keiser, and his wife, Dr. Elizabeth Keiser, both members of the Guilford College faculty, and grandchildren Megan, 10, and John Christopher, 6.

Their other son, Norman, and his wife, Peg, live in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., where he is a high school history teacher. Their son, David, is 18.

In Keiser's efforts to discover new facts about Lincoln, he has talked to and corresponded with almost every Lincoln scholar in the country, including Dr. Richard Current, history professor at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, whose books include "The Lincoln Nobody Knows."

David S. Keiser
5523-C Tomahawk Dr.
Greensboro, NC 27410
919-294-6373

The Keiser research has focused on whether Lincoln had Quaker ancestors and whether or not Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks, was illegitimate.

In his youth, no one would have suspected Keiser would become an expert on Lincoln. He majored in electrical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania and, after graduation in 1916, worked as an engineer until he went off to World War I. Before that, Keiser and his brothers, James and Paul, had been members of the first swimming team from Berks County, Pa.

The Keiser brothers went on to swim for the University of Pennsylvania. They began swimming in 1911 and, 60 years later, on Nov. 13, 1971, they were inducted into the Berks County Swimming Hall of Fame. All three taught at the University of Pennsylvania.

The Keisers, and their daughters-in-law all graduated from Earlham College in Richmond, Ind., following in the footsteps of the mother, who graduated from there with a major in English and education in 1925.

Keiser's reaction to his family of Earlham graduates was, "Well, I guess that proves Marjorie is the better half." His wife's reply to this is, "I thought we were a doublehead or..."

There are differences of opinion in the Keiser household from time to time but those differences are fading. For instance, he says, "I vote intelligently and she votes Democratic."

For many years he has been a member of the German Reformed church and often Mrs. Keiser would ask him, "Are you really reformed, David?" "Now I quake," said Keiser, who has finally joined his wife in her Quaker church.

This couple met and fell in love while working at summer camps in the Poconos. Later he and one of his brothers bought Camp Lenape in the Poconos. It was their life for the next 40 years. They sold it in 1962 but kept a cabin for themselves for summer vacations.

Now that they are in Greensboro they say, "We love it and feel right at home." But no matter where he moves, Keiser's research on Lincoln goes on.

Just now he is looking for a good typist who will help him with his research.

Asked how he has remained so agile and quick-minded, Keiser said he really didn't know. Maybe he chose the right partners, he said. They were both physicians. Mrs. Keiser's father also was a physician.

"Eating is the only exercise I get," he said.

But when he was 80 he decided it was time to drop 23 pounds and did. Now he maintains his weight by not eating between meals. He has never smoked or used alcoholic beverages.

It could be his longevity should be credited to having a hobby through the years that has kept him fascinated and busy. For certain, the paths of history have provided a mental playground for him.

This letter caused the News to misjudge Keiser and interview him as a humorist. It found he had located for Lincoln 3 new Plymouth Colony and 7 Penna. Quaker ancestors. Keiser's new parents for Lincoln's mother are Thomas and Mary Berry Hanks.

"It took me 50 years to find a Nancy Hanks's theory I could accept, Keiser's." Genealogist Dr. R.M. Bell.

"Keiser has the answer to Nancy Hanks, as far as I'm concerned. Nobody else is even close." Archivist Dr. Wayne C. Temple.
MARGARET EGART BLAIR (granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin Vize, Grandaddy Vize's eldest brother) Louisville, KY. I enclose subscription fee for the enjoyed BVP. Our Mark Allen was born in July '81. Rudy (8) is finishing first grade. My husband Rick is assistant principal and director of students at Sr. Xavier High School; I, a former junior-high science teacher.

CAROLYN GUINEY DONEGAN (granddaughter of Katie Vize Ralston) Hagerstown, MD. Greetings from the Guineys... so pleased to receive BVP and news of our cousins and family history, which we share with our children. Missy's husband David Lee has recently published *Fly Fishing, A Beginner's Guide* (Spectrum Books, Prentice-Hall, 192 pages, illus). The photographs were taken by Missy, assisted by David Guiney. Little Meg, 6-year-old angler with good stories to tell, gave her father time off for his project. Visit us in Hagerstown! We have plenty of room.

PAUL AND DOROTHY ARNOLD (see the E. C. Berry line) Memphis, TN. Our daughter Betty Lou Anderson and the other Berrys you visited in Chicago really enjoyed your visit. Wish we could have been there.

GERALD FITZGERALD (Aunt Mabel's son) Redwood, CA. Thanks for featuring our son Steve; he sends appreciation. Ja '82 Patch was filled with items of special interest to me as a Berry. I had heard about the fire that burned Grandfather's store, but never expected to see a complete account. Then there was the picture of Grandfather and Grandmother with all the children that I see at Mary Louise's... like seeing an old friend in a new setting. All in all, an excellent job. Kudos from one editor to another.

FRED VIZE (remote ancestry) DeVizes, Minehead, Somerset, England. Thanks for BVP. Since Christmas I have holidayed three weeks in Cairo, Egypt, with daughter Jenny and grandson Ben. We stayed with friends there. Before I'm too old, I want to visit the USA. But where to begin? When are you coming to England? I have not had a letter from Roy Vize, Sr., for a long time, nor heard whether the Playboard we sent for James III's little son was received.

MARY GRASSE BERRY (our Jim's daughter-in-law) Malabar, OH. The latest BVP the best yet... enclosed our subscription dues. From your balance sheet, you can use it; let us know if you need more. For two weeks our driveway has been sheathed...
in ice. Seth and Emily skate over the yard, sure-footed Jim wiped out six times trying to get from the back door to his truck, and I couldn't get out of the garage. . . . (after completing her novel Body Count Zero ) I am a living, breathing human being again. Writing during these past weeks has been the hardest, most frustrating, most exhilarating, most exciting, most tiring exercise I have ever attempted. I have learned a lot, not only about writing, but also about myself, seeing myself in my characters. Jim wants me to start my second book, a murder mystery in a state park. Now that I've been bitten, who knows . . .

ANN TERESA BERRY (daughter of Grandfather Berry's younger brother George) Owensboro, KY. How grieved I was to hear of Duncan Easterling's death. I spoke with Eleanor that evening, but how empty words seem when sorrow strikes! About Dodie Payne's pictures: I compared them with an old family photo; they may be of Grandmother Sallie Hagan Berry and daughter Lida. (Nannie? Ramona? See Ja '81 BVP)

THE E. C. BERRYS ABOUT 1876

Presumable identifications: Henry Scott, Lida, baby Mary, John Hagan (our grandfather), Great Grandmother Sallie Hagan Berry, Nannie (Sister Mary Gabriel), Great Grandfather E. C. Berry, Rowena, George (shadowed). E. C. II as yet unborn.
EPISTOLARY PICKINGS--3

HENRY BERRY PAYNE (grandson of E. C. Berry, by Henry Scott Berry) Hinsdale, IL. Dodie and I enjoyed the latest BVP, as did our son Tom in Colorado Springs. On David Barrow, I think we went to his wedding in Chicago. On Marnette Berry Clark, I used to play with her on the Owensboro farm when we were small. My mother, Elizabeth Berry Payne, despite ill health, still lives in the big old home.

DODIE PAYNE. It's fun to keep in touch and remember. Do look for any and every excuse to come see us again. The Maryland Bernys are delightful. We had a wonderful time with them. "Now that word is out," I warned them, "about your genuine warm hospitality, you are doomed to discover that the woods are full of Bernys wanting to visit you." They laughed and seemed delighted. You must come again to see us. The latch is always loose for you.

(In Washington, D. C., for the May graduation of daughter Mary Penelope from George Washington University Law School, the Henry Berry Paynes visited the James Belt Bernys in their historic Concord home, for almost 200 years the residence of the Berry family branching from Jeremiah I whose brother Benjamin founded the branch from which we came.)

GERRIE AND FRAN FENTON (our first cousins through Aunt Mary Louise) Sacramento, CA Our great joy in the latest BVP. . . superb edition with outstanding articles, versatile, provocative, informative, historical, top quality all the way. I was particularly eager to hear about your visit to the James Belt Bernys. . . hope to visit there myself, an exciting dream.
EPISTOLARY PICKINGS--4

We called Reno to check on Joy Lynne (granddaughter of Rowena Berry Dougherty, our grandfather's sister) with whom you and we picnicked at Lake Tahoe last summer. She has joined her family (the Col. James E. Doughertys) in Germany. I also tried to contact her cousin, Sharon Anne Kraus (daughter of Dr. William L. Kraus, heart surgeon, married to Rowena's daughter Mary A.) at Stanford. Joy had so wanted to meet her.

Gerald Fitzgerald spent 5 days in Germany inspecting a Mercedes plant (Gerry edits a vehicles magazine). He and Virginia also visited Steve in Florida.

Our Joe is in the army as an engineering apprentice at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. He writes of a fishing trip to the Lake of the Ozarks, reward for rifle work, and his hopes of finishing basic training in July. Fran and I are busy with Church things, he as lector, I as Eucharistic minister to the sick, both with

AT CONCORD AGAIN

Baptismal preparations for parents. Jay Anne Wantland (J. Wellington's daughter), with her mother Anne and daughters Sue (16) and Julie (11) are visiting CA this month to see brothers Jim (J. Wellington, Jr.), Dick, and Bill. . . . Eleanor is bearing Duncan's death bravely, grateful for their 17 happy years together. Elizabeth and Jim Maloch went to Houston to help Betsy and Cecil settle into their new home there.

. . . . . MERSE. Cochabamba, Bolivia. Troubles here multiply. Nothing is functioning, schools and transportation only sporadically. The Government is waiting for the International Monetary Fund to bail us out, they unwilling. Even bread and rice are out of the reach of the poor. Classrooms are empty because parents can't get notebooks and pencils. The value of the peso against the dollar has soared: 25 to 44 to 50 to 75 to 80 to 100 to 120 and up, up, up.

(Left) Henry Berry Payne, Virginia Belt Berry, new attorney Mary Penelope Payne, artist Elizabeth Ann Payne, James Belt Berry, attorney. The ancestral Berry cemetery perdures in a grove to the right of this scene.
well as outstanding athletes. (Sallie May herself did her senior college year at the Universities of Nancy and the Sorbonne in Paris, majoring in English, French, and Latin.)

The following story about Grandfather Edward Chrysostom Berry may regale our readers:

During the early Civil-War days E. C. approached a toll gate half a mile from his home, staffed by Union officers looking for conscripts. He raised his hat and bowed to them. When they saw his full head of snow-white hair (assumed), the officers returned his bow and waved him on. He, of course, had slaves, and he and Grandmother were starting their family. He had had enough of army life in the Mexican War.

Grandmother Sallie May Hagan Berry was only 16 at the time of her marriage and very pretty. Grandfather frequently traveled on business, so he bought Sallie May a pistol and taught her how to use it. When chickens were needed for the family table, the slaves would round them up,
then she would shoot off their heads. No one dared bother her. My son Tom has the pistol. He also has Grandfather's Second-Lieutenant Commission. The First-Lieutenant Commission was stolen while on exhibit at our local library.

I enjoyed Elizabeth and Jim Maloch's visit and regretted that they had to leave for St. Louis before I could treat them to our world famous Owensboro barbecue. I have always been proud of my family, and it has been a delight to meet my charming cousins.

Here at last is the picture I promised of the old Owensboro home. I wish it included the top of the porch, with its fancy white railing. Elizabeth and I often played there, after climbing through one of the bedroom windows. My father was almost as fond of my collie Portia (I knew Lamb's Tales From Shakespeare at an early age) as I.

Do find time to visit my son Tom and wife Donna in Pittsburgh. We all enjoy BVP. Come back to Owensboro soon.

WEDDINGS

Katherine Verna Berry (Tom and Ginny's daughter) to Kenneth James Osmann, Greensboro, NC, February 27.

Frederick Berry (Joe and Jean's son) to Elaine Michelle Filipski, Greensboro, NC, April 10.

BIRTHS

Hailey Allen Fuller to Sara Ann and Thomas Fuller (Katherine and Richard Fuller's son), Spartanburg, SC, January 8.

Mary Corinne to Angela and Douglas Berry (Jack and Jessie's son), Greensboro, NC, March 3.

DEATHS

Carlisle I. Ferris (Jeanne Ferris Berry's father), Fairfax, VA, May 30.

Duncan Easterling, husband of Eleanor Berry Easterling (Uncle Herbert's daughter), Jackson, MS, June 13.
SPECIAL LETTER OF THE SUMMER EDITION

(From Jay Anne Berry Wantland, daughter of our father's youngest brother, therefore our first cousin, along with her brothers Jim (J. Wellington, Jr.) Dick, and Bill, all in CA. Jay Anne, her family, and her mother, Anne, live in Phoenix, AR.)

Dear Margaret:

What joy the last issue of my dad, of Grandfather and uncles. My heart jumped with It is priceless.

My excitement in- Great Grandfather E. C. ter to his wife, the writeups of our grand-anniversary and the Last, the letter and Mary Louise. My three brothers in CA, experience the same joy arrives.

Another joy was Green Hanning. My hus- love this saintly man few years ago Bill became Who Got Even With God. We Even the author, Father copies. At last Bill's aunt gave it to us. Bill has since now time for a fourth go. It in our family. I urge a copy, perhaps in a convent where the required reading.

The more I contemplate our history and the beautiful men and women from which we came, the more I feel in my heart deep gratitude to God for the gift of having been born into such an admirable family. Gratitude to you for making me more aware of our roots. Thank you, God bless you always!

Love,
Jay Anne Wantland
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With husband William D. Wantland, Jay Anne has four children: Jeff (20, in the Army), Steve (18), Sue (16), and Julie (11).
THE THREE E. C. BERRY FAMILIES

The name Edward Chrysostom Berry figures largely in Berry history of the 19th and 20th centuries. The first E. C. is our great grandfather (son of John B. Berry, who emigrated from Maryland to Kentucky in 1815 and is buried in the Catholic cemetery of Holy Cross, KY), first lieutenant in the Mexican War, successful distiller, owner of land and properties including the Owensboro farm and mansion, father of six "surviving" children: Lida, unmarried, without issue; John Hagan, our grandfather; Henry Scott; Nannie, Sr. Mary Gabriel, S. L.; Rowena, Mrs. J. W. Dougherty; George; and E. C. II.

E. C. II married Alma Fontaine Gaw in December 1897. They had 6 "surviving" children: Henry, living now in Louisville; Martin, deceased; Bill, an attorney living now in Louisville; Sally Louise, Mrs. Horace Merry, living now in Owensboro; Edith, deceased; and Dorothy Jean, Mrs. Kenneth Rohn, living in Plainfield, IN. E. C. Berry II died in 1961, aged 84.

E. C. III (Eddie) is the eldest son of Martin Berry (above). In mid-life today, Ed heads the Newport Corporation, which specializes in lasar products, including an original vibrating table for medical and hospital purposes. Newport has offices in a number of places, including Florida, Michigan, and California.

With Jeanne Ferris, his wife (of the Ferris wheel family), Ed has nine children:

1) Ted (29). A construction engineer, specializing in bridges. With wife Penny, and Brandon (6) and Nathan (3), an Elburn, IL resident.

2) Chris (28). A free-lance underwater photographer, deviser of special underwater filming chambers, creator of murals for McDonalds. San Diego, CA

3) Mark (26). Artist and caterer, with wife Kathy, in Des Moines, IO.

4) Eric (25). Professional in elementary and special education. Elburn, IL.

5) Valerie (23) Religious studies and urban ministry, formerly at Fordham, presently at New York City College. Bronx resident.

6) Sally (22). Art student at Western Michigan University. Kalamazoo, MI.

7) Jennifer (20). Time out from liberal-arts studies at George Mason University where her aunt, Jeanne's sister, is married to President George W. Johnson.

8) Margaret (19). Just out of high school. Teaching sailing this summer at the local yacht club in the family's summer home in Whitehall, MI.

9) Michelle (17) School and home.

In Chicago recently Ed, Jeanne, and Michelle took us to visit sister Betty Lou Anderson and husband Bert, who showed us pictures of their 4, now out of the nest. With champagne we toasted the BVP and especially the E. C. branch. Afterwards they drove us to the airport, where later in the evening daughter Valerie was to arrive, homing for spring vacation. (Pictures, perhaps, next issue.)
Eight years ago, a poor widow opened a tiny East End Mexican restaurant and turned tacos al carbon into gold. Her restaurant chain will soon stretch from Houston to Beverly Hills.

¡NINFA!

Profiles

By Tedd A. Cohen

SEVEN YEARS AGO Ninfa Laurenzo of Houston was a widow trying to run the business she and her late husband had worked years to build up. And she was failing. Employees and customers of the family factory which made tortillas—Mexican flat bread—were taking advantage of her lack of business knowledge. The business was $50,000 in debt and the banks weren't interested in backing her further.

While visiting relatives in Mexico City she went into a church and fell to her knees. "I beseeched the Blessed Mother," says Ninfa, clasping her hands as in prayer. "Guide me, tell me what to do." A few nights later, she recalls, she dreamed of a taco restaurant on the site of her factory.

Immediately she called her son Jack, at college in Boston, to ask for a scholarship, to tell him of her plan. "But, Mother," he said, "you've never done anything like this."

"Don't worry," she told her son. "God told me to do this." She obtained a $10,000 second mortgage on her home, added to it her last $3,000 in savings, and opened the original Ninfa's restaurant, a cement-tiled, 40-seat restaurant in the heavily Mexican-American section east of downtown Houston.

Three weeks later a fire destroyed the kitchen of that restaurant. "We were all crying," Ninfa recalls, "but I said, 'Look, God has sent us another little blow. In the morning we're going in there, take off our shoes—everything was soaked—and go to town and clean it.'" Ninfa's reopened a week later.

Today Ninfa Laurenzo is 56, as gregarious and sentimental as ever, and the principal owner of Ninfa's Tacos al Carbon Inc., which is expected to gross $32 million this year and net $1.8 million, from 13 (18 by year-end) of the most
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"I never had to go to work before I was married," she says today. "It wasn't considered proper for women to go out and get a job. All that changed when I got married. And in the last decade things have begun to change, even in Mexico. Men have forgotten all about that machismo thing. They will allow their wives to go out in the world."

The Laurencos' business prospered. "We weren't getting rich but we did okay," says Ninta. "As the years passed we branched out into tacos, and at one time we even started to distribute our own pizzas. We were making $40,000 to $60,000, and you know, that was real big for us then." With success came private parochial schools for their five children.

"My husband always said we should live poor but send our children to good schools," recalls Ninta.

But when the widowed Ninta went into the restaurant business all the children came with her. "People said to me, 'You're going to put your kids and yourself to cooking,'" says Ninta, telling another parable. "You know, as it was kind of degrading to cook. I said, 'We cook every day to eat.'"

Today her son Roland, 33, an Annapolis graduate, is president of the company and son Jack heads restaurant operations. Daughter Phyllis runs public relations. Tommy heads the training program and Gino, a high school student, works in catering part-time.

Roland—as intense as his mother is homely—has taken on the running of most of the business, with considerable attention to detail. "If a man is going to take his family to dinner and spend an average $8.32 per person," he says, referring to the average check at Ninta's, "that's expensive. He wants to believe he's getting value. That's not the money, it's the perceived value."

So Ninta's gives the customer a lot of Mexican decor—plus the less-than-scaringly spicy food—along with efficient, friendly service. Roland pays waiters the minimum hourly wage of $3.35 and estimates that in active restaurants such as Ninta's a waiter working nine hours a day can make more than $25,000 a year, counting tips.

Cooks get $15,000 to $20,000 base pay, plus bonuses and profit sharing that can add 30%. Roland doesn't offer profit sharing—"they work too hard anyway"—but promises regular customers to order more expensive dishes or more drinks. "This business is people-intensive on the customer side and on the employee side," says Roland.

"The customers are paying cash and they want satisfaction. Remember, they don't pay until after they've eaten. It's a hustle."

1. you're running a good restaurant, everybody runs!"

Roland, who puts his faith in detailed planning as his mother puts hers in the Alchemy, scouts new sites for expansion and doesn't mind locating amid several other Mexican restaurants. "That proves to me that there's a marketplace there," he says. "It gives me the opportunity to come in and say, 'You've never tasted anything like this.'" His real location criterion? "Being where there are people with plenty of money."

Roland Laurenzo has big plans. He is looking into frozen Mexican specialties, a market dominated by RJR Foods' Pato brand at about $25 million sales and Campbell Taggart's El Charrito brand at about $20 million. He also talks of opening a chain of hotels. But the biggest plans are for the restaurant: 1,000 Ninta's in the next dozen years, opening 12 a year by 1983 and eventually stretching across the country.

Can he do it? Can a business that depends on the attention of family management bellow into a national restaurant chain? There are complaints already of slow service and cold food from the Ninta's opened last December in Dallas. Roland dismisses doubt and offers bravura. "Peter Grace!" he exclaims, referring to the president of W.R. Grace & Co., which owns the $170 million El Torito and Del Taco chains. "I can't wait until he reads this."

But how many cities can Ninta visit in her long Mexican dress? Does she have any doubts? "None whatsoever," she says firmly.

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She still knows enough to work the room. "At least two or three times a week I dress up in one of my long Mexican dresses and go around to my restaurants and see that things are okay and that the meals are right," she says. "I'm Ninta. I tell customs. How do you like my food tonight?" "The customers, largely non-Mexican-Americans, are enchanted.

She talks about the prospects for Ninfa's Tacos al Carbon, and the past, as she guides her black Cadillac Seville down Houston's Southwest Freeway. "When we started, we were completely ignorant of the free enterprise system," she says. "We made money? If we had a few bucks in our pockets we felt rich. But now we're going to make the system work for us. We'll have a giant restaurant chain in no time. Just wait and see."

The truth of the matter is, people like Ninta and the free enterprise system have a symbiotic relationship. It works because she works. Hard.
James Michael Berry (our Jim's son) was graduated from Ohio State School of Natural Resources in 1972 with a degree in agriculture. While at OSU Jim married Daytonian Mary Grasse, fellow student, artist, novelist, people lover. Before appointment to Malabar Farm State Park, Jim (or Michael) served as naturalist at Mohican State Park and Heuston Woods State Park. Michael and Mary dream of someday owning a dairy farm. Emily (10) and Seth (7) intimately know the creatures of the woods, the trees and wild flowers, the rills and hills of the Ohio countryside, the stirring of the sorghum and the tapping of the maple trees, American Heritage Days, and what it's like to live very close to nature.

By JACK BALLANTINE
Press State Editor

LUCAS — Malabar Farm State Park Manager Jim Berry wheeled his half-ton pickup truck past fields of corn, alfalfa and ripe oats and stopped to enjoy the sweet smell of new mown hay.

"This is a quality operation," he said. "But remember this is a state park, not a commercial farm, nor is it solely a farm. We have the Bromfield house, nature trails and walks, wildlife and other outdoor attractions familiar to a park.

"Parks are not designed to make money, but even then we return to the general fund about two-thirds of the cost of our operation. That's high when you consider that all of the state's 64 parks cost $14 million a year to run but return only $4 million in revenue."

Berry and his staff were rankled by a state auditor's recommendation that the Natural Resources Department, which controls the parks, withdraw from farming here and lease the land to private farmers on a highest bid basis.

Richard E. Midden, deputy director of Natural Resources, echoed Berry's remarks.

"This is a demonstration type farm. It gives hundreds of urban families a chance to see how a real farm operates. Most of them would never have the opportunity without a farm such as this." Midden said.

Malabar has 150 of its 925 acres under cultivation. Another 250 acres are pasture and the rest is woods, wetlands and old fields.

Malabar, the home of the late author-conservationist Louis Bromfield, has been part of the state park system since 1972 when it was given to the state by the Noble Foundation of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

The Noble Foundation held a mortgage on the farm which then was administered by the Malabar Farm Foundation. Financial problems forced the Malabar Foundation to give up the property.

Bromfield at one time had about 1000 acres in his farm, but sold off parts of it, reportedly because of financial difficulties. When the state was given the farm, it consisted of 594 acres.
Subsequent land acquisitions increased the farm to its present acreage.

Some of the land purchases were the target for criticism by state examiners in the latest auditor's report.

Most of the land acquisitions were initiated during the administration of former Gov. John Gilligan, but some were not completed until after Governor Rhodes took office, according to Berry.

The delays were costly, examiners said. One property was originally appraised at $94,000 to $100,000 but the state paid $120,000.

Three of the proposed land acquisitions, started during the administration of Democrat Gilligan, were hailed by Rhodes' Republican administration.

One involved a corner property on the old Malabar farm that was purchased for about $23,000 by C. J. Solomon, who was park manager under the Gilligan administration.

He was quoted as saying he bought the property and house on it to save it for the state. He said he made the purchase at the request of William Nye, who was Gilligan's director of the Department of Natural Resources.

The Rhodes administration, however, refused to buy Solomon's land, charging that the former park manager had a conflict of interest.

Solomon, who said he was to be paid $27,978, sued the state, but has lost in common pleas and appellate courts.

Solomon, who still is on the Malabar payroll but currently on leave of absence, rents the property.

Malabar has four houses on the farm, in addition to the Big House as Bromfield's home is known.

FARM PARLEY — Malabar State Park Manager Jim Berry (left) confers with Richard E. Midden, deputy director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, about state auditor's recommendation that the state get out of the farming business at Malabar in Richland County, south of Mansfield.
WHERE AND WHEN IT ALL BEGAN

September 27,

1910

Vize-Berry Nuptials—
The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Vize and Mr. W. M. Berry of this city occurred at St. Ann’s Catholic church at Morgantfield at 8:30 Tuesday morning, September 27. The ceremony was celebrated by Rev. Father Craney.

The attendants at the wedding were Miss Katherine C. Vize, sister of the bride, and Mr. John H. Berry, Jr., brother of the groom.

The music was very beautifully rendered by Miss Nellie Kease of Evansville, a schoolmate and intimate friend of the bride.

The decorations were very beautiful and consisted of cut flowers and ferns.

The couple knelt at the altar under an arch formed of smilax and tulle.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Vize of Morgantfield and one of its most charming young ladies. She is a graduate of St. Vincent’s academy and is accomplished and popular.

Mr. Berry is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Berry of this city and formerly held a position in a railroad office there. Mr. Berry is now stationed at Middlesboro, Ky., where he is chief clerk for the N. and Southern Railroad companies.

The couple eluded their many friends at Morgantfield and escaped to Waverly in an automobile and there boarded the train for Henderson, where an elaborate breakfast was served at the Hotel Kingdom, after which the entire wedding party came to Owensboro on the 3:45 train and immediately went to the groom’s home, where an informal reception was held.

Although this welcome to Mr. Berry and his bride was hastily prepared, many friends called during the evening. The house was beautifully decorated in potted plants, cut flowers and ferns.

The receiving line was composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Berry, Miss Mabel Berry and Dr. V. A. Hart, Miss Louise Mitchell of Bowling Green, Ky., and Mr. John H. Berry, Jr.

Miss Bess O’Laryan served frappe in a beautifully decorated alcove banked with asparagus plumes and red cut flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry left on the afternoon train for their future home at Middlesboro.
The Family: A Source of Peace and Democracy

Near Sleepy Creek, West Virginia—A paper sign tacked to a towering oak tree flutters in the late summer breeze and says modestly, "Gibson Family Reunion." In the shaded picnic grove women are laying out food on the long wooden picnic tables and admiring each other's cakes and pies. Children dart about making happy cries or throwing frisbees. Men stand in little groups talking.

This is a symbol of what one pollster, Daniel Yankelovich, calls a "cultural revolution" (Searching for Fulfillment in a World Turned Upside Down). What is happening is the rediscovery of the family as a core of strength and love in a world which often seems hostile and confusing and where individuals feel lonely and baffled by forces beyond their control.

This view is being repeated throughout our society. George Gallup, Jr., discovered last year that 61% of Americans believe the family is the most important element in their lives. Seventy-four percent of women say marriage with children is "the most interesting and satisfying life for themselves." Feminist Betty Friedan writes in the New York Times Magazine that "the family may be as crucial for survival (today) as it used to be against the untamed wilderness and the raging elements." Sociologist Jan Rosenberg tells us of "the feminists' rediscovery of the family."

What the family can provide is an antidote to General Omar Bradley's forecast of a society of "technological giants and ethical infants." Neither the corporate boardroom nor the government bureau can provide ethical standards.

The California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development "recognizes and supports the family as the young child's greatest asset." Two scholars, Thomas and Marcia Lasswell of the University of Southern California, report a deeper appreciation of marriage and the family. "There is more focus on parenting and affection rather than on marriage as an economic unit." (Christian Science Monitor)

A CHANGED PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE—Here in the hills of Appalachia, a new sense of family and a changed philosophy of life are emerging. The Martinsburg (W. Va.) Journal talked to several families about what they wanted from life. One thought that "separation from family" was the greatest ordeal in modern society. Karen Watkins said she wants to raise her family "in an environment I can supervise myself, with lots of land, freedom from the city — an easier life...I think we want more spiritual betterment, rather than wanting more things, like clothes and cars."

This "rediscovery" of the family comes, ironically, at a time when economic forces tend to drive the family apart. The difficulty in earning a living at a time of inflation has driven women out of the home and into jobs. The Christian Science Monitor reports that about one-third of the 44 million school-age American children have mothers who work full time largely "out of economic necessity." A Department of Labor study predicts that 70% of women will be working outside the home by 1990.

At the same time, the new Federal budget reduces funds for child-care centers, affecting low-income families. One possible solution, reports the Monitor, is the re-emergence of grand-

parents or their stand-ins and community groups, such as the church. One retiree, Emma Boyer of Santa Cruz, Ca., helps with children at the Inter-generational Child Care Center and points out, "Older people bring a wealth of experience and can teach them (the children) that there's more to our society than shopping malls."

THE FAMILY AS PROTECTOR—The family "is the symbol of the last area where one has any hope of control over one's destiny, of meeting one's most basic human needs, of nourishing that core of personhood threatened now by vast impersonal institutions and uncontrollable corporate and government bureaucracies. Against these menaces, the family may be as crucial for survival as it used to be against the untamed wilderness and the raging elements, and the old, simple kinds of despotism.

"For the family, all psychologists tell us, is the nutriment of our humanness, of all our individuality."

—Betty Friedan, The New York Times Magazine

THE FAMILY AND THE FUTURE—Some modern families are discovering that a better, more secure world is more important to pass on to the young than purely economic aims. A Christian Science Monitor editorial says, "What America can do for its children is to improve the moral and cultural environment in which future generations will grow up."

How can this be done? A Princeton study finds that family conversation is a vital factor in shaping a child's cultural and ethical standards. Thus, a family as it studies and talks over the problems facing the future may build a solid base for a more caring, more ethical, more secure world. And these small groups around the dinner table will undoubtedly create new ideas.

The issue of the most urgent concern is obviously arms control, for nuclear weapons are the ominous clouds that threaten us all. Suppose, for example, a meteor were to flash across the skies and strike the Earth with a tremendous flash. This could set off alarms that might lead to a nuclear exchange. The result is portrayed in an official British booklet, "Protect and Survive": "Everything within a certain distance of a nuclear explosion will be totally destroyed. Even people living outside this area will be in danger from HEAT and BLAST, (and) FALL-OUT..."

"If nuclear weapons are used on a large scale, those of us living in the country areas might be exposed to as great a risk as those in the towns. The radioactive dust, falling where the wind blows it, will bring the most widespread dangers to all. No part of the United Kingdom can be considered safe from both the direct effects of the weapon and the resultant fall-out..."

The Washington Post quotes a scientist who has studied nuclear war: "If the civil defense budget were in my hands, I would spend all $120 million on morphine. Civil defense money is worse than wasted now. It misleads. It may let people believe they can get away in a nuclear war. They can't."
WAR BRIDES OF YESTERYEAR

Katherine Anita Berry and Richard Monroe Fuller, Jr.
Saint Benedict's Church
Greensboro, North Carolina
December 7, 1940

John Vize Berry and Jessie Madeleine Douglas
Saint Benedict's Church
Greensboro, North Carolina
January 17, 1942

James Fant Berry and Mary Elizabeth Looram
Saint Patrick's Cathedral
New York City
January 9, 1943

Marie Françoise Thérèse Berry and Leo James Kelleher, Jr.
Maxwell AFB Chapel
Montgomery, Alabama
May 20, 1944

Francis Xavier Berry and Elizabeth Hutchins
Sheppard AFB Chapel
Wichita Falls, Texas
July 27, 1944
Music, art, poetry, creativity of all kinds marked the bringing up of the Fuller family.

(Back) Martha, Meg, Kaki, Richard; (front) Janie, Richard III, Matt, Mary, Tom. They pray before the loved state of the Virgin which Brother had custom carved for them in Europe three decades ago.
Married to
R. M. Fuller

The ceremonial reverence of a nuptial mass united in marriage Miss Katherine Anita Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Berry, and Richard Monroe Fuller this morning at St. Benedict’s Catholic church.

Father Cornelius Diehl, the pastor, officiated for the ancient Catholic service, dignified through years of colorful use. The nuptial mass was served by three altar boys, Benedict Berry, student at Belmont abbey, Thomas Berry and Stephen Berry, youngest brothers of the bride, who were vested in white cassocks and surplices. Father Cornelius wore the white nuptial vestments.

The gates to the sanctuary were opened for the bride and her attendant, Miss Peggy Douglas, the nuptial mass being the only Catholic ceremony which allows a woman within the rail. Special cushioned benches were provided for them. The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father. The altar was banked elaborately with palms which made a frame from the holy setting extending to the crucifixion figure. On the altar lilies and tall white candles built a pyramid of flame and white flowers.

Mr. Fuller was attended by Jack Berry, brother of the bride, as best man. Others were Frank Berry, another brother, home for the wedding from Washington where he is a medical student at Georgetown university, Louis Lindsay, Lewis Raulston, Charles White McAdoo and Edward Douglas.

Music for the impressive service was rendered by Mrs. Caris Banks, organist, Miss Beverly Burgess, of Liberty, soprano, and R. Dick Douglas, Jr., tenor. Miss Burgess and Mr. Douglas sang the Ave Maria in Latin, with the priestly “Ave Maria” and “Panis Angelicus” as a solo. Mr. Douglas sang the traditional marriage hymn, “Voice That Breathed Oer Eden.”

The bride was married in her travel outfit, a costume suit of mulberry wool, the short fitted jacket tailored with blue fox. Her small veil of hand colored black, her shoes mulberry, her gloves and bag black. At her shoulder was a sprig of purple orchids. Miss Douglas’ maid of honor dress was of soldier blue velvet, with which she used a black hat and shoes, long suede gauntlets of gray and a corsage of Talisman roses. The bride’s mother wore a royal purple dress trimmed with sequins, a wine hat, other accessories of black and a corsage of red roses.

After a short trip by automobile Mr. and Mrs. Fuller will be at home at No. 10 Bessemer Court apartments.

The bride, third daughter of the Berrys, who live at 2306 Colonial avenue, is a native of Greensboro. She was graduated from St. Joseph’s college, Emmitsburg, Md., and had secretarial training at Woman’s college. Mr. Fuller, fourth son of William M. Fuller, Wake Forest, who was here for the wedding, and the late Mrs. Fuller, attended Wake Forest college. He has been in Greensboro two years with the Railway Express agency.
St. Benedict's Setting For Douglas-Berry Nuptial Mass

The solemn ceremonial of a nuptial mass at high noon yesterday in St. Benedict's Catholic church united Miss Jessie Madeline Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nathaniel Berry. Abbot Vincent Taylor, of Belmont Abbey, officiated in the presence of friends and kinspeople who thronged the church. After the ceremony the bride's parents had a wedding breakfast at their home, 503 Church street, for close friends and out-of-town guests.

Abbot Taylor, wearing his crimson cassock and a surplice of gold, brocaded and embroidered, was assisted by Father Cornelius Dichter, pastor of the church, and Father Eugene Liversberger, assistant pastor. The bridegroom's youngest brothers, Stephen, Benedict and Thomas, served as altar boys.

Unusual Wedding Gown.

The bride's gown of white satin had an unusual neckline which set off perfectly her dark hair from which a single dreadfully long draped fingertip length from a top knot of white ostrich tips. The collar was a square ruff, outlining a deep square neckline with a wide band of box pleating. The skirt flared very full to the floor in stiff folds. She wore a pendant which had been a gift to her mother from her father and carried a bouquet of white roses and violet lilies centered with a cluster of yellow roses and blue forget-me-nots which she lifted later to wear away.

Attending the bride, who was escorted by her father, was her only sister, Miss Peggy Douglas, who wore a floor-length picture frock in dusty rose faille and wine velvet. Wine velvet bodice and skirt from knees to hem, molded the hips to a bustle bow at the back, outlined the bracelet-length sleeves and made a Peter Pan collar. She wore a tiny velvet cap feathered with ostrich in the two shades and carried an arm bouquet of deep pink roses and snapdragons.

Mr. Berry's best man was his brother, Lieut. James Berry, United States army air corps, here from Pensacola, Fla. Ushers were Edward Wharton Douglas, brother of the bride, A. L. Hannah, Beverly C. Moore and Norman Block.

The music was a beautiful and reverent part of the impressive service. Fielding Fry, tenor, sang Schubert's "Ave Maria" just before the bridal party entered to Bach's "Air for the G String," played by Mrs. Charles Banks, who was at the organ for all the music. At intervals during the mass came the following numbers: "Angels"

Chorus" (Rubenstein), Mrs. Jess Alderman, violoncello; "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" (Bach), Mrs. Banks; the Bach-Gounod "Ave Maria," Mrs. Alderman; and "Venecia," Mrs. Fry. The traditional Mendelssohn march was sounded for a recessional.

The church was a beautiful setting for the nuptials with soft light filtering through stained glass windows to add to the glow of the many nuptial candles on the altar. Palms and brood leaf foliage made a complete frame for the gold and white altar with its rococo spire and carving. Studded in the green were spikes of white snapdragons which also combined with white roses to fill eight slender vases on the altar. In the chancel stood floor-baskets of the white flowers. Guarding the chancel were three lower jars of white flowers and triple arrangements of candles.

At the home the bridegroom's parents received with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas, the bridal couple, maid of honor and best man. Also receiving was the bridegroom's aunt, Mrs. Katherine C. Ralston, of Henderson, who assisted at the church. Mrs. Douglas wore a spider silver blue velvet, a small veil to match and a corsage of pink carnations. Mrs. Berry wore a muted aquamarine taffeta, a small veil of deeper blue and pink roses. Mrs. Ralston was also in blue with pink roses.

In the dining room where Mrs. Robert Ruffin King, Jr., poured coffee, the table was covered with a cutwork cloth and graced by a silver wine cooler of white calla lilies and snapdragons. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crabtree received in the music room with Mrs. E. W. Myers, of New York city, aunt of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. James S. Pickling, of Greenville. Others receiving were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banks, Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Cole, Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hodgins, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Darlington O'Bryan, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wharton Douglas. Assisting in the dining room were Mrs. Richard Reed DeVane, Misses Anne Cole, Katherine Cole, Pearl Preston, Paris and Ruth King.

After a week's trip Mr. and Mrs. Berry will be at home in Cannon Court apartments. For travel the bride wore a blue silk dress, bright red off-face hat, beige coat with dyed fox collar and the yellow roses from her wedding bouquet.

The bride, elder daughter of the Douglas, on both paternal and maternal side is member of families long influential in the city and state. She is a granddaughter of the late Judge Robert Martin Douglas, distinguished jurist, and the late Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Wharton. She attended Hollins college, was graduated from Woman's college and received a master's degree in art from Columbia University, New York city. Until recently she was display artist for Myers' Department store. She is a member of the Thai Spinster's colt, Mr. Berry, whose parent live at 2000 Colonial drive, was graduated from Belmont Abbott, Belmont, and from St. Mary's college, Emunclsburg, Md. Since 1932 he has been associated with his father in Berry Coal company. He is a member of the Bachelors colt, and of the Kiwanis club.

CHILDREN:

Madeleine
Margaret
Douglas
Lucinda
The Pictures

Mrs. John Vize Berry

MRS. BERRY was Miss Jessie Douglas before her marriage yesterday. (Photo by Taylor-Ames)
The wedding ceremony of Major James Fant Berry and Mary Elizabeth Loomar took place last Saturday at Holy Family Chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Manhattan. Rev. Thomas Berry, C.P., brother of the groom, officiated and read a message from the Holy Father containing the Papal Blessing for the newly married couple. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James F. Loomar, of Elmhurst, Long Island, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Berry, of Greensboro, N. C. Mrs. William Berry was chosen American Mother for the past year. Also shown in the picture are Miss Veronica Newman, of Hempstead, L. I., the bride's attendant, and Dr. Francis X. Berry, a Lieutenant in the U. S. Army, who was best man for his brother.

Miss Loomar and Major Berry Marry in New York Ceremony

(Special to Daily News)

NEW YORK, Jan. 9—This morning in the Holy Family chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral Miss Mary Elizabeth Loomar, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James F. Loomar, Elmhurst, Long Island, became the bride of Major James Fant Berry, son of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Berry, Greensboro, N. C.

Rev. Thomas Berry, of the Passionist Fathers, the bridegroom's brother, who is located at St. Gabriel's monastery, Boston, Mass., conducted the marriage ceremony at 9:30 o'clock after which the nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. John J. McClafferty, of New York Catholic Charities, executive secretary of the National Catholic Daughters and the National Catholic Daughters of the United States.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, was Miss Veronica Newman, Hempstead, Long Island. Best man for Major Berry, who is stationed at Dover, Del., was his brother, Dr. Francis X. Berry, Brooklyn, N. Y. After the nuptials a wedding breakfast was held at Sherry's, the bridegroom's parents being among the guests.

The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's academy, Brentwood, Long Island, where she was awarded the riding crop for best horsewoman in school, and of College of the Sacred Heart, Manhattanville, N. Y., class of 1944, She is a talented harpist. Her mother last spring was awarded the pro ecclesia et pontifici medal by Pope Pius XII, making her a papal lady. Her honor has been largely for her work as chairman of motion picture reviewing department of the National League of Decency.

Major Berry, who reached his majority last week, is one of the children of Mr. and Mrs. William N. Berry and formerly lived in Greensboro. His mother was chosen American Mother of 1942. Major Berry prepared for college at Mount St. Mary's school, Emmitsburg, Md., attended Notre Dame university in Indiana two years and in 1940 was graduated from the United States Military academy, West Point, N. Y.
Miss Berry And Leo Kelleher Plan To Be Married This June

Mr. and Mrs. William Nathan Berry, 2306 Colonial avenue, Irving Park, announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Marie Frances, and Army Aviation Cadet Leo James Kelleher, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kelleher, 401 West Madison, Va., until coming here about four years ago. He attended Benedictine Military Academy, Richmond, and is a 1941 graduate of Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass. He was in business with his father here for a year before going to the air corps about 18 months ago. He is now at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala., and is scheduled to complete his cadet's training in the fall.

The wedding is planned for June in Greensboro.

Miss Berry is fifth daughter of the Berries and one of 13 children. She is a native of Greensboro. Miss Berry is a graduate of St. Joseph's high school, Emmitsburg, Md., had a year at Nazareth College Louis ville Ky., and business training at Woman's college. She is now employed by Jefferson Standard Life Insurance company.

Cadet Kelleher is eldest son of the Kellehers, who lived in Rich-
Berry-Hutchins Nuptial Service Read at Sheppard Field Chapel

Palm fronds backgrounded white gladiolius arranged in huge clusters to decorate a sheppard Field chapel for nuptial ceremonies performed there Thursday evening. The service united Miss Florence Elizabeth Hutchins of Wichita Falls and Lt. Francis X. Berry of Greensboro, N. C., and Sheppard Field. The couple recited their vows before assembled relatives and friends with Rev. P. P. Mollo, Catholic chaplain, officiating.

The organist, Sgt. Charles R. Orth, played the processional and recessional music as well as a medley of selected numbers. He also accompanied Sgt. Clinto Ricci who sang Schubert's "Ave Maria" and supplemented his offering with a muted interpretation of Schubert's "Serenade" during the service.

Hervey S. Hutchins Sr., gave his daughter in marriage. She was a lovely picture in a gown of white marquisette fashioned with fitted bodice, bishop sleeves and full skirt. The frock featured a trim of ruching which extended across the front of the bodice to form a dainty bow in the center. Her finger-tip length veil extended from a heart-shaped halo the trim of which repeated the ruching trim used on the dress. The bride completed her costume by carrying a prayer book topped with a white orchid from which extended white ribbons dotted with clusters of stephanitis.

Attendants

Maid of honor for the bride was Miss Foye Boggess. She wore a gown of periwinkle blue marquisette and, in her hair, she wore a blue velvet band ornamented with side clusters of gardenias. Her bouquet was a combination of gardenias and stephanitis.

Lt. Clinton C. Crisman was best man for the groom. His other attendants were Lt. Kenneth J. Jones and Capt. D. D. Ballester.

The wedding was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's father at 2153 Avenue G.

The house was decorated with white gladiolius, carnations and feverfew. A particularly lovely arrangement of those blossoms centered the refreshment table.

FLORENCE ELIZABETH HUTCHINS

SUSAN

AND

PATRICIA ANN
BERRY GENEALOGY

One of our readers has supplied us with the following genealogy, missing the title of its source. We call your attention to certain points; the underscorings are not ours:

1) Our French origin.
2) The movement from Virginia to Maryland to Kentucky.
3) The expulsion of the Berrys from Virginia.
4) Movement from Puritan to Quaker, to Anglican, to Catholic.
5) Our forefather Benjamin and his brother Jeremiah I (text p. 44).
6) The Lincoln connection (text and footnote p. 46).
7) John E. Berry and his son E. C. Berry (p. 51).
8) The silver spoon, now owned by James Belt Berry (p. 51).
9) The coat-of-arms description (p. 51).

This cover of a 4-page brochure advertises the creations of Margaret Ann Lee, our Katherine's eldest daughter, 1963 graduate of St. Joseph College. Besides her public-health nursing, Meg mothers Elizabeth (15), John (14), and Richard (12).
CHAPTER III
THE BERRY LINE

The name Berry was of frequent occurrence in the early history of Maryland as it has been since the Norman Conquest in Britain. The ambitious derive it from the noble house of Berri but it is more probable that it originated in connection with the French province of Berri; however that may be, it is certain that the family is of French origin and that the first bearer of this name, always enjoying a full share of prominence since, in the British Islands, came over with William the Conqueror. The first of the name to reach Maryland was Christian Berry, a servant, transported before 1638; then two Elizabeths transported, one in 1659, the other 1667, James Berry in 1673, John, 1675, Thomas, 1675, three Williams in 1683, 1684, and 1666—all from England.

In addition to these our ancestor James Berry bringing with him his wife Elizabeth, his son William, his son's wife Roder Preston Berry, and possibly other children, came to Maryland from Virginia before 1635. Richard Preston, father-in-law of William, and the Berrys were Puritans who had come to Virginia to escape persecution along with many others of this turbulent sect. Their own intolerant desire to regulate affairs soon rendered them obnoxious and Virginia passed laws to exclude them from the colony. Preston, Berrys and others, knowing of the liberty of conscience extended to all sects in Maryland, sought permission for the Puritans to enter that colony, which was cordially granted. Preston and the Berrys were well to do and seem to have been lawyers. All were men possessed of large estates in land on both sides of the Chesapeake and their activities, in writing wills and settling estates, are to be seen in the records of several counties.

James Berry held public office, being of the first annexe court that sat in the Pataxent River, 1654, at the house of Richard Preston, who was chief justice of the court. He was also member of the House of Burgesses, 1654, of which Richard Preston was speaker. He died intestate about 1657 and his wife Elizabeth seems to have died about the same time. He, his son and Richard Preston, had been leaders in the Puritan Rebellon. Preston's house in the Pataxent was the seat of Puritan government, where the Courts and Assembly met, where the Puritan revolt was planned and where the guns and ammunition were stored. Preston seems to have been the most intelligent and important man in the movement, and as he was probably the richest.

William Berry had married the daughter of Richard Preston before they left Virginia and had several children. James Berry, to his credit, was driven into the revolt, for he was fined by the Assembly 2,000 pounds of tobacco for showing loyalty to Governor Stone, but finally took a prominent part in the Puritan cause. He and Preston served on the governing commission of the Parliament and at its order turned the government over to the Proprietary in 1637. Preston was the owner of 4,000 acres of land and had a large brick manor on the Patuxent, in Calvert County, said to be standing yet, where he lived in grand style to his death. Always prominent, he was Speaker of the Assembly repeatedly and continued in one prominent place or another as long as he lived. Whether under the Proprietary who called him the "Great Quaker," Cromwell, or the people, he served acceptably, ably and with consummate tact. No wonder the patronymic "Richard" has continued a favorite name among the Berrys descended from him. His son, or grandson, Samuel Preston was mayor of Philadelphia before 1700 and many descendants of this many-sided and most interesting man, are yet to be found in Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Under the influence of two Quakers concealed in his house, 1663, Richard Preston was converted and laid aside the sword of militant Puritanism for the inner light of a peaceful Quaker, duffed the wig and gown of judge and legislator for the long hair and wheel hat of the followers of George Fox. His old mansion, surrounded by 1,200 acres of the richest land in Maryland, on the banks of the broad Patuxent was built in 1650 and was probably the first brick private residence built in the colony. All in all a charming, forceful and interesting character, married only by his ingratitude to the Proprietary who had given him asylum. He died testate in 1669 devising his large estate with "plate on hand and coming from England," to Samuel, James, Thomas, Rebecca, Sara married to William Foord, his kinmen James and John Dowrey, and to his grandchildren James and William Berry, William Berry's sons.

After the death of James Berry a report was circulated by one Little who said the church in which James and Elizabeth Berry married had burned, that they were not married and that Elizabeth left a husband in England. William sued for the defamation and showing his parents were married in Virginia, Little was condemned to pay a fine of 300 pounds of tobacco, to stand naked to the waist at the whipping-post for one hour, holding a whip over his head, and to give security for good behavior. William Berry continued in office and otherwise prominent. It is possible he was married a second time to a daughter of Thomas Marsh, a Burgess for Calvert County in 1671-16-68 and justice of peace; he settled finally in Talbot County where he died testate about 1685 devising a large estate in Calvert and Talbot counties to his sons William, James, and
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Thomas, a handsome devotee to the Quaker Church, he having like his father-in-law become a fanatic follower of that sect.

His son James Berry died testate in Talbot County, Maryland, 1699, and left a small estate to his widow, Elizabeth, and children James, Rebecca, Susannah, and to his sister-in-law Margaret Naomy Berry, referring to his father as William Berry of Berry's Range. His wife was Sara Houghton.

We know nothing of his son Thomas, of the second marriage, who is not referred to by Preston; but it is certain that his son William settled on land devised by his father in what is now Prince George's County, then Calvert, a wealthy and prominent farmer and died there intestate. It was his own father who married Margaret Naomy Marsh, the sister-in-law of James' will. The genealogists have been misled by father and son having same name and by another typical fact that the Berrys of an earlier generation married young and died young. The children have contributed to the William of James, are really those of his son, who died in Calvert, now Prince George's County. They were Benjamin, Joseph, and Richard. This Richard died in early childhood. Of Joseph we find nothing. Benjamin, born about 1670 and died in 1719. He married 1697, Mary, daughter of Thomas and Mary Hillyear, one of the oldest and best of the Maryland families, and they had Benjamin, Mary, Verinda, and Jeremiah, the latter born about 1712. By his will he bequeathed his estate to his wife for life with remainder to his eldest son, Benjamin, parts of "Charles and Benjamin" he left to a grandson Thomas Long and his daughter Verinda; to his son Jeremiah he left 900 acres of "Charles and Benjamin and 340 acres of the Level," 70 acres to brother-in-law Captain Thomas Claggatt; to Mary he gave Evans Range and to Baruch Williams 200 acres of the Level, his son Jeremiah to be of age at 18. John W. Scott, Sam Magruder, John Claggatt and Thomas Hillyear to be overseers. Charles Beaven, a neighbor, was an amusing witness. In 1719, Benjamin married Eleanor Williams and left most interesting lines of descent, too numerous to be followed here. Among them was Colonel —— Berry of the War of 1812, another settled in Nashville, Texas, whose granddaughter married John Meredith Bass, a descendant of the Honorable Felix Grundy once a citizen of Washington County, Kentucky. Of Mary, Verinda, or the Longs, I have learned nothing.

Our ancestor, Jeremiah I, married Mary Claggatt of Prince George's County, Maryland, who was born in 1740, and very soon became a wealthy planter, said to have been owner of more land than anyone in South Maryland. He often served as vestryman of St. Paul's Church of which he was a member, for by this time the Berrys had discarded the somber garb of the Quaker and were noted as dispensers of a lavish hospitality, patrons of race courses, theaters, balls and other amusements then so much in vogue at Old Upper Marlboro. He had many slaves, and served among them, the latter the record for 1790 shows one an accomplished school teacher, bound to him like a slave for seven years. His wife was the daughter of Richard Claggatt and Deborah Dory.

The Claggatt family was founded by Thomas Claggatt, son of Colonel Edward Claggatt who suffered imprisonment for loyalty to Charles I. He had been loyal to Charles II, was wealthy and of distinguished ancestry, yet came to Maryland in 1670, seeking certain that freedom of conscience which could be found there only, accompanied by his wife Sara. He got grants of Goodington Manor, Greenlane, Croome, Weston, and others amounting to 4,000 acres. He died 1706 testate leaving English property to his son Edward, Weston to his eldest son Thomas, with its famous deer park, and to his son Richard he left Croome Manor, in Prince George's County. Richard Claggatt married Deborah Ridgely, daughter of John Dory of Hockley in the Hole and by her he had six children, among whom was his ancestor, Mary Berry. The Dory family was founded by Edward D'Arcy at Hockley in the Hole—a great family in England and Maryland, like the Claggatts. Mary's brother Rev. Samuel Claggatt married Elizabeth Gant of Colonel Edward Gant of Calvert County and his son was the Rt. Rev. Thomas John Claggatt, consecrated in England in 1792 as the first Maryland bishop—learned, eloquent and considered a great man. He lived and died at Croome Manor; was buried there, but his remains have since been removed to The Cathedral at Washington. The ancestral seat was left to his descendants. Almost every notable family in Maryland has Claggatt blood in its veins. Innumerable ministers, lawyers, doctors, and military officers may be found allied to the Claggatts. The Everfields, Chews, Williams, Magruders, Ducketts, Ridgley, Harwoods, Kleeleys, Hillearys and many others are of their kin. Richard Claggatt's will mentions Richard Berry, son of his daughter Mary.

Jeremiah Berry I died testate April 3, 1769, at the age of 37, leaving to his eldest son, Jeremiah II, 300 acres of Charles and Benjamin in Frederick, now Montgomery County, left large tracts of land to his sons Benjamin, Zachariah, William and Richard, last got remainder of Charles and Benjamin; to his widow she left the home plantation, called Marburn Plains, all the slaves, silver, livestock, furniture, etc., said land to go to his youngest son Elisha at her death; to his daughters Mary and Amelia Berry, lands. His wife and son William were made executors. He was buried in the garden of his home where his tomb may still be seen.

Mary Claggatt Berry survived to 1792. By her will lands, slaves, silver, and other personalty was divided among certain of her children and grandchildren. Amelia married Sprigg, for she devised a negro girl to her grandson William Osborne...
CLEMENTS-SPALDING AND ALLIED FAMILIES

Sprigg, while Mary had married Thomas O. Williams, both had married into prominent families.

Eliza Berry born January 19, 1755, remained on the old homestead where he reared an interesting family and made it the scene of a notable hospitality, often entertaining Washington, Pulaski, Green and other Revolutionary heroes. He married Eleanor Eversfield, his cousin, daughter of his mother's sister, Eleanor Claggett Eversfield, wife of John Eversfield. He left sons William and Ferguson Berry, last left sons Eliasha and Thomas.

Richard Berry born July 20, 1734, lived on his part of Charles and Benjamin till about 1791, when he settled in Washington County, Kentucky, on the Little Beech Fork, where he had patented a large tract of land in 1783. His wife Rachel was a Dorsey, I think. He died December 9, 1795, testator. He names his sons Richard, Francis, Edward, and daughters Sara, Rachel and Jane; also children of John Berry, evidently a dead son, to whom he left his property, subject to devises to Rachel his wife. James Ryan and Richard B. Brumfield and William Brumfield were witnesses to his will and Mordecai Lincolp, the uncle of the President, was an appraiser of his estate.* Besides a son John, who had died in Maryland, he had a son, Jeremiah, who was alive in Montgomery County, Maryland, in 1790, as census shows. His son Richard was well known and prominent. It is said his poor neighbor, Thomas Lincoln, married Nancy Hanks at his house. A prosperous planter, popular with his neighbors, active in county affairs, he died intestate in 1821. At his sale his widow Margaret was the chief purchaser and when she came to settle her accounts as administrator, it was shown she had married one Thomas. Of his family I have learned nothing further nor of his sister Rachel, save that she married Robert Buckler 1809; Morris Berry married Peggy Simms in 1806, may have been his son and Gracy Berry married Berry James in 1801, a possible daughter.*

His brother Edward Berry married December 15, 1808, Polly Braxton, was a prosperous planter and died testate in 1845, seemingly then a resident of Van Buren County, Missouri, leaving considerable property to his children William Ed. Berry, Mary Ann Mitchell, Naomi Redding, Amanda Bucklay, Richard Berry, and John Ed. Pendleton a grandson to whom he left land in Missouri. A daughter had married Dr. Pendleton who left two children, John Edward, who became physician in turn, served as such in the Confederate army, settled at Hartford, Ky., where he became one of the best known physicians of Western Kentucky. He was handsome, brilliant and popular; and dying left issue. He had a sister, Naomi Frances, married

*Most of the Lincoln brothers lived and at Berchland was the Berry home. Abraham Lincoln was born a few years later as the old people who remembered the event used after he was a little boy, about the time he was to have been born. He was born on his farm on a hill south of Kaskaskia, where he was reared in Hardin County where he supposed he was born, as naturally was the place of his earliest recollection. Records at Springfield show that his father married there his wife born for ten years a year after the birth of his distinguished son.

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Dr. Henry Allen of Mackville, Ky., who also left issue. Naomi of Edward married Sam Redding and dying left issue, among them, the late Alspa and Jennie Redding. It is said his son Edward Berry was physician at Hartford, Ky.

Francis Berry married Betsey Brasilton on the 15th of September, 1790; was farmer of Washington County. Of this son I have learned nothing further.

His son John died in Maryland leaving two or more children, as his father's will indicates; as did his son Jeremiah, leaving descendants and a widow Ruth Berry, who remarried in 1811, but Berry names are so common I have not been able to designate with any certainty his descendants. He may have settled in North Carolina, leaving his descendants there. I know nothing of the children of his brother John, except that my great-aunt Margaret Clements, stated that the wife of the late Eli Adams of Washington County, Kentucky, was related to her through the Berrys. He married Amelia Berry in Maryland in 1815; who was born in 1783 and I feel sure she was one of John's children referred to by the grandfather Richard. She joined the Catholic Church after marriage, died in 1852, and is buried at St. Rose, Washington County. She left Eleanor, married Fennel Ruby and left issue; Josephus died, left issue; John Berry, died young, and Maria* who married James Jackson and at her death left two daughters living in Washington.

Zachariah Berry, of Jeremiah I, born July 11, 1749, married Mary Williams daughter of General O. H. Williams, the brave commander of the Maryland line. He lived in fine style on his plantation Concorde, of 1,000 acres, given him by his father. He patented a large tract of land in Hardin County, Kentucky, on which some of his descendants settled. His children were Zach. Jeremiah, married Sara Claggert became a very rich planter; Washington, married Elizabeth Williams; Thomas of Oxen Hill, married Mary Williams, and a daughter Mary married Orth Beall.

William of Jeremiah I, never married, was popular, rich and influential, a leader in all county affairs in Prince George's County where he lived in state on a large plantation. He entered the Revolutionary Army in 1776 but retired in 1777, when he was commissioned justice of the peace, then a most honourable office, conferring great dignity. He was active in securing supplies for the Continental Army. He died testate in 1784, leaving five negroes to his brother Richard, and 500
areas of land to each of his nephews Jeremiah of Richard, and William, "sons of the late Rev. Jeremiah Berry"; to his niece, or sisters-in-law, Polly Berry, Mildred Berry, 100 pounds each and to Lettie Marshall, a niece, a negro. He then adds: "The rest of the estate God has blessed me with, I devise to a natural son which I had by a certain Ann Warman, now, by marriage, Ann Benson, who was baptized William Berry Warman, 1,000 acres on the Ohio out of 2,300, rest given to Walter Stoney Chandler." Warman administered the estate and though curious, I could learn nothing more of him or Chandler.

Our ancestor Jeremiah II, eldest son of Jeremiah I married his cousin Sara Clinegett of Walter. He was an Episcopalian minister, settled on his portion of Charles and Benjamin in Frederick, now Montgomery County, Maryland. He was active in the ministry of his church and also established the first school in the latter county. He is supposed to have died young, about 1780, having been born 1732, and intestate, so to discover his family is difficult. It is certain he left three sons, our next ancestor Jeremiah III, William and Nicholas, the eldest, who inherited his father's lands. I think there were daughters also, and that one of them married —— Moody, afterward settled near Beechland, Washington County, Kentucky, another was Jane married —— Aytton.

This Nicholas died intestate in 1788, leaving only his widow Eleanor, daughter of Rev. John Eversfield and his cousin, to whom he left his estate for life with remainder to his said brothers. The curious thing about this will is that it was executed in 1780 when he was not over thirty-five years old and had just married a young woman, but he makes no reservation for possible children.

His brother William married —— and had thirteen children but of their history I know nothing except that a granddaughter, Miss Mary Lawrence Berry, is living at her home, Bowsville, Prince George County, Maryland. The widow Sara of Jeremiah II was alive in 1790 having five dependents and six slaves.

Jeremiah Berry III was born about 1750 and married Mary Miles, daughter of Edward Miles, of Charles County, Maryland, about twenty years later. He inherited little of nothing, as a younger son, but by industry, the thrifty Berry habits and thanks to the devise of his uncle William, was soon in comfortable circumstances. He favored his eldest son Edward, by conveying to him in 1792, 200 acres of Berry's 1/25th, naming himself as "his heir-apparent"; he was affecting aristocracy. This Edward prospered, married a widow Dyer and had a family of children who married into the best families about Washington; history of these not discovered. His brothers and sisters were Jeremiah IV, Richard; Eleanor, who married Samuel Clements (see Chapter 1), Mary and Margaret.

The family of Mary Miles Berry is difficult to trace. There were many Miles transported to Maryland, only one coming in as an immigrant, Nicholas Miles, with his son Peter. He died intestate in St. Mary's County about 1680 leaving besides Peter at least one son John Miles, married Mary Beckwith and died intestate in St. Mary's County 1697, leaving sons John, James, Nick, Henry and Edward. His son John died intestate in St. Mary's County in 1727, and left Nick, Edward, John and Henry. Nick, Edward, and Henry settled in Charles County. Miles married Mary Dodd, daughter of Richard Dodd, about 1720. Of this marriage was born a John Nick and Edward. This last Edward seems to have married Mary Combes daughter of William and Winifred. The Census of 1790 shows him a man of considerable land and slaves. His daughter Mary became the wife of Jeremiah Berry III; another daughter married a Smith and became the mother of the several Smith brothers who settled before 1800 in Washington County, Kentucky; one of these Edward Miles Smith married Teresa Clements daughter of John Clements of Charles County (see Chapter 1) and died intestate in Washington County, Kentucky, in 1815 (indexed Clements Smith) leaving Teresa, his widow, and his sons Thomas, Horatio, Francis Loyd, Patrick, Daniel and Levy; Daniel Smith married Henrietta Palmer, moved to Louisville, Ky., leaving three beautiful and accomplished daughters, Catharine, who married the late distinguished lawyer, Issac Caldwell, and left issue; Blanche, who married Warren Green, of Dr. Norvin Green, died without issue; and Lillie, who married late Dr. Elijah Sandiford, President L. & N. R. R. and left issue. John Smith became a physician, settled later in Owensboro, Ky., married Kate Palmer and left issue. His granddaughter the beautiful Hettie Pearl, daughter of Mrs. Catharine and F. M. Pearl, became a Dominican nun and died at her convent in Memphis, Tenn. His daughter Teresa married Major John Pope, C. S. A., son of the adoptive son and heir of Honorable John Pope of Kentucky, senator and territorial governor of Arkansas; Richard Queen, late of San Francisco, Calif., was son of his daughter Hettie married to William Queen.

Levy Smith married five times and had nine children. His fifth wife was Priavella Lincoln, daughter of Mordecai Lincoln and Lucretia Mudd, and a second cousin of the President. He left a daughter Cleve married (firstly) John Anderson (secondly) C. C. Miller by death of both left issue. The other brothers either died young or went West.

Edward Miles died in 1776, Ann Blackklock, daughter of Thomas Blackklock of Prince George's County, Maryland, as the latter's will of date 1787 shows, and moved to Nelson County, Kentucky, about 1793; dying intestate in the spring of 1823 he left Ann, his widow, daughters Milly Ann Hagan, Mary Livers, Lancaster, sons. Edward and Richard; provides that Ann Smith, evidently as adopted niece, shall have a child's part referring to them as his six children. His son Edward Blacklock Miles lived at
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Bloomfield, Ky., became a very rich man and died about 1840, leaving issue. His son, known as Richard Pius Miles, became a Dominican priest at St. Rose, in Washington County, where he was co-founder of St. Catharine's nunery and St. Thomas School at St. Rose, in which he was one of the chief professors. In middle life he was made the first Catholic bishop of Nashville, Tenn., where he died about the close of the Civil War.

Mary Miles Berry must have been a woman of strong character and much persuasive charm, for, although her husband was descended from the most bigoted Puritans and Quakers, a son of an Episcopalian minister, surrounded by aristocratic and cultured kin, all Protestants, she yet found means to make a Catholic of him, and his descendants all seem to have held on to that faith. His conversion would be an interesting incident, but all record of it is lost.

Their son Richard moved with his family (we do not know whom he married) to Washington County, Kentucky, in 1817, purchased and lived on the Ray farm of 325 acres on Carter's Creek where he died in 1829, intestate, leaving his children, Maria married Thomas C. Brown, Margaret married Richard Park Wright, Louisa married William D. Hundley, Martha, Richard, Gustavus and William Berry. Of these people I can discover not the slightest tradition, nothing but the bare records.

Their daughter Margaret married Walter Mudd, where they lived or died, or what became of them, not a sign. Their daughter Mary (possibly the Polly of Uncle William) married Richard Mudd. They settled in Washington County, Kentucky, about 1815, where he died about 1830, leaving his widow and daughters Henrietta married to ——- Gill. Matilda married to J. Luckett Simms, January 24, 1820, and Mary (Polly) married to James Knott; and sons William Berry Mudd and Ed. Mudd; also Mrs. J. Loyd Clements. The widow survived to 1852. Matilda Simms left Robert, died without issue; Pat, lawyer, and captain in the Confederate Army, married; left issue; Mrs. Cornock and Mrs. Elam, each left issue; her daughter Ann Maria, married John E. Clements (see Chapter I) left John E., Clements, Jr., and Lulie Clements, both died unmarried. Mary Knott had numerous children but outlived them, all; a daughter Kate, a woman of fine intelligence and culture, died unmarried; sons Thomas and William Knott were brave Confederate soldiers, married and left issue.

Jeremiah Berry IV married Mary Ann Watson and left many descendants that they can be sketched only, as this little work is devoted to origins, to the main trees and not the branches. He is said to have settled about Ellicott City, Md., where he died in 1835 leaving Philip, who left issue in Western Kentucky; William, who died unmarried in Meade County, Ken-