

SHAMBAUGH FAMILIES NEWS - LETTER

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Flavius A. Leightey - Cleo Gervin - Margaret B. May

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Your Editor and wife were invited to the home of our granddaughter, Drucilla

(Leightey) and Dennis Deaulton, on Sunday November 24, which was a surprise to us for our 52nd wedding Anniversary, with five families present.

Then on November 28, Thanksgiving Day, we were invited to our son, Howard and Dorothy Leightey for another surprise with six families present.

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From our Christmas Mail Bag - so far -

Mildred Shambaugh, Box 103, Volga, Iowa 52077

Was good to see you at the reunion this year, the picture couldn't have been better. (8x10 group picture, \$1.25, see N-L #99, page 5.) It was very thoughtful of you to list the names in N-L.

Ilma Ross, of Arlington, Iowa enjoyed seeing the group. She keeps well. Frank Shambaugh's wife takes her to meetings. I had a siege with bronchitis. It has been cold this past week, down to 7, Dec. 8.

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Frank and Ethel Seeley, 516-20th, Mason City, Iowa 50402

We got to Arlington, for the Shambaugh Reunion, July 28, but only Frank and William attended. I was sick on 29th and went to the hospital, and again on Nov. 4. Frank was in the hospital in Nov. We are slowly recovering.

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Mrs. Mary A. Dantzler, 1407 McFarland Ave., Rossville, Ga. 30741

I've been off from work since Nov. 16th, and in hospital 6 days, put on a strict diet, and I'm just about to starve to death.

Daughter Emily and family have moved to Ft. Worth, Texas. Mary Lillian and family of Marion, Va., plan on coming down on Saturday after Christmas for a week with me. Haven't seen them since Easter at Aunt Cleo's.

Mac and Polly's daughters, and one of Polly's nieces gave them a party for their 25th Wedding Anniversary November 30th. They received several nice gifts, and had a nice time together.

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By Margaret B. May, R. #1, Lafayette, Ind. 47906 - from daughter Dorothea and husband Donnell Hunt -

INDIANA NOTE: Dorothea writes from Ireland, "all is well, the children are having a wonderful time, but it keeps me guessing how to drive a foreign car. Don is gone most of the time, with lectures in various countries. He was receiving offers of speaking engagements - The University of Reading near London where he had already spent a couple weeks - University of Aberystwth, Wales and University at Newcastle, England. Also from Stuttgart, Germany and Wagenin, Holland.

Tuesday evening was the night of the buffet supper as guests of the Irish Minister of Education - (comparable to the secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in Washington, D.C.) This was in honor of all scholarship people, both here and those this government has sent abroad recently. I think there were 5 from the United States here, but our time was taken by dignitaries of the Country so I'm not sure what other countries were represented. The buffet was delicious - a ball room was set up with dining tables to seat eight, although ten finally gathered about ours. I felt almost out of place, for the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and his wife, the director of a large sugar refinery, who is the chairman of the Irish Secretary of Agriculture's advisory board and chairman of the Scholarship awards committee and his wife, a couple from another institute, and the head of Engineering at the University and his wife were at our table. Certainly this would never happen to us in Washington, D.C. People from all over Ireland attended the buffet - and they seem quite interested in our opinions of the election, Jackie Kennedy's marriage and working wives, among other topics.

Last night we had tea at the home of one of the Ag. Engineering Staff. We liked them very much.

David likes school. He is enrolled in a private school. So far he comes home wearing a red ribbon every day. If a pupil has done everything well and receives no bad marks for that day, the teacher pins a red ribbon on. If there is only one bad mark for the day, a blue ribbon is pinned on, and no ribbon for two or more bad marks.

David wants you to know there are five bantams chickens in our yard. (The McCarthy's were to get them this morning.) There are also a green house and an apple tree, plus lots of other trees, shrubs etc. There is a palm tree in the front and again many other plants. We'll have lots of yard work to do. There are fish here in the kitchen dining room. The aquarium is built into the wall and was easier to leave than take.

NOTE— Yes, we miss the children being gone, but know they will have lots to tell when they come home.

Dorothea will try and look into our genealogy problem if we will tell her what to do. She has never made this a study and even for we older ones it is a problem. So if one and all of you will write me what are the methods to follow in such a problem, we will appreciate it very much. Dorothea's plan to come back after July 1969 so she should begin as soon after Christmas as she can to work on genealogy for us. Is it Edinborough that have the most records or is it London? Where can the records prove the most on our nationality—whether German, Scotch or France?

1968 has been one of our busiest years. Hope to get more work done with our genealogy here.

Mrs. Bertha Frank, Box 491, Redlands, Calif. 92374

Here it is another year nearly gone and none of us got to Ohio to attend the reunion. The past year, especially since Mar. 6, that was my 70th birthday, and Raymond had planned the day for Ruth and I to go with him and his group to the Paramount Theater in Hollywood. Enjoyed every minute of it. At Cliftons, where we had dinner, they had a big Birthday Cake. Then when we got home that evening, Helen had another one for me besides all the other nice things and a large box of cards she had saved from day to day, 70 or more of them. I recieved between 140 and 150 cards and notes.

Raymonds vacation will start the 17th and goes back New Years Day with a group to the Rose Parade and game. They are going to Helens folks for Christmas. Every ot other year they go there which is at Needles, Calif. Next year with me.

Mrs. Mary Kohler, P. O. Box 145, New Rumley, Ohio 43984

Hope everyone is alright in the Shambaugh Glan. We have had illness, births and etc. the past year. My grandson is in Viet Nam.

C. O. and Florence Bender, 1131 Oakmont Drive, Manor 40-7, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94595

Florence is still teaching- will retire in-June. She is active as Sunday School Superintendent and in the women's Society, the usual church responsibilities; cares for a husband who is in a wheelchair; runs the home; does a thousand and one other things.

C.O. teaches an adult Sunday School Class - is treasurer of the church; does some cooking; takes care of personal business, that is, pays family bills; looks after a little Real Estate; goes shopping with his good wife to buy food, etc.; reads; sleeps when his feet don't hurt too bad. He can walk only a little with crutches; has neuritis in his feet.

Sons Nohl and Alice - Warren and Lela May - the two Grand Children and their families - four Great Grand Children are all O.K.

May Your Christmas be Merry and the New Year be Happy and Prosperous for you and yours - accompanied by God's Richest Blessings is our sincere prayer.

Emily and Jack Briscoe, 2904 Cardone St., Ft. Worth, Texas 76133

Here we are in Texas, and settled for a while, moving here from Maryland. Dawn and Robin are afraid Santa won't be able to keep up with us.

LeRoy and Madeline Shambach, R. 2, Middleburg, Pa. 17842

We are rather busy these days, in less than a week we were fortunate enough to get two construction jobs within commuting distance for our men.

Madeline's mother had been in the hospital for over a week, we brought her to our home from the hospital on Friday, Dec. 6, and she will be staying with us until she feels well enough to return to her home in Beavertown, which is only about 12 miles from our place.

We are planning on taking our trip West soon after Christmas. We will have many stops to make along the way and hope to see many of our friends.

I am receiving many orders for my book, "My Ancestors and Genealogical History of the Shambach Family" from all states of the Union. (Price \$7.00 plus 6% sales tax, 50¢ P. P.) So it sure proves that the N.L. sure is getting around and goes many places, many of them mention in there letters, that they will be attending the National Shambaugh Reunion here in Pennsylvania next August 31, 1969, the Sunday before Labor Day, as for me I am counting the months, weeks and days and am looking forward to the biggest reunion ever.

The weather here is favorable for this time of year, we had about 12 inches of snow here in our neck of the woods the last of Nov., but it only lasted a few days.

Our Sons and two of our Grandsons were deer hunting the first few days in Dec. Deer hunting is a big deal here in Pa. and it seems that all operations cease for the first few days in deer season. There are many deer in our section of Pa. It is quite common for us to see them in the fields on our farm during all months of the year.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ED. NOTE: From a clipping in a Middleburg Newspaper; The Shambach's, whose name has been spelled in various ways, Shambach, Schamboch, Shambo, Shambaugh, also Chambeau, (Taken from earlier issues of N-L; Chambeaux, Count Rochambeau, Archambeault etc.)

indicating French origin too, although the family originated in the Palatinate near the Rhine River. (Also see N.L. #71, page 4)

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Mildred S. Flewelling, 32 N. Fillmore, Beverly Hills, Lecanto, Fla. 32661

I have enjoyed the News-Letter, and you certainly deserve the thanks of every one of us Shambauchs for your efforts. Keep up the good work Flavius, we'd miss your letter.

I was pleased to hear that the LeRoy Shambachs have written a book dealing mostly with the Christian Shambach branch of the family, which is my branch- in fact, my great grandfather. I have written for a copy of the book. I wonder what the correct spelling of the name is, for head stones in the Middleburg cemetery have 3 spellings, Shambach, Schambach, Shambaugh. Christian Shambach's son Henry, a Civil War veteran has the Shambaugh spelling on his head stone. All of my grandfather's family spelled it Shambaugh.

Sorry we couldn't make the Reunion, but we were in the process of moving. LeRoy and Madeline Shambach visited us during their stay near Detroit before we moved to Florida, in October. I'm sure that we are going to love it here. The country around here is beautiful. Rolling hills, just peppered with horse farms. Much like one would find around Lexington, Ky. There are plenty of cattle farms also.

We arrived with the recent hurricane, but now we have that behind us. We were much more frightened when we were caught in a tornado in Oklahoma some few years ago. We had 6 oak trees and 2 pine trees on our lot, and we lost 5 of them. There was some damage of course.

This is not a retirement settlement as such. There are younger folks here also, but not to many children, just enough to remind you of your own grand-children. There are not any schools around here, so those that have children have to drive them about 10 miles to one. There are quite a few activities, and 3 churches, with plenty to do so one does not become lonesome. This is a new development, and has about 1000 homes at present. It is wonderful after the tensions of the city.

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Marguirete Shambaugh Ross, 317 Brookes Ave., San Diego, Calif. 92103

Benjamin Franklin Shambaugh was the son of John and Eva Ann Shambaugh, who were well known in Clinto County, Ia. He was born at Elvira, Iowa; He was for many years head of the History Dept. at the State Univ. of Iowa. Dr. and Mrs. Shambaugh are both deceased. Mrs. Shambaugh was very much interested in the Amana Society, and is the author of not only one, but several books on the Amana Society.

Benjamin Franklin Shambaugh, who married Bertha Horak, is my father's brother. Knowing both Dr. Shambaugh (head of the History Dept. at Iowa before his death) and his wife Bertha since childhood, we are sure that they had no children.

Benjamin Franklin Shambaugh and his wife, Bertha visited in Clinton, Iowa at the home of his mother, Eva Ann Shambaugh (she is my grandmother) and lived next door to us for many years. My Father's name in Samuel Ressler Shambaugh; his wife, Hattie L. Rogers Shambaugh.

Dr. Benjamin Franklin Shambaugh, Samuel Ressler Shambaugh, Dr. George E. Shambaugh, (of Chicago, and now deceased) and their sister, Edith Shambaugh Mahon are descendants of Philip Shambaugh, who fought in the American Revolution. There was also another brother, Herbert, who lived with my grandmother until his death - he never married.

ED. NOTE: See other item in N-L #99, page 3, on Benjamin F. Shambaugh by Mrs. W. G. Elgin, 3rd paragraph. Also #39, page 1.

I will try after Christmas to copy our line of Shambauchs dating back to Philip Shambaugh, who served in the American Revolution, and send it to you.

I would like to add that my husband's line of ancestors go back to the Cushings in the East - The present Cardinal Cushing of Boston is one of them. I have his Geneological book compiling this line.

I thank you for writing me about the other Mrs. Marguerite Shambaugh Ross, who is now married to Clifford Baker. I was particularly interested because my brother, Samuel Rogers Shambaugh married Alyce Talmage who was born and raised in Wabash, Ind.

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By Marguirete Shambaugh Ross - Mrs. Maurine Reagan Shambaugh passed away July 5, 1968. Born Feb. 4, 1897, she was the wife of David Edward Shambaugh I of Garden Grove, Calif. Services were held in the Mittle Family Chapel with Rev. Richard Miller of Church of Christ officiating. Interment at Westminster Memorial Park.

Beside the husband, she leaves a son, David Edward Shambaugh II, and a grandson, David Edward Shambaugh III, now serving in Viet Nam.

David Edward Shambaugh I is my brother; we are descendats of Philip Shambaugh who served in the American Revolution, so I am a member of the D.A.R.

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Homer and Betty Shambaugh, 1338 Green Lane, LaCanada, Calif 91011

Enjoy reading the neway letters, and what the Clan is doing. Merry Christmas Greetings, and the best for you and yours in 1969..

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Herman and Helene Shambaugh, 441R, Kenwood Drive, Euclid, Ohio 44123

Very glad to hear the Reunion is to be held in the colorful state of Pennsylvania. Dutch cooking will be a treat for the Shambaugh's and the relatives who have never tasted the, "Get to know how good it is," food.

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Dale E. Shambaugh, 462 $\frac{1}{2}$ So. Sandusky Ave. Upper Sandusky, Ohio 43351

Most Illustrious Companion Dale E. Shambaugh was born on a farm west of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, on January 19, 1915, the eldest of 5 children in the family of Albert F. and Dora E. (Schoenberger) Shambaugh. The family later moving to Upper Sandusky where he entered the public schools, graduating from Upper Sandusky High School in 1933.

Following graduation, Companion Shambaugh was employed by the Freimann Beverage and Ice Company in Upper Sandusky, the Union Circulation Co., New York, then the E.I. dePont de Nemours Co. (Military Explosives Division) Carneys Point, New Jersey.

In 1946 he returned to Upper Sandusky and was employed one year at the Koehler Drug Company before joining the U. S. Commission Company. In 1957 he joined the Lutheran Mutual Life Insurance Company as a District agent, which position he still holds. Companion Shambaugh has served as President of his Insurance Company's Underwriters Association and is a member of their Advisory Council. He has also served the National Association of Life Underwriters as an Instructor, and is presently a member of the 1968 M.D.R.T. He is also a Past President of the Upper Sandusky Kiwanis Club. He was married September 22, 1937 to Miss Gladys Dorothy Schnetzler of Elmer, New Jersey.

Companion Shambaugh is a member of the St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Upper Sandusky and has served his Congregation as Treasurer since 1959.

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Shambaughs in and near Upper Sandusky, in and out of the hospital.

Dale E. Shambaugh, Robert L. Harris, Katherine Trautwein. Anna Cogsil of Scio, Ohio has been in the hospital in Dennison, O. a few days.

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Harold and Evelyn Shambaugh of 10300 Inwood Ave., Silver Spring, Md., 20902, were on their way to the home of Mrs. Cleo Gervin, in Gatlinburg, Tenn. in the Smoky's, on October 23rd. Also to attend a Craftsman Fair in Gatlinburg.

When within 30 miles of Cleo's they met with a serious accident which demolished their car, having to fly back home a few days later. Harold was more seriously injured, about the face, also back injury and other cuts and bruises. Evelyn was also bruised. Both have recovered enough to go back to work again, but still taking it a little easy.

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Mrs. Alice Bosson, R. #5, Cadiz, Ohio 43907

My niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Finger from Topeka, Kansas, stopped to see me last week on their way home from a wedding in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Walker of Greenwich, Ohio were down to see me and went with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rose down to spend the weekend with their son, Dale Rose. He is going to the Diesel School in Nashville, Tenn. They had a nice trip. It was Dales birthday on Mon. Nov. 11th.

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M. Opal Fore, 1412 - 41st St., Des Moines, Iowa 50311

Since I have attended two Shambaugh Reunions I enjoy the N-L so much. For so long you have made it so interesting and I was so glad to have identified all the people who are in the picture.

Dr. G.I.G. Shambaugh said we could compare notes but I could not identify only a few people. I am glad to have met again LeRoy and Madeline and hope I can attend the next Reunion at Milleburg, Pa. I am so glad to have his History of the Shambach Family which is so interesting.

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Gloy and June Shambaugh, Box 273, Paola, Kansas 66071

We are one of the families you hadn't heard from. For a year we have intended to write, just didn't get it done. we felt we had news to share with the family.

On Sept. 2, 1967 our oldest son Larry was married to Mary Ellen Haogewind of Huntsville, Alabama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Haogewind. Mary Ellen is a registered nurse. She spent her childhood in Grand Rapids, Mich. where several of her parents family make their home yet.

Larry and Mary live in Lawrence, Kansas where he is a lineman for Kansas Power and Light Co. and she is on duty at Lawrence Memorial Hospital. They met in Hawaii while Larry was in the Navy.

The second week in Sept. this year, we went with Larry and Mary to Huntsville. We had a marvelous visit with Mary's parents and saw country that was new to us.

Our daughter, Janet lives at Lawrence too, where she will finish her studies at Kansas University in January. She will be an art teacher.

Our son Gene received his discharge from the Navy in August this year after 4 years and 1 month active duty and 2 years inactive. He has completed 1 year of college at David Lipscomb College at Nashville, Tenn. We are looking forward to his coming home soon as we haven't seen him for 11 months.

Our youngest, Roger is in the 8th grade here at Paola.

We have talked about coming back to the reunion for the past two years but Cloy's vacation didn't come at the right time. We would like very much to attend and will keep trying.

Mrs. Ben F. Shambaugh, Cloy's Mother, has been in the hospital 8 weeks today Nov. 15th as a result of a heart attack. We are hoping she can be at home before long.

Cloy's sister, Mrs. Virginia Hopkins of Long Beach, Calif., is with her parents, for a visit. Cloy's Dads health is staying real good.

We thoroughly enjoy reading the News Letter and after reading them we file them for future reference. We are looking forward to future issues.

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The wedding of Howard A. Leightey Jr. and Sandra Kay Shearer took place Dec. 7, 1968 in the United Methodist Church in Upper Sandusky with Rev. S. G. Sheriff officiating. Howard Jr. is the son of Howard St. and Dorothy Leightey.

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Sue Ellen Trachsel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kail Trachsel of near Nevada, Ohio, (a few miles East of Upper Sandusky) and Don Allen Kail of Oceola, (also near Upper Sandusky) were married October 26, 1968 in the Nevada Lutheran Church with Rev. K.R. Roberts Officiating.

Matron of Honor was a sister, Mrs. Robbe Williams of Marion. Bridesmaids were Marianne Green and Pam Trachsel, a sister.

Following a reception in the church basement, they left on a wedding trip, and will reside at Lot 5, City Acres Trailer Park, Bucyrus, Ohio.

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Vernon Shambaugh, 361 N. Spring, Wilmington, Ohio 45177

We would love to go to the reunion next year, but it seems that we don't get on many trips since our son, Bill lives in Akron. If we have an extra day or so off from Vernon's work, we go to see them. Bill is doing Social work in Akron, and goes to Akron University two nights a week working toward his Master's Degree. The children are growing so fast. Tony is now nine and Colleen is seven. They spend a month with us every summer.

Vernon won a nice trip, through his work, for us to spend a week at Nassau Beach Hotel, Bahama Islands. That was in December of 1966.

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Dr. and Mrs. George Shambaugh, 1574 Sunset Lane, Wooster, Ohio 44691

This year has indeed gone very rapidly. We thought that we would send a family letter this year-it is new for us. We hope that you will find it interesting.

Amy has earned many badges during a busy year in Girl Scouts and has returned to studying violin. Both Amy and Laura are in the Junior Choir at First Presbyterian Church. Laura now studies piano, baton, and jazz dancing. Laura is in Brownines. Tim has progressed to a Webelos den. Tim was on a little league baseball team, but he has not lost any zeal for fishing and nature hiking. He also studies the piano.

Ruth has had a busy year in scouting by being a leader at Camp Walhonding and committee member for the troop at Apple Creek State Hospital. She is a member of the Handbell Choir and service circle at church. Being a sixth grade room mother, substitute school librarian and doing some graduate studies at the College of Wooster adds a little spice to the dull routine of household duties.

George and Ruth are members of the Chancel Choir. George is a member of the Mission and Outreach Committee and is on the Session of the church. He would be happy to interest you in his work with the boys' club at the Apple Creek State Hospital. He taught an electrophysiology course at Ohio State University in Columbus during the spring quarter in addition to research at O.A.R.D.C.

Aside from a week-long vacation to visit friends and relatives in upstate New York and Niagra Falls, the highlight of the year was George's trip to Moscow, Russia to give a paper at the International Congress Of Entomology. He was fortunate to be able to visit some labs in Germany and France also.

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Mrs. M. Floy Shambaugh, 1250 N. State College Blvd., Anaheim, Calif. 92806

I do not go much as I depend on my daughter as I do not drive my car. She and her husband are very busy as they both drive catering trucks and their children are all in school. My son and his wife are very busy also Arnold has a regular job with the Presto Whip Co. and a full line of vending machines of his own.

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Mr. Donald and Betty Schmuck, R.1. Wharton, Ohio 43359

I'll prod Don into going to Penn. for our reunion. Who knows, he might fool us and go. (ED. Let's keep our fingers crossed, Betty!)

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\$\$\$\$ 4 N-L Betty and Homer Shambaugh 2.-, Mrs. Cloy E. Shambaugh 3.-, Larry Shambaugh 2.-, Mrs. Don Finger 1.-, Merle Shambaugh 1.-, Mrs. Marguirete Ross 2.-, John J. Shambaugh 2.-, Robert L. Shambaugh 1.-, Alice Bosson 1.-, Geo. & Josephine Hiatt 1.-, Lorraine & Hubert Shambaugh 1.-, Frank and Ethel Seeley 2.-, Mary Kohler 2.-, Herman & Helene Shambaugh 2.-, Bertha Frank 2.-,
\$\$\$\$ 4 S-I Gertrude Shambaugh 2.-, Mrs. Robert D. Snider 1.-,

Your editor and wife says Thanks so much for your Christmas cards and letters. We wish each N-L reader a Very Merry Christmas and the Best for the New Year 1969.