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March 2, 1969 - We had a very pleasant trip west, we went by way of San Antonio, Texas, where we visited with friends of ours, then on to Phoenix, Ariz. where we spent a few weeks and while in that fair city, we again visited friends and also met some of the Shambach clan.

After leaving Phoenix, we headed for Los Angeles, Calif., going by way of Palm Springs and Indio where we spent a few days, the waather there was beautiful and lots of sunshine. We arrived in Los Angeles, Jan. 18, and that is the day the rains started that caused so much damage and many deaths.

We spent a week there, we stayed in Buena Park, in a motel close to Knotts Berry Farm. It sure rained but we were fortunate enough to have a few nice days and were able to go to Disney Land which we enjoyed very much, also done some other sight seeing. While there we visited with friends of ours, who live in Gardena. They took us sightseeing and pretty will toured the city. I also made it a point to visit wome of the Shambaughs in that area and sure found the most lovely and interesting folks to be found anywhere.

We left the Capri Motel in Buena Park, Sunday Jan. 26, and had quite a difficult time getting out of los Angeles due to the heavy rains and floods, Many of the Canyons were washed out, as were roads and freeways. We had planned of going out on the Riverside Freeway but it was washed out as we found many others to be as we continued to find a way to San Bernardino and route 15, which would then take us East to our planned destination. Finally after criss-crossing and many inquires, we reached San Bernardino and we were on our way again.

We were at the Grand Canyon a few days and then on to Albuquerque, N.M., where we spent a week visiting friends there.

We arrived back in Pa. in Feb. and now have memories of one of our most enjoyable trips ever.

I'm sorry to say that my Mother, passed from this world into Eternity on Dec. 20, 1968. (Virgie M., Mrs. Horace B. Shambach)

We buried her on Dec. 24, in the Salem Cemetery, where so many of the Shambachs have been buried for well over a century now.

It saddened our Christmas, but I suppose this was to be expected, as she would have been eighty years old on her next birthday, Feb. 3, and she had been in failing health for a number of years.

My father passed away this March 10 these years ago, so both of my parents are gone now. It will never be quite the same, but I suppose we must always pick up the loose ends and again go on from there.

Although it is snowing today here in Pa., spring is in the air and we occasionally do see a robin, and soon we will be seeing the wild geese on their northward flight, which will again remind us that another season for seeding and planting has arrived.

Hope you folks in Ohio have made the winter in fine shape. Madeline and I are feeling fine, except the normal aches and pains that we like to complain and quibble about. (Don't tell anybody but I think it's old age creeping on!)

What we are really looking forward to now, more than anything else, is the NATIONAL SHAMBAUGH REUNION to be held here in Pa., and to think that it is now only a few months away, at which time we will have the opportunity to again get together for visiting, talking and all sorts of enjoyment.

May 11, 1969 - We are all quite busy. Madeline's Mother is in the hospital for about two months now. She will not be able to go back to her home again and will have to be put in a rest home, for at least some time.

We are having a Public sale of my Mother's things on May 31 and are getting ready for that sale. I am the Administrator.

On July 4 and July 5 Madeline and I are having a Public sale at our house in Beavertown where her Mother lived. We are selling many of the antiques etc. of old furniture and old coins and large size paper money, which we collected over a period of years, so we are having a two day sale.

Yes, we are really looking forward now to National Shambaugh Reunion time as it is not too far away now. Then we can again meet our Shambaugh friends from many places. Rene!

I will need plenty of time to make reservations for those who will be here for at least one night or more, as Labor Day weekend is always a busy time for tourists, and I will need some time in advance.

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On the morning of April 12, Robert and Ann Harris (Leightey) and children Billy and Leslie of near Upper Sandusky, Ohio took your editor and wife along on a trip to Florida. First two nights was spent at the home of Mary Alice (Shambaugh) Dantzler and sister Ruth Nave and family of 1407, McFarland Ave., Rossville, Ga. During our enjoyable stay the nearby families; Harry (Bud) and Ruth Nave and family, Stanley and Susie (Shambaugh) Howard and family, Franklin and Edith Shambaugh, Mac and Polly

Shambaugh, Bryan and Margaret Dantzer, Jack and Emily (Dantzer) Briscoe and family of near Atlanta, Ga., and Cleo (Shambaugh) Gerwin from the Smokeys, came into visit with us and to help celebrate Cleo's birthday which was April 13th. We really enjoyed a grand visit with our Georgia cousins.

Then Monday morning we started South again, stopping overnight at the Cherokee Motel in Waycross, Ga. The next morning we went through part of the Okefenokee Swamp, on the board walks, also taking a boat ride through the channels, then on into Florida stopping at the Fort Clinch State Park. Then on a Ferry boat across the St. Johns River and into St Augustine to spend the night. Wed. morning we took a tour through St. Augustine's Old Jail, quite a place to see, then to the beach where the Harris' enjoyed their first swim in the Ocean while your editor and wife stayed high and dry. Afterwards, Marineland, a long drive on Daytona Beach, then to a motel in Sanford, Fla. Thurs. morning we stopped in Orlando for a short but very nice visit with Mitzie (Gerwin) and husband Carl Hendrix. Mitzie is Cleo Gerwin's daughter-in-law. Next stop was Cypress Gardens then on to the Gulf coast where we stopped for the night at Bradenton Beach. That evening we drove to Bradenton where we located Mrs. Harry (Flossie Shambaugh) Smith and Mrs. Forrest (Elsie) Shambaugh at their Fair Lane Acres Mobile home and had a nice visit with them. Friday morning we start North, on the way enjoying a nice phone visit with Mrs. Edward (Mildred Shambaugh) Flewelling. (They all hope to be at the Reunion.) Saturday morning we stopped at Stone Mountain Memorial Park outside Atlanta, Ga. while there we took a train ride around the mountain, surviving an Indian attack on the train in very cool weather. Then on to Nashville, Tenn. for a couple of nights with a cousin, Mrs. Naomi Osborne, also visiting her daughter Judy and family, and Naomi's friend Mrs. Wilson. On Monday morning we headed home again, arriving in early evening April 21st, 3000 miles and 7 out of 10 rainy days later. Not much time but a lot of enjoyment packed into it.

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Memos from SI to the Shambaugh Families News-Letter - GIGS Phone- 515-277-8874

There is a good omen revealing itself among the members of Shambaughs International. Long have we encouraged the members to work together on your local problems. Now we find that seven or eight members plan to make a trip to the Orient, including Tokyo, Taipei, Singapore, Bangkok, and Hong Kong. 'Tis good when Shambaughs also play together. There is room for 1, 2, or 3 more people on this flight. If interested, phone tonight and we will talk. Leaving June 29, and returning July 19.

We have taken ourselves out of active lodge work again for a year. FLSS recently did a complete installation service of the White Shrine officers, without the use of notes or aids. Another first in the history of the state.

Phoned Harold S. and Evelyn Shambaugh, (new address) 10300 Inwood Ave., Silver Springs, Md., 20902, in regard to restorative work in the Shambaugh cemetery at Winchester Va. Shambaughs International would like to contribute something toward this type work in areas where no organized plan provides for the graves of our ancestors. We welcome Evelyn as the newest member of the Shambaugh Flying Club.

Phoned Raymond D. and Dolly A. Rose of Cadiz, Ohio regarding the recutting of information on a tombstone in the Methodist cemetery in New Rumley, Ohio. They plan to secure estimates regarding the expense of relettering the stone. If accepted they hope to bring "rubbings" of before and after to the reunion in Middleburg this fall.

May we encourage you to visit also the older graves this summer and report to us need for repairs and restoration of Shambaugh memorial stones and markers.

May we say "thank" to you loyal sustaining members, that have continued to pay your yearly dues. A great man once said, "never have so many owed so much to so few".

Gorda married May 10, 1969 to Donald James Carey Jr. and will live in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Ed. note - Congratulations Gorda and Donald. Take special care of that girl now!

Since the birth of Susan last August, the Richard Shambaugh's of 1601 19th Place St., West Des Moines, Iowa 50265, have enjoyed visits from both Dick's parents Helen and Amos Shambaugh of Urbana, Ohio and Dick's sister Janet Anderson and her two sons Jim and Glenn of Urbana, Ohio. Amos retired last year and is now busy with home remodeling and his yearly garden. He takes great pride in his strawberries.

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Mrs. Margaret B. May, R. #1, Lafayette, Ind. 47906

Genealogy should be important to people. It represents history that has more meaning than any history we read in the newspaper or history book. Genealogy was a very important part of the lives of Bible history, and they remembered and quoted their family trees. When we hear a remonstrance, "I'm afraid I do not know any news that they will be interested in. They don't know me. I don't know them." I wonder if they really know human nature? Maybe there are some few uninterested Shambaughs, but I doubt it. Back deep in their mind will be a thought, where they came from, what country, who their blood relatives looked like and how they ever came in to existence. There is an expression, "we might not want to know." If circumstance did develop the undesirable; several well known Bible characters of the same feature, were mentioned and quoted time after time.

What if we were orphans? Did not know who we were? Remembered no father or mother, brother or sister, not to mention, cousins of first, second, third, fourth and

even to the eighth generation? A message was given to me, which had been handed down to her from her minister father who knew; "The Shambauchs are from Blue Blood." This man was proud to know he was a Shambauch. He was interested in his kith and kin, even down to the eighth generation. He wanted to know all he could learn, about their lives. This should be an example for all of us. Learn to know our blood relation. They are closer to us than the closest neighbor and there is a bond that is deeper than our lifetime partner. The place where we were born and our blood relatives are the closest to life and death that we can think of. Every time a child is born, we are thrilled. Every time a blood relative dies, it takes a little something from us, that can never be replaced, even though we have only known this person by name and not by association. Every time we see strangers living in the HOME PLACE, we feel sad and lonely. Childhood memories rush forward and a lifetime of living creates a passion to hold on to some thing real that really belongs to them. What is there left to own, but blood relation?

A movement has been developed, in the Shambauch blood relations, that has flourished under tender unselfish hands. The spark that united this frame grew to the extent, we call it is a National Shambauch movement. It took sacrifice from such a few dear souls, but the rest of us have benefitted the most. Now is the time for the rest of our Shambauch blood relation to step forward and help remote and create. Much has already been done. More can be done. Work never stands still, whether it is development for church, school or genealogy. More people, as a whole, are interested in their genealogy today, than ever before. Genealogy brings family ties closer together and families today should be brought closer together. Our ancestors, with slower transportation and poor accommodations, large families, all work done by slow labor -- never neglected to keep the news flying from state to state among their blood relations.

Our editor of our Shambauch News-Letter is doing more than his share of trying to keep the news flying among our Shambauchs. Lets get behind his efforts and really make him proud he is a Shambauch. News doesn't have to be out standing. Just let him know you are thinking of him. Meanwhile, remember there are hundreds of other Shambauchs wanting to know the news about you and your family. Don't think of yourselves as strangers. You can't be for long, if you will only make yourself known. Every state in the union could be represented. There may come a time, when we will not have this freedom of mail delivery and then we will wish we had taken advantage of our freedoms.

Let us build the camp fire brighter and invite every one to come up nearer and really enjoy the privilege of being a Shambauch Blood Relative.

George H. Holder, son of George and Carolyn (Switzer) Holder has returned to Bangkok, Thailand after a brief visit in the United States. George is manager of Blanco Products Co., a division of Eli Lilly. George is enjoying his work and expects to be there about two years.

Mrs. and Mrs. Sam Baker, Plymouth, Ind., visited an hour with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth O. May 5-2-69; as well as several other places in this community. They were on their way to Purdue University, where they planned to stay for a few days to attend Purdue Alumni. Mrs. Baker was the former Edna S. Switzer, daughter of Rev. William Switzer.

Was especially glad to know they have Huguenot Societies and etc. Do you suppose I could find out more about the Huguenot History if I wrote to them in Ariz? Or would they have time to answer? I am especially interested because on my father's side as well as on my mother's. It seems there might be a bit of Shambauch Huguenot also. (Note - Write to: Rev. Kline d'A. Angle, 4307 N. 7th St., Apt. 13, Phoenix, Arizona 85014)

We had a mild winter. Feb. 18, our daughter, Dorothea Hunt writes that spring begins in Ireland first day of February. Spring flowers are beginning to bloom and the weather is balmy and pleasant. If it snows, it comes down fast and furious in very large flakes but leaves very quickly. The children go out and play in the snow for fear it will leave before they can get out. And it usually does. Don's work is taking him to Germany in March and since his mother will be there then the family may go and do a little sight seeing for a couple weeks, especially since schools are closing because of the teachers on strike. Dorothea is thinking of home, for she brought some fine Irish China - made in Ireland - has Irish motif of dainty shamrocks. Set consisting of dessert cups and saucers, dessert plates, tea server, coffee server, cake plates, sugar and creamer. Now she is wondering if she can get them safely home?

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John S. Auker, 5911 Clinton, Cleveland, Ohio 44100

My family is the only Aukers related to the Shambach that I know of. The Aukers are like the rest of the Dutch farmers, they all settle together.

The Shambach's know the Aukers through out the USA. Bill Auker of Zanesville, Ohio, who is the head of the Mason Lodge there and a Bag piper, stands 6' 6" tall, says he knows the Shambauch name well. Albert and Harvey Auker were not related to the Shambach, but they lived among a lot of them. They died Jan. 31, 1969, and were buried Feb. 4th, Albert at Arbogost Church and Harvey at the Menonite in Richfield, Pa.

Casper Acker came over from North Germany in 1766 in Bondage, a Black Smith, with his wife Evea and four sons; Peter, Henry, Jacob, and Casper Jr. We think he jumped Bondage and changed the name to Auker. His will is in Lancaster Co., Pa.

Peter settled in Rockingham Co. and took the spelling of Acker but he bought land under Ocker and Auker. Henry took the spelling of Ocker and settled near Shippingburg, Pa. Jacob and Casper Jr. spelled it Auker and settled in Juniata Co., Pa. I am a descendant of Jacob Auker.

It is rumored that Jacob Jr.'s wife died about 1812 and left him with about fourteen children back in Pa. He loaded them up in a big wagon and went West. On the way he gave the children away to other people. We have Auker's all through the north west. He is buried at Liberty Mills, Ind.

Shiloh Shambach's mother and father took the family to North Dakota about 1908 and they stayed till about 1928 then came back to Pa. Shiloh was married and farming and he stayed there. Bernice Ness of Ruggles or Rugby? And Norma and husband Harry Rose of Rolla, N. D.

Shiloh Shambach was a son of Willis Shambach. He died May 12, 1960, Brinsmade, N. D. Floyd of Cando, Mary Dryden of Linton, Grace of Brinsmade, Esther of Leads, and Gordon of Brinsmade. Willis was a cousin to my grand father John Shambach.

The Auker's are of Menonite Faith. Emanuel changed his spelling to Auker, the youngest son of Jacob.

NOTE: In LeRoy F. Shambach's Genealogy of the Shambach Families, John S. Auker family is listed on page #222, and Shiloh E. Shambach family on page #155.

A couple of old letters were sent to your editor to read by Mrs. Lileth wahn of R.1, Avilla, Ind. 46710

One letter, dated Jan. 28, 1880, Ferrysville, Ohio by Jacob Shambaugh to his brother Isaac, but not saying where Isaac lives. The other letter written Nov. 25, 1866 by Elamanda Celestine Shambaugh to Nancy Ellen Yahn

On page 53 of Leroy Shambach's History is listed Allmanda Celesta Shambaugh married Albert Weaver, also Jacob, page 52 and Isaac, page 53.

Note - Maybe some of our readers might recall some of these names, if so, drop us a line about it, to Lileth or your editor.

Lileth's grandmother was Ursula M. Shambach, who married James weaver. (See N-L 101, page 2)

Mrs. Esther Reiley of 6130 Sligo Mill Rd.,

writes that the picture of her father, Alvin Francis Shambaugh is in LeRoy's book on page 76. Esther and her late husband, C. Russell Reiley are listed on page 75.

We have given several previous references in our N-L's where the names mentioned were listed in LeRoy F. Shambach's Genealogical History of the Shambach Families, with 245 pages of family listings, plus an index of 35 pages for easy findings. This is a fine piece of work, taking much time and research and letter writing for information on the Shambach Families of Pa. and other locations.

Your editor has used it quite often for family ties in the letters you mail in. It would be worth your while to have one of these Histories of your own for interesting reading about the Shambach's or Shambaugh's and to know your ancestors.

To obtain this History, write to LeRoy F. Shambach, R. #2, Middleburg, Pa. 17842. The book, hard bound, is \$7.00 plus 6% tax in Pa. For mail orders, add 50¢ extra for postage and insurance. (See folks, you can save 50¢ just by coming to the Reunion and picking up a copy in person!!)

P.S. - WHY??? can't the rest of us get the Shambaugh material gathered by Lois Castleberry, Cleo Gervin, Harry Gleim and others, compiled into a National Shambaugh Families History. Then along with the books of LeRoy Shambach and Thomas Thompson, we would have a pretty complete lineup of our Shambaugh ancestors and recent family ties. This would be some repetition of course and would take a LOT of cooperation of all Shambaugh's, but aren't the Shambaughs worth the effort?

Homer and Betty Shambaugh, 1338 Green Lane, La Canada, Calif. 91011

Homer enclosed a clipping from their paper with pictures of several Royal Masons which included Dale E. Shambaugh of Upper Sandusky, O., receiving the gavel to become Grand Master of the Masons.

He adds these words - A great honor through hard work, and a nice looking chap too.

Note - Dale's wife Gladys is in General Hospital, Marion, Ohio 43302. She has been a patient since May 13th.

Edward and Pearl Shambaugh, 210 1/2 E. Summit St., Greenville, Mich. 48538

Edward has been in the hospital. He was 102 on April 12. Read in N-L what his daughter Flossie of Fla. had wrote. He sure asks for her a lot.

Mrs. Lillie B. Adkins, 7201 Tippecanoe Ave., San Bernardino, Calif. 92404

I wish to report the death of my brother, Alfred Elmer Brunk, March 1, 1969. He lived at Oneida, New York, R. #1. He was the son of Henry and Ella Hughes Brunk. Grandson of Peter and Margaret Shambaugh Brunk. Great-grandson of Philip and Elizabeth Ramsey Shambaugh. Born near Norcatur, Kansas Dec. 3, 1907. Member of Charles Miller American Legion, Conastota, New York. Also Wampsville, N.Y. fire Dept.

He served in World War II in the Air Force. Saw duty in England, France, Germany. Dec. 6, 1942, while stationed near Boston, Mass., he married Doris Bryant. They did not have any children. He leaves his widow Doris, two sisters, Lillie Adkins, San Bernardino, Calif., Ruth Anthony, Norcatur, Kansas, and four nephews.

Jack and Emily (Dantzler) Briscoe have changed their address from Ft. Worth, Texas to Box 49, R. 4, Winston, Ga. 30187 where they have a 30 acre farm, which keeps Jack busy between farming and other business.

A son, Eric Robert, born Feb. 19th to Mr. and Mrs. William Murry of Toledo, Ohio. Mrs. Leefee Shambaugh of near Upper Sandusky, O., is great grandmother again.

Mildred and Edward Flewelling, 32 N. Filmore, Beverly Hills, Lecanto, Fla. 32661 Feb. 19th - Greetings to you and yours from Florida. I can say sunny, but not warm. Not as one would expect Florida to be. To much of our cold weather has filtered down to us. It was only 35 degrees this A.M. We are finally settled here and love it.

I think I wrote to you before that this is a lovely part of Florida, but let me brag about it again, just in case I didn't. It is high and dry rolling country, dotted with mostly grazing fields and pines and oaks. It has more than 150 horse farms, as well as cattle grazing ranches. As we understand it, the cattle are shipped in here for feeding.

In looking on you map, Lecanto is about 12 miles northeast of Homasassa Springs, on Route 19, along the Gulf. We are located on 491 about 4 miles north of Lecanto and our mail comes to Lecanto. The settlement is about 7 years old.

We are planning our trip north this summer in time to take in both reunions, the one in Kendallville, that Lileth wahn wrote about in her letter to you, and the one in Middleburg, Pa.

Robert F. and Virginia Shambaugh, 566 Castle Kirk Dr., Baton Rouge, La. 70808 Our family data is - Robert F. Shambau h, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe G. Shambaugh of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Wife Virginia R. is a senior in music (violin) at L.S.U. Three daughters, Linda, senior in nursing at UCLA, Karen, sophomore in Architecture at LSU, and Julie, junior high school, Baton Rouge.

Howard and Dorothy Leightey of Upper Sandusky, Ohio recently called on Anna Cogsil of Scio and found her feeling fine now after being hospitalized some time ago.

\$\$\$ 4 N-L Joseph and Clara Lawrence 1.--, Robert and Virginia Shambaugh 1.--, Mrs. Lillie E. Adkins 1.--, Mrs. Ruth Anthony 1.--, James and Donna Grafmiller 1.--, Harold and Betty weisenaur 1.--, Margaret and Kenneth May 1.--, Cloy and Bernice Shambaugh 2.--, Blance Mahon Cousins 1.--, Bertha Knoerr 1.--, Richard B. and Elizabeth Ann Shambaugh 2.--,

NOTE - Your Shambaugh National Reunion is coming up August 31, at Middleburg, Pa. the Sunday before Labor Day. Many Shambaugh's are Flanning 2 B there. will B looking 4 ALL of U Pa. Shambaughs 2 B there 2 meet the rest of us, and we want 2 8 U 2.

This will B our Silver Anniversary of the Shambaugh National Reunion, so lets make this a BIG 25th. ANNIVERSARY REUNION with a BIG attendance.

Talk it up 2 other Shambaugh's that may not B getting the News - Letter, urging them 2 come too. We're looking forward to a grand time at this reunion too, in Pa. so come and help make LeRoy and Madeline, President and President's Aid, proud to B hosts 2 the Shambaugh Families this Silver Anniversary year by your attendance and fellowship with each other at this reunion. I know you'll love it.

Start packing NOW, so U won't B late

There will B a Shambaugh and other related Families reunion in Kendallville, Ind. on Aug 24th., also one in Arlington, Iowa the last Sunday in July. Those of U who can, would B welcome to attend these reunions too.

Keep your news items coming, about your weddings, births, obituary clippings, trips and other events among your Shambaugh Families

C U in Middleburg, Pa. Aug. 31st, come the day before if possible, and meet the early birds. Information on routes, location, motels, etc. given in nest issue, around Aug., first week, so get your items in for the next N - L.

Lets have a list of our boys and girls in Service for our next issue, so send in their names and addresses.