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BY AND FOR

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THE PASSING OF AN OLD PIONEER.... Isaiah Jacob Showalter, born Jan. 1, 1847 at Greencastle, Indiana, son of Nimrod and Sarah Ann (Shambaugh) Showalter, passed away, February 3, 1940 at his home at Stuttgart, Ark. aged 93 years 1 mo and 3 da His early education was received at Greencastle and at the age of 20 years he came to Ringgold County, Iowa to teach school. In 1869 he was married to Martha Agnes Miller and to his union six children were born five of whom survived his death. In 1904 he moved to Stuttgart where Mrs Miller passed away in 1915. Two years later he married Mary Starnes who also preceded him in death. Surviving him are two sons, H F Showalter of Glendale, Calif and Ernest W. Showalter of Brush, Colo; three daughters, Mrs Ernest Ewing of El Reno, Okla., Mrs W P Marshall of Des Arc, Ark and Mrs F M Glenn of Stuttgart, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren. One son, Lester Erle died in 1902 at Grant City, Mo. He was almost a life long member of the Advent Christian Church.

A PROMINENT EDUCATOR PASSES..... April 7, 1940 marked the passing of Prof. Benj. F. Shambaugh of Iowa City, Iowa head of the Political Science Department and leading Iowa historian. He was in his 69th year, being born at Elvira, Iowa January 29, 1871, the son of John and Eva (Reesler) Shambaugh. He was graduated from the University of Iowa in 1892, obtaining from the institution the degrees of Bachelor of Philosophy and Master of Arts, later, at the University of Pennsylvania he received a degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Study abroad took him to the University of Halle, Leipzig and Berlin. Beginning his life work in the capacity of instructor in government in a back room of the old Iowa State House in Iowa City, Professor Shambaugh developed the present large department from an institution of one instructor, sixty-nine students and three courses. The department of political science at Iowa State University through his efforts has become recognized as one of the leaders of its kind in the United States. He served as research worker, curator and superintendent and editor of the State Historical Society of Iowa. In the American History Association and the American Political Science Association he held many official posts. Writers generally credit him with either having written or having edited a major share of Iowa's historical literature. Working with Mrs Shambaugh, the former Bertha Morack, a fellow zealot in historical research the political scientist has collected a mass of Iowa pioneer data that otherwise might have been lost. The following passages from some of his writings and speeches give an insight into his general philosophy. Of universities he wanted, " Fewer big stadiums and more little theatres; fewer military armories and more free forums; fewer field houses and more art galleries." Of teachers he wanted, " more than teachers of encyclopaedic data... teachers with imagination who really enlighten students; provoke, stimulate and inspire rather than stuff, tire and bore them." While warning of the danger of dictatorship, he believed America would avoid it and said, " A strengthened democracy based on an equality of cultural opportunity will emerge from the trials and conflicts we are now undergoing." He is survived only by his widow.

NEXT MONTH..... We begin a narrative of the Shambaugh family, using known facts and information. We will, undoubtedly, receive some objections from certain deductions made. We want these objections, if they can be sustained. If we go into our research with an objective viewpoint we will come out with much uncertain material verified and relationships clarified

THIS MONTH WE INTRODUCE.....

Grapes, Leon A., son of Thomas B and Mettie Bell (Shambaugh) Grapes. He was born March 23, 1900 at Arlington, Iowa and received his education through high school at that place. He entered the University of Iowa where he graduated from the college of law in 1917. He was assistant county attorney in Scott County, Iowa from 1926 to 1933 when he became county attorney which post he held until January 1939. He is now engaged in the private practice of law in Davenport, Ia. He is unmarried, attends the Christian Church and is a Republican in politics. Genealogy-Mattie B- Charles D-Jacob-Daniel-George.

Sister in Orlando, Fla. I called her in the December 1966!

Kirkland, Alice Ulla, daughter of Thomas Newton and Louisa (Carpenter) Shambaugh was born January 31, 1893. Her early education was received at Arlington, Osage, Iowa, Lenox Kansas and then at Kansas City where she graduated from the Manual Training High School in 1911. She later received further training at a business college. She was married June 25, 1914 to Champ Creason Kirkland whose business is connected with the Bissell Builders Supply Company who deal in building specialties. He was born Jan. 20, 1893 at Rowena, Missouri. They have one son, Thomas Emmett Kirkland who graduated from the high school at Miami, Fla in 1934, received a B S degree from Stetson University at Deland, Florida in 1939 and will this year receive his law degree. Mrs Kirkland is a member of the Christian Church. Genealogy-Thomas N.-Charles D-Jacob-Daniel-George.

Journal in Orlando, Fla

ASPIRANTS FOR D A R AND S A R membership should contact Mrs Eula Fisher Arnold at 665 Whitney Ave., New Haven, Conn- if you are a descendent of Daniel Shambaugh, for she has entered the D A R as a descendent of this Revolutionary soldier.

Lived in Erie, Pa, Florida, but I didn't know it when I wanted to go there - not until after her death.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION and REQUEST..... This is the last issue that will be sent broadcast to the mailing list with which we began our project. Those of you who have indicated yourself as interested can help the matter a great deal if you will send us the names and addresses of members of your families or class that might like also to work with us, if we contacted them. Already we have uncovered some most interesting information and we can get a great deal more if you will help us to contact the right people/

HERE IS A SAMPLE OF INTERESTING NOTES AND QUESTIONS.... Writes Mrs Madge Shambaugh Mundis, " I remember years ago when we lived in York, Nebr, a road show came through there and a young man was with the company and his name was Shambaugh. He had written some songs and I bet a couple and it seems to me that they were published in Fort Dodge, Iowa. I know it was some place in Iowa. I can't remember his initials. "- Of course many of us immediately recognize Harry Shambaugh who wrote the song " The Rose Is the Flower for Me" and others. We hope to have a letter from him some of these days. Through this interchange many interesting things can, and will come to light. This is only a sample.

NEW CO OPERATORS..... This month we list, Mrs A C Stapel, Owlwein, Iowa- H L Shambaugh, Oakley, Ill- Mrs Harry Gervin, Knoxville, Tenn- Mrs Nettie Walker Lemcill, Ill- Harley B. Shambaugh, Republic, Ohio- Mrs Terese Boyd, Coshocton Ohio- Mrs J R Fisher, Mt Ayr, Iowa - Rev W I Shambaugh, Milton, Penn.

OF COURSE..... You are all keeping in mind our first National Shambaugh Reunion that is to be held at Lancaster, Ohio on September 1, 1940. Between now and that time we will develop the plans for that and other Reunions, and if there seems to be enough interest and a need for such a thing- we will also organize our own Shambaugh Family Society. It is so easy for you to lay aside one of our letters and plan to write tomorrow- WRITE US A LETTER TODAY!