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MORE INTRODUCTIONS.

Abbott, Edith Hornacker - daughter of George Hornecker and Eliza Jane (Shambaugh) Hornacker was born Feb. 13, 1896 at Lander, Wyoming. She received her early education in the Lander grade schools, graduating from the high school in that city, after which she took some advanced work in the University of Wyoming. She was married April 18, 1917 to L. Virgil Abbott, a son of Alfred Maurice Abbott and Flora Ann (Strey) Abbott. Mr. Abbott was born March 3, 1899. Mrs. Abbott has spent some time in Market Research Surveys. She is a Methodist, a Republican and a member of the Business and Professional Women, the American Legion Auxiliary and the Eastern Star. The Abbotts have two children, George Maurice, born Dec. 13, 1919 and Walden Dale born July 12, 1937.

Genealogy: Eliza Jane, Philip W., Isaac...

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Grapes, Mattie Bell (Shambaugh) - daughter of Charles D. and Elizabeth (Guyer) Shambaugh was born October 30, 1865 in what was then known as Brush Creek now Arlington, Iowa. She was married May 1, 1894 to Thomas B. Grapes, born August 26, 1860 and now deceased, son of Samuel and Hannah Grapes. Mrs. Grapes is the mother of Nona Viola Grapes born Oct. 23, 1895, now living at Selma, Alabama; Madge Bell, Mrs. Carl H. Hanson, who was born Oct. 23, 1896, now living at Compton, California; Jason A. Grapes, born March 23, 1900, an attorney at Davenport, Iowa; and Harold, who was born Sept. 6, 1908 and died May 11, 1936. She is an active member of the Church of Christ at Arlington, where she has her home and spends about half of her time. Genealogy: Charles D., Jacob, Daniel, George.

Grapes, Nona Viola - daughter of Mattie Bell (Shambaugh) and T B Grapes, received her early education in the Arlington Public Schools and graduated from high school in that city. She is, further, a graduate of the Lindlake college of Natural Therapeutics in Chicago, of the Philadelphia college of Neuropathy and of the Southern College of Neuropathy. She is a member of the Church of Christ and of the Pilot International Club. Her home is in Selma, Alabama where she is steadily engaged in her profession.

HOW ABOUT ORGANIZING A NATIONAL SHAMBAUGH SOCIETY? What for? Well, it has occurred to some of us that we ought to have an organization for the purpose of discovering, preserving and distributing Shambaugh family information. We have already introduced two means for doing this - the Family News-Letter and the National Shambaugh Reunion. However, both of these are backed by relatively few people with no real authority for doing either of them. We know that there are a great many people in this country who bear the name Shambaugh, or who are descendants from persons who bore the name Shambaugh. We could, at the First National Reunion that is to be held at Lamartine, Ohio on September 1, 1940, formally adopt a brief constitution setting forth our reasons for organization and the things that we want to do. We could elect officers and give them power to do things for the good of all of us in this research project. Please voice your approval, or disapproval of this idea so that we can present something definite in the July issue.

AS WE MOVE TOWARD OUR NATIONAL SHAMBAUGH REUNION which is to be held at Lamartine Ohio on September 1, 1940 we feel that we should have more and more of the family interested in our News-Letter project. Now, we are handicapped as to methods of reaching many of our folks. You who have agreed to co-operate in this project can help greatly if you will send us a list of those of your closest kin who might like

to hear from us about the News-Letter and the Reunion. Why not take a few minutes time to tell us what you think about the Family Society idea and in the same letter send us the names of those of your near kinfolk whom you think might like to receive the News-Letter. Thank you.

CONTINUING OUR ATTEMPT TO UNRAVEL SHAMBAUGH RELATIONSHIPS..... Two common traits run through almost all of the Shambaughs of whom we have knowledge, they are large landowners and they were pioneers- new frontiers seemed to have an irresistible lure for them. Several land agents were busy in the early days opening up new frontiers, and one of these was Jost Hite who was instrumental in directing the hardy Pennsylvania farmers to new lands in the practically unknown Shenandoah Valley to the south. It is quite evident that four members of the Shambaugh family, and we think, five of them joined one of these expeditions for we find that Daniel Shambaugh acquired land by deed in Frederick County, Virginia in 1793, about twelve miles south of Winchester. Philip also acquired land in this section in 1794, while Lewis also acquired land in the same year. Lewis seems to have disposed of his land in 1801 to one Jacob Snyder, while Philip sold his land in 1816 to George Brinker. Daniel stayed in Virginia and raised his family of ten children, his estate passing first to a son and then to a grandson before it went out of the family.

*Dudman?*

In 1794 an appraisal of property was placed on record at Romney, West Virginia that had been owned by one George Shambaugh, deceased. His identity is established by a court order at Winchester in 1804, naming his heirs as Philip Shambaugh and his wife Peggy, Daniel Shambaugh and his wife Catherine, Jacob Snyder and his wife Dorothy.

The record is very clear this far, and from it we establish the fact that there was a George Shambaugh in Bucks County about the time of the Revolutionary war. It is evident that he had four sons, George Junior, Daniel, Philip and Lewis, and at least one daughter, Dorothy. Daniel settled in Frederick County, Virginia and his family was raised there. Lewis left that section in 1801 and Philip in 1816. George Junior seems never to have been in Virginia. We know, too, that Philip's wife was named Margaret, or "Peggy". We do not know when George Senior came into Bucks Co or where he came from. It is probable that he lies buried across the Virginia line in West Virginia on the Capon Mountain.

*Another Philip?*

Church records were fairly authentic in early days. Daniel and Lewis' dates of confirmation in the German Reformed Church indicates that they were born in 1763 and 1765 respectively. These same records indicate that Philip and Margaret were married in 1771. If this is the same Philip who heads the line in Cumberland County and who is buried in lower Frankford cemetery he was born in 1761 and the marriage date would have to be in error. Following the pattern of that day George Jr. would have been the eldest son and would have been born earlier than the other four.

Records preceding what is here given indicate that Adam and Christoff Shambaugh came to America in 1729; that one George Shambaugh owned land in Bucks County as early as 1739; and that another George Shambaugh landed in Philadelphia in 1749. While we have record of many of the Shambaughs tracing to a George Shambaugh, so far we have no record of any tracing to Adam or Christoff.

*Valentine?*

There is still another Shambaugh of whom we have not written. Valentine Shambaugh was listed in the 1790 census in Montgomery Co. Dotterer, an early genealogist, says that Valentine Shambaugh was born Dec. 31, 1724 and died August 31, 1808. His will dated Dec. 1, 1796 lists three children Mary, Dorothy and Philip. This Philip was born May 25, 1747 and died Oct. 20, 1822. His wife, Lydia, was born Nov. 22, 1768 and died June 17, 1835. He does not advise us as to the children of this Phil.

Land records in Pennsylvania show George and Philip Shambaugh owning land in Lancaster, Bucks, Dauphin, Perry, Snyder and Cumberland Counties. We should proceed from this point to find authentic data to prove where each and every one of these Shambaugh's fit in. Where do we go from here?

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