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GEORGE MAYBEE MARTIN  
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## MY PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE

I was about 12 years old when Hal Clark, who had just graduated from Seminary, came to Mabton to serve his internship at the Mabton Presbyterian Church.

We had a large house and Hal came to live with us. He was a great fellow. He has influenced my entire life. Hal taught me a hymn "O Help Somebody today, O help Somebody along life's way." The melody and the words of that hymn have been with me ever since.

Hal Clark was not a pompous man and he too had that hymn in his heart. We kept up a correspondence for the rest of his life and after he passed on his wife Antoinette Clark has written me an annual letter.

Seldom a day has passed that I have not in some manner helped someone along life's way without any planning or conscious effort,

## HELP SOMEBODY TO-DAY

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Mrs. Frank M. Breck Homer A. Rodeheaver, owner Chas. H. Gabriel

1. Look all a-round you, find some one in need, Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 2. Man - y are wait-ing a kind, lov ing word, Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 3. Man - y have bur-dens too heav-y to bear, Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 4. Some are dis-cour-aged and wea-ry in heart, Help some-bod-y to - day!

Tho' it be lit-tle—a neigh-bor-ly deed— Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 Thou hast a mes-sage, O let it be heard, Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 Grief is the por-tion of some ev-'ry-where, Help some-bod-y to - day!  
 Some one the jour-ney to heav-en should start, Help some-bod-y to - day!

**Chorus**

Help some-bod-y to - day, . . . Some-bod-y a-long life's way; . . . Let  
 to-day, home-ward way;

sor-row be end-ed, The friend-less be-friend-ed, Oh, help some-bod-y to - day!



## OBITUARY

YAKIMA - George M. Martin, 87, of Yakima, died Monday, February 21, 1994, at Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital.

Born June 18, 1906, in Mohler, Idaho to George Sylester and Janet Dove (Maybee) Martin, the family moved to Mabton in 1908. George graduated Valedictorian of Mabton High School in 1924 and then attended the University Washington where he was active in debate and the Engineering Council, graduating in 1928 with a B.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering. He continued his studies and in 1939, from the University of Washington School of Law, received his Juris Doctor Degree. He was Editor of Washington Law Review and a member of Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity. George married the former Elizabeth Harrington Stafford in 1930. George established his practice in Yakima in 1940 and was admitted to practice in all courts of Washington State, the United States Supreme Court, District Court and Tax court. He was the Past President of the Yakima County Bar Association and a member of the Washington State Bar and American Bar Association.

Among his many accomplishments, George helped organize and was Past President of Yakima Valley Museum and Historical Association and was named Trustee Emeritus after thirty-five years of service. He also helped organize Yakima County Library and Yakima Valley Regional Library serving as Trustee for twenty-two years and President for fifteen years. He was Past President of Washington State Library Trustees Assoc. and Northwest Library Trustees Assoc. and Past Trustee of Trustees Division of American Library Assoc.; founder and Past President of American Philatelic Research Library; along with H. Dean Guie formed Fort Simco Restoration Society and obtained recognition of the Fort as a State Historic Park; active in Boy Scout Work for over seventy-five years, he was Past President of Fort Simcoe Area Council, former scoutmaster and a fifteen year member of the Regional Executive Committee; awarded Silver Beaver and Silver Antelope for service and was an Eagle Scout; awarded "Others Award" by Salvation Army of public service; awarded Campfire Girls Award for Public Service; recipient of one of fifty medals awarded by the American Legion in USA for distinguished public service; Life member of American Philatelic Society and received Luff Award for service, the highest award of the society and also served as Senior Counsel for eighteen years; was a founder trustee and past President of American Philatelic Research Library and Fellow of Royal Philatelic Society of London; member of the China Stamp Society, United Postal Stationary Society, United Nations Collectors, American Philatelic Comers and many other groups; a founding member and Past President of Yakima Valley Stamp Club; named distinguished Philatelist by Northwest federation of Stamp Clubs and Washington State Philatelic Society.

George was also a member of Yakima Sundusters and served as chairman of Sunfair Parade for two years; Southwest Yakima Rotary Club charter member; Cactus Club of Yakima; Life member and Past Master of Grandview/Mabton Lodge F & AM; Yakima Scottish Rite Bodies; Yakima York Rite Bodies; Chelminar Grotto of MOVPER and Past Monarch and also Past President of NW Grotto Assoc.; Afifi Temple of the Shrine; Yakima Valley Shrine Club; Yakima Chapter Eastern Star and Past Patron of the Ualtee Chapter; Sunrise Court, Order of Amaranth, Past Royal Patron; The White Shrine and past member of DeMolay. He served as Chief Air Raid Warden during W.W.II and set up the Emergency evacuation of the Hanford Project. He was an active member of Yakima Chamber of Commerce and Yakima Visitors Convention Bureau and also was a board member and official historian of the Yakima Diamond Jubilee Celebration and of the Yakima Centennial.

George was historian lecturer and writer about the history of Central Washington and also of the postal service. He served as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the President of the University of Washington for several years and had charge of all philatelic activities and programs at the Seattle Worlds Fair, Century 21, in 1962 and served as Chairman of Justice William O. Douglas Memorial Committee. With his wife he was active in various PTA's in Yakima. George was named and honorary member of Yakima Home Economics Association. He was named person of the year for 1985 by Yakima Herald Republic.

His great grandfather, Heinrich Theodor Martin was a judge in Germany and his father, George S. Martin was a lawyer in Oregon and both sons are lawyers, George in Seattle and Jonathan in Yakima. His father was also a newspaper publisher and merchant and George and his wife were in business with him in Harrah in the 1930's.

Survivors include his wife of sixty-four years, Elizabeth S. Martin of Yakima; two sons, George S. Martin of Bellevue; Jonathan H. Martin of Rimrock; two daughters, Jane Martin Johnson of Yakima and Jean Menning of Estes Park, Colorado; a sister Esther Martin Ness of Poulsbo and seven grandchildren, Elisabeth Rigby of Houston, Texas, Kurt Martin Menning of Missoula, Montana, Wendy Martin of San Francisco, California, Victoria Martin of Bellevue, Dante Michael Martin, Napoleon Jason Martin and Seth Eric Martin all of Rimrock. He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Mary Geneva Raymond and Lenore Martin Hinckley. ...

### TRIBUTE TO DAD, FROM JANE

Our Dad may have been a very busy man, but he always had loving time for each one of us kids and his wife. And it is skookum.

- - Joyfully Jane

## MARTIN-O-GRAM

FINAL EDITION

FEBRUARY 21 -- FEBRUARY 26, 1994



**Monday, February 21:** Today, the editor, George M. Martin, passed away. While we are all in a state of shock, even several days later, we are also relieved that he went quickly and with no pain. As his doctors commented, he was a gentleman to the end. The Yakima Valley has truly lost a great man, and his passing does indeed mark the end of an era.

George Jr. and Jonathan arrived, and began the tasks of arranging the funeral -- greatly aided by arrangements that George M. had made many years ago. George and Betty's help, Rosie and Kathleen, were magnificent and have been throughout the ordeal.

Jane arrived in the afternoon and made the many difficult calls to family and friends.

**Tuesday, February 22:** In the morning George helped around the house while Jonathan took care of judging duties in Union Gap. In the afternoon, Jean and Ed flew in, and immediately pitched in to help Betty in every way and to help George Jr. and Jonathan finalize the arrangements.

Betty has been doing extremely well, and has done so much for everyone in the face of her own sorrow. When we weren't busy, there were many tales swapped of our lives with Gramps. Ina and Seth spent a large part of the day, and the little guy helped everyone remember life.

**Wednesday, February 23:** Kurt and Lis arrived from Montana and Texas. Jonathan, Ina, Dante, Napoleon and Seth also were here. After a family get together the Rimrock Martins headed home, and the rest stayed and enjoyed many family tales and legends. The day had been clear and warm, but by late evening, it was snowing hard. Over 15" had fallen at Rimrock, and all of the passes were closed off and on. George, Jr. decided to remain in Yakima, and have Vic and Wendy fly over. All made it home safely.

**Thursday, February 24:** The morning began at Rimrock House with a large limb and tree crown crashing down where the cars are usually parked. For whatever reason, Jonathan had decided to move the new van out from under the tree. Whew!

Today was the day of George's funeral, held at the First Presbyterian Church. Most of the morning and early afternoon were spent getting ready, and drawing together.

We went to church about two in the afternoon, during a snowstorm, of course, (I can't help but wonder if Gramps didn't order it up ..) The church was packed with family and George's many friends from all over the West. The

service was very nice, and was done as he wished it: the music he selected, and the actual service followed by a Masonic service of the Rose Croix. One remark of the minister sticks in my mind: he commented that it might be easier to list the activities that George was not involved with. As requested, the service was closed casket, but there were many lovely flowers and arrangements. After the funeral, there was a nice reception for all of the guests and family. George would have loved the crowd. That evening, George Jr, Vic and Wendy left for Bellevue and then flew to San Francisco for Wendy's birthday.

**Friday, February 25:** Today was supposed to be the day for everyone to lighten up and relax. It didn't happen. In the afternoon, Grammie, Jonathan, Jean and Jane spent much time going through a small part of Gramp's memorabilia and clothing, and generally sharing memories. The strength of this woman is simply magnificent!

**Saturday, February 26:** Today we laid the ashes of this man for all seasons to rest, in a short family service. Jonathan asked all who wished to make short speeches, and then read Chapter XII, verses 1 through 7 of the Book of Ecclesiastes, afterwards, Taps was sounded.

- 1. Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;*
- 2. While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:*
- 3. In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,*
- 4. And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;*
- 5. Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:*
- 6. Or even the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.*
- 7. Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.*



## LONGTIME ATTORNEY GEORGE MARTIN DIES

by David Wasson of the Herald-Republic

George M. Martin, a longtime Yakima attorney whose numerous civic pursuits and dedication to the community spanned more than half a century, died Monday at Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital. He was 87.

"He was a giant of a lawyer and giant of a person who always looked for how he could help the community," said Yakima County District Court Judge Randall Marquis, who worked alongside Martin for 23 years in private practice. "He was a man who would reach out and help the little guy, even when he didn't have the money to pay his fees. He was part of a dying breed."

Martin's accomplishments included decades of service to the Boy Scouts, the Salvation Army, Camp Fire Girls and the American Legion. A noted historian, he was a driving force behind the formation of the Yakima Valley Museum, The fort Simcoe Restoration Society, and the Yakima Valley Regional Library.

Among his most notable achievements, however came in 1950 when he and a handful of others spearheaded creation of Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital. For Martin it was a pursuit born out of frustration and despair of watching helplessly as a friend's daughter died of polio in the 1940's. He served as the hospital's attorney and secretary of its board of directors for more than three decades.

In recognition of this lifetime of contributions, the Yakima Valley Herald-Republic named him person of the year in 1985. At that time he found it difficult talking about himself but described his philosophy of giving to the community this way: "You see something that seems to be a need ... and you become involved. . . . But while others around him were chasing money, Martin pursued the good of the Yakima area.

"He always did his level best for the community," Jonathan M. Martin, his son and former law partner who now serves as Union Gap Municipal Court Judge.

Born June 18 1906, at Mohler, Idaho, Martin and his parents moved to Mabton two years later. Martin was the valedictorian of the 1924 graduating class at Mabton High School. He graduated from the University of Washington four years later with a degree in electrical engineering.

In 1930, he married Elizabeth Harrington Stafford. Later, Martin returned to the University of Washington, graduating with a law degree in 1939.

The legal profession had a long history within Martin's family. His great-grandfather, Heinrich Theodor Martin, was a judge in Germany, and his father George S. Martin, was a lawyer in Oregon.

Martin and his wife left Seattle in 1940 and returned to Yakima, where he opened a law practice and eventually became president of the Yakima County Bar Association. Martin began immersing himself in community activism almost immediately, serving on the governing boards of more than a dozen various organizations over the years.

## EDITORIAL YAKIMA HERALD-REPUBLIC FEBRUARY 23, 1993

### GEORGE M. MARTIN LEAVES LASTING LEGACY

Yakima has lost a giant of a community supporter with the passing Monday of George M. Martin, longtime local Attorney.

While a noted lawyer from a family of lawyers, it was in community service that Martin made a tremendous impact and which provides a lasting legacy.

Martin provided decades of service to the Boy Scouts, the Salvation Army, Camp Fire and the American Legion. A noted historian, he was a driving force behind the formation of the Yakima Valley Museum, the Fort Simcoe Restoration Society and the Yakima Valley Regional Library.

He and a handful of others spearheaded creation of Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital, the modern health-care complex in which he died. For Martin it was a pursuit born out of frustration and despair watching helplessly as a friend's daughter died of polio in the 1940's. He served as the Hospital's attorney and secretary of its board of directors for more than three decades.

We at the Yakima Herald-Republic are pleased to have been able to honor this tireless community activist who gave so much of himself with our Person of the Year award in 1985 when he was chairman of the Yakima County Centennial celebration. Certainly no one was more deserving.

Yakima will long remember, and note, the contributions of George M. Martin, a gentleman and a scholar, a community servant and a soaring spirit. Even the most common polite inquiry, "How are you George?" to Martin always evoked a terse, upbeat response, unique in the Yakima language and historical perspective so dear to Martin.

George was simply always and without exception skookum.



### OUR OWN GEORGE MAYBEE MARTIN

We owe a sincere debt of thanks to George Maybee Martin for all he has done for the Mabe/ Mabee/ Mabey/ Maybee family. He was the last of the early researchers to cover the many different branches of the family. Without his strong efforts the Maybee Society could not have gotten started and then developed into such an important part of all of us whatever spelling of the name we use. He has really done a tremendous job in helping to make the Society such a success.

His avid interest in filling in the pieces of the Mabile family in America puzzle and his joy in sharing this with all of us will be sorely missed.

John A. "Jack" and Mary Maybee

## GEORGE MARTIN IS PERSON OF THE YEAR

By Joe Duncan of the Herald-Republic

January 1, 1985

George M. Martin's civic efforts have cost him thousands of dollars in time but have earned the Yakima attorney love, respect, and the honor of 1985 Person of the Year.

The object of dozens of nominations for the annual award sponsored by the Herald-Republic, the 78 year old Martin has distinguished himself by a dedication to the community stretching back more than 50 years. While others chased money, he pursued the good of the Yakima area, according to those who know him.

"He doesn't measure success with a dollar sign," says Ed Lindberg, who's known Martin for half a century. "You can just call on George when there's something to do and he's do it."

Another friend, teacher Paul Schafer, admires Martin's work as a historian of Central Washington and efforts to improve the Yakima Valley Museum.

"He has contributed many hours and hours and maybe years of time to the museum," Schafer says. "He makes contributions and it's all been without any hope of profit."

But, despite Martin's community involvement and legal work, he is also a devoted father, as many of the people who nominated him for Person of the Year will testify.

"We kids never realized how busy, how many things my dad did," Jane Johnson, one of Martin's four children recalls.

"He always had time for each one of us kids. He was so full of love."

Martin's accomplishments seem almost endless.

Besides being a father, still-practicing attorney and historian, he is one of the founders of Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital, served on the Yakima Valley Regional Library for 22 years and the museum board since 1946 and was a member of the local civil defense board during WW II.

He is official historian for the 1985 Yakima Centennial, past president of the Yakima Bar Association and a lifetime member of the American Bar Association as well as past Masonic Lodge master, author and 65 year member of the Boy Scouts of America.

The beginning of Martin's dedication to the community is rooted back in his childhood. Born in now defunct town of Mohler Idaho, he was still a child when his parents moved to Mabton south of Sunnyside and took over a grocery store.

His mother was a friendly, outgoing Irish woman and his father was a man known for his charity who refused to let anyone go hungry. A childhood accident cost Martin his right eye and recovering from that setback seemingly developed in him an attitude that just about any problem can be overcome.

After graduating from Mabton High School, he attended classes at the University of Washington, finishing in 1928 with a degree in electrical engineering. While at the

University, he played football and was a member of the rifle team despite the fact he had to shoot a right-handed gun using his left eye.

Ironically, the vision problem caused a private company and the Navy to reject Martin. As it was, his loss became Yakima County's gain when he returned to Lower Valley.

After their marriage in 1930, Martin and his wife Betty, settled in Harrah for 6 years before he went back to the university and earned a law degree. The new attorney returned to Yakima for a job in the prosecutor's office before entering private practice.

A stamp collector since the age of 10, Martin became interested in History when he noticed a perplexing postmark on a card he picked up during his search for stamps. The correspondence was mailed from the town of Pleasant Grove, Washington, which no longer existed.

"It took me about a year to find out where Pleasant Grove was and after that I was hooked on the history of Central Washington," he recalls.

That love of the past was to be responsible for many of the good works accomplished by Martin, including the restoration of Fort Simcoe and the founding of the Yakima Valley Museum.

Yet, he insists, "Every project I've worked on has had a lot of good workers on it. I didn't find the projects were so difficult once you got a team together."

Martin is like that, according to his friends and family.

"George is very modest," says Lindberg. "He would rather be in the background and just do the job."

Do the job he does. A friend's daughter acquired a rare type of polio in the 1940's. There was no place in Yakima where she could be treated and she died.

Martin and the friend decided to do something about the situation. The result was the opening of Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital in June 1950. Martin served as hospital attorney and secretary of the board for 33 years, meeting daily with the president of the board for the first few years.

Looking back over the years, he knows he's spent a tremendous amount of time and energy on projects such as the hospital. It's hard for him to say exactly why he did it.

"You see something that seems to be a need ... and you become involved," Martin says, attempting to explain the reasons for his commitment. "I have to admit that I could have brought home some more money for the family. I think sometimes I get too engrossed in these things. But I don't regret it."

"I'm proud of Yakima" he adds. "When I was a little kid, I had a favorite song and words have always stuck in my mind. (It went) "Help somebody today, help somebody along life's way" I guess I just wanted to say thank you to a few people for what they had given to me."

"Yakima's been good to us," he says.

**FUNERAL SERVICE OF  
GEORGE MAYBEE MARTIN**

**"SKOOKUM"**

In Memory Of  
GEORGE MAYBEE MARTIN

Born  
June 18, 1906 Mohler, Idaho  
Died  
February 21, 1994 Yakima, Washington

Funeral Service First Presbyterian Church  
Thursday February 24, 1994 3:00 PM

Officiating Dr. Ray Riese, Pastor  
First Presbyterian Church Yakima, WA  
Concluding by Masonic Lodge

Music Selections:  
"Greensleeves"  
"In The Sweet By and By"

Congregational Hymn:  
"Help Somebody To-Day"  
Organist Jon Waite

Private Inurnment,  
West Hills Memorial Park Yakima, WA

**GEORGE'S DREAM WILL LIVE ON**

David "Wayne" Mabie first told me about George and I was so excited that I grabbed the phone to call him. We learned that we not only had ancestry in common, but an excitement about learning more about all of the Maybees (however we spell our name.) He suggested a repository for records of all family members and a newsletter to keep us in touch. At that time, I had found very few Maybees in my search and agreed it could be done. I thought that perhaps we would have between 10 and 20 members and could help one another. But, George was a visionary man and each time we grew and I felt fear he insisted it could be done. He selected the name, designed the masthead for our newsletter, and named it, corresponded with prospective members, some times with a bit of loving arm twisting and the Maybee Society was born, and I saw it could be done. I have gained great courage from him and although we will miss him very much, I know that John Albert "Jack" Maybee who was our vice-president will carry on with his own exciting style of leadership and the Maybee Society will grow. We as family members will grow closer to one another. All because George knew it could be done.

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**CARD OF THANKS**

TO ALL THOSE WHO KNEW AND LOVED  
GEORGE, our eternal gratitude. BETTY MARTIN AND  
FAMILY.



**SOU'WESTER**

**February 28, 1994**

**NO. 26-16**

**A GREAT ONE PASSES**

Southwest Rotary's beloved George M. Martin went to his eternal rest Monday, February 21, 1994.

George, if anyone, truly exemplified "Mr. Rotary" by his philosophy of life. He gave of himself, often without thought of or accepting remuneration. The Boy Scouts, Salvation Army, Camp Fire Girls, and American Legion, all have felt his indelible influence. Those organizations not being enough, George also was a driving force behind the formation of the Yakima Valley Museum, Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital, and the Yakima Valley Regional Library.

Very fittingly, George was given the honor of Person of the Year in 1985 by the Yakima Herald-Republic. In a Rotary type comment at that time, George said "You see something that seems to be a need ... and you become involved."

Our departed Rotarian was born June 18, 1906, at Mohler, Idaho. His public schooling was received in Mabton where he was valedictorian of his graduation class. He earned two degrees at the University of Washington, the latter a law degree.

George is survived by his beloved wife Elizabeth (Harrington Stafford) to whom he was wed in 1930 -- 64 years ago. Other survivors include sons George S. of Bellevue and Jonathan H. of Rimrock; daughters Jane Martin Johnson of Yakima and Jean Martin Menning of Estes Park, Colorado; and a sister Esther Martin Ness of Poulso. Seven grandchildren also survive.

George will be missed by Southwest Rotary. All Southwest Rotarians extend their heartfelt sympathy to the family of George M. Martin, a truly great man.

**GEORGE "SKOOKUM" MARTIN**

George Maybee Martin's nickname was "Skookum" Martin. It means Good and Strong.

**Yakima Valley Gallery of Recognition  
(Yakima's Hall of Fame)  
CITATION**

**GEORGE MAYBEE MARTIN  
LAWYER- SCOUTER- HISTORIAN- COMMUNITY-  
BUILDER**

George Martin was born in Mohler, Idaho, on June 18 1906, to George S. and Janet Dove Martin. They moved to Mabton, Washington in 1908, where George graduated from Mabton High School with honors. He received two degrees from the University of Washington - Electrical Engineering in 1928 and Juris Doctor (Law) 1939.

He married Elizabeth Harrington Stafford on June 14, 1930, and they have four children -- Jean Menning, Jane Johnson, George and Jonathan.

George has practiced law in Yakima from 1940. He is admitted to most Federal Courts. He was the President of the Yakima County Bar in 1966; and he worked with Justice Douglas to bring the U.S. Supreme Court materials of Justice Douglas to the Yakima Valley Museum.

He has been in scouting for over 70 years as an Eagle Scout, Scoutmaster, Council President and member of the Fort Simcoe Council. He has served on the Regional Executive Boards, the National Council. He has been awarded the Silver Beaver and the Silver Antelope. He has served on the staff of two international Jamborees.

George has been a life-long student and researcher of the history of Yakima Valley and Central Washington and has written and published many newspaper articles and has lectured in many schools and to many organizations.

As an historian he was on the Board of the Diamond and Centennial celebrations of Yakima City and co-authored books for both. During 1986-1990 he has served as the Yakima County Chairman of the Washington State Centennial Celebration.

As a community builder he has been a dreamer and has then worked to make those dreams come true, with the help and cooperation of many other dreamers and doers. He led the drive to create the Rural Yakima County Library District; and the Yakima County Regional Library, where he served as Trustee and President for 22 years. He also helped organize several other library groups. The Yakima Valley Museum was started by the Daughters of the Pioneers who asked for his help - he has been with the museum since 1944 and has served as President and in many other capacities. He helped found the Frontier Museum and served on its board as President. He has been active in the Central Washington Agricultural Museum.

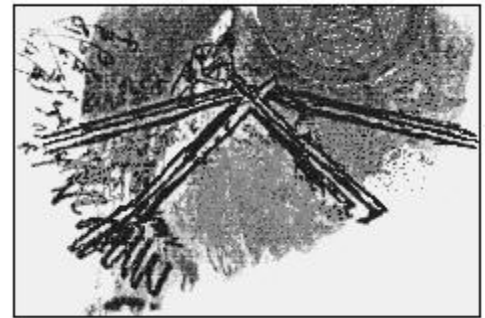
George and H. Dean Gule organized the Fort Simcoe Mool-Mool Society and secured the restoration of Fort Simcoe as a State Historic Park.

During World War II he was Commander of the Yakima County Civil Defense and served on the USO and was chairman of several fund drives.

In 1944 George, Donald C. Keith and Ed Mueller, were the original founders of the Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital and George has served the hospital ever since.

George Martin has been honored in many ways -- by the Campfire Girls; The American Legion medal for service to God and Country; the "Others" Award of the Salvation Army; and many citations. He is listed in Who's Who of America and Who's Who of the World. In 1989 he was cited by the Governor as an outstanding volunteer in the State of Washington. He was 1985 Yakima Person of the Year.

George Martin is commonly known as MR.YAKIMA!



**BUILDING THE BRIDGE**

A pilgrim, going a lone highway  
Came at evening, cold and gray  
To a chasm, deep vast and wide.  
The old man crossed in the twilight dim.  
The chasm held no fears for him  
But he paused when he reached the other side  
And built a bridge to span the tide.  
"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,  
"Why waste your time in building here?  
Your journey ends with the close of day  
You never again will pass this way.  
You've crossed the chasm deep and wide  
Why build ye here at eventide?"  
The pilgrim raised his old gray head,  
"My friend, in the path I've come," he said,  
"There followeth after me today  
A fair haired youth who must pass this way.  
The chasm which held no fears for me  
To the fair haired youth may a pitfall be.  
He, too must cross in the twilight dim.  
My friend I am building this bridge for him."  
by Will A. Dromgoole

## A GENEALOGY STAMP

De Brenner, # 101, advises us: "The New England Historic Genealogical Society hopes to celebrate its sesquicentennial in 1995 by honoring genealogists with a stamp. Support both reunions and genealogy on postage stamps. Send your letter of support to Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, D.C. 20269-6753."

### FAIRLY, VAN DYCK & SLINGERLAND

"We are descendants of Jan Pieterse Mabie's daughters Metittje, Maria and Eva. We would like to exchange information on the following surnames that married Mabies: Fairly, Van Dyck and Slingerland."

JOHN & SHIRLEY WEIHING # 138  
1605 HOLLY,  
GERING, NE 69341

### MAYBEES FROM PORTSEA, HANTS, ENGLAND

Robert M. Hayes inquires, "My interest in the Maybee surname stems from the fact that one of my great- great grandmothers, on my father's side, was named Elizabeth Mary Maybee. She was born at Sheerness, Kent, England on Nov. 21, 1848; she died at Chatham, Kent, England on March 6, 1932. Elizabeth Mary Maybee was the daughter of Samuel Robert Maybee (1830-1890) and Elizabeth Dadd (1826-1912), both natives of Kent, England. Actually the family had earlier lived at Portsea, Hants, England. I have the Maybee line traced back to my seven times great grandfather, Harry Maybee. I do not know where he was born (it would seem that he was not from Portsea, Hants.), but I believe that his date of birth was about 1720. On August 3, 1742, he married Hannah Martin; at that time they were living in Portsea, where he worked as a tailor. I have a copy of his will (dated July 4, 1776 - a very historic day, indeed!) and it would seem that he thus died at that time. This will does provide me with a possible clue as to the place of birth of Harry Maybee. In his will he makes mention of leaving "all my common Delft" to one of his servants. I have been told that Maybee may well have been of Dutch origins, and the reference to "Delft" might bear this out. In any case, I am still wondering where Harry Maybee was born, and would welcome the advice or suggestions of any other Society members. It would seem that many of the Maybees were of American, Canadian, or European origins, and my English Maybees seem somewhat cut off from the rest. I thus do wonder if they might have come from the continent, to Portsea (which is on the ocean).

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### REUNION FOR THE DESCENDANTS OF JEREMIAH MABIE

From Tom and Cindy Bryant we learn, "July 23, 1994 we will be having a MABIE reunion at the VFW hall in Sheridan Michigan for the descendants of Jeremiah Mabie, 1808-1877. So far we have tracked down most of the descendant's of his sons, Joel 1834-1905 and Sylvester 1836-1891, new leads are promising and may have found son William Oakely Mabie in Claire County, Michigan, and daughter Mary Mabie Jason in Isabella County, Michigan. Still unable to find proof of Jeremiah's parents. Jeremiah Mabie and wife Lois came into Montcalm/Ionia Counties of Michigan in 1848. Lois died in 1856 and Jeremiah remarried a Lavina.



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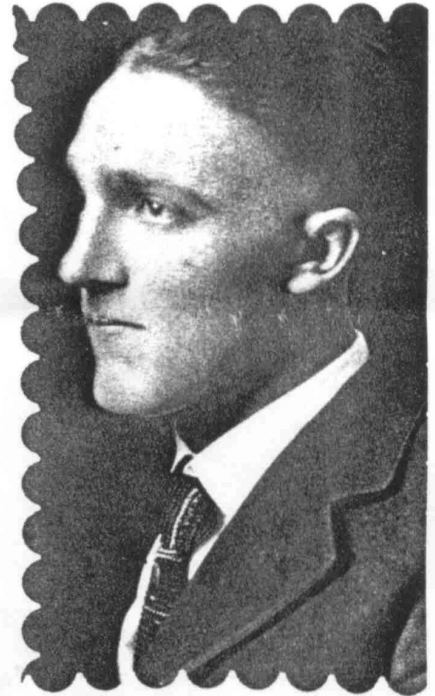
# George Maybee Martin



"Doctor" Martin 1960



Mabton High Graduate  
1924



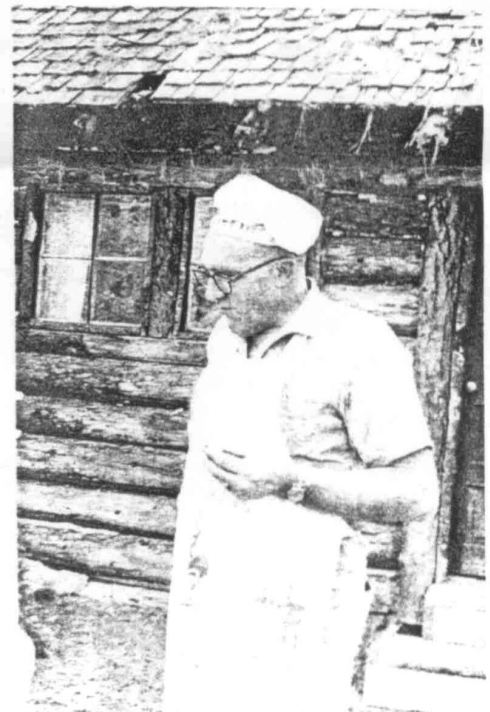
U. of W. 1928



American Legion Medalist  
For Public Service 1969



Yakima Superior Chamber 1960



(1957) Bar Picnic Cook  
For 21 Years !

# George Maybee Martin



1911 - Age 5



That very special girl - BETTY



U. of W Graduate  
E. E. = 1928



George & Polo  
1920



Toughies, Pioneer Style  
"POP" & George