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ELOISE MABEE PASSES AWAY

Eloise Mabee, #20, has for many years been diligent in her search for the Mabee family. Many of our members had the privilege of knowing her and being helped by her. She generously shared her information with the Maybee Society and we are grateful for her thoughtfulness. She had a great deal of love for her family and was proud of their many accomplishments. When we asked the family to tell us a little more about Eloise, her daughter-in-law, Ila Mabee, responded. "As her daughter-in-law for over 30 years. I knew her well.

Mom's love of genealogy was well known and her hobby consumed her life for many years, but her love of Oregon City and its history were equally important to her. She volunteered as a tour guide at the Merte Stevens House and assisted anywhere she was asked. She enjoyed the school tours, and always had stories about the children after a day of work.

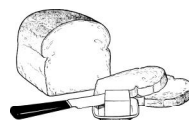


As Mom did not drive, the telephone was her link to the world. Many times the family would just go by her home, when the phone would be busy for hours. When one of the children would complain about the phone being busy she 'just talked for a few minutes'. She lost track of all time on the phone.

Eloise took great pride in her grandchildren and carefully kept track of their careers. Our youngest was a Navy officer and traveled around the world. She always wanted coins from the places he visited and I would often walk in, to find her sorting these coins and remembering stories that went with them.

Mom loved babies and one of her favorite times was when she worked at the Waverly Baby Home in Portland before her marriage.

One of her little known talents was making bread. She had no recipe but worked by feel. Rolls, cinnamon rolls, loaves, whatever, she made it the best! She would ask what to bring when invited to meals and



always got the same answer. 'Bread!' Since she did it without a recipe and 'by feel' none of the family has been able to develop 'the feel'. Eloise Brown Mabee, May 24, 1907, to January 8, 1997, and her husband, Lester Nathaniel Mabee, had three children, Dorothy Mabee Kreutz of Portland, Oregon; Donald Mabee of Oregon City, Oregon, and Richard Mabee of Lake Oswego, Oregon. They have five grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild."

UNITED EMPIRE LOYALIST REQUIREMENTS

R. Robert Mutrie, #23, was kind enough to share with us some of the requirements for applying for land grants of 200 acres in Ontario Canada, given to a child of a United Empire Loyalist. "There were three requirements established by the province's first Lieutenant Governor, John Graves Simcoe, and his Executive Council. First, the father had to be a resident in the American colonies by 1776. Second, he must have served or visibly supported the Loyalist forces during the American Revolution. Third, he must have been a resident of Ontario by 1796. The local magistrates compiled lists of 'UE' residents for the government, compiled into what is known as the 'Executive List' in order to identify the connection of the children when they applied."

GREAT NEWS FOR MAYBEES WHOSE ROOTS ARE IN THE CANAJOHARIE, NEW YORK AREA.

BAPTISMS OF CANAJOHARIE, NEW YORK

From an article in the *Schenectady County Historical Society Newsletter*, we learn that the October issue of the *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* contains an article by Donald Keefer entitled *The Lost Baptisms of the Rev. John Calvin Toll of Canajoharie, Montgomery County, New York*. The information for this article was discovered in the archives of the Schenectady County Historical Society.

THE ORIGINAL MABIE REUNION A SUCCESS

The annual Mabie reunion for the descendants of William Mabie and Sophia Scripture was held August 10, 1997, in South Valley, New York, at the home of Mark and Debra Andersen. It was a lovely day and many people were attending for the first time; some of whom had traveled a considerable distance to be there. There were about 60 people of all ages in attendance. The oldest, in years, was Doris Mott at age 92. Doris is the daughter of Emmet Mabie, granddaughter of Washington Mabie and great-granddaughter of William and Sophia Mabie. This reunion is one that we could all learn from. William Mabie and Sophia Scripture Mabie moved to South Valley from Cobleskill, New York, about 1842. The first reunion was held July 8, 1914, in the Church parlors at Pleasant Brook. Reunions are held each year on the second Sunday in August.



SCHOOL BELLS WEDDING BELLS

Cindy Lafforthun, #122 has been busy working full time and attending college part time, but took time to send us the following news, "I would like to share with you my good news. I am 47 and in May I was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa which is for honor students in a two year college. I have a 3.98 average. I will be continuing toward my Bachelors next spring. This shows you are never too old.

Also, on May 31st my son, Thomas Joseph Lafforthun, Jr. was united in marriage to Jennifer Michel Boyce. They were married in St. Mary's Church, Ballston Spa, New York, and the reception that followed was at the Colonial Inn in Galway, New York. Following a honeymoon in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, they will reside in Angers, North Carolina."

DID LAVINA P. MABIE GO TO CANADA?

Cindy Bryant, #49, is looking for Jeremiah Mabie's second wife, Lavina/Lovena P. Mabie. She has not found her in the 1880 census in the United States. Her name was still Mabie in 1900 as she had not remarried by that time. Cindy asks, "Is there anyone who has the Canadian Census readily available for that time frame? It should be Ontario. It would be Lavina and children: Delbert, abt. 24 in 1880, Truman D, abt. 21 in 1880, and Julia abt. 17 in 1880. They may not have been together tho'."

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1998 FLORIDA REUNION

Margaret Mabie will be the hostess for the 1998 reunion of the family in Florida. A luncheon will be held on Saturday, March 14, 1998, at Pappa's Restaurant at the Sponge Docks in Tarpon Springs, Florida. It is for all branches of the family. Plan your spring vacation and weekend in Florida. For more information, contact Margaret Mabie:

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6000 NEW YORK ANCESTORS: A COMPENDIUM OF MABIE RESEARCH

Bob Mutrie's book, *6000 New York Ancestors: A Compendium of Mabie Research* continues to be a best seller among members of our family. Bob has received several phone calls on his answering machine asking for the price but has been unable to get through with a response. He has, therefore, asked us to update you. The compendium is \$21 and he asks U.S. residents to pay in U.S. funds to cover the higher cost of shipping. He may be reached at:

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DAVID McWHORTER FARGO

Jon von Briesen, #213, is trying to learn more about his connection to the McWhorter family. His great great grandmother's brother was christened David McWhorter Fargo. If you can help, write him:

JON A. VON BRIESEN
418 GLENWOOD DR.
FORKED RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08731

REUNIONS:

Loyola Vuolo, #148, tells us how to register or find your family reunion. Send an SASE to National Reunion Registry, P.O. Box 355, Bulverde, Texas 78162. Announcements of reunions may also be sent to: RegisTREE, P.O. Box 11727, Milwaukee, WI 53321-0727. This information is from the New Jersey State Bulletin, DAR, Vol. 49, No. 3, November 1996.

Gloria Mabie, # 45, shared the following thought by Plutarch with us:

"It is indeed a desirable thing to be well descended, but the glory belongs to our ancestors."



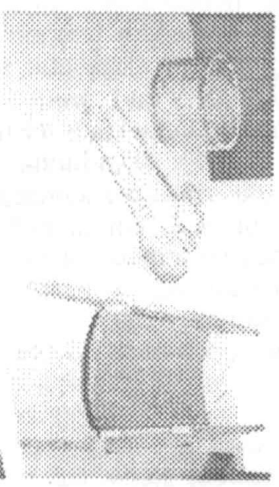
THE MABEE FARM JULY 19, 1997
A cool and blustery day with lots of sunshine

MORE PICTURES

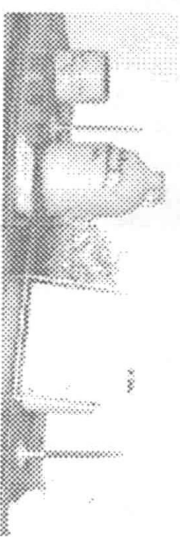
Bret Perry, #86, shows us more pictures of the reunion at the Mabee farm. Just visit his website: <http://home1.gte.net/bretly/mabie/mabie.htm>

Jack Mabee reports:

"Thanks were given to Kim and Gary Mabee and family, and David Wayne Mable and Cindy Lafforthun for all their efforts in planning and bringing to fruition the first national Mabee, Mabe, Mabee, Maby, Van Norden family reunion; to Bob Sager, President of the Schenectady County Historical Society (SCHS); to Kathy Johnson and Derek Sayers, co-chairs of the Mabee Farm Committee, for all their help on the reunion and for all their efforts expended on the preservation and restoration of the Jan Mabee Farm." President John A. "Jack" Mabee



Artifacts in the
 Mabee Farm
 House



Belva Perry reports:

Jack mentioned many who contributed to the reunion's success and to that list should be added our President, Jack Mabee, and his wife, Mary. More than one of those in attendance told how being at the historic family home gave them a sense of belonging. There was gratitude to those who had preserved the home and to George Franchere for his generous gift of the home to the Schenectady County Historical Society (SCHS). We appreciate the caretaker of the Mabee Farm, Scott Haefner, who made us all feel like welcome guests. One of the highlights for many of us was the visit to the Gremms-Doolittle Library and the Museum at the SCHS. Elsie Maddaus, the Librarian and Archivist, was so helpful that we all left with an increased knowledge of our family. I hesitate to list those who did so much because there were many in the background who worked diligently and were only rewarded by their own sense of accomplishment but I would like to express thanks to my husband, Bob who arranged it so that I could be with the "family". Belva

ROLLAND MABIE

Cindy Bryant, #49, ordered several small books from *The Michigan History Magazine*. One was, *Michigan, White Pine Era* by Professor Rolland Mabie, University of Michigan. He died in 1976. Cindy wonders, "To which branch of the family does he belong?"

ADDRESSES OF INTEREST IN ENGLAND From Colin Mabey via Ross Mabey

An address that may help you is:

Dorset Record Office, County Hall,
Dorchester, DT1 1XJ.

Other possibly helpful addresses for study of adjacent parishes in the counties of Hampshire, Somerset, Wiltshire and Devon:

1. Dorset Record Office,
Bridport Road,
Dorchester DT1 1RP.
2. Dorset Marriage Indices inquiries:
Mrs. Mary Coalbran, Foxbar,
Woodlands, Wimborne,
Dorset BH21 6LX
3. Dorset 1851 Census Indices inquiries:
Mrs. V. Brannan,
7 Wyndham Road,
Taunton, Somerset, TA2 6DX (she belongs to the Somerset and Dorset Family History Society)
4. Dorset 1891 Census Indices :
Mrs. S. Smith,
3, Fernside Road,
Bournemouth, Dorset BH9 2LA.

You will have to inquire at each address, individually, to determine their fees.

ROSS HAS A SUCCESSFUL TRIP IN THE U.K.

"It was great to have a five weeks break from work. I enjoyed my time in the United Kingdom (U.K.) We went to Holland for five days and met up with some of my wife's friends. I also met Colin Mabey who had obtained a copy of my grandparents' marriage certificate.

The information I received from my relatives in the U.K. was associated with my grandmother Eliza Fray and not the Mabey side of the family. I did some research at St. Catherine's House in London which is supposed to contain all records of Births, Deaths and Marriages in the U.K. from 1837. Unfortunately my grandfather's birth was not on record there. ... I went to the Hampshire County Records Office and did a search on the parish records and found his birth registered there (4th January 1856). His parents were James and Mary Mabey. That is as far as I got. I could not find a record of the marriage of James and Mary in the same parish, so I assume that they came to the parish from somewhere else. I am still working on it with Colin Mabey." Ross Mabey #202

THANK YOU DORIS REINKE

Sharon Sova, #188, has been corresponding with Doris Reinke, town historian in Elkhorn, Wisconsin, and asked her what churches would have been in existence in the late 1800's. Sharon reports, "To my surprise, she wrote back, indicating that she went to the courthouse and searched it for me. What a sweet lady!!! Since I'm so excited about this, I had to share it with someone."

ROMA HITS PAY DIRT

"More and more information keeps popping up in old papers I am still looking through. Last week I think I hit pay dirt! I got so excited about it. I imagine most feel that when they get a good lead. Especially after spending two days at the Public Archives here in Halifax and not coming up with anything that looks connected to the branch I am looking for. I could pass those bits of information along if you think they might tie in somewhere. I will quote the obituary I found. Note the Maybie spelling. 'The sudden death of Frank Trevelyn Maybie, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Maybie occurred in Calgary according to the word received here.' (That would be St. John, NB, Canada.) 'Mr. Maybie, who passed away as result of a heart attack, was 57 years of age.' (The death notice I have says he died April 23, 1943, with burial in Calgary.) 'He attended school in St. John and later entered the employ of the C.P.R. here. For the last 35 years he has been stationed at Calgary. While a resident of St. John, Mr. Maybie was a member of St. George's Church, West St. John. He had many friends in this city. Besides his wife, surviving are three sons, Roy and Frank, Jr. with the Canadian forces overseas and John with the R.C.A. in Toronto; two sisters, Mrs. S. F. Malin, Toronto, and Mrs. E. J. Smith, Ketepec' (just outside of St. John I knew her when I was a youngster) 'and one half brother, Randolph' (my grandfather) 'of Burr't's Corner, York County, N.B.' I also came across a note re. William Watson Mabee - b. Dec. 29, 1879, and d. Feb 21, 1930. He was deceased long before Frank above, so that accounts for him not being listed in the survivors as a half brother." Roma Dodds #189.

CAN YOU HELP SHARON?

Sharon Sova, #188, is trying to locate the marriage date of her great grandparents, Edmund Gifford Mabie, (born in 1865) and Lena Lyon (born in 1866). He is the son of Edmund F. and Laura Mabie Sharon advises us, "Because my grandmother was bitter after they divorced we have had little information to work with."

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**ZELLA FLANAGAN GOHEEN
CELEBRATES
HER 100TH BIRTHDAY
"My Story
A Century in Time"**

Zella Flanagan Goheen, born May 26, 1897, the second oldest grandchild of William Flanagan, 1842-1922, and Harriet S. Maybee, recently celebrated her 100th birthday. She and her daughter-in-law, Mary Goheen, spent many hours recalling the past and Mary then prepared a brief history of Zella's life. *My Story, A Century in Time*. Ted Briggs, a son of Zella's first cousin and our member, # 196, shared the information with us. In order to make it brief enough for a newsletter I have had to further edit it but have tried to keep the order and include most of the stories. Ted has added the following information for those who are unfamiliar with the area: Kettleby and Newmarket are about 35 miles Northwest of Toronto. Heaslip, Englehart, Smooth Rock Falls and Haileysbury are in Northern Ontario. Gravenhurst is mid-central southern Ontario.

"Born in Kettleby, May 26, 1897, Zella was the second child of Peter and Margaret Anne 'Nancy' Tunney. She had an older brother, John, younger sister, Marjorie, and a younger brother, Sumner.

Peter Flanagan was a stone mason, building stone walls for barns and the like. Growing up, the family homestead was outside of town.

As was the norm for the era, the family had a horse – in later years, the horse was gray and called Prince, so Zella recalls.

Zella attended school in a one-room schoolhouse - when the family moved to the North, she recalls the schoolhouse being made of logs.

One of the stories she told me concerned an incident that occurred when she was a young girl. Her mother had gone across the fields to visit another lady who recently had a baby. Zella and her brother John were left at home to play. She talks about playing near some train tracks - throwing stones, and a hobo coming up the track yelling at them. Afraid, they ran home. Her brother John was afraid that the hobo might come to the house. He climbed on a chair to get the gun. In the course of the excitement the gun discharged. Hearing the gunshot, knowing it came from the direction of the homestead, Nancy Flanagan ran back fearing the worst. There she found Zella and brother John staring at a big gaping hole in the kitchen floor.

With the start of WWI, John Flanagan enlisted. He played several instruments and was in the band. He was sent overseas. As fate would have it, John Flanagan was shot by a sniper's bullet and died instantly, August 12, 1918, at Amiens, France. ... Zella was working in a hotel in Smooth Rock Falls when she received word that her brother had been killed. ...

Sumner worked at prospecting and odd jobs.... He lived his life out in the North and died of a heart attack in 1949. ... Zella has many tales of experiences she and Marjorie had. ... Sister Marjorie had 4 children - Kervyn, Donnie, Dennis and Shelagh. Married to Bruce Miller, Marjorie spent most of her adult life in Newmarket and Toronto. She died in 1967.

After having spent some time away from home, working, Zella met Robert Goheen. Bob (as he was called) had originated from Housey Rapids, near Gravenhurst, and was working with Zella's father in the bush – logging lumber and pulpwood. After four years of courtship, Bob and Zella were married in Haileybury. Daughter Margaret was born in Haileybury.

The Goheen family was living in Haileybury when the town was ravaged by the Fire of 1922. Margaret was around a year old. Zella remembers crossing the road to tell the woman her roof was on fire. People evacuated to the river-front. There was a traveling salesman, who just happened to have some wine. Needless to say, he provided some liquid refreshment for some of the folks. A cow came wandering into the area. It was ready to be milked, and Margaret was lucky enough to get some of that milk. The Goheens lost everything in the fire including pictures, letters and other personal belongings. The only thing Zella remembers having with her was her purse and the baby.

The family moved to Newmarket to start over. Soon other children followed – John, Gwendolyn, Ross and Peter.

Bob Goheen got work at the Office Specialty and later worked at the tannery in Newmarket. The depression was on and Zella was a gourmet of 'depression food' as she calls it. She talks about going to the store and paying two cents for a package of tea. Making something to eat from nothing was the creative order of the day and times. Zella's mother had been a seamstress, so Zella had been taught to sew – a skill she put to use many times as clothing was remade into something 'new' for someone else to wear.

After many years together, Zella and Bob became a liberated couple, 'before it was fashionable' as she says. Zella contacted Leo Tunney for assistance. He and his wife, Madge, made Zella and her two sons, Ross and Peter, welcome. Son John was working in the north, Gwen stayed at Annie's, Margaret was married. Zella got a job working at a restaurant on the highway and her situation gradually improved..

WWII had broken out. John and Gwen enlisted in the Air Force. Ross was in the Reserves. Peter was still at home as he was not old enough for the war effort. Margaret was married to a soldier, Alf McNeil. Son John was an Air Gunner, sent overseas to England. Gwen was stationed in Ottawa. Zella has often spoken, over recent years, of how she never expected to see her son, John, return. Many women like Zella were receiving telegrams that their sons were killed in action -- and Zella did not expect John's fate to be any

different – after all, his namesake, John Flanagan, had given his life in WWI.

The war effort meant industry – airplanes, tanks, ships, munitions were in demand for the troops. Many women entered the work force for the first time in their lives. Zella joined the war effort – she got a job at DeHavilland (an aircraft plant in suburban Toronto) making warplanes. She had a personal interest that the nuts and bolts were on tight, as son John might be in one she worked on.

May 1945 brought Victory in Europe. ... It was not until January 1946 that John returned, to parade at the Coliseum, (Exhibition Grounds, in Toronto) his mother in the stands. Accompanying her were Peter, Marjorie and Bruce Miller and Kervyn. ... This was her first recollection of John's hair turning 'salt and pepper'.

Still in Newmarket, Zella was able to save enough money to buy a house for a little over \$800. It was at 51 Gorham St. Both Ross and Peter lived there with her prior to starting out on their own. Shortly after moving into this home, Zella received word that Margaret needed assistance. The McNeil household was crumbling, and the authorities were going to send Margaret's children to orphanages. Zella came to Margaret's aid and soon the McNeil children were residents of Newmarket. ...

My Mother-in-law and I spent many afternoons and mornings talking about this brief biography – and just what to include. We have attempted to give you just a glimpse of what pioneer life was like, an opportunity to touch history through the memories of a lady who lived history. She remembers a time when medicine was something made at home – mustard plasters, linseed poultices, sulphur and syrup to ward off winter ailments. The town doctor was paid with everything from money to chickens and turnips and often not at all. No one had heard of OHIP, Canada Pension of Mutual Funds. An era when the washing machine was a bar of sunlight soap on a scrub board, Orangemen paraded in small towns, and every Irish Catholic knew ditties that ended with 'to hell with King Billy, three cheers for the Pope!'. ... Zella and Robert Goheen had five children (four were at her 100th birthday party). She has 14 grandchildren, 25 Great-grandchildren and 7 Great-great children."

There is more to the story that Mary Ann Goheen prepared, if you would like a copy just drop us a line.



THE U. S. GEN WEB PROJECT

Since June of 1966, volunteers have been transcribing files from the public domain to be available to genealogists and historians. By June of this year (1997) they had 140 MB. of material for searching and viewing. The main Table of Contents is at www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/usfiles.htm and then

you can follow to the state that is of interest to you, where you will learn of the files that are available for searching, printing or copying to a disk. The Internet is now called the largest genealogical library in the world. Our own Cindy Bryant, #49, is one of the people who has volunteered to input information to this project. She has been helping Sherlene Belden type the cemetery records (from the 1930's DAR project) for Allegan Co., Michigan. They are being placed in the WWW Gen Web Archives for the whole world to see. Many are 1840's burials, (before Michigan started keeping records!) Today those stones are, for the large part, unreadable. So it is exciting to have the old DAR lists. She has also helped Cheryl Van Wormer type biographies from the Ionia and Montcalm Counties of Michigan and from the 1881 history of those counties by J.S. Schenck. In Cindy's words, "The genweb area of the internet is such a friendly place. So many volunteers are compiling so many records for others across the world to use as aids in their research. I have volunteered to type records as a pay-back for others who have helped me."

Denny Zank, coordinator for the Michigan Gen-Web, is looking for Biographies on Michigan people to post in the Michigan archives. Needed is the transcription, and where it came from, (book and page #) county and township referred to. Any public domain lists, such as marriage and death records or old obituaries are also welcome. If you have any Michigan items you wish to share, please e-mail Denny: dennyz@arrownet.com

The Michigan Archives is located at :
<http://rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/mi/mifiles.htm>

THE MANY HATS OF DAVID WAYNE MABIE

David Wayne Mabie, CCE, BPS (he prefers to be called Wayne by his friends) has expanded his many gifts and talents into a full range of activities. Wayne is NYS-SED certified in food services; an ACF Certified Culinary Educator, has a BPS Degree - Suny Empire State College with 40 years experience in the Professional Food Service Industry. He has expertise in sanitation techniques in the Food Service Industry, marketing strategies, food sales, food management and provides educational workshops serving the Capital Region Food Service Professionals. He is also a Culinary Arts Instructor at Schoharie Vo-Tec Center and Adjunct Instructor in sanitation techniques and elements of baking at the Schenectady County Community College.

BACK ISSUES

For those who do not have the old newsletters, you can, at present, purchase back issues at 75 cents each or \$15 for all 35.

MANNING AVENUE CEMETERY, SNAKES, VANDALS AND DAVID HENRY

In Butler, New Jersey, the Manning Avenue Cemetery has been beset by vandals and is a haven for snakes. Our member, # 193, David Henry was concerned and wanted to do something. He has four generations of ancestors buried there, including Thomas Carman who served in the American Revolution. David asked the Borough for permission to reset the stones and have a marker "suitable to the memory of my patriotic ancestor, who fought for the liberty of his country. ... Due to neglect on the part of whoever is responsible for the maintenance of the cemetery, as well as vandalism, his stone and those of his wives were completely destroyed." Because of ownership problems, there is no one directly responsible for the care and maintenance of the cemetery. David, therefore, asked if a cemetery association could be formed. The borough and local veteran organizations have attempted to maintain the site, but the local council has not expressed any desire to own the site because it would expose them to liabilities. The police chief suggested that the access be re-graded so that squad cars could patrol the cemetery. They did notify Mr. Henry that they could not give him permission to form a cemetery association. He would have to apply to the cemetery board.

NEW ADDRESSES

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SHARON SOVA #188
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NEW MEMBERS

HERBERT B. FARMER # 215
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Herb is descended from Catherine Mabie and Daniel Secord, Jr. We have at least two other members who are descended from Catherine Mabie and

Daniel Secord, Jr.. They are Susan & A. Douglas Marion, #120 and Marion Smith Tait, #114. Susan is descended from Catherine and Daniel through their son, John Secord and Phoebe Travis (her great-grandparents). Marion comes through another son, James Secord Sr. and his wife, Madeline Badeau.

ROBERT L. MABY, JR. #216
7447 CAMBRIDGE, #51
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77054-2027
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From Bob's business card we learn that his Certifications and Registrations include: American Association of Petroleum Geologists; State of California registered geologist; State of North Carolina registered geologist; Fellow: Geological Society of America; Fellow: The Geological Society (London); Society of Petroleum Engineers; SEPM (Society for Sedimentary Geology). But even before Bob decided to be a member, we learned of him. A letter from Judith Maby, #15, included the following information, "Our cousin, Robert L. Maby, of Houston, Texas (retired geologist who worked in Saudi Arabia for 27 years for ARAMCO -- Arabian-American Oil Co. -- has been very supportive of my efforts as self appointed family historian) was on a plane flight to San Francisco and sat next to a gentleman named Oliver W. Johnson. The two fell into a conversation and Robert discovered that Mr. Johnson's wife was a 'Mabie.' Robert hastily got Mr. Johnson's home address." From that chance encounter, we were fortunate to have three new members: Oliver Johnson's father-in-law, Edmund Mabie, #89 and Edmund's sisters Patricia Mabie Magette, #91 and Evelyn Mabie Danilevics, #94.

We further learned from Bob that his mother's name is Lélia Grace Fowler. I have not yet learned how to put an accent mark in our computer genealogy files, but Bob tells us that his mother was buried in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors, and that the government does not do accent marks on tombstones, so at least we have that in common. Bob further reports, "And to keep the record straight, my father, Col. Robert L. Maby, was a reserve officer and at the time of his death did not qualify for burial in Arlington. Business was brisk during that war-period and to get into Arlington one had to either have the medal of honor or be a general or be in the regular army. He was none of these, so he lies along-side my mother as spouse. His ego is probably rolling as I write."

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Bill's grandparents and great aunt were active genealogists and he has inherited some of his records and his interest from them. He is a DESCENDANT OF JOHN MABIE AND POLLY CHUBB.

MARTIN B. & GRACE M. MABEE # 218
26 ICE PLANT ROAD
LAFAYETTE, NEW JERSEY 07848

Martin and Grace attended the reunions this year in Florida and in New York. It was fun to become a little better acquainted with them. Martin is descended from Alfred Mabee and Elizabeth Harding. He is searching for more of his family. His grandfather also was named Martin.

DOUGLASS MATHER "TIM" MABEE # 219
4 LIBERTY DR.
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY 12866

Tim is the son of Douglass Williams Mabee and Prudence Brattle Mather. We had the pleasure of meeting him at the reunion at the Mabee Farm.

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Janet attended the reunion at the Mabee Farm. She and her sister, Joyce, joined the Maybee Society

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John was signed up as a member of the Maybee Society by his sister Janet. He and his sisters, Janet DeMarr and Joyce Cody are descended through William Mabee and Sophia Scripture..

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Although Janet tells us that her time for research is limited because she is a full-time mother with two preschool children, we were very impressed with the thoroughness and organization of her research. She wrote, "My 3x Gt-grandparents, Charles and Harriet Mabee, with their children came to New Zealand on the 'Olympus' arriving 20 April 1841. Occupation was given as Agricultural Labourer and Flax dresser. They came from Bansombe near Sidmouth. Devon, England." An interesting question to us is - What happened to their daughter, Sophia. On their application to go to New Zealand she was listed, but a note beside her name, says "left on shore". She would have been about 11 years of age.

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Joyce joined at the family reunion held at the Mabee farm. She was able to become better acquainted with her extended family there. She, her sister, Janet DeMarr, and brother, John Haner, are great-grandchildren of Washington Mabee and Tenetta Maria Hoyt.

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Floyd and Dot are well known to many family members from their attendance at two of the Florida reunions. Floyd and Martin Mabee, # 218, are brothers.

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