

SOULE NEWSLETTER

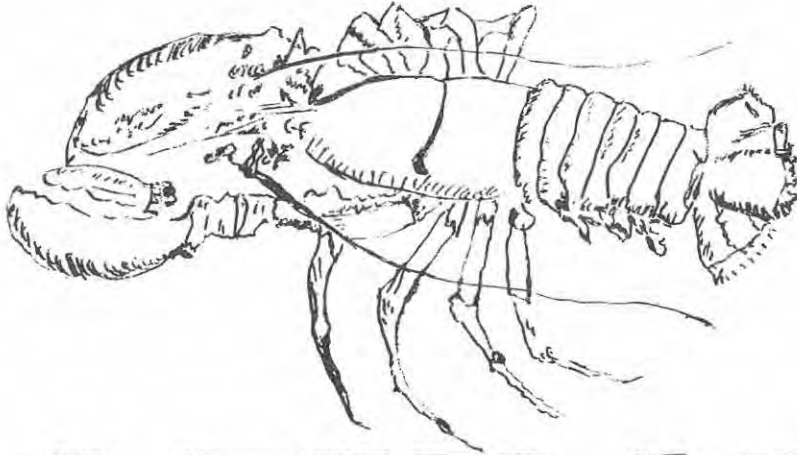
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LOOK! THIS IS WHAT WE ARE HAVING FOR THE SEPTEMBER SOULE REUNION - September 8th-10th



CLAMBAKE

CLAMBAKE as the main feature with Meal consisting of Lobster - Steak - Chicken!!!!

Make your choice and send in Reservations soon! Hopefully time for tours and sight-seeing of the area close by. Start making your plans and prepare for the good times we share when we get together. Each year there is something different to see and do. Meet old friends and make some new acquaintances. Share in the fellowship of a group such as we have.



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Editor's Corner:

Back home again in Indiana. Had a wonderful winter in Florida! I wrote Shirley Soule Smith where we were and asked her over. We had a delightful time catching-up on Soule news. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tiffin came over for a day also and we talked about the Soule Kindred Reunion this FALL. He gave us the information about the CLAM BAKE planned for us. Betty Harris our President sends us more information, we must read and begin planning and making our Reservations early. It will be a busy time in September, what with the Mayflower Convention following our Reunion. COME!

The QUERIES and ANSWERS are getting some results. What are your problems and would this section help you? Write us your problems maybe someone has an answer. We will be as prompt as newsletter space is available.

In our President's Corner we see where Col. John Soule is again ready to help with some records that he has available. Hopefully many will take advantage of his offer to help. Needless to say we are all glad to hear that Col. John Soule is improving in health. We will look forward to seeing him at the Fall Reunion.

I am teaching a class in Genealogy, started last week. It will be a ten week course. It is being held in the Church that I attend. It is a class to help Mayflower members and some friends learn more about - How To Trace Your Ancestry. The cost of material used is all this class will pay. A Good Will offering to the Indiana Mayflower Society and a few other friends. We will take a tour of the Indiana State Library which is one the better Librairies and house rooms of genealogy in that division of the Library.

Hopefully we may acquire more members to the Indiana Society and possibly some more Supplemental lines.

Keep the NEWS, Pictures, etc. coming for the Soule Newsletter.

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Dear Cousins:

Our reunion chairman, Kenneth Tiffin, has an interesting gathering planned. Be sure to see the announcement in this issue of the Newsletter which includes the schedule.

We are looking forward eagerly to a return to Duxbury and Plymouth. It is a rewarding experience each time we visit. Both the place and the New England Cousins are great!

At the last meeting in Duxbury we brought small rocks from the shore at Powder Point to give to each of our children and grandchildren in Texas. Ned wrote the place and date on each rock. Pet rocks were the vogue that year! The children called them Pedigreed Pet Rocks!

It is a thrill to step into the kitchen of the Alden House. That part of the house is thought to be the original first house John Alden lived in when he moved to Duxbury. Surely George Soule knew that very room! Its walls must have known his voice! One is struck by the wonder of it! Thanks to the Alden Kindred we will be seeing that interesting house again.

We owe more than we can say to our Founder-Historian, Col. John for his endless work on the Soule family. His work on the Five Generation Project, along with that of Dr. Milton Terry, is in completion. We have missed Col. John's interesting and informative contributions to the Newsletter for too long. We can now look forward to hearing from him again. He is again available to answer Soule family questions. Please send inquiries along with check for \$10.00 fee to: Colonel John Soule, 6251 Old Dominion Dr. # 221, McLean, Virginia 22101.

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

You may know that George Standish Soule, our co-founder, organizer, and all around idea man, has taken a new position in California. We wish you much success, George.

Betty

SOULE KINDRED 1978 REUNION

SEPTEMBER 8-9-10, 1978

DUXBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

WHERE OUR PILGRIM HERITAGE BECOMES ALIVE!

Headquarters will be at the Howard Johnson Motel, 149 Main Street, Kingston, Mass., 02364. Phone (617) 585-3831. PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE AUGUST 7th. Rooms will be at a premium because of the General Congress of the Society of Mayflower Descendants meeting scheduled immediately after our reunion. Room rates at the Howard Johnson have been quoted as: Single \$23; Double occupancy \$26; Two double-beds \$30. There is also a campground near Kingston for those arriving by motorhome, trailer, or with tents.

Since we meet every third year in the Plymouth area, this paper will serve as the only announcement of our reunion to be sent to members. No other information will be mailed out as has been usual when we have planned to meet in other states.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE REUNION:

Friday, September 8th.

4:00 PM - Registration and coffee in the Conference Room.

7:30 PM - Board meeting in the Conference Room.

Saturday, September 9th.

8:30 AM - Motorcade will form behind motel for tour of some historic houses and places in Kingston and Duxbury.

10:30 AM - Meet at Alden House, Duxbury, for annual business meeting and election of officers.

12 Noon - New England Style Clam Bake at Alden House.

2:00 PM - Lecture with slides "From Pilgrims to Patriots" by Cynthia Krusell, Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, London. (Following the lecture we will tour the Alden House). Rest of day is free.

Sunday, September 10th.

10:00 AM - Church. (To be announced).

(For your information: Check-out time at Howard Johnson is 11:30 AM.)

Noon ---- Reunion is officially over. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR.

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(Detach and mail to Chairman: Kenneth Tiffin, 50 Highland, Holliston, Mass. 01746.)

Indicate which entree and how many meals needed:

LOBSTER, Number of Meals _____ @10.00 Total _____

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(Signed) _____

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QUERIES & ANSWERS:

An answer to a long outstanding Inquerie!
Hope it helps someone else!

March 4, 1978
(Cold - But Blue Sky)

Mrs. Frank Crismore
3139 West 51st Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46208

Dear Mary:

It has been more than a year since we have corresponded. After all of the pleas to members of Soule Kindred for help in identifying our elusive Moses Soule of Troy, Maine, it seems only fitting that we now let you and our friends know that we believe we have completed his line. Our only exception is the actual documentation that our Moses⁷ was the son of John⁶ who married Lois Carter in January, 1788 in Yarmouth/Freeport, Maine. We now wish to share our information.

Roberta now is Mayflower from George Soule, the line having been accepted. The only deviation we made from practically a straight Soule line back to George¹ was through the Wilsons of Freeport, then back again to Soules. You see, our friend Moses⁷ married his first cousin, Lydia Wilson in November, 1813. Mary (Polly) Wilson, Lydia's mother, was the sister of John⁶ Soule who married David Wilson in May 1784. Our Moses⁷ apparently was named after his grandfather, Moses⁵.

As this line of Soules apparently has not been traced before we brought it down from Moses⁷ of Troy, we are enclosing a copy of our initial work sheet so that you will have the complete Mayflower record for your files. The information may prove helpful so someone doing the same frustrating research as we did for about five years. On the other hand, it also could be that some of our Soule Kindred might have documentation relating to John⁶ Soule and Lois Carter and setting forth their children.

As near as we can determine from our good friend, Don Maguire, who has an amazing cross index card system for the Soules, John⁶ and Lois Carter had eight children, to wit:

- i. Mary (Polly) m. Perez Thoits
- ii. Moses m. Lydia Wilson
- iii. Lydia
- iv. Barnabas
- v. Daniel b. 12 March 1795 d. 18 September 1855
- vi. John m. Mary Mitchell
- vii. Lois m. William Walker
- viii. Charlotte m. James Mann

We noticed in the last issue of Soule Kindred that Henschman Soule submitted the identification of the Soule gravestones in the Mt. Holly Cemetery in Troy. Unfortunately, having been there three years ago and again last summer, there are no stones for Moses nor Lydia Soule. Those that are there, however, are part of the same family. We stopped in Freeport last summer, when we went to Maine on our Moses Soule chase, and talked with Henschman. We told him at the time that we had

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discovered the Soule plot when I was in Troy three years ago and really triggered off our hunt for friend Moses. We now wonder if Moses and Lydia returned to Freeport in their later years when they turned their Troy farm on Old Penobscot Road over to their two sons, Elbridge and Reuben. The third son, David, probably was married and living in Detroit, Maine, an adjacent community at the time.


We had a fantastic trip to Maine last summer. Taking the bull by the horns, we finally recognized that in spite of all the pen pals we had made through Soule genealogical correspondence, there really could be no substitute for an on-the-spot investigation of our own. It was through this trip that we were able to crack the Moses Soule enigma. We also had the opportunity to meet personally many of those people with whom we had corresponded, as well as encountering new and interested friends. We also are enclosing a narrative of our experience, Journey into Maine, which was published by the Illinois Society last fall. It tells who, what, and where, as well as providing some information as to where to look, how to find, and keep hoping the next stop will provide the breakthrough.

Roberta comes down from Moses⁷ through his son, Reuben. We always surmised that Reuben left Troy, possibly for the gold fields of California, the year following the death of his wife, Mary Ann. He left his two sons, William Orin and Elbridge Asbury Soule with his own brother, Elbridge G. As a result of our Maine pilgrimage, we have the actual covenant between Reuben and Elbridge to care for the two boys, for the consideration of \$400 - the amount representing the farmland turned over to Elbridge. Believe us, that document came as a bewildering surprise!

Someone from Johnson Manor in Evanston probably will be in Plymouth for the Soule Reunion next fall. While we have never met Colonel John, we have talked with him by telephone many times. He has indicated that he will be in Plymouth, hopefully with the Soule 5GP, so we look forward to meeting him as well as renewing other friendships among the Kindred.

So, again, we are delighted to state that after all of these years we believe we have the identity of Moses⁷ Soule of Troy, Maine. It becomes our pleasure to share the information in hopes it might be helpful to someone who helped us.

Our very best,



ALGER & ROBERTA JOHNSON
1128 Grant Street
Evanston, Illinois 60201

Editor's Comment:

Alger and Alberta you are to be Congratulated for your fine accomplishment! I knew you could do it!

A big task well rewarded!

May you always be as lucky! Putting in complete story. Maybe someone else will profit by your work and endeavors.

Mary Crismore, Editor

Statement of Line of Eligibility for Membership in the Society of Mayflower Descendants.

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1. George Soule of the Mayflower. His son was
(Begin with Male Head of the Family. See list on page four.) (Son or Daughter.)
2. John Soule who married Rebecca Simmons and had
(Write every name in full.) (Write every name in full.)
3. Moses Soule, born at Duxbury, Massachusetts
(Write every name in full.)
died at on, married at Duxbury, Massachusetts
on 1701 to Marcy Southworth, born at Duxbury, Massachusetts
on 1670, died at Duxbury, Massachusetts on about 1728. Their son was
(Son or Daughter.)
4. Barnabas, born at Duxbury, Massachusetts on 19 December 1705
died at North Yarmouth, Maine on 8 April 1780, married at Duxbury, Massachusetts
on 1737 to Jane Bradbury, born at Salisbury, Massachusetts
1718
on Bpt 4 August 1718 at North Yarmouth on. Their son was
5. Moses Soule, born at Duxbury, Massachusetts on 19 February 1733
died at Freeport, Maine on, married at North Yarmouth, Maine
on 24 July 1760 to Nancy Hewes, born at Boston, Massachusetts,
on Bpt 2 February 1738 at Freeport, Maine on 27 September 1812. Their daughter was
6. Mary Soule, born at Freeport, Maine on
died at Freeport, Maine on 26 Aug. 1828, married at Freeport, Maine
on 12 Aug. 1784 to David Wilson, born at
on, died at on. Their daughter was
7. Lydia Wilson, born at Freeport, Maine on 22 April 1793
died at Troy, Maine on, married at Freeport, Maine
on 22 Nov. 1813 to Moses Soule, born at Freeport, Maine
on, died at Troy, Maine on. Their son was
8. Reuben Soule, born at Freeport, Maine on 1817
died at on, married at Troy, Maine
on 29 June 1844 to Mary Ann Brann, born at Troy, Maine
on May 1817, died at Troy, Maine on 22 Nov. 1850. Their son was
9. William Orin Soule, born at Troy, Maine on 29 Oct. 1845
died at Lowell, Massachusetts on 19 Dec. 1917, married at West Barnet, Vermont
on 17 Dec. 1868 to Eli abeth Marble Brock, born at West Barnet, Vermont
on 22 Dec. 1845, died at Lowell, Massachusetts on 5 Mar. 1913. Their daughter was
10. Della Helen Soule, born at Lowell, Massachusetts on 10 June 1877
died at Lowell, Massachusetts on 8 Aug. 1958, married at Lowell, Massachusetts
on 9 Nov. 1898 to Samuel Scott, born at Bothwell, Scotland
on 5 Feb. 1868, died at Lowell, Massachusetts on 15 Mar. 1939. Their daughter was

11. Adelaide Elizabeth Scott, born at Lowell, Massachusetts on 13 Feb. 1899
 died at Lowell, Massachusetts on 13 Aug. 1958, married at Lowell, Massachusetts
 on 30 June 1920 to Robert Adam Smith, born at Lowell, Massachusetts
 on 4 July 1898, died at Nashua, New Hampshire on 8 January, 1956 their daughter was
 12. Roberta Harriet Smith, born at Lowell, Massachusetts on 9 June, 1923
 died at _____ on _____, married at Lowell, Massachusetts
 on 15 Feb. 1947 to Alger Goddard Johnson, Jr., born at Lowell, Massachusetts
 on 4 July 1919, died at _____ on _____. Their _____ was
 13. _____, born at _____ on _____
 died at _____ on _____, married at _____
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Give below a reference to the authority for EACH statement of Birth, Marriage or Death. Where reference is made to UNPUBLISHED records, applicant must file duplicate certified copies of same. Statements based upon tradition cannot be considered.

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GENERATION.

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- 3. MI #31984
MI #31730
- 4. MI #31780
- 5. MI #31983
- 6. Ridlon p #230; Old North Yarmouth p. 865; V/R North Yarmouth Vol. I, p 629
- 7. V/R Freeport, Book A, p. 50; V/R Freeport Bk. A., P. 278; Kennebec Cty Deeds, Vol 43, p. 95;
- 8. Troy(Joy) Census 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850; Troy V/R Micro LDS #3215(12264); Troy V/R Micro, Maine State Archives; Waldo Cty Deeds Vol 73, p 340; Gravestone
- 9. Marriage Certs; Death Certs.
- 10. Birth Certs; Marriage Certs; Death Certs; Birth
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JOURNEY INTO MAINE

Roberta H. Johnson
Evanston, Illinois

For the past four years, I have searched in vain to establish the identity and background of one Moses Soule of Troy, Maine. Moses and I have been at odds, even with a file cabinet crammed with correspondence to various official sources, to individuals with the name of Soule, and even to known descendants from that Plymouth founding family of George Soule.

In essence, I have traced my Soule line back to Troy, Maine in the early 1800's, but there the trail turned cold. My elusive Moses appears in the 1820 US Census of Troy, also formerly known as Joy, 25 Mile Plantation, Kingville, and several other names. The 1820 Census, as well as subsequent years up to 1840, identified friend Moses as the head of the household, with spouse and three sons. These were identified later as David W., born 1814; Elbridge G., born 1815; and Reuben B., born 1817. My line descends from Moses through Reuben Soule.

After years of frustration, try as I might, I could go no further back into the family ancestry of Moses Soule. Who were his parents? From what community did he come before surfacing in the 1820 Census of Troy - Duxbury, Waterville, Winslow, Freeport, Falmouth, North Yarmouth? There was nothing but his name which would tie him back as a descendant of George Soule of the Mayflower.

In June of this year, my husband and I spent two weeks vacation in the State of Maine. Even before we left, our time in Maine was designated as a genealogical trip. We believed in the adage that if one can not find out one way, try another - especially a visit to the local scene. We had to find the answer to our genealogical enigma.

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Before leaving Evanston, we even established a structured itinerary so we could space our travels properly and visit those areas of historical record significance to us - Maine State Archives; Court Houses in Augusta, Belfast, Ellsworth, Portland; vital records in Freeport and North Yarmouth; and even the libraries in Waterville, Winslow, Bangor and the Maine Historical Society in Portland. Our vacation was dedicated to a mighty search for clues as to the identify of Moses Soule of Troy.

Because my husband objected strongly to losing five or six days of valuable time driving to and from Maine, we flew to Boston where we rented a car on a weekly basis. We were completely mobile, and could go where we wished during our two weeks in Maine. As it turned out, we did need the extra time we saved by flying east to explore more fully the various sources of genealogical information.

Driving from Boston, our first stop in Maine was the town of Freeport. Freeport is a very old community, seceding from the original settlement of North Yarmouth and establishing its own boundaries and government in 1789 . Among the early residents of Freeport were ship builders, sea captains, coopers, chandlers and others associated with the sea-faring economy, as well as shop-keepers and yeomen. Today, the major economic force in Freeport is L. L. Peane Sporting Goods, which, incidently, is open twenty-four hours each day and grossing well into the millions of dollars from local and mail-order purchases from all over the world.

Our visit to Freeport was a must. Previous correspondence with the Town Clerk, Mrs. Phyllis Roy, produced a marriage certificate for a Moses Soule 3rd and Lydia Wilson, dated 13 November, 1813. Other than the record of marriage, there was no further information as to the identity of these two people. Because of the

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similarity of names, we wanted to determine if there was any relationship between Mose Soule of Freeport and our Moses Soule of Troy. Were they one and the same?

Mrs. Roy, Freeport Town Clerk, was very friendly and helpful, as were all of the other people we encountered during our search. She sympathized with our cause and remembered our correspondence. She again reminded us that the early records of Freeport were limited and incomplete, for many have been either lost or destroyed. We were allowed to examine the old Freeport books of vital records which still exist, and found the original 1813 entry for Moses and Lydia Soule. We also discovered that Lydia was the daughter of a David Wilson of Freeport, who married Mary (Polly) Soule of North Yarmouth. The Wilson/Soule marriage was recorded, as were all of their children. But, at that point, we were no further ahead than when we started when it came to Moses Soule.

Visiting the Bartol Library in Freeport, we were able to pour over some old Tax Rolls. We discovered an interesting and unusual thing. There were three Moses Soules' in Freeport from 1813 to 1818. The Tax Rolls listed Moses Soule, Moses Soule, Jr., and Moses Soule 3rd. Moses Soule 3rd disappeared from the Tax Roll after 1818. Did he go to Troy?

Just because there were three individuals in Freeport bearing the same name, two of whom were identified as Junior and the 3rd, really can not be considered too significant. It does not necessarily mean a blood-line relationship. Rather, the suffixes of Junior and 3rd merely could have been for the convenience of the townspeople in identifying three people with a common name. This was frequently done during that period.

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As with so many of the early New England communities, the vital records of Freeport are incomplete. It is not unusual to discover that parts of the books of record are missing, lost, destroyed by fire, or have been abandoned and forgotten in someone's attic. Such is the case in Kennebec County, of which Freeport once was a part. Early wills filed in the Court House were destroyed by fires - the first consuming a portion of the area containing the wills, with a second fire finishing the job. A second example of missing records is in the town of Freeport itself. It was only upon our second visit to the community, on our way home, that we met Vicki Lowe, a person interested in local history and genealogy. We learned from her that several books of old records recently had been discovered under the eaves of the Town Hall. At the time, no one had examined the hitherto mislaid records. These hidden books could be additional tax rolls, records of actions by Town Selectmen, or could contain some of the missing vital records for Freeport. Hopefully, time will tell, and we will learn more about the parentage and ancestry of Moses Soule 3rd of Freeport.

Our next stop was the Waterville/Winslow area, where we knew there were a number of Soule families in the 1800's. Having already obtained and examined copies of published vital records from the combined Waterville/Winslow communities, separated only by the Kennebec River, we spent our time visiting the library in hope that some of the early histories or genealogies would identify specific families and individuals. No luck!

Our next scheduled stop was Troy, Maine, the known home of our Moses Soule according to the census. At least we had some tangible evidence. By way of background, about three years ago my husband visited Troy while on a business

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trip into Maine. After checking at least three old cemeteries, he found the Soule lot in the Mt. Holly cemetery north of the center of the town. Unfortunately, there were no marked graves for Moses Soule and his wife. There were, however, gravestones for others which definitely linked the lot to our family of Soules. First, there was the grave of Mary Ann (Brann) Soule, wife of Reuben, the youngest son of Moses and my ancestor. There also were the graves of four Soule children who had died at an early age: Moses O, son of David and Hannah S. Soule, died 18 September, 1857 at eleven years of age; William G, son of David and Hannah Soule, 22 February 1851, age ten months; Lillian M., daughter of Elbridge G. and Sarah E. Soule, died 12 May 1871, age eight years; and Gertrude, adopted daughter of E. G. and S.E. Soule, died 15 December 1879, age eight years. But no Moses, the target of our search!

After visiting Mt. Holly, my husband was adamant that two slate outcroppings adjacent to the Soule lot, overgrown with grass and general weed ground cover, actually were stone grave slabs which would bear the identification of the occupants when cleared of the overgrowth. This time, armed with a huge trowel, work gloves and pruning shears, we visited Mt. Holly cemetery to strip portions of the ground cover in hopes of finding the inscriptions. Unfortunately, it did not work out that way. After much scraping, digging and prodding on a hot day, we discovered that the slate stones did not comprise a grave marker. If they did, most of the slate slabs had deteriorated and scaled away. The possibility does exist, however, that these slate slabs could have been placed over the earthen graves of Moses Soule and his wife as additional protection against animals, but the actual gravestones have long since disappeared. This is only a theory, but no one really knows what happened to the original Soules of Troy after the 1840 Census. They disappear from the record. The question becomes whether or not they died or migrated to another

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area, leaving their farm to two of their three sons, Reuben and Elbridge Soule.

We had checked with the Town Clerk of Troy, both by mail and by a personal visit when my husband visited the community. No records. This time, we also visited with a Selectman. No records. The only records of Troy of which we are aware are on microfilm by the LDS church. We have checked that film several times, both at the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City and at the Maine State Archives. No deaths nor births are recorded, only intentions and certificates of marriage. So, faced with another disappointment, we returned 50 miles to Augusta, the State Capitol and home of the Maine State Archives. Again, as was the case with every prospective stop, our hopes were revitalized that we would find our answer to the Soule riddle in some vital records within the vaults of the Archives.

Visiting the Maine State Archives is an interesting experience. The staff is courteous, friendly, interested and eager to help. One section of the Archives is devoted to microfilm, manuscripts and additional material in book stacks which are not open to the public. The staff will bring the requested material, the same procedure as followed at the Newberry Library in Chicago.

The second and larger portion of the Maine Archives is comprised of open stacks of Maine histories and genealogies. Of particular interest is a six volume, typed, set of notebooks recording gravestones in many of the old Maine cemeteries. These cemetery records were researched and compiled by interested volunteers.

To make a long story short, after spending the day at the Archives, we came out no further ahead in our puzzle than when we started. We again reviewed

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the microfilm of the Troy vital records, and found the intentions and certificates of marriage for David, Elbridge and Reuben Soule, the three sons of Moses. But, no reference to our friend Moses of Troy.

Distraught, but not totally discouraged, we switched our attention to the nearby Kennebec Court House. While Augusta is located in Kennebec County, and Troy is in Waldo County, there was a time when the entire area was Kennebec County. The present Waldo County was created in 1827, made up of portions of Kennebec, Hancock and Lincoln Counties. We suggest that anyone working in Maine should be sure to check possible County boundry changes. Without this awareness one might overlook important records filed in the Court House of the current county, but which also contains documents relating to the past when County definitions were different.

Our visit to the Kennebec Court House was a long shot, but worth a try. We went to the County Clerk and to the Registry of Deeds. First, we wanted to determine the existence of old wills, but learned that they had been consumed by fire many years ago. Second, a visit to the Registry of Deeds could provide leads as to possible land transactions in the Troy (Joy) area and our lost Soule.

For those who never have had the experience, the Registry of Deeds is a good place to learn if the person sought purchased or sold real property. If so, the transaction will be recorded officially in the appropriate Book of Deeds for that period. These registers of deeds are large volumes, usually handwritten during the early years, running about twelve by thirty inches in size, and containing about 250 to 300 pages recording the transfer and description of the property involved. Registers of Deeds are not arranged in the usual vertical library style, but rather are placed horizontally on roller files for easy access and to prevent unnecessary wear and tear as they are withdrawn and replaced.

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One does not have to search at random through tomes of records, but should consult the index for the name and time frame in mind. The index will list the parties involved in the land transaction, the volume containing the deed, and the page number.

From that point, it becomes a matter of locating and selecting the appropriate Register, turning the page with baited breath in hopes that the desired information will be there. The Register will name the Grantor - the person selling the property, and the Grantee - the purchaser. The location and sectional description of the property will be well defined. In the case of all deeds, mortgage or warranty, signatures will be shown at the bottom of the deed, together with those of the witnesses, recorder and date of the transaction.

The Kennebec Court House contained three rooms, or protective vaults, for its Registry of Deeds. Two of the rooms were bustling with people, not all genealogists, but most representing attorneys on current title searches. Naturally, the information we sought was in the rearmost, darkest and most barren section of vault number three because of the early years of Kennebec County.

At the time the present town of Troy was situated in Kennebec County, it was known as Joy. This unusual name apparently came about, according to the early Kennebec Deeds, because a Boston Merchant named Benjamin Joy owned much of the property in the area. Whether or not he obtained the land originally by grant or purchase, we do not know.

Checking the Registry Index for the late 1700's and early 1800's, we found a listing where Moses Soule, Grantee, had purchased land from Benjamin Joy, Grantor. We already knew that our Moses Soule owned property, but now we were one step ahead, for we learned from whom he bought it. Selecting the correct Register from the very rear and darkest portion of the vault, we turned to the page indicated

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by the index. There was the record of a mortgage deed for 50 acres, more or less, which Moses Soule had purchased from Benjamin Joy in 1822. Then came the exciting breakthrough. As a mortgage deed, the wife had to sign the document to renounce her right of dowery. There before us lay the combined signatures of Moses and Lydia Soule! We had made the important connection between Moses and Lydia Soule of Freeport and our Moses Soule of Troy. We were estatic, even to the point of my giving a not-so-soft war-whoop. In fact, several employees came from a nearby office to see what was going on. But, after four years of exasperating frustration, who cared!

Although we researched other deeds relating to the Soule property in Troy, our find at the Kennebec Court House was the only one which bore the signature of the wife. According to law, the wife was supposed to sign the deed in conjunction with her husband, but apparently this legality was overlooked in many instances. We know that both sons and heirs of Moses Soule were married at the time the lands were transferred between them and on to other owners, yet no signatures of the spouse appear.

We later visited the Waldo County Court House in Belfast. We found nothing relating to our Moses and Lydia Soule, especially the transfer of his property to his sons, Reuben and Elbridge, following his apparent death. We did, however, find some other interesting information about the changes in ownership of the Soule farm.

Following the death of his wife, Mary Ann, in 1850, Reuben Soule, son of Moses, sold his portion of the farm to his brother Elbridge. Reuben apparently left the area, leaving his two sons, William Oren and Elbridge Asbury Soule with his older brother. Where Reuben went is open to conjecture. He may have migrated westward

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into Ohio, Indiana or Michigan where other Soule families were known to exist.

We documented additional deeds and material relating to the Soule family and farm in Troy. Following his acquisition of his brother Reuben's portion of the farm in 1851, and possibly because of the onus of raising two young nephews, Elbridge G. Soule married Sarah Ross on 6 September 1862. This was her second marriage. While he was not named in the 1870 Troy census, apparently because of his age, the 1880 census lists George W. Ross, 20 years, as the stepson of Elbridge Soule. Elbridge and Sarah had a daughter, Lillian M, born 27 February 1863 and who died on 12 May, 1871.

Elbridge Soule, who also owned considerable land in the adjacent town of Unity, sold that portion of the Soule farm conveyed to him from his brother Reuben to a Jeremiah Hillman of Troy of 24 June 1852. While we do not know the circumstances and date of death for Elbridge Soule, additional deeds reveal that following his death, his step-son George Ross apparently regained the original Soule land, then sold the entire farm to Augustus Stevens in 1884.

We also learned that Sarah Ross Soule married A. K. Blanchard of Unity on 9 January 1886. Her son, George Ross married Georgia E. Heald of Troy on 10 November, 1886.

Continuing our search for the full identify of Moses Soule, we returned to Portland where we researched in the Maine Historical Society library to no avail. We also visited with Mr. Don Maguire, a man with whom we had corresponded frequently but had never met. Mr. Maguire also is vitally interested in the Soule families of Maine and has constructed an amazing cross-index card file. In fact, he is working with Colonel John Soule on the Soule line for the Five Generation Project of Mayflower families.

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It was from information contained in the Maguire files that we came up with the central thought that Moses Soule 3rd of Freeport possibly was the son of John⁶ Soule who married Lois Carter in North Yarmouth on 31 January, 1788. (Moses⁷, John⁶, Moses⁵, Barnabas⁴, Moses³, John², George¹.) To our understanding, but with fragmentary documentation, John and Lois Soule had eight children. The second child was Moses, probably named after his grandfather. This is an area which we will have to research further before fully accepting the concept that Moses⁷ Soule 3rd actually was the son of John.

Spending a day at the Maine Historical Society in Portland, we documented the marriage of John and Lois (Carter) Soule according to the North Yarmouth Vital Records. We also documented, through three individual sources, the marriage of David Wilson and Mary (Polly) Soule, the parents of the Lydia Wilson who married our Moses Soule.

With this new background, we developed an interesting connection between the Soules and the Wilsons. Records show that Moses⁵ Soule, son of Barnabas⁴ and father of John⁶, married Nancy Hewes (Hughes) on 24 July 1760. They had six children. The first was Mary⁶(Polly) Soule who married David Wilson in 1784. The third child was John⁶, who married Lois Carter in 1788, and who is the suspected father of our Moses⁷ Soule of Freeport and Troy.

So, with that information, we came up with the following surprise: With David and Mary (Soule) Wilson giving birth of Lydia Wilson, and with John and Lois (Carter) Soule producing Moses Soule 3rd, we have an interesting combination. Our Moses Soule married Lydia Wilson, his first cousin. Such close family marriages were not uncommon in that era.

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While we still are not positive of the ancestry of Moses Soule 3rd of Freeport and Troy as the possible son of John and Lois (Carter) Soule, our Journey into Maine did provide additional information and the identity of Moses Soule. Other important leads also were developed. Our experiences in Maine proved an important point. Whereas correspondence and textbook research are valuable genealogical tools, it is far more effective - if at all possible - to conduct an on-site investigation. We were delighted with the results of our Journey into Maine.

QUERIES AND ANSWERS:

From: Helen Herman, 922 Backus Street, Jackson, Mich. 49202

Can you help me? Where will I find information on John and Rachel (Beck) McMahan, parents of Elizabeth McMahan, wife of Francis M. Sowle? John and Rachel had several children at Harrisburg, Pa. then they moved to Mansfield, Ohio, where Elizabeth was born 16 March 1834. Rachel Beck was born 30 Nov. 1793 at Harrisburg, Pa. John McMahan was in the War of 1812. I have The Brady history, she was John's Mother but can't find this Mary Brady's parents. John McMahan was the son of a John but there are several John's that have sons John. Which one? I have to find a John Beck who had married Barbara Folker need parents of Rachel Beck. Found several John Beck's but not sure of right one from Harrisburg. Any help on these families would be appreciated.

ANSWER: From Dorothy Heinerickson, 8141 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Mo. 64114

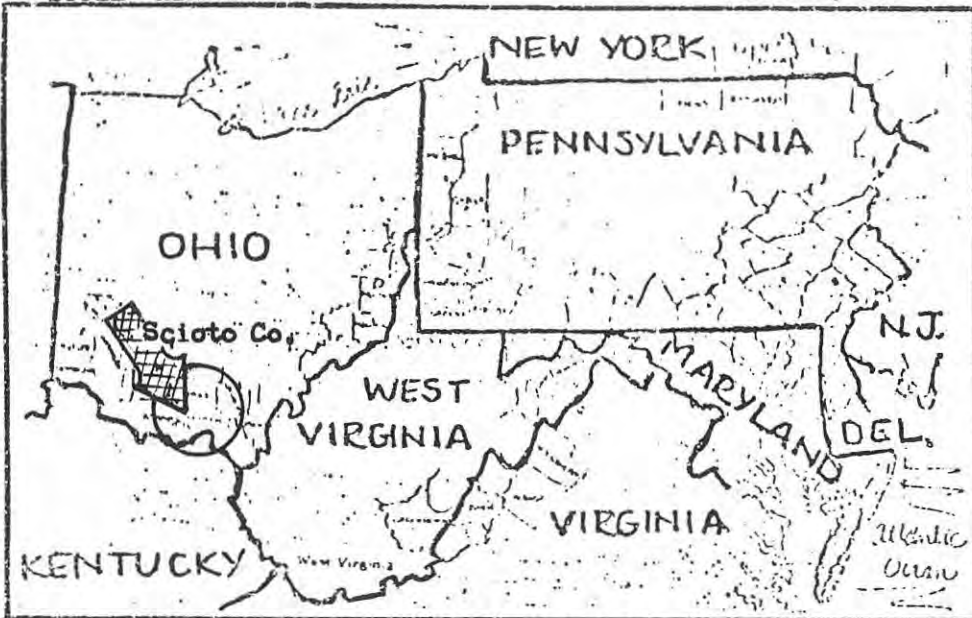
Dear Mrs. Crismore: You'll never know how thrilled I was to receive your prompt reply and to think that you made the connection plus a Francis Cooke line. Now my line reads: George Soule -- John Soule (m) Rebecca Simmons -- James Soule (m) Lydia Tomson -- Jacob Soule (m) Mary Thomas -- Jacob Soule (m) Sarah Shaw -- Joseph Soule (m) Sallie (Betsy) Thomas -- Ezra Soule (m) Mary Weaver -- Joseph Heber Soule (m) Ida May Morrison -- Margie D. Soule (m) Casper Elstner -- Dorothy Elstner (m) J. J. Heinerickson. I have documented data to my great grandfather but would like the documentation for the rest of the generations. Could like help there.

QUERIE: From: Margaret Wirth, P.O. Box 836, Corvallis, Ore. 97330

I am looking for my family. I have traced them to Danby, Rutland Co., Vt. My grandmother is Mary Boyce Sowle, daughter of William and Margaret Sowle. Can anyone direct me to these Sowles?

QUERIE: From: Alice Hockemeyer, 1725 E. Lindbergh St., Appleton, Wis. 54911
HELP!! I can't find the parents of a Soule wife. I would appreciate knowing if they can be found. She is Elizabeth Curtis who, according to Ridlon was born April 1796 in Dorset, Vermont. Her husband was Wesson II who traces to our favorite pilgrim.

My lineage : George, Nathaniel, Nathaniel, Wesson, James, Wesson II, Mary Ann Sowle Springer, Abby Springer Cramer, Alfred Cramer, Alice Cramer Hockemeyer.



323 North Maple Avenue
Greensburg, Pa. 15601
April 14, 1978

Soule Kindred Newsletter
Mrs. Mary Crismore, Editor
3139 West 51st Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46208

Dear Mrs. Crismore:

I've just written to Beverly Harrison, who asked about the parents of the SARAH SOWLE who married Revolutionary Soldier JOHN JONES SIKES in Westfield Massachusetts in 1787 and settled in Scioto County of southern Ohio (as shown on the above map) after brief stops in upper NY State and Kentucky.

Thanks to my friend, Caryn Shoemaker, the grave of Sarah has now been found in the private Stockham Semetry of Scioto County, Ohio; the stone states she died May 12, 1857, aged 86 years and 6 months. Her father? Sarah's death certificate says: EDWARD.

So those of us interested in that line are looking for clues on an EDWARD SOWLE/SOWL who was in the Wilbraham/Westfield area by 1778 (a deed showed land purchased there then) and who had earlier lived in Tolland, Connecticut.

Sarah named oldest son as EDWARD, undoubtedly in honor of her father. I wonder if she similarly was using a Sowle name when she named her oldest daughter RUHAMA?

Any evidence, clues, or speculations will be appreciated!

Very truly yours,

Joseph A. Bachman

Joseph A. Bachman

NEED HELP!

COLONEL JOHN SOULE
6251 Old Dominion Drive #221
McLean, Virginia 22101

SOULE HISTORIANNOW READY TO HELP

Send your INQUIRIES along with a check of \$10.00 to him for help in your SOULE Genealogical Problems.

After his long delay caused by the preparations and work on the FIVE GENERATION SOULE LINEAGES we now find Col. John Soule well enough in health to attempt to supply some answers to Soule Problems. We all wish him best of long lasting Health and thanks to him to allow us to seek his help again.

We have struggled along the past few years trying to keep up our courage by waiting patiently and now we can use his services again, and are most thankful to him.

Editor note.

ANOTHER EDITOR'S NOTE!!!!

We are receiving bits of information that are not identified well enough for us to know IF - HOW - WHEN or WHERE there are SOULE connections. To make these items usable by Col. John and others we must know if they are Soule related. How they are connected and to whom. When did these events happen and where did they happen. We cannot stress enough the relationship to SOULE KINDRED. Many Soule women change the names as may well happen to their daughters, SOON WE LOOSE THE CONNECTION BY NOT BEING ABLE TO TELL IF THEY REALLY ARE SOULE RELATED.

TIME and LOCALITY are key words
in any Genealogy work!

Help by identifying our news items. This is strongly urged by our Newsletter Trustee, GEORGE STANDISH SOULE and your Editor, MARY CRISMORE.

**THE INDIANA SOCIETY
OF
MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS**

*will hold its Spring Luncheon
Saturday, April 22, 1978, at
The Indianapolis Propylaeum
1410 N. Delaware Street — Indianapolis*

Speaker:

OUR HISTORIAN, MRS. FRANK A. CRISMORE

Subject:

CULTIVATING YOUR FAMILY TREE



The speaker is also your Editor! This meeting was a success with a record turnout of over 75 in attendance.

The subject was given with TIME and LOCALITY as the keys to successful family tree plans.

When it happened
Where it happened
and who was the person it happened to.

Please respond to:
Mrs. W. W. Conrow
5956 Rosslyn Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220
Before April 19

Luncheon: 12:00 — \$5.00

BIRTHS

- From: Ruth H. Cope, R.R. 1, Hudson, Illinois, 61748 (Past Newsletter Indexer)
Born - my grandson - Paul William Cope, January 17, 1978 to John and Peggy Cope.
- From: Carolyn Hills Kaminski, Jackson, Michigan
Our first grandchild was born 24 Dec. 1977, Jennifer Lynn Hamka, daughter of Terry and Jaafar Hamka of Trenton, Mich. She is descended from George Soule.
- From: Charles P. Bennett, Mount Ayr, Iowa
We have a great grandson, Michael Edward Sobotka born 29 July 1976, also a brother of his just born 5 Jan. 1978, Martin Robert Sobotka. They descended Thus: Charles W. Bennett (myself), Robert M. Bennett, Charles P. Bennett, A. T. Bennett, Phineas Bennett, Joseph Bennett, Isaac Bennett, Alden Bennett, John Bennett (m) Thankful Soule, William Soule, William Soule, George Soule and George Soule of Mayflower. (He would like to correspond with other descendants of John and Thankful (Soule) Bennett.
- From: Mrs. John Podgwaite, 337 West Main Street, Cheshire, Conn. 06410
A daughter Amy, was born to my nephew, George L. Soules and his wife, Patricia, of Louisville, Ky., 14 Nov. 1977.
- From: Ruth, great grandmother, a descendant of Martha Soule. (Ruth _____) (name?)
Born to William S.¹⁴ and Cynthia (Smith) Fuller a daughter, Amanda Joyce¹⁵, on 15 July 1977, born at Parkersburg, W. Va.

MARRIAGES

- From: Harriet W. Ball, 8208 Kittyhawk Ave, Los Angeles, Calif. 90045
Our son, Richard Emmett Ball was married to Nancy Lynn Sweisthal, 6 Aug. 1977 in Los Angeles, Calif.
- From: William John Soule, 91 N. 200 W., American Fork, Utah 84003
Laurie Joan Soule, daughter of William John Soule, Jr. and Alice Gertrude (Clough) Soule was married 25 Nov. 1977 to Bert Emery Bouquet.
- Dana Lynn Soule, another daughter was married 19 Jan. 1978 to Michael Wayne Packer, son of Mr. & Mrs. La Mar Packer.
- From: Mrs. Robert G. Gates, 3616 Northeast 115th, Seattle, Wash. 98125
married - Luanne Marie Gates, 31 July 1977, St. Patricks, Calif., daughter of Robert & Barbara Gates, to Patrick Vern Atwood, son of Vern W. & Norma Atwood. Luanne Gates¹², Barbara Wade¹¹, Harold Wade¹⁰, John Wade⁹, William S. Wade⁸, Hannah M. Samson⁷, Seth Samson⁶, Ezekiel Samson⁵, Mary Soule⁴, John Soule³, John Soule², George Soule¹.

ANNOUNCEMENT: from - Frank Sowl, 1403 Wyldhaven Ave., Monona, Wis. 53716

THE 4th ANNUAL SOWL REUNION AT Janesville, Wis, August 13, 1978!!!!!!!

He also writes he need origin of Elijah Sowl, born 1787, Conn., married to Lucinda Smith, Jan. 5, 1809 at Chester, Mass. PLEASE HELP!!!

Help fill in dates and places and relationship of the items used but not completed for Soule Kindred Genealogy Data Forms. PLEASE - Col. John needs them to keep up to date.

DEATHS:

From: Mr. & Mrs. G. M. SOULE, Apt. 507 - 33 Dawson Rd., Guelph, Ont. N1H 5V3

LULU M. McMICHAEL

Mrs. Lulu M. McMichael, 86, of 413 East st., died at her residence Thursday evening, March 23, 1978, after an extended illness. Born in Stoneham, June 11, 1892, she had lived in the Warren area all her life. *Pennsylvania*

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Frances Green Soule, a brother, Claude Soule; a sister, Lyda Lasher.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Wayne McMichael, and a nephew. She was a member of the Grace United Methodist Church, Jane Payne Circle, United Methodist Women, Sunset Auxiliary of Methodist Home, American Legion Auxiliary Chief Cornplanter Post 135 for 44 years; the Senior Center, and the World War I Auxiliary 1020.

She was employed by New Process Co. for 12 years and worked as a dental assistant for 11 years.

Friends are invited to the Templeton-Patterson Funeral Home for calling hours Saturday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Services will be held there Monday at 1:30 p.m. with the Rev. Harold Knappenberger, pastor emeritus of the Grace United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Oakland Cemetery.

This is a death of my cousin, Lulu¹⁰ McMichael and also a cousin to Clayton Soule. Lulu is the last one of George⁹ Soule, the eldest son of Peter Jacob Soule.

She was preceded by her sister Lida Lasher and a brother, Claude who was a veteran of W.W.I, had suffered from Gas attacks that took place during the fighting. He never married. The two sisters had no families. We visited these sister two or three times a year, so will miss them. They were much involved to the church they belonged to.

He also adds they plan to see us at the reunion this fall, at Plymouth.

Taken from "WARREN TIMES" - Warren, Pa.

Dated March 24, 1978

Same item sent in by George S. Soule, another cousin

From The Empire State



Mrs. James V. Fiori
928 Neal Road
P. O. Box 52
Endicott, NY 13760

SATURDAY
the press & sun-bulletin

Jan. 14, 1978 SATURDAY, Binghamton, N.Y. 9-B

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Deaths 5

SOULES - Frieda L. Soules, 77, of 217 Albany Ave., Johnson City, died Friday morning at Wilson Memorial Hospital. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Glenna Heater, Apalachin; 3 sons, Merton Soules; Donald G. Soules; G. Robert Soules, all of Johnson City; 2 sisters, Pearl Waters of Binghamton; Viola Doolittle of Johnson City; 2 brothers, Merton Inman, Syracuse and Augustus Inman, Castle Creek; 4 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; also several nieces, nephews and cous-

ins. She was a retired employee of the Endicott Johnson Shoe Corporation, with over 20 years of service in the scout factory. Funeral and committal services will be held at the J.F. Rice Funeral Home, Inc., 150 Main St., Johnson City, Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. Richard D. Christen, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Johnson City, officiating. Burial will be in the Vestal Hills Memorial Park at the convenience of the family. The family will receive friends at the funeral home, Monday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Those wishing may make contributions to the Heart Fund in Frieda's memory.

Mrs. Elroy Gross
Waldoboro
Maine 04572

Portland, Maine, Press Herald, Monday, January 2, 1978

Mrs. Charlotte E. Soule

FREEPORT - Mrs. Charlotte E. Soule, 85, died Sunday at a Brunswick nursing home after a long illness.

She was born in North Bucksport, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Harvey. She attended the schools in Bucksport and was a graduate of the Children's Hospital of Portland. She did postgraduate work at the Bellevue Hospital in New York.

Mrs. Soule worked at the Portland Children's Hospital and worked as a private duty nurse, prior to her marriage.

She came here in 1922 and

made her home here ever since.

Mrs. Soule was employed at L.L. Bean Inc. for four years, prior to her retirement.

She was a member of Casco Chapter OES of Freeport.

Her husband, Ernest L. Soule died in 1947.

She is survived by a brother, Guy R. Harvey and two sisters, Miss Laura N. Harvey and Mrs. Cecelia N. Priest, all of Bangor.

Funeral services will be held in the spring at a time to be announced. Arrangements by the Lindquist Funeral Home. Interment will be in Burr Cemetery, Freeport.

SOULE-In Cape Elizabeth, Jan. 13, 1978
Dennis W. Soule, age 30, 24 Ocean Ave., Cape Elizabeth.
Private Funeral at a later date.
Interment in Calvary Cemetery. If desired contributions may be made to the Maine Cancer Society.
Arrangements by the Hobbs Funeral Home.

Portland Maine, Press Herald, Tuesday, January 17, 1978

DEATHS: cont.

GEORGE E. SOULE 1978

WALDOBORO — George E. Soule, 53, husband of Lois Murphy Soule, died at his home Feb. 10 after a long illness.

Mr. Soule was born in Waldoboro on Aug. 26, 1924; the son of George and Myra Orff Soule. Before retirement, due to ill health, he was employed at the H.P. Hood Creamery in Waldoboro.

He was a member of Warren Lodge IOOF, and King Solomons Lodge of Masons, Waldoboro.

Besides his widow of Waldoboro, Mr. Soule is survived by one daughter Charlene Soule of Waldoboro; two sons, Charles of Waldoboro and George Soule of Rockland; a sister, Mrs. Chester Curtis of Bristol; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Tuesday from the Simmons Funeral Home Warren. Spring interment will be at the Rural Cemetery, Waldoboro.

Warren Lodge IOOF conducted services Monday evening at the funeral home.

 the minneapolis star

Mon., Jan. 23, 1978

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Sowle

Benjamin James, age 23, of 4817 Larkspur Lane. Survived by parents, James & Jane Sowle; brother, James Jr.; sisters, Miss Teri Sowle & Mrs. Joel (Cathryn) Radznowich; half brother & wife, William & June Bush; 1 niece & 2 nephews. Memorial service Tues. 11 am in the Serley Chapel of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church, 50th & Knox Av. S. No visitation. Arrangements with Thomson Brothers, 871-4407. Memorials preferred to Mt. Olivet Church.

From: William John Soule
91 North 200 West
American Fork, Utah, 84003

Milan Jay Soule, son of Milan Virgil And Lily (Hemingway) Soule, died 17 Oct. 1977. He was the brother of William John Soule.

From: Byron C. Bussey
319 Providence Road
So. Grafton, Ma. 01560

Mrs. Elsie Bussey died 9 Sept. 1967

(Byron Bussey celebrated his 90th Birthday 4 Jan. 1978.)

From: Ruth H. Cope, R.R. 1, Hudson, Ill. 61748

James C. Cope, my husband, died 27 Jan. 1977.

From: Mrs. Chester H. Weaseman, 6804 Durand Ave.,
Racine, Wis. 53406

Chester H. Weaseman passed away 17 Nov. 1966.

From: Beverly Young Harrison, 1583 Stafford Ave.,
Hayward, Calif. 94541

Roy Benjamin Young, my father, died 6 Jan. 1976
in Castro Valley, Calif.

From: Jeanette S. Blanchard, P.O. Box 313, Cedarburg, WI. 53012
Porter Bevan Blanchard, M.D., died 22 March 1977 (Husband of Jeanette Soule Blanchard) A Physican & surgeon, Cedarburg, WI, for 40 years.

From: Emma Semones, Address _____?
My brother, Sherman Grant Soule of Wayland, Mo., died 28 Nov. 1977 in a Quincy, Ill. hospital; of cancer. He was just 14 days of 93 years. He was the oldest of my family.

From: Mrs. Margaret Soules Bulau, 121 Manor Parkway, Apt. 2, Rochester, N.Y. 14620
My cousin, Mr. Earl Randall, of Bricktown, N.J., passed away in October 1976. He was the youngest son of Albert and Harriet (Soules) Randall. He was born in Rochester, N.Y. His mother was born in 1871 at Clarendon, N.Y., branch of Ebenezer and Sarah Oakley Soule. Mr. Randall served in the U. S. Navy shortly after World War I. He was employed for many years by Consolidated Edison of New York City. He is survived by his wife, Constance; two sons and a daughter; a brother Lewis Randall of Irondequoit, N.Y. and grandchildren.

She also write - There is a history of diabetes in the Soules family. How much is diabetes rampant in the Soule Kindred?

Anyone with an answer for her?

She also writes - There are no indications of twins having been born in our Soules family.

THE COURIER-GAZETTE ROCKLAND, ME.

From: Grant W. Soule
5275 South 1900 West St., No. 6
Roy, Utah 84067

Grant W. Soule writes:

Here are some early pictures and a later one of myself.

The two side by side pictures was when I was 8 years old, a going to school picture.

Notice my hat! The other picture is how I look today only some older. I an eighty nine years old now!



He writes - TELL THEM -

As I walked along with my older sister I asked, "Why am I all dressed up and with a book under my arm?" She replied, "Well, you are starting to school."

I can remember those very words being spoken as plainly as if they were spoken today.

Congratulations! Our first school years are vivid in our minds and I believe they still hold dear to us pictures of our childhood. Memories we hold dear forever. It is nice to see you in print again. Keep the bits of information coming.

Your Editor: Mary Crismore

PORTLAND (ME.) SUNDAY TELEGRAM
EARLY 1940's

Mrs. Elroy Gross
Waldoboro
Maine 04572

Section B—Page Two



Ramsay-Soule Wedding Held

Outdoor Ceremony Is Performed

Miss Barbara Carroll Soule, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Soule of Highland Road, South Portland, became the bride of Douglas Cranston Ramsay, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Ramsay of Drew Road, South Portland, at a 2.30 o'clock ceremony Saturday afternoon in the gardens at the residence of the bride's parents. Lieut.-Col. William Dawes Veazie officiated at the ceremony.

The bride wore a gown of white ninon, fashioned with a fitted bodice with sweetheart neckline, and a long train. Her finger-top veil was worn with a Juliet cap of lace and orange blossoms, and she carried gardenias and white sweet peas. She was given in marriage by her father.

Her matron of honor, Mrs. Duncan

C. Smyth (Jean Corthell) of Boston, was gowned in blue ninon and she carried Joanna Hill roses. The bridesmaids, Miss Dosha Soule, a sister of the bride, and Miss Marjorie Freeman of Toronto, Ont., a cousin of the bridegroom, were gowned alike in pink ninon and their bouquets were of blue delphinium. Neal Kenneth Ramsay was best man.

At the reception Mrs. H. A. Clark and Mrs. George W. Menke served punch, and Miss Ruth Corthell served the wedding cake. The guest book was in the charge of Miss Eleanor Tibbets, and Mrs. Stella Sterling had charge of the gifts. Assisting with the serving were the Misses Ruth Lunt, Doris Friberg, Jean Dinsmore, and Mrs. Ernest Frank Wall.

Following a wedding trip Mr. Ramsay and his bride will reside at Highland Lake for the Summer.

Among the out-of-town guests here for the wedding were Mrs. William T. Freeman and son, Richard Freeman of Toronto, Bert Austin of Boston, Lieut. and Mrs. Duncan Smyth of Boston, Emile Ovalle of New York City, and C. G. Soule of Denver, Col.

The bride attended Colby Junior College and has an office position at the Maine Steel, Inc. Mr. Ramsay is a foreman at the Maine Steel, Inc.

From:
AIRPORT
POLICE
OFFICER
Ben G. Soule



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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PHONE (612) 726-5770

December 29, 1977

Mr. Ben G. Soule
5820 Logan Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55419

Dear Mr. Soule:

This letter is for the purpose of confirming your official selection for the position of Airport Police Officer with the Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan Airports Commission, and also to confirm that your initial date of employment will be January 16, 1978.

If you have not already done so, please contact Captain Maurice Johnson of the Airport Police Department (726-1177) to insure that pre-employment requirements and Departmental Orientation are arranged prior to your beginning date of employment.

Again, congratulations on your selection as an Airport Police Officer, and the Commission is looking forward to having your services in our Airport Police Department.

Sincerely,

Steven M. Collins
Administrative Analyst

SMC/djp

cc: Chief Pixley

Soules who find themselves stopping-off or changing planes at Mpls.-St. Paul International Airport are encouraged to ask for Officer Soule.

What is Minneapolis-Saint Paul International (Wold-Chamberlain Field)?

Wold-Chamberlain Field is named after two local men who served and died as pilots in aerial combat during the first World War. It is a city in itself, is a separate taxing district in Hennepin County, and is 1 of 6 airports owned and operated by the Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan Airports Commission, which is a state corporation created by and directly responsible to the State Legislature.

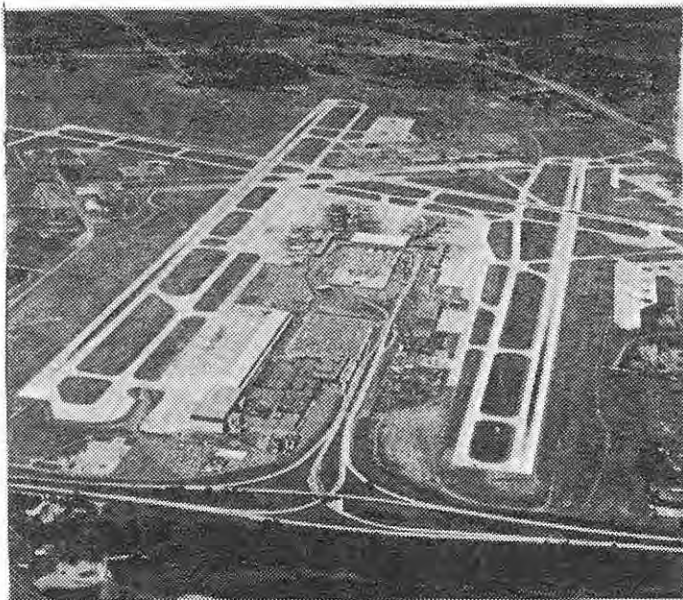
The airport is situated at the confluence of the Mississippi and Minnesota rivers at the most historic site in the Upper Midwest, Fort Snelling, the first United States outpost of civilization in the upper Mississippi valley. Wold-Chamberlain Field is composed of 3,000 acres of land owned by the Metropolitan Airports Commission. Supplemented by the 2,500 acre Fort Snelling State Park, and the 500 acre Fort Snelling Cemetery, Wold-Chamberlain Field has an effective 6,000 acres of unencroached land in public domain.

Extensive clear zones at the end of most Wold-Chamberlain runways make it one of the

safest, and most environmentally compatible, major airports in the world – and yet it is only a 10 to 15 minute drive to downtown Saint Paul or Minneapolis.

Like all major airports, Wold-Chamberlain accommodates jet aircraft, resulting in a jet engine noise problem for some of our airport neighbors. While much has been accomplished in the way of jet noise reduction, more remains to be done. The greatest contribution is expected to come from the quiet, environmentally-compatible jet engines now being designed.

Through the efforts of the Metropolitan Aircraft Sound Abatement Council (MASAC), an innovative board consisting of representatives of the airlines, government and the public, Wold-Chamberlain has an ongoing program designed to bring maximum and immediate jet noise relief, pending permanent solutions. This creative and cooperative effort has produced many firsts in noise reduction such as the "Green Barrier," an earthen, tree, shrub and grass covered mound, located on the airport near a residential area most affected by jet engine ground noises. Of all the programs, perhaps the most effective has been "preferential runway" use, a traffic control program which routes air traffic away from heavily populated areas. Through this and other programs, such as electronic monitoring, land use studies, and operational procedures the airport expresses its determination to maintain its "good neighbor" philosophy.



Minneapolis-Saint Paul International.

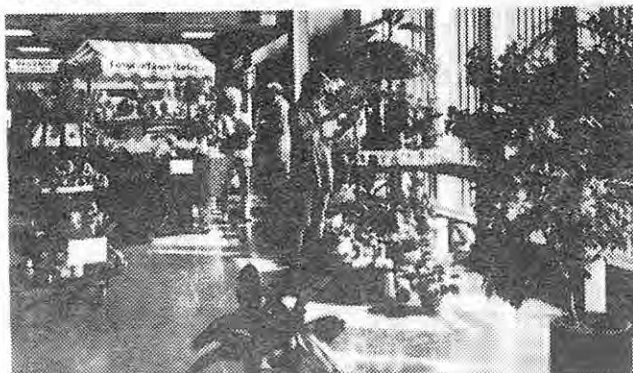


Ticketing and passenger-waiting concourses at the main terminal building of the Airport.



The "free" building tour is very popular with school groups

Fresh flowers have proven very convenient for the air traveler.



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San Francisco Chronicle

City Attorney

Port Director's Firing 'Illegal'

By Duffy Jennings

The Port Commission violated the Brown Act when it met secretly in November and voted to fire Port Director Thomas Soules, according to City Attorney Thomas M. O'Connor.

In a four-page opinion dated December 29, but made public only yesterday, O'Connor said the dismissal of Soules remains valid, but "it subjects the members of the commission to criminal penalties."

Although the Brown Act permits the legislative body of a local agency to meet privately on personnel matters, Soules was entitled to a public hearing because he had requested it, said O'Connor.

"I always knew that," said the delighted Soules, who has searched unsuccessfully for a new port directorship since the commission voted unanimously to fire him during a 30-minute session behind closed doors on November 15.

Soules said he would use O'Connor's opinion to seek legal remedies that would either restore him as port director or force the commission to compensate him in some way.

In the opinion, requested by Supervisor Quentin Kopp, O'Connor noted it would be "difficult" to prove that the commissioners knew they were meeting in violation of the Brown Act, since they acted on the advice of their legal adviser.

That person is Deputy City Attorney Richard A. Bobier, assigned by O'Connor to provide the commission with legal advice.

Bobier said his interpretation of the Brown Act was that a public hearing was required upon request only when specific charges or complaints are to be aired against an individual.

In this case, he said, the commissioners only voted on whether to give Soules a letter of dismissal.

"I thought they were privileged to meet in executive session under the circumstances," said Bobier, adding that his opinion was still the same.

"Bobier had a direct conflict of interest in the ruling," said Soules. "He was an openly avowed candidate for port director himself. He was anxious to see that I was out of office."

Bobier first learned from a reporter that he had been overruled by O'Connor, who is leaving office next week.

"I'm surprised that I wasn't notified," he said.

Commissioner Richard Goldman said he was "kind of shocked" because Bobier had assured the commission there was no violation involved.

"The City Attorney's office should get its act together," he said.

He did support Bobier, though saying the members simply voted one by one to give Soules the dismissal letter, and that there was no discussion of Soules' performance that could be construed as an airing of charges.

"We were in there about a half-hour, and for the first 20 minutes we were waiting for Bobier to instruct us, which he did. "I didn't have any trouble with it (the private session). I didn't have to discuss anything."

Commission chairman James T. Rudden offered a different version, however, of what transpired in the meeting.

"Sure there was a discussion of

the reasons for the dismissal," he said. "But it was more or less a foregone conclusion that this was going on. If someone can't get along with the people they work for . . . it was a matter of incompatibility. But there were no charges being brought against him."

Kopp, who criticized the firing of Soules and sought the opinion from O'Connor, said he would investigate whether any provision existed that would make the commission's action "null and void."

"This is very serious," said Kopp. "I'm interested in setting aside the action taken, and it is up to the district attorney to investigate whether there was any criminal intent."

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Since being fired in November Soules has declined to leave the waterfront scene. He stays in touch with old friends and attends each port meeting, sitting usually in a rear corner jotting notes.

Last week an opinion by the city attorney's office was released, saying that under California's Brown Act, the commission may be subject of criminal penalties for refusing to grant Soules a public hearing before he was dismissed.

This announcement apparently encouraged Soules to bring his attorney, William Murphy, to yesterday's meeting to present an additional argument: the San Francisco City Charter sections providing for a similar hearing were allegedly broken.

According to Murphy, Soules is still port director because the failure to observe the city law voids the firing.

In addition, Soules is claiming the city owes him the salary and fringe benefits from his \$51,000-a-year job that have been interrupted since his firing on November 15.

"You're the port director," Murphy said. "Sit down and start acting like a director."

From his familiar chair, Soules turned to the reporter present. "I guess since I'm not really fired, I'd better go right on being director here."

Incidentally / By Paul J. Reale

Quincy, Mass.

Pilgrims Progress

DEAR INCIDENTALLY...

I have a confusing heritage.

My father is Italian, and my mother is a direct descendant of John and Priscilla Alden.

On Thanksgiving, my mother always sets the table with her favorite John and Priscilla salt and pepper shakers.

One holiday I glanced across the table and said, "Mom, did you notice you've put John and Priscilla right next to dad's hot peppers?"

She said, "But did you notice they have their backs to the peppers?"

Incidentally, your note (Oct. 31) about the cost of adult admissions going up at the John Alden House in Duxbury brings back other memories.

Among other relatives, I had a Great Aunt who was born, raised and married in the Alden House. Her name was Sylvia Alden Plumb. She would be 99 if she were alive today.

When I was a child, Aunt Sylvie used to take me to visit the Alden House. She would be highly insulted at the tour charge and with the proper amount of indignation would inform anyone within earshot that she had once lived there. I don't know if they believed her or not, but she was always allowed to go through without paying the fee! She was one tough Yankee.

Our copy of the Alden Genealogy states that John and Priscilla Alden had the following children, in this order:

John, Joseph, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Sarah, Ruth, Mary, and David.

Since our family tree branches from their fourth child, Jonathan, I'm grateful that John and Priscilla didn't stop at three.

Carol Dyksta
Braintree

DEAR CAROL...

Your Great Aunt Sylvie is fondly remembered by many in our area...

She was a distinguished-looking woman who belonged to numerous and sundry organizations like auxiliaries and such, and she could always be depended on to lend her considerable musical talents to a stage show for a worthy cause, either beating a big snare drum, blowing a harmonica, or singing "Won't You Come Home, Bill Bailey?"

Her father, who had been a drummer in the Civil War, taught his children how to play several instruments. Sometimes, while the family still occupied the Alden House, the place would jump with music, Sylvie, her dad and her brothers having another of their "jazz sessions" with piano, drums, flute and clarinet. It was some years later that Sylvie and another woman singer teamed up to entertain here and there as "The Two Old Black Crows." At age 76, Sylvie had a reputation for being "a real hep cat." (That's what an old Patriot Ledger news clipping says anyway.)

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THE MAYFLOWER SOCIETY, for descendants of that hardy handful of Pilgrims who came over on The Ship, is marking its 80th anniversary this year...

Five years ago it boasted 14,717 members, but today, with the U.S. Bicentennial and "Roots" to bolster wider interest in genealogy, the membership is 18,000, and still climbing.

Headquarters is in Plymouth (P.O. Box 297), and members receive a newsletter, the Mayflower Quarterly, edited by Ruth Wilder Sherman of Warwick, R. I.

She and her husband, Robert M., are now rapping up the second volume in a series of books entitled "Mayflower Families Through Five Generations," being published by the society.

The first volume, issued in December, 1975, to the tune of 4,000 sales, covered the families of Francis Eaton, Sam Fuller, and William White. The upcoming book, scheduled for publication this winter, is devoted to the families of James Chilton, Richard More, and Thomas Rogers.

The Serhmans figure they have material enough coming for at least eight volumes altogether, with the John Alden and George Soule clans, and possibly the John Howland family, each deserving of one whole book, probably running 500-600 pages. (The books cost \$10 apiece, and may be obtained by writing to the society in to in Plymouth.)

Among the descendants:

Bing Crosby (William Brewster), Senator Sam Ervin of North Carolina (Howland), and Alan B. Shepard Jr., first U.S. astronaut to land on the moon.

Descendants have also occupied the nation's highest office:

Zachary Taylor (Isaac Allerton), John and John Quincy Adams (Alden), William Howard Taft (Francis Cooke), and Franklin D. Roosevelt (Cooke).

The Shermans, incidentally, are also descendants — he of Alden, Brewster and Warren; she, of William White. They live on Massasoit Drive, get their mail at the Pilgrim Station Post Office, and send a son to Pilgrim High School. ("I really didn't plan it this way," says Mrs. Sherman.)

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SOULE KINDRED in America Inc. comprised of descendants of George Soule, return to Plymouth next fall for an annual reunion...

For the last three years, the descendants have been congregating out west somewhere — San Antonio, Texas, Indianapolis, Ind., and Phoenix, Ariz.

Ruth Harris, of San Antonio, president, says it'll be back to New England for the kindred in 1978.

You know, of course, who coined the phrase, "Go West, young man."

No, it wasn't Horace Greeley.

It was a Soule — John Babson Lane Soule.

Soule, the Maine-born editor of the Terre-Haute (Ind.) Express, first used the term in 1851.

"Go West, young man, and grow with the country," he advised.

Greeley promoted the phrase later in an editorial in the New York Tribune and eventually printed Soule's article to show the source of his inspiration.

Greeley never took the "Go West" advice.

A number of Pilgrim Soule's offspring did, however.

Mrs. Harris says that she, her husband, Col. Edwin S. Harris, and their family, are going to celebrate Thanksgiving about 30 miles outside San Antonio, on an immense ranch owned by James Stewart, a descendant of Pilgrim Cooke.

And one reason for the Soules being so numerous today throughout the U.S. is offered by the kindred historian of many years, Ret. ~~Navy-Capt.~~ John Soule of McLean, Va.:

"The frequency of twins among the Soules is about 10 times th frequency found in the entire country."

We wish to thank Mr. Reale for remembering the Kindred in his Thanksgiving column.

Please note correction: Betty Harris instead of Ruth, Col. John is Colonel, U.S. Army Retired.

From: Carl W. Soule, Jr., Reading, Pa.

From: Mrs. Janice Pierce, Tacoma, Wash.

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Cheering for the Reading High Rockets hasn't always been fun this season, but Saturday it was a pure delight, as evidenced by the range of emotions shown by Sarah Soule, daughter of Assistant Coach Paul Soule. Sarah, along with her big sister cheerleaders, watched Saturday as the Rocket offense bombed Belmont. Complete details are on The Chronicle sports pages this week. (Photo by Don Young)



AP photo

Soule takes new robe, role

Hardyn B. Soule, 61, slipped into a new judicial robe yesterday after taking his oath as a new member of the state Court of Appeals. Soule, who served 26 years on the Pierce County Superior Court bench, was recently appointed to the appellate court by Gov. Dixy Lee Ray. His new role became official with induction ceremonies yesterday in Seattle.