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EDITORIAL

"Tossing his mane of snows in wildest eddies and tangles, lion-like March cometh in, hoarse, with tempestuous breath."

And sometimes, I might add, March cometh in like a lamb, meek and mild, with such a tender voice. But, however March greets us, we know that spring will soon follow--and so will another Newsletter.

We hope you all survived the winter "well", without too many cases of winter ills such as common colds, sore throats, bronchitis, and other viruses. And we wish you a happy, joyous springtime!

1965 SCIENCE AWARD

Nancy Hurt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hurt of Allerton, Illinois, a senior at ABL High School, has been named the recipient of the annual Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award as evidence of superior scientific aptitude. In announcing Miss Hurt as the 1965 winner, Ralph Ambler, principal of the high school, said: "These awards are especially significant. Today, everyone realizes the importance of the study of science in our secondary schools. The Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award provides recognition to senior students with the highest scholastic standing in science subjects."

Miss Hurt is active in student council; GAA; newspaper and year-book staff. She is now president of the ABL senior class. As a sophomore, she was vice-president of the district of Illinois Junior Academy of Science and is a member of the National Honor Society. In addition to the above activities, she is active in pep club, marching band, mixed chorus, concert band and chorus.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Swallow and son Douglas moved from Champaign, Ill. to West Lafayette, Ind. in late January. Ronald has accepted a teaching position at Purdue University. Their new address is: 130 Prophet Drive, Indian Village, West Lafayette, Ind. Mrs. Swallow is the former Sandra Jenkins, daughter of Helen and Maurice Jenkins.

Get well cards will be appreciated by Mrs. George C. Lotz (Fannie), who fell and broke her hip on Feb. 16. She is at Jewish Hospital - Room 655, Floyd & Chester, Louisville, Ky. 40202

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Sharon Rae Kinsade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heldt, Gary, Indiana, became the bride of Mr. Frank D. Sims on Feb. 13 in the State Street Baptist Church, Hammond, Ind. Miss Catherine Hurt, cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor, and Bob Sims, brother of the groom, served as the best man. James Rudd and Michael Heldt were ushers. The reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rudd, South Haven, Valparaiso, Ind. Mrs. Rudd, the former Judith Kinsade, is Sharon's sister. Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Swallow and Douglas of West Lafayette, Ind. and Mrs. Hildreth Johnson, St. Joseph, Ill. After a two-weeks' honeymoon trip through the Southern States, the couple will be at home in Hammond, Indiana.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson, Bakersfield, California, are the parents of their 2nd daughter, born on Jan. 15, and have named her Sara Nell. Sara has a sister, Jill Arleen, who is nine years old. The Johnsons moved to California from St. Joseph, Ill., last July. Jerry is serving in the U. S. Navy. Proud grandparents of the new baby girl are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hostetler, Urbana, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. Edford Johnson, St. Joseph, Ill. (Your editor is planning a trip to California in the very near future, to see this new granddaughter.)

WITH THE SICK

Maurice Jenkins, husband of Helen Jenkins, your chief reporter, is recuperating at his home in Urbana, Ill., after an operation on Feb. 10 for the removal of a tumor. He was confined to Mercy Hospital, Urbana, for two weeks following the operation.

Mrs. Maxine Hurt, Urbana, Ill. was in Burnham Hospital, Champaign, from Feb. 28 to March 2, where she underwent minor surgery. She is getting along fine.

Wayne Hurt, Crown Point, Ind. suffered another heart attack on Feb. 24, the night of the big blizzard. This attack was not as severe as the one in Nov., and he is recuperating at his home.

A very newswy letter came from cousin George W. Hurte of Ontario, California, telling me how much he enjoys the newsletters, and giving me a little information about his family. On July 30, 1963, George suffered a heart attack. He was beginning to feel quite strong again last summer, so he started pitching horseshoes, and had another attack in October, 1964. His progress from this one is slow and he really has to take things easy. George and his wife, Ida Mae, celebrate their birthdays on the same date--May 10. They have three children--all married. Twins--Jane and George. Jane has two children and George has three sons. George is superintendent at the Southern California Military Academy at Long Beach, California. The youngest boy, who came along 18 years after the twins, was married Dec. 20, 1963. (He forgot to tell me his name.)

I also received a nice letter from Mrs. Henry Thomas Hurt, Jr. (Allene) of Lancaster, Kentucky, giving lots of news on her family. Their son, Henry Thomas Hurt, III, has completed his training at the Drafting Engineering School in Fort Huachuca, California, ending up third in his class. From California the Navy sent him to Newfoundland last summer, where he stayed until Nov. 15, 1964. While in Newfoundland, he attended Petty Officers' School, finishing first in his class, and was presented a diploma with "Honor Student" on it. He was able to get home for Christmas. Then he went back to Davisville, Rhode Island, on Jan. 15, and soon after was sent to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, for six weeks' Marine Defensive Training. On April 7, he is due to leave for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. His address is now:

Henry T. Hurt, III, E A D 3
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The second son, Kenneth Hurt, is 16 years old, a junior at Garrard County School. He plays basketball, and is quite good at it, being 6 ft. tall.

Larry Hurt, the No. 3 son, is in the 7th grade. He's an all-around ball player, already having acquired three trophies in baseball. He plays on the 7th and 8th Grade "A" basketball team.

Lura Louise Hurt, the youngest child, is only five years old, but shows promise of being a singer. She will enter the first grade in September.

Henry Thomas Hurt, Jr., father of the clan, works for the General Telephone Co., installing and repairing telephones. He just recently received his 20-year pin from the Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hardwick, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hardwick, Jr., of Lancaster, Kentucky, have returned home from a ten-day visit to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and other points of interest in the South.

George B. and Martha Van Huss of Shelbyville, Kentucky, spent New Year's weekend with Red and Lucy Adams at Somerset, Kentucky. Eric Bradley Van Huss, son of George and Martha, is attending the University of Kentucky at Lexington.

Ida Hurte of Paint Lick, Kentucky, had a bad fall last August and suffered a crushed vertebra from it. She is getting along quite well, but her back still bothers her. Ida will be 89 years old on March 17. I'm sure she would enjoy receiving a lot of birthday cards.

Continuing our Hurt Register, we are listing the members of Huldah Hurt's family this month. Remember, last time we gave you the genealogy of Ida Hurt Goodwin, the oldest child of Eli and Nancy Hurt. Huldah is the No. 3 child of this couple. We will have to skip No. 2--Andrew Hurt--for the time being, as we do not yet have complete information on his family.

--By Hildreth Johnson

The thermometer registered 13° that Saturday morning, March 19, but I didn't mind, for this was the morning I was heading for California and sunshine. My destination was Bakersfield, where I planned to visit my son Jerry and his family for two weeks, and I was most anxious to get a first look at my new granddaughter. While checking my luggage at the Illinois Central depot in Champaign, I was informed that the train would be three hours late. Nice start, I was thinking!

When I finally arrived in Chicago, it was very cold and snowing, and there was old snow and ice underfoot. Waiting out in the wind for the transfer bus to take me to Dearborn Station, I nearly froze, for I was wearing my spring coat and hat, and, of course, no boots. Who wears a winter coat and boots to California? Sometime in mid-afternoon I did get over to Dearborn Station, and after a hot lunch and lots of hot coffee, I perked up a bit. At 6:30 P. M. I boarded the Santa Fe's El Capitan, and my vacation really began. I walked up a few steps to the Hi-Level Car, and the feel of wall-to-wall carpeting under my feet was much better than the snow. I found my reserved seat and settled down into plush, relaxing comfort. This chair was to be my home for the next 36 hours, so I was glad it was going to be comfortable. Before bedding down time, I went exploring, to find the lounge, the coffee shop, and the dining room. (Also the rest room, which was real swank.)

I slept across Kansas, and I didn't mind at all, for the last time I saw Kansas, it was in a hot July (1948), and we were driving along pulling a house trailer on our way to Colorado. No trees, no houses, no nothing! If any of you readers live in Kansas, forgive me, but I do not have fond memories about the Sunflower State. (I didn't even see a sunflower.) The sudden stop of the train awakened me on Sunday morning, and I looked from the window ~~was~~ a sign which said "Dodge City". I looked for, but didn't see, Matt Dillon, Chester, or Kitty. But I swear I did see one man standing there who looked a lot like "Doc"...

The mountain scenery across Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona was majestically beautiful. It was night time when we crossed the Mojave desert in California, so I didn't see the "whispering, shifting sands", nor thirst for "water--cool, clear water". When daylight came, the train was winding through the colorful Tehachapi Mountains. Here the train actually has to circle back over itself, in the famous Walong Loop.

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Some of the highlights of my California trip were: a Sunday ride through Kern River Canyon, which winds up the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range, midst the most beautiful scenery imaginable; a tour of Pioneer Village in Bakersfield; and a trip to Los Angeles--where I took a guided bus tour through Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and Santa Monica, viewing homes of movie stars, and a stop-over at the Will Rogers Park and Museum. We rode down Sunset Strip and along the Pacific Ocean. I saw Hollywood and Vine (just another corner), and Grauman's Chinese Theatre. The only thing I didn't see was a movie star. A genealogist correspondent, who lives in Bakersfield, invited me to lunch one day and we had a most enjoyable time discussing our research on the Bryants. We think we may be related, but can't prove it yet.

On my return trip, I stopped off at Albuquerque, New Mexico, where I was warmly greeted by brother Don Hurt and family. On Saturday, April 3, Don drove me up to Abiquiu Dam, north of Santa Fe, where we spent the day with brother Jim Hurt and family. Jim is employed as an electrical engineer at Abiquiu Dam, and their house is on a mountain top, with a panoramic view of other mountains, and the valley and lake below. He took us on an exclusive tour of the dam property, and I found it all very interesting. I boarded the El Capitan again on Sunday afternoon for the journey home. Crossing Missouri, I began to notice the water everywhere, where the rivers were overflowing.

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I didn't realize it then, but this was the beginning of the terrible floods which inundated the Mississippi Valley a few weeks later.

I arrived in Champaign at 7:00 P. M. on Monday, April 5, in the midst of a downpour. Son Ronald, daughter-in-law Marilynne, and husband Edford were waiting in the rain at the station to welcome me home. I had one day to rest up, unpack my bags, and talk over my trip with the railroadmen. Then, on Wednesday, it was back to work at the office, and the hectic routine of everyday living.

COINGS AND COMINGS

Jim and Nancy Hurt, and children, Rosemarie, Brenda, Andy, and Tommy, of Abiquiu, New Mexico, spent the Easter weekend in Phoenix, Arizona, where they visited with Nancy's sister and family.

Miss Linda Jenkins of Urbana, Illinois, spent the Memorial Day weekend in Ottawa, Illinois, visiting with friends.

On Memorial Day your newsletter editor and chief reporter went to Greenup and Casey, Illinois, where they visited the family cemeteries. On the way home they stopped for a while in Allerton to see Eli and Martha Hurt. They discovered a sort of family reunion going on at their home, and were very pleased to also visit with Eli's sisters--Rena Mitchell of Homer, Illinois; Hallie Wilson of Danville, Illinois; and Daisy Chowning of Crete, Illinois. Also Mrs. Robert Hurt of Allerton.

Mrs. Harris Hurt, Lancaster, Kentucky, spent the week of May 10 with her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Williams and family in Dayton, Ohio.

Frank and Sharon Sims of Gary, Indiana, spent the weekend of May 21 with Frank's parents in Hickman, Kentucky. On their way home they stopped for a brief time in Urbana, Illinois, to chat with Sharon's aunt, Mrs. Helen Jenkins.

POLITICS

Leonard G. Hammons is a candidate for State Representative. 50th District - Boyle and Garrard Counties, Kentucky. Leonard has been a farmer all his life. He served three years in the army in World War II, belongs to the American Legion and Masonic Lodge, served four years on the Garrard School Board, and was elected sheriff of Garrard County in 1961. He was a member of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, served four years on the State Social Service Board, a member of the Garrard County Farm Bureau, and Garrard County Civil Defense. He attends Good Hope Baptist Church. He is married to the former Virginia Hurte of Paint Lick, Ky., and has one son, Robert. The staff of Hurt Notes wishes you lots of luck, Leonard.

FISHING

Another Hurt who likes to fish! W. K. Hurt of Paint Lick, Ky., left April 30 for a few days fishing in Tennessee. I understand he had good luck--all of the big ones didn't get away.

When Dr. John Wray passed away, his son, Oliver Jackson Wray, kept several of his father's medical books. Now it seems that one of these books served another purpose, other than medical help. These books were very large and had genuine leather backs, so Oliver Jackson and his six sons used one to sharpen their razors on. Dr. John Wray was the father of Sarah Wray who married Abel Hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hurt, Route 3, Casey, Illinois, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on April 19, 1965.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams, Dayton, Ohio, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a baby girl March 18, 1965, at the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Hospital. She is the second child and first daughter. Mrs. Williams is the former Jean Hurt of Route 4, Lancaster, Kentucky.

Mr. Cecil Hurst, Richmond, Ky., passed away suddenly on March 23, 1965. He leaves two children: Mrs. Marye Gibson, Louisville, Ky., and Walter E. Hurst of Dallas, Texas. His wife, the former Susie Hurst, passed away Feb. 13, 1964.

Mrs. Myrlia Hurst Stevens passed away May 9, 1965, after a short illness. She was 36 years old. She leaves her husband, William Stevens, and four children: Vicki Lynn Phillip, David Thomas, and Michael. The Stevens live in Lexington, Ky.

ILLNESSES AND HOSPITALIZATION

Mr. Clarence Cotton had surgery at Gerrard Memorial Hospital, Lancaster, Ky., in May. His wife is the former Evelyn Hurt.

Mrs. Hallie Hurt Wilson underwent major surgery at Lakewood Hospital, Danville, Illinois, on May 11. She was in the hospital for 10 days, and is now at her home in Danville, where she is recovering nicely, but has to take it easy for a while.

Ray Jenkins underwent minor surgery April 19 at Mersey Hospital, Urbana. Ray is the son of Maurice and Helen Jenkins.

Mrs. Gerald Hurt underwent surgery the latter part of April at Olney, Illinois. She is recuperating at her home in Casey, Illinois.

Mrs. Bonnie Cimerl was in the Danville, Ill., hospital for almost a month this spring. She is recuperating at her home in Covington, Indiana.

Brenda Jean Hurt, 5 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hurt, Abiqua, New Mexico, was confined to the hospital in April, where she had her tonsils removed.

Mrs. George Lotz (Fannie) of Louisville, Ky., who suffered a broken hip on Feb. 16, has been moved from the hospital to a nursing home. If you would like to send her a card, her address is: Christopher Nursing Home - 4300 Hazelwood Ave. - Louisville, Kentucky 40215. Mrs. Lotz is the former Fannie Dollins, daughter of Mary Hurt Dollins. Mary was the sister of our Eli Mitchell Hurt.

ANOTHER GRADUATE

Miss Catherine Lorena Hurt graduated from Crown Point High School on June 4. Cathy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hurt, Crown Point, Indiana.

EVOLUTION - THE MONKEYS' VIEWPOINT

Three monkeys sat in a coconut tree, discussing things as they're said to be.
Said one to the others, "Now listen, you two, there's a certain reason that can't be true;
That man descended from our noble race - The very idea! It's a dire disgrace.
No monkey ever deserted his wife, starved her baby, ruined her life.
And you've never known a mother monkey to leave her baby with others to bunk,
Or pass them on from one to another, 'till they hardly know who is their mother.
And another thing you will never see--a monkey build a fence 'round a coconut tree,
And let the coconuts go to waste, forbidding all other monkeys to taste.
Why, if I put a fence around this tree, starvation would force you to steal from me.
There's another thing a monkey won't do--go out at night and get on a stew.
Or use a gun or club or knife to take another monkey's life.
Yea! Man descended, the monkey cause, but brother, he didn't descend from us."

THE HURT JOURNAL

For our Hurt Journal this time, we have chosen to publish data on one of the Kentucky branches of our family. For a brief review of our Hurt line: Remember, our oldest known Hurt ancestor is JAMES HURT who married ELIZABETH MORRIS. They had five children: JOHNSA HURT, HENRY HURT, SMITH HURT, MARTHA HURT BOYLE, and JANE HURT DANCY. William Hurts, Jr., the subject of this month's genealogy data, was the son of William Hurts, Sr., who was the son of Smith Hurt.

WILLIAM HURTS, JR. was born Nov. 26, 1861 and died June 29, 1949. He was married in 1888 or 1889 to Mary Ann Hamilton. Their children were: Annie L., Frank E., Minnie B., and Alberta F.

1. Cecil May Hurt - b. 17 March 1892 - d. 13 Aug. 1960. m. 20 March 1907 to Robert Duncan. Children: Wilma I. - 2; Bernice E. - ; Dorothy L. - ; Baby Boy - ; Florence E. -
2. Wilma Irene Duncan -1, b. 8 Jan. 1908.
3. Bernice Evelyn Duncan -1, b. 9 June 1911. m. ----- to William T. Hamblen, b. Aug. 18, 1909.

- Children: Anna C. - 4; William H. - 5.
4. Anna C. Hamblen - 3, b. 14 June 1940. m. -----? Matt Billings, Benningfield, Ill.
 5. William Robert Hamblen -3, b. 30 July 1949.
 6. Dorothy Lee Duncan -1, b. 26 March 1918.
 7. Baby Boy Duncan -1, b. 4 April 1916 - d. 4 April 1916.
 8. Florence Ethel Duncan -1, b. 25 Dec. 1918.

AN EXCERPT FROM THE BOOK, "EARLY HURT FAMILY OF VIRGINIA"

- By Oscar Hurt of Memphis, Tennessee

"The very first Hurt that I have found living in Virginia was Toby Hurt, who was on a list of those living at ElizabethCittie on Feb. 16, 1623. What became of this Toby Hurt? Did he succumb to one of the common illnesses of his times, or perhaps to an Indian's tomahawk, as so many others did? At any rate, if he left any descendants, I can find no trace of them.

In 1650, Edward Hurt was among a group of 23 immigrants brought to Virginia from England by James Williamson, for which Williamson was granted 1150 acres of land on the north side of the Rappahannock River. This, by the way, was the way many settlers came to early America. The Government gave land bounties to those with the means and facilities for bringing settlers to the American Colonies--50 acres of land for each settler brought in. I do not find any further reference to Edward Hurt, or of any of his descendants, if he left any, unless by some chance the early Maryland Hurts were his descendants.

In 1690, William Hurt was among 25 immigrants brought to Virginia from England by Stephen Hamlin, for which Hamlin received 1250 acres of land in Charles City County, Va."

(NOTE by H.H.J. - This is the William Hurt on which Oscar Hurt bases his "Early Hurt Records". Most of the Hurts in America are supposedly descended from this William Hurt. He may very well be the ancestor of our James Hurt, but neither we, nor Oscar Hurt can prove it, as yet.)

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Schooler have sold their home in Lancaster, Kentucky, and are moving to Massachusetts.

On May 27, Mrs. Donald Lane returned to her home on Sugar Creek, near Lancaster, Ky., after undergoing minor surgery in Lexington, Ky. Mrs. Lane is the daughter of Maggie Hurt Hartwick of Lancaster, Ky.

"I'm glad I had ancestors. Life wouldn't be the same
if, when I got in trouble, I had no one to blame."

"There's something about holding a piece of history in your hands that sparks the imagination."