

KEZIAH BELKNAP

&

CHATMAN HAWLEY

daughter of Jesse Belknap

& Jane Garlinghouse

b. 6 Feb 1813, Ontario Co., NY

d. 21 Aug 1859, Benton Co., Ore.

m. Prob. 1828; Licking Co., Ohio

(NOTE 1)

Lived in: Licking Co., Ohio; possibly Allen Co., Ohio; Van Buren Co., Iowa;
Benton Co., Ore.

b. 20 Nov 1803 (possibly in Ontario Co., NY)

d. 2 Dec 1857, Alpine, Ore (NOTE 2)

CHILDREN (HAWLEY)

i David b 28 Dec 1828, probably Licking Co., Ohio. d 12 April 1913, Alpine, Ore.
m Martha Elon Freel, b 8 Dec 1843. d 24 Dec 1829, Alpine, Ore

ii Jesse b 13 Nov 1832 d 4 Oct 1897, Alpine, Ore.
m Elizabeth Ann Starr, b 12 May 1836 d 28 Feb 1907

iii Sewall b 2 Feb 1838 d 1 June 1896, Alpine, Ore.
m Emma A. Noble b 25 Dec 1842 d 24 July 1917, Alpine, Ore. (NOTE 3)
Alpine, Ore.

iv Sarah Jane b 1842 d 1902 (dates from Mintonye, They Laughed Too)
m Squire Rycraft b 1828 in Ohio. d --- (NOTE 4)

v Leonidas M. b -- Oct 1851, Alpine, Ore., d 4 March 1928, Alpine, Ore.
m Lydia Jane (Jenny) Dodge b 7 July 1839 d 8 Aug 1927

NOTE 1: Marriage date probably 1828 as that was year in which her father Jesse transferred land in Licking Co., Ohio, to Chatman Hawley and also to Gamaliel Garlinghouse, husband of Jesse's sister Esther.

NOTE 2: Chatman Hawley's birthdate computed from age shown on gravestone. His birthplace not known; but there was a Hawley family in Ontario Co., NY, which moved to Kentucky at the time when the Belknaps and Garlinghouses did and later moved to Licking Co., Ohio.

NOTE 3: Sewall Hawley's son Willis Chatman Hawley (usually known by his middle name) was U S Congressman 1907 to 1933 and close friend of Herbert Hoover. Best remembered as co-sponsor of the Smoot-Hawley Tariff (most ultra-protectionist tariff in U S history).

NOTE 4: All dates except those for Sarah and her husband come from gravestones at Alpine, Ore.

NOTE 5: Birthplaces of Jesse, Sewall, Sarah not known.

File
Spene

3914 N 27th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98407
November 19, 1969

Dear Relative:

Thank you for the copy of the list I sent you. Although I do have a carbon copy of the list, it is convenient to have another so that misplacing one is not time-consuming.

Your explanation of the usefulness of place names is understandable, and I shall try to supply these names. There are some changes that I need to make, particularly in some of the information on Meldon's family. I had planned to write you when I had checked with Meldon, but now I can make those corrections on the completed list that I send you.

I shall not have time to work on this before Christmas so do not expect to receive the additional material until sometime during the new year, please.

Sincerely,

Frank B

Walter's dau.

Stella Dolan

3714 7th 27th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98407
February 8, 1970

Dear Carroll,

We have been saddened by the death of Uncle Clark Belknap on February 6. He was ill less than two weeks and in the hospital during that time. Pneumonia, which affected both lungs, did not respond satisfactorily to treatment.

His widow, Mae, went to the hospital yesterday because of a fall. I do not know how serious her injuries are, as yet.

I do intend to complete the information you wish for the Clifford Belknap family but cannot give you a date for the completion at this time.

The sole survivor of Abbot's Belknap's children is Stella Nolan, 4745 N.E. Wasco, Portland, Oregon 97213.

Sincerely,
Frem Belknap

Feb 26 1970

Dear Irene:

It was kind of you to tell me about Clark's death. He was good to me -- helpful and encouraging. I'll miss him. His ~~a~~ last note to me, at Christmas, was a comment on what I ~~it~~ had sent to him about the results of trying to reconstruct the record of Jonas Newton Belknap, our great-great grandfather. Clark said: "You're ~~about~~ doing great work. Keep it up." . . . I'll try.

Forgive delay. We ~~xx xax~~ took a little vacation ~~in~~ in the Leeward-Windward Islands.

Nathaniel Ayer, b- 13-Mar-1654 ?
d 17 Nov 1717
Md 10 May 1670.

Ebenezer
Ayer

> sons of Samuel

Tamesin Turloar -
d 13 Dec 1700

Ch; Ayer- born Haverhill, Mass.

- f 1. Hannah, b 2 June 1671, died Nov 1679, age 8 yrs.
- * 2. Hannah, b 19 Dec 1672, md 25 Feb 1690^{91.}, Ebenezer Belknap. *
- f 3. Elizabeth, b 19 Aug 1674, md 14 Jan 1690-91, Abraham Belknap.
- m 4. Nathaniel, b 15 Nov 1676,
- f 5. Abiah, b 5 Feb 1678,
- m 6. Obadiah, b 20 Jan 1680, died 6 Apr 1681.
- f 7. Ruth, b 30 Dec 1681, died 24 Apr 1682,
- ? 8. Child b 5 Sept 1683,
- m 9. Benjamin, b 9 Aug 1684, died 17 June 1685, 10 mo.
- f 10 Mary. b 9 Sept 1687,
- f 11. Ruth b 4 July, 1695.

Ref; Haverhill vital records, Vol 1 & 2. to 1850.
Haverhill, Mass.

(It is quite possible that Nathaniel Ayer is the son of John Ayer, Jr and Sarah Williams, this is what the data is on them.)

? (John Jr And Sarah Williams were married 5 May 1654, (so they must have come)
come to America from England,?)

Nathaniel, (above) was born 13 Mar 1654, and according to his marriage in 1670, he must have been married at about 16 yrs. (my husband says men grew up fast in those days, he was 17 when he married the first time in France, having lied about his age to get in W.W. 1.)

Those are the only dates that would fit the parents of Nathaniel.

Caroleyn

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MRS. CLIFF HAGERMAN

P.O. Box 118

Beaverton, Oregon



Mrs Claudia Marshall
19340 S.W. Blanton St.
Beaverton, Oregon

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993B-C. Dale Ave

Porterville, Calif. 93257

March 25, 1968.

My dear "Cousin" Belknap:

I am so thrilled and excited about your letter you will probably have a hard time trying to get any meat out of the nutty reply. To begin with were you born here & if so how come? There are Belknaps around here as I occasionally see the name in the paper but none in the Tulare Co. phone book. However I read the Fresno Bee as well as the local paper so I probably see the name there as their news covers the Valley. I have wondered if they could be relatives but never followed it up. It was usually an obit or divorce so you can see why.

I have only been working on my Belknap line a year. Before then I only knew my grandmother Rachael Belknap Howard was born in Ky. & I was told Warren Co. She married my grandfather Austin S. Howard in Iowa. I don't know how or when she got there. In 1849 she had 2 children one of them born in Feb. They left Iowa I think in Apr. & came to Calif. Rachael's parents Jonas & Mary Ann went on the same wagon train & they parted where the Calif. trail turned off, Jonas & family going on to Oregon where they settled in the Willamette Valley.

A Mrs. Peckham of Portland who is not related but a friend of Mrs. G. M. Belknap (B. Jefferson) sister, saw my ad. and promptly sent me a lot of info on the Belknaps, but very little about Jonas. A Polly Belknap settled his estate & she was probably Mary Ann as I have been told Polly was a common nickname for Mary. I recently read Those who

Lori about the John Adams? They cared for Jefferson's daughter Mary who was called Polly so it may be true. In the settlement of the estate - Benton Co. Terr of Ore

(7) Personally appeared before me Polly Belknap for letters of adm. on the estate of J. B. Belknap, deceased, duly sworn etc. to the best of her knowledge the heirs of J. B. are Orrin Belknap, Silas Belknap, Electa (not plain looked like Barwell, could be Bayles?), Rachael Howard Elenor Bayles. All except Rachael Howard live in Benton Co, O. T. and she lives in California. 17th day of May 1853 A. G. Honey - Probate Court. Howell

The bond

Know all men by these presents that we Polly Belknap Abiatha Newton & Charles Bayles of Co. of Benton O. T. the sum of \$1000 etc. etc. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this 17 day of May A. D. 1853

There was no will

Polly ^{her} X Belknap
^{mark}
~~Abiatha~~ Alice Newton
Charles ^{his} X Bayles
^{mark}

I know this was my great grandfather but how do I prove Polly is my grt. grandmother? I know Rachael was his daughter but who are the other heirs. I find a Silas Belknap 33 a Merchant b. in Ky. (who undoubtedly would be Rachael's Bro) in the 1850 Census of Benton Co. Ore. This was sent by Mrs. Peebley so she just sent Belknaps not knowing girls married names. There is a Clarinda 24 b. in Ohio who probably was his wife as it appears directly below his name. I was sent the Belknaps grave stone inscriptions but no J. B. My late sister told me Rachael Howard visited her mother in Ore. after the R. R. went through & it went through Corvallis O. in 1878. So she must have been alive then.

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From Bulletin #3. Oregon State Archives. (From Pioneer families O.T. 1850)
Jonas Belknap (decd) Land Office Cert no. acres township Range Sect.
widows & heirs at law R B 1550 521.16 142 6W 12, 13

It has a lot more Belknaps listed

In "Genealogical Material in Oregon Homesteads Land Claims Vol 3
Abstracts from by the Genealogical Forum of Portland"
1550, Belknap, Polly & heirs of Jonas Belknap Benton Co. ~~20~~
SC, 20 Aug. 1851. letter enc. indicates settlement date
was 1849 & Jonas Belknap was living on 31 Jan 1853, Jesse
Belknap gave MA as 15 Jan 1813. Aff. Abner Nathan Newton,
Herman C. & Randolph Buckingham "

This has been confusing to me but I think the 1849 date
must have been when the land was claimed.

I am an interested but very ignorant genealogist and
having to work on a small budget can't always do what
I would like. This small amount of information is very
scrappy and I might eventually find out more.

I presume you have Jonas Newton Belknaps history. The last
I have he was living in Hardin Co. Ky. with his wife Fanny 54
and dau. Liantha aged 9. Undoubtedly a second marriage.
I am informed he died in N. Y. My Jonas was born in
N. Y. & his dau. Rachael b. in Ky. She married my grandfather
in Iowa & their first child was born in 1847. I need the
1840 census but am told they were destroyed. I'm sorry that
to date I know so little.

I am sending you a sheet of Rachael's descendants which
is far from complete. It is easier to get info on gr. grandparents
than aunts, uncles & cousins I have known all my life. The
aunts & uncles are long gone & many of the cousins as we do get old.

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However I will keep working. When they find out what I have learned they slowly get interested and give a little info. so I hope to get my sheets a little nearer complete soon.

How much do you want? Everything on everybody to present babies or is there a stopping point. I will gladly send everything I have but most sheets will be incomplete except W^{mp} Howards who is my father. Let me know just what you want & I will gladly exchange as I am very anxious to get what you have but as you see I have very little on Jones. The info from Mrs. D. M. Belknap of Jefferson is from the Henry Wycoff Belknap compilation.

Let me know soon what you want & in the mean time I will keep trying. There is probably more in the Oregon Archives or someplace but I don't know how to get it. I think the best way to find out is to write again to my original helper Mrs. Peebley of Portland.

Sincerely
Bertha J. Hansen

Apr. 21, 1968.

Dear Mr. Belknap:

Yes we are cousins but I'm not smart enough to know what kind. I was so thrilled to get the genealogy chart and note, map & letter you sent Ray Barrett. I don't know how to thank you. You have given me more information on Jonas' family than I had been able to get.

① However I said Jonas & Mary Ann went to Oregon in Apr 1849 (Apr 9 to be exact) starting in the same wagon train as my grandparents Austin S. & Rachael Howard (Colo) a Mrs Peebly of Milwaukie Ore. (no relation to any Belknaps) sent me a lot of information among which was an 1850 census of Benton Co listing Jonas Belknap 65 farmer b. in N. Y. and Mary (b) 45 (must have been 55) b. in N. Y. also Jesse Belknap 58 B. N. Y. Owen 35 N. Y. *Orin. S. of Jonas*

If Mary Ann was 45 in 1850 she was married at 8 yrs so there must have been a 10 yr. mistake or she took 10 yrs. off her age. But they were in Ore. in 1850. This Mrs. Peebly is a friend of Mrs. Gilbert Belknap's sister & when she saw my ad in a magazine she answered and sent much info. I don't like to ask her for more as she refused pay, but she offered to look up any one in the census files as she has access to them & seems to enjoy doing it. I will write and have her look up some of the names and get some ages & birth places. Mrs. Barrett says her great grandfather was Jesse but if she is descended from Electa her grt. grandfath

must have been Jonas as mine was.

Also I notice nick names were the usual thing then. In the settlement of Jonas estate the bond was made out Polly Belknap, Abiatha Newton, and Charles Bayles. However the signatures were Polly ^{Belknap} ~~Newton~~ & ~~Alice~~ ^{Abiatha} Newton + Chas. Bayles.

I presume ~~Alice~~ ^{Abiatha} Newton was a Garlinghouse descendant as Mary Ann's sister Rachael m. Abiather Newton. If her name was Abiatha she was probably named for him & I don't wonder she preferred Alice. But now you have to sign your name right on legal paper. It messes up research when the nicknames were used.

I might have more dates among my letters but as my eyesight is not good I overlook things & also get xeroxed hunting. I am trying to assemble the info. on sheets but it has come in so fast the last year (or less) I can't keep up. I will send any info. I get & hope you will do as much for me. Thanks a million.

sincerely

Bertha S. Hansen

N. B.—In filling out give names in full. There may be many John A. Jones, but only one John A. Jones. Continue the history of the lines of the parents on another sheet when you are at this point as you would like to have of Chicago, U. S. A.

Talitha Cuni Belknap (Jesse, etc.)
 daughter
 son of Jesse Belknap and Jane Carlinghouse
 was born Dec 2 1824 at Kentucky
 died Oct 30 1906 at Berkeley California
 was married first Nov 11 1840 at Ohio
 to Samuel E. Starr born Sept 10 1820 at
 died March 1 1858 at Starrs Point Benton Co Oregon
 son
 daughter of Moses Starr and Elizabeth Calhoun
 married second Sept 11 1862 at Belknap Little River Oregon
 to William Bond born 1814? at Ohio
 died May 1 1865 at Starrs Point (Oregon)
 son
 daughter of
 Profession
 Occupation Politics Religion

Residence

See Over:

CHILDREN:

- I. Elizabeth Jane Starr born Sept 24 1841 married to Garrison Turner
died date Sept 1859
- II. Megiah Hawley " Born 1843
died in infancy
- III. Leander James " Born Dec 2 1845
to Malinda Frances Boyle
in 1869
- IV. Moses Wesley " Dec 7 1847
died 1912 to Emma Alice Kelcher
in 1872
- V. Sarah Talitha " March 29 1851
to James Monroe Bond
Nov 11 1866
- VI. Hannah Matilda " March 13 1853
to Samuel Mitchell Driver
Dec 28 1872
- VII. Mary Eveline Arabel " Sept 20 1854
to Henry Washington Hallett
June 18 1876
- VIII. Ransom Fletcher " Nov 4 1856
to Jessie Dora
Dec 25 1876
- IX. Samuel Finley " July 23 1858
to Myra Thresher
1874?
- X. Irene Grace Bond Aug 2 1864
to Horace Clingman
April 20 1882

Married third: ^{Aug. 1887} Washington Galtz, born Feb 9, 1830
 at Floyd Co Ind. died Jan 6 1900 at Pine Cal. (at house of his son)
 son of _____ and _____

III.

Children.

No children ever born

----- born to J. G. after her third
 died marriage
 mar.
 to
 ----- born
 died
 mar.
 to

Other Belknaps

"Dan" Belknap - formerly lived at Frangerville Cal. (may yet) Grandson
 of Joseph Willards Belknap.

John H. Belknaps of Hartford Conn. & Phillip J. San Francisco
 sons of Aaron Belknap.

The father of Mahala Starr wife of Ransom Amos
 Belknap, was Jeremiah Starr. If he had another
 or "middle" name we are not aware of it

This letter was covered up in moving from
 one house to another on the "ranch" and it
 this morning was discovered. Sorry for the
 delay.

Sincerely

H. H. Hally

Mrs. J. A. Marshall
Route 2, Box 305
Portland, Oregon 97231



~~PHOTO~~
~~DO NOT BEND~~

Mr. Carroll Y. Bulknap
25 Club Road
Riverside
Conn.

06878



At a little Cemetery in Alpine, Oregon I saw & copied —

JESSE BELKNAP

born - Jan. 26 - 1792

died - Nov. 19 - 1881

Gone Home - Blessed
are The dead in the Lord

JANE wife of Jesse
Belknap

born - Mar. 26 - 1792

died - Dec. 10 - 1876

In Memory Of
Chatman & Kezia Hawley
Kezia Belknap

wife of Chatman Hawley

d - Aug. 21 - 1859

Aged 46 yrs. - 6 mos. - 15 das.

Chatman Hawley
d - Dec. 2 - 1857

Aged 54 yrs. - 12 das.

Courtney J. Belknap
1885 - 1951

Lucinda J.
daughter of —

R.A. & M. Belknap

died - Dec. 30 1857

Aged 14 yrs. 1 mo. 15 das.

Sarah M.
daughter of —

R.A. & M. Belknap

and wife of T. Turner

died - Aug. 24 - 1864

Aged 18 yrs. 7 mos. 24 das.

Mary I.
daughter of

T & S Turner
born & died Aug. 1864

Samuel G.

Son of R.A. & M. Belknap

died - Aug. 18 - 1875

Aged 19 yrs. - 3 mos. - 4 das.

Everett D.

Son of L.F. & G.P. Belknap

died - Feb. 19 - 1885

Aged - 11 yrs. - 3 mos. - 26 das.

Gorrena P.

wife of —

Rev. L.F. Belknap

died - July 3 - 1894

Aged - 41 yrs. - 10 mos. - 17 das.

BELKNAP

In Memory Of -

Fannie Alice Dorsey
1865 - 1951

Interred in Mc Minnville

Rev. L. Franklin

1852 - 1948

Ransom A. Belknap

born - Dec. 16 - 1820

died - June 6 - 1896

Mahala Belknap

born - Apr. 11 - 1820

died - Sept. 22 - 1900

Ransom Alfred Belknap

1899 - 1901

Harlan C. Belknap

1891 - 1941

Ada May Belknap

1886 - 1960

George Belknap
born - Aug. 30 - 1817
died - Sept. 16 - 1897

Henry G. Belknap
died - Dec. 31 - 1871
Aged - 24 yrs. 2 mos. 8 das.

Jesse W. Belknap
died - Dec. 18 - 1871
Aged - 26 yrs. 11 mos. 25 das.

Florence A. (Mamm)
died - Dec. 26 - 1871
Aged - 21 yrs. - 9 mos. - 8 das.

Infant son of —
G. & K. Belknap
d - Apr. 10 - 1859
Aged - 4 days

There were many STARK & HAWKEY stones — also GILBERTS.

File

CLAUDIA MARSHALL from CYB

June 25 1971

So you're one of the many people who have been misled by information from the archives at Salt Lake. Welcome to the club. It has thousands of members. If you had pursued the matter far enough, you might have received five or six different sheets, no two agreeing with each other. They accept whatever anyone turns in as result of religious fervor about ancestry. Once in a while it's correct -- which is very confusing when it happens.

Forgive delay in answering the letter you wrote in May. I've been buried in a consuming quest for facts on a fascinating problem in another branch of the family. Just now I'm starting to emerge and answer letters that have been neglected.

My thanks for the information in your letter. It helps a lot.

And thanks for the photo of yourself, your sister, and your father. Nice people!

I'm returning the clipping of the Lookley piece, after making a copy of it for my files. Here are some errors I've noted in it:

Near bottom of ~~MMMM~~ first column: "L H, S R, Jesse & David Hawley took up claims in 1848." These were children of Chatman Hawley and Keziah Belknap, aged 3 to 19 in 1848. It was some years before they owned land at Alpine.

Top of second column: "Lemuel F Starr." A common error in such newspaper pieces. Actual name was Samuel Fletcher Starr, husband of Talitha Cumi Belknap -- first teacher in Ebenezer School, and also said to have been first Sheriff of Benton Co, which I haven't verified.

Bottom of second column: "My daughter Mrs L O Lakin." Misprint for Larkin, I think.

Might see other mistakes if I searched harder.

But I'm glad to have seen this clipping. I have a number of others by this "Journal Man." All contain errors -- but all are also helpful on background, and sometimes have truthful details not recorded elsewhere.

I wish I could force myself to stop collecting more and more Belknaps and just sit down and write the story of our branch. I knew enough, now, to do the job fairly well.

(Roll)

Lockley 4/21/23

L.H., S.R., Jesse & David Hawley
took up claims in '846

top of 2 - Lemuel F. Starr

Samuel Fletcher Starr

fr. of Cami

Ant. par.

my daughter Mrs L.O. Larkin
Larkin?

Changes in 1848

Hawley L.H. - Leonidas B 1851 or 2 - 3

S.R. Sewell 1838 or 4 10

Jesse 1832 or 3 16

David 28 Dec 1829 19

George Beltray & Peter L. Fenton

Lorina Jane Beltray & Samuel Christian

Katherine May Christian

+ L. C. Barrett

Reva Barrett

Lucien Jr.

Aranson - Michigan

Phineas - Ky - Ohio - Iowa

Reuben

Abner - stays at Richmond

~~Abner~~

Reuben Jr. - to Ohio + Iowa

Philander - Ohio

Reuben - Ohio

X mat likely

Phineas

Lorenzo - Oregon

Riley - to Iowa

Franklin - Ohio (d)

MEMO TO: Mrs. Frank Barrett
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4/14/68

FROM: Carrell York Belknap

This is Easter ~~morning~~ morning and soon the house will be full of children and grandchildren -- and so there's no time to type for you the line of descent of Electa Belknap. I'll do it as soon as I'm free.

But I must take time to thank you for the map. It's precious to me, for it helps locate people whom I've been tracing. No doubt you've already identified some of the names, from my first letter to you. But I think I ought to tell you how closely you are connected to all of them.

POLLY BELKNAP is Mary Ann Garlinghouse, widow of Jonas Belknap, ~~son~~ son of Jonas Newton Belknap. She was the mother of Electa and Orrin and Silas, *and Rachel and Eleanor.*

JOHN W. STARR is the Rev. John Starr, father of Nancy, Orrin's wife

JESSE BELKNAP (my great grandfather) is the patriarch who led his tribe -- more than just a family -- from western New York to Kentucky to Ohio to Iowa to Oregon, from about 1816 to 1847 and 1848. He was a brother of Jonas, Mary Ann's husband. And GEORGE *his wife, Jane Garlinghouse, was Mary Ann's sister.*
~~HANCOCK~~ BELKNAP was a son of Jesse. His wife Keturah (my father's "Aunt Kit") is our only eye witness to the times -- through her diary.

RANSOM BELKNAP was another son of Jesse. 8

LORENZO GILBERT was Jesse's son-in-law. His wife was Hannah Belknap.

~~PHILANDER~~

PHILANDER GILBERT was Lorenzo's son.

CHATMAN HAWLEY was another son-in-law of Jesse. His wife was Keziah Belknap.

DAVID HAWLEY, SEWELL HAWLEY, and JESSE HAWLEY were sons of Chatman Hawley.

The map probably dates ~~between~~ *to* early 1853, when Polly took title ~~of~~ *to* the land on which her name is shown, and 1857 when Chatman Hawley died.

The area shown on the map was called "Belknap Settlement" by Aunt Kit -- and "the Belknap Neighborhood" by some later generations.

So, if you are descended from Electa, you are closely related to those Benton County Belknaps -- and to the ~~400~~ *500* descendants (thus far) of Jesse Belknap.

Yes, I have the family tree chart prepared by Charlene and Dick Taylor. I've been working closely with them since 1966.

MRS. HANSEN: Stephen Howell, in lower left hand corner of map, was husband of Electa -- sister of Rachel.

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CBS draft

Keyish B
Chalman Hawley

Daniel 28 Dec 1829

Jane — 1832[?]
— (1833?)

Sewall 1 June 1838
— (1834?)

Sarah Jane — 1842

Lewinidey tl. — 1851
— (1852?)

17 Apr 1913 m ^{Elon} Martha ^{Free}

— 1897 m Ann Starr
(Elizabeth)

— 1896 m Emma Noble

— 1902 m ^{Squire Pyecraft} George Pyecraft
(Pyecraft)

— 1928 m Lydia Jane (Jenny)
Dodge

~~Others shown on some lists by Clark Bellin~~

~~Elizabeth — 1836~~

~~— 1907~~

~~Emma 25 Dec 1847
(sister for Sarah?)~~

~~24 July 1917 m. — Pyecraft?~~

Red = Mintonye 160-1

21 Aug 1859 (Stone)

1859
6 March 1813, Ant Com
d ~~Oct~~ 1859
1828? (mint)
m.

Ch =

Chotman Harkby

20 Nov 1803 from Stone

d 2 Dec 1857 (Stone)

8 21 1859
6 18 46
2 6 1813

2 12 57
12 - 54
21 Nov 1803

Mint
Unknown
Stone

David ²⁸ Dec 1845
Jose ¹² April 1913
Sarah June 1838
Sarah Jane 1842
Leonida H 1851

Emma 25 Dec 1842

m Martha Freel
m Ann Starr
m Emma Noble
m George Rycraft Rycraft?
m Lydia Jane (Jenny) Dodge

24 July 1917 Rycraft?

Kornel's chart

David	1828	1913	m Martha Freel
Jose	1833	1897	m Ann Starr
Sarah	1838	1846	m Emma Noble
Sarah Jane	1842	=	m George Rycraft
Leonida H	1851	1928	m Lydia Jane (Jenny) Dodge

THE OREGON BELKNAPS.

Samuel (5) 1731; Jonas (6) 1759; Jonas (7) 1786.

47 JONAS BELKNAP (6)
P-6 b. 1786 NY.

MARRIED

MARY GARLINGHOUSE.

d. Belknap Spgs. Ore.
r. Belknap Spgs.

between 31 Jan 1853 and 17 May 1853

(7)

CHILDREN

Orrin 1815-
Elias 1817-
ELECTA 1820-
Rechael 1822-
Eleanor 1826-

Mar. Nancy Starr
Mar. 1836, Clarissa Todhunter b. Ky.
Mar. Stephen Howell
Mar. Austin Howard
Mar. Charles Beles

From U.S. Census Benton Co. Ore.; Adm. Chas. Belknap's records.

Samuel (5) 1731; Jonas (6) 1759; Jesse (7) 1792.

49 JESSE BELKNAP (7)
P-6 b. 1792 Cherry Valley, NY. 1812

MARRIED

JANE GARLINGHOUSE

d. 1861 Belknap Spgs. Ore.
r. Ky., Ohio, Iowa, Ore.

(7)

CHILDREN.

George
Ransom
Talitha Gumi
Harley
Carrington P.
Kessiah
Hannah
Cemder.

1817-1827 Mar. Kentura Penton, b. Ky.
1819- Mar. Mahala Starr.
1824-1906 Mar. Sem Starr
1832-

clergyman in Cal.
Mar. Lorenzo Gilbert
Mar. Mr. Waltz.

From U.S. Census 1850 Benton Co. Ore.; Adm. Chas Belknap's records. His obituary was found among the papers of Franklin Belknap of Chicago, Lawn, Ill. who collected Belknap family data.

Mrs. T. J. Dolan
6923 N. E. Broadway
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File



Mrs. Carroll York Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Conn.

06875

Mar. 1 - 71
Dear Mr. Belknap,

Answering your letter of the 24th, you no doubt have heard that Clark passed away Feb. 6th, of last year. I am the only one left of Webster Belknap's family. I saw Clark a little over a month before his death and he seemed the picture of good health, full of pep, so was a terrible shock when he left us.

Daddy's second wife was Lizzie Belknap (no relation of our Belknap tribe that I know of). I was only a little girl when that marriage took place, but I think it was in 1899, (summer time).

Daddy's third wife was Bessie Patterson, and they were married in the Fall

Of 1929. I couldn't swear
to that but believe I am
right. There is no one now
to check dates with.

Last summer we sold our
house and now live in
an apartment.

Trust the above informa-
tion will be of some help
to you but sorry I couldn't
give the exact dates.

Sincerely
Stella Dolan
6923 71st E Broadway
Portland, Ore.

97213

Feb 6 1971

Mrs T J Dolan
6923 N E Broadway
Portland, Oregon 97213

Dear Mrs Dolan:

Yes, I knew of Clark's death last year, and mourned it. Now, you and I, as far as I know, are just about the only great grandchildren of Jesse who are still living. Clark was kind and generous in helping me on family history.

My thanks for your help on names of second and third wives of Webster. Perhaps you can help me still more. Was Bessie Patterson a widow? If so, do you know ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ her maiden name?

Gratefully,

415 S. W. 10 St.
Corvallis, Oregon
Nov. 4, 1969.

Mr. C. Y. Belknap.

Today I received a letter from my late husband's brother Clark Belknap atty. of Seattle Wn.

He asked about Aunt Fite's diary. It is here in the Corvallis City library 6th. Monroe St. It can not be checked out, on reserve. I could write part of it, as I have read it. Manuscript copy.

I belong to the Historical Society here but they use the library.

My husband, Foster Belknap and I bought the original Ransom Belknap house and a few acres.

The house we remodeled but didn't change the hand planed boards. This house was built in 1855. It is still in very good condition. I had to sell after my husband's death in 1964. I left in 1966. and up to that time no one but Belknaps owned the house.

A Mrs. Edna Mintonye
of Monroe, Oreg. 97456 has
written a book and had it
published "They Laughed Too".

This is a history of the
Belknap settlement called
Goepel Swamp, and gives
many details, and a diary
not Aunt Pitts but parts of
it. It gives the family
statistics. I recommend
this book to you. Price \$6.95
It has a picture of your
great-grandfather and wife
Jesse and Jane Belknap
I have his chair he came across
the plains in.
I bought three of her books
for my family.

Hope this is some interest
to you.

Respectfully,

Golda Belknap
415 S. D. 10 St
Corvallis
Oregon
97330

Feb 23 1971

Dear Arts:

Thanks a lot for your help. I'm adding the obituary of my Aunt Mary to the file on her -- and the dates on descendants of Jesse are most helpful.

Most difficult task, right now, is to get reliable dates on children of Kenish and Chatman Hawley. And I confess I can't identify the Hawley who is a director of Intermountain Gas Co.

But I keep plugging away -- trying to set straight -- or reasonably straight -- the records of more than 4500 Belknaps.

Aunt Mary's daughter RENE Rose died last Autumn, in a nursing home in Rhode Island.

Yours,

IRENE BELKNAP

March 13 1971

Can you help me on this one? Names and other information about the 2nd and 3rd wives of Webster Clark Belknap?

I have all sorts of conflicting stuff --

2nd wife -- may have married 1899 -- maybe Lissie Belknap -- maybe just a "Miss Belknap" -- maybe a Widow Belknap -- parentage unknown -- name of first husband unknown -- and so on.

3rd wife -- either a Patterson of a Cliff or a Van Cliff -- or maybe Bessie (or Elizabeth) Van Cliff Patterson -- maybe a widow? Date of this marriage, no information yet.

All informants agree no children by second and third marriages. That's all they agree on.

INTERVIEW. - Mr. Edward H. Bollnap.

Mr. Bollnap was interviewed on his farm about two and one half miles southwest of Monroe Oregon. Although 77 years old, Mr. Bollnap still runs the farm. When the field worker called he was plowing and the interview had to be postponed until the noon hour. Mr. Bollnap's mind is as keen as his body is rugged. He said:

"My Father, Ransom Bollnap, came in 1847 with the first party to settle in the Bollnap Community. My Grandfather came in the year following, 1848. They left Iowa largely on account of the severe winters and because they had heard of the mild climate of the Willamette Valley. My mother had been Mahala Starr, sister to Sam Starr of Starr's Point, who was the first sheriff of Benton County. Lorenzo Dow Gilbert and Hawley Chapman who settled near Alpine were married to sisters of my father. My parents and grandparents left no written records. Things just went on from day to day and there seemed nothing worth recording. Five of My Father's Children are still living (1930) and our combined ages are more than 400 years. All are over eighty except me and I am 76. The names are: Webster C. and Lewis Franklin Bollnap, Angie Bollnap Anderson, Addie Bollnap Kyle, and myself. My sisters are twins.

(Wrong -
Sam Starr - son
of Moses.
Mahala Starr
daughter of
Jesse Starr

I attended the old Ebenezer Schoolhouse after it was moved from the original location. It was built on a hill just south of Alpine and about 1860 it was moved to a site on S. R. Hawley's farm a mile and a half west. This was a more central location.

My first teacher was Enoch Turner. Another was Champ Mann. When Alfred Nichols taught there were 75 pupils and only one teacher. Mrs. Donny was a fine teacher and taught several years in succession. My

RECEIVED. - Edward H. Bellnap.

cousin Jesse Bellnap taught and Mr. Arnold, Mr. Martin, and Mr. Hauert. Mr. Martin went with a party prospecting for medicinal herbs and was poisoned in some manner in the Klamath country. Judge Eakin, who died while a justice of the State Supreme Court, taught and boarded at our house. He read law in the evenings preparing for his bar examination. In addition to the common branches instruction was given in Higher Arithmetic and Algebra.

After getting what I could in the district schools I went to Willamette University at Salem and was graduated in 1884 with the B. S. degree. Then I studied law in Portland in the office of Williams and Thayer. This was W. W. Thayer who was afterward Governor of the State and Justice of the State Supreme Court. I was admitted to the bar in 1887 but never practiced except to write a will or draw up a legal paper for a neighbor. I had learned so much of the "slippery tricks" practiced by the lawyers that the profession did not appeal to me. One of the men under whom I studied was called "Slippery Dick" Williams.

I was elected to the State Legislature in 1889 and served in all five sessions. In 1889 I married Ida Booth, whose parents, Robert and Mary Booth, were pioneers of Douglas County. My wife's father was the Methodist preacher who was particularly honored by the monument "The Circuit Rider" at Salem. I have two sons, Harlan C., and Gilbert M.

The house built by my father is about the oldest in this community still standing. It was built in 1855 and is a mile south and a mile east of Alpino. My nephew, Foster Bellnap, lives there now. The lumber for this house and other early houses was sawed at Gilbert's Mill on Muddy Creek. It was an old

INTERVIEW. - Edward H. Bellnap.

style 'jig saw'. The logs came from a pine grove that stood on a hill about a mile and a half southwest of Monroe. (Note, - This grove has entirely disappeared.) All the lumber in the house was dressed by hand. The early sawmills were rather crude and the lumber was not all even in width. In siding a house or coiling the inside the carpenters would work around the room, matching the boards for width so that the cracks would come even. The farm I am now living on was the claim of my uncle. -- That fir covered ridge about a mile to the south is a long spur of the Coast Mountain foot hills. It is called Houck Mountain from an early settler. The old Indian trail used to come around the shoulder of that hill, down past the house, and out through the gap to a hill near Alpine where was an Indian cemetery. They brought their dead from some distance to be buried there. The settlers could tell a funeral party long before it came in sight by the loud wailing of the hired mourners. The dead were buried in the ground and not placed in trees as some of the Coast tribes were said to do. My aunt told of one small babe whose mother had died. It cried so constantly that it was wrapped in the blanket and buried with the mother.

✓ The 'lone fir' tree that used to stand on the summit of Houcks Mountain was visible as far as Salem. It is still standing but is hidden by the 'second growth' trees that have sprung up since the white man came. The young, close-growing trees grew taller than the old lone tree.

When I was youngster there were not so many distractions to take a person's mind off their studies. We had ball games at school and winter sports, skating and coasting. The winters were more severe then and there was sometimes skating or sleighing for weeks at a time. We had parties on

INTERVIEW. - Edward H. Bollman.

different pretexts in the winter months.

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I was born a Methodist and a Republican and have never backslidden from either one. I have heard some of my friends confess to having voted for Wilson or Roosevelt but I have no such slip on my conscience. - - - I think the world is coming on all right and gradually coming nearer to what it should be. There are periods of apparent recession, "Winters of civilization", but I believe that God works by evolution, not only in the field of living forms but in society, and I believe that in the course of the ages will appear the society that ought to be.

Death Takes M. M. Belknap, Lifelong Resident Of Region

Maynard M. Belknap, 89, a lifelong resident of the Inland Empire and a prominent businessman at Lewiston and Cottonwood before retiring in 1960, died at 4:18 yesterday afternoon

grandfather, Ransom A. Belknap, crossed the plains in an ox-drawn wagon train in 1847 to settle in the Willamette Valley of Oregon.

His father, Webster Belknap, was born in the Willamette Valley, but later moved to Spokane. He was a state senator from Spokane County.

Belknap was born at Spokane April 26, 1879.

He graduated from Spokane High School (now Lewis & Clark High School) and from Washington State College (now Washington State University), Pullman, in 1901.

He taught school throughout north central Idaho until 1904 when he moved to Cottonwood, where he was principal of the public school. In 1907 he was one of the organizers of the Cottonwood State Bank.

He was cashier of the bank from 1907 until selling his interest and moving to Lewiston in 1927.

Bought Investment Firm

He bought the Erhardt Investment Co. here and changed the name to the M. M. Belknap Co. He operated the firm for 33½ years before retiring.

Belknap married the former Emma G. Gribbin in 1908. She died June 22, 1947. In 1949, he married Mrs. Florence M. Jasper.

He is survived by a son, Burdette Belknap, Pomeroy; a stepson, Dr. Donald Jasper of the University of California now studying at Cornell University, Ithica, N.Y.; three step-daughters, Mrs. J. T. Jones, La Grande, Ore.; Mrs. Malcom Dawson, Joseph, and Mrs. Walter Johnson, Salem; a brother, Clark R. Belknap, Seattle; and a sister, Mrs. T. J. Dolan, Portland; 18 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be Saturday morning at 11 at Vassar-Rawls Funeral Home. Burial will be at Normal Hill Cemetery.



M. M. BELKNAP

at St. Joseph's Hospital. Death was due to the infirmities of age.

Belknap operated the M. M. Belknap Co. here from 1927 until his retirement in 1960. The firm specialized in mortgages and loans. Prior to coming to Lewiston in 1927, Belknap had been a school principal and banker at Cottonwood.

He was active in Lewiston civic affairs and was an active backer of the Lewis & Clark Highway (U.S. Highway 12) for many years.

Was Chamber President

He served two terms as president of the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce and two terms as a member of the Lewiston City Council. He was mayor pro-tem during his terms on the council.

At the time of his death he was president of the Lewiston chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. He was a past Idaho state president of the society.

Belknap was a member of a pioneer western family. His

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AMOS
RANSOM BELKNAP--(Mahala Starr) born Ken. 1820--died Monroe, Oregon 1896.
(Incidentally he was the only one to the Oxcarts who stayed put. He
died on his donation land claim)
Lucinda--1841--1855. Sara (Turner, 1844--1864. Kiziak (Anderson) 1847,
1910?) (She had two sons, both dead.)
WEBSTER Nov. 29, 1950. (Ida Clark. He died 1937, she 1893.
Frank, 1852. (Corena Akers) He died 1848, at 96. A minister of the
Methodist Church--made a little money--gave it to Willamette University
Salem, Oregon. On the campus is BELKNAP HALL, in his honor.
ADALINE KYLE, & ANGELINE ANDERSON, twins, identical--had hair that
hung to the floor--both tall, to. Born 1854. Angeline died 1843? Adaline
1848. Samuel 1856, 1876. Edward, Sept, 1860, 1848. Brilliant
speaker; college man; well read.

WEBSTER BELKNAP's family. Clifford C., Sept. 13, 1875, Monroe, Oreg.
lives at Box 83, Farmington, Wash. Maynard M. born Spokane County, Wash
1979, lived at 939 3rd St., Lewiston, Idaho. Foster G. 1881, Spokane
lives at R. 1, Box 428, Monroe on Ransom's Donation Land claim in
house built by Ransom 1854. Clark R. 1883, Spokane; 1207 S. Bailey
St. Seattle 8; practicing law. Hovey H. 1885, 1828. Connie Mitchel,
1887, Spokane, died Mar. 30, 1961. (All these were born in Wash.
Territory.) Stella Pearl Dolan, 4745 N.E. Wasco, Portland 13, Oreg,
Born in Wash. ~~Terri~~ State, Dec. 31, 1889; the state was six weeks old.
Stella had a twin brother, Stanley, died at 8 mos.

Frank Belknap's family; Haven Belknap, 1881, lives near Portland, Oreg.
Lorena Belknap-----married, 1887. Haven has no children. Lorena has
two?

Adaline Kyle, has 4 children, all living. Orr, 1887, Arthur, 1890,
Angeline (Dr. Merle Howard) 1891; lives in Eugene, Oreg. Robery
Kyle, Monroe, Oregon. 1893.

Angeline Anderson, has two children, Arta Bayley, 771 Gary Drive,
San Leandro, Cal. 1889. Frank Anderson, ~~Minam~~ Wash. 1892, 7219 E. Market,
Spokane, Wash.

Edward had three sons, one living, Gilbert, Jefferson, Oregon; 1893.
~~Spokane, Wash.~~

Clifford Belknap (Married Leona Kitrel), Irene, Oct. 1902, West Lake,
Ida. Longview High School, Longview, Wash. Never married. Harold
C. 70 Encanto, San Francisco. High up in Sugar Beet world. Born,
West Lake, 1904. Very able. Public Relations man. Marvin, 1906,
6468 S. "L" Tacoma, Wash. Prin. Five Schools. Reldon 1908, accountant
1784 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, Cal. Muriel Poyner, 400 S. Garden, (1916)
Bellingham, Wash. Jack Belknap, 1923. (See Harold for address.)

Maynard had two sons, Burdette, 1908, lives at Pomeroy. Don died at 15.
Foster and Clark had no children; Hovey has one daughter, Gwendolyn,
1918.

Connie had no children.
Stella Pearl Dolan, one daughter, Baverly Hall, Jones, Wash. They have
three children. Tommy, age 11, Steve, 7 and Connie Coleen, 5. Hall
is with the Sellenbeck Co; good position.

Clark R. Belknap

Thank you for the information - it is
very kind.

February 24 1971

Mrs Stella Dolan
4745 N E Wasco
Portland, Oregon 97213

Dear Mrs Dolan:

I think that Clark ~~WILSON~~ told you, some time ago, that I'm working on the preparation of a Belknap genealogy -- and that I'm a grandson of Corrington, Ransom's younger brother.

Today I've been working on the correction of errors in a sheet listing the children of Ransom -- sent to me by Mrs Frances Milne of Pullman, Washington.
accurate

For the most part, I seem to have full and accurate information. But there is one point at which the various records in my possession seem to be confused and unreliable -- the names of Webster's second and third wives, and the dates of these marriages.

If you can help me on this, I'll be most grateful.

Cordially,

Paul Webster

Friday. Jan 5 - '68

Mr Carroll Belknap.

Dear Cousin:- I note to begin a letter with an apology. When I received your letter I had every good intention to answer immediately. I was very glad to hear from you. Our son Edwin was home for a week & then the Christmas rush, & the time flew & my letter not answered.

First to your questions.

My mother died in 1935 - 1854

" father Dr. Bayles Anderson

Born Dec 12 1849 - died 1931

There are just two descendants.

Myself born Apr 22 - 1889

my brother Frank Nov 13 - 1891

Concerning the Susan Belknap I can tell you nothing. I never

heard of her. It was always my understanding that his ^{grandfather's} wife was a twin & her name was Jane Harlinghaus. It seems each one of his sons & daughters named the first daughter - Jane - as the first or second name. I very well remember some of them. The first was Jane then those that followed were Mary Jane or Sarah Jane, & soon. Mother's oldest sister who died before mother could remember her, was Cyndia Jane, should be Lucinda.

The custom in the time of our great-grandparents was to give every thing they had to the younger son & he was to take care of them in their last days. They followed the custom & gave their 640 acres etc to the younger son Harley. Well

what should he do but sell
everything & move to eastern Oregon.
My grandparents took them in. They
built a room on the side of
the house & they lived there for
years. Also they had to take in
Grandma's parents, so they
built a room on the other side
of the house for them. Fortunately
they had a big house, also
several living children at that
time. But Mahe said they never
seemed to be any hard feelings
against Harley.

I am interested in the Robert B—
in Kenya. Who is he.

Edwin said, when he was here that
he would be glad to take me to see
you, so I am looking forward to
meeting you & your wife. I do not

expect to go until in May sun-time
I was there last May & part of June.
Enjoyed the spring blossoms &
foliage so much. Massapequa was
a riot of color. The year before
I went in the Fall & enjoyed
the fall colors so much. We are
having some rather cold weather, it
has been down to 31° & we are
afraid our oranges will be effected.
Have a nice big tree in back yard
& it is loaded. Having lived in
Calif. since 1926 we are not used
to cold weather.

In reading Clarks genealogy I
noticed some minor mistakes, at least
they do not give with what name told.
They are unimportant though.

Please excuse this scribbling.

Very sincerely, Alice B-

220 - N. W. - 24th
Hillsboro, Oreg.
Jan. 26 - 1968

Dear Mr. Belknap -

My father's cousin -
(Clark R. Belknap) of Seattle wrote him
recently of your interest in genealogy.
Dad is very interested too but has
his two daughters do the delving. We
have done some research on our
line and if we have anything
that would be of value to you
will gladly share it.

My father is Claude Dow Gilbert -
his father was Jesse Belknap Gil-
bert and his parents were Lorenzo
Dow Gilbert and Hannah Belknap.
Hannah was the daughter of Jesse
Belknap and Jane Garlinghouse.
Perhaps you have all this - if not
we have dates and the lists of chil-
dren & their spouses and some
history of those concerned.

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My father just had his 88th birthday and the spry doesn't do much in the way of correspondence. His father was 96 when he died and was in excellent health and physical condition to 3 days prior to his death. I have been given to understand that longevity is a Belknap heritage.

I have the Belknaps back to Richard Belknap & Elizabeth -
d - 1599 d - 1589

however I don't have all their families nor all the dates.

Do you have any of the Garling house lineage?

I have quite a bit of the Quoton genealogy.

Surely hope we can help one another.

Sincerely -
(Mrs. J. A.) Claudia Marshack

Foster Glen Belknap, born Aug. 25, 1881 - died Mar. 18, 1964
 Honey Hale Belknap, born Apr. 6, 1885 - died Oct. 24, 1927
 Daughter Linnell Lynn Fay Wright, born Oct. 25, 1917
 Connie Nell Mitchell, born May 4, 1887 - died Mar. 30, 1961
 Stella Pearl Dolan, born Dec. 31, 1889
 Daughter Berilee Clark Hall, born Feb. 21, 1926
 " children; Thomas David Hall, born Oct. 4, 1950
 Steven Clark " " Nov. 9, 1953
 Connie Colleen " " May 7, 1957

(Notes from my sister, Stelle Pearl Belknap Dolan, 4745 N.E. Wasco,
 Portland, Oregon, 97213.

Foster was my next older brother, and Honey just younger. My
 sisters were the youngest of the family. You will receive date
 about my older brothers, Maynard and Clifford. (Clifford died two
 years ago.) Had a fine family of 6--all skumum

From
 Clark
 Belknap

3914 North 27th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98407
November 4, 1969

Mr. Carroll York Belknap
25 Club Road
Riverside, Connecticut 06878

Dear Mr. Belknap:

The enclosed information is sent to you, following a request by my uncle, Clark Belknap. He said that you had written for information on the family of my father, Clifford Belknap. Uncle Clark indicated the type of material that you want. As you will notice, I am not experienced in the form in which this kind of material should be arranged. I hope, however, that you will find the facts useful. If any elaboration is needed, please let me know.

We should be much interested in the results of your research and should be glad to pay for a copy of the completed work.

Sincerely,

Irene Belknap

Irene Belknap

CHESTER CLIFFORD BELKNAP AND FAMILY

Chester Clifford Belknap, b. September 13, 1875; d. March 20, 1965;
m. January 1, 1902, to

Nancy Leona Kittrell b. August 5, 1882. (Present address: 3914 N 27th
Street, Tacoma, Washington 98407). Their six children

Irene Ida Belknap, b. October 19, 1902. (Present address: 3914 N 27th
Street, Tacoma, Washington 98407).

Harold Orison Belknap, b. January 4, 1904. (Present address: 70 En-
canto Avenue, San Francisco, California 94115). m. December 31, 1927, to
Roberta May Roberts. Their two children

Barbara Jean Belknap, b. October 7, 1928. (Present address: 2397 East
6710 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84121). m. August, 1948, to

Robert J. Hrdy. Their two children

Daniel Bruce Hrdy, b. August 7, 1949. (Traveling in Europe--junior at Harvard)

Roberta Ann Hrdy, b. December 21, 1950. (Sophomore at Cornell).

Corena May Belknap, b. July 1, 1932. (Present address: 3319 Desertwood
Lane, San Jose, California 95132). m. February, 1952, to

Melvin Thomas. Their three children

Neal Thomas, b. June 22, 1954

Stacie Lynn Thomas, b. July 28, 1955

Layne Helena Thomas, b. January 14, 1958.

Marvin Preston Belknap, b. April 1, 1905. (Present address: 6468 South L,
Tacoma, Washington 98408). m. June 1, 1926, to

Daisy Wheatley, d. 1938. Their child

Carol Ann Belknap, b. September 25, 1938. (Present address: 2773
Tomahawk Lane, Eugene, Oregon 97401). m. December, 1958, to

Tom Williams (selected as a White House Fellow in 1968. He and his
family spent the year in Washington, D. C., where Tom was assigned to
the office of the Secretary of Commerce). Their two children

Robert Scott Williams, b. August 3, 1959.

Shannon Ray Williams, b. October 25, 1961.

Edith Lilly Overman, (married to Marvin, August, 1940). Their two children

Robert Harold Belknap, b. February 8, 1943; m. September 6, 1969, to

Marylou Greene (Their address: 1719 N. 17th, Springfield, Oregon 97177)

Gail Louise Belknap, b. June 27, 1945. (Present address: Briar Circle,
Fayetteville, N. C. 28306). m. June, 1967, to

James Smith, now completing his service in the United States Army.

Clifford Meldon Belknap, b. July 21, 1908. (Present address: 1036 Apple
Drive, Concord, California 94520). m. July 14, 1940, to

Muriel Davidson. Their four children

Chester Meldon Belknap, b. April 10, 1941. (Present address: 2728
Hemlock Avenue, Morro Bay, California 93442). m. in 1964 to

Sandra Carmel Clifford. Their two children

Kimberley Belknap, b. 1965 (?) } *exact dates will be secured.*
Scott Belknap b. 1968 (?) }

Ronald Leland Belknap, b. September 21, 1942. (Present address: 100
First Street, Richmond, California 94800). m. June 26, 1965, to

Jeanne Ann Schmidt.

Ray Belknap, b. January 22, 1946; d. March, 1950.

Dale Glenn Belknap, b. March 15, 1948.

Stella Muriel Belknap, b. November 17, 1916. (Present address: 4219 N. Frace, Tacoma, Washing 98407). m. September 7, 1940, to Gordon Poyner. Their two children
Riley Robert Poyner, b. July 18, 1942. (Present address: 2704 Elm, Bellingham, Washington 98225). m. 1961 to Kathleen Marie Cole. Their two children
Tami Lee Poyner, b. October 13, 1962.
Karis Marie Poyner, b. December 30, 1964.
Riley and Kathleen were divorced in 1965. Riley in 1968 married Jeanne Cox.
Cheryl Irene Poyner, b. April 27, 1945. (Present address: 1122 - 17th Avenue, Longview, Washington 98632). m. September, 1968, to Andrew Hendrickson. Their child Clifford Belknap's
Mary Kathleen Hendrickson, b. October 11, 1969. Youngest of descendants.
6 Jack Belknap, b. August 2, 1922. (Present address: 4122 Broadway, Oakland, California 94611). m. February 3, 1943, to Rayola Riley. Their two children
Douglas Allen Belknap, b. September 14, 1949.
Gary Dean Belknap, b. May 29, 1952.

156 Cherry Street
Geneva, New York 14456
January 13, 1969

Dear Carroll,

Two or three incidental items.

Yesterday in church the minister read the scripture from I Timothy - and the fourth verse of the first chapter warns against getting involved with "interminable genealogies"!

Write | I was invited out to dinner after church and while there was shown a copy of the magazine put out by the bird club in Watertown, New York. In it was an article, "Fifty Years of Bird Watching", by one John B. Belknap of Gouverneur, New York. Maybe you already know him. He said he had grown up in Massachusetts before moving into northern New York. I checked with telephone information and found that his address is 92 Clinton Street - phone number 315 - 287 - 0792.

Talking to a town historian I was informed that a small cemetery contained tombstones of Spencer D., Alvena M., Ezra, Silas E., and Nancy Newton - and that next door to the cemetery lived a Mrs. Newton who was quite knowledgable. Since I go by there frequently, I'll stop sometime when the snow melts and see if she has any valuable information.

Lastly, I re-checked the census records just to see the order of listing. The 1800 one for Lima had the two Belknaps separated by 22 names, none of whom looked familiar: Jonathan Belknap - Morgan, Humphrey, Wright, Morgan, David, Thayer, Morgan, Everit, Roberts, Scipio, James, Porter, Moses, ~~R~~Humphrey, Warner, Warner, Mather, Brockeway, McClelland, Tinker, Ward, and JONAS BELKNAP.

The 1810 Census for Honeoye sounded more familiar:

Briggs, Wright, Elijah Belknap, Elisha Belknap, Moses Briggs, Jane Garlinghouse, Short, James Garlinghouse, Jr., Parke, Parke, Wright, Wright, Short, etc.

Bennett, Hunt, James Garlinghouse, Sr., Hunt, Hartwell, Holden, Belknap

Howe, Gordon, Farrer, Short, Green, Seth Belknap, Snider, Rhodes, Chase Skinner, Venal, Garlinghouse, John

For Bristol:

Bilbert, Brown, Wilder, Davidson, Foster, Wilder, Wilder, Jonas Belknap, ~~xxxxxx~~Parris, Standish, Wood, etc.

Hope you have escaped the flu. I hastened to have a shot and have been o.k. so far. Nice to be retired this winter and not have to take the car out in bad weather.

Sincerely,

Gladys

415 S.W. 10 St.
Corvallis, Oregon
97330

Nov. 15, 1969.

Mr. C. Y. Belknap.
Your letter just received.
At the library.

Our librarian has been very
cooperative but she has not
found only what you have.
I suggest you write either
to Angie Kyle Howard (Mrs. Merley
Howard)
90 W. 18th St Eugene Ore.
97402
or the Willamette University
library for the original as
it must be there or they would
know. Good luck.

We have lovely weather today for
the O.S.U. foot ball game vs. N. S.
Nice to hear from you.
Yours. Golda Belknap
(over)

Mrs Merle Howard married my brother Dr. Merle Howard 90 N. 18 Eugene. My brother died a few years ago. She visited me last Fri. I asked her about the diary she had loaned it to U. of O. Prof. He died and when she tried to get the diary he had left it with other historical papers to Willamette U. Salem Oreg. They must have it there.

7 Ransom Belknap son { ^{son} Webster Foster B.
1820-1896 1881-1964

Foster B. Belknap born Rockford Wisc.
Aug. 25, 1881 - died Mar. 18, 1964

died at his home the Ransom Belknap home
near Monroe Oreg. Belknap settlement
Golda Howard Aylesworth born near Monroe Ore
1887 March 16.

Married Foster Belknap June 24, 1925 at
her parents home near Monroe Oregon
No descendants.

I by previous marriage have 2 children
Col. Howard Aylesworth Hampton Virginia
Grace Aylesworth Jennings Corvallis Ore

Jesse & Jane Belknap - Kentucky

7 children

Kesia 1813-1859

Hannah 1814-1914

George 1817-1897

Ransom 1820-1896

Born
Rockford, Wn.

Foster
1881-1964

Aug 25 Mar.
died at home 19
near Monroe Ore.
original Ransom
Belknap
Rockford

Foster Glen Belknap

Hilda Howard Aylesworth married June 24th 1925
Mar. 16 1887 near Monroe Ore. near Monroe Ore. my
parents home
no descendants. Mrs. G.W. Howard

I was married before. I have two
children Col. Howard Aylesworth
Ft. Monroe Hampton, Virginia
Grace A. Hennings Corvallis Ore

Mrs. Merle Howard married my brother
Dr. Merle Howard (deceased)

She was here a few days ago and I
asked her about Aunt Fito's diary.
She said she loaned it to a Prof at U.O.
Eugene college. He died and had willed
everything to Willamette University
Salem Ore. She tried to get it but
couldn't. It must be in their
library. Her address is 90 W. 18th
Eugene Ore. 97402

Copy to Clark

Nov. 13, 1969

Miss Irene Belknap
3914 North 27th St.
Tacoma, Washington 98407

Dear Cousin:

I'm most grateful for the fine list of descendants of Chester Clifford Belknap. Only seldom does anyone send me such complete records with all the dates.

Yet I'm going to ask if you can take it a step farther — by giving me the places for each person:

Where born
Where married
Where lived
Where died

You see, I'm trying to put together a Belknap genealogy that will be useful many years from now, when future Belknaps want to trace their ancestry — like those who ask for my help now. Again and again, what makes it possible to find the line of descent is the place names. For example, a Belknap in Canada knew his ancestry for only three generations back, but he named a town in Vermont: Dummerston, where only one Belknap family ever lived. So it was easy to help him.

A harder case is one that I've just completed. A Carol Anne Belknap in Iowa asked for help in proving that her ancestor Elisha Belknap was a son of my great great grandfather, Jonas Newton Belknap (Jesse's father). When I dug into all the known records, I found there was no acceptable proof that Jonas had a son named Elisha — nothing but family tradition, which isn't evidence. But I had two clues — that Jesse married Jane Carlinghouse in Ontario County, New York, and that their son Merrington (my grandfather) was born in Licking County, Ohio. With the aid of ten other people, I started following those two clues. Eventually, two years later, we had the proof that Carol Anne needed — plus an almost complete record of the life of Jonas Newton Belknap, about whom very little had been known after 1785 when he and his wife Esther Parker joined the church at Belchertown, Mass. And we had traced, among other facts, the travel of my great grandfather Jesse from Cherry Valley, N. Y. to eastern Ontario County, N. Y., to Hardin County, Kentucky, to Licking County, Ohio, to Allen County, Ohio, to Van Buren County, Iowa — and could then add what was already known, on to Benton County, Oregon. All because we knew where to search.

So I hope you can add the place names to the list you sent to me. In case you didn't keep a carbon copy of it, I've run off a copy and am enclosing it.

Gratefully,

LAW OFFICES OF

CLARK R. BELKNAP

PROFESSIONAL CENTER

12610 DES MOINES WAY SO. SUITE 110
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98168

Aug. 22, 1968.

Dear Carroll;

Just received this note from my brother Maynard of Lewiston, Idaho. His wife's son has been at U of Cal, and is going to Cornell for a year. My brother writes of the report from their trip;

They have visited many old historic points around Boston and other New England places. In a museum there in Mass. they saw a list of the passenger list of the Mayflower and there was Belknap in the list. That was news to me. I always thot that Abaraham Belknap was the first and my record says he landed in Mass, about 1635, I believe it is. Don said they saw the name Belknap in several places. A street of that name in one place and a town Belknap; I believe that was in Vermont, tho I amnot sure."

Possibly this is not new to you, but I am passing it along. You seemed to make a hit with our cousin. Arta Andedson Bayley, of San Leandro, Cal.-----

Just another note from Maynard--his stepson is Donald Jasper, , now a Prof. at Cornell. If you beleiev he may add to your already large store of knowledge, I am sure he wouldbe pleased to tell you what and where he saw the Belknap sign.

Sorry, but in my recent study of Moses, I have not found the name of any Belknap--but I will continue my investigations. But ofthis I am sure--before Moses ever returned to Egypt, after his killing the Egyptian and became a fugitive fro Egyptian Justice, he had traveled quite extensively thru Canaan. He knew the land quite well--he was not buying a pig in a poke. Apparently, a man couldtravel freely in those days--that is going it alone--not ganup and armed. The term "The stranger within thy gates" appears in may places in the Moses writings. So whike he was living in Midian, with his fatherinlaw, Jethro, away from goldern-calf-gods, he did a lot of thinking qnd a lot of traveling. When he returen to Egypt he had a clear idea as to where he wanted to take his people--Canaan. But two million people cannot travel like a single man or family--they hae to wander all over, not God's Heaven, but a lot of countryside--fpr their hundreds of livewtock. But when they arrived at the Jordan, Moses lost his nerve--he was an old man--too old to fight--the general in those days did not sit back 100 miles from the front, sendi g his men hither and thither--NO, he led the fighting. Moses could no longer fight--so they wandered for 40 years--when in desperation they decided fo fight for a homeland--but the natives always out numbered them. STOP.



771 Cary Dr
San Leandro, Calif
94577

Answered

File → Cronington



W. B. Belknap

Ihuso, Nov. 12 - 70

Dear Cousins:- You may be wondering what has become of me. Well I came home the day after Edwin & I spent a few pleasant hours with you. Had a nice flight - five hours & two minutes. My daughter was there to meet me. I do not remember if we told you that we went by way of Guatemala to N.O. Edwin had to go that way. He had been home for a few days & wanted me to go back with him, so I could get a glimpse of a foreign country. It was interesting. We were there three days. I still haven't gotten the sights & sounds out of my mind yet. It is a pretty country, lots of rain & it is green, some of the surrounding mountains are volcanic.

We went through customs at Killeb
airport in Wash. D.C. a few nights
after we were there, one of the
passengers was arrested trying to
smuggle a million dollars worth of
coca. He had it on his person in
his baggage & had hidden a lot
on the plane. The flight was
held up four hours. We were
glad he hadn't been on our
flight. The customs people are
especially watchful of people coming
from Central & So Am.

"Roberto was so glad that she
was fortunate in getting the picture
& the nice information about your
grandfather. That was the most in-
formation I have ever seen. I do
have a book about Methodism in
the Northwest & it tells about
Carrington Belknap being Presiding
Elder of the Puget Sound Dist & also
served as pastor at Olympia. In 1865

in addition to his Dist duties he was pastor of in Seattle. Western Washington at that time was part of the Oregon Cong. He must have transferred to Calif soon after because our San Leandro church records have him listed as the pastor in 1865. He had a busy & useful life.

I have been studying the genealogy you gave me, but am afraid I am not going to be of much help. There are so many listed that I never heard of & its all I knew from hearing my mother speak about all gone. There is a little I can add, but not much.

We are having delightful fall weather, flowers are still coming.

Best wishes to you both.
Leta.

The elections went fairly good, well many that our Senates Murphy loss. Edwin was pleased about N.Y.

3914 727th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98407
October 30, 1970

Dear Cousin Carroll,

No doubt you have given up receiving information yet needed for our branch of the family. I am about ready to give up myself as the five questionnaires that I sent to brothers and sister have ^{either} not all been returned or completely filled out. I must admit that I have not done an adequate follow-up. I fear that I do not have the persistence needed for this kind of work.

I spent most of July and half of August in the Orient - Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore. I returned a little wiser, less complacent, and more aware of the need for good relationships. I am

IRENE BELKNAP
3914 N. 27th Street, Apt. #14
Tacoma, Washington 98407

File



Mr. La
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not sure that the tourist
is the best promoter of good
will. Some that I observed
needed training in courtesy!

When I have information
to send, you will hear
from me. Probably incomplete
information would be of
little value.

Incidentally, the name
Hardy is not misspelled
even though it is pronounced
Hardy or Hardy.

Sincerely,
Frederick

Dec. 2, 1970

Dear Mr. Belknap:

It was good to hear from you again. When I last heard, two years ago, you were going to Greece. Either you went to Spain instead, or that was another trip. Both places would be a dream to visit in any case.

Am writing to a Bob Rickabaugh in Kensington, Conn. (my mother's maiden name was Rickabaugh) and he and his wife are leaving in the spring for Germany & Switzerland where he plans to do some research on the 14 Rickabaugh brothers and 1 sister who came to the U.S. about 3 centuries ago. Now THERES a trip I would dearly love. Have always wanted to go to Switzerland as my Zysett (my maiden name) ancestors came from there too. Oh well, I can dream. Hope Bob is successful. I had my cousin in Calif. who has access to a Xerox machine make 30 copies of each of the 11 pages of Rickabaugh notes I've acquired over the yrs. and sent Bob a copy but we need the names of those 14 brothers. And I swear that with all the 'cousins' I've dug up, each of those 14 brothers must have had 14 sons each!

Can find Kensington on the Atlas we have but can't find Riverside anywhere, so don't know just where in Conn. you're located.

Yes, do call me Kay. Everyone does and I certainly don't mind a bit.

Re the marriage cert. of Stephen & Electa: From the Allen Co., Ohio Historical Society, 620 West Market St., Lima, Ohio 45801 in a letter dated May 8, 1968--
I have checked with the Court House & find that the marriage record of Stephen Howell & Electa Belknap is recorded by hand in a bound volume & can not be photocopied. The records are written by hand & there is no additional information other than what is included on the enclosed paper. Ages, parents, etc. are not included in these earlier marriage records unfortunately.' signed, Phyllis Leech, Asst. Curator.

'Probate Court of Allen Co., Lima, Ohio 45801. David C. Steiner, Probate Judge; Elsie Frasure, Deputy Clerk signed letter dated May 3, 1968. 'This is to verify that the marriage record of Stephen Howell & Electa Belknap is recorded in the Allen Co. Probate Court in Vol. 1, Page 86. The marriage was solemnized on the second day of Jan., 1838 by John W. Starr, minister of the Gospel in the Methodist Episcopal Church.'

Re the death date of Jonas. Unk. Also, Electa is supposed to be buried in the Alpine ceme., but can't find headstone. I don't have all the Alpine graves listed anyway, just what we copied one day while there. Will see if Sylvia Richardson or her aunt, Byrnic Hanson have the list which includes several pages. All we have on Jonas is in Vol. II of the Ore. Donation Land Claims which I think you have, but to be sure, will include again.

? #1550--Belknap, Polly, & heirs of Jonas Belknap, Benton Co.; settled claim Aug. 20, 1851. Letter enclosed indicates settlement date was in 1849 & Jonas was living as late as Jan. 31, 1853. Jesse Belknap gave MA as Jan. 15, 1813. Affidavit signed by: Abiathan Newton, Herman C. & Randolph Buckingham.'

The earliest gravestone date I copied is Jesse Belknap, Jan. 26, 1792--Nov. 19, 1881. (wife) Jane, March 26, 1792--Dec. 10, 1876. But like I say, there has been several pages printed for the Alpine ceme. and I'll ask Sylvia about it.

Thank you for the additional info on Abraham and Jonas Newton. Which reminds me, Velma Belknap sent me a copy of the copy of your letter to your cousin,

*Is there
any
more
info
on
his wife?*

Old Wagon Trail
1951

Gentlemen: My great-grandmother, Keturah Penton Belknap, crossed the plains in 1849 from Cincinnati to Oregon. The wagon train settled in a community near Corvallis, Oregon, which came to be called the Belknap settlement.

My mother and I have wanted for years to visit both the country around Cincinnati, and the Belknap settlement.

Now we have definitely started to make plans for our trip. We are putting aside War Savings Bonds for this purpose. We'll make the trip when the war is over.—Reva Barrett, Pullman, Wash.

Reva Barrett
511 Campus Avenue
Apartment 3
Pullman, Washington

✓ Tell Kay Barrett

Mrs. Jane E. Belknap

4615 Ovid Avenue

Des Moines 10, Iowa

(“Katie May”)

Reva - d. of Katherine Christian Barrett
- d. of Loving ^{Jane} Belknap Christian
d. of Aunt Kit

d. 1946 — says pamphlet
But living in 1951?

if clipping shown was then.

Mrs. L. C. Barrett

Re Grace Belknap Smith, Uncle Harley's youngest daughter--just learned that she died three years ago. Burton is one of her sons.

Clark R. Belknap.

Dec. 19, 1967.

Burton Smith,
3640 Irlanda,
San Jose, California.

Dear Mr. Smith;

Fearing your mother may not have told you of her relationship to me, let me introduce myself.

Your mother was a first cousin of my father, Webster C. Belknap. My grand father, Ransom, was an older brother of your grandfather, Harley Belknap. When your mother was a little girl, she and her father visited my family in Spokane County. She was only three years older than I. I have no recollection of the visit. I next saw your mother when I was 15 and she was 18. But in those days of long skirts, I assumed that she was many years older than I. I was a little runt--she was a lady

In 1959 my baby sister, Stella Dolan, of Portland asked me a small question about the crossing of the plains via-oxcarts. It started me thinking a bit about a limited family history. I am enclosing a copy of it. Your mother was given one. Possibly you have one already. You will note that I stopped with the children of those who crossed the plains; to have gone farther was beyond my time and talents.

I last saw your mother, after some considerable correspondence in 1960--I went down to Stanford for the Olympic Team Tryouts--No, I did not participate, altho I had the ability--I sat in the grandstand. While, on that trip, my nephew, Harold O. Belknap, Russ Bldg. San Francisco, drove me down to see your mother. We did not find her at her apartment--we located her out in the country--maybe you know of the visit. I was pleased to note her active mind. We had some correspondence thereafter.

A few months ago a new Belknap pops up--a grandson of your mother's Uncle Corrington--for whom your mother had great admiration. He was an early graduate of Willamette University, and became a Methodist Minister. He was in Los Angeles for a few years--he gave to USC the land upon which the school now stands--now worth billions, I suppose. This grandson is Carroll Belknap, 25 Club Rd, Riverside Conn. He has been going into the family history in a big way. You are a 17th cousin of Queen Elizabeth. He tells of a meeting of the Privy Council of Henry the VIII of England--about 1492--there were three Belknap sitting with the King--and it was another Belknap who arranged the first meeting between the King and his new-wife-to-be--Anne Cleces. I mention this to show how thoroly he has and is going into the matter.

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I sent Carroll my little bit of family history, and told him about your mother, being the last of the children of the Oxcarths. Recently I wrote to your mother at her old address--my letter, of course, came back--so I wrote to the manager of the apartments--have just received word that your mother had died some three years ago. I am sorry to learn of this. My brief acquaintance tells me that she was way beyond the general run of humanity--quite outstanding. I greatly admired her, as did my nephew Harold. We came away well pleased with our relative.

I believe somewhere in my files, I have the names of your mother's children--but I have been unable to locate them. I believe she told me that she had a son or maybe grandson, Marcus Whitman. By the way, you have some more Belknaps--younger brothers of Harold's--one is Meldon C. Belknap, 1036 Apple Dr. Concord, Cal, 94520, and Jack Belknap, Insurance Man, 4122 Broadway, Oakland. And there is a daughter of your mother's cousin Angeline Belknap Anderson; my father's sister--her name is Arta (Mrs. Glenn) Bayley, 771 Cary Dr. San Leandro. I am sure that any and all would be glad to know you.

Carroll wants to know the names and dates of birth and death of all your mother's children, and herself, too; and all her descendants--Carroll is doing a big job--wants interesting details. You may write him direct. If you have a typewriter, make a copy for me.

By the way, the Old Belknap neighborhood; where Great Grandfather Jesse and your grandfather landed in '48 has been completely depleted of all Belknaps. The world is changing.

Your mother thought very highly of her uncle Corrington. I do not believe that I ever saw him, although he was back in the Belknap neighborhood about 1905--preached a sermon there. Apparently quite able. My grandfather was the only one to stay put. In 30 years all the others, including your grand dad, Harley--picked up and went elsewhere, as did my own father--to Spokane. The Harley Belknaps made a very good showing--many fine men and women among them. My grandfather, Ransom, could repeat whole pages of the Bible--he had a wonderful memory. But I doubt if he would be much interested in what I am going to tell you.

Recently my sister asked me a simple question about Moses. I could not answer--but should have. So I dug into Moses, and have written a speech--which I delivered to our Judges. Moses and the Bible--sub title- The world's first great man, Moses? And the world's greatest book, without a question mark. I asked and tried to answer;

WHO WROTE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?

WHERE DID WE GET OUR OATH, SO HELP ME GOD?

WHO STARTED OUR COURTS?

WHO STARTED THE JUMPING TO OUR FEET WHEN THE JUDGE ENTERS?

Who started our Bible.

I'll answer the 1st one. Moses was interested in only the first two commandments--Only one god and no molten images; the keeping of the Sabbath day, and do not take the name of the Lord in vain. But the rest he copied out of the books of other nations. STOP.

Be sure and write Carroll--introduce yourself, Send me a copy.

Jesse

b. 26 Jan 1792 Cherry Valley NY

m. 20 Feb 1812 Ont. Co. NY

d. 19 Nov. 1881 Benton Co. Oregon

m. Jane Garlinghouse

b. 26 March 1792

Luzerne Co., Pa.

d. 10 Dec 1876 Benton Co. Oregon

Born Spokane, April 26, 1879.
M. M. BELKNAP INSURANCE

328 MAIN STREET (29th 92.
LEWISTON, IDAHO 83501.

March 8, 1967

Dear Clark:

(Grand)
Received your letter of March 2nd and found it very interesting. Note you have been in touch with some Belknap's. Was you just trying to trick me when you mentioned "Ransom was the father of Maynard and Clark? I have no recollection of getting a bulletin showing that I am a 17th cousin of Queen Elizabeth. So you (if) you have an extra copy would be glad to have one. You mention about some relative calling at our old home in Rockcreek when you were about 8. I think I know of the visit you have in mind, as I recall Uncle Harley called for a short visit. As I remember either George or Millard Belknap drove him over to our place. He wore a full beard. But I don't remember any of Uncle Corrington's family being there. I presume you know more about Uncle Harley than I do. He was the father of Preston Belknap. Preston became a Dr. and spent his entire adult life in Prineville. He in turn had four sons who all became doctors. Preston's oldest son was Horace Belknap and he became a well known doctor around Nampa, Idaho. Preston has some other sons. One was V. C. Belknap and he and Horace were together for a number of years in practice. I used to meet people from around that country and when they learned my name would ask are you related to Dr. H. C. Belknap. In 1957 Florence and I went an S. A. R. convention at Salt Lake City. I had met Horace a few times before so we stopped in to hello. The girl at the desk took my card and when she saw the name "Belknap" she went back into his private office, and right away he came dashing out and after greeting us insisted that we stay for lunch. After lunch he took us in his car and we drove around for an hour or more seeing the city and country. He was a very substantial citizen there and people spoke well of him. I never met his uncle V. C. who practiced with him, but one time he came through here on his way to a big hunting trip in Canada. He stopped in at my office, but I was home for lunch. He called on the phone from the office and we had a little visit.

About Uncle Corington's daughter I know pretty much about them. One of the daughters name "Mary" came up into the Idaho County country in the early days when she had to travel by stage or steamboat. She married a lawyer by the name of "Forney". He was Norht C. or some other "outhern state. He was some sort of a judge up there and is how he got the title. Then later on they moved to Moscow, and were there during the formative years of the university. And at one time he was made president, I think just hold things together. I met Mrs. Forney (Mary Belknap) 65 years ago last month. In Feb. 1902, just a month or so after Clifford and Leona were married, Leona, and her sister Flora and I drove over to Grangeville to take the teachers examination. About 30 miles but near an all days drive in those times. We registered a hotel and Mrs. Forney happened to be there. She saw my name on the register and hunted me up. She had been down on the Salmon River to visit her sister and was on her way home. Some trip, probably 140 or 150 miles by stage. Anyway she told me who she was, and her sister had married a Charles Holt, and he was a partner had quite a cattle ranch on the Salmon River. I DON't know if the sister up to that country when Mary or later. The Holts retired years after that had moved to Lewiston where I knew them. They died and were buried here. The Forney's were active in the early days of the U. of I. I met them a number of times and the U. of I. built a nice girls dorm and named it MARY FORNEY HALL.

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I knew Holt's partner quite well and many years after meeting Mrs. Forney I was up in the Salmon River country and stopped at the town of Riggins. I call this partner, his name was Rhoades, and the place was about 3 miles from Riggins. He insisted that I come out and stayover night with him, which I did. When I saw his house I was flabbergasted. It would not be so much now, but it was built before there was even a wagon road into that place. Local sawmills had cut the lumber, but the windows and sashes were taken in by pack horse. He told me they had the first bath tub in that part of the country and it was taken in by packhorse.

Getting back to family history I received a bulletin many years ago from Belknap back east and this gave quite a history of the Belknaps before they came to this country, that is while they were still in England.

Hope you and Mae are both fine

My Dr. thinks there is no danger with my hernia. It is not the kind that might get stangled. So I get along all right, tho' at times a little uncomfortable.

What is your zip No.?

Florence & Maynard.

FFB

Junction City Oregon
November 12-1962

Dear Cousin-

Surely was pleased to receive your letter, and hope I may be able to give you some information on Family history.

I have the Belknap family Tree back into England. Ireland-Wales.

The Starr family back to England & Ireland.

The Hawley family seems to become quite obscure back of Great Grandfather Chatham Hawley.

My mother's brother Hon. Willis C. Hawley undertook to trace the family tree back so that his daughter his might join the D.A.R. - but with no success.

The Henry Noble [~~Nobel~~] Belgium family is rather obscure in small areas.

Henry Noble married Mary Kilson. These are my Great Grandparents on my mother's side.

I live on my Great Grandparents old Homestead (The Henry and Mary Noble) place, and my youngest son and I own the eastern one half of it they came in 1847 and took up the place in 1848. - Then Chatham and Hajiah Hawley took their claim in 1848 and, Moses & Elizabeth

Star took up their Claim in 1850.

Also Jesse & Jane Belknap then in 1846.

My Grandfather Sewall Hawley married Emma Noble,
in 1861 at which time he became 21, and took up his

Claim just adjoining the father's Claim.

Then Grandfather Noah Star and Grand
mother (Susan Turner) theirs in 1851. These
Claims are all within $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of where I live.

Great, Great Grandmother Jane Gillingham,
Father was Elija Gillingham.

Mother Eleanor Hunt. (A dutch woman)

Three girls from this union.

James ^{married} Belknap (Jesse) son Great Great Grandparents

Rachel (Hawley) married a newton who lived much later ^{near the corner of}

(Jonas Belknap. Brother of Jesse Belknap)

Jesse & Jane are both buried in the Clapperton
Chapel Cemetery at Alpine.

My Great Grandfather's name was Chatham
Hawley.

I have a chart of the Belknap family
back to England. —

And it gives the ties of the Doer and
Hanna Gilbert family to the second and in
some cases to the third Generation. Your

Father name is given: it is a fine
extensive tree.

Why not pick up your father and drive
up and see me. And I feel that I'll
probably be able to give you some help in
your family tree.

Jane Garlinghouse was the daughter of -
Eliza Garlinghouse } Jane Garlinghouse.
Eleonor Hunt (Dulch)

I'm away from home a good deal - at 2
visit twice a month in private homes -
nursing homes and hospitals. And visit
about 60 or 70 confined people each month.

But if you'll drop me a card or phone
[Monroe T.H. 72687] I'll be at home.
I live 2 1/2 miles north of Monroe Oregon
and one mile west of Highway 99W.

When you come south from Astoria at 15
miles south the pavement narrows from 32 feet
to 20. Turn right there.

I have not heard any thing from your
father as yet.

I hope you've overlooked my poor writing.
As I'm told a lot by Arthur.

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Sorry I've been so slow in answering
your most appreciated letter

With best wishes from one
pioneer Cousin to another.

Your Cousin

Clyde E. Starr

From - Clyde E. Starr
Junction City
Oregon

Kit's Family - Ohio Locations

- 1) 1818 - Pittsburg(h), by boat to Cincinnati p. 1
- 2) ✓ - 16 mi to Hamilton Co. on Little Miami R. p. 1
- 3) 1826 - sold out - rented small farm
near Cincinnati. (garden truck) p. 3
- 4) 1830 - back to Hamilton Co (?) - Little Miami p. 6
- 5) 1831 - her father's trip to NJ p. 7
- 6) 1835 - ^{father} to Allen Co. on Auglaise R. p. 8
- 7) ^{her} 1836 - family moved to ^{bank of} ✓ (125 miles) p. 9
- (China Circuit preacher) p. 10
- George Belnap p. 14
- married 3 Oct 1839 p. 15

This places her in that area
in 1839 or a year or so earlier

771 Calif Dr San Leandro
Nov. 30. Calif.

Mr Carroll Belknap:-

Dear Mr Belknap. My cousin
Clark asked me to give you
the names of my family & those
of my brother Frank Lindersan.
My eldest is

Edwin Thomas Bayley

25 Harrison Ave

Massapequa, New York.

This town is an Long Island,

It is connected with Pan. Am.

airways.

My daughter is

Mrs Roberta Hartland

147 Calmar St

Oakland, Calif

Our youngest

Arthur Horace Bayley

771 Calif Dr. San Leandro

Calif.

my brother Frank had four children. The oldest Ronald is deceased

Daughter Leana York - I cannot give her address nor the other two daughters, Grace Gibson and Edna Mae, oh yes, Edna Mae is Edna Mae Allard, 10719 E - 19th ave Spokane Wash. 99206.

I can get the address from my brother.

Lark gave me some interesting history in Henry the 8th time.

my mother was one of the Belknap twins & Mrs Farney Uncle Caringlairs daughter looked enough like them to be one of them. Uncle Caringlairs was the minister of our Methodist church ^{here}, a way back when the church was first organized, when it was a part of a circuit.

and make a yearly trip to

visit my son & family in
Massapequa & it might be that
I could get to visit with you.
Expect to go again in May

I think we have a very
interesting family history
I am the most familiar with
those who traveled to Oregon in
the 1847 & 80s. Every time I fly across
the continents I think of my grand-
parents & the old trains which took
six months from some place in the
middle east or west, depending on
where you look from. At least I
know my grand parents started
from Iowa.

I hope I have given you
the information you wanted,
if not I will try again.

Very truly

Auta Bayley (Mrs Glenn)

771 Cary Dr

San Leandro, Calif

94577



Ransom

Twins: Adaline (Ryle) 1854-1945
Angeline (Anderson) 1854-1950

Alta (Anderson) ~~Bayley~~

ARTA

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d-1599 — England
England

Candia

Joseph John

Benedict (Bennet) Belknap (Beltoft) — md — Grace Adam

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Mary's father = James Dickenson This Samuel of Massfield, Enfield & Windsor, Conn.

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b-19-June-1731 - Enfield, Conn. b-8-Nov-1737 - E. Windsor, Conn. d-18-June-1775 - Cambridge, Mass.

Mary's parents = Stephen Newton & Mary (Wright) Hill This Samuel was supposed to have fallen at Round Hill. No record.

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Jesse Belknap — md — Jane Garlinghouse
b-26-Jan-1792 - Cherry Valley, N.Y. b-1792 - Penn. d-19-Nov-1881 - Monroe, Oreg. d-10-Dec-1876

Jane's parents = Elijah Garlinghouse & Eleanor Hunt Clyde Starr says Jane was Dutch.

Hannah Belknap — md — Lorenzo Dow Gilbert
b-21-Dec-1814 - Ontario Co., N.Y. b-1-July-1812 - Ontario Co., N.Y. d-10-May-1911 - Coulee City, Wash. d-29-Mar-1882 - Lane Co., Oreg.

Lorenzo's parents = Phineas Gilbert & Elizabeth Pressed Plains in 1847 with Belkneps & Waits.

Jesse Belknap Gilbert — md — Irena Diantha Watts
b-1-May-1852 - Lane Co., Oreg. b-29-June-1851 - Lane Co., Oreg. d-21-Nov-1948 - Walla Walla, Wash. d-8-May-1916 - Spokane, Wash.

Irena's parents = Russell Underwood Watts & Diantha Holmes

Claude Dow Gilbert — md — Pearl Myrtle Jones
b-8-Jan-1880 - Peoria, Ore. b-23-Sept-1885 - Sibley, Iowa d-7-May-1965 - Portland, Oreg.

Pearl's parents = Richard Jones & Henrietta Shipley from Virginia. These records hard to get.

Claudia Irena Gilbert — md — Joseph Alva Marshall

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Claudia

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b - 13 June 1701 - Enfield, Conn. b - 8 Nov. 1707 - E. Windsor, Conn.
d - 18 June 1775 - Cambridge, Mass.

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b - 1750/60 - Windsor, Conn. d - 1817/8

(G) According to Henry Belknap of Salem, Mass., Jonas and Esther Lincoln were parents of Jesse & Orin. I had Esther Parker, (7)

Jesse Belknap — (1812) md — Jane Garlinghouse
b - 26 Jan. 1792 - Cherry Valley, N.Y. b - 1792 - Penn.
d - 19 Nov. 1881 - Monroeville, Oreg. d - 10 Dec. 1876

(H) Jane's parents = Elijah Garlinghouse & Eleanor Hunt Clyde Starr says Jane was Dutch.

Hannah Belknap — (3 Jan. 1833) md — Lorenzo Dow Gilbert
b - 21 Dec. 1814 - Ontario Co., N.Y. b - 1 July 1812 - Ontario Co., N.Y.
d - 10 May 1911 - Coweac City, Wash. d - 24 Mar. 1882 - Lane Co., Oreg.

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Jesse Belknap Gilbert — (26 Feb. 1870) md — Irena Diantha Watts
b - 1 May 1852 - Lane Co., Oreg. b - 29 June 1851 - Lane Co., Oreg.
d - 21 Nov. 1948 - Walla Walla, Wash. d - 8 May 1916 - Spokane, Wash.

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Send to Plaudia

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red line on p. 3
GENEALOGY p. 3 cy B

BELKNAP

GENEALOGY

(Copied from the original loaned by Maynard W.
Belknap of Lewiston, Idaho)

1. Abraham Belknap - born 1589, England, died
Sept. 1643, Lynn, Massachusetts. Married Mary-
and resided at Lynn, Massachusetts where he
was a farmer. He emigrated in 1635 from
Sawbridge worth, County Herts, with his wife
and several children and settled at Lynn wh
he had a small farm. The inventory of his
estate is on file in the Essex County Probate Cou
in Salem, but the will which was probated on
Feb. 20th - 1643 or 1644 has been lost. He wa
the son of Benedict or Bennet Belknap, alias
Beltoft, who was warden of the church of
Great St. Mary in Sawbridge worth, and his wife-
Grace Adam. Abraham does not seem to have
lived in this town as his children were not
baptised there, although there is a record, pr
illegible of the burial of an infant whic
appears to be a son of this couple. The fam
had for several generations at least, used
the name Beltoft; (which it may be noted has t.
same significance as Belknap; knap and toft b
meaning "a low hill"; and it may be that this
was the real family name. and that they were
not related to the noble family of Belknaps
recorded in English history. There is a baptismal

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record at Great St. Mary's of a child as Beltof.
alias Belknap, and the will of Bennet was
written under the name of Beltoft but probated
by his wife and son as that of Bennet Belknap.
From this cause it was indexed under one name
and filed under the other, and as the identity of
the two names was unknown it took years of
search to find it. Now the authorities of Somerset
House, having had their attention called to the
matter, have altered the Calendar of Wills and
the Beate Book so that it is indexed
under both names.

2. Samuel Belknap - born 1627-28, England
Married Sarah Jones, daughter of Robert and
Elizabeth Jones of Hingham, Massachusetts. ^{who died 1689 at Haverhill, Mass.} He
was a joiner and resided at Salem, Haverhill,
Malden Massachusetts, and East Hampton, N.Y.
~~No. 43~~ ^{Maybe}
3. Ebenezer Belknap - born December 1667, Salem,
Massachusetts - died November 1762 at Haverhill,
Mass. He married Hannah Ayer, born December
19, 1672 or 73 - died 1779, Haverhill, Massachusetts
age 106 years, 11 months. Married Feb 25, 1690.
He was a joiner and resided at Haverhill,
Massachusetts. This is the longest lived family
on record (see Annals of the American Academy).
The parents and all but one of the 12
children lived to be nearly or over 100 years.

at Haverhill - farmer in Conn

4. Samuel Belknap, born Haverhill, Massachusetts - died about 1757, Windsor, Connecticut. Married Mary Dickinson, born November 29, 1704, daughter of James Dickinson of Rowley, Mass. Married on July 9, 1723. He was a weaver, and resided at Mansfield, Enfield, Windsor Connecticut.
(now called Ellington)

5. Jonas Newton Belknap - Born 1759-60 - Windsor, Connecticut. Married Esther Parker ~~Lipkeli~~ (Belchertown History), who died in 1817-1818. They were married in 1783-84. He resided in Belchertown, Mass. and New York state. He served as a private in the Massachusetts Regiment and was severely wounded in a battle with the French and Indians, but rejoined and served to the end of the war.

6. Jesse Belknap. Born January 26 - 1792 - Cassey, New York - died Nov. 19 - 1881, at Monroe, Benton Co. Oregon. He married Jane Garlinghouse, born 1792 in Pennsylvania on Feb. 20th 1812 in Ontario County, New York. She died Dec. 10th 1876. Jesse resided at Starr's Point, Benton County, Oregon Territory in 1845. He was a farmer.

7. George Belknap born August 15, 1817, in Kentucky, Died Sept. 16, 1891 at Monroe, Oregon. Married Keturah Benton, born August 15, 1820 in Hamilton County, Ohio. She was the daughter of John G. Benton and Magdalena Burden. They were married Oct. 3rd, 1839, in Allen County, Ohio, and she died August 19th 1913 at Coquille, Oregon.

8. Lorenzo Gilbert Belknap, born August 19, 1844 near the present town of Vale, Oregon while his parents were crossing the Plains in a covered wagon train. They settled near Monroe, Oregon where Lorenzo Belknap grew to manhood. In October 1875, he married Nancy Ellen Green of Eugene, Oregon. She was born in Iowa, April 18, 1855 and crossed the Plains by covered wagon at the age of 7. She died at Medford, Oregon November 1930. Lorenzo Belknap was a farmer. He lived in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. He died at Brewster, Wash. February 28, 1926. They had 3 children - Marion, Courtney Joseph and Mable. Marion died in early manhood. Mable married Fred Lutton Rice and lived in Brewster, Wn. with their three children - Bernice - Marguerite and Fred D. Rice Jr.

Labels?

5.
9- Courtney Joseph Belknap - born near Latah, Washington, March 30, 1885; died at Corvallis, Oregon in September 1957. Married to Florence Effie Williams who was the daughter of Minos Clyngann Williams, and who was born at Hubbell, Nebraska, July 19, 1887. They were married at Spokane, Washington on July 5, 1917. Courtney Belknap was a farmer and a carpenter and lived in Idaho and Oregon and Washington. He had four children - Grace - Gladys - Dorena Robert and Doris.

10- Donald Robert Belknap - born on Jan. 4th, 1922, at Walla Walla Washington. He was married to Margaret Thompson at Richland, Washington in 1947. They have had three children, Mary killed in a plane crash over Milan, Italy in 1958, John and Bruce. They reside in San Carlos, California - 233 Club Drive. Bob is at present in Thailand. He is a mechanical Engineer and has served in the U.S. Navy and worked in Spain, Morocco, Iran, British Columbia, Louisiana, Manila, and Saigon, and ~~Indochina~~.

At a little Cemetery in Alpine, Oregon I saw & copied —

JESSE BELKNAP

born - Jan. 26 - 1792

died - Nov. 19 - 1881

Gone Home - Blessed
are The dead in the Lord

JANE wife of Jesse
Belknap

born - Mar. 26 - 1792

died - Dec. 10 - 1876

In Memory Of
Chatman & Kezia Hawley

Kezia Belknap

wife of Chatman Hawley

d - Aug. 21 - 1859

Aged 46 yrs. - 6 mos. - 15 das.

Chatman Hawley

d - Dec. 2 - 1857

Aged 54 yrs. - 12 das.

Courtney J. Belknap

1885 - 1951

Lucinda J.

daughter of —

R.A. & M. Belknap

died - Dec. 30 1852

Aged 14 yrs. 1 mo. 15 das.

Sarah M.

daughter of —

R.A. & M. Belknap

and wife of T. Turner

died - Aug. 24 - 1864

Aged 18 yrs. 7 mos. 24 das.

Mary I.

daughter of

T & S Turner

born & died Aug. 1864

Samuel G.

Son of R.A. & M. Belknap

died - Aug. 18 - 1875

Aged 19 yrs. - 3 mos. - 4 das.

Everett D.

Son of L.F. & G.P. Belknap

died - Feb. 19 - 1885

Aged - 11 yrs. - 3 mos. - 26 das.

Gorrena P.

wife of —

Rev. L.F. Belknap

died - July 3 - 1894

Aged - 41 yrs. - 10 mos. - 17 das.

BELKNAP

In Memory Of -

Fannie Alice

1865 - 1951

Interred in Mc Minnville

Rev. L. Franklin

1852 - 1948

Ransom A. Belknap

born - Dec. 16 - 1820

died - June 6 - 1896

Mahala Belknap

born - Apr. 11 - 1820

died - Sept. 22 - 1900

Ransom Alfred Belknap

1899 - 1901

Harlan C. Belknap

1891 - 1941

Ada May Belknap

1886 - 1960

Source for
HWB?

George Belknap
born - Aug. 30 - 1817
✓ died - Sept. 16 - 1897

Henry S. Belknap
died - Dec. 31 - 1871
Aged - 24 yrs. 2 mos. 8 das.

Jesse W. Belknap
✓ died - Dec. 18 - 1871
Aged - 26 yrs. 11 mos. 25 das.

Florence A.
died - Dec. 26 - 1871
Aged - 21 yrs. - 9 mos. - 8 das.

Infant son of —
G. & K. Belknap
d - Apr. 10 - 1859
Aged - 4 days

There were many STARR & HAWLEY stones — also GILBERTS.

Ch of Jesse (HwB)

- 3 ~~x~~ George b 1817 May
2 ~~x~~ Hannah ✓ 1814
4 ~~x~~ Ransom ✓ 1820?
1 ~~3~~ Kessiah ~~1819~~ 1813
6 ~~6~~ Benjamen ✓ 1830
7 ~~7~~ Harvey ✓ 1832
5 ~~5~~ T Curry ✓ 1824

Descendants of Jesse
named Jesse

George's
Son - Jesse Walker Belnap

Keziah's
son - Jesse Hawley

Keziah's
g'son - Jesse Belnap, son of David

Hannah's
son - Jesse Belnap Gilbert

Ch of George & Katharine
from Lorinda's record
& Charles's marriage

- 1 Hannah - b. 20 Aug 1841 d. 20 Nov 1843
- 2 Martha - b. 27 Sept 1846 d. 30 Oct '47
- 3 John P. b. 30 March 1843 d. 15 March '46
- 4 Jesse Walter b. 23 Dec 1844 d. 18 Dec 1871
m. Florence Mann
18/Mar 1850 - 1871 26 Dec
- 5 Lorenzo G. Albert b. 10 Aug 1848 - 28 Feb 1924
m. Nancy Ellen Green
Oct '75 b. 15 April 1855
d. Nov 1930
- 6 Henry Clay b. 23 Oct 1850 d. 8 Oct 1871
m. Alice Coors
- 7 Lucia ~~Emeline~~ b. 18 Feb 1855 d. 1921
m. Edwin Bogier
(1852 - 1919)
- 8 Lorinda Jane b. 12 June 1857 - d. 1945
m. Samuel Henry Christian (1843 - 1924)
- 9 William F. b. 19 Oct 1852 d. 1926
m. Alice Green
- 10 Infant son b. 6 Apr 1859, d. 10 Apr 1859
- 11 George Simpson b. 20 July 1861 d. 1931
m. Tina Belts

Group 412 ~~Kit~~
died 19 Aug 1913
Jose W 414

In Bethia's version of
Kit's records -

First mention of children

Hannah 20 Aug 1841
died Nov 1843

John March 1843
died June 1846

Jesse Walter Dec 23 1844
wife Florence - both died 1871
Left son Walter

Mathias Nov 10 1846

Lorenzo Elbert App Val Oregon
1848

Henry died 1871

~~Jesse~~
millions

Lucine
Lovina

George Jr

Transcript from the Issue of the
Lewiston Morning Tribune
of August 9, 1927

THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE OF

MARY E. FORNEY

Sacrifice Service Culture

Mrs. Mary E. Forney was a native of Oregon, the daughter of the Rev. Corringstone and Anne Yorke Belknap. Early in her life her parents moved to California, where she grew to womanhood and received her education in the public schools and in the College of the Pacific. By her studies she earned both the bachelor of arts and the bachelor of science degrees, and acquired the wide experience in learning and active interest in public affairs which have marked her entire life. She was always a diligent and appreciative reader and a careful student.

In 1881 she was married to J. H. Forney at Santa Barbara, California. Immediately they came to Idaho and settled in Mount Idaho, then a busy center of territorial life. After a time they transferred their residence to Moscow. Here Mrs. Forney spent the last 37 years of her life, a period almost exactly coincident with the lifetime of the University of Idaho, to which both she and her husband have been deeply devoted.

Judge Forney was one of the earliest regents of the University and during the critical formative days of the young institution was drafted by his colleagues to serve as its first president. The Forney home in Moscow became the hospitable gathering place for members of the board and public officials concerned with university interests. Here Mrs. Forney presided as the gracious and accomplished hostess, solicitous for the comfort of her guests but frequently invited in their counsels for the sake of her sound advice and apt suggestions. In the pioneer community of that day, desperately concerned over the fortunes of an undeveloped university, she must have radiated a charm and spirit rare enough in the new west.

LEADER FROM FIRST

Mrs. Forney was from the first a natural leader in the community. She was one of the earliest members of the Moscow Presbyterian Church. The religious devotion and loyalty of those earlier days developed naturally into the Christian fortitude which sustained her spirit in her last years of illness and suffering. The public schools of the city have been to her a vital and continuous interest. She has insisted at all times on the highest quality of equipment and instruction and by her diligence and enthusiasm has carried public sentiment with her. For a number of years she was herself an active member of the local board of education.

It was a matter of much concern to Mrs. Forney that women should cultivate their talents and assume their rightful place in society and government. She was once a prominent member of both local women's clubs, the Historical club and the Pleiades, and retained her active membership in the latter until the end.

She was a leading factor in the organization of the State Federation of Women's clubs, and became one of the best known and most highly respected members of the federation. She was frequently sent as delegate to district and state meetings, was honored with election to the presidency of the federation and served for many years at the head of important committees. She had a prominent part in Idaho's struggle for woman suffrage 25 years ago and was very instrumental in bringing this to a successful termination.

When the city of Moscow felt the need of an adequate public library to serve the public schools of the community, it was Mrs. Forney to whom men and women alike turned for leadership. She was authorized to conduct the necessary correspondence with Andrew Carnegie, and did this with such courtesy and skill that her efforts were rewarded in a substantial gift which provided the beautiful building now in constant use. Whatever was for the good of Moscow, the University of Idaho, or the state of Idaho was Mrs. Forney's unselfish concern, and she never wearied in her efforts to make these things possible.

STARTED LOAN FUND

As the intimate relations of the Forneys with the university continued, Mrs. Forney came to realize more and more how capable and ambitious students were handicapped by lack of funds. Her heart went out to these honest and thoroughly trustworthy young men and women who had no money and no credit and who often found their education interrupted for the want of a comparatively small sum. Always resourceful, she carried her problem to the State Federation of Women's clubs, which was prompt to adopt her suggestion and undertake the establishment of a university student loan fund to be administered by the federation. Clubs from every part of the state contributed to the fund until it grew to a total of \$10,000, which, loaned and repaid over and over again, will ultimately smooth the pathway for hundreds of worthy students, preparing themselves for public service.

The State federation did a wise and appropriate thing in vesting in Mrs. Forney much of the responsibility for administering this fund; it became with her a labor of love. In her dealings she was firm and businesslike, but the new acquaintances she formed each year were to her a constant renewal of her youth, and to the boys and girls an inspiration and delight. These were her boys and girls from the day she met them. She chided them for their pranks and petty extravagances and lovingly admonished them from her richness of life experience. They prize the memory of her sweet and kindly spirit far more than the funds she loaned them.

Four years ago, largely through the efforts of Moscow citizens, the University of Idaho was able to secure the first of two handsome and commodious residence halls for women students. It was suggested to the board of regents that this be named "Mary E. Forney Hall," as a perpetual tribute to the lifelong service and public spirit of this woman who had led the women of her state and had labored for the University from its infancy. This suggestion, as it became known over the state, received instant and unanimous approval. The regents were

flooded with messages of endorsement and congratulations. At the commencement exercises of June, 1923, in the presence of Mrs. Forney herself, then weakened by illness, Mary E. Forney Hall was formally named and dedicated by the president of the board of regents, and the governor of the state, who gave fitting expression of the gratitude and good will of the entire commonwealth. This hall stands today a visible and lasting memorial to a beautiful life of serving.

TRUE HOME-MAKER

With all her public interests and duties, Mary E. Forney was a gentle and beloved home-maker. She was an inspiring and devoted wife, a mother who guided and held fellowship with her children. She was always a gracious and thoughtful hostess, whose hospitality was known far and wide. In her home and in her public duties she always stood unswervingly for the best things, the highest ideals, the cardinal principles of truth and integrity. In her last illness she suffered much, without flinching and without complaining. Her thoughts were for her family and her friends.

Mrs. Forney loved and believed in people. She loved life and glorified in its richness and abundance. Her words and her acts carried with them a fineness of quality that bespoke her rare personality and deeply impressed all who were privileged to know her. But her faith was fixed confidently in God, and she trusted always in His love and mercy.

Surviving her are her husband, Judge J. H. Forney, and her daughter, Mrs. W. G. Harrison of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Water Unknown
Belknap Family , complete from time of Jesse Belknap.

Jams
My Great Grandfather- Jesse Belknap. seven children- B.- Jan. 26
1792- died 1881- - M. 1812, on Feb 12 to

Jane Garlinghouse(1792-1876) Born Mar26, died Dec. 10. Daughter of
Elijah Garlinghouse and Eleanor Hunt.

Children- Kezia (1813-1859)
Hannah(1815- 1911)
George (1817- 1897)
Ransom(1820-1896)
Tolitha Cuma- (Married Samuel Starr (1820- 1858)
William Bond
Washington Waltz.

Harley (1832-1904)
Corrington Gavvett

Hannah Belknap- (1815-1911) Married Dow Gilbert-

Children- Philander Gilbert-
Philander mar. Lizzie Halley.
George (1836-1897)
Jane Mar. Nelson Clark.
Riley Gilbert-(1841-1913) M. Nancy D. Allen-(1841-1875)
2- Emma Commings(Commings)
Phineas Gilbert- M. 1-Delia Bowen
2-Annie Guy.

Corrington Gilbert-

Mary Gilbert- M. Isaac Edwards-

Jesse B. Gilbert- 1891 M. Irene Watt

Emma Gilbert- M- Austin Watt. Sister of Philander Gilbert.

I missed Kezia Belknap , who married in 1813- Daughter of Jesse.
David- 1828-1913) M.- Marth a Freel (1843-1929)
Jesse- 1833-1897- M.- ann Starr.
Sewell (1834-1896) M. Emma Noble- 1842- 1917)
Sara Jane- M- George Tysraft
LeonidasH. (1851- 1928) M- Lydia Jane -Jenny Dodge- (1851-1928)

George Belknap- ~~Son of Hannah.~~ 1817- 1897. m. Ketura Penton (1820
1913.)

Children- Hannah-1841) 1843)
Martha (1846-1847)
John (1843-1846)
Jesse walker- 1844-187L- Married Florence Mann (1850-187L).
Lorenzo Gilbert- (1848-1926)-M. Nancy Green
Henry Clay (1850-1871).
Millard Fillmore (1852-1926).M. Alice Cross.
Lusina Emilina(1855- 1921)- M. Edwin Tozier.(1852-1919)
Lovina Jane- (1857- 1945)M. Samuel Christian (1843- 1921)
Boy- died 1859 age 4 days.
George Simpson-(1861-1931)-M. Tiny Betts.

B. Dec. 1-
Ransom A. Belknap- B. (1820 1896) Born Hart Co Ky.
M.- Mahala Starr (1820- 1900). in VanBuren Co. Iowa. She was born in
Hardin Co. Ohio April 11- 1920. *ky 898*

Children- Lucinda- 1838-1852)
Sara (1846-1864) M. Thomas Turner
Kesiah -M. Milton Anderson
Webster C. (1850-)- M. Ida Clark 1864-1893.)
2- Lizzie
3- Annie E. Clifff? Bessie?
Louis Frank- M. M. Garena Akers- 22 Fannie A. Dorsey.
(twins) Angeline (1854- 1938) M. Ira Anderson.
(twins) Adeline (1854-1945) M. Robert Hyle -1858-1920)
Samuel G. (1856-1875)
Edward H. Belknap- (1860- 1947) M. Ida E. Booth-

Edward H. (Father of Harlan
Rancie -who died at 22 mo.
Gilbert- 1892- M. Violet M Finlay 1914-
Harlan Belknap- Born 1890 M Ada Byers.

Children- Dorothea
Robert
Mary
Edward.

Gilbert- 1892- M. 1914- Violet m. Finlay- B. 1896.
Children- Janet Virginia Wied. 1915 - July 29. M- April 21, 1944
Ida Gilberta Knight. 1922- February 23. M. William Knight
June 17 1943.

Janet Belknap 1- Brown 2- Wied.

Children- Lynn minor Brown B Jan 18-1935
Ardis Belle Brown B- Aug 1-1937

Ida Belknap Knight-

Children Nancy Luise Knight-B-Feb 20, 1946
Randal William Knight. - B. Apr 23, 1950

Claudio

220 - N.W. - 242nd
Willbrow, Oreg.
March 6 - 1968

Dear Carroll -

Just a few lines to let you know I rec'd your ^{the} data yesterday & have "had a ball" checking it. My old typewriter like the "one horse shay" has deserted me and I don't print so fast any more. However I will have my notes for you in the near future.

I have a friend who is an amateur photographer and he is making copies of my pictures to send you.

It is truly wonderful to correspond with someone like you. I wish that all my genealogical contacts were half as fine.

I have found that our cousin
Clark has many errors in his in-
formation. He - like H.W. perhaps²
has taken ideas that he liked, out of
context, and held to them. I corrected
him on a couple of issues but find
that he still holds to the old data.

Now for a few questions. Are you
trying to run down the side lines?
Or are you just interested in the
Bulknape² (and those they married)

e.g. - Aunt Cami nee. Sam Starr - I have the
children of Ransom Starr - their son.

Then too I can give you quite a
bit of Gilbert genealogy, but I
won't send you these lines unless
you really want them.

To introduce my self - I was
Clandia Irene Gilbert b 15-July 1907

Caullee City, Grant Co., Wash. I have
 one sister, ^{Gladys} Geraldene Benton b. 14-
 Aug. 1914. ^(deceased Jerry) I was married first to
 Winfred P. Hart 24 Dec. 1930 and
 was divorced 1940 - no children.

I married Joseph Alva Marshall
 16-Jan.-1942. We have two sons
 John Alva - b. 22-June-1942

Thomas Owen - b. 18-Feb.-1952

Our eldest (we call Jack) - served 4 yrs
 in the navy and is now attending
 college and working nights.

Tom is a soph. in high school
 and is doing well. My husband
 is Pres. of the Aladdin Trailer Co.
 making vacation trailers. We
 sold our home last May and are
 renting at present but we plan

to build on a 40 acre tract we
own in June.

My Mother died in May 1965 and
since that time Dad has lived
alone in their home in Portland.
My sister lives just a block away
and Hillsboro is only a half hour
drive from Portland so we have
him out here regularly. He is
in good health - has many
friends and loves to travel around
and visit with them and relatives.
My Mother had a stroke and was
bedfast 13 years. Dad cared for
her (with ^{help} ~~her~~) in their home.
In all those years she was never
cross or unsmiling. I look like
my Mother but I'm afraid I'll

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LAW OFFICES OF
CLARK R. BELKNAP
1207 BAILEY STREET
SEATTLE 8

Nov. 4, 1962.

Charlene Belknap Taylor,
721 Lacy Lane,
Las Vegas, Nev.

Dear Mrs. Taylor;

Your "To Belknap Family" received. It is very satisfying to know that some one else has undertaken a history of the Belknap family. You have embarked on a much larger program that I had in mind.

No doubt ere now you have come onto the work of Henry W. Belknap, of Salem, Mass. He apparently made quite a study of the family some 50 years ago, when I first heard from him.

I am enclosing my material. I am a great grand son of Jesse, who as you will note came west via the overland and died at Monroe, Oregon, 1861.

I stopped with the grandchildren of Jesse. To have gone further took in a lot of territory. A little later I will, if you desire, name the grand children of Ransom, my grandfather and second son of Jesse.

I will be pleased to know where you fit into the family. Is this the same Belknap family you know about? There is another Belknap here, well known to me. Whether he can trace his family back to where you can connect, will have to be determined later.

After you have read my material, I shall be pleased to hear further from you. I may add that the Belknaps of this part of the country are a very handsome lot--possibly they should be kept a part from the rest--and again you may find them at the bottom of the list.

Sincerely yours,

Clark R. Belknap

CRB:SE.

*Thank you
note 12-1-63*

This should be kept among permanent papers and carefully preserved, and not delivered to the young people growing up until they have established homes of their own.

JESSE BELKNAP'S FAMILY--CROSSING THE PLAINS VIA OXCARTS.

During the summer of 1959 the writer, a great grandson of Jesse, and a grand son of Ransom, took an auto trip from Seattle to 50 miles southeast of Baker, Oregon, following the Old Oregon Trail south of Pendleton. Incidentally the State of Oregon is making a wonderful four lane highway, with the roads several hundred feet apart, forming a park for 30 miles or so on the top of the Blue Mountains. Upon returning home the writer sent out a family letter stating that he "had traveled over the Old Oregon Trail where his grand father had driven his oxcart 112 years before." His immediately older brother, Foster, who has spent nearly all of the past 63 years on the Donation Land Claim of his grand father, Ransom, (1848) and in the house built in 1854; Foster has had a better opportunity to keep posted on the family history than most others. He at once challenged the statement of the writer to the effect that Grandad had gone over the Pendleton--Baker portion of the old trail. He insists that Grandad's portion of the train that came west in 1847, starting from Iowa, turned south at Soda Springs, near where Fort Hall was then and now is. Soda Springs is about 50 miles east of Pocatello, Idaho. From there they went west along the northern end of Utah, Nevada and California, and came up through Medford, Grants Pass, crossing the Rogue River etc. and arrived in Corvallis in November, 1847, shortly before the Whitman Massacre, Nov. 29, 1847.

*2nd
Jona?
1847*

Some members of the family have contended that the ox-train divided at Soda Springs, at the invitation of Marcus Whitman who had traveled there for the purpose of persuading some or all to go to Walla Walla. Another brother of the writer, Maynard Belknap, of Lewiston, Idaho, is an authority for the Whitman invitation. but all of the Belknaps of the 1847 train stayed together and traveled the route above stated. These were; Hannah Belknap Gilbert, the second child of Jesse Belknap; Ransom Belknap, Tolitha Cumi Belknap Starr and Orrin Belknap, a nephew of Jesse's (a son of Silas) (Cumi Starr later married Bond, then Waltz). The 1848 contingent, which included Jesse, did come over the Old Oregon Trail, and down the Columbia. The train may have divided, but the Belknaps did not.

This writer was born in 1883; as a lad up to 14 he knew quite well Hannah, Cumi, and George; he saw them many times. He remembers them most distinctly; they were grand and highly intelligent women, and most respected and beloved. Anyone would be proud to have them for ancestors. All of Jesse's children seemed to have attended good public schools and were well grounded in grammar and the three R's, and many of their children received thorough musical training. At the time of their Prairie trip Hannah was 33, Ransom 27, and Cumi 23. Hannah's son Philander was 13; He and his mother walked most of the way; she "wore her skirts over walking," so the writer's grandmother told him. Most of the women had a baby either in her arms or body and had to ride. Ransom's wife, Mahalla, told this grandson about the indians killing an ox. "How we wished we had had some stricknine to put into the meat." Cumi told her granddaughter, Myrtle Starr English, of Colville, Wash., that she was told by the train captain not to have a fire at night. But one evening Cumi decided to make some bread over the campfire. Shortly she had an arrow in the pan. That ended night cooking. The indians operated a ferry on the Rogue River; the Starr wagon went through it, causing quite a controversy; but it was finally settled.

AMENDMENTS. 1. The train did divide. Hannah Gilbert's oldest and youngest sons, Philander and Jesse, married sisters; Watts. Claude B. Gilbert, younger son of Jesse, born 1880, says the Watts' wagon and 6 others left the main train at Soda Springs and went via the Whitman Mission. Whitman urged Watts, a millright, to erect a saw mill, but Mrs. Watts changed all history; she insisted their going on to "Oregon" which meant the Willamette Valley. Ten days later came the massacre. The Watts went via the Barlow Pass and endured much sickness. In the meantime the Gilberts and others arrived at a point about 5 miles south of Junction City. After a 10 day rest, he received a call for help by the Watts. He set out (Over)

to meet them. Unfortunately his wagons went too fast for the sick.

NO. 2. One daughter of Tolitha Cumi was omitted; Mary Watts; born

Sept. 20, 1854.

One of Ransom's granddaughters thought they used horses mostly. She is in error. All the wagons were oxen drawn. Oxen were tougher than horses, and were good feeders. Of course, some horses were brought along. Ransom brought a Kentucky mare, among others. A colt got lost in a herd of Buffalo, and was gone forever.

After coming that long distance looking for a permanent home one would think they were here to stay. No. Ransom was the only one of all the tribe to stay put. He lived on his claim up to his death in 1896. Hannah and Cumi both felt the itch to move on within 30 years from their arrival in Oregon. So they joined in a Little Wagon Train, horse drawn, in 1877 and headed for the Spokane Country 500 miles to the north east. There were 12 wagons, the writer's father, Webster, and his mother and older brother among them; all headed for Washington Territory, to settle on land "where no man had ever plowed before." Webster told this son that his father and mother thought but little of their crossing the plains--it was just a little longer than had been prior moves. Jesse was born in New York in 1792. No doubt nearly all of his westward moves were via ox carts. Orrin went to California.

Webster was born in Oregon in 1850, Nov. 29, just five days before the Oregonian was first published. This writer wants to see the road maps used by the train captains on their trips. He presumes the Oregon Historical Society will have them. They certainly knew where to cross the Platte, the Snake and the Columbia rivers. The fur hunters and trappers had covered every hill and dale in all the great northwest long before the coming of the coming of the wagon trains. In 1828 in June 150 trappers and traders left the Hudson Bay Fort, now Vancouver, Wash. at one time. Before the Belknaps arrived in Oregon, there had been several sessions of the legislature, the State and County governments were quite well organized.

In 1845, the real-estate men in Salem became fearful that too many of the wagon train people would go to California, instead of to Oregon. Something must be done to stop it. So they sent a man over to the place where there was a sign--THIS WAY TO OREGON--THIS WAY TO CALIFORNIA. He told the Oxcart men; "I have been to see that California; it is no good; we have many affidavits to prove it." The effect of that propaganda was to stunt the growth of California. That Territory practically withered away--it never recovered from the attack of the Salem men.

Clark R. Belknap

P.S.

About 1955 Rena Bond Clingman, the youngest child of Tolitha Cumi Belknap, Starr, Bond, Waltz, died in Salem, Oregon. She believed herself to be the last son or daughter of all the sons and daughters of Jesse Belknap, who had crossed the plains via ox carts. She seems to have been in error. Harley A. Belknap, youngest son of Jesse, had a daughter, his youngest; Grace Belknap Smith (Guy Smith, 55 S. 6th Street, Apt. 104, San Jose, California). This writer met her when he was 15. Grace must be about 80. She was a lovely

young woman. There seems to be little doubt that she is the last leaf of the last branch of all that sturdy and determined family. This statement is written in December, 1959.

Nard Jones, of Seattle, has just written a new book, THE GREAT COMMAND, telling of the early missionaries, with Marcus Whitman the leading character. This much seems certain, Whitman did not meet the 1847 train at Soda Springs. He may have met part of the train near Pendleton-LeGrand, to invite them to come to his mission at Wailatpu, 5 miles from the present Walla Walla but the Belknap contingent went the southern route. Jones spent 25 years writing his book. Dow Gilbert did not build his mill--that is sure. Every son and daughter of Jesse Belknap should read Jones' book--he is most thorough and painstaking. He destroys a lot of theories--one being that he went east to save Oregon. He did not.

JESSE BELKNAP, HIS CHILDREN AND GRAND CHILDREN

Belknap family 1816?
JESSE BELKNAP, 1/26/1792, N. Y. 1881, Monroe (Jane 12/6/1792--12/10/1876). He probably went to Kentucky where his first child, Keziah (Hawley) was born 2/12/1813; died Monroe 8/27/59. Sometimes spelled Kezia. Her husband, Chatman Hawley 1812-1857, Monroe. Jesse lived also in Illinois where some of his children were born. The youngest, Harley, was born in Ohio. They must have drifted into Iowa, as Tolitha Cumi, Jesse's fifth child, gave birth to her first born when 17, at Walnut Grove, Iowa. There is now no Walnut Grove, but there is a Walnut near Des Moines. The family was mostly in Iowa when they started across the plains. Jesse came to Oregon in 1848, landing at Monroe. Jesse's family follows;

KEZIA (Spelled that way on the tombstone) married Chatman Hawley 1828. They are reported to have died together of food poisoning in 1863. That was incorrect according to the cemetery records. Her children were; DAVID, 12/28/1828--4/12/1913; JESSE, 1833-1897; ELIZABETH, 1836-1907; SEWEL 6/1/1838. He became the father of Willis Chatman Hawley, 11 years President of Willamette University and member of Congress for 25 years. Big man. EMMA HAWLEY (Rycraft?) 12/25/1842 7/24/1917; JESSE 1833; SARAH (Rycraft?) 1842-1902; LEONIDUS, 1852-1928. Apparently he was the only one born in Oregon.

Belknap family 1816?
HANNAH (GILBERT) 1814, Ken. or Ill. 1911. Her husband Dow, 1812-1882. Their children; PHYLANDER, 1834-1905? JANE 1836? married Nelson Clark, prominent Spokane businessman; GEORGE 1836; RILEY 1840; PHINN 1842? MARY (Edwards) about 1849; CORRINGTON died at about 12. Tombstone records show birth in 1852. But JESSE was born in 1852, so says his daughter, Elva. He died 1948? EMMA WATTS, 1954? Both Phylander and Jesse married Watts. Probably Hannah's last three children were born in Oregon.

Belknap family 1816?
GEORGE (Kiturah, who became quite famous in the family for her late writings of early days) George died about 1900, she many years later; their children were; HANNAH, 1841-1845; JOHN 1843-1846; JESSE 1844-1871; MARTHA 1846-1847; (Apparently three died in childhood; that may be one reason why George did not come west in 1847. He came with his father, Jesse, 1848.) LORENZO, 1848-1926; HENRY CLAY, 1850-1871; MILLARD FILLMORE, 1852-1926; LUSINA TOZIER, 1855-1921; LOVINA CHRISTIAN, 1857-1945; one four year old child; GEORGE SIMPSON, 1861-1931.

Belknap family 1816?
RANSOM (Mahaila Starr) ~~probably Ill. or Ken.~~ 1820-1896. Married at Mahaila died 1901, at age of 81; their children were; LUSINDA 1841-died at 14;

SARAH (Turner) 1844? died at 20, probably of childbirth; KIZIAH 1847?-1910? WEBSTER C. Nov. 29, 1850-1937; FRANK 1852-1948? Drowned while fixing a fence a cross a little river at Medford, Oregon; ADALINE (Kyle) 1854-1945/ and her twin, ANGELINE (Anderson) 1854-1950? (Identical twins; Adeline's boy, Bob, at 3 sat on his aunt's lap, thinking it was his mother) SAMUEL; 1856-1876; EDWARD, 1860-1950? He was a member of Oregon legislature for several terms; brilliant orator; graduated at Willamette U. as did Frank. Both attended Northwestern U. at Evanston, Ill.

TOLITHA CUMI BELKNAP (Samuel Starr) Dec. 2, 1824, Ohio?-1906. She married at 16, mother at 17. Their children were; ELIZABETH JANE (Turner, Garrison) born at Walnut Grove, Iowa, (the Turners were a family of considerable consequence. Their son, Leander, was a prominent Seattle Attorney; his son, Theodore is a judge in the Superior Court at Seattle, 1960); there were lots of good musical talent in the family. Leander died about 1950. KEZIAH HAWLEY, died in infancy; LEANDER JAMES, Dec. 2, 1845? MOSES WESLEY, Dec. 7, 1847 - ?; SARAH TOLITHA, 1851-1936; married James Bond; HANAH MATILDA, 1853-?; married Sam Driver; RANSOM FLETCHER Nov. 4, 1856-about 1930; married Jessie Driver. Ransom was full of humming music, with the most melodious tones; some of his children had good voices and also his grandchildren. Later Tolitha Cumi married BOND, and had one child by him, IRENE GRACE (Klingman, and man of considerable schooling.) Irene had a lovely voice. Still later Cumi married Waltz, and died under that name. Waltz was of very high grade character, and had two very worthwhile sons.

CORRINGTON BELKNAP, 1828?-19?. Turned preacher and was one of Willamette University's early graduates. Left Oregon and went to California. One of his churches has a window in his honor. He had at least two exceptional daughters. One married an Idaho judge; the other was the wife of the first or at least early presidents of the University of Idaho, and one of the prominent buildings is named in her honor, Mary Belknap Forney. Correction; Forney was the judge; the other daughter, Rosa Belknap Holt; Holt was a stockman.

HARLEY BELKNAP, 1832, Ohio-1904. The youngest son of Jesse. Left Benton County in the seventies and went to Prineville where he died. He had a fine family; he married a INMAN: His children were; HORACE PRESTON, 1856-1936; lived and died in Prineville. Was a member of the Oregon Legislature several sessions; he was quite outstanding; he had four sons all doctors. HARLEY BELKNAP Jr. 1858, contractor. Had three daughters. SYLVESTER I., druggist of New Orleans; had one daughter. ELBERT BELKNAP, druggist and school teacher; had one son, Loren, teaching in Sparks, Nevada. VIRGIL C. BELKNAP, was a doctor, as was HORACE PRESTON. Virgil had two sons both doctors, and a daughter who married a doctor. Then the last leaf of the last branch, the last of all Jesse's grandchildren, GRACE BELKNAP SMITH, Dec. 30, 1879. She has considerable musical education also; was choir director and pianist; quite a woman in her own rights. Married a relative of Marcus Whitman; one of her sons is named Whitman. Harley's family on the whole seems to have had the best education, of any of the families of Jesse's sons and daughters. Of course, they came on after there were more opportunities for schooling, but much credit must be given to them. Even in the times of Dr. Preston and Dr. Virgil considerable training was required. (Correction; Earl Hawley, grand son of Chatman and Heziah, gave the date of their death, as 1863. Their tombstones say Chatman was born 1812, died 1857; Keziah born 1813, died 1859. David Hawley 12/28/1828-4/12/1913. Sewel Hawley, 2/2/1838-died 6/1/1896.)

Harley died in San Jose, California. Dr. Preston graduated from Michigan University and Bellevue. Harley died 1933; Sylvester born 1864. Virgil Nov. 7, 1871; died 1950. He had excellent medical training. Grace, the last of the family graduated at King Conservatory of Music, San Jose. Harley crossed the plains with his brother George. In N. E. Oregon, on the Oregon trail, a mountain lion took a sniff of them while they were all asleep; no sale.

Covered.

probably about 1918 CB

GENEALOGY OF THE BELKNAP FAMILY

The following is copied from the original found by Raymond M. Walcott of
Lewiston, Maine, August 6, 1914, which was compiled by Henry M. Hoff Belknap.

ABRAHAM BELKNAP, born 1589 in England, a farmer, resided at Great September,
1613 at Lynn, Massachusetts. His wife was Mary. He emigrated
in 1635 from Saundersworth, Co., Herts with his wife and several
children and settled in Lynn where he had a small farm. The inventory
of his estate is on file in the Essex Co., Probate Court in Salem but
the will which was probated February 20, 1643-4 has been lost. He was
the son of Benedict or Bennet Belknap alias Beltoft, the parson of
the church of Great St. Mary in Saundersworth, and his wife Grace
[?]. Abraham does not seem to have lived in this town as his children
were not baptised there though there is a record, partly illegible,
of the burial of an infant which appears to be a son of this couple.
The family had for several generations at least, used the name of
Beltoft (which it may be noted has the same signification as Belnap,
'knaps' and 'toft' both meaning 'a low hill') and it may be that this
was the real family name and that they were not related to the noble
family of Belknaps recorded in English history. There is a baptismal
record at Great St. Mary's of a child as Beltoft alias Belknap and
the will of Bennet was written under the name of Beltoft but probated
by his wife and son as that of Bennet Belknap. From this cause it was
indexed under one name and filed under the other and as the identity
of the two names was unknown it took years of research to find it. Now
the authorities of Somerset House having had their attention called
to the matter have altered the Calendar of Wills and the Probate Act
Book so that it is indexed under both names.

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not Nativeswell
not Saundersworth
CB*

*1681
CB*

? doubtful CB (Probably another Samuel)

His son:

SAMUEL BELKNAP, born in 1627/28 in England, a joiner, resided at Salem, Haverhill,
Walden, Massachusetts, East Hampton, Long Island. Married Sarah Jones,
who died April 18, 1689, at Haverhill, Mass. She was the daughter of
Robert and Elizabeth Jones of Wingham, Mass.

His son:

EBENEZER BELKNAP, born December, 1667, Salem, Mass., a joiner, resided and
died at Haverhill, Mass., November, 1762. Married Hannah Ayer, on
February 25, 1690/1. She was born December 7/9, 1672/3, daughter of
Nathaniel Ayer and Tamsin Turloar, and died November, 1779, at
Haverhill, Mass., aged 106 years and 11 months.

This is the longest lived family on record (see Annals of the American
Academy). The parents and all but one of twelve children lived to be
nearly or over 100.

His son:

in Mass. a farmer in Conn. CB

SAMUEL BELKNAP, born Haverhill, Mass., a lawyer, resided at Enfield, Enfield,
Windsor, Conn., died about 1757, Windsor, Conn. Married Mary Dickinson
on July 9, 1723. She was born on November 29, 1714, daughter of James
Dickinson of Rowley, Mass.

His son:

SAMUEL BELKNAP, born June 18, 1731, Enfield, Conn., resided Windsor, Conn. now
Ellington, Murrayfield, Mass., 1770/1. Died June 18, 1775, at Cambridge.

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Not certain
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Mass., in Camp of heat prostration following the Battle of Sunker Hill.
Married Mary Newton, June 19, 1754. She was born November 8, 1737,
East Windsor, Conn., the daughter of Stephen Newton of Ellington (Windsor)
and Mary Gibbs.

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His sons:

JONAS NEWTON BELKNAP, born 1758/60, at Windsor, Conn., (lived at Belchartown,
Mass., New York State. Private in Mass. Regt., severely wounded in battle
with French and Indians but rejoined and served to the end. Married
Esther Parker (Belchartown Histy.)? Lincoln, 1783/4. She died 1817/18.

His son:

JESSE BELKNAP, born January 26, 1792, Cherry Valley, New York, resided
Starr's Point, Benton Co., Oregon, 1848. Died November 19, 1881,
Mauroe, Benton Co., Oregon. Married Jane Gurlinghouse, February 20,
1812, Ontario Co., New York. She was born in 1792 in Conn., and
died December 10, 1876.

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The following pages give the genealogy of the descendants of
Jesse Belknap. The foundation of this genealogy was furnished
by Lovina Belknap Christian, grand-daughter of Jesse Belknap,
and has been added to as information became available from
other members of the family. It is in no wise intended to be
a complete genealogy as there are many missing names, and it
has not been brought down to the present generation except
in the case of my immediate family, that of Lovina Belknap
Christian. It is my hope that other members of the Belknap
family will find this of interest.

Reva I. Barrett

September, 1947

31 Warren Street, Salem, Mass.

November 6, 1913.

Clark Russell Belknap, Esq.,
1319 Yeon Bldg.,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Belknap:

Your very valuable records are at hand and I am pleased to say that I can place you exactly although later than your great grandfather my records have been scanty.

I had partial notes of those of five of Jesse Belknap's children but had no marriage for Ransom hence what you send is of great use to me and I am delighted to hear that someone out there has been interested and looking up the family for it is hard to do so at this distance.

Jesse was the son of Jonas N. and a Lincoln (first name and parents unknown), You have a claim for Sons of the Revolution through him if you care for it. He son of Samuel and Mary Newton of Enfield, and Windsor, Conn. who served at Bunker Hill, hence you have a claim on Colonial Wars Society. He son of Samuel and Mary Dickinson of Massfield, Enfield and Windsor, Conn. she of Rowley, Mass. near Salem. He son of Ebenezer and Hannah Ayer of Haverhill, Mass. The longest lived family on record, they and twelve children all lived to be nearly or over 100, she being 106 yrs. 11 mos. at death. He the son of Samuel and Sarah Jones, he born in England and she of Hingham, Mass. who lived here in Salem a few blocks from my residence. He son of Abraham and Mary Belknap of Lynn, Mass. who came over in 1635 from Sawbridgeworth, Co. Herts, where his father Bennet or Benedict was the warden of a church which I was in a few weeks ago. Bennet's wife was Grace Adam and he was son of Richard and Elizabeth buried respectively 1599. and 1589. That is a line not many people can show and I have worked seventeen years to make it possible.

I have to thank you for your kind reply and hope you will feel repaid by the above which is of course only in brief.

I have nearly every paper in a remarkable Chancery suit in 1548 of Richard Belknap als Beltoft v/s Thomas Westwoode over some land and it is called an extraordinary thing in England to find such a complete showing of so old a case.

Yours truly,

(signed) Henry W. Belknap.

I wonder
where these
papers are
21 Jan 1914

NEWTON
JONAS/BELKNAP, born 1758/80, at Winson Conn. Died

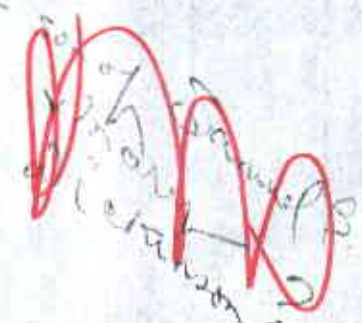
JONAS BELKNAP enlisted in the U. S. Service in the spring of 1775, for 8 mos. in the State of Massachusetts. In January of 1776 he enlisted for 1 year., and before his service expired he enlisted in the Continental Service in the State of New York and served until June, 1783. He served in the Company commanded by Captain Luke Day in the 7th Massachusetts Regt., commanded by Colonel Alden--afterwards by Col. John Brooks at Albany, New York. He received an honorable discharge, in 1783, from the service at Newburgh, in the State of New York, General George Washington. He served in the following battles; Bunker Hill, Bemis Heights, Taking of Burgoyne, Taking of Cornwallis at Yorktown and at Collier Hill where he received a wound of consequence for which he received a pension from the government of \$20.00 per annum. His rank was Sergeant.

On the 11th of December, 1820, he was residing in Härden County, Kentucky, and his family consisted of his wife, Fanny, aged 54 and his daughter Diantha--age 9. His occupation was coopering.

From General Services Administration
Washington, D. C.

"National Archives."

Copied by Claudia Marchall, 1861
She, a great, great grad daughter
of Jesse Belknap.



Blue 14073

Harley

Harvey Preston b 5 April 1856

Harvey Thurston b 9 Feb 1858

Sylvester Linn
b 11 Feb 1866

Virgil Clarence b 7 Nov 1871

Albert Augustus b 18 Oct 1873

Grace b 29 Dec 1879

Mintonye "Stats"

KAY BARRETT from Carroll Belknap

3/2/71

Thanks for the clippings. They are most helpful, for I try to get more than just dates and names.

Thanks, too, for the sheet of Family Statistics copied from Mintonye, They Laughed, Too. I've been encountering lots of references to that book, and I'm glad to know more about it.

Unfortunately, it seems to be a typical example of the unreliability of local histories, on genealogical data. Indeed, it's worse than anything of that sort that I've ever seen. On the attached copy, I have underlined the errors that I have noted -- but found it necessary to do a little writing when underlining wasn't sufficient.

Such books ~~XXX~~ normally rely on mere hearsay -- thus accept ~~XXXX~~ dates based on mere memory, and often give names only partially -- such as Frank or Franklin for Rev Lewis Franklin Belknap. The stone at Alpine, in ~~MM~~ memory of his second wife, shows only her christened names, Fanny Alice, omitting her maiden surname, Dorsey. His first wife, Correna Akers, is not shown in the Mintonye list.

The nearest thing to being right is the section on Talitha Cumi Belknap and Samuel Fletcher Starr -- but her name is sadly misspelled. I enclose copy of ~~xx~~ a slip about her name.

If you want accurate information on any of these people, just say so. The information in my files, on them, is unquestionably OK, having been obtained first-hand while many of these people were alive, between 1890 and 1910 -- and I have verified every entry that seemed to be in need of confirmation.

Copies to: Sylvia Richardson
Frances Milne

Pioneer Family Statistics from: They Laughed, Too by Edna A. Mintonye (pgs 156-159)
pub. 1968 by The Naylor Co.

Clark Belknap provided some pertinent information about a number of the Belknap descendants. Jesse & Jane started their married life in Ky. Their 1st child, Kezia, was born there. They were parents of 7 of the pioneers of the Belknap settlement. Jesse was also brother of Silas and uncle of Orrin.

KEZIA, 1813-1859 was their 1st born. Early in 1828 she married Chaiman Hawley. Their 1st child was: David, b. Dec. 1828 d. April 1913. Other children were: Jesse, 1832-1897; Sewel, 1838-1896; Sarah, 1842-1902; and Leondias, 1852-1928.

The 2nd Belknap dau., HANNAH, 1814-1914, married Lorenzo Dow Gilbert. Their ch.: Philander, 1834-1905, married a dau. of the Watts family; Jane, b. 1836 & married Nelson Clark of Spokane; George, 1836-1896, married Elizabeth, 1844-1917; Riley, b. 1840, m. Nancy D., 1849-1875; Phinn, b. 1842; Corrington, 1847-1864; Mary, b. 1849 m. an Edwards; Jesse, b. 1852 m. Emma Watts. When Nancy died, Riley was left with a baby dau. to raise. Somehow he managed, for Etta, 1875-1920 grew up & m. a Rowland.

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Camp, Calif, Jan. 13, 1915.
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letter of November 22 asking
for information about myself.
My father was Worthington
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Ohio Aug. 1830. Nine years
later the family moved to
Iowa, and in 1848 crossed the
plains to Oregon, settling in
the Willamette Valley near
Corvallis.

He studied for the Methodist
Ministry at Corvallis.

At twenty-four he married

3
Sept. 1906.

My mother is still living in
Los Angeles.

As for myself my full
name is Frederick Holland.
I graduated from a polytechnic
school in 1904, and have been
following civil engineering
for most of the time since.

Have worked in Lower California,
Mexico; California, Arizona,
Oregon, Washington and Idaho,
and spent over two years in
Alaska, most of the time
mining & prospecting.

Campo has been my post office
since last August, but now

Miss Ann York. They had three daughters, Mary, Cora, & Rosa, and one son Charles.

After a few years in the ministry in Oregon the family moved to California where my father became Indian Agent of the Tule River Indian Agency. While there his first wife died and a few years later in April 1882 he married my mother, Miss Mary Josephine Sumner. I was born May 2, 1883.

I had a younger brother, Joseph Corrington, born Oct. 20, 1885, who was killed by the street car in Los Angeles Cal. in Aug. 1897.

My father died in Aug. or

long it will continue, to be I don't know.

Yours truly,
J. P. Belknap, Jr.

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Sara (1846 - 1864) (M) Thomas Turner, daughter Mary I. lived one day

Kesiah (M) Milton Anderson

1847 - 1913

Willard
John

Daisy
Willard

Leona Irene
Jack Harold
Kerrvell Marvin

Clifford C.

Webster C. (1850 - 1937)

(M) 1. Ida Clark
(M) 2. ? Belknap
(M) 3. Annie E. Cliff
Patterson

Maynard two sons
Clark
Foster (M) Golda Aylesworth
Hovey one daughter
Carrie (M) C. M. Mitchell
Stella (M) T. J. Dolan daughter
boy

L. Frank (1852 - 1948)

(M) Corena Akers
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Ruth
Elanor
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Haven

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(M) Hallie

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Edwin
Roberta
Arthur

Orr (M) Caryl Edwards
-1970

Sam Betty
Joseph Maxine
Pauline

Arthur (M) Grace Larkin

Louise
?

Angie (M) Merle Howard

Charlotte
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Robert (M) Thelma Graves Robert

Ransom Belknap
(1820 - 1896)
(M)

Mayalley or Mayala
Starr (1820 - 1900)

MAHALIA

Adeline (1854 - 1945)

(M) Robert Kyle
(1858 - 1920)

Samuel G. (1863 - 1884)

Edward H. (1863 - 1937)
(M)

Harlan C. (M) Ada Byers 3 Children

Gilbert Minor -1970 Janet
(M) Violet Finley Ida

Ransom Alfred
(died in infancy)

Thom Arlen Bayley

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Mar. 1, 1969.

Dear Carroll;

Your cousin, Maynard, my brother older by 4 years, died Feb. 12th; he would have been 90 in April. He was a splendid fellow--and I believe in the eyes of the world the most successful of our family. Not of a brilliant mind, but as steady as they make them. The world depends upon the men who meet their obligations--they keep the banks and business house going. He was a part of that world. We were all very proud of him.

My oldest brother, Clifford, died three years ago--also in his 90th year in the making. He lived the life of a farmer always, Maynard was at his desk--yet they lived within a few months of the same age.

Clifford had a daughter, Miss Irene Belknap, never married; she had for many years taught in the High School at Longview, Wash. 50 miles down the Columbia from Portland. She and I flew over to Lewiston. We left at 7 in the morning just as the sun was coming up--we were almost as high as Mt Rainier--14,000 plus--we were above a wide sea of clouds only--only the tops of St. Helens, down near Portland, off to the right, and Mt. Adams off to the left and Mt Rainier right in the middle--they stood up like pinicles of the National debt. And as far as the eye could see--all was an ocean of clouds--in waves. You have flown much I dare say--I have not flown very much--but that was a very charming scene for me.

For your history--if you want it, Maynard was born April 26, 1979, Spokane County. He had been a school teacher, for a few years--then a banker for 20 years or more, then in mortgage loan business. He was a skunk man--a fit man to be the grandson of Ranson and a grand nephew of Corrington.

I understand that Arts Anderson Bayely, of San Leandro Cal. was out to see you--she spoke highly of her visit there. She is a fine girl.--about your age, possibly two years older.

Best wishes



Frank Bellman
Corvallis, Oregon

IN BELLMAN

(Mr. Ed Bellman is a farmer living in the Bellman Settlement about three miles southwest of Menzies. Born in 1860, he is the son and grandson of 'first settlers'. At age of 76 he was plowing in the field and seemed as sound in mind as in body.)

"My father, Ransom Bellman came in 1847 with the first party to settle in the Bellman Community. My grandfather came the year following, 1848. Sam Starr, who settled just north of Menzies, and Lorenzo Bow Gilbert and Hawley Chapman, who settled near Alpine, were married to sisters of my father. There are no records left by my parents or grandparents. Things just went on, one day like another and there didn't seem to be anything worth writing. Five of my father's children are still living and our combined ages are more than 400 years. All are over eighty except me, and I am seventy-six. The names are: Webster C. Bellman, Lewis Franklin Bellman, Angie Bellman Anderson, Addie Bellman Kyle, and myself, Ed Bellman. My sisters are twins, 32 years old. The house built by my father is about the oldest in this community, still standing. It was built in 1855 and is a mile south and a mile east of Alpine. My nephew, Foster Bellman lives there now. The lumber for this house and other early houses was sawed at Gilbert's Mill onuddy Creek. It was an old style 'log saw'. The logs came from a pine grove that stood on a hill about a mile and a half southwest of Menzies. All the lumber in the house was dressed by hand. The early sawmills were rather crude and the lumber was not always of an even width. In siding a house or coiling the inside the carpenters would work around the house matching

Nov 13 1969

Mrs. Golda Belknap
415 S W 10 St.
Corvallis, Wash. 97330

Dear Mrs. Belknap Golda:

I'm grateful for your letter, for I've been searching for Aunt Kit's diary for years. But I think that what I ought to do ~~know~~ is to tell you what I have, just in case I already have what is in the Corvallis library.

What I've discovered, thus far, is that when people talk about "Aunt Kit's Diary" they usually seem to be telling me about something that was based on the diary, not the actual diary. This time, I hope, may be different.

Here's what I've accumulated, thus far:

- The piece in Oregon Historical Journal, based on letters Aunt Kit wrote to her nieces, about life in Belknap Settlement.
- A short condensation called "Notes Taken from Aunt Kit's Diary," by Bertha Gilbert Pitman in 1960.
- A much longer version (69 pages) put together by Katherine Christian Barrett in 1942 -- not the diary, but recollections written by Aunt Kit in later years, apparently based on her diary. I enclose the first two pages of this version, so that you can judge whether or not it is what your library has.

If the library has the actual diary -- or something else that I don't yet have -- possibly they might be willing to have Xerox copies of its pages made for me. If so, could you find out what the charge for copying would be?

Now, something else you could do for me, please -- give me information that I don't yet have, about yourself and Foster. I have only your names, in a list that Lovina Christian put together many years ago. What I need, for both of you (and for your descendants, too) is:

Date and place of birth
Date and place of marriage
Date and place of death of Foster

Meanwhile, my great thanks.

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