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EMILY SARGENT LEWIS LATTIMORE AND DAVID LATTIMORE ARE SHOWN ABOVE ON THEIR WEDDING DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, IN NEW HAVEN. EMILY IS THE DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS. AN ACCOUNT OF THE WEDDING APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF MARCH 20TH. AS STATED THERE, THEY ARE PLANNING WHILE ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL AT JOHNS HOPKINS TO LIVE WITH THE OWEN LATTIMORES, HIS PARENTS, AT RUXTON, MD., AND IN THE FALL TO LIVE IN CAMBRIDGE DURING HIS SENIOR YEAR AT HARVARD.

DOROTHY SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF CHARLES FORBES SARGENT AND OF ELIZABETH DAY SARGENT, IS ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED TO KARL JACK BAUER, SON OF MR. AND MRS. CHARLES A. BAUER OF WOODBRIDGE, CONN. DODIE IS A GRANDDAUGHTER OF GEORGE LEWIS SARGENT AND OF JULIUS G. DAY OF NEW HAVEN. SHE WAS GRADUATED FROM THE MARY C. WHEELER SCHOOL, PROVIDENCE, R.I., AND IN 1948 FROM MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE. SHE HAS A POSITION WITH THE BLUE CROSS IN NEW HAVEN. JACK WAS GRADUATED FROM HARVARD IN 1948, AND IS STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA IN BLOOMINGTON, IND., LEADING UP TO A PH.D. DEGREE IN HISTORY. THE ENGAGEMENT WAS ANNOUNCED OVER THE APRIL 28TH WEEK-END.

HERE ARE EXCERPTS FROM KOREAN LETTERS FROM MASTER SERGEANT SAMUEL F. (TERRY) BABBITT, SON OF PEGGY FISHER BABBITT. PEGGY IN HER NOTE ACCOMPANYING THEM WROTE FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.: " \* \* \* TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT FRIDAY NIGHT (APRIL 20TH)—A TELEPHONE CALL FROM TOKYO! TERRY HAD BEEN SENT OVER ON A REGULAR 5 DAY 'R & R' (REST AND RECUPERATION). THE ARMY DOES ALL SORTS OF THINGS FOR THEM, INCLUDING ONE 3 MINUTE TRANSPACIFIC CALL."

"OUTSIDE SEOUL, MARCH 23, 1951, AFTER A BRIEF FORAY ACROSS THE HAN, (WE CROSSED ON A PONTOON BRIDGE, ON TRUCKS,) WE HAVE RETIRED TO DIVISION RESERVE ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE OF SEOUL, WHILE THE 65TH AND THE 15TH DO THEIR STUFF IN THE HIGH PEAKS AHEAD OF US. RESERVE OR NO RESERVE, WE ARE STILL DUG INTO A DEFENSIVE PERIMETER AND WE GUARD BY NIGHT AS USUAL. WE EXPECT TO MOVE FORWARD TOMORROW, AND INTO THE ATTACK SOME TIME NEXT WEEK.

"I AM NOW PLATOON LEADER AGAIN, SINCE LT. HENTGES WAS 'TRANSFERRED' TO ANOTHER COMPANY. ALL GOES WELL WITH US, HOWEVER, AND I THINK WE'LL CONTINUE TO BE A GOOD TEAM. \*\*\*

"YOUR PACKAGE AND LETTER FROM MT. LAKE ARRIVED TWO DAYS AGO, AND YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE LOOKS OF AMAZEMENT AS TISS (SFC TISDALE) AND I NONCHALANTLY STROLLED INTO THE CHOW LINE AND SLICED OPEN A GRAPEFRUIT FROM FLORIDA FOR BREAKFAST! (THE OTHER TWO DISAPPEARED DOWN THE HATCH WHEN WE OPENED THE PACKAGE BY MATCHLIGHT IN A PUP TENT THE PREVIOUS NIGHT.) ALONG WITH THE PACKAGE FROM YOU CAME ONE FROM MRS. GUBILER CONTAINING TWO TINS OF WONDERFUL VERMONT MAPLE SUGAR! DEE-LISHOUS!

"BY WAY OF REQUESTS, IS IT POSSIBLE TO GET A COMPLETE POCKET-SIZE EDITION OF HAMLET, MACBETH, AND ROMEO AND JULIET?, OR JULIUS CAESAR? THE REASON IS THIS: DURING THE COURSE OF THE PAST MONTH, I LET SLIP A FEW LINES OF MR. SHAKESPEARE, AND TISS GOT ALL EXCITED ABOUT IT. I TOLD HIM OF HOW ROGE AND I USED TO DO THE LAST ACT OF MACBETH, COMPLETE WITH DUEL, ETC., AND HE ASKED ME TO TEACH HIM ALL I KNEW. I FIND THAT ALL I KNOW BY HEART IS MUCH TOO SMALL, AND ONLY SNATCHES HERE AND THERE. HE ASKED IF I COULD GET THE BOOKS, AND I TOLD HIM IT MIGHT BE DONE. HENCE THE REQUEST. IT WOULD LIGHTEN MANY A MARCH AND DULL HOUR.

"TWO ROLLS OF FILMS HAVE BEEN USED, AND I'M ABOUT TO START ON NO. 3. I'LL SEND THEM TO JAPAN TO BE DEVELOPED, AND THEN BACK TO YOU. YOU MAY NOTE INCIDENTALLY THAT I STILL HAVE THE BALL-POINT PEN I RECEIVED FROM YOU, AND HERE IS PROOF THAT I STILL HAVE THE PENCIL. (WRITTEN IN PENCIL. TB)

"THE VITAMIN PILLS MUST BE POTENT, AS THE FIRST DAY I TOOK THEM, MY RUNNER COULDN'T KEEP UP WITH ME!

"P.S. PAPER BY COURTESY OF PABST BLUE RIBBON AGAIN. T."

"30 MARCH, 1951. WE'RE OFF AGAIN, THIS TIME NORTH OF UIJONGBU, AND HEADED STRAIGHT FOR THE 38TH. WHEN I SAY STRAIGHT, I MEAN THE KIND THAT LOOKS LIKE THIS \_\_\_\_\_ ON THE MAP, AND LIKE THIS *wavy line* ON THE GROUND. THE RESISTANCE SEEMS TO BE SMALL, MAINLY WITHDRAWING ACTION. AFTER WE MAKE CONTACT, THE ARTILLERY AND AIR CORPS USUALLY CONVINCES THEM THAT IT'S TIME TO TAKE OFF. STILL, EVERY HILL MUST BE COVERED, WHICH IS WHERE WE COME IN.

"YOUR LAST (AND BEST) PACKAGE ARRIVED ON THE EVE OF THE ATTACK, AND SO FAR I HAVE ONLY DEVoured THE SWISS CHEESE (MORE!) PEANUTS, AND ONE STICK OF PEPPERONI. HOWEVER, THE REST IS BEING HELD FOR ME, AND TISS AND I ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO 'SHRIMPS A LA BABBITT' ON THE 'PARALLEL'.

"WHAT AN ODD WAR. DUE TO THE LACK OF CHINESE ARTILLERY, A COMMANDER CAN MASS HIS TROOPS ALMOST ANYWHERE, OPERATE TRUCK CONVOYS JUST OUTSIDE OF SMALL-ARMS RANGE, AND PLAN HIS ENTIRE ATTACK SITTING IN FULL VIEW ON A NEIGHBORING RIDGELINE! MR. CHINK, HOWEVER, CANNOT.

"THE GRAPEFRUIT FROM FLA. WAS WONDERFUL, BUT I HAVE A FEELING THAT I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU THAT. SOMEHOW, I CAN THINK OF VERY LITTLE TO WRITE WHICH WOULDN'T SOUND LIKE A 'FIELD MANUAL' ON 'THE PRESENT CONFLICT IN KOREA'. SO I'LL STOP AND TRY TO SEND THIS BACK BY THE COOKS WHEN THEY BRING UP A HOT MEAL TONIGHT. IT MAY BE SHORT...."

"7 APRIL, '51. QUITE A GAP, BUT NOW WE'RE BACK IN A RESERVE AREA, SO I HAVE A CHANCE TO CATCH MY BREATH. TISS WAS HIT DURING THE ATTACK. IN THE SHOULDER, NOT TOO BADLY, BUT PERHAPS ENOUGH TO GET HIM TO THE STATES. I HATED TO LOSE HIM. MY NEW PLT. SGT. IS JOE PIVONKA, FROM MINN. A GOOD MAN, ABOUT 20, AND A WONDERFUL FIGHTER.

"APRIL 8, 1951. IT LOOKS AS IF IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME TO FINISH THIS LETTER AT THIS RATE, SO I'M GOING TO CONCENTRATE ON IT NOW AND SEND IT ON ITS WAY. YOU'VE UNDOUBTEDLY HEARD OF THE ROTATION SYSTEM, WHICH HAS FINALLY COME OUT, AND IT WILL START ON THE 15TH OF THIS MONTH. BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, I WILL BE ELIGIBLE! 12 POINTS, 6 MONTHS ON LINE. OF COURSE, HOW LONG IT WILL BE UNTIL WE ACTUALLY GO, NO ONE KNOWS. JUST KEEP THE FINGERS CROSSED.

"I WENT TO THE DENTIST THE OTHER DAY, AND HE TURNED OUT TO BE A NICE YOUNG CAPTAIN FROM HARTFORD, SO WE IMMEDIATELY BECAME FAST FRIENDS, AND HE PULLED TWO TEETH. (A NON-SEQUITUR IF I EVER WROTE ONE!) HE HAD TO CUT ONE OUT AND PUT IN STITCHES, WHICH MADE LIFE MISERABLE FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS, BUT ALL IS WELL NOW.

"YOU MENTIONED IN YOUR LAST LETTER THAT YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD TOLD ME ABOUT THOS. SINGING SOLO IN WOOLSEY. YOU DIDN'T! TELL ME MORE.

"A LETTER FROM DAD AND TWO FROM YOU ARRIVED A FEW DAYS AGO, RIGHT AFTER THE EASTER FANNY FARMER. (A WONDERFUL LOLLYPOP WITH A BUNNY INCLUDED.)

"WE ARE NOW HIGH ON A HILL ON ONE SIDE OF THE MAIN SUPPLY ROUTE, IN REG'T RESERVE. EVEN THE ARTILLERY IS AHEAD OF US. I CAN LOOK UP THE FLAT VALLEY FLOOR, AND THERE, ON THE HORIZON WHERE TWO MOUNTAINS DIP TO THE ROAD, IS THE 38TH PARALLEL. IN A FEW MORE DAYS WE EXPECT TO MOVE FORWARD AGAIN, THIS TIME TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE IMJIN RIVER, ONTO WHAT THEY CALL THE 'UTAH LINE'. WE ARE FILLING UP FAST WITH NEW REPLACEMENTS; I GOT EIGHT YESTERDAY. SOME COMPLAIN THAT THEY NEVER HAD INFANTRY TRAINING, - THEY WERE DRIVING A TRUCK ALL DURING BASIC! IF THEY COULD ONLY HAVE SEEN SOME OF THE WONDERFUL JOBS THAT MEN FROM THE SIGNAL CORPS, MP'S, PERSONNEL CENTERS AND EVERY POSSIBLE JOB, HAVE DONE WHEN THEY WERE TOLD 'NOW YOU ARE A RIFLEMAN,' THEY WOULD NEVER OPEN THEIR MOUTHS. BUT I SUPPOSE THAT IN A FEW WEEKS THEY, TOO, WILL BE THE ONES WHO KNOW THEIR BUSINESS, BECAUSE THEY WILL SEE WITH THEIR OWN EYES THAT THIS BUSINESS MUST BE LEARNED. CLERK, MECHANIC, INSTRUCTOR, ALL HAVE TO LEARN. ALL OF WHICH MAKES ME FEEL VERY OLD, BUT NOT TOO WISE."

ARTHUR N. TURNER, HUSBAND OF NANCY GROVE TURNER, AS A RESEARCH ASSISTANT AT THE HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL SINCE SEPTEMBER 15, 1950, HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE OCCUPATIONAL ASPECTS OF OLD AGE, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PROFESSOR LINDBERG. THE "BOSTON SUNDAY HERALD" OF MARCH 25TH CONTAINED AN ARTICLE REVIEWING THE PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF THE SURVEY ENTITLED "RETIREMENT FOR AGE REASONS MORE COMPLICATED THESE DAYS" BY W.E. PLAYFAIR. ASSOCIATED ALSO WITH THE WORK IS THOMAS G. COLLINS, A RE-

TIRED PERSONNEL DIRECTOR OF GENERAL ELECTRIC CO. HUNDREDS OF INTERVIEWS OF OLDER WORKERS HAVE BEEN HELD, MAINLY IN BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, ROCHESTER AND SCHENECTADY. ARTHUR INTERVIEWED SOME OF SARGENT & COMPANY'S OLDER EMPLOYEES JUST AFTER CHRISTMAS, BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT WAS DURING THE INVENTORY SHUT-DOWN, SO HE WAS UNABLE TO SEE VERY MANY. THE INTERVIEWER GIVES NO ADVICE, AND ALL INFORMATION RECEIVED IS CONFIDENTIAL. SO FAR, THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE STATES, THE PERSONS INTERVIEWED FALL INTO ABOUT TEN GROUPS OF UNEQUAL SIZE: (1) THOSE WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES, (2) THOSE WHO ARE TIRED AND WANT TO STOP WORKING, (3) MARRIED MEN WHO RETIRE TO TAKE CARE OF SICK WIVES, (4) THOSE WHO WANT TO CONTINUE A GAINFUL OCCUPATION BUT IN ANOTHER FIELD, (5) THOSE WHO WANT TO CONTINUE IN THEIR REGULAR JOBS ON A PART-TIME BASIS, (6) THOSE WHO FEEL THEY WOULD DIE IF THEY RETIRED, (7) THOSE WHO CANNOT AFFORD TO RETIRE, (8) THOSE "HEN-PECKED" MEN WHOSE WIVES WILL NOT PERMIT THEM TO STAY AROUND THE HOUSE, (9) THOSE WHO HAVE NOT REACHED NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE WHO ARE TROUBLE MAKERS OR MISFITS AND SHOULD BE RETIRED, AND (10) THE CONTENTED GROUP WHO HAVE SAVED FOR RETIREMENT AND ARE ELIGIBLE FOR COMPANY RETIREMENT ANNUITIES OR PENSIONS.

LUCY HOLLAND PUTNAM, DAUGHTER OF MARY (MINNIE) RUPERT HOLLAND, AND GEORGE, HER HUSBAND, HAVE BEEN TO CALIFORNIA ON A MOTOR TRIP. SHE WROTE A CARD TO YE EDITORS FROM FISH CAMP, CALIF., ON APRIL 16TH: "HELLO! HERE WE ARE JUST AT THE GATE TO THE YOSEMITE. WE HAVE BEEN GONE FROM THE NUTS (THEIR HOME IS 213 BEECH TREE LANE, WAYNE, PA.-ED.) JUST THREE WEEKS & SHALL BE AWAY ABOUT FOUR MORE, SPENDING A WEEK IN CHICAGO ON THE WAY HOME."

#### BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- JUNE 1 - (21ST) MARY HAMMOND BAILEY, DAUGHTER OF NATHANIEL HAMMOND BAILEY  
 (16TH) ABIGAIL JANE SARGENT LEWIS, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS  
 (5TH) PHEBE SHARON PARKER, DAUGHTER OF PHEBE-NORTON FISHER PARKER  
 3 - RITA ANN HARDING HOLLAND, WIDOW OF RICHARD LYON HOLLAND  
 (3D) PRISCILLA CASANOVA, DAUGHTER OF MARGARET SARGENT WILLIAMS CASANOVA  
 6 - (6TH) ANNE CHANNING TURNER, DAUGHTER OF NANCY GROVE TURNER  
 11 - (4TH) STEPHEN FORBES WISER, SON OF JAMES SARGENT WISER  
 12 - (16TH) BARBARA KING MOOREHEAD, DAUGHTER OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD  
 13 - CHARLES FORBES SARGENT, SON OF GEORGE LEWIS SARGENT  
 (20TH) EMILY SARGENT LEWIS LATTIMORE, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS  
 15 - (2D) WILLIAM PETER MACDOUGALL, SON OF DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL  
 16 - JANE CATER SARGENT, WIFE OF LAWTON GRISWOLD SARGENT  
 22 - ROBERT LEWIS FISHER, SON OF MARGARET SARGENT FISHER  
 (3D) WENDY SARGENT MACDOUGALL, DAUGHTER OF DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL  
 23 - LAWTON GRISWOLD SARGENT, SON OF EDWARD RUPERT SARGENT  
 30 - ALICE MAUD SARGENT TATE, DAUGHTER OF COLONEL FREDERIC HOMER SARGENT  
 (24TH) MARY SARGENT MCCANCE, DAUGHTER OF MOLLY SARGENT MCCANCE  
 (6TH) DAVID LORING, SON OF CALEB LORING, JR.  
 (5TH) PENELOPE WISER, DAUGHTER OF JAMES SARGENT WISER

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- JUNE 7 - (4TH) MARGARET SARGENT WILLIAMS AND JUAN JOSE CASANOVA  
 14 - (29TH) LAWTON G. AND JANE CATER SARGENT  
 (4TH) EMILY SARGENT PETTIT AND GORDON F. WHITNEY  
 15 - (33D) LAURA RICE AND C. KENNETH DEMING  
 16 - (17TH) RICHARD M. AND EDITH BRUNE SARGENT  
 (13TH) BRADFORD S. AND JOSEPHINE TOY COLLINS TILNEY  
 (7TH) JAMES S. AND NORMA HARVEY WISER  
 17 - (29TH) MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER AND THEODORE BABBITT  
 18 - (2D) THOMAS O. AND KATHRYN TULLOCH SARGENT  
 19 - (3D) THEODORE F. AND BETSY HURD BABBITT  
 21 - (38TH) RICHARD C. AND RUTH KINGSBURY SARGENT  
 (2D) GEORGE G. (GID) AND SARAH (SALLY) MEANS LORING  
 23 - (1ST) MARGARET HUSSON (TATE) AND WILLARD R. HOLLINGSWORTH  
 26 - (6TH) MARY CUMMING AND ALEXANDER STUART FITZHUGH, III  
 28 - (31ST) J. WEIR AND PHEBE DOWNS SARGENT  
 (29TH) F. HOMER AND LILAH WALKER SARGENT  
 (11TH) MURRAY, JR., AND LUCY GARFIELD SARGENT  
 (4TH) WILLIAM P., JR., AND MARION HUNICKE SARGENT  
 30 - (30TH) MARY (MOLLY) SARGENT AND REV. WILLIAM H. MCCANCE

MARY SARGENT BUMGARDNER, DAUGHTER OF F. HOMER SARGENT, WROTE ON MAY 4TH: "\*\*\*HEATH AND I MOVED INTO OUR OWN HOME APRIL 27TH, AND, NEEDLESS TO SAY, THINGS ARE IN A STATE OF CONFUSION. ELECTRICIANS, PLUMBERS, FLOOR FINISHERS, ETC., ALL WANDER IN AND OUT CASUALLY. THE HOUSE IS LOVELY AND BIG WITH A FINE YARD AND NEIGHBORS. DENTON LOVES HIS NEW FREEDOM, AND TO ME IT IS TRULY WONDERFUL TO LIVE IN OUR OWN PLACE AFTER FOUR YEARS IN THE APARTMENT. WE HAD GOTTEN VERY CROWDED THERE AFTER MARY'S BIRTH. BOTH CHILDREN ARE WELL AND SUCH JOYS TO US. HEATH AND I ARE VERY HAPPY AND VERY BUSY." MARY'S NEW ADDRESS IS MRS. HEATH D. BUMGARDNER, 415 E. DURHAM STREET, PHILADELPHIA 19, PA.

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF THIRTY INCLUDING YE EDITOR, WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO HIS WIFE, WHO HAD BEEN VISITING HER SISTER AND BROTHER-IN-LAW, MR. & MRS. JUSTUS HOTCHKISS, IN THE ADIRONDACKS BUT WHO APPEARS FROM THE LETTER TO BE STOPPING IN BROOKLYN ON HER WAY HOME. "CHARLOTTE" WAS HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, MISS WINCHESTER. THE OTHERS MENTIONED ARE HIS CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. "NEW HAVEN, SEPT. 19, 1902. DEAR FLORENCE: IT IS QUITE NOT CONVENIENT FOR ME TO LEAVE NEW HAVEN TO GO TO BROOKLYN TOMORROW NOR AT ANY OTHER TIME IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. I WAS IN NEW YORK ALL DAY YESTERDAY AND CALLED AT STORE TO GET LETTERS, BUT WAS IN TOO GREAT HURRY TO NOTICE OR SEE JOHN, ALTHOUGH HE SAYS, TONIGHT HERE, THAT I PASSED RIGHT BY HIM. I WAS VERY BUSY ALL DAY. TODAY I HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY HERE, AND TOMORROW MORNING AM GOING TO PORT CHESTER AND MUST BE HERE MONDAY IN THE MORNING. WE ARE ALL WELL, EXCEPT THAT MAY IS CONFINED TO BED WITH A SPLIT COLLAR BONE, BUT IS COMFORTABLE. SHE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO USE ONE OF HER ARMS FOR TEN OR TWELVE OR MORE DAYS. ERS AND FAMILY HAVE COME BACK FROM MADISON. HBS AND WHOLE FAMILY ARE RETURNED. WIER IS BACK, STAYING WITH MR. AND MRS. WIER. THE REMAINDER OF J D S FAMILY WILL BE HERE IN A DAY OR TWO OR THREE. R. S. IS HERE, AND FAMILY WILL RETURN IN ABOUT A WEEK OR TEN DAYS. THE FISHER FAMILY ARE ALL AT HOME AND WELL. THE FENN FAMILY ARE AT HOME. JOHN CAME FROM N. Y. TO SUPPER. NELLIE, ETC. ARE IN ITALY AND LAURA AND I ARE HERE. THE RICE CHILDREN ARE WITH US EXCEPT LAURA AND SHE WILL COME TOMORROW. WE ARE ALL FIRST RATE EXCEPT MAY, AND SHE IS FINE EXCEPT FOR THAT TRIFLING INCONVENIENCE OF A SPLIT COLLAR BONE. I CALL ON CHARLOTTE OCCASIONALLY, AND AM GOING THIS EVENING TO HAVE HER TRANSLATE AN ITALIAN LETTER FOR ME AND ON MY WAY THERE I WILL PUT THIS LETTER INTO THE CORNER POST-BOX. SO GOOD NIGHT - I SLEEP ALL NIGHT WITHOUT WINKING, GO TO BED FROM 9 TO 10 - OR 8-30 AND GET UP AT 5-30 TO 6 - READ THE MORNING PAPER AND HAVE BIG HOMINY AND MILK AT 7 - NO MEAT, NO COFFEE FOR BREAKFAST OR SUPPER, BUT 2 BIG EARS OF GREEN CORN, VEGETABLES, AND A BIT OF MEAT AT DINNER AT 1 P.M. LAURA, JOHN AND KATHERINE AND MARGARET RICE ARE PLAYING CARDS DOWNSTAIRS, OR WERE WHEN I CAME UP TO TELL YOU THAT I CANNOT SPARE THE TIME TO GO TO BROOKLYN THIS WEEK NOR NEXT - SO PADDLE YOUR OWN CANOE. AFFECTLY. J.B.S."

SIR THOMAS GIFFARD (ABOUT 1345-1394), OF TWYFORD, CO. BUCKS, KNIGHT, ANCESTOR OF MOST OF US, WAS THE SON OF SIR JOHN GIFFARD AND LUCY DE MORTEYN. A SKETCH OF SIR JOHN APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF OCTOBER 24, 1949. (SEE ALSO GIFFARD-GIFFORD GENEALOGICAL CHART IN OUR ISSUE OF MAY 25, 1949.) THOMAS WAS BORN ABOUT 1345 AND DIED SEPTEMBER 25, 1394. HE MARRIED FIRST ABOUT 1361 ELIZABETH DE MISSENDEN (OUR ANCESTRESS), WHO DIED ABOUT 1367; SECONDLY, BEFORE JANUARY 4, 1367/8, MARGERY \_\_\_\_\_, WHO WAS LIVING AUGUST 22, 1374; AND THIRDLY, BEFORE JULY 6, 1383, SYBIL \_\_\_\_\_, WHO OUTLIVED HIM AND HAD A DAUGHTER BY HER SECOND HUSBAND. AN "INQUISITION" TAKEN AT OXFORD DECEMBER 23, 1360, SHOWED THAT THOMAS AT THAT DATE HAD AN ELDER BROTHER, JOHN, LIVING, BUT WHO MUST HAVE DIED WITHOUT ISSUE BEFORE MARCH 11, 1368/9, AS ON THAT DATE THOMAS GIFFARD WAS FOUND TO BE THE HEIR OF HIS FATHER. TWO INQUISITIONS POST MORTEM SHOW HOLDINGS OF SIR THOMAS GIFFARD, KNIGHT, AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH, IN KENT AND OXFORDSHIRE RESPECTIVELY, AND GAVE ROGER GIFFARD (FROM WHOM WE ARE ALSO DESCENDED) AGED 26 (OR 27) YEARS AND MORE AS HIS SON AND HEIR. THESE TWO INQUISITIONS ARE QUOTED IN N.E. HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL REGISTER, VOL. 74 (1920): "INQUISITION TAKEN AT PRESTON BY FAVERSHAM, CO. KENT, THURSDAY NEXT BEFORE THE FEAST OF ST. EDMUND THE KING, 18 RICHARD II (1394). THE JURORS SAY THAT SIR THOMAS GIFFARD, CHIVALER, DECEASED WAS SEISED IN HIS DEMESME, AS OF FEE, OF THE MOIETY OF A TENEMENT CALLED JARDYNES IN THE VILL OF LEISDON IN THE ISLE OF SHEPAY, HELD OF THE KING IN CHIEF BY THE SERVICE OF AN EIGHTH PART OF A KNIGHT'S FEE, AND THE SAME IS WORTH YEARLY 10s. THE SAID THOMAS DIED 25 SEPTEMBER LAST PAST (1394) AND ROGER GIFFARD IS HIS SON AND HEIR, AGED TWENTY-SIX YEARS AND MORE." "INQUISITION TAKEN AT BURCESTRE, CO. OXFORD, ON MONDAY NEXT BEFORE THE FEAST OF ST. MARTIN THE BISHOP, 18 RICHARD II (1394). THE JURORS SAY THAT SIR THOMAS GIFFARD, KNIGHT, HELD OF THE KING, IN CHIEF, THE DAY HE DIED, THE MOIETY OF THE MANOR OF SOMERTON BY SERVICE OF A MOIETY OF A KNIGHT'S FEE, AND (IT) IS WORTH YEARLY 20 MARKS. HE ALSO HELD OF THE KING IN CHIEF THE MOIETY OF THE MANOR OF FIRYNGFORD, CONJOINTLY WITH HIS WIFE SYBIL, NOW SURVIVING, FOR THEIR LIVES, BY SERVICE OF THE MOIETY OF A KNIGHT'S FEE, AND THE SAME IS WORTH YEARLY 12 MARKS. HE ALSO HELD 4 MESSUAGES AND 4 VIRGATES OF LAND IN BEKBROK, CONJOINTLY WITH HIS WIFE SYBIL, OF ROGER CHEYNE, AS OF HIS MANOR OF KERSYNGTON, BY THE SERVICE OF THE EIGHTH PART OF A KNIGHT'S FEE, AND THE SAME ARE WORTH 5 MARKS YEARLY. HE ALSO HELD IN LIKE MANNER 5 MESSUAGES AND 5 VIRGATES OF LAND IN NEWENTON JEWELL OF SIR JOHN SEYTON, KNIGHT, AS OF HIS MANOR OF BEREFORD ST. MICHAEL, AND (THEY) ARE WORTH YEARLY 7 MARKS. HE DIED WEDNESDAY BEFORE MICHAELMAS LAST PAST (1394), AND ROGER HIS SON IS HIS NEXT HEIR, AGED TWENTY-SEVEN AND MORE."