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THOMAS OWEN SARGENT, SON OF THOMAS DENNY SARGENT, IS TO BE ORDAINED AS DEACON IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH ON JUNE 2. AFTER GRADUATING FROM YALE IN 1951 HE ENTERED THE BERKELEY DIVINITY SCHOOL, FROM WHICH HE IS NOW GRADUATING. HE AND KATHY, HIS WIFE, AND THEIR YEAR OLD SON, OWEN, ARE MOVING TO BILLINGS, MONTANA, WHERE, AS OF JULY 15, TOM WILL BE CURATE IN ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

MARGARET SARGENT LIE-NIELSEN, DAUGHTER OF ROBERT L. FISHER AND OF ATLEE DOWNS FISHER, WROTE TO YE EDITORS ON MAY 10: "AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE POSTMARK ON THE ENVELOPE, WE ARE BACK IN MICHIGAN ONCE MORE AND HAVE THE SAME APARTMENT WE HAD LAST YEAR. WHAT A RELIEF IT WAS TO HAVE SOME PLACE TO COME TO WHEN WE ARRIVED ON THE 15TH OF APRIL RATHER THAN HAVE THE BOTHER AND HEADACHE OF HUNTING FOR SUITABLE LIVING QUARTERS ALL OVER AGAIN. LEE IS WORKING FOR THE SAME MAN, AND IS CURRENTLY HARD AT WORK GETTING THE 45-FOOT YAWL HE IS SKIPPER OF READY FOR THE COMING SAILING SEASON WHICH STARTS THE 30TH OF MAY. THEY HAVE A RACE EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER ALL SUMMER LONG. MOST OF THEM ARE JUST DAY RACES, BUT THERE ARE A FEW OVERNIGHT ONES AND ONE WEEKEND RACE. THEY DID SO WELL LAST YEAR THAT THEY WON THE DETROIT RIVER CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE YEAR!

"WE HAD A GOOD BUT RATHER HECTIC WINTER IN FLORIDA. LEE SKIPPED THE "MARIE EMILIE" FOR THE SEASON AND ENTERED IN ALL THE RACES OF THE SOUTHERN OCEAN RACING CONFERENCE DOING EXTREMELY WELL. I WENT OVER TO NASSAU FOR THE BIG WEEKEND AFTER THE MIAMI-NASSAU RACE, AND WE HAD A LOVELY TIME. I HAD PLANNED TO GO TO HAVANA ALSO, BUT AT THE LAST MINUTE HAD TO CANCEL IT. MY MOTHER-IN-LAW WAS WITH US ALL WINTER, HAVING COME OVER FROM NORWAY FOR A THREE MONTHS VISIT, AND THAT WAS MOST ENJOYABLE FOR ALL CONCERNED. SHE IS A VERY SWEET PERSON, AND I WAS HAPPY TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET TO KNOW HER A LITTLE. WE GOT THE CUSTODY OF LEE'S 12 YEAR OLD BOY THROUGH THE COURTS, AND HE HAS BEEN LIVING WITH US SINCE FEBRUARY. ERIK IS SUCH A NICE BOY, AND THE THREE OF US ARE MOST CONGENIAL. HE IS HERE IN MICHIGAN WITH US AND IS DOING EXTREMELY WELL AT SCHOOL. HE SEEMS TO LIKE BEING WITH US AND ADJUSTS TO HIS NEW SURROUNDINGS AND WAY OF LIFE EASILY AND READILY. I AM VERY FOND OF HIM AND AM SO HAPPY FOR LEE THAT HE HAS ERIK WITH HIM. THEY ARE MUCH ALIKE IN LOOKS AND CHARACTER AND ARE DEVOTED TO ONE ANOTHER. WE EXPECT TO HAVE JOHAN (19) AND PETER (11) UP FOR THE SUMMER ALSO, SO YOU SEE OURS WILL BE A FULL HOUSE IN SUMMER. JOHAN GRADUATES FROM HIGH SCHOOL THIS MONTH, AND I KNOW WILL GET TOP HONORS IN HIS CLASS. HE IS A BRILLIANT STUDENT AND HAS MADE AN EXCELLENT RECORD FOR HIMSELF AT MT. BERRY SCHOOL. HE PLANS TO GO TO COLLEGE THERE THIS FALL, CONTINUING HIS STUDIES IN AGRICULTURE. . . .

"SINCE WE HAVE BEEN IN MICHIGAN THE WEATHER HAS BEEN TERRIBLE, AND IT ACTUALLY SNOWED LAST WEEK! . . ."

LOUISE ADAMS HOLLAND, WIDOW OF LEICESTER B. HOLLAND, "IS JUST FINISHING UP A YEAR OF FULL-TIME TEACHING AT BRYN MAWR, AND IS ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR," ACCORDING TO HER DAUGHTER MARIAN, WHO ADDS: "SHE PROMISES ME TO DEVOTE MOST OF TIME THIS SUMMER TO HER BOOK, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF FINISHING IT BEFORE THE NEXT TERM STARTS. THE BOOK IS ON ONE OF THE EARLY CULTS OF ANCIENT ROME AND ITS MANY RAMIFICATIONS."

EMILY PETTIT WHITNEY, DAUGHTER OF MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT, WROTE ON MAY 10 THAT GORDON, HER HUSBAND, "HAS TAKEN A JOB AS SALES ENGINEER FOR G.N. CRAWFORD EQUIPMENT CO. HE SELLS INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION AND MINING EQUIPMENT." HER NEW ADDRESS IS MRS. GORDON F. WHITNEY, 100 GARLOW DRIVE, PITTSBURGH 35, PA. SHE ALSO WROTE THAT HER BROTHER, NORMAN PETTIT, "GRADUATES FROM HARVARD ON JUNE 17. HE IS THEN DRIVING TO CALIFORNIA WITH FRIENDS, AND WILL SPEND THE REMAINDER OF THE SUMMER AT NORTH HAVEN (MAINE). IN SEPTEMBER HE LEAVES FOR ENGLAND, WHERE HE WILL TAKE TWO YEARS OF GRADUATE STUDY AT WADHAM COLLEGE, OXFORD."

MURRAY SARGENT, SON OF HENRY BRADFORD, AMONG MANY LABORS OF LOVE, IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BLOOD TRANSFUSION ASSOCIATION, LOCATED IN ITS OWN BUILDING AT 178 WEST 102ND ST., NEW YORK. THIS IS A VOLUNTARY NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1929 AND IS DIRECTED BY A GROUP OF DOCTORS AND LAYMEN. IT IS THE SUCCESSOR TO THE COOPERATIVE BLOOD DONORS BUREAU ESTABLISHED IN 1928 AT THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL BY DR. ARTHUR F. COCA. THE BUREAU WAS ORGANIZED IN RESPONSE TO AN URGENT DEMAND BY HOSPITALS AND PHYSICIANS FOR PROFESSIONAL DONORS WHO HAD BEEN RELIABLY EXAMINED AND THOROUGHLY TESTED IN THE DAYS WHEN "LIVE" DONORS WERE REGULARLY USED FOR EITHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT TRANSFUSION. THE ORGANIZATION BUYS AND PROCESSES BLOOD AND CARRIES ON SCIENTIFIC AND RESEARCH WORK. IN AN ADDRESS DELIVERED IN 1950 AT THE DEDICATION OF THE NEW BUILDING DR. BENJAMIN P. WATSON, PRESIDENT OF THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE, STATED THAT "AT THE PRESENT TIME IT IS ESTIMATED THAT IN NEW YORK CITY AN AVERAGE OF FOUR TRANSFUSIONS IS BEING GIVEN PER HOSPITAL BED PER YEAR, WHICH MEANS THAT WITH OVER 40,000 HOSPITAL BEDS IN THE CITY WE ARE TRANSFUSING 160,000 PINTS OF BLOOD EVERY YEAR."

AGNES W.B. SARGENT, WIFE OF ZIEGLER SARGENT, HAS BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE SATURDAY MORNING CLUB. THIS WOMEN'S CLUB WAS FOUNDED IN 1881, AND HAS ABOUT THIRTY ACTIVE MEMBERS. IT MEETS BIWEEKLY DURING THE FALL, WINTER, AND SPRING. ACCORDING TO ITS CONSTITUTION, ITS OBJECT IS "TO PROMOTE CULTURE AND SOCIAL INTERCOURSE." A MEMBER IS CALLED UPON TO READ A PAPER, OR LEAD IN A DISCUSSION, ONCE IN TWO OR THREE YEARS. AGNES' MOTHER WAS ONE OF THE GROUP WHO STARTED THE CLUB.

SARGENTRIVIA

IN SARGENTRIVIA OF APRIL 20 IT WAS STATED THAT ACCORDING TO YE EDITOR'S RESEARCHES SARGENT & COMPANY FIRST EMPLOYED FEMALE HELP ON JULY 1, 1877. FURTHER RESEARCH HAS BROUGHT TO LIGHT THAT GIRLS WERE EMPLOYED AT LEAST AS EARLY AS 1875. ON THE PAYROLL PAID MARCH 6, 1875, THERE WERE 17 GIRLS' NAMES IN THE BRIGHT WIRE GOODS DEPARTMENT AND 10 GIRLS IN THE MAIN PACKING ROOM. THE HOURLY RATES ARE NOT SHOWN BUT ONE FANNIE WATROUS ON MARCH 6 RECEIVED \$14 AND FOR THE THREE SUCCEEDING WEEKS \$11, \$12, AND \$12, RESPECTIVELY. ON A 60 HOUR A WEEK BASIS, THE REGULAR WORKING TIME, \$12 A WEEK MEANS A RATE OF 20 CENTS AN HOUR. MANY OF THE GIRLS RECEIVED \$9 A WEEK, EQUAL TO 15 CENTS AN HOUR. THESE RATES ARE CONSIDERABLY HIGHER THAN THOSE IN THE GROUP ON THE JULY 1877 PAYROLL.

MARY HALE CUNNINGHAM SARGENT, WIFE OF MURRAY SARGENT, WAS AN EXHIBITOR AT THE EIGHTH ANNUAL HOBBY SHOW FOR OLDER PERSONS AT THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, NEW YORK CITY, MAY 6 TO 16. THE SHOW IS SPONSORED BY THE NEW YORK WELFARE AND HEALTH COUNCIL. MARY'S EXHIBIT CONSISTED OF TWO SCRAPBOOKS SUCH AS SHE HAS BEEN COMPILING FOR MANY YEARS FOR HER GRANDCHILDREN AND OTHER VERY YOUNG RELATIVES, WITH PICTURES AND ILLUSTRATIONS CUT FROM CURRENT MAGAZINES AND OTHER AVAILABLE SOURCES SUCH AS PACKS OF CARDS. THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IN THE EXHIBIT BY VISITORS TO THE SHOW.

LIEUT. COL. JOSEPH SCRANTON TATE, JR., SON OF ALICE SARGENT TATE, PILOT OF A B-24 LIBERATOR, WAS SHOT DOWN OVER HOLLAND ON DECEMBER 22, 1943, RETURNING FROM A RAID ON KIEL, GERMANY, AND HAS BEEN MISSING SINCE THEN. (SEE SARGENTRIVIA OF APRIL 26, 1944, AND OCTOBER 17, 1945.) HIS DIARY HAS BEEN PRESERVED, A TYPED COPY OF WHICH WAS LENT TO YE EDITOR BY HIS MOTHER. FROM IT IS THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF HIS FLIGHT FROM NEWFOUNDLAND IN A B-24 NAMED THE "BALL OF FIRE", THE ENTRY DATED SEPTEMBER 9, 1942. HE WAS THEN A FIRST LIEUTENANT. IN THE PLANE WITH HIM WERE A CO-PILOT, A NAVIGATOR, A BOMBARDIER, AN ENGINEER, AN ASSISTANT ENGINEER AND GUNNER, A RADIO OPERATOR, A TAIL GUNNER, AN ASSISTANT RADIO OPERATOR AND GUNNER, AND A PASSENGER. THE FIRST THREE WERE SECOND LIEUTENANTS, THE OTHERS WERE SERGEANTS EXCEPT THE PASSENGER, A CORPORAL. MARGIE IN THE DIARY REFERS TO HIS WIFE.

"I START OUT WRITING THIS ON SEPTEMBER 10TH, BUT I'VE NOT HAD ANY SLEEP SINCE YESTERDAY, SEPT. 9TH, NOON, AND TIME HAS CHANGED SEVERAL ZONES SO IT'S ALL ONE - ANYWAY LINDBERGH HAS NOTHING ON ME! I HAVE NOW FLOWN NON-STOP ACROSS THE ATLANTIC OCEAN FROM GANDER LAKE, NEWFOUNDLAND, TO PRESTWICK, SCOTLAND - AND WAS I GLAD TO SEE SCOTLAND! THE FLIGHT TOOK TEN HOURS AND FIVE MINUTES. WE TOOK OFF FROM GANDER JUST AT SUNSET. IT WAS REALLY BEAUTIFUL. LOOKING EAST OVER THE ATLANTIC IT WAS BLACK AS PITCH, AND I COULD SEE THE STARS. LOOKING WEST WAS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL RED AND YELLOW SUNSET I'VE EVER SEEN. MURPHY SAYS HE TOOK COLOR MOVIES OF MY PLANE AGAINST THE SUNSET BACKGROUND. HE SAYS THEY SHOULD BE VERY GOOD. . . . AFTER THE FIRST HOUR IT WAS BLACK AS PITCH OUT THERE. THERE WAS NO MOON, ONLY STARS AND NO HORIZON. WE KEPT A LOOSE FORMATION FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS, DURING WHICH TIME WE CHECKED IN BY RADIO, CONTACTED ALL SHIPS AND GENERALLY SETTLED OURSELVES TO A LONG RIDE. WE KEPT IN CONTACT VISUALLY BY WATCHING WING LIGHTS AND ALSO BY THE ALDIS LAMP. THE MAJOR FLASHED GREEN, STEW RED, AND FRANK AMBER. WE WERE RIDING ALONG AT 7000 AND LOOKING AROUND YOU COULD SEE THE LIGHTS OF ALL THE FORMATIONS FLASHING BACK AND FORTH. I WAS LISTENING ON THE VHF SET AND COULD HEAR PEOPLE CHECKING BACK AND FORTH PRACTICALLY ALL NIGHT. I HEARD RINEHART CALL IN AND ASK IF THE SHIP TO HIS LEFT WAS MAJOR BAKER - AND THERE WAS NO ANSWER. SO I SAID TO MYSELF - KNOWING THAT I, J. TATE, COULD NOT BE WRONG - 'WELL, THAT DUMB RINEHART IS LOST AGAIN,' BECAUSE I KNEW THAT I WAS FLYING ON THE MAJOR'S WING. THEN RINEHART SAID, 'THE SHIP ON MY LEFT IF YOU ARE STEWART FLASH A RED S.' AND DAMNED IF THE SHIP RIGHT BESIDE ME DIDN'T FLASH OUT A BIG RED S! SO SOMEHOW STEW HAD GOTTEN AHEAD OF BEN AND JERK AND THE MAJOR HAD GOTTEN AWAY FROM US, AND THERE WERE STEW, RINEHART AND MYSELF FLYING ALONG TOGETHER. I DIDN'T KNOW (AND STILL DON'T KNOW) WHEN I LOST THE MAJOR, BUT I HAD AND COULDN'T CONTACT HIM, SO I DECIDED TO CONTINUE IN FLIGHT AS I WAS. I HEARD MORE TALK BETWEEN RINEHART AND STEW, AND THEN RINEHART FELL BACK AND STEW AND I WERE TOGETHER FOR A WHILE. I MOVED OVER TO STEW'S RIGHT WING AND IN ABOUT A HALF HOUR BEN RIGGS CAME UP AND JOINED US. WE CHECKED EACH OTHER BY RADIO A LITTLE AND THEN FLEW ON. I HEARD FRANK AND CARL TALKING NOW AND THEN BUT COULDN'T UNDERSTAND THEM. FAR BACK AND TO MY LEFT I COULD SEE FLASHING LAMPS WHICH I TOOK TO BE THE 409TH BEHIND US OR A B-17 OUTFIT WHO WENT OUT AFTER THE 409TH. ABOUT THIS TIME ACCORDING TO FLIGHT PLANS WE WENT UP TO 10,000. FAR BELOW I SAW THE LIGHTS OF A SHIP OR PLANE SOME THOUSANDS OF FEET BELOW US. THEN WE BEGAN TO HAVE A BIG CLOUD BANK ON OUR LEFT FLANK. AT THIS TIME I WAS LISTENING FOR FRANK AND CARL BUT HEARD JERK, WHOM I HADN'T HEARD ALL NIGHT, TRYING TO CONTACT STEW AND BEN. HE CHECKED AND SAID HE WAS GOING TO FLY ON AS HE WAS BECAUSE HE COULDN'T SEE OUR LIGHTS. AT THIS TIME ON SCHEDULE WE WENT UP FROM 10 TO 13 THOUSAND AND THEN TO 15,000 WHEN I PUT THE CREW ON OXYGEN. I NEVER HEARD CARL, FRANK, JERK, THE MAJOR, OR RINEHART AGAIN. WE, STEW AND BEN AND I, SPREAD OUT A BIT MORE BUT WERE STILL IN CONTACT UNTIL AFTER WE DESCENDED TO 13,000 AGAIN. THEN WITHOUT WARNING WE RAN INTO INSTRUMENT WEATHER AND LOST CONTACT. I NEVER SAW STEW OR BEN AGAIN ALTHOUGH I WAS IN RADIO CONTACT WITH THEM FOR ABOUT AN HOUR. ON INSTRUMENT PROCEDURE I GO UP AND RIGHT IN NUMBER 2 POSITION UNTIL 1000 FOOT ALT. SEPARATES ME FROM THE BASE ALT. AND I AM TWO MINUTES AT 45' FROM COURSE, THEN RESUME COURSE AND CONTINUE. STEW STAYS AT BASE ALT. ON COURSE AND BEN IN #3 DOES THE SAME AS I TO (THE) LEFT, ONLY LETS DOWN A 1000 FT. AT 1400' ICE BEGAN TO FORM ON THE WINGS AND WINDSHIELD AND I COULD NO LONGER SEE FLUBBER'S DOME LIGHT. WE TURNED ON THE PITOT HEAT AND DEICERS AND CLIMBED 2000 FEET MORE HOPING TO GET OUT OF THIS ICE LAYER. THE TEMPERATURE VACILLATED BETWEEN ZERO AND MINUS 3 WHICH IS FREEZING, SO I STARTED HIGHER. AT THIS TIME ART CALLED ME FROM HIS TAIL TURRET AND SAID HIS OXYGEN WAS SHOT SO I COULDN'T GO HIGHER WITHOUT RISKING HIS LIFE. I CALLED BEN AND STEW AND THEY WERE SOMEWHERE RIGHT BELOW US SO I COULDN'T RISK GOING DOWN FOR FEAR OF A COLLISION, SO ALFRED WORKED THE DEICERS AND I FLEW INSTRUMENTS FOR ANOTHER HOUR OR SO. THEN THE TEMP BEGAN TO FALL AND WE WENT DOWN TO 14,000 FEET AGAIN." (TO BE CONTINUED.)

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- JUNE 1 - (24TH) MARY HAMMOND BAILEY, DAUGHTER OF NATHANIEL HAMMOND BAILEY
 (19TH) ABIGAIL JANE SARGENT LEWIS, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS
 (8TH) PHEBE SHARON PARKER, DAUGHTER OF PHEBE-NORTON FISHER PARKER
 3 - RITA ANN HARDING HOLLAND, WIDOW OF RICHARD LYON HOLLAND
 (6TH) PRISCILLA CASANOVA, DAUGHTER OF MARGARET SARGENT WILLIAMS CASANOVA
 (2D) ROBERT NORTON PARKER, SON OF PHEBE-NORTON FISHER PARKER
 6 - (9TH) ANNE CHANNING TURNER, DAUGHTER OF ANNE (NANCY) LORING GROVE TURNER
 11 - (7TH) STEPHEN FORBES WISER, SON OF JAMES SARGENT WISER
 12 - (19TH) BARBARA KING MOOREHEAD, DAUGHTER OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD
 13 - CHARLES FORBES SARGENT, SON OF GEORGE LEWIS SARGENT
 (23D) EMILY SARGENT LEWIS LATTIMORE, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS
 15 - (5TH) 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
 (6TH) WENDY SARGENT MACDOUGALL, DAUGHTER OF DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL
 23 - LAWTON GRISWOLD SARGENT, SON OF EDWARD RUPERT SARGENT
 24 - (1ST) HALE CUNNINGHAM SARGENT, SON OF MURRAY SARGENT, JR.
 30 - ALICE MAUD SARGENT TATE, DAUGHTER OF COLONEL FREDERIC HOMER SARGENT
 MARY SARGENT MCCANCE, DAUGHTER OF MARY (MOLLY) DENNY SARGENT MCCANCE
 (9TH) DAVID LORING, SON OF CALEB LORING, JR.
 (8TH) PENELOPE WISER, DAUGHTER OF JAMES SARGENT WISER

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- JUNE 7 - (7TH) MARGARET SARGENT WILLIAMS AND JUAN JOSE CASANOVA
 14 - (32D) LAWTON G. AND JANE CATER SARGENT
 (7TH) EMILY SARGENT PETTIT AND GORDON F. WHITNEY
 15 - (36TH) LAURA RICE AND C. KENNETH DEMING
 16 - (20TH) RICHARD M. AND EDITH BRUNE SARGENT
 (16TH) BRADFORD S. AND JOSEPHINE TOY COLLINS TILNEY
 (10TH) JAMES S. AND NORMA HARVEY WISER
 17 - (32D) MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER AND THEODORE BABBITT
 18 - (5TH) THOMAS O. AND KATHRYN TULLOCH SARGENT
 19 - (6TH) THEODORE F. AND BETSY HURD BABBITT
 21 - (41ST) RICHARD C. AND RUTH KINGSBURY SARGENT
 (5TH) GEORGE G. (GID) AND SARAH (SALLY) MEANS LORING
 23 - (4TH) MARGARET HUSSON (TATE) AND WILLARD R. HOLLINGSWORTH
 (3D) WILLIAM A.R. AND PHYLLIS ANNE COLE DEMING
 26 - (9TH) MARY CUMMING AND ALEXANDER STUART FITZHUGH, III
 28 - (34TH) J. WEIR AND PHEBE DOWNS SARGENT
 (32D) F. HOMER AND LILA WALKER SARGENT
 (14TH) MURRAY, JR., AND LUCY GARFIELD SARGENT
 (7TH) WILLIAM P., JR., AND MARION HUNICKE SARGENT
 30 - (33D) MARY (MOLLY) SARGENT AND WILLIAM H. MCCANCE
 (3D) JOHN M. AND JANET HUTTON SARGENT

GEORGE HENRY SARGENT (1828-1917), GRANDFATHER OF SARGENT AND LEICESTER LEWIS AND MILLICENT LEWIS PETTIT, A STRONG REPUBLICAN FROM 1856 TO THE END OF HIS LIFE, NEVER WOULD RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE. IN A STRAW VOTE FOR MAYOR OF NEW YORK, CONDUCTED BY THE TRIBUNE IN 1901, HE LED THE FIELD. MORE THAN A COLUMN OF THE NEWSPAPER OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1901, IS DEVOTED TO THE VOTING WITH COMMENTS ON THE CANDIDATES. OVER 250 MEN RECEIVED VOTES FOR EITHER FIRST OR SECOND CHOICE. GEORGE HENRY SARGENT WAS THE TOP MAN, POLLING 5,880 OUT OF 40,251 TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR FIRST CHOICE. WM. H. ELLISON WAS SECOND WITH 4,939 AND PRESIDENT SETH LOW OF COLUMBIA THIRD WITH 4,273 VOTES. THE NEWSPAPER COMMENTED: "GEORGE HENRY SARGENT, MERCHANT, LEADER IN THE CANVASS, ATTRACTED ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT FROM AMONG SOLID AND PRACTICAL BUSINESS MEN DOWNTOWN AND ALL OVER THE CITY, AND FROM THEIR FRIENDS AND FROM THE INTERESTS GROUPED AROUND THE IMPORTANT HARDWARE CLUB, OF WHICH MR. SARGENT IS PRESIDENT." HE WAS ON THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE HARDWARE CLUB AND ITS PRESIDENT FOR TWO YEARS, 1899-1901. THE TRIBUNE OF SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1901, ON ITS FRONT PAGE INCLUDES THAT OF GEORGE H. SARGENT AMONG THE PHOTOGRAPHS OF "THE LEADERS IN THE TRIBUNE'S MAYORALTY CONTEST."

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF YE EDITOR'S GENERATION, DURING HIS FOUR YEARS, 1891-94, AS MAYOR, RECEIVED A GREAT MANY REQUESTS FOR HELP OF VARIOUS KINDS. THE FOLLOWING LONGHAND LETTER, DATED DECEMBER 23, 1892, IS FROM HIS LETTERBOOK. (HE UNDOUBTEDLY SIGNED IT AS MAYOR, WHICH DOES NOT APPEAR IN THE LETTERBOOK.)

"STATE REFORM SCHOOL.

GEORGE E. HOWE ESQ SUPT DEAR SIR:

I INCLOSE A LETTER RECEIVED BY ME TODAY FROM ALDERMAN JOHN H. MOORE OF THIS CITY, BROUGHT TO ME BY FOUR YOUNG MEN NAMED JOHN DUFFY, JAMES J. DUFFY, MICHAEL DUFFY AND FRANCIS J. DUFFY RESIDING WITH THEIR MOTHER AT 250 WALLACE STREET IN THIS CITY.

"THESE YOUNG MEN ARE STRANGERS TO ME. THEY APPEAR TO BE INTELLIGENT AND WORTHY YOUNG MEN AND GOOD CITIZENS. THEY HAVE A YOUNG BROTHER ABOUT TWELVE OR THIRTEEN YEARS WHO HAS NO POLICE RECORD OF CONVICTION FOR ANY OFFENSE EXCEPT THAT OF BUILDING A BONFIRE, AND LATER OF BEING SENT TO YOUR SCHOOL. THIS YOUNG LAD HAS BEEN AT HOME FOR SOME MONTHS PAST, BY YOUR PERMISSION I PRESUME. HE OUGHT TO HAVE GONE TO SCHOOL, THE PUBLIC SCHOOL HERE, BUT DID NOT DO SO VERY REGULARLY, AND THE REASON GIVEN IS THAT ON ACCOUNT OF HIS MOTHERS ILLNESS AND INABILITY TO ATTEND TO MANY HOUSEHOLD DUTIES, SHE KEPT THE YOUNG LAD DANIEL DUFFY (HER YOUNGEST SON) AT HOME TO HELP HER, AS IS CLAIMED BY THE SONS ABOVE NAMED.

"ON THE 21ST, DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY, SOME OFFICIAL VISITED THE DUFFY HOME AND TOOK DANIEL AWAY TO MERIDEN, AND HE IS PROBABLY NOW AT YOUR SCHOOL.

"THE MOTHER FEELS VERY BADLY OVER THE TAKING AWAY AND SO DO THE YOUNG MEN, HIS OLDER BROTHERS. THEY HOPE YOU WILL AGAIN RELEASE DANIEL AND LET HIM RETURN HOME AND THEY ALL PROMISE THAT THEY WILL SEE THAT DANIEL GOES TO SCHOOL ACCORDING TO LAW.

"THEY WILL FEEL VERY HAPPY IF HE CAN BE ALLOWED TO COME TOMORROW SATURDAY TO BE PRESENT AT A FAMILY REUNION AND HELP TO EAT THEIR FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER.

"I FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE BOY'S FUTURE GOOD MUST BE KEPT IN VIEW WHATEVER MAY BE THE PRESENT INCONVENIENCE TO THE FAMILY, BUT THE BROTHERS ALL SAY THAT THEY WILL SEE THAT HE GOES TO SCHOOL IF YOU WILL AGAIN RELEASE HIM ON PROBATION.

"I DONOT INQUIRE SO THOROUGHLY ABOUT THE CASE AS I OTHERWISE SHOULD BECAUSE THERE IS SCARCELY TIME TO DO SO AMONG THE NEIGHBORS AND THEN WRITE AND HAVE HIM AT HOME ON CHRISTMAS.

"YOURS TRULY,
"J.B. SARGENT"

PICTURED BELOW ARE GEORGE G. (GID) AND SALLY MEANS LORING WITH THEIR SON GARDY, 9 1/2 MONTHS OLD; AND ROSEMARY VARKER PETTIT (WIFE OF HORACE, JR.) WITH HER 10 DAYS OLD SON, BRADFORD SARGENT PETTIT.

