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The President's Corner

This summer, my wife and I took my oldest grandson, Jon, to Hawaii to see the Pearl Harbor memorials. He had done a paper, slide show, and exhibits, on the Attack on Pearl Harbor for a high school project, and wanted to experience it himself.

While at USS Arizona memorial, we saw, among the names of those entombed, the name, Maybee, G. F., RM2c USNR. Jon asked if he was a relative, and because I know I am related to all Maybees, I said "Yes".

I remembered that George Maybee was listed on the Pearl Harbor monument at the Punchbowl National Cemetery of the Pacific, located in a crater above Honolulu, so we next went there to see his name inscribed on the Courts of the Missing

This man who gave his life for his country was George Frederick Maybee, born 17 November 1912 at Oakland, California, to Arthur A Maybee and Edna Gertrude Karman. George's line comes from Casper Pieterszen Mabie, son of Pieter Casparzen van Naarden; and leads back through Indiana,

Pennsylvania, to the Orange County, New York/New Jersey area.

In 1938, his family lived at 718 S Davis, Santa Rosa, California, where George and his father were cabinet makers. George must have joined the Navy about that time, because by December of 1941 he had been advanced four times to a Petty Officer Second Class working as a Radioman on the battleship, USS Arizona (BB-39)

Shortly before 08:00, Japanese aircraft from six fleet carriers struck the Pacific Fleet as it lay in port at Pearl Harbor; and at 08:06 a bomb hit the Arizona between and to starboard of Turrets #1 & 2. The subsequent explosion, which destroyed the forward part of Arizona, was due to the detonation of the ammunition magazine. That blast destroyed the Arizona and sank her at her berth alongside Ford Island and cost the life of George Maybee and 1,176 other men of the 1,400 on board at the time.

George was survived by his parents Arthur and Edna, his brother and sister-in-law, John and Bernice, and their children, George and Janet.

**THE ORIGINAL GRANTEEES OF
MANSFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE,
1763**

Steve Mabie, V.P. Maybee Society

“Several years ago, a fellow researcher sent to me a few pages from *"Landlord and Tenant in Colonial New York: Manorial Society, 1664 - 1775"* by Sung Bok Kim (1978). On page 268, Kim wrote: "That many tenants were not impatient with their lot is evident also from the speculative activities of some of them. New Hampshire patent records yield evidence that at least twenty-one Cortlandt Manor tenants speculated in land within the jurisdiction of the New Hampshire government. In 1763 fourteen tenants, namely, Silas Smith, Walter Ward, Samuel Frost, William Borden, Joseph Strang, Nathan Whitney, William Horton, John Bailey, John Maybee, Samuel Jones, Annanias Rogers, Joseph Veal, John Veal, and Bartlet Brundage were granted about 320 acres each in Mansfield, later a part of Stowe, Vermont."

For several years I kept this page handy, planning on doing some follow-up research, but never quite getting around to it. Finally, this summer I found the source cited by Kim, *"The New Hampshire Grants, being transcripts of The Charters of Townships and Minor Grants of Lands Made by the Provincial Government of New Hampshire, Within the Present Boundaries of the State of Vermont, from 1749 to 1764"*, in the Houston Library.

On pages 514 - 518 is the original charter for Mansfield, recorded on

June 8, 1763. Among the 65 names of the Grantees; each of whom was assigned 320 acres, are the names William Maybee, John Maybee, Jacob Maybee, Jeremiah Maybee and Frederick Maybee. It seems that the reason that Kim did not mention the other names is that he was unaware that each of these men was from Cortlandt Manor.

Before those of you who are descendants of these men rush out to Stowe, Vermont, to claim your inheritance, I have some bad news.

It seems that after Vermont became the fourteenth State in 1791, the county governments sought ways to raise money. One way they chose to do so was by taxing the land owners. Unfortunately for some absentee landowners, failure to pay the tax would result in the forfeiture of land sufficient to pay the amount due. A search of Vermont newspapers (*America's Historical Newspapers*) reveals that in the fall of 1792, and again in 1801, 1804, 1811, 1817 and presumably for several years thereafter, the Counties advertised the sale of land for unpaid taxes, including those of the Maybees.

Nonetheless, for those of you who find yourselves in the vicinity, I understand that the Town Records of Stowe contain details of the land transactions and that those records are located at the Town Hall of Stowe.

On a final note, I wonder if the fact that Frederick Maybee owned land in what became Vermont somehow led to the family legend that he was from Massachusetts?"

HUGUENOT SOCIETY:

Sylvester Mabie, Member #110, writes "I finally met the criteria for membership in The Huguenot Society of South Carolina as well as the Holland Society. It has been a long and arduous task but the Board of Directors voted me in on April 14, 2007. South Carolina has a rich Huguenot heritage extending back to the first arrivals (from England) in 1680. We also have the only remaining Independent French Huguenot Church in the hemisphere.

Thank you for your support in this quest. Sy "

CANADIAN WEBSITES

David Wessel, Webmaster of the Regina Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society writes,

"We have a number of interesting new items on our website.

Check them out at

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~canrbsgs/>

These include:

- Regina History Tour -- new page -- the complete script for an extensive self-guided tour of Regina's past and present, in two formats
- Recent Events -- brief summaries of several branch events in the past couple of months -- you'll be sorry if you missed some of them
- Coming Events -- a hint of what is coming in the fall
- Favorite Links -- a relatively new page of web links featuring Saskatchewan sites -- your suggestions are welcome."



PHOTO IDENTIFIED.

Peter Johnson, U.E. Member #11 writes,

"In the May newsletter there was an unidentified photo of a couple, and the suggestion was that they were *William Huff Maybee* and his wife *Julie Ette Harrington*. I was very interested in this, as a descendant of this couple. Photos of them have not turned up previously.

My wife and I checked the photo, and our conclusion is that it is not William and Julie. Rather it is his brother *Peter Huff Maybee* 1804-1886 and his wife (and first cousin) *Mary A. Maybee* 1810-1888. The date of the photo is likely after 1870, and no later than 1886, and Julie, by the way, died in 1870

To put it in perspective, William, Peter and Mary are all grandchildren of Capt. Abraham Maybee U.E.."

CANADIAN HEROINE – LAURA SECORD CANDIES

Jeanine Kowalski, Member #317, writes, "Having lived in Western New York most of my life, I had heard of *Laura Secord Candies* and knew of her

homestead. This year I visited her homestead.

A young hostess informed our group that we could touch the fireplace if we wanted to feel close to Laura. I did so, and everyone looked at me with a questioning look. I then explained that I was a Mabie/Secord descendant of those who lived in New Rochelle. The hostess then told me that she had some history of the Secord family and would copy it for me.

Laura Ingersoll married **James Secord** about 1797 in Canada. He was the grandson of **Catherine Mabie** (and Daniel Secord, Jr.) The Secords settled in Lewiston Heights and raised a family of one son and six daughters.

In 1812 the Americans invaded Canada and James was wounded at the Battle of Lewiston Heights. Laura walked to the area and searched among the dying and dead for her husband. She found him wounded in the shoulder and knee. She dragged him home and dressed his wounds. He never recovered from the knee injury.

The following year, 1813, Laura opened her home to the American troops. She overheard the troops planning to attack the British. She told her husband that someone had to warn them. With a cow and a bucket, she set out for their field, but continued on to her half brother's home. But upon arriving found him ill. Laura and her niece then set out for the British headquarters, having to trek on a hot June day through the woods that was full of wild animals and mosquitoes. Laura's niece became exhausted and they stopped at Shipman's Corners. Laura continued on and came upon an

Indian encampment. There she persuaded the Chief to take her to Lt. Fitzgibbon's headquarters.

The British and the Indians defeated the Americans at Beavers Dam, which prevented the Americans from taking over Canada.

Laura became a Canadian heroine, but refused to accept recognition for her feat. In 1861 she met the future King of England, King George. He was so overcome by her bravery that he sent her one hundred sovereigns when she was 83 years old.

Laura and James are buried in the cemetery on Lundy's Lane in Chippewa, Ontario."

OUR FAMILY HEROINES:

Laura Secord's history and Issue 8 of the Communicator which told of our family's heroines led me to wonder how many other heroines we have in the family.

We would love to have your stories about family heroines – past or present.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Dennis Mabee #341
11 Carriage House Way
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Dennis is the son of Martin B. and Grace Mabee #218
Their line is descended from Alfred Mabee 1823 & Elizabeth Harding

T. J. Beer #342
P. O. Box 910513.
St. George UT 84791-0513
T. J. is descended from Jacob Mabee and Hannah Bishop of Sussex County, NJ.

SOUTH VALLEY MABIE REUNION:

From Barb Kineke, Member #269

“The 83rd annual South Valley Mabie Reunion was held in Gloversville at the home of Bob Mabie on Sunday July 8th. Everyone brought a dish or two to pass and it was a wonderful meal. Bob has a pool so the children as well as a few adults enjoyed that on a picture perfect sunny day. Barb Kineke brought her Mabie genealogy books which many enjoyed looking through. Barb’s husband, Mick, took many pictures throughout the afternoon as well as group shots of the 37 people who were present. A birthday cake was also enjoyed in honor of Bobbette Mabie Shirley, daughter of Bob Mabie.

At our annual meeting, the same officers were kept; Bob Mabie as president, Marylou Bach as secretary/treasurer and Barb Kineke as Historian.

William Mabie and wife *Sophia Scripture* began their line in South Valley, New York in the 1800s. They and most of their children lived, died and are buried in South Valley. William and Sophia had 12 children, 3 of whom died at birth. Of the other 9 children, 4 of their lines were represented at this reunion. There were 24 from the *Arba Oscar* line, 2 from the *John Peter* line, 9 from the *David Anthony* line, and 2 from the *Washington* line. *James Dana* moved to Wisconsin and his line stayed out west. *Margaret Clarissa* had no children of her own, but raised her sister *Mary Catherine’s* daughter after she died at the age of 23 of TB. *Mary Catherine* married *Squire Clark* and they had 2 children. Elnora was raised by *Margaret* and *Clarence Clark* stayed in Kentucky with his father and family and was raised there. We did receive some email from *William Mabie’s* relatives; however they were unable to attend this year. The last child was *Abigail Annette* who had 2 daughters, but it is unknown if any one exists from these lines. It would be nice to see all of the lines represented at the reunion next year.

The following were our statistics for the year 2006-2007:

37 attended from Gloversville, Hagaman, Fonda, Fultonville, Mohawk, McGraw, South Valley, Cherry Valley, Fort Plain, Ballston Lake, Port Crane, Jamesville (all in New York); Douglas, Mass.; Meadville, Pennsylvania., and Palm Harbor, Florida..

Largest generation: Bob Mabie family and Elliot & Luella (Mabie) Brodie family each had three generations present

Largest representation of one family: Elliot & Luella (Mabie) Brodie family with 16 present

Family w/most children: Elliot & Luella (Mabie) Brodie w/six: Frank, Mary Lou, Charley, Carol, Barb, & Donna Lou

Farthest distance: Earl & Marietta (Morrison) Mabie, of Palm Harbor, Florida., traveled approximately 1300 miles

Oldest: Luella (Mabie) Brodie, 87 years old, of South Valley

Youngest: Max Shirley, five and a half years old, son of Scott & Bobette (Mabie) Shirley, of Fonda

Number of Births: Five

Number of Deaths: Four

Number of Marriages: Three
Number of High School Graduations: Three
Number of College Graduations: Two
Number of Military Graduations: One
Number of Special Anniversaries (over past year): Six

Next year's reunion to be held again at Bob Mabie's Gloversville home on Sunday, July 13, 2008, with picnic dinner at 1:30

We would love to hear from any descendants of any of these lines from William and Sophia Mabie. Please email Barb Kineke at micknbarb1980@yahoo.com. Thank you!



Front row: Mick and Barb Kineke, Dillon and Jekara Hatch, Alyson, Bobbette and Max Shirley, Brandy Brodie (all on ground). Sitting in chairs are Howard Mabie and friend Ruth, Elliot and Luella Mabie Brodie and far chair to the right is Debbie Brodie with husband Charlie right behind her. Next row standing is Carol Brodie, Marylou Bach, Marrietta Mabie, Gloria Mabie, Aileen Mabie, Leland and Pat Mabie, Janine Dykeman Last row: Dave Bach, Myra Mabie Webster, Rebecca Lofstrom, Margaret Mabie, Earl Mabie, Brenda Mabie, Steve and Donna Hatch, Jack Mabie, Tony Brodie, Frank Brodie, Kyle Mabie, Bob Mabie, Roy Dykeman and Renee Merolli.



Bob Mabie Family

This is the Bob Mabie family. Bob hosted the reunion, and is our president. His family tied with the Elliot Brodie family with most generations present. His grandson, Max, in this picture was the youngest present.

Men in back:

Kyle and Bob Mabie and Roy Dykeman

4 ladies:

Brenda Mabie, Janine Dykeman, Bobbette Shirley and Renee Merolli.

2 children:

Alyson and Max Shirley



Elliot and Luella Mabie Brodie Family

Elliot and Luella Mabie Brodie family. Tied with Bob Mabie family as most generations present, 3. Largest representation of one family, 16. And Luella was the Mabie present graced with the most years

Front row children:

Dillon and Jekara Hatch

Sitting, Elliot and Luella Mabie Brodie and Debbie Brodie

5 ladies standing:

Barb Kineke, Brandy Brodie, Donna Hatch, Carol Brodie and Marylou Bach

6 men standing:

Mick Kineke, Steve Hatch, Frank Brodie, Tony Brodie, Dave Bach and Charlie Brodie

ROSS'S EXCITING FINDS:

Ross Mabey, Member # 202, says, "This might be of interest to those Mabey/Maybee families etc., who originated from the UK..

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/searchthearchives/migration.htm>

This is a good one. Found my dad 3rd from bottom."

Passenger list search results

Last name	First name	Age	Sex	Year of departure	Departure port	Destination country	Destination port
MABEY			F	1911	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Albert E		M	1911	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Alfred Edward	36	M	1918	Plymouth	Australia	Australia
MABEY	Archie C	26	M	1913	London	Australia	Fremantle
MABEY	Bernard E A	17	M	1914	London	Australia	Fremantle
MABEY	Doris E	1	F	1913	London	Australia	Fremantle
MABEY	E	5	M	1912	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Ernest S	30	M	1913	London	Australia	Fremantle
MABEY	Florence		F	1908	London	Australia	Brisbane
MABEY	H	31	F	1912	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Jack	17	M	1926	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Jessie M	31	F	1913	London	Australia	Fremantle
MABEY	John James	37	M	1922	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Mary B	41	F	1922	London	Australia	Sydney
MABEY	Thos H	43	M	1900	London	Australia	Sydney

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