

August Police Log continued

Looking for unregistered dirt bikes 13:21 South Lane II Serv, rend. 8/24

Escort unhelmeted operator to CT. Town Line 19:45 Rt. 189 8/24

Complaint of man in rd. with suitcase 16:38 Granby Rd. Placed person
in protective custody 8/25

Court Pretrial Conf. 12:30 Westfield Dist. Ct. Default warrant issued 8/26

Serve default warrant 9:54 Water St. Arrest & transport to Westf. PD 8/26

Court pretrial conf. 8:12 Westfield Ct. Serv. rend. 8/27

Suspicious person 9:54 Sodom St. Serv, rend. 8/27

Suspicious people 21:26 North Lane II Serv. rend. 8/27

Suspicious vehicle 21:39 South Lane I Serv. rend. 8/28

Standard Patrol 19:31 8/29

Reports of shots fired 19:39 Blandford Rd. Warned property owner 8/29

Standard Patrol 19:31 8/30

Break up Party 21:40 Wildcat & North Lane I Serv. rend St. Pol. assist. 8/30

Follow up on party from 8/30 10:52 Wildcat Rd. & North Lane I Serv.

rend. Found wallet. 8/31

Public Service 14:15 Water St. Deliver message 8/31

LONG AGO DAYS

This has been a pretty mixed up summer, at least for me. I thought to keep on with old West Granville houses, etc. However I got off the track and am in the "twilight zone" to one extent or another, so that will have to wait awhile.

However, I had good luck in regards to my personal paternal genealogy so I'll bore you with some of that.

On July 19th and 20th the annual Aldrich Association was held in Bellingham, Ma. near Medway and May and I attended. I know she is not much interested in it but it was a case of bribery! She would go with me if I would go to Cape Cod with her this September, as I have for several years and which I had planned not to do in 1986. It has become a very frustrating vacation for I can no longer negotiate the hundred or so steps from the beach and I can no longer walk long distances, or in rough going, as I used to love to do ---better to forget it!

I have had a lot of pleasure and much aggravation tracing my "Roots". This is pretty common when said roots lead back to the 1600's--- you find a dead end or two sooner or later. Sometimes it's more of a dead middle!

George Aldrich, the first to come, a tailor from Derbyshire, England arrived in 1640(?). He lived in both Dorchester and Braintree for awhile then became one of the first settlers of Mendon, Ma. where he spent the rest of his life except for a short period when the town came under Indian attack. He returned to it though and lived and died and is buried there. The family increased and multiplied in that area for just over the line in Rhode Island is an old Aldrich cemetery.

For a long time Ralph Aldrich of Port Washington, L.I. spent his retirement years, with his wife, compiling a history of the family but though he finished it, he died before he could get it published. This summer his widow Pearl, age 83, and now living with her son in Penacook, NH, attended and she brought along one section of their work

Long Ago continued

for member to see. It happened to be of my "line". She now plans to get it printed and I can hardly wait. I did not get to read all of what she brought but I got the "hi-lights" and after years of searching and coming, As she said, pretty close, I know "who I am" as people say today.

We decided that one of the drawbacks to good accurate family records is that people are just so busy living when they are young, and only getting interested as they become older, is that many of the family who could have told them so many, many things are now dead. This means long periods of looking for what those fathers, mothers, grandparents, and in many cases great grandparents knew about and could have told them, and that happened to me on all of my lines---Aldrich, Richardsen, Nelson and Reed. Also, at retirement the time left to us is SHORT for careful, meticulous research such as Ralph's and Pearl's.

Every year when we attend these reunions we are apt to pick up some more bits and pieces about our forebears even though most of the people who come are not, so to speak, closely related to me, but all of us go back to George (1), Jacob(2), John(3) or David (3) and then spread out. Today we reach from shore to shore, possibly further.

In the 1850's during the greta migrations westward, five of my grandfather's children joined in it, moving to Illinois, INDIANA, Minnesota, Ohio and Iowa. 1892 is about the last any of the "stay at homes" heard from any of them. Most had died that had known each other in either section of the country. News, as it were, petered out!

Two years ago I had the extremely good luck to find a descendant of my great uncle Henry Aldrich who went so long ago to Indiana. (He was brother to my grandfather, isaac Aldrich0. This man, much younger than me. lives in Andover, Minnesota. He has sent me scads of materials on the five of the "Westward Ho" group and many of them have now reached the coast of California, just has my daughter, Kathleen.

On Aug. 24,25,and 26 this year he (Jan Scott Aldrich) and his wife Suzanne visited us. They were just great people! We crowded a lot of things into those three days! We had a quick tour of Granville, and on the 24th we visited Londonderry, Vt. where Isaac, Henry and ten more of their brothers AND sisters were born. (Two others died young) We visited cemeteries, old home sites (Grest Grandpa's house is now gone-torn down to widen the road- It was a beautiful two story brick house) He was Clark Aldrich, born 1774, died 1854, and his wife was JerushA Bidwell, born 1779, died 1849. We also visited the town clerk's office where they were very helpful, and the Windham Registry of Probate at Bellows Falls. In general we covered a lot of ground and in general had a wonderful day, winding it all up with an excellent dinner at the Sheraton restaurant in Westfield.

How I hated to see them leave! It is hard to cover the one hundred and eighty years of our family members in Vermont in such a short time. We did our best though, and their visit was the "Highlight" of my life for 1986.

Leona Aldrich Clifford(9);(George 080), Isaac(7), Clark(6), Alexander(5), Jeremiah(4), John(3), Jacob(2) and George(1)

A Memorial to Bertha Parker

All the members of the Granville Lions Club wish to thank everyone from Granville and surrounding areas who have sent donations to our club to be used in memory of Bertha.

Bertha, wife of charter member Bert, had a deep concern for our Lions Club projects. She has helped us since July 24, 1965 when our club was chartered, in our projects to raise monies; from helping at meal preparations for monthly meetings to annual steak roast, calendar sales, Ladies Nights, electric bulb sales, scholarship fund, orthopedic clinic, and eye research fund.

All profits of projects are donated to town organizations and other worthwhile causes.

Again, thank all of you; there are too many to list individually. She is sadly missed by all of us.

Granville Lions Club

Dear Friends and Relatives,

On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the Granville Ambulance and Police as well as those who have given me such support during my recent crisis. Thank you all.

Sincerely,

James H. Mosher & Family

BIRTHS

Twins	Timothy & Nathaniel	Aug. 29	Cheryl & Timothy Slater Grandparents: Mr/Mrs. Eugene Slack
	Chadwick Alexander	Aug. 31	Avola & Matthew Berndt Grandparents: Mr/Mrs. Richard Brown

MARRIAGES

Marguerite Livingston of West Granville	Aug. 23	R. Edward Townsend, Jr. of West Granville
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IN HOSPITAL

Eulalia Hayden	Lena Brown
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RECUPERATING

Jeremy McCusker

IN NURSING HOMES

Ruth Phelon	Westfield Manor	Lucy Stebbins : Ring Nursing Home
Guy Hansen	Governor's House	155 Mill St.
Ethel Tripp	" "	Springfield 01108
Ernestine Read	Valley View	Hattie Suhm: Chapel Hill Nursing
Dora Barry	" "	Home, 100 Locust St.
		Holyoke, 01040

IN MEMORIAM

Earnest Henderson	August 20	leaves wife Rachel, sons Stanley of Kentucky & Stephen of Granville, daughter, Michal
Katherine B. Stevenson	Sept. 3	leaves son John and daughter Elizabeth English stepsons, Holland N. JR. & Gilbert W.
Bertha (Klimas) Parker	Sept. 11	leaves husband Bert D. Parker 4 daughters Donna & Lynette of Granville, Patricia Holmes of Chester, Phyllis Broneau of Westfield.

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