

The Cannon Chronicle

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THE GEORGE CANNON FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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“I desire no future which will break the ties of the past.”

— George Elliot.

In our traditional “Cannon Chronicle” we have written largely about our ancestry. Though realizing we inevitably will miss many, we would like first to focus on some current younger members who are admirably carrying on the ideals of our cherished past.

First comes to mind Paul Cannon Pollei, son of Emily Cannon Pollei, daughter of Dr. William T. Cannon and his adopted sister, Ada, who brought into the family the musical strain of the Croxalls. Paul first gained national prominence when the first “Meet the Mormons” week was held in Tallahassee, Florida, in 1974. He has since had international prominence in Japan, Taiwan and Indonesia. He is now located in Provo at the BYU, where he recently directed the Gina Bachauer International Summer wfestival.

Judge David K. Winder, 47 years old, is the youngest man to be federal judge in Utah. He is the son of Edwin K. Winder and the late Alma Cannon Winder, daughter of William T. and Ada Cannon.

Members of the Cannon family continue to play a strong supporting role in the Church. In October, 1978, the General Board of the Young Women’s organization of the Church was reorganized with Elaine Anderson Cannon (wife of D. James Cannon, George Q. family, who last June was named President of the National Association of Consultinl Engineers Council Executives) as General President. Assisting her as members of the General Board are Margery Sorensen Cannon (wife of William W. Cannon) and Winifred Cannon Jardine (wife of Stuart B. Jardine), both from the George Q. branch. Their daughters Merilee Cannon and Ann Jardine are serving in an advisory capacity.

Dr. Jeffrey R. Holland is serving as Commissioner of Education for the Church. He is over all the Church colleges, institutes and seminaries. He is a great grandson of Leonora Cannon Gardner.

Richard (Dick) Marshall, son of Robert P. and Ruth Cannon Marshall and grandson of the late Hugh J. Cannon, is a regional representative for the LDS Church. He recently served as mission president in Australia. Dick is vice president of David W. Evans Advertising and Public Relations.

Too often in speaking of our Cannon Family, we refer only to the six children of Ann Quayle. We are located so we have not had as much contact with the children of the lovely daughter Elizabeth, posthumous child of George Cannon and the kind, young Welsh woman, Mary Edwards White who had been helpful with his children on the voyage from Liverpool when they lost their mother Ann Quayle, and again on the bitter cold trip up the Mississippi to Nauvoo.

Only recently have we been aware that the beautiful, talented Joan Ottley, who is the outstanding soloist with the Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir, is a South, a part of the Elizabeth Cannon Piggott family of Randolph in northern Utah. Joan is the wife of Jerrold Ottley, conductor of the choir. They studied music together in Germany on Fulbright scholarships. She is so tall, gracefully poised and beautiful, it is almost as enjoyable to watch as to listen to her sing.

Marge Cannon Pingree (who is both of the Angus M. and George Q. Cannon families) has three fine sons. Among them is John who is Director of the Utah Transit Authority, while George is a prominent eye surgeon in Salt Lake City.

Nora Stewart Snow of the Angus M. Cannon family has three fine young people who are doers. Christopher Snow is with the United States Foreign Service. During the revolution in Iran, Chris was Director of the Iran-American Society in Tehran; he and his wife Cameron experienced extreme mental and physical trauma before their safe evacuation in April, 1979. They are now in London where Chris serves as Cultural Attache to the United States Embassy there. After being public relations consultant for the Urban League and director of the American Bankers Association in Washington, D.C., Leonora Snow Cross is Director of the Editorial and Publications Management Divi-

sion of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Lee and her husband, John M. Cross, have one daughter, Anne Leonora. Nicholas J. Snow, formerly associate Business Editor of the *Deseret News*, is now Managing Editor of the *Oil Daily*, a nationally distributed newspaper published by the Whitney Enterprises. Nick's wife, Robbie, formerly a reporter for the *Salt Lake Tribune*, is Editor of the *Women's Political Times*.

Janet Cannon Randall, daughter of Collins Telle and Ida Mae Burton Cannon (George Q. Cannon family) has been appointed to the Institutional Council of Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

Dr. Collins Phillip Cannon, son of Collins B. Cannon and grandson of Collins Telle Cannon, has received a United States patent for his detector which monitors the level of neutron activity inside a nuclear reactor. Phillip, a senior scientist at Westinghouse Hanford Co., is a co-inventor of the self-powered detector, which can be used to monitor the neutron flux in commercial power reactors.

Angus Robert (Bob) Cannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Steffenson Cannon, is currently consultant in physics with the BDM Corporation in Monterey, California. He has served as physicist on the team to track and observe space flights at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in the Goldstone Desert. He has had worldwide recognition and service since 1972 when he presented his paper before the space research scientists of the world in Madrid, Spain.

Ted (Edwin Q. Jr. of the George Q. Cannon family) and Janeth Russell Cannon have just returned from one year in Ghana and Nigeria where they were called as special representatives of the International Mission of the Church in those countries. Ted and his brother Bill are working on a spot at their Salt Lake Stamp Co. to give to the Cannon family to store family records so they will be accessible to family members. Keep in touch for its opening.

Winfield Q. Cannon has also been serving as mission president in Singapore and India for the past year or so. Winfield is a son of the late Sylvester Q. Cannon and grandson of George Q. Cannon.

Honors continue to come to David C. Evans, son of David W. and Beatrice Cannon Evans (Angus M. family). He has been elected a member of the National Academy of Engineering, one of the highest

professional honors in engineering. His father, David W. Evans received an honorary Doctor of Humanities Degree from Utah State University in Logan.

Glen Badger Cannon, president of the George Q. Cannon Family Association and son of Spencer Croxall and Nancy Badger Cannon, was elected Mayor of Draper, Utah in the recent election.

Charles N. Cannon, son of George M. Cannon, Jr. (Angus M. family), is president of Fluor Engineers and Constructors, Inc. of Fluor Corporation. Fluor Corporation provides engineering, construction, and management of oil, gasoline and other energy sources. This large company serves worldwide areas including South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Asia, Latin America, Australia, and Europe, as well as the United States. The work is of vital importance in the present world circumstances of short energy supply. Charles, married to Margie Moore, is the father of daughters Martha (Mrs. William Manning), and Carol (Mrs. Lawrence Jones), and grandson Morgan Jones. He resides in Corona del Mar, California.

Our present president of the George Cannon Family Association, Orin R. (Bud) Woodbury, though not a Cannon in name, is more Cannon than any of our past presidents with the Cannon name. He represents two of the stalwart women of the first generation of our Cannon ancestors in America: Mary Alice Cannon Lambert, oldest daughter of George and Ann Quayle Cannon, who largely mothered the younger orphaned children of our immigrant converts, as well as bearing 14 children of her own. Bud is also descended from the second daughter, Ann, who is the ancestor of our Woodbury line. Orin operates two businesses, is on the Church Coordinating Committee and is a guide at Temple Square, often entertaining visitors at his home. He is ably aided by his lovely wife, Imogene Randall.

Though we could go on indefinitely with youth, let us now turn to the older generations.

In our last Chronicle, 1977, we told of Theresa (Aunt Tris) Cannon Huntsman at 92 as being the oldest living woman in the Cannon family. She died June 20, 1979 at her home in Enterprise. She was completely blind and had been for some time. She was so pleasant and keen in her mind, it was a treat to visit her.

George Piggott, 93 in June next, is believed to be our oldest member. He is not only alive, but young and lively, traveling to Bloomington (Idaho) in the summer and Kanab for the winters.

Glen Bennion Cannon, son of Angus M. and Maria Bennion Cannon, died April 22, 1979. He was the last living child of Angus M. Cannon. It was said at the time of his death that he still taught a Sunday School class of young people which crowded the chapel.

On December 31, 1978, Wilhelmina Ardella (Del) Fagergren, 90, died. She was the daughter of Wilhelmina Cannon and her cousin Abram H. Cannon. Del is survived by 5 children, 29 grandchildren and 53 great grandchildren.

Vice Admiral Ray Cannon Needham, son of Ray B. and Lillian Cannon Needham (George Q. family) passed away October 29, 1979 at the Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Ray attained the highest rank of any U.S. Naval officer from Utah.

Traditionally, the Cannons were specifically taught to raise, not lower the quality of their family in choosing mates. Quite generally, they seem to have done so, beginning with Ann Quayle, who was the heroine at our start. Ramona Wilcox Cannon was a good example of an achiever. She took on the children of her husband's (Joseph J. Cannon, George Q. family) first wife who died, as well as having a family of her own. Ramona was best known by her newspaper column under her pen name "Mary Marker" which appeared in the Deseret News from 1947 to 1974. It dispensed advice and sympathy to the troubled and distressed. It was most remarkable she did not begin her newspaper career until she was 60, after a full life of travel, writing, teaching and raising a remarkable family. In addition to her newspaper column, she authored more than 400 pieces, including dramas, pageants, poems, stories and reviews appearing in other publications. She received many awards, including the University of Utah's Distinguished Alumnus award in 1975. But most of all to her was a special "Honor Mother" award presented at the "Mother of the Year" contest in 1978. She died early in 1979 as the result of a fall.

Clara Cannon Burgess, 88, is the oldest living child of David H. Cannon. Until this year, she has always kept up her beautiful corner lot

with rose garden, vegetable garden, fruit trees and lawn by herself. When she had been married just six weeks, her husband, Milton Burgess, left for a 27-month mission to the Southern States. For 14 years, Clara served as a stake missionary, and following her husband's death in 1951, she served a full time mission in California. She has been a visiting teacher for more than 50 years. She has been an ordinance worker in the St. George Temple for 25 years. Eighty-two descendants were present on the occasion of her 88th birthday. She presented each one with a hand embroidered article.

The genealogist for the Cannon Family for many years, Margaret Cannon Clayton passed away two years ago, just two days before the last reunion, but after the Chronicle had been printed and mailed. Following is the eulogy given by Beatrice Cannon Evans at that reunion:

“Before learning of Margaret Cannon Clayton's sudden death (at the age of 91 years) on Saturday last (Dec. 3, 1977), I had, with her family's approval, planned to announce here her room number at the Hillhaven nursing home where she would appreciate visits from the family. Everyone would be given a lift by her optimistic interest in life and people. My husband and I will miss the lift she invariably gave us as we called on her weekly. Her mind was as sharp as a tack, and her smooth skin barely showed the suggestion of a wrinkle.

“Some years ago when we received our first supply of microfilms from our homeland, the Isle of Man, it was necessary to have a good family association genealogist. Anne M. Cannon was chairman of the George Cannon Family Historical and Genealogical Committee. She thought of people with time and money to spare but did not feel satisfied.

“At last, one morning she called and said, ‘Bea, I know who our genealogist should be. It's Margaret Cannon Clayton. It came to me in the night.’

“Margaret at the time already had needed part-time paying work at the Church Membership and Tithing office. But she took the appointment, working at it much at nights. But she had the spirit.

“By the time *The Cannon Family Historical Treasury* was published in 1967, ten years ago, 7,414 persons had received vicarious

baptisms, endowments and sealing blessings through Margaret's work."

As a postscript to her remarks, Bea added, "I correspond regularly with Canon Charles Albert Cannan, now 87 years old, one of our relatives. He addresses me as 'Dear Cousin' and signs, 'Affectionately yours, Albert.' He is one of the last Cannons in the Isle of Man. He has said to me, 'How richly have your people been rewarded for their long, hard trek to their promised land.'"

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Canon Cannan last February at the age of 88 years. He was born in Kirk Michael at Coilshellagh. He later became Vicar of his native parish and served in that capacity for 33 years. He was a keen student of the Manx language and was one of the few in the island who could speak the Manx language and who could preach a sermon in his native language. Most members of the family who have visited the Island have enjoyed a visit with Canon Cannan. Our hearts go out to his daughter Pauline, and we extend an invitation to her to visit the branch of the family in America.

1979 has been a history-making year for the Isle of Man. This has been the millennial anniversary of Tynwald, the open-air parliament of the Island. It is the oldest continuous democracy in the world and only open-air assembly. Each year, on the morning of July 5 (Old Midsummer Day), the people of the Island gather at Tynwald Hill. A service is held first in St. John's Chapel. At the close of the service, the Governor, preceded by the Sword of State and accompanied by a fanfare of trumpets, leads the procession out of the west door of the chapel and down the rush-strewn Ceremonial Way to Tynwald Hill. He is followed by the Legislative Council, House of Keys and other governmental and civic and church representatives. During the ceremony at the Tynwald Hill, the new officers of the six Sheadings (like counties) are sworn in. Then a summary of all the laws passed in the Island during the past year are read to the people both in English and Manx. By ancient right, any Manxman may petition the Court on Tynwald Day for the redress of grievances. The rest of the morning is taken over by the Tynwald Fair. This day is the highlight of the year, but in this millennial year, there have been special events planned throughout the entire year, and a number of family members have made the journey back to their fatherland during this commemorative year.

One of the special things done in the Island during the Millennial year as the organization, last January, of the Family History Society of the Isle of Man, which meets each month on the last Friday evening. They publish a quarterly Journal which is sent airmail to members all over the world. They are organizing a Pedigree Referral Index for members, and belong to the Federation of Family History Societies. The genealogist of the Society, Nigel Crowe, is our cousin through six different lines and has done considerable genealogical research for our family association. The Society is undertaking projects of recording and indexing and cataloging records in cooperation with the library at the Manx Museum, as well as transcribing tombstone inscriptions which are deteriorating rapidly. If any of you are interested in joining this Society, the membership fee is six pounds (check with a bank for the current exchange rate). It should be sent to:

Isle of Man
Family History Society
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. I. E. Lyle
The Old Manse
Kirk Michael, Isle of Man
British Isles

Due to limitations of space and postage costs, we have had to pick out some of the highlights of family activities and accomplishments. We realize that there are many, many others of the family who are accomplishing worthwhile things and achieving recognition in their fields. We wish there were room to include everyone. To help us keep in touch with family members and their accomplishments, especially those who are away from Salt Lake City and Utah, we encourage you to drop us a line, or a newspaper clipping, letting us know about noteworthy events in your branch of the family. These should be sent to the George Cannon Family Association, c/o Salt Lake Stamp Co., P.O. Box 2399, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110.

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Undoubtedly many of you will have learned through the press of the "untimely passing" (even at age 92) of Dr. Clawson Y. Cannon, last but one surviving child of George Q. Cannon. Clawson passed away on November 3, 1977 at Provo, Utah.

When one has received such a fullness of academic education, including a PhD. degree from college and four and a half years of foreign service in Lebanon accompanied by his wife and also has the unique gift of being able to lift others, especially the students whom he taught, to do their best, he must be counted among the greatest of teachers.

In addition, he left as one of his greatest gifts three fine sons and a daughter: Rowland Y., President, Utah Idaho, Inc.; Clawson Y., Jr., manager of a chain of copy centers in New York City; Robert Y., professor of food science at Auburn University at Auburn, Alabama; and Winnifred C. Jardine, distinguished home economist, food editor and author of "Life on the Cannon Farm" included in "The Cannon Family Historical Treasury."

The only surviving child of George Q. Cannon, is Georgius L. Cannon who is living in Pomona, Ca. near his daughter.

It is also with regret that we report the death of Luella Wareing Cannon, age 89. Luella was the widow of Edwin Q. Cannon who was a son of George Q. and Eliza Tenney Cannon.

A notably beautiful woman with gorgeous red hair, Luella lived an equally beautiful and productive life as an ordained temple worker, a guide for twenty years on Temple Square and, with her husband, as a missionary while he presided over the West German Mission from 1950 to 1953. She is the mother of Mrs. Robert H. (Mary) Barnes and two sons, Edwin Q. (Ted) Cannon, Jr. and William W. (Bill) Cannon. As co-managers of the Salt Lake Stamp Company, Ted and Bill have rendered us generous service through the storage and distribution of "The Cannon Family Historical Treasure" which promises to become a collectors item.

F. Orin Woodbury, the father of Orin R. Woodbury, President of the George Cannon Family Organization, has been busy recently attempting to complete the work that was being carried on by Angus M. Woodbury before his untimely death. He was engaged in gathering information on the life and background of Orin Nelson Woodbury, husband of Ann Cannon Woodbury. F. Orin has made several trips to New England to research background information and corroborate facts on his ancestry. This project will be of tremendous value to that branch of the family. We are looking forward to seeing the results of his efforts.

Mark Wilcox Cannon, son of Joseph J. and Ramona Wilcox Cannon, is listed in WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA. Each person listed was invited to add a statement concerning what motivated him or her. A small number of these were selected by WHO'S WHO for publication along with the biography. Mark's statement was one of the few selected. It reads as follows: "Much of my motivation, orientation, and values stem from a conviction of the masterful leadership of a perfect personal God who is exemplary in His knowledge and utilization of eternal laws to promote the eternal progress and happiness of each human being, partially by providing a complicated earthly learning environment and by permitting people to deal freely with individual and social problems, thereby providing laboratory opportunities for the flourishing of character, knowledge and wisdom."

Mark is Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

We extend our love and concern to Beatrice Cannon Evans. On October 21, 1977, Bea was downtown where she fell and broke her right hip. She was taken to the hospital where she was operated on that night. They replaced her hip with an artificial joint. She is home and making good progress. While down with this accident she has continued to be concerned with her responsibilities as family historian and has collected the information for and written this chronicle so that it could be included in this mailing.

Bea is the person who has been responsible for preparing this leaflet for many, many years, as well as spending hundreds of hours in many other ways to contribute to keeping the family organization functioning. We surely appreciate Bea and all she does.

Bill and his wife Marg, are currently living in Honolulu, Hawaii where Bill is serving as President of the Hawaii Honolulu Mission. Their oldest son, Mike, is in Washington D.C. serving as Press Secretary to Senator Gunn McKay. Another son, Layne, is with Bell Telephone in Chicago, and their son Bob is serving in the England Birmingham Mission.

Luella's granddaughter, Mary Alice Barnes Pearson, is our very capable family genealogist.

Another news-worthy event is the recent honor which came to another family member, Clarence B. Cannon, a son of the late John M. Cannon, and a grandson of Angus M. Cannon.

"Clix," as he is affectionately known, was a recent recipient of a Distinguished Service award from Utah State University. For many years he has been a vice president of Albertson's Food Stores.

We also congratulate our immediate past president, George I. Cannon, a grandson of both Heber J. Grant and George Q. Cannon, who was recently made a Patriarch in the L.D.S. Church.

The oldest living woman in the Cannon family, Theresa (Aunt Tris) Cannon Huntsman has, on October 20, 1977 celebrated her 92nd birthday. She is the daughter of David H. Cannon and Josephine Cosgrove. She was married to Lamond Huntsman who died within the past year or so. She lives in Enterprise, Utah, near St. George.

David Cannon Evans, son of Beatrice Cannon and David W. Evans and grandson of John M. Cannon is listed in the publication, AMERICAN MEN OF SCIENCE.

Dave is one of the top computer people in the country. Formerly he was the youngest chief engineer with Bendix Corporation in Los Angeles. Then he went to the University of California at Berkeley as assistant head of the Computer Division and Lecturing Professor, from which position he was brought to the University of Utah to establish the Computer Division at that school. He is a partner in Evans & Sutherland, a computer graphics company. Dave has been a pioneer in developing many innovations in the field of computers.

The Nauvoo Monument to Women is scheduled for dedication in March 1978. The Relief Society is creating this monument at the Visitor's Center in Nauvoo, Illinois. Florence Petersen Hansen, a granddaughter of James Cannon Lambert, and great granddaughter of Mary Alice Cannon Lambert, is the sculptor of two of the thirteen pieces.

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ARTICLE I. George Q. Cannon Paid Tithing In Advance

Brother T.O. Poulton was a neighbor of ours in Forest Dale in my youth. My father, John M. Cannon, habitually drove us and our friends in a large, horse-drawn conveyance to the Granite Stake Tabernacle for Stake Conference. On one such occasion Brother Poulton rode with us. On the way he told me the following story:

“When my wife and I were first married we were in tight circumstances financially. We couldn’t seem to be able to save enough for payments on a home of our own. Tithing appeared out of the question. I knew a man who worked in the Church Tithing Office. I asked him, ‘Who is the largest tithe payer in the Church?’ He replied, ‘George Q. Cannon.’ He also told me that George Q. Cannon paid his tithing in advance at the first of the year. He figured what he would need to support his large family, and paid accordingly. He also said that he never failed to make the estimated amount. After hearing that, I decided that if Brother Cannon had the faith to pay his tithing in advance, we could pay ours. So we did and we became able for the first time to pay for a home of our own.” (As told to Beatrice Cannon Evans)

It is also interesting here to note that George Q. Cannon, though a missionary many times, and an Apostle for forty-one years, a counselor to four Presidents of the Church, and for twenty-one years first counselor to Presidents John Taylor, Wilford Woodruff, and Lorenzo Snow, never accepted pay for his Church service. (Pg. 113 of the Cannon Family Historical Treasury)

ARTICLE II

Two books of special importance to the Cannon Family have not been recently called to our attention. They belong in the library of every Cannon home. They are compilations of the speeches and writings of George Q. Cannon, our most distinguished member. He was a member of Congress, serving there ten years. He was the founder of the Juvenile Instructor and for many years its editor. He was also editor of the Millennial Star, The Western Standard, and the Deseret News.

The volumes are published under the title of "Gospel Truth." The material is conveniently compiled under subject headings by Jerreld L. Newquist, a non-member of the Cannon family to whom we owe much.

Brother Newquist is a native of Pendleton, Oregon and resides in Seattle, Washington, where he is an active Church member. He served in the U.S. Air Force in World War II and has since been a pilot for United Air Lines.

When the first volume came out in 1957, we made only brief mention of it in the Cannon Chronicle. The second volume was published in 1974. President Spencer W. Kimball owns both volumes and says he finds them very useful. They are messages from a great man to us today. Two places the books can be purchased for \$5.95 a copy are from Zion's Book Store and Deseret Book Company in Salt Lake City, and doubtless elsewhere.

ARTICLE III

Record of Descendants of George Cannon, The Immigrant

For many years we have been trying to compile a complete record of the descendants of our common ancestor, George Cannon, the immigrant, who was also our first male convert to the Church. Had we known the great difficulty of this task we might not have attempted it. But in a recent conversation I had with President Kimball he assured me that this record will be more valuable as time goes on. He added that before he was tied so completely with his present responsibilities, he personally compiled a record of approximately ten thousand names of the descendants of Heber C. Kimball. What's more, he admitted, he did it without the aid of branch secretaries, but wrote hundreds of letters himself. Only our own faithful branch secretaries can know the extent of this work with its unanswered letters as well as much appreciated cooperative replies.

The number of Cannon descendants in the present generation is now so vast, and our secretaries are so overworked that we have not brought some of the record up to 1975. We hope to give you an approximate count of the number of descendants at our December reunion.

Three copies of the record have been typed and will be indexed and bound. The first complete copy will be given to the Church Genealogical Library where it will be available for those who wish to see it. The second will be kept in the file of the Family Association. Copies of the separate sections will be given to each branch.

The secretaries who have worked on the various branches of the project are: George Q. Cannon Branch: Emily Cannon Pollei; Mary Alice C. Lambert Branch: Era Shaw Mills, Camille W. Halliday, Phyllis Jensen Ford, typist; Ann C. Woodbury Branch: Nettie Woodbury Miller; Angus M. Cannon Branch: Amanda C. Anderson assisted by Sharon T. Cannon; David H. Cannon

Branch: Anna Cannon Krause; Leonora Cannon Gardner Branch: Ruth Gardner Curtis; Elizabeth Cannon Piggott Branch: Claude and Elma Reay.

ARTICLE IV FAMILY NEWS

All around the family there is good news of the achievements of young people earning M.A.'s or Ph.D's entering or finishing medical or law school, or making good in business and families. But to select a few without overlooking others is impossible in this ever-spreading family.

However, two names come to the top through recent newspaper accounts, besides the fact that they both are listed in Who's Who in America.

Georgius Y. Cannon, youngest child of George Q. and Caroline Young Cannon, thus making him a grandson of Brigham Young, is retiring as a practicing architect at age 83. He is cutting his daily walk of five or six miles before his heart attack, to a modest three miles. Georgius has lived life with zeal and pleasure and bears a smooth, relaxed and most pleasant countenance.

He has specialized with notable success in designing lovely, liveable, artistic homes of the sort families rarely sell, but pass fondly on to the next generation. Notable exceptions are his design of Little America Motel units at Cheyenne, Wyoming. He was recently named consulting architect on the multi-million dollar high rise hotel which Little America is constructing in Salt Lake City. More happy years to you, Georgius!

Senator Howard Cannon of Nevada, Senator Frank Moss of Utah, and Senator Gale McGee of Wyoming at their election in 1958 were called the Intermountain "Whiz Kids". Senator Cannon is now recognized as an influential senior senator with good prospects of being again re-elected. Good luck, Howard!

UTAH'S HIGHEST RANKING NAVAL OFFICER

Vice Admiral Ray Cannon Needham is the highest ranking naval officer Utah has ever produced and is its only Vice Admiral. He is the son of Lillian Croxall Cannon Needham, the grandson of Abram H. Cannon, and the great grandson of George Q. Cannon. He lives in Fairfax, Virginia. He is retired but well and active.

MISSION PRESIDENT ASSIGNMENTS

William (Bill) Wareing Cannon, son of former President Edwin Q. and Luella Wareing Cannon, with his able wife, Margery Sorensen Cannon, is now presiding over the Hawaiian Mission.

Emerson T. Cannon, son of Tracy Y. and Lettie Taylor Cannon with his wife, Leonora Cannon Cannon, daughter of John B. and Alice Nelson Cannon, is now President of the Nashville, Tennessee Mission.

OLDEST LIVING MEMBERS OF FAMILY

To the best of our knowledge, Theresa C. Huntsman (Aunt Tris) daughter of Josephine Langley Cosgrove Cannon and David H. Cannon is the oldest living descendant in the Cannon family. She was 90 on October 20, 1975. She lives with her husband in Enterprise, Utah. She is blind, so is not too active, but appears to be in good health.

Clawson Y. Cannon, son of Caroline Y. and George Q. Cannon is the oldest living man in the Cannon Family. He was 90 on October 27, 1975. Not long retired from the B.Y.U. He still keeps contact with its affairs and attends the athletic events.

Margaret Cannon Clayton, daughter of Annie Wells and John Q. Cannon will be 90 in April 1976. She was for many years our family genealogist and was responsible for the vicarious ordinance work being done for thousands of our kin. She is well and keeps up her own home.

Hattie Lambert Woodbury will be 90 on May 5, 1976. She is the daughter of Lillie Harriet Almira Druce and Charles John Lambert, son of Mary Alice Cannon Lambert. She has been a great genealogist.

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I. Angus M. Cannon's Story of David Whitmer's Testimony as told by Charles F. Solomon, March 2, 1952

The writer, Charles F. Solomon, was intimately acquainted and lived and traveled with President Angus M. Cannon, who was the son of Ann Quayle and George Cannon, the Immigrant. Charles F. Solomon lived in Salt Lake in Beatrice Cannon Evans neighborhood and recounted this experience with her grandfather, Angus M. Cannon. At her request he wrote this so that we can all share it.

"In the year of 1897, President Cannon told me he was on the 25 day of January 1888 returning from the east and concluded to call at the home of David Whitmer in Richmond, Missouri, who was one of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon. President Cannon found David Whitmer on his death bed, with his wife and family around his bed. His wife, Mrs. Whitmer, asked President Cannon to remain with them, which he did, and before Mr. Whitmer passed away he said he wanted his entire family to know for assurity that he did hear the voice of the Lord, and he did see the angel of the Lord and hear them both testify the Book of Mormon was translated correctly and did contain a true and correct record of Christ's teachings and the history of the ancient inhabitants of this continent.

President Cannon stated that he remained in Richmond for the funeral of David Whitmer, and on 26 of January 1888 he walked down the street and saw three elderly men standing together. He addressed them saying, "Did any of you men know David Whitmer?" To which one replied, "We all knew him very well." President Cannon said, "Did any of you ever hear him deny the divine authenticity of the Book of Mormon," to which one of the men replied, "See that saloon right there? We took him in there one day, and knowing that he liked liquor, we got him thoroughly intoxicated and I said, 'Now Dave, what have you got to say about that old Book of Mormon?'" The man told President Cannon Mr. Whitmer had a cap on his head which he removed and held in his left hand over his heart, raised his right hand to the square, and said, "Gentlemen, I will have to admit you have got me thoroughly intoxicated but I positively cannot deny the truthfulness of the Book of Mormon. I did hear the voice of the Lord. I did see the angel and hear both of them declare the truthfulness of this record."

Respectfully,

Charles F. Solomon

II. New Progress In Research

At the suggestion of our President, George I. Cannon, a monthly family genealogical research night was initiated last February. It furnishes an opportunity for anyone who is interested in helping with this work, whether they are experienced or not, though continued attendance increases one's usefulness.

It is held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the new Church Office Building at 50 East North Temple in Salt Lake City. Our expert genealogist, Mary Alice Hansen, with the aid of Elaine Cannon Nichols, supervises the work. All meet briefly in the genealogical department on the main floor where there is opportunity to meet relatives. Late comers can join the group in the microfilm section of the English research section on the third floor. They conclude at 8:45 p.m., library closing time.

As many as fifteen have participated at once. Our very busy president has attended whenever in town. There is no age limit. Teenagers are welcomed and can become very interested and adept.

Mary Alice reports a great deal of success in filling in family connections, thus making sealings possible.

Our forebears sacrificed much to give us this opportunity, besides this responsibility.

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Helen Cannon Ovard, granddaughter of Angus M. Cannon and daughter of James H. Cannon, the inventor who founded Cannon Electric Company in Los Angeles, has been our chief financial contributor to the genealogical and association fund. We thank her. We would like all who can to make a financial contribution to the George Cannon Family Association to further the temple and genealogical work which needs to be done. Please send your contributions to President George I. Cannon, 2300 Oneida Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109. Just a few dollars a year would be a big help.

NEWS ITEMS

Senator Howard W. Cannon Is One Of Ours

All of us may not be aware that the prominent Senator Howard W. Cannon of Nevada is one of ours. He is the grandson of David H. Cannon and son of the late Walter Cannon and Leah Sullivan Cannon. He was born and reared in St. George, Utah where he commenced his practice of law in 1938. He was elected Washington County attorney in 1940.

From 1941-1946 he had a distinguished military service and was a much decorated World War II pilot. He was shot down over Holland and evaded capture for 42 days before reaching Allied lines. He is a retired Major General in the Air Force Reserve and an active jet pilot.

In 1946 he resumed the practice of law in Las Vegas, Nevada and was Las Vegas City Attorney, serving for three consecutive terms. He held numerous prominent positions and received many university and national awards in Las Vegas before being elected in 1958 to the U.S. Senate from Nevada on the Democratic ticket. He was re-elected in 1964 and 1970. Following many high military aviation honors, in 1971 he was awarded the aviation industry's highest honor, the coveted Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy for his efforts on behalf of the development of the nation's military aviation and civilian transportation systems. He has become known in Congress as "Mr. Aviation."

His committee assignments in the Senate are numerous, and even his chairmanships too many to list. Besides in aviation, possibly his most important chairmanship is of the Senate Rules Committee in which his prime interest has been in the important area of election laws as they relate to Federal elections. As a result of his efforts, the Federal Elections Campaign Act of 1971 was signed into law. He has an L.L.B. from the University of Arizona 1937, and Honorary Doctor of Laws from Arizona State College 1962, and from University of Nevada, Las Vegas 1972.

He is married to Dorothy Pace, native of Nevada. Their two children are Mrs. Robert J. Bjornson and Alan Howard.

Mark W. Cannon, Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Burger

On May 15, 1972 Mark W. Cannon became Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Warren E. Burger of the Supreme Court of the United States, a position which Congress and the President had just created. Mark writes, "This is an exciting opportunity to help improve the functioning of the overloaded and undermanaged courts and to alleviate the burdens on our unusually creative, dedicated and responsible leader. Despite the long hours, the work has been an engaging and rewarding challenge."

Mark was chosen from a field of over 700 applicants. His previous important positions in education and administrative work are impressive but too numerous to list. Some are: from 1964-1967 Director of Venezuelan Urban Development, project financed by the Ford Foundation; 1965-1968 Director of International Programs, Institute of Public Administration; 1968-1972 Director of Public Administration which took him on travels in fifty-six countries. He was the first non-lawyer admitted to the American Bar Association in the new Judicial Associates Program.

It is of special interest to us that his dissertation for his Ph.D. at Harvard was on the political life of George Q. Cannon. This won the Annual Award of the Western Political Science Association for the best work of scholarship relating to a problem of government in the Western States.

Mark is the grandson of George Q. Cannon, and son of Joseph J. Cannon and Ramona Wilcox Cannon, who has won distinction for herself in the field of writing. He is married to Ruth Dixon and they have three children.

In June 1972 Ramona was chosen by the Utah Chapter of the National Federation of Press Women as their Woman of Achievement for the year, and represented Utah at the National Federation's Convention in Seattle.

It will be of interest to readers of the Deseret News to know that she is the "Mary Marker" of the family advice column from which she is retiring after 26 years. Not including this column, she has written over 500 published stories, poems, plays, and articles on a wide variety of subjects. At 86 she is still traveling widely and is active in many things.

Third Generation Cannons

The ranks of the third generation of Cannons in the Church are rapidly decreasing. In the last two years or so several have passed on. William Cannon Piggott died in November 1971, Espey T. Cannon July 24, 1971, Elizabeth Cannon McCrimmon July 12, 1972, Wilford Woodruff Cannon September 1, 1973, and Edwin Q. Cannon August 3, 1971.

While much could be said about each of these fine people were space not so limited, we cannot pass by without mentioning the great service of Edwin Q. Cannon to the Cannon Family. For a long period he was treasurer of our Association, followed by years as president. No one has served us longer or more loyally. His positions in the Church were multiple, most prominently as president of Ensign Stake and of the West German Mission. His labors extended into the community with ten years as Salt Lake County Commissioner. His kindly, charitable and self-effacing spirit is never to be forgotten.

Those of this third generation remaining are: of the George Q Cannon family: Clawson Y. Cannon, Wilford Y. Cannon, and Georgius Y. Cannon. Of the Angus M. branch only Glen B. Cannon. David H. Cannon has the largest group: Claude, Raymond, Teressa C. Huntsman, Clara C. Burgess, Douglas, Earl, Harold; and of Elizabeth C. Piggott's children only George C. Piggott. All of the Lamberts, Woodburys and Gardners are gone.

Thomas Bowring Woodbury, Vice President of Association Passes Away

The Cannon family and community have suffered a distinct loss in the passing on October 18, 1972 of Thomas Bowring (By) Woodbury. He was the son of Thomas Lambert Woodbury and was the president of the Mary Alice Cannon Lambert Branch of the Cannon Family Association. By's hard work, warm, dynamic personality and enthusiasm made him successful in many fields -- church, business, and music. Among many services he was president of the British Mission, of the Utah Symphony Orchestra, and Vice-President of Zions First National Bank. Before this he had a successful business career in Wichita, Kansas. He wrote many of the missionary lessons for the Priesthood manuals, and when he could no longer write them by hand because of his long illness, he dictated them.

The Cannon Chronicle

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Members of George Cannon Family Have Helped Write the History of *The Deseret News*

For more than a century, descendants of George Cannon, the Immigrant, have played prominent roles in the management and operation of *The Deseret News*, one of the great institutions of the West, and the official voice of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

At the time of the paper's very beginning, one of our members was on the staff. Let us quote from the autobiographical sketch of David H. Cannon, youngest son of George Cannon:

"In June, 1850, (David was then but 12 years old) I went to work in the Deseret News office at Salt Lake City as an apprentice, the first to that business in the territory. The place of publication was a small building just east of where the imposing structure, Hotel Utah, now stands. Willard Richards was editor, Horace K. Whitney, foreman; and Brigham H. Young was pressman and compositor. The publication of the paper began on the 15th day of June of the same year. The remuneration of an apprentice at that time was not great. Some wheat and corn came into the office in exchange for the paper, and this breadstuff was of more consequence to the printers than money at that time, because of the scarcity of food. . . ."

Six years later, David was directed by President Brigham Young to go to California to assist his elder brother, George Q. with the publication of *The Western Standard*, and the printing of the Book of Mormon in the Hawaiian language.

By 1858 George Q. had assumed editorship and management of *The Deseret News*, which he moved to Fillmore, Utah, upon the arrival of Johnston's Army, and David assisted with this move and with the publication of the paper there until 1859 when he went to work for *The Mountaineer*, a paper published in Salt Lake City by S. N. Blair and James Ferguson.



Frank B. Woodbury,
51 years with "News"

Meanwhile, another member of the family had been called into the service of the newspaper. Angus M., the second son of the Immigrant George and Ann Quayle, learned the printing trade and worked as a compositor between his pioneering assignments in the Parowan and Dixie areas of Southern Utah, and when George Q. became editor, he called on his brother, Angus, to become business manager, in which capacity he served for many years. Actually, the printshop was the "school" in which these three distinguished men received practically all of their education.

George Q. continued in the management and editorship of the paper off and on until 1879, and it was under his leadership that the periodical became a daily publication in 1867. At this time his eldest son, John Q., who was later to serve many years with the "News" as reporter and later as editor, was called upon to deliver the first "dailies" to the handful of subscribers in Salt Lake City. Of this event, Wendell J. Ashton in his excellent history of *The Deseret News, Voice of the West*, recalls:

"The boy, John Q. Cannon, (then but ten years of age) was provided a saddle pony, and he rode off into the northwest section of the city in search of the sixteen homes where the papers were to go. Through the dark the boy rode. The streets had no names, and he had to ride over swamps that had once been an Indian burial ground. There, so it had once been said, the ghosts of red men often returned for dancing and revelry. But the boy made it all right. . . So well had he done his job that he was given the route for the winter. His only reward was the exercise and experience. . . ."

Continuing, Mr. Ashton writes, "Another lad called into service with the issuing of the daily was George Cannon Lambert (grandson of George, the Immigrant, and son of Mary Alice Cannon and Charles Lambert). He was only 19, but he had dodged Indian bullets in the Sanpete country as a volunteer, and had served for about a year as an apprentice printer for *The Juvenile Instructor*. . . . He rode a small, bald-faced pony of his uncle, George Q. Cannon's, through the northern settlements . . . preaching to the Saints on the benefits of the magazine and newspaper, soliciting subscriptions among the farmhouses, collecting accounts, and setting up agencies. . . . Lambert worked in the printing shop long days, and sometimes five nights a week besides, in order to permit his selling trips into the hinterlands.

"But after about a year and a half, Lambert's Uncle George had a more delicate assignment for him. There was a difficult situation at the paper mill in the Sugar House. . . . Cannon asked his young nephew to go out to the mill and learn the secrets of making paper. . . ." The story of his successful operation of this enterprise is one of the dramatic chapters in the history of *The Deseret News*.

For many years during this period George Lambert's older brother, Charles J. Lambert, was foreman of the Sugar House mill, and when the "new" paper plant, the grey stone structure still standing in lower Big Cottonwood Canyon, was projected in 1880, he assisted in its planning and became its first foreman.

In 1892, *The Deseret News* became strictly a Cannon family affair. While it continued to be the official organ of the Church, its entire ownership and operation was leased to The Deseret News Publishing Company, a family-owned corporation headed by two of George Q.'s sons. Abraham H. Cannon became president and business manager, and his older brother, John Q., was secretary and editor. Writes Mr. Ashton of this era of "News" history:

"Neither of them had been born with a silver spoon in his mouth, but both smelled printer's ink almost before they tasted food. John Q. was a babe in his mother's arms when she accompanied his father, George Q. Cannon, in taking the Deseret News press to Fillmore during the threat of Johnston's Army. Abraham H. was born to the same mother six months after she returned. John Q. had carried the first daily edition of the paper. Abram (as he was called) as a lad had run errands for the 'News.'

"Abram was one of the popular young men of the Church and community when he took over the management of the 'News.' He was handsome. He was personable and an able speaker. He had excelled in the publishing business. Though he was only 33, he had been an Apostle of the Church for three years, a General Authority of the Church for ten. . . . At 23 he had become business manager of the Juvenile Instructor and associate publications, and had built the little printing office into one of the largest publishing houses in the Mountain West. (This firm, The George Q. Cannon & Sons Publishing Co., was the beginning and foundation of the present Deseret News Press, the largest printing firm in the West today).

"John Q. had taken his turn at just about every job in the 'News' plant, from hauling rags to the Sugar House paper mill, to writing editorials. He had worked his way up through both the editorial and mechanical departments, serving as compositor and typesetter in addition to reporter and editor, and is said to have been Utah's first music typesetter. . . . John and Abram were brothers by birth; by choice, they were bosom companions. They combined their seasoned experience to take over The Deseret News at a dark financial hour in its history. . . ."

This family operation of the paper continued until 1898 when the lease was terminated and *The Deseret News* again became a Church property.

During one of the great expansion periods of the "News" soon after the turn of the century, a drive for subscribers was launched through all of the western

states with a force of some 500 circulation agents operating under the direction of four traveling representatives. "They were rugged men," writes Mr. Ashton, "and veteran of the group was Richard G. C. Lambert who had been with the 'News' almost constantly since he was a youth except when he was away on Church missions. While on a mission to Hawaii, he had trained wild oxen for the yoke and mules for the plow besides doing his evangelical work. . . ."

Without doubt the longest continuous period of service to the Deseret News by any member of the family, was that of Frank B. Woodbury, son of Ann Cannon (daughter of George, the Immigrant) and Orin N. Woodbury. Frank, who died December 21, 1962, just 6 days short of his 95th birthday, was the oldest living of his generation, and was beloved of all for his many years of devotion and service to the entire George Cannon family.

For years he officiated at family temple sessions, and his alert mind, faultless memory, and loving concern for all matters pertaining to this important family service endeared him to us all.

Frank started his apprenticeship of five years on March 7, 1885, in the old adobe Deseret News building located on the present site of the Hotel Utah. In his "Recollections of the Deseret News," he recalls that George C. Lambert was then connected with the editorial department but later transferred to the business office and the plant. Frank's beginning wage was three dollars a week for the first year, with a promised increase of a dollar a week each year thereafter until his apprenticeship was completed.

In 1903 he moved with the "News" to its new home in the Union Pacific Annex on South Temple, and again in 1926 to its present home on Richards Street. He was retired in 1936 after more than a half-century of continuous service (excepting for a missionary leave of absence, 1891-93); and during that time he worked in virtually every position in the production end of the business from "printer's devil" to composing room foreman. From the time of his retirement until his death last year he was held in fondest affection and esteem by The Deseret News Old Timers Club, his former fellow-employees, and by the entire institution which he served so long and so well.

Over the years many other members of the Cannon and affiliated families have served in various positions of prominence and responsibility in the great Deseret News organization.

Another of George Q.'s sons, Joseph J. Cannon, succeeded to the editorship upon the death of his brother, John Q., in 1931, serving until called to the British Mission in 1934. Another son, Sylvester Q. Cannon, was president of the Deseret News Publishing Company from 1931 until about 1941.

Angus Lambert for many years served in the job department of the institution and at least three of the distaff side of the family are currently on the newspaper's editorial staff. Mrs. Mona Wilcox Cannon, (widow of Joseph J.) is the "Mary Marker" whose advice on domestic problems is read daily by thousands of subscribers. Elaine Anderson Cannon conducts the popular column for teen-agers, and Winifred Cannon Jardine is the paper's food and cooking expert. Harold G. (Hack) Miller, the renowned sports writer, is married to a Cannon. D. James Cannon, son of Sylvester Q. and husband of the above-mentioned Elaine, was formerly promotion manager and a feature writer on the staff; John Q. Cannon, Jr., was a sports-writer during the early 20's, and the author of his article, Theodore L. Cannon, has been with the paper since boyhood, filling every post from carrier and office boy to reporter, city editor, managing editor, production manager and at present columnist. And his son, Ted, Jr., the fourth generation in the business, learned the printer's trade at the "News" and now works as a compositor in the plant which produces the paper.

Undoubtedly there are many others of the clan who in various capacities over the years have helped make The Deseret News the great institution it is — truly "The Voice of the West."

Seek and Ye Shall Find . . . Search the Records

Since the early days of the Church, the Cannon Family has taken an active part in genealogical research and temple work, and though many changes have been made in methods and procedures, the interest of family members continues to increase. The family was instrumental in procuring the Manx records and having

the m microfilmed, among the first in the Church archives to be so processed. At the present time, all names are kept in a general file, so it is impossible for our family sealing sessions to do the work only for our own kindred dead, but it is expected we will soon be able to have our own family file again.

Since our direct line was completed long ago, we have listed many other names simply as relatives. Now we are requested wherever possible to trace the exact relationship, search the census records for verification and double check temple records to avoid duplications. There is still much work to be done, and the need continues for the interest, participation and financial assistance of all members of the family in this vital and sacred obligation.

Death Calls Many From Ranks of Second Generation

With each succeeding Chronicle we find fewer of the second generation of the family in Utah still with us. Only last week, on May 28, 1963, Lewis R. Cannon, son of David H. and Wilhelmina Mousley Cannon, died in an Ogden hospital at the age of 85. He was Aunt Willie's youngest son, and had lived in Tremonton for many years.

Another son of David H. and Wilhelmina—Frank—died in Salt Lake April 12, 1961. He had lived in Fielding, Box Elder County, until recently. Eugene, son of David H. and Josephine Crossgrove Cannon, and also a resident of Fielding, died Sept. 27, 1955, but his death probably has not previously been reported in the family Chronicle. Another belated report is that of the death Nov. 19, 1957, of Angus Cannon Gardner, youngest son of Robert Gardner, Jr., and Lenora Cannon, in Lehi. For many years he was vice president for the Gardner Branch in the Cannon Family Association.

Children of George Q. Cannon who have died since the last Chronicle include Radcliff Q. (April 7) and Collins T. (May 28) both in 1961, both sons of Martha Telle Cannon, and Tracy Y., son of Caroline Young Croxall, on November, 6, 1961.

There may have been others of this generation whose passing has gone unrecorded, and such should be reported to family branch secretaries for inclusion in future issues.



In the November, 1953, Chronicle, we listed all the members of the second generation of Cannons in the West then living, and without enumerating them all we may call attention to some of the "senior" members of this group.

In the George Q. Cannon family are Rosannah C. Irvine, 90, and Ada (Croxall) Cannon, 92, and several younger brothers and sisters.

None of Mary Alice Cannon Lambert's children is living.

Of Ann Cannon Woodbury's children, three are living: Alice W. Harmon, 92; Angus C. Woodbury, 90, and Clara W. Barlow, 87.

Three also are living from the Angus M. Cannon branch: Alice C. Cheney, 81; Elizabeth C. McCrimmon, 78, and Glen B. Cannon, 66.

Of the several children of David H. Cannon still living, the eldest appears to be Wilford Woodruff Cannon of St. George, now in his 83rd year.

Rhoda G. Harrison, 89, is the lone survivor of her generation of the Leonora Cannon Gardner family.

And three of Elizabeth Cannon Piggott's children are still with us: Alice C. P. Reay, 86, of Randolph, Utah; William G. Piggott, 76, and George C. Piggott, 74, both of Bloomington, Idaho.

Husband-Wife Team Score as Authors

Grant G. Cannon, son of Joseph J., and his wife, Josephine Johnson Cannon, are sharing honors in the publishing field this year. Josephine, a former Pulitzer Prize winner in the field of the novel, has just had a new novel, *The Dark Traveler*, published by Simon & Schuster, and Grant's *Great Men of Agriculture*, will be published by Macmillan in October.

Grant's brother, Dr. Mark W. Cannon, chairman of the Department of Political Science at Brigham Young University has received the annual award of the Western Political Science Association for his dissertation on the political activities and contributions of his grandfather, George Q. Cannon.

This leaflet is punched, as have been previous historical leaflets, to fit a standard looseleaf.

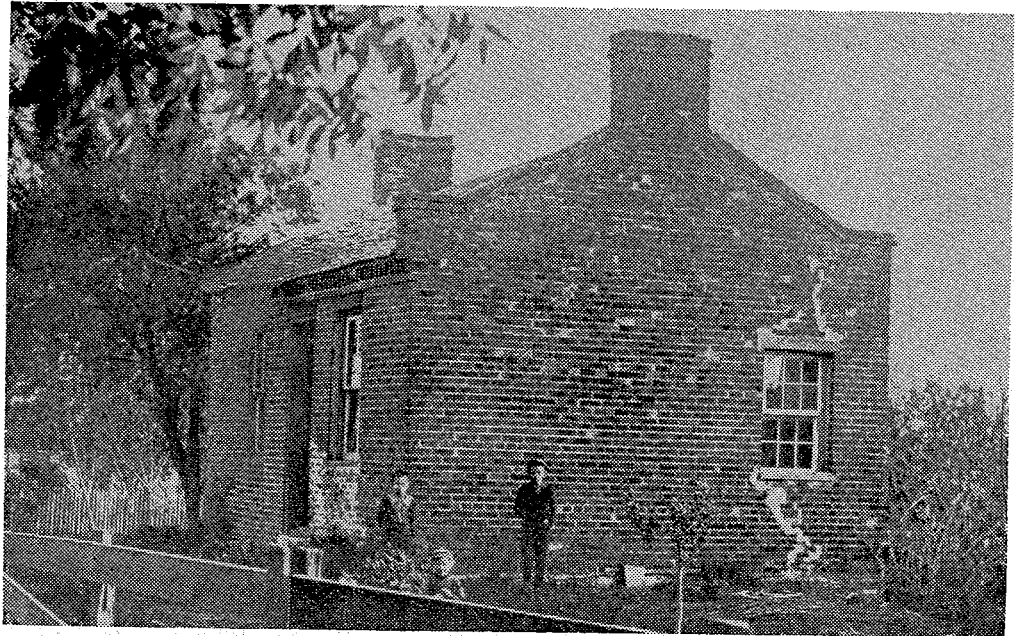
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THE GEORGE CANNON HOME IN NAUVOO, ILL.



Picture of the home in Nauvoo, Ill., where our ancestor, George Cannon, the Immigrant, lived with his family prior to his death, August 19, 1844, in St. Louis, where he had gone to seek work. The house no longer stands. The lot, located on the same block as the homes of Wilford Woodruff, Lorin Farr and Heber C. Kimball, has recently been purchased by David W. and Beatrice Cannon Evans.

Description of Mormon Emigrant Ship and Interview With George Q. Cannon by England's Great Novelist, Charles Dickens

EDITOR'S NOTE.

In the early 1860's, Charles Dickens, the popular English writer, published a book of twenty-eight miscellaneous papers in a book called "THE UNCOMMERCIAL TRAVELLER." Included in this miscellany was a visit to an emigrant ship which was bringing Latter-day Saints to the New World. There the keen Dickens engaged in a sprightly conversation with the "Mormon Agent," who was none other than George Q. Cannon, then on a mission to his native land.

My Emigrant Ship lies broadside-on to the wharf. Two great gangways made of spars and planks connect her with the wharf; and up and down these gangways, perpetually crowding to and fro and in and out, like ants, are the Emigrants who are going to sail in my Emigrant Ship. Some with cabbages, some with loaves of bread, some with cheese and butter, some with milk and beer, some with boxes, beds, and bundles, some with babies—nearly all with children—nearly all with bran-new tin cans for their daily allowance of water, uncomfortably suggestive of a tin flavour in the drink. . .

I go aboard my Emigrant Ship. I go first to the great cabin, and find it in the usual condition of a cabin at that pass. Perspiring landsmen, with loose papers, and with pens and inkstands, pervade it. I go out on the poop-deck, for air, and surveying the emigrants on the deck below (indeed they are crowded all about me, up there, too), find more pens and inkstands in action, and more papers, and interminable complications respecting accounts with individuals for tin cans and what not. But nobody is in an ill-temper, nobody is the worse for drink, nobody swears an oath or uses a coarse word, nobody appears depressed, nobody is weeping, and down upon the deck in every corner where it is possible to find a few square feet to kneel, crouch, or lie in, people, in every unsuitable attitude for writing, are writing letters.

Now, I have seen emigrant ships before this day in June. And these people are so strikingly different from all other people in like circumstances whom I have ever seen, that I wonder aloud, "What **would** a stranger suppose these emigrants to be!"

The vigilant bright face of the weather-browned captain of the **Amazon** is at my shoulder, and he says, "What, indeed! The most of these came aboard yesterday evening. They came from various parts of England in small parties that had never seen one another before. Yet they had not been a couple of hours on board, when they established their own police, made their own regulations, and set their own watches at all the hatchways. Before nine o'clock, the ship was as orderly and as quiet as a man-of-war."

I looked about me again, and saw the letter-writing going on with the most curious composure. Perfectly abstracted in the midst of the crowd. Later in the day a choir sang glees and catches for a long time.

"A stranger would be puzzled to guess the right name of these people, Mr. Uncommercial," says the captain.

"Indeed he would."

"If you hadn't known, could you have ever supposed . . .?"

"How could I! I should have said they were, in their degree, the pick and flower of England."

"So should I," says the captain.

I went between-decks, where the families with children swarmed in the dark, where unavoidable confusion had been caused by the last arrivals, and where the confusion was increased by the little preparations for dinner that were going on in each group.

A father and mother and several young children, on the main deck below me, had formed a family circle close to the foot of the crowded restless gangway, where the children made a nest for themselves in a coil of rope, and the father and mother, she suckling the youngest, discussed family affairs as peaceably as if they were in perfect retirement. I think the most noticeable characteristic in the eight hundred as a mass, was their exemption from hurry.

Eight hundred what? "Geese, villain?" Eight hundred **Mormons**. I, Uncommercial Traveller for the firm of Human Interest Brothers, had come aboard this Emigrant Ship to see what eight hundred Latter-day Saints were like, and I found them (to the rout and overthrow of all my expectations) like what I now describe with scrupulous exactness.

The Mormon Agent who had been active in getting them together, and in making the contract with my friends, the owners of the ship, to take them as far as New York on their way to the Great Salt Lake, was pointed out to me. A compactly-made handsome man in black, rather short, with rich-brown hair and beard, and clear bright eyes. From his speech, I should set him down as American. Probably a man who had "knocked about the world" pretty much. A man with a frank open manner, and unshrinking look; withal a man of great quickness. . .

UNCOMMERCIAL: These are a very fine set of people you have brought together here.

MORMON AGENT: Yes, sir, they are a very fine set of people.

UNCOMMERCIAL (looking about): Indeed, I think it would be difficult to find eight hundred people together anywhere else, and find so

much beauty and so much strength and capacity for work among them.

MORMON AGENT (not looking about, but looking steadily at Uncommercial): I think so. We sent out about a thousand more yes'day, from Liverpool.

UNCOMMERCIAL: You are not going with these emigrants?

MORMON AGENT: No, sir. I remain.

UNCOMMERCIAL: But you have been in the Mormon Territory?

MORMON AGENT: Yes; I left Utah about three years ago.

UNCOMMERCIAL: It is surprising to me that these people are all so cheery, and make so little of the immense distance before them.

MORMON AGENT: Well, you see; many of 'em have friends out at Utah, and many of 'em look forward to meeting friends on the way. . . This ship lands 'em in New York City. Then they go by rail right away beyond St. Louis, to that part of the Banks of the Missouri where they strike the Plains. There, wagons from the settlement meet 'em to bear 'em company on their journey 'cross—twelve hundred miles about. Industrious people who come out to the settlement soon get wagons of their own, and so the friends of some of these will come down in their own wagons to meet 'em. They look forward to that, greatly. . .

UNCOMMERCIAL: Will these wagons bring down any produce to the Missouri?

MORMON AGENT: Well, since the war broke out, we've taken to growing cotton, and they'll likely bring down cotton to be exchanged for machinery. We want machinery. Also we have taken to growing indigo, which is a fine commodity for profit. It has been found that the climate on the further side of the Great Salt Lake suits well for raising indigo.

UNCOMMERCIAL: I am told that these people now on board are principally from the South of England?

MORMON AGENT: And from Wales. That's true.

UNCOMMERCIAL: Do you get many Scotch? Highlanders, for instance?

MORMON AGENT: No, not Highlanders. They ain't interested enough in universal brotherhood and peace and good will.

UNCOMMERCIAL; The old fighting blood is strong in them?

MORMON AGENT: Well, yes. And besides, they've no faith.

UNCOMMERCIAL (who has been burning to get at the Prophet Joseph Smith, and seems to discover an opening): Faith in . . .!

MORMON AGENT (far too many for Uncommercial): Well . . . in anything!

FAMILY REUNION WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

The letter accompanying this leaflet gives details of the reunion of the George Cannon Family Association scheduled June 8 at the Cannon Stake Center. Election of officers, refreshments and a most interesting program have been arranged. Old pictures will be shown and a number of family pamphlets, genealogical charts and other items of interest will be available. Espey T. Cannon will tell something of his travels to distant parts of the world. Since there has been no general family gathering for several years, it is to be hoped all branches will be well represented at this event. Richard C. Lambert is general chairman.

REPORT OF GENEALOGICAL COMMITTEE

The year 1960 has started well for us. Family sealing sessions were held Jan. 13 and March 11 and again on June 6. This gives us the completed work for 105 more families. Owing to changes made by temple and genealogical authorities, we are no longer allowed to file names under the George Cannon and George Quayle Cannon names, but must now use the name of a living heir. This is being taken care of, but as our names go back several generations, there is still a question as to whether these can go into name files or must be filed with the general temple files. We still have names going through the index bureau and will be able to do our own sealings.

MY MOTHER'S HAND

By Ann Woodbury Hafen

Today I looked on a map of the West—my mother's hand.
Flesh geography of the old frontier was there
In the strong blue veins that ridged the furrowed skin.
In the eddied knuckles, weathered nails, and gullied palm,
I saw how the raw West shaped a woman's hand
As that hand shaped the West.

A picture map deep etched—this hand that worked a hoe,
That scythed alfalfa bribes for evening milk,
That carried 'dobes for the long-dreamed house,
That scrubbed out irrigation's mud and sweat.
This steady hand that pressed the danger trigger,
Delivered newborn, needled shrouds, and washed the dead.

Through ninety beauty-hungry years,
Through four generations of weddings the small hand moved. . .
A self-willed dynamo that generated
Sixty stitches to a minute,
Twenty pieces to a quilt block pattern,
Forty blocks to a quilt,
Of rainbow wedding rings to warm the matings.

In an Old World garden, this hand, velvet-white,
Secreted seeds in a young bride's deepest pocket,
Guarded them from hunger's blind devouring
Through six thousand hungry miles
And fed them at last to the black volcanic ash
Of the Rocky Mountains.

Out of a woman's bended labor,
Watered by a widow's tearful prayers,
Stirred by courage of a mother's hand,
The sleeping land awoke to food and flowers.

Flesh geography of the West I touched today
In the seamed erosions of a weathered palm.
I saw the raw West shape a woman's hand
And that hand shape the West.

EVELYN (EVA) CANNON WEBB WOODBURY

Another of the second generation of Cannons in Utah, Evelyn (Eva) Cannon Webb Woodbury, died Nov. 1, 1959, at her home in Hurricane at the age of 81.

She was born April 10, 1878, in St. George, a daughter of David H. and Rhoda Knell Cannon. Her father, for many years, was president of the St. George Temple in which she also served as an ordinance worker the greater part of her life.

She also taught school for many years, served as president of both the Relief Society and the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Assn. at various times and held other various Church positions. In addition, she was for many years Washington County chairman of the Republican Party, and active in other civic affairs, particularly in projects designed to benefit the youth of Utah's Dixie country. She was widely known throughout Washington County as "Aunt Eva."

She was married to Joseph W. Webb in the St. George Temple, and some years following his death she married Robert P. Woodbury, in August, 1956. Her home was in St. George, though in recent years she had lived in Hurricane.

This leaflet is punched as have been previous historical leaflets, to fit a standard looseleaf. Some extra copies of previous issues are available and may be had on request.

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STORY OF CALIFORNIA MISSION OF 1849 AVAILABLE TO FAMILY IN BOOK



CHARLES C. RICH



GEORGE Q. CANNON

(as they probably appeared at about the time of this mission)

In 1849 George Q. Cannon made a trip to California as a member of an expedition under the leadership of Charles C. Rich of the Council of the Twelve. It was in the interest of opening up the San Bernardino country. On the hazardous journey through wild country, coyotes, Indians, thirst and other dangers dogged the path of the company of 20, and the 22-year-old George kept a careful diary, recording with remarkable detail and drama their many adventures and experiences. From this diary he wrote and published a stirring story of the trip in the *Juvenile Instructor* in 1869. Since then it has been out of print.

Now, through the financial co-operation of Dr. Edward I. Rich of Ogden, only living son of Charles C. Rich, the Cannon family has the opportunity of publishing this narrative advantageously, and offering it to members at \$1.00 per copy. Orders may be placed with the accompanying form.

COPIES OF FAMILY PEDIGREE AVAILABLE

The Cannon Family pedigree chart, copies of which were made available through the good offices of Howard S. and Marian Cannon Bennion, may still be obtained for 25 cents each, to handle postal costs. See accompanying order blank.

The family's genealogical and temple work continues to move forward. Names are still available in the Salt Lake Temple, and with increased financial support from the family, we hope to again provide them for other temples.

HOWARD W. CANNON, ST. GEORGE NATIVE, REPRESENTS NEVADA IN U. S. SENATE

Once again the Cannon name is registered on the roster of the Congress of the United States, this time by Howard W. Cannon, son of Walter and Leah, and grandson of David H. The young Las Vegas attorney was elected to the Senate last November in a spectacular victory over the veteran Nevada Republican, George W. Malone.

Howard was featured in a post-election United Press-International press service article carried in papers throughout the United States, and early in May he returned to his native St. George to give the principal address at the biennial state convention of the Young Democratic Clubs of Utah.

The UP-I article described him as a "stocky, 46-year-old former college wrestler and dance band leader who is ready to go to Washington and grapple with the nation's problems." It tells of his Mormon pioneer background and relates that he earned his master's degree in music education at Arizona State College at Flagstaff, where he "waited on table, washed dishes and played in a dance band to pay his way." It mentions further that he wrestled, played football, basketball and baseball at the school, and in 1946 took his dance band on a tour of the Orient.

He is described as an expert horseman and aviator who spent five years in the Air Force in World War II during which he was shot down over Holland during the course of a paratroop drop. ". . . With the help of the Dutch underground, I managed to evade capture for six weeks and finally escaped," it quotes him as saying.

For whatever comfort it may offer to Republican members of the family, the article quotes Howard further:

"I am a Democrat, but it wouldn't necessarily follow that I'd vote straight party lines . . . I'm certainly not going to vote against my principles—against what I think is right and good. . ."

Spoken like a true Cannon, Howard!

MEMBERS OF FAMILY PRESIDE OVER HAWAIIAN MISSION

The Cannon family tradition for missionary activity, in a land where many of its members have served with distinction, is being carried on by Dr. Harry V. and Louise Fagergren Brooks, who were called last year to preside over the Hawaiian Mission. Louise, a daughter of William and Della Fagergren, is a granddaughter of Abram H. and Wilhelmina Cannon, and a great-granddaughter of both George Q. and Angus M. Cannon.

Native Salt Lakers, the couple have lived since their marriage in California where Dr. Brooks practiced dentistry. Both have been active for many years in ward and stake work in Burbank, Glendale and San Fernando. Their home was in LaCanada.

With them in the islands are their four children, Linda, 18, a student at the University of Hawaii; Judd, a high school student, and twins Kent and Paul, 10.

"CAL" CANNON ELECTED MAYOR OF GLENDALE

Edward Callister (Cal) Cannon, son of David H. and Marge, was elected mayor of the city of Glendale, Calif. last April. For many years manager of Radio Station KIEV, "Cal" in 1950 was chosen Glendale's "Outstanding Young Man of the Year," and received the Distinguished Service Award from the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.

MISSIONARY WORK RESUMED ON ISLE OF MAN, THE CANNON FAMILY HOMELAND

An article in the March issue of *The Millennial Star*, publication of the British Mission, describes the recent arrival of four missionaries from the Liverpool District in Douglas to resume proselyting activities on the Isle of Man.

"The Isle of Man: the name connotes quaint folklore, an ancient, Gaelic-like language, medieval government, green swales and hills, modern resorts," the article begins. "To Latter-day Saints it means much more: it rings with a history and a heritage that evokes a kind of grateful nostalgia. One hundred and nineteen years ago, John Taylor and two companions sailed partway across the Irish Sea to introduce the Gospel to the Manx people; and they who heard his words became the fathers and mothers of a posterity that eventually sat in the councils of the Church of God. Now those scenes of the First Era on the Isle of Man are being recreated there. . ."

The elders then relate some of their experiences, of meeting people of the names of Cannon, Quayle, Cowley and Callister, and of others who have met and known members of the family who have visited there.

Apparently missionary work on "Ellan Vannin," as the beloved little island is affectionately known by its patriotic children, has been carried on only intermittently since the days of John Taylor's ministry there. It is recalled that in 1948 three young elders, John Nelson Cannon, Edgar M. Gardner, and William Robert Callister, all three of whom proudly claimed Manx ancestry, served for some time on the island. It is quite natural that the present president of the British Mission, T. Bowring Woodbury, would have a desire to see the work continued there.

The April issue of *The Millennial Star* features an article entitled "George Q. Cannon, Servant of God," written by Elder Richard B. Oliver, and presenting an excellent account of that great leader's life and ministry. It gives a beautiful account of the conversion of George and Ann Quayle Cannon and of the family's departure for the New World and subsequent events. Among the several illustrations is a picture of the sailing bark, *Sidney*, on which the mother, Ann, died during the Atlantic crossing.

NOTED SCIENTIST KEEPS BUSY IN RETIREMENT

Dr. Angus M. Woodbury, one of the nation's leading biologists, is starting this summer on his third major project since his retirement from the University of Utah with the title of professor emeritus of biology.

The new assignment is for a survey and study of plant and animal life in the areas of the Green River in eastern Utah and Wyoming to be affected by the Flaming Gorge Dam.

Last year, Angus supervised a similar study in the Colorado River country of southern Utah where the Glen Canyon Dam is being built.

These surveys, sponsored by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation in cooperation with the University of Utah Research Fund, include an exhaustive study of the present vegetation and bird, land and water life in these areas, together with predictions of what changes in the flora and fauna may be expected after the great reservoirs are built.

His first major project after his retirement from the teaching field was a four-year study of various aspects of animal life in the Dugway region of western Utah, undertaken under the joint sponsorship of the U. S. Army and the University of Utah.

And while the doctor is busy with his scientific research, his good wife, Grace Atkin Woodbury, is far from idle. In recognition of her many achievements and those of members of her distinguished family, she was named Mother of the Year for the Salt Lake area last April. On last January 17, Dr. and Mrs. Woodbury observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

In Memoriam

FAMILY NOTES PASSING OF THREE MORE MEMBERS OF SECOND GENERATION OF CANNONS IN THE WEST

ALMA CANNON LAMBERT, youngest son of Charles and Mary Alice Cannon Lambert, died January 16, 1959, in Salt Lake City after an operation, at the age of 84. He was born in Salt Lake City Feb. 9, 1874, and throughout his life had been active in Church work.

As a young man he served on a mission to Australia, and on June 25, 1902, he married Mary A. (Mollie) Woods, of Ogden, in the Salt Lake Temple. She died Dec. 27, 1947, and on July 17, 1954, he married Priscilla Hjorth Gale.

For many years he was affiliated with the Zellerbach Paper Co., and after his retirement in 1942 he moved to St. George.

Surviving are his widow, eight sons and daughters, Parley Francis, Redondo Beach, Calif.; Mrs. Robert A. (Florence) Whitman, Corvallis, Ore.; Mrs. Harry K. (Enid) Pollei, Quayle Cannon, Richard Alma and John Woods Lambert, all of Salt Lake City; Mrs. F. Edis (Mary) Taggart, Lewiston; Charles James Lambert, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; four stepsons and daughters, Claude E. and Floyd C. Gale, Mrs. Jules (Lavon) Giauque, Mrs. Leonard B. (Elaine) Harmon, all of Salt Lake City; one brother, Isaac Lambert, Farmington; 34 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

DOLORES STOHL CANNON, wife of Wilford Y. Cannon (son of George Q.), for many years an executive of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., died Feb. 24 of a heart ailment at the family home in Salt Lake City. She was born in Brigham City to Lorenzo N. and Vinnie R. Stohl. She was prominent in student affairs and dramatics at the LDS High School and the University of Utah.

Surviving, besides her husband, are a son and daughter, Wilford S. Cannon, Salt Lake, and Mrs. Lloyd (Carlye) Wattis, Denver, and five grandchildren.

IRA BENNION CANNON, son of Angus M. and Maria Bennion Cannon, died April 1 of leukemia at the age of 70. Born in Taylorsville, Feb. 11, 1889, he married Mary Salmon, who survives, in the Salt Lake Temple June 24, 1914. He fulfilled a mission to the Eastern States, 1911-13, and throughout his life had been active in the Church.

For many years he lived in eastern Utah, where he served six years on the Duchesne School Board and 15 years in the Duchesne Stake Presidency. Previously he had been bishop of Mt. Emmons Ward.

Surviving, besides his widow, are a son and daughter, Ben R. Cannon, Provo, and Mrs. Joel P. (Marva) Paulson, Salt Lake City, and eight grandchildren.

DEATH CLAIMS PROMINENT JURIST

George W. Worthen, son of George W. and Leonora Cannon Woodbury Worthen, and a grandson of Ann Cannon Woodbury, died in Salt Lake City April 11 at the age of 72 after a lingering illness. He had been a justice of the Utah State Supreme Court since 1954. A native of St. George, he taught school for several years after graduating from Brigham Young University, and later received his law education at the University of California. He married Charlotte McQuarrie in St. George on Jan. 13, 1910. She died in 1956.

A veteran of World War I, he served as Utah State Department Commander of the American Legion in 1935-36. He was district juvenile court judge in Provo from 1925 to 1929 and judge of the Fourth District Court from 1929 to 1933.

Survivors include three sons and a daughter: Ralph M. Worthen, Houston, Tex.; Dr. Howard George Worthen, Minneapolis, Minn., and Mrs. Arne R. (Ruth Ann) Purhonen and David M. Worthen, both of Salt Lake City.

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JAMES H. CANNON - - MODERN PIONEER

Son of Angus M., Dr. Martha Hughes Cannon
Inventor, Industrialist

From New York to Hawaii members of the family have inquired as to who are the Cannons of Cannon Electric Company of Los Angeles and Salem, Massachusetts. They are neither of the early American Southern family of Cannon Towel fame nor the Irish-American variety common in parts of the country, but they are our own Manx-Utah family.



James Hughes Cannon

His dominant characteristics were his pioneering spirit, reinforced by a natural inventive genius and a consuming desire to "build things and see them work."

His maternal grandmother, Ann Quayle Cannon, died and was buried at sea on the journey to the New World; and his grandfather, George Cannon, "The Emigrant," died in St. Louis in 1844. His mother's parents, Peter and Elizabeth Evans Hughes, natives of Wales, emigrated to Utah in 1860. Both of his parents crossed the plains with pioneer companies. His father, Angus M. Cannon, for many years president of the Salt Lake Stake of the Church, which then included all of Salt Lake Valley, was an outstanding figure in early Utah history.

A tribute that appeared at the time of the death of James Cannon in the February, 1950, issue of **The Cannoneer**, the organ of his company, gives this appraisal of him:

The founder of Cannon Electric Company, James Hughes Cannon, perhaps not so well-known in Utah as elsewhere, became more than nationally known for his contribution to industry, and the firm he built has been recognized as a leader in its field, and honored as a bulwark in the nation's arsenal of democracy. "Jim" Cannon's life history, which began on May 19, 1890, in Salt Lake City and which ended in Glendale, California, February 20, 1950, is the classical American success story, the chronicle of a youth of limitless ambition who set his goals high, struggled through adversity, and overcame obstacles and disappointments to make his dreams come true.

"His innate ambition was early fanned to flame by the extraordinary accomplishments of his mother, Martha Hughes Cannon, who despite poverty, obtained a higher education and a degree of Doctor of Medicine along with two other degrees. Jim was proud of her history-making feat of becoming the first woman State Senator in the United States (Utah, 1896-1900).

"As a youth, Jim was always earning money at various jobs. At age 14 he was 'in business,' operating a sight-seeing launch on the Great Salt Lake. In 1906, after the San Francisco earthquake, he landed in picturesque Monterey, where he worked in the Del Monte bath house and Club house, studied a correspondence course in electrical engineering, and at times operated a power boat in Monterey Bay. In 1908 he was back in Utah, where he worked for the Capitol Electric Company, landing at age 19 the job of president and general manager of the Idaho Electric Supply Company at Boise.

"But California called again, and in 1911 he was, as he put it, 'flat-footing' the streets of Los Angeles looking for a job. He was married and an expectant father, so a job as estimating engineer with an electric supply company looked good. In 1915 he resigned to go into business for himself. His first 'factory' was a room sub-let from an engraving company in a loft building on the site of the present Los Angeles Stock Exchange on Spring Street, which is now equipped with a Cannon Signal System.

"When Jim's landlord went broke and Jim was forced to move, he didn't hunt a job, but borrowed \$100, built a shack in his back yard and kept going. . . This home shop turned out all sorts of specialties which he sold himself. In 1920 he incorporated, and with funds from stock sales to four or five friends, built a two-story shop in the rear of his home. Incidentally, in 1935, when he repurchased this stock, he paid his friends back their original investment plus ten per cent a year for the entire 10-year period. . ."

Among his inventions were the famous Cannon electric plug, an ingenious electrical connecting unit, which has been a standard and vital item in the motion picture, radio, TV, radar, aviation, and other industries for more than 35 years. Hard hit by the depression, through sacrifice and perseverance he kept the business going and looked after his loyal people. With the outbreak of the war he was hard put to supply the nation's demands until at the peak of production 2,265 men and women were employed. During the war the company won three separate Army-Navy "E" awards.

One of the Cannon Electric plants made 5½ million connectors to shoot off rocket bombs—three kinds, measuring from four to six feet—in the islands of the South Pacific, to clear the jungles of Japanese snipers before our men went ashore in the landing barges. For years, nearly all major aircraft builders have used the Cannon plug, or multiple connector, in their manufacture. Each of the presidential planes has included hundreds of them. They are an important item in the present guided missiles program.

James Cannon had the unusual combination of inventive genius and business sense, together with warm interest in people as demonstrated in the excellent and progressive labor-management relations he promoted in his company. James was active also in civic and public affairs. A good public speaker, he was for 36 years a member of the Los Angeles Rotary Club, and served as its president in 1934-35. Other affiliations included the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, the Air Power League, the National Association of Manufacturers, the Electric Club of Los Angeles, and the Pasadena Athletic Club.



Robert J. Cannon

It is interesting to note the strongly Cannon characteristics in these father and son pictures.

James Cannon had two children by Vinna Hale, Robert J. (Bob) now president and for many years general manager of the firm, and Helen, Mrs. Richard Lambert Rowen; two children by Lillian Neyland, James Hughes Cannon, Jr., a graduate of Stanford, who has charge of the company's branch plant at Salem, Massachusetts, and Patricia, now Mrs. Walter James Arnell, whose husband, a distinguished Englishman, is now teaching engineering at the University of Southern California. His widow was the former Theresa McGuire.

Bob was named president of the Los Angeles Merchants and Manufacturers Association, and given the "Silver Knight" award from the National Management Association. He was first president of Junior Achievement, Inc. of Los Angeles, and recently, like his father, served as president of the Los Angeles Rotary Club.

PREDICTIONS OF GEORGE Q. CANNON A CENTURY AGO

The following quotation is taken from **Gospel Truth**, the recently published discourses and writings of President George Q. Cannon, Volume 1, page v:

"This is termed a scientific age, an age of discovery and improvement, and it is without question rightly named; but to whom shall the credit of these wonders and discoveries be attributed?"

"It is fashionable, we know, in the world at the present time, to attribute them to the genius of man, and to the fruits of his intellectual progress. It needs but a little reflection, however, to convince us that man is but the unwitting agent of a higher, and to some extent, unseen Power who operates through him for the accomplishment of His purposes. Man is, as yet, but on the threshold of the chambers which contain inexhaustible stores of knowledge of every kind; he is but just commencing to learn his A., B., C. in the great science of life.

"To thoroughly disseminate this knowledge, scientific truths were revealed, and science assumed her proper position as handmaid of religion. It is necessary that this should be the case, that the designs of the Almighty might be brought about with the requisite speed. The scientific men of the age are but instruments in the hands of a superior power that is operating with them for the accomplishment of His plans." (January 10, 1856)

NAMED BRITISH MISSION PRESIDENT

An event of interest and pride to the Cannon Family was the appointment in August of T. Bowring Woodbury as president of the British Mission. The appointment was announced by President David O. McKay shortly before he went to London to dedicate the new temple there.

The new mission president is a son of the late Thomas L. and Martha Maude Bowring Woodbury, and was born in Salt Lake City, May 12, 1908. For the past several years he has been a prominent industrialist and business leader in Wichita, Kansas. He was president of the Church branch there at the time of his call to the mission presidency.

The Woodburys have three children and two grandchildren. Cherie is married to David M. Stevens, a student of dentistry at Kansas City University; Thomas Bowring is now serving in the Gulf States Mission, and their youngest, Wendy, 15, has accompanied her parents to their London assignment.

SECOND GENERATION OF CANNONS IN THE WEST LOSES TWO MORE MEMBERS

WALTER CANNON DIES IN ST. GEORGE

Walter Cannon, 69, prominent resident and businessman of St. George, active in Church and civic affairs, died at Dixie Pioneer Memorial Hospital Aug. 13, 1957, of a coronary occlusion.

Born July 5, 1888 in Pinto, to David H. and Rhoda Knell Cannon, he received his schooling at St. George. He married Leah Sullivan June 9, 1909, in the St. George LDS Temple.

He was a member of the board of directors of the Bank of St. George from 1932 to 1956, was the fifth official postmaster of the city, serving for 12 years, and at one time taught school at the old Dixie Normal College. He owned and operated a motel for many years, helped organize the St. George Building Society, and was a member of the St. George Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

Always active in the Church, he filled a mission to Great Britain, 1913-1915, was a member of the stake MIA board and at the time of his death was an ordinance worker in the St. George Temple. He was also a member of the stake high council, and served for five years in the stake presidency.

He is survived by his widow, of St. George; one son, Howard W. Cannon, city attorney of Las Vegas, Nev.; two daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Jay, Ogden and Mrs. Ramona Schmutz, Santa Monica, Calif.; six grandchildren; three sisters: Eva C. Woodbury, Hurricane; Clara C. Burgess, St. George; and Theresa Huntsman, Enterprise; also ten brothers: Lewis, Frank and Douglas, of Tremonton, Utah; Bayard of Central, Utah; Earl, of Santa Monica, Calif.; Woodruff, Raymond, Claude, Vern and Harold, all of St. George. Funeral services were held Aug. 16 in the St. George Tabernacle.

EUGENE MOUSLEY CANNON DIES IN SALT LAKE CITY

Eugene M. Cannon, 87, son of Angus M. and Amanda Mousley Cannon, died October 2, 1958, of causes incident to age.

His life-long activity included 29 consecutive years as counselor or as bishop in Forest Dale Ward, beginning in 1909.

He served a mission to Tahiti from February, 1893 to August, 1896. Upon his return he assisted with the translation of the Book of Mormon into the Tahitian tongue.

When, in his seventieth year, he was called with his wife, Edna Cannon Lambert Cannon, also of Cannon descent, to preside over the Tahitian Mission, he promptly answered the call of his presiding officers after the manner traditional in the Cannon family.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Kiwanis Club for some years, and the Emeritus Club.

Survivors include seven sons and daughters: Mrs. George S. (Virginia) Nelson, Charles M. Cannon, Mrs. J. Quayle Ward, all of Salt Lake City; Eugene M. Cannon, Jr., of Houston, Texas; Mrs. Francis G. (Rosina) Nicholas, Ogden; Kenneth L. Cannon, Provo; Mrs. Madge Harwood, Soda Springs, Idaho; 22 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren; three sisters and two brothers: Mrs. Barnard J. Stewart, Ira B. Cannon, Glen B. Cannon, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Elizabeth McCrimmon, Seal Beach, Calif., and Alice C. Cheney, Centerville.

TEMPLE WORK PROGRESSES

The family is fortunate in having had our beloved kinsmen, Frank B. Woodbury and Edwin Q. Cannon, officiate in the several sealing sessions which have been held in the past few months at the Salt Lake Temple, and all are grateful, also, to Margaret C. Clayton for her faithfulness in keeping the temple records.

A total of 188 couples and 891 children have been sealed at sessions held Aug. 9, 1957; Jan. 7, March 4, April 3, and Oct. 6, 1958.

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SARAH MARIA — ANGUS M. CANNON — AMANDA

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS IN ST. GEORGE

ED. NOTE: The following chapter, one of several Ann M. Cannon wrote on the life of her mother, Sarah M. Mousley Cannon, is a stimulating example of the type of intimate and significant historical sketch so desirable for us all to do of our own families. Besides the general interest of the narrative, her detail always presents a graphic picture of the times.

Also, her viewpoint and atmosphere contrast sharply with that of some current historical novels of this same pioneer era of Utah's "Dixie," which depict gross lack of consideration for women, and wallow in poor and uncouth English. None of this came down in this family tradition. It would have been impossible for those we knew to speak in that way. Sarah was used by her mature children as a ready reference for spelling, and Angus M. Cannon's recorded words, such as extemporaneous testifying in court, for instance, are outstanding examples of lucid thinking with a fine command of words. Crudeness is not necessarily realism.

"Aunt Annie" has commented that however low their material circumstances were, their mother would never let them feel that they were poor. And her son, John M., used to say that he never remembers coming in to a meal that his mother did not have something cheerful to talk about.

A chapter from the life of SARAH MARIA MOUSLEY CANNON by her daughter Ann M. Cannon.

In the fall of 1861 Father and his family were called on a mission by President Brigham Young to help settle southern Utah. The family consisted of Father, Mother, Aunt Amanda, Mina and Angus M. Cannon, Jr. The latter two were Aunt Amanda's and Father's children, Angus being but a few weeks old. Mother spoke of Mina as an adorable little girl of two years, perhaps the more endeared to Mother because of the loss of her own little girl (Maria) at birth.

The little adobe home in the Seventh Ward (on the West side of the block where the Post Office now stands, about where P. O. Place is) was sold or traded for two covered wagons and necessary equipment and the family started out well provided for the journey into that "burned out" though now glorious country. Father furnished the necessities, but each wife's treasure chest supplied linen from flax grown on the Delaware farm; coin silver teaspoons (made from silver dollars melted down); tablespoons, heavily plated with silver; beautiful dishes from the abundant supply Grandfather and Grandmother brought across the Plains by ox-team. They had crude pottery from the factory Father helped the Eardleys to start; flour, sugar, dried corn, beans; seed to plant—I wonder what they took to start their vineyard!

In the company were Father's sister, Ann Cannon Woodbury, her husband and two or three children; his brother, David H. Cannon and wife, Aunt Willie (Mother's sister), their little son David; Mother's brother, Lewis H. Mousley and wife, Aunt Mary, in addition to many others.

For about a month they travelled, most of the way through unbroken roads—possibly following Indian trails or those of the coyote. Into the floor of the two covered wagons had been loaded the boxes, chairs, and utensils not needed en route and on top of these, on Grandmother's live-goose feather beds, slept the travellers. On and on the wagons journeyed, from the colder north into the warm south. The sand clung to the broad tires, lifted with them and fell in a soft spray as the wheels turned. The lonely coyote slunk away as they drew near by day, but at night his weird howl filled the women and children with terror. Sagebrush—miles and miles of it; rabbit brush; occasionally a clump of scrub oak—the only live green on the landscape. Then long, long stretches, with only the grey-green of the desert growths, or perhaps a yellow stretch of wild mustard; now a pink glow from the rising sun; a dark green-blue shadow from a passing cloud; a low twitter of birds from their cacti-fortressed nests; the desert billowing on like the waves of the ocean—the purple mountains; the promise of a far-flung shore. Journeying thither the vista of a lake to lave their weary bodies proved a mirage. It vanished as they drew near. A city with white temple spire arising from the sands vanished also, but it presaged the future.

Down at the Black Ridge the trail ended. The wagon-boxes were let down almost sheer cliffs by ropes; the women and children found less precipitous places and climbed down, clinging to the rocks or to the hands of their husbands. On again to the Rim of the Basin. Now balmy uncontaminated air; they seemed never to have breathed before—so deep the breaths!

Just east of the present town of St. George the company went into camp formation—the backs of all wagons turned inward, forming a circle. Father knew he must make a more permanent camp for the birth of Mother's child. A little to one side he found a level stretch, cleared it, measured the size of his circular army tent and began to dig. About two feet deep he made it. His friends helped place the tent over the excavated circle. It left a shelf all round the improvised room and the excavated two feet, added to the four feet of the tent gave six feet to the lowest part of the sloping ceiling. The circular tent was supported by a center pole, and gave the effect outside of a huge, bulging wigwam.

Life settled down. The country was explored. Negotiations started with the Indians. On the morning of December 24, Father was detailed with some others and went to seek the Indian camp, down the river toward what is now Santa Clara. Thales Haskell and Jacob Hamblin were there as missionaries. As the day progressed a storm threatened and the men were urged to stay. Father said,

“No, I’ll go if I go alone.” And he did.

As he reached home the storm broke. Toward midnight Mother was taken ill. Father called Uncle David and sent him for “Aunt Dicey” Perkins, the midwife. She had gone up the river to attend someone eighteen miles away. The team was hitched up and Uncle David started after her. Father called Aunt Annie Woodbury and Sister Church. They were both women with children. Uncle David returned in despair. The Virgin River was on the rampage—a seething, boiling mass, through which nothing could pass and live. Prayer was their only resource in that agonized moment.

But Aunt Amanda wept and wrung her hands:

“The doctor said she could never survive another childbirth.”

“Why didn’t he tell me!” Father demanded.

“She forbade him. She forbade us all.”

Father lost no time. He called Sister Church and Aunt Annie. He blest them, set them apart and sent them in to help my mother and her child. The little group waited and prayed as never before. What unseen power made those willing hands so skillful! The presence of angels stirred the air. The hosts of Heaven drew near and waited.

Christmas morn George was born at six o’clock—the first white boy in that country! And mother lived and smiled. Once again “Peace on earth, Good-will toward men!”

That day they danced upon the green and sang praise to the God who had succored them.

Marriage of Interest

In August of 1956, David H. Cannon’s daughter, “Eva” (Evelyn) C. Webb, who has been so active in family affairs for so long that to most of us she needs no introduction, was married to Robert P. Woodbury. We are glad to see you still so young, “Aunt Eva,” and the entire family joins in wishing you as much happiness as you have passed along to others.

In Public Service

Continuing the Cannon family’s outstanding tradition in public service, the recent election found several members listed on the ballot, and the forthcoming session of the Legislature will find three members seated in the State House of Representatives: Evan Woodbury, re-elected, from Washington County, and Edwin Q. Cannon Jr. and D. James Cannon from Salt Lake. In addition, Edwin Q. Cannon Sr. was re-elected for another term as Salt Lake County Commissioner.

Family Pedigree Charts Made Available

Howard S. Bennion and his wife, Marian Cannon Bennion, have long been supporters of our genealogical project, and this year they have done something especially helpful and constructive. Howard has for many years made opportunities almost everywhere he has been in America and in Europe to pursue genealogical research, and has experienced the need of having readily available the basic work previously done by others.

To fill this need and to encourage those who would do as he has done, as well as to supply information to members who are making family Books of Remembrance, he has given us a gift of a thousand copies of our Cannon pedigree chart.

Our mailing list is over a thousand, and we are sending these charts only to those who value them sufficiently to request them, and to send ten cents to cover the cost of mailing.

Howard and Marian have been prominent in Church activities wherever they have lived. In New York Howard has been a bishop, stake president and patriarch. Besides always being an asset as a fine pianist, Marian has served as president in both the Relief Society and Primary organizations, and has done years of missionary work.

Last year Howard retired from his position as vice president and managing director of the Edison Electric Institute in New York, following which he was sent as their representative to the World Power Congress in Vienna. They have now returned to Salt Lake City to live. It is good to have them back.

Sealing Excursions in S. L. Temple

We as a family have still been given the privilege of doing our own endowments and our own sealings of our kindred dead. Our baptisms for the past year have been taken care of by Cannon Stake.

Since our last leaflet, a year ago, we have had three sealing sessions, one morning and two evening, in February, June and September, giving us a total of 112 couples and 593 children whose work is now completed. We are fortunate in having our own men, Frank B. Woodbury and Edwin Q. Cannon in the Temple to perform these sealings for us, and in having our own young couples anxious to participate in these services.

These three sessions called for six men to act as witnesses and seventeen couples. We have some family group sheets now ready for another sealing, and soon hope to have enough ready for another sealing session.

Deaths in the Family

Since the last bulletin the following deaths have been reported in the third generation of the George Cannon family:

George Aaron McCrimmon, husband of Elizabeth Cannon Porter McCrimmon, died Sept. 6, 1955 in Los Angeles.

Jesse Fox Cannon died July 6, 1956.

Edna Cannon Lambert Cannon, who by her marriage to Eugene M. Cannon, acquired the right to wear the badges of three branches of the family at our reunions, died Feb. 28, 1956.

This leaflet is punched as have been previous historical leaflets, to fit a standard looseleaf. Some extra copies of previous issues are available and may be had on request.

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REPUBLICATION OF CANNON HISTORY

How Many Want It? What Should It Contain? Speak Up, Please!

What would you like to have contained in a new edition of the Cannon Family history?

This project is now under consideration, and we would like you to tell us right now what you feel it should include.

The original family history, "George Cannon, the Immigrant, His Ancestry, His Life, His Native Land, His Posterity," by John Q. Cannon, "eldest son of his eldest son," has long been out of print, yet calls for it are constantly increasing.

The first part of the book, as indicated, is John Q.'s story of our ancestry in the Isle of Man; the conversion to the Gospel of our ancestors, Ann Quayle and George Cannon; their immigration with their children to America.

This is followed by brief biographies of these children, and by a chapter describing the island. To the latter could be added an account of the Cannons who remained there. The sketches of the seven children should, of course, be included, with such alterations and additions as representative members of their respective families agree upon.

New Material Suggested

Then what of our story following the lives of these seven outstanding pioneer characters: George Q. Cannon, Mary Alice Cannon Lambert, Ann Cannon Woodbury, Angus M. Cannon, David H. Cannon, Leonora Cannon Gardner and Elizabeth Cannon Piggott?

Volumes could be written, but most of this must be left to separate histories of the various branches.

Requests which we are not now able to fill have been made for certain stories told in our historical leaflets, such as the one about procuring the glass for the St. George Temple, the incident at the time George Q. and David H. did the endowment work for their father in the St. George Temple; Ann M. Cannon's account of the first Christmas in St. George, as well as other chapters she wrote of the family's early days. There are early letters of significance. You may wish to suggest other items of general family interest and importance.

It is felt that a list of all those who have done missionary work, with a record of their service, would be suitable material for inclusion. It is even suggested that a complete roster of all the descendants of Ann Quayle and George Cannon might be assembled and made a part of the projected book.

Must Have Cooperation

Impossible? Yes—without your interest and cooperation. But it can be done, and what a wonderful story!—what a priceless record for succeeding generations!

And some of our younger members who are afire with genealogical and historical interest are the ones most interested and most determined to get the work started, together with our faithful branch secretaries who know what work and effort such a project entails for them.

Now to return to the first question: How many would want copies of such a book? How many copies could we have guaranteed orders for in advance? How extensive should the new additions be, and would the family be willing to pay two dollars or so more per copy to have it include the material outlined above? Remember, publishing costs are high, and the cost per volume will be reduced in proportion to the size of the edition.

On your response depends our proceeding with the book.

Mousley Genealogy Made Available

The three Mousley branches of the Cannon family, descendants of Angus M. Cannon and Sarah Amanda Mousley, and of David H. Cannon and Wilhelmina Mousley, have come into a great legacy.

Commander Franklin Mousley, USNR (Ret.), of 2423 Whitby Rd., Havertown P.O., Pennsylvania, has made the largest genealogical record in the world of persons named Moseley, Mousley and other spellings, and has permitted the Utah Genealogical Library to microfilm it and place a copy for use here.

One section of 210 pages of this work is titled "George Moseley (1757-1835)." This man was the ancestor of our Cannon Mousleys and fought in the American Revolution. This fine pedigreed manuscript, entirely concerned with our relatives, contains the record of our western branch, descendants of George's son, Titus.

Besides this, the record of the Commander's own ancestry and others in the English Midlands, where he believes ours were at an earlier time, may prove of special value to us.

Commander Mousley was a Marconi pioneer as far back as 1908. He served with the Navy in both world wars, and between wars was active in the Reserve while managing his own foundry business in Philadelphia. For sixteen years before his retirement in 1946 he pursued genealogy energetically as a hobby. Since then he has made it a full-time job, and is an amazing, walking encyclopedia of his gigantic works, comprising a meticulously indexed record of close to 50,000 persons. His record has increased appreciably since its filming last winter; and he continues with a zest which makes him feel life is too short for the work. We thank him, and wish him the life at least of a centenarian!

Dr. Anthon S. Cannon Honored

The recent appointment of Dr. Anthon S. Cannon, grandson of Angus M. Cannon, to the Utah State Board of Corrections is recognition of his excellent training and achievement in the fields of education and social service.

Anthon took his Ph.D. at the University of Chicago. He has a fine record of service as teacher in the L. D. S. Church Seminary and Institute systems, five years as special agent with the F. B. I., and is professor of sociology at the University of Utah, chairman of the scholarship awards committee and Fulbright adviser. His courses in courtship, marriage, and the family have been some of the largest and most popular at the school.

He is co-author of a book, **Building Your Marriage**, widely used as a textbook. For several summers he was employed by the Air Force in Alabama as counselor in rehabilitating into the military forces men with institutional records. While there he worked on a large research project in this field which he has continued for several years since in Utah. This is also being prepared for publication.

For several years he has been consultant to the U.S. Air Force in research in criminology. This research included following the careers of 3,500 juvenile delinquents and adult criminals who have been confined in the Utah State Industrial School, the Utah State Prison, or who have been on probation with the Utah State Adult Probation and Parole Department. He is also on the executive committee of the Utah State Board on Alcoholism, and is a member of the board of trustees of the home for women alcoholics.

New Volume by Noted Scientist

Comfort for Survival is the title of the latest book by Dr. Angus M. Woodbury, professor emeritus of biology at the University of Utah and one of the nation's leading scientists. It is an authoritative study of the survival pattern among various species of animal life in the western United States.

Gen. J. K. Cannon's Memory Honored

General John K. Cannon, distinguished military leader and war hero who died in 1955, was memorialized in May of this year, when the U.S. Air Force Base at Clovis, N. M., was renamed for him. A pioneer in military aeronautics, General Cannon was affectionately known as "Uncle Joe."

Promoted, Given Top Assignment

Robert M. Cannon, now Utah's highest ranking military officer, was nominated by President Eisenhower in June for advancement from the rank of major general to lieutenant general. At the same time it was announced he would be assigned soon to Hawaii as deputy commander-in-chief of the U.S. Army in the Pacific. "General Bob," a great-grandson of George Cannon through both his father and mother, has had a distinguished military career, in the China-Burma-India theater during World War II, and subsequently in assignments in Manila, the Presidio, Turkey, and the Pentagon.

Named to State Publicity Post

D. James Cannon, son of Sylvester Q. and Winnifred Saville Cannon, has been appointed director of the Utah State Tourist and Publicity Council by Governor George D. Clyde.

Designs Utah Governor's Mansion

Georgius Y. Cannon, noted architect and youngest son of George Q. Cannon, is currently in the news as a result of the controversy over his design for the proposed governor's mansion.

New Volume of Family Interest

Gospel Truth, a compilation of the writings and discourses of George Q. Cannon, has been published by Jerreld L. Newquist of Portland, Ore., in cooperation with Zion's Book Store. The compiler is a convert to the Church who has spent many years in research on President Cannon's life and works. This is planned to be the first of two volumes.

Deaths in the Family

Angus J. Cannon, 89, son of George Q. and Sarah Jane Jenne Cannon, and an active Church worker throughout his life, died in Salt Lake City, March 19, after a long illness. His wife, Miriam Hawkins Cannon, preceded him in death by just one month. He had served as a bishop in Snyderville, for many years as president of the Swiss-German Mission, and for 16 years as superintendent of the Joseph Smith Memorial Farm at South Royalton, Vt.

Edna Snow Lambert, widow of Angus M. Lambert, died May 22, 1957.



This leaflet has been punched, as have been previous issues, to fit a standard looseleaf. If you wish copies of previous leaflets to complete your collection, some extra copies are available and may be had on request. Also, prints of the pictures of Angus M. Cannon, Sarah Maria Mousley Cannon and Amanda Mousley Cannon which appeared in the last leaflet are available for use in Books of Remembrance, and may be had by sending request and return postage to Cannon Family Assn., care of George J. Cannon, 47 West South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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The Cannons In Europe

With the dedication of the Temple at Bern, Switzerland, and the European concert tour of the Tabernacle Choir this last summer, the hearts and minds of the Cannon Family turn with love toward that great continent where so many have served as missionaries.

Probably no other family in the Church has a comparable record of mission activity in the European field. Many of the family have served as mission presidents there. President George Q. Cannon was president of the entire European Mission, and of his sons, John Q., Hugh J. and Angus J., were all presidents of the Swiss-German; Joseph J. of the British, Sylvester Q. of the Netherlands, and most recently, Edwin Q., of the West German Mission.

Several members of the family accompanied the choir tour of last summer, including Mrs. Anthon S. (Flora) Cannon, Audrey B. and L. Glen Quigley, Edwin Q., Jr., and Janath Cannon, and Theodore L., Dorothy and Mary Ann Cannon. David W. and Beatrice Cannon Evans were with the choir at several points during the course of an extensive European summer tour. Beatrice also visited the Isle of Man where she was treated royally by some of the surviving Manx Cannons. A report of this trip and other interesting sidelights on the Isle of Man will be printed in a forthcoming bulletin.

Another family European experience of importance was the trip of Marba Cannon Josephson, associate managing editor of the Improvement Era, in 1954. Marba attended the International Congress of Women in Helsinki, Finland, in June, and thereafter spent four months touring Europe and visiting the missions.



Many noteworthy events marked the mission of Edwin Q. and Louella Wareing Cannon who were appointed to preside over the West German Mission in September, 1950, and who returned home on Christmas Day, 1953.

Meeting houses were erected in Munich, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Stadt Hagen, Saarbruecken, Essen, and an old folks home was purchased and opened in Karlsruhe. The city of Hamburg has since been added to the East German Mission. Most important of all, perhaps, was the erection of a mission home in Frankfurt. This centralized the operation of the mission and gave adequate housing to carry forward the great missionary work. Frankfurt had been practically demolished by bombs during World War II, as had so many great cities in Germany, and over the ruins of one of the

bombed-out buildings, the mission home now stands, a symbol of stability—a haven, attractive, readily accessible to members, missionaries and friends.

Perhaps the most important accomplishment during the service of Edwin Q. and Louella was the recognition that was finally attained in Hessenland, the West German state in which Frankfurt is situated, when the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was accepted as a corporation under public law. It took almost three years and a hard legal battle to achieve this desirable recognition. This now gives the Church in Western Germany the same legal status as the other large churches in the area and gives it equal footing in a legal way.

During the tenure of their office, Edwin Q. and Louella frequently met German friends and members of the Church who had known Angus J., Hugh J., Wilford, Clarence M., Julian and George J., and they were often queried as to where these former missionaries were. They were also asked often whether they were related to some Cannon whose first name the people had forgotten, but whom they remembered well.

During the term of their mission, they traveled throughout the length and breadth of the West German Mission, counseling, directing, encouraging, and helping restore the Church which had suffered greatly during the war years. They were also privileged to visit in England, Denmark, Belgium, Holland, France, Switzerland, and Italy, as well as some areas behind the Iron Curtain, including Berlin and Vienna.

The work that Ed—as he is affectionately known—and Louella did in heading this important and strategic mission can hardly be measured. They brought added lustre not only to their names but also to the name of Cannon. Countless people will rise to call them blessed for the work they did in the West German Mission.

Missionary Service

It is the desire of the officers of the George Cannon Family Association to compile and publish at some future time a complete and accurate record of all the missionary activity of all the members of the family.

Herewith is presented, as so far compiled, the missionary efforts of the family in one field—the German, West German and Swiss-German areas. Any corrections or additions in this record, together with complete data on all missionary service in other fields should be sent by family members to their branch secretaries at once for future publication. Be sure to include accurate dates.

FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE GERMAN, WEST GERMAN, AND SWISS-GERMAN MISSIONS

- Cannon, Abraham Hoagland—Started in British and then transferred to Swiss-German—Oct. 9, 1879-June 6, 1882.
- Cannon, Angus J. (Miriam H.)—President, Swiss-German—Aug. 28, 1916-Dec. 27, 1920.
- Cannon, Brigham T.—Swiss-German—Dec. 31, 1894-1898.
- Cannon, Carl—Swiss-German—1929-1931.
- Cannon, Clarence M.—German—1887-1889.
- Cannon, Collins T.—Swiss-German—August 23, 1910.
- Cannon, Constance Quayle—Swiss-German—June 26, 1925-May 19, 1928.
- Cannon, David Hoagland—Swiss-German—April 8, 1892—died on mission.
- Cannon, Edwin Q. (Louella)—President West German Mission—October 6, 1950-Dec., 1953.
- Cannon, Edwin Q., Jr.—East German—Jan. 21, 1938, trans. to Canada.
- Cannon, Elias M.—German—July 1922-April 1925.
- Cannon, Espey T.—Swiss-German—Jan. 2, 1906-Aug. 1908.
- Cannon, Frank Q.—German—Jan. 16, 1903-Aug. 1908.
- Cannon, George J.—German—Dec. 30, 1898-Sept. 26, 1901.
- Cannon, Georgius Y.—German—July 11, 1911-Oct. 23, 1914.
- Cannon, Howell Q.—Swiss-German—Apr. 3, 1928-Jan. 18, 1931.

- Cannon, Hugh Harley—Swiss-German—Aug. 23, 1910.
 Cannon, Hugh J., (Sarah)—President Swiss-German—June 26, 1925-May 19, 1928.
 Cannon, Hugh J.—Swiss-German—Apr. 10, 1891-Nov. 12, 1892
 Cannon, Hyrum P.—German—Nov. 1924-July 1927.
 Cannon, John Kenneth—German—About six months, then transferred to Scotch because of World War I.
 Cannon, John Q. (Anne Wells)—Swiss-German—Aug. 8, 1881-June 24, 1884.
 Cannon, Quayle—German—April 1902-March 1905.
 Cannon, Quayle, Jr.—Swiss-German—Nov. 1926-Sept. 1929.
 Cannon, Julian Saville—Swiss-German—Sept. 22, 1925-June 27, 1928.
 Cannon, Lewis Mousley—Swiss-German—May 21, 1887-1889.
 Cannon, Lewis Telle—Swiss-German—July 19, 1897-1900.
 Cannon, Matthew Hamlin—Swiss German—Jan. 6, 1922, trans. to French, Dec. 1, 1923.
 Cannon, Jesse Floyd—Swiss-German—Jan. 1930-June 1932.
 Wilcken, May (Cannon, Mrs. Hugh)—German—April 14, 1903.
 Cannon, Milton B.—German—Oct. 1922-Sept. 1925.
 Cannon, Preston J.—German—Dec. 30, 1898-July 18, 1903.
 Cannon, Ralph Taylor—German-Austrian—Feb. 6, 1935-Aug. 11, 1937.
 Cannon, Read Tenney—Swiss-German—May 22, 1896.
 Cannon, Richard Callister—Swiss-German—Mar. 2, 1922-Oct. 2, 1922.
 Cannon, Rosannah Jenne—Swiss-German—June 26, 1925 - May 19, 1928.
 Cannon, Thomas Quentin—German—June 1923-May 1928.
 Cannon, Vaughn M.—German—1913, Trans. in 1914 to Central States because of war.
 Cannon, Warren Croxall—Swiss-German—July 15, 1930-Mar. 25, 1933.
 Cannon, Wayne Dilworth—Swiss-German—Oct. 7, 1925-Feb. 25, 1928.
 Cannon, Wilford Young—Swiss-German—July 10, 1909.
 Cannon, Winfield Q.—Swiss-German—Nov. 22, 1927-June 22, 1930.
 Sharp, James Cannon—Swiss German—Nov. 14, 1922-June 14, 1925.
 Irvine, Wendell C.—Swiss-German—June 19, 1928-Mar. 4, 1931.
 Neslen, Clarence C.—Swiss-German—Feb. 1927-Dec. 1929.
 Giaque, Raymond C.—Swiss-German—Oct. 9, 1930-June 1933.
 Woods, Charles Casper—German Austrian—Nov. 1927-June 1931.
 Woods, Roger Shaw—German-Austrian—May 4, 1934-March 1937.
 Lambert, Gerald Snow—Swiss-German—Oct. 1912-Nov. 1914.
 Gardner, George Cannon—Swiss-German—Sept. 11, 1896-May 6, 1899.
 Woodbury, Frank Orin—Swiss-German—Nov. 1922-Dec. 1924.
 Woodbury, Harvey Charles—Swiss-German—June 1922-Dec. 1924.
 Woodbury, Thomas Bowring—German-Austrian—Apr. 3, 1928-Dec. 31, 1930.
 Rodgers Melvin W.—German—Nov. 14, 1929-Aug. 5, 1932.

Tribute to President David O. McKay

One of the outstanding missionary experiences of the family was that of Hugh J. Cannon who was called to accompany President David O. McKay, then of the Council of the Twelve, on a world-wide tour of all the missions of the Church in 1921. President McKay speaks often of his pleasurable association with Hugh J., and he is mentioned frequently in the recently published book, **Cherished Experiences From the Writings of President David O. McKay**.

In the forepart of the book appears this tribute that Hugh J. wrote to the man who was later to become President of the Church:

“David O. McKay, a man every line of whose face denotes firmness and courage, intensely serious when serious matters are being considered, as immovable as Gibraltar when principle is involved, but withal a kindly man and one whose heart is full of sympathy and human tenderness and an unflinching love for all mankind. In no degree sanctimonious and with a highly developed sense of humor, he still has a deep appreciation of sacred things; refined and intellectual, he is yet one of the common people; a vital, dynamic power for good wherever he goes, he is still as humble as the little child whom we must all resemble in order to enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Temple Work Marks D. H. Cannon's Anniversary

On April 23, 1954, the 116th birthday anniversary of David H. Cannon (son of Ann Quayle and George Cannon) a group of his descendants commemorated the day by gathering at the St. George Temple where he so long presided. Most of them spent the full day there, doing endowments morning and afternoon, and meeting together for sealings at noon. Among those participating were Evaline C. Webb, W. Woodruff Cannon, Walter Cannon with Leah, his wife, and their daughter Ramona C. Schmultz; A. Ross and Alice C. Barton, Ronald V. and Dolores F. Cannon, Ruth C. Chamberlain and Alma Lambert.

The same procedure was followed again in 1955.

Sealing Excursions in S. L. Temple

Several evening sealing excursions have been held in the Salt Lake Temple. Held on December 18, 1953, June 9 and September 10 in 1954, and June 15 and December 7, in 1955, they have called into activity many young couples in the family and have furthered the work for our kindred dead.

Cannon Stake Organized

On March 1, 1953, Cannon Stake was organized, including the area in the southwest section of Salt Lake City which was the old Cannon Ward and once the farm home estate of the numerous family of George Q. Cannon. In fact, at one time George Q. Cannon owned nearly half the land now constituting the stake.

It has been the desire of the Cannon family to do the ordinance work for our ancestors themselves, but an exception was made at the request of the new stake bearing the Cannon name. In February and March 1953, they performed nearly one thousand baptisms from the Cannon records.

Deaths in the Family

Mary Elizabeth Evans Woodbury, widow of John T. Woodbury, died March 4, 1954.

Zina Bennion Cannon, widow of John M. Cannon, died on September 17, 1954.

Brigham Telle Cannon, son of George Q. and Martha Telle Cannon, died November 9, 1954.

Mary Alice Gardner Snow, worker for many years in the St. George Temple and mother of a large family, passed away Dec. 14, 1954.

Caroline Y. Croxall Cannon, 79, died February 12, 1955, widow of Willard Telle Cannon.

General John K. Cannon, 62, who retired from the army as a full general on April 1, 1954, died in Arcadia, Calif., January 12, 1955, of a heart attack. He was commander of the United State Air Force in Europe at the time of the Berlin airlift, and had had a distinguished career in the service since World War I. During World War II he headed the US Twelfth Air Force and the Allied Air Force in the European-Mediterranean theatre. He was commander of the Air Force Training Command at the time of his retirement, after which he became chairman of the board of Fletcher Aviation Corporation.

Eugene Cannon, son of David H. Cannon, died September 27, 1955.

Maud Riter Cannon, 67, wife of Radcliffe Q. Cannon, died Sept. 7, 1955.

Mary Eliza C. Cannon Young, widow of Abram H. Cannon, died September 28, 1955.

Emily Cannon Willey, 81, daughter of George Q. and Elizabeth Hoagland Cannon, died Dec. 13, 1955.

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Second Generation of Cannons In West

At this writing nearly 160 years after the birth of George Cannon (December 3, 1794 on the Isle of Man) and 109 years after his death (August 19, 1844 in St. Louis, Mo.) 48 of the 136 sons and daughters of his seven remarkable children are still living. Our last Chronicle paid tribute to the eldest member of each of the seven branches. Herewith are listed all of the living members of this second generation of Cannons in the West, grandchildren of George Cannon, the Immigrant. All are residing in Salt Lake City unless otherwise designated. In the case of his sons' families, the mothers' names are given in parentheses.

GEORGE Q. CANNON (1827-1901) was the father of 40 children (six adopted) of whom the following 15 are living: (Elizabeth Hoagland) Emily C. Willey, 79; (Sarah Jane Jenne) Angus J. Cannon, 86, and Rosannah C. Irvine, 79; (Eliza Tenney) Edwin Q. Cannon, 68; (Martha Telle) Brigham T. Cannon, 79, Radcliffe Q. Cannon, 70, Espey T. Cannon, 68, of Mexico City, Mexico, and Collins T. Cannon, 65; (Caroline Young) Ada C. Cannon, 83, Carol C. Cannon, 78, Tracy Y. Cannon, 74, Vera C. Sharp 72, Clawson Y. Cannon, 68, of Beirut, Lebanon; Wilford Y. Cannon 65, and Georgius Y. Cannon, 61.

MARY ALICE CANNON LAMBERT (1828-1920) wife of Charles Lambert, had 14 children, 12 of whom matured and married. Only one now living is Alma C. Lambert, 79.

ANN CANNON WOODBURY (1832-1920) wife of Orin Nelson Woodbury, had ten children, all of whom married. The four youngest, all now living, are Frank B. Woodbury, 85, Alice W. Harmon, 82, of St. George; Angus C. Woodbury, 80, of Logan, and Clara Elizabeth W. Adams 72, of Mesquite, Nev.

ANGUS M. CANNON (1834-1915) had 27 children of whom seven are now living: (Sarah Maria Mousley) Leonora C. Stewart, 79; (Ann Amanda Mousley) Eugene M. Cannon, 82, and Jesse F. Cannon, 76; (Clara C. Moses) Alice C. Cheney, 71, of Centerville, Utah; (Martha M. Hughes) Elizabeth C. McCrimmon, 68, of Los Angeles; (Maria Bennion) Ira B. Cannon, 64, and Glen B. Cannon, 56.

DAVID H. CANNON (1838-1924) had 32 children of whom the following 15 are living: (Whilhelmina L. Mousley) Lewis Ray Cannon, 75, of Tremonton, Utah, and Frank Cannon, 70, of Fielding, Utah; (Josephine L. Crossgrove) Bayard Cannon, 72, of Central, Utah; Eugene Cannon, 70, of Fielding, Utah; Theresa C. Huntsman, 68, of Enterprise, Utah; Claude Cannon, 66, of Henderson, Nevada, and Raymond Cannon, 63, of St. George; (Rhoda Ann Knell) Evaline C. Webb, 75, of Hurricane, Utah; Wilford Woodruff Cannon, 73, Walter Cannon, 65, Clara C. Burgess, 62, Vernon Cannon, 59, and Harold Cannon, 50, all of St. George; Douglas Cannon, 56, of Tremonton, and Earl Cannon, 53, of Santa Monica, Calif.

LEONORA CANNON GARDNER (1840-1924) wife of Robert Gardner, had seven children, three of whom are living: Mary Alice C. G. Snow, 88, of St. George; Angus C. Gardner, 71, of Lehi, and Rhoda G. Harrison, 79, of Lovell, Wyoming.

ELIZABETH CANNON PIGGOTT (1845-1920) wife of William Piggott, had six children, five of whom grew maturity and three of whom are living: Alice Cannon Piggott Reay, 76, of Randolph, Utah, and William G. Piggott, 66 and George C. Piggott, 64, both of Bloomington, Idaho.

So far as is known there have been no deaths in this generation of the family during the past year, though the wives of four of the grandsons of

George Cannon have passed away. Margaret McKeever, wife of Jesse M. Cannon, died November 30, 1952; Harriet Burns, widow of Clarence M. Cannon, died March 9, 1953; Phyllis Winder, wife of Georgius Y. Cannon, died June 17, 1953, and Alice Y. Farnsworth, wife of Espey T. Cannon, died October 11, 1953 in Mexico City.

Temple Work Progressing

The only way our family can meet in groups in our temple work is in baptism and sealing excursions. Since our last Chronicle reported we have had four such pleasant occasions in the Salt Lake Temple.

In April, Era Shaw Mills took a group of children there for baptisms; and in August Frances Cannon Lee and Rose Ann Cannon Gerstner managed a similar excursion. Each time about 300 baptisms were performed.

In December 1952, in the St. George Temple, sealings were done for 51 couples and 284 children.

On April 8 and Oct. 19 in the Salt Lake Temple, Frank B. Woodbury officiated in family sealing sessions. In both cases the Lambert, Woodbury, George Q. and Angus M. Cannon branches were represented.

For nearly two years now family sealing excursions have only been possible in the Salt Lake Temple during day time hours. Thus far, this has necessitated twenty men leaving their work for these occasions, and though often difficult, their response has been inspiring.

Excepting for the brief periods when women's work has been completed before men's, Margaret Clayton has continued to keep names in the Salt Lake, St. George, Logan and Idaho Falls temples. If you wish to volunteer to participate in the family baptism or sealing sessions, or to assist with the research please inform your branch vice president.

Reprinting of Cannon History Discussed

There is a growing sentiment among many members of the family for the re-publication of the family history, and several have indicated a willingness to assist by advance subscription or donation with the financing of the project. The book, "George Cannon, Ancestry, Posterity and Native Land," written by John Q. Cannon as a family project and published in 1927, has long been out of print, and copies are in great demand, especially among some of the younger members of the family. It has been suggested that any future publication include not only all the material in the present book, but an expansion of certain chapters in the light of new information, and a continuation of the family history and statistical record up to the present time. Officers of the association would be interested in hearing the ideas, suggestions and desires of the family in this regard.

Cavendish W. Cannon, grandson of George Q. Cannon, was given the most important assignment in his diplomatic career in July when President Eisenhower appointed him Ambassador to Greece. Previously he had served as ambassador to Yugoslavia, Syria and Portugal among other assignments in his 32 years of foreign service.

Did you know that George Q. Cannon always paid his tithing in advance? He would figure ahead what the needs of his large family would be for the year and pay tithing on the full amount of his estimate—and he never failed to make the amount of his estimate!

Brigadier General Robert M. Cannon, grandson of both George Q. and Angus M. Cannon, visited in Salt Lake City in July, enroute to his new assignment in the Philippines. He had been serving at headquarters in Washington following a tour of duty with the U. S. military mission to Turkey.

Cannon Family Incident Makes T-V Play

Members of the family watched with great interest and pleasure the telecasting last spring of the historical drama, "Sego Lilies," a romanticized dramatization of an incident in the lives of David H. and Wilhelmina Mousley Cannon during the pioneering of Utah's Dixie country. The play

was first presented over the radio in March of 1952, and quite a celebration was held in St. George in connection with the first release of the film version. Written for the Boraxo "Death Valley Days" series by Mabel Jarvis, an old friend of the family, the story was largely true to fact, relating the hardships, heartbreak and homesickness of a young girl from a refined eastern home who had cast her lot with the empire builders of the West, and of the tender devotion of her young husband. There were some historical inaccuracies including the statement that the young couple had come west from Boston and New England. Uncle David, of course, came from England as a child, and the Mousleys, "Aunt Willie" and her two sisters, Sarah and Amanda who married Angus M. Cannon and who also helped pioneer the Dixie country, came not from Boston, but from a home of luxury and refinement near Wilmington, Delaware, on the place where the famous DuPont estate is now located. Some incidents were rather over-drawn too, such as the seriousness of David's injury when he slipped and fell while picking Sego lilies for his home-sick wife, and the episode in which "Aunt Willie" drew a gun when she was alarmed by a knock at the door. Naturally, a person not acquainted with the principals would be unable to capture the humor and character of their personalities, and this was the principal criticism members of the family made on the presentation. Generally speaking, however, the play was well done, and truly depicted the life and atmosphere of Pioneer days in Utah.

A Remarkable Achievement In Scholarship

A family record of scholastic attainment probably without parallel in the country is that of Dr. Angus M. Woodbury and his six children, the four boys holding doctors' degrees, and the two daughters each being married to men holding doctorates.

Angus, a son of John Taylor Woodbury and grandson of Ann Cannon Woodbury, was born in St. George July 11, 1886. He worked in the southern part of the state with the Forest Service from 1908 to 1920, he and his wife, the former Grace Atkin, moving 19 times during those 12 years before establishing a home in St. George. Specializing in the flora and fauna of the Dixie country, Angus studied and taught school in that area, and pioneered the naturalist work at Zion National Park until 1927 when he joined the faculty of the University of Utah where he remained for 25 years, establishing a national reputation in his field. Upon his retirement two years ago he took a position at Dugway, Tooele County, as Director of Ecological Research for the Army under a contract with the University.

It was natural that his children, reared in an environment of scholarship and scientific research, should be outstanding students, as indeed they were, each in turn following through the educational pattern until graduating from college. Each of the six continued in graduate work for at least a year, and the four boys all obtained their Ph.D. degrees at leading institutions of the country. The eldest girl, Marian took a master's degree at the University of Utah, and had one year toward her doctorate at the University of Michigan before marrying Dr. Herbert Gold, now a noted plant pathologist at the University of California at Berkeley. The second daughter, Edith Rae, is the wife of Robert Cecil Pendleton, Ph.D from the University of Utah, a pioneer in the field of radioactive isotopes, now engaged in classified government work in that important field.

The two eldest sons, Lowell Angus and Max Atkin, took their doctorates at Michigan U., the third son, Dixon Miles gained his at Berkeley, and the youngest, John Walter, studied at Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston and got his doctorate at the University of Utah. Lowell is a noted zoologist and physiologist who has made many important discoveries and filled important assignments, including a study for the government of the effects of the atomic bombings in Japan. He is now a branch chief of the statistical analysis division of the Atomic



FAMILY OF SCHOLARS—Seated, left to right, Max A. Woodbury, Lowell A. Woodbury, Grace A. Woodbury, Angus M. Woodbury, J. Walter Woodbury. Standing, Marian Woodbury Gold, Dixon M. Woodbury, Edith Rae Woodbury Pendleton.

Bomb Casualty Commission. After a distinguished war career, Max taught at Princeton and Pennsylvania Universities, has done much secret work for the Office of Naval Research, and has had a hand in developing and operating the so-called electronic brain.

Dixon Miles, a specialist in the field of physical and biochemical biology, is with the department of pharmacology at the University of Utah, and has nearly completed his studies for a Doctor of Medicine degree. His field of research is in animal physiology with emphasis on hormones, concerning which he has authored several authoritative papers. John Walter, trained in the field of physics and biology, is recognized as one of the top men in neurophysiology, and is now teaching and doing research in his field at the University of Washington in Seattle. One of his outstanding achievements is a study of electronic recordings of nerve and living tissue reaction, developed in cooperation with Dean Henry Eyring of the University of Utah.

Certainly the accomplishments of this remarkable family are a tribute to their illustrious father and their noble forebears of earlier generations, and their contributions in the field of science and learning will be a blessing to their fellow men in all the years to come.

Taylor Branch Secretary Serves Mission

Now laboring in Florida is Louise Cromar Taylor who left on a mission to the Southern States last May 31. She is the widow of Frank Taylor, great-grandson of President John Taylor and Leonora Cannon Taylor, sister of George Cannon, the Immigrant, and the great lady through whom John Taylor first listened to the Gospel and later proclaimed it to the George Cannon family. Louise has acted as secretary of the Taylor branch of the Cannon family, and will be succeeded by her daughter, Elizabeth T. Morgan. Other members of the family are Harold C. Taylor, Waco, Texas, and Marian T. Summers of Salt Lake City. We are proud to have this family affiliated with us and hope that more of Aunt Leonora's descendants will join in our activities and our interest in our common ancestor.

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A SALUTE TO THE OLDEST LIVING MEMBERS OF THE SEVEN BRANCHES OF THE CANNON FAMILY

ANGUS JENNE CANNON — in his eighty-sixth year is the oldest of the living children of George Q. Cannon's large family of forty sons and daughters. In failing health for several years, he and his wife Miriam reside in Salt Lake City and look back on a long career of service in the Church. Angus served for many years in the Swiss-German mission, on his first mission from 1887 to 1890, and presided in that area from 1916 to 1921. He was also bishop of Parley's Park Ward at Snyderville from 1901 to 1916, and was famous as a breeder of fine livestock. He was in charge of the Joseph Smith Memorial Farm in South Royalton, Vermont, for fifteen years.

ALMA CANNON LAMBERT — only living child of Charles and Mary Alice Cannon Lambert, was born February 9, 1874 in Salt Lake City, the thirteenth and last child, making it possible to have several nieces and nephews older than himself. From 1896 to 1899 he filled a mission for the Church to Australia, and on June 25, 1901, married Mary Ann A. Woods of Ogden, a granddaughter of Parley P. Pratt, thus joining two of the largest Church families. He has always been active in the church and was a salesman for the Lambert and Zellerbach Paper Company from 1899 to 1942. From 1942 to 1946 he and his wife served a full time mission doing ordinance work in the St. George Temple. Alma's hobby is raising rare food products and flowers. He has budded and grafted many varieties of nuts and fruits, perfecting many special strains of grapes, nuts, quinces, figs, dates, apples, pears, peaches, watermelons, honeydew and kasabe melons, and many varieties of flowers. He is very active and takes full care of his home and himself without help. He is assistant stake clerk and assistant ward clerk, and an active ward teacher. He is the father of 10 children 34 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

FRANK B. WOODBURY — If you walk in the neighborhood of Salt Lake's Temple Square, you may meet a tall, slender, smooth-faced young man of 85 walking with a stride that is taking him somewhere. It is Frank B. Woodbury, eldest living son of Ann Cannon and Orin Nelson Woodbury. His day at the temple begins at 8 a.m., and, when he doesn't have an evening shift, it ends at 3 p.m. He then begins his day's work of giving blessings as patriarch to the Salt Lake Stake, or in the office of the Church Patriarch in the Presiding Patriarch's absence. Uncle Frank has officiated at our family temple sealing excursions, and is one of the most loyal supporters of the Cannon Family Association with time and money.

In 1885, when he was seventeen, George Q. Cannon gave him a job at hand setting type at the Deseret News. He continued as a linotype operator and later as foreman of the mechanical department of the News until in 1936, over fifty years later, he was retired, providing him a full day to work at his callings of assisting in the office of the patriarch of the Church and as a temple ordinance worker. His visiting teacher record has been 100% for many years, and is still one of his activities. He is the father of six living children.

EUGENE M. CANNON — eldest living son of Angus M. and Ann Amanda Mousley Cannon, is also well beyond the allotted three score and ten having entered his 82nd year last May. He headed his own business, the Cannon Insurance Agency, from 1897 until 1950. His long and faithful church service

includes nearly thirty years in the bishopric of Forest Dale, seven years of that time as bishop. As a young man he filled a mission to Tahiti from February 1893 to August 1896. It was a noteworthy event when at the age of 70 he and his wife Edna (a member of both the George Q. and Mary Alice C. Lambert branches) went to preside over this mission. Members of their family are the ones who boast three family branch ribbons at the reunions.

EVA CANNON WEBB — Congratulations are in order to this eldest living child of David H. Cannon and Rhoda Knell Cannon. She writes from her home in Hurricane that she has nearly completed the record of her father's family. Because of her motherly interest in all her father's family as well as her striking resemblance to him, Eva could fittingly be called the matriarch of this branch. Her sister, Clara C. Burgess, recently left for a mission to California.

MARY ALICE C. GARDNER SNOW — another ardent temple worker for many years, is the eldest daughter of Leonora Cannon and Robert Gardner. She was 87 years old on June 8, 1952 and is the oldest living member of the George Cannon family. She is living out her days in St. George where she was an ordinance worker in the temple, as well as fulfilling many other Church responsibilities, before her health began to fail.

ALICE CANNON PIGGOTT REAY — widow of Dr. M. S. Reay of Randolph, Utah, is the eldest living child of Elizabeth Cannon Piggott. Despite little formal schooling, she has since girlhood coached and acted leading roles in local dramatic productions, and now at the age of 76 she is in wide demand by literary groups as a dramatic reader. She frequently spends part of the winter season at the Belvedere Apartments in Salt Lake City. Aunt Lizzie's family now numbers 73 living members, including her sons William C. and George C. Piggott of Bloomington, Idaho. Members of this branch of the family are located principally in northern Utah and southeastern Idaho.

GENERAL FAMILY NEWS

Margaret C. Clayton has reported a considerable amount of temple work since the last bulletin. April, 1952, Era Shaw Mills took a group of boys and girls to the temple for baptism for 249; on June 21st Lucille Cannon Richards with a similar group had 224; and on August 19 Alice Nelson Cannon took a third group for 353. In June 300 were sent to the St. George Temple for the family there, and in October, 51 family group sheets were sent to St. George for a large sealing session. Names are being kept in the Salt Lake, St. George, Idaho Falls, and, on request, in the Logan and Manti Temples. They are listed under George Cannon and George Q. Cannon.

The David H. Cannon, Leonora C. Gardner, and Anne C. Woodbury families of Southern Utah have always carried on a great temple work, and from the very early days of the St. George Temple it has been a source of disappointment to them that they have had no opportunity to do work for their own kin. Procuring of the Manx microfilms, and maintaining a competent genealogist makes possible the providing of family records, which has marked a new epoch for members of these families in this area.

Beatrice Cannon Evans in Salt Lake and Leonore C. Wood in Berkeley, California, recently entertained a noted Manxman, Dr. R. H. Kinvig. A professor of geography at Birmingham University, England, he is the author of a fine history of the Isle of Man and is acquainted with the family history there. He is presently engaged in a geographic research in this country and made it a point to look up members of this notable Manx family on this side of the Atlantic.

Frequently we are asked to place in the family Elaine Cannon who writes "Hi Tales" and Winnifred C. Jardine who is responsible for "Food Is Fun," in *The Deseret News*.

Elaine is the wife of Bishop D. James Cannon, son of Sylvester Q., and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aldon J. Anderson of Salt Lake City and mother of five young children.

Winnifred is the daughter of Clawson Y. Cannon and was reared at Ames, Iowa, where her father was head of the Dairy Husbandry Department of the Iowa Agricultural College. She married Stuart B. Jardine of Kaysville, Utah. They have three sons.

Winnifred has won several national awards for her food articles, and both girls have written extensively for national magazines. Both are active in Church work.

Three other prominent professional writers are Ann Woodbury Hafen, Elizabeth C. McCrimmon, and Ramona Wilcox Cannon. Ann's verse has received wide recognition, and at present she is working with her husband on a history of Colorado.

Elizabeth, a daughter of Angus M. Cannon, and Martha Hughes Cannon is now living in Los Angeles. For the past five years she has written features for the women's page of the Southern California Forum, organ of the Merchants and Manufacturer's Association. She has an article on the Cannons and the Isle of Man in the November Improvement Era.

"Mona," widow of Joseph J. Cannon, writes a page regularly in the Relief Society Magazine, and has also written for *The Deseret News* and other local publications for many years.

Two sons of George Q. Cannon are doing foreign service for the government's Point 4 Program.

Clawson Y. Cannon and his wife have been in Beirut, Lebanon, for nearly a year, where Clawson serves as an agricultural research specialist.

Espy T. Cannon is in Mexico City as chief consultant in the Bureau of Mines. His wife has sufficiently recovered from a severe illness to join him there.

Brig. General Robert M. Cannon, grandson of George Q. and of Angus M. Cannon, returned in September from a year and a half in Turkey in charge of American forces there. He is now serving in the comptroller department at the Pentagon.

Captain Parry Cannon and Sergeant Martin H. Bonadurer of the David H. family have made remarkable recoveries from serious wounds while in Korea.

E. Barlow (Ted) Gardner, a former missionary to England and the Isle of Man, and a member of the Millennial Chorus, is now studying Orthodontal Surgery at the School of Dentistry in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a grandson of Leonora Cannon Gardner, and a son of Angus Gardner of Lehi, vice president of the Garner branch.

Parley Francis Lambert, son of Alma Cannon Lambert of St. George and the late Mary Ann Woods, is doing responsible work for the government at Washington, D.C. as civilian representative of armament. His work is mostly top secret, but the mechanism that ejects pilots from disabled jet planes is one of many inventions to his credit. Another is a featherweight cartridge case which is airtight, watertight, and fireproof. He is also a student of the Book of Mormon, as well as being known widely for his prize photography. He and his wife, the former Frieda Niederhauser of Salt Lake, reside at Arlington, Virginia.

Edward Callister (Cal) Cannon, son of David H., and great-grandson of both George Q. and Angus M. and of Edward H. Callister, and manager of Radio Station KIEV, received the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award as outstanding young man of the year at Glendale, California.

Moses H. Cannon, grandson of Angus M. Cannon is compiling in the Pentagon the history of the war in the South Pacific, under assignment from the U. S. Army.

ADELE CANNON HOWELLS

Several projects initiated by the creative mind and tireless energy of Adele Cannon Howells have matured since her death in April 1951.

A most interesting one just now will be the reproduction in *The Childrens' Friend* for January 1953 of the first of a series of twelve paintings by Arnold Friberg illustrating the Book of Mormon. The narrative, made suitable for children, will appear with them.

For years Adele dreamed and worked for these two things. She left \$10,000 toward the reproduction of the pictures. Her last conversation and written words were about them.

From her sickbed she continued to promote the new Primary Childrens' hospital project also. This building was planned and nearly completed during the time she was president of the Primaries of the Church, which was from 1943 to 1951.

Her counselor, Dessie Grant Boyle, says of her, "It is amazing what she accomplished during her administration."

She greatly enlarged *The Children's Friend*, the Primary magazine, in an effort to provide "good reading for children," one of her mottoes. She started the *Children's Friend of the Air* broadcast; the Junior Council television program; fostered creative work by children — drawing pictures, writing stories and poems; introduced crafts and hobbies; sponsored parades, sports, picnics.

Adele's life was rich with broadening experiences and interests. A graduate of the University of Utah, she taught English, physical education, and dancing before she married. Then many years were spent traveling almost all over the world as secretary to her husband, David P. Howells, in his film exporting business. They had offices in New York, London, Paris, Australia, and the Orient.

At intervals she wrote travel articles for New York and San Francisco papers, as well as for local magazines.

She established scholarships at the University of Utah and Brigham Young University.

In 1948 she was elected to the Hall of Fame by the Salt Lake Council of Women.

Adele had a great social talent. She was interested in everyone. Wherever she was, at home, in foreign places, or in Primary work, as the wife of a bishop, she drew a group around her. She held open house to them all.

She was the daughter of Adelaide Morris and George M. Cannon, son of Angus M. Cannon.

With her passing, the Cannon Family Association lost one of its most loyal and generous supporters. Her traditional furnishing of a huge birthday cake for our reunions was typical of her. She promoted family reunions and temple excursions. She and her husband, Bishop David P. Howells of Wilshire Ward, Los Angeles, assisted in selecting the Los Angeles Temple site and made large donations to the building fund. One of her fondest hopes was to see this temple completed so that she might return and work there in her old age. She found time in her busy life to spend many peaceful evenings in the temple in Salt Lake City.





David H. and Wilhelmina (Aunt Willie) Cannon

"THE GLASS FOR ST. GEORGE TEMPLE"

In March, 1942 and January, 1943, true stories from the life of David H. Cannon, youngest son of George Cannon, the immigrant, and his wife, Wilhelmina (Aunt Willie) Mousley Cannon were broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System on "Death Valley Days" programs. At the request of their daughter, the late Josephine Cannon Jones, the Twenty Mule Borax Co. sponsors, sent her copies of the script with the provision that they not be used for commercial purposes.

The first incident called "Sego Lilies" pictured Aunt Willie, a sensitive, tenderly reared young woman from Delaware, pioneering Utah's desert Dixie. With all the hardships, she suffered most from the lack of refinement and beauty. Disheartened she told her young husband that if he could show her one single thing about the place which was beautiful, she could be satisfied to remain and work for the future. He finally brought her a sego lily, whose exquisite loveliness inspired her to renewed effort.

The second episode, called "Faith of Our Fathers," was read in full at the December, 1944 Cannon reunion by Josephine Jones Smith, granddaughter of Uncle David and Aunt Willie.

For brevity we have here paraphrased it:
Ten years had elapsed since the pioneers entered St.

George. Meantime, while still subsisting on the barest necessities, they were busily engaged in the erection of the temple.

A million feet of lumber had been hauled eighty miles by team and wagon. The baptismal font, cast in Salt Lake City, was drawn over three hundred miles by oxen.

Early one evening Uncle David came hurrying home to his wife and little son David with the exciting news that the glass for the temple windows, after making the voyage all the way from New York around Cape Horn, had arrived in San Bernardino by freight team. Uncle David had been commissioned to leave in a week with wagons and team to bring it the remainder of the way. It was left to him to assemble the necessary outfits, as well as to raise the money—eight hundred dollars—to pay the freight charges due at the end of its journey.

Aunt Willie was dismayed at the idea of gathering all that money in a week—and that from people who, as she said, “during the last two years have already pinched and scraped—gone without food and clothing and decent food, even—to dig up the last possible penny they could spare! Couldn’t they wait until spring?”

Postponing the trip would produce two alternatives; either leaving the temple windows gaping all winter with the glass only three hundred miles away, or of risking a trip across the mountains in snow by wagons heavily loaded with glass. Both were unthinkable to Uncle David.

He replied to his wife’s question, “Was there ever a time when the folks of this colony weren’t hard up—when they weren’t just recovering from floods or drought or famine or sickness ” Still his certainty of their ability to do whatever might be required was unwavering.

“It’s the duty of every one of us,” he continued, “the duty **and** the privilege—to contribute all we can to it—in labor and in money. Even Davey here is not too young.”

David Jr. piped up: “I offered to go with you, sir, an’ help you haul the glass from San Bernardino—but you said ‘no’.”

Uncle David was amused.

“Perhaps there’s something else you can do.”

The child pondered, then reluctantly said: “Course I—I have got a two-cent piece I’ve been saving—”

“Yes?”

“If it’ll help any you can have it.”

“Thank you, son.”

Aunt Willie colored. “Davey, you put me to shame!” Turning to her husband she made her offering. “There’s three dollars and a half in silver I had put away toward a new dress. I was going to send to Salt Lake for some red cashmere. But I can do without it for another year, I guess.”

Uncle David was moved. "If everybody is as generous as my own wife and son, I can see I'll have no trouble in raising the eight hundred dollars."

David Jr. produced his coin. "Here you are, sir."

"Thank you, boy. I'll use it as the starter of the fund, and when the temple is finished, you can look at it and say to yourself, 'I helped to put one of those panes of glass in one of those windows—those windows through which the light of heaven shines down.'"

"Yes, sir. That's quite a lot for two cents, ain't it?"

"It is, my boy."

But in spite of the good start his own family gave him, Uncle David found raising the money a difficult business. Every morning he was out early making the rounds of St. George and vicinity, entreating the people to contribute something, no matter how small. Nights found him too tired to eat, too troubled to sleep.

The evening before the appointed day one of the men assigned to make the trip arrived. To Aunt Willie's amazement, Uncle David calmly let him leave his team in the corral and agreed to be ready for an early morning start. Not until they were alone for her questioning did he admit that, even with his trip to Santa Clara that day, he had been able to scrape together only two hundred dollars—two hundred dollars out of eight!

"Folks just haven't got it to give, Willie. If they could pay in produce or labor, they'd do it gladly, but cash is just something they haven't got."

To her almost indignant exclamation as to how he could let the men continue to count on leaving in the morning, he replied undaunted that daybreak was still eleven hours off.

Despite his brave words Uncle David didn't sleep that night and his wife beside him heard the clock strike every hour.

They rose early, Aunt Willie to prepare the luxury of saleratus hot cakes with molasses, Uncle David to greet the arriving teamsters, though not with his characteristically gay twinkle of the eye. A look of undeniable solemnity had supplanted it.

In they trooped—Easton Kelsey, Alex McDonald, Isaac Hunt, Shadrack Weeks.

They were invited to join in the family's usual pre-breakfast prayers.

With fervor born of faith in dire need, Uncle David's prayer grew eloquent. As children of old they had followed Israel's God into the wilderness; and like Nephi's was his assurance that God gives no task to man without supplying means for its accomplishment. His was the simple confidence of one whose efforts, though futile had been his utmost.

As often occurred in family prayers, the silent participants were incidentally informed of timely news; David's earnest importuning soon revealed the sad state of affairs to the bowed heads almost incredulous about him.

Questioning eyes met his as he rose to his feet.

He confessed he hadn't the money. "A man can't squeeze blood out of a stone."

A knock on the door broke the trying silence.

It was Peter Nielsen from Washington, a settlement six miles away.

"Well, Bro. Nielsen," said Uncle David, "what brings you to St. George at such an early hour?"

The good Peter was bewildered that he was not expected. He explained that in a dream which had persisted all night until he could endure it no longer, he was ordered to come and bring his cherished savings to Bro. David. So at four o'clock he had arisen, and, with his gold safely wrapped in a bandana, had walked to St. George. While he told the story, the ten and twenty dollar gold pieces rang out as he poured them onto the table before the amazed spectators. It was money collected for a load of produce he had recently marketed advantageously on a trip north. He had been dotting on spending it for a new front portion on the tiny two roomed house he occupied with his wife and son. He had spent the previous evening drawing plans on paper and was expecting to start that very day to get the lumber. Then came the dream of the night.

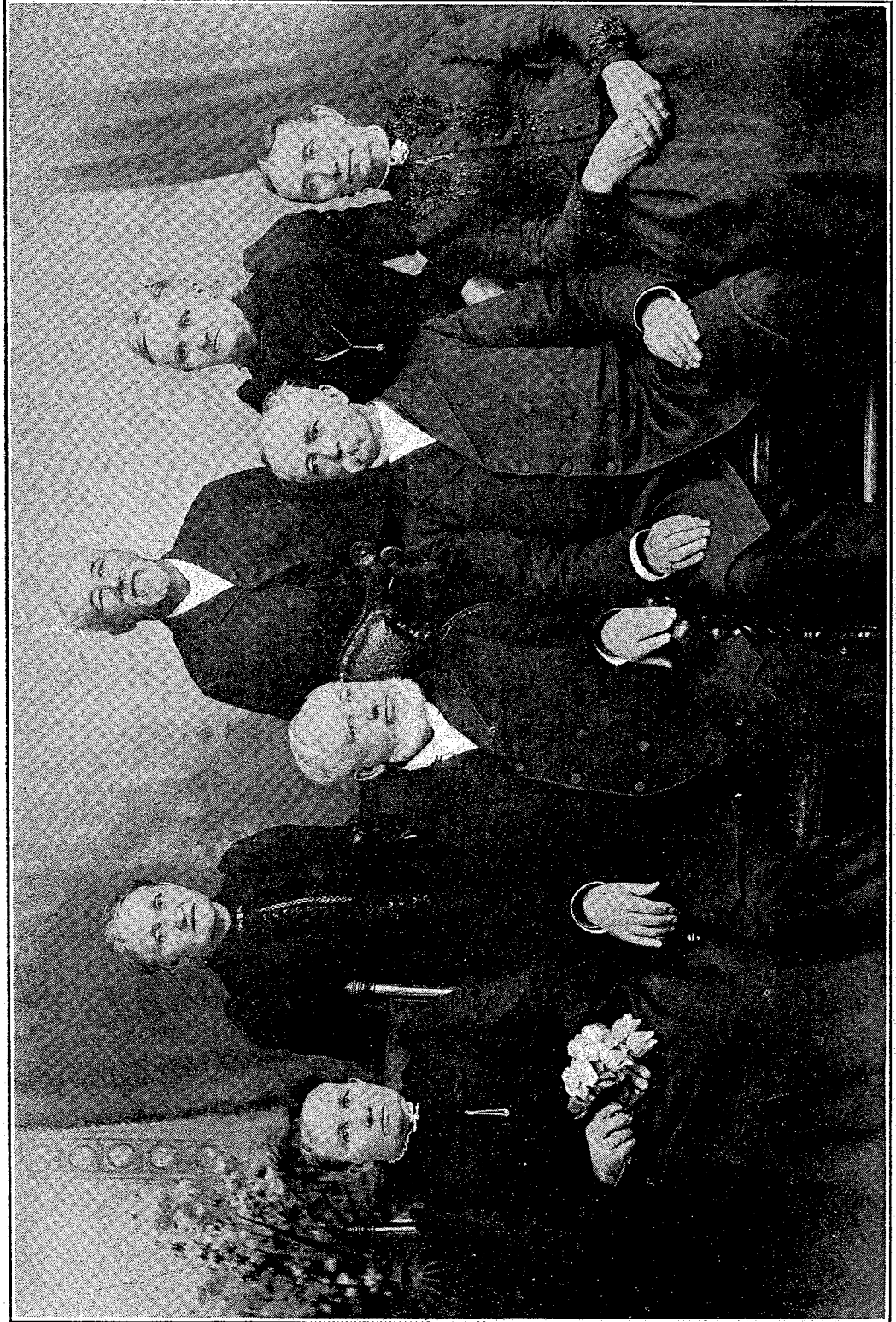
"How much is there?" queried Uncle David.

The silence in the room was tangible when the old man replied, "six hundred dollars."

Within an hour the wagon train was on its way to San Bernardino, and Peter Nielsen, on a borrowed horse was jogging back toward Washington.

Though he gave his entire treasure unreservedly, the Church felt it right to reimburse Peter when it was able. The new front was eventually added to his little house.

In that same home, Peter Nielsen's ninety-four year old son listened to the broadcast of this old story of the miracle of gold. At the same time, David H. Cannon, Jr. at eighty-three listened, too, recalling, as if it were yesterday, the clatter of gold upon the table and the quickened breathing of the rough clad men around it. And in the windows of the great white temple in St. George, still shimmers the glass sailed round the Horn and hauled on that historic trip by Uncle David and his teamsters.



Standing—Ann (Woodbury), David H., Mary Alice (Lambert);
Sitting—Leonora (Gardner), George Q., Angus M., Elizabeth (Piggot).

The Family Tree

The family tree of George Cannon accompanying this leaflet, and the picture of his children on the previous page, are reprints from the Cannon history published in 1927 and long since out of print. Which of these energetic, young people is your ancestor? And from what twig are you spreading out into the world?

This Cannon history, *George Cannon, the Immigrant* was written by John Q. Cannon, oldest son of George Q. Cannon, who was the oldest son of George, the immigrant. After the death of his father, John Q. kept the family records until he turned them over to the George Cannon Family Association when it was organized in 1922. He was old enough to be closely associated with his father and the others of this first generation of Cannons in the West. Of keen intellect and memory, an experienced writer (he was at one time editor of *The Deseret News*), he was well qualified to write the account of our ancestry. Having himself visited the Isle of Man, that beautiful little spot in the Irish Sea which for centuries the Cannons called home, he concludes the book with a colorful and informative chapter on their "Native Land."

The main section of the book deals chiefly with George Cannon, the immigrant, and his family.

It tells of his going to Liverpool for work after the tragic death at sea of his father, Captain George Cannon; of the unique circumstances of his marriage to his cousin, Ann Quayle, and of the birth of their six children.

Strangely influencing the fate of George's family are the amazing adventures of his eldest sister, Leonora. She, too, seeking employment after the reversal of the family fortunes, lived in England, where she was presented at court, later returned to Man where she lived at Castle Rushen with the family of the governor, and finally traveled to the New World as one of the household of the party of the governor of Canada. Here she married John Taylor and became a convert to the Church of which he became president.

It was John Taylor's bringing of the Gospel to the family of his brother-in-law in Liverpool, and their acceptance of it, which changed the fate of all of us, and planted this sturdy family tree in America.

The book also recounts the dramatic story of the immigration, made despite the mother's premonition that she would not herself live to reach Zion. So determined was she that her children be with the body of the Church that she purposely charted their course via New Orleans instead of New York because in New York they would meet her sister, not a member of the Church, who would offer the new arrivals a mother's care, not so vital to Ann Quayle as the casting of their lot with the Saints. The account of the death at sea of the wife and mother and the difficult voyage up the Mississippi to Nauvoo of the rest of the family is told by George Cannon's own diary. Two years later he joined his wife in death, leaving her six children and an unborn infant by a new wife.

How those orphaned Cannon children survived the persecutions of Nauvoo and the trek to Utah to become leaders in their communities is also related in a series of brief personal sketches, the children of Ann Quayle living to an average age of more than eighty-four years, and the half-sister to seventy-five.

As an admonition to his kinsmen, John Q., the author, writes, "It is . . . the expectation and the hope that the heads of the several branches in each succeeding generation will feel to carry on, for their own and their children's information, the family story with completeness and accuracy, merely building upon the foundation provided in the foregoing pages."

A quarter of a century of history has passed since the book was written. Many members of the family have requested copies, which we cannot supply. Plans for printing this story up to date and republishing it are now being made. Interesting achievements and significant data covering this period could now be added.

Headliners of the Year

Two members of the family were headline national news over the nation during the past year, John Kenneth Cannon of the Angus M. Cannon branch being promoted from Lieutenant General to the four-star rank of full General, and Cavendish Wells Cannon of the George Q. Cannon branch being named United States Ambassador to Portugal.

General Cannon, Utah's most famous airman, commanded several key Air Force units in Europe during the war, and toward the close of hostilities was named chief of United States Air Forces in Europe. A graduate of the Utah State Agricultural College he rose steadily through the army ranks since World War I to his present high post. His most recent assignment was as head of the Tactical Air Force, one of the three major Air Force commands, a position he has held since February of 1951. He holds the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, and is a Knight of the British Empire.

Cavendish's appointment to Lisbon culminates a career of more than thirty years in the diplomatic service. He has served at various times in Vienna, Geneva, Sofia, and Athens; and before taking his present post, as minister to Syria with headquarters in Damascus, he had spent four eventful years as ambassador to Yugoslavia. Recognized as the State Department's top "trouble shooter" and expert on Balkan affairs, he was credited with a leading part in steering the Tito regime into its break with the Kremlin. The Portuguese embassy is considered one of the top assignments in the foreign service because of Lisbon's importance as an international listening post.

This family tree and leaflet are punched, as have been previous historical leaflets, to fit a standard looseleaf. If you wish previous copies to complete your collection, write us. We have some extra copies.

ANN MOUSLEY CANNON (1869-1948)
Daughter of Angus M. and Sarah Maria Mousley Cannon



This portrait of Ann M. Cannon hangs prominently in the National Museum of the Isle of Man in its capital city, Douglas. Most of us have known and loved her as "Aunt Annie," but to Mr. William Cubbon, the foremost living scholar of Manx history and culture, who created the museum and is now its retired head, she is "Saint Ann" — and he means it! Every Manx schoolboy who wanders through the museum will see this picture and, reading the inscription beneath it, will know something about her.

It was through the initiative and tactful persistence over a period of years of this great woman that it became possible for us to obtain microfilm copies of the Manx parish registers, and ultimately to have large amounts of other historical material preserved on microfilms. Mr. Cubbon said of "Aunt Annie": "She was the girl who would never give up. . . . She did all the things no one else wanted to do." He promises to write for us the story of her achievement in the Isle of Man.

Madelyn Stewart Silver, her niece, wrote of her: "Her desk at her place of employment was a sort of rallying spot for the Cannons. She was always coming home with a story about one of them coming in with pleasant news or a tale of woe. And she always had some kind of solution for these troubles, and a justifying explanation. One might say that she gathered in the loose ends of the family: the inconspicuous members, the almost-forgotten ones, the lonely and the disheartened. She knew those people no one else heard about. She had a talent for binding the lonely to her. Her love for all of us seemed almost divine: she accepted and loved us just as we were, whatever our imperfections."

A story of the Cannon family would not be complete without a chapter about "Aunt Annie." She was a public figure of influence as a member for forty years of the Y. W. M. I. A. General Board, editor of the *Young Woman's Journal*, twice a delegate to the National Council of Women, a student and patron of art, and one of the organizers of the Art Barn in Salt Lake City, and a charter member of the "U of U" Emeritus Club. These activities and more were her avocations. She worked from the time she was sixteen earning a living and making a home for herself and her aging parents which was a haven of beauty and comfort to us all. Denied the privilege of motherhood in her own life, she became, through devotion and service to others' children, the spiritual mother of many.



MARGARET QUAYLE WILLSON

Born in 1800 at Peel, Isle of Man. Died September 26, 1872. Sister of Catherine Quayle Quirk and Ann Quayle Cannon, the Mormon immigrant.

She is the only one of her generation in the Quayle family whose photograph we have, photography being in its infancy at the time of the death of George Cannon and his wife, Ann Quayle Cannon. This picture is here printed for the first time. We did not know of its existence at the time John Q. Cannon's history was published.

EARLY PIONEER LETTER RECOVERED

A BIT OF CANNON HISTORY—No. II

Through the kindness of Inez Phillips Baker, granddaughter of Catherine Quayle Quirk, Ann M. Cannon recently came into possession of a priceless letter which has been almost miraculously preserved from Pioneer days. The letter was written from St. Joseph, Missouri, by Mary Alice Cannon Lambert when she was yet under twenty and uncomplainingly mothering five little children. It was sent to her mother's sister, Catherine Quayle Quirk (mentioned on page 69 of the *Cannon Family History*) who resided in Brooklyn, Long Island.

Ann Quayle Cannon, having a premonition that she would pass away before she reached the main body of the Saints and being determined that her children should "gather" with them, charted her course via New Orleans, for she knew that if they went via New York, her sister would keep the motherless children and they would not be privileged to reach Zion, since Catherine Quayle Quirk did not join the Church.

November 26, 1848.

Dear Uncle, Aunt, and Cousins:

I take up my pen to drop a few lines to you, thinking it will be interesting to you to hear from us. You will, I expect, think it very unkind of me not answering your letters before this, but we have been so unsettled that I have not written to anybody. I suppose you have heard of my being married. I will be married four years the twenty-eighth of this month. I have got a very good husband. His name is Charles Lambert. He is a stone mason and cutter by trade. He comes from Yorkshire. I have Angus, David, and Leonora [her younger brothers and sister] living with me and also I have two fine boys of my own. The oldest was three years old the fifth of this month. His name is Charles John. The other will be eight months old the eleventh of next month. His name is George Cannon. George and Ann [her brother and sister] went to Salt Lake with Aunt Taylor. I have had several letters from them. They like the country very well. We should have gone when they went but the Indians killed our three yoke of oxen.

I will now give you a small history of what we passed through since we left England. We sailed on the 18 of September and our dear mother departed this life on the 28 of October. We did not get to Nauvoo until April the 12 and on February the 28 Father got married to a widow. Her name was Mary White. He went to St. Louis in about six months after he was married. When he had been there a week, he strained his back with lifting and the first day he went to work he took sick and he had to leave at 2 o'clock and he died at 10 that same night. They said it was a fit of apoplexy that he died in. Step-mother had a little girl six months after he died. Her name is Elizabeth and since she [stepmother] has gone to St. Louis and got married to a man by the name of Charles Taylor. * * * * George had gone to learn the printing business before Father's death. Aunt [Leonora Cannon Taylor] took Ann to live with her, and Charles took the rest of them. He behaves like a father to them.

I expect you have heard of the battle in Nauvoo. We were there at that time waiting for our wagon to be finished. They were painting it when the battle commenced. The cannonballs fell quite thick around our house. We were driven across the river without receiving one cent for our property. We had forty acres of land on the prairie and a city lot with a brick house on with four rooms and a good well. We had to leave it all to a wicked and ruthless mob. We started for Council Bluffs. When we got to Soap Creek, I got run over. Both wheels went over my back. There was thirty hundred weight on the wagon at the time. They took me up for dead, but with the blessing of the Lord, I was enabled to be about in a few days. It injured my health very much. As soon as we had got out to the Bluffs and got a house built Charles went to St. Joseph to work and he stayed until spring when he came home and we moved there to live. We now live twenty miles from there at the Nodaway quarry. Charles is now working about fifteen miles from here putting a foundation for a house. I expect him home in two weeks and then he is going to cut stone at home all winter. I would like to write more but I don't get time to write often as I am kept busy preparing for starting in the spring. I should like to see you all very much but it is useless to think about it without you should come out to Salt Lake valley.

George had a letter from Uncle Charles [Quayle] and Grandmother [Quayle] when Uncle Taylor [President John Taylor] came home. Grandmother was in very poor health when he was there. I was very sorry to hear of Aunt Emma's [Quayle] death. I would like you when you write to Grandmother to send her all the news I send you, and when we get to Salt Lake I will write and give them all the news. Angus, David, and Leonora send their love with me to you all and if Charles were here, he would join with us. Give my love to Uncle Joseph [Quayle, brother of Catherine and Ann] and Elen. I must now draw to a close.

From your affectionate niece,

MARY ALICE LAMBERT.

Dear Mary Ann: [a cousin] I thank you for writing to me and hope you will write as soon as you receive this letter and I can answer it before we start. Direct for Charles Lambert, Stone Mason, St. Joseph, [Missouri]. Send me the names of all my cousins.

From your affectionate cousin, M. A. Lambert.

As the letter indicates, our progenitors had hardships such as we can hardly conceive. Courageously they solved their problems that we might "gather" and erect temples in which we can secure not only our own blessings but also assure our ancestors of the same privileges.

When they sacrificed so much for us, can we fail them?

Do you know that for some time the Cannon Family Association has been refusing offers of \$5.00 a volume from an eastern book dealer for the few copies of the Cannon history in its possession?

This may stimulate some of us to dust so valuable a book and put it where our children may be reminded to use it.

It is, we believe, superior in form to some other similar records, and to us who wish to perpetuate the family traditions it is invaluable.

But many significant, colorful, and entertaining stories from the family life and experience are not included therein. In fact, too few of them are written at all and will be lost in another generation unless we do write them.

Would you like to have some of these printed and sent to you periodically, in forms that could be filed in an inexpensive standard loose leaf cover for permanent keeping?

We are sending this leaflet now. It will fit a loose leaf cover sold at Kress Co. at 10 and 20 cents. Will you keep it with your personal account of the things which should be written of your parents' experience, and the interesting and important things which tell of the events and manner of your own life? Do as is Ann M. Cannon, who is writing a story of the life of her mother, and Joseph J. Cannon, who has been spending some time while convalescing on a tale of the George Q. Cannon family in the days of the old Cannon farm.

If you desire extra copies of this bit of history or pictures of Margaret Quayle Quirk to use in your Book of Remembrance, ask for them when you send in your donation. We are distributing them as we might membership cards.

Because the John Q. Cannon history is not now available to all, and because of the special interest of this new original source, we have repeated in new form this story of the immigration.

It is an old, old story, but like some other great and true tales it can never grow old. We will tell and retell it to our children and our children's children to the last generation.

Our genealogist, Maria W. Ross, (at 1762 South Ninth East, Salt Lake City) has a fairly complete record of the family up to 1926. She is anxious to bring it up to date as soon as possible. Will you assist her by sending in information on your family since that date?

Please send the following:

Births, giving date and place.

Marriages, giving date and place, and parents-in-law.

Deaths, giving date and place.

Church ordinances: baptisms, endowments, and Priesthood ordinations with dates, etc., where possible.

Missions filled—when, where, and length of time.

Vocation.

And include any other information you wish of special interest.

Thank you!