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JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL AND ROBERT GRAY BUSHNELL ARE SHOWN ABOVE ON THEIR WEDDING DAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1950, IN GREENWICH, CONN., WITH THEIR FIVE CHILDREN. AS JEAN PUT IT, "THE 'BUSHBUCKS' ALL ASSEMBLED". THE CHILDREN (LEFT TO RIGHT) ARE DAVID BUSHNELL, PAMELA BUSHNELL, ROBERT GRAY BUSHNELL, JR., SANDRA BUCK AND JOHN HALSEY BUCK, III. BRIEF MENTION OF THE WEDDING APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF SEPTEMBER 26, 1950. JEAN IS THE DAUGHTER OF JOHN SARGENT AND IS THE YOUNGEST GRANDDAUGHTER OF JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907). BOB, HER HUSBAND, A GRADUATE OF PRINCETON IN 1928, IS WITH THE BUCKEYE PIPE LINE CO., 30 BROAD STREET, NEW YORK CITY. SANDRA BUCK, NEARLY SEVENTEEN, ATTENDS MISS PORTER'S SCHOOL AT FARMINGTON, CONN. JOHNNY BUCK, FOURTEEN, IS AT RUMSEY HALL SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, CONN. PAMELA BUSHNELL, NEARLY SIXTEEN, IS AT ABBOT ACADEMY, ANDOVER, MASS. ROBIN BUSHNELL, THIRTEEN, AND DAVE BUSHNELL, TWELVE, ATTEND DARIEN (CONN.) JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL. THE FAMILY HOME IS ON WAVERLY ROAD, NOROTON, CONN.

EMILY SARGENT LEWIS, DAUGHTER OF W. SARGENT LEWIS, IS ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED TO DAVID LATTIMORE, SON OF MR. AND MRS. OWEN LATTIMORE OF RUXTON, MD. MR. LATTIMORE IS THE DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY. DAVID IS A JUNIOR AT HARVARD. THEY EXPECT TO BE MARRIED IN JUNE AFTER EMILY COMPLETES HER SOPHOMORE YEAR AT BARNARD. THEY WERE SCHOOLMATES AT PUTNEY (VT.) SCHOOL. THE ENGAGEMENT WAS FORMALLY ANNOUNCED AT A COCKTAIL PARTY ON JANUARY 20 AT THE LEWIS HOME, 188 BISHOP STREET, NEW HAVEN. EMILY'S ENGAGEMENT RING IS A FAMILY HEIRLOOM. DAVID WAS NAMED FOR HIS PATERNAL GRANDFATHER, WHO FOUNDED THE UNIVERSITY OF PEKING IN CHINA. DAVID'S MOTHER, WHOSE MAIDEN NAME WAS ELEANOR HOLGATE, IS THE DAUGHTER OF THOMAS F. HOLGATE, PRESIDENT OF NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY AT EVANSTON, ILL. HER BROTHER IS PRESIDENT OF THE AKRON RUBBER COMPANY. MISS ELEANOR LATTIMORE IS THE AUTHOR OF "LITTLE PEAR", A BOOK FOR CHILDREN WRITTEN ORIGINALLY FOR DAVID, HER NEPHEW.

ELIZABETH DAY SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF CHARLES FORBES SARGENT AND OF ELIZABETH DAY SARGENT, WAS MARRIED TO JOHN WARREN BARNETT ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23D, AT FOUR O'CLOCK AT HER MOTHER'S HOUSE, 3 EDGEHILL ROAD, NEW HAVEN. THE REVEREND ROBERT LUCCOCK PERFORMED THE CEREMONY. BETSY'S SISTER, DOROTHY, WAS MAID OF HONOR. THE BRIDESMAIDS WERE NANCY DAY, AUNT OF THE BRIDE, AND NANCY BARNETT, SISTER OF THE GROOM. WILLARD SMITH OF DENVER, COLO., WAS BEST MAN. THE USHERS WERE NATHAN TUFTS, OF GREENFIELD, MASS., A COUSIN OF THE BRIDE, AND NEIL STRAWSER OF ASHLAND, OHIO. THE BRIDE WAS ESCORTED BY HER BROTHER CHARLES AND GIVEN IN MARRIAGE BY HER MOTHER. SHE WORE A WHITE VELVET GOWN AND A TULLE VEIL AND CARRIED A BOUQUET OF RED ROSES. THE MAID OF HONOR WORE A RED VELVET GOWN AND CARRIED CAMELLIAS, THE BRIDESMAIDS RED VELVET GOWNS AND CARRIED GARDENIAS. THE GROOM IS A SON OF MR. AND MRS. HAROLD L. BARNETT OF 2225 NORTHLAND AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, OHIO, SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMY, GRADUATED, AS DID BETSY, FROM OBERLIN LAST JUNE, AND IS NOW IN THE HARVARD LAW SCHOOL. BETSY AND JOHN WILL MAKE THEIR HOME AT 21 FOREST STREET, APARTMENT 5, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

LIEUT. (J.G.) GEORGE (JIMMY) SARGENT GROVE, U.S.N., SON OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD, SENT A CHRISTMAS CARD TO YE EDITORS FROM HAMHUNG, KOREA ("TEMPORARILY" HE WROTE ON THE CARD). THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER HE WROTE NOVEMBER 30TH. TO HIS FAMILY: "TO-DAY THE MAIL ARRIVED, HAVING BEEN BROUGHT HERE BY SHIP FROM, I BELIEVE, SASEBO. IN IT WAS A NOTE FROM YOU, MA; MANY THANKS AND ESPECIALLY FOR YOUR THOUGHT OF CHRISTMAS IN THIS BARREN LAND. * * * THE WEATHER IS COLD OF COURSE, AS COLD AS THOSE DAYS AT ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL - I AM WEARING MY SPS SWEATER!!- AND WITH ALL INDICATIONS THAT IT WILL GET COLDER AS THE WINTER PROGRESSES. WE COULD BE FARTHER NORTH WITHOUT VIOLATING RUSSIAN NEUTRALITY 12 MILES FROM THE COAST AND LINE. .. IT SNOWED THE OTHER NIGHT, PLUS THE FACT THAT WE ARE DARKENING SHIP ALL THE TIME, IT COMBINES TO MAKE THE NIGHTS QUITE UNFRIENDLY. ... IT IS A SHAME THAT ALL I HAVE TO TALK ABOUT IS THE WEATHER, BUT AS A MATTER OF FACT THE WEATHER IS A NUMBER ONE CONSIDERATION OUT HERE IN THE WAR. IT CAN BECOME A FRIENDLY ENEMY OR A DANGEROUS FOE AS WE SAW COMING ACROSS. INCIDENTALLY... ONE OF OUR SHIPS IS STILL IN SASEBO TRYING TO RECOVER FROM THE STORM DAMAGE. THERE IS THOUGHT THAT SHE WILL NEVER BE SEAWORTHY AGAIN, SO NOW YOU HAVE SOME IDEA OF THE WEATHER WE RAN INTO ON THE WAY ACROSS. LOOKING BACK, AS IT ALWAYS DOES, IT DOES NOT SEEM TOO DIFFICULT. . . . REST ASSURED THAT ALL IS WELL WITH ME. I AM IN THE BEST OF HEALTH AND SPIRITS AND QUITE AT EASE AND CONTENT TO BE DOING WHAT I AM, AFTER THESE MANY YEARS OF LISTENING TO OTHERS BRAY AND BOAST AND RECALL SEEMINGLY HEROIC DAYS LONG GONE. . . . I MUST AWAY. . . WE HOPE TO GET ASHORE AND GET A TREE IF WE CAN DO IT IN THE DAYTIME- NIGHTTIME ISN'T EXACTLY SAFE IN THESE HEYAR PARTS!!" ON DECEMBER 16TH HE WROTE FROM "OFF KOREA": "MY LAST LETTER WAS WRITTEN FROM WONSAN WHICH AS YOU KNOW FROM THE PAPERS WE HAVE NOW EVACUATED. I SHOULD NOT SAY EVACUATED, AS THAT IS NOT THE WORD TO USE IN STAFF CIRCLES- MORE PROPERLY WE USE REDEPLOY OR REATTACK IN A REVERSE DIRECTION. WHATEVER YOU CALL IT, THE LAST FEW WEEKS AND THE NEXT FEW DAYS COMBINE TO GIVE A PICTURE NOT OFTEN FOUND IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICAN ARMS - * * * BUT STRANGE AS THE WAR IS- NO STRANGER SITUATION COULD BE POSSIBLE THAN NOW, WHERE I AM SITTING WITHIN TEN MILES OF THE ENEMY IN WARMTH AND COMFORT AND WRITING HOME TO THE FAMILY MANY MILES DISTANT. WE ARE IN COMPLETE SAFETY OUT HERE AFLOAT WITH THE BIG GUNS OF OUR CRUISERS AND DESTROYERS HERE TO POUND THE REDS ON A MOMENT'S NOTICE AND TAKE NOTHING IN RETURN. WHILE ON THE BEACH RAPIDLY BEING EMPTIED ARE THE REMNANTS OF OUR DIVISIONS AND THOSE SMALL TOKEN FORCES OF OUR ALLIES WHO ARE HOLDING BACK THE HORDES OF RED CHINESE TROOPS. WHERE WE GO FROM HERE IS CLASSIFIED. ... I HIT AN UNDERWATER OBJECT THE OTHER DAY AND BROKE MY STARBOARD SHAFT, BENT THE SHAFT AS WELL, AND CAME VERY CLOSE TO SINKING BEFORE THE WATER COULD BE STOPPED FROM FLOODING THE ENGINE ROOM. WE ARE IN COMPLETE SAFETY NOW, BUT OF COURSE ARE REDUCED TO ONE ENGINE. WE ARE STILL USABLE AND ARE BEING USED TO VARIOUS EFFECTS, WHICH TO ME IS A GREAT BOON, AS I SHOULD HATE TO BE IMMOBILE WHEN THERE IS SO MUCH TO DO. WE EXPECT TO * * * BE REPAIRED AS SOON AS THE PRESSURE IS OFF AND WE CAN GET BACK. AT THE PRESENT WRITING WE WILL STAY ON TILL THE END, WHICH IS ALL RIGHT WITH ME, AS I WOULD HATE TO BE PULLED OUT WHILE MY SISTER SHIPS STAY. * * * THE BIG QUESTION IN THESE PARTS IS WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE - NOT IN THE LITERAL SENSE OF THE WORDS, BUT MORE FROM A NATIONAL ONE. I HEARD THE PRESIDENT TONIGHT AND WAS IMPRESSED SEVERAL TIMES BY WHAT HE SAID, ESPECIALLY IN REGARD TO STRIKERS AND THAT SACRIFICE WAS A PRIVILEGE. IT IS TRULY A NATIONAL EMERGENCY.. . . MY THOUGHT IS THAT NO MATTER WHAT THE GREAT POWERS DECIDE THEY MUST DO ABOUT THE SITUATION OUT HERE, THAT WE HAVE ALREADY LOST ALL THAT WE JUMPED IN TO WIN AND NOTHING BUT TOTAL WAR AGAINST RUSSIA AND CHINA WILL EVER WIN IT BACK, AND THIS WAR WE CAN ILL AFFORD. I STILL CANNOT UNDERSTAND HOW ANYONE CAN BE VERY MUCH SURPRISED. AFTER ALL, RUSSIA AND ALL COMMUNIST NATIONS HAVE SWORN THE FALL OF THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER CAPITALIST OR DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES AND THEY DID THIS NOT YESTERDAY, BUT YEARS AGO. IT IS KIND OF THEM TO HAVE WAITED SO LONG. . . . WE MOORED ALONGSIDE THE DOCK AS WE WERE ABOUT TO SINK AND HAD TO HAVE CALM WATER AND PUMPS TO KEEP US AFLOAT...THE FIRING IN THE HILLS NOT FAR DISTANT WAS A BIT DISQUIETING, TO SAY THE LEAST, AND THEN ON TOP OF IT ALL WE HAD AN AIR RAID ALERT, WHERE EVERYBODY DARKENS SHIP...IT WAS ABOUT TEN O'CLOCK AND PITCH BLACK. WE HAD JUST TIED THE SHIP UP AND ON THE DOCK WERE ALL SORTS AND CONDITIONS OF MEN, SOME KOREAN. WITH STORIES OF INFILTRATION QUITE RECENT IN MY EARS, I DECIDED THE LAST PLACE I WANTED TO BE KNIFED AND

PITCHED OVER THE SIDE WAS 'BLANK' HARBOR, KOREA! WITH A VIEW TO A BIT OF PERSONAL DEFENSE, AFTER SEEING THAT THE WATCH WAS ALERT, I FELT MY WAY INTO MY TWO-BY-FOUR STATEROOM TO GET MY PISTOL. I WAS JUST LOADING HER WITH THE REAL MCGOY, WHEN THEN THE 'ALL CLEAR' WENT AND THE LIGHTS WENT ON AND THERE IN THE WARDROOM WERE ALL FOUR OFFICERS LOADING THEIR PISTOLS- MOST AMUSING! HAVING ALL BEEN CAUGHT IN THE ACT OF SELF-DEFENSE WHEN THERE WAS LITTLE TO DEFEND AGAINST, WE HAD A GOOD LAUGH. THE NAVY IS SO MUCH BETTER OFF THAN THE TROOPS THAT THERE IS NO COMPARISON. WE COMPLAIN OF FREEZING WEATHER AND ASHORE IT IS OFTEN BELOW ZERO AND NO HOT MEAL OR WARM BUNK TO COME HOME TO. THE CONDITIONS ARE VERY

DIFFICULT FOR THE TROOPS- I MENTION THIS IN A LOUD VOICE TO THE MEN WHENEVER POSSIBLE. WITH LUCK, SKILL AND HELP FROM ABOVE WE WILL MANAGE TO ACQUIT OURSELVES WELL * * * YOU WOULDN'T RECOGNIZE ME- I HAVE A CREW CUT! . . . WE STAY CLEANER THAT WAY OUT HERE IN THE FORWARD, FORWARD AREA!"

ROSWELL G. HAM, HILDA SARGENT HAM, AND THEIR TWO SONS, RODDY AND DAVID, REPRESENTED THE UNITED STATES IN A WORLD- WIDE BROADCAST OVER BBC ON CHRISTMAS MORNING BETWEEN 9 AND 10 O'CLOCK, E.S.T. ROZ HAS SUPPLIED SOME OF THE DETAILS: "ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR THE BROADCAST BY DENIS JOHNSTON, FORMERLY DIRECTOR OF THE ABBEY THEATRE, DUBLIN, PLAYWRIGHT, AND MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF BBC, WHO IS A VISITING PROFESSOR AT MOUNT HOLYOKE. HE WAS COMMISSIONED TO FIND A FAMILY IN NEW ENGLAND FOR THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF THE UNITED STATES IN THIS REGULAR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM THAT ENDS WITH THE GREETINGS OF THE KING. OUR FAMILY HAPPENED TO FILL ALL THE REQUIREMENTS: A FATHER WHO HAD SERVED IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR, A SON IN THE SECOND WITH A CHRISTMAS IN ENGLAND AT THAT TIME, A SON WHO MIGHT BE CALLED UP NOW, AND A CHILD OR SO. THEY ALSO WANTED THE MOTHER'S VOICE TO GIVE THE FINAL CHRISTMAS TOUCH. DENIS JOHNSTON WAS THE INTERVIEWER AND HIS TEN-YEAR OLD AND DAVID ENDED OUR PART OF THE BROADCAST WITH A LIVELY DISCUSSION OF COWBOYS AND INDIANS. THE DIALOGUE WENT OUT FROM OUR LIVING ROOM OVER A SPECIAL CABLE TO NEW YORK WHERE IT WAS PICKED UP FOR SHORT WAVE. IT WAS QUITE A THRILL, AS WE SAT WITH HEADPHONES, TO HEAR THE BROADCAST MOVING UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ROBERT DONAT FROM WALES TO THE OUTER HEBRIDES, TO WESTERN GERMANY, KOREA, CEYLON, WEST AFRICA, AND TO SOUTH HADLEY, 9:33 E.S.T. THERE WERE MANY OTHER STATIONS, WITH THE CLIMAX THE KING'S MESSAGE AND THE SOUNDING OF BIG BEN. INCIDENTALLY, FOR THOSE WHO MAY HAVE HEARD IT, THE STATEMENT OF DAVID THAT I AM RELATED TO BUFFALO BILL NEEDS RADICAL CORRECTION. I HAD AN UNCLE BY MARRIAGE WHO WAS FIRST COUSIN OF BUFFALO BILL - NO CLOSER THAN THAT. BUT DENIS JOHNSTON THOUGHT THAT THE WILD-WEST MIGHT BE AN ENTERTAINING CHRISTMAS NOTE FROM AMERICA TO THE OUTER HEBRIDES!"

DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL, DAUGHTER OF DOROTHY SARGENT WISER, WROTE FROM MONTREAL A FEW DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS: "****WE ARE VERY BUSY WITH THE CHRISTMAS RUSH AND NATURALLY THE CHILDREN ARE TERRIBLY EXCITED ABOUT THE COMING OF SANTA CLAUS. MOTHER AND DAD ARE COMING DOWN THIS YEAR, SO WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING A LOVELY TIME. DIANA HAS BEEN QUITE SICK--SHE DEVELOPED MUMPS ABOUT FIVE WEEKS AGO AND IT WOULDN'T SEEM TO LEAVE HER. SHE WAS IN THE HOSPITAL FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS UNTIL THEY COULD DISCOVER WHAT WAS WRONG WITH HER. IT SEEMS THAT SHE HAD SOME KIND OF AN INFECTION ON HER SPINE. PENICILLIN SEEMED TO CLEAR MOST OF IT UP, BUT SHE STILL HAS TO GO BACK TO THE HOSPITAL AFTER CHRISTMAS FOR ANOTHER X-RAY. THE TWO LITTLE ONES ARE FULL OF HEALTH AND EXCITEMENT. ***"

BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

- FEBRUARY 4 - (30) ROSEMARY LORING, DAUGHTER OF CALEB LORING, JR.
 5 - RHODA MILES SARGENT TILNEY, DAUGHTER OF HENRY BRADFORD SARGENT
 CALEB LORING, JR., SON OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING
 7 - ROBERT GRAY BUSHNELL, HUSBAND OF JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL
 10 - HENRY BRADFORD SARGENT, SON OF MURRAY SARGENT
 11 - (19TH) JANE COLLIER CUMMING, DAUGHTER OF LAURA BAILEY CUMMING
 (17TH) SANDRA BUCK, DAUGHTER OF JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL
 12 - (22D) HOWARD LEWIS (PETER) SARGENT, JR.
 (16TH) PAMELA BUSHNELL, STEPDAUGHTER OF JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL
 14 - (86TH) JOHN ROBERT WHEATON SARGENT, SON OF HOMER EARLE SARGENT
 17 - THEODORE BABBITT, HUSBAND OF MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER BABBITT
 18 - CALEB LORING, HUSBAND OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING
 22 - (22D) SAMUEL FISHER (TERRY) BABBITT, SON OF MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER BABBITT
 23 - SARAH ATLEE DOWNS FISHER
 CATHERINE DEMING MIKESHOCK, DAUGHTER OF LAURA RICE DEMING
 FREDERIC HOMER SARGENT, III
 26 - JAMES CUNNINGHAM SARGENT, SON OF MURRAY SARGENT
 27 - (23D) ROBERTA LOUISE FISHER FLETCHER, DAUGHTER OF ATLEE DOWNS FISHER AND OF
 ROBERT LEWIS FISHER

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- FEBRUARY 11 - (5TH) SEATON G. AND LUETA WHITAKER EUBANKS BAILEY
 12 - (8TH) CALEB, JR., AND ROSEMARY MERRILL LORING
 15 - (32D) DOROTHY SARGENT AND HENRY J. WISER
 16 - (4TH) MARY SARGENT AND HEATH D. BUMGARDNER

THOMAS H. WISER, SON OF DOROTHY SARGENT WISER, AND ELAINE, HIS WIFE, HAVE MOVED TO 50 GLEN STEWART CRES., TORONTO, CANADA.

BRUCE FENN, 2D, SON OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN, WHO HAS BEEN DIRECTOR OF THE BIG BROMLEY SKI SCHOOL AT MANCHESTER, VT., AND HAS HAD OTHER BROMLEY CONNECTIONS FOR SEVERAL YEARS, WROTE YE EDITOR AT CHRISTMAS TIME: "I HAVE LEFT BROMLEY AND WILL BE AT BLACK MT., JACKSON, N.H., THIS WINTER. HOWEVER, MY PERMANENT ADDRESS IS FAIRVIEW AVE., AUBURN, MAINE, UNLESS THE NAVY SHOULD CHANGE IT."

J. WEIR SARGENT, SON OF JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT, IS BACK ON THE JOB ON A PART TIME BASIS. PHEBE, HIS WIFE, WROTE ON JANUARY 9TH: "WEIR IS DOING VERY WELL AND SPENDS TWO HOURS A DAY AT HIS OFFICE. HE IS DRIVEN IN AND OUT OF TOWN. HIS RECOVERY HAS BEEN WONDERFUL."

BARBARA K. MOOREHEAD, DAUGHTER OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD, JUST AFTER COMING HOME TO NEW CANAAN FROM MISS PORTER'S SCHOOL AT FARMINGTON, CONN., WENT TO THE NORWALK HOSPITAL, WHERE SHE WAS OPERATED ON FOR APPENDICITIS. SHE WAS ABLE TO LEAVE THE HOSPITAL BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF YE EDITOR'S GENERATION, WROTE FROM NEW HAVEN THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO HIS WIFE, WHO WAS VISITING HER SISTER MRS. SWAN IN BOSTON, ON JANUARY 29, 1904: "DEAR FLORENCE: INCLOSED IS THE CHECK YOU WROTE FOR, \$15.00. I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOU YESTERDAY, AT HOME BUT I LOST IT BEFORE I READ IT. IT IS ABOUT THE HOUSE SOMEWHERE, PERHAPS IN THE ASH BARRELS. IF THERE WAS ANY MONEY OR VALUABLES WITH THE LETTER LET ME KNOW SO I CAN ADVERTISE IT. I TELEPHONED TO MR. HOTCHKISS FOR DR. SWAN'S ADDRESS, FOR MY FIRST LETTER TO YOU. AT NEXT OR THIRD LETTER I ASKED LAURA FOR THE ADDRESS AS SHE SAID SHE HAD IT ON YOUR LETTER. SHE WENT UP TO HER ROOM AND SAW THE ADDRESS AND THEN OR VERY SOON CAME DOWN AND GAVE IT AS I WROTE IT. I, AT THE TIME SHE TOLD ME, ENTERED IT ON MY MEMO BOOK. I HAVE CHANGED IT FROM 1703 TO 1073 - THE FIGURES ARE THE SAME BUT DIFFERENTLY ARRANGED. WE ARE LIVING AS USUAL - GUESTS ARE KATHERINE RICE AND MARGARET FISHER. MARGARET HAD A VISITOR DAY-BEFORE-YESTERDAY WHO INQUIRED OF HER "HOW LONG WILL WILL STAY HERE?" MARGARET REPLIED "I AM GOING TO STAY HERE TILL NEXT MONDAY IF WE ARE TO HAVE ICE CREAM AT SUNDAY DINNER, BUT IF NOT I SHALL GO HOME SATURDAY BECAUSE WE HAVE ICE CREAM SUNDAYS." THERE WAS A KERMESS IN THIRD STORY LARGE ROOM THIS AFTERNOON. THERE WAS QUITE AN ELABORATE EXHIBITION BUT OWING TO THE INCLEMENCY OF THE WEATHER THE AUDIENCE WAS LIMITED TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE HOUSE. I AM MUCH CONFINED AT HOME TO TAKE CARE OF LAURA, HER NURSE HAS NOT RETURNED. THE WEATHER HAS BEEN TOO FRIVOLOUS TO ADMIT OF LAURA'S TAKING EXERCISE ON THE SIDEWALKS OF THE STREETS, SO WE AMUSE EACH OTHER IN THE HOUSE, TALKING, PLAYING CARDS, ETC. AND WE READ THE PAPERS AND A LITTLE IN BOOKS. I DID NOT GO TO THE FACTORY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON NOR TODAY, NOR HAVE I BEEN IN THE STREET EXCEPT TO GO TO POST OFFICE. I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER MR. AND MRS. HOTCHKISS HAVE RETURNED. EDWARD AND HELLEN WILL BE HERE IN FEW MINUTES AND WE SHALL PLAY BRIDGE WHIST I PRESUME TILL 10-. EVERYTHING IS AS USUAL - ALL WELL BUT THE CHICKEN POX GIRLS AND THEY ARE NEARLY OVER THAT TROUBLE. I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM YOU THIS MORNING, IN WHICH YOU ASKED FOR THE INCLOSED HERewith CHECK. REGARDS TO DR. AND MRS. SWAN. NELLIE IS STILL AT LIZZIES, YOURS TRULY, J.B.S."

MATTHEW MITCHELL (ABOUT 1590-1646), IMMIGRANT ANCESTOR OF MOST OF US (SEE GENEALOGICAL CHART IN SARGENTRIVIA OF JUNE 26, 1950) WAS MARRIED IN ENGLAND TO SARAH BUTTERFIELD. THEIR DAUGHTER SARAH WAS BORN IN ENGLAND AND MARRIED SAMUEL SHERMAN. (IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED CHART HER NAME IS GIVEN AS MARY, THE WAY IT APPEARS IN THE SHERMAN GENEALOGY, BUT JACOBUS' "HISTORY AND GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILIES OF OLD FAIRFIELD" AND STILES' "THE HISTORY OF ANCIENT WETHERSFIELD" GIVE HER NAME AS SARAH.) MATTHEW MITCHELL WAS A "SON OF MISFORTUNE". STILES IN HIS "WETHERSFIELD" QUOTES MATHER'S MAGNALIA AS FOLLOWS: "MATTHEW MICHAEL CAME INTO NEW ENGLAND, IN 1635, FROM HALIFAX, ENGLAND; ON HIS ARRIVAL HE LOCATED HIMSELF IN CHARLESTON (MASS.) WHERE HE SPENT HIS FIRST WINTER; REMOVING TO THE TOWN OF CONCORD, HIS GREATER MATTERS GRADUALLY BECAME SMALLER THERE, HIS BEGINNINGS WERE THERE CONSUMED BY FIRE, AND SOME OTHER LOSSES BEFELL HIM IN THE LATTER END OF THAT WINTER. THE NEXT SUMMER HE REMOVED UNTO SAYBROOK, AND THE NEXT SPRING UNTO WEATHERSFIELD UPON CONNECTICUT RIVER, BY WHICH HE LOST YET MORE OF HIS POSSESSIONS AND PLUNGED HIMSELF INTO OTHER TROUBLES. TOWARD THE CLOSE OF THAT YEAR HE HAD A SON-IN-LAW SLAIN BY PEQUOT INDIANS; AND THE REST OF THE WINTER THEY LIVED IN MUCH FEAR OF THEIR LIVES FROM THESE BARBARIANS, AND MANY OF HIS CATTLE WERE DESTROYED, AND HIS ESTATE UNTO THE VALUE OF SOME HUNDRED OF POUNDS WAS DAMNIFIED. A SHALLOP WHICH HE SENT UNTO THE RIVER'S MOUTH WAS TAKEN AND BURNED BY THE PEQUOTS, AND THREE MEN IN THE VESSEL SLAIN, IN ALL OF WHOM HE WAS NEARLY CONCERNED. SO THAT, INDEED, THE PEQUOT SCOURGE FELL MORE ON HIS FAMILY, THAN ON ANY OTHER IN THE LAND. AFTERWARDS THERE AROSE UNHAPPY DIFFERENCES IN THE PLACE WHERE HE LIVED, WHEREIN HE WAS AN ANTAGONIST AGAINST SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL PERSONS IN THE PLACE, AND HEREBY, HE, WHO HITHERTO LIVED IN PREVIOUS ESTEEM WITH GOOD MEN WHEREVER HE CAME (AS A RECORD I HAVE SEEN TESTIFIES CONCERNING HIM) NOW SUFFERED MUCH IN HIS ESTEEM AMONG MANY SUCH MEN, AS IS USUAL IN SUCH CONTENTIONS, AND HE MET WITH MANY OTHER INJURIES; FOR WHICH CAUSES, HE TRANSFERRED HIMSELF, WITH HIS INTERESTS, UNTO STAMFORD, IN THE COLONY OF NEW HAVEN. HERE HIS HOME, BARN AND GOODS WERE AGAIN CONSUMED BY FIRE; AND MUCH INTERNAL DISTRESS OF MIND ACCOMPANIED THESE HUMBLING DISPENSATIONS. AT LAST, THAT MOST HORRIBLE OF DISEASES, THE STONE, ARRESTED HIM, AND HE UNDERWENT UNSPEAKABLE DOLOURS FROM IT, UNTIL THE YEAR 1645, WHEN HE WENT UNTO HIS REST ABOUT THE FIFTY-FIFTH YEAR OF HIS AGE." HE DIED MAY 19, 1646. STILES SAYS: "HE SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN WORTHY, ENERGETIC AND ABLE; AND, AT TIMES, WEALTHY—BUT HE PROBABLY BROKE DOWN IN HEALTH, FORTUNE AND SPIRITS UNDER THE MANY DISASTERS WHICH BEFELL HIM. HE RESIDED IN WETHERSFIELD ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF BROAD STREET AND MEADOW LANE."