

JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907), GRANDFATHER OF YE EDITOR'S GENERATION, WROTE THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO HIS WIFE WHEN HE WAS ON A BUSINESS TRIP AND SHE IN NEW HAVEN:
"LINDELL HOTEL

ST. LOUIS, SATURDAY NOV 21 1885

MY DEAR FLORENCE:

"I SUPPOSE YOU WONDER WHY I AM SO LONG AWAY - AND SO DO I. BUT I FOUND THAT I COULD OCCUPY CONSIDERABLE TIME IN CHICAGO IN BUSINESS CALLS, AND AS IT APPEARED TO THE ADVANTAGE OF BUSINESS. I BROUGHT SAMPLES OF NEW LOCKS WITH ME AND A NEW MEAT CUTTER, WHICH I LUGGED ALL OVER CHICAGO SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE I COULD GET INTERVIEWS WITH ALL THE PARTIES TO WHOM I WANTED TO SHOW THEM AND SHOW UP THEIR GOOD POINTS. SOCIAL MATTERS ALSO TOOK UP SOME TIME. I CAME HERE AS I WROTE YOU I SHOULD AND HAVE VISITED THE PRINCIPAL HARDWARE CONCERNS WITH MY SAMPLES, AND, TELL EDWARD, I HAVE THOROUGHLY INTERVIEWED THE UNDERTAKER'S HARDWARE TRADE HERE SOCIALLY, AND IN CHICAGO ALSO - ALL WERE GLAD TO SEE ME. I HAVE PAID MY HOTEL BILL HERE ALTHOUGH I SHALL NOT LEAVE TILL TOMORROW MORNING FOR RICHMOND, IND. WHERE I SHALL BE DUE AT ABOUT 6 OR 7 P.M.

"MONDAY I SHALL SPEND IN RICHMOND AND GO TO SPRINGFIELD OHIO. TUESDAY IN SPRINGFIELD AND GOING TO ORRVILLE OHIO. WEDNESDAY IN ORRVILLE AND IN STARTING FOR HOME. SO THAT I SHALL GET HOME DURING THE LATTER PART OF THIS WEEK.

"IT HAS BEEN RATHER LONESOME SOMETIMES WITHOUT YOUR COMPANY AND I HAVE SEVERAL TIMES WISHED I HAD YOU WITH ME TO KEEP AWAY THE DULNESS OF A LONG EVENING, - AND I GUESS IT WOULD HAVE PAID PECUNIARILY BECAUSE IF I HAD BROUGHT YOU WITH ME I MIGHT NOT HAVE REMAINED AWAY FROM HOME HALF SO LONG.

"GOODBYE - AM GOING OUT TO DINE THIS EVENING AT 7 - FULL DRESS - CARRIAGE TO CALL FOR ME -

AFFECTIONATELY

J.B. SARGENT"

BELOW IS A PICTURE OF JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907) AND FLORENCE, HIS WIFE, TOGETHER WITH A GUIDE AND SOME NATIVES, THAT WAS MADE AT MITLA, OAXACA, MEXICO, IN 1900 BY MR. M. S. MACCARTHY. THIS PICTURE IS ONE OF TWO COLORED PHOTOGRAPHS SENT TO SARGENT & COMPANY JUNE 22, 1951, ACCOMPANIED BY A LETTER IN WHICH MR. MACCARTHY WROTE: ". . . I HAD BEEN LIVING IN MEXICO CITY BUT MET MR. AND MRS. SARGENT AT PUEBLA AND TRAVELED WITH THEM TO OAXACA AND TO THE RUINS AT MITLA, STOPPING ON THE WAY TO SEE THE GREAT TREE OF TULE NEAR TLACOLULA WHERE I MAY HAVE MADE SOME PICTURES, BUT HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO FIND THE FILMS. MR. AND MRS. SARGENT WERE VERY PLEASANT TRAVELING COMPANIONS. . . ." "J.B." WAS TAKEN SICK NEAR THE END OF HIS TRIP IN MEXICO. THE U.S. CUSTOMS ON HIS RETURN WHILE ILL TO THE UNITED STATES THOUGHT HE WAS TRYING TO SMUGGLE AND FINED HIM, UNJUSTLY HE BELIEVED. WHEN HE RECOVERED HIS HEALTH HE FOUND THAT THE ONLY WAY TO OBTAIN RECOVERY FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS THROUGH A PRIVATE BILL IN CONGRESS, WHICH HIS CONGRESSMAN SUCCEEDED IN GETTING.



BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

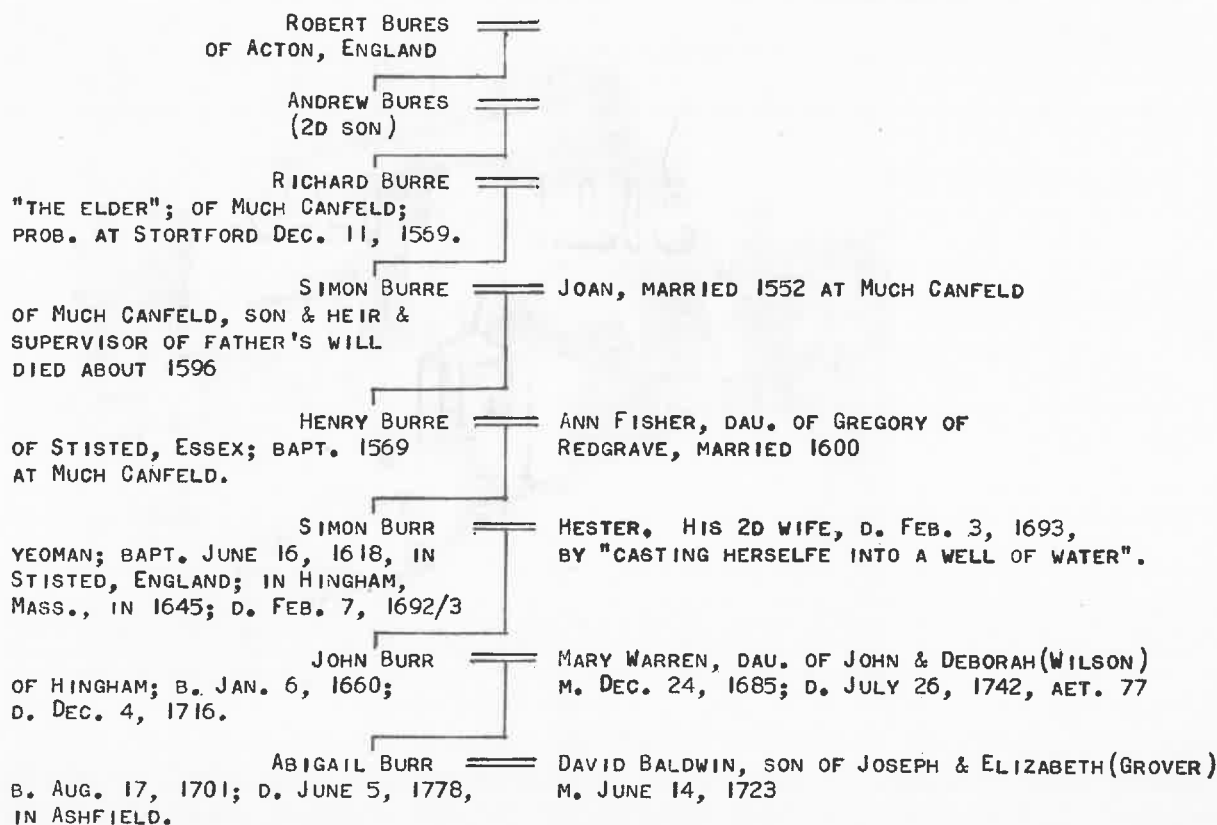
- MAY 3 - (10TH) LINDA SARGENT, DAUGHTER OF RICHARD COLLIER SARGENT, JR.
 (9TH) FAITH SARGENT LEWIS, DAUGHTER OF WILFRED SARGENT LEWIS
- 5 - HARRY HARLAND SKERRETT, JR., HUSBAND OF SYLVIA MURRAY TILNEY SKERRETT
 VINCENT ROY MIKESHOCK, HUSBAND OF CATHERINE VIRGINIA DEMING MIKESHOCK
- 7 - (9TH) SARGENTRIVIA
- 8 - DOROTHY JOAN WISER MACDOUGALL, DAUGHTER OF DOROTHY SARGENT WISER
- 9 - BRUCE FENN, 2D, SON OF RUSSELL SARGENT FENN
 (24TH) MICHAEL MOTTE GROVE, SON OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD
- 12 - ELIZABETH (LIB) OWEN SARGENT, WIFE OF THOMAS DENNY SARGENT
- 15 - JANET WYER SARGENT, WIFE OF FREDERICK KINGSBURY SARGENT
- 17 - ELIZABETH (BETTY) DAY SARGENT
- 19 - (15TH) ROBERT (ROBIN) GRAY BUSHNELL, JR., STEPSON OF JEAN SARGENT BUSHNELL
- 20 - LUCILLE DEEMER FISHER, WIFE OF ROBERT LEWIS FISHER
- 26 - (85TH) SAMUEL HERBERT FISHER, WIDOWER OF MARGARET (DAISY) SARGENT FISHER
 DAVID THURSTON HOLLAND, SON OF RUPERT SARGENT HOLLAND
- 29 - MARION HUNICKE SARGENT, WIFE OF WILLIAM PARKER SARGENT, JR.
- 31 - (25TH) GEORGE (GID) GARDNER LORING, SON OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- MAY 23 - (16TH) CATHERINE COLE AND ROBERT PERCY TATE
 (1ST) MARGARET SARGENT FISHER AND OISTEIN LIE-NIELSEN

SIMON BURR (1618-1692/3) AND JEHU BURR (D. 1672), IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS OF MOST OF US, CAME TO MASSACHUSETTS FROM ENGLAND ABOUT THE SAME TIME, SIMON BEFORE 1645 AND JEHU IN 1630. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THEY WERE RELATED, BUT DESCENDANTS OF BOTH ARE GIVEN IN "THE BURR FAMILY" BY CHARLES BURR TODD (4TH ED. 1902). WE ARE DESCENDED FROM SIMON, A SKETCH OF WHOM APPEARED IN SARGENTRIVIA OF NOVEMBER 27, 1946, THROUGH MINDWELL JONES, THE WIFE OF JOSEPH DENNY SARGENT (1787-1849). (SEE GENEALOGICAL CHART IN SARGENTRIVIA OF DECEMBER 15, 1943.) FROM JEHU BURR OUR DESCENT IS THROUGH CURTIS LEWIS (1800-1882). (SEE GENEALOGICAL CHARTS IN SARGENTRIVIA OF JUNE 26, 1950, AND FEBRUARY 24, 1949.)

SIMON BURR'S ENGLISH ANCESTRY, SHOWN IN THE CHART BELOW, IS FROM "BURES OF SUFFOLK, ENGLAND, AND BURR OF MASSACHUSETTS BAY COLONY", BY CHAUNCEY REA BURR (PRIVATELY PRINTED 1926).



KENNETH L. GOSNER, JR., HUSBAND OF LINDA DEMING GOSNER, IS THE AUTHOR OF AN ILLUSTRATED ARTICLE IN NATIONAL HISTORY FOR MARCH ENTITLED "MAYA METROPOLIS." THE MAGAZINE, PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY IN NEW YORK, EXPLAINS IN AN EDITORIAL NOTE: "EXPLORER, ARTIST, AND WRITER, MR. GOSNER IS WELL QUALIFIED TO WRITE ABOUT THIS UNIQUE RUIN IN GUATEMALA. HE HAS BEEN ON THE SCIENCE STAFF OF THE NEWARK MUSEUM SINCE 1946. THE BACKGROUND FOR THIS ARTICLE WAS SECURED ON TWO TRIPS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EL PETÉN, GUATEMALA, IN 1947 AND 1949. ON THE FIRST TRIP HE COLLECTED MAMMAL SKINS AND REPTILES, WHICH ARE NOW IN THE COLLECTIONS OF THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY. ON THE SECOND TRIP HE RECORDED TEMPERATURE RECORDS FOR THE AMERICAN MUSEUM'S DEPARTMENT OF REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS. MR. GOSNER SERVED AS FIELD ARTIST FOR THE 1946 EXPEDITION OF THE NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY TO RANCHO GRANDE, VENEZUELA. HE HAS ALSO MADE SUMMER FIELD TRIPS TO EL SALVADOR, HONDURAS, YUCATÁN, AND MEXICO." KEN IN HIS OPENING PARAGRAPH SAYS: "SCATTERED ABUNDANTLY THROUGHOUT THE LENGTH AND BREADTH OF THE YUCATÁN PENINSULAR ARE THE MATERIAL REMAINS OF A POPULOUS CIVILIZATION THAT FLOURISHED 1000 YEARS BEFORE THE SPANIARDS FIRST REACHED THE NEW WORLD. ON THE FOREST-COVERED PLAINS OF NORTHERN PETÉN, AT THE BASE OF THE PENINSULA, THE FIRST TENDER SHOOTS OF THE MAYA CULTURE ROSE TIMIDLY AMONG THE GIANTS OF A MIGHTY FOREST. THE PEAKS OF ACHIEVEMENT THAT THESE PEOPLE REACHED IN ART AND SCIENCE HAVE BEEN COMPARED WITH THE BEST OF THE ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS OF THE OLD WORLD, AND THEY HAD FEWEQUALS ON THE AMERICAN CONTINENT. RISING TO A WONDERFUL MATURITY, THE MAYAS FLOWERED AND FINALLY DIED IN WHAT IS, TO-DAY, A VAST TROPICAL WILDERNESS." TIKAL WAS THE PARTICULAR RUINED CITY, "THE LARGEST AND LEAST ACCESSIBLE," THAT KEN AND LINDA WENT TO SEE. TIKAL IS WHAT IT HAS BEEN CALLED FOR SEVERAL CENTURIES, BUT KEN SAYS, "ALMOST WITHOUT EXCEPTION, THE ORIGINAL NAMES OF THE ANCIENT MAYA CULTURAL CENTERS HAVE FAILED TO SURVIVE, SO GREAT HAS BEEN THE TIME BETWEEN ABANDONMENT AND REDISCOVERY." THE ARTICLE SHOULD BE READ TO APPRECIATE WHAT ANCIENT RUINS THERE ARE SO NEAR. IT IS ACCOMPANIED BY EXCELLENT ILLUSTRATIONS (IN SEVERAL OF WHICH LINDA APPEARS IN ORDER TO GIVE AN IDEA OF THE SIZE OF THE RUIN).

SAMUEL F. (TERRY) BABBITT, SON OF MARGARET (PEGGY) FISHER BABBITT, HAS BEEN ELECTED A MEMBER OF TORCH, AN HONOR SOCIETY AT YALE.

JOSEPH D. SARGENT, SON OF THOMAS D. SARGENT, BROKE HIS LEG, A BAD COMPOUND FRACTURE, WHILE SKIING SUNDAY, APRIL 6, ON THE CANNON MOUNTAIN TRAIL, NEAR FRANCONIA, N.H. HE WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL AT LITTLETON, N.H. ON APRIL 15 TOM AND LIB, HIS PARENTS, MOTORED HIM BACK TO HARTFORD. THIS IS THE THIRD TIME JOE HAS BROKEN THAT LEG. HIS ADDRESS FOR THE TIME BEING IS HARTFORD HOSPITAL, HARTFORD, CONN.

SARGENT & COMPANY'S AGREEMENT WITH THE UNION IN SEPTEMBER 1951, AT THE TIME OF THE TWO-WEEK STRIKE, PROVIDED FOR THE ADDITION OF A SEVENTH PAID HOLIDAY (GOOD FRIDAY) AND A THIRD WEEK OF VACATION FOR AN EMPLOYEE WITH AT LEAST TWENTY YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE. THESE TWO PROVISIONS WERE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNMENT WAGE STABILIZATION BOARD, TO WHICH THEY WERE PROMPTLY REFERRED. THOUGH THERE HAD BEEN SOME CORRESPONDENCE ON THESE SUBJECTS, GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 11) OF THIS YEAR ARRIVED WITHOUT ANY DECISION BY THE BOARD. THIS PUT SARGENT & COMPANY IN A BIT OF A DILEMMA. IT WAS SETTLED BY CLOSING THE PLANT ON THAT DAY AS A PAID HOLIDAY. IF THE BOARD SHOULD LATER DENY THE HOLIDAY, PROPER ADJUSTMENT WILL HAVE TO BE MADE WITH EMPLOYEES, PROBABLY IN CONNECTION WITH THE JULY 4 HOLIDAY.

AS A RESULT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH THE UNION SINCE FEBRUARY 1, THE REOPENING DATE FOR CERTAIN CLAUSES IN THE CURRENT CONTRACT, THE MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT FOR NON-OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESSES OR ACCIDENTS IN THE GROUP INSURANCE POLICY, THE PREMIUMS FOR WHICH ARE PAID PARTLY BY THE EMPLOYEES AND PARTLY BY THE COMPANY, WERE INCREASED FROM \$21 PER WEEK TO ONE-HALF THE AVERAGE WEEKLY SALARY (UP TO A MAXIMUM BENEFIT OF \$36 PER WEEK), THE COMPANY TO PAY THE ADDITIONAL PREMIUM. THE COMPANY ALSO AGREED TO CONTRIBUTE \$1 PER MONTH PER EMPLOYEE TOWARD THE BLUE CROSS INSURANCE.

GEORGE HENRY SARGENT (1828-1917) IN HIS COPY OF THE 1858 EDITION OF THE SARGENT GENEALOGY PASTED A NEWSPAPER CLIPPING ENTITLED "EARLY RISING". THERE IS NO NOTATION OF THE DATE OR THE NAME OF THE NEWSPAPER, NOR ANY INDICATION OF ANY RELATIONSHIP TO THE JAMES SARGENT MENTIONED. IT READS AS FOLLOWS:

"ENGLISHMEN HAVE BEEN NOTED FOR MAKING ECCENTRIC WILLS, AND OF RIDING THEIR HOBBIES TO THEIR VERY DEATHBEDS. MR. JAMES SARGENT, WHO DIED AT LEICESTER, ENGLAND, IN 1832, LEAVING HIS PROPERTY TO HIS NEPHEWS, HAD A VERY GOOD HOBBY, WHICH WAS EARLY RISING; AND HE SET ABOUT MAKING HIS LAZY NEPHEWS EARLY RISERS, LIKE HIMSELF, BY INSERTING THE FOLLOWING CLAUSE IN HIS WILL:

"AS MY NEPHEWS ARE FOND OF INDULGING IN BED IN THE MORNING, AND AS I WISH THEM TO IMPROVE THE TIME WHEN THEY ARE YOUNG, I DIRECT THAT THEY SHALL PROVE, TO THE SATISFACTION OF MY EXECUTORS, THAT THEY HAVE GOT OUT OF BED IN THE MORNING, AND EITHER EMPLOYED THEMSELVES IN BUSINESS OR TAKEN EXERCISE IN THE OPEN AIR, FROM FIVE O'CLOCK TILL EIGHT EVERY MORNING FROM THE 5TH OF APRIL TO THE 10TH OF OCTOBER, BEING THREE HOURS EACH DAY; AND FROM SEVEN O'CLOCK TILL NINE IN THE MORNING FROM THE 10TH OF OCTOBER TO THE 5TH OF APRIL, BEING TWO HOURS EVERY MORNING, FOR TWO YEARS.

"THIS IS TO BE DONE FOR SOME TWO YEARS DURING THE FIRST SEVEN YEARS, TO THE SATISFACTION OF MY EXECUTORS, WHO MAY EXCUSE THEM IN CASE OF ILLNESS, BUT THE TASK MUST BE MADE UP WHEN THEY ARE WELL. AND IF THEY WILL NOT DO THIS, THEY SHALL NOT RECEIVE ANY SHARE OF MY PROPERTY."

"THERE IS NO RECORD WHETHER OR NOT THE YOUNG MEN FULFILLED THE TERMS OF THE WILL. PROBABLY THEY DID, AS THE PROPERTY WAS WORTH A SACRIFICE."

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MARGARET MOTTE TURNER, DAUGHTER OF ANNE (NANCY) LORING GROVE AND ARTHUR NICHOLSON TURNER, WAS BORN ON TUESDAY, MARCH 18, AT ABOUT 9 P.M. AT THE GRACE-NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, NEW HAVEN, CONN. SHE WEIGHED 8 LBS., 2 OZ., AND HAS BEEN NAMED FOR HER GREAT-GRANDMOTHER, WHO MARRIED FIRST RUSSELL SARGENT AND AFTER HIS DEATH MARRIED HIS BROTHER GEORGE LEWIS SARGENT. SHE IS THE TURNERS' SECOND DAUGHTER AND THIRD CHILD, AND IS A GRANDDAUGHTER OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD, A GREAT-GRAND-DAUGHTER OF RUSSELL SARGENT, AND A GREAT-GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER OF JOSEPH BRADFORD SARGENT (1822-1907). NANCY AND THE BABY CAME HOME ON SUNDAY, MARCH 23D. THOUGH THEIR HOUSE IS ACTUALLY OVER THE LINE IN HAMDEN, THE TURNERS' ADDRESS IS 85 LAUREL ROAD, NEW HAVEN, CONN. (TELEPHONE SPRUCE 7-3107.)

KEITH LORING, SON OF CALEB, JR., AND ROSEMARY MERRILL LORING, WAS BORN ON TUESDAY, MARCH 25, AT ABOUT 3 P.M. AT RICHARDSON HOUSE, BROOKLINE, MASS. HE WAS NAMED FOR HIS MATERNAL GRANDFATHER AND WEIGHED 7 LBS., 12 OZ. HE IS THE LORINGS' THIRD SON AND FOURTH CHILD, AND IS A GRANDSON OF SUZANNE BAILEY LORING, A GREAT-GRANDSON OF MARY EMMA (TINY) HAMMOND BAILEY, AND A GREAT-GREAT-GRANDSON OF LAURA FRANCES LEWIS HAMMOND. ROMEY AND THE BABY CAME HOME ON FRIDAY, APRIL 4. ROMEY WROTE THAT "HE'S STRONG AND HEALTHY AND LOOKS LIKE A POSSIBLE BROWN-EYED BLOND." THE LORINGS' ADDRESS IS SUNSET ROCK, PRIDE'S CROSSING, MASS.

LIEUT. (JG) GEORGE S. GROVE, U.S.N., SON OF BARBARA SARGENT MOOREHEAD, HAS BEEN AWARDED THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL FOR HIS SERVICES IN KOREAN WATERS. A COPY OF THE CITATION FOLLOWS.

UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET
COMMANDER SEVENTH FLEET

IN THE NAME OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
THE COMMANDER OF THE SEVENTH FLEET TAKES PRIDE IN PRESENTING
THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL TO
LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE GEORGE S. GROVE
UNITED STATES NAVY

FOR SERVICES SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING CITATION:
FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION AND MERITORIOUS DEVOTION TO DUTY AS
COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE U.S.S. CURLEW DURING THE PERIOD FROM
1 NOVEMBER 1950 TO 22 AUGUST 1951. DURING THIS PERIOD, LIEUT-
ENANT JUNIOR GRADE GROVE PARTICIPATED IN MAJOR MINESWEEPING
OPERATIONS ON BOTH COASTS OF KOREA AND SWEEPED A TOTAL OF TWENTY-
FOUR MINES. DESPITE THE HARDSHIPS CAUSED BY SEVERE KOREAN
WINTER WEATHER, AND THE FACT THAT HE WAS FREQUENTLY STRADDLED
BY HOSTILE SHORE BATTERIES AND HIS SHIP OPERATED LONG PERIODS
WITHOUT ADEQUATE UPKEEP, HE MAINTAINED HER IN A HIGH STATE OF
READINESS AND EFFICIENCY. WHEN UNDER FIRE BY ENEMY SHORE BATTER-
IES, LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE GROVE DISPLAYED COOL COURAGE AND
SMART SEAMANSHIP IN MANEUVERING THE CURLEW, FURNISHED ACCURATE
COUNTERBATTERY FIRE AND ACCURATELY PLOTTED GUN POSITIONS FOR
LARGER FIRE SUPPORT SHIPS. HIS ENTHUSIASM DOMINATED THE SHIP'S
POLICY AND REPUTATION, HIS PROFESSIONAL ATTAINMENTS MADE THE
CURLEW OUTSTANDING IN HER CLASS AND HER CONTRIBUTION IN REMOV-
ING THE MINE MENACE PLAYED A CONSIDERABLE PART IN PERMITTING
THE HEAVIER UNITS OF THE FRIENDLY FORCES TO PERFORM THEIR
ASSIGNED TASKS. HIS CONDUCT WAS AT ALL TIMES IN KEEPING WITH
THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.
THE COMBAT DISTINGUISHING DEVICE IS AUTHORIZED.

S/ H.M. MARTIN
VICE ADMIRAL, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDER SEVENTH FLEET

(PRESENTED MARCH 8, 1952).

IN THE TOWN OF WINDSOR IN CONNECTICUT COLONY IN 1707 "EVERY RATEABLE PERSON WAS REQUIRED TO
KILL A DOZEN BLACKBIRDS IN MARCH, APRIL, MAY, AND JUNE, OR ELSE PAY ONE SHILLING TO THE TOWN'S USE."—
CHARLES M. ANDREWS' THE RIVER TOWNS OF CONNECTICUT (1889).