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The descendants of Samuel Schwackhamer (Swackhamer) who, in 1730 settled in the New Jersey, in the Long Valley, and Philip DuFord (Dufford) who settled there in 1738.

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R E U N I O N

We'll be looking for you ON July 27, 1968 noon or before
AT Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, N.J.
BRING own picnic lunch

Indulge yourself, be in the midst of things off-the-beaten path.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

A time for work, a time for play, sorrow and happiness, all comprise a part of the human life.

We are not beset with a major problem of life each day, but encounter with today's problem may be preparing us for a counterpart problem tomorrow.

Hoping to see you in July,
Stanley Dufford

NOTICE FROM OUR TREASURER

This is to advise that as of July 27, 1968, I shall submit my resignation as Treasurer of the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society.

Furthermore, I have arranged with Mrs. Annette Hart, 1614 Holly Boulevard, Manasquan, N.J. 08736 to take over the duties of treasurer, and she has agreed, subject of course, to the approval of the members present at the meeting.

I am hopeful all will continue to send her the friendly notes it has been my pleasure to receive with your yearly contributions.

Wesley J. Moren

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES:

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. A. Frederick Romagnoli (nee Margaret Tufford) RR #1, Beamsville, Ontario, Canada
Mr. William Tufford, Mountain Top, Beamsville, Ontario, Canada
Miss Delpha Tufford, Fenwick, Ontario, Canada

LONG VALLEY WOMAN'S CLUB WON STATE AWARD

The Long Valley Woman's Club won second prize for community improvement projects at the annual convention of the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs held in Atlantic City, N.J. in May.

The Woman's Club in conjunction with the Washington Township Historical Society purchased and restored the stone building constructed 138 years ago as the area's first school, and in more recent years the private residence of Mrs. Lamar Hoppler.

The structure now houses the Long Valley branch of the Morris County Free Library and a still unfinished historical museum.

The onetime school house stands beside the old cemetery and the ruins of the former Evangelic Reformed and Lutheran Meetinghouse, dating to 1774. Cemetery and meeting house are owned by the Historical Society.

The cash award will be helpful, but money is still needed to finish paying off the mortgage and to finance restoration of the upstairs interior so their trove of local historical treasures can go on permanent display.

ALWAYS A SCHOLAR

Dr. Roy Dufford Ribble wrote "ten years of retirement has given me the 'fun' of going back to school at the various institutions in this Southern California area." His letter of April 21st continues "Rather unexciting report from exotic LaJolla is that we have just returned from historic Sante Fe, N.M. where I applied at St. John's College for a Graduate School course this summer. Currently, here at home, I am attending Scripps Oceanography Graduate School."

"AUNT BESSIE"

Mrs. Bessie Swackhamer Emmons, known as "Aunt Bessie", is 94 years old, and makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Caskey of 150 Norwood Ave., Plainfield, N.J. She is proud of her grandson, F. Richard Emmons and great grandson, 1st. Lt. Bradley L. Crosby. Further along in this issue you will understand why.

THE 13th - A LUCKY DAY

Mr. George Ramsey (a Swackhamer) of Boca Raton, Florida, caught a nice sailfish off the driftwood Captain Kidd on Wednesday, December 13th, 1967. The high jumper was 7'5" long and weighed 56½ pounds. George, who goes out about every ten days, said that time he was drifting a "big, dead mullet". Beside fishing, George and his wife keep busy swimming, golfing and he added (a bit of conscience, I suspect) an amount of "do-gooding".

AN INDISPENSABLE MAN

The Borough Council of Califon, N.J. was reorganized for 1968. Two councilmen were seated. The oaths of office were administered by Lester H. Apgar (a Dufford), municipal clerk, who was renamed clerk for his 41st consecutive year.

"FOR THE BIRDS"

Articles appearing in a number of papers under the captions "For The Birds", "Search For A 'Myrtlebird'" etc. written by Professor Ferris S. Swackhamer of Union College, Cranford, N.J. have prompted inquiry from many. Your editor is proud to announce that is is one of the flock and agrees that he is "just great".

HONORED

Mr. F. Richard Emmons, a former Rutgers University graduate and now a Design Engineer at Hamilton Standard Division of United Aircraft, received a gold medal and twelve hundred fifty dollars award in developing "the first successful automatic cabin pressure control system for aircraft." He shared a twenty-five hundred dollar award with another engineer who also worked on the invention. Richard is 35 and resides with his wife and four children in Simsbury, Conn. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Swackhamer Emmons who have retired to Loveladies, Long Beach Island, N.J. and the grandson of Mrs. Bessie Swackhamer of North Plainfield, N.J.

DISTINGUISHED

Biographical notes on the life of Miss Gladys V. Swackhamer of 3078 Lucinda Lane, Santa Barbara, California appeared in the fifth edition (1968-69) of "Who's Who of American Women", and shortly thereafter she was invited to contribute to a companion volume, published in London, Dictionary of International Biography. She wrote she felt honored to be in the "company" of other women of her area, among them, Elizabeth Mann Borghese, daughter of Thomas Mann, Mme. Lotta Lehman of Opera fame and Ala Story, Director of the Art Museum of the University of California at Santa Barbara.

PROMOTION

Mr. Byron F. Swackhamer of Haddon Heights, N.J. is now Vice President of Sales-Patterson Sargent/Vita Var Division of Textron Industries with offices in North Brunswick, N.J.

TRANSFERRED

Mr. Richard D. Swackhamer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron S. Swackhamer has recently been transferred from Scranton, Pa. to Brooklyn, N.Y. Richard is a Supervisor for the Food and Drug Administration. He and his wife, Catherine, reside in Roselle Park, N.J.

TEACHING CAREERS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anthony Bacum reside in Roselle Park, N.J. Mrs. Bacum is the former Joan Margaret Swackhamer, daughter of the Byron F. Swackhamers. Joan is teaching Sophomore English in Westfield High School. Husband, Tony, is teaching Industrial Art and serving as Assistant Football Coach at Colonia High School, Woodbridge, N.J.

PLAN TO FOLLOW THE SUN

Milton and Diane Swackhamer of Levittown, Pa. are tired of the northern winters and look forward to moving to Miami, Florida next November.

LITTLE LEAGUE

Jimmie Thatcher, the older of Milton Swackhamer's two grandsons, was just nine in February and became eligible for Little League Baseball. He made the team in Levittown, Pa. and seems to be doing fine. Stephen, the youngest grandson, is just seven. Perhaps in two years he'll be doing the same.

FAMILY INCREASES BY ADOPTION

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Logan adopted another baby who was five months old in April and named Kevin Richard Logan. The couple's older son, Timothy, is thriving too. This makes the 9th grandchild for Mrs. Marjorie Logan of Whitehouse, N.J.

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS

Mrs. Sarah Edwards of White Pigeon, Michigan (a Swackhamer) celebrated her 71st birthday on December 30, 1967.

Mr. Daniel Voorhees Tunison (a Swackhamer) of Norwood, Pa. reached his 80th birthday on June 11, 1968.

LETTERS FROM OUR MAIL BOX

From Miss Gladys V. Swackhamer of Santa Barbara, California we received and appreciated this compliment: "I do enjoy the Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin which is becoming national and international in character. When I was in Germany in 1956 I went to the impressive archives building in Hannover to look for the Schwackhammer name. I was asked if I wished to search the records of the province, the state, or the city of Hannover! Visiting German friends for only a few days I gave up the search. So I applaud others who push the search back into the homelands."

Miss Muriel Tufford of Brantford, Ontario, Canada wrote she had read the Winter Issue of 1967 of the Bulletin with a great deal of interest and "I think it just tremendous - Congratulations. May your members truly appreciate the great amount of time, talent and effort that goes into your bulletin's publication. It is the first time I have heard of two families issuing a genealogical bulletin. She meant it because she requested subscriptions be sent to her sister, Mrs. A. Frederick Romagnoli; to her 84 year old father, Mr. William Tufford and to her Aunt (90 years old), Miss Delpha Tufford. She tells us that an Uncle, Frank Tufford, with whom her Aunt formerly lived passed away in October 1967 within a few days of his 98th birthday. THERE IS A GENEALOGICAL PROBLEM - Miss Tufford says that her great, great grandmother who was Mary Fritz went to Canada in 1800 and married her great, great grandfather, Philip Tufford (Dufford) in 1801. She is trying to determine who Philip's parents were. She expressed thanks to Mr. C. Robert Brown for giving generously of his valuable time to write and offer suggestions for research as well as supply important information. She reminded us we are indeed fortunate to have a man like Mr. Brown active in our organization. Your editor agrees and adds that she depends on him a great deal.

Mrs. Victor A. T. Albright (A Dufford) of Bedford, Ind. revealed that she is a 1908 graduate of Miss Baird's Institute (a Junior College and Finishing School) located in Norwalk, Conn. She was born in New York City. Her father whose home was in New Jersey married a New York girl and settled there to live and raise his family.

Mr. William L. Dufford of Minneola, Kansas wrote "We enjoy reading the bulletin as that is about the only contact I have with old German Valley where I spent my boyhood. We left there in 1909."

The following is quoted from a letter dated January 25, 1968 from Mrs. Solange Dufford of 224 E. 96th Street, New York, N.Y. 10028. "Just a few lines to let you know how much we enjoyed the Swackhamer-Dufford bulletin. I was contacted by Mrs. Harriman a few years ago, and honestly every time I thought of writing her, always something happened. I was really surprised when Mrs. Harriman told us about my husband's descendants, but at the same time it was very interesting to know how many Duffords are scattered through the United States. The funny thing is, Mrs. Harriman saw my picture in the Daily News-Inquiring Photographer, and immediately wrote me. Naturally what was funny was the inquiring photographer asked me where I worked, and I mentioned the American Society for composers, authors and publishers which, for short is ASCAP, so the man by mistake put down ASPCA. Everyone at work laughed at this, and said the man threw me to the dogs. As you know, this stands for American Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

Well, I'll identify myself now. My husband, Norman Dufford is the son of Norman William Dufford born in Lone Star, South Carolina. He has relatives in Columbia, Greensboro and other towns in North Carolina.

My father-in-law died on August 24, 1951. His wife, Hannah (Ruane) is still living. They had two sons; Norman (my husband) and Alfred. Alfred has seven children and we have two boys; Glenn, age 12 and Norman, age 16. Glenn attends the National Academy of Ballet where he was granted a full scholarship after auditioning. He is a professional dancer and appeared in the Broadway musical SHERRY. Unfortunately the show closed after 270 performances but provided excellent experience for Glenn. He has also been on television as the little drummer boy on Perry Como's 1966 Christmas Special. My older boy is in his Junior year at Rice High School and is quite a track runner and Ju-jitsu expert.

My husband was very ill last March. He had a coronary attack and was in Lennox Hill Hospital six weeks. He is fully recovered now and back to work."

Mrs. Carleton S. Burrer of Sunbury, Ohio has in her possession some pictures and old documents of Rev. Lambert Swackhamer and also a picture of a Stephen Swackhamer who was buried in Hartwick Seminary, N.Y. As the daughter of a genealogist she is interested in researching many different lines and welcomes the chance to find out more about her ancestors (the ones that are missing, that is!).

From Mrs. Blank of St. Petersburg, Fla. we heard that her daughter, Marjorie Smith's business in Peru is thriving. They now have eighteen employees. Peter Jensen, a young Peace Corps worker, decided to stay in Peru and has bought a share of the business.

Mrs. Frank D. Henry of Kankakee, Ill., reports that most of the "Dufford" kin in that area are all well. He says he and his wife are hopeful they can make another pilgrimage to attend a family reunion.

Sarah Edwards of White Pigeon, Michigan tells us she is a daughter of George Earl Swackhamer and granddaughter of David and Nancy Swackhamer.

GOOD NEWS was incorporated in a letter from Dr. T. Cecil Swackhamer. Wife, Betty, has recovered from her broken leg and his mother, Mrs. Thomas Swackhamer of Urich, Missouri (now in her 90th year) is recovering from her hip break.

Miss D. Frances Faine of Bartlesville, Okla. sent data copied from court house records in Perry and Muskingum Counties, Ohio. These are a valuable addition to our genealogical material file and will be published in the very near future. She said she certainly would like to come back to the reunion again sometime, but it is a long way.

Mrs. E. J. Blank (a Dufford) of St. Petersburg, Fla. tells us that her sister, Mrs. Edith Davies is now in the Infirmary at the Methodist Home in Chicago. A Bouquet of Get Well Wishes from All of Us for Mrs. Davies.

Supervision of Nurses and other help necessary to care for her ill husband and run the household keeps Mrs. Victor A. T. Albright of Bedford, Indiana busy. Our wish for you - May the clouds pass and the skies be brighter.

**** THOSE WHO SERVE ****

1st. Lt. Bradley L. Crosby U.S. AIR FORCE, oldest of three sons of Alfred and Claire Emmons Crosby of Fox Hill Crest Drive, Bernardsville, N.J. is Co-Pilot of a C-141 Starlifter Transport. His base is Dover, Del.

Bradley, a 1962 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, received a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering in 1966 from Rutgers, the State University. He was commissioned there upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He was awarded silver pilot wings upon graduation with honors at Craig AFB, Ala. Following specialized air crew training at Tinker AFB, Okla. he was assigned to Dover AFB, Del. in the Military Airlift Command, which provides global airlift, air rescue, aeromedical evacuation, air weather and all photographs and geodetic services for U.S. forces.

Lt. Crosby is engaged to Miss Linda Dahlquist, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Arnold Dahlquist, of Cranford, N.J.

He is the great grandson of Mrs. Bessie Swackhamer Emmons of North Plainfield.

TRAVELERS

Mrs. Marjorie Logan spent two months this winter in Houston, Texas with her daughter and husband (Gail and Tony Keefer) and then went to Florida for another month to escape the zero weather in New Jersey.

Gail and Tony Keefer have been transferred to Cleveland, Ohio and Mrs. Logan planned to help them get settled in June and return to Whitehouse, N.J. so that she can attend the reunion.

Mrs. Rufus B. Rittenhouse (nee Marjorie Dufford) of Clifton, N.J. expected to "take off" the first part of May. She planned a three week tour of Spain and Portugal.

WEDDINGS

Williams-Wurstlin - George Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Ralph Williams of Utica, N.Y. was married March 26, 1967 to Karen Wurstlin. The couple make their home at 584 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn. They have a lovely apartment - the top floor of an old Georgian Mansion. Part of the furnishings is a dining room table with a family history of its own. Recently used by Mabel Williams, the table was made by a great, great grandfather and given to Ralph Williams' great grandmother as a wedding present. Karen is a research associate at Yale University Medical School. George is teaching one day a week there and working on his dissertation. He expected to have his Ph.D. in June.

Mawdsley-Williams - Marilyn Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Ralph Williams, graduated "Magna cum laude" from Bryn Mawr in May 1967. On September 16, 1967 she married Evan Mawdsley (an English gentleman from Haverford College). They both attend graduate school at the University of Chicago. He is working for a doctorate in Russian History and she is working for a Master's degree in library science.

Upgraff-Swackhamer - Miss Renny Swackhamer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Swackhamer and niece of Rev. Dr. T. Cecil Swackhamer, was married June 15, 1968 to Mr. James Upgraff in the Methodist Church of Fairfax, Mo.

Edwards-Stroup - Richard Elmo Edwards (a Swackhamer), son of Mrs. Sarah Edwards, was married to Mrs. Elsie Stroup on January 16, 1967. The couple reside in White Pigeon, Michigan.

Bailey-Brotzman - Carol Brotzman, daughter of Robert Brotzman was married on April 6, 1968 to George Bailey, Jr. Robert is the nephew of Mr. Leonard Brotzman, Binghamton, N.Y.

IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO ENTERED INTO ETERNAL REST

Just before the previous issue of the bulletin went to press we learned of the death of Chester L. Harriman, husband of Eliza Dufford Harriman, daughter of the founder of the Dufford Family Association. Mrs. Harriman has given understanding sympathy to so many over the years, the brief announcement inserted at the last minute lacked in expression our love for her and our deep concern for her loss.

Chester L. Harriman of 18 Hillandale Road, Westport, Conn. died December 11, 1967 at the age of 78. Mr. Harriman had retired as Vice-President and General Manager of Fire Devices, Inc., Westport, Conn.

A native of Portland, Maine, Mr. Harriman had resided in Westport for eight years.

He is survived by his wife, Eliza Dufford Harriman, and a son, Cy Harriman of Westport and three grandchildren.

The Rev. Dr. T. Cecil Swackhamer of Stamford, Conn. conducted funeral services on December 14, 1967 at Memorial Funeral Home, Plainfield, N.J. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield.

Mrs. Irma Swackhamer of East Mill Road, Long Valley, N.J. died January 15, 1968 in Morris View Nursing Home, where she had been a patient one week. Her death followed a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Swackhamer was born in High Bridge, N.J. June 21, 1904, a daughter of the late Austin and Jennie McLain Wolfe. She was married twice. Her second husband, Roy Swackhamer, died in Long Valley in 1960.

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Surviving are a son Donald R. Suydam, Flemington; a daughter, Mrs. Jane Taylor, Long Valley; a sister, Mrs. Daisy Allen, Pittstown and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Naughtright-Bright Funeral Home, High Bridge. The Rev. William McMillian, pastor of Long Valley Presbyterian Church officiated. Interment was in German Valley Rural Cemetery, Naughtright.

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Mr. Frederick T. Birch, husband of Elsie Birch (a Swackhamer) of West Mill Road, Long Valley, N.J. passed away July 8, 1967. Mr. Birch had suffered a stroke on July 8, 1966, just one year to the day before his death.

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Mr. William Hastings, husband of Sarah E. Hastings, died December 3, 1967 at the age of 56. Mr. Hastings was born in Newark, N.J. The couple had celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary in October. Their daughter, Linda (age 20) works as a secretary in the Civil Defense Extension of Rutgers University. Mrs. Hastings is employed as a clerk-typist in the Dispensary of the Kilmer Job Corps. Mrs. Sarah E. Hastings is the daughter of Harry J. Swackhamer, former Mayor of Dunellen, N.J.

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Mrs. Avis Stanton (niece of Mr. Leonard W. Brotzman of Binghamton, N.Y.) is survived by husband, Richard and daughter, Nancy Ellen, who is an airline hostess

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Mr. Bruce James of Brooklyn, Pa. is survived by his wife, Edith and one daughter, Mrs. Ralph Rosenberg, Binghamton, N.Y. Mrs. James is a niece of Mr. Leonard Brotzman.

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Mrs. Doris Lewis of Passaic, N.J. is survived by husband, Howard and a son, David.

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Mr. Russell Rockwell, Apalachin, N.Y., nephew of Mr. Leonard W. Brotzman, is survived by his wife, Blanch and a daughter, Mary.

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Mrs. Victor A. T. Albright of Bedford, Ind. wrote of the sudden death of her daughter-in-law on May 3, 1968.

GENEALOGY

UNDER THREE FLAGS - by Fred Sisser III of Somerville, New Jersey

The founder of the Swackhamer family, Samuel Swachheimer, was, during his life, under allegiance to three different nations. He was born a German, spent most of his life as a subject of the British in the conly of New Jersey, and at the time of his death, was a citizen of the United States of America.

The recent discovery of Samuel's naturalization papers, contained in a large volume entitled, "Petitions for Naturalizations, 1749 - 1810" on file in the Archives and History Department of the New Jersey State Library, Trenton, consists of four different sheets, all clearly tracing his application, certificate of having received "the Lords Supper", and acceptance as a subject of "His Majesty George the Second King of Great Britain". These papers proved that Samuel was of German heritage, and that he also assumed the status of a "Natural Born subject" in his adopted land of America.

On an undated paper, but most certainly drawn up in 1759, John Hager, Philip Schuiler, Anthony Waldorf, John Boon, Martin Shive, George Revell, and Samuel Schwachhiemer, all petitioned to become naturalized residents of America. The seven men, described as having been "Born in the Empire of Germany", were the founding fathers of prominent German families of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, and all were no doubt neighbors and good friends. In their petition, they stated that "Whereby they are deprived of the Priviledges and Benefits of Natural Born subjects ... Yet Concieve from their Long Residence in this Province (New Jersey) they may

Receive the Benefits Arising to Forreigners by Virtue of an Act of Parliament... Entituled an Act of Naturalizing such Forreign Protestants and Others therein Mentioned as are settled or shall settle in any of His Majestys Colonies in America". The petition, which was addressed "TO the Honourable Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature for the Province of New Jersey Now sitting at Burlington", was boldly signed by each of the seven men: "Johannes Hagi, Philip Schuiler, Antonno Walldorff, John Boon, martin Shive, georgy riebelle (and) Samuel Swachheimer".

According to the Act of Naturalization, one would not be naturalized until he had received the "Lords Supper", and a certificate to this effect had been submitted by a minister. On May 6, 1759, Frederick Shultz, minister of the "Reformed Church at New Germantown (now Oldwick) in the Province of New Jersey", administered the "Sacrament of the Lords Supper unto Samuel Schwachheimer". The certificate, submitted by the minister, read as follows:

New-Germantown, May 6th, 1759

These are to certify, that Samuel Schwachheimer of Libanon Township, a Sober and honest man, has received the Lords Supper on the 6th day of May 1759 in the Presence of us

his
Adam A Duffort
mark

Witness my hand & seal

Fredrick Shultz
Minister

John Hendershat

These certificates having been submitted, the men, on May 9, 1759 "prayed to be admitted to the Benefit of the said Act (of Naturalization)". After having "Proved their residence in His Majestys Colonies above the Space of Seven Years without being absent out of the same for the space of Two Months at any one Time", they appeared "at a Supreme Court of Judicature held at Burlington in and for the Province of New Jersey", and there were naturalized upon taking the prescribed oaths "and made and subscribed the Declaration in open Court as is appointed in and by the said Act".

SPECIAL THANKS is expressed to the author of the foregoing article which your editor took the liberty of titling "Under Three Flags".

Mr. Fred Sisser III, a descendant of Samuel Swackhamer, is a recognized Student of Dutch Colonial History and Genealogy. His "Life and Times of Jacob Jansen Stol: I" and "Life and Times of Jacob Jansen Stol: IV" recently appeared in de Halve-Maen, a quarterly magazine published by The Holland Society of New York. Mr. Sisser was born in 1940 at Somerville, N.J. He is a graduate of Assumption College, Worcester, Mass. He is a member of a number of Genealogical and Historical Societies and has been steadily gaining respect for his ability and contributions in these fields. We are, indeed, privileged to enjoy the benefits of his endeavors.

DUFFORD AND SWACKHAMER LOYALISTS

Our families were no exception. Few New Jersey families can boast that all their ancestors were devoted to the cause for independence. Genealogies omit lineage of Loyalist branches either by intent or because records are obscure. Frequently, the only mention of those who refused to take the oath or to support a break with England is the simple notation "removed to Canada". More often, published family histories make no reference to these persons.

A request for a search of records containing these family names was sent to Public Archives of Canada at Ottawa. The extent of research of indexes and logical sources accomplished by that staff is remarkable and very much appreciated.

From the muster rolls of the New Jersey Volunteers for the years 1777-1783 (in ten volumes), the following list of Loyalists was developed:

Conrad Dufford - name appears on a return of Loyalists and disbanded troops settled in the district of Niagara west from Mill Creek dated 17 Sept. 1787. Dufford's family consisted of himself, his wife and one girl; their names are not indicated.

George Tufford - name of Private appears on muster rolls of Capt. John Voughts Company in the 6th Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers commanded by Lt. Col. Isaac Allen from 19 Nov. 1777 to 25 Feb. 1783.

Jacob Tufford - name of Private appears on muster rolls of Capt. Bartholomew Thatcher's Company, 3rd Battalion, New Jersey Volunteers commanded by Lt. Co. Allen from 1778 to 2 March 1783.

William Tufford - name of Private appears on muster rolls of Lt. Col. Allen's Company in the 3rd Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers from 25 April to 24 Dec. 1781.

Philip Tufford - name of Private appears on muster rolls of Capt. John Hutton's Company in the 6th Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers commanded by Lt. Col. Isaac Allen from 8 Sept. 1777 to 7 March 1778.

Although no Swackhamer's name appeared on the muster rolls of this period they are found in service records of the War of 1812. The listings of that period will be in a subsequent issue of the bulletin and will involve petitions for land grants, marriage records and other data of genealogical interest. Other Canadian research being undertaken and compiled will reveal early settlement by both families.

MAYORS OF DUNELLEN, N.J.

An item clipped from the Plainfield "Courier-News" and sent in by Mr. Fred Sisser III is entitled Dunellen's Mayors from 1896 to 1968. There are pictures of Ruliff J. Swackhamer 1899-1903 and Harry J. Swackhamer 1908-1910.

BE A "SWINGER" and "GO" - to the Reunion on July 27th.

June 24, 1968 - Word has just been received that Miss Romaine's brother passed away. Further information will be given in the next issue of the Bulletin.