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(D) Dufford (S) Swackhamer (B) Dufford and Swackhamer (F) Friend
These symbols will not be used where the connection is obvious. The absence of a symbol will be due to the uncertainty of connection.

ANNUAL REUNION

USING THE JARGON OF OUR TIMES,

IT'S A "HAPPENING" - Saturday, July 26, 1969 - 12 noon

SIT-IN - at Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, N.J.

PURPOSE - to close the generations (1730s - 1969) gap

DEMANDS - bring own picnic lunch

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Despite the unrest and unruliness of segments of our civilization, man still seeks to conquer the unknown. The historical flight around the moon and the great advances in the sciences are all efforts to make the world a better place to live. So, let us hope for a pleasant meeting day in July to continue our efforts in the renewal of friendships of the past and find new for the future.

Stanley Dufford

URGENTLY NEEDED

from everyone who has overlooked it, the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to pay for the bi-annual subscription to the "Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin." If everyone pays, we just break even! If some forget, others dig into their pockets to make up the deficit. COME ON EVERYBODY, you belong to an absolutely unique family with its own publication! Support it - send \$1.00 to

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The following is a reprint from the July 1968 Alumni Magazine MEDICAL AFFAIRS from the University of Pennsylvania

FROM DENTAL '12 to OCEANOGRAPHIC '68

MEDICAL AFFAIRS recently learned that Roy D. Ribble, D '12, is continuing his education at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, University of California. The news intrigued us. What inspires an alumnus to enroll as a student 56 years after graduation? And why oceanography? This article is Dr. Ribble's response to our query.

BY ROY D. RIBBLE

Your request for data on my choice of a nautical retirement program goes a long way back to 1915 when I opened a professional office on the 38th floor of the famous Woolworth Tower in downtown New York. From this elevation we could see the ships of the whole world coming and going in all directions. My patients and friends from the financial district were the men who sent out these ships.

Late in 1923, shipping people representing Thomas Cook and Cunard S.S. Company asked me to make a trip around the world on the "Samaria" to determine the dental needs of some 500 passengers and 750 crewmen. In a voyage of five months we found that 20 per cent needed some sort of dental treatment in the ship's infirmary. At that time my office had the only X-ray machine on shipboard; we made the radiographs for the Medical Department.

Up until 1940, along with my wife, I made two more world cruises: one in 1927 and the other in 1934 aboard the "Franconia". Years that I was unable to go, it was my lot to search until I found a D.D.S. who wanted a long voyage. Alluring as it may sound, this exotic adventure was just yoo long for many of my professional colleagues.

Shortly after World War II began, the Cunard Company friends asked if I could enlist a staff for a dental department in the 100-year-old New York Seaman's Mission on the lower end of Manhattan. Appearing before the New York Academy of Dentistry in a fervant appeal for volunteers, I was gratified to have some 40 men respond with time, money and patriotic willingness to meet the many demands. The New York papers had feature writers come down to the Seaman's Mission for interviews with some of our "out of the ordinary" patients brought in for rehabilitation.

Among the thousands of sailors going through our clinic, the one we will remember the longest was Poon Lim, the lone Chinese who survived 133 days on a rubber raft in the South Atlantic. Poon Lim's Ben Line Ship, enroute from England to Capetown, had been torpedoed off Dakar, Africa, at night. He climbed aboard a raft with 50 days' supply of ship's biscuits and a few gallons of water. When rescued 133 days later off Para, Brazil, he was nearly dead but recovered and told his tale of catching flying fish and fresh rain water in a rubber blanket.

In 1943 when Sir Francis Evans, the British Counsul General, presented Poon Lim with a gold medal and a watch, he said, "You may take all the sea tales from Sinbad the Sailor, Mutiny on the Bounty, or Robinson Crusoe and wrap them into one package but this modest Chinese gentleman has surpassed them all." Later, Poon Lim was taken to England to meet King George VI after we had replaced a missing lower incisor.

In 1948, the British Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks, recognized this valuable contribution of the New York Academy of Dentistry by inviting me to join some 70 other Americans aboard the "Queen Elizabeth". I was honored by King George VI with the King's Medal for Service in the Cause of Freedom.

By 1950 the Cunard Cruises around the world were again functioning on the beautiful new "Caronia." Once more we started dreaming of far away places such as Tristan de Cunha, Zanzibar, and Raratonga. Thus we made three more vvyages by various routes.

During these years, one of my patients married a college president who convinced me that my travel background and approaching retirement fitted into his plan to start a Dental Hygiene School at Fairleigh Dickinson University. From 1950

through 1957, my time was divided between the practice in Radio City, Cunard Cruises, and the campus.

After retirement in 1957 and moving to Southern California, I still retained my interest in nautical affairs by acquiring a home near the beach and adjacent to Scripps Oceanography.

Travel seems to cone along into my life without any effort on my part. I recently made another sea voyage to the Philippines in order to bestow an honorary degree on General Carlos P. Romulo for Fairleigh Dickinson University. He had been my patient in New York.

The next year it was to South Korea in another ship to make a survey of their colleges for the Presbyterian Church. As a result of this trip, we now have a Dental Hygiene School at Yonsei University. This is a first step in a planned new Dental School to be inaugurated whenever the funds become available.

While in LaJolla, it is pleasant to walk a half mile up the beach to the world famous Scripps Institute of Oceanography (now augmenting the U.C.S.D. campus) and add various bits of knowledge to my three memorable years of wandering as a member of the nautical fraternity. The Cunard sailors had a slogan: "If you once get sand if your shoes you never get it out!"

No one can tell you want to do with your retirement but my own fitted right in with oceanography and the colorful cruises. My wife, Ruth, has made all the voyages save that winter in South Korea.

Courses most appealing at Scripps Oceanography have been "Marine Biology", as all life starts in an aquatic environment, and the current semester of "The City in the Sea" or a view of the research and explorations on the agenda for the 1970-80 decade.

REFUGE FOR FRENCH QUEEN

With this issue introducing the Swackhamer's of Standing Stone, Penna., your editor felt this item of interest.

Standing Stone is near Wyalusing, Penna. which lies in the broad valley known as Azilum Plain. There, at the bend of the Susquehanna River, is the site of a French refuge for Queen Marie Antionette. All that remains of the colony, established in 1793, are the foundations of La Grande Maison, or Queen's House. Measuring 84 x 60 feet, the two-story-and-attic structure with 16 fireplaces was considered to be the largest long building in America. The Queen never set foot in it. She failed to escape France and was beheaded during the French Revolution. After Napoleon declared an amnesty in 1802, the French who settled Azilum returned to France. The wilderness closed in.

GOO - NOT BABY TALK

Miss Gladys V. Swackhamer of Santa Barbara, Calif. has been busy working for GOO - GET OIL OUT. The organization has obtained one hundred thousand signatures country-wide, petitioning President Nixon to stop oil drilling permanently in Santa Barbara Channel.

Monterey, Los Angeles, San Diego and other communities have joined Santa Barbara in this movement, as the oil from the break in the underwater earth's crust, caused by drilling, continues to leak and move along the coast. This opposition has sparked a drive against all environmental pollution.

Gladys urges the Swackhamer-Dufford clan help by writing their Congressmen to support the Sen. Cranston bill in the Senate and The Rep. Teague bill in the House to RESCIND FEDERAL DRILLING LEASES TO OIL COMPANIES PERMANENTLY IN SANTA BARBARA CHANNEL.

IT WAS TEE TIME FOR MILTON

On May 9th, Milton Swackhamer of Levittown, Pa. wrote that he had just returned from a month in Florida and a golfer's holiday. He left home at 5:15 on Easter Sunday and arrived in Goldsboro, N.C. at 3:30. The next morning he drove

to Myrtle Beach where he played golf at the Litchfield Country Club in the vicinity. Next stop was Brunswick, Ga. He then traveled on to Ft. Pierce where he played with a friend who had been his neighbor in Levittown.

He arrived in Miami where he visited a friend for ten days dividing his time between golfing and soaking up the sunshine on the beach at Matheson Hammock.

The return trip up the west coast of Florida allowed for a stop at Ft. Myers for a game with another friend, formerly of Princeton, N.J. Off to Ocala for an overnight stay then on to Brunswick, Ga. where he played two days on the courses at Jekyll Island. From there back to Levittown, Pa. in two days with a stopover at Goldsboro.

One of the strangest things, and very, very nice was the fact that he didn't have a single day of rain until the last day between Goldsboro, N.C. and Richmond, Va. when the sun again started to peek through.

FIRST FLIGHT

Mrs. Sarah Hastings of Piscataway, N.J. left March 14th for a visit with friends in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Being this was her first flight she was apprehensive. We hope that from the time her flight was called until landing, the plane ride was perfect and her vacation outstanding.

TRAVEL ON A SHOESTRING

Linda, daughter of Mrs. Sarah E. Hasting (S) of Piscataway, N.J. and a girl friend started on a two-week vacation with no reservations, no itinerary and light purses. They stayed at one of the best hotels in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands and had a wonderful time. Their "trust-in-luck" paid off. Linda returned with \$2.00 in her hands but wonderful memories - worth a fortune.

WEST INDIES CRUISE

Cy and Bee Harriman of Westport, Conn. took a thirteen-day West Indies Cruise. The weather the month of January was delightful and they had a wonderful time.

THE R. W. COCKRANS ENJOY VISIT FROM FAMILY

Elsie Cochran (Mrs. R.W.) of Orlando, Florida told us that son, Bob, and their nine year old grandson spent a week with them after Christmas. Bob and his mother had met in Tokyo last fall when she was touring and he was on his way to Australia.

FLORIDA BECKONED

Being fortunate enough to obtain the same apartment she had rented previous years, Eliza Harriman sojourned in St. Petersburg, Florida. A number of her friends saw that she was fed and entertained in spite of the rain. There were only four days of sunshine the entire month of March.

XC PLUS MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

Mrs. Bessie Swackhamer Emmons, who will be 97 years old in September, enjoyed a two week visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Emmons, in Loveladies, Long Beach Island, N.J.

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Mrs. R. W. Cochran (Elsie) of Orlando, Florida told us that her husband is 91 years old and just fine. They drive about to do their shopping and have been enjoying flower shows and coin collections and other exhibitions in the area.

FOR THE GRADUATE

To congratulate you and to hope
The future brings your way
The wonderful things that everyone
Is wishing you today

Marilyn Louise Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Robert Brown of Morristown, N.J. has graduated from Trenton State College and will teach a fifth grade class in the Hillside School, Bridgewater-Raritan Regional School District, Somerset

County, N.J., starting in September. Marilyn was very active in College Union Board work during the past three years, holding various offices in that organization. She is a descendant of both Philip Dufford and Samuel Swackhamer.

COMPLETES SECOND SEMESTER

Wendy Harriman of Westport, Conn. returned from her second semester of "World Campus Afloat". The S.S. Rydam took the students to the Orient which Wendy thoroughly enjoyed.

Wendy is the daughter of Cy and Bee Harriman and the granddaughter of Eliza Harriman.

COLLEGE SET

David Crosby, great-grandson of Mrs. Bessie Swackhamer Emmons, is attending the University of Vermont. His brother, Gregory, is a student at Nathaniel Hawthorne in Antrim, N.H.

NEWS OF THOSE IN BUSINESS AND THE PROFESSIONS

Mr. Robert Hart completed his thesis on negro history and religion and its influence today. He is completing a course at Rutgers in Newark, N.J.

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Mr. William Wert, son of James and Opal Wert, is employed at The Knolls Atomic Plant of General Electric Co., Schenectady, N.Y. He recently received a promotion to Supervisory-Lecture Type of Work. Under the educational program of the corporation, William is finishing his third year toward an M.A. Degree and received "A" in Relativity and Elasticity. He is Treasurer of Reserves in his district.

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Mr. Jack Hughes, husband of Virginia Wert Hughes, has changed his position. He now sells to buyers in "The Fashion World".

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Mr. Richard Stokes Ribble, son of Dr. Roy Dufford Ribble, has been made Vice-President of Home Savings and Loan, Beverly Hills, Calif.

S.A.R. PRESIDENT

Dr. Roy Dufford Ribble is serving as President of the LaJolla, Calif. Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

A DUFFORD INSTALLS A SWACKHAMER

Miss Eleanor Romaine has been installed for another three-year term as a member of the council of The Huguenot Society of New Jersey, Inc. Dr. C.S. Trimmer (D), serving as Chaplain of that Society, administered the oath to Miss Romaine (S).

CHANGED RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. F. Richard Emmons now occupy their newly-built home at 11 Flintlock Ridge, Simsbury, Conn.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hughes and daughter, Heather Ann, moved from Flushing, N.Y. to their recently acquired home at 160 Willow Ave., Garwood, N.J. Mrs. Hughes is the former Virginia Wert, daughter of James and Opal Wert of Nenevah, N.Y.

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jones and their four children left June 20th to live for two years in Taiwan, Formosa. Mrs. Jones (Ginny) is the daughter of Mrs. Marjorie Logan of Whitehouse, N.J. Phil is a civilian working for our government and this is his second assignment there. Their daughter, Emily, was born there in 1958.

Phil's father, Dr. Francis Jones, and his wife, have been living in Hong Kong this past year and they planned to wait there to have a reunion with Ginny and Phil before returning to the States. Dr. Jones has spoken at our reunions and we are sure some of the family will remember him and their experiences in China.

BETHROTHED

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Swackhamer of 320 Maple Street, Vestal, N.Y. announced the engagement of their daughter, Gail Ann, to Warren John Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Fisher of R.D. 2, Montrose, Pa.

The bride-elect was graduated from Vestal Central High School and is attending the Imperial School of Beauty. She is employed by Endicott Johnson Corp.

Mr. Fisher was graduated from Montrose Area High School and is employed as a computer operator by Link's Division.

WEDDINGS

On February 8, 1969, Phyllis Rockwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rockwell, married Richard Briller. The wedding was held in the Chenango Street Methodist Church in Binghamton, N.Y.

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April 20, 1969 the marriage of Mary Rockwell, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Rockwell and the late Russell Rockwell, of Apalachin, to Richard Mandt took place in the Methodist Church, Apalachin, N.Y.

Both Phyllis and Mary Rockwell are grandnieces of Mr. Leonard Brotzman (S) of Binghamton, N.Y.

ADDITIONS TO THE FAMILY TREE

Our Vice-President and his wife happily announce two new additions to their family tree. Their son, William Wert, and his wife, Barbara, of Scotia, N.Y. welcomed Susan Williams on August 14, 1968. Michael (age 6) and Kathryn (age 5) are pleased with their little sister.

Their daughter, Virginia Hughes and her husband, Jack, of Garwood, N.J. added Heather Ann to the family on December 30, 1968.

The proud grandparents are James and Opal Wert of Nenevah, N.Y.

James is the grandson of the former Martha Ann Dufford Wert.

WE HOPE YOU'RE FEELING BETTER

In April we learned that Mrs. Wesley Moren (Delia) had returned from the hospital. She is recovering from a heart attack and gaining slowly.

IN MEMORIAM

"God calls our loved one, but we lose not wholly
What He has given.

They live on earth in thought and deed, as truly
As in Heaven." - - Whittier

PHYLLIS GROVER CARTER of 553 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Livingston, N.J. died on February 28, 1969. She was 67.

Born in Berwick, Pa. Mrs. Crater lived in Rockaway and Dover, N.J. before moving to Livingston thirty years ago. She was a 1919 graduate of Rockaway High School and was graduated from Walnut Lane School in Philadelphia.

She leaves her husband, Ronald D. Crater (a Swackhamer) and a daughter, Mrs. Montague Pearse of Southbury, Mass.

Services were at the "Smith Funeral Home" in Dover, N.J. Interment was in Locust Hill Cemetery, Dover, N.J.

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MRS. DORA A. BRADLEY died on June 24, 1968 at the age of 96. She resided at 158 Conklin Avenue, Binghamton, N.Y.

She is survived by two daughters, Miss Florence E. Bradley and Mrs. Myril Hantsch both of Binghamton; three grandsons, Mr. Robert B. Mosher, Harpursville, Raymond W. Mosher, South Weymouth, Mass, Robert Hantsch, Binghamton; two granddaughters, Mrs. Eleanor Farrington, Farrington, Texas, Mrs. Gordon (Norma) Mayo, Oswego; several great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Bradley was related to Mr. Leonard Brotzman, so all above named, are Swackhamers.

THE PENNSYLVANIA SWACKHAMER REUNION

Descendants of Daniel Swackhamer and Rebecca Schoonover will hold their reunion at the Standing Stone, Penna. United Methodist Church on August 10th. The covered-dish luncheon will be served at 12:30 P.M.

65 persons attended their 1968 Reunion. The group voted to send a money contribution to the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society. This is acknowledged with grateful appreciation.

We hope they will attend our reunion and be prepared to have visitors at theirs. Ed.

G E N E A L O G Y

We believe we have worked out the connection of this Pennsylvania Group back to the New Jersey progenitor. It is suggested that further research be done to establish proof of lineage and to supply missing dates.

Your editor became involved and excited when Mr. Leonard Brotzman of Binghamton, N.Y. wrote that he recalled hearing his mother speak of visiting her uncle in Standing Stone, Penna. when she was a very small girl. He further stated, he remembered her saying that the uncle was a lock tender. This was the lead needed.

Jane S. May (Mrs. Francis L.) of Tunkhannock, Penna., who has acted as correspondent for the Pennsylvania Group, had sent what little material they had. By consulting the compilation of the Swackhamer Family by the late, Mrs. Chester R. Swackhamer of Globe, Arizona, back issues of "The Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin" and "Early Germans of New Jersey" - T.F. Chambers and other sources, the pieces of the puzzle fit together. The following is the result.

Daniel Swackhamer B. 7-2-1844 at Standing Stone, Pa. D. 2-24-1915
 M. Rebecca Schoonover B. 9-18-1842 Sussex County, N.J. D 10-11-1911
 Had 8 Chr. (1) Jesse B. 10-13-1869 D. 3-3-1944 M. 1st 9-?-1892 to Lena Vanness -
 M. 2nd on 3-6-1918 to Mabel Hankinson
 Had 15 Chr. (11 by 1st M - 4 by 2nd M.) (2) John (3) (4) Chancy (5) Mary
 (6) Doria (7) Alice (8) Cora
 -Ed note - not in order of birth

Daniel was the son of John Swackhamer (Described as "Old John" 6'5" tall)
 B. 2-13-1815/16 Oldwick, N.J. D. 10-?-1901 Bennet Twsp., Elk County, Pa.
 M. Mary Ann Ferguson (dau. of Ross) B. ca. 1821 in Pa.
 Had 4 Chr. (1) Benjamin B. ca. 1840 M. Alvina Bennett and thought to have
 removed to Michigan (2) Daniel Aaron (See above) (3) George B. 1845 (4) Victor
 B. 1857 (Ed. thinks it could have been 1847) D. 2-16-1932 Benezette, Bradford
 County, Penna. M. Mae DeHass (dau. of David) They had removed to Elk County, Pa.
 and had 12 children - see Spring 1957 Issue Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin, pg. 2
 inquiry of Florence Swackhamer Wszelaki of Pittsburgh, Penna.

John was the son of Samuel Swackhamer B. ? Lebanon Twsp., N.J. D. Rush, Susquehanna County, Pa. M. Anna Sims 1-21-1806 at Zion Lutheran Church, Oldwick, N.J. (Genealogical Magazine of N.J. Vol. 40 pg. 74. It is known they moved from Whitehouse, N.J. to Penna. Anna was named in the will of her father, Daniel Sims. At the time of her death she is thought to have been living with her son, Samuel. Anna was a widow at the age of 65. They had 10 or 11 children. The compilation of the late, Mrs. Chester R. Swackhamer lists children located in N.J., Penna., N.Y. and elsewhere. Since her list differs so greatly from that found in "Early Germans of New Jersey" by Theodore F. Chambers, your editor is withholding these names until further checking can be accomplished. Both lists, however, do agree on John (above) and his brother, David (the ancestor of Mr. Leonard Brotzman of Binghamton, N.Y.

Samuel was the son of Johannes (John) Swackhamer - dates of B. & D. uncertain M. Susanna Margaret Terryberry. They had 13 Chr. (1) John (2) Christopher (found in Canada) B. July 9, 1767 D. April 28, 1840 - See Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin, Winter 1968 Issue pg. 9) (3) Samuel - see above (4) Stephen (5) David (6) Isaac (7) Daniel (8) Fritz (9) Jacob (10) Elizabeth (11) Margaret (12) Catherine (13) Mary - Ed Note - not in order of birth.

Johannes (John) was the son of Samuel Swackhamer (Swachheimer) B. in the "Empire of Germany" 1699-1700. He came to the New World in 1731 and ultimately settled "in the Valley", known as German Valley and later Long Valley, N.J. He married three times and had twenty-five children. He died "in the Valley" on February 3, 1782, and was buried in the Churchyard at Zion's Church - now Oldwick, N.J. No stone marks his grave there, but a memorial stone was erected in the "Valley" by the Family Association noting that he was the first settler of that place.

CENSUS RECORDS

Mrs. James J. Middleton (Mary) of Orange, N.J. is a genealogist of note. Her work has been published in the leading publications of both the United States and Canada. She spends many hours perusing reels of microfilmed census records. Being a friend of your editor and aware of the search for material for "The Swackhamer-Dufford Bulletin" she is kind enough to copy and forward whatever she comes across. We are deeply indebted to her for the following and others which will appear in subsequent issues:

NY Public Library 1850 NY, Niagara Co., Lewiston, pg. 443 R #470-476

ISAIAH TUFFORD 30 Carpenter \$400, b. Canada

Harriet (looked like 25) female N.Y.

Martin V 6, N.Y.

Elliot 1, N.Y.

(Ed. Note - Canadians came into N.Y. (Niag. Co.) during the 1837 uprising)

1880, N.Y. Niagara Co., Wilson, pg. 390

SWACKHAMER, ROBERT 64, married b. Canada, both parents b. N.J.

Martha 53 wife, B. Canada, both parents born Canada

Alexander 27 son, single - all Canada

Eva 22 dau., single - all Canada - works at dressmaker

Jacob B. 19 son, single - all Canada

Robert E. 12, son, all Canada

(Ed. Note - I do know what is meant by "all Canada" but will try to find out)

1861 Welland County, Ontario Canada Reel Pg. 9 - end of this reel had records of Erin Twp. 1861 Wellington Co., Ontario

SWACKHAMER, DAVID, farmer, married in 1844 (the column asks "married within year" and they are supposed to check if married past year, but guess some enumerators thought this meant what year they were married.)

Religion was hard to read but believe it was F.C. - probably Presbyterian

Birthplace was not listed for anyone except one from Ireland, so assume all were U.C. (Upper Canada)

He was 50, married and lived in a logg house, 1 family

phebey 50 mar.

Elizabeth 25 -- (prob. single)

Wilber 23

Charaty 15

David 16

Dick Lemans (?) not sure of last name 11

1861 Norfolk Co., Townsend Twp. Dist. 4 pg. 196
 LUFORD (Tufford?), ABRAHAM - laborer 27 B. CW. W. Meth. mar.
 Mary Luford - 30 B. France*, Bpt. Mar.
 Walter Ducord? B. France, male

These were found in group of Carroll family.

*Since most Canadians came from either the United States or were born in Canada the census was an attempt to determine the ethnic background, so this could mean the person did not know or gave the origin of the family as far back as a hundred or more years ago.

1861, Norfolk Co., Walsingham Twp., Dist. 5, pg. 100
 DUFORE, T. 22 b. C. East, Cath. laborer

1861, Norfolk Co., Windham Twp., Dist. 2, pg. 38
 TUFFORD, ROBERT 32 Mar. b. U.C. (Upper Canada) W.M. frame house 1½ floors
 2 families
 Lorentha 25 mar.
 Nancy 2
 Jacob 72 b. UC Mar. W.M. - rel. farmer
 Sushannah 65 b. U.S. Mar. W.M. - rel. (relative)
 John 27 b. U.C. single farmer
 Other non members (of family) listed in same household were: Wm. Tufford, farmer,
 U.C., 44 single W.M.; Martha Cutler; Levi Cutler; Wm. Rosehart.

Stanley Dufford

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL COMBINED REUNION OF THE SWACKHAMER-DUFFORD
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, JULY 26, 1969.

The twenty-second annual combined reunion of the Swackhamer-Dufford Genealogical Society was held at the Zion Lutheran Church, Long Valley, New Jersey, on July 26, 1969, a dull, overcast day in the middle of the rainiest part of the wettest July in New Jersey since 1889. The weather, plus the numerous regrets received by the officers prior to the reunion date, had led them to fear for its success. Nevertheless, fifty-two persons signed the reunion register, among them some "first-timers," and a guardian angel, ancestral spirit or force of some kind animated those present to make it one of the liveliest meetings of recent years.

After the traditional picnic and infernal morning gatherings, at 1:00 P.M. President Stanley Dufford of Cedar Grove, N. J., asked for a moment of silent prayer for those deceased during the year just passed, for the ill and infirm and those facing danger and then Dr. Sharp Trimmer asked the divine blessing for the gathering and the family members, wherever they were.

The secretary read the minutes of the meeting of July 27, 1968, which were approved as read.

The treasurer reported that, following the appeal in the last issue of the "Bulletin" for members to send in their dollars for their subscription, the treasury was no longer as empty as it had been. It is to be hoped the family members will keep these dollars coming. The treasurer pointed out the injustice to suppliers of services in holding their bills for one whole year to have payment authorized one by one at the annual meeting. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Then a motion was made, seconded and approved to authorize the treasurer to pay bills when received after contacting the other officers. The meeting voted to increase the contribution to Middle Valley cemetery to \$7.50 (from \$5.00) and to make a contribution to Zion Lutheran Church of \$25.00. A paper money collection was taken to defray these and other expenses connected with the reunion.

Following the treasurer's report a digest of greetings and regrets from absentees was read. Among those absent because of illness was our former president, Dr. T. Cecil Swackhamer. Mr. Wesley Moran, our former treasurer, was absent because of the illness of his wife, Selia. Mrs. Alice Harrison, Historian, said she was not quite up to the three hour drive down from Connecticut. Most of the others absent claimed extreme distance or unbreakable conflicting obligation as the reason they could not be present.

There was no old business.

Despite the recommendation of the president and the secretary that it was desirable for the family to elect new people to office at frequent intervals, it was the unanimous will of those present that all the officers be re-elected for another year. The secretary was directed to cast the necessary ballot.

The business meeting was then adjourned.

Then President Stanley Dufford called upon each of those present to introduce himself and to state his family connection. Some very moving moments occurred as some of the members related family anecdotes. Some of those present in their 80's recalled meeting, as children, ancestors who were then in their 80's (or 90's). Suddenly genealogy came alive. It ceased to be merely a table of names in a book and became a connection with a vital, vibrant past.

Mr. Ronald Grater (a Swackhammer), of Livingston, N. J., gave a short talk on the area around Standing Stone, Pennsylvania, where a large number of Swackhamers live. The region had been intended as a refuge for Marie Antoinette, who, unfortunately, never reached it. Slides and a hand-viewer went around to illustrate points made in the talk. Miss Eleanor Remington reminded those present that the branch of the Swackhammer family in the area of Standing Stone would be having its own reunion on August 3, 1949.

Following this talk the reunion divided itself into small groups exchanging news and pleasantries. Slowly and reluctantly members left, some of whom later paid a visit to the old stone church and to the Middle Valley cemetery.