

Keeney Update

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KEENEY UPDATE was started in 1983 as a vehicle for disseminating family information, not a few of whom had become interested after the publication of "2597 KEENEY RELATIVES". Family was intended to be West Virginia and West Virginians who had gone elsewhere.

This changed before the second issue was printed. An outpouring of mail resulted in a mailing list of more than 200 kin or "hopefully kin", representing more than 40 states.

In this group are several bona fide family genealogists, some authors, and many eager to share. The happiest part of the whole endeavor has been "getting to know them".

Finding very early that subscriptions would never pay for the UPDATE, finances were put on a volunteer basis. As time went on, almost miraculously, just enough money would come in to pay for the printing and mailing. The travel of research is always been gratis.

Now there's enough money to publish, but the well and good material has gone dry. There would be no issue at all this month if there were not responsibility to announce the family reunions.

What is needed?

- Typed manuscripts of interesting facts and stories of KEENEYS of the past;
- Family listings, with dates, including births, marriages, deaths, and offsprings (without nicknames if possible);
- Newspaper clippings, even old ones that are still of interest;
- Pictures of KEENEYS or of Keeney descendants born before 1915;
- Good close-up pictures of Keeney descendants of family reunions (with names).

Finally, if one half of the Keeney relatives who called and has secured information on their families will send the information and pictures promised, there'll be a backlog for years. Long genealogies from Tennessee, Missouri, Kentucky and other places have been held up for needed, promised information.

This could be the last issue. It takes more than money!

UPDATE was never intended as a newspaper. It's for genealogy; to help us all see where we fit into the Keeney collage.

Keeney REUNIONS

OREGON Saturday, June 23, 8 AM to 7 PM Sorosis Park, The Dalles, Oregon
Phone 503-296-9682

MICHIGAN July 7 at noon (picnic)
Keeney Homestead, 10347 Dixie Hwy., just north of Erie

WEST VIRGINIA Saturday, August 4, beginning at noon 2000 Orchard Ave., Belle, on Route 60 east of Charleston

Wheels into Past

By John DYE
CT Staff Writer

A father's dream for his son came through the summer.

During World War II, W. David Keeney, 1318 W. 2nd St. toured Europe with the U.S. Army. He wanted his son to make the trip and see some of the sites he is seen.



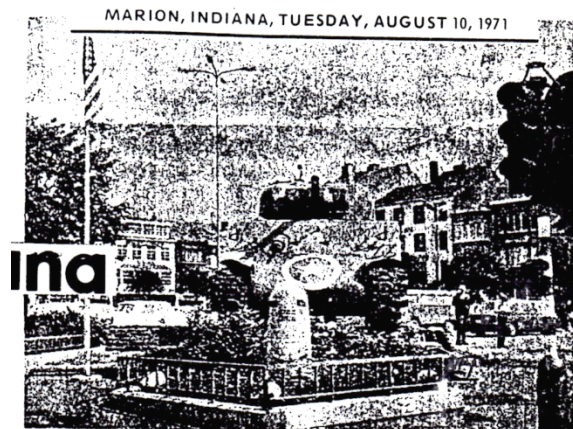
**Dave Keeney
tours Europe**

Keeney's son, David, 17, has recently returned from a 1665 mile bicycle trip across seven European nations. He made the trip after riding a 10 speed English racing bike 5 years throughout the United States.

Keeney's itinerary did not include the large European cities that attract most American tourists to cross the Atlantic. He instead stuck to side roads and stayed in small cities to learn something of the culture of the seven nations he visited.

"I didn't think that I could really learn anything about the real culture of the people by staying in cities like London. There are too many tourists there and the

prices are too high." said Keeney.



War memorial

Fulfilling his father's dream, David Keeney, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. David Keeney, 1318 W. Second St., visited seven European nations this summer. The youth traveled to many of the places his father toured during World War II. Pictured is a war memorial dedicated to Allied troops who fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

He was able to spend less than \$5 a day by staying in youth hostels and eating meals there.

Hampered only by weather conditions, Keeney said that he visited Luxembourg, Belgium, Holland, Germany, France, England and Wales in the 42 days he spent in Europe.

During that time it rained 13 days. He spent those days talking with the other youths his age who were staying in youth hostels.

Keeney said that he was "surprised" to find that American use were not the only ones traveling in Europe. He met students from throughout Europe visiting neighborhood nations.

Language was not a problem, said Keeney. Many of the European youths he met spoke English. They are required to take foreign-language classes to complete their education and many chose English, he said.

Unlike the United States where bicycles are prohibited from riding on major roads, in many European nations bicycle paths run parallel with highways. He said that the paths allowed him to go anywhere he wanted to.

Keeney said that he did not draw up a list of specific places to visit before he went to Europe. He traveled "when and where he wanted to." The situation allowed him to remain two days at Silverstone racetrack in England and watch drivers practice for the British Grand Prix.

Because he enjoyed England the most, Keeney spent most of his time there and set the most memorable occasion of this trip was spending several days in the small village of Barglinster.

Keeney is made several other long trips. At the age of 11 he pedaled from his brother's home near Dayton, Ohio, a trip of 140 miles. In 1969 he rode to his grandmother's home in Clearwater, Florida. Keeney packed all of his belongings for the trip in the saddlebags strung across the carrier on the back of his 10 speed bicycle. He made the money for the trip by selling charcoal lighters and stoves for several years.

Memorial Obituary

Mrs. Louise R. Keeney

Mrs. Louise R. Keeney, 91, of 918 Michael Ave., died March 15, 1990, in St. Francis Hospital after a long illness.

Surviving: son, Elijah M. Jr. of Charleston; brother, Conrad M. Ross of Huntington.

Private graveside service will be 11 AM Saturday. There will be no visitation. The family suggests flowers be omitted. Cunningham-Parker-Johnson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Maxine H. Fout

WEST MELBOURNE, FL-Maxine H. Fout, 65, of West Melbourne, formerly of Charleston, WV, died Feb. 25, 1990, in West Melbourne.

She was a homemaker and a native of Danville, WV. She was a shriner and a member of Judson Baptist Church, Belle, WV.

Surviving sons, Ed of Melbourne, Cam of Palm Bay; two grandchildren, one great-grandson.

Service will be 10 AM Wednesday at Brownlie-Maxwell Funeral Home, Melbourne. Friends may call from 5 to 8 PM today at the funeral home.

Elva Paul Keeney Sr.

SOUTH POINT- Elva Paul Keeney Sr., 62, of South Point, died Friday at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

He was born July 2, 1927, at Getaway, the son of the late Homer and Hattie Ferris Keeney.

He was retired truck driver and a member of the Harmony Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Elva Paul Keeney, Jr. and a brother, Raymond Keeney.

Survivors include his wife, Rose Smith Keeney; two sisters, Doris Jean Keeney of South Point and Margaret Evelyn Huff of Chesapeake; two brothers, Everett Keeney of Chesapeake and Robert C. Keeney of Athalia; and several nieces and nephews.

The service is 2 PM today, Schneider Funeral Home with the Rev. Jack Finch officiating. Burial will be at Chesapeake Memorial Gardens.

MRS. JOHN EMBERGER

Funeral services for Mrs. Gretchen Mae Emberger, 86, of Route 2, Princeton, were conducted Sunday afternoon, March 11, at Northside Baptist Church by Rev. Norman Ellis. Burial was in White Hall Cemetery in White Hall, Illinois, with graveside service services there Monday afternoon, March 12, at three o'clock.

Mrs. Emberger died Thursday, March 8, at 1:50 PM at Caldwell County Hospital after a long illness.

A native of Lyon County, she was born April 3, 1903, the daughter of the late John and Mary Oettle Barnett.

She was member a of Northside Baptist Church of Princeton.

Survivors include two sons, Roscoe Keeney, Jr., of Nutwood, Illinois and Leroy Keeney, of East Alton,; three daughters, Arlene Moore, of Bethalto, Il; Louise Ehr, of Monrovia, Calif., and Genon Mayfield, of Glendale, Arizona; 17 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren, and one brother, Howard Barnett, of Eddyville.

Bearers were Roy L. McDaniel, Francis Kilgore, Dean Ray, Billy Nichols, Kenneth Ward and Charles Porter.

Mrs. Mary Francis Keeney

Mrs. Mary Francis Keeney, 67 of Dawes died April 26, 1990 in Memorial Division CAMC, after a long illness. She was a lifelong resident of Cabin Creek and attended Church of God of Prophecy Giles.

Surviving: sons, Henry Gardiner at home, Tom Thalín and Ray Keeney Jr., both of Giles, Bobby Keeney of Chelyan and daughters, Phyllis Smith of Colberg, Virginia, Susie Keeney of Giles, Kay Darby of Dallas, NC; stepmother, Mary Jane Daniels Williams of Chicago; sisters, Flo Hienz of Gainesville, FL, Esta Richards of Clendenin, Rosemary Mooney of Chicago, seven grandchildren.

Service will be at 2 PM Sunday at Pryor Funeral Home, East Bank, with the Rev. Church Morgan officiating. Burial will be in Rhonda Cemetery.

Mabel P. Barton

Nov. 22, 1896-April 10, 1990

PORTLAND-Mabel P. Barton, 93, formerly of Salem, died Tuesday in a Portland hospital.

She was born in Onega, Kan. and lived in Salem for many years before moving to Portland. She was a member of the Jason Lee Methodist Church in Salem.

Survivors include her daughter, Barbara Goves of El Reno, Oklahoma; and sister, Goldie Stout of Tacoma, Washington.

Services will begin at 1 PM Tuesday in Mount Scott mortuary, 4205 SE 59th St., with interment in Willamette National Cemetery, both of Portland.

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Robert "Bob" W. Barton

Feb. 25, 1930-Jan. 14, 1998

MILWAUKEE-Robert "Bob" W. Barton, 59, formerly of Salem, died Sunday of a heart attack.

He was born in Colorado and lived in Salem until 1972 when he moved to the Portland area. A master sergeant in the Marine Corps he served in Korea and was awarded the Navy Cross. He was a master mechanic and owned Bob Barton Trucking.

He was a member of Mt. Scott Motorcycle Club and a life member of the American Motorcycle Association.

Survivors include his mother, Mable Barton of Portland; sister, Barbara Barton of California; and companion Linda Prescott of Milwaukee.

Services will begin at 1 PM Thursday at Mt. Scott mortuary.

LOUISA ROSS KEENEY, b. 2-25-1899, wife of Elisha, David Keeney family, UPDATE, May 1989, p. 7

MAXINE HALLSTEAD FOUT, wife of Clyde E., grandson of John S. Keeney

ELLA PAUL KEENEY, FR., Grandson of Amos H. & Evaline Earls Keeney; Michael Keeney family, Lawrence Co., OH

GRETCHEN MAE KEENEY EMBERGER, Princeton, Caldwell County, KY, daughter of the Duard Roscoe &

Gretchen Barnett Keeney (he from Maries Co., MO; she from KY)

MARY FRANCES KEENEY, wife of Lester Roy Keeney, KEENEY RELATIVES, p. 24

PATRONS

\$25-Juliana C. Coal, Bradenton, FL

\$20-James D. Keeney, Sanford, FL; Irene Keeney Panzer, Cookeville, TN; Mrs. Monroe W. Kriegel, Stillwater, OK;

Patricia B. Austin, Laceyville, PA

\$10-Ilene Bass, Lebanon, VA; Goldie Stout, Tacoma, WA; George H. Keeney, Abilene, TX



Mabel - Christmas 1989



Mabel & R. Earl 1923

Her grandfather, Robert H. Keeney, left West Virginia during the Civil War, settling in Kansas; her father, Warren McDonald Keeney, left Kansas for Colorado in 1901, moving on to Salem, Oregon in 1920. three sons and three daughters were born to Warren M. & Minnie Elva McLaughlin in Kansas and Colorado.

With the death of Mabel Barton, following the loss of Grace Sehon (1968), William Robert (1974), Denzel C. (1969) and Warren M. II (1980), only Goldie Marie Stout remains. She will be 86 on September 22. Send her greeting at 3410 Lincoln Ave., Tacoma, WA 98421



KY
This Kentucky musical group of almost a century ago includes James Howard Keeney, son of William H. & Mary Ann Cunningham, with the fiddle; Ed McGuire, relative by marriage, with bass fiddle; and Charles Greene, his brother-in-law, on the right. Keeney's group played for lots of weddings and dances in the Kentucky hills. James Howard, with mustache, is pictured at the right with his cousin, Eddie Keeney, of Ashland, KY.

DAUGHTER OF JAMES H. KEENEY RELATES HISTORY

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*for participation in the advancement of the
 professional growth of our Society during a
 quarter of a century of devotion to the
 cause of furthering the progress of
 manufacturing engineering*

Keokuk, Iowa
 19 April 1990
 S. E. Iowa Chapter

JEANNE IRENE KEENEY was listed in the December 1989 UPDATE, b. 8-1899 and Boyd Co., KY, daughter of James H. & Eliza E. Green Keeney, granddaughter of William H. & Mary Ann Cunningham Keeney, and great granddaughter of John C. & Elizabeth Farney Keeney.

Soon after that Irene, now Mrs. David Panzer, of Cookeville, TN, was in West Virginia, where a 23-year-old grandson works as a guide on the White Water Rapids of New River. Long ago these rapids had been named for early Keeneys who settled in Greenbrier County.

Mrs. Panzer writes of her happiness in learning about her father's people. He (James H.) Had left home at age 15, not being able to get along with his stepmother, Samantha Pruett. He never returned home, married, but lost his wife when Irene was two. She then lived with the Greene side of the family, while her father spent most of his time with cousin Eddie Keeney in Ashland. About 1908 he married for the 3rd time, this time Iris Shinliver of Oliver Springs, TN.

By now James Howard was moving from one coal mining camp to another-Kayford, Kaymoore, Thurmond and Glenn Jean, all in WV. Later he sold mining machinery until black lung made him unable to work. Irene thinks he is buried in Hendersonville of Ashville, NC.

Irene saw Grandfather William only once in her life. She remembers that he and Samantha had a boy, John and a girl, Dorothy. She remembers that her father's brother, William, had a sword on his wall, which had belonged to a grandfather who fought in the Civil War. (The grandfather would have been too old, but two brothers of William H. Keeney, Moses and George, were killed in the Civil War and were buried in Scioto Co. where the family lived.

The Panzers married on July 7, 1917, and were living in Cleveland, Ohio, when her father died, after an estrangement due to "a very wicked stepmother".

Actually, Irene had a lot of Keeney relatives she had never heard of and it was her good fortune that the John C. Keeney family had just been documented.

Members of this family can get in touch with Mrs. Panzer at 2627 Lake Valley Dr., Cookeville, TN 38501.

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Need parents and proof Anson (Ansel) KENY (KINNEY, KEENEY, KINNEY, KEENE) born East Hartford, CT, 1790; died Avon, Lorain Co., OH, Dec 1830, killed accidentally. Possible twin, Simon. Younger brother, Richard, born 7 June 1800; died 16 Sep 1864, gravestone Lima, NY. He married 21 March 1811, Mary Burr HOUSE, Eastbury Church Index, CT State Library, Vol. 12, p. 91. Possible sister, Delight, married same church and time, to Heman BURR, 1850 census, Livingston Co., NY. Wife, sister of Marilla, Richard's wife, married 2) Daniel D. CADWELL; 3) Cornelius SEELEY. Children: Norris Greenleaf, died 1844; Mary Case (Carlos) Eunice Case (Allynson); Samuel Pitkin Kinney married Mary LAMPMAN; Sarah Pitkin (twin) Taylor (Henry Love). Mrs. Walter E. Raber, 796 Franklin Pl., Franklin Sq., NY11010

MARSHALL S. KEENEY-In the person of the estimable gentleman and successful businessman whose name appears above we have one of Grant county's most successful stockmen, a keen business man possessed of excellent foresight and talents that have demonstrated him one of the best handlers of finance in the county, while his principles of uprightness and uniform straightforwordness have made him respected by all and a worthy promoter of the interests of the county, having also materially augmented its wealth by his good judgement and wise procedure and thrift.

Marshall S. is the son of Jonathan and Mary A. Keeney, was born October 1, 1850, in Lawrence county, Missouri. Seven years later, in the spring, the family started across the plains, being composed of five children and the parents. When they landed in Healdsburg, Sonoma county, California, six months later, there was another child, having been born on the way. In the spring of 1858 they came to Linn County, Oregon and soon removed to Lane County, settling near Eugene. Our subject remained there until 1865, having assisted his father on the farm and in the stock business.

Then he came across the mountains with a band of sheep to Unadilla county. In 1868 he went to San Joaquin Valley, California; later in he went again to Lane county, Oregon, and in 1870 came to Birch creek, Umatilla county, whence two years later he went to Owyhee river in Idaho with a herd of cattle. In 1873 went to Wallowa county, and from returned to his home in Umatilla county. From there, in company with his brother, he went again to San Joaquin Valley, this time for a herd of horses, with which they return the same year to Grant county and settle on their present place. He is in partnership with his brother, Thomas B., and together they own one thousand acres of good land, that is all fenced and well improved. Formally they were handling sheep, but these were replaced by cattle, of which stock they at the present time own large herds. Mr. Keeney has a good home and all the accessory improvements that make the rural life both profitable and comfortable.

The marriage of Mr. Keeney and Miss Carrie, daughter of Enoch and Pemelia Conger, living near Longcreek, was solemnized on December 25, 1882. To them were born two children, Bertha A. and Hubert C., who is deceased, having passed away on March 12, 1889. Mrs. Keeney died in November, 1889. Mr. Keeney's father, one of the prominent citizens of Umatilla county, died in 1884 and the mother one year later.

Announcing
First Annual Keeney Reunion
At

The Dalles, Oregon

IN

Sorosis Park

June 23, 1990 8:00 A.M.-7:00

P.M.

Welcome!

All Keeneys-Relation

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