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Pioneer Keeneey Family

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EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Captain Keeneey's knowledge of Idaho forty two years ago--who built Fort Hill--Bellevue of Fort Boise--Coeing down the Boise River thirty years ago--The first wagon that entered the Cascade Mountains--The whole story told by an eye-witness, now a resident of Idaho.

It is a thought replete with interest to stand upon the banks of one of the grandest rivers of the continent, and view with retrospective memory its earliest landmarks of civilization. The still majestic River, full half a mile wide in width, rolling its vast body of water with hurried pace towards the great ocean of waters a thousand miles distant, is a magnificent sight, and the vast plains and even surface of the ground which form its banks on either side, adds grandeur as well as romance to its earliest history. Such is the picture of the spot where we now stand and undertake a pen sketch of the history of Idaho forty years ago.

This remarkable place, although remembered away until slight traces of its monuments can now be marked, will ever be known in history as "Old Fort Boise", a French name given to the post by its founder, M.Fayette which was also first given to the river Boise, or Boise River, for its timbered woody appearance, and which emptied into the Snake River only a quarter of a mile above Captain J. Keeneey, whose romantic and eventful life is replete with the history of Idaho, much of which will be given in this letter. It is now the owner of a large tract of land embracing the ancient grounds, and has his residence with in a stone's throw, and his ferry landing on the North or Idaho side of the Snake River, known as Keeneey's Ferry, is within ten feet of the old fort. This slight mound which marks the foundation of the old buildings, and coral spitaine, occasioned by the falling doly mud of grass. With in the mound, the captain excavated about 1850, a level of earth from what was once the inside of the old building and uncovered a lot of rusty gun barrels, licks, kettles, stew pans, etc., that must have been buried or cached in this place over thirty years ago. The old fort fell down in about 1840, and the account of the disintegration of the fort lies in the foundation from the moisture in the ground, and was rebuilt a hundred yards North, on the identical spot where the captains barn now stands. The old fort continued to be occupied by the Hudson Bay company until the English surrendered the country to the United States by the treaty of 1846, which fixed the boundary line between the two countries on the forty-ninth parallel of north latitude, providing for a joint occupancy of twenty years, which terminated in 1861. Although the last fort has been leveled off and cleared away by Captain Keeneey, he has a chicanery in his residence, erected in 1865, and out of dolbs taken from the fort.

Captain Keeneey's romantic and adventurous life commenced in 1839, then a young son of nineteen years, raised in Independence, Missouri, and having a roving disposition, he procured ponies and started on his own hook, with captain William Sublett's company of thirty-two men to visit the Rocky Mountains. Captain Sublett raised his company and carried a large pack train loaded with supplies which he intended to trade or sell to the American Fur Company for furs. On reaching the place where Fort Laramie is now located, on the North Platte, Sublett cached a quantity of his goods and proceeded until he reached high upon the Sweet Water, when he fell in with Captain James Bridger, who belonged to the American Fur Company, and had about thirty white men, and as many Indians, engaged in hunting and trapping. Sublett sold out his goods to Captain Bridger and returned to the Platte where he had cached his goods, and built Fort Laramie, where he wintered in 1840-45.

Captain Keeneey joined the American Fur Company under Bridger, and while there were camped on the Sweet Water, Doctor Whitman's little party of evangelists visited their camp, on their first trip across the plains to the Colorado River. Captain Bridger, at the point of view of the Indians, had his back by the Indians, three years previous, which had broken off deep in, and made ugly running sores all this time. Dr. Whitman's visit was the first opportunity he had for a surgical operation and the removal of the arrow wound. Captain Keeneey was the only one who remained to see the operation performed and related it as follows "Captain Bridger laid down on the ground flat on his belly. The Doctor cut down into the sores and around the arrow points with a sharp knife and inserted some instrument like a pair of pliers. Each point had a bone thrust in, and the operation was tolerably easy, but the other had partly clunged around a rib and required the strength of two men to pull it out, and Captain Bridger had to be held down. He bore the operation with only a slight groan of two, and the point actually straightened out when the bone was removed. As soon as he was able to travel, they went over to the head of the Yellowstone, then down the Yellow Stone until they were opposed by the three forks, to--the Madison, Jefferson and Gallatin and crossing these three forks, they came to little river called Twenty-Five Yard River, he followed up Twenty-Five Yard River to its head and passed over the divide or summit of the Rocky Mountains to the head waters of the Salmon River, trapping and hunting all the way, and from here they passed over to the waters of the Snake

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Vital Records

- AARON KEENEY m. Mrs. Harriet Murphy, of Hartford, 2-17-1851
- AARON A. KEENEY, of Rockville, m. Abigail M. Westby, of Somers 9-3-1846
- AARON A. KEENEY, laborer, b. Manchester, res. Rockville, dated 9-3-1849
- ABBY A. KEENEY, New London, m. Joel Seymour, of N.York, 7. 1832
- ABBY J. KEENEY, b. Manchester, res. East Haddam, m. Jacob S. Mayer 30. Burnwell, SC 9-26-1855
- ABBY JANE KEENEY, New London, m. Joseph A. Shipman 1-9-1848, Rev. L.G. Leonard
- ABEL KEENEY m. Maria Cobb of Lyme 9-14-1826 at Isaac Cobb's
- ABIGAIL KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b. 2-11-1753, d. 2-10-1796
- ALANSON KEENEY, Manchester, m. Lucy M. Strong 5-4-1831, by A. Linsley
- ALBERT KEENEY m. Jane R. Whiton, born Ellington 4-15-1841
- ALFRED KEENEY, Griswold, m. Lucy Ball, Groton, 3-12-1826 Ralph Huriburt, JP
- ALFRED KEENEY, Manchester, m. Belinda Skinner, East Windsor, 11-29-1832
- ALMIRA KEENEY m. Horace Risley, b. Manchester, 4-4-1838, by B.P. Northrup
- ALVIN B. KEENEY, East Hartford, m. Pamela Reynolds, Plymouth, 5-22-1823
- ALVIRA KEENEY, dau. John, Jr. & Lucretia, born 7-20-1797, New London
- AMOS KEENEY m. Anna Rogers (fath.-John) 12-31-1775, New London
- AMOS KEENEY, son of Amos & Anna, born 8-12-1787, New London
- AMOS KEENEY, son of John & Phoebe, born 4-8-1778, East Hartford
- ANDREW G. KEENEY m. Amanda Gillett, b. Manchester, 12-31-1851
- ANNA KEENEY m. Park Bemam 12-15-1757 by Rev. Noah Waddome, Kent
- ANNA KEENEY, dau. Amos & Anna, born 5-16-1775, New London
- ANNA KEENEY (Mrs.), Glastonbury, m. Russell KEENEY, Manchester, 5-30-1841
- ANNA KEENEY, d. 2-20-1850, East Hartford
- ANNA KEENEY, dau. Mark Abigail, born 10-8-1760, Kent
- ANNE KEENEY m. Daniel Wakefield 9-4-1792, East Hartford
- ANSON K(B)NEY, son of Jacob, Jr. & Ann, b. 4-7-1771, New Milford
- ANTHY KEENEY, m. Caleb Rude 8-14-1776 by Rev. Jeremiah Day
- ARNOLD KEENEY, son of Stephen (born 12-5-1800) & Malinda, b. 9-15-1824, Glastonbury
- ATRESTA KEENEY, dau. of Arnold & Mal-

River, and followed down the Snake and went into winter quarters about eighty miles above the site of old Fort Hall. The Indians with Bridger comprised about thirty warriors—Mex Perros and Flatheads, with quite a number of squaws and papooses. They had their own ponies and hunted and trapped on their own account. Bridger furnished them traps, and bought their furs with supplies, trading with the Indians and squaws. Bridger had about the same number of white men in his company. Their rules and horses were very much laid down, and while they intended to turn out into the stock country in the spring, they intended to hunt and trap what they could, the winter over, and in the spring to trade with the white men, took all their stock, the Indian ponies as well as their own, and struck out down the Snake River for better grass and milder weather.

On coming as far as the present site of Fort Hall, they found plenty of furs and for sale. Here Captain Wyatt, from Boston, who had come around Cape Horn with a lot of goods, and with a company of Kansas men. He had ascended the Columbia, and finally with an outfit of ponies, he packed his goods to this place and erected Fort Hall and got permanently fixed for a trading post and winter quarters when Captain Keeney arrived. Wyatt had made an expedition on his company, his mather belonged to the Hudson Bay Company nor the American Fur Company.

The original design of Mr. Wyatt was to establish a salmon fishery at the mouth of the Columbia, but changing his mind he made the expedition we have already related, and established Fort Hall, the first location ever made by a white man above Fort Boise.

The Hudson Bay Company claimed all the hunting grounds west of the Rocky Mountains, and to prevent the interference of Captain Wyatt, they bought him out in the subsequent year. From this time on they held undisturbed dominion over the country of the great Columbia, and relied on the Indians and utilized their hunting qualities with remarkable sagacity. Messengers and small parties of Hudson Bay men and Indians or both, often traveled during the summer months from Fort Walla Walla, on the Columbia, to the mouth of the Snake River, and back with furs. This condition of affairs lasted several years after the emigration began to pour into Oregon, and until the English relinquished their claim on the country to the United States, when the posts were abandoned by the Hudson Bay men.

Captain Keeney returned in 1835 to Missouri, and in 1837 carried Miss Mary Shoemaker, an estimable lady, who has followed his fortunes ever since. He led for many years what may be truthfully called a roving life, making occasional trading trips to the frontier settlements, and on or to Santa Fe, then known as Spanish country.

But as we intend to give the history of the first settlement of Idaho with which he is familiarly identified, we will give a brief account of his travels through this country thirty years ago, and his subsequent emigration with the first gold hunters of this territory, and his first settlement where he now resides.

The adventurous and roving disposition of Captain Keeney led him to procure an outfit and start with the emigration across the plains in 1846 with his family for the far off shores of the Pacific Coast. Knowing the country all the way to the Missouri to the great valley, where they would strike the waters of the Columbia, he acted as chief guide and led the emigrants. Passing Fort Hall, where he had been 12 years previous, he proceeded down and forded the Snake River a little below Salmon Falls, and then struck over to Boise City, then kept down the Boise two days and forded over to the north side, but before he could get across at Old Fort Boise about the middle of August. The train then consisted of six wagons with their families, was ahead of the other emigrants, but they marked the trail so plain that the others followed without any difficulty. Captain CRAIGIE, then stopping at the Boise, rendered great assistance in directing his bow and where to ford the Snake River, which spot is only a little ways below his present residence. By keeping on a bar in the river at the head of some islands, as directed by Captain Craigie, they passed through with perfect safety, journeyed on down to and over the Blue Mountains, along the present Meacham Route, struck the Columbia River valley, and arrived at the Dalles in advance of the rest of the emigrants.

At this time no wagons had ever been over the Cascade Mountains. Captain Keeney and some of the men, to help with their families started out immediately to cut out a road and work their way over with their teams and wagons, and succeeded in reaching the Willamet Falls, where Oregon City is located, in the month of September. The other trains soon followed, but Captain Keeney and Finley were the first emigrants who pioneered the route over the Blue Mountains with wagons. The Captain settled on the Kalapooia, now near the present site of Brownsville, Lin county, Oregon.

In the fall of 1848, when the news that gold had been discovered in California reached him, he saddled his pony and started for the mines. He aimed on the south fork of the American River and made \$2000 in eight days. He remained only a short time, and returned home in January of 1849 with \$3000. Thinking he had money enough, or at any rate he could go back and get plenty more when he returned.

He returned home to Missouri across the plains on horseback with a party of 7 men in 1850, and in 1851, he drove back a herd of 200 head of 2 year old heifers. From that time on up to 1857 he was engaged in trading to California and the States, and the country, supplying, or marketing these cattle mostly at government posts. He made a farm on Dry Creek, Walla Walla county, and gave it on to his son. In the winter of 1861-62 when the Florence Gold excitement reached Oregon he made arrangements to come to that part of the territory with a large herd of cattle, but in reaching the Columbia he was met by Pierce's emigration was returning, and the Auburn mines in Baker county, Oregon were attracting the most attention. The Captain turned his herd this way and drove his stock into Powder River Valley. He prospected and struck the first lead at Hockett, but in reaching the Columbia he was met by the fall and Captain Keeney started his cattle immediately for Boise Basin and butchered them and supplied the miners with beef in the winter of 1862-63, and the following summer, he bought up a stock of goods and had the first trading establishment in Placerville. He went to Owyhee and traded for 2000 dollars worth of goods and a quantity of silver and quartz mines. He is now the owner of the famous Crooks and Jennings lead. We say famous, because this lead has produced the most captivating

Inds. b.1-29-1829, Glastonbury
 ATRESTA KEENEY, b. Manchester, n.
 Nelson Winslow 22, 6-29-1846
 BENDAY KEENEY, p-Russell & Jerusha, b. 4-8-1800, E. Hartford
 BENJAMIN KEENEY, son of Joseph & Hannah, b. 1-18-1695, Hartford
 BETSY KEENEY, dau. of John. m. John Mason 11-22-1795, New London
 BETSY KEENEY, dau. Russell & Jerusha, b. 7-27-1797
 BETSY KEENEY, dau. Nathaniel & Betsy b. 1-29-1799, New London
 BETSY KEENEY, dau. Elisha & Abigail, b. 2-8-1800, East Hartford
 BETSY KEENEY m. IRA KEENEY, of East Hartford, 12-12-1822
 BETSEY KEENEY m. Lyman Smith 7-26-1824 by Stephen Jewell
 BETTY KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b. 9-20-1745, Derby
 BETTY KEENEY m. Sheldon Clark, born Derby, 2-15-1764, Derby
 BETTY KEENEY, dau. of William & Betty b. 9-19-1787, New London
 BRUNLEY KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha b. 6-10-1802, East Hartford
 CAROLINE KEENEY m. Samuel Lester 12-31-1840, New London
 CATHARINE KEENEY, w. of Jonathan, died 5-26-1790, Colchester
 CATHERINE C. KEENEY, Colchester, m. George M. Henning 10-27-1851
 CELINDA CATHARINE KEENEY, dau. Wm. & Mary Ann, b. 4-18-1834, Colchester
 CHARLES KEENEY, Manchester, m. Caroline Schoff, Brunswick, 11-25-1841
 CHARLES KEENEY, d. 12-19-1870, age 22, Coventry
 CHARLES KEENEY, son of John P. & Fanny, b. 12-3-1840, Bolton
 CHARLOTTE KEENEY, DAUGHTER, JR. & Lucretia, b. 9-28-1799, New London
 CHAUNCEY KEENEY m. Mary Ann Case, of Manchester 3-20-1832, Rev. E. Scott
 CHAUNCEY G. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Mary W. Merror, Mansfield, 10-3-1839
 CHESTER KEENEY m. Phebe Haile 4-2-1846 by V.R. Osborn, Manchester
 CHESTER W. KEENEY m. Sarah Evans on 11-23-1845 by V. R. Osborn
 CHIANNNA KEENEY m. Capt. Nassat Leech 8-21-1823, Lyme
 CHRISTOPHER HEMPSTEAD KEENEY, son of John & Mary, b. 3-12-1807
 CLOEY KEENEY, dau. David & Jerusha, b. 9-4-1795, East Hartford
 COLLINS G. KEENEY m. Harriet Wells, of Colchester, 9-20-1840, Rev. B. Soff
 COMFORT KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b. 10-11-1741
 COMFORT KEENEY m. Judson Burton 11-23-1758, Derby, Rev. Daniel Humphrey
 CURTIS KEENEY, adm. fr. 4-2-1832, Waterford
 DANFORTH WALES KEENEY, son of Jor-eliah & Susan, b. 10-11-1803
 DANIEL KEENEY 3rd. son of John & Abigail, b. 10-26-1781, married Gannet Gordon (f-John) 1-1-1804
 DANIEL G. KEENEY m. Elizabeth b. Beckwith, New London, 7-31-1844
 DANIEL S. KEENEY m. Martha T. Champlin, 10-9-1849, New London
 DANIEL S. KEENEY, convict, b. New London, married, d. 11-8-1860, age 31
 DAVID KEENEY m. Jerusha Morley on 11-30-1781, East Hartford

DAVID KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha, b. 3-20-1786, EAST HARTFORD

DAVID KEENEY, son of Anna & Anna, b. 4-13-1800, New London

DAVID KEENEY, adm. fr. 4-2-1838, Waterford

DELINA KEENEY, m. Alpheus M. Brown 8-21-1846, Vernon; Oliver King, JP

DODGEE KEENEY m. Anny Cowles, Manchester, 11-26-1823 by Enoch Burt

DWIGHT H. KEENEY, East Hartford, m. Mary Cowles, Manchester, 10-17-1844 by Rev. P. T. Keeney

EBENEZER KEENEY m. Betta Davis on 12-7-1738, Derby

EBENEZER KEENEY, son of Ebenezer & Betty, b. 10-27-1850

ELEAZER KEENEY, SON OF John & Phoebe b. 3-16-1765, d. 12-6-1768, E.Hart.

ELEAZER KEENEY, son of John & Phoebe, b. 10-26-1771, d. 9-12-1776, E.Hart.

ELEAZER KEENEY, son of John & Phoebe, b. 1-5-1788, East Hartford

ELI KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha, b. 7-18-1790, East Hartford

ELIJAH KEENEY, son of John & Phoebe, b. 2-20-1767, East Hartford

ELISHA KEENEY m. Abigail Culliver 4-9-1795, East Hartford

ELIZA KEENEY m. John Lang 9-3-1821 by Elisha Cushman, Hartford

ELIZA KEENEY, d. 8-27-1841, age 19, Rev. R. Livesay, minister

ELIZA A. KEENEY, East Glastonbury, m. William H. Prout 11-27-1851

ELIZA ANN KEENEY, East HARTFORD, m. Francis Spencer 2-22-1844

ELIZABETH KEENEY, dau. John & Elizabeth, b. 8-27-1690, New London

ELIZABETH KEENEY m. David Culver 10-7-1708, New London

ELIZABETH KEENEY, dau. John & Phoebe, b. 11-30-1773, East Hartford

ELIZABETH ANN KEENEY, dau. Wm. & Mary Ann, b. 1-1-1837, Colchester

ELIZABETH W. KEENEY m. Augustus L. Harris 1-1-1850, New London

ELIZUR KEENEY m. Julia Wetherwell 1-31-1827, Manchester by E. Burt

ELMIRA KEENEY, Manchester, m. Risley, East Hartford, 10-24-1841

EMELINE KEENEY m. Hart Pitkin, East Hartford, b. 6-13-1822, E. B. Cook

EMELINE KEENEY m. Isaac Whipple (b. New London), 3-9-1851

EDWIN KEENEY, son of Porter & Emily, b. 4-13-1830, Glastonbury

ELECTA KEENEY, dau. Porter & Emily, b. 4-2-1826, Glastonbury

ELIZABETH KEENEY, dau. of Richard, m. Thomas Lovell (d. Jr.) 10-17-1721

ELIZABETH KEENEY, dau. Arnold & Malinda, b. 3-24-1827, Glastonbury

EUSTAS KEENEY m. Lucretia Ann Mason, 11-1843 by Rev. Lemuel Cavall

OTHER KEENEY, New Preston, (f-John) bap. 10-15-1750

ETHIEL KEENEY, son of Ebenezer & Betty, b. 3-17-1755, Derby

EUNICE KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b. 8-31-1743, Derby

EUNICE KEENEY m. Stephen Whitney 11-5-1764, Derby

EUNICE KEENEY, dau. John & Phoebe, b. 4-23-1769, East Hartford

EUNICE KEENEY m. Samuel Morley on 9-5-1790, East Hartford

and richest specimens ever taken from a quartz lead, though it never proved to be a vein, and the Captain's money vanished, but his equanimity temperment makes him still hopeful that the Crooks and Jennings lead will yet make him a pile of money.

Captain Keene's location of his present ferry on the Snake River in 1843, John Duval, an ex-sheriff of this county, and Captain Settled of Rocky Bar were his partners. He bought them out and moved his family here in 1845. About this time the Oregon Steam Navigation Company built the steamer "MOSKOW" at the mouth of the Boise, not to exceed a quarter of a mile above the Captain's house, with the view of running on the Snake River between Parwell Bend and the Owyhee Crossing, a distance of one hundred miles. On account of this enterprise the Captain had to take down his wire ferry rope to give free navigation to the river, and built a horse ferry box which had quite good success; but the O.S.N. Company gave up the idea of running the river with their steamer and ran it down the Snake River into the Columbia River in the spring of 1870. Captain Keeney changed his horse ferry boat back into a wire rope ferry, because he can run it with less expense. Captain Keeney has 400 acres of land where he resides, on the east side of the Snake River, near the Boise, and has about a 150 acres of grain and 100 acres of fine meadow. He owns a section of land on the opposite side of the bank of the Snake River in Oregon, besides another section of land on Willow Creek, the other side of the Malheur in Oregon. His farming is all on his horse farm, and his crops are looking well. His fences, although apparently substantial and answer every purpose, and which say have been adopted when timber was scarce, bear the rude character which marks the pioneer life. They are made of willow stakes driven into the ground six or eight feet apart and left as high as necessary for a good fence, and interwoven between the stakes after a fashion of a willow basket, with some willow an inch or less in diameter. We are told that the stakes when cut in February will grow and become trees. The Captain has planted long rows of black willows in front of his house and around his yards, and they are now six and eight inches in diameter and makes a beautiful shade, and very much resembles the willow. They grow faster, make better wood and far handsomer shade trees than any of the popular or cotton trees in Boise city. The Captain is six feet tall in height, and in his sixty-third year, he stands as trim and stately as the majestic oak, and his every feature makes him a remarkable man and fitted by nature for the venturesome pioneer life which he has always lived. His Keeney nearly his age is more fleshy than for his companion, and while they have had eleven children, seven of whom are now living with all their adventures and vicissitudes, in the pioneer life which they have lived, enjoyed as much true happiness, and been as successful in their undertakings as any man has become possible in the land. We carried nearly two days and did the hard work, and with most pleasant recollections shall ever remember our social and interesting visiting at captain's Keeney's.

IDAHO STATESMAN

Thursday Morning, Aug. 22, 1878

DEED:

KEENEY - At his residence on Willow creek, Baker County, Oregon, August 15th, 1878. Captain Jonathan Keeney, age about 65 years.

Deceased came to his death by accident, which appears occurred on Thursday the 15th inst. The body was found on the Friday following in the creek which runs near his residence. An examination of the body showed a gunshot wound, the ball entering the thigh as if fired from the ground while he was in a standing position, as the missile ranged upwards and lodged in the body. A pistol which had been carried by deceased was found on the bank of the creek near, and the only way of accounting for the accident is to suppose that the pistol slipped from the belt or dropped from the hand, and striking the ground, exploded, inflicting the wound and causing him to fall into the creek.

Captain Keeney was a man of Herculean fame and iron constitution, and of much more than average ability - one of those men to whom the world is indebted for the work of subduing the wilderness and preparing it for homes of those who wait for the pioneers work to be well advanced before they venture to follow. His name was known far and wide upon the Pacific coast, and among the early pioneers to whom this notice of his death will bring up the recollection of a brave man and true friend, who has passed away from the busy scene he so much loved.

EUNICE PITKIN KEENEY m. William S. Saun, Long Meadow, MA 1-9-1851

EZEKIEL KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha, b. 1-22-1794, E. Hartford

EZRA KEENEY, son of Wm. & Betty, b. 5-24-1764, New London

EZRA KEENEY, adm. fr. 4-11-1808, Waterford

EZRA M. KEENEY, adm fr. 4-1-1822, Waterford

FANNY KEENEY m. James Daniels, New London, 10-7-1827

FANNY EVERLINE KEENEY, dau. Nathaniel & Betty, b. 9-16-1800

FANNY E. KEENEY, Vernon, m. John W. Hill 1-1-1842 by A. Pomeroy

FRANCIS KEENEY, Ellington, m. Eliza Porter 4-29-1830

FRANCIS E. KEENEY, Manchester, m. John Edgerlin 7-24-1853

FRANCIS I. KEENEY m. Theodore Risley 4-17-1853 by G.W. Brewster

FRANK KEENEY m. Eliza F. Havens 11-28-1849 by Geo. M. Carpenter

FRANK KEENEY, son of Francis, (tavern keeper of Rockville), born 3-18-1850

FREDERICK KEENEY, b. 5-2-1876, Southbury

FREDERICK Q. KEENEY, Windsor, m. Eliza J. Huntley 10-11-1846

FREDUWE KEENEY, son of Mark & Abigail, born 1-29-1764, Kent - Rev. Robert R. Raymond
 GEORGE KEENEY m. Lydia Robertson 11-4-1791
 GEORGE KEENEY, son of Seelah & Ann, born 1-8-1829, Glastonbury
 GERA G. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Harriet M. Post, Hebron 4-13-1840 by C. Nichols
 GONZELO KEENEY, of Eastburg, m. Ann Bidwell, Manchester, 4-3-1828 by Enoch Burr
 GOODWIFE KEENEY, wife of Wm., d.8-4-1689
 GREENLEAF KEENEY, Manchester, m. Mary Jane Fish, Windsor, 4-22-1840 by S.D. Jewett
 GRISWOLD J. KEENEY, son of John W., farmer 32 & Frances 37, b. 1-2-1850
 HALSON KEENEY, SON OF Seelah & Ann, c.7-1830
 HANNAH KEENEY, dau. of John & Elizabeth, b. 11-32-1698, New London
 HAYMAN KEENEY, dau. Jonathan & Catharine, b. 12-15-1775 in Long Island, Colchester
 HANNAH KEENEY, dau. of Samuel, m. Joseph Daniels 8-1791, New London

HANNAH KEENEY m. Josiah Loomis 4-13-1824
 HARRIET C. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Whidon Esher, of Coventry, 11-22-1840
 HARRIET E. KEENEY m. John B. Hale, Manchester, 11-11-1838 by Rev. R. W. Allen
 HART KEENEY m. Mary M. McCullas (b.Vernon) on 8-27-1840 by Chester Humphrey
 HARRIETTA KEENEY m. Daniel S. Babcock (b. New London) 5-31-1847 - Rev. E.T. Hiscoc
 HENRY KEENEY m. Mary Grace 3-19-1843
 HENRY B. KEENEY m. Mary Munson 11-29-1827
 HENRY I. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Elizabeth Farnsworth, of Stafford 4-1898
 HIRAM KEENEY, Vernon, m. Eunice Gleason, of Glastonbury, 11-16-1831 - Rev. Jacob Allen
 HOWARD KEENEY m. Lydia Fish 12-15-1841
 HULLDAD M. KEENEY m. Edmund B. Juckett (born Manchester) 8-20-1848 Rev. E. C. Phelps
 IRA KEENEY m. BETSY KEENEY 12-12-1822
 IRA KEENEY, his child d.6-22-1842, 5 years
 IRENE KEENEY m. Newton P. Skinner 3-4-1829

Memorial Obituary

Mrs. Demetra Ann Burns

Mrs. Demetra Ann Burns, 81, of 125 Carroll Drive, Quincy, died Oct. 28, 1990, at home after a short illness.

She was a lifelong resident of Kenawana County.

Surviving were: Curtis E. Jr. of Quincy, wife of Dorothy; daughters, Jeanette Coles of South Charleston, Cathy Ozment of Quincy, Bonnie Payne of Ellettsville, Mo.; brother, Eugene Dyer of Belle Meade, Tenn.; daughter, Suzanne Denny; Deputy Father of Pharmacy, David Granderson.

Service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday at Pine-Frame Funeral Home, Belle, with the Rev. Clarence Bruff officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Valley Memorial Mausoleum, Glasgow. Friends may call after 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

John Edward Keeney

OAK HILL - John Edward Keeney, 89, of Oak Hill, died Monday, Nov. 13, 1990, in Raleigh General Hospital, Beckley, after a long illness.

He was a retired miner and a member of Oak Hill Apostolic Business Church. Surviving were: Glad J. Keeney, son; John K. Jr. of Amherst, Benjamin H. of Oak Hill, James C. and Larry K. of Hillville, N.J., Steven A. of Philadelphia, Pa.; daughters, Sharietta Taylor of London, Ky., Bernitta Foster of Oak Hill; brothers, Robert of Oak Hill, J.D. of Deep Water, sister, Mary Davis of Kimberly; 21 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Service will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Dodd-Paine-Isis Funeral Home, Fayetteville, with the Rev. Carole Lewis officiating. Burial will be in Brown Cemetery.

Friends may call from 8 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Ray Keeney

Ray "Tug" Keeney, 84, of Staron, died Aug. 5, 1991, at his home after a long illness. He was a retired coal miner and a member of UMW. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving sisters, Sherry Bowyer of East Bank, Christine Roach of Roofs. Three Funeral Homes, East Bank, is in charge of arrangements.

EMETRE ANN DENT BURNS, dau. of Gypsy Keeney, Dent & granddaughter of John Wilson Keeney, p.4

STIRES KEENEY family
 JOHN EDWARD KEENEY, GRAND-SON of James & Jane Keeney, Lawrence Co., Oh. UPDATE March 86, p.6
 RAY KEENEY, son of Haven R. Keeney, p.5, Sept. 1990 UPDATE

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Frederick Falcons' Coach

Bing Keeney Wears Many Hats

By Helen Hattwood

Anyone who thinks football coaches have no interests beyond the playing field obviously hasn't met Bing Keeney. Getting to know Keeney, head coach of the Frederick Falcons since 1984, is like peeling back the layers of an onion. There always seems to be another layer underneath.

There's the man who, with the help of his four sons and wife, Dolores, actually built the house in the country where they now lived since the late sixties. They then tackled (his son attended) the installation of a swimming pool. "We didn't know if we could do it or not, but I always figure if somebody else can do something, I can do it," Keeney says in his quiet, yet confident, manner. "We'd done a lot of concrete work, so we read the instructions and got a friend with a backhoe to start digging."

More testimony to their skill and determination, the sparkling 20 foot by 40 foot pool is the first part of the back yard. What's more, it's situated so one can simply exit the upper-level living room, walk a few steps across the deck and dive into the clear water below.

But coaching and construction are mere sidelines. Keeney, christened "Richard" but dubbed "Bing" as a child singing on his father's country-western radio show, has been employed by the State Highway Administration for 35 years. In addition, for some years he earned extra money for his growing family by selling real estate on the Emmott Shore on weekends. And Bing and Dolores Keeney, with their four grown sons, own and operate a Frederick business, Northcraft Signs. Keeney is quick to mention Northcraft did all the stadium signs for the Frederick Keys.

Coach, builder, highway commission employee, real estate salesman, business owner, family man . . . but wait, there's more. "He's also had church stoves every Sunday," his wife adds.

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MARYLAND

"I'm a lay reader in the Episcopal Church," explains Keeney, "and I have the services at St. Barnabas, a little church down on Winchester Street in Frederick . . . they don't have anybody (seminary-trained) in that community. I grew up in the area and for more than 20 years I've been in charge of that church." The Keeneys are long-time members of All Saints Episcopal Church, which oversees St. Barnabas. Mrs. Keeney joins her husband in church activities; indeed, she rides an acre plot in many family ventures, such as helping to cook hearty meals for all the budding young men attending the football camp Keeney and the late Dick Shapley can for five years.

Keeney - rugged but sophisticated, his conversation punctuated with polite "yes, ma'ams" - loves football. He played while at Frederick High School and was a member of the first Falcons team in 1958. His wife, an avid bowler, has also logged a lot of hours at football games. "At one time when the boys were little he was coaching, plus we had four boys and a foster son playing," she recalls.

ISAAC KEENEY, JR. m. Eudoch White 11-30-1820
 ISAAC KEENEY m. Ann Church 12-15-1828, Derby
 ISAAC KEENEY G. 6-26-1847, age 71; N. Coventry
 ISAAC H. KEENEY, of Longmeadow, MA m. Lovey
 L. Ribbe , Somers, 1-1-1835 by R.G. Dennis
 MRS. J. KEENEY, d.3-27-1868, age 97 or 98
 JACOB KEENEY, son of John & Phoebe, b.3-28-1785
 JAMES KEENEY, son of Daniel 3rd & Bennett,
 b. 12-6-1807, New London
 JAMES KEENEY m. Lucy Chapman 6-0-1837
 JAMES KEENEY m. Ellen Lewis (b. New London)
 1-6-1819 by Rev. C. C. Williams
 JAMES G. KEENEY, New Haven, m. Mary C. Bidwell,
 Manchester 5-10-1853 by Rev. G. H. Williston
 JAMES R. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Martha A. House,
 Clantonbury 6-18-1854 by Rev. S. Lamberton
 JANE KEENEY, dau. David 3rd & Bennett, b.13-14-
 1804, New London



The Falcons are a winning team, as illustrated by Keeneey's trophy collection.

Every week I went to five different games!

The Falcons, a minor league professional football team, carry 60 players, although twice that number usually try out. Players' ages range from 20 to 58. Few make the team out of high school; it's simply too competitive. Under Coach Keeneey the team has won the NFL championship three times; last year the regular season record was an enviable 7-1.

It's hard to ignore the number of Keeneeys on the current roster. Count them: there are Richard, Randy, Jake and Rufe. Has any disgruntled player charged nepotism? Coach Keeneey insists his sons earn their places on the team. "The same goes across them no favors. At first there may be a tendency for hall passers to say, 'hey, isn't that the coach's son?' But after three or four practices you never hear anything more. They know if any of them aren't good enough to start, they're on the bench like anyone else."

The conversation moves from inebriated bantering. We are sitting in the Keeneey dining room, where my attention is first drawn to a beautiful firestone fireplace extending the width of the room, and to a handsome plaque commemorating Keeneey's induction into the Alvin G. Quinn Sports Hall of Fame. But as we talk, I've gradually become aware of what appears to be a herd of deer straggling down from the opposite wall. Surely a question about hunting is in order when sharing a room with five mounted deer heads.

"One of them's mine, but to be honest with you I don't know who the rest of them belong to," admits Keeneey. All four sons hunt and are skilled marksmen. "These are just the overflow, ones they

don't have room for in their houses," laughs Mrs. Keeneey, threatening to get rid of the entire collection one day.

"I mostly hunt small game," says Keeneey. "We own some property in Virginia and we go there and camp out and hunt." The wild game will eventually appear on the Keeneey table, today a lunch was venison barbecue. "I don't believe in killing just for the sake of killing," he explains. Making use of all game killed is a lesson he taught the four boys as youngsters, now they are grown and on their own and still observe it. "I taught them, if you kill it you clean it, because we're going to make use of it. Between us we had nine or ten deer last year, and we ate or gave away every bit of it. I don't believe in wasting food."

The Keeneeys play as hard as they would a member of the elite Country Club; he pounds ignorance as to how he managed to be voted in. "Everything is formal, tax and that kind of stuff," he says. "But we love it; we love to dance, always have."

They enjoy their boat — a 20-foot runabout — and many weekends are spent on the water at Raccooncove, near the Bay Bridge. Each summer, when Dolores Keeneey has come off from his job as school bus driver, the whole family, including one young grandchild, spends a week or two in Ocean City. "We spend part of the time on the Bay, fishing, crabbing, water skiing, then we pull the boat out and take it on down to the Pocomoke River," says Keeneey. "You've got the best of both worlds: the ocean, then the peaceful freshwater atmosphere of the river."

But home can be fun, too. "We always go people dipping in swimming pools, our sons, their friends..." says Keeneey. Two sons are single, two married, all live within a 10-mile radius and call by frequently. On Sunday 25-30 people may make their way carefully down the deeply rutted lane, past cornfields and fields with pines and oaks, all part of the Keeneey's 25 acres. They know there will be a group here swimming, playing volleyball, eating pizza or grilling burgers. In the winter, it's ice hockey on the pond, with a bonfire to melt the dogs.

Or they can simply enjoy the solitude of a Carolina sea stack, a seascape, equal — not Rufe, the nature-loving son who lives nearby, feeds his morning trout. There's even a lone peacock strutting about.

It's the kind of place where you can drop in uninvited on a Sunday afternoon with every assurance of a warm welcome. The Keeneeys are that kind of people. ▼

JANE KEENEY, New London, m. Nathaniel Gardner, New Bedford 7-29-1824 by Rev. Abel McEuen
 JANE KEENEY m. Enos B. Miles 8-9-1829, Derby
 JANE KEENEY, Humphreysville, m. James D. Johnson, Weston 11-26-1829, Derby
 JANE KEENEY, m. Isaac S. Hayden 1-1-1835
 JANE B. KEENEY, Bolton, m. Sherman P. Sumner, Gilcast, 9-29-1852 by Rev. Henry W. Conant
 JEREMIAH KEENEY, son of Mark & Abigail, born 3-13-1768, Kent
 JEREMIAH KEENEY, son of Amos & Anna, b.2-27-1780
 JEREMIAH KEENEY m. Susan Wales 10-21-1802
 JEROME KEENEY m. Julia Ann Rose 4-26-1840
 JERUSAHA KEENEY, Manchester, m. Ebenezer Oving, Glastonbury, 11-28-1830, Rev. J. Stocking
 JOHN KEENEY, son of Joseph & Hannah, b.5-22-1699
 JOHN KEENEY, son or John & Elizabeth, b.2-13-1700
 JOHN KEENEY m. Phebe Sweetland 1761; P. Hartford b. 3-17-1742, d. 5-31-1822
 JOHN KEENEY, son of John & Mabel, b.3-19-1752, d.7-28-1753, Middletown
 JOHN KEENEY, SON OF John & Phebe, b.1-23-1776
 JOHN KEENEY, son of Wm. & Betty, b.11-16-1778, J. 3-1-1800, New London
 JOHN KEENEY, son of Wm. & Betty, b.1-18-1782
 JOHN KEENEY, son of Jonathan & Catharine, born 4-29-1786, Colchester
 JOHN KEENEY, JR. m. Lucretia Mansuring 12-25-1792, New London
 JOHN KEENEY, son of John, Jr. & Lucretia, born 9-11-1793, d.10-31-1800, New London
 JOHN KEENEY m. Mary Hempstead 6-2-1806 (dau. of Stephen Hempstead), New London
 JOHN KEENEY, adm. fr. 9-18-1809, Waterford
 JOHN KEENEY, adm. fr. 4-2-1818, Waterford
 JOHN KEENEY, JR. m. Francis Ann Chapman on 10-13-1819 at Waterford, Rev. F. Darrow
 JOHN M. KEENEY m. Louisa Young 1-20-1854
 JOHN W. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Elizabeth Strong, Colchester, 11-27-1834
 JOHN WILLIAM KEENEY, Manchester, son of John M. & Frances Ann, b.1-7-1840, Waterford
 JONATHAN KEENEY m. Catharine Booth (b. Long Island, NY) 1-3-1767, Colchester
 JONATHAN KEENEY, son of Jonathan & Catharine, b. 10-9-1781, d. 5-23-1782, Colchester
 JONATHAN KEENEY m. Esther Beebe 6-5-1792
 JOSEPH KEENEY, SON OF Joseph & Hannah, b.11-8-1693, Hartford
 JOSEPH KEENEY & Hannah had child 5-29-1707
 JOSEPH KEENEY, son of Wm. & Betty, b.2-13-1780
 JOSEPH KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha, born 11-1-1797, East Hartford
 JOSEPH KEENEY, adm. fr. 4-6-1806
 JOSUAH KEENEY, son of Mark & Abigail, b.3-29-1766
 JOSIAH KEENEY, son of John & Phebe, b.7-25-1780
 JOSIAH KEENEY m. Sally S. Maynard 7-15-1832
 JOSIAH KEENEY, of Rome, NY m. Phebe Hollister, of Bolton, 11-27-1837 by James Ely
 JULIA A. KEENEY, 23, South Windsor, m. John M. King, 25, farmer, 12-25-1848 by John M. Case
 JULIAN KEENEY m. Joel F. Wheeler 3-3-1840
 JULIA ANN KEENEY, New London, m. Thomas Harrington, Boston, 7-15-1833 by Chester Tilden
 LARISTA A. KEENEY, East Hartford, m. Truman Griswold, Windsor, 11-7-1847 by Samuel Spring
 LAURA E. KEENE m. Henry Sage 4-7-1852

ARKANSAS

Charles S. Keeneey was born in Osage County, Mo., in 1852, and is a son of Calvin L. and Mary E. (Boatright) Keeneey. The father was born in Anderson County, Tenn., and was a son of Michael Keeneey, one of the leading pioneer settlers of East Tennessee. Calvin was an educated man, taught school some time, and was married about 1875, immediately settling upon a farm in Tennessee. He was married to Osage County, Mo., and until 1875 taught school and farmed. He then followed the same occupations in Madison County, Ark., until the war, when he went north and enlisted in the Union cause. He served until 1864, and died at Fayetteville, Ark. The mother was a daughter of the Rev. Cluskey Boatright, a minister of the Missionary Baptist Church.

KENTUCKY**MARY KEENEY McROBERTS FAMILY**

By Jean Johnston, 130 Fairway Drive, Lisbon, Iowa 52253

MARY KEENEY, b.1781, Greenbrier Co., VA, dau. of Michael & CATHERINE LEWIS KEENEY

m. JAMES McROBERTS, b.1760-70, Shenandoah Co., VA, son of Samuel & MARGERY E. McRoberts

ELEVEN CHILDREN:

MICHAEL McROBERTS, b.5 Oct 1798 Fleming Co. KY d. 21 Aug 1879 Greene Co. IA; Mt. Vernon Cem.

m. Mary M. Smith 5 June 1821

SAMUEL McROBERTS, b.1799 Poplar Pl. Fleming, KY d. 9 Oct 1838 in Bush Co., IN

m. Jane Gray 6 Sept 1821

MARGERY McROBERTS, b.1801 Poplar Plains, KY m. Joseph McClurg 17 Mar 1825, div. Mar 1832 IN m. George Teoxwell

WILLIAM McROBERTS, b.1804

m. Sarah Ann Stifler 5 June 1833

JAMES McROBERTS, JR., b. Poplar Plains, KY

m. Catherine Lower 26 Dec 1833

LEAH McROBERTS, b. Poplar Plains, KY

m. William Lower 7 Nov 1829 Rush Co., IN

NANCY McROBERTS, b. 3 Oct 1812 Poplar Plains, KY

d. Aug 1874, m. Eli Halligoss 30 Aug 1831, IN

HENRY M. McROBERTS, b. 11 July 1819 Poplar Pl., KY

d. 3 Aug 1894 Graham, Nodaway Co., MO

m. Annise Ross (she died 13 June 1870)

ALEXANDER McROBERTS, b. ca.1825, d.11 Apr 1901 in Nodaway Co., MO

m. Tabitha Kennedy (she died 9 Feb 1873)

JANE McROBERTS

CATHERINE McROBERTS - unmarried

Family of MICHAEL McROBERTS & MARY M. SMITH (b.

28 Jul 1800 Scott Co. KY, d.17 Oct 1871 Iowa)

ELEVEN CHILDREN:

WILLIAM SETTLE McROBERTS, b.18 Mar 1822 at Triplett Hills, Fleming Co. KY, d. a.f. 1903 in CALIF

ORNIA; wife: Annie

MARY JANE McROBERTS, b. 10 Nov 1823 Fleming Co., KY

d. 4 Oct 1891, bur. Cornelius, Washington Co., OR

m. John Fletcher Prather 9 Feb 1851 Iowa City, IA

ABRAHAM RUSSEL McROBERTS, b.21 Sept 1825 KY

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d. 13 March 1913 at Churdan, Greene Co., IA

m. Mary Fitz 11 Sept 1855 in Linn Co., IA

SARAHAN ELIZABETH McROBERTS, b.18 Mar 1828 KY

d. 21 Apr 1886 Mt. Vernon, IA, buried there

m. James M. Burge 3 July 1845 in Linn Co., IA

Children: Frances Jane (1846-1878), m. Jeremiah

Thomas; Jeremiah Michael (1848-1860, killed in

torpedo); Mary Hester (1851-1885), m. Joseph

Moore; John William (1853-1930), m. Hannah Clark;

Martha Ellen (1855-1879), m. Andrew T. Dill; Elci-

cina Elizabeth (1857-1941), m. John Henry Hoffman;

James Richard (1859-1948), m. Alvina Mannick;

Lavina Adelia (1861-1923), m. Lemuel J. Wain;

Ulysses Elmer (1864-1942) and Kate Regina Heller

(1867-1944), m. 28 Mar 1888 Linn Co. IA and par-

ents of HAROLD HARRISON BURGE (1891-1973) and

grandparents of JEAN ELIZABETH JOHNSTON (born

13 Oct 1920, wife of Dale Henry Johnston; Ethel-

da (1867-1944); Anson Sherman (1869-1945), m. Lu-

ella Davis; George Henry (1872-1945), m. Ruth

Collin

FRANKLIN LAYTON McROBERTS, b.28 Mar 1828 Marion

Co., IN, d.16 Mar 1888, buried at Graham, MO

Unmarried M.R. Co. K 11th IVI

JAMES DUVALL McROBERTS, b. 28 Mar 1828 Acton, IN

Unmarried M.R. Co. K 11th IVI

LUCINDA KELLER McROBERTS, b.1 Apr 1832 Acton IN

d. 11 Dec 1897 Green Co., IA

m. Harry D. Rogers 16 Jan 1849 Linn Co., IA

LAVINA KEENEY, buried 12-26-1841, Manchester

LEE L. KEENEY, Vernon, m. Elizabeth P. Morse,

Hartford, 9-13-1835 by Rev. George Coles

LEONARD KEENEY, son of John & Phebe, b.6-20-1790

LEWIS KEENEY, Glastonbury, m. Emily Talcott,

Manchester 11-24-1852 by Rev. Geo. W. Brewster

LOCKWOOD KEENEY m. Maria Shipman 10-17-1830

LORENZO D. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Julia M. Frank-

lin 5-7-1834 by Samuel Spring

LUCRETIA KEENEY, dau. of Amos & Anna, b.10-16-1785,

d. 8-1786

LUCRETIA KEENEY, dau. of Amos & Anna, b.10-16-1791

LUCRETIA KEENEY, wife of John, d.8-28-1805

LUCY KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b.12-3-1739

DEE KEENEY, DAU.

LUCY KEENEY, dau. Ebenezer & Betty, b.9-20-1761

LUCY KEENEY, dau. of Amos & Anna, b.12-20-1783

LUCY KEENEY m. Henry P. Hempstead, New London,

9-4-1845 by Rev. JAMES S. Swan

LUCY ANN KEENEY m. Joseph Chase 3-8-1847

LUCY JANE KEENEY, Hartford, m. Rowland Welles,

Northampton, MA 10-5-1845 by Rev. J.N. Sprague

LYDIA KEENEY, dau. John & Elizabeth, b.3-17-1696

LYDIA KEENEY m. RICHARD KEENEY 7-18-1820 in New

London by Rev. Nehemiah Dodge

M. JEROME KEENEY, New London, m. Caroline M.

Stanton, Norwich, 1-26-1845 by S. Stanton

MABEL KEENEY (wife of John/dau. of Wm. Miller

& 1st wife Susannah Kibbourne, b.7-17-1728

MABEL KEENEY, dau. John & Mabel, b.2-4-1758

MABEL KEENEY m. John Cady 3-16-1803, Vernon

MALINDA KEENEY m. Martin Bidwell 10-10-1822

MARCY KEENEY m. Remembrance Sheldon 3-17-1762

MARGARET KEENEY m. Francis Fox, of New London,

4-5-1846 by Rev. Jabez S. Swan

MARGARET KEENEY, d. 4-4-1850 at Bolton

MARIAH KEENEY, DAU. Nathaniel & Betsy, born

2-13-1805, New London

MARIA KEENEY, New London, m. Hezekiah Smith,

East Hadam 5-19-1822 by Rev. Abel McEwen

MARIA KEENEY m. Jeremiah Durand 12-25-1827

MARIA KEENEY m. Wm. W. Hollister 5-19-1835

MARIA A. KEENEY, d.7-3-1848, age 17, E. Hartford

MARIETTA KEENEY, East Hartford, m. Euclid

Atwood, Windsor, 10-10-1843 Rev. John Moore

MARINDA KEENEY m. Daniel Winslow 5-16-1822

MARINDA KEENEY, buried 2-20-1842, age 42

MARtha KEENEY, Groton, m. Gilbert Beebe, New

London, 3-30-1851, Rev. Abel McEwen

MARVIN KEENEY m. Diantha McKee 9-5-1834

MARY KEENEY, dau. of John & Elizabeth, born

1-20-1694, New London

MARY KEENEY, dau. of Richard of Glastonbury,

m. Nathaniel Bidwell (f-Samuel) 12-22-1720

MARY KEENEY m. Jonathan Pember 4-3-1751

MARY KEENEY m. Abell Beeman 11-8-1770. Kent

MARY KEENEY m. William Roxsey 1-11-1821

MARY KEENEY m. Richard Squires 4-18-1838

MARY A. KEENEY, Lenox, MA m. Samuel J. Hopkins,

of Michigan, 7-4-1831, Rev. J. Cogswell

MARY B. KEENEY m. Ethan E. Strong 4-10-1839

MARY G. KEENEY, Colchester, m. Abashai A.

Baker, Montville, 5-24-1829 by Salmon Cone

MARY J. KEENEY, E. Windsor, m. Alphonse Risley,

of Ellington, 8-12-1849

MARYETTE KEENEY, Bolton, m. J. Calvin Hutchin-

GEORGE B. McROBERTS, b.3 July 1934 Marion Co., IN

m. Sarah A. Black 31 Mar 1863 in Linn Co., IA

ELCINA WARD McROBERTS, B. 5 Sept 1836 Acton, IN

d. 30 Nov 1836 Acton, Marion Co., IN

RICHARD DUNCAN McROBERTS, b.25 Apr 1838 Acton, IN

d. 17 Mar 1862 pneumonia, bur. Paducah, KY

M. R. Co. D 125th IVI 8th Corps

MARGARET ELLEN McROBERTS, b.21 Oct 1842 Morgan

Co., IL, d. 17 Dec 1875 Mt. Vernon, IA

West Virginia



Are you a KEENEY RELATIVE born between 1900 and 1909 in Kanawha County? You may be, in fact probably are, in this picture of the first through the eight grades at Witcher School in 1916. Help UPDATE identify the different KEENEY family members.

son, Gilead, 3-2-1853 by Rev. H. W. Conant
 MAY A. KEENEY, Manchester, m. Melvin T. Clark,
 Columbia, 9-16-1849, Rev. M. P. Alderman
 MEDAD KEENEY, son of Ebenezer & Betty, born
 5-31-1759, Derby

MELORIA KEENEY m. Lewis Taylor 9-19-1827

MERVIN KEENEY m. Almira Wing 3-3-1818

MICHAEL KEENEY m. Jane Kelly 11-30-1848

NATHANIEL KEENEY m. Betsy Roberts, dau. of
 Samuel, 4-19-1797, New London

NATHANIEL KEENEY m. Deborah Wilson 9-15-1821

NATHANIEL KEENEY, d. Jan 1826 - East Hartford

NATHANIEL KEENEY, Manchester, m. Clamensa
 Strong, Bolton 5-5-1835 by James Ely

NELSON KEENEY, Bolton, m. Edna Dart, Man-
 chester, 9-18-1837 by Rev. R.W.Allen

MRS. NELSON KEENEY, d.5-1847, N.Coventry

NELSON KEENEY, d.8-14-1866, age 62, N.Coventry

NORMAN KEENEY, E.Glastonbury, m. Laura Jean-
 nett Taylor 1-31-1847 by Rev. Sidney Deane

OBED KEENEY, Glastonbury, m. Theodosia Hale,
 East Hartford 5-6-1823 by Elisha B. Cook

OBADIAH KEENEY, son of David & Jerusha, b.
 8-26-1800, East Hartford

OREN KEENEY m. Lucy Cook 11-26-1845, Hartford

PERMELIA KEENEY, dau. of Amos & Anna, BORN
 10-29-1802, New London

PAMELA KEENEY, New London, m. Isaiah Beebe,
 Waterford, 6-28-1821 - T.S.Perkins, JP

PAMELIA KEENEY, Harmon Mallory 1-27-1828

PERMELIA H. KEENEY Manchester, m. Henry L.
 Hunt, Bolton, 11-27-1839 by S. Benton

PATIENCE KEENEY, Wethersfield, m. Capt. Sim-
 on Huntington, Norwich 15-1788

PELEG FULLER KEENEY, son of Porter & Emily,
 b.8-13-1832, Glastonbury

PHEBE KEENEY, New London, m. Joseph Scott, son

of Moses, 1-9-1783, Glastonbury

PHEBE KEENEY, wife of John, d.1-11-1817

PHEBE KEENEY m. Leonard Harris 2-4-1834

PHYL(iss) KEENEY, Glastonbury, m. Colling-
 wood Alexander, Manchester 8-26-1832

POLLY KEENEY, dau. of Amos & Anna, b.5d.9-1782

PORTER KEENEY, b.7-24-1805, m.Emily Bidwell
 on 5-8-1824, Glastonbury, by Enoch Burt

RACHEL KEENEY, dau.Mark & Abigail, b.3-28-1770

RACHEL KEENEY, d.5-4-1830, age 73, New Haven

RALPH KEENEY, Manchester, m. Ann Maria Frost,
 Norwich 11-20-1826 by Rev. H. P. Arms

REBECCA KEENEY, dau. David & Jerusha, born
 7-28-1788, East Hartford

REBECCA KEENEY m. Daniel Newbury 10-21-1821

REID ANSON KEENEY m. Julia Ann Carter (born
 Hartford) 5-1-1853 by Rev. C. R. Fisher

REUBEN KEENEY, p-David & Jerusha, b.4-15-1793

RICHARD KEENEY, p-Mark & Abigail, b.6-17-1762

RICHARD KEENEY m. LYDIA KEENEY 7-18-1820

RILEY F. KEENEY m. Mary S. Goslee 11-23-1853

ROBERT T. KEENEY, New London, m. Amanda S.
 Johnson, Vernon, 12-2-1847

ROCKWELL KEENEY, Manchester, m.Lenora Gwdy,
 Somers 5-7-1846 by Rev. Wm. S. Simmons

RUSSELL KEENEY, son of Russell & Jerusha, b.
 3-3-1792(2), East Hartford

RUSSELL KEENEY m. Jerusha Dart 1796, E.Hartford

RUSSELL KEENEY, Manchester, m. Mrs. ANNA
 KEENEY, Glastonbury 5-30-1841

RUSSELL KEENEY, Manchester, m. Cornelia Grant,
 Manchester 4-6-1842 by Rev. R. Livezey

RUSSELL KEENEY m. Levina Chapman 2-29-1844

RUTH KEENEY, Manchester, m. Walter Howard of
 Perry, NY 5-26-1829 by Rev. B. F. Northrup

SALEMDA KEENEY, dau. Jonathan & Catherine,
 b. 7-13-1789, Colchester

SALLY KEENEY, d.Amos & Anna, b.4-13-1796
 SALLY KEENEY, d.Elisha & Abigail, b.3-25-1798
 SAMUEL KEENEY m. Chloe Whitaker 12-25-1835
 SAMUEL C. KEENEY, of New London, m. Mahala Brooks, Waterford, 8-6-1832
 SAMUEL ROBERTS KEENEY, son of Nathaniel & Betsy, b.10-8-1802, New London
 SANFORD KEENEY, son of Porter & Emily, b. 10-11-1827, Glastonbury
 SANFORD KEENEY, New York, m. Lucretia Chap-pell, New London, 3-4-1839
 SANFORD KEENEY, Glastonbury, m. Delia A. Taylor, Manchester 4-30-1850
 SARAH KEENEY, dau. John & Elizabeth, born 5-27-1829, New London
 SARAH KEENEY, d.Ebenezer & Betty, b.10-3-1748
 SARAH KEENEY m. Benjamin Brown 9-4-1763
 SARAH KEENEY, New London, m. Jonathan Lane 12-24-1824, by Rev. George Spratt
 SARAH A. KEENEY, b.Manchester, res.E.Haddam, Single, d.11-19-1852, 19 yrs. 6 mos. 14 da.
 SARAH GRACE KEENEY m. Isaac White, Jr.(born Derby) 1-11-1835 by Rev. John E. Bray
 SARAH J. KEENEY, Hartford, m. George C. Sell-ey, Brooklyn, NY 10-16-1850 by S. Spring
 SARASTA A. KEENEY, E.Hartford, m. Truman Griswold, Windsor 11-7-1847
 SEELAN KEENEY, b.9-21-1807, son of Stephen, m. Ann Eldwell, Glastonbury
 SHELDON KEENEY, JR., Winchester, m. Eliza A. Phelps, Windsor, 11-25-1846
 SHUBAEL KEENEY, Blumfield, m. Caroline Wright, Hartford 7-5-1852
 SILAS KEENEY, SON OF John, Jr. & Lucretia, b.12-16-1802, d.1-8-1807, New London
 SILAS KEENEY m. Elizabeth Harris 11-8-1829
 SUSANNA KEENEY, dau. of John & Sarah, born 9-5-1862, New London
 SUSANNAH KEENEY, dau. of John, m. Ezekiel Turner (f-John) 12-26-1878, New London
 SUSANNAH KEENEY m. Samuel DeWolf 1-17-1782
 SILVESTER KEENEY, son of Nathaniel & Betsy, b.1-12-1807, New London
 SILVESTER KEENEY, New London, m. Eunice L. Woodworth, Stafford 6-8-1834
 TASEY I. KEENEY m. Charles Lewis 3-13-1842
 TIMOTHY KEENEY, Manchester, m. Martha Payne, Wethersfield 8-3-1825 by V. B. Osborne
 TIMOTHY KEENEY m. Nancy M. Russell 11-24-1825
 TIMOTHY KEENEY, Manchester, m. Sophronia Buck-land, East Windsor, 4-4-1836
 WALTER KEENEY m. Mary Jeannette Goodwin, dau. of James, Hartford, 6-3-1840
 WALTER P. KEENEY, son of John P. & FANNY

WALTER P. KEENEY, son of John P. & Fanny, b.6-8-1844, Bolton
 WATSON BROMLEY KEENEY, p-Arnold & Malinda, b.12-10-1830
 WEALTHY KEENEY, dau. George & Lydia Robertson, b.1-19-1793
 WEALTHY A. KEENEY, Hartford, m. Jeremiah Landphere, West Ches-ter, CT 8-24-1848 by H. B. Soule, Hartford
 WILLIAM KEENEY, son of Jonathan & Catharine, b.10-3-1767 in LI
 WILLIAM KEENEY m. Betty Mora 7-14-1775, New London
 WILLIAM KEENEY, son of William & Betty, b.2-9-1775, New London
 WILLIAM KEENEY, b.2-20-1799, m. Mary Ann Williams 3-7-1830
 WILLIAM KEENEY, East Hartford, m. Clarissa Davis 6-24-1821
 WILLIAM KEENEY m. Nancy Hunt 12-15-1825, Bolton

WILLIAM KEENEY m. Lydia Lane, New London, 11-3-1830
 WILLIAM KEENEY m. Adelaide Moore 9-17-1848, Barkhamstead rec.
 WILLIAM R. KEENEY, age 29, m. Lucy Charlotte 36, colored, of Manchester 6-28-1854 by Joseph Noyes, JP
 WOODRUFF KEENEY, son of Russell & Jerusha, b.2-15-1803

KEENEY, child of Jacob, of New Preston, b.10-1-1758
 KEENEY m. Martin Webster 1-4-1824 by Isaac Devingel, Manchester
 MRS. KEENEY, d.6-4-1829, age 99, in North Coventry
 KEENEY, child of Arnold, tavern keeper, resided East Haddam, b.5-4-1855
 KEENEY, son of Bromley, tavern keeper in East Haddam, b. 3-6-1856
 KEENEY, dau. of Stephen, res. E.HADDAM

T E N E S S E E

UPDATE has an enquiry from Oregon from a KeeneY relative interested in the family and heirs of JAMES KEENEY, of East Tennessee, who purchased land from Thomas and Mary White in Jefferson Co., TN in 1793, served as a Private in the 7th Inf. Regt. in the War of 1812, and died at Highvasee Garrison 20 Feb 1814. His wife was named Sally
 Children listed in court records in 1818 include Isham 12, Peggy 10, Alfred & Matilda (twins) 8, Betsy 17, Sarah 14.
 Marriage records of Jefferson Co. list: Sarah KeeneY m. Henry Chambers 5-19-1826
 Also listed are John KEENEY m. Elizabeth Saper 12-24-1827; Thomas KEENEY m. Sarah Moore 4-29-1820; Abraham KEENEY m. Rosannah Black-burn 10-14-1828(?); Jonathan KEENEY m. Polly McGlothlin 12-4-1803
 Anyone with information on these or other E. Tennessee Keeneys is urged to share the information. Many people are looking!

CORRECTIONS

Jean Lohr, KeeneY genealogist from Hamden, CT, points out misspellings in the description of the KEENEY COAT OF ARMS (published Sept 1990): argent should be ARGENT, and fesse should be FESSE.

In the Sept 1989 UPDATE story relating to Alexander KeeneY, this was left off: Feb. 3, 1761, Woodbury Probate, widow Sach-el Bradley said her father, ALLESCANDER KEENEY, late of said Woodbury, deceased, died intestate.

[This shows that Rachel was a daughter of Alexander (3), not Alexander (2), a LONG-standing mistake. And Alexander 3 married Hannah Searles, not Alexander 2.

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Future issues depend upon (1) the receipt of family histories and/or clippings about KEENEYS or their direct offsprings, (2) the loan of pictures of KEENEYS born before 1917, (3) genealogical tables and family sheets; as well as financial support.

ANGELS for this issue, whose contributions cover about 40% OF THE COST ARE: Irene KeeneY Panzer, TN; Marjorie KeeneY Jankins, KS; Dale & Jean Johnston, IA; and Patricia R. Austin, PA.

Happy New Year!

—NNA KEENEY, child of Joseph & Hannah, born 1-7-1701, Hartford
 —ELL KEENEY, child of Joseph & Hannah, born 11-25-1704, Hartford