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Hello, Cousins,

It's June already, and in case anyone has forgotten, we are putting out a WEEDMAN NEWSLETTER whenever there is something to fill a page or two.

This time, it's the index for your 1976 Newsletters. Here it is, and also a little news.

Most of you know (don't you?) that Nick Weedman, who has helped in the publication of the Newsletter for the past few years, has moved with his family to Japan. Not permanently, but temporarily and they all love it!! A recent letter from Nick states that they are learning Japanese, in fact, he wrote me a line or two in Japanese. It was excellant. I used to speak Japanese, and still remember some, as we lived there three years from 1948-1951 but I've forgotten most of my Japanese.

There will be a Reunion of the WEEDMAN Clan - mostly descendents of Homer & Jennie (Little) Weedman, of DANIEL's line. Homer was a son of Jacob Weedman, son of DANIEL & Nancy Spurrier Weedman. This gathering will take place at Blue Lake Park, area 15, Portland Oregon. Come around noon, or earlier. The area is reserved for the day, July 31, 1977. Will enclose a flyer for you to tack up on your mirror or fridge, and if you can possibly make it, write to Reberta, and let her know. If you're going to be in the area it would be a fun way to spend the day.

A couple of weeks ago, one of you was in the area. You called us, and Paul answered the phone. You said you were visiting relatives in Cashmere, Washington, and would be by to visit afterwards. As yet, we haven't seen you. Which Jesse or Jerry called??? We were looking for you. Hope no misfortune happened to mar your trip. Please write us, and let us know all is well.

I found the following in Rupp's "Thirty Thousand Immigrants to Pennsylvania"

Aug. 21, 1750 - ship "Anderson" - Capt. Hugh Campbell, Master -  
from Rotterdam (Holland) by way of Cowes, England -  
Christian Widman

No women or children listed on this list - 151-C. I would say until it could be disproven, that here is OUR man!! I have read through many lists and tho' the name is spelled Widman, it'd be pronounced Weedman, and spelling in those days wasn't so accurate, nor did they put much emphasis on it.

Our daughter, Andrea Montgomery Kershner, and son in law, Larry Kershner are adopting two children, Tammy Jean age 6, and Tommy Allan, age 4. They will be dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, May 22, 1977

at the Covenant Church, Yakima, Washington. Although only ages 3 and 5, last summer, both Tammy and Tommy acknowledged Jesus Christ as their Savior, and asked Him to make His home in their hearts. This is what is meant by the term, "born again" which most of you have been hearing a lot about, and many of you have had this experience. Should any of you want to know more about it, please write to me and ask about it.

The adoption will become final Wednesday, May 18. Now you are asking why I say "will" after I said it was already JUNE, page one of this Newsletter. Actually, I am typing this now on May 16, but I said June, because it will be June before you get it, I am sure.

This is the 10th year that the Weedman Newsletter has been going, and I've said it before, and want to say it again..... thank all of you. You have all .....each and every one..... contributed in one way or another. God bless each of you. I have come to know and love you, and tho' some of you know Nick better through correspondence, and some have met him, I feel close to you, too, as Nick has shared his warm thoughts for you.

We are planning to be at the Weedman Reunion in Portland, and will tell you all about it in a future Newsletter.

Keep up the search for Weedman news, and we'll have another few pages.

Sent to me by Ralph Snyder of Tacoma, WA.

In Vol. 7, of the Ridgerunner Generalogical Magazine, is a list of Bullitt Co., Ky. marriages. Among them is:

JACOB WEEDMAN and MARY FLEMING, married 31 December 1799 by Benjamin Ogden, M. G.

We know that Jacob Weedman, brother of Christian, Sr., married Frances Fleming. Was her name Mary Frances Fleming? Or were Mary and Frances sisters? We know Jacob lived for awhile in Bullitt Co., Ky.

I'm hoping to hear from most of you this summer, and let us know if other Weedman Reunions have taken place. Keep us posted, and share with us your joys and sorrows, and we will do the same with you all.

May you all have a happy summer.

Love,

*Paul & Marianne*

P. S. I know Nick is busy, but for those of you who would like to send him a note of good news, etc., it is:

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Hello Cousins,

Well I guess we have a harvest of news this time for a newsletter so we will go to press.....

Although Nick Weedman and family are living in Japan these days, Nick seems to be getting a trip to the main office in the States pretty often. The family visited relatives this summer, also. They seem to enjoy Japan, and are all learning the language.

Summer news seems to be mostly from the DANIEL WEEDMAN line; beginning with a Family Reunion of the WEEDMAN-LITTLE-JORDAN families. Homer Weedman, grandson of DANIEL, and son of Jacob Weedman married Sarah Jane Little, called "Jenny" for short. Their children are listed on pages 13 & 14 Dec. 1971 Newsletter, and corrections to that in the June 1972 Newsletter, page 5 & 6. After Homer's death, she married Lee Jordan and had 5 children by that marriage, totalling 12 in all for Sarah Jane "Jenny" (Little) Weedman Jordan. The reunion in Portland on July 31 was the first gathering for all the descendents of this clan. Paul and I went, although we were from Jacob's brother George's line.....George would be Homer's Uncle..... and other cousins from the JACOB WEEDMAN line were there .....Christian Jr's brother Jacob. There were over 100 there including children. Seventy-seven signed in on the register. It was a beautiful day, and everyone was enjoying the good fellowship, food and games. We were all getting our heads together to catch up on family news and figuring out the many branches and twigs on the family tree. They came from Phoenix, Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington states. The oldest was Florene Blackmon Weedman Thompson, and the youngest, Erika Lynn Dickenson. Paul sat at the registration table, with the thick WEEDMAN family tree notebook, and filled in many blank spaces, made corrections of errors, and met so many of the folks there. It was the highlight of our summer, and Blue Lake Park in Portland, was the perfect place for this wonderful occasion. Special thanks to cousins Reberta and Roy for getting it all together. It was decided that the last Sunday in July would be set aside for this family reunion. How we wish you all could have been there. It is so good for families to get together at least one day a year, and we should all try to do this in various parts of the country, with the various branches of the family. The Illinois branch might think about getting together at Weedman or Farmer City, Illinois, for example.

Grover and Charles Breidenbach, descendents of JACOB Weedman were there but they left before we had a chance to introduce them around. They had just stopped by for a few moments. They promised to write and fill us in on their line from JACOB so we will mention them in a later Newsletter. I hope that this account of a happy day in the lives of 100 kinfolk meeting together this summer will spark some interest to get your families together. As Reberta Dickenson so aptly put it....."we are on this earth such a short time, and families get so scattered. We need at least one day a year to come together to renew old ties".

Reberta is recuperating from back surgery in September. We understand she is doing real well, and are happy about that.

Ronald Allen Mead, son of Virgle and Audrey (Weedman) Mead was married to Donna Marie Stroudt on Sept. 10, 1977 in the First Congregational Church in Portland, Ore. The bride's son walked down the aisle with her, and her two young daughters, Jennifer and Pamela passed out long stemmed carnations to the guests as they arrived. The reception for 200 guests was held at the Aero Club. Ron's family from Las Vegas attended, and many other out of town guests, to name a few: Mr. & Mrs. Max Hammond, of Ione, Washington (since moved to Portland) Mr. & Mrs. George Weedman, Mr. & Mrs. Guy Weedman Jr., and Mike Weedman all from Wasco, Ore. We all join in wishing the newlyweds much happiness in their lives together.

Our daughter Andrea (Montgomery) Kershner and husband, Larry, moved from Yakima to Tacoma, Wash. this fall. She is expecting in December. Their two adopted children Tammy and Tommy are just like "family" and are now really family, as all the papers went through okay. We have "sold" (we think) our Seattle home and are moving back to Tacoma probably the middle of December. So much paperwork, appraisal, financial stuff and all coordination with the people living in the house we want to move into, like a chain. Sort of keeps you up in the air. But write to us at this address (Seattle) till January 1st, anyway, because they will forward any mail we receive after we move. I'll surely get it. We've had a lot of guests this summer and fall, too, and I owe you ..... about 10 of you... letters. I'll get to those, too. The relatives who came this summer were on my side of the family, so I'll leave those details out of the Newsletter.

New recipients of the Newsletter and their ancestor, in capitol letters are: Sharon Bryden of JOHN, Haywood B. & Celeste Weedman of DANIEL, Muriel Reilley of DANIEL and Jenny Weedman of WILLIAM.

Celeste sent the following corrections to past newsletters. We are always glad when errors are called to our attention so that we can correct them. Please make the following changes in your Newsletters:

Sept. 1973, p. 15 half way down the page where it says "This is Elisha Spurrier Weedman, his wife, Letitia (Jarboe) and her father, and Pearle is the daughter .....change that to granddaughter of E. S. & Letitia (Jarboe) Weedman." ✓

Dec. 1971, page 16 - 3rd paragraph. Syd Gardner wrote about a Kenneth Weedman in Williamsburg, Ky., director of the Boswell Art Gallery there. We didn't know who or from what line this Kenneth was, but Celeste filled me in. Kenneth is the son of Charles Kenneth 'son of Norman - son of Elisha, son of DANIEL son of Christian Jr. So you might just add "Daniel line" off to the side of that paragraph. More information on Elisha, son of DANIEL is coming up, so this information will all be made clear as this line progresses.

We'll have something from Jenny, (her brothers & sisters & their families) Sharon, (her immediate family if she has children) and the same for Muriel,

James Russell Montgomery, Paul's brother, gr. grandson of George, son of DANIEL Weedman, passed away Jan. 7, 1977 in Santa Ana, Calif., where he was visiting his daughter, Leslie Montgomery Nelson. He died suddenly of a heart attack. He was 65. His body was sent back to Huntington, W. Va. for burial and funeral services.

Jesse Emmett Weedman, son of Homer and Sarah Jane (Little) Weedman passed away May 19, 1977 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He and his family lived in Cicero, Indiana. He leaves a wife, Maxine (Taylor) Weedman, a daughter, Jane (Weedman) Cook, Leonard and Jesse Jr., sons.

If you will look at your June, 1977 Newsletter, on page 1, you will see, in the fifth paragraph, that a cousin was at the Airport, on his way through and called us. I was working, and Paul has trouble hearing on the phone, but he thought he was Jerry or Jesse. Wrong. He was Harry Weedman, who wrote a nice letter this summer. He had a nice visit in Cashmere, Wash., visiting his kinfolk there. He found that another family of Weedmans were living in Cashmere, but not related to him. Cashmere is such a small town, that we decided to write to see if the letter would reach them, and it hasn't come back yet, so we hope to get another Weedman family lined up if they do answer.

Elizabeth Snodgrass sent the news that Betty McCay had passed away but she didn't know when. I wrote her daughter, but so far no reply. Sometimes the news isn't fresh by the time it gets to the Newsletter, but it is usually that we are waiting for more details. Betty McCay was the daughter of Herman George Albright and Mary Frances Kinder Albright. Herman's father and mother were Harvey Ernest Albright, and Katherine Mitchell. Katherine Mitchell was a daughter of Harrison Lincoln Mitchell and Mary Elizabeth Weedman. Mary E. Weedman was the daughter of Goerge Weedman and Henrietta A. Wheeler. George was the son of NICHOLAS and Elizabeth (Charley) Weedman.

Chestina Stewart sent me a list of Weedman marriages from English, Crawford County. We did publish some Crawford Co. marriages before but there are some that are not in previous Newsletters. They are:

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Cordelia Weedman	Loyd R. Parr	1926	M	107
Dellis Weedman	Lela M. Grant	1917	K	257
Dellis ?? Weedman *	John McCrary	1922	L	339
Jane Weedman	Frank Miles	1910	J	61
Lela Weedman	Essie Williams	1930	N	424
Mary Weedman	Jess Vangeriff	1910	J	125
Ella Weidman+	William Merry	1933	N	138

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This must have been in error, but it is just as the book has it!! Maybe it was Delia or Dellia Weedman, but the book says Dellis.

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This was a daughter of Phillip Weedman and Lucinda Clark Weedman. Phillip is known as Weidman in many of the town records. He is a descendent of JACOB however.

I had planned to go on with the genealogy of Heywood B. Weedman, descendent of DANIEL, however, there is a funny noise in my typewriter (electric) and the keys work hard, like the motor is pulling slow, so we are cutting this off at the end of the next page.

Reberta (Weedman) Dickenson has called our attention to some errors in Homer's line in the DANIEL WEEDMAN Pamphlet. We are going to publish an extra sheet on the end of the pamphlet with the additions and people we didn't have and correct the errors in our master copy. Will those of you who have a DANIEL pamphlet let me know? I kept a list of who I sent them to, but can't locate it now. Also we want to add new information on Elisha's descendents. We are doing this now, so please send us any corrections and additions now. We fixed up the errors you pointed out, Chestina. Thanks. Remember, the Newsletters will come out as news comes in. The holiday season is on its way, so we send our Love and Greetings to you all.

The typewriter has had a bit of a rest, but it's still making an awful groan as I type away, so I'll fill this page with news I had received this summer, but didn't get on the front page. Sorry, but with the packing, and all, I had some news items in another place.

A letter from George D. Weedman, states that he and wife Polly, his sister Adelaide and her husband Kelly Donaldson, their son Bob Donaldson and family got together again this year at the Donaldson place in Sturgis, S. Dakota, to observe the 4th of July. Bob had repainted the poles and supports of the Weedman Schoolhouse bell, and it was rung with great enthusiasm as they enjoyed a fine day together.

We are anxious to know how Clarence Weedman, patient in the Veteran's Hospital at Fort Meade, S. D. is doing. He has returned to his home, George wrote. He and George enjoy each other's good company, and George especially enjoys Clarence's memories of years gone by. Clarence is a native of Otwell, Indiana, a descendent of JACOB and Frances (Fleming) Weedman's line. We trust Clarence is feeling much better now. Oh how we would love to get over that way and meet him ..... and all the Weedmans in that area. George is from the Illinois branch from GEORGE and Charlotte (Hume) Weedman.

And although late, I want to report that Edith Weedman Somerville, age 86, passed away June 21, 1977 at Clinton, Indiana. An extremely intelligent and genteel person, she will be missed by those who loved and knew her well. As a young woman, she had jet black hair and black eyes, a beautiful girl. She was the daughter of George Perry and Mary Lou (Hatfield) Weedman, of WILLIAM's line. She would have been 87 on Sept. 26th.

Jesse Weedman of Joshua Tree, announces the birth of Melissa Joy Holland, on 16 Nov. 1976. Her parents are Terry and Jean (Weedman) Holland of Santa Maria. Both Joshua Tree and Santa Maria are in California. Jesse and Geri enjoy Joshua Tree's healthy climate. There's another place we'd like to visit on a future trip to California. Jesse Earl Weedman is of the JACOB Weedman line.

Harry E. Weedman, Nick's father, and descendent of WILLIAM's line had spent some time in the hospital recently (this past summer) but is home and doing real well.

Chestina Stewart sent the following item clipped from the Tell City, Indiana newspaper June 16, 1977, and it shows a picture of a fine looking young man.

William G. Weedman III, son of Mrs. Earl Bettinger of Tell City completed his police basic training at Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Ky., receiving his certificate on June 10th. Weedman was sworn in as a member of the Jefferson County Police Department in Louisville on June 15. He will continue his training in Louisville as an emergency medical technician. Many of his family were on hand for the graduation ceremonies.

Perhaps Jake Weedman or Forrest Miller can come through again for us on identifying William G. Weedman III.

We're hoping for a Weedman Newsletter right after the first of the year, so get your news in before too long. We'll be settled in Tacoma by then.

*Love to all - Paul & Marianne*