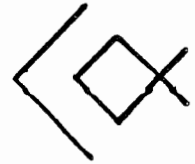


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RICHARD RUE
HOUSE
now owned by
John Sayre,
one of the stops
on the reunion
bus tour.

This brick house, now painted a lovely shade of light green, was built between 1815 and 1820 by Richard Rue, the father of Mary Rue Cox. The original house was one room deep. Before 1840 a two story addition was built on the back at the left of the picture that made the house L shaped. Another addition was later added to fill in the L portion.

All members that attended the reunion were privileged to view the inside of this lovely home.

This house is located south of Richmond, Indiana.

Another of the many places we visited was the Elkhorn Cemetery where Richard and Elizabeth (Holman) Rue and others are buried.

We also visited the town of Abington which Joseph and his father, John Cox, founded. (We had lunch there and I was told while there at when the new road went through, they found some old pilings, probably where a mill had once been. Joseph Cox is supposed to have had a mill in the area.)

Also at the Elkhorn Cemetery is a marker at the site of the first schoolhouse of which Joseph Cox was the first teacher.

OBITUARIES

Ellen Josephine Leitschuck, 81 of Odell, NE died Monday, October 21, 1991 in Lincoln, Nebraska.

She was born March 6, 1910 in Burchard, Ne, to J.F. and Rilla (Carter) Cox. She was a 1927 graduate of Burchard High School. In 1927 she married Theodore R. Leitschuck in Burchard and in 1943 they moved to Odell where she lived until her death.

Survivors include mother, Mrs. Rilla B. Cox, Beatrice, sons, Donald R. and his wife Ruth, Odell, Theodore R. and his wife Louise, Beatrice; daughters, Meredith E. Maviaux and her husband William, Ralston and Carol A. Lacy and her husband, Gary of Lincoln; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Hazel Gregersen, Gillette, Wy. and Mrs. Jack (Bobby) Logan of Meeteetse, Wy. She was preceded in death by her father J. F. Cox, husband Theodore R. Leitschuck on March 29, 1985 and a brother Dean Cox.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, Oct. 23 at Wymore United Methodist Church Interment at the Wymore Cemetery.



Rilla B. Cox, 101, 105 N. Sixth St., Beatrice, Ne, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1991 at Beatrice. She was born October 7, 1890, Henderson, Mills County, Iowa. She married John Frederick Cox, 9 June 1890 at Burchard, NE. She moved to Wymore in 1931 and to Beatrice in October 1982.

Survivors: daughters, Bobby Logan and husband Jack of Meeteetsee, WY and Hazel Gregersen of Gillette, WY.; eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by husband J. Fred, parents Elijah and Josephine (Bowell) Carter, son Dean Cox; and daughter Ellen Leitschuck. Services were held Dec. 27, 1991 at the Wymore United Methodist Church and burial in the Wymore Cemetery.



Zelma Logsdon Hall Yoder was born January 20, 1909 at Deschler, Ne to James Robert and Eliza Cox Logsdon. She graduated in 1926 from Burchard, NE high school She married Floyd R. Hall on April 25, 1936 at Sidney, NE. To this union one son was born, Richard A. Hall. After Mr. Hall's death in 1960 she married Ralph Yoder in May 1964. She had been a resident of Chappell, NE since 1947. She died February 28, 1992 at the Garden County Nursing Home in Oshkosh, Ne.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Yoder of Chappell, a son Richard A. Hall and his wife, Mary Jane of North Platte, Ne; two granddaughters, Melody of North Platte, and Lisa of Phoenix, Az; a sister Doris Freeman of Littleton, CO, two brothers, Cecil of New Smyrna Beach, FL and Wayne of Grant, NE.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Floyd Hall and a brother Robert. Buried in the Chappell, NE cemetery.



MARRIED

Bonnie Elizabeth Tunnicliff and Christopher Lee Johnson were married at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Clarinda Iowa, 28 December 1991. Bonnie (Buffie) is the daughter of Robert and Merrily Tunnicliff of Clarinda, Iowa. They both work at the Living History Farms at Des Moines, Iowa.

UNITED METHODIST WORK TEAM TO CHILE

Dave Welsch was part of a 20 member work team that was in northern Chile the last two weeks of January. The trip was organized by the Milford United Methodist Church. The purpose of the trip was to help in construction of a high school in the Andes Mountains at Pacheca, Chile. Pacheca is a town of around 200 people and is 70 miles northeast of Lqueque.

The EMANA projects purpose is to build a school with an agricultural and native crafts emphasis for the Amaryan Indians in the northern region. The need for the school is because many people are leaving their land and migrating to the coastal cities in hope of a better way of live. Upon arrival in these cities they are unable to get a job and are often discriminated against. They end up being worse off there. The school will give them a general education as well as teach them how to farm better.

The farms in this desert region are all in the valleys of the mountains. the only place anything grows is where they can irrigate from a small canal which travels high into the mountains for water. The farms are less than five acres and are subsistence farms with only a small amount of cash crops in the form of onions and alfalfa which grow quite well in the sandy soil. Parts of this region have never recorded any rainfall.

The people we worked with at Pachaca were very friendly and fun to be around. Spanish is the language here, but a smile goes a long way. Although barely able to survive in this environment the people seemed to enjoy life as it came. It is difficult to summarize the expericence other than to say that God's people are ths same everywhere. Besides the many Christian friends we made in Chile, I also met a Christian man on the airplane coming home. He was from China and currently lives in Canada. These situations showed me that God is everywhere in His big wonderful world, but it also showed me that His world at thimes is quite small.

I am very thansful that I was able to go on this trip and especially for the many people who made it possible. I'll be glad to shre more about this trip when we meet again.

Dave

David Welsch is the son of Louise and Eugene Welsch and farms near Mildord, NE.



THE NEW TWIGS ON ONE COX BRANCH

James Kenneth Linstrom born 9 August 1991 to Steve and Molly Linstrom of Pierre. S.D.
 Kristen Sue Wendt born 6 November 1991 to Sue and Jeff Wendt of Yankton, S. D.

Grandchildren of Martha and Kenneth Linstrom

Kassandra Kay Hastings born 26 July 1991, Seffner, FL

Granddaughter of Tom and Sandy Cox

Samuel Robert Hicks, born 9 November 1991 to Douglas and Debra Hicks, Lincoln, NE

Grandson of Ruth Anna and Robert Hicks

Mary Alison Utermohlen born 23 November 1991 to William and Alison Utermohlen of Alexandria, VA, Granddaughter of Mary Lee and Robert Utermohlen.

RESEARCH DONE ON THE LINE OF RICHARD RUE COX

Recently on a trip to the Quad Cities area of Iowa and Illinois, I did a little research in the line of Richard Rue Cox. His son Joseph Rue Cox had three children, Sarah, Mary and Josephine. I was trying to trace the line of Sarah, who married Henry W. Johnstone and had four children. A son died young, so I was trying to find information on the daughters, Mable, Estelle and Henrietta.

Mabel never married and died in 1976 and is buried in Oakdale Cemetery, Davenport, Iowa.

Henrietta married Rowland Jones and had three children. She died in 1963 and is buried on the same lot as her sister Mabel. On the same lot is a marker to her son Rowland Jr., who was lost at sea while in the Navy in 1944. Other children were Jean Phyllis and Norma Rue. Can anyone tell me more about these daughters, who they married, perhaps a current address?

Estelle married Clarence McCord and died in 1979. Both are buried at the Davenport Memorial Cemetery. They had children, Dorothy who married Earl Williams, Allan and Lois who married W.M. Stuart Charlton.

I would like to know more about the children of both Henrietta and Estelle and their descendants. Can anyone help me?

Your Historian, Ruth Anna Hicks,
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The Cox Reunion Business Meeting was held August 4, 1991, Richmond, Indiana. Officers elected were the following, to hold office until next reunion in 1995.

President Art Cox, 421 Seerley Blvd, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613
Vice-President William J. Utermohlen, 1916 Windsor Rd., Alexandria, VA 22307
Sec. Treasurer Gerald Cox, 2658-B, Reed Avenue, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158
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Among the items discussed was the restoration of the graves of Joseph and Mary (Rue) Cox. They are buried in an overgrown cemetery on the bank of the Mississippi and the cemetery is in a Eagle Preserve. Bill Utermohlen agreed to investigate the steps required to accomplish the project. Owen Smith volunteered to see about the possibility of the restoration being undertaken as an Eagle Scout merit award project.

An Kansier was the winner of the quilted wall hanging, designed and executed by Ruth Anna Hicks. The center of the wall hanging material applicated in the shape of the state of Indiana and had Cox Reunion on it. The money from this Raffle went to help pay for the newsletters.

NEWSLETTER

If these newsletters are to be continued I will need information from other branches of the family, namely births, marriages, deaths or anything of a general interest. This newsletter is for all not just one branch of the family. Also ideas of what you would like to see in the newsletter.

ALSO money to continue the newsletters. As I send out about 330 newsletters the postage on that many is expensive. and we are on a retire income. If you enjoy these newsletters, please help out on expenses.

Do not know when the following story was written but it was after 1904 when the first Cox reunion was held.

IN WATERMELON SEASON

byr Mrs. Kate Huey

I went over to Uncle Richard Cox's when they lived in Mercer County to visit Etta. Etta and I were sent over to her sister, Mary Thomas' house for something Mary lived about a half mile north of the old place, over in a field, and they had such a big melon patch over there, and so we got some watermelons and ate all we could, and then Etta wanted to take one back to the house, because my sister Lydia Ann Wilbur, was there, and Etta wanted to take her a treat in the way of a nice melon. So we started with a great big melon, and it got awfully heavy for two girls no larger than we were, so we concluded we would lay it down and roll it, so we started to roll it. We kicked it with our feet after we got tired of stooping over to roll it, and by and by Etta sent her foot right through that melon. It was a ruined melon. I can hear Etta laugh yet. So we sat down and we ate all of that welon we could. We hated awfully bad to give that melon up. It was a beautiful melon. We started on, and Etta said: "We will not say anthing about the melon and the accident. Maybe Mary and Will will not see this." When they come over to do the chores in the evening, they found the remains of that big melon. There was none of them any better off for us starting with that big melon, and I don't know what we were.

In April when I was in Illinois I tried to find out just who Kate Huey was. I had checked my records and could not find anyone with the first name of Kate. The Mary Thomas mentioned was Mary Elizabeth Cox, daughter of Richard Rue Cox, and born in 1838 and she married William Thomas in 1860. Etta was Juliette Cox, youngest daughter of Richard Rue Cox and born about 1851 or 1852. I checked the marriage records of Rock Island County, Mercer County and Henry County and did not find a Kate marrying a Huey. The mention of a sister by the last name of Wilbur, could be a married name or a maiden name. So probably Kate was only a friend and not related.

LOST !!!! WHEPE ARE YOU !!!

The following are family members, who have moved?? died?? Anyway I do not have a current address. CAN YOU HELP WITH CURRENT ADDRESSES.

Names	Last address, town
Floyd D. Mitchell	East Moline, Il
Mrs. Barbara Kirby Baker Reeder	Long Beach, CA
Phil Littlefield	Victoria, TX
Julie Baker Tradnick	San Pedro, CA
Dorothy Erickson	Glendale, CA
Trudy and James Downey	Cedar Ripids, Iowa
Merriel Jean Baker	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Mrs. Donna Littlefield Whitwell	Sam Antonio, TX

Names and addresses for the children of Everett M. Cox, Kalona, Iowa

If you know of anyone who have moved in the last 6 months, will you please let me know, as postage is expensive to have to remail newsletters.

Thank you

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