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DR. ALVIN L. SANBORN: HEALTH CARE INNOVATOR

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Throughout the past year we have been bombarded by the news media regarding the status of our nation's health care. Daily reports come out of Washington telling of proposed health care reform and cradle-to-grave coverage. Newspaper and magazine advertisements promote a variety of senior and family health plans, HMOs, disability insurance, nursing home insurance, and so forth. As a result, medical caregivers are running scared, streamlining their services, combining forces, and forming partnerships in order to survive.

The state leading the nation in managed care is California, with more than half of its residents enrolled in various health maintenance programs. Managed care got its start in California when Kaiser Permanente Medical Center opened its doors in 1943. Now, more than 50 years later, Kaiser Permanente is this country's largest HMO, serving more than 6.5 million members. One of the founding physicians of Kaiser Hospital, and the man who served as its first medical director, was Dr. Alvin Leavitt Sanborn.

Dr. Sanborn has been described as "very kind, caring, and classy." This graduate of the University of Southern California School of Medicine received an invitation to come to Fontana (site of Kaiser Steel Mill and the new Kaiser Hospital) after serving three years in the Army Air Corps during World War II. The invitation to join the

staff came from his friend, Dr. Raymond Kay, whom Sanborn had known during his residency training program at Los Angeles County Medical Center. Sanborn moved into the triplex center on property purchased by Dr. Sidney Garfield, following a contract with Henry J. Kaiser for Garfield to provide prepaid health care for the three thousand steel workers and their family members. It was Dr. Garfield who asked Sanborn to build the new health plan with a strong emphasis on preventive medicine and an immunization program against disease. "The idea was to keep the patients healthy so they wouldn't get sick."

In 1945, the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program was opened to the public. Dr. Sanborn became the Chief of Internal Medicine in 1946, then the Area Associate Medical Director in 1947. In 1972 he was appointed Assistant to the Regional Medical Director, working at the headquarters in Pasadena. He retained this position until his "retirement" in 1975, then returned to Fontana to work full time in the Preventive Medicine Department and with the Multi-Phasic Health Appraisal. He officially retired from his duties in 1992 but continued his interest in the Medical Center and visited there frequently with his wife at his side. Both were known to be generous volunteers at the hospital and in the community. *[Continued on page 3]*

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Your Executive Board for the previous year faced and dealt with many issues, not always an easy task. They have earned our appreciation for the considerable time they have given toward the continuing success of this Association. And we should all add our thanks for the work which made our annual reunion in Sanbornville, N.H., another success!

Each issue of *Sanborn Signatures* contains a wealth of fascinating information. Taken together, the 21 issues provide insights into a wide variety of personalities from the Sanborn past. Our heritage comes to life.

What an asset to any family library! What a gift! Back issues can be purchased for \$2.50 each, postpaid. Or, you can make a gift of a current membership in the Association for a family member or any interested person. Information about memberships and back issues can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Again, our appreciation to past Board members, and a special thanks to past and present *Sanborn Signatures* editors!

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Alvin Leavitt Sanborn was born at Lemoore, Calif., on 15 November 1910, the youngest child of William Leavitt and Annie (Miller) Sanborn. He was educated at local schools, then went away to college, medical school, and to begin a career. While completing his residency at Los Angeles County Medical Center, he met nurse Jean Burnett, a native of Blackfoot, Idaho, born on 10 June 1911. They were married on 10 January 1941 and raised two children:

1) Alvin Miller, b. in Colorado on 6 Nov. 1943; m. Jarrisse Gennari, b. 11 Jan. 1952, and had sons John Allen, b. 18 Apr. 1971, and Tyler Crossley, b. 18 Apr. 1985. The family currently resides in Oakton, Va.

2) Sally Jean, b. at Fontana, Calif., on 6 Mar. 1949, m. Richard Leon Stephenson, b. 3 Jan. 1947, and had a daughter, Kate Sanborn, b. 29 Oct. 1986, and a son, Scott Richard, b. 29 Jan. 1988. The family currently resides in Scottsdale, Ariz. Sally has kindly given permission for this article about her father.

The William⁶ Sanborn Family

It was Dr. Sanborn's great-grandparents, William and Sarah Sanborn, who moved west from New Hampshire in 1834. With their eight children in tow, they made the trek via railroad, canal barge, and Lake Erie vessel to Detroit, then journeyed by wagon to Will County, Illinois. At the time their children ranged from age seventeen to age one. Another child, Simeon, was born two years after their arrival in Illinois but died young.

This William Sanborn (No. 752 in *Genealogy of the Family of Samborne or Sanborn in England and America, 1194-1898*, by V.C. Sanborn [Concord, N.H.: The Author, 1899], hereafter *Sanborn Genealogy*) was born at Bride's Hill in Hampton, N.H., on 13 November 1793. He left Hampton, married Sarah [Sally] Leavitt of Sanbornton on 7 March 1816, and farmed near Squam Lake in Holderness, N.H., where his children were born. Interestingly, William had a "double Sanborn line," being the son of John and Anna (Sanborn) Sanborn; his wife, Sarah, born on 30 April 1794, had a "double Leavitt line," being the daughter of Moses and Ruth (Leavitt) Leavitt.

Fourteen years after taking up farming at Plainfield in Will County, Ill., the Sanborns removed to Dodge County, Wisconsin. One son, William, stayed behind that time, married widow Catherine Taylor, and lived in Lockport, Ill. The other children, however, ventured on to Wisconsin, living either with, or near, their parents.

Eventually, five of the Sanborn children moved to other parts of the Midwest. Moses, who married Sarah J. French of Laconia, N.H., was the only son to remain at the homestead.

The original family farms were located in Chester Township, in an area later referred to as Atwater. Directly to the east is the present-day Horicon National Wildlife Refuge, south of which lies the beautiful Horicon Marsh Wildlife Area. William and Sarah lived in Atwater until their deaths in 1862 and 1875, respectively.

The 1850 census of Chester Township reveals that sons Moses and Jeremiah, as well as daughters Sarah Ann and Caroline, were then living on the farm with their parents. Next door lived son Albe Sanborn, his wife, Lavinia (Freeman) Sanborn, and their two children. Son Thomas C. Sanborn, his wife, Eliza (Freeman) Sanborn, their four children, and Eliza's parents, lived on a farm in Chester Township, also. The population of Chester in 1850 was 829, and there were four school districts serving the area.

The one son not accounted for in the 1850 census was John Leavitt Sanborn. He does not appear in the census of Dodge County, nor of any other county, for he may have been en route to California. This was, after all, the time of the *gold rush*, and exciting opportunities awaited in the Golden State.

John Leavitt Sanborn, born in Holderness, N.H., on 28 August 1826, was the sixth son of William and Sarah Sanborn. As the paternal grandfather of Dr. Alvin Sanborn, his story is worth noticing. He was known to be in Santa Cruz County, Calif., in the early 1850s and was married to Sarah Adelia Dean in Watsonville on 30 September 1855. Sarah, born in Penn Yan, N.Y., on 13 September 1841, the daughter of George C. Dean, was barely fourteen years old at the time of her marriage to John, but she had already experienced her share of travel and adventure.

The Dean Family

Author Myron Angle, in a history of central California, tells the story of George C. Dean, who was from Yates County, N.Y. George's father, Zebulon Dean, was a minister of the Freewill Baptist Church who died when George was a youth. George early in life learned the trade of ship carpenter, a skill which would come in handy later in California. In 1837, at age 20, George was married to Maria Houghtailing of

Yates County, and in 1845 this couple moved to New York City. He worked at his trade until July of 1846 when he enlisted in Col. J.D. Stevenson's regiment of New York Volunteers which was to take the route around the Horn to California for service in the Mexican War. George had with him aboard the ship, Susan (Drew) Dean, his wife, and three children, including his daughter, Sarah Adelia Dean, because the enlistment carried a proviso that the members would be discharged in California at the end of their service. Obviously, the Dean family was willing to take advantage of this opportunity to reach the west coast.

When the ship carrying the 300 volunteers entered the Golden Gate in March of 1847, after six months at sea, the Mexican War had already ended. The men, therefore, were dispatched for garrison duty at various posts from Sonoma and San Francisco to Los Angeles. George Dean was discharged shortly after gold was discovered at Sutter's Mill, and joined the throngs searching for riches. But having little luck in finding gold, he went to a trading camp near Jamestown, where he sold mining supplies. When he returned from the gold fields to Monterey, he resumed the carpentry business until 1856. Then, after a stint at farming in Contra Costa County, he came to Tulare County in 1859 to homestead southeast of Visalia. His six children all remained in California. They were George E., Sarah A., Eliza M., Nancy A., Jessie D., and William P. Dean.

The John Leavitt⁷ Sanborn Family

The 1870 census of Santa Cruz County, Calif., shows the Watsonville household of John L. Sanborn and his wife, Sarah (Dean) Sanborn. He is listed, at age 43, as a grocer, while she, at age 29, is called a milliner. Their four children are recorded as Leavitt R., age 13 (b. at Watsonville on 20 July 1857); Rosa Alice, age 11 (b. at San Jose on 11 Feb. 1859); William Horace, age 6 (b. at San Jose on 24 Nov. 1863); Angie Daisey, age 4 (b. at San Jose on 18 Oct. 1865). [Son John Robert ("Johnny") was born at Watsonville on 7 May 1872, and died in 1882. Son Frank was born on 26 October 1873, and died within a month.] Watsonville was laid out in 1852 on a part of the Rancho Bolsa del Pájaro by D. S. Gregory and J. H. Watson, owners of the land. The city directory for 1873 lists John L. and Sarah Sanborn as having their home and business on Pajaro Street.

Also located on Pajaro Street was the Ford and Sanborn General Merchandise Store. Lucius Sanborn, who prospered as a partner in this business, was one of five brothers who came with their father from Machiasport, Maine, circa 1850. It is reported by V.C. Sanborn in the *Sanborn Genealogy* that this father, William (No. 421), amassed considerable property in California. William's other sons in Watsonville were Newman D., Edwin F., William A., and Alvin. A daughter, Priscilla, married Dr. H. Fletcher and lived for a time in Watsonville, also; she died in 1860. The family from Maine must have known John L. Sanborn, because John and Sarah's infant son, Frank, was buried in that family's plot, even though they were not close cousins.

About the time Watsonville was flourishing on the coast, a new settlement in the San Joaquin Valley was being established. Originally named for the local Tachi Indians, the name of this budding town was changed by the government post office in 1875 to Lemoore, in honor of the early, influential settler, Dr. Lovern Lee Moore.

Cattlemen were in this area of Kings County as early as the 1850s, and stock-raising prevailed for at least twenty years. Sheep-raising was also undertaken, but never achieved the same importance. The coming of the first railroad through Lemoore opened the way for the growing of grain, which soon became the principal industry. Then, in the late 1880s, extensive acreage was given over to fruit trees and the growing of raisin grapes. These enterprises became extremely successful along with dairying.

To this community of Lemoore came the John L. Sanborn family in the late 1870s. In the 1880 census they are found living in a home surrounded by farms and ranches. John L. was then working as a carpenter, his wife as a milliner, and son Leavitt as a painter. New to the household listing was son George P. Sanborn, age two, born in Visalia on 4 June 1878. One more son joined the family. He was Homer Chellis, born in Lemoore on 5 November 1881, the eighth child born to John and Sarah.

In November of 1880, daughter Rosa married John William Rhoads, who became a prosperous, well-known land owner and rancher of Lemoore. Rosa's brother, Johnny, died in 1882, at age ten. Her oldest brother, Leavitt, opened the first general store in the neighboring community of Armona. Years later the store was converted into a library. John L. Sanborn died on 24 September [Continued on page 6]

REUNION NEWS

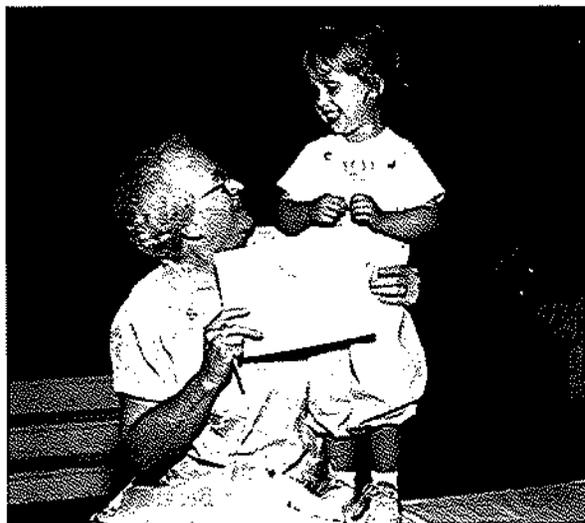
The 11th annual reunion was held on 20-21 August 1994 in Sanbornville, N.H., and was accounted a great success by all present. Our hats are off, once again, to the tireless Richard B. Sanborn of Epping for staging his second delightful reunion, with much thought and care going into the many, time-consuming details so that we could all have a good time. As if he did not have his hands full enough with his duties as President, among many other things, Dick still managed to put together a memorable reunion for the many Sanborn cousins present.

The reunion began with a cruise on Lake Winnepesaukee aboard the flagship 'MV Mount Washington;' the weather was spectacular, and folks had a chance to see many of the lovely 365 islands in the "Big Lake," an island for every day of the year! A most enjoyable talk was given in the evening in the Wakefield town hall by Town Historian, Elizabeth MacRury.

On the second day we enjoyed a tour of Wakefield's Historic District and local sights, particularly the "Museum of Childhood," owned by Elizabeth MacRury. This was followed by a delicious catered luncheon at the town hall, the traditional group photograph by our good friend, Aurel Stuart of Manchester, N.H., and our annual business meeting. Ten states were represented by those in attendance this year, with 31 from New Hampshire, 19 from Massachusetts, 8 from Maine, 5 from Virginia, 4 from Pennsylvania, 4 from New York, 4 from California, 3 from Vermont, 3 from Connecticut, and 1 from Texas. Of those present, 42 descended from



Eldest in attendance Ruth King (right)



Youngest in attendance Corrina Gilbert

John¹ Samborne, and 24 descended from William¹ Samborne. Many descended from both these brothers. Our faithful cousin, Ruth King of Concord, N.H., at age 84, was the oldest Sanborn present, while little Corrina Gilbert of Weare, N.H., at age 3, was the youngest. Marilyn Gwartney of Corona, Calif., was judged to have travelled the farthest, and received a can of New Hampshire maple syrup! Nice to see you, Marilyn, and please come back again soon.

Retiring Board members Ruth S. MacPherson, our indefatigable Secretary, and Ruth Sanborn, our Assistant Secretary, were given a solid round of applause and many thanks by retiring President, Richard B. Sanborn who, in turn, got himself a much-deserved standing ovation. Dick presided with grace and kindness over a pivotal year in our Association's history, and will be long remembered for his sincere humanity, not to mention the enormous effort he put in, to make the last two reunions an enjoyable success.

Executive Board officers for 1995, as presented by the Nominating Committee, were elected (see list elsewhere). A question from the floor asked about a recently-published book of lineages of Sanborn Family Association members, and it was explained that this was a private publication, and not one endorsed or published by The SFA.

June Drinkwater of Lockport, N.Y., won the 1899 Sanborn Genealogy in the annual raffle. After singing the Sanborn Farewell Song, the meeting stood adjourned, with plans beginning immediately for the 1995 reunion. Watch the next *Sanborn Signatures* for details, and plan to come the fourth week-end in August.

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1906, and his devoted wife died on 28 December 1907. They are buried together in the Lemoore Cemetery along with Johnny and several members of their family.

The William Horace⁸ Sanborn Family

The second son of John Leavitt Sanborn was raised and educated in Watsonville and Lemoore. This William H. Sanborn married, on 13 November 1889, Miss Annie Miller of Visalia, who was born of English parents in County Cork, Ireland, on 30 September 1867. The 1880 census shows Annie, 12, and her sister Louise, 17, living with their married sister Bessie (Mrs. Oscar Johnson, age 23) in Visalia. Annie had first come to Lemoore by wagon in 1883, "a long, hot drive in the summer," to visit her recently married sister, Louise (Miller) Holster. She met Angie Sanborn and several other good friends during that summer stay. Annie wrote her memories of the early days for the *Lemoore Centennial Book, 1873-1973*, in which she spoke affectionately of the town and its citizens.

William H. owned general merchandise stores in Lemoore, Hanford, and Fresno. At the turn of the century, he and his family lived in the latter two towns for a time, then returned to Lemoore. William H. and Annie had six children over a period of nineteen years, and the family Bible contains the birth dates. Names of spouses were provided by Sally S. Stephenson; death dates came from the Lemoore Cemetery and the California Death Index. All had issue except Flora Louise.

Elmer Miller, b. in Lemoore, 3 Apr. 1891; d. in Dec. 1986; m. Lena Wells, who d. 20 Jan. 1970; both bur. in Lindsey, Calif.

Flora Louise, b. in Lemoore, 29 Aug. 1893; d. in Yucaipa, Calif., 2 May 1986; bur. next to her parents in Lemoore; m. twice to Paul Lewis. No issue.

Evelyn Adelia, b. in Lemoore, 16 June 1898; d. there, 29 March 1948; m. 1 May 1926, Wallace John McTarnahan, who d. 13 Feb. 1967. Both are bur. in Lemoore.

William Lynn, b. in Hanford, Calif., 5 Sept. 1901; m. Florence Maddox, who d. in Fresno County, Calif., 23 Apr. 1983. Both are bur. in Salinas, Calif., but formerly lived in Vallejo, Calif.

Ada Elinore, b. in Fresno, 10 Oct. 1905; d. 14 Nov. 1968; m. Clement Evans, who d. 2 Apr. 1957. Both are bur. in Lemoore.

Alvin Leavitt, b. 15 Nov. 1910 [please see text for further information].

The father, William H. Sanborn, died on 29 August 1929, at age 65. Annie remained in Lemoore until she could no longer live alone. She died in Fontana under the loving care of her son, Alvin, on 22 May 1961. She was almost 94 years old. William and Annie rest together in the Lemoore Cemetery.

In 1973, as part of the 100-year celebration of Lemoore, 213 people who had attended the old, original high school came to town for a special reunion. Two families received honors for having the most people present, one of which was the Sanborn family. Dr. Alvin Sanborn attended with three of his siblings and was able to greet, among others, a former schoolmate who had the delightful maiden name of Mineral Waters!



Dr. Alvin L. Sanborn

Epilogue

Today the Fontana Kaiser Steel Mill, which ceased operations about a decade ago, is in the process of being dismantled and shipped to China. Gone are the Slavic steel workers. Gone, too, are the vineyards, citrus groves, and small ranches. Fontana, a formerly rural community located 65 miles east of Los Angeles, has a population of 100,000 and the typical problems of an evolving city.

Kaiser Permanente continues to grow throughout the country. There are 60 medical facilities in southern California and 31 in the northern part of the state. Medical offices and hospitals are now available in 16 states, ranging from Hawaii to the Atlantic coast, and in the District of Columbia.

The Kaiser Medical Center long ago outgrew its original site in Fontana and in 1954 moved to a new location in town. New buildings and wings have been added continuously ever since. A press release from a year ago stated that there were nearly 400 physicians at the Center and an additional support staff of 3,500 workers.

In 1980, Dr. Alvin Leavitt Sanborn was present when the Preventive Medicine building was dedicated in his honor. And, in the fall of 1993, he had the pleasure of being honored during a luncheon commemorating the 50th anniversary of Kaiser Medical Center.

Known for his homespun style, he was a favorite among his patients. "Dr. Sanborn was one of those guys who, if you were a patient of his, made you feel that he was there for you, no one else."

Dr. Sanborn died on Christmas Eve, 24 December 1993. His beloved wife of fifty-one years, Jean, had died the previous year, on 11 September 1992. Their final resting place is in Lemoore with the pioneering Sanborns.

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the family; *Joann Wells* of the Dodge County Museum in Beaver Dam, Wis.; *Karen Joseph* of the Pajaro Valley Historical Association in Watsonville, Calif.; THE SUN newspaper, San Bernardino, Calif., for the photograph of Dr. Alvin L. Sanborn; and my husband, *Jim James*, for tolerating my seven months of research, for accompanying me on the trip to Kings County, and for doing the word processing on this article.

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BIRTHS

Connor Michael Sanborn, b. in Laconia, N.H., 28 June 1993, son of Shaun and Denise Sanborn of Gilford, N.H., grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Sanborn of Plymouth, N.H., and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brassard of Brookfield, Vt., and brother of Lauren Sanborn.

Cody James Sanborn, b. in New London, N.H., 10 May 1994, son of David K. and Kristina M. Sanborn of Laconia, N.H., grandson of Ken and Gloria Sanborn of Tilton, N.H., Joe and Linda Truss of East Corinth, Vt., Clint and Marie Martin of Spokane, Wash., and Al and Jan Tripp of Provo, Utah.

MARRIAGES

Joshua Alexander Sanborn, son of John and Jean Sanborn of Unity, Me., and Kimberly Sue Babcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Deady of Schenectady, N.Y., and Dr. Robert Babcock of Clifton Park, N.Y., married in Altamont, N.Y., 7 Aug. 1993. Best man was Geoffrey Sanborn of Hamden, Conn., and Benjamin Sanborn of Houlton, Me., served as an usher. The bride is a graduate of Saint Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y., and Indiana University in Bloomington, Ind. The groom is a graduate of Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif., and is a doctoral student of Russian history at the University of Chicago. They spent their honeymoon on beautiful Prince Edward Island, and now reside in Merrillville, Ind.

Forest Lyman Sanborn II, son of the late Forest and Margaret Sanborn of Bucksport, Me., and Stephanie Jo Wood, daughter of Edmund and Connie Wood of Bucksport, married in Bucksport, 19 Feb. 1994. The bride is a graduate of the Boyd School of Travel in Pittsburgh, Pa., and the

groom served in the United States Marine Corps. The couple reside in Brewer, Me.

DEATHS

Patricia B. Sanborn of Holyoke, Mass., 12 May 1992 in Chicopee, Mass., aged 49 years. Wife of Robert P. Sanborn Jr., mother of Robert P. Sanborn III and Cindy Sanborn, both of Holyoke, and sister of Marion Bradford of Arizona. She was from Scranton, Pa.

Phippen Sanborn of Vero Beach, Fla., 25 Sept. 1992 at Indian River, Fla., aged 76 years. Survived by step-children and step-grandchildren, he was a former resident of Orr's Island, Me. He was the son of the late Dr. George P. and Adalyn (Henderson) Sanborn of Boston, Mass., and was a United States Air Force veteran.

Mina E. (Southard) Sanborn of Waterville, Me., 14 Nov. 1992, aged 103 years. Wife of the late Ellis A. Sanborn, mother of Ellis N. Sanborn of Gainesville, Fla., Omar E. Sanborn of Winslow, Me., Colby G. Sanborn, Wesley C. Sanborn, and Kathleen (Sanborn) Durrell, all of Waterville, grandmother of 3, and great-grandmother of 2. She was the daughter of the late Edward and Ruby (Donaldson) Southard of Dover-Foxcroft, Me., and had lived in Waterville over 75 years.

Harold R. Canney of Tilton, N.H., 11 Feb. 1993, aged 79 years. Husband of Eva (Chabot) Canney, father of Joan (Canney) Horne of Conway, N.H., Janet (Canney) McKinnon of Moultonborough, N.H., Linda (Canney) Clairmont of Belmont, N.H., Susan Canney of Albuquerque, N.M., and grandfather of 6. He was the son of the late Harry C. and Mildred (Sanborn) Canney of Laconia, and was a United States Army veteran.

Elsie (Sanborn) Weeks of Chichester, N.H., and Bradenton, Fla., 4 March 1993 in Bradenton, aged 97 years. Wife of the late J. Harold Weeks, mother of Clayton E. Weeks of Chichester, Richard C. Weeks of Dover, N.H., Frances V. Weeks of Chichester, grandmother of 4, great-grandmother of 4, and great-great-grandmother of 2. She was the daughter of the late Jeremy and Emma (Cofran) Sanborn of Chichester.

Cynthia (Culley) Sanborn of Chichester, N.H., 20 March 1993 in Manchester, N.H., aged 45

years. Wife of Ansel N. Sanborn, mother of Adam N. Sanborn and Karen Sanborn of Chichester, and sister of Kilburn Culley Jr. of Norwell, Mass. She was the daughter of Kilburn and Evelyn Sylvia Culley of Lawrence, Mass., and was an honors graduate of the University of New Hampshire.

Gladys M. (Johnson) Sanborn of Contoocook, N.H., 6 April 1993 in Boscawen, N.H., aged 93 years. Wife of the late Jacob S. Sanborn, mother of William H. Putnam of Mansfield, Pa., Janet M. Amadon of Contoocook, grandmother of 2, and great-grandmother of 5. She came from Winchester, Mass.

Earl P. Sanborn of Manchester, N.H., 24 Aug. 1993, aged 79 years. Husband of Helen (Spanos) Sanborn, father of Earl P. Sanborn II, E. Bruce Sanborn, and Perry E. Sanborn, all of Manchester, and Andrea R. (Sanborn) Merrill of Chester, N.H., and grandfather to many. He was predeceased by a son, Wayne L. Sanborn. He was the son of the late Earl and Helene Louise (Perry) Sanborn of Manchester.

Frances G. Boles of Derry, N.H., 30 Sept. 1993 in Manchester, N.H., aged 74 years. Wife of the late George E. Boles, mother of Dennis Boles of Mitchellville, Md., Ralph Boles of Belmont, N.H., Bryan Boles of Lake Park, Fla., Curtis Boles of Londonderry, N.H., grandmother of 12, and great-grandmother of 7. She was the daughter of the late William and Lena (Morse) Grover of Sandown, N.H. Active in local historical societies and The Sanborn Family Association, Mrs. Boles went on the tour to England in 1989 and will be sadly missed.

Gregory B. Sanborn of Manchester, N.H., 2 Nov. 1993 in Boston, Mass., aged 9 years. Son of Frederick A. (Jr.) and Cheryl (LaBrie) Sanborn, of Manchester, brother of Elizabeth Sanborn of Manchester, and grandson of Frederick A. and Loleta (Valliere) Sanborn of Manchester, and Armand and Carol LaBrie of Goffstown, N.H.

Eva Amelia Sanborn of Concord, N.H., 4 Jan. 1994, aged 97 years. Aunt of Beverley (Sanborn) Minot of Wayland, Mass. Miss Sanborn was the daughter of the late George Albert and Lula (Duston) Sanborn of Parsonsfield, Me., and had been a schoolteacher in Newport, N.H., for many years.

Myrtie A. (Heath) Sanborn of Milford, N.H., 6 Jan. 1994 in Boscawen, N.H., aged 87 years. Wife of the late Carl A. Sanborn, mother of Ashley A. Sanborn of Milford, R. William Sanborn and Paul E. Sanborn, both of Wilmot Flat, N.H., Kenneth B. Sanborn of Grafton, N.H., Norma E. (Sanborn) Howard and Gloria J. Sanborn, both of St. Petersburg, Fla., grandmother of 28, and a great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother to many, sister of Lorenzo A. Heath of Newbury, N.H., Stanley H. Heath of Riverside, Calif., and Reginald O. Heath of St. Petersburg, Fla. She was the daughter of the late Arthur L. and Nellie M. (Bagley) Heath of Bradford, N.H.

Una (Sanborn) Monsante of Gilford, N.H., 18 Jan. 1994 in Laconia, N.H., aged 71 years. Wife of James A. Monsante, sister of David Sanborn of Florida, Fred Sanborn of Manchester, N.H., and Patricia (Sanborn) Johnson of Oakville, Conn. She was the daughter of the late Guy and Neva (Dockham) Sanborn of Hartford, Conn., and owned and operated Una's Diner in Laconia for several years. She was a United States Army veteran.

Guy Winter Sanborn Jr. of Newburyport, Mass., 30 Jan. 1994, aged 76 years. Brother of Norma (Sanborn) Soucy of Seabrook, N.H., and K. Joyce (Sanborn) Mello of Newburyport, and survived by nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews. He was the son of the late Guy W. and Alice (Powers) Sanborn of Newbury, Mass.

Lloyd Sanborn of Effingham, N.H., 31 Jan. 1994 in Wolfeborough, N.H., aged 96 years. Father of Lloyd Sanborn Jr., of St. Louis, Mo., Walter Sanborn of Brockton, Mass., grandfather of 10 and great-grandfather of 2, brother of Roland E. Sanborn of Ossipee [who died there 15 July 1994, *q.v.*], and Verna (Sanborn) Rogers of Effingham. He was predeceased by a son, Charles Sanborn, and a daughter, Elizabeth Sanborn. He was a real estate agent for many years, and the town's oldest resident.

Garald E. Blanchard of Milford and Concord, N.H., 10 Feb. 1994, aged 71 years. Husband of Madelyn A. (Follansbee) Blanchard, father of Susan Lee (Blanchard) Frantum of New Braintree, Mass., Alan Blanchard and Garald E. Blanchard Jr., both of Hamden, Conn., grandfather of 2. He was the son of the late William

W. and Iva M. (Sanborn) Blanchard of Lancaster, N.H., and owned and operated a landscaping business in Nashua N.H., for many years.

Algernon A. Sanborn of Detroit, Me., 24 April 1994 in Pittsfield, Me., aged 84 years. Husband of the late Flora (Ashe) Sanborn, father of Andrew Sanborn of East Haven, Conn., Marie (Sanborn) Towne of Newport, Me., brother of Christine (Sanborn) Ward of Sabattus, Me., grandfather of four, and great-grandfather of five. He was the son of the late George and Effie (Peterson) Sanborn of Detroit, Me., and was a United States Army veteran.

William H. Sanborn of Chichester, N.H., 2 May 1994 in Concord, N.H., aged 77 years. Brother of Marion (Sanborn) Hathaway of Concord, he is also survived by nieces and nephews. He was the son of the late Edwin and Elbertha (Call) Sanborn of Chichester, and served in World War II at the Battle of the Bulge.

Richard C. Sanborn of Chichester, N.H., 16 June 1994 in Concord, N.H., aged 81 years. Husband of Martha (Wilcox) Sanborn, father of David A. Sanborn of Brattleboro, Vt., Dale A. Sanborn of Chichester, grandfather of 3, and brother of Walter L. Sanborn of Chichester. He was the son of the late Leon A. and H. Helen (Langmaid) Sanborn of Chichester, and was a former Selectman of the town and otherwise active in town affairs. He was a United States Army veteran.

Nathlee (Sanborn) Wood of Antrim, N.H., 22 June 1994 in Peterborough, N.H., aged 78 years. Wife of the late Philip Wood, mother of Ramona (Wood) Plourde of Antrim, Rita (Wood) Webster of Mary Esther, Fla., Ethel (Wood) Milano of Concord, N.H., Barbara (Wood) Casey of Antrim, grandmother of 20, and great-grandmother of 20. She was a daughter of the late Leslie and Mattie Olive (Gilpatrick) Sanborn of Hiram, Me. She lived many years in Rockland, Me., where she raised chickens and beef cattle, and managed a grocery store.

Marion (Demaine) Sanborn of Danville, N.H., 25 June 1994, aged 70 years. Wife of the late Robert E. Sanborn, mother of Vivian (Sanborn) Wicker of Danville, Patricia (Sanborn) Turner of Fremont, N.H., Catherine (Sanborn) Buteau of Fremont, Cathleen (Sanborn) Francis of Dover, N.H., grandmother of 8, great-grandmother of 3,

sister of Richard Demaine and Harvey Demaine, both of Danville. She was the daughter of the late Merritt and Ethel (Raumery) Demaine of Danville.

Marjorie A. Hunt of Nashua, N.H., 28 June 1994, aged 66 years. Mother of Patricia Raymond of Nashua, Donald C. Hunt and Robert Hunt of Orinda, Calif., and grandmother of six. Also sister of Richard Nichols of Englewood, Calif., and Ernest Nichols of Durham, N.H. She was the daughter of the late Roland A. and Edith (Sanborn) Nichols of Manchester, N.H., and was a schoolteacher in Hollis, N.H., for many years.

Albert Raymond Sanborn of Middlebury, Vt., 30 June 1994, aged 74 years. Husband of the late Mary Agnes (Counter) Sanborn, father of Laura Ellen (Sanborn) Malinowski of Brandon, Vt., and Albert R. Sanborn Jr. of Rutland, Vt., and survived by grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was the son of the late Homer and Florence (Smith) Sanborn of Haverhill, N.H., and was a United States Army veteran.

Bernard F. Sanborn of Ashland, N.H., 6 July 1994 in Plymouth, N.H., aged 73 years. Husband of Adrienne (Brunt) Sanborn, father of Dennis Sanborn of Belmont, N.H., Robert Sanborn and David Sanborn, both of Ashland, Bonnie (Sanborn) Morrison of Concord, N.H., Deborah (Sanborn) Kelly of Rumney, N.H., Sheryl (Sanborn) Lambert of Connecticut, grandfather of 8, and brother of Elwell Sanborn of Tennessee. He was the son of the late Melville and Vera (Kimball) Sanborn of Plymouth, N.H., and was a United States Army veteran.

Julia E. (Sanborn) Griffin of Ashland, N.H. 7 July 1994, aged 104 years. Wife of the late Arthur E. Griffin, mother of Richard Griffin of San Jose, Calif., grandmother of 3, great-grandmother of 9. She was predeceased by a son, Charles E. Griffin, who was killed in Italy in World War II. She was the daughter of the late Smith and Ida (Plaisted) Sanborn of Ashland, and the town's oldest resident. She was of the ninth generation in descent from Lt. John¹ Samborne of Hampton, N.H., and was interred in Blair Cemetery in Campton, N.H., in a plot purchased by her grandfather in 1854.

Roland E. Sanborn of Effingham, N.H., 15 July 1994 in Ossipee, N.H., aged 84 years. Husband of

Rebecca (Pitman) Sanborn, father of Ruth (Sanborn) O'Neal of Norwalk, Conn., grandfather of four, great-grandfather of three, and brother of Verna (Sanborn) Rogers of Effingham. Mr. Sanborn was a town Selectman and active in town and church affairs, and was an organizer of the town's fire department.

George Knight Sanborn of Turbo's Creek, Kennebunkport, Me., 30 July 1994, aged 87 years. Husband of Frances (Flagg) Sanborn, father of Anne (Sanborn) Lombard of North Hampton, N.H., and Patricia Sanborn of Grand Forks, Col., grandfather of four, and great-grandfather of one. A son, Scott W. Sanborn, died on 26 Feb. 1994 [see Vol. X, No. 2, p. 27]. He was the son of the late Henry C. and Lucy (Cummings) Sanborn of Franklin, N.H., and was a graduate of Phillips Andover Academy and Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H. Mr. Sanborn was a mathematics and biology professor at Phillips Andover Academy for more than 40 years.

Margaret M. Place of Rochester, N.H., 1 Aug. 1994, aged 69 years. Wife of the late Herbert Lund and Donald R. Place, mother of Gary Lund of Berwick, Me., Brian Lund of Merryville, Tenn., Patricia (Lund) March, Ellen (Lund) Rossignol, and Susan (Lund) McPherson, all of Milton, N.H., Carolyn (Lund) Towers of Somersworth, N.H., Nancy (Lund) Whitehouse of Lebanon, Me., grandmother of 21, great-grandmother of 8, sister of Ruth (Sanborn) Michaud of Manchester, N.H. She was a daughter of the late Roland and Grace (Haddock) Sanborn of Whitefield, N.H.

Audrey (Wrest) Sanborn of Peabody, Mass., 1 Aug. 1994, aged 72 years. Wife of the late Robert J. Sanborn, mother of Wendy A. Francis, and grandmother of Jennifer L. Francis, both of Beverly, Mass. She was born in Peabody, a daughter of the late Charles and Bertha Wrest, and had resided in Beverly and Salem, Mass.

Frank E. Adams of Pembroke, N.H., 12 Aug. 1994 in Concord, N.H., aged 84 years. Husband of Agnes (Sanborn) Adams, and brother of Bernice (Adams) Michael of Sandwich, N.H. He was the son of the late Frank E. and Ellen (Keane) Adams of Manchester, N.H., and was a United States Navy veteran.

C. Dean Sanborn of Groveton, N.H., 3 Oct. 1994, aged 78 years. Husband of Arline (Emery) San-

born, father of William J. Sanborn of Newington, N.H., Stephen D. Sanborn of Westford, Vt., Craig M. Sanborn of Quechee, Vt., and James L. Sanborn of Groveton, and grandfather of nine. Also brother of Elenor Monahan of Norwood, Mass., and Rotha Clement of Needham Heights, Mass. He was the son of the late Claude W. and Kate (Monson) Sanborn of Newport, Vt., and was a United States Army veteran.

David M. Sanborn of Framingham, Mass., 18 Nov. 1994 in Plymouth, N.H., aged 68 years. Husband of Althea M. (Thomas) Sanborn, father of Ken D. Sanborn of Waltham, Mass., Gary T. Sanborn of Hoboken, N.J., Cheryl A. Sanborn of Boston, Mass., and Kathy Dube of West Newton, Mass. Also brother of Richard A. Sanborn of Holderness, N.H., and Laura Sanborn of Framingham, and grandfather of four. He was the son of the late Albert A. and Alice L. (Reagan) Sanborn of Framingham, and was the organist at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Framingham for more than 33 years. He was a graduate of Northeastern University in Boston, Mass., and a United States Navy veteran.

Sheldon Sanborn Theall of Laconia, N.H., 26 Nov. 1994, aged 67 years. Husband of Barbara Theall, father of Glen Sheldon Theall of Lakeport [Laconia], Andrea T. Avery of Laconia, and Lesley Theall of Brookline, Mass., and grandfather of two. He also leave a sister and a brother. He was the son of the late Ralph W. and Mildred (Sanborn) Theall of Lakeport [Laconia].

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The Sanborn Family Association sends enthusiastic greetings to Gladys Sanborn, a resident of the Masonic Home in Manchester, N.H., who observed her *100th birthday* on 22 July 1993. Looking at least 20 years younger, Gladys was seen blowing out the candles on her cake. We wish her many more birthdays and continued good health!

ENGLISH RESEARCH & CAVEAT EMPTOR

Research is still being conducted into the English ancestry of our three Samborne immigrants to New England and, unfortunately,

proof of who their father was has not as yet been found. We still believe the hypothesis presented in *Sanborn Signatures*, Spring 1992 issue, pp. 6-8, to be probable, but research is on-going to prove or disprove it. While Richard Samborne of Herriard, Hampshire, *might* have been our ancestor, it is not yet proven, so please refrain from entering this on charts and records as if it were a fact. Likewise, older, published works which asserted that our immigrants' father was either John or William had no proof for that, either, and no one should write in any name for the three boys' father at this time.

Our two English researchers are following up fresh leads and we hope they will turn up something new soon. The research costs us a few hundred dollars each year, a modest sum, yet our English Research Fund is depleted and we rely on monies from our general operating fund to carry on the work since this is a stated goal of our Association. Please consider making a donation to our English Research Fund so that this valuable work can continue until proof is finally found of whence we came, and from whom!

FROM THE GENEALOGIST'S DESK...

Our former Genealogist, Melinde Lutz Sanborn, who retired from this position in 1993, had done a tremendous job in her quiet way of revising and up-dating the earlier generations of our family in the New World. As members are well aware, one of the purposes of forming this Association was to revise and up-date the old 1899 genealogy, finding lost lines which were omitted from that publication, and bringing all lines down to the present, correcting all errors and omissions along the way. Does this sound easy? Well, it's not! Nevertheless, one has to start somewhere. Our family is particularly daunting since we are starting out with *three immigrants*, unlike most families who have just one, so three times the work is required in our case. One person cannot do it all in one lifetime. Short of finding a cat to fill this position (assuming s/he has not used up any of her/his nine lives already!), the only way to realistically tackle this mammoth undertaking is to take an overview of the total task, break it into "do-able" chunks, and proceed modestly.

We foresee a final product of approximately five volumes at the present time, bringing it down to the present day, plus an index. Melinde

had made remarkable progress on the first five generations in this country, correcting many old errors still in print and adding new, lost lines never included in the 1899 book. When these five generations are fleshed out, with the children of the sixth generation listed, we will have volume 1 completed. This is a realistic goal at this time, and one which I hope to achieve while I am your Genealogist. The book will be hard-bound, in *Register* form, and indexed (because it may be a while before volume 2 appears).

Why is the task so immense? Just picture a pyramid, turned upside down. This is how a family grows from generation to generation from an immigrant ancestor. Each generation doubles the size of the family!! Since 23 years or so is reckoned a generation, in 12 more years we will have doubled the size of the family since we started up the Association again in 1984. Did I say five volumes? Maybe by the time we get to volume 5, we will need ten volumes to do it all!

SECOND TOUR TO ENGLAND PLANNED!

The Association is planning our second tour to England, to take place from 17 May 1996 to 30 May 1996, so mark your calendar now. Those who went on our first tour can attest to what a wonderful time we had. Our second tour will include the most popular Sanborn sites from the previous tour (Wherwell and Winchester, in Hampshire; Timsbury and Nunney in Somerset; Bath in Avon; Castlecombe and Biddestone in Wiltshire; Mapledurham in Oxfordshire; and London [with Westminster Abbey], among other sites, there), but we will be adding exciting new places, such as Sonning, Moulsoford, and Kingsclere in Berkshire; Herriard, Freefolke, and Stockbridge in Hampshire; and a two-day trip to the idyllic Isle of Wight! Full details will be available in subsequent issues of *Sanborn Signatures*. Our family has historic connections with all these places, and you won't want to miss this trip. As before, we will need at least 20 people for the tour to go. The intricate details are being personally worked out by James Bolles, our trusted friend, who went to England in November to look these places over. Lunches and teas in villagers' homes, and special side trips, make this kind of tour unforgettable.

We would also like to offer a secondary add-on tour to France, of about five days, to the village of Sombernon, near Dijon, where our family

might have lived in pre-Conquest days since our ancient coat of arms is engraved in the church's stone floor there; Caen, to the memorial cairn where the knights who accompanied the Conqueror are listed; and four nights in Paris, seeing all the sights there. We need to hear from anyone who might be interested in the extra tour to France. We need at least 10 people for that. Please let us hear from you if you are considering the tour to France.

ROBERT SANBORN TOP FUND MANAGER

The December, 1994, issue of *Money* magazine, in their "Money Pro" section, features Robert Sanborn, "The top fund manager since '91 picks five stocks to gain 66%." He is with Harris Associates in Chicago and, at age 36, is called a "phenomenon who's been on a roll since the launch of his \$1.6 billion Oakmark Fund [no load - call 1-800-625-6275 for more information] three years ago. Oakmark returned 141% in the 36 months to Oct. 1." For further details of this gifted investor's professional background, and his recommendations for 1995 investments, see the rest of the magazine article. His top five picks for 1995 are discussed in detail.

QUERY

Who was "Martha Sambon" who married in Hampton, N.H., 8 Aug. 1723, Henry³ Dow, bapt. in Hampton 26 June 1698, son of Daniel² (Henry¹) and Elizabeth (Lamprey) Dow? Only one child seen, Daniel, b. in Hampton 27 Jan. 1723/4, who m. Rachel Brown in Hampton 27 Nov. 1749, and settled in North Hampton on Dow's Hill. Martha must have died after his birth. She must be of the third or fourth generation, but she is a total mystery. Does anybody have any clues to her identity?

--George F. Sanborn Jr., 24 Thornton Street, Derry NH 03038-1628

FORSALE FORSALE FORSALE FORSALE

The following items are available from our Secretary, postpaid. Supplies are limited!

- * John, William, or Stephen buttons, \$1.00 each
- * four-generation charts of descendants of the three Sanborn immigrants, \$5.00
- * tea shirts, with the coat of arms, \$5.00 (state size)
- * brochures of the history of the coat of arms, 50c
- * back issues of *Sanborn Signatures*, \$2.50 each