Fenno Family

From Our Files

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Copies of the family records from the following two Bibles are in the possession of Dr. Garry Fenno of Houston, Texas, who is a descendent of the starred individuals.

ADAMS FAMILY RECORD

The following is from the family Bible belonging to James A. Adams. The front of the Bible has a publishing date of 1867. Please note that Susan Alice Adams Gault is also known as Alice S or Alice Susan. She was married to a gentleman named Gault before her marriage to J. Otis Ferro in 1888.

MARRIAGES

#James A. ADAMS was united in marriage to Ann E. MOSELEY on the the 22nd day of November 1855 #Otis A. FENNO and Alice S. ADAMS GAULT were joined together in the holy bonds of matrimony September 4, 1898, at Great Bend, Kansas

ADAMS BIRTHS

tJames A. ADAMS was born April 27, 1832 tAnn E. MOSELEY ADAMS was born August 13, 1840 Joseph Elijah ADAMS was born September the 15th, 1856 Elizabeth J. ADAMS was born January 18th, 1858 tSusan A. ADAMS was born February 26th, 1870 Mary R. ADAMS was born March 31st, 1873 Lan Worth ADAMS was born August 18, 1884

ADAMS DEATHS

Joseph Elijah ADAMS departed this life November 1, 1856 Mary Ruth ADAMS departed this life April 8th, 1873 #James A. ADAMS died December 31, 1914 #Ann E. ADAMS died Sept. 30, 1905, Chelan, Washington

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FENNO FAMILY RECORD

The following is from a Bible that belonged to Otis A. Fenno. The front of the Bible states it was published in 1887

OUR BIRTHS

totis A. FENNO was born May 20th, 1856 tAlice S. ADAMS was born February 26, 1870

BIRTHS OF OUR CHILDREN

Edna FENNO born July 22nd 1889, Block City, Jasper Co., Missouri Rosco FENNO January 5th, 1892, Willow Springs, Howell Co., Missouri Charlie Arthur FENNO was borned March 17th, 1893 at Eureka Springs, Canal Co., Arkansas Stanley FENNO was borned October 9, 1895 at Siloan Springs, Benton Co., Arkansas #Eric FENNO was borned say 7, 1897 at Siloan Springs, Arkansas Ruth FENNO was borned June 3, 1900 Siloan Springs, Benton Co., Arkansas Bernice E. FENNO was borned April 23, 1903, at Avon, Washington Baby Boy Robert FENNO was borned at Anacortes, Washington, January 10, 1909

Deaths

Little Rosco FENNO departed this life February 8th, 1892, age 1 month and 2 days Little Stanley FENNO departed this life July 12th, 1896, age 8 months and 23 days Little Robert E. FENNO departed this life October 11th, 1909, age 9 months and 11 days Charles Arthur FENNO born March 17, 1893, at Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Died June 10, 1938, age 45 years Susan Alice FENNO died June 24 (or June 28) 1932 #Otis Austen FENNO died December 24, 1940

ALICE FENNO[®] © PARENTS & SIBLINGS #Father: James A. ADAMS was born April 27, 1833 #Mother: Ann E. ADAMS was born August 13, 1840 Brother: Joseph Elijah ADAMS born September 15, 1856 Sister: Elizabeth Hane ADAMS born January 18, 1859 Sister:Susan Alice ADAMS born February 26, 1870 Sister: Mary Ruth ADAMS born March 31, 1873

*Fenno material in this quarterly submitted by CVOS member Jan Swanson. For authenticity the documents have been copied exactly as they were originally written.

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+ This narriative of Edgar Dea Fenno + + was written by a descendent of his + + who had it printed for a family + + reunion a few years ago. +

Edgar Dea Fenno

(Born 1833-Died 10 Oct. 1896)

Begat Otis Austin Fenno (Born 20 May 1856, Bedford, Iowa) (Died 24 December, 1942, Entiat, Wash.)

> Begat Edna Beatrice Fenno Henderson (22 July, 1889—29 Sept., 1969) Eric Fenno (7 May, 1897—4 March, 1949) Jessica Ruth Fenno Rawhouser (3 June, 1900—25 Jan. 1974) Bernice Elizabeth Fenno Garton (23 April, 1903—8 Feb., 1975)

In this year of 1975 the last of the second generation of those with the Fenno name and directly descended from Edgar Dea Fenno was laid to grave, and we of the third generation who temporarily remain, pause, gaze into the stern countenance of our common ancestor and wonder — Edgar Dea-the person: lost, no anecdotes, quotes; what remains is a familiar partial prodgeny and a small detail of sometimes controversial bureaucratic data and hazy reminiscence. The following is a summary of information contributed by various people.

In Book "A" of Marriages In Taylor County, Iowa, we find Edgar Dea Fenno married Celinda Randall 12 June, 1853. the 1856 State Census showed that Edgar Dea and Celinda had been residents of Iowa for six years. The 1860 Census show this family living in the town of Bedford, Taylor County, Iowa, with Edgar Dea's occupation listed as a farmer, with real estate valued at \$300, and personal property valued at \$50. Canada is listed as his birthplace, and New York as Celinda's birthplace. Three children are listed: Otis, Bell, and Horace. Charlie was born later.

Edgar Dea's Civil War military service began when he enlisted in the local militia in Aug. 1861 and served as a musician in 4 Reg't. Iowa Vol. Inf. Also as a 2nd Lt. in Co. E. 4 Mo. S.M. Cav., enrolled 24 Feb. 1862, discharged 12 Aug. 1862. The Military service Records at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. show him as enlisting 18 July, 1863 in Co. B, 9th Cav. of Iowa, as a 1st. Sgt. In "History of Taylor County, Iowa" by Lyman Evans, he writes that the 9th Cav, was guartered at Camp Roberts, Camp Kinsman, Camp Jackson, Mo. and Benton Barracks. Brigadier-General J.W. Davidson was in command when the regiment was employed from 14 April, 1864, in skirmishing with and capturing bands of guerillas. May 15th, of that year, the regiment began to embark for Duvall's Bluff, Ark., where it encamped a short distance from White River. It engaged in no battles there, the time was largely spent in foraging and picket or guard duty. The regiment was finally mustered out at Little Rock, Ark., Company B on 23 March, 1866. During the 9th Cav. service, it marched over two thousand miles, moved by steamboat and rail seventeen hundred miles, and the aggregate marches of various detachments approach eight thousand miles more. It lost not a single man killed and only fifteen were wounded. The loss by death from sickness, including two deaths by drowning, was one hundred and sixty-six. His service records describe Edgar as 5ft 51/2 inches tall, light complexion, blue eyes, and light colored hair.

Rebecca Carolina Rogers states on her claim for a Widow's pension that she married Edgar Dea Fenno 15 Nov. 1865, in Fayettville, Ark., both having been previously married. Prior to this date, Edgar's first wife Celinda had died, and the children had been sent to Mississippi to live. Children born to this second marriage were Ada, Robert, Volleigh Dea, Ina, and George.

After the civil war Edgar and his new wife settled in area of Siloan Springs, Ark. and raised all of his accumulating family.

The next 24 years are mostly a blank with Edgar at one time reported to be practicing law in Siloan Springs. In 1890, at the age of 57, Edgar applied for a Civil War invalid pension claiming that he was entirely unable to earn a support by reason of a stiff left ankle which limited his walking to one half mile without resting, and a totally deaf left ear. An affidavit accompanying the application states that Edgar had been unable to perform manual labor for at least eleven years. His declining years were evidently frugal, and when he died in 1896 his wife Rebecca made a declaration for a veterans widow's pension.

Great grandfather Edgar Dea Fenno, an ordinary fellow of God and Country, and the necessary link to a very exceptional third generation of Fenno blood. were John and Jane (Howe) Gustin. He was a brother to the above named Benajah, and both were sons of above named Jeremiah and Bethany (Fuller) Gustin. Now if I could find a will that would verify that my greatgrandmother was indeed another daughter of John's....After two days of searching all types of probate records (the book, <u>GUSTINE COMPENDIUM</u>, gave me his date and place of death), and finding all sorts of estate inventory and sale records, but no will or document which mentioned her name, I was about ready to give up, except for one fact: Her husband, my great-grandfather James Mills, was listed as a buyer of some of the estate items, and his name was found on a guardian bond for another Gustin's child. But this was still not enough to prove his wife's relationship to John Gustin. Finally, I decided to check some land records, and <u>THERE IT WAS!!!</u> Seven years after his death:

This Indenture made the twenty fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six between James Mills and Bethany his wife late Bethany Gustin one of the heirs and legal representatives of John Gustin dec^d of the county of Warren and state of Ohio......(etc).....

and further in the document, another unknown element was revealed:

...in the partition of the real estate of John Gustin dec^d subject to the dower right of Jane Stites late Jane Gustin, widow of the said John Gustin deceased....

Thus we learn also that John's widow remarried, possible explaining why we have not been able to locate her death certificate: we had been inquiring under a different surname.

Relative to the possible Mayflower connection, I have yet to obtain the positive proof though many factors point to that fact. Bethany Fuller married Jeremiah Gustin in Sussex Co., New Jersey, according to the <u>GUSTINE COMPENDIUM</u>. (His parents are both buried at that location). According to several sources I have found on the descendants of the Mayflower passengers, I have found:

Passengers Edward and Ann Fuller had a son, Capt. Mathew Fuller Capt. Mather Fuller had, among his children, a son <u>Samuel</u> <u>Samuel</u>, who married Mary _____, also had a son named <u>Samuel</u>. <u>Samuel</u> married Elizabeth Thatcher, and had a sonnamed <u>Elkanah</u>. <u>Elkanah</u> married (2nd) Naomi ____, and had a daughter named BETHANY FULLER.

While I have not found any evidence to substantiate that <u>this</u> Bethany Fuller is the same Bethany Fuller that married Jeremiah Gustin, other than the fact that both Bethanys were born approximate same date and both lived in the same county (Sussex, N.J.) as did the Gustin family, and that this is where Jeremiah Gustin married his Bethany Fuller, BUT IN ADDITION, JEREMIAH AND BETHANY NAMED TWO OF THEIR CHILDREN ELKANAH AND NAOMI (Bethany Fuller's parents' names).....So the search continues (and obviously, I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has researched this line of the Mayflower Fullers).

To my original point: The above mentioned published genealogy <u>DID</u> give me about ten additional generations, <u>AFTER</u> I proved my connection to that family, but I could have easily put it aside as not my line.

This article written and contributed by Randi Berry

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SAMUEL FENNO FAMILY

HHILE BROHSING THROUGH AN ANTIQUE STORE A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, DHIGHT CUSHMAN, A WELL KNOHN LOS ANGELES GENEALOGIST, FOUND A BOOKLET, MADE OF LEATHER PARCHMENT, BOUND WITH A THREAD THAT EASILY BREAKS HHEN TOUCHED.* INSIDE WAS WRITTEN THE FOLLOWING GENEALOGY OF THE SAMUEL FENNO FAMILY. PLEASE NOTE THAT UNDERLINING (____) HAS BEEN INSERTED IN THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENT WHERE THE ORIGINAL WORDING WAS ILLEGIBLE.

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FENNO

SAMUEL FENNO BORN IN BOSTON JULY 1, 1745. MARRIED NOVEMBER 1767 TO HANNAH HILLER BORN NOV 2 1745. THEIR CHILDREN WERE AS FOLLOWS: HANNAH - BORN AUGUST 15, 1768, DIED SEPTEMBER 14, 1769 HANNAH - BORN MAY 10, 1770 ELIZABETH - BORN DECEMBER 28, 1771 SAMUEL - BORN NOVEMBER 1, 1773, DIED 1804 JOSEPH HILLER - BORN AUGUST 24, 1775, DIED JULY 29,1776 JOSEPH HILLER - BORN NOVEMBER 6, 1777, DIED AUGUST 1826 JOHN - BORN 21 SEPTEMBER 1779, DIED 1820 SUSANNAH - BORN SEPTEMBER 9, 1781 MARY - BORN AUGUST 7, 1783 DAUGHTER - STILLBORN JANUARY 20, 1786 SALLY - BORN MARCH 22, 1787 SAMUEL FENNO, SON OF SAMUEL AND HANNAH FENNO, SAILED OF A ____ FROM NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 7, 1804, TO THE WEST INDIES HAS NOT BEEN HEARD OF SINCE. A VERY VIOLENT STORM TOOK PLACE THAT TIME, VAST NUMBER OF ____ WERE LOST, AND IT IS TO BE FEARED HE AMONG THE REST. GILL

ELIZABETH FENNO MARRIED MARCH 3, 1795 TO JOHN GILL BORN IN BOSTON NOV 20, 1768. THEIR CHILDREN WERE AS FOLLOWS: ELIZABETH FENNO - BORN MARCH 26, 1796, DIED APRIL 16, 1826 JOHN - BORN NOVEMBER 28, 1797, DIED NOVEMBER 7, 1816 WILLIAM JONES - BORN AUGUST 21, 1799, DIED APRIL 23, 1802

MARCH 1, 1802, JOHN GILL AND WILLIAM BROKE OUT WITH THE MEASLES. WILLIAM DIED WITH THE MEASLES AND LUNG-FEVER APRIL 23, 1802. JANUARY 7, 1803, ELIZABETH GILL AND JOHN INNOCULATED WITH THE KINE POX

JOHN GILL, FATHER TO THE ABOVE CHILDREN DIED DECEMBER 15, 1802, AGED 34 YEARS.

COMERLY OR LOMERLY ELIZABETH FENNO GILL MARRIED MR. ROBERT TOMERLY (OR LOMERLY?) MAY 3, 1918. THEIR CHILDREN WERE AS FOLLOWS: ROBERT JOHN GILL - BORN MAY 7, 1819 ELIZABETH GILL - BORN JANUARY 1, 1821

MR. ROBERT TOMERLY (OR LOMERLY?) DIED AUGUST 21, 1821 MRS. ELIZABETH F TOMERLY (OR LOMERLY?) DIED APRIL 6, 1826 PARENTS TO THE ABOVE R.J.G. AND E.G.

THESE CHILDREN HAVE HAD HOOPING COUGH, MEASLES, KINE POX AND MUMPS 1838 JULY ELIZABETH WAS VACCINATED THE SECOND TIME, BUT IT DID NOT TAKE. *The booklet is now in the possession of Dr. Garry fenno of Houston, Texas. At the present time it is not known if there is any relationship between Garry Fenno and Samuel Fenno as the area of Canada that Edger Dea Fenno was born is unknown.