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THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Here it is, the beginning of 1985. How fast these years go flying by! Perhaps as I approach 70 years of age this is a natural phenomenon. The sad part of the whole story is that it appears I accomplish less in a 12-month period than in former years. Is this a natural tendency?

In a separate article in this BULLETIN you will read about several of our clan who have a few years on me. I believe that it is commendable that our editor has chosen to give tribute to these older individuals, some of whom have been instrumental in perpetuating the goals of the genealogical community. Yes, and having mentioned non-agenarians, I would hope that more of the younger group will soon be taking a more active participation in the activities and goals of the Overholser Family Association.

About 5½ years ago the first issue of this BULLETIN was published and mailed to several hundred individuals and families. Since that time, through the efforts of Robert M. Oberholser of Freehold, New Jersey and our present editor, Jim Kehew, the mailing list has been expanded by more than a hundred. During this period I have received and answered many letters from various parts of the United States including Hawaii. This demonstrates an interest in genealogy and I hope that this indicates that our association is serving a useful function for all of you in the Oberholtzer freundschaft. I have used the spelling ÖBERHOLTZER here because as far as I have been able to determine, all of our early immigrants used this spelling.

Now in order for our association to continue to be a viable organization and to record genealogical data we need the cooperation of many of you out there. One simple way to help is for you to submit articles to our editor Jim Kehew. Some of you certainly have some interesting tales to tell about

76th ANNUAL REUNION

Date: Saturday, August 24, 1985

Place: Terre Hill Fire Hall,
Terre Hill, PA

Details in the August issue of THE BULLETIN. Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU!

Contributions in support of the Association have been received from the following members since the last Reunion:

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your ancestors. Others might have genealogical information which can be woven into a story for our BULLETIN. If you feel you can't set forth the information in an interesting form, please submit your story in whatever form you desire and Jim Kehew will present it in an interesting manner. I must say that I have extreme confidence in Jim.

To all of you I extend my best wishes for a healthy and a prosperous 1985.

J. SPENCER OVERHOLSER

A considerable number of people in this country get killed by guns that aren't loaded and by drivers who are.



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OVERHOLT MEMBERS INCREASING

One branch of the family and the Association that is growing in numbers is the Overholts. We now have 25 members who are Overholt descendants or related in some way. They are scattered over 11 states and range from serious (some full-time) researchers to those with only a casual interest.

There is an annual Overholt reunion held in Michigan and talk of starting annual reunions at the Abraham Overholt homestead in West Overton near Scottdale in western Pennsylvania, the site of the Overholt distillery which produced Old Overholt and Old Farm whiskey in the 1800's. The distillery is now the headquarters and museum of the Westmoreland-Fayette Historical Society.

In the interest of locating other Overholt descendants among the O.F.A. membership and facilitating exchange of data and material, we list here the names of those already identified. The Editor would be glad to furnish addresses on request and to hear from others interested in the Overholts.

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GENEALOGICAL QUERY

STAUFFER -- By way of my LANDIS (on my mother's side) connection, MARTHA E., whose father was SAMUEL AUKER LANDIS, son of WILLIAM & CATHERINE AUKER LANDIS. Her parents were HENRY and ANNA WEAVER AUKER. Anna was the daughter of DAVID S. & MARIA STAUFFER WEAVER. Maria Stauffer was the daughter of Christian

& Anna Eby Stauffer and his parents were MATTHIAS & ANNA OBERHOLTZER STAUFFER. 1. Who were Matthias's parents? 2. Who was the immigrant? D. ERNEST WEINHOLD, 107 Sunhill Rd., Manheim, PA 17454.



TRAMPING THE ORIGINAL OBERHOLTZER LAND

Last summer at the invitation of Association member Harold M. Kilheffer, President Spencer Overholser and Editor Jim Kehew and their wives visited the 207-acre plot of land in Lancaster County, Pa. that immigrant Samuel Oberholtzer bought in 1746, two years before his death. Guided by Harold and his wife, we drove on back roads, down country lanes, and saw a few remnants of what existed in Samuel's and his childrens' time -- a mill and mill dam and some old houses built by their neighbors. As Harold said, "The Oberholtzers would not recognize the old homestead today, it is now a housing development, as is the nearby unpatented tract where Samuel first settled about 1738."

He writes, "As I write this letter, I can look out the window and see the tract of land where the Oberholtzer family had its

beginning here in Manor Township, Lancaster County, near Millersville. My immigrant ancestor, Henry Kilheffer, was a neighbor of Samuel's and a witness to his will in 1748. Jacob Kilheffer, a son of Henry, married Maria Oberholtzer, a daughter of Samuel's son (II) Martin. Jacob and Maria were my great-great-great-grandparents. They purchased the Oberholtzer homestead in 1782 from Maria's brothers and sisters and it stayed in the Kilheffer family for three generations."

Harold has done and continues to do extensive research into his family history, including the changes in ownership of the Oberholtzer land from the purchase in 1746 down to 1852, by which time the tract had "shrunk" from 207 acres to 100 acres and 25 perches. This was done from the original deeds in the Lancaster Court House. We appreciate his kindness in arranging this expedition.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

These 29 new members have joined us since the last newsletter. We now have members in 44 states and the District of Columbia, and 4 foreign countries (Canada, Denmark, South Africa, Switzerland). We mailed 424 copies of this issue of THE BULLETIN.

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75th REUNION A SUCCESS

The 75th annual Reunion of the Overholser Family Association was held on Saturday, August 25, 1984 in the Terre Hill Fire Hall with 55 members and friends in attendance. After renewing old acquaintances and enjoying a bounteous covered dish luncheon, President SPENCER OVERHOLSER called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by the REV. JOHN WEILER, after which the officers were introduced. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Each one present then gave his name and genealogical background.

The Necrologist, ROBERT M. OBERHOLSER, reported the following:

Marriages

REBECCA STAMM, granddaughter of Levi Oberholser, to JOHN KINDLER, April 17, 1984
 LYNN CATANESE, granddaughter of Kenneth Robinson, to ARTHUR SALOTTO, March 30, 1984
 RICHARD I. STEVENS, JR., son of Richard and Jean Stevens, to RANDEE B. GRUMBINE,
 August 11, 1984
 GINA DOERING to STEVEN ZIMMERMAN, August 11, 1984 (IV Christian line)
 PAUL STEVENS EMRICH to MICHELE CRESSE, August 25, 1984 (IV Christian line)

Births

CAREY ANNE ROBSON to Robert and Anna Gayle Robson (IV Christian line), March 14, 1984
 ASHLEY BROOKE POWELL to Mary Pettigrew and James Powell (IV Daniel line), March 15, 1984
 GREGORY KING to Ellen and Allen King, grandson of Kenneth and Agnes Robinson (IV Christian line), March 30, 1984
 KATRINA LEE BELOOF to Douglas and Christine Beloof (IV Christian line), May 17, 1984
 MEGAN STEVENS to Gregory and Carol Stevens, August 4, 1984

Deaths

SAMUEL RICHARD BROWN, July 10, 1980	MARY STAUFFER BARR, April 18, 1984
ADELAIDE OBERHOLTZER, April 28, 1983	JOSEPHINE W. CLIME, May 9, 1984
WILLARD OVERHOLSER, July 5, 1983	ELIZABETH LaBARRE SIBLEY, May 20, 1984
ROBERT F. MOYNAHAN, September 15, 1983	YVONNE MORTON CARR, July, 1984
WINFRED OBERHOLSER III, October 12, 1983	ROBERT L. STIRK, July 5, 1984
MARTIN BRACKBILL, February 15, 1984	FLORENCE HALL
EVE ELIZABETH ADEY, February 25, 1984	

MARJORIE CARROLL gave the Treasurer's report which was filed for audit:

Balance 8/19/83	\$434.76
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Income

Collection: 1983 Reunion	\$168.00	
Contributions thru 8/24/84	352.00	
Sale of note paper at Reunion	4.50	
Interest thru 6/27/84	26.31	
	<u>550.81</u>	
Total Income		550.81
Balance		985.57

Expenses

Printing of Aug. 1983 BULLETIN	\$110.77	
Augury Press	5.00	
Postage, Aug. 1983 BULLETIN & miscellaneous	87.34	
Misc. expenses of Editor	39.99	
Printing of Feb. 1984 BULLETIN	277.46	
Postage for Feb. 1984 BULLETIN	80.00	
Rental of Fire Hall for 1984 Reunion	25.00	
	<u>625.56</u>	
Total Expenses		625.56
Balance 8/24/84		\$360.01

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OFFICIAL 1984 REUNION PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN BY DAN PETTIGREW



- 1st row (l to r): Eleanor Weiler, John Oswald, Charlie Kendall, Andrew Kendall, Phyllis Brandvold, Jim Kehew, Es Kehew, Barbara Ford
- 2nd row: Rev. John Weiler, Paul Pletcher, Robert M. Oberholser, Spencer Overholser, Ruth Overholser, Esta Herr, Richard Stevens, Marjorie Carroll
- 3rd row: Alma Stutzman, Mildred Ohlinger, John Overholser, Elizabeth Kurtz, Pauline Oswald, Sara Harting, Helen Overholser, Ellen Livingood, Mildred Pettigrew
- 4th row: Samuel Skiles, Gertrude Haines, Carolyn Kendall (rear), Stella Skiles, Warren Overhuls (rear), Evelyn Overhuls, Kathern Maine, Daythal Kendall (rear), Jean Stevens, Naomi Pletcher, John Maine (rear), Betsy Knauff, Vivian Shepard, Walter Knauff (rear), Ernest Weinhold (rear), Robert Overholser, Glen Brandvold

REUNION (Cont)

Prizes were presented to:

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| The youngest person present | ANDREW KENDALL, 31 months |
| The oldest person present | ROBERT M. OBERHOLSER, 92 on Sept. 18, 1983 |
| The couple married the longest | MR. & MRS. SAMUEL SKILES, married 58 years |
| The person(s) traveling the farthest | WARREN & EVELYN OVERHULS, California |

RUTH OVERHOLSER led the singing of the Reunion Song.

DAYTHAL KENDALL gave the Nominating Committee report and stated that there were two vacancies, 1st Vice President and Recording Secretary. ELLEN LIVINGOOD accepted the nomination for Recording Secretary but the Committee had no names for 1st Vice President. The remaining slate of officers was carried over. The nominations were closed and the Secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot.

It was decided that the Reunion be held at the same time and place next year.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL J. PLETCHER
Recording Secretary

(Ed. Note - As he retires as Recording Secretary, we extend sincere thanks and best wishes to Paul for his years of efficient service. He has made an important contribution to the smooth operation of the Association.

And what would an Overholser Reunion be like without the presence and major assistance of DAN PETTIGREW, master photographer and public address system expert? Our heartfelt gratitude to Dan for his unselfish contributions to the success of these get-togethers.)

HAIL THE NONAGENARIANS!

Within our membership, we have four individuals in their nineties (that we know of; if there are more, the Editor would appreciate hearing about them). Such longevity in itself is worthy of recognition but it turns out that these nonagenarians have not only led full and meaningful lives but are still tremendously active. For these reasons, we want to pay tribute to them by sharing their stories with you in THE BULLETIN.

They are (in order of longevity) REV. JOSEPH E. OVERHOLSER (99 years old), BERNICE OBERHOLSER LAYTON and ROBERT M. OBERHOLSER (both 93), and ESTA BUCH HERR (92). Bernice and Robert trace their ancestry through the III Martin-IV Christian line, Esta is a descendant of III Martin IV Daniel, and Rev. Overholser's forebears go back to a Jacob Overholser who emigrated from Pennsylvania to near Dayton, Ohio in the early pioneer days.

Our oldest member, REV. OVERHOLSER, lives in Bradford, Ohio. He and his first wife, Esther Frey, had 5 children, two still living. After her death, he married Ida Yaney, mother of 9 children. Large families were commonplace for the Overholseres -- when Joseph's mother remarried, there were 14 lively children in the household!

Extremely active for his age, he is a notary public and has been doing income tax reports (about 100 a year) for farmers and small firms for 45 years. He was ordained in 1918 and did supply services but never held a pastorate. Most of his ministerial work is weddings, over 250 to date (including several of his great-grandchildren), most done in his home.

In his lengthy career, he has worked for the Brethren Publishing House, Pennsylvania Railroad, done sales work, and operated an insurance agency. He is in good health, drives a car (his license is good for two more years), sometimes driving 160 miles to visit his wife Ida in a nursing home in Indiana. (She celebrated her 100th birthday in January!) Many have asked his secret of longevity - he is in the process of divulging it in book form, saying he has enough work to keep him busy for the next 5 years!

Maybe you can't take it with you, but where can you go without it? -- Pearl Bailey

Social tact is the art of making your guests feel at home, even if you wish they were.

BERNICE LAYTON of Bull Shoals, Ark., born in Kansas, started teaching in a country school with 20 students. Two teaching jobs later, she met her first husband, Olaf Olson, a Methodist minister, and began a 39-year marriage. He served small rural churches in Nebraska, Illinois and Iowa. Upon retirement, they visited Florida and California seeking a compatible retirement situation but neither appealed to them. A Methodist layman from Oklahoma was gathering Methodists to some property he owned in the Ozarks and offered lots to Methodist ministers at half price. So they settled near Bull Shoals Lake, largest in the Ozarks, for three years until Olaf's death in 1956.

Bernice's second husband, C. A. Holmgren, was also a Methodist minister. Their short-lived marriage ended with his death in 1962. Several years later, Bernice went to the door and there stood Frank Layton, a widower she had dated 50 years earlier but who had married a fellow teacher of hers. They next met several months later at a family reunion in Kansas and within three weeks were married. After 12 years of marriage, Frank passed away in 1981.

Bernice lives with a companion in the home she and Olaf built in Bull Shoals. She gets around fairly well with a walker, spends much time reading books and has her favorite TV programs. Her niece, Eleanor Bray, lives nearby. Bernice still supports the Heifer Project, one of her favorite charities over the years, which sends beef animals to less-developed countries.

Our other 93-year-old member, ROBERT OBERHOLSER, is one of the most active members of the Association - never misses a Reunion and has served as Treasurer, Editor and Necrologist (presently). He is the kind of person every family should have. In 1980 after years of compilation, he published an 85-page booklet, THE SALISBURY TOWNSHIP OBERHOLSER (of Lancaster County, Pa.), tracing 10 generations descended from IV Christian and Susanna Kurtz Oberholser, a truly complete and monumental work. He did the same for one great-grandfather's line and is now engaged in compiling data of another's descendants. A widower, he lives with his daughter and her family in Freehold, N.J. where he is an avid gardener and enjoys good health.

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Robert was a lifelong educator. After graduation from Franklin and Marshall College, he was a teacher and principal in Pennsylvania and New Jersey high schools for 6 years until the onset of World War I. 1918 was a big year for him: he married Grace Johnson, beginning a marriage of 57 years blessed with three children, and was inducted into the Army, serving in New Jersey, Georgia, and New York. Upon discharge, he was appointed Superintendent of Schools in Bordentown, N.J., a position he held until his retirement in 1956, a 37-year tenure which is probably a record not only for New Jersey but for the U.S. as a whole! In retirement, he has been active in community affairs, serving as Commissioner, Deputy Mayor and Director of Finance in Bordentown, and in education organizations, several of which he helped to found. A strong interest in sports led to a 30-year career as a football official and as a leader in organizing interscholastic sports in New Jersey.

Like Robert, ESTA HERR has been an active member of the Association, longer than just about anyone else beginning with her attendance as a teenager at the first one in 1906 and having missed only a few since. She also served as Necrologist for many years and is now Honorary Vice President. She is in good health physically and mentally except for failing eyesight which has curtailed her activities somewhat. She maintains her own apartment at the Landis Retirement Homes near Lititz, Pa. and loves to entertain. She delights in her two grandchildren and two great-grandsons.

Esta is a true-blue Lancaster Countian, having lived there all her life -- and in the same house 72 years, where both she and her only child, Sara Harting, were born! She graduated from Akron (Pa.) High School and Millersville Normal School (now University). After serving as teacher and principal for 5 years, she quit to marry Robert P. Herr, a banker for over 50 years at Conestoga National Bank in Lancaster before his death in 1972. Later she resumed as teacher and administrator at her alma mater, then retired "permanently" in the mid-30's. Or so she thought. During World War II, she returned to junior high teaching on request and kept at it for the next 20 years, retiring at 70 in 1962, but continuing as a substitute for 5 more years. She has always been active in her church and community activities.

We honor these senior members and wish them many more productive years!

THESE 54 PEOPLE
attended the 1984 Reunion

*JOSEPHINE BENDER	New Holland, PA
GLEN/PHYLLIS BRANDVOLD	Albuquerque, NM
MARJORIE CARROLL	North Hills, PA
*JOSH/ANDREA CLARK	
*BARBARA FORD	Wallingford, PA
GERTRUDE HAINES	Freehold, NJ
SARA HARTING	Allentown, PA
*SARA HARTZLER	Akron, PA
ESTA HERR	Lititz, PA
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WALTER/BETSY* KNAUFF	Washington, DC
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ELLEN LIVINGOOD	Fairless Hills, PA
FRANK/MARIAN LIVINGOOD	New Holland, PA
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BETTY MARTIN	Terre Hill, PA
ROBERT M. OBERHOLSER	Freehold, NJ
MILDRED OHLINGER	Brooklyn, NY
JOHN OSWALD	Conshohocken, PA
PAULINE OSWALD	Philadelphia, PA
*JOHN I. OVERHOLSER	Detroit, MI
ROBERT/HELEN OVERHOLSER	White Marsh, MD
SPENCER/RUTH OVERHOLSER	Oley, PA
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DAN/MILDRED PETTIGREW	Pottstown, PA
PAUL/NAOMI PLETCHER	New Holland, PA
KENNETH/AGNES ROBINSON	Coatesville, PA
VIVIAN SHEPARD	Baltimore, MD
SAMUEL/STELLA SKILES	Gap, PA
FRED/JEAN SKILLMAN	DeLand, FL
DICK/JEAN STEVENS	Lititz, PA
ALMA STUTZMAN	Shoemakersville, PA
JOHN/ELEANOR WEILER	Easton, PA
ERNEST WEINHOLD	Manheim, PA

*Attending first Reunion

GENEALOGICAL QUERY

OBERHOLZ-HAAS -- JOHN MICHAEL OBERHOLZ was my 2nd gr grandfather, b. ca. 1818 in "Germany" (according to 1900 census of both sons), d. mid 1860's, Newark, NJ, son of N. N. OBERHOLZ and Christine. John Michael immigrated probably between 1850-58, family tradition says three brothers came from Alsace-Lorraine. Married 1858 to PAULINE HAAS. Had 2 sons, CHARLES MICHAEL OBERHOLTZ b. 1859 and JOHN PAUL OBERHOLTZ b. 1862, both in Newark, NJ. After John Michael's death Pauline m. ---- KELLNOR(ER) and came west to Iowa/Kan/Neb in 1870's. Interested in background of this family and information on John Michael's supposed brothers. ROGER D. PETERSEN, 927 40th St., West Des Moines, Iowa 50265.

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TWO NEW BOOKS AVAILABLE

O.F.A. member RICHARD J. YOTHERS, JR. has authored THE DESCENDANTS OF JACOB YOTHERS, BUCKS COUNTY, PA., a 210-page hard cover book with a picture section and name index. It contains data on Jacob Yothers (1742-1828) and his 2,800 descendants, some of whom married Oberholtzers. Jacob was the son of Casper and Barbara Yoder and grandson of Hans and Anna Yoder, all of Bucks County. The book is available for \$22 postpaid by sending a check to the author at 259 W. Newton St., Boston, MA 02116.

A group of 60 descendants of MARTIN OBERHOLTZER (1733-1815) have compiled a 60-page BOOK OF GENERATIONS listing names, dates, places and current addresses through nine generations. Martin was married to ANNA FRANTZ (d. 1800); both are buried in the Grove Cemetery outside Fredericksburg, PA. The group has held four reunions and during the next few years hopes to follow this initial effort by publishing a fuller account complete with photographs and life stories. The book can be had for \$7 postpaid by writing to the compiler (and new member of O.F.A.), LUANNE HANKS, 803 East First, Glens Ferry, Idaho 83623. Luanne would be more than happy to exchange information with anyone interested.

Be careful how you live; you may be the only Bible some people will ever read.

Too often travel, instead of broadening the mind, merely lengthens the conversation.

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