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Cogswell Courier

OREGON PIONEERS.....John & Mary Gay Cogswell

John Cogswell (4116 DJC), son of James and Mary Stratton Cogswell, was born in Whitehall, New York, February 14, 1814. When he was ten years old, his family moved to Inkster, Michigan. At age sixteen, John left home with only seventy-five cents and a jack knife in his pocket to seek his fortune.

John found work on the Erie Canal. In later years, he often told this story of the workmen there who had to eat pork on Fridays: "It was then the Catholic priest would take the bacon and put it in the water, saying 'go down, mammon, come up salmon,' and then he would give it to them to eat."

It was in the spring of 1846 when John Cogswell first came to Oregon. He came by wagon train via Mt. Shasta and reached Willamette Valley climbing Skinner's Butte. He stared at the tall waving grass that covered the valley below and declared, "I've found what I've been seeking, a land that beats Heaven for havin' everything a man needs."

John found work at the mouth of the Columbia River "whipping timber" (sawing oak) for ship building with "Hen" Owen. At that time he owned a "whip saw" over which he had a lawsuit. He often remarked, "I sawed the first lumber ever sawed on the Columbia River, and had the first law-suit in Oregon."

In 1849, when the two men heard of the gold rush in California, they embarked on a barge for the South. It

was on the American River where John located his mine and found much gold.

In 1850, having enough gold for his needs, John Cogswell gave his mine to a friend, packed his gold in saddle-bags on horses, then crossed the plains back to Pennsylvania, where he had the gold minted.

Tall and handsome, John Cogswell now had dreams of a large ranch well stocked with fine cattle, horses and sheep. So, for a year, he stayed at his father's home, selecting stock and outfitting for his second journey west.

Although this proved to be a long, tedious journey, it was while plodding along the trail that he caught up with the train ahead, and where he met his future wife, nineteen-year-old Mary Frances Gay, whose train had been traveling part of the time with the Illinois train.

It was typical of John Cogswell that he always knew just what he wanted and how to get it. So it is not surprising that he turned to his drivers and said, "Did you see that pretty girl standing by the stove? Well, she's the woman for me, the girl I'm going to marry." But the young lady's train pushed on ahead, entering the Willamette Valley by Barlow Pass, leaving

John's train far behind. John brought his stock by way of California, and when he looked down into the American River Valley he saw the people were "as thick as bees." He wondered how so many could

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**John Cogswell and Mary Gay
October 28, 1852**

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have crossed the plains so quickly. He came to Oregon through the Siskiyou, by the Rogue River and Table Rock, then into the Willamette Valley.

He took his donation claim on the north side of the McKenzie River, four miles east of the now Coburg Bridge, at the mouth of the Mohawk River. This included the Coburg Hills.

John worked for some time on his claim, sawing and splitting lumber, for there were no mills then. He ploughed and cultivated the virgin soil for his gardens and fields. He worked very hard, while dreaming of the pretty girl he'd met on the plains.

Finally, when his house was finished (which incidentally was said to be the first frame house built in Lane County), he mounted his strongest horse to ride up and down the valley, questioning settlers as to the whereabouts of the Gay family who came in 1851.

John Cogswell found Mary Gay near the center of the Valley visiting the Jess Looney family. It was dinner time and John was invited to stay. Needless to say John accepted the invitation and lost no time in courting Mary, who told him that she was promised to a man back East. However, John was persistent and soon changed the girl's mind and won her consent.

John and Mary were married October 28, 1852, and theirs was the first marriage license to be recorded in the Lane County Clerk's office. Their wedding proved to be a big event for those times, their friends coming as far as fifty miles by horseback, and in a rain-storm, to enjoy the Gay family's hospitality in their large, comfortable log house, which stood about eight miles south of Eugene City.

Mary was a beautiful bride in the wedding outfit her father had brought from Portland, and John a proud bridegroom. Soon after the wedding, the couple rode horseback to their new home on the McKenzie River.

On their donation claim, John Cogswell raised sheep and cattle. In 1860 he imported New Oxfordshire and Hampshire Downs sheep. The family lived on this farm for some time, where most of their eight children were born.

The names of the Cogswell children were: Mary Anne b. 1853, Florilla b. 1856, Elizabeth Maude (Lischen) b. 1858, DeEtta b. 1861, Idaho b. 1864, Boliver b. 1866, Clara b. 1866, Ivan Stratton b. 1871.

Unfortunately, they lost their first two daughters, Mary Anne and Florilla, who contracted scarlet fever while visiting their grandparents, the Martin Gays, and died in 1857. They were buried in what became the Mary Gay Cogswell Pioneer Cemetery, where there are also the graves of other members of the family and neighbors.

Mary Gay Cogswell was heart-broken over the deaths of her daughters and grieved so much that John decided to take her for a trip back east. They traveled down the coast by ship, across Panama by mule-back, across the Gulf of Mexico, then up the Mississippi River. Although it was a dangerous trip, they made it there and back safely.

John and Mary were residents of Lane County ever since its organization, with the exception of one year in Portland, in 1870, when his eldest daughters attended school there. At one time he owned a large part of the land where East Portland is now situated. He exchanged this however for land in Lane County in 1871, then went back up the McKenzie River where he had a saw-mill just east of Thurston. He also owned another property 25 miles up the river, past Leaburg. Here he had a sheep ranch and the first pond stocked with fish, calling the place the Fish Ranch. He lived on his Thurston ranch until after his wife died on October 8, 1887, then moved to the upper ranch.

In 1881, John Cogswell and Captain Felix Scott managed to drive the first herd of cattle over what is now the McKenzie River Pass. He, Scott, and others were associated together in The McKenzie Wagon Road Company. Articles of incorporation were filed in Lane County Courthouse on Dec. 20, 1862. This was to be a toll road, but did not succeed and was later disbanded.

The Cogswell ranch at Thurston was heavily timbered, with many springs and streams. Here John built a ten room house near a hill at the foot of a timbered mountain near the old highway. English ivy framed the double porches in front and climbed to the peak of the gable. The house faced the east, and on the north there was a long porch with a door.

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From the Secretary's Computer . . . By Claire Cogswell-Daigle

Hello Cousins,

I believe most of us are welcoming the warm weather after the hard and long winter we just had.

Reunion plans are all set. Just remember to mail me your deposits.

We still have some outstanding dues that haven't been paid as yet. Reminders will be sent out during July.

We are still getting in new members. Our membership is now three hundred and fifty.

We still have some books for sale. I am sure most of the libraries would welcome a book as a gift from any member. Why don't you check out your local library?

Hope to see most of you at the family reunion.

Have a great summer..

Your secretary,
Claire Cogswell-Daigle

.Please keep us
informed
When you donate a
copy
Of the DJC

The Cogswell Family Association, Inc. welcomes the following members into the family:

Wendy Spear

Batavia, NY

Lorna Cogswell Markham

Andover, MA

John Wayne Miller

Hermosa, CA

Dr. Dennis R. Cogswell

Radford, VA

Cogswell Connections—John Hunt Morgan— by Hal Lieberman

Born in 1825 in Huntsville, Alabama, a town founded by his grandfather, **John Hunt Morgan** spent much of his life in Kentucky. When the Civil War broke out, he joined Confederate troops as a cavalry scout. In 1862 he and his men, soon to be known and feared as "Morgan's Raiders," began a series of daring attacks behind enemy lines in Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana. Promoted to brigadier-general, he succeeded in destroying numerous bridges and rail lines, leading President Lincoln to remark, "They are having a stampede in Kentucky." Captured in July, 1863, he was sent to the Ohio State Penitentiary in Columbus. On the night of November 27, 1863, General Morgan and five of his officers escaped, having tunneled their way

out, apparently with knives and spoons. A reward of \$1000 was immediately posted for Morgan's arrest. In September, 1864, Morgan was killed by Union troops who had penetrated Confederate lines in Tennessee

John Cogswell	Elizabeth Thompson
William Cogswell	Susanna Hawkes
William Cogswell	Martha Emerson
Edward Cogswell	Hannah Browne
Emerson Cogswell	Mary Miles
Patience Cogswell	Gideon Morgan
Luther Morgan	Anna Cameron Dold
Calvin Cogswell Morgan	Henrietta Hunt
John Hunt Morgan	

Does Lady Godiva have a Cogswell Connection? by Malcolm Cogswell

A few years ago the Cogswell Courier printed a genealogy someone had prepared showing that Ann Mason, wife of Samuel Cogswell Jr., was descended from King Alfred the Great, and provided a way back (without showing it) to William the Conqueror also. Looking on the Internet (in Lycos Ancestors) I discovered that she had another famous ancestor:

Ann Mason (Wife of Samuel Cogswell Jr.) daughter of (Capt. John Mason and) Abigail Fitch daughter of Rev. James Fitch (and Abigail Whitefield) son of (Thomas Fitch and) Anne Reve daughter of (John Reve and) Mary Brock daughter of William Brock (and Margery Bedell) son of John Brock (and Agnes Wiseman) son of (John Brock and) Agnes Josselin daughter of Ralph Josselin (and Elizabeth Cornish) son of John Josselin (and Anne Levenham) son of Jeffery Josselin (and Katherine Le Braye) son of Jeffery Josselin (and Joanne Berrie) son of Ralph Joselyn (and Margaret de Patmer) son of Jeffery Josselyn (and Margaret Rokell) son of (Robert Jocelyn and) Maud De Sutton daughter of John (Lord Dudley) De Sutton (and Margaret De Somery) son of (Richard [Lord of Worsop] De Sutton and) Isabel Patrick daughter of (William Patrick and) Beatrice De Malpas daughter of David le Clerc De Malpas (and Catherine Vaughn) son of (William

Belward Lord of Malpas and) Beatrix de Keveliock daughter of Hugh de Keveliock (and unknown) son of Randulf IV des Gemons (and unknown) son of (Randulf III le Meschines and) Lucy Taillebois daughter of (Ivo Fitzrichard de Taillebois and) Lucy of Mercia daughter of Aelfgar, Earl of Mercia (and Aelfgifu) son of (Leofric III earl of Mercia and)

LADY GODIVA GODGIFU [1040?-1080?] who rode naked through the streets. Everyone in town had promised to stay indoors with their windows shuttered during the ride, and reportedly all kept their promise except one man who looked through the shutters, and was thereafter known as "Peeping Tom."

A Message from Your President

. . . by Austin Cogswell

Cogswell Charisma Happenings in Henniker

Okay, the alliteration may be a bit much. However I hope it inspires you to join us at the reunion in Henniker, New Hampshire, August 17-19.

This will be my sixth reunion. They have all been well organized with enjoyable opportunities for good fellowship and memorable learning experiences. This year will be no exception. Ed Cogswell and Claire Cogswell-Daigle are planning a wonderful week-end for us.

The banquet Friday evening at Daniel's overlooking the Contoocook River promises to be delightful;

We will learn about the contributions Leander Cogswell and his extended family made

to the history of Henniker. Ed Cogswell will recount the brave deeds of Cogswells from this small New England town.

If there is sufficient interest, we will travel by bus to Pemaquid Point, Maine, where, in 1635, John Cogswell and his family came ashore just before the worst hurricane of the time struck. The Angel Gabriel was destroyed on the rocks. Most of you know that story.

If you haven't already done so, please make your reservations now. Come to Henniker and contribute to our "Cogswell Charisma."

Yours for a stronger CFA



John Edward, Where Are You ?

. . . by Jerome French

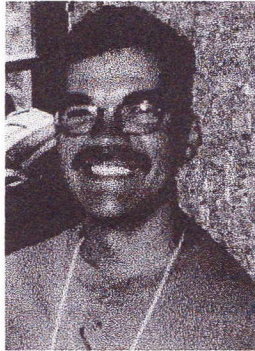
A statement in Crowell's book that deserves comment is that no one could find any further mention of **Edward Cogswell**, son of John #1. I believe that may be for the reason that Edward was John #2. I know from being told by my great-grandmother Hannah Lee, who was a daughter of Anna Steele Cogswell, second wife of John #7, that her grandfather was always called Ed, but his name was John Edward. I found the same thing in the family of my Lee ancestors, where there has been a John Edward through at least 11 generations that I know of. The first in America was here when John Cogswell #1 arrived. He was a brother of Henry Lee of Jeffrie's Creek, what is now Manchester-by-the-Sea, a town adjoining Essex, which was the Chebacco Parish of Ipswich (Agawam) until 1819. Also a childhood friend of mine has the same thing in his family. He is the third in a row with the name John Edward. He is known as John, his father was Edward and his grandfather was Jack. So there you go.

Serving My Country

In the April 2001 issue of the Courier, Claire Cogswell-Daigle suggested that it would be a good idea to collect the stories of our veterans for posterity and to develop a section in our next book to honor them all.

Edward R. Cogswell, Jr. (9627 DJC) has responded with the following account of his tour of duty.

Ed is employed by Boeing Co. and lives in Snohomish. Many of you will remember the fantastic job he did in Everett last year as one of our hosts for our 2000 Reunion.



Growing up in the 1960's had its challenges. The rebellion of America's youth against the establishment and the Vietnam conflict grew every year. There were reports of people fleeing the country and going to Canada to avoid the draft. In spite of this unpopular war, the American government continued to send young military servicemen overseas. Their dying could be seen on the news every night on television.

I was the oldest son of a big family with a limited income. I lived in Hawaii then, where I graduated from a local high school. I knew that I wasn't headed for college, so I decided to leave home at an early age (17). I first attempted to join the US Air Force, who would have made me a part of their Airplane Police Unit. I may not be college material, but I wanted to ensure that I would have an employable skill when I became a civilian again. So I tried the Navy, who tested me and then guaranteed me training within the aviation field. I joined the Navy prior to graduating from high school, and left for basic training a few weeks after I graduated from high school. I went to San Diego, CA, where I attended boot camp, and then on to Memphis, Tenn. for my training in Avionics (Aviation Electronic Technician training). After graduation they sent me to NAS Whidbey Island,

. . . Edward Cogswell

which is on an island in Puget Sound. I fell in love with this part of the world, and still live in western Washington State today.

At NAS Whidbey Island I was assigned to their E-6B training squadron, VAQ-129. Here I was sent to school and introduced to the Grumman Prowler aircraft. My training was accelerated so that I could be transferred to VAQ-132, a squadron of EA-6B Grumman Prowler aircraft. This squadron of four aircraft had the mission of jamming radar (confusing and making the enemy radar unreliable). The "Scorpions," as this squadron was called, was also based out of NAS Whidbey Island. By June of 1972 I was headed for Norfolk, VA to board the aircraft carrier USS America which was headed for the Tonkin Gulf. I had joined the Navy so that I could be in the military (which I felt was my duty) without having to go to Vietnam. Now I was headed to the war on a carrier that would patrol its water and launch air strikes against the Vietnamese homeland. Sometimes you just can't plan things right! Well, by February of 1973 the Vietnam conflict terminated with a formal cease-fire, and the USS America returned home. I still remember that arrival, for I was only 19, as one of the happiest moments of my life. Even though I am considered a Vietnam War veteran, I have none of the trauma that is so commonplace with other veterans. This rarely found its way out to sea. We would send fully armed and loaded airplanes in to attack selected targets, and sometimes they didn't return. Other than that, we would just see flashes in the distance. Our squadron was the first EA-6B Prowler squadron to go into battle, and we had performed flawlessly. We never lost an airplane and were able to provide protection from enemy radar for Air Force and Navy airplanes in battle.

Once our squadron returned to Whidbey we started the transition of the old model EA-6B "LimCaps" to the new "ExCaps." Once the Limited Capability airplanes were replaced by the new Extended Capability airplanes we would have more flexibility on what enemy radar we could defend against. This, however,

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It was a comfortable home for those times, with its four fireplaces, halls and closets. The large woodshed at the back was kept well-filled with oak, fir and bark, sawed and ready for use. And there was the spacious yard, bordered with a weathered fence, the lawn extending to the road in front. Many fruit trees, flowers and shrubs added their beauty to this pioneer home.

The Cogswell children had the run of the place, enjoying nature's bountiful gifts to the fullest, for in those days there were not only many wild birds and animals, but wildflowers and fruits to demand their attention. It was while living on this ranch that the children first attended school in one of their father's tenant houses, taught by Emma Gulthrie. Later, they attended a new one-roomed log school built by their father on his land.

The Cogswell children, like many other pioneer children, had to work too, doing chores about the place and sometimes helping their father drive stock to the upper ranch, braving the dangers of the many wolves, panthers and bears.

Their busy mother stayed at home, washing, carding and spinning wool for their clothing. During the summer season she did the family washing below the dam under huge maple trees, where she heated river water in a big black kettle over a fire. Although Mary Cogswell had nine children to care for, she was always ready and willing to care for a sick neighbor, for Mary was known as a "born nurse."

John Cogswell once had a narrow escape from starvation while traveling to eastern Oregon and becoming lost. His companion was John Diamond. The men were on horseback, wandering around for several days, until they came to an Indian camp. Here an old woman welcomed the men, helping them off their horses and leading them to her fire to rest. She fed them some of her stew, which had been made with meat, wild roots and vegetables, and seasoned with strong wild onions. On this diet the men quickly regained strength, although John always said he could never stand the smell of onions again.

The Cogswell family lived in their Thurston home for many years, raising and educating their children. Although a hard-working family, they found time to entertain friends. Their home, which still stands today, is truly a reminder of the sturdy pioneer family who lived within its now silent walls.

John Cogswell lived to see the country develop from a wilderness into a land of prosperity and plenty, and was one of its most substantial and influential citizens. He traveled much by horseback, wagon train, and ship and steam trains. He lived to see man conquer the air!

John seldom missed the annual State Pioneer meetings, feeling proud that he was one of the earliest pioneers in the northwest. He died May 13, 1907 at the age of 93 and was laid to rest in the Mary Gay Cogswell Pioneer Cemetery on the Martin Gay donation land claim, eight miles south of Eugene City.

The Mary Gay Cogswell Cemetery was established Oct. 4, 1857. Mary Gay Cogswell's deed to this cemetery, one acre of land, is recorded in Lane County Courthouse, Eugene, Oregon.

A list of Cogswells and Gays who are buried there follows: John Cogswell, pioneer father; Mary Frances Gay Cogswell, pioneer mother; Mary Anne Cogswell; Florilla Cogswell; Elizabeth (Lischen); Maude C. Miller (Cogswell); DeEtta Cogswell; Idaho Frazer (Cogswell) Campbell; Catherine (Cogswell) Thorne; Ivan Cogswell; Martin Baker Gay, pioneer father; Anna Stewart Gay, pioneer mother; Martha Ann Gay Masterson; David Green Gay; Sarah Julia Gay; Celeste Campbell.

Material for this article was compiled by the late Celeste Campbell and her sister, Eva Frazer Johnson, and appeared in the Lane County Historian, Vol. VI, No. 2 (June, 1964), a publication of the Lane County Pioneer-Historical Society.

This article was submitted by Claire Cogswell-Daigle.

Evans and Cogswell

. . . by Chris B. Staubes, Jr

One of our members, Edward Cogswell of Albion Maine, has recently acquired a Confederate States of America Bond and has noted that it was printed by Evans & Cogswell, Columbia, South Carolina. My great-grandfather, Harvey Cogswell, joined this printing firm in 1855, which was being operated at that time by his brother-in-law, Benjamin Evans, and the firm was subsequently named Evans & Cogswell. In 1860, when the Secession Convention for the state of South Carolina was held in Charleston, Evans & Cogswell was selected as the printers for the Convention and had the responsibility of providing minutes to the same on a daily basis. Harvey Cogswell was 29 years of age at that time. After South Carolina seceded from the Union, his company was engaged to print bonds for the state of South Carolina to raise money for the common defense. He subsequently enlisted in Company D, 5th Regiment, Calvary, SCV on March 20, 1862, and was by order of General R. S. Ripley, assigned special duty in connection with the Confederate States' government. This special duty was to print Confederate Bonds and currency. The company was initially located in Charleston, but when Charleston was besieged and the first shots from the long range guns struck near the printing plant, it was deemed by Confederate government authorities best

to find a more sheltered location. The stock and machinery were moved to Columbia and housed in a new building. The company printed bonds, lower denomination Confederate money and all types of books and manuscripts for the benefit of the Confederacy and the private sectors. In Sherman's march to the sea, the business was wiped out.

After the war, the business was re-established in Charleston, and became known as Walker, Evans & Cogswell. The printing company was in existence from 1821 until 1983, at which time the business was sold, and the printing plant and office supply building was converted into condominiums. The company was very instrumental in the publishing of all types of literary work and was generally recognized as the foremost printing house in the South. You can find numerous works bearing the name of Evans & Cogswell and later Walker, Evans & Cogswell that speak with the quality of work that it produced. I feel that we can be very proud of our ancestor, Harvey Cogswell, who remained a member of the company until his death in 1902. The company was subsequently continued by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren until its closing in 1983.

For more information on Harvey Cogswell (5609), please see Descendants of John Cogswell by Donald James Cogswell.

A Little Genealogical Humor

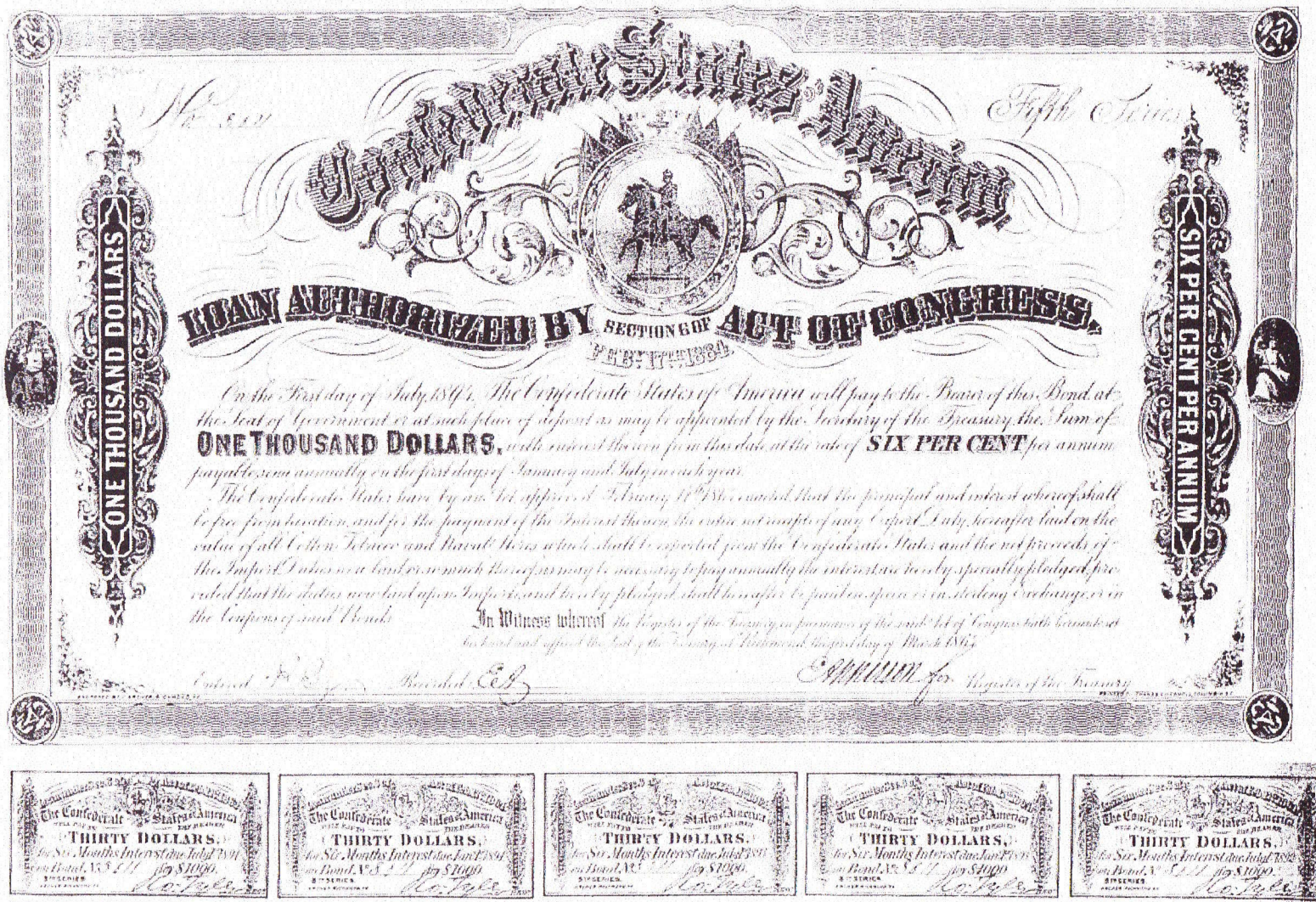
Two friends met after a rather long interval.

"You're looking pretty down in the mouth since I last saw you," said one. "Are you ill?"

"Not exactly," said the other, "but I'll admit I've been worried of late. You remember that I hired a man to trace my ancestry?"

"Yes," said the first friend. "What's the trouble? Hasn't he been successful?"

"That's just it," was the reply. "He's been too successful. I now have to pay him hush money!"



This is an image of the Thousand Dollars Loan @6% interest bond purchased by Ed Cogswell (Albion, ME). The original is several times larger because of the six month payments over a 30 year period. There are only five months of payments of thirty dollars each month. The original is 137 years old and very fragile. The mark of "Evans & Cogswell" Columbia S.C. is in the lower right hand corner. It was not possible to blow it up sufficiently.



Leander Winslow Cogswell (2896 DJC)

This is a brief introduction to Leander, whom we will hear more about when we get to Henniker NH for our reunion.

He was born Nov. 18, 1825 in Henniker NH, the son of David and Hannah (Haskell) Cogswell. He married Mary Smith Pillsbury May 17, 1855. They had no children. He was educated at the Academy in Henniker.

Eventually he enlisted as a soldier of the Union Army in 1862 and rose to the rank of Colonel in the Ninth Army Corps before ending his service in April 1865.

He held many civil offices in NH, as well as writing a history of Henniker and furnishing O. E. Jameson with much genealogical data and assistance.

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would take about a year and a half. So we were on shore duty during that time. Upon completion of this transition we headed for Norfolk, VA, again. This time we boarded the USS Kitty Hawk headed for the Mediterranean Sea where we would spend the next six months.

The cruise in the Mediterranean was full of a different view of the world. In "The Med" we saw civilizations much older than our young American country. We spent much of our time in Naples, Italy, with some trips to Cannes, France, and Barcelona, Spain. The most memorable trips were to Rome and to Pompeii. To see cities that go back to the days of Christ was quite amazing and put our country in a true historical perspective. We finished our tour of duty in "The Med" and returned to the States, back to Norfolk, VA, and finally to NAS Whidbey Island. Here I would spend the last of my four-year enlistment in the Navy on shore duty. My squadron wasn't headed back to sea until after my scheduled discharge in June of 1975.

It was during this time on shore duty that I took a local girl, Debbie, as my wife. With the state of the economy at the time (remember the gas crunch of 1974?), I re-enlisted in the Navy for another four years, and a few months later Debbie and I were married.

Most of my second enlistment was spent as an instructor on the A-6A, A-6E, and KA-6D Intruder aircraft. As freshly trained recruits would arrive from Memphis, I would train them to maintain and repair the Avionics systems on these airplane models. After their training they would be assigned to sea-going squadrons. It was pretty rewarding and taught me quite a bit about myself. I really learned to be a speaker and a teacher. I developed a lot of self-confidence that I still use today as a Supervisor at the Boeing Company.



Letters from 1863 and 1871 concerning Wm. Cogswell (1808 DJC)

Claire Cogswell-Daigle was fortunate enough to find these letters from and concerning William Cogswell on Ebay. William (7), son of Dr. George, was Claire's great-uncle, b. 1838. William rose to the rank of General in the War Between the States under Sherman. He was mayor of the city of Salem, was elected to the legislature of Massachusetts in the 1880's, and held many other important offices. His biography in DJC is well worth the read. Thank you, Claire, for sharing these letters with us.

Bradford, Essex County, Mass
January 10th 1863.

To whom it may concern.

This may certify that, Lt. Colonel William Cogswell of the 2^d Reg't Massachusetts Vols, was operated on for two fissures in the anus on the 7th inst. at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston by John M. Warren assisted by myself, and that he is now under my charge, is in bed and will not be able to travel for thirty days.

Geo. Cogswell, M.D.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex SS. January 10th 1863

Then personally appeared the above named Geo. Cogswell and made oath that the above Certificate by him signed is true.

Before me
Benjamin Greenleaf Justice of Peace

Translation: Bradford, Essex County, Mass
January 10th 1863

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Geo. M Cogswell, M.D.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Essex SS January 12th, 1863

Then personally appeared the above named George Cogswell and made oath that the above certificate by him signed is true.

Before me
Benjamin Greenleaf Justice of Peace

Salem Mass
Nov 9 1871

My dear Wilkins

I am ever so sorry that I cannot come to our reunion on the 15th. I have been cheated out of it every year but..... it comes at a time when I am busiest of all the year. Thank you for the honor of being assigned to us for "The Loyal Women" I would like to have done it, for I think highly of them, but another must do it for me. Give my love to Genl. Williams and all of them and.....

Wm. Cogswell

Capt. Wilkins
Detroit

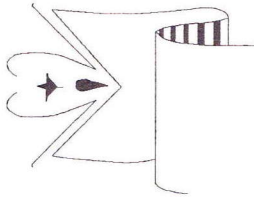
Translation: Salem Mass
Nov 9 1871

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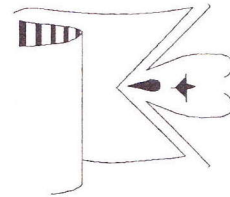
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Wm. Cogswell
Capt. Wilkins
Detroit



In Memoriam



J. Orton Buck Jr., 86, died March 29, 2000, in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Mr. Buck (7945 DJC) was born July 1, 1913, in Bridgeport, Conn., to J. Orton and Myra (Wooster) Buck.



He was educated in Portland, Maine, before graduating with honors in 1934 from New York School of Fine and Applied Art, where he studied interior architecture and decoration and mural painting.

After several years in an interior design studio in Washington, D.C., he went into department store design and served in an executive capacity at Lord & Taylor's, Macy's, and Bloomingdale's.

He married Nancy "Bab" Gulley Foster in New York City in 1947.

He lived in Nashville, Tenn., for seven years prior to moving to Klamath Falls in 1985.

Mr. Buck was a former member of the American Institute of Interior Design, a member of the Society of the Cincinnati and co-compiler of Volumes II and III of Pedigrees of some of the Emperor Charlemagne's Descendants.

For ten years, he was president-general of the Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the

United States. He also served as governor general of the Hereditary Order of Descendants of Colonial Governors.

Mr. Buck held offices in the Baronial Order of Magna Charta, the National Society of Americans of Royal Descent, the St. Nicholas Society of the City of New York, and the Society of Colonial Wars. In addition, he was a member of the Sons of the Revolution and the Order of Founders and Patriots of America.

In Klamath Falls, he was a volunteer at the Klamath County Museum, a member of the Klamath County Museum Advisory Board, and president of Friends of the Klamath County Museum. He also was a member of the Klamath County Historical Society, registrar of the Southern Oregon chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Clare and David White of Norwich, N.Y.; grandchildren, Emerson, James Kent and Jerusha White of Norwich; brother, J. Randolph Buck of Fairhope, Ala.; sister, Beatrice Buck of Winter Park, Fla.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

His wife preceded him in death in 1977.



2001 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

by Pat Cogswell Chairman

! The month of May was an exciting time for me. I received essays from students of Cogswell Polytechnical College in Sunnyvale, CA. and the American School for the Deaf in Hartford, CT. As scholarship chairman, I selected our President Emeritus Edna Roberds, President Austin Cogswell, 2nd Vice President Glenn Cogswell, Board Member Hal Lieberman and myself to be the selection committee. The essays were mailed to each member of the committee on May 1st, with a request that they read each essay and choose one person to receive the CFA scholarship. A postcard was included in each package for them to document their selection.

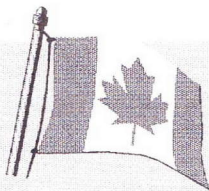
There were three essays from Cogswell Polytechnical College: Charlie Aitken, a junior; Ian Martin, a freshman; and Gilbert Medeiros, also a junior. Each essay was well written and it made it difficult for the committee to narrow it down to just one. The 2001 CFA Scholarship for Cogswell Polytechnical College was awarded to **Gilbert Medeiros**. Gilbert wrote: "This education will allow me to explore many different career opportunities. My ultimate career goal is to work in the entertainment industry, perhaps doing commercials, music videos and movies. I hope to own my own studio, which would allow me to do animations, and short films without all the sex and violence that is seen in today's entertainment world. I feel this will benefit today's society because it will expose them to entertainment that is positive without harmful influence to children."

Gilbert met the three (3) requirements of our scholarship: intended for a student in severe financial need; minimum GPA of 3.0; and submit a 450-500 word essay discussing "How the achievement of your career objectives will benefit society?" The \$250 CFA Scholarship to Gilbert was doubled by a matching sum from the Cyril Cogswell Scholarship fund at the college.

There was only one essay from the American School for the Deaf this year...the senior class had only 14 students. Adam Betts, a graduating senior, wrote the essay. Adam wrote, "After graduation, I plan to go to NTID/RIT University. I am majoring in Graphic Design and Animation. I will take several other classes such as English, Reading & Writing and other classes to increase my knowledge. I am already prepared for college with my brand-new laptop and some things to assist me better. During the summer vacation before going to NTID/RIT, I will work at a Deaf Camp as a Residential Advisor. I am motivated to help kids become successful just like me. I am looking forward to my bright future!"

Adam met the three (3) requirements of our scholarship: intended for the graduating senior who has demonstrated an outstanding awareness of good citizenship; minimum GPA of 3.5; and submit a short statement - not more than 500 words - discussing their career objectives and how they hope achievement of them will contribute to the benefit of society.

Congratulations to both of these fine young men! I don't know how you'll feel, but I feel wonderful about the CFA helping young people to further their education to benefit mankind.



Our Canadian Connection

. . . by Malcolm Cogswell

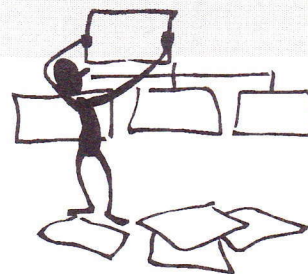
Following the suggestion of sending information about veterans among our Cogswell family, I did some checking on the Internet. I haven't yet found a way to get any lists from World War II or later, but I did find the following information on World War I: Cogswell who died: Private Cecil Edward Cogswell, son of John and Minnie A. Cogswell of Canning, Nova Scotia, died, age 29, on June 4, 1917. He was in the Canadian Militia, and is buried in Bill Town Cemetery, Nova Scotia, so I don't think he was overseas. We have no record of him, but Canning is about 5 miles from Hezekiah Cogswell's Nova Scotia pioneer homestead, so he is probably a descendant. Cogswells who served in the Canadian Expeditionary Force: Arthur Douglas Cogswell, born Oct. 18, 1888, son of George Cogswell (6779?) of Oromocto, New Brunswick; Charles Cogswell, born Feb. 7, 1894, son of David Cogswell, of River Inhabitants (? ink badly faded - Not sure I read this right, and never heard of the place), New Brunswick. (Couldn't find either in the book, but many in Oromocto are descendants of Hezekiah's son Elihu.) ; Cole Cogswell of Oromocto, N.B., born Jan. 1, 1896, son of George Cogswell (see #1); Elisha Leforest Cogswell, born Sept. 29, 1892 at Woodstock, N.B., son of Mrs. M. Cogswell. (8251 despite difference middle name?); Elmer B. Cogswell of Victoria, British Columbia, born Apr. 29, 1892, son of Oliver P. Cogswell, a civil servant in Ottawa, Ontario. (8334?);

Frederick Newcombe Bordon Cogswell (6897) (I grew up next door to him and never knew he was a veteran!); George Ellis Cogswell, born Mar. 28, 1893, in Sunbury Co., N. B. (the county where Oromocto is), son of George (see #1); Herbert Cogswell, of St. Mary's, N. B., born Jan. 12, 1869 in Oromocto (his wife's name was Lillian B.?); John Roy Cogswell, of Amherst, N. S., born June 17, 1888 at Baxter's Harbour, N. S. (some of Elihu's descendants returned there), his wife's name was Loretta; Nelson Cogswell, of Evanston, Cape Breton, N. S., born Aug. 10, 1897, son of Charlotte Cogswell (many Cape Breton Cogswells are not known to be descended from John and Elizabeth 1635); William Cogswell, of Chicago, Ill., born Mar. 3, 1882 at Glasgow, Scotland, son of William, and married to Julia - perhaps just before joining up, as the father, next of kin is crossed out and Julia substituted. I'm sure we have records of one of them (just didn't know he was a veteran) and I think two others. One or more of the three sons of George may be (an) unnamed son(s) of the George I have indicated. I am also aware of Paul Cogswell, (6908) who during the Second World War served in the Merchant Marine, shipping food, munitions, etc. from North America to the Allies in Europe - as dangerous as the navy, but not part of it. Sorry, I've got no stories to pass on, as the only one of these I ever met died several years ago.



From the Editors Den

by Mary Lieberman



A good time to reach out and touch someone.

As Claire reports, our membership is increasing each month. Don Cogswell reports that many of our new members come from "chatting" over the internet in search of Cogswell history. Many hear of our association by word of mouth. I think this makes it pretty clear that it is the interaction that attracts new members. I am sure that one of the things that helps us keep them is having information to share. We all appreciate the helpfulness of people like Don and Claire and actually almost anyone else who is always willing to go the extra mile to search for lost, misplaced or whatever ancestors.

Another thing which holds us together is getting to know each other. This is what reunions are all about.

New England meetings seem to have the largest attendance. So I am hoping that all of you, but especially those in the New England area, will try to make sure that someone who may not be planning to attend will change their mind and come to Henniker NH and get to know some of their cousins.

I hope someone else out there will send me an account of their experience in the armed forces for the next edition of the Courier.

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Welcome to our newest Cogswell Descendants



Mr. and Mrs. Mike Welch and son James Kelsey (CFA members) of Monroe, MI. are proud to announce the birth of **William Scott Welch**, April 17, 2001. William weighed in at 6 pounds 8.6 ounces. Don (CFA Historian) & Pat (CFA Web Master) are the proud maternal grandparents, and Caroline and Fred Welch are the proud paternal grandparents.

Prescott Conrad Cogswell and Helen Preece Cogswell of Brentwood, Essex, England, announce the birth of **Prescott Maxmillian Preece Cogswell**. Prescott was born May 13, 2001. He is the grandson of Prescott E. and Wilma D. Cogswell, San Clemente, CA (CFA members)

Jeffrey Cogswell Morse and Barbara Marrone Morse and 3 year old Natalie announce the birth of **Emma Grace Morse**. She presented all 6.3 pounds of herself before parents were able to get to the hospital and was delivered by her father at home at 7:30 a.m. on March 29, 2001. Ronald C. and Nancy Morse (CFA members), who presently reside in Hockessin, DE, are Emma's grandparents.

This and That

An interesting Observation

By Jerome French of Essex MA

It is interesting to note that there is no longer a Cogswell listed in the Cape Ann telephone directory except the phone of the Cogswell Grant.

As many of you know, that is the original grant of land from the King of England to John Cogswell #1 when he settled in America. (What right did the King have to give away land he did not own?) The Grant is now owned by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities. Therefore there is not a single person named Cogswell in the Cape Ann area, which includes Essex, Mass., although there are many descendants of John #1 in the area. Evidently all the Cogswell men migrated to other places over the years. I have relatives as far away as Hawaii whom I have not seen since I was a teenager. I am 77 years old and they are likewise.

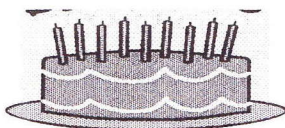
Good Research Site

Edward Cogswell from Albion ME suggests this:

Passenger Search
<http://www.Ellisisland.org/search/matchMore.asp?LNM=COGSWELL&PLNM=COGSWELL&RF=142&ALTS=97%7Ccoxswell&ALTS=97%7Ccoxswell&kind=exact&offset=125&dwpdone=1>
Sign In | Register to Use This Site.

Birthdays ?

Your editor would like to know how many Cogswells there are who will admit to being over 90 years old. We would like to know a little bit about your life. We need to have a big birthday party!



Alert !

Warren (Remy) Little

wants to let us know that the "**Cogswell's Grant**" will be featured on the "Antiques Roadshow" when it gets back to MA, probably some time this fall.

WGBH Boston suggests watching for it from now on. For people in other parts of the country a call to your PBS channel might give you the date it will be shown.

A Call for Photos

Claire Cogswell-Daigle

Would like some new images for her birthday and Christmas cards from the CFA. If anyone has a photo or a picture that has some sort of Cogswell connection she would really appreciate the short term use of it. All images will be returned. Perhaps Buildings or landmarks with the Cogswell name. Objects that have been handed down in families of old Cogswell origin. Your editor would appreciate a copy of these as well.

Reminder

The Amy Cogswell Garden rediscovered

(See page five of the April 2001 Courier.)

If you are in the Connecticut area of Wethersfield check this out and tell them about your Cogswell Connection.

Important Book Notice

The NEHGS has just issued *The Great Migration: Immigrants to New England 1634-1635*, Volume II, C-F. This volume includes John Cogswell and his children and has some interesting differences with Jameson and DJC. More on this later.

If you have come across any good book references or sites on the net please share them with the membership.

Lodging for Reunion

*Here are some places I have contacted about the reunion.
Make sure you mention :Cogswell Family Association Reunion”.*

*Colby Hill Inn 800/531-0330 3 The Oaks (small st. off Western Ave.)
603/428/3281 Prices from \$105.00-\$175.00*

*Henniker Motel 603/428- 3536 Craney Pond Road (Near Pat's peak)
Prices from \$70.00 -\$87.00*

*Meeting House Inn 603/428-3228 36 Flanders Road (Near Pat's Peak)
Prices from \$65.00-\$115.00*

Mountain Inn Bradford 603/938-2136 Prices from \$80.00-\$85.00

*Henniker House 800/662-6005 2 Ramsdell Road
603/428-3198 Prices from \$85.00 and full breakfast.*

*Days Inn 603/224/2511 406 South Main St. Concord -15 minutes from or to
Henniker Prices from \$90.00-\$110.00*

Camp Sites These are all in or near Henniker

Mile Away Campground 603/428-7617 41 Old W Hopkinton Rd.

Keyser Pond Campground 603/428-7741 47 Old Concord Rd.

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