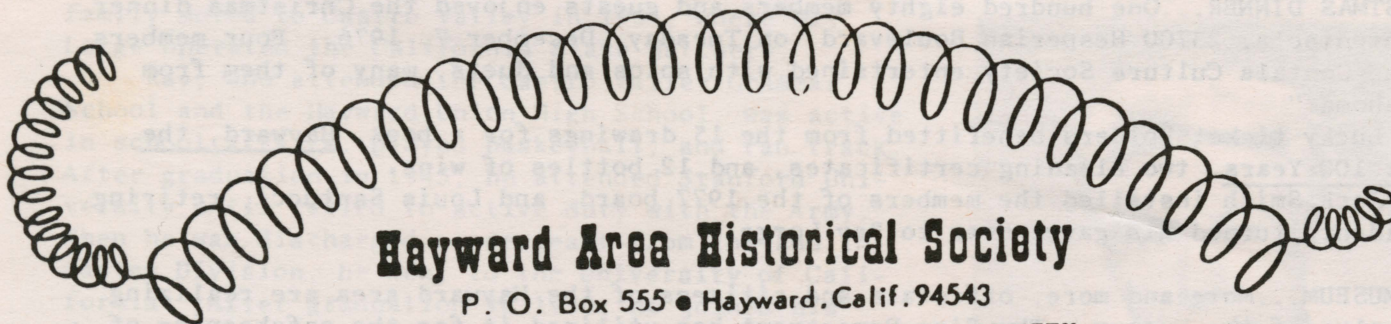


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MUSEUM...C & Main Streets Office Hours...M-F...1-4 p.m. Hostess...Minnie Christensen

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.....Each year as a new president takes over his duties, there are certain objectives and goals he hopes to attain during the year. I am no exception.

There are several projects that I hope will be completed this year. High on my list of priorities is the furnishing of the McConaghy Carriage House, the acquisition of the Museum Building by the City of Hayward, the building of a glass enclosure to house the horse-drawn street car, and an increase in our membership to 1,000.

We hope to have more activities that the membership can participate in and enjoy. Our Christmas dinner at Antonino's was a huge success, with good food, nice atmosphere, and a fine program. The annual meeting on Wednesday, March 9, will also be held at Antonino's. A very interesting program has been arranged. I hope you will attend.

President....Ray Lorge

CALENDAR

March 9.....Dinner, Antonino's
 March 11....Time Capsule Ceremony
 June.....Arts & Crafts Day, McConaghy's
 August.....Barbecue

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REPORTS. . .

CHRISTMAS DINNER....One hundred eighty members and guests enjoyed the Christmas dinner at Antonino's, 23700 Hesperian Boulevard, on Tuesday, December 7, 1976. Four members of the Contala Culture Society entertained with solos and duets, many of them from "Oklahoma."

Lucky ticket holders benefitted from the 15 drawings for a book, Hayward, the First 100 Years, two cleaning certificates, and 12 bottles of wine.

Jack Smith installed the members of the 1977 board, and Louis Santucci, retiring president, turned his gavel over to Ray Lorge.

THE MUSEUM....More and more, officials and citizens of the Hayward area are realizing the value of the Museum. The Fire Department has utilized it for the safekeeping of its engines, memorabilia, and awards. The Centennials Committee, as it dissolved in January, deposited there its tapes and display materials and elected the curator to take charge of the Time Capsule to be buried March 11. Individuals are leaving their keepsakes where others can enjoy them too.

BIRTHDAY CAKE....Hayward's 100th birthday is being suitably celebrated at the Museum these days with the display of a four-foot high birthday cake, complete with white frosting and 100 tiny red candles. The cake was created by the Sugar Belles for the Holiday Decoration Show held at the Meek Estate before Christmas. The cake has been placed in the center of the dining table at the Museum and is surrounded by little nut cups with the names of Hayward's prominent early citizens.

THE McCONAGHY HOUSE....Since late September, over 1200 interested and interesting people have taken guided tours through the beautiful, ninety-year-old McConaghy House, which is now open Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday each week from 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thirty well-informed tour guides in costumes of the early 1900's greet guests at the front door and for a nominal fee take them back ninety years into the family life and time of John and Florence McConaghy. Many of the docents represent groups that refurbished individual rooms. On weekends Girl Scouts from San Lorenzo help out.

After touring the mansion, guests visit the Carriage House, which is half as large as the home itself and will soon be complete with buggies and wagons, harnesses and plows.

People have enjoyed their visit to the McConaghy Estate. Classrooms of children from the first grade up are especially interested in the horse and buggy, in the old toys in the Child's Room, in the old "funny" but useful items in the kitchen, in the ghost stories. Other groups include the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, College classes interested in Victorian Decorating, Ladies Clubs, Senior Citizens....These enjoy the history and the family life story, and often the older ones comment "My grandmother had one just like that."

Lucille Lorge (Telephone 537-9568) can use more docents. If you are interested in helping an hour or two a week, call her.

TREE PLANTING AT McCONAGHY ESTATE....Religion, patriotism, and history joined hands on January 11, 1977, when local groups met at the McConaghy Home for a tree-planting and flag dedication ceremony in honor of the Bicentennial. Eden Unit of Church Women United donated the flowering cherry tree, and the family of Marine Corporal James C. Moose presented the Bicentennial flag. Accepting the gifts on behalf of the Hayward Recreation District was president Ted Drag, while Ray Lorge represented the Hayward Area Historical Society. Also taking part in the short ceremony were Mrs. Betty Moose, president of the Eden Unit, Historian John Sandoval, Lucille Lorge, head docent at the Home, H.A.R.D. director Shirley Campbell, and Rev. Arthur Alm, who gave the benediction.

RAY LORGE, the new president of the Hayward Area Historical Society, was born in Sacramento, November 3 1927 the older of two sons born to Alice and Cyril Lorge. The family moved to Castro Valley in 1934, where Mr. Lorge operated the California State Hatchery.

Ray, who attended the Castro Valley Grammar School and the Hayward Union High School, was active in school affairs, played basketball, and ran track. After graduation in 1945, he attended Stanford University until called to active duty with the Army. When he was discharged as sergeant from the 2nd Infantry Division, he went to the University of California. After graduation in 1950, he joined his father in the hatchery business, which they operated until 1962, shipping baby chicks throughout the West Coast, to Mexico, Guam, and the Philippines. They hatched several million chicks on a weekly basis during this time.

In 1952 Ray married Lucille Thomford, a 4th generation member of the Thomford family. Her grandfather, Henry Thomford, came to the Hayward Area in 1881 and built Castro Villa, the Way Station at Redwood and Grove Way. Her father is related to the Grindells, who owned and operated the Grindell Stable and Funeral Parlor until it was sold to the Sorensen Bros. and is a brother of Doris, Mrs. Jack Marlin.

Ray and Lucille have three children--Susan, 23, graduated from the University of California, Davis. She majored in child development and is currently teaching in the Hayward Unified School District. Kathy, 22 also graduated from Davis, majoring in social welfare. She married Bob Schaefer, who is a psychological counselor in the Castro Valley School District. Ray and Lucille also have a son, Chris, 8, who is in the second grade at the Stanton School in Castro Valley.

In 1962 Ray sold the Hatchery and went into the dry-cleaning business with his brother Jim. They operate the R & J Quick Clean Center at 2522 Castro Valley Blvd. in Castro Valley.

Ray was a member of the Hayward 20-30 Club during the 1950's serving as its president for a term. He is active in the Castro Valley Rotary Club and he and his wife belong to the Hayward Dance Club on whose board he has served for two years. They own a cabin at Blue Lake Springs in Calaveras County, where they enjoy golfing, swimming, fishing, and relaxing.

LOOK FORWARD TO . . .

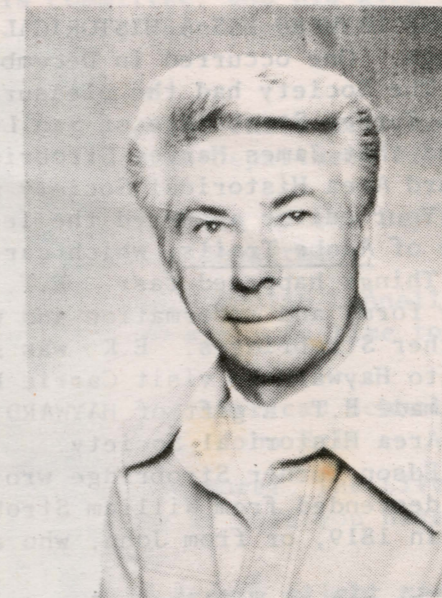
The ANNUAL DINNER MEETING will be held at Antonino's, 23700 Hesperian Boulevard, on Wednesday, March 9 1977. The social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m.

Board members will make their annual reports, and there will be a raffle.

"Harmonica Joe" Silva will provide the entertainment. Oldsters will remember him as the Harmonica King of Hayward in the 1930's, a whiz kid who graduated from Bret Harte in 1931. Judge Jacob Harder got him his first job playing on the radio at KZM on B Street. He was 13 years old.

Much has happened to him since then. He has played along with Kate Smith, Liberace, Ruby Keifer, and Marion Austin. He has acquired 400 harmonicas and can play them forward and backward and sideways, and can imitate sounds.

You will want to hear him!



Ray Lorge

BITS OF NEWS . . .

BECAUSE HAYWARD HAS A HISTORICAL SOCIETY, there are many exciting and worthwhile happenings. One occurred in December which will interest members.

The Society had the pleasure of introducing two family branches to one another. Edson Turner Strobridge of San Luis Obispo knew from research into his family background that James Harvey Strobridge had lived in Hayward. He sent a letter to the Hayward Area Historical Society asking for any information available.

Your editor answered the letter and mailed him a copy of the December, 1970, issue of Adobe Trails, which carried the story of the Strobridge family in this area.

Things happened fast. E.T. Strobridge answered the letter with 21 pages of genealogy forms and information and wrote E.K. Strobridge, of San Leandro, who knew vaguely of other Strobridges. E.K. was so excited he telephoned E.T., who said he just might come to Hayward to visit Carrie Ferguson Strobridge Russell and E.K. and their families. E.K. made E.T. a gift of HAYWARD, THE FIRST 100 YEARS and of a membership in the Hayward Area Historical Society.

Edson Turner Strobridge wrote that as nearly as he could determine all Strobridges were descended from William Strobridge (1690-1777), who arrived in the U.S. from Ireland in 1819, or from John, who arrived aboard the "Elizabeth" in Boston, January 12, 1719.

The son of William, also named William (1756-1843) was the common grandfather of James Harvey Strobridge (1827-1921), son of Phedrus Strobridge (1787-1833) and of Tullius Washington Strobridge (1819-1904), grandfather of Edson Turner (1927--).

The Strobridge family looks forward to some interesting associations and sharing of information because the historical society was available.

MATT JIMINEZ, a 32-year veteran of the Hayward Fire Department and 25-year chief, will retire May 1, 1977. April 29 has been set for a retirement dinner to be held in Centennial Hall. Assistant Fire Chief Julian D. Burke has been appointed to take his place.

AMY JENSEN, last of the ten children of Oma Emilie and Jens Jensen, died early on the morning of January 23, 1977, following a massive stroke. A charter member of the Hayward Area Historical Society, she renewed her membership every year and thoroughly enjoyed attending Society affairs.

CONLEYS IN MOBILE HOME...Mr. and Mrs. Everett Conley are comfortably settled in the mobile home on the McConaghy property. They moved in two months ago. "It's a good situation," Mr. Conley says. "It's close to work and in a country setting. We're off by ourselves there."

Mr. Conley is the owner of the Mobil Station at the corner of Bockman and Esperian Blvd., having moved there four years ago from the station at Tennyson and Calaroga. A Hayward Area resident for 35 years, he first became acquainted with the McConaghy Home in 1960 when John McConaghy personally showed him through the old house which he was living in alone.

The Conleys accepted the invitation to move on the property and watch over the historical estate when they decided to sell the larger home which their family had outgrown. The present home is a brand new 24-by-60-foot double model, with two bedrooms and baths, living room, dining room, family room, and kitchen. It is located on the back corner of the property next to the carriage house.

The Conleys have three children. Their son Jack, 25, lives in Hayward. Daughter Caroline Stevens lives in Redwood City with her nine-months-old baby, the only grandchild. Rena, 21, plans to make her home with her parents.

Mr. Conley has been in the service station business in this area since 1950--first in Castro Valley and then moving to Hayward around 1968. He is a member of the South Hayward Lions Club and Masonic Lodge #723 in Castro Valley.

MORE BITS OF NEWS . . .

ART PALMER, Executive Director of the Hayward Centennials Committee, and his wife Pearl are spending a few weeks with their daughter Kathy--Mrs. Robert Mathieson, and family, in Windemere, Florida.

JOHN SANDOVAL AND RUTH CRADDOCK are spending a month in Mexico after their marriage on February 4, 1977. Both John and Ruth are working in the Production Department of the Daily Review.

IN MARCH, John Sandoval will again offer monthly historical tours of the Bay Area. These are provided on Thursdays through the Chabot College history department.

LAST MONTH'S EARTHQUAKE triggered the burglar alarm at the Museum. Beulah Linnell was notified and had to go down to turn it off. She returned at 1:30 a.m., in time to feel a second shock, the hardest that night.

ALWINA CHRISTENSEN MELBY of Oslo, Norway, where she teaches in the American School, sent pictures of her twin girls, Inger Lise and Anne Marie, and her son, John Erik.

DO YOU REMEMBER the old roadside garage on Lincoln Highway in Livermore? The Livermore Heritage Guild has been able to preserve it and are now restoring it. If you have any memorabilia relating to it, they would appreciate your donation.

ZELDA RIGGS writes that her sister, Tulla Kennedy, is recovering from a slight stroke. She is able to walk if she is careful and her speech has improved. Zelda is at the Hill Haven Convalescent Hospital, 3030 Webster--Room 51, Oakland 94609, and would very much appreciate letters from friends.

THE PEOPLE OF HAYWARD had an opportunity to see a delightful play "Natalie Needs a Nightie" at the Chabot Auditorium on February 11 and 12, 1977, and at the same time help the Chanticleers make money to restore the old Palomares Schoolhouse, their theatre for many years, which was destroyed last year by fire.

THE 1906 EARTHQUAKE...If you had any personal experience with the 1906 earthquake, please contact Pacific Rim Research, P.O. Box 526, Mendocino, California 95460.

LEGISLATIVE BILLS OF INTEREST...The Santa Clara County Historical Society reports a bill --A.B. 3686--which if passed would delete the maiden name of married women for record purposes. For genealogists, this would be a tragedy. PLEASE WRITE your congressman and ask him to vote NO on it.

THE MARKS BILL--S.B. 2129--has been signed by Governor Brown. It allows cities, counties, towns, and agencies to issue revenue bonds for low interest loans for the rehabilitation of historic properties.

When the legislature convened in December, there were several bills of interest to preservation introduced. One contemplated would assure home owners who restore their property that they will not be penalized by higher taxes.

PROPOSITION 2 passed at the last election, and so \$280,000,000 will be provided in general acquisition bonds for development and restoration of properties for parks, beaches, recreation, and historic preservation. \$4,000,000 has been allocated to Alameda County. H.A.R.D., Hayward Parks, and other parks departments of Alameda County will be allocated the money by projects or on per capita basis. The Hayward Area Historical Society has applied for funds to help complete the McConaghy project.

IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES there are three bills pending--H.R. 2556, H.R. 1086, and S.B. 3279--that would allow genealogists to see Census Records after 75 years from the time they were taken. Ask your representatives and senators to vote YES on them.

NOTES FROM NEWSLETTERS...From the Conference of California Historical Societies Newsletter come several items. It reported the Open House held at the Hayward Museum in

November, 1976, telling about the expansion of the Museum, of John Sandoval's "Chapel of the Chimes" publications, especially commending his "Portuguese in East Bay" edition.

In September the largest live oak tree in the nation was dedicated. The tree is on the Bertero Winery Grounds on the Hector Pass Road near Gilroy.

The East Contra Costa Historical Society reports that work on the John Marsh home is going along according to schedule.

The Washington Township Historical Society of Fremont is moving the El Camino Real Liberty Bell, erected in 1963, on the Huddleston Ranch (now Ohlone College property) to the front of Mission San Jose, where visitors will have a better opportunity to view it.

The Martinez Historical Society has been allotted money from the city to rehabilitate their Mission.

The Moraga Historical Society is developing a slide presentation of the history of Moraga.

The Veterans Building in Palo Alto was dedicated November 11, 1976, as a California State Landmark. This building, designed by Julia Morgan, is the last remaining building from Camp Fremont and is Palo Alto's third State Landmark.

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DO YOU KNOW what happened to the men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Frank Emerson Harris gives this information in The Spirit of '76, a pamphlet published by the Homemakers Guild of the American Foundation.

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or the hardships of the Revolutionary War.

What kind of men were they? Thirty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners, men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence, knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in rags. Thomas McKean was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers or both looted the properties of Ellery, Clymer, Hall, Walton, Owinnett, Hayward, Ruttledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. The owner quietly urged General George Washington to open fire, which was done. The home was destroyed and Nelson died bankrupt.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his grist mill were laid waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home after the war to find his wife dead, his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

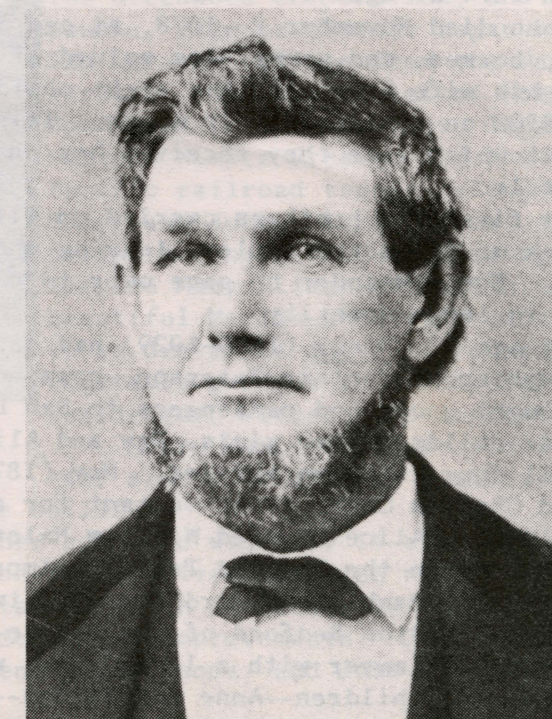
Such were the sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of the Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to one another, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

HOW CAN WE of the third century show our gratitude!

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Through 125 years and six generations, the Marlin family has been known throughout the Hayward Area. All of the first and second generations have died and many have been buried in the San Lorenzo Cemetery at the foot of Usher Street. But members of the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth generations continue the good work of their forbears.

The family had its beginning with John Marlin. He was born in 1822 in Perry County, Pennsylvania. Soon after gold was discovered in California in 1849, he and three of his brothers--Henry, Brady, and Washington--came to the West Coast by way of the Isthmus of Panama and settled in Astoria, Oregon, where they engaged in the lumber business for a few years. In 1852 John brought his family to California and located as a squatter in the San Lorenzo Area. He farmed for some time, and when he was finally compelled to give up the land, he bought 135 acres from Louis Steitz for \$4,000. His property was an open field with the exception of 25 acres of small timber halfway between San Lorenzo and Robert's Landing.



John Marlin (1822-1878)

With considerable energy and vision, he cleared the 25 acres and devoted the entire property to general farming and the raising of vegetables. In 1863 John purchased 160 acres in San Lorenzo, for which he agreed to pay \$18,000, though he had only \$900. He put 30 acres into orchard fruits, especially cherries, which within a year were producing fruit that sold for \$1.00 a pound. His efforts were successful, and within two years he not only was able to pay off the \$18,000 but had another \$27,000 with which to purchase the John F. Ford ranch in the Mt. Eden District, now the Hayward Airport.

John Marlin gave his entire time to his three ranches during the next years, cultivating and improving his land. He set out orchards and put up buildings, and in a good many ways added to the value of the property. Though not one to seek official recognition, he was a staunch Republican. He endorsed and promoted party principles. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in San Leandro and of the Odd Fellows in Hayward.

Before coming west, John Marlin had married Eliza Bowers, born also in 1822 in Perry County, Pennsylvania. She remained on the East Coast with their children until he returned for them in 1852. During the years there were eight children--Elizabeth, Henry, Margaret, Katherine, Josephine, Anne, Carolyn, and John Peter, six girls and two boys. Eliza died in 1864 at the age of 36, and John married her sister, Sarah, who undertook to care for his home and children.

During the next fifteen years John continued to develop his farms. He sent his children to the San Lorenzo Elementary School and saw his older son Henry, when he reached his majority, go off to work first on a stock ranch in Napa County and after a time to Nevada, where he took charge of 500 head of cattle at \$50 a month and board. Then he cultivated a farm on shares and later worked as a freight teamster for the J.P. Pritchard Co of Nevada, driving 16 head of horses to heavy freight wagons hauling provisions and machinery to the mines at Eureka, Nevada, and bringing back bars of silver and lead to be shipped from San Francisco ports to England. After two years Henry returned to San Lorenzo, where his father engaged him for the same wages to act as foreman of his ranches.

Throughout these years, John Marlin enjoyed the company of two of his brothers who had moved to the area--Brady and Washington. Brady served as supervisor for Eden Township for 17 years. Washington, what he did the editor was unable to find out, died in 1874 at age 45.

John died November 2, 1878, at age 56, leaving an estate of land, cattle, grain, fruits, horses, and vegetables valued at \$150,000. His property was divided among his heirs--his wife Sarah and his eight children. The two boys, Henry and John, gave the girls \$500 an acre for their share. This money was paid before the death of Sarah in 1887, at which time they received her share. Each had 105 acres and farmed them separately.

At first the brothers carried on with the fruit, but later Henry took up about 80 acres of pears and apples, leaving about 40 acres to apricots, plums, and other fruits. The remainder he gave over to vegetables, especially tomatoes which he raised in large quantity.

At age 28, Henry (1859-1929) had married Sophia Peterson, a native of Denmark and daughter of Captain Peterson, commander of a ship belonging to Captain Roberts, who brought goods and passengers to San Lorenzo's port, Robert's Landing. The couple had four children--two girls, May and Alice, and two boys, John Henry and Stanley.

All four children married. May (1878-1930) became an interior decorator. She married Charles Case, an accountant for a lumber company in San Francisco. They had no children. Alice married William Haley, of a farming family in Centerville. He was involved in the Oakland Traction Improvement Company and at his death in 1936 had been with the Bank of Hayward for over twenty years. Alice had two children--Alice who married Milton Redford of Utah, vice-president of the Crocker Bank in San Francisco, and Marlin, a lawyer with a local firm, who married Mary Woebke of Salt Lake City. Alice has two children--Anne and Milton--and one grandchild. Marlin has three children--William, Mary, and Katherine--and four grandchildren.

Henry (1880-1941) married Naomi Kennedy (1884-1971). Their property was only one acre. Henry did no farming but worked as a storekeeper at the Fairmont Hospital and drove an ambulance part time. When he became ill, Naomi became switchboard operator at Fairmont, where she worked for 23 years. Henry and Naomi had two children--Ynonne and Earle. Ynonne married Willis Nye, an aeronautical engineer and writer who died in 1971. The couple had no children. Earle was assistant manager at the Pickle Works for a time, managed the Marlin Soda Bar in San Lorenzo, and at the time of his retirement was working for Gerber's Baby Food Company in Oakland. Earle married Ruth Haar, only daughter of John and Edna Slater Haar, and had one daughter, Karen, who married James O'Neil, a teacher in Quincy, California. She has two children. Earle is the only member of the family to carry the Marlin surname. There are no sons in the fourth, fifth, and sixth generations to carry it on.

Stanley was a signal man on a U.S. battleship during World War I. He kept the messages he had been able to read from the German fleet and relay to the United States forces. These records have been placed in the Hoover Library at Stanford. Stanley drove a truck for Standard Oil and for several years was on the maintenance crew at the Hayward Union High School. Stanley married Jessie McFadden (1919-1967) and had one daughter Janet, who married Bud Flierl and has three children--Jeffrey Lee, Walter Scott, and Janene Marie.

Henry and Sophia's grandchildren--Ynonne Marlin Nye, Earle Marlin, Alice Haley Redford, Marlin Haley, and Janet Marlin Flierl have fond memories of their childhood. Ynonne and Earle lived in a house on the east side of Hesperian where now is San Lorenzo Village. It was flanked on either side by the big houses of their maternal and paternal grandparents. They remember the Marlin house had five bedrooms and four fireplaces. There was no central heating. Always the family, 15 or more, gathered there for Christmas to enjoy the tree that reached the ceiling and share in the two huge turkeys their grandmother baked. The children played around the barns, helped to pick currants and other small fruits, listened to the electric victrola their grandfather had. They joined

Grandmother Sophia often on Sundays as she supplied flowers for the Christian Church on Usher where she had been married in 1877.



The Henry Marlin House

They remember that as early as 1945 David D. Bohannon, president of the Greenwood Corporation, and Walter Bauman, vice president, began to develop San Lorenzo Village from the Marlin acreage. The tract east of Hesperian Boulevard from San Lorenzo Creek south between Nimitz Freeway and the Western Pacific railroad tracks belonged to Henry and John. Acreage west of Hesperian belonged to Henry Smyth, who had married Mary Elizabeth Marlin. The beautiful Marlin and Smyth mansions had to be destroyed and the orchards and vegetable gardens to be covered with residences, stores, and concrete.

Henry Marlin's house stood on the east side of Hesperian Boulevard near

Grant Avenue where now stands a trailer storage building.

John Peter (1859-1930). John Marlin's other son who was only 19 when his father died, continued to live in his father's house on Peach Drive. He also made a special study of vegetables and planted 30 acres to potatoes which produced 103 pounds per acre. In addition he raised cattle and horses and made modern improvements. John married Mathilda Fitters. The couple had three children--Maud, Rhoda, and John Edward born in 1890, 1892, and 1896.

Maud married Marvyn Hanlon, and she and her husband are living in San Francisco. Rhoda married Les Frier who worked in the Bank of America in Hayward and is now living in Reno, Nevada. Rhoda died in 1960. Neither she nor Maud had children.

John Edward (1896-1976), better known as Jack, married Doris Thomford and had one daughter Lorene, who married John Heide and lives on a farm near Ft. Jones, California. Their one son and two daughters are married and living nearby. Lorene has one grandchild.

Jack Marlin remained in San Lorenzo until his death in August, 1976. He had attended the Polytechnic School in Oakland and prepared to be a machinist, the occupation he followed all of his life. For forty years he was in charge of maintenance at the Trojan Powder Works. He erected a machine shop near his home at 418 Lewelling in San Lorenzo, where he did much of his work. He retired in 1965, but continued to be available when needed.

In 1932, when John McConaghy decided to give up the work, Jack and his wife became caretakers and record keepers for the San Lorenzo Cemetery which is located at the foot of Usher Street in San Lorenzo. This duty his wife continues since Jack's death.

Jack was a member of the Masonic Lodge and was a Scottish Rites Shriner. For several years he was a member of the twenty-man Aahmes Temple drill team that rode beautiful matched pintos in parades all over the country. He served as leader of the San Lorenzo Boy Scouts for five years and was president of the San Lorenzo Lions for one term.

Because descendants of John Marlin's sons--Henry and John Peter--were available, this account tells more about their branches of the family.

The six daughters of John and Eliza Bowers Marlin grew up in the San Lorenzo area, attended the local schools, helped with household chores, and made lives of their own. In 1867 Mary Elizabeth, the oldest child in the family, married Henry Smyth, who had purchased 150 acres adjoining the Marlins along Telegraph Road (now Hesperian Boulevard) and established a blacksmith shop and made implements, carriages, and wagons as well as farmed. Henry had migrated from Ireland in 1850 to Philadelphia and three years later came to the West Coast.

Mary Elizabeth and Henry Smyth had seven children--Eliza Jane (Kinsell), Elsie (Dennis), Florence (McConaghy), Harry Thomas, who married Hannah Fitters, James who died as a boy, Laura Alice (Smith) whose son was killed in a train accident, and Mabel who died while still young. Eliza Jane had one son, Henry, who married and had two sons and one daughter. One son became a doctor. Henry died May 13, 1976. Florence's husband built the McConaghy house at 18710 Hesperian Boulevard now made into a house museum by the Hayward Area Historical Society. She had no children. Harry Thomas and Hannah had one son Henry James who married Ione Westover and had two sons. Ronald lives in Dublin and has three sons--Richard, Thomas, and David--and one daughter--Wendy. Russell lives in Santa Rosa and has two sons--William and Russell--and two daughters--Peggy and Susan.

Mary Elizabeth's branch of the family--the Smyths--contributed to the life of San Lorenzo. None of her children--the 3rd generation of Marlins--is alive today nor of the 4th. Of the four members of the 5th generation, two carry the name of Smyth and two of Kinsell. There are five 6th generation Smyths sons to carry on the name.

Margaret Marlin married Thomas Armstrong (1895-1935), who carried on a real estate business on Main Street between A and B Streets and also had a livery stable on E Street. He built a two-story frame house for his bride at 525 Main Street and brought beautiful furniture around the Horn for it.

The couple had two children--Margaret and Sam, neither of whom married. Margaret became a telephone operator in San Francisco, and was honored in the January 3, 1930, San Francisco News for teaching operators to say "Hello." She continued to live in the home alone after Sam's death, and before her own in her 90's she became an eccentric recluse having little to do with family or friends. She willed her property to the University of California and the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children, and her furniture was sold at an Oakland Auction Yard. Two pictures given to the Jorgensen sisters, Anne and Marguerite Way, now in the McConaghy House, and a few items rescued by our curator during the cleanup process are all that remain from the Armstrong possessions.

Katherine Marlin married John Tychson, who owned a vineyard near St. Helena. When she died at age 22, he married her younger sister, Josephine, whose energy and initiative made her the first lady wine maker in the country. Josephine had two children, a daughter Annie and a son John. John died in 1886 at age 43 and was buried in the San Lorenzo Cemetery.

Carolyn, called Carrie, married William Mendel and lived in Atherton. The couple had one son, John, who married and had two children, a son and a daughter, Elizabeth.

Anne married Charles Jacox, who was on the Rio de Janiero when, coming in from China, it sank near the present site of the Golden Gate Bridge. She married a second time to Wesley Moore, who worked in the mines of Nevada. She had one son Wesley who never married.

(Thanks to Herbert Brodahl for the John Marlin picture.)

DESIDERATA. . .In January, 1977, Evelyn H. Shaw, Captain in the United States Navy, retired, sent copies of her novel DESIDERATA as gifts to branch libraries in the Hayward Area, to the Museum, to the schools, and to friends.

This, her fifth novel, is about a United States Naval Reserve Captain who landed with the Cubans of Brigade 2506 at the Bay of Pigs and nearly lost his life.

Captain Shaw graduated from the Hayward Union High School with the class of 1932. She graduated from the College of San Mateo and from Stanford University, from the Naval Intelligence School in Washington, D.C., and from the United States Naval War College. Her book demonstrates her love for Hayward, for her main character, Joe Ortega, attended the Hayward Union High School, made friends among students, teachers, and custodians, was proud of the beautiful campus, and was grieved at its destruction.

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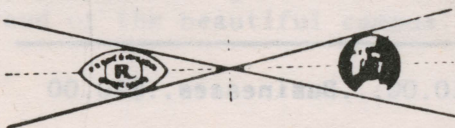
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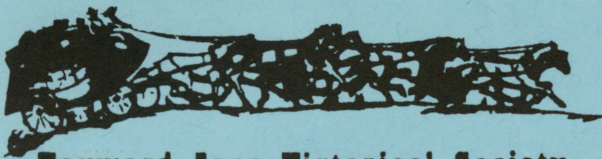
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