



THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA

(An Association)

May 15, 1958

Dear Cousins:

Well, another year has rolled around and it is nearly time for the twenty-first annual meeting of the Hartwell tribes. It has been a rather eventful year on the whole, and here's why.

Take the Directory of Hartwells, authorized last June. After many troubles and delays, it at last got into circulation as those of you who paid their 1956 and 1957 dues are aware. It contains about 1200 names and addresses and if you keep it in the glove compartment of your car it would be friendly and might be interesting for you to call on some stranger Hartwell as you pass through his town; perhaps you might interest him in furnishing some data, or paying dues, or attending a meeting, or even purchasing a copy of the genealogy--all worth while objectives.

Then the Genealogy itself. The 300 copies were entirely sold, and orders continued to be sent in, so early this year our good printer was easily persuaded to make another printing. As this has already been more than half subscribed, those of you who are still standing beside the road would better get on the "bandwagon" and order your copy before it is too late-- a third printing is not planned. Copies of this second printing will be available about July 1st. There has been some confusion regarding this second "edition". It will be essentially just another printing with practically no new material added, but with a half dozen or so of the most glaring errors corrected. The many typographical errors will not be disturbed at present. In the foreseeable future, if dues continue to flow in and books continue to sell, some of these errors can be eliminated, most errors of fact corrected, and much new material added as a supplement. Many short items like births and deaths will appear; several families at present represented by only one name will be filled out by hitherto unknown descendants, and at least three entire groups of families of unknown origin will be included. But don't get excited; this supplement is only in the planning stage and the realization of it will depend upon your generosity, which so far has been most gratifying and encouraging.

Another event of the year has been the acquisition of a member from England who has paid his dues, purchased a book, and is going to try to interest English Hartwells in our activities and in fixing up their family "tree". We are very happy to welcome Mr. Neville J. E. Hartwell to our membership.

Now for the meeting. We had such a good time last June at Harvard, Mass., that it was voted to meet there again this year with our good friends and cousins, the Sturdys, as hosts. Last year there were over ninety present; let's see if we can top that this year. The date is Saturday, June 28th; the hour is 10.30, and the place, Harvard, Mass. town hall. Send your reservations to Mrs. H. P. Sturdy at Harvard, Mass. at least one week before the meeting. And

KEEP THIS PARAGRAPH.

THERE WILL BE NO OTHER NOTICE

Cordially yours,

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ANNUAL MEETING - THE HARTWELLS OF AMERICA - JUNE 28, 1958

The 21st annual reunion of the Hartwells of America was held Saturday, June 28, 1958, in the Town Hall, Harvard, Massachusetts. Mr. & Mrs. Harry P. Sturdy were in charge of arrangements.

The cousins started assembling around 10 A.M. and enjoyed visiting with each other until time for a delicious dinner which was served by the Alliance of the Unitarian Church.

After dinner the business meeting was called to order by Miss Beryl Hartwell, President. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The report of the Treasurer showed a balance on hand in the general fund, June 22nd, 1958, of \$1040.83. Minus a publishing fund deficit of \$601.62, this left a net balance of \$439.21, on deposit in the Suffolk Franklin Savings Bank of Boston.

Members attending for the first time and guests were asked to introduce themselves. A survey of those present revealed the following statistics:

Oldest present	Mrs. Etta V. Flint	90
Runner-up	Mr. Frank E. Hartwell	85
Youngest: tie	Jane Marie Hilliard	7
	Earl Norman, Jr.	7
Coming the longest distance	the Ulm family	
	Seattle, Washington	
	the John F. Hartwell family	
	Little Rock, Arkansas	

Letters and messages were read from those who could not be present. One faithful member who was greatly missed this year was Allen Hartwell of Durham, N. H., who passed away June 12th.

The Corresponding Secretary, John F. Hartwell, reported that he sent over 100 letters this past year and received some new data which he is collecting for a possible revision of the genealogy some day. He also read a short historical sketch of the family Association.

Malcolm Hartwell, publisher of the genealogy, reported that a reprint of 200 copies was now in the making and would be ready by the end of July. Orders should be given right away as it may be a long time before another reprint will be run.

Roger Hartwell, Librarian, reported that he was trying to keep the family scrapbook up to date and hoped that members would send him clippings, photos and other materials of interest.

A very interesting paper, "A Family Affair - the Story of a Bible" by Alfred Webber, was read. In it Mr. Webber told about loaning a family Bible, printed in 1814 and belonging originally to "Sugat Joe" Hartwell of Bedford, Mass., to a little girl in Florida to enter in a contest. The child won first prize with it.

The President, Miss Beryl Hartwell, suggested that now that the genealogy was printed, it might be a good time to think of a new project. Such a project might be the investigating of the possibility of acquiring Hartwell Farm in Lincoln, Mass., should it ever cease to be an eating establishment, and operating it as a family museum. Malcolm Hartwell suggested that a committee be appointed in this area to investigate the possibilities and perhaps to draw up the necessary papers for an option on the property, if and when it

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should become available. Mrs. Dorothy Ulm moved, and William G. Hartwell seconded, that the President should appoint such a committee to report at the next meeting. The motion passed and the President appointed the following: Jefferson Warren, Alden Webber, Harry Sturdy and Mrs. Stuart Kneen.

It was announced that coats of arms were still available for \$2.00, and that those who had not received coats of arms should leave their names with John Hartwell and copies would be mailed to them.

W. Frederic Hartwell moved, and Mrs. Harry Sturdy seconded, that John Hartwell should send a report letter of this meeting to those on the mailing list. The motion passed.

After some discussion about a meeting place for next year, W. Frederic Hartwell made a motion which was seconded and passed that the reunion be again held at Harvard, Mass., on the last Saturday of June, 1959.

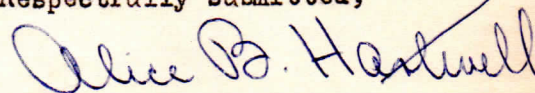
A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. & Mrs. Sturdy and the ladies of the Unitarian Alliance for the fine dinner and arrangements.

Special mention was made of the accomplishments of some of the cousins, as follows:

1. An article in the June 28, 1958 issue of the Saturday Evening Post by Albion Hartwell.
2. Forty Years in the Weather Bureau - an account of his experiences in the U.S. Weather Bureau, written and printed on a hand press by Frank Eugene Hartwell.
3. A large needlepoint of the family coat of arms, by Lucy Hartwell Peck.
4. The John Woodman Higgins Armory, Worcester, Mass., managed by Jefferson Warren.

The meeting was adjourned, after which group pictures were taken.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dear Cousins:

The typical New England village of Harvard, Mass., was again the scene of the annual Hartwell reunion--the 21st in the lengthening series of get-togethers. The weather, as usual, was most pleasant and the 87 members present seemed glad to be back among cousins and old friends. They came from as far as Washington, Illinois, Florida and Arkansas. The oldest member was Mrs. Etta V. Flint, 90, with Frank E. Hartwell as runner up at 85, and there were two 7 year old children present--Earl Norman, Jr., and Jane Marie Hilliard.

The visiting and "gossiping" were over at 12:30, and then we all sat down to a delicious lunch served by the Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian Church, after which our President, Beryl J. Hartwell, opened the business meeting. Members attending for the first time were asked to introduce themselves, letters and messages from absent members were read, and we were saddened to learn that Allen A. Hartwell had passed away only a few days before the meeting. Reports were called for, read and approved. The treasurer reported a total balance of \$439.21 in the treasury; the corresponding secretary reported only 100 letters sent out during the year, and he read a short historical sketch of the founding of the Association; and the librarian made a plea for more material for the scrap book--clippings, pictures, anything of interest. It was announced that Coats of Arms were on sale at \$2.00 each, and the new directories were available to all who had paid their dues for the year. Mention was made of Albion Hartwell's article in the Saturday Evening Post of June 28th; of Frank E. Hartwell's new book, "Forty Years of the Weather Bureau"; of the John Woodman Higgins Armory in Worcester, Mass., managed by Jefferson Warren; of Lucy Peck's beautiful needle-point Coat of Arms, and of the Fruitlands Museum in Harvard. It was also announced that we now have the second printing of the Genealogy now ready for distribution still at the old price of \$15.00 per book.

President Beryl suggested that if at any time the Hartwell Farm in Lincoln, Mass., should cease to be an eating place, the Association should be able to take it over and turn it into a Hartwell museum, and she further suggested that contributions towards this project would be in order now. Malcolm proposed that a committee be appointed to investigate the possibilities and draw up necessary papers to get an option on the Farm if and when it should be available. Upon a motion by Mrs. Ulm, seconded by William G. Hartwell, the president appointed the following committee: Jefferson Warren, Alden Webber, Mrs. Stuart Kneen and Mrs. Harry Sturdy.

"A Family Affair", the story of an old Bible, written by Alfred Webber, was read. This Bible was printed in 1814 and belonged to Sugar Joe Hartwell of Bedford. It was loaned to a youngster in Florida to be entered in a contest of old Bibles and it won first prize.

Votes of thanks were given to our most capable and gracious hosts, Harry and Winnifred Sturdy, and to the Alliance for the fine dinner, and everyone was so much pleased with the general set-up that it was voted to hold the next meeting at the same place.

And thus ended a very pleasant, and, we think, profitable day. At the reunion next June, we hope to see all who attended this meeting, as well as many more cousins who were unable to be present this time.

Cordially yours,

John F. Hartwell