

Family of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight  
of Lebanon, Pa., and Pleasant View, Marion Co., Indiana. 242

Jeremiah Burnight was born 16 Sept. 1779 in the Highlands of Scotland (exact locality not remembered). He came to the United States in 1800 when he was 21 years of age. The tradition is that he was the only one of his family who came to this country. He went first to New Jersey and from there to Delaware Co., Pa. He died 8 Nov. 1837, aged 58 years, 1 mo., 23 days, at his home farm near Pleasant View, Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana; buried in the oldest burial ground in the township, which is where the old Methodist log church was built, on the farm of William Rector, the N.E. quarter of Sec. 10, Twp. 14 North, Range 5 East. No grave-stone marks his grave.

He married in Marple township, Delaware Co., Pa., 16 July 1802 Phoebe<sup>5</sup> Worrall, a member of the Society of Friends, who was of genealogical line (Seth,<sup>4</sup> Jonathan,<sup>3</sup> Peter,<sup>2</sup> Peter<sup>1</sup>), born 9 April 1785 in Marple township, Delaware Co., Pa., daughter of Seth Worrall and his second wife ----- Moore, and granddaughter of Jonathan and Mary (Taylor) Worrall of Marple township, Delaware Co., Pa.

Nine years after his death, his widow, Mrs. Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight, married secondly, 8 Feb. 1846, Thomas Crafford, at the home of her son Fletcher Burnight, near Monticello, Jones Co., Iowa. She was then sixty-one years old. She died near Cascade, Iowa in the winter of 1863, aged 78 years; buried in Cascade Cemetery.

Soon after his marriage Jeremiah Burnight and his wife went to Pittsburg, Pa., where they lived for a time. Their eldest child was born there. Later they settled at Lebanon, Pa., where he was in some way connected with the mines of Lebanon. They resided here for a period of some twenty years and then removed with their family in 1823 to Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana. Here in Feb. 1823, Jeremiah Burnight purchased from the U.S. Government 76 acres of land - the West Half of the N.E. quarter of Sec. 3, Twp. 14, Range 5 East (See Sulgrove's Hist. of Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana, page 519). This land he purchased for \$1.25 an acre, which was the price paid by all of the first settlers for their land. In one place Sulgrove's History gives the record of his purchase as Range 4 East - but this is wrong - it was Range 5 East.

His farm was about a mile from the little village of Pleasant View and about two miles from what is now the town of Acton, which is thirteen miles southeast of Indianapolis.

The first official list of Franklin township was made in 1829 and among the names of the resident landholders in that year (1829) Jeremiah Burnight was taxed on the West Half of the N.E. quarter of Sec. 3, Twp. 14, Range 5 East; also taxed on one horse, two oxen and a silver watch (See Sulgrove's Hist. of Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana, p. 519). Only four other persons in the township were the owners of silver watches at the time, viz., William F. Smith, Maj. John Bellas, George B. McLaughlin and James B. McLain.

Franklin was laid off and erected a township in 1822. It is believed that the first white settler of the township was William Rector who came here from Ohio and built his cabin on lands bordering on Buck Creek. It was at his house that the first election of

the township was held, 19 June 1824. The town of Acton is situated in the southeastern part of Franklin township and is on the line of the Big Four Railroad. The land which forms the site of the town of Acton is a part of the tract originally owned by the pioneer settler Peter Carberry. The Methodist Episcopal church at Acton was first organized at the home of William Rector, on the N.E. Quarter of Sec. 10, Twp. 14 North, Range 5 East, about the year 1827. It was formed by the following named members: William Rector and wife, George Tibbatts and wife, John Walden and wife, Jeremiah Burnight and wife - with William Rector and George Tibbatts as leaders. About 1829 they built a house of worship on the land of William Rector, which house was 28 by 36 feet, and was constructed of hewn logs (yellow poplar), as was the custom in that day.

The oldest burial ground in Franklin township was opened on land of William Rector at the place where the Rector Methodist church was built. No interments have been made there for many years. It is here that Jeremiah Burnight is buried. His eldest son, John, is also buried here and on the gravestone which, in 1929 was lying flat on the ground, is the following inscription: "John Burnight Died Sept. 7, 1855, aged 49 years, 9 mos., 11 days."

John's son Henry is also buried here and his gravestone, which also lies flat on the ground, bears the following inscription: "Henry, son of John and M. Burnight Died Feb. 1, 1860 aged 27 years one month 5 days."

This old burial ground and the old log church were about one mile west of Pleasant View and fronted on the highway known as the old Michigan road. Nothing remains of the church except the foundation stones which were boulders. This old log church was also used as a school house and Jeremiah Burnight's younger children and also some of his grandchildren attended school here.

After the death of Jeremiah Burnight his widow continued to reside on the home farm in Marion Co., Indiana until 1842, when she removed with her children (all of them married except the youngest one) to Jones Co., Iowa. They lived first at Bowen's Prairie, near Monticello. Of all her children, only her eldest son John remained in Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana.

It was at Bowen's Prairie that she met Thomas Grafford whom she married secondly, as his second wife. She and Thomas Grafford resided four miles from Dubuque, Iowa. They afterward bought a farm four miles west of Cascade, Jones Co., Iowa and here they spent the remaining years of their lives. In the winter of 1863 they died, just two weeks apart (she first, aged 78), and they are buried in the Cascade Cemetery.

Mrs. Phoebe (Worrall) (Burnight) Grafford was a woman of great nobility of character who exemplified in her life the highest virtues of the Society of Friends, to which she belonged. Although she had been reared in the faith of the Society of Friends, she became identified with the Methodist Church, after removing to Indiana, as that was the church of her husband's choice and belief, and it was the only church organization in the community.

She always continued, however, to use, occasionally at least, the "thee" and "thy" of the dear Quaker form of speech.

After she moved to Indiana in 1823 she corresponded regularly

with her half-sister Mary, and with her own brother Lot Worrall, both of whom resided in Marple township, Delaware Co., Pa., about 18 miles from Philadelphia. In that early day it took six weeks for a letter to come by stage coach route from Philadelphia to Indianapolis, Ind., and from there - 18 miles distant - to Pleasant View post office.

She always mourned the fact that her children had to grow up in a new country where there were so few advantages of education. She was a descendant in the fifth generation of Peter Worrall, tanner, of Marple township (now) Delaware Co., Pa.

Her genealogical line runs thus: Peter<sup>1</sup> Worrall, tanner, the settler of Marple township, who died after 1702 and before 1712; Peter<sup>2</sup> Worrall of Marple township, and wife Elizabeth; he died in 1748; Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Worrall of Marple township (died 1773), who married 7-21-1727, Mary Taylor, born 4-21-1709, daughter of Jonathan Taylor and his wife Martha Hugh; and granddaughter of Robert Taylor of Little Leigh, Cheshire, England, who is supposed to have come over in 1682 and who settled in Springfield township (now) Delaware Co., Pa., and his wife Mary Hayes. (See Sharpless Genealogy, page 156). (See ~~Map~~ also records of the Taylor family, compiled by the late Gilbert Cope, Esq.): Seth<sup>4</sup> Worrall, of Marple township, born 1 Nov. 1751, died 24 Oct. 1822, and his second wife ----- Moore.

It is to be hoped that the names of her Moore ancestors, who were Welch Quakers, may be obtained by further research among Friends' Records in Chester County and Delaware County, Pa.

#### Children of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight:

1. Mary<sup>2</sup> Burnight, b. 30 Nov. 1803 in Pittsburgh, Pa.; married in Lebanon, Pa., 9 April 1822, George<sup>7</sup> Tibbette (No. ), of genealogical line (Benjamin,<sup>6</sup> William,<sup>5</sup> a soldier in the Revolution, Capt. Benjamin,<sup>4</sup> Henry,<sup>3</sup> Jeremiah,<sup>2</sup> Henry<sup>1</sup>). NEq George<sup>7</sup> Tibbette was born 2 Nov. 1798 in Bangor, Maine, the second son of Benjamin and Hannah (Snow) Tibbette (who removed with their family in 1816 to Manchester township, Dearborn Co., Indiana) and who purchased a farm about a mile and a half southeast of Pleasant View and about three-quarters of a mile from what is now the town of Acton, which is thirteen miles southeast of Indianapolis. Here they built their home and here their children were born. In 1845 they moved to Bremer Co., Iowa and in 1853 removed to Winona Co., Minn., and settled near the little village of Dakota. Here he died with small pox, 23 May 1855, aged 56 years, 6 mos., 23 days; buried in Cemetery of Dakota. She died at the home of her son Wesley Tibbette, in Jefferson township, Bremer Co., Iowa, five miles east of Waverly, in Sept. 1863; buried in the old cemetery just south of the village of Denver, Bremer County.

Ten children, all born in Franklin township, Marion Co., Ind., as follows:

1. Elizabeth Tibbette, b. in 1822 (died in infancy).
2. Wesley Tibbette, b. 2 May 1825; m. (1) Mary Ann Messinger; m. (2) Sarah (Jones) Higgins.
3. Henry Charles Tibbette, b. 26 Nov. 1826; m. (1) Catherine Messinger; m. (2) Sarah Allen Messinger.
4. Emily Jane Tibbette, b. 27 Sept. 1828; m. (1) Rev. Calvin Frady; m. (2) Duane Reynolds; m. (3) Hiram Bennett.

5. Jeremiah Whitfield Tibbette, b. 11 July 1830; m. Catherine Isabel Menard.
  6. Martin Luther Tibbette (Rev.), b. 30 May 1832; m. (1) Eliza M. Warren; m. (2) Mrs. Henrietta Dunn.
  7. Phoebe Tibbette, b. 6 Aug. 1835; m. John Franklin Messinger.
  8. Mary Elizabeth Tibbette, b. 19 Dec. 1838; m. (1) Asahel Pierce; m. (2) Orson Burlingame.
  9. Martha Melissa Tibbette, b. 1 March 1840; m. Sarhum Weldon Warren.
  10. Sarah Ann Tibbette, b. 31 May 1842; m. (1) Alexander Woodworth Reynolds; m. (2) Sherman B. Coder.
11. John<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 26 Dec. 1805 in Lebanon, Pa.; died near Pleasant View, Marion Co., Indiana 7 Sept. 1855, aged 48 yrs., 8 mos., 11 days; buried in the old burial ground near the old Methodist log church on the William Rector farm (gravestone).  
He married in Marion Co., Ind., 27 Sept. 1831 Mary ("Polly") Cossat. They had children, one of whom, Henry, died 1 Feb. 1860, aged 27 years, 1 mo., 5 days; buried in the old burial ground near the Methodist log church on the Rector farm (gravestone).
- iii. Rachel<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 2 Nov. 1807 in Lebanon, Pa.; married first, near Acton, Marion Co., Ind., 9 Sept. 1833, Nathaniel Vise, the son of Elijah and Susan Vise of Franklin township, Marion Co., Ind. They moved to Jones Co., Iowa about 1842.  
Nathaniel Vise died there. She married secondly, Billy Jordan, a Scotchman. She had only two children, and these were Margaret Vise and Phoebe Vise who married Calvin Blue  
(The Baptist church at Little Buck Creek was organized 8th June 1833 at the home of Nehemiah Smith. The articles of faith were signed by the following-named constituent members: Elijah Vise, Susan Vise, Nehemiah Smith, Sarah Smith, William Forsythe, Sarah Forsythe, Edmund, Levitt, Mary Levitt, Abraham Hendricks, Susan Hendricks, Frank Smith, Rebecca Perkins, Elizabeth Vise, Susan Vise, Francis Vise, Nathaniel Vise, Polly Vise, Benson Cornelius, Deborah Cornelius, Thomas McFarland, Betsy McFarland, Sarah Wikoff.). (See Sulgrove's Hist. of Indianapolis and Marion County, Indiana, page ).
- iv. Phoebe<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 10 Jan. 1810 in Lebanon, Pa.; married Jesse Kilgore in Franklin township, Marion Co., Ind., probably son of Benjamin Kilgore, one of the first settlers in the township and whose name appears in the Census of 1830.
  - v. Sarah<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 5 Dec. 1811 in Lebanon, Pa.; died 20 May 1818, aged 8 years.
  - vi. Lot<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 12 Dec. 1813 in Lebanon, Pa.; died at his home near Orland, Colusa Co., Calif. (between Oroville and Marysville), where he settled in 1863. He married in Franklin township, Marion Co., Ind., 5 Dec. 1832 Sarah Vise, daughter of Elijah and Susan Vise. They removed to Jones Co., Iowa and in 1863 Lot Burnight moved to Colusa Co., Calif., with some of his married children. He returned to Iowa five times on visits.

Children of Lot<sup>2</sup> Burnight and Sarah Vice his wife:

1. John Nelson<sup>3</sup> Burnight, born 28 June 1836 at Pleasant View, near Acton, Marion Co., Indiana. He died 25 Dec. 1906, aged 70 years, at his home farm near Akron, Plymouth Co., Iowa. He married Ann Hopkins, a Catholic, in Jan. 1858. She was born 22 Dec. 1839 and died 17 Dec. 1884. After her death he married secondly, Marcella Hopkins, born 2 April 1868, who survived him. He lived in vicinity of Monticello, at Castle Grove or Osage, Iowa and perhaps for a time at Lamar, Iowa, before moving to Plymouth Co., Iowa about 1878. He took up a claim of 160 acres and resided there until his death. He reared a large family. His farm was two miles east and two miles north of Akron, in Plymouth County (the first name was Portlandville), on the Milwaukee railroad, 28 miles north of Sioux City, Iowa.

The majority of his descendants still live in, or adjacent to, Akron, Iowa now, 1948).

Children by first wife (besides five who died in infancy or when very young:

(1) Thomas Lot<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 16 Jan. 1859; d. 22 July 1917; m. in 1881 Catherine Carl. In later years he purchased his father's farm. He was in the grain and live stock business and owned grain elevators in Akron, Chateworth and Westfield, Iowa, also in Burbank, South Dakota. He was vice-pres. of the First National Bank of Akron. His only child, Thomas Louis<sup>5</sup> Burnight, born 3 July 1882, inherited the home farm near Akron.

Thomas Louis<sup>5</sup> Burnight married 29 June 1907 Iva (Ervin) Kennedy. She died 14 Aug. 1950. They resided in Akron during the winter months and had a summer home at Lake Okoboji, Iowa.

Only child of Thomas Louis and Iva (Ervin)(Kennedy) Burnight:

1. Dr. Thomas Robert<sup>6</sup> Burnight, Ph.D. (called Robert), born 1 July 1914; married Barbara Baker and they reside in Washington, D.C. (3417 Southern Ave. S.E.)

He is a graduate of Calif. Inst. of Technology at Pasadena, Calif., and he also studied at Stevens Inst. of Tech. in Hoboken, N.J.

He taught physics in Iowa State Univ., at Ames, Iowa until called to Washington, D.C., by the Naval Research Laboratory. He is in charge of the Ionosphere Research Div. of the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington and his main work is in connection with developing the "V-2 German Rocket", which is being fired in trials at White Sands, N.W. Mexico.

Children: Susan Robin Burnight, b. in 1945.

Catherine Burnight, b.

(Dr. T. Robert Burnight is in charge of the scientific research with ten physicists under him to install equipment and analyze findings. Highest rocket has been put in 114 miles with remarkable findings. Temperature of from 149 d. xxx222xxx

Temperature of from 149 d. below to 250 d. above, in one flight.

He has had many lecture dates to universities, etc., - in St. Louis, New York, Denver, Chicago and Indianapolis, to scientists and he was elected as the U.S.A. representative to attend the International Meet of Physicists in Zurich, Switzerland in Sept. 1950 but could not attend on orders from the Naval Laboratory in Washington, D.C., as they were making important research that month).

- (2) Marcella<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 22 Oct. 1861; m. 23 Feb. 1879 James Trautt.
- (3) Mary Ann<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 17 March 1865.
- (4) James Francis<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 9 Aug. 1868; m. 29 Oct. 1887 Alice Boden.
- (5) John Cornelius<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 8 Dec. 1870; m. Delia Johnson.
- (6) Joseph Patrick<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 26 March 1876.
- (7) Margaret M.<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 15 April 1879; m. 2 April 1902 George Schaefer.
- (8) Frances<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 4 April 1882; m. 7 Oct. 1906, William Adams. She died 4 July 1907.
- (9) Mayme<sup>4</sup> Burnight; married Henry Carr.  
Children of John Nelson<sup>3</sup> Burnight by second wife:
- (10) William Francis<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 20 April 1885.
- (11) George<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 24 March 1887; m. Elizabeth Bockleman.
- (12) Charles A.<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 19 March 1889; m. Catherine Gibbons in Oct. 1918.
- (13) Catherine Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 22 Feb. 1891; m. Laura Gibbons in Nov. 1913.
- (14) Joel C.<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 13 Aug. 1894; m. Nelle Jepson.
- (15) Henry N.<sup>4</sup> Burnight, b. 21 Jan. 1897; m. Lucile Rounds.
2. Duncan<sup>3</sup> Burnight, was second child of Lot and Sarah (Vise) Burnight. He married first, in Iowa, Mary -----; removed to Calif. and his wife died there. He married a second wife but had no children by second marriage.  
Children by first marriage: Sarah, George, Frank, Benjamin; and twin babies that died soon after birth.
3. George<sup>3</sup> Burnight; third son of Lot and Sarah (Vise) Burnight. He married in Iowa, Elizabeth Daugherty. He removed from Hopkinton, Iowa to Orland, Colusa Co., Calif., and lived near his father's home. His widow was residing in 1922 in Oakland, Cal. She is a member of the Baptist Church. They had children, all of whom live in Calif., and one of whom is Edgar Burnight.
4. William<sup>3</sup> Burnight; resided in Colusa Co., Calif., near his father's home. He married -----
5. Mary<sup>3</sup> Burnight; married Abe Daugherty.
6. Lydia<sup>3</sup> Burnight; married a Mr. Button.
7. Phoebe<sup>3</sup> Burnight (?); married a Mr. Reed and had children, one of whom is Martin Reed, who was residing in Middletown, Calif., in 1915.

8. Sarah<sup>3</sup> Burnight; married ----- Their daughter, Mrs. Ada Golden, was residing in 1929 in Long Beach, Calif. (228 East 5th Street).
9. Pauline<sup>3</sup> Burnight.

vii. Nelson<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 22 Nov. 1816 in Lebanon, Pa.; died in Aug. 1824, aged nine years.

viii. Wesley<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 18 March 1818 in Lebanon, Pa.; died in June 1822, aged five years.

ix. Fletcher<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 1 Feb. 1820 in Lebanon, Pa.; died 26 March 1906, aged 86 years, 1 mo. 25 Days, at the home of his daughter, near Silsbee, Imperial Co., Calif.; buried in Mountain View Cemetery, Pasadena, Calif. (Gravestone).

He was the ninth child of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight. At the age of three years he was taken by his parents to Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana where he grew to manhood. He married first, at the home of her sister, in, or near Indianapolis, Ind., 8 March 1840, Melissa Ann Fox, of Rising Sun, Dearborn Co., Ind., born 20 July 1890 in Columbus, Ohio; died 13 Feb. 1882, aged 61 years, 6 mos., 24 Days, near Monticello, Iowa, the daughter of Rudolph and Polly (Slater) Fox of Rising Sun, Indiana.

He married secondly, in San Diego Co., Calif., 18 Oct. 1894, Rachel McWhirt, who survived him one year and died 10 Dec. 1907; buried in Mountain View Cemetery, Pasadena.

In 1842, two years after their marriage, Fletcher and Melissa Ann (Fox) Burnight removed from Franklin township, Marion Co., Ind., to Jones Co., Iowa, locating first at Bowen's Prairie, near Monticello, where they continued to live until 1864 when they bought a farm just east of Monticello where they resided for eighteen years, and here Mrs. Burnight died in 1882.

In 1883, the year following his wife's death, Fletcher Burnight removed with his children to Pasadena, Calif.

About 1891 he went to San Diego County to live. He was a sturdy, well-preserved man up to within a short time of his death. He and his brothers were remarkably fine-looking men and had the strong Scotch lines in their faces.

Children, all born near Monticello, Iowa, except the oldest one:

1. Erastus<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 22 Dec. 1841; d. 25 Sept. 1846, aged five years.
2. Leroy Herman<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 27 March 1844; d. 14 Nov. 1900 in Wilsonville, Nebraska. He married (1) in Waverly, Bremer Co., Iowa, Ruby Emily Reynolds, b. 1 Aug. 1843 in Barker, Brwome Co., N.Y. She died in Oakland, Calif. 3 Dec. 1882. He married (2) in Sherman, Nebr., 21 May 1885 Elizabeth Smith, b. 18 May 1859, who survived him. Two children by first wife. Three children by second wife.
3. Lura<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 8 Feb. 1846; m. 12 April 1863, Abraham Bibbey. They resided in Decatur City, Iowa. He died there 14 Oct. 1904. She d. 1 Jan. 1911. Ten children.

4. Victoria<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 12 May 1848; m. 10 April 1867 Daniel Starke. They resided in Coleridge, Nebr. He died there in Oct. 1916.
5. Alice C.<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 21 Feb. 1851; m. 5 Nov. 1876, John Irvin Wilson. They resided in Pasadena, Calif. She died 22 June 1924. Two children.
6. Frances Alwilda<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 8 April 1853; d. in Redlands, Calif., 6 March 1937. She m. 6 Sept. 1876, Leon L. Cote. They resided in Los Angeles, Calif. Five children.
7. Joel Meeker<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 9 Oct. 1857; d. in Los Angeles 3 March 1935. He m. in Pasadena, Calif., 3 May 1888, Florence (Babcock) Payne. Four children, *as follows*:
  - (1) Lillian<sup>4</sup> Burnight, A.B., M.A. (Univ. of Sou. Calif., 1914), b. 6 March 1890; died  
She married Joel Dryden Alexander, who was at that time Principal of Washington Colony Grammar school at Easton, Calif., seven miles from Fresno. Four children.
  - (2) Ernest Robert Burnight, A.B., M.D., of Los Angeles, Calif., a physician and surgeon, born 26 April 1892; married in Aug. 1912 Sarah Louetta Becker. He practiced medicine in Los Angeles for many years. Served in World War 2. Two children.
  - (3) Ruth<sup>4</sup> Burnight (twin), A.B. (Univ. of Sou. Calif., 1918), born 3 Jan. 1897; married John Russell Neptune. They resided in Glendale; She died there. Two children.
  - (4) Ralph Fletcher<sup>4</sup> Burnight (twin), A.B., M.A., (Univ. of Sou. Calif., 1918), born 3 Jan. 1897; married Gladys Henrietta Ogborn. He is an out-standing teacher. Three children.
8. Elizabeth Minetta<sup>3</sup> Burnight, b. 11 March 1860; m. 22 Sept. 1886, John William Kramer, b. 17 Jan. 1856. They resided in Imperial Valley and in Redlands, Calif. He died in Redlands 27 May 1936. She died at the home of her daughter Etta Oden, near Venice, Calif. Nine children.
9. Frank Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Burnight, still-born, 1 June 1863; was youngest child of Fletcher and Melissa Ann (Fox) Burnight.
- x. Jane<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 16 Nov. 1821 in Lebanon, Pa.; died in June 1822, aged six months; she was the tenth child of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight.
- xi. Hannah<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 14 Aug. 1823; died in Oct. 1824, aged one year.
- xii. Nathan<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 17 Dec. 1824 near Pleasant View, Marion Co., Indiana; died near Council Bluffs, Iowa from injuries received while working in the hay field. He was the twelfth child of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight. He married at the home of her sister, in or near Indianapolis, Indiana about 1842, Eliza Jane (Fox) Whitney (called Jane), born 7 March 1823, the widow of William Whitney of Manchester



township, Dearborn Co., Indiana, and daughter of Rudolph and Polly (Slater) Fox of Rising Sun, Dearborn Co., (now Ohio County), Indiana. She and her first husband William Whitney were married in Dearborn Co., Ind., by Judge Alfred J. Cotton at ~~RearkornxOxyxkndzx~~ (See "Cotton's Keepsake," page --, a book of pioneer history of Dearborn Co., Ind., to be found in state library, Indianapolis, Ind.) William Whitney was from Maine and was a fine man.

Nathan Burnight and his wife Eliza Jane (Fox) Whitney removed in 1842 from Marion Co., Ind., to a farm near Dubuque, Iowa; removed later to Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he died a few years afterward. His widow married Henry Mead. She was a beautiful woman and Nathan Burnight was a fine-looking man.

Four children, as follows:

1. A son that died aged two years.
2. Phoebe<sup>2</sup> Burnight, b. ----; m. a Mr. Grosvenor. They resided on her father's homestead near Council Bluffs, Iowa., where she died in 1917. Her son Gideon Grosvenor was living in 1929 on his mother's home place, the Nathan Burnight homestead, near Council Bluffs, Iowa (R.F.D. #5).
3. Emily<sup>3</sup> Burnight.
4. Mary<sup>3</sup> Burnight.

Note: As above-mentioned, - Nathan Burnight's widow married Henry Mead and by him had three children, as follows:

1. John Mead; lived in Milton, Iowa.
2. Myra Mead; m. and her husband and one child died; she then married secondly, Hugh Fitzsimons and they resided in Fryburg, N.D., and have two children, one of whom is Gaylord.
3. Jennie Mead; m. her second cousin Dane Lockling, son of Harry and Eliza Jane (Pate) Lockling, and grandson of Amater and Christiansa (Fox) Pate. Mr. and Mrs. Dane Lockling were residing in 1929 at Spirit Lake, Idaho. They have three children.

xiii. Joel<sup>2</sup> Burnight, born 5 Dec. 1828 near Pleasant View, Marion Co., Ind., the youngest child of Jeremiah and Phoebe (Worrall) Burnight. He was 14 years of age when he was taken by his widowed mother to Jones Co., Iowa. He married in 1854 Mary Dugen of Dubuque, Iowa. He died in 1859 and his wife died soon afterward.

- Two children: 1. A daughter that died in infancy.  
2. Charles Richard<sup>3</sup> Burnight, born about 1858; m. Ruth Barnes. They removed to Grand Island, Nebraska.

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John Nelson<sup>3</sup> Burnight, of line<sup>1</sup>: (Lot,<sup>2</sup> Jeremiah<sup>1</sup>), was born 29 June 1836 at Pleasant View, in vicinity of what is now Acton, Marion County, Indiana. He died 25 Dec. 1906, aged 70 years, at his home farm near Akron, Iowa (Plymouth County). He was the eldest child of Lot and Sarah (Vise) Burnight. He was but six years old when his parents moved to Jones County, Iowa in 1842 and settled in the vicinity of Monticello.

He married Ann Hopkins, a Catholic, in Jan. 1858. She was born 22 Dec. 1839 and died 17 Dec. 1884. She was daughter of

He married secondly, Marcella Hopkins, born 2 April 1868, who survived him.

He lived in vicinity of Monticello, at Castle Grove or Osage, Iowa and perhaps for a time at Lamar, Iowa, before coming to Plymouth County, Iowa about 1878. He took up a claim of 160 acres and resided there until his death. He reared a large family. His farm was two miles east and two miles north of Akron in Plymouth County (its first name was Portlandville), on the Milwaukee R.R., 28 miles north of Sioux City, Iowa.

The majority of his descendants still live in, or adjacent to, Akron, Iowa now, 1948.

Children:

- i. Thomas Lot,<sup>4</sup> b. 16 Jan. 1859; died 22 July 1917; married in 1881, Catherine Carl (Further records hereafter).
- ii. Marcella,<sup>4</sup> b. 22 Oct. 1861; m. 23 Feb. 1879, James Trautt.
- iii. Joel,<sup>4</sup> b. 9 Nov. 1863; d. 16 Dec. 1863, one month old.
- iv. Mary Ann,<sup>4</sup> b. 17 March 1865.
- v. Sarah Alice,<sup>4</sup> b. 22 May 1866; d. in March 1871, age 4 years.
- vi. James Frances,<sup>4</sup> b. 9 Aug. 1868; m. 29 Oct. 1887 Alice Boden.
- vii. John Cornelius,<sup>4</sup> b. 8 Dec. 1870; m. Delia Johnson.
- viii. William Patrick,<sup>4</sup> b. 9 Jan. 1873; d. 13 Jan. 1874, one year old.
- ix. Sarah T.,<sup>4</sup> b. 7 March 1875; d. 17 March 1875, ten days old.
- x. Joseph Patrick,<sup>4</sup> b. 26 March 1876.
- xi. Margaret Ellen,<sup>4</sup> b. 19 April 1878; d. 20 March 1879, age 11 months.
- xii. Margaret M.,<sup>4</sup> b. 13 April 1879; m. 2 April 1902, George Schaefer.

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xiii. Frances,<sup>4</sup> b. 4 April 1882; married 7 Oct. 1906, William Adams. She died 4 July 1907.

xiv. Mayme,<sup>4</sup> b. -----; married Henry Carr.

Children of John Nelson Burnight and second wife:

xv. William Francis,<sup>4</sup> b. 20 April 1886.

xvi. George,<sup>4</sup> b. 24 March 1887; married Elizabeth Beckleson.

xvii. Charles A.,<sup>4</sup> b. 19 March 1889; married Catherine Gibbons in Oct. 1912.

xviii. Catherine Elizabeth,<sup>4</sup> b. 22 Feb. 1891; married Larn Gibbons in Nov. 1913.

xix. Joel C.,<sup>4</sup> b. 13 Aug. 1894; married Nelle Jenson.

xx. Henry N.,<sup>4</sup> b. 21 Jan. 1897; married Lucile Rounds.

Family of Thomas Lot and Catherine (Carl) Burnight  
of Akron, Iowa.

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Thomas Lot<sup>4</sup> Burnight, of line: (John Nelson,<sup>3</sup> Lot.<sup>2</sup> Jeremiah<sup>1</sup>), was born in vicinity of Monticello, Iowa 16 Jan. 1859; died at his home farm near Akron, Iowa 22 July 1917, aged 58 years. He was the eldest child of John Nelson Burnight and his first wife Ann Hopkins.

He married in 1881, Catherine Carl who was born in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania. Her father was superintendent of a mine at Mt. Carmel and never moved to Iowa.

Thomas Lot Burnight was in the grain and live stock business until his death. He had grain elevators at Akron, Chatsworth and Westfield, Iowa, also at Burbank, South Dakota.

He was Vice-President of the First National Bank of Akron.

As a young man he had taught school near Monticello, Iowa (his teacher's certificate still preserved).

He purchased the home farm from his father's widow, Marcella (Hopkins) Burnight.

Only child, born in Akron, Iowa:

1. Thomas Louis<sup>5</sup> Burnight, born 3 July 1882; married 29 June 1907. Iva (Ervin) Kennedy.  
(Further records hereafter).
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Family of Thomas Louis and Iva (Ervin) (Kennedy) Burnight  
of Akron, Iowa and Lake Okoboji, Iowa.

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Thomas Louis<sup>5</sup> Burnight, of Ima: (Thomas Lot,<sup>4</sup> John Nelson,<sup>3</sup> Lot,<sup>2</sup> Jeremiah<sup>1</sup>), was born 3 July 1882 in Akron, Iowa, the only child of Thomas Lot and Catherine (Carl) Burnight.

As a young man he attended school in Sioux City, Iowa and was organist in a church there.

He married 29 June 1907, Iva (Ervin) Kennedy who was born 14 May 1881. By her first marriage she has one son whose name is James Clifford Kennedy. She was a vocal instructor and studied under teachers in Sioux Falls, South Dakota in the days when it was the musical center of the middle west. She also studied voice in South Dakota University. She taught at Le Mars, Iowa and in Akron and put on musical operettas and choral societies in outlying towns. She was church soloist at Le Mars, Akron, Elk Point, Vermillion and Hawarden, Iowa.

Thomas Louis Burnight inherited from his father the home farm where he resides now, 1948, and has summer home at Lake Okoboji, Iowa. This old homestead farm has remained in the Burnight name since 1878. It is two miles east and two miles north of Akron in Plymouth County, on the Milwaukee R.R., 28 miles north of Sioux City, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Louis Burnight took a trip to Los Angeles, Calif., in the Fall of 1947 and were in White Sands, New Mexico 22 Jan. 1948 to meet their son Dr. T. Robert Burnight, at which time the "V-2 Rocket" was tested.

Only child:

1. Thomas Robert<sup>6</sup> Burnight, Ph.D. (Washington Univ., 1948) (called Robert), born 1st July 1914; married Barbara Baker. Lives in Washington, D.C. (2552 Southern Ave.). (Further records).

Family of Thomas Robert<sup>6</sup> and Barbara (Baker) Burnight  
of Washington, D. C.

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Thomas Robert<sup>6</sup> Burnight, Ph.D., (Washington University, 1948), of line, Thomas Louis,<sup>5</sup> Thomas Lot,<sup>4</sup> John Nelson,<sup>3</sup> Lot,<sup>2</sup> Jeremiah,<sup>1</sup>. He resides in Washington, D.C. (2052 Southern Ave., S.E.). He is the only child of Thomas Louis Burnight and his wife Iva (Ervin) Kennedym of Akrom Iowa, He is called Robert. He married Barbara Baker.

He is a graduate of Calif. Inst. of Technology at Pasadena, Calif., and also studied at Stevens Inst. of Tech., in Hoboken, N.J. He taught physics in Iowa State Univ., at Ames, Iowa, until called to Washington, D.C., by the Navel Research Laboratory.

He is in charge of the Ionisphere Research Div. of the laboratory and his main work is in connection with developing the "V-2" German Rocket" which is being fired in trials at White Sands, N.M. and he comes out with his assistants at each firing.

Dr. T. Robert Burnight is in charge of the Scientific research with ten physicists under him to install equipment and analyze findings of a scientific nature. Temperature of from 149 d. below to 250 d. above in one flight.

He has had many lecture dates to universities, etc., - in St. Louis, New York, Denver, Chicago and Indianapolis, to scientists; and was elected as the U.S.A. representative to attend the international Meet of Physicists in Zurich, Switzerland in Sept. 1950, but could not attend on orders from the Naval Laboratory in Washington, D.C., as they were making important research that month.

Children:

- i. Susan Robin Burnight, born in 1945.
- ii. Catherine Burnight, born

Fletcher<sup>2</sup> Burnight (Jeremiah<sup>1</sup>), born 1 Feb. 1820 in Lebanon, Pa.; died 26 March 1906, aged 86 years, 1 mo. 25 days, at the home of his daughter Mrs. John W. Kramer, at Silsbee, Imperial Co., Calif.; buried in Mt. View Cemetery, Pasadena, Cal. (Gravestone). He was the fifth son and ninth child of Jeremiah Burnight.

At the age of three years Fletcher Burnight was taken by his parents from Lebanon, Pa., to Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana where they settled near Pleasant View and near what is now the town of Acton. Here he grew to manhood. He attended the early district school held in the Methodist log church on the Wm. Rector farm and which was in session only a few weeks during each year.

He married first, at the home of her sister, in or near Indianapolis, Indiana, 8 March 1840, Melissa Ann Fox of Rising Sun, Dearborn Co., Ind. She was born in Columbus, Ohio, 20 July 1820; died near Monticello, Iowa, 13 Feb. 1882; buried at Monticello.

He married secondly, in San Diego Co., Calif., 18 Oct. 1894, Rachel McWhirt. She survived him one year and died 10 Dec. 1907; buried beside her husband in Mt. View Cemetery, Pasadena, Calif.

In 1842, two years after their marriage, Fletcher and Melissa Ann (Fox) Burnight removed from Pleasant View, Marion Co., Ind., to Jones Co., Iowa, locating at Bowen's Prairie, near Monticello, where they continued to reside until 1864, when they bought a farm just east of Monticello. Here they passed the last 18 years of their married life and here Mrs. Burnight died 13 Feb. 1882.

The following extract from her obituary gives an estimate of her beautiful character: "In this community she had so long been an influence for good, out of her own heart had supplied sympathy and kindness to so many in times of trial and trouble, had ministered so often to the poor and distressed, had so long been a messenger of patience to the sick, of hope to the despairing and consolation to the bereaved, that her real worth was never fully understood until now that she is gone. The foundation of our national character is laid by such mothers as Mrs. Burnight. The stability of our institution is assured by such homes as she built up and presided over for more than forty years. She lived to see all her children now living, grown to useful and honorable manhood and womanhood."

In 1883, the year following his wife's death, Fletcher Burnight removed with his children to Pasadena, Calif. About 1891 he went to San Diego County to live. He was a sturdy, well-preserved man up to within a short time before his death.

#### Children:

- i. Erastus Burnight, b. 22 Dec. 1841 in Franklin township, Marion Co., Indiana; died 25 Sept. 1846, aged five years.
- ii. Leroy Herman Burnight, b. 27 March 1844 near Monticello, Iowa; died 14 Nov. 1900, aged 56 years, 7 mos., 8 days, at Wilsonville, Nebraska; buried there. He taught school for a time in Jefferson township, Bremer Co., Iowa. He served in the Civil War in 31st Iowa Infantry, under Capt. Harper.  
He married first, in Waverly, Iowa, in 1865, Ruby Emily Reynolds, born 1 Aug. 1843 at Barker, Broome Co., N.Y., daughter of Marvin Waite Reynolds and his wife Eunice Carpenter. They removed to Fredericksburg, Iowa about 1868, where they lived for two or three years. She died in Oakland, Calif., 3 Dec. 1882.  
He married secondly, in Sherman, Nebr., 21 May 1885, Elizabeth Ann Smith, born 18 May 1859, daughter of ----- and Elizabeth (Bremner) Smith of Iowa. (The Bremner family came from Scotland, settled in Vermont but removed from there to Manchester, Iowa). Elizabeth Ann Smith was teaching school at Sherman, Nebr., at the time of her marriage to Leroy H. Burnight. She survived





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1. Thaddeus T. Starke; m. and has two children.
2. Rosa Belle Starke; m. and has six children.
3. Mary Alice Starke; m. and has eight children.
4. Lottie Starke; m. and has three children.
5. Thomas Floyd Starke; m. and had one child.
6. Joel W. Starke; m. but no children.
7. Ellen Starke; d. in infancy.
8. Emma Ruth Starke; m. and had one child.

v. Alice G. Burnight, b. 21 Feb. 1851 near Monticello, Iowa; m. near Monticello, 5 Nov. 1878, John Irvin Wilson of Iowa who was born in Pennsylvania. They removed to Pasadena, Calif., in 1882 and resided there for many years. She died there 22 June 1924.

Two children, as follows:

1. Winfield Scott Wilson, b. 6 Sept. 1878; resides in Omaha, Nebr. (1929). He m. first, in Pasadena, 1 Dec. 1896 Mary Newell and secondly, a widow named Alice -----. Only child by first wife: (1) Edith L., b. 7 Feb. 1899, who is married and lives in San Francisco, Calif.
2. Edith Wilson, b. 5 Oct. 1886 in Pasadena,; married there 18 Oct. 1905 Brian McLeod Hill. He is descended from the same line of ancestry as Sir Walter Scott. His great-grandmother was Helen (Scott) McLeod, whose father was a cousin of Sir Walter Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Brian McLeod Hill reside now (1929) in Santa Barbara. No children.

vi. Frances Alwilda Burnight (called Alwilda), b. 8 April 1853 near Monticello, Ia.; m. near Monticello, 5 Sept. 1875 Leon L. Cote, a French Canadian, the son of Capt. Cote, a steamboat captain of Montreal; she died, a widow, at the home of her sister, Mrs. John W. Kramer, in Redlands, Calif., in 1937.

Five children:

1. Frank Allen Cote; resides in Los Angeles. Is married and has one child.
2. Lenora Minetta Cote; m. first Harry Clark, by whom four children; m. secondly, Walter O'Brien.
3. Clinton Cote; d. young.
4. Ethel Toihette Cote; m. and has two children.
5. Irene Cote; m. first Hans Peter Larsen and after his death m. secondly, Ray W Davidson. They reside in Los Angeles, Calif. Two children by first husband.

vii. Joel Meeker Burnight, b. 9 Oct. 1857 near Monticello, Iowa; was given the name of Meeker in honor of a friend of the family. He was for a few years a farmer and for many years a carpenter. In 1878 he, in company with his brother Leroy went to Sherman, Nebraska, where they took up adjoining homesteads. In 1885 Joel went to Pasadena, Calif. after his marriage he resided in Redlands for several years but resided in Los Angeles for a number of years before his death.

He m. in Pasadena, Calif., 3 May 1888 Florence (Babeck) Payne of Pasadena. She was given the name of Payne, her step-father's name. She is daughter of Alfred Babeck who was born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, and who died in Los Angeles, Calif., in 1908. Florence resided after Joel's death at their home 4125 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, and visits around among her children and at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John W. Kramer at Redlands, Calif.

Joel M. and Florence (Babeck) Burnight have four children, as follows:

1. Lillian Burnight, B.A., M.A., b. 6 March 1890 in Oakland, Calif.; was graduated from Redlands High School in 1906; took four years' course in Univ. of Sou. Calif., at Los Angeles and received from there the degree of Master of Arts and a High School certificate in 1914; taught in the high school in Fresno. She m. in Los Angeles, 3 Sept. 1918 Joel Dryden Alexander, who was at

in Pasadena, Calif.; was graduated from High School in Redlands, in 1914; was graduated from Univ. of Sou. Calif., and received from there the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1918; received B.S. certificate in 1919 from U.S.C.; taught school in Fresno, Calif. She married in Los Angeles, 18 June 1920, John Russell Neptune, b. 23 May 1897 in Barnesville, Ohio, the son of Seldon Ellsworth Neptune and his wife Emma Evelyn Foster. They reside in Glendale, Calif., where Mr. Neptune is a public accountant (auditor). He was graduated from Univ. of Sou. Cal. in 1920. He had fourteen months' service in the World War in quartermaster's corps; was instructor in enlisted men's Training School at Camp Jackson, S.C., was transferred to the Finance Division and served in Florida, Alabama, and in San Francisco, Calif.; was not sent overseas.

Children:

- (1) Margaret Elizabeth Neptune, b. 7 Feb. 1926 in Los Angeles, Calif.; was graduated from High School in Glendale in 1942
- (2) Janet Ruth Neptune, b. 7 Feb. 1932

4. Ralph Fletcher Burnight (twin), B.A., M.A., b. 5 Jan. 1897 in Pasadena, Calif.; was graduated from High School in Redlands, Calif., in 1914; was graduated from Univ. of Sou. Calif., in 1918 and received from there the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He is now (1942) Supt. of the Excelsior Union High School and district.

He enlisted for service in the World War in 1917; commissioned 2nd Lieut. in Medical Dept., "Sunshine" (40th) Division; trained at Camp Kearney, San Diego; went to France. After the war he returned to Los Angeles and took a post-graduate course in Univ. of Sou. Calif., and received from there the degree of Master of Arts, in 1920. He was then sent by the University to take charge of the department of sociology in Peking University at Peking, China, where he resided for two years.

He married in Fresno, Calif., 17 June 1923, Gladys Henrietta Ogborn, daughter of Rev. Amos Martin Ogborn, a native of Illinois, and a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, and his wife Josephine Jones who was born in Illinois. She was graduated from College of Music, Univ. of Sou. Calif., in 1912; was graduated from Redlands University in 1915. She has a music studio in Bellflower; plays pipe organ and is director of music in Second Presbyterian Church at Long Beach, Cal.; is a composer of songs.

Children:

- (1) David Ralph Burnight, b. 26 July 1925 in Long Beach, Calif.; was graduated from High School in 1942
- (2) Frances Ruth Burnight, b. 3 Aug. 1930
- (3) Jean Marie Burnight, b. 24 July 1932

- viii. Elizabeth Minetta Burnight, born 11 March 1860; died at the home of her daughter Etta, in Venice, Calif., 9 Nov. 1943. She was graduated from High School at Monticello, Iowa in 1875, the first graduate from that school. Afterward taught school in Sherman, Nebr., and took up a homestead in Nebraska before her marriage. She married at the home of her parents

near Monticello, Iowa 22 Sept. 1886, John William Kramar, who was born 17 Jan. 1855 near Morley, Iowa, the son of Adam<sup>3</sup> Kramar who had lived in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and his wife Elizabeth (Graft) Richetine, widow of John Richetine and daughter of John Pottenger Graft and Mary Ann Gray his wife. John W. Kramar's great-grandfather, Adam<sup>1</sup> Kramar came from Germany to America about the time of the Revolution and settled near Harrisburg, Pa. During the Revolution he drove the commissary ~~wag~~ wagon when he was only 17 years old.

After their marriage John W. and Elizabeth M. (Burnight) Kramar went to Eherman, Nebraska, where they resided for 13 years. In 1901 they removed to Kipling, Wash. (the Mill Creek district) removed in 1903 to Silsbee, Imperial Co., Calif., where they purchased a ranche adjoining the town of Silsbee. In 1923 they moved to Redlands, Calif., where they bought a home and here Mr Kramar died in 1938. She survived him and continued to live in the Redlands home until the last year of her life which was spent with their daughter Etta at Venice, Calif. She died there

They had nine children, all born in Sherman, Nebr., except the youngest one, as follows:

1. Etta Elizabeth Kramar, b. 24 June 1887; attended Normal School in San Diego, Calif., four years and was graduated in 1908. She married at Seely, Calif., 2 July 1917, Willis Taylor Oden, who was born in Texas. They reside in Venice, Calif. Seven children: Willis Ray, Ralph, Mary Frances, Paul Dickerson, Andrew Butler, Rachel Melissa and Doris Gertrude Oden.
2. David Glen Kramar, M.E. (Cornell Univ., 1914), (called by his middle name Glen), was born 16 Sept. 1888, was graduated from Russ High School, San Diego, Calif., in 1909, an honor student; attended Univ. of Sou. Calif., one year; and spent four yezrs at Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N.Y. and was graduated from there in 1914 with M.E. degree (civil and mechanical engineer). He married at Berkeley, Calif., 28 Dec. 1917, Mary Dana, daughter of the late Dr. Dana of Otay, San Diego Co., Calif., who was formerly from Vermont. They were residing in 1938 in Oakland, Calif., where Glen was draughtsman for the Great Western Power Company in their San Francisco office. He and his wife formerly resided at Caribou Power House of the Great Western Power Company, where he was assistant Superintendent.
 

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  - (1) Richard Dana Kramar, b. 10 Sept. 1924
  - (2) Mary Faith Elizabeth Kramar, b. 31 Dec. 1931.
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Children of Veta and Edward Lee Havens:

(1) Laura Margaret Havens, b. 12 March 1912; married Raymond Geizer. Child: Veta Lee Geizer. b. 25 Nov. 1936.

(2) Walter Lee Havens, b. 20 June 1914; was graduated from Hemet High School.

4. Adam Raye Kramar, B.S. (Univ. of Calif., at Berkeley, Calif., 1917) called by his middle name Raye; was graduated from Imperial High School in 1914 (He was born 8 June 1892). Graduated from Univ. of Calif. in 1917 and received from there the degree of Bachelor of Science (agricultural course); enlisted for service in World War I as a Private in Hdqrs. Co. 362nd Infantry, Signal Corps, 91st Division ("Wild West"); trained at Camp Lewis, Wash.; went to France in 1918; was in battle of Argonne; wounded on the fourth day, 4 Sept. 1918; was in the hospital from that time on until released from service; was terribly injured. He resides near Silsbee on the ranche formerly owned by his parents. He married at Silsbee 17 June 1923, Lois Williams Sprinkle of El Centro, a graduate of El Centro High School in June 1923, who was born 12 Sept. 1902, near Riverside, Lewis Co., Tennessee, daughter of Ernest L. Sprinkle, born in Wayne Co., Tenn. and Mary Hester Williams his wife, born in Lawrence Co., Tenn.

Children: (1) Ruth Elizabeth Kramar, b. 5 June 1924.

(2) Glen Gordon Kramar, b. 21 Nov. 1925. (3) Stephen Raye Kramar, b. 23 April 1928. (4) Margaret Anne Kramar, b. in March 1930. (5) Ernest William Kramar, b. 26 May 1935.

5. Florence Esther Kramar (called Esther), born 8 Dec. 1893; was graduated from Imperial High School in 1914; afterward studied the Chinese language with the hope of becoming a missionary and going to China. She married in Bible Truth Hall in San Diego, Calif., 1 Jan. 1929, Charles O. Kautto, who was born near Jyvaskyle, Finland, and whose parents were still living in Finland. Charles and Esther went to China to do missionary work and he had charge of the mission station at Taitowying and out stations. When the war broke out with Japan they were taken prisoners and taken to a concentration camp where they were interned for about two years. along with 1500 other prisoners. Nothing was heard from during that time but finally they were released and came home on the ship Grisholm. Esther's mother got word of their release but she died before their arrival home. She deeded her Red;ands home to them and they are still residing there.

Child: "1) Paul Daniel Kautto, born 23 Dec. 1933 in Chang Li, China.

6. Amy Kramar, born 10 Nov. 1896; was graduated from Imperial High School in 1918. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ she married at Silsbee 22 Dec. 1917 Felix G. Havens. She m. secondly, Percy Schoonmaker and they reside in El Centro, Calif.

Children of Amy Kramar by first husband: (1) Myrtle Loraine Havens, b. 26 Aug. 1918. (2) Gerald Wallace Havens, born 11 Aug. 1924.

Child by second husband:

(3) Ralph Lowell Schoonmaker, born in 1933.

7. Joel James Kramar, born 22 Jan. 1899; died when three weeks old.

8. Lowell Kramar, B.S., M.D. born 22 April 1900; was graduated from Imperial High School in 1917 and from Whittier College, at Whittier, Calif., in 1923, receiving from there the degree of Bachelor of Science, having majored in chemistry. He attended Stanford Univ. School of Medicine four years and received from there his degree in medicine in 1927. He took his interne work in San Francisco Hospital, then engaged as resident physician at St. Luke's Hospital, S.F., but was excused in April 1929 to take up the work of physician surgeon for the Cerro de Pasco Copper Mining Company at Casapalca, Peru, after a short time at Morococha. He married in Peru (Lima), 17 Oct. 1929, Ethel Evans of San Joaquin Valley, Calif., a daughter of one of the old residents in that Valley. She was a graduate nurse in the S.F. Hospital where Lowell studied and practiced for two years.

Lowell Kramar served in World War 2 at Lt. Commander on U.S.S. Curtis; was killed 21 June 1945 when a Jap suicide plane, carrying a 1000-ton bomb hit the ship. Lowell and 16 others were killed instantly. He was buried with full military honors on the Island of Zamami Shima.

9. John Willard Kramar, B.S. (called Willard), (Whittier College, 1923), born 1 April 1902 in Kipling, Wash.; was graduated from Imperial High School in 1917; took a four years' course at Whittier College, Whittier, Calif., majoring in chemistry, and received from there the degree of Bachelor of Science.

He was residing in 1933 at Puente, Calif, where he had a ~~ixxo~~ lemon grove, and had supervision of several other groves. He invented a machine to cut up the tree trimmings to be used for fertilizer.

He married in Friends' Church, Whittier, Calif., 20 Dec. 1923 Edith Lillian Elmore, A.B. (Whittier College, 1923). After her graduation she taught in the grade school at Puente, Calif.

Children:

(1) John Willard Kramar, Jr., b. 27 May 1936.

(2) Earl Glen Kramar, b. 1 Sept. 1937.

ix. Frank Benjamin Burnight, still-born, 1 June 1863; was youngest child of Fletcher and Melissa Ann (Fox) Burnight.

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