LITTLE LOVE LETTER

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EVENTFUL JULY

THIS JULY 1973 WAS FULL INDEED; but I will try to not be too tedious to you in this Little Love Letter. However I know many will want to receive an August edition- and news. August = Grand, Glorious: "Blessed be the Lord God-. "And blessed be his glorious name for ever-" Only God knows best. As may be his will,we will try to emit our trip(July 5-24),

SEQUENTIALLY

ON OUR VERY FIRST STOP-OVER VISIT we learned of the death in August 1972 of my cousin in Delano, California. We visited with his sister, Rebecca, and his beloved wife, Margie Hunt. (We visited Cousin Gene's brother and another sister in Salinas, Calif. on our way home 18 days later.) We arrived in Modesto late that afternoon, July 6, too late for Bro. Morse's funeral.

RILEY FLOYD MORSE

BROTHER RILEY MORSE OF MODESTO CHURCH was born Oct. 9, 1902, in Spiro, Oklahoma, and departed this life at Modesto on July 3, 1973. His age was 70 years, 8 months, 24 days. Funeral services were by Bro. Don Dabbs at the Franklin and Downs Funeral Home in Modesto on July 6, and interment was concluded at Lakewood Memorial Park.

Riley Floyd Morse and Nanna Mae Gaff were married on July 15, 1922; and in the summer of 1929 at Somerton, Ariz. Brother Bob Musgraves baptized them "in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins". They were members of the Church of Christ, Glenn & Dallas, Modesto, for many years. In 1932 a son,Paul Vernon,age 5,passed on in death earlier.

Bro. Morse leaves, besides his wife: one son, Frank; five daughters, Juanita Brown of Empire, Betty Duarte of Pittsburg, Vivian Baker of Modesto, Lois Brown of Escondido, Lola Lucas of Freemont, all Calif.; a brother, Bob Sneed of Ariz.three sisters,Polly Stroud,Modesto,Donna Madray,Canby, May Sniley,Mexico; 23 Grandchildren & 13 Great GrandChildren

THE WATERFORD MEETING

AS WAS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 1 TO 8 Brother Don Dabbs was busy at preaching at Waterford, Calif. Church, and we two attended for the last three nights, and for worship Sunday. Bro. Don's subject Friday night, July 6, was "The Word OfGOD Is Sufficient". He began on Mat. 15:13, "Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up." And as in all the lessons we heard he was doing very well.

ON SATURDAY NIGHT, "CHRISTIAN DUTIES", Don covered by scriptures the duties of children, of fathers & husbands, of wives, of masters & servants, and duties of sinners.

SUNDAY, JULY 8, A.M. & P.M.= "How To Identify The Church" and "Many Be Called But Few Chosen". All lessons by outline. The Lord's Day Services were enlightening, and well attended. Sorry we didn't get to be there all week. We left there Mon.

MY BROTHER H. E. HUNT

MONDAY WE WENT TO SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA from Modesto and in Alameda we found our Grandson & Great Granddaughter were not at home. That GRAND baby is 4 now, we've never seen.

OAKLAND APARTMENT OF MY BROTHER HARTWELL-sad, sad news. He died on perhaps June 9 and was found in his bed June 12; and he had not yet been buried on July 9. The Coroner's men could find none of his relatives. The investigator told us they could not spend tax-payers' money hunting for relatives; and showed us many papers, one not buried since Jan. waiting. My other brother, W. O. Hunt (Omer) had moved from his old address. I had regularly mailed Hartwell the Little Love Letters for the several years. We found my brother Omer's 2 letters of June 7 and July 6, and my LLL (mailed June 27), and 2 Social Securitychecks still in the mail box. So we two had a sad time for several days, 'phoneing & prep.for burial. We laid his body away in the Shiloh Cemetery near Santa Rosa on the morning of July 13.

(Louise and I were married in Santa Rosa (1920) and her Dear Mother was buried there in February three years ago.)

MY BROTHER-IN-LAW FRED DETERING

ON FRIDAY JULY 13 WE TRAVELED 542 MILES to Eugene, Oreg. then the next morning we went to Junction City to a funeral.

FRED DETERING, MY BROTHER IN LAW, was born on December 1, 1892, and was deceased on July 11, 1973, aged 80 yrs. 8 mo. Services were at Murphy Funeral Home in Junction City; and Masonic Commitment at Rest Lawn Memorial Park, July 14, '73. Fred leaves his wife, Minnie (my sister); 2 daughters, Juanita Brock and Evelyn Smith; 4 Grandchildren; 2 brothers and one sister; besides many others. It was a large funeral.

OUR TRIP BEGINS TO BRIGHTEN

WE STAYED IN EUGENE OVER THE FOUR NIGHTS. This was so short to us, as Eugene is my old home town, and we two lived there several times with our four boys growing up so fast. But the house on the 15 acres where my parents lived for 51 years is now torn down. Many, innumerable, changes, so fast. We had short visits with some very dear friends and closely loved ones & relatives. We also were with our Brothers and Sisters at the Church on Centenial St. in Springfield.

AS WAS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 15-22 the meeting began well. Wish we could have been there all week. On Sunday July 15, the Congregation and many visitors from far-away places met; "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread,-" Brother J. D. Logan preached unto them. He and Fern came from Stocton for him to so do. We did hear a few: "What Is Our Duty To God?"-whole duty of man-LET George do it, but George can't. Another: "Doers of the WORD and not Hearers Only". There were guests from Port Orchard, Renton, Yakima, Wash. and Klamath Falls,Salem, the Eugene ones, Oregon, and the Preacher's family & us from Calif.

PORT ORCHARD REPORT

OUR PORT ORCHARD BROTHER ROBERT McCAY was at Springfield and reported some disappointment concerning their meeting & camp week. There were not as many present as they had expected. Their place and effort is quite new,and aways away; so may they take comfort for the future. May God bless the efforts.

THREE SONS & GRANDS IN ROSEBURG

THURSDAY JULY 17 WE LANDED IN ROSEBURG & two grand girls(the Managers Barbara & Bonnie)set us up 5 nights in a swell 2-bed room, a swanky new MOTEL-for free in full. NICE OF 'EM. AND we visited relatives daily;- Oh, that we could give full measure to God, that they could be God's children forever.

WE HAD TO GO ON

SUNDAY JULY 22 & WE'RE IN GRANTS PASS, for worship at the Church out at Murphy. Saw the brethren and I preached. Saw Sister Mickey visiting from Aztec, New Mex. Bro."Tom" Broadway was preaching at Furnish Canyon, as per schedule.

FROM THERE WE HIT FOR OCEANSIDE; BUT visited a bit in Redwood City-& 2 cousins in Salinas,Pete Hunt & Helen Brown. LAST LATE:SUN.JULY 29 AT LAKESIDE'S FINAL DAY;saw their biggest assembly. Bro.Roger Bixler finished the series by "Consider IT CAREFULLY"& good ref.as 2 Pet.3:1-4 & Pro.24:30-34. Bro. Duane Bixler had also preached several times in theWEEK.

NEWS BY MAIL, ETC.

JUNE 24, FROM BROTHER ROBERT MORRIS, YUMA, (We sorrow with those who have troubles; "Yet man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upward". We hope,Bro.Robt.all's O.K.on7/29) "Things have been real hectic around here. Just returned from vacation, to find Jack not doing so well,and also Mrs.Renicks sister back in the Hosp.But she is home now doing some better. Then on Thur. of this past week our son in law and daughter and baby Shawna got in an accident in Phoenix. The baby just a black eye. Jim cuts on the face.But Brenda has a separated shoulder. She is having a pin put in tomorrow. Not too serious, of course Joyce went to be with them. Hope all turns out well. The new church is going along real good. We have started putting the walls up now. Just working in the eve&Sat!"

JUNE 28, FROM BROTHER LEROY MULLENS, Burkburnett, Tex.: "We were down in Broken Bow, Okla. last week attending the meeting there - I meet with the Church at Randlett, Okla. The members are few but gradually growing. - Bro. Lloyd Treat held a weeks meeting here in May. We had 4 to be baptized during the meeting. One was baptized last Sunday. We welcome anyone passing through to stop & worship. Worship begins at 2 P. M. Sundays, also-singing & preaching Thu.7:30!"

JULY 1, BROTHER AL WAY, BELLFLOWER- preached a timely lesson on "Love". "God is love". Those at Bellflower were in anticipation of their meeting to begin the next Sunday. But we left here July 5; sorry we could not attend. A letter from the Chester Kellems's(fwd.to Roseburg,& back); they were at Bellflower Meet. Fri.& Sat. and some were absent because of sickness. A granddaughter of Burdett & Olan Taylor had very high fever but was better Saturday night. Sister Myrtie Lee Clouse was in the hospital(when in Waterford they were to go home and see if have surgery) but as of letter, not yet.

ISN'T THAT THE WAY GOES IN LIFE? Sickness,trouble;-FAITH.

WHERE ARE WE HEADED?

THIS FAR, ALMOST WHOLE LLL PAPER, and hardly a word of Scripture. Isn't that today's way of most of the world? TOO busy, vacations, sadness,sicknesses,something;TO THINK BIBLE. But as for me(ALL of us),must go on. THAT is why these Little Love Letters;tell others speedily. TIME at its longest is too short. "ZACCHAEUS, MAKE HASTE,-" "for TODAY I must abide at THY HOUSE". (SING)"There's a stranger at the door, LET HIM IN!"

THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY, CHRIST JESUS,the way,truth,life. Baptized-"put him on". "But as it is,he has appeared once for all-to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself!"HEDIEDFORUS.