

Getman News From The Past

The Getman Family

The history of this family is Interwoven with the history of Montgomery county, from Revolutionary times till now and the family is spread over a goodly section of the western end of the county, in St. Johnsville, Canajoharie, Fort Plain, Fonda, Tribes Hill, Johnstown. N. Y. and other towns and villages. A genealogy of the family would show them to have entered in most every walk of life, farmers, merchants, lawyers and businessmen of all professions, thereby giving a good cross section of the history of the Mohawk valley.

(Saint Johnsville, New York, ENTERPRISE AND NEWS, Wednesday, February 19, 1936)

Some Interesting Newspaper Stories About Getman Descendants.

A Long Overdue Bill

Utica Daily Press, NY
August, 1898

Frankfort, Aug. 21 — An action against the state is about to be begun by Warner Bargy of Frankfort, and attached to it is an interesting story. Warner Bargy is the son of the late Peter Bargy, who, about 60 years ago, took a contract to do certain work for the state on the Chenango canal. It is claimed on the part of the heirs of the contractor that at the time the work was let an agreement was entered into with the state by the terms of which it was understood that in case quicksand was found an additional amount should be paid for the work. Quicksand soon obstructed the progress, but the work was continued to completion. In 1841 an act was passed by the State Legislature allowing Mr. Bargy extra pay for the work done to the amount of \$12,000. Nothing has since been done in relation to the payment of the award. Warner Bargy is now the only surviving heir of Peter Bargy, and he will make an effort to secure the money. The award and interest to the present time amount to over \$50,000.

Warner Bargy (GFG # A 393) b. 1825, is the grandson of Elizabeth Getman (GFG # A 19) b. 1781 and Warner Folts b. 1777.

Palatine Commemorative Stamp

Daily Press, Utica, NY
and

The Leader-Herald, Gloversville and Johnstown, NY
Friday, July 26, 1957

WASHINGTON (GNS) — A commemorative stamp to honor arrival of the Palatines in the Mohawk Valley in 1710 will be considered by the Post Office Department, Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield said yesterday.

The stamp would be issued in 1960 for the 150th anniversary of the first Palatine settlement. Summerfield wrote Rep. William R. Williams (R) of Cassville that the suggestion for the stamp will be brought to the attention of the department's stamp advisory committee.

Idea for the stamp came from Lynn C. Getman of Ilion.

The Getman Family of America had designated him to contact Williams.

"Being a native of the Mohawk Valley," Getman wrote "you no doubt are familiar with their, (the Palatines) history and the great service that they rendered this country:

"They had been pushed around in Germany and in the religious wars, had seen their homes, barns, stock and crops put to fire, but were nevertheless willing to assume any hardship in the new Western Hemisphere."

The hardships were plentiful, "for Indian raids continued in the Mohawk Valley for many years."

"They did not care. They --- of freedom, something which had theretofore been denied them.

George Washington toured the valley to study the defense and . . . "to show his appreciation of the valley's resistance to the British and Indians." said Getman.

The British and their Indian allies "sought to destroy the granary of the Mohawk" Getman reported "and the heroic efforts of the Palatines save the breadbasket of the Continental army."

Lynn C. Getman (GFG # A 2103 / I / VIII) b. 1909 had three direct lines of ancestry to Caspar Getman.

Dr. Haggerty Named Head of Pediatrics at Rochester School of Medicine

Richfield Springs Mercury, NY
Thursday May 7, 1964

Dr. Robert Johns Haggerty of the Harvard Medical School, chief of the Child Health Division of Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, will become professor and chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry on July 1. Dr. Haggerty will succeed Dr. William L. Bradford whose forthcoming retirement was announced last month.

A native of Worcester, Dr. Haggerty is the son of Mrs. Gordon Haggerty and the late Mr. Haggerty, and a

grandson; of Mrs. Sherwood Haggerty and the late Dr. Haggerty of Richfield Springs. He was graduated from Worcester Central School.

Dr. Haggerty is an alumnus of Cornell University where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and received the A.B. degree with distinction. He received his M.D. degree from Cornell University Medical College in 1949. At medical school he was elected to Alpha Omega Alpha medical honorary society and received a Polk Prize.

Following his internship at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, he served as a captain in the U. S. Air Force for two years.

From 1953-55, he was a resident at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston, holding an appointment as chief medical resident there in 1955. At Harvard, Dr. Haggerty holds the title of Markle Scholar in Academic Medicine. He has served successively as instructor, assistant in pediatrics, associate in pediatrics, and since 1961, as assistant professor.

An authority on family and community health care, accidental poisoning, and infectious diseases, he was awarded a Commonwealth Fund Fellowship for study in England and Europe for 1961-62.

Dr. Haggerty is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society for Pediatric Research, and numerous others.

Dr. Haggerty is married and has four children

Dr. Robert Johns Haggerty b. at.t 1926, is a great-great-grandson of Adelia Getman (GFG A 95) b. 1817. He and his wife Muriel Ethel Protzmann had a daughter and 3 sons.

Bad Ice is Nothing New

Morning Express, Buffalo, NY
undated 1884

William Getman of Springfield, who had been to Cooperstown on business on Monday, started for home in the evening, driving on the ice on Otsego Lake. When nearing the shore at Five Mile Point he drove into a hole in the ice and was drowned. His team was also drowned.

William D Getman (GFG – A 265 / A) b. abt 1833, son of John G Getman and Elizabeth Nellis, Husband of Malinda Gross.

This Was News in It's Day

The Cortland Standard, NY
Friday February 13, 19

PREBLE, Feb. 11 – Irven Porter has installed a radio in his residence.

Irven Porter (GFG C / A) b. 1848, is a grandson of Louisa C Getman (GFG C / A) b. 1841.

Runaway buggy

Syracuse Weekly Express, NY
Thursday, September 10, 1891

Preble ... Mr. and Mrs. Burr wish to extend their thanks to the neighbors and friends for their kind assistance in their bereavement, and also the choir for their services. On Tuesday of last week Mrs. Addison Burr had a narrow escape from death, while her little grandson, Ernest Porter, aged six years, who was with her, was killed. On Tuesday Mr. Burr sent his wife to take their hired girl home to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shell, on the East hill. On her way homo the harness gave way coming down the steep bill by Mr. Carver's, letting the buggy against the horse, which caused him to run and kick. While crossing a large break in the road, Mrs. Burr and the little boy were thrown to the

ground. The boy lived but a short time, and, judging from the ugly gashes upon the head and body, was kicked to death. Mrs. Burr is suffering from the fall and bruises. The funeral of the boy was held at his grandparents', where he was staying. The Rev. Mr. Angler officiated.

Mrs. Addison Burr is Louisa C Getman (GFG C / A) b. 1841, daughter of Bartlett Getman (GFG – C 84) b. 1806 and Catherine Getman (GFG – A103) b. 1806. Her daughter Jennie C Burr, b. abt. 1865 and Fred Porter, b. abt. 1865 are the boy's parents.

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A book covering the first six generations of Getmans, starting with Caspar is now available. Included in the book are the known descendants of all of the family lines, including daughters.

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The book will be available at a price of \$42.00 per copy plus shipping, of \$5.00 each.

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