Items in genealogy files of Ann Arnold Hennings

Personal observations by Julia Clews of Isaac David Arnold and his marriages; obituaries of I D Arnold and James T Arnold; tribute to Dr T T Arnold; funeral of Dr Arnold; will of John Wren, Arnold Genealogy, and will of Isaac Arnold by James M Payne; descendants of William Arnold; Civil war experiences of John H Arnold by Julia Clews; Julia Clews notes on her grandmother Mary Jane Holmes; letter to Julia dated 20 February 1978 by Pratt[?] regarding James Edwards Jones; notes on Lt John Arnold and John H Arnold by Julia Clews; WPA Virginia Historical Inventory "The Arnold Place" in Spotsylvania County; letter by Agnes Arnold Ross Swartz on 14 Nov 1991 to Julia Clews regarding notes on family (Agnes died in 2001 at age 106).

Robert Stoy 10 Nov 2020

ISAAC DAVID ARNOLD b. Oct. 29, 1859 d. May 29, 1945

- 1. Born and lived in Spottsylvania County until 6 yrs. old
- 2. Bernard's Grove house during 1st battle of Fredericksburg
- 3. Stafford County during 2nd battle of Fredericksburg

Remembered Civil War: negroes gathered up bullets in shovels and filled the fist barrel

Barmels of Confederate money

His father, John Arnold 2nd, died before he was 70

He lost his favorite child during the war

? Was this "Sister Virginia" ep, "Jennie Arnold", Daddy's half sister,
mother of Cousin Birdie?

As a boy became apprentice to a man in Westmorland County & helped to make the casket bor Bishop Payne.

Come to Washington first time with his mother and children when 12 yrs. old.

Went West (17 yrs. of age) - out there 10 yrs.

Daucas(Dolly), Isaac, Jim, Will, Charlie

AUNT DOLLY

(scholarly old man)

- 1. Judge Jordan, much older than Aunt Dollie, widower from Ashland, Virginia. Helped her with her art and writingk woed her and married her. Unhappy, never divorced by Aunt Dollie bought him a box of candy and put him on the train to go to visit his son by his first wife, and he remained there. The called him "Papa". Coming out of the court house on Louisiana Avenue he became lamed.

 Daddy's
- 2. After Mether's marriage to Mother Aunt Dollie married Scott of Grand Rapids, Michigan. She died childless of cancer.

 Where _____?
- Aunt D. had married Judge Jordan while Daddy was out west.
- 4. Edna spent a great deal of time with Aunt Dollie in Michigan
- 5. Mr. Scott was a man of wealth. Aunt Dollie wrote home one time saying she had rather live in a log cabin at home than a mansion elsewhere.

DADDY'S GRANDFATHER, known by Mother's family as "Uncle John Arnold" - His 2nd-wife last (?) wife, Fannie Price, was Anne Potts' (Mother's grandmother) sister.

BILLY MOUNTJOY - son of Mima Mountjoy, daughter of John Arnold & Fannie Price Arnold

ISAAC DAVID ARNOLD

Charming story-teller Fearless - Never knew him to be sick a day in my life until he was 76 years old. Retired from active duty at William Hahn & Co., Washington, D. C. at 81 years of age. Lived to be 86 years old. Never wanted more for himself than a hot cup of coffee and best quality meat. A large bowl of oatmeal and milk and hot coffee ware his daily breakfast. Never a minute late for anything. Always as anxious to leave as to arrive. "Come on , Dear, let's get home." Roses were his hobby Nig- Neighbors always said he never walked, always ran.

MARRIAGES

lst. Married Elvira Hayes in 190- _____. She died 1902 in e-Washing- the hospital from an infection in child birth. (St. Elmo, Arlington Co. Va., their home - C.M. & 2 children remained Aunt Dollie 2nd-Robie-Dishman-Arneld, my-mether- there with Daddy. Kern - his g.m. H. Following June he proposed to Mother - apologized for hurry but she would be away next year teaching and did not want to do it by letter. She did not answer but accepted a Friendship ring (amethyst and pearls - tiny pears around the amethyst)

had been there

> Five years later they were married at Coumin Annie Coakley's house in Washington, D.C. - December 23, 1902

Took apartment across from Dept. of Interior (La Furniture: dining room table, 6 reed bottom chairs, iron bed

Early to rise and late to bed

St. Elmo in Arlington Co. , Va. was sold and Grandmother and Edna & Vernon came to the apartment. (Aunt Dollie had just been married. to Indre Lordon in westing tong the been large time

In the summer Grandmother and the children went to Uncle Charlie's home.

Mother and Daddy (Mother expecting) moved to a room and hall end H Street. Children returned in the Fall for school. Landlady, discovering Mother's pregrancy asked them to move. They took a house on fifth Street and earned bhe rent by letting out rooms.

Ralph was three years old when he went in his long nightie with the nickle Baddy had given him, to the drug store and asked to buy an ice cream cone.

Moved to Brentwood 190 making first payment on the home there on Campbell Street.

KERN - 5 months old when his mother died - stayed with his Grandmother Hayes until 19, came to work in D.C. and stayed at home. Went to Hayes on week ends.

' ref. Mother)

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At His Home Within In Julia United the Past Forty Years; Was Local Judge

I. D. Arnold, long-time resident of Brentwood, Maryland, died Tuesday morning, May 29, at his residence, 3411 Tilden Street. With him at the time of his passing was his beloved wife, Abbie Dishman Arnold.

Mr. Arnold was born eighty-five years ago in Stafford County, Virginia. His antecedents date their residence in that area from earliest Colonial times.

Early in life he moved to Washington, D. C. His first wife, Elvira Hayes of Shiloh, Virginia, whom he married in 1890, died six years afterwards. Of this union were born three children, Edna, Kern, and Vernon.

In 1906 Mr. Arnold became a citizen of Brentwood, Maryland, where for thirty-nine years he engaged himself actively in the interests and welfare of his town and county. Earlier in 1902 he had married his second wife, Abbie Dishman of King George County, Virginia. To this union were born two children, Ralph Madison Arnold, now of Bernardston, Massachusetts, and Julia Arnold Clews of Chase City, Virginia.

His work and interests assured him a large circle of friends. For fifty years he was happily associated with William Hahn Company. For twenty-two years he was Justice of the Peace in Prince Georges County, Maryland. During this half century he was actively affiliated with church and Masonic circles, having been superintendent of the Brentwood Methodist Sunday School as well as a veteran member of Mt. Vernon Methodist Church of Washington, D. C. He was a Master Mason of Chillum Castle Lodge of his resident county.

Services were conducted on Friday afternoon from his home in Brentwood with Dr. John Rustin, minister of Mt. Vernon Place Church, presiding. Masonic services were held at the place of his interment, Pohick Church Cemetery, Virginia, where his son-in-law, the Rev. W. Hedley Clews committed his body to the grave.

Surviving Mr. Arnold are his wife Mrs. I. Al Arnold, a son and daughter Mr. Kern Arnold and Mrs. Leslie Dorland by his first marriage, and a son and daughter, Mr. Ralph M. Arnold and Mrs. W. Hedley Clews by the second. ARNOLD, ISAAC D. On Tuesday, May 29, 1945, at his residence, 3411 Tilden st., Brentwood, Md., ISAAC D. ARNOLD, beloved husband of Abbie Dishman Arnold and father of Mrs. Edna Dorland, Mrs. Julia C. Clews, Ralph M. and David Keren Arnold. Remains resting at his late residence. Services will be held on Friday, June 1, at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Pohick Church Cemetery, Pohick, Va.

ARNOLD, ISAAC DAVID. Members of Chillum Castle Lodge, No. 186, A. F. and J. M. of Maryland, will assemble at the Temple, Chillum, Md., on Friday, June 1, 1945, at 1 p.m., to attend the funeral of our late brother, ISAAC DAVID ARNOLD, W. P. MCCONOUGHEY, W. Master, T. WESTON SCOTT, Secretary. 31

James T. Arnold, 82, Dies in Arlington

James Thomas Arnold, 82, for many years employed at shoe stores in this city, died yesterday after a heart attack at his home in Ar-

lington, Va. A native of Stafford County, Va., Mr. Arnold came to Washington when he was 14. For more than 50 years he was employed at the old Family Shoe Store here, first working there as a messenger and later as a salesman. Subsequently, he was



a salesman for James T. Arnold. the firm of Boyce & Lewis, shoe dealers, until he retired about three

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Sibbie A. Arnold; five sons, James M., Milton L., Joseph T., Robert L. and Raymond B. Arnold; three daughters, Mrs. Lucille L. Anderson, Mrs. Ruth V. Gaines and Mrs. Mary E. Baker; two brothers, Izaac D. Arnold and William E. Arnold; 12 grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Ives funeral parlors in Arlington, Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Falls Church, Va.

THE POTLOGING AS FIGLE WAS PORTABLED IN THE MEMBERS OF THE LANCE'S PRESENCES ASSETS. VINCINIA, 23 JUNE 1917

THISBURE TO DESCRIPT OF THE TO TO ADDRESS.

of hime beerge, was delivered recently in an address by Wr. Vm. J. degers before King George Camp of Confederate Veterans: I have been requested by the ladies of the king beorge Chapter of the United Paughters of the Confederacy to pay a tribute to the memory of hr. Thomas T. Arnold. I could wish, my friends, that this duty had fallen upon one more gifted with eloquence and learning. But these ladies wished that one of his old comrudes should speak of him. and I am Alad to come with my simple little wreath, not, as it were, of costly hot-house plants, but of the wild flowers with which nature olothos the field- to please the eye and gladden the heart of the poor of earth. In a large sense, my friends, we do not come to mourn our friend, but rather to coint to those splendid qualities of wind and heart, that so distinguished him, and endeared him to us, and which are so worthy of enulation.

The following tribute to the late or. Thomas To Arnold,

as it came, and I believe his yoing from us was much as be would have had it, had he been allowed to choose. I weam, I do not believe he would have desired a holpless and useless old age. As I knew his, I think he would have been also to live as long as he could be useful and helpful to others, and no longer. Beath had no terror for his. He could as caluly look forward to the dissolution as to the ordinary duties of life and set, as it were, his house in order.

I last not him at Cleveland, the home of his neighbor and friend, Fr. H. A. Cason, on the 19th of January last, when we met there to celebrate the hirthday of our great chieftain and I remember how whole heartedly he entered into the occanion and looked forward to this day and planned for the reunion in combinaton in dune.

In speaking to his memory, I will not dwell upon his life among us, as a Christian gentleman, his value as a citizen of the country he so much loved, his untiring labors as a school official, his great interest in education, and all that pertained to the young of the country, his fidelity as a friend, or his neighborly kindness, ever reaching out the hand to help those loss fortunate than himself. Of him it may truthfully be said he rests from his labors and his works do follow him.

If I could speak of him at all I would love to dwell upon his life as a soldier in the days that trie ment souls.

Like thousands of other Virginia boys, he had been taught to love this old Commonwealth and to regard even the very soil as almost sacred. Was it a wonder that young men thus reared, when the tramp of an invading army upon the Long Bridge that spans the Potomac at Bashington is heard reverberating, through the valleys and along the rivers of the old Commonwealth, that these young men with one spontaneous outburst of patrioties, unsurpassed in all history, should spring to arms to drive back the invader and defend with their lives the old mother State they loved so well? So you blame them? So not you young people honor their memory today because they did just that?

Breathes there a man with soul so dend
who never to himself bath said
This is my own my native land?
Those heart had no or within him burned,
As home his footsteps he hath turned
From wandering on a foreign strand?
If such there be go mark him well,
For him no minstrel raptures swell.
High thought his titles, proud his mase
boundless his wealth as wish can claim,
hespite those titles, power and pelf,
The wretch concentrated all in self
Living shall forfeit fair renown
And doubly dying shall go down

To that vile dust from which he sprung. Unwest, unhonored and unsung.

Among those who thus aprime to arms was a young physician. Dr. Thomas T. Arnold of Willow Hill. King George county, fresh from the University with a diploma, telling with what honors he had graduated in his chosen profession. His ambition pictured a panorama upon which was success in his chosen profession and usefulness in ministering to the suffering. a military family. His father was a lieutenant in the war of 1812 to 1814. His grandfather was in the Revolution. brother, Mark, was Colonel of the King George militia, in my what earliest recollection, an officer appointed by the devernor policial and of much importance in those days. As a soldier in the Confederate army, I bolieve he was absolutely without fear. He was a Lieutenant in Co. H. Sth Virginia Cavairy, in which I was a private. I have been with him when shot and shell fell thick and fast and I never knew him to show the least fear or excitement. But, like his gallant Colonel. C. H. Collins, than whom a braver man never drew a sword, and who gave his life for the cause, he seemed always more concerned about the safety of his men than his own.

In camp life he was plain, casily approached by the men. Always more mindful of the confort of the men than of himself, always ready to be of service to any soldier. It was not an unusual occurrence to see him sitting on a log, writing a letter to the home, for some one of the men. There was no lack of proper dignity. But he was entirely free from what we used to call "swell head." Duty was to him all that his great chieftain had said it was, "the sublimest work in the language."

The war over he accepted the situation, returned to his home, adapted himself to the changed conditions with the same courage and devotion as a loyal private citizen, that had characterized his life as a soldier. But in doing so, never yielding one tota of the principles for which he had given the best years of his young manhood, with no apoloxy for the

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part he had taken in the purely defensive was in which he had so faithfully done his best.

I am glad he lived to see the day when he was no longer known as a "rebel," but as a Confederate soldier. And the cause for which he had given so much, and which he so ardently love, was no longer a "rebellion" but The War Between The States, and when he could renew his devotion to the old flag of his fathers, and yield to none in his patriotism and loyalty to the U.S. Despite his more than four score years, when his President said a state of war existed between his country and Germany, as he thought of poor, little, bleeding, prostrate Belgium, a perfect parallel of what had once been the condition of his own loved Southland, he promptly offered thisself to his country for any service he could render.

This my comrades and friends is the patriot, soldier, comrade, friend, neighbor and fellow citicen, to whose memory I have tried to pay a simple tribute, and upon whose grave I would lay my little flower.

on fame's eternal camping ground His allent tent is spread And glory guards with selemn round The bivouse of the dead.

This is a true and exact copy of an article which appeared in The Free Lance on 23 June 1917, and has been verified from our files.

Josiah P. Rowe III, General Manager

Mrs. Evelyn S. Burton, Notary Public

my com eyp. Sept. 2.1968

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE DR. T.T.ARNOLD

The death on Wednesday, April 25th, at his home, near the Court House, in King George County, od Dr.T.T.Arnold, an aged resident of that Countyand ex-confederate soldier, removed from earth a highly esteemed and influential citizen, a Christian gentleman who had a host of friends. The writer of these lines lived close to the home of this splendid man and like others who knew him and his goodwife I can testify to the many deedsof kindness, the numerous acts of courtesy and the considerate attention they accorded their neighbors.

Methodist preachers and their familiesoccupying the parsonage near King George Court House invariably found a splandid neighbor and friend in this excellent man. Nature was lavish in the best comment of her gifts to thehead, the heart, and the body of this broad-minded citizen. He was intensely loyal to the South and to his beloved state in whose defense he bravely fought in the Civil War and whose welfare and interests were ever on his heart.

He was a man of culture, affsble in manner, possessed of fine conversational powers and was ever on the alertto aid in promoting plans and enterprises that tended to develop his county or advance the interest of its citizens.

A communicant of the Episcopal Church he was loyal and faithful in the discharge of his duties to that church; but he was so broad and liberal in his religious views and so big-hearted and brotherly that he delighted to worship with other Christians denominations, making himself at home among all God's people everywhere. The frequent presence of this fine old gentleman and his excellent wife at services at the King George Court House Methodist Church while the writer was pastor there and their many courtesies and kind acts to the occupants of the parsonage near by ar recalled by this writer with great pleasure and appreciation.

The death od such men as Dr. T.T.Arnold leaves the world poorer and causes an irreparable loss to his loved ones and friends. But death to such a man as he is only the gateway to the better life beyond. May God bless and sustain the bereaved ones. I am glad to lay this humble flower on his honored grave.

E.P.Parham Petersburg, Virginia

FUNERAL OF DR. ARNOLD

King George Virginia April 28th 1917.

A lage concorse of sorrowing friends gathered yesterday at Willow Hill to pay the last tribute or respect to the memory of Dr. Thomas T. Arnold, whose death occurred Wednesday

Dr. Arnold was a vestryman of St. Johns Church. He was CountySupervisor until a few years ago, and at the time of his death was one of the schooltrusties. He was the youngest of the twenty-two children of the late John Arnold, of Willow Hill. He graduated in medicine at the University of Virginia. He entered the Confederate service and bravely did his duty till the war closed. He then located at Willow Hill and made a sucess of farming. He did all life's duties faithfully and was ready to cross over the river, and rest under the shade of the trees. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W.H.Mayers and interment made in the family burying ground.

The pallbearers were Messrs. Allen Smith, James Arnold, Phillip Rice, Poindexter Billingsley, Frank & Wilkins Tayloe.

Dr. Arnold is survived by his widow, whos was Miss. Ella Coghill, four daughters and two sens, Viz Miss Mary Gray Arnold, of Riverside, California, Miss Kate Brockenbrough Arnold, of Sheridan, Wyoming, Miss Frankie Arnold, of Birney, Montana, Mr. Randolph Arnold, of Montana: Nr. John Arnold, of Birney, Montana; Mrs. Paul Hobday, of Mathews County. The flowers were numerous and very beautiful. A handsome wreath was sent by the King George Chapter U.D.C. Many flags Waved among the flowers.

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JOHN WREN

The following are excerpts from the will of John Wren, written April 2, 1751 and probated in King George County August 6, 1752.

1. Ann (Arnold?) Wren (wife) - bequeathed his estate

If Ann remarries, then:

a. John Wren (son) - was to receive the estate on which John, $\operatorname{Sr.}$ was residing.

b. Remainder of John, Sr.'s estate to be divided equally among his wife, his two daughters, Sarah & Ann Arnold, and his unborn child.

Notes by James N. Payne
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ARNOLD GENEALOGY of JAMES NICHOLAS PAYNE

HUSBAND	MARRIED	WIFE
Thomas Arnold (c 1648-c1726)	>1689	Grace ??? (d >1733)
Isaac Arnold (1757/8)	2/28/1707	Margaret Goff unk
John Wren unk	unk	Margaret Goff unk Ann Arnold, sinter four William unk Ff. John Rose Emma Wren
James Monroe Edwards (ca 1750 - 1823)	unk	Rose Emma Wren (1757 - 1851)
Enoch Edwards (1786 - 1875)	1/1/1816	Ann Monroe Massey (1801 - 1875) Grant
Daniel Payne (3/26/1817 - 12/1/1857	3/31/1836	Nancy Jane Monroe Edwards 90000 (7/31/1820 - 8/26/1881)
James Lloyd Payne (6/5/1853 - 12/25/1910	12/11/1879	Catherine T. Payne (3/28/1849 - 3/23/1932) Om W. H. Cleu
Thomas Raynor Payne (5/27/1883 - 9/2/1950)	3/15/1911	Catherine T. Payne (3/28/1849 - 3/23/1932) Emma Rose Quesenberry (6/11/1891 - 11/1/1969) The control of the c
James Nicholas Payne (11/20/1912)	7/3/35	Julia Rivers Brown Jeneralian (10/7/1913)
Wayman J. Thompson (1) (11/14/1934 - 10/31/19 Richard G. Hutcheson (10/13/1921)	969)	Ann Rivers Payne (12/30/1936) (Feder Victor)
		Susan Bancroft Thompson (2/8/1967) Minn
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ISAAC ARNOLD

The following are excerpts taken from Isaac Arnold's will, written on September 13, 1757 and probated in King George Court on May 4, 1758.

- 1. Isaac Arnold (1st son) received land given to Isaac Arnold, Sr. by Sir Thomas Goff upon the marriage of his daughter, Margaret Goff, to Isaac Sr., Feb. 28, 1707. The property is known as Brick Quarter. (the info about the gift by Goff was a note to me from Julia Clews some years ago).
- 2. Ann Arnold (dau) (my Great Grandmother) not mentioned in the will, may have been deceased before the will was written. Ann's husband, John Wren, died in 1750/1.
- 3. Dianah (Arnold) Wharton (dau) and Samuel Wharton (her husband) an estate on which they were currently living.
- 4. William Arnold (son) 1 shilling sterling
- 5. Benjamin Arnold (son) 1 shilling sterling
- 6. Mark Arnold (youngest son) 1 shilling sterling
- 7. Sarah (Arnold) Moran (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 8. Isabell (Arnold) Rogers (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 9. Elizabeth Arnold (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 10.Mary Arnold (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 11. Jemima Arnold (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 12. Susanna Arnold (dau) 1 shilling sterling
- 13.Mary (Cullins?) Arnold (wife) the estate on which they were living and other items.

Every child got - at least 1 shilling sterling

Notes of James N. Payne

ARNOLD

».1727 1. Jan, 1813

Arnold, Wm.
Found in Eloise Frederick's Bible - notes used by her father,
Rogers, at a Confederate reunion at King George Court House
in 1917 in which he eulogized Dr. Tom Arnold: "This was a military
family --- his gran father was a lieutenant in the War of 1812;
his gr. f. was in the Revolution" (copy of original being prepared
for me.)

Arnold, Isaac. (Va. Records Vol. I. Spotsylvania p.26 Will Book D-1761-1772

1707

Sarah could be 2nd wife

Berkley Parish d. July 24, 17 Executors Bond dated Oct. 18, 1770 Henry Pendleton John Carthrae, Isaac A., Jr. Ex. son, Geo. A. Leg. dau. Sarah Steward, land whereon my son-in-law John Steward now lives in Spottsylvania Co,, grandsons John St., Chas. St., son George Arnold, remaining part of land on southside of main road, together with my estate of every kind in King Geo. Co. to whom I leave the care of his mother Sarah Arnold. (p.441)

p.214 Deed Book E 1751-1761

Dec. 3, 1759 Thos. Coleman of Spts. Co., and Sarah, his wife, to Isaac A. of King Geo. Co. 60 lbs. curr 500 a. in Spts. Co. No witnesses. Dec. 3, 1759

p. 228 D.B. F 1761-1766

July 4, 1763 <u>Isaac</u> x Arnold and Sarah his wife, late of K. Geo.

Co. to Wm. Arnold of St. Geo. Parish, Spts. Co., 13 lbs. curr.

100 a. in St. Geo. Parish, Spts. Co. No witnesses July 4, 1763

p. 312 D.B. J 1774-1782

Nov. 18,1773 <u>Wm</u>. A. & <u>Isaac</u> A. of Spts. Co. to Geo. Mitchell of Fredericksburg, mercht. 21 lbs. curr. Mortgage 70 a. on <u>Black</u>

Rock <u>Run</u> in Spts. Co. Jno. Chew, Jno. <u>Munro</u>, Jno. Meals. June 16,

Arnold, Wm.

Berkley Parish, d. Sept. 17, 1774 p. May 18, 1775 Witnesses
Henry Pendleton, Samuel Givson, Geo. Payn. Ex. kinsman Geo.A.

Leg. wife Lydia A. son Wm.; son James; my children Wm., Catey,

Lydia, Sarah; Samuel; John; James & Josepth

p.43* (Wm., brother of Anthony, Sp. Co. who d. Apr. 7,1782)

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p.53 W.B. F. 1798 -1800 Codicil June 1, 19 1795 to Wm. Davenport's will - son-in-law, Wm. Arnold

p. D.V. D. 1742-1751 Wm.x Bell of Spts., planter, to dau <u>Lydia A.plantation</u> whereon her husband, Wm. A., now lives with <u>70 a. adjoining</u> Aug. 5,1746

p.185 Wm. Bell, Senr. to <u>Wm</u>. A. June 4, 1751

p.228 D.B. F - 1761-66

Isaac x A. & Sarah his wife, late of K. Geo. Co. to Wm.A. of
St. Geo. Parish, Spts. Co. 13 lbs. curr. 100 a in St. Geo Par.,
Spts. Co. No witnesses July 4, 1763

Jock his ne Rim (Como ARNOLD stone in comity p. 308 D.B. H 1771-1774 Arnold, Wm. March 2, 1774 John Waller, Clk. of Spts. Co. having large debts due him by Reuben Vass, who resides in S.C., gives po of atto to Wm. A. of Caroline Co., Va. to collect same, etc.
Witness O. Towles. March 17, 1774 p. 314

July 19, 1774 Wm. A. of Spts. Co. from Benjamin Chiles & Mildred, Jt. his wife, of same Co. 40 lbs. curr. 235 a. in Spts. Co. Jas. Wiglesworth, Ambrose Shackleford Aug. 18,1774 (jun p. 325 D.B. J. Wm. A. of Spts. to Benj. Waller & Thos. Minor of sd. co. To indemnify the sd. Waller & Minor who stand security to Jno. Shepherd in sum of 61 lbs. curr. for sd. Arnold, etc. Sd. Arnold mortgages to them sd. 500 a. -- Witnesses, J. Sanders, G. McNeil, Jno. Arnold May 16, 1776 Arnold, George p.329 Geo. A. witness Dawson Oct. 8,1776 Arnold, Wm. May 15, 1777 Wm. A. & Mary, his wife, of Spts. Co. to Jno. Crawford of Hanover Co. --- 160 a. in Spts. Co. Nov. 10, 1777 Lydia x A. of Spts. Co. & Wm. A. & Susannah his wife of Louise Co. to Henry Pendleton, Jr. of Spts. Co. --- 40 50 a. in Berkdey Parish, Spts. Co. whereon Wm. Arnold, Decd., blived, and devised by him to his son, Wm. etc. Witnesses, Jno. Daniel, Thos. Coleman, Jr., Wm. Phillips, Wm. Pain, Wm. Trigg Nov. 20, 1777 Wm. - witness to will of Honorable Presley Thornton 1 March 8,1782 (other witnesses: Thos. Smith, Lewis Willis, etc.) Arnold, John John A.- witness to will of Thos. Graves April 17, 1783 /&&/\$##/ 111 Arnold . Wm. p.374 Unt Bets Oct. 26, 1783 Wm.x to Joseph Willouglby of Spots. Co. June 19, 1783 Nov. 3, 1784 Wm. A. Snr. of Caroline Co., to Geo. A. of Spots. Co. in trust for his 2 children Wm. & Nancy Deed of gift: 3 negroes, cattle, goods & chattels, etc. June 13, 1787 Wm. A. & Judith, his wife, of Spots. Co. to

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Arnold, Wm. (cont.)

James Edwards of same co. --- compromise ---- release interest in slaves ----

p. 430 D.B. M.
July 14,1789 - <u>Joel Parish</u> of Spts. Co. to Wm. A. of same to. --- 111 a. in Spts. Co. 2/2/1790

p. 445 D.B. N.
July 22, 1791 Wm. A. & Judith, his wife of Spots. Co. to
Jonathan Clark --- Illa. in Spots. Co. purchased by Joel
Parrish, etc.

Arnold, John

Jany 4, 1795 John A. of Spots. to his motherMary A. & her children, viz. Sarah, Anthony, Mary, Rice, Wm. & Isabella Mastin Bond of 500 lbs. curr., to relinquish all his right, title, etc., in the estate of his father, Anthony Arnold, Deed (except the land) to his (sd. John's) brothers and sisters as afrd., the sd. Mary (his mother) conveying to him 1 negro wench, Nan, etc. etc. Witnesses: Edm., Daniel

p. 492 D.B. O
Sept. 15, 1796 - Wm. A. witness to will of <u>John</u> & Hackney,
to Jedediah Johnston.

John Millbank, Eliz. Salmon Sept. 1, 1795

Aug. 6, 1798 Wm. A. jr., & Nancy Arnold (children of Geo. A., deed) of Spots. Co. po of att. to Pomfrett Waller, Jr. of Spotts. Co. - Witnesses: D. Waller, T. Minor, jr.; J x Thacker 9/4/1798

p.55 W. B. A.

John Arnold, admr. of Thos. Garrison, deed, with Goodrich
Lightfoot & Robt. Spotswood, sec. May 2, 1727

A Centhony

A. John

ARNOLD

May Jane m. frim while at fount Hill (Helm Dodd)

Arnold, John Humphries (on freight booth) Ford river,
Died at Brooks Farm During the War Between the States (Civil War) Grandfather John H. was ridden on a rail to the Stafford Court House, imprisoned and sent tocented pure alexander for the duration of the war because he would not be a "turn-coat." Gr.m. Mary Jane (Holmes A.) was left there with John (12 vrs. old), her step son, child of Posey marriage, Aunt Dollie, 10 or 11 years old and pretty, and Isaac David, my father, seven years old at the close of the War. The family was forced to the summer kitchen where G.m. locked the family in and the members of the family took turns standing guard against any soldiers who might molest Dollie. Clothes, furniture, family records, everything was burned before their eyes. Gr.m. hid hams under the porch which was ripped up so they were found. Peach orchard at peak cut down. General Doubleday's forces made their headquarters there, driving the horses up onto one porch between the columns to form stables. My father, Isaac D., was appointed later to go to and from the commentary exchanging food for Gr.m.'s home-baked pies. He remembered reaching out his hand from the window where a horse was tied, to pet the horse. A soldier called to him gruffly to pull his arm in , the horse would bite him. Gr. m. left there the last year of the war, to a place just outside of Fredericksburg (Grand Heights) to stay with friends.

A move to Garrisonville (Did John H. move there after war? Where was home when he returned after the war? n. b. Holmes family lived in Manassas, near Garrisonville before the Revolution.

(Union and Shiloh Churches were used as hospitals. Shiloh Baptist has burned since and been replaced. Union still stands.) Urn on top of stove at Union taken as souvenir.

(Something about Jane Humphries in relation to Dublin, Ireland) Anthony involved in trip. (brother of John)?

Grandmother Mary Jane A. always said Gr.f. John A. died as result of war and grief at death of little Genevieve.

Jim went to Pullen home with further the multiIsaac - at 12 became apprentice in Oak Grove with church
people - Often quoted Luke 2 which brought him a
prize at the church.

Dollie stayed with her mother.

Will - Water boy on railroad to D.C. from Fredericksburg Charlie - youngest, eventually came to D.C. in cabinet & upholstery business

Servants - Mammy, Old Jomh, and some children hid in woods throughout the war, came back afterwards. Grand - mother told them they could occupy the cabins but that she had nothing to take care of them with. Jsosh put in a crop --- Mammy finally came to D.C. got a job as a domestic & always kept up with Uncle Jim, Will, &

my father as long as she could.

Simell

SMITH

July 14

(wind ref. 4:00 a.m

Smith, Maude Howell (b. ? d. Thursday, Feb. 3, 1966 at Sibley Hospital She always told me that my father, Isaac David Arnold, was her favorite "cousin". Their relationship had been distant and yet they seemed to have a strong affinity for one another so that he claimed her as his favorite"cousin"too. In her old age she always told me, " I called him cousin all my life but he was really my uncle."

* John Humphries Arnold , my grandfather, married four times. His first marriage was to his bride on her death bed. Both were very young and he married so he could be with her constantly through these last days. This was to Louisa Greene.

His second marriage was to Mary Peed, Cousin Maude's great-grandmother.

His third marriage was to Mary Posey, mother of our beloved "Aunt Kate" whom I remember as the "guardian angel" of all who called for her nursing services. -- One of my early recollections is of visiting her as an aged widow when her son complained that she cooked pies for everybody in the neighborhood.

Aunt Kate spent a great deal of time with Wally Morton, her half sister.

His fourth marriage was to Mary Jane Hommes, whose mother was She was the mother of my father, Isaac David Arnold.

Jones.

*John Humphries Arnold m. 2nd Mary Peed

Virginia A. m. John Jones

Anna Byrd J. m. John Howell (12th wife 1897 had dan whom, Charlie Maude H. m. Eli Bamford Smith Hilegard) d 1959

m. 2nd 4th Mary Jane Holmes

Isaac David Arnold

Julia Calvert Arnold Clews

Hedley V. Clews (Bill or William Ho)

Cousin Maude had two sisters, Virginia Walton m. A Wm. Allen Morton, and Ethel m. Paul Kemon. Her one brother, LaFayette died young.

- n.b. Articles indicate that Cousin Maude was 91 at death. My mother who will be 91 in March, however, says that she was a little girl racing around when Cousin Maude had "turned out" as a young lady, so our supposition is that she was a few years older.
- * Rosser Greene (Greene Memorial Church, Roanoke, Va., which we served in assistant capacity for two years - Cousin Maude and "Btother", her pet name for her husband, came to see us in our apartment there.) - an old beau of her mother's, Birdie Johes Howell.

-- Rosser Greene's brother went to school with my father, Isaac.D. Arnold.

Pres. od Daughters of Southern Confederacy, D. C. chapter

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"TOP THREE" - Winners announced in D. C. Play Contest

Harry MacArthur, Star Staff writer.

Maude Howell Smith was a "sort of den mother for all of Washington area's little theater enthusiasts."

GREAT*GRANDFATHER JOHN ARNOLD Level 35th Va. Martina - emolled 7/21/18/14
d'april 7) 1863 King Hel Co Va discharged 9/4/1814 L. Gave to each of his 20 or 21 children a farm. House on Ridge Road (ask Emma Hayes) - brick - still standing Must have bought land up as far as Dahlgreen (gave farm nearest there to son, 2. Would buy old houses instead of building houses. James. Old hotel at Colonial Beach - first house he bought (center house is the one he lived in. Entrance has been reversed now. When he lived there the back of the house was the side facing the river. (Colonial Beach was called White's Point) Was married and had children when he moved here 3. Lieut. in the War of 1812 \$. May have died at Willow Hill - grave is in family lot back of Willow Hill 5. Sarah Humphreys (oldest tomb in the lot) - probably one he married en route from Dublin (Uncle Tom wrote of this marriage in a letter to Uncle Will) (ref. Helen Dodd -Jan. 15, 1956) 2 & 3 wice - 2 from And. (ref. Form Bake via Mrs. Van Laer) m. Jane West Jan. 15, 1852 d. Oct 24, 1883 (1860 census \$27,000) \$37,000

CIVIL WAR

GRANDFATHER
JOHN VARNOLD (2)

Hamphy Hamphy 1. My grand father, John Arnold ,2nd -stayed with his family at Brook Station Farm until the Federals came. Several came & made camp during the Battle of the Wilderness & the Battle of Fredericksburg.

Neighborhood had been fore-warned of the arrival. Gradnfather, in his late sixties, refusing to be a "Turn-coat", even under attempted pursuasion by his neighbors, was ridden on a rail to Stafford Court House and taken to the Federal prison in Washington, D.C. When the war was over he was returned to his home so broken in health and spirit that he died soon after.

Meanwhile, the house having been taken by General Doubleday & his forces as headquarters, Grandmother with her little eleven year old daughter, Annt Dollie, Uncle John who was thirteen and quite deaf but could handle a gun, my father, six years of age and his three younger brothers, Uncle Jim, Undle Will, and Uncle Charlie, barricaded herself and family in the summer kitchen with everything possible against the door.

Before their eyes all the furniture, family Bible, and all other family records were taken out of the house and burned before their eyes and the side torn off of the house.

All the other people around Stafford Court House, having filed allegiance to the North were guarded by Northern soldiers.

As the time went on my father, Isaac, was permitted to go back and forth to the commisary from which the family was fed.

When the war was over Grandfather's slaves, numbering over a hundred, could be heard for miles around wailing in departure. (Lef. to Lorn Baker's Letter for interesting account Grandfather's Uncle Will, probably about four years old at the time, recalls being lifted up by a colored girl on the place and sat on the gate post so he could see the soldiers at the wharf, Wide Water.

The only railroad from the north stopped there. It couldn't pass the swamp.

OCCUPATIONS

2. Grandfather ran the river boat or freighter on the Potomac River until the Civil War. His slaves ran the farm with the overseer.

(His father did not like his leaving the farm for this occupation.)

BURIAL

3. His body was placed in the family lot back of Willow Hill. Grandmother carried a rock from the Potomac River to put at his grave as a stone.

It is different from all the rock in that neighborhood, having

mica and iron in it.

MARRIAGES

4. 1st wife, Miss Johnson was sick when he married her. He knew she had little time to live but wanted to be with her thru these last days. She died very soon after, 18 months later. - She was a Georgetown girl.

and wige -- may keed 3rd wife, Miss Posey, --Mother of Aunt Kate and Uncle John who were very small children when their mother died.

4th wife, Mary Jane Holmes, daughter Edmund Holmes + Sennie Jones

DEATH - n.b. Grandfather John and his father, John 1st, died the same year, right after the Chivil War

CHURCH AFFILIATIONS

Episcopalian - probably attended Aquia Church
Grandmother was Baptist so the family loyalty was divided.
(ref. Helen Dodd, Jan. 15, 1956)

(mary Same Holmes) GRAND, POLOR ARNOLD

When Grandmother Arnold was first married and living at Brook Station Farm Uncle John and Aunt Kate, children of Miss Posy, Grandfather's third wife, were small children. Others living there were Sister Caroline, of a former marriage, and Cousin Birdie, small child of "Sister Virginia", as the boys spoke of her, who had died earlier. (Virginia was probably the oldest child of Grandfather.)

Courin Birdie became the mother of Maud Howell Smith

(ref. Helen Dodd, Jan. 15, 1956)

Married my grandfather when he was 45 yrs. old.

(ref. Daddy upom retirement at 81 yrs. of age)

John Jones, Maude's grandfather, married Jennie Arnold (Dad's half sister by his father) He was a merchan & grandmother during her hard years lived out of his store. She finally sold her farm to pay her grocery bill and the

children scattered.

? Who Where (ref. Daddy, 1940)

This has taken me a long time and there are still some things you have asked me that I haven't gaven you but I

Stope to get to them eventually.

Here Jones Pierron (Mr. Charlest. Presson)
who lives in Frederickling Saire som there popers
and I am sending your copies that are for you to
keep. Jene is the claughter of the late Mancier
Janes. These papers were (Compiled and gaies
to her by her course Lelia Calcert James Palmer)
Selia Calcert died a member of gener ago as you

Hazir this liver a cold winter so for. We are looking forward to spring last according to the winter man we can still expect a lot of cold weather.

Whe have been quite well their wenter - Charles were not at all well the fenct of the year (he has a heart would have four the last few weeks seems much improved Living fair me in reading our heart to you and

JAMES EDMARDS JONES, (1819-1884) son of Lewis Jones (c.1795-1832) and Susan Edwards, dan. of James Edwards, was a Merchant at Edgehill, Fing George County, Va., and was Treasurer of the County at one time, as note [ir. Bing's report.] He is buried on what was then the home place at Edgehill but unfortunately no one knows just where the grave ic. He first married on Dec. 17, 1839, Ellen Jame Cushen (1622-1875) dan. of Rov. Samuel Cushen and Mancy Jame Greer, his wife. James Edwards and Ellen Jame apparently had nine children:

Esta (1840-1918) -m- Copt. Charles Robinson

Honey Jano (1843-) -m- Charles Ryland Pollard of Baltimore

Agnes Blissboth (1845-1885) -m- Alexander Pratt

James Franklin (1848-1919) -m-Discoboth Louisa Payne, dan. of Encs. E. Payne

Ellen Sushing (1852-1935) -m- Rev. John T. Payne son " " "

Caroline Eugenia

Levis (1868-1935) -m- Taylor Rollins

(to Eather Goyle Wirston, gdow, of Agnes Elizabeth (1845-1685) I om indebted for the information as to detes on the daughters named above and to her as well as Mrs. Lillie Bevon, day of said Agnes, for the following information:

Garoline E. L. (1852-1935) was a twin, the boy, Cuchen, died infent. There was a sen Hanry died as a schoolbey of Beaulet Fover. On starting to school one morning Hanry said he was sick but his father made him go and later a servent found him under a tree ill with a high temperature.)

The 1850 Census lists Dame 9; James 8; Nancy 6; E,...4; A...3; Franklin 1.

The 1860 Census, taken by Mr. Thacker Rogers, lists Emma C. 19; Mancy J. 16;

Agnes E. 15; James F. 11; Ellen C. 7; Caroline 3. It would appear from this

that the son James, (whose name was evidently James Monry) died between 1850

and 1860 and the (powents then added James to Franklin's name as my Grandfather

was James Franklin Jones. It also appears that E...age h, died. One cannot

depend to much on the ages given in the Senous. By Grandfather, born Aug. 26, 1848,

was listed as one year in 1850 and Ervia C. born Nov. 5, 1840, was listed as 9, so

the presume the Census was taken early in the year. Also listed in the household

of James Edwards Jones in 1860 were clerks: Rush Marshall 19; Fred D. Davies 26;

F. Grymes 13; and Amanda Pomeroy, Teacher.

-2- Jones E. Jones, et al.

James Edwards Jones married 2nd, on Dec. 12, 1880, Eddy Julia Calvort (Fotts) Disliman, (1/840-1909), widow of Asbury C. Dishman. James Edwards and Julia had three daughters:

Anne Nore (1881-1930) -m-Frederick Matson Payne, son of Frederick Matson Payne

Teins Fernio (1884-) -m-Calvin Norris of Washington, D. C.

Sarch Buckner (1884-) -m-Milliam A. Spillman, son of Milliam L. Spillman

One hears such these day of what children will remember. I have three distinct nemories requiring Grandma Julia, as we called her. One, (arriving home on day with my Peternal Grandma Julia, as we called her. One, (arriving home on day with my Peternal Grandmother and finding Grandma Julia sitting on the steps waiting for us. A ment calm, composed lady. /Another nemory of the day she died and her grandson, Garol Payme, coming to tell my Grandmother and Armt. It was pouring rain. Another of being in Union Church for her funeral and seeing her four darghters come in together, all verming heavy neuring veils. I could not tell which was one was bunt Armie. Aunit Sedie, Aunt Famile or Cousin Abbey (Disbuan Armold) and my mind was probably to taken up with trying to decide to remember anything else.

SGranding Julia had two Dishman daughters so then James R. Jones died she was left with five little girls to raise. I remember of hearing that she went to pieces but her sister. Lies for Sarah Potta, evidently a strong minded person, basica her out so she will pulled howself together and raised five mighty nice daughters.

James "Grands Jones" trouble was evidently his inability to say 'no'; therefore 7th couldn't he lost all of his property. By poternal Grandmother, Lelia Borsey Banards collect the money Quesenborry, died when I was 12 years old, but I can remember that she always for clare allowed thought much of 'Cousin Jeans' as she called him, and his family. As she had no perfect brothers or sisters, she 'adopted' Ellen Gushing Jones as sister and said Ellen fluid Cushing Jones as sister and said Ellen fluid.

Cushing Jones 'adopted' her; thus Ellen Gushing Jones was always "Aunt Jush" to my (Jother and hunt, and my Grandmother was "Aunt Lelia" to Aunt Jush's children.)

I had 'Gousin Jeans' so firmly in my mind that not long ago speaking to comeone about the Edwards line and the (children of Susan Edwards and Lewis Jones, I said without thinking "I know there were cousin Jeans, Uncle

possibly a bit of a flirt when she was a girl. I remember hearing that John T. Payno could not be present at my Faternal Grandwother's wedding so he teld lillen C. that if she walked in with anyone except her brother he would not marry her. Lelia Dorsey Edwards and George R. Cussenberry were married Oct. 28, 1876, at "Testwher", Shiloh, Va., the bride's home. I have a notation in my Grandwother's handwriting of the attendents at her wadding as follows but the line up was apparently changed, which she failed to note:

G. R. Guesenberry & Miss Fillen C. Jones J. T. Payno & O Ponnie Cuesemberry Geo. W. Paymo £ 11 Allico II. Brown im. II. Erom E 11 Histologue Lucy E. Swann F. Chohundro E :: Hal Payne Jec. L. Payne £ # Jennie (. Brown B. D. Attell g. :: Lucy S. Cuesenborry J. S. Stiff உ ப Staie L. Jones ē n J. F. Jones Lisaio L. Payno . n 3 V. B. Stiff Hattie Hayes B. B. Redman £ 11 Tillio Jones Um. B. Cuesenborry & Alice Atwoll Geo. R. Cussenborry & Lelia J. Eduards

War of 1812 To Cousin Mande 1/62 I Arnold, John (Sieutenant) b. 1782 d. April 12, 186302'65 m. 1st. Mary Jane Humphries (June 12, 1800) (seven children) 4. Bonaparte "Bones" m. Susan Perry n. b. - Parents of Cousen Jon Baker accountation the 6. James * 7. John (am not sure whether he was last or not.) Records show that after May Jane Humphreys' death there were left living four sons and three daughters. m. 2nd Fannie Buckner Price (21 children) IX Canold, John Hwy 5.1814 d. 1880 ml. 1 st Souisa Greene (Knew she was ill when they married) - no children and Mary Reed III 1. Virginia m. John M. Jones

IV anna Byrd m. John Howell

V * Maude m. Eli Bamford Smith m. 3 id Posey Jane Holmer (over)

Through my father's mother whom you called Cousin Mary and her Jones line I have authentic records which I know will interest you. It goes directly back to Calvert (Hovernor C 1610), Heaves (mother of Hov. Stone & 4600-1660), Calvert (First Lord Battimore)

The Calvert line from their I have on back

James James

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CLASS: Site

--- THE ARMOUD PLACE ---

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Research made by

Mildred Barnum,

Fredericksburg, Virginia.

January 15, 1937.

1. SUBJECT:

The Arnold Place.

2. LOCATION:

3.1 miles south of Smell, Virginia on west side of Route #51. House is site and marker are half a mile or more from road. To reach it one has to walk as there is no road from highway to site.

3 .. DATE:

Oldest records found was Isaac Arnold's will. Will Book "D", page 441.

4: OWNERS:

Tried but could not complete it.

5 DESCRIPTION:

The house was hardly more that a cabin, though it was weathersourded. It had one room upstairs and one down. The blinds were solid wood. The timbers were morticed and the nails handmade.

> Remains of the outbuildings can be seen around the house site.

There were two burying grounds, one for the white and one for sclored. The white one has several graves and is marked by a clump of trees but has no tombstones.

6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The most important personality connected with this place was bishop Francis Asbury. He was one of the first two bishops ordained by the Methodist Episcopal Church of America in 1734. He came to America from England in 1771. On his trips through the country he usually stopped at George Arnold's and he came there in 1818, was taken ill and though everything possible was done for him, he died there. He was buried in the family burying ground but after six weeks his body was removed to Baltimore.

Mrs. Mathews has in her possession the tea cannister used by Bishop Asbury. It seems that he used to carry his tea with him on his trips and after his death it was left with the Arnulds and their descendents.

A monument now marks the site of the old house and has the following inscription: "On this spot stood the home of George Arnold where Bishop Francis Asbury died March 31, 1810. Erected by the Epworth Leagues of Washington District, Ealtimore Conference, M.I.C.S. December 1900."

7. ARTs

6. SCURCES OF INFORMATICE:

Informant: Miss Rena Mathews, Smell, Virginia.

Court Records, Clerk's Office, Spotsylvania County, Virginia.

Dear Julia:

. It was nice hearing from you, and knowing that you are well.

The picture that you sent is a mystery to us. One thing we are sure of, it is not grand-ma Arnold. I was 15yrs old when she died, a so I remember her well.

She loved children and was forever telling us stories of her life during the Civil War. Also when we were younger, the Uncle Remus stories. You wouldn't know about them. Brer Fox and Brer Rabbit. We often talk about her and how unhappy she must have been living first with one son and then moving to another. She moved from Uncle Isaac's to our house in Cherrydale Va. and died there She was very ill and I was with her while papa went eat. suddenly she began to sing in a wavering voice "There is rest for the weary" She died right then.

You can imagine how she felt with no permanent home, and with noisy children to contend with. Yes, we are fortunate to have our church homes.

Vernon said that he named his daughter after my sister Helen. I bhad forgotten all about them.

Betty Lou and Al have just left here after a ten day visit. They stayed at Jeans in Mc Lean and Elsie was with them. They are bn their way to Ohio, Kentucky and eventually to Mo. where their daughters live.

I have several things wrong with me. I don't know how I am supposed to feel at $96\frac{1}{2}$. All I do is eat and sleep and run across the hall toElsie.

The system here is to move to the 2d. floor is we need personal care, then to the Health Care in another Bldg. if we are ill.

On the 2d. floor we can take our own furniture and feel at home. Only it is very expensive. I am counting each day that wake in the morning and forget about to-morrow. My son and his wife Barbara "baby sit" me. Then Elsie is a big help. I must use my walker all of the time.

We don't send any Christmas cards any more.

It used to be such a chore.

I was so glad to be able to attend the reunion last June and think about it often. Saw so many Arnolds that I hadn't seen for a long time. You and Ann did a beautiful job of arranging the whole thing.

I am not a typist, as you can see, but my hands are so shaky that #my handwriting is

awful.

If your home is like ours, everyone is thinking Christmas. First the Christmas bazaar Nov. 19th. which is quite an affair. I get lots of things from the White Elephant table.

Again, so glad to hear from you.

Love from both of us.

ARNOLD ROSS SWARTZ