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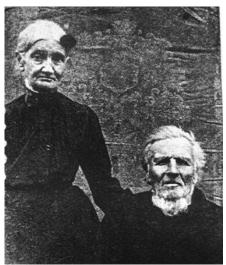
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Martha "Klock" Snell and Fredrick Snell

The Fredrick Snell Connection

Fredrick Snell was born in New York between 1824 and 1832 (Census Records). He married Martha Ann Klock (Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob, and Hendrick Klock). Fredrick was a farmer and resided in Alexandria, Jefferson, New York. He died sometime after 1910. Martha was born August 09, 1836 and died December 20, 1913. She is buried in Orleans Cemetery, LaFargeville, New York

Martha and Fredrick had eight children; Alvin, William, Oscar, Millie, Stella, Leonard, Mina and Ella. Of the children; Alvin was born May 02, 1851. He married Christina Wagner October 31, 1901. They resided in Alexandria Bay, N.Y. Alvin died in 1938.

William Arthur Snell was born April 23, 1857 and married Adeline Warner on June 20, 1900. They resided in Redwood, New York William and Adeline had five daughters and one son.

Oscar Snell was August 29, 1867, married Myrtle Ross and had a son, Charles.

Millie (pictured below in the center) was born December 06, 1868, and died May 18, 1906. She married Pat Bailey. I have no record of any children.



"The Snell Sisters; Mina, Millie and Minnie

Mina (on the left) was born in the town of Alexandra, New York on April 13, 1874. She married Clarence Calhoun on November 24, 1897 in LaFargeville Methodist church in LaFargeville, New York. During the first years of their marriage they lived on farms in the towns of Orleans, Alexandra, and Theresa. For about 16 years they lived in Thousand Island Park where Mr. Calhoun was a River Captain and owned and operated a fleet of charter pleasure boats. Clarence also trucked cattle and horses from Canada to the United States, ran a boat livery, a gas station and operated a milk market. He also sold wood/coal and was in the real estate business.

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The Snell Sisters Continued

Mina died May 31, 1955 in Mercy Hospital after an illness of about three years. Her husband of 57 years, Clarence Calhoun was born January 24, 1874 and died in 1958. After the death of Mina, Clarence married Lucy N. Cornack. Clarence and Mina had four children; Eugene, Edna, Earl and Hazel Calhoun. Earl and Hazel died in infancy and are buried in Plessis Cemetery, Town of Alexandria. Clarence and Mina are buried in Calcium Cemetery, LeRay, New York

Stella Snell was born in the town of Orleans May 18, 1871. She was married three times. On June 26, 1895 she was married to Amasa C. Robinson. Two children were born to Amasa and Stella; Leonard and Irene. Mr. Robinson was killed in a saw mill accident at Plessis about 1899 and the two children were adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Potter, Barnes Corners, taking the name of Potter. Later, she married Emmett F. Hunziker, who is also died. Stella and Emmett had one child, Myrtle R. Hunziker. Her third husband was Leonard C. Petrie. No children born of this union.

Leonard Snell was born January 02, 1872, married Eunice Hardy on December 10, 1891. They had two children; Leona May and Ernest.

Ella Snell was born August 24, 1877 and died May 11, 1902. She married Calvin Robinson. They had two children, a son, Calvin B. and a daughter, I do not know the name of the daughter.

Linda Bazinet, a descendant of Fredrick and Martha Ann Klock Snell, e-mailed with several pictures, obituaries and information about her family. Thank you Linda for the pictures and information.

Fort Klock Historic Restoration

Fort Klock opened its doors again on May 28, 2007 (Memorial Day). The daily tours, interpretive programs and special events draw about 12,000 people annually to Fort Klock.

Visitors to Fort Klock experience a very unique historic site. Providing this special

experience for visitors is costly. The cost of restoration work and maintenance of all the historic structures can be great. Last year Fort Klock completed a masonry restoration project on the main house which cost \$39,900. Of that amount \$16,700 was covered by a New York Heritage Grant, the remaining \$23,200 was paid for by Fort Klock



Fort Klock Blacksmith Shop

This year the main focus will be replacing the shingle roof of the Blacksmith Shop. The quote received was for \$10,000, which includes labor and appropriate hand split shingles. Fort Klock has dedicated \$3,000 for the project and is now reaching out to Community businesses, Foundations, its active and supporting membership and to you, Klock Connections Family. If you would like to make a tax deductable donation and help Fort Klock complete the necessary repairs to the Blacksmith shop you can mail your donation to:

Fort Klock Historic Restoration P.O. Box 42 St. Johnsville, New York 13452

Genealogy of Sherman O. Klock

The Sherman O. Klock Genealogy will soon be available at the Montgomery County Department of History and Archives in Fonda, New York. The Historical Society is in the process of putting the genealogy in a **Continued Next Page**

Sherman O. Klock Genealogy Continued

hard cover book for researchers. The original genealogy of Sherman O. Klock is in Historical Archives in Albany. Gaal Rathburn, a volunteer for the Historical Society has prepared an 86 page index for the genealogy. They will be making one copy of the book, which will be available to the public for research purposes at the facility.

The Historical Society of Fonda is a great place for researching the people and history of the Mohawk Valley. The library contains thousand of original county records along with a vast collection of genealogical material including census, cemetery, military, church records and newspapers.

Obituary of William Charles Don May 12, 2007

William Charles "Bill" Don, 87, of the 400 block of Mexico Road, Edenton, N.C. died Saturday May 12, 2007 in his home.

Mr. Don was born in St. Johnsville, N.Y. and was the son of the late Frank Don and Nellie Peck Don.

An engineer, he received his degrees from Cornell University and Chrysler Institute of Engineering and was elected to the Eta Kappa Nu and Alpha Phi Omega national honor societies. He was a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Society of Automotive Engineers, the Society for Experimental Stress Analysis and was licensed as a Professional Engineer in New York, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. After working on the Manhattan Project during World War II, he was a plant engineer of textile companies in St. Johnsville, N.Y., Hazleton, Pa., and Edenton, N.C. and retired from United Piece Dye Works in 1985.

Active in civic affairs and professional societies in the communities where he was employed, he was currently a member of the Advance Ruritan Club.

Surviving are his wife, Kathleen Ansink Don; a daughter, Marilyn D. Black and husband Carl of Kennesaw, Ga; a son Lawrence C. Don and wife Nita of Dallas, Tx; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A private memorial service will be held at a later time in St. Johnsville, N.Y. Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, 735 Virginia Road, Edenton, is assisting the family with arrangements.

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Additional Information: The Obituary of William Don was given to me by Willis "Skip" Barsheid.

William Charles Don was the son of Frank W. Don and Nellie May Peck, the grandson of William Don, who married Catharine Klock (Amos, Adam I., John J., Johannes J., and Hendrick Klock). William Don was the brother of Alex Klock Don. Alex married Mabel Kretser. Alex and Mabel did not have any children. Alex died in 1957. He was a veteran of World War I and a member and outstanding friend of the Tryon County Muzzle Loaders. It was through his generosity, kindness and far sightedness that the Tryon County Muzzle Loaders acquired Fort Klock and its beautiful grounds. Alex Don was the owner of Fort Klock and property. Alex Don, convinced that the Muzzle Loaders were sincere in their purpose of an historical restoration, made it possible for the Tryon County Muzzle Loaders to proceed under the provisions of a long term lease, renewable at its expiration. After the death of Alex, his wife Mable Don deeded the property to the Muzzle Loader Association.

Samuel A. Klock

In last month's issue of Klock Connections I reported on an e-mail I received from Ellen Touchstone of Dallas, Texas. Her Uncle, First Lieutenant Thomas Touchstone was declared Missing in Action when his plane went down during WW-II. Ellen was looking for others who would be interested in joining her in an effort to get the Air Force to do more

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Samuel A. Klock Continued

investigation into the incident. Samuel A. Klock (Charles G., Millard Fillmore, Gleason Fillmore, John Beekman, Jacob George, Johanguergh "Old George" and Hendrick Klock) was a passenger on the plane that was in route to Australia for R & R.

Ellen sent me a copy governmental reports she received. Over 30 pages of personal correspondences and information including the circumstances of loss, the search and recovery efforts and the names of everyone onboard the plane. I will try and summarize the information.

On 24 November 1944 at 0616 hours, a C-47 aircraft from Kornasoren Strip on Noemfoor Island, New Guinea took off on a transportation mission to Sydney, Australia. The aircraft was scheduled to first stop and refuel at Finschafen, New Guinea, proceed to Cairns, Australia for an overnight stay and then on to Sydney.

At 1220 hours on 25 November 1944, Base Operations at Finschafen called 868th Squadron Operations to report that the aircraft was twelve hours overdue of its estimated timer for arrival. The aircraft was last seen at take-off from Kornasoren. An investigation report summarizing the loss noted the presence of enemy anti-aircraft artillery and gun positions located along the route from Noemfoor Island to Finschafen, and the pilot was instructed to avoid those areas. No radio contact was made with the aircraft once it departed Kornasoren. As a result, neither the precise cause nor the location of the loss are known.

Immediately following the call on 25 November that the aircraft was overdue at Finschafen, a search plane was sent out covering the same route the aircraft likely followed. In addition, all airfields along the probable route between Noemfoor Island and Finschafen were contacted for any information on the C-47. In both instances, results were negative for information concerning the

whereabouts of the aircraft or location of any wreckage.

On 14 December 1944 a second organized aerial search was made covering the same route followed by the first search plane on 25 November. All airfields along the probable route were contacted for any information on the whereabouts of the aircraft or location of any wreckage. The results were negative.

In February of 1946, Headquarters of the United States Army in the Western Pacific recommended a finding of death be issued for the passengers and crew of the aircraft. Considering the negative finding of any wreckage of the plane or remains of the passengers and crew, and the elapse of time since the plane was reported missing, a presumptive date of death was issued by the Army on 18 March 1946.

Below are the names and rank of the men that were on board the missing aircraft. The remains have been declared Non-Recoverable.

Pilot	1/ Lt.	Wendell F. Seas
Co. Pilot	1/Lt.	George E. Tompson
	1/Lt.	Thomas G. Touchstone
	2/Lt.	Anthony J. Congelosi
	2/Lt.	John E. Meisenhelder
	2/Lt.	William K. Taylor
	F/O	Robert W. Dickerson
	T/Sgt.	Isadore G. La Mica
	S/Sgt.	Lloyd W. Burchett
	S/Sgt.	Theodore W. Deck
	2/Lt.	William T. Wilkinson
	S/Sgt.	Edward L. Gorse
	S/Sgt.	Samuel L. Kinzer
	S/Sgt.	Samuel A. Klock
	S/Sgt.	Merel J. Lynch
	S/Sgt.	Harold C. McConnell
	S/Sgt.	Edward J. Rozycki
	Sgt.	Robert D. Fitzgerald
	Sgt.	Douglas C. Geib
	Sgt.	David A. Hensley

You can contact Ellen Touchstone at the following e-mail address:

Ellen.Touchstone@richardson.k12.tx.us

Cemetery List Continued

Most of the information for this list comes from different Internet sites and may not be completely reliable. If you have additions or corrections, please let me know.

Town of Antwerp Hillside Cemetery Jefferson County, New York

Klock, Addie C. 1888-1969, daughter of James and Cora. Additional Information: Addie was the daughter of James Klock (George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Cora Crook Klock. Addie never married.

Klock, Cora M. (Crook) 1865-1945, wife of James. Additional Information: Cora M. Crook married James Klock (see line above) on November 11, 1885 in Antwerp, Jefferson Co., N.Y. She was born February 06, 1865. Cora and James had four children; Edith, Addie (above), George and Glen.

Klock, Cynthia F. 1893-1940, wife of Erastus C. Klock. Additional Information: I do not have Cynthia's maiden name but she married Erastus Crook Klock. I have them with one daughter Virginia who was born about 1919.

Klock, Erastus C. 1892-1939. Additional Information: Erastus Crook Klock was the son of Webster Klock (George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock). He married Cynthia above.

Klock, Fannie E. 1858-1917, wife of Webster Klock. Additional Information: Webster and James were brothers. Webster married Fannie E. Crook and James married her sister, Cora M. Crook. Webster and Fannie had four children; Charlote, Lilah, Emegene and Erastus Crook Klock

Klock, Franklin b. Feb. 8, 1932, d. July 18, 2000, married Sept. 29, 1956, Korea Army Vet. I have no information on Franklin.

Klock, George E. b. Oct. 17, 1890, d. Dec. 31, 1974, WWI Army Vet. Additional Information:

Klock, Helen L. 1923-1929, daughter of George & Lean. Additional Information: Helen, the daughter of George Klock (James, George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) died young.

Klock, James 1859-1912. Additional Information: James was the son of George Klock and Mary Walrath. See line above.

Klock, Lena E. 1901-1960, wife of George E. Additional Information. Lena married George Erwin Klock. I do not have the maiden name. They had one child, Helen (above) who died young.

Klock, Webster J. 1855- 1900. Additional Information: Webster was the son of George Klock (Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam, Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock).and Mary Walrath. He married Fannie E. Crook. They had four children.

Seely, Cassius B.1877-1934. Cassius Seely married Edith Klock below.

Seely, Edith (Klock) 1886-1983, wife of Cassius. Additional Information: Edith was the daughter of James Klock (George, Jacob Adam, Adam, Adam Johannes, Adam, Col. Jacob Klock and Hendrick Klock) and Cora M. Crook.

Seely, James 1926-1964, son of Cassius & Edith Klock Seely. Additional Information: See line above.

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