

## Family of Johann Rasche in America

### First Generation

1. **JOHANN BERNHARD HEINRICH<sup>1</sup> RASCHE**, son of Johann Conrad Rasche(n) and Anna Maria Elisabeth Weimers, was born in Bonenburg, Scherfede, Westphalia, Prussia circa 1797. He was a blacksmith.

He married **ANNA MARIA ELISABETH HUSTERMAN** in Folsen, Westphalia, Prussia, 29 Oct 1819. Anna was born in Niesen, Folsen, Westphalia, Prussia 9 Jun 1799. Anna was the daughter of Johann Heinrich Husterman and Eva (Johanna Sophia Anna) Maria Pegger. Anna died 11 Jan 1868 in Niesen, Folsen, Westphalia, Prussia, at 68 years of age.

Two of their children, August and Theresia, migrated from Prussia to western Maryland in the mid-1800s.

Johann Bernhard Heinrich Rasche and Anna Maria Elisabeth Husterman had the following children:

- i. WILHELM THEODOR<sup>2</sup> was born 4 Mar 1820
- ii. WILHELM AUGUST was born in Niesen, Westphalia, Prussia 25 Dec 1822. He was christened 29 Dec 1822.
- iii. JOHANNES was born in Niesen, Westphalia, Prussia 22 Jan 1825. He was christened 24 Jan 1825.
- iv. CHRISTIANA (MALCHEN) was born in Niesen, Westphalia, Prussia 27 Jan 1826. Christiana died before 1885 in Germany. She was christened 28 Jan 1826.
- 2 v. HENRY AUGUSTINE (AUGUST) was born 27 Jul 1828
- 3 vi. MAGDALENA THERESIA was born 23 Oct 1830

### Second Generation

2. **HENRY AUGUSTINE (AUGUST)<sup>2</sup> RASCHE** (*Johann Bernhard Heinrich<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Niesen, Westphalia, Prussia 27 Jul 1828. His Birth Certificate (*copy dated 10 Mar 1850*) shows "Auguft", son of "Heinrich Rafche" and "Anna Maria Muller". Dennis Theodore Rasche wrote (*1968 letter*): "Your grandfather was named August. Some time or other after he came to the New World his names were Henry Augustine Rasche. I do not know how that came about, but two very old and faded certificates issued in Marburg give his name as just August." Henry died 28 Sep 1894 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, at 66 years of age. His body was interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

He married twice. He married **ELLEN CULLEN** in Cumberland, Allegany Co., Maryland, 30 Aug 1853. Ellen was born in Ireland 1837. Ellen was the daughter of Patrick Cullen and Catherine Rice. Her brothers were Matthew and Michael Cullen. Ellen died 12 Feb 1875 at 37 years of age. Her body was interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery. He married **KATHERINE A. ROWAN** in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 1 May 1879. A translation (*William Owen Treacy 1982*) of their marriage record from St. Peter the Apostle church reads: "1 May 1879. I, through license and dispensation granted by Archbishop Gibbons, D.D., of Baltimore, have joined in matrimony Henry A. Rasche, of the place Niesen, Kreis, Warburg, Kingdom of Prussia and Catherine Rowan, of the place Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, daughter of Thomas Rowan and Catherine Dockrey. Witnesses were Richard Jamisson and Mary Rowan. Many in the congregation also witnessed. Priest, Joseph Loneschler." Katherine was born in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada 1 Aug 1851. Katherine was the daughter of Thomas

J. Rowan and Catherine Egan Dockery. Katherine died 5 Mar 1938 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, at 86 years of age. Her body was interred 7 Mar 1938 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

Henry was christened Prussia, 28 Jul 1828. "His two brothers were taken by the Prussians for compulsory military training. To save her younger son, his mother planned for his emigration. She knew she was giving him up at home, but wanted him to develop his life in a free country." (*Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849-1949*). Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote me (1971 letter): "When my father's mother had lost her two older sons in a war that was always going on in Germany, she vowed that they could not have her baby, so she saved every penny for several years & when Henry was 14 she was ready to send him here to the U.S. I think young boys were drafted at age 16 back in those days."

A certain Henry "Rasch", age "18", from Damme, Germany, Farmer, arrived at Baltimore, Maryland, after departing Bremen, Germany, aboard the ship Agnes. If this is our Henry, he could have claimed to be age 18 from Damme to pass for an adult and avoid being sent home. Or he might easily have stopped off at Damme (to team up with another would-be expatriate?), since such detour on today's paved roads adds only 19 miles to a journey from Niesen to Bremen. Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote me (1971 letter): "All by himself he came, on a sailing vessel I suppose, a 14 year old boy, speaking German only. Wasn't he brave, and wasn't she brave? She had hand packed in with his luggage, a few of her valued treasures. Maybe she thought he could sell them if he needed to. One was a lovely red glass wine bottle." She added (*undated audiotape*) that her father crossed the Atlantic at age 14 in "1851" [date probably inaccurate since he would have been 23 in 1851], possibly to join his sister Therese in western Maryland.

Henry's occupation: Blacksmith (B&O Railroad) Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Jul 1842-1860. Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote (1971 letter): "Pop was a blacksmith in his early days & had come here when the rails & cross ties were being laid for the first trains to run on, between Cumberland, Md., and Grafton, W.Va." His family wrote: "He was one of the pioneers of this beautiful city of Oakland, back in the early 'fifties'. When there were only a dozen unpretentious habitations here, when the B.&O. R.R. was carving its way through our beautiful mountains and valleys, he began life in immediate contact with the almost virgin soil. Many tales full of historical interest, he has told at the fireside of those early days when Oakland was but an infant. For him they were also days filled with hard, muscle-perfecting work--work that made his hands hard, stamped his frame with marks of rugged strength, which no after years of thought or softer surroundings ever quite smoothed away." (*The Republican, 18 Oct 1894*). "In the early 1850's his blacksmith shop was situated on the northeast corner of 2nd and Alder Streets in the dead center of what is now Oakland's downtown--the old 1st National Bank building" (*William Owen Treacy 1982*).

"Among his interests were gold and silver mining in the early days in Colorado and California. He was successful in this venture, but returned to his Oakland home." (*Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849-1949*). In this regard, the 1850 Census for Butte Co., California, does show a "H. A. Rash" (household of Geo King, Trader), age "19", born in "Ill", Miner. "During the early years of the California gold excitement he made his venture, went and left his family, but I learn he provided well for them. I know they never suffered. I intimately knew them. His wife was a true wife and devoted mother. He returned and gladness and joy was expressed by all." (Dr. J. Lee McComas, *The Republican, 11 Oct 1894*)

He resided Grafton-Parkersburg, Virginia ca 1855. He petitioned the court to become a citizen in Allegany Co., Maryland, 19 Oct 1855. William Owen Treacy wrote (1982): "I can add that Henry A. Rasche declared his intention to become a U.S. Citizen before the Allegany County, Maryland, Clerk of the Circuit Court on October 18, 1853. On October 19, 1855, the Circuit Court Judge found that he had satisfied the five years U.S. residence requirement, had renounced allegiance to the King of Prussia, and had willingly sworn allegiance to the United States. Accordingly, Henry was admitted to American citizenship."

He resided Deer Park, Garrett Co., Maryland ca 1856-1879. The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Henry Rasche, age 40, born in Prussia, Farmer. Living with Henry were: (1) Ellen, age 32, born in Ireland, Keeps House; (2) Mary, age 16, born in Maryland; (3) Hannah, age 14, born in West Virginia; (4) Ellen, age 12, born in West Virginia; (5) Nannie, age 9, born in Maryland; (6) Patrick, age 6, born in

Maryland; (7) William, age 4, born in Maryland; (8) Theodore, age 6 months, born in Maryland; and (9) Catherine Cullen (lives with daughter), age 64, born in Ireland.

Henry was Justice of the Peace in Garrett Co., Maryland, 1876-1880, representing the 1st District for two 2-year terms (*J. Thomas Scharf, 1882, History of Western Maryland*). He was a Grist Mill Operator in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 1878-1887. "About 1877 Peter Martin bought the [grist] Mill and brought in a steam engine to give added power. In 1878 the mill was purchased and rebuilt by Henry A. Rasche" (*Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849-1949*). Henry operated the mill, 1878-1887, retaining ownership for the remainder of his life.

"Mr. Rasche loved music from his youth; in his second marriage music came into his home." (*Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849-1949*). Estelle Magdalene Rasche added that his hobbies included "Music, Singing, Good on Accordion. Loved dancing. Not much social life. He was a 'home body.'" An article "The Rasche Water Street Home" (*Treacy Newsletter No. 6, May 2003, ISSN 1074-0066*) reads: "He provided his wife, Kate with household help who had to be often replaced due to the mischief and antics of his teen-aged boys of the first marriage. Bridget Treacy, who was newly arrived from Ireland with her father, James J. Treacy, served the Rasche household in this period."

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Henry Rasche, age 50, born in Germany, Miller, parents born in Germany. Living with Henry were: (1) Kate (wife), age 26, born in Canada, Keeping House, parents born in "Canada", "deaf & dumb" [not accurate]; (2) Hannah (daughter), age 22, born in West Virginia, at school, deaf & dumb; (3) Nannie (daughter), age 18, born in Maryland, at school; (4) Patrick (son), age 16, born in Maryland, at school; (5) William (son), age 12, born in Maryland, at school, deaf & dumb; (6) Theodore (son), age 10, born in Maryland, at school, deaf & dumb; (7) Theresa (daughter), age 7, born in Maryland, at school, deaf & dumb; and (8) Ian McAndrews (boarder), age 14, born in Maryland, Domestic.

He resided in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota 1887-1894. The Kennedy Land and Town Co., formed by Dennis Ryan in 1881, initially dominated the village of Kennedy, Minnesota. They immediately built a 30-room Oakland Hotel which had "a large dining room, the site of many a gala affair, a parlor, a bar and a barber shop." [*Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History*]. Estelle Magdalene Rasche recalled (*undated audiotape*) that in 1887 this multi-millionaire son-in-law enlisted Henry to help manage some farms and businesses in or near Kennedy. Henry's family followed months later. They lived in the Oakland Hotel, where Katherine would play piano at an annual ball held in the spacious ballroom. Another important local event was the annual 4th of July celebration. Tables were set all over the lawn and people brought hand-cranked ice cream makers to enjoy the only ice cream they were apt to have all year long. At dark, "the fireworks would begin. All these were, in those days, a few small firecrackers, skyrockets, and torpedoes, nothing more elaborate than these. But how excited we all were in watching them. This ended the big day."

William Owen Treacy wrote (1982): "My mother Estelle characterized her father, Henry, as a gentle man. He was a good provider to his family. Each time he would leave either Oakland, Maryland or Kennedy, Minnesota to visit a larger city, he would bring his wife bolts of material so that she could keep up, via local seamstresses, with the latest fashions, and would always remember his children with sweets and trinkets. He made wine each year, as his forbears had done in the old country. Henry specifically rejected the German he had learned as a child. He spoke nothing but English around his wife and children and that without any discernible accent."

He had an excellent singing voice. His wife's, Kate's, ability as an accompanist complemented this talent and the two were sought by both Kennedy, Minnesota and Oakland, Maryland audiences." In Kennedy, there were few musical instruments for Kate to play at area social engagements "so my father searched around in St. Paul and found a tiny organ about the size of a small sewing machine. He bought it and from then on that's all that was needed." "The train from the South brought to Northcote, Rev. Father Lawler, Hon. H.A. Rasche and lady, and a great number of friends from Hallock. The ceremony commenced with a Solemn High Mass of Requiem which was celebrated by Rev. Father Lawler. Mrs Rasche presided at the organ and sang the "Requiem aeternam" and the "Sanctus," Mr. Rasche sang "Jesus Take Him There" in an exceptionally touching manner. "Jerusalem" was another beautiful rendition of Mr. Rasche's, who has a melodious voice, of great power and compass." (*a Minnesota*

obituary, 7 Mar 1890)

“A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT--Mr. Henry A. Rasche Almost Instantly Killed. On last Friday afternoon about half-past four o'clock as Mr. Henry A. Rasche was engaged in making some repairs to the boiler in his flouring mill in Oakland the ladder on which he was standing gave way and precipitated him on top of the engine which was running at the time under a full head of steam. The crank shaft of the engine caught his right arm and drew him into the frame of the machine, crushing the arm out of semblance and otherwise injuring him that he lived but a few moments after the accident occurred. Mr. John Baker, a farmer, who was standing in the engine house at the time of the accident, caught Mr. Rasche and pulled him out of the engine. He was able to walk to the door, with the assistance of Mr. Baker, but there was overcome and died before medical aid could be summoned, although Drs. McComas and Hinebaugh were present in less than five minutes from the time Mr. Rasche fell. Mrs Rasche and her children were in Pittsburgh, but were summoned by telegraph and arrived here Saturday morning.” (*The Republican, Thursday, 4 Oct 1894*)

His funeral was held in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 2 Oct 1894. “The funeral of Mr. Rasche occurred Tuesday morning from St. Peter’s Catholic church, of which he was a devout member, the interment being made in the Catholic cemetery here. The funeral discourse was delivered by Rev. Father Stanton, of Lonaconing. The deceased gentleman was about sixty years of age and an honorable upright citizen, greatly loved by those who knew him and his loss will be severely felt by his family and a large circle of friends.” (*The Republican, 4 Oct 1894*) A devoted and loving father and husband, unselfish and self sacrificing to their welfare and best interests; a man of good judgement, forbearing and just to all, ever exerting himself to make home happy and always at home when business did not actually call him away.” (Dr. J. Lee McComas, *The Republican, 11 Oct 1894*) Not to be outdone, his family wrote (*The Republican, 18 Oct 1894*): “He was conspicuous only for his extreme plainness, but his was a beautiful soul. His family was deeply sensible of this. He held the hearts under the roof-tree, and he won the hearts of men. His religion was a boundless charity. The most pitiful tramp was invited in to sit down at his table, to eat and drink all the poor starving body craved, and then sent away with an outfit of fresh warm clothing.”--“We miss the contagious ring of his happy laughter. We miss his approaching and retreating footsteps, the tender light from his father’s anxious eye, and we miss the sweet peace of his protecting presence. We have pressed his hand for the last, last time, for he has gone upon ‘the ship which never returns.’”

Henry’s will was probated in Garrett Co., Maryland, 7 Aug 1897. “Second and final account of Arthur Townshend, Administrator of Henry A. Rasche, late of Garrett County, deceased” distributed \$45.00 to the following: Kate A. Rasche (widow) 1/3; Hannah Rasche (daughter) 1/12; Teresa Rasche (daughter) 1/12; Ella Gibbons (daughter) 1/12; Nannie Brunton (daughter) 1/12; Patrick H. Rasche (son) 1/12; Henry A. Rasche (son) 1/12; Leo J. Rasche (son) 1/12; Dennis R. Rasche (son) 1/12; Estella Rasche (daughter) 1/12; Agnes J. Rasche (daughter) 1/12; Veronica M. Rasche (daughter) 1/12; Nellie Ryan (granddaughter) 1/3 of 1/12; Kate Ryan (granddaughter) 1/3 of 1/12; Agnes Ryan (granddaughter) 1/3 of 1/12.

Henry Augustine (August) Rasche and Ellen Cullen had the following children:

- i. MARY CATHARINE<sup>3</sup> was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 25 May 1854. Time of birth was 1:00 PM. Mary died in California 18 May 1892 at 37 years of age.

She married DENNIS RYAN Beaver, Beaver Co., Utah, 7 Aug 1876. Dennis, born Tipperary, Ireland 25 Dec 1849, was a son of Thomas Ryan and Eliza. He became a multimillionaire. His family lived in the Ryan Hotel, which he built in St. Paul, Minnesota. He married MAMIE 1897. Dennis died of pneumonia 21 Dec 1917 at 67 years of age.

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Mary Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 16. [*Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.*] The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Mary Ryan (wife of Dennis Ryan), age 26, Keeping House. [*Full 1880 Census summary under Dennis Ryan.*]

- ii. HANNAH was born in Grafton, Virginia 18 Nov 1855. Time of birth was 8:00 PM. Deaf at birth. Hannah died 17 Feb 1929 in Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, at 73 years of age. Her body was interred 20 Feb 1929 in Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, Mountain View Cemetery.

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Hannah Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 14. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]*

Hannah was a student Frederick, Frederick Co., Maryland, 8 Jun 1875-16 Jun 1886. School: Maryland School for the Deaf. The Register of Pupils in Maryland Institution for Deaf & Dumb shows: Hannah Rasche; Date of Birth: 18 Nov 1856; Residence: Deer Park, Garrett Co.; Cause of Deafness: Congenital; Date of Admission: 8 Sep 1875; Date of Leaving: June 1879; readmitted: 18 Sep 1883-18 Jun 1884; readmitted: Sep 1885-16 Jun 1886, Nativity: Virginia; Remarks: "Out one year during the period." Her Admission Form adds: Place of birth: Grafton W.Va.; born deaf: "doubtful"; deafness total or partial: "Can hear a little, Speaks some words"; has been vaccinated, has had measles, whooping cough.

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Hannah Rasche (daughter of Henry Rasche), age 22, at school, deaf & dumb. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]*

She was a student Buffalo, Erie Co., New York, 1890-1893. School: LeCouteux St. Mary's. This "Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes" billed Henry Rasche \$262.50 "To Board & Tuition of daughter Hannah for 3 ½ yrs." (6 Dec 1893)

The 1900 Census for Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, shows Hannah Rasche (niece of Matthew Cullen), age 42, single. *[Full 1900 Census summary under Matthew Cullen.]* The 1910 Census for Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, shows Hannah Rasche (sister-in-law of Paul Mark), age 51, deaf & dumb, single. *[Full 1910 Census summary under Paul Mark.]* The 1920 Census for Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, shows Hannah Rasche (boarder in the household of Ann Mark), age 66. *[Full 1920 Census summary under Ann Mark. Paul Mark and Hannah's sister Theresa lived next door.]*

Her funeral was held in Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, 20 Feb 1929. "OGDEN--Miss Hannah Rasche died at a local hospital Sunday morning after a several months' illness. She was born at Grafton, W. Va., November 18, 1855. She had lived in Ogden twenty years at the home of her sister, Mrs. Paul Mark. She was a devout member of the Catholic church. Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Anna Brunton of Ohio, Mrs. Ellen Gibson of Minnesota and Mrs. Mark, and three brothers, Patrick Rasche, William Rasche, and Theodore Rasche. Funeral Services will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph's church, the Rev. father Patrick Kennedy officiating. Burial will be in the Mountain View cemetery, under the direction of Larkin & Sons." (obituary, *The Salt Lake Tribune*, 18 Feb 1929)

- iii. ELLEN was born in Parkersburg, Wood Co., Virginia 25 Feb 1858. Time of birth was 7:00 PM. Ellen died after Feb 1929 (Minnesota). She married GIBBONS. He was born ca 1858.

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Ellen Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 12. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]* The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Ella Rasche (sister-in-law of Dennis Ryan), age 20, single. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Dennis Ryan.]*

- iv. ANNA KAY (NANNIE) was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 31 Mar 1861-62. Time of birth was 1:00 PM. Anna died after Feb 1929 (Ohio). She married JOHN BRUNTON ca 1886. He was born in Scotland circa 1861. He died before 1910.

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Nannie Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 9. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]* The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Nannie Rasche (daughter of Henry Rasche), age 18, at school. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]* The 1900 Census for Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, shows Anna K. Brunton (niece of Matthew Cullen), age 38, Teacher, married 14 years. *[Full 1900 Census summary under Matthew Cullen.]* The 1910 Census for Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, shows Anna Kay Brunton, age 43, School Teacher, "widow". The 1920 Census for Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, shows Anna K. Brunton (boarder in household of M. Whiteley), age 55, Public School Teacher, divorced.

- v. PATRICK HENRY was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 1 Aug 1863. Patrick died 5 Dec 1939 Stanley, Custer Co., Idaho, at 76 years of age. He married NELLIE MARIE THOMPSON Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, 7 Jan 1892. Nellie was born Beaver, Beaver Co., Utah Sep 1864. Nellie was the daughter of Edward Washington Thompson and Julia Fish. She married (2) MATTHEW CULLEN Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, 26 Apr 1903. Nellie died 25 Apr 1941 Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, at 76 years of age.

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Patrick Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 6. [Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

He was a student South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Indiana, 1879-80, 1881-82. School: Notre Dame. 1879/80 secondary school Registration Records show him at age 15 from Frisco Post Office, Beaver Co., Utah.

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Patrick Rasche (son of Henry Rasche), age 16, at school. [Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

Patrick registered to vote in Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois, 14 Oct 1890. The registration record shows that Pat H. Rasche, born in Maryland, residing in Illinois for 18 months, currently residing at 494 Wabash Avenue, voted (*Ballot No. 188*).

“PRISONER TORTURED--Accused Man at Jordan Valley Strung Up by a Mob.--Vale Gazette: Last Saturday evening Constable Tom Hayes and J.J. Weir of Jordan Valley arrived at the county seat having in charge P.H. Rasche, charged with robbery, and turned him over to the custody of Sheriff Looey. While C.C. Foster was absent from his saloon the back door was broken in and \$225 taken from the till. Rasche was arrested on suspicion of being the culprit, and when searched nothing whatever was found on his person to connect him with the crime. On Wednesday evening seven masked men took charge of the prisoner and escorted him to the edge of the town, and told him they would hang him if he did not confess. Rasche replied: ‘Gentlemen, I cannot confess a crime I know nothing of.’ He was then hauled up by the crowd and left dangling for a short time, when he was let down and given another opportunity to confess, and he still proclaimed he was innocent of any wrong doing, and up he was pulled the second time. The crowd at this juncture thought it best to wait until the next day for a confession, and he was let down. The next day Rasche still declared he was innocent and was taken before Justice of the Peace Weir for a hearing. He waived the preliminary and was bound over to await the action of the circuit court.” (*The Idaho Daily Stateman, 4 Sep 1898*)

The 1900 Census for Boise, Ada Co., Idaho, shows Patrick H. “Rash”, age 35, Farm Laborer, can read, write, and speak English, married.

“STRIKE AT MIDDLE FORK--Sixty Foot Ledge That Assays Nearly Ten Dollars in Gold. Council, Sept. 12--P.H. Rasche, formerly of Salt Lake, has surely struck it rich for himself and partners.. Mr. Rasche has named the property ‘The Accident’ mine. The ledge is 60 feet in width and assays \$9.45 in gold. The property is situated on Middle Fork, about 15 miles from Council. The transportation facilities being so close at hand, there is an undoubted fortune in store for his partners, the Carruthers brothers and himself.” (*The Idaho Daily Stateman, 13 Sep 1901*)

The 1920 Census for Stanley, Custer Co., Idaho, shows “Patric” H. Rasche, age 55, can read, write & speak English, “widower”. The 1930 Census for Stanley, Custer Co., Idaho, shows Patrick H. Rasche, age 66, Gold Miner, age at first marriage 28, divorced, home rental \$10.

- vi. WILLIAM was born Sideling Hill, Washington Co., Maryland 6 Oct 1865. Time of birth was 2:00 PM near Hancock, Maryland. Deaf at birth. William died before 1897, “Said to have been killed in Arizona.” (*administrative remark in The Register of Pupils in Maryland Institution for Deaf & Dumb*)

The 1870 Census for Oakland Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows William Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 4. [Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

He was a student Frederick, Frederick Co., Maryland, 8 Sep 1875-Jun 1883. School: Maryland School for the Deaf. The Register of Pupils in Maryland Institution for Deaf & Dumb shows: William Rasche; Date of Birth: 6 Oct 1865; Residence: Deer Park, Garrett Co.; Cause of Deafness: Congenital; Date of Admission: 8 Sep 1875; Date of Leaving: Jun 1883; Nativity: Maryland; Remarks: "Said to have been killed in Arizona." His Admission Form adds: born deaf: "Born as he is"; deafness total or partial: "Can hear a little, Speaks some words"; has had measles, whooping cough.

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows William Rasche (son of Henry Rasche), age 12, at school, deaf & dumb. [Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

- vii. THEODORE MATTHEW was born in Maryland 21 Nov 1869. Time of birth was 2:00 AM. Deaf at birth. Theodore died 3 Jul 1889 after being struck by a train near Minneapolis, Minnesota, at 19 years of age. His body was interred in Minnesota.

The 1870 Census for Oakland PO, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Theodore Rasche (household of Henry Rasche), age 6 months. [Full 1870 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

He was a student Frederick, Frederick Co., Maryland, 11 Sep 1878-21 Jan 1886. School: Maryland School for the Deaf. The Register of Pupils in Maryland Institution for Deaf & Dumb shows: Theodore Rasche; Date of Birth: Oct 1869; Residence: Deer Park, Garrett Co.; Cause of Deafness: Congenital; Date of Admission: 11 Sep 1878; Date of Leaving: 21 Jun 1886; Nativity: Maryland; Remarks: "Ran away with \_ [undecipherable]; Arrested in Kansas City; Taken to a brother in St. Paul \_ [undecipherable]; decided not to readmit; Killed on R.R. (walking) July 3/89 at St. Paul Minnesota." His Admission Form added: born deaf: yes; deafness total or partial: "Slight hearing"; has been vaccinated. The school publication mentioned: "Last Saturday, Masters H.O. Palmer, T. Rasche, J.S. Edelen and T.B. Harris went to Point of Rocks..." (*The Maryland Bulletin 1 Jun 1884*).

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Theodore Rasche (son of Henry Rasche), age 10, at school, deaf & dumb. [Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

- viii. MARIA THERESA was born in near Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 4 Feb 1872. Deaf at birth. Maria died 5 Oct 1955 in Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, at 83 years of age. Her body was interred 9 Oct 1955 in Ogden, Weber Co., Utah. She married PAUL MARK Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, 15 Nov 1899. Paul was born in Brigham City, Box Elder Co., Utah 17 Sep 1872. Deaf at birth. Paul was the son of A. Mark and Ann Rosway. Paul died 28 Dec 1945 at 73 years of age.

Theresa was a student Frederick, Frederick Co., Maryland, 10 Sep 1879-8 May 1888. School: Maryland School for the Deaf. The Register of Pupils in Maryland Institution for Deaf & Dumb shows: Theresa Rasche; Date of Birth: (?); Residence: Deer Park, Garrett Co.; Cause of Deafness: congenital; Date of Admission: 10 Sep 1879; Date of Leaving: 8 May 1888; Nativity: Maryland; Remarks: "Moved to Minnesota; Said to have married a deaf shoemaker".

The 1880 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Theresa Rasche (daughter of Henry Rasche), age 7, at school, deaf & dumb. [Full 1880 Census summary under Henry Augustine (August) Rasche.]

She was a student Buffalo, Erie Co., New York, 1888-1893. School: LeCouteux St. Mary's. This "Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes" billed Henry Rasche \$412.50 "To Board & Tuition of daughter Tessie for 5 ½ yrs." (*6 Dec 1893*)

The 1900 Census for Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, shows Theresa Mark (wife of Paul Mark), age 28, can read & write, cannot speak English. [Full 1900 Census summary under Paul Mark.] The 1910 Census for Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, shows Theresa R. Mark (wife of Paul Mark), age 37, deaf & dumb. [Full 1910 Census summary under Paul Mark.] The 1920 Census for Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, shows Theresa Mark (wife of Paul Mark), age 47, unable to speak English. [Full 1920 Census

*summary under Paul Mark.]*

Henry Augustine (August) Rasche and Katherine A. Rowan had the following children:

- ix. HENRY AUGUSTINE was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 3 Dec 1880. Henry died 10 Jun 1955 in Uniontown, Fayette Co., Pennsylvania, at 74 years of age. He married MOLLIE WHITE 1909-10. Mollie was born in Maryland 8 Dec 1881. Mollie was the daughter of James W. White and Flora Mac McCrum. Mollie died 29 Sep 1963 in Uniontown, Fayette Co., Pennsylvania, at age 81.

Henry (also known as Harry) was christened in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 16 Jan 1881. The Rasche family bible shows: "Baptized on Sunday Jan. 16 1881. sponsors - Rev. Father Casper Schmidt and Mrs. A.K. Faherty."

He was a student South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Indiana, 1892-1896. School: Notre Dame. 1892/93 secondary school Registration Records show him at age 11 from Kennedy, Minnesota; 1893/94 at age 12 from Kennedy, Minnesota; 1895/96 at age 14 from Oakland, Maryland; and 1895/96 at age 14 ½ from Oakland, Maryland.

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows "Harry" A. Rasche (son of Kate Rasche), age 19, Composer. *[Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.]* The 1910 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Harry Rasche, age 29, born in Maryland, B&O RR Agent, married 0 years. Living with him was Molly (wife) age 27, born in Maryland, father born in Maryland, mother born in Missouri.

He was inducted into the military in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 12 Sep 1918. His Registration Card shows: Harry Augustine Rasche; address: Oakland, Md.; age: 37; born: 3 Dec 1880 in Md.; occupation: Banker, First Natl. Bank, Oakland, Md.; Nearest Relative: Mrs. Mollie Rasche, Oakland, Md. Registrar's Report 19-3-13 C describes him as medium height, blue eyes.

The 1930 Census for Uniontown, Fayette Co., Pennsylvania, shows Henry A. Rasche, age 49, Hardware Salesman, home value \$6,000, age at first marriage 28. Living with him were: (1) Mollie (wife), age 44, born in Maryland, age at first marriage 23, father born in Maryland, mother born in Missouri; (2) Flora E. White (sister-in-law), age 38, born in Maryland; and (3) Mabel M. White (sister-in-law), age 33, born in Maryland, Insurance Stenographer.

"RAIN FAILS TO DAMPEN FUN AT TRIANGLE PARTY--The Triangle club held its annual corn roast Tuesday afternoon and evening at the Barnes swimming pool in Hopwood. It was an enjoyable afternoon for the party and but for the rain in the evening it would have been a very successful affair. The band under the leadership of Frank Johnson gave a delightful concert although of short duration on account of the rain. The program opened with the Washington Post march, followed by the Champion overture and ending with the Old Irish Melodies. The feature of the concert was a short baritone solo rendered by Harry Rasche. Mr Rasche is a fine baritone player. Then it rained. And just when the corn and weiners (sic) were ready too. There was a scramble to get to the table to get their plates filled quickly so they could get to some place out of the rain. Most of the crowd flocked to the barn but quite a few of them crowded under the trees. The trees here are thick with branches and made fairly good shelter until it commenced to rain harder. With a plate of corn and sandwiches in one hand and a cup of coffee in the other it was rather difficult to eat and still keep from getting wet. Two girls sat out in the open munching their corn and weiners and taking the rain as it came down. No. it wasn't surprising. They were dressed in bathing suits. While the rain just about broke up the party it was an enjoyable affair at that." (*The Daily News Standard, 10 Aug 1931*)

"Program of Comedy Spice to Mark Triangle Minstrels" -- "One-act drama, 'King of the Bolo Isles'--Clyde Roseberry, Wilgus Price, Clarence Flenniken, Harry Rasche." (*The Morning Herald 27 Nov 1937*)

"Harry Rasche Dies Today--Harry A. Rasche of 102 E. Berkely St. died at 5:40 this morning at Uniontown Hospital. A son of the late Henry and Katherine Rowan Rasche, he was employed at the Uniontown Hardware Store, owned by his brother-in-law Carl B. White. He was a member of

Asbury Methodist Church and Masonic Lodge of Oakland, Md. Surviving, in addition to his widow, Mrs. Mollie W. Rasche, are the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. James Tracy, Mrs. Veronica Robertson and Dennis Rasche of Oakland; Mrs. Julius Brooke of Chicago, Ill., and Leo J. Rasche of New York City. Friends will be received at the J. Harry Johnston Funeral Home at 85 N. Gallatin Ave. after noon Saturday. Funeral services will be held in the funeral home Sunday at 4 p.m., Dr. Allan J. Howes officiating." (*The Evening Standard*, 10 Jun 1955).

- x. LEO JOSEPH was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 8 Aug 1882. Leo died 24 May 1960 at 77 years of age. His body was interred May 1960 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

He married HARRIET ANNETTE GEBHART Dayton, Montgomery Co., Ohio, 17 May 1955. Harriet was born Dayton, Montgomery Co., Ohio 16 Jul 1889. Harriet was the daughter of Walton Brown Gebhart and Martha Strong. Harriet died 9 Jun 1968 in New York, New York, at 78 years of age. Her body was interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

Leo was christened in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Aug 1882. The Rasche family bible shows: "Joseph Leo" "Baptized by Rev. C. Schmidt. sponsors - Thomas Stanton and Mary Ann Rowan."

William Owen Treacy wrote (1991): "Like Harry, Leo was a mischievous child. My mother, his sister Estelle, recounted to me how these two had, while living in Kennedy, Minnesota, learned that if they and several of their pals all walked in step up the horse powered incline which operated the community grain elevator, they could raise the internal elevator to the top of the storage structure and, on signal, all jump off, leaving the uncounterbalanced elevator to crash to the building's floor. Their father made his own wine and kept the finished product in crates of bottles under lock and key in a storage room in their home. Harry and Leo met this challenge with the aid of a chair which provided enough height for them to be able to crawl through the transom atop the locked door and to drop down into the room. After sampling the wares, they found that the only way out was to stack crates of wine bottles against the door in sufficient height to exit through the transom. Unfortunately, when their father next unlocked and opened the door (it opened inward) the stacked crates toppled and many of the bottles broke, resulting in a thrashing for the culprits."

He was a student South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Indiana, 1892-1896. School: Notre Dame. 1892/93 secondary school Registration Records show him at age 10 from Kennedy, Minnesota; 1893/94 at age 11 from Kennedy, Minnesota; 1894/95 at age 12 from Oakland, Maryland; and 1895/96 at age 12 ½ from Oakland, Maryland.

Of Leo and his older brother Harry, William Owen Treacy added (1991): "Back in Oakland, the duo loved to taunt the local blacksmith, Mr. Yellowly, whose shop was in the same Water Street block as the Rasche home. On one occasion they tied a rope to a stake in the field behind the blacksmith shop. One boy held the other end loosely so that it lay on the ground obscured by the tall grass. The other shouted taunts and insults at Mr. Yellowly until, exasperated, he left his work and chased the blackguard across the field. At this point the accomplice pulled the rope taut, sending the smith into the air and onto the ground with a crashing thud. As early teenagers the same two would walk the Baltimore & Ohio tracks to the '88 Bridge' which spans the Youghiogheny River just west of Oakland. The track curved sharply around a wooded hill as it approached the bridge so that the engineer was unable to see any obstructions on the bridge until the train was nearly on it. Knowing this, the brothers would await a train on the bridge until they knew they were seen by the engineer, who by then was sounding frantic warnings on the steamwhistle. Then they feigned panic with gestures and shouts until the engine was on the bridge itself and the engineer could no longer see straight ahead around the boiler. At this point they would lower themselves between the crossties, hang with their hands and gently drop into the river while the train screeched to a stop overhead. They would wade or swim ashore, hide in the woods unseen, from where they could observe the train crew's panic, frustration and, finally, fury."

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Leo J. Rasche (son of Kate Rasche), age 17, Composer. [*Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.*] The 1910 Census for Grafton, Taylor Co., West Virginia, shows Leo J. Rasche (roomer in hotel of M.F. Calehan), age 26, News Paper Editor.

Leo was inducted into the military Orangeburg, South Carolina [ca 1911]. His Registration Card (undated) shows: Leo J. Rasche; age in yrs: 29; home address: Orangeburg, S.C.; date of birth: 8 Aug "1888"; a natural-born citizen; where born: Md.; occupation: Journalist; employer: ROTC Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga; where employed: M.P.; dependents: none; rank: no; single; race: white; previous service (rank: no; years: 9 mos.; Nation or State: S. C. Guards) Registrar's Report 39-1-27 describes registrant as tall, blue eyes, light hair.

Leo served in Mexico, Mar 1916-Feb 1917. On 19 Mar 1916, Francisco Villa led a cross-border paramilitary raid on Columbus, New Mexico, and General John J. Pershing was appointed to lead our country's Punitive Expedition. "Leo enlisted as a bandsman in the Second South Carolina Infantry Division. Following training as an infantryman and bandsman, both in South Carolina and Texas, he and his unit participated in the failed mission into Mexico to capture Pancho Villa. Before his enlistment was up Leo rose to the rank of sergeant." (*William Owen Treacy, 1991*)

Leo then served in Europe, 1917-1918. "Upon America's entry into World War I, he was promoted to second lieutenant and assigned military police duties in driving the Germans out of Belgium. For the latter he was entitled to wear the fourragere awarded members of his unit by the king of that country. Wounded by enemy shrapnel, he also wore a 'wound stripe' on the sleeve of his tunic, the Purple Heart medal not being awarded for wounds at the time. Leo volunteered to stay on in Germany with the occupational forces after the armistice." (*William Owen Treacy, 1991*) Leo's epitaph reads: "Maryland 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Infantry World War I".

Leo's occupation: Newspaperman New York City, New York, ca 1920-1955. William Owen Treacy wrote (1991): "Leo became employed with the New York World, one of that city's leading dailies. He remained with it when it merged with the New York Telegram and later with the New York Sun, to become the New York World Telegram & Sun, the city's principal daily. Meanwhile he rose to chief headline writer and later to feature editor." "In these New York years, Leo enjoyed status as a city notable. Yardley, the respected and nationally syndicated cartoonist of the Baltimore Sun drew and had published a cartoon around the letters cleverly concealed in the drawing L-E-O-R-A-S-C-H-E as a tribute to his friend, Leo."

"After retiring from the newspaper business in the 1950s he visited the West, stopping first at Notre Dame where he...made a substantial financial contribution to make up for his mother's, and his, inability to pay the Rasche family's bill from the 1890s. He proceeded on to Utah and California where he visited his surviving half brothers and sisters from his father's first marriage, to Ellen Cullen, and his first cousin, Dr. P. J. Rowan's daughter." (*William Owen Treacy, 1991*)

- xi. ESTELLE MAGDALENE was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 8 Apr 1884. Estelle died 15 Oct 1985 in Tallahassee, Leon Co., Florida, at 101 years of age. She died at the Tallahassee Convalescent Home. Her body was interred 18 Oct 1985 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

She married JAMES PATRICK TREACY in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania, 23 Sep 1914. "Mrs. K. R. Rasche announce[s] the marriage of her daughter Estelle Magdalene to Mr. James P. Treacy--Wednesday morning, September the twenty-third nineteen hundred and fourteen--Holy Trinity Church Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at 7:00 o'clock--At Home after October fifteenth Oakland, Md." (*wedding announcement*) James was born in Gortnagoynne, Co. Galway, Ireland 9 Jul 1876 (James Treacy, *Birth Certificate*). James was the son of James Joseph Treacy and Bridget C. Boyle. James died 8 Jun 1951 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, at 74 years of age. His body was interred 11 Jun 1951 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

Estelle was christened in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Apr 1884. The Rasche family bible shows: "Estelle Magdalena" "Baptized by Rev. Father Romanus Mattingly. sponsors - John C. and Mrs. Brady."

William Owen Treacy wrote (1983): "Estelle remembered as a small child Christmas at the Rasche home. Her father always procured a Christmas tree and the family decorated it, but never with candles. Her parents regarded this as too great a fire risk. On Christmas Eve the family attended Midnight Mass walking through the snow and cold to the old frame Catholic Church. There

her mother played (while a volunteer pumped) the organ for the choir. Afterwards they returned home, where even the children, they were treated to a small glass of wine, and exchanged and opened family presents. They set plates out for Santa on the dining room table, the custom of hanging stockings was not yet commonplace in those years. While they slept, their Mama decorated the table with tablecloth, candles, pine and other greenery and filled the plates with sweets, nuts and presents from Santa. Estelle remembered this sight on Christmas morning as being overwhelming. Estelle remembered particularly the terribly harsh winters, when the snow would drift above the first story windows and her father would need to shovel for hours to reach his little company store nearby the hotel. She remembered also the Sioux Indians who would come to Kennedy from their nearby reservation to beg for clothes and handouts. The braves would come to the door while the squaws hung back. When Estelle's mother gave the brave a woman's hat for the squaw, the brave would plop it on his own head, and if he received more headgear from neighbors, would simply stack them up, never yielding one to his squaw. She remembered also a 'magic lantern show' conducted one winter night at the one-room Kennedy school. There, projected on a sheet, the operator showed still pictures of a master and his hunting dog and provided a monologue. The light was, of course, provided from a kerosene, or 'coal oil' lamp. This particular show disbanded early as a report was received that a wolf pack was nearby and so all the spectators departed in a rush to get home." LauraEllen Moore added (1999): "Mom told me once one of her pleasantest memories was hearing her mother play [music] in the hours after the children were asleep."

She was a student South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Indiana, ca 1894-1896. School: St. Mary-of-the-Woods Academy. This girl's school is on Notre Dame University campus. "She was a good student at the Academy. In a letter to her mother dated November 27, 1894, she reported that she had received a 95 in Lessons, an 85 in French, and a 96 in Music" (*William Owen Treacy, 1983*).

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Estelle M. Rasche (daughter of Kate Rasche), age 16, Music Teacher. [*Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.*]

"At High Mass in the present church edifice [St. Peter's Catholic Church] at 10:30 o'clock in the morning Millards' Mass in G was rendered by the choir, with Mrs. Mary Donahue Moran, of Grafton, W.Va. as soprano soloist and leader of the choruses and Miss Estelle Rasche, of this place, the clever and proficient young church organist, as accompanist." (*The Republican, 4 Jul 1901*) Estelle's sister, Agnes, told me that Estelle was the most religious of the Rasche girls and perhaps of the boys as well. Estelle played the organ for the St. Peter's Church choir for many, many years. In this she followed in her mother's, Katherine Rowan Rasche's, footsteps. (*William Owen Treacy, 1983*)

Estelle stated (*undated audiotape*): "My first playing job for silent movies was at a nickelodeon on Braddock Avenue, Braddock Pennsylvania. This avenue was crowded with nickelodeons and all were packed day and night with theatergoers." She worked for a year or so in Homestead, Pennsylvania, and then played at the Family Theatre on 5th Avenue in Pittsburgh for about 3 ½ years. "Mrs. Treacy was an accomplished pianist, having provided the accompaniment for vaudeville and silent movies in Homestead, Pa. She played for many world-famous entertainers of the day, including dancers Vernon and Irene Castle, and Sir Harry Lauder, the Scottish comedian and singer." (*obituary, Cumberland Times/News, 16 Oct 1985*)

The 1910 Census for Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania, shows Stella Rasche (niece of Katherine Rowan), age 25, Theatre Piano Player. [*Full 1910 Census summary under Katherine Rowan.*]

She and James honeymooned New York City, New York, 23 Sep 1914. James Treacy, age 35, Oakland, Maryland, citizen "By Naturalization of Father" and Estelle Treacy, age 30, born 1884 in Oakland, traveled aboard the S.S. Metapan, 23 Sep 1914-15 Oct 1914. Of their visit to Panama, Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote (letter 1966): "I was there for one week in 1914 on my wedding trip and the heat there was terrific! We were there the last few days in Sept. and the first few days in October. We stayed at the hotel in Colon and then went across the isthmus to Panama City. The train we went over on was so little it was like riding on a toy train. The cabs and horses too were so very small, but our stay in Panama was lovely altogether. I loved the trip on water going down from New Orleans and coming back to New York." She later added: "I never saw but one real whale."

When we were returning from Panama in Oct. 1914, one of them followed our ship for 2 days and 2 nights I think it was. The sailors were furious because they claimed that would bring bad luck to the ship, and sure enough it did. The next day as we entered New York harbor [in a dense fog] we were struck by a huge vessel full of coal and of course had to hurry into life boats etc, etc, etc. So the sailors were right after all, I always heard that they were very superstitious.”

The 1920 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Estelle M. “Tracy” (wife of James “Tracy”), age 35. [*Full 1920 Census summary under James Patrick Treacy.*]

Of his mother and his two oldest brothers (circa 1920), William Owen Treacy wrote me (*1991 letter*): “Mom Treacy related that when your dad & Jack were about 3 & 1 respectively she would give each ½ of a peeled banana for a snack. There was no pre-prepared baby food in those days & bananas were an easy & quick treat. She observed that Jack’s banana always seemed to be eaten faster than your dad’s. Upon closer observation she noticed that your dad would eat on his until it was shorter & then he would trade it with Jack & then when his (your dad’s) was shorter, trade again. She was amused at you dad’s tactic but took steps to feed them differently so that Jack got some semblance of his share.”

Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, and Harvey Firestone had their second camping vacation in Garrett Co. “The residents of Garrett County, learning the great men were not far away, wondered if Swallow Falls would be visited again...Mrs. James Treacy, an eyewitness of the long procession of cars that filed slowly through the streets of Oakland, said the onlookers who flocked to the sidewalks wondered if a circus was coming to town.” (*Valleys of History, Winter 1969*) Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote me: “These men were camped at Swallow Falls about 1921 and they were charmed with everything. The Falls, the scenery, the people and everything. My husband Jim was selling the Ford car at that time, so Jim felt privileged to take me & the kids out to call on this famous quartette. They were lovely to us, all except Mr. Edison who was asleep under a tree with his wife standing by keeping visitors away from disturbing him. He would sleep for an hour or so when he was completely exhausted, then get up and work days and nights till he needed sleep again. We stayed about ½ an hour, their servants were all Japs and all their camp equipment were inventions of Edisons.” Of a photograph showing Henry Ford chucking Estelle Marie Treacy under the chin, Estelle Magdalene Rasche wrote me: “Jim Sr. took the picture so that’s why he’s not in it, and I holding the baby am blotted out too. Jack faces the camera and your Dad is turned the other way, and I think we left Casey asleep in the car, and then the first little girl baby.”

The 1930 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Estelle M. Treacy (wife of James P. Treacy), age 46. [*Full 1930 Census summary under James Patrick Treacy.*]

In an article “2nd Street Remembered”, Leo Edward Treacy wrote: “It seemed like Mom never left the kitchen except to read aloud. If she wasn’t preparing meals, she was baking various goodies, or making wine (dandelion or elderberry, for instance), or canning, or preserving, or making fudge, or sea foam. We had lots of fruit and nut trees and a concord grape arbor, which provided some of the makings. One side of the basement (it was called the cellar in those days) contained not only a mountain of potatoes, but a goodly supply of canned and preserved goodies. A room on the third floor had even more, plus the wine she’d made. When Mom needed groceries, she picked the phone off the wall and told the operator who answered - Hulda Littman - to ring the number at Treacy’s Cash Store. She then placed her order, which was delivered to her door a short while later. No extra charge for this service. If Uncle Ed took her order, there would be some snacks included for us kids. But if Aunt Annie took her order, we might get only half rations. There were some family dynamics involved here, which this youngster never understood.” (*The Treacy Newsletter, Apr 1999, No. 5, ISSN 1074-0066*) Laura Ellen Moore added (1999): ‘That is a magnificent house...19 rooms, full staircase all the way to the third floor. There was an apartment on the third floor and...A Ballroom. The Treacys didn’t have balls there, but it was a great place to skate on rainy days and to hang up laundry.’”

Not long after World War II, “James Patrick Treacy was disabled with a stroke and required Estelle’s full-time care. She provided this with dedication constancy and love until his death in 1951. Estelle loved music and constantly sang or hummed her favorite tunes around our home. She was particularly fond of Victor Herbert and of his waltzes. She loved playing the piano her whole life. She particularly liked George M. Cohan’s rousing numbers.” (*William Owen Treacy, 1983*)

Of seasonal change, she wrote me (1966 letter): "At home here, Fall has arrived and the trees are 'letting down their hair'. The Autumn Glory Festival brought 3 train loads of visitors from Baltimore & Washington to spend the day & drive through the woods. It really is beautiful here this time of year. Each train brought just under 600 passengers. About 10 coaches made up each train. I enclose just a couple of maple leaves that I had pressed. Of course, after drying one they lose lots of their color, but when they first come down they are a sight to see. Your dad and Jimmy were here on one of these excursions Sunday and really both of them were breathless! We drove out a few miles so as to feast our eyes, and enjoyed what all we saw so much."

Of airplane travel, she wrote me (1966 letter): "It's all too swift for me. Me no likee. I want my feet on terra firma & the firmer the terra, the better pleased I'll be." She later wrote (1971 letter): "Man like your Dad didn't lay anything in for us to eat one Xmas day so when I saw a small store across the St. closing at 10:00 AM. for the day, I got him to dash over & grab a pt. of oysters. He got there just in time, & while I fried the oysters he cooked up some hominy grits & that was our Christmas dinner. We had lots of coffee, rolls, butter, cookies, oranges, apples & candy and it was lickin' good! We had lots of fun."

Of genealogy, she wrote me (17 March 1971 letter): "I hasten to fill in the first of the forms you enclosed, as much as I can remember of this ancient couple, my grand parents. You may keep the picture as its nice to add a few illustrations to your history, when you can get them. The next form I fill out will be of my parents. You are so wise to get this stuff together while I am still here as there is no one else left who can answer any of these questions. I hope I've given you the material you need. If you think of anything else, just ask me & I'll do the best I can in replying." Of genealogical discipline, she added (27 Oct 1971 letter): "How about those 'family album' pages you sent to me a year or so ago, for the members of my family to fill in and return to you. I think most of them did oblige, but I think some of those hoodlums never did do anything. If you can tell me which ones fell down on the job some time when you have the time, I will get after them and hurry them up maybe."

"Oakland is a ghost town. A bus comes once a day from Morgantown. One train goes East & one goes West once a day. Taxis won't take anybody anywhere on Sundays. No restaurants open up on Sundays. No hotel or boarding house in our town. No theatre. A drive in carries on during the summer months but it - is miles out of Oakland, you have to have a car to go there if you do. The summer playhouse is at McHenry, that too is 10 or 12 miles from here. I am too old to care whether I have entertainment or not, but there are some young people here who are interested in living, and have no cars. It's pretty gosh awful!" (Estelle Magdalene Rasche, 1971 letter)

"I enclose a picture of our depot (still standing) but I hear it will be taken down before long. Keep the postcard, I have others. It was built in 1884 the year I was born. Old age sure is 'creaking' up on me. Don't ever get old children, its no fun." (Estelle Magdalene Rasche, 1971 letter)

Of Baltimore, she wrote me (1972 letter): "This is a wicked city. The papers have nothing in them except murders. We have several murders every blessed night, some nights, 4or 5." Of George Wallace's presidential campaign (same letter): "Your Dad just looked in on me & said I was to tell you to vote for WALLACE! He claims that he has voted for him before this year. I like him a lot too. Have read some of his lovely articles & they are so sensible, because I agree with them I guess. I'd really & truly like to see him get in this time. Make all your whales, seals, sharks et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, vote for him too."

"I watched Haley's comet in 1910 and never dreamed I'd be alive to see it again when it follows in the footsteps of the big K, here in a few weeks. I can't imagine living long enough to see it twice! but maybe I will even yet. I am only 89." (Estelle Magdalene Rasche, 1974 letter)

Of her fellow convalescents, she wrote (1979 letter): "They have 96 patients here, just a few men and the rest are women, old women. They are a pain, all they do is complain. Just about 90 old women, you can imagine all the complaining they all do."

"Vaudeville Pianist Expires At Age 101" (obituary, Cumberland Times/News, 16 Oct 1985):

“She played for the residents of the Tallahassee Convalescent Home until she was past 100 years old.”

- xii. DENNIS THEODORE was born in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland 19 Oct 1887. The Rasche family bible shows his name at birth was Dennis Rowan Rasche. Between 1900 and 1917, his middle name was changed to Theodore. Dennis died 1 Apr 1969 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, at 81 years of age. His body was cremated in Pittsburgh before his ashes were interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery.

He married MARTHA F. GROVES 1946. Martha was born Terra Alta, Preston Co., West Virginia 10 Feb 1897. Martha was the daughter of Chauncy King Groves and Samantha E. Teets. Martha died 1973 at 76 years of age. Her body was interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland.

He was christened in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 27 Nov 1887. The Rasche family bible shows: “Baptised on Sunday Nov. 27, 1887 by Rev. R. Mattingly. sponsors - R. Maroney and Mrs. Fleckinstine”

He was a student South Bend, St. Joseph Co., Indiana, 1894-1896. School: Notre Dame. 1894/95 primary school Registration Records show him at age 7 from Oakland, Maryland; and 1895/96 at age 7 ½ from Oakland, Maryland.

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Dennis “R.” Rasche (son of Kate Rasche), age 12, attends school. [Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.]

Dennis’s occupation: Morse Code Telegrapher in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, 1907-1955. He was employed by the Baltimore and Ohio (B&O) Railroad Company. He wrote an article “The Railroad Telegrapher” (*The Glades Star*, Mar 1969) describing this craft.

The 1910 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Dennis Rasche (son of Kate R. Rasche), age 22, B&O RR Telegraph Operator. [Full 1910 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.]

He was almost inducted into the military in Garrett Co., Maryland, 5 Jun 1917. His Registration Card shows: Dennis T. Rasche; age: 29; address: Oakland, Md.; born: 19 Oct 1887 in Oakland, Md.; occupation: RR Telegraphy; employer: B&O RR Co, Altamont, Md. He claimed exemption from the military draft for a “Cavernous Abpictor”. Registrar’s Report 19-3-13 A describes registrant as tall, blue eyes, brown hair, imperfect vision.

The 1920 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Dennis T. Rasche (son of Kate R. Rasche), age 31, Steam Railroad Telegrapher. [Full 1920 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.] The 1930 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Dennis T. Rasche, age 42, Steam Railroad Telegraph Operator, home value \$5000. Living with him was Katherine R. (mother), age 82, immigrated to the United States in 1872.

“A charter member of the Garrett Historical Society, Mr. Rasche was serving on its Board of Directors at his death. He had been associate editor of the Society’s magazine, *The Glades Star*, for three years prior to becoming its editor in 1959. While editor of the magazine, Mr. Rasche was responsible for the promotion and publication of a special Centennial issue commemorating the place of Garrett County in the Civil War.” (1969 obituary). From an article “A Second Look”, Walter W. Price wrote: “As to our American Civil War, this friend was an encyclopedia of information. We once traveled to two battlefields of that war. He took me on a guided tour of each one and did it without the least showing off of his knowledge. Remarkably enough, my friend found a bullet on each battlefield. The one he found at Bull Run was directly behind the position where a native West Virginian, Thomas J. Jackson, had earned his sobriquet of ‘Stonewall.’” (*The Preston County News*, 10 Apr 1969)

Visiting Uncle Denny was always a special treat. He was invariably kind and tolerant, he respected youthful curiosity, and he gave me free run of his house. I got to ogle his graphically illustrated copies of Dante’s *Inferno* or Milton’s *Paradise Lost*, visit the old mill site where his father bled to death, and explore stacks and stacks of old papers in his attic where one document indicated a

connection with George Bernard Shaw's left-leaning Fabian Society. After my initial forays, we would discuss Maryland's involvement in the Civil War, philately, and family history. We ended up listening to selected classical music from his ancient record collection. He gave me his ancient manual on perfecting one's clarinet technique.

Walter W. Price wrote: "As I write this inadequate comment about our friend, I am listening to a recording of *The Messiah* by Handel. At least once each year for the past ten years my friend and I would sit and listen to this oratorio. He never failed to remark that he accepted this masterpiece as the ultimate in beauty, both instrumental and vocal. He was a musician and once played in the town band. We listened to many classical records together. He could tell me about them individually and about their composers. Sometimes he would whistle through his teeth and then explain how it fit into the total creation of the composer's whole structure for that piece." (*The Preston County News* 10 Apr 1969)

- xiii. AGNES JOSEPHINE was born in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota 13 Nov 1889. Agnes died 19 Aug 1986 at Norwood Retirement Home, Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois, at 96 years of age. Her body was interred in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery. She married JULIUS C. BROOKS 1925. Julius was born 1882. Julius died 1966 at 84 years of age. His body was interred July 1966 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland.

She was christened in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota, 13 Nov 1899. The Rasche family bible shows: "Baptized by Rev. E.J. Lawlor. sponsors - Rev. E.J. Lawlor and Mrs. Fanno [?]"

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Agnes J. Rasche (daughter of Kate Rasche), age 10, attends school. [*Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.*] The 1910 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Agnes J. Rasche (daughter of Kate R. Rasche), age 20. [*Full 1910 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.*] The 1920 Census for Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois, shows "Agness" Rasche (roomer in household of Adolph O. Klein), age 23, Public Musician. (also rooming there was her sister "Vera" Rasche) The 1930 Census for Chicago (Elmo Apt. Hotel), Cook Co., Illinois, shows Agnes R. Brooks (wife of Julius C. Brooks), age 40, Orchestra Musician, age 34 at first marriage. [*Full 1930 Census summary under Julius C. Brooks.*]

Mrs. Brooks is the last surviving member of her immediate family. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Friends will be received at the Durst Funeral Home, Oakland, on Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. Mass of the Christian burial will be celebrated at St. Peter's Catholic Church on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. by the Rev. Father Martin Feild. Interment will be in the Oakland Cemetery." (*Oakland obituary, 21 Aug 1986*)

Agnes's will (dated 13 Nov 1975) was probated in Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois, 8 Oct 1986. Her personal estate of \$195,000 was distributed to 2 sisters, 3 grand-nephews, 1 grandniece, 3 nieces, 5 nephews, 2 friends, and The Church of St. Peter the Apostle in Oakland, Maryland.

- xiv. JOHN THOMAS was born in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota 25 May 1891. John died 11 Feb 1892 at less than one year of age, "following burn wounds from an open unguarded coal stove." (*William Owen Treacy, 1982*)

John was christened in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota, 25 May 1891. The Rasche family bible shows: "Baptized by Rev. John Walsh. sponsors - Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Ryan".

- xv. VICTORIA VERONICA MARGUERITE was born in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota 21 Feb 1893. Roney died 1 May 1986 at Community Hospital, Meyersdale, Somerset Co., Pennsylvania, at 93 years of age. Her body was interred 3 May 1986 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Oakland Cemetery. Services were conducted at the Stewart Funeral Home by the Rev. John A. Grant.

She married WILLIAM H. ROBERTSON 1924. He was born in Indiana 11 Apr 1874, son of Freeman Robertson and Sarah Herold. He was a famous Indiana journalist. He died 26 Dec 1934 Lafayette, Indiana, at age 60. His body was interred 1 Jan 1935 in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland.

Veronica was christened in Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota, 21 Feb 1893. The Rasche family

bible shows: "Baptized by Rev. John Walsh. sponsors - Mr. and Mrs. Owen Ryan."

The 1900 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Veronica Rasche (daughter of Kate Rasche), age 7, attends school. [Full 1900 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.] The 1910 Census for Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, shows Veronica Rasche (daughter of Kate R. Rasche), age 18. [Full 1910 Census summary under Katherine A. Rowan.] The 1920 Census for Chicago, Cook Co., Illinois, shows "Vera" Rasche (roomer in household of Adolph O. Klein), age 22, Public Musician, single. (also rooming there was her sister "Agness" Rasche)

Roney's occupation: Librarian in Oakland, Garrett Co., Maryland, Feb 1948. "Mrs. Veronica Rasche Robinson has been librarian in charge [Ruth Enlow Library] since February, 1948." (Oakland, Garrett County, Maryland, Centennial History 1849-1949). When in Oakland, I enjoyed visiting Roney at that library. After our initial discussions of family and Oakland, she would set me up in the kiddy nook with the latest Dr. Seuss story.

She resided Grantsville, Garrett Co., Maryland 5 June 1985, Goodwill Mennonite Home.

3. **MAGDALENA THERESIA<sup>2</sup> RASCHE** (*Johann Bernhard Heinrich<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Niesen, Westphalia, Prussia 23 Oct 1830. Magdalena died mid-late 1890's at 59 years of age.

She married **DENNIS RICE** Frostburg, Allegany Co., Maryland, 19 Apr 1855. Dennis was born in Co. Wicklow, Ireland ca 1825. Dennis was the son of Michael Rice and Rebecca. Dennis died 10 Jun 1878 Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland, at 52 years of age. He "died at the age of 42 (sic) from injuries suffered in the Civil War." [Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History]

Theresia was christened 25 Oct 1830.

The 1860 Census for Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Teresa Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 25. [Full 1860 Census summary under Dennis Rice.] The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Teresa Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 37, Keeping House. [Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]

The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Theresa Rice, age 45, Farmer. Living with her were: (1) Michael (son), age 23, born in Maryland, Works on Farm; (2) Mary H. (daughter), age 22, born in Maryland, Cook in Family; (3) Rebecca (daughter), age 20, born in Maryland, Servant; (4) Henry (son), age 18, born in Maryland, Works on Farm; (5) Lawrence (son), age 14, born in Maryland, Works on Farm; (6) John (son), age 12, born in Maryland, Works on Farm; (7) Theresa (daughter), age 9, born in Maryland; (8) Dennis (son), age 6, born in Maryland; and (9) Rosa (daughter), age 2, born in Maryland.

After her husband's death, "She tried to get a pension from the government and was only granted a \$8.00 a month bounty. This was a small pittance and times were hard." (Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History)

She moved to Kennedy, Kittson Co., Minnesota early 1890's. "A wealthy relative, named Ryan, who owned the Two River Farm brought Teresa and her family to MN to cook for his hired men." She "brought her family to Minnesota with the help of a brother who put them on a farm north of Kennedy where the older Rice brothers lived and farmed for many years" (Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History)

Magdalena Theresia Rasche and Dennis Rice had the following children:

- i. **MICHAEL<sup>3</sup>** was born in Maryland 1856.

The 1860 Census for Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Michael Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 4. [Full 1860 Census summary under Dennis Rice.] The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Michael Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 14. [Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.] The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Michael

Rice (son of Theresa Rice), age 23, Works on Farm. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]* The 1920 Census for Township 161, Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows "Michel" Rice, age 66, Truck Farmer, single.

ii. MARY HANNAH was born in Maryland 1858.

The 1860 Census for Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Hannah Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 2. *[Full 1860 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Hannah Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 11. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Mary H. Rice (daughter of Theresa Rice), age 22, Cook in Family. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

iii. REBECCA MARIA was born in Allegany Co., Maryland 2 Mar 1859.

The 1860 Census for Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Rebecca Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 1. *[Full 1860 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1870 Census for Hancock PO, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Rebecca J. Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 10. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Rebecca Rice (daughter of Theresa Rice), age 20, Servant. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

iv. HENRY was born in Allegany Co., Maryland Nov 22 Jan 1862/1863.

The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Henry Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 8, born in Maryland. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Henry Rice (son of Theresa Rice), age 18, Works on Farm. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]* The 1900 Census for Township 161 (Range 45), Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows Henry Rice (brother of John Rice), age 37, Farmer. *[Full 1900 Census summary under John Rice.]* The 1910 Census for Township 161 (Range 45), Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows Henry Rice, age 49, Cattle Raising, single. The 1920 Census for Township 161, Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows Henry Rice, age 57.

v. LAWRENCE M. was born Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland 2 Mar 1866. Lawrence died after 1920 Elma, Grays Harbor Co., Washington. He married ELIZA EMIL MARIA WATKINS Dog Fish Bay, Kitsap Co., Washington, 1899. Eliza was born Altamont, Labette Co., Kansas 11 Mar 1880. Eliza died 31 Dec 1951 Clallam Co., Washington, at 71 years of age.

The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows Lawrence Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 4. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Lawrence Rice (son of Theresa Rice), age 14, Works on Farm. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]* The 1900 Census for Dog Fish Bay, Kitsap Co., Washington, shows Lawrence Rice, age 34, House Carpenter, married 1 year.

The 1910 Census for Satsop Precinct, Mason Co., Washington, shows Lawrence M. Rice, age 44, Fish Hatchery Superintendent, married 11 years. Living with him were: (1) Eliza G. (wife), age 29, born in Kansas, father born in Ohio, mother born in Nebraska; (2) Clifford L. (son), age 9, born in Washington; and (3) Bonita E. (daughter), age 6 months, born in Washington.

The 1920 Census for Satsop Precinct, Mason Co., Washington, shows Lawrence Rice, age 51, Fish Hatchery Superintendent. Living with him were: (1) Eliza G. (wife), age 42, born in Missouri, parents born in United States; (2) Clifford L. (son), age 19, born in Washington, Standard Oil Agent; (3) Bonita M. (daughter), age 11, born in Washington; and (4) Lawrence H. (son), age 2, born in Washington.

The 1930 Census for Satsop, Mason Co., Washington, shows Lawrence M. Rice, age 62, born in Maryland, Fish Hatchery Manager, age 32 at first marriage, father born in "Northern Ireland", mother born in Germany. Living with him were: (1) Eliza (wife), age 50, born in Kansas, age 19 at first marriage, father born in Wisconsin, mother born in Illinois; (2) Lawrence H. (son), age 12, born in

Washington; and (3) Theresa L., age 2, born in Washington, parents born in Washington.

- vi. JOHN was born in Maryland Apr 1868. John died 1953 at 85 years of age. He married CLARA JACOBSON Kittson Co., Minnesota, Jul 1908. Clara was born in Minnesota 1887. Clara was the daughter of John Jacobson and Josephine. Clara died Aug 1966 at 79 years of age.

The 1870 Census for Hancock Post Office, Allegany Co., Maryland, shows John Rice (household of Dennis Rice), age 2. *[Full 1870 Census summary under Dennis Rice.]* The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows John Rice (son of Theresa Rice), age 12, Works on Farm. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

His children wrote: "John, our father and the son of Dennis and Theresa Rice, had many stories to tell of the early days. It seems the Indians used to go by his homestead to a place called Moose Point. (This was a really good hunting area, and it still is called Moose Point). One time before Pa was married, the Indians wanted to give him a squaw. He didn't want to antagonize them by not accepting her so he told them he couldn't feed a squaw unless she could eat hay. The answer must have been acceptable because they rode off laughing." *[Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History]*

The 1900 Census for Township 161 (Range 45), Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows John Rice, age 32, Farmer. Living with him was Henry (brother), age 37, Farmer.

The 1920 Census for Township 161, Kittson Co., Minnesota shows John Rice, age 52, General Farming. Living with him were: (1) Clara (wife), age 33, born in Minnesota, parents born in Minnesota; (2) Clara T. (daughter), age 10, born in Minnesota; (3) Verna J. (daughter), age 8, born in Minnesota; (4) Mable M. (daughter), age 6, born in Minnesota; (5) Pearl R. (daughter), age 6, born in Minnesota; (6) Frances (daughter), age 3, born in Minnesota; and (7) Margret (daughter, age 1 month, born in Minnesota.

- vii. THERESA ANGELA was born Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland 31 Oct 1871. Theresa died 7 Oct 1935 at 63 years of age.

The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Theresa Rice (daughter of Theresa Rice), age 9. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

- viii. DENNIS CHARLES was born Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland 13 Mar 1875. Dennis died 9-18 Feb 1945 Hallock, Kittson Co., Minnesota, at 69 years of age. His body was interred 23 Feb 1945 Lake Bronson, Minnesota. He married AUGUSTA CATHERINE RIDEOUT Crookston, Polk Co., Minnesota, 17 Mar 1900-1901. Augusta was born Uhla, Henry Co., Illinois 19 Nov 1882. Augusta was the daughter of Charles Edward Rideout and Laura Jeanette MacDonald. Augusta died 7 Mar 1953 Hallock, Kittson Co., Minnesota, at 70 years of age.

Dennis was christened Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland, 4 Aug 1875. The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Dennis Rice (son of Theresa Rice), age 6. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

"Dennis and Augusta moved to Crookston where the family lived for five years. Dennis worked in a saw mill there. During that time two children were born. The mill work slowed down and work became very scarce, so his two brothers urged him to come to Kittson County and take a homestead. This he decided to do" *[Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History]*.

His children wrote: "in the spring of 1904 he built a one room home to which he moved his family. As was true in most pioneer homes there were few neighbors and many lonely hours. The homestead was nine miles from the struggling village of Bronson. It was a long trip for the father to pick up mail and supplies. In the winter Dennis worked in the lumber woods near Warroad so that he would be able to buy groceries and seed for next year's planting season. His brothers John and Henry homesteaded a few miles away. As the families grew, arrangements had to be made for a school. The first schoolhouse was a deserted farm home. It fell to Dennis to make many trips to Hallock to contact county officials in order to get a school organized and built. Of course, these long trips had to be made by horse and buggy. In 1915 it became a reality at last, so we moved into it with

12 children from the surrounding district. Some walked or drove horses many miles. These were days of hard work and tragedy. As Dennis was hauling lumber to build the school, the team of horses became frightened and ran away, tipping the wagon and pinning him underneath. It is not surprising that he suffered a broken leg and other injuries. At the same time our mother was having major surgery in a Crookston hospital. The Rices were community minded people and took an active part in getting road improvements and lending a helping hand to neighbors. Both served on the school board and Dennis was a township assessor for many years. Mother was a mid-wife for many a young mother." *[Kennedy Minnesota 1889-1989 Centennial History]*

The 1910 Census for Township 161 (Range 45), Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows Dennis C. Rice, age 35, Stock \_\_\_\_ (?), married 9 years. Living with him were: (1) Augusta C. (wife), age 28, born in Illinois, father born in Maine, mother born in Texas; (2) Andrew E. (son), age 8, born in Minnesota; (3) Gladys E. (daughter), age 6, born in Minnesota; (4) Lloyd D. (son), age 5, born in Minnesota; (5) Donald C. (son), age 2, born in Minnesota; and (6) Kenneth W. (son), age 1 year 2 months, born in Minnesota.

The 1920 Census for Township 161, Kittson Co., Minnesota, shows Dennis C. Rice, age 44, General Farming. Living with him were: (1) Augusta C. (wife), age 37, born in Illinois, father born in Maine, mother born in Texas; (2) Arther E. (son), age 18, born in Minnesota, Home Farm Laborer; (3) Gladys E. (daughter), age 16, born in Minnesota; (4) Lloyd D. (son), age 14, born in Minnesota; (5) Donald C. (son), age "18", born in Minnesota; (6) Kenneth W. (son), age 11, born in Minnesota; and (7) Edna A. (daughter), age 9, born in Minnesota.

- ix. ROSE HELEN was born Hancock, Washington Co., Maryland 31 Mar 1878. Rose died 27 Aug 1899 at 21 years of age.

The 1880 Census for Washington Co., Maryland, shows Rosa Rice (daughter of Theresa Rice), age 2. *[Full 1880 Census summary under Magdalena Theresia Rasche.]*

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