

[Indiana]
Sept 27, 1961

Mr. Relander =

Upon receiving your letter inquiring about the Bickle-Ransier Clan, I forward your letter to Mrs. Charles Sheldon, La Center, Wn since she has most of the information you'd like including pictures. She is the eldest of the children of Alice Bickle Ransier and Albert Ransier.

Mrs. Ralph (Gyona Wommack)
~~Mr~~ ~~Mc~~ McCotter who is the daughter Pheobia Bickle Wommack lives at 1113 S 11th Ave Yakima, Wn. and I'm sure ~~she has~~ some more information if you'd like to call her. She also may have pictures.

Bickleton -

Inclosed is all I have but
you are welcome for the use
of it. If at anytime in the
future I can help, let me
know and what I dont know
I'll forward to those who
can.

Mrs Sheldon may be a little
slaw since she work but
she'll get everything to you
as soon as possible.

Am looking forward to
reading you book.

Mrs. Edwin Kruse

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Dear Sirs:

Inclosed is an article on the Bickle
Ronsur gettogether Labor
Day.

The Photographer from Goldendale
is to send a picture to you, of the
4 oldest Bickles. If you have already
received it please use as much of
this article as you think possible.
Everyone in article attended. over

The response was entirely to your
article of the notice of the gettogether.
It was impossible to contact each
one individually. I heard about the
article but did not have a chance
to get one. Thanks for your cooperation.

Mrs. Edwin Huse
Rt 2-64 - Hermiston, Ore

BICKLE-RANSIER Reunion

Eighty-five years after the first settling of the Bickle-Randier clans, a reunion was held at Brooks Memorial Youth Camp near Goldendale, Washington. Grand children by the score acted as Indians around the camp and the first frost of the fall gave a chilly spice at night.

Uncle Will Bickle age 89, of Granger, Wn. was the spriest and the oldest of the family. His wife, Hattie, was at his side, as was his sisters Grace Jerrue, Klamath Falls, Oregon; Helen Clark, Galt, Calif.; Fanny Williams, Sunnyside, Wn. His daughters Gladys Bickle Aasa, Weiser, Idaho & Cora Bickie Brooks, Hailey, Idaho. *was motored down by a nephew Mr + Mrs William F Bickle - Weiser Idaho*
One son, Ben Bickle of Ohio was unable to attend but his *grandson*

Mr and Mrs Calvert Bickle & Grandchildren Sandra, Jeff & Cheryl of Kennewick, Wn. represented him! Four generations where repeted several times.

Uncle Will's sister, Alice and Albert Ransier had 14 children and eleven had families representing , making a total of 77 decendents present. *They were:*

Mrs Charles (Mettie) Sheldon	La Center, Wn.
Mr & Mrs Lloyd Sheldon-Danny, Timmy	Forest Grove, Ore.
" " Corvin Sheldon-Susan	" " "
" " David Burke-	Portland, Ore.
" " Alvin Sheldon- David	Sandy, ore
" " Irwin McClain	Portland, ore
" " Juel Sheldon-Christy, Kevin	Castle Rock, Wn
Mr & Mrs David Randier	The Dalles, ore
" " James Ransier-Kay	" " "
" " Edwin Kruse-David, Bobby	Hermiston, Ore.
Mr & Mrs W. C. Savage (Delcie)	Hoquiam, Wn.
Mr Gerald Thiel	" "
Lorinda, Roberts Wiley	" "
Mr & Mrs Fred Randier, Charleen, Billy	White Salmon, Wn.
Mrs Tom Hutson (Etta)	Mabton, Wn.

Mr & Mrs Glen Ransier	Oakesdale, Wn
Mrs Bert Ransier	Kingston, Wn.
" " Jack Ransier-Jackie, Kevin, Joni	" " W
" " Juel Ransier-Julie Ann, Rene, Vanessa, Kelly	Pasco, Wn.
" " Larry Ransier	" "
" " Alvah Ransier-Bruce	Pasco, Wn.
" " Roy Ransier-Stanley, Linda	" "
" " Mike Ransier-David, Bebbie, Karl, Peanuts	" "
Mr & Mrs Roy W. Ransier	Sandy, Linda
Mr & Mrs Norman Ransier	Bobby, David, Ronny, Dale
Mr & Mrs Lester Ransier	Sunnyside, Wn.
Mrs Alice Arnold, Walla Walla, Wn. & Ila Ransier	was unable to attend.

Another sister, ^{of Wills} Etta & Eck (Thadius) Ransier had five daughters

Mr & Mrs Juel Crider (Mable)	Grandview, Wn.
Mrs Velma Miller	" "

For the first time in 41 years the children of were together.

Mr & Mrs W. Virgil Wommack	Sacramento, Calif.
" " Ralph McCotter (Mona)	Yakima, Wn.
" " Carl Wommack	Bonniers, Ferry, Idaho
" " A. W. Kelly (Ida)	Seattle, Wn.

Virgil's children:	
Mr & Mrs Robert Ruble (Velma)	Pasco, Wn
" " Glen Wommack	Yakima, Wn
" " Stuberman (Violet)	Union Gap, Wn

Mona's Wommack McCotter Children:	
Mr & Mrs Ray C. McCotter	Bremerton, Wn.
" "W Ralph E. McCotter	" "
" " R.J. McDonald ()	Kennewick, Wn.

Ida Wommack Kelly's ^{daughter:} daughter	
Mr & Mrs Bob Nelson	Seattle, Wn

~~Carl Wommack~~

~~Bonniers Ferry Idaho Bio to man~~

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Other Relatives Present:

Mr & Mrs William Bickle and	<i>Clara Bell</i> <i>Daughter</i>	Portland, Oregon
" "	Paul Dees (Gladys)	Sunnyside, Wn.
" "	Chester Miller (Lela) <i>Ramsey</i>	Prosser, Wn.
" "	George Williams (Nettie)	Seattle, Wn.
" "	Owen Flemming (Florence) <i>Bickle</i>	Dale, Barbara-Sherwood, Ore.
" "	Melvin Lockey (Josephine)	Payette, Idaho
" "	William F. Bickle	Weiser, Idaho
" "	Fred Thane - <i>Cousin</i>	Rufus, Ore.

Everyone had such a good time it was decided to have the reunion again next year at Labor Day time and at Brooks Memorial Youth Camp. There will be a display of old pictures, so be sure to bring yours. Let all who **messed** this year know about the good times we had and for them to plan on joining in the fun next year.

Several friends came who did not sign guest book.

Please return
to
Mrs. Edwin Fouse
Rt 2-64
Hermiston, Ore

DAVID AND MARILDA RILEY RANSIER Married June 4, 1855

Born Date

May 10, 1835 David J Ransier
Aug 14, 1838 Marilda (Riley) Ransier

Children

Feb. 7 1857	Henry H. Ransier - Ida Gonser	
Aug 11 1859	Temperance J.R. - Tommie Cox	
April 18 1862	Dewillis Ransier - never married - died Nov. 1937	
Nov. 25 1864	John M. Ransier - Grace Bunce Died 19, 1938	
Sept. 8 1866	Thadius A. Ransier - Marietta Thane - Married Feb. 2, 1890 - 1959 - 1960	
Mar. 16 1871	Albert M. Ransier - Alice M. Bickle - 1895 (Jan 11) 1937 - 1931	
twins { Mar. 18 1879	Cora Bell Ransier - Lewis Matthews	
Mar. 18 1879	Flora Dell Ransier - William Bickle - Native	

Henry Children & Ida -- Delia and Earl

Temperance & Tommy Cox 2 boys & 1 Girl in Idaho

John & Grace - 1 girl Lenora, 1 boy dead

Thadius or Eck & Etta - 1 boy dead - 5 girls -- Buried at Grandview

Albert & Alice - 9 boys & 5 Girls

twins { Flora & Will - 2 boys & 2 girls George, Ben, Cora, Gladys

Cora & Lewis - 8 Children (5 girls & 3 boys)

Will never married - died at St. Helens, Oregon & Buried there

RANSIERS

The Ransiers came out west by oxen team and covered wagon

in 1874 ~~by train~~ The year of 1883 they went to Oklahoma by horse drawn covered wagon looking for a home. Then in the year of 1886 they came west by oxen and horse team wintered in Heppner and Lexington Territory now Oregon.

Came to Washington the spring of 1887, lived in what was known as Sixprong country near Roosevelt across from Arlington.

The year of 1888 came on up to a town, now a ghost town then known as Cleveland Wn. Then the Grand father Bickle came through and settled at the base of a hill where the Sage Brush and timber meet - He located there built a store livery stable and hotel. The Bickles had 16 Children, our mother was born in California on way west when she was six weeks old they started the trip on through that was the year of 1878.

The Ransiers were farmers - both located near Bickleton named for Grandfather Bickle. He died in 1914 near Cleveland. In March. In the 1929 Marilda died - Grandfather & Grandmother Bickle were buried at Prosser.

Albert and Alice died (1931-1937) Grandma Dec. 13, 1931 - Mabton
Grandpa Sept 18, 1937 Mabton

WILLIAM BICKLE OLDEST LIVING SON OF CHAS BICKLE WILL BE 89 YEARS OLD DEC 21 IS A GRAND OLD GENT, WILL BE VERY GLAD TO TALK TO YOU, AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. HE WAS AT THE GOLDENDALE REUNION SEPT , 3rd & 4th THIS YEAR.

HE IS MARRIED NOW THE 2nd TIME.

HIS FIRST WIFE FLORA (RANSIER) BICKLE ONE OF A PR OF TWINS EXPIRED ABOUT 15 YRS THEY HAVE 3 LIVING CHILDREN.

CORA (BICKLE) MRS ANGUS BROOKS, HAILEY IDAHO

GLADYS(BICKLE) MRS FRED AASA, 253, W. IDAHO ST. WEISER IDAHO

BEN BICKLE LIMA OHIO

BOX 32

WILL LIVES AT,GRANGER WASHINGTON, IWOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU CALL ON HIM HE CAN ANS. A LOT OF QUESTIONS

THE NEXT LIVING IS FANNY (BICKLE) WILLIAMS R#I BOX 20. SUNNYSIDE WASH. SHE ALSO WAS AT THE REUNION. 6 CHILDREN

NEXT BROTHER IS

FRED BICKLE NO CHILDREN. 00# 117-31 -36th AVE. N.E. SEATTLE 55

GRACE (BICKLE) JERRUE 1614- SUMNER LANE KLAMATH FALLS ORE. 3# CHILDREN

HELEN ("") CLARK BOX64 GALT CAL. 6CHILDREN

HARRY BICKLE 1349 E. 18th VANCOUVER 10 B.C. CANADA

THESE LAST FOUR ARE THE YOUNGEST FOUR IN THE FAMILY GROUP INCLOSED.

MRS EDD KRUSE OF HERMISTON TO WHOM YOU WROTE IS A NEICE OF MINE SHE SENT YOUR LETTER TO ME , I WORK NIGHTS AS NURSE IN HOSPITAL AND KEEP HOUSE FOR 4.

SOI HAVE VERY LITTLE TIME BUT I HAVE TRIED TO JOT DOWN SOME THINGS I KNOW.

MY MOTHER WAS

ALICE M. (BICKLE) RANSIER# FATHER WAS ALBERT RANSIER TO THIS UNION WAS BORN 14 CHILDREN , IAM THE OLDEST,BORN AT BICKLETON 1895.

CHAS BICKLE WAS A SUCESSFUL BUISNESS MAN ONE OF 1# 10 CHILDREN

IF THE DATES SEEM CONFUSING

CHAS MARRIED AT 20 YEARS OF AGE ANDTHE WIFE WAS14 .

ON ARRIVING AT GOLDENDALE THEY HEARD THE INDIANS HAD JUST KILLED THE PERKINS GRANDFATHER BICKLE IMPORTED THE FIRST WHEAT SEED TO BICKLETON. FAMILY
HIRED THE MAIL CARRIED FROM GOLDENDALE TO BICKLETON THE FIRST 3# YEARS.

PLANTED WHEAT AND SOLD SEED, PUT UP A STORE A LIVERY STABLE, AND HOTEL

IN THIS PICNIC GROUP WILL BICKLE IS SEATED IN CENTER HIS 3 SISTERS ARE STANDING BEHIND HIM DIRECTLY BEHIND IS GRACE JERRUE TO THE LEFT IS HELEN CLARK NEXT IS FANNY WILLIAMS.

MRS CHARLES SHELDON

WEST 6th AND PACIFIC

BOX 664

LA CENTER

WASHINGTON

MAIDEN NAME METTIE RANSIER

IN THE FAMILY GROUP TAKIN IN 1900 SEATED CHAS BICKLE LITTLE GIRL HELEN MRS BICKLE BABY HARRY.

STANDING DAVID EXPIRED. IDA, EXPIRED. LEROY. EXPIRED. GRACE AND FRED LIVING

Founded Bickleton Platted it in 1880

CHARLES N. BICKLE	BORN	MAR. 20,	1850	WISCONSIN
FANNY (BACON) WIFE	"	JUNE, 12.	1856	ILL.
CHILDREN BORN TO THIS UNION				
CHAS. EDWIN	"	MAR. 15,	1871	IOWA
WILLIAM HARROW*	"	DEC. 21,	1872	NEB
PHEOBE E	"	JULY 26	1874	KAN,
GEORGE	"	NOV, 12,	1876	KAN.
ALICE M.	"	JANUARY 14	1878	CAL.
EVA B.	"	FEB 4	1880	WASH BICKLETON
CHAS LEROY	"	MAY 3.	1881	BICKLETON WASH
FANNY J. IDAY OLD EXP.	"	MAY 15.	1882	" "
FANNY M.	"	MAY 15, 1881	1883	" "
J. FREDERICK	"	JAN 3	1885	" "
GRACE H.	"	APR. 18	1887	" "
IDA L.	"	MAR. 5.	1889	" "
HELEN D.	"	JAN. 16	1894	" "
DAVID				
			1891	" "
ADELIA	"	APRIL 10	1896	" "
HARRY T.	"	OCT. 13,	1900	" "

CHAS EDWIN MARRIED OLIVE *she died & he married again Bertie*
 WILLIAM H. " FLORA RANSIER
 PHEOBE " RICHARD WOMACK
 GEO EXP. *6 mo =*
 ALICE M. ALBERT M. RANSIER MY MOTHER METTIE SHELDON
 EVA HARRY LOCKEY
 CHAS LEROY ANNA
 FANNY M. GEORGE WILLIAMS
 J. FRED AMY GILPATRICK
 GRACE OTIS JERRUE
 DAVID
 IDA OLEY CHRISTIANSEN
 HELEN CHARLES CLARK
 HARRY

CHARLES N. DIED AND IS IN PROSSER CEM.
 WIFE FANNY BACON BICKLE " "

JUNE 25 1931

Bickleton First was shack

CHAS N BICKLE DONATED 1 ACRE OF LAND AT EAST END OF TOWN FOR ANOTHER SCHOOL
 IT SERVED UNTIL 1897 WHEN IT WAS REMOVED TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE PRESENT 2 STORY
 BLDG. THE CONTRACT WAS LET FOR \$1,300

THE BICKLETON NEWS WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1902 AUG. 2, S.G. NORRIS
 THE ONLY BANK IN EASTERN PART OF KLICKATIT CO. WAS THE BICKLETON BANK
 ESTABLISHED BY CATTLE MEN AND THE BUSINESS MEN AUG. 9, 1903, CAP. \$25,000
 BLDG COST. \$3,000 GEO. MC CREDY PRESIDENT AND STEPHEN MATSEN VICE.

CHARLES BICKLE WAS THE FIRST POST MASTER
 THE GROUP OF COVERED WAGON EMAGRANTS BICKLE WAS WITH TOOK REFUGE ~~at~~ AT THE
 BLOCK HOUSE (PICTURE ENCLOSED) FROM THE INDIANS IN 1878.
 LARGE PICTURE INCLOSED TAKEN IN 1900 JUST AS THEY SOLD OUT AT BICKLETON AND
 MOVED TO PROSSER WASH.

BICKLE BUILT A HOUSE BELOW PROSSER LIVED THERE UNTIL ABOUT 1904 .

SOLD AND BOUGHT PROPERTY NEAR WHEAR GRANDVIEW NOW IS.
 AT THAT TIME I USE TO RIDE HORSE BACK TO A FARM AT GRANDVIEW, IT WAS SAGE BRUSH.
 AND DRY , BUT ABOUT THIS TIME THE RAILROAD CAME THROUGH AND WATER, BICKLE SODD THIS

in 1907 moved to Seattle

140 members of Bickle and Ransier families,
some members of Charles N. Bickle, family which arrived in eastern
Klickitat County by covered wagon in 1879.

W 11 Bickle, Granger, who came in wagon train of his parents