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Chamberlains of Yalobusha and Grenada Counties, Mississippi

by James Baldwin Parker

During a routine review of Chamberlain census data for all of Mississippi, I became intrigued by the data for Grenada County¹ in 1870, which showed three white Chamberlain farm/plantation families and eight black or mulatto Chamberlain farm and/or servant families – all residing in more or less close association with one another. So, I decided to learn more about their history, having assumed that these black families were not long before almost certainly slaves on the white families' plantations.

Two of the white Chamberlain families were listed in 1870 only a few doors from each other, in Township 22, Bowen Post Office, Grenada County, Mississippi:

- Alfred J. Chamberlain, p. 190A, #560/568, 3 Aug 1870, age 46, farm laborer, b. South Carolina,

U. S. Citizen; Mary J., age 25, keeping house, b. Alabama; Elizabeth, age 18, at home, b. Mississippi; Margarete, age 2, b. Mississippi; also Lofraro? Cassell, female, black, age 5, b. Georgia.

- Lorenzo Chamberlain, p. 191A, #574/582, 3 Aug 1870, age 43, farmer, \$1000/\$650, b. South Carolina, U. S. Citizen; Sarah, age 30, keeping house, b. Tennessee; Susan P?, age 14, at home, attends school, b. Minnesota [evidently a typo]

The third white family was listed only a few more doors away, in Township 22, Graysport Post Office, Grenada County, Mississippi:

- William Chamberlain, p. 191B, #577/585, 22 Aug 1870, age 50, farmer, \$2000/\$4500, b. South Carolina, U. S. Citizen; Martha, age 43, keeping house, b. North Carolina; Emma, age 19, at home, attends school, b. Mississippi; Dora, age 17, at school, b. Mississippi; Cora, age 16, at school, b. Mississippi; also James Williams, age 16, at school, b. Mississippi.

The neighboring black Chamberlain families in the 1870 Census will be listed and discussed later.

Early Records In South Carolina And Mississippi

Grenada County, Mississippi was formed in 1870 from Carroll, Choctaw and Tallahatchie Counties but mostly from Yalobusha County, so these white families most likely lived in 1860 and earlier in Yalobusha County and before that in South Carolina. Sure enough, they were determined to be members of several farm families listed in 1850 and 1860 in Yalobusha County – each of them closely

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1 Grenada County, Mississippi, lies about 80 miles due south of Memphis, Tennessee, bisected by Interstate 55 and U. S. Highway 51. Grenada is the main city. To the north is Yalobusha County, and to the south lies Montgomery County (formed 31 May 1871, from Carroll and Choctaw counties), where Center Hill Cemetery near the village of Duck Hill contains burials of a number of black Chamberlains – headed by John Chamberlain (1863-1916) and Susan McKinney (1868-1954) and their 8 children. Census data for Duck Hill also list the black family of Anderson Chamberlain (1840 – before 1910) and his wife Emily or Eula (1865-after 1910) and their 12 children. No white Chamberlains were listed in Montgomery County before 1880 (and none as slave owners in 1850-1860 Slave Schedules), which suggests that these black families migrated there after the Civil War. It is unknown whether they are related to the black Chamberlain families of Yalobusha/Grenada County, but perhaps so, because of their rather close proximity.

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From the Desk of the Editor

by Peter G.
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Good morning from Minnesota. Before introducing the articles for this Key, I would like to remind members that the WCGS dues for this year were payable on January 1st. Failure to re-up will result in no more Keys after this issue. Please consider the savings from multi-year payments. I would also encourage members to take advantage of the electronic mailing for the Keys. Not only do you save your Society the mailing costs for hard copies, but you also experience enhanced reading experience when colored pictures are presented.

I was quite pleased and impressed with the initial "Chamberlain Key Hole." This lively and colorful electronic newsletter is a great way for the Corresponding Secretary to communicate informally with our membership outside of the somewhat regimented Key. Thanks to Pat and Jim Sugg for hatching this idea.

This Key represents a tribute to the dedication and prolific writing of Jim Parker. Without his contributions we simply would not have a Spring Key. We begin with the first in a new series created by Jim on the Chmbs of Mississippi. We will feature other articles on this topic throughout 2013.

We also continue with Jim's fourth and final installment in a series on two Joshua Chamberlains. This one focuses on the descendants who were instrumental in the early development of Oberlin College in Ohio.

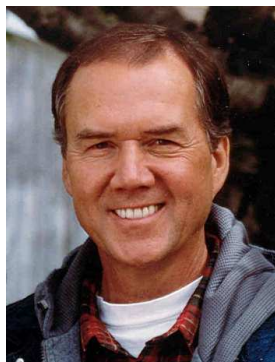
Please consider documenting the results of your research efforts to track down elusive members of your family tree. We need new contributors! No need to be fancy; I enjoy working with any form of input.

Until the next time...
Pete



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From the Desk of the President

by Theodore J. Chamberlain

As we begin a new year with the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society I can't help remembering how many "New Years" we have experienced since our beginning. It was Spring 1995 when I received a message from Welton Chamberlain. Welton acknowledged a query I had placed in The Genealogical Helper inquiring about the purchase of one of his books, and ventured that he probably knew my Chamberlain lineage. He said that he was "...placing a red flag..." on a file he had prepared for me, to be removed only when my forbears had been established. Not long thereafter, I received a telephone message (We did have answering machines in those days!) from him asking, in his inimitable manner, if I would like to meet with some "like-minded Chamberlains" for a "Chamberlain Roundtable" and to discuss the formation of a new group that would study and collect existing Chamberlain documents, especially those presently existing in Michigan. I called back and expressed enthusiasm, and consented to a meeting to be held at The Library of Michigan in Lansing.

I arrived in Lansing to the designated library room to find Welton and his wife, Mary, Phil Chamberlain and Jim Parker already there. We introduced ourselves (Actually, I was the only unknown.) and got right down to the business of forming, not only a new group, but a new formal (and legal) society. Note: some of them had already had a restaurant meeting so were primed to get right to work. One of the first tasks was to come up with a name. Welton suggested The Michigan Chamberlain Society, but all agreed that we might want to accept members from adjoining states like Ohio, so we decided to be somewhat brash and make the new society a national one! We then decided that

American Chamberlain Society sounded a bit too much like Chamberlain Association of America (the first society formed in the late nineteenth century). I, however, distinctly remember exhibiting even more brashness by asking if we shouldn't recognize the Chamberlain diaspora in at least all the English colonial empire! As I recall, Welton then exclaimed that we really had "started" in France, with the Tancarvilles and so, perhaps, we should be the World Chamberlain Society! And so it was: we voted ourselves into existence as the WCS, and asked our first president (Welton) to proceed with the legal niceties. This he did and later notified all of us that on 25 January 1996 The World Chamberlain Society had officially come into existence!

Side note: At our first formal meeting, Welton admitted to not having (or desiring) a computer. I remember that Jim, Phil and I chided him a bit about it. He soon purchased one, learned how to communicate by e-mail, and began inundating us with messages. I saved every message he sent, soon growing a huge and almost unwieldy paper file. I have all of those early messages still in a file cabinet dedicated solely to the WCGS!

In the Summer of 1996, we met for our first annual meeting at the White Lodge near Pinckney (see accompanying photo). We conducted our business, I gave a presentation on Joshua L. Chamberlain, we ate (of course) and just enjoyed being together, much like we still do today some seventeen years later.

And speaking of meetings, plans are solidifying for our Spring board meeting in Gettysburg on the first weekend in April, and for our seventeenth annual meeting of the society in Brunswick, Maine on 8-10 August. I hope to see you all in Maine, if not in Gettysburg. Remember, all our deliberations are open to our membership.



Top row, from left: Jim Parker, Phil Chamberlain, Pete Chamberlain, Ted Chamberlain, Welton Chamberlain.

Bottom row: Jane Williston, George Williston, Faye Chamberlain, Ben Chamberlain, and Joyce Chamberlain.

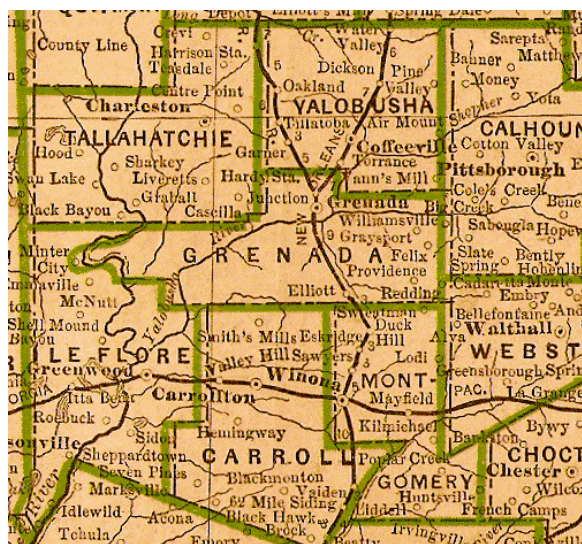
Next time I'll continue to reminisce as a possible precursor to writing a WCGS "family history"!

Ted



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related to one another, I soon found. This big Chamberlain family is identified in my research files in lineages I'd created a number of years ago. They were descendants in the third generation of the earliest known ancestor, John Chamberlain², born before 1775, place unknown but perhaps North Carolina, died after the date of his Will, 15 Dec 1813, Abbeville District, South Carolina; his wife was named Rebecca Cobb. Family history said that the Chamberlain, Oliver and Morrow³ families were all slave owners and had large plantations in South Carolina. The only known child of John and Rebecca Chamberlain was probably (unproven) Thomas Chamberlain, born 1792/95, probably in North Carolina, died about 1839, estate settled 17 May 1845, in Abbeville County, South Carolina. By his wife Margaret Oliver (about 1791–1865), daughter of James Oliver and Mary Hunter, Thomas Chamberlain



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had eleven known children, most of whom remained

² George W. Lipe cites as his sources: John's will at Abbeville, SC, Box 19, Pack 390; also *The Chamberlain Family of South Carolina and Yalobusha County, MS*, by Sally Stone Trotter (this source not seen by this author).

³ George Morrow (about 1742–1790), a native of Maryland, and probably a Quaker sympathizer, moved his family to Abbeville District, South Carolina just before the Revolutionary War, where he lived the remainder of his life. [Online site cites Source: *Morrow's and Related Families* by J. T. Morrow, pg. 42]. Morrow descendants lived in Tippah County, Mississippi. No mention is made of the Chamberlain family. Nothing known of the Oliver family.

in Yalobusha/Grenada county, Mississippi, and two who went to Texas.

This Southern U. S. Chamberlain family is listed in the *Chamberlain Chain*, Volume 11, Branch 63, pages 5-6, August 1991, published by the late Carolyn Weidner of Spokane, Washington⁴. Data were submitted by Mrs. Susie Chamberlain of Grenada, Mississippi, who also submitted several queries in the *Chamberlain Chain*, beginning in about 1985. Also, Mrs. William C. Trotter, Jr.,⁵ member #10 of the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society in 1996, told of her efforts to identify these ancestors in her Query #95 in the *Chamberlain Key*. Researcher Philip J. Chamberlain identified an LDS-IGI record listing this John Chamberlain as the father of Thomas and that various other pedigrees also list John Chamberlain and Rebecca Cobb as the parents of this Thomas. John and his family are most likely the listing in the 1810 census in Abbeville County, South Carolina, age 26-45, with a young daughter and what appears to be an older son who would be Thomas. Slaves, and there probably were some, are not recorded in this early census listing. There was more than one John Chamberlains listed in North Carolina before 1800, so additional research in land and other records would be required to identify the correct one.

My records for Thomas Chamberlain state that this family moved to South Carolina between 1800 and 1810, while he was still underage. *Chamberlain Chain*, Volume 7, Branch 44, pages 17-18, June 1988, provided a complete list of their children and one line of descent in Mississippi. This lineage was submitted by descendant George Wilson Lipe, who also submitted numerous queries and has been another active researcher of this line.⁶ Thomas

⁴ After her death, Carolyn's papers were donated to the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society and have been archived among the vast genealogical collections at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

⁵ She is Sally Bryant Stone, resident of Greenville, Mississippi, in 1996, born 5 Jan 1926, Memphis, Tennessee, who married W. C. Trotter, Jr. - their son is William Chamberlain Trotter III, SAR #128850, Belzoni, Mississippi, who is a prominent attorney there, per online listings. William C. Trotter Sr. (1890-1968) was son of Walter Trotter (1849-1915) and Cora Chamberlain (1854-1890). Cora was a daughter of William C. Chamberlain (1816-1896), son of Thomas and Margaret Chamberlain, as listed in this article.

⁶ Resident of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Sources cited include Thomas Chamberlain's Will, the 1850

evidently died in at his home in Abbeville District, South Carolina shortly before the 1840 Census, when his wife was listed as the head of household [0022-1110101] with four sons and several daughters living on the home farm, and nine slaves. His estate wasn't settled until 17 May 1845. He had been listed as Thomas "Chambertey" (?) in the 1830 Census in Abbeville, with six younger males and several younger females – a large family, indeed; 12 slaves were also enumerated then. That's all we know about him.

Thomas Chamberlain's widow Margaret moved with her children to Mississippi after her husband's death, though they spent a year in Autauga County, Alabama, where their son Alexander became married, before settling in Yalobusha County. She probably took her slaves with her, but this remains unknown. By 1850, Margaret and several of her younger children were living together, with one slave, near three of her grown sons who were listed in separate households, running the plantation(s). In 1860, she resided in Gore Springs, Yalobusha County with her youngest daughter Elizabeth (1835-1930) and her husband, Cornelius Lipe (1831/32-1875). Margaret died in 1865 in Gore Springs and is buried in the Providence Baptist Church Cemetery. She was also known as Margaret Cunningham in certain records.

Children of Thomas Chamberlain, All Born in Abbeville District, South Carolina

William Cobb (or perhaps Cunningham) Chamberlain, the eldest son, evidently inherited a plantation in Grenada County, Mississippi, not from his father, but instead by marriage. He was born, 23 Oct 1816, and he died in the city of Grenada, 16 May 1896. It was said that William came to Mississippi in the late 1830s, to "make his way in the world ... and had to make his own fortune." He worked in what was then Choctaw County for a planter named Moses Collins.⁷ After Collins' death Chamberlain married

Collins' widow, Mrs. Elizabeth (Sample) Collins, in 1843 in Yalobusha County. She died 23 Jul 1846, age 36 years, 1 month, 10 days, evidently with no children by this Chamberlain marriage.⁸ Chamberlain then married Martha Ann Peebles, about 1848, by whom he had one son who died young and several daughters who married and had families.⁹ The Chamberlains evidently later settled in the village of Grenada, Grenada (previously named Yalobusha) County, where they both died; buried in Providence Baptist Cemetery there according to one record, with a very tall granite obelisk marker for them also in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. William was a major slave owner – more is noted about this matter later in this article. In 1860, his land was listed at \$25,000, with personal property of \$43,000 (presumably mostly consisting of slaves), but after the Civil War, in 1870, his land was listed as only \$2,000 with \$4,500 personal property. In 1880, he was still listed as a planter, living with his wife Martha, two of his daughters, a granddaughter, and three black or mulatto servants.

Alexander Hunter Chamberlain, the next oldest child, was born 4 Jul 1818, and migrated to Texas before the Civil War. He died, 13 Feb 1883, in Blue Ridge or Alto Springs, Falls County, Texas, after an eventful life. By his marriage to Temperance Killingsworth Aldridge¹⁰ (1827-1862), daughter of William Killingsworth and Martha Rose Ghiberti, they had seven children born between 1845 and 1863 – the first ones in Choctaw County, Mississippi and

plantation – 10 males and 10 females – mostly under 37 years of age, 11 of whom were employed in agriculture and 1 in manufactures.

8 Marriage recorded in Book A, p. 163 – the book is lost, but part of it was indexed. Elizabeth's full name, per Philip J. Chamberlain, came from his correspondence with Sally Trotter and Trude (Chamberlain) Powers. Trude is the sister of George Lamar Chamberlain, Jr., whose DNA test results are mentioned near the end of this article.

9 Four daughters and one son are listed: 1) Emma Elenora, b. 18 Jan 1850, who married a Dejarnette; 2) Dora, born 1853, who married Benjamin C. Adams, Jr.; 3) Mollie, born 21 Oct 1853, died 15 Aug 1859; and 4) Cora, born 13 Mar 1854, died 21 Oct 1890, who married Walter Trotter Sr. – their grandson, William Chamberlain Trotter Jr., was the husband of the genealogist, Mrs. Sally Bryant (Stone) Trotter, WCGS Member #10; DAR #398890 – see also footnote number 2. The son was Willie, born about October 1859, died 12 Jul 1860. (See also FN 2)

10 Data for this family from LDS Ancestral File, contributed by Mary Jones Tady, Kansas City, Kansas.

census, gravestones and personal knowledge.

George's Lipe/Chamberlain ancestry: Cornelius Hulbert (1902-1971); John James Hulbert (1858-1946); Cornelius Hulbert (1831/32-1875) who married Elizabeth Ann Chamberlain (1835-1930); Thomas Chamberlain (1792/95-about 1839); John (before 1775-before Dec 15, 1813).

7 Probably related to the Collins family of Abbeville, South Carolina, but this has not been confirmed. In the 1840 Census in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, Moses Collins, age 40-50, was listed with one other adult male, a younger male age 10-15, and his wife, age 30-40. 20 Slaves are listed on this

the last three in Alto Springs, Texas. They lived in a log house near the Little Brazos River in Alto Springs (first settled in 1846). Alexander and his wife are buried with several family members in the Blue Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery in Falls County – she died in 1862 from “consumption complicated by childbirth,” it was said.

In late 1844, Alexander and Temperance had moved with her father’s family and his own mother and siblings from South Carolina into Mississippi where the Aldridge family settled in Choctaw County and the Chamberlain family in Yalobusha County. They were of the Baptist denomination, and Alexander became a Deacon in the Mars Hill Baptist Church – settling there for five years. In 1849, bitten by the “gold fever bug,” and resettling his wife and two sons in Choctaw County next door to her father, he sailed on 21 Mar 1849, for California on the ship “Samoset” from Vicksburg, Mississippi, just nine days before the birth of his third child – a daughter. He settled on a “swelling” on the banks of the Cosumnes River, not far from Sacramento, together with his brother, Lorenzo Dow Chamberlain, a cousin named James T. Oliver and four other gold miners. Alexander’s slave, Thomas Chamberlain, completed the occupants of this mining camp. Alexander returned home to Mississippi in 1853, where his fourth child was born the next year. The family moved to Texas, settling in Alto Springs, Falls County about 1855. They brought five slaves with them to Texas, crossing the Mississippi River by ferry – traveling with mule-drawn covered wagons.

Alexander Chamberlain was imprisoned with two sons by the Mexican Government during the American Civil War. He remembered his trip into Mexico in 1861/62 with his brother, James Oliver Chamberlain, to “gather Spanish ponies” so now in 1864 he returned to Mexico with a slave, Bill Chamberlain and Alexander’s two eldest sons, to remove them from any chance of being inducted into the Confederate States Army. They were all immediately incarcerated by the Mexicans. One of these sons, William Alonzo Chamberlain, died in jail, aged 18. Alexander bribed a Mexican guard to help them take William’s body across the river to bury him on Texas soil – promising to return to the jail in Mexico if he would help them. They were released at the end of the Civil war, when the father and the surviving son, Angelo Ghiberta Chamberlain, returned home to Falls County.

In March 1871, Alexander Chamberlain decided to make a second trip to California, taking his two daughters, Frances Tucker Chamberlain and Mary Eliza “Mollie” Chamberlain and his youngest son, Samuel Houston Chamberlain, with him. They settled near Uriah in Low Gap, where Mollie married

in 1877. Alexander kept a small journal during his stay in California, recording information about fruit trees and grapevines he was purchasing to bring back to Falls County, Texas; listing items and costs of purchases such as tobacco; and listing the trees cut for lumber and delivery to people building homes and business. The journal ended with information about his return by train to Hearne, Texas with “a steamer trunk with a false bottom in which he had hidden two pouches of gold dust.” The gold was said to have been stolen after arrival in Hearne and the final lap of the journey home. Whether or not he had the gold dust is unproven; but it is known that he planted the grapevines, as his record showed, and he planted some fruit trees on the land of his children. He grafted pear trees to crab apple trees, and four of these trees still bear different flavored pears on the Chamberlain farm at Blue Ridge,¹¹ Falls County, it is said. After the slaves were freed, one of the adult men taught him carpentry, and there are still some of the rawhide-bottomed chairs, his tools, and other examples of his work in the Falls County Historical Museum.¹²

Alexander’s son Angelo Ghiberti Chamberlain (1847-1923), spent his entire life as a farmer at Blue Ridge, Texas, where he died. In 1871 he married Sarah “Sally” Harlan, who came from a Quaker background – from a family who went to Texas in 1834. Their eleven children, recorded between 1872 and 1898, and numerous descendants are carefully traced - my records here list 31 grandchildren.

Margaret Caroline Chamberlain, the third child in this family, was born 1 April 1820, and died 8 Mar 1862, in Yalobusha County. She was married to Thomas B. Bowen, a landowner who lived nearby the Chamberlain plantations.

Rebecca Chamberlain, the next oldest child, was born in 1821 – nothing is known about her.

Thomas Alfred (also known as Alfred J.) Chamberlain, the next child in this family, was born 8 April 1823. He remained the rest of his life as a planter in Grenada County, Mississippi, dying there 4 April 1884. By his first wife, Elizabeth Oliver (1834-

11 Blue Ridge and Alto Springs are small towns situated on either side of the Little Brazos River, in Falls County, about 10 miles due east of the city of Marlin and about 40 miles southeast of Waco.

12 Refer to the following website for this biographical sketch:
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txfalls/BIOGRAPHIES/bioCHAMBERLAINalex.htm>. Data transcribed by Kay Cunningham from *Families of Falls County*, compiled and edited by the Falls County Historical Commission, pp. 68-70. This book is out of print – not seen by this author (JBP).

1852), he had two daughters: Margaret Ella Chamberlain (1850-1935) who married John James Williams (1854-1948) – they moved to Rosebud,¹³ Falls County, Texas and had five known children; Elizabeth Chamberlain (1852-1933) married David Ridley – they had no children. Thomas married second, before 1868, Mary Taylor Willingham (1844-1922). Four more children are listed for them, all of whom stayed there in Grenada County, as did most descendants in the next generation. Thomas and both wives are buried in Providence Baptist Cemetery, Grenada County, Mississippi.

James (also called John) Oliver Chamberlain, another son in this family, was born 22 Dec 1824. By his wife Mary (-?-), he had a son William, born about 1844, and a daughter Lucy, born about 1849. Little is known about this family, but it is suggested that James was a trader in Falls County, Texas, later settling in Robertson County, Texas, where he died in 1880.

Lorenzo Dow Chamberlain (easily confused with other unrelated persons of this identical name), was born 4 Oct 1826. By his wife Cynthia E. Lay (1829-1860), he had two children. His daughter Susan Palestine Chamberlain, born 1856, married John Smith Bradford in 1872, in Calhoun County, Mississippi, where they had nine children. Lorenzo's unnamed infant son was born and died in 1860. By his second marriage in 1862, to Sarah Elizabeth (Kent) Bradford, no children are listed. Lorenzo was a soldier in the Confederacy – my research notes list these entries:

- Ancestry.com has several Private Member Photos, labeled "Oath of Allegiance," "Prisoner of War," "Portrait," "Yalobusha County Mississippi," and "Deserted."
- Ancestry.com, U. S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865: Lorenzo Dow Chamberlin, Confederate, 15th Mississippi Infantry, Company H, Private; also listed as L. D. Chamberlain.
- findagrave.com: L. D. Chamberlain, 1826-1907, buried Bradford Chapel Cemetery, Dentontown, Calhoun Co., Mississippi.

As previously stated, Lorenzo joined his brother Alexander in the gold fields near Sacramento, California, where he was listed in the 1850 census. He later returned home to Grenada County, Mississippi, where he was a planter.

Isabella Drucilla Chamberlain, the next child in this family, was born 1 May 1828 and was married in 1847 to William C. Williams, born about 1827 in

Alabama. They were neighbors of Isabella's brothers, as listed in the 1850 and 1860 census records, with five children listed for them by then.

George Alexander Chamberlain, the next child, was born 23 Dec 1829 and died in 1868. He never married. It was said that while traveling with his brother, Alexander Hunter Chamberlain, he was drowned while crossing the Mississippi River on a ferry.

Arianna or Aridna Jane "Anna" Chamberlain, the next child, was born 17 Apr 1832, and died 20 Jul 1853, in Yalobusha County. She was married in 1852 to William G. B. Wilson, but it appears there were no children by this marriage.

Elizabeth Ann Chamberlain, the last child in this family, was born 2 Dec 1835, and lived until the advanced age of 94, when she died on 21 Oct 1930, in Sumner, Tallahatchie County, Mississippi. Elizabeth was married in 1857 to Cornelius Hulbert Lipe, who died 25 Jul 1875, in Gore Springs, Yalobusha County, Mississippi, son of Abraham and Mary L. (-?-) Lipe. Seven children are recorded in this family in Grenada County between 1858 and 1874. The biographical sketch for Alexander Hunter Chamberlain states that Cornelius Lipe was the "slave manager" for his brother-in-law, William Cobb Chamberlain. Indeed, Cornelius was listed as "slave manager" in the 1860 census, when living with his wife and children next door to her brother William.

The Black Chamberlain Families of Yalobusha and Grenada Counties, Mississippi

In the 1830 U. S. census, Thomas "Chamberlty" is listed as the only white Chamberlain/lin family in Abbeville District, South Carolina, with his wife and children, together with twelve slaves – but nothing about them is described.

In the 1840 U. S. census, M. Chamberlin (Margaret – widow of Thomas) is listed as the only white Chamberlain/lin family in Abbeville District, South Carolina, together with her children and nine slaves – again, nothing is known about them except that four of them were working in "agriculture."

By the time of the 1850 U. S. census, each white slave owner in Yalobusha County, Mississippi was named, listed together with each slave designated by sex and by age. Here are the results for this family:

- Margaret Chamberlain, slave owner, 1 slave: Female, age 14
- William Chamberlin, slave owner, 23 slaves: Males ages 60, 30, 28, 28, 25, 24, 21, 20, 13, 12, 6, 2, 1; Females ages 50, 25, 24, 22, 22, 21, 20, 11, 10, 5. William's

¹³ Rosebud is located about 20 miles southwest of the Chamberlain relatives in Alto Springs and Blue Ridge.

wife, a widow whom he married in 1843 as stated above, had owned 24 slaves at the time of the 1840 census, so it is presumed that he then became their owner, at least as far as the census was concerned. One supposes that William's brothers, Thom. A. and J. C., (listed just below) and his mother Margaret (listed just above), became the owners of Thomas Chamberlain's slaves – 12 in 1830 and 9 in 1840 – and by 1850 evidently numbering 10. Of these 10, 3 or 4 had been born since 1840, so at least two of the older slaves had by 1850 either died or been sold away.

- Thom. A. Chamberlin, slave owner, 2 slaves: Females, ages 24 & 7
- J. C. (James or John Oliver) Chamberlin, slave owner, 7 slaves: Males ages 27, 10, 5, 5/12; Females ages 23, 22, 3.

The 1860 census for Yalobusha County, dated 1 Sep 1860, enumerates the following, listed by sex, age and color:

- L. D. (Lorenzo Dow) Chamberlin, slave owner, 1 black slave: Female, age 23 or 25, 1 slave house.
- W. C. (William Cobb or Cunningham) Chamberlin, slave owner, 49 slaves (46 black, 3 mulatto children); Males ages 31, 4, 32, 29, 38, 28, 70, 9, 7, 26, 22, 15, 11, 38, 55, 6, 25, 3 or 8, 6 (mulatto), 10, (mulatto), 80, 25, 8; Females: 24, 2, 27, 31 or 36, 6, 6, 4 (mulatto), 36, 6?, 11, 28, 14, 6, 22, 22, 36, 4, 30, 2, 18, 12, 34, 23, 37, 16, 9; living in 7 slave houses or in the main house. I've listed them in 1860 in the order as written (though separating males from females), which suggests about ten different families, judging by their ages.

Available online¹⁴ is an interesting report, transcribed by Tom Blake, April 2003, entitled "Yalobusha County, Mississippi, Largest Slaveholders from 1860 Slave Census Schedules and Surname Matches for African Americans on 1870 Census." The 1860 U. S. census Slave Schedules for Yalobusha County reportedly included a total of 9,531 slaves. This transcription includes 152 slaveholders who held 20 or more slaves, accounting for 5,993 slaves, or about 63% of the County total.

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<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ajac/msyalobusha.htm>

They include William Chamberlain with 49 slaves. The rest of the slaves in the County in 1860 were held by a total of 569 slaveholders. They would include Lorenzo Dow Chamberlain with his slave. This report stresses that the Mississippi slave/black population only increased by 1% between 1860 and 1870 – many families migrated to Louisiana, Texas and other places in the interim. And so it may have been with some of the Chamberlain family slaves.

By the time of the 1870 census, six separate black or mulatto Chamberlain families are listed by name in Grenada (previously Yalobusha) County, all of whom are presumed (except the youngest children) to have previously been slaves residing on the Chamberlain plantations. Listed in 1870, Township 22, Grenada P. O., are four black families, closely associated with the three white brothers, William, Thomas Alfred (or Alfred J.) and Lorenzo Dow Chamberlain, whose 1870 census data are listed at the beginning of this article.

- Amanda Chamberlain, p. 192A, #584/592, 4 Aug 1870, mulatto, age 35, farm laborer, b. Mississippi, living alone.
- Charles Chamberlain, p. 191B, #579/587, 22 Aug 1870, mulatto, age 39, farm laborer, -/\$225, b. Missouri, U. S. citizen; Lucinda, mulatto, age 35, farm laborer, b. Mississippi; George A., mulatto, age 18, farm laborer, b. Mississippi; Angeline, black, age 1, b. Mississippi.

This family could not be traced, though the son, George A. Chamberlain, was probably the George Chamberlain listed in the 1920 census in Grenada County, age 67, a widowed farmer.

- Johnson Chamberlain, p. 191B, #582/590, 22 Aug 1870, black, age 50, farm laborer, -/\$275, b. Missouri, U. S. Citizen; Cealia, mulatto, age 41, keeping house, b. Mississippi; Maria, mulatto, age 35, b. Mississippi; Jane, mulatto, age 10 or 50, b. Mississippi; Johnson, black, age 7, b. Mississippi; also Georgeanna? Jordan, black, age 6, farm laborer, b. Mississippi; Merril Bady?, male, black, age 18, farm laborer, b. Mississippi.

See a separate account tracing this family of Johnson Chamberlain, below.

- Sarah Chamberlain, p. 191B, #578/586, 22 Aug 1870, black, age 50, domestic servant, b. North Carolina; Caroline, black, age 18, domestic servant, b. Mississippi; Floyd, black, age 14, domestic servant, b.

Mississippi; Myra, black, age 12, b. Mississippi; Ann, black, age 40, domestic servant, b. Missouri; Charles, black, age 3, b. Mississippi; Pig or Dig, black, male, age 19, b. Mississippi; Amanda, black, age 7, b. Mississippi; Ann, black, age 8, b. Mississippi.

Note that Charles and Sarah are listed right next door to the white family of William Chamberlain, and Johnson is listed just a few more doors away.

Two other black families are listed in Township 22, Graysport P. O., Grenada County in 1870:

- George Chamberlin, p. 184B, #482/488, 30 Jul 1870, black, age 35, farm laborer, b. North Carolina, U. S. Citizen; Amanda, black, age 30, keeping house, b. Mississippi; Harriet, black, age 12, b. Mississippi; Samuel, black, age 9, b. Mississippi; also Amanda O'Bannon, black, age 45, farm laborer, b. Mississippi.
- Thomas Chamberlain, p. 186B, #510/517, 1 Aug 1870, black, age 62, farm laborer, b. Mississippi, U. S. Citizen; Lucinda, black, age 40, keeping house, b. Mississippi; Maria, black, age 15, farm laborer, b. Mississippi; Puss, female, black, age 13, b. Mississippi; Hort, female, black, age 6, b. Mississippi.

This Thomas Chamberlain was probably the slave who had accompanied Alexander Hunter Chamberlain to the gold fields of California in 1849.

More About Johnson Chamberlain and His Family

It is fascinating to study these records, speculating as to what became of these individuals. I've attempted to trace one of them – Johnson Chamberlain. Several of his family members are buried in rural Browns Cemetery not far from the city of Grenada. Johnson Chamberlain's daughter Roxana (1857 -) married Lev Master, a mulatto whose parents were natives of Maryland – their son Eugene was born about 1877 according to the 1880 census – more could perhaps be learned about this family. Son Johnson (1866-1930), was married about 1889 to Mary (-?-) (1870-1929), with 11 children listed for them between 1888 and 1909, as recorded in census data:

- 1900 census, Twp. 22 of Range 6 East, Beat 2, Grenada Co., Mississippi: Johnson Chamberlain, p. 03?B, #58/58, 1 Jun 1900,

head, black, age 34, b. Mar 1866, married 13 years, farmer; Mary, wife, black, age 29, b. Oct 1870, laborer on farm; J. F., daughter, black, age 12, b. Feb 1888, at school; Charly, son, black, age 9, b. Sep 1890, at school; Cicly, daughter, black, age 7, b. Oct 1892, at school; E. L., daughter, black, age 5, b. Dec 1894; Colustes?, daughter, black, age 4, b. Feb 1896; Eveln?, daughter, black, age 2, b. May 1898; also Randolph Moon, nephew, black, age 15, b. Dec 1884.

-1910 census, Beat 2, Graysport P. O., Grenada Co., Mississippi, Johnson Chamberlain, p. 080A, #2/2, Apr 1910, head, black, age 44, married once, age 23, laborer - home farm; Mary, wife, age 39, mulatto, married once, 23 years, 11 children; Charly, son, mulatto, single, age 20, laborer - home farm; Essey, daughter, mulatto, age 16, laborer - home farm; Calesta, daughter, mulatto, age 14, laborer - home farm; Evaln, daughter, mulatto, age 12, laborer - home farm; Johnson Jr., son, mulatto, age 10, laborer - home farm; Fannie, daughter, mulatto, age 8; Allen, son, mulatto, age 5; George, son, mulatto, age 2; Frank, son, mulatto, age 4 months.

-1920 census, Beat 2, Grenada Co., Mississippi, Johnson Chamblin or Chambliss, p. 63B, #46/49, 17 Jan 1920, head, black, age 52, owns, farmer - general farm; Mary, wife, black, age 50; Johnson Jr., son, black, age 19, single; Fanny Lee, daughter, black, age 16; Allen, son, black, age 14; George, son, black, age 12; Frank, son, black, age 10; Willie, son, black, age 7; Mary, daughter, black, age 5.

This Johnson's son Charlie (1890-1970) and his wife Lela (1892-1973) are both buried with his parents in rural Browns Cemetery, Grenada County – their common gravestone is shown with a Masonic symbol for Charlie and a Star symbol (perhaps for the Eastern Star) for his wife Lela. They are listed in census data as follows:

- 1920 census, Beat 2, Grenada Co., Mississippi, Chas Chamberlain, p. 63B, #47/50, 17 Jan 1920, head, age 30, rents, farmer - general farm; Lela, wife, age 28; Claud, son, age 1 month; all listed as black.

-1930 census, Beat 2, Grenada Co., Mississippi, Char's Chamberlain, U. S. Highway #8, p. 209B, #146/146, 12 Apr 1930, head, age 40, married age 21, owns, farmer - general farming; Lealor?, wife, age 38, married age 18; Claude,

son, age 10, laborer - on farm; Lucite or Lucile, daughter, age 2; Frank, brother, single, age 20; Willie, brother, single, age 18, laborer - on farm; Mary, sister, single, age 16, laborer - on farm; Farnice or Fannie?, mother, widow, age 84, all listed as Negro

-1940 census, Grenada Co., Mississippi, Charlie (listed as Clartis) Chamberlain, p. 140B, household #50, 10 Apr 1940, male, age 50, owns, house valued at \$140, operator - farm, b. Mississippi; Lelia, wife, age 48, b. Mississippi; Claud, son, single, age 20, laborer - farm, b. Mississippi; Lucite, daughter, age 12, b. Mississippi; Esther, daughter, age 9, b. Mississippi; Frank, brother, single, age 26, b. Mississippi; all listed as Negro.

Charlie's brother Frank died in 1953 and is also buried in Browns Cemetery. He lived for many years on the farm with Charlie, and was probably never married. I wasn't able to trace their brother Claud(e).

Another black Chamberlain family first appeared in the 1880 census in Grenada County:

-George Chamberlain, p. 182C, head, mulatto, age 26, farmer; Julia, wife, black, age 21; Zodia, son, black, age 5; Cora, daughter, black, age 3.

Since George's parents were natives of Georgia, and since he doesn't appear in the 1870 census in Grenada County, it would appear that he migrated from some other plantation location sometime after the Civil War. I've traced his 8 children, 25 known grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren through the 1940 census, mostly farm families living in Grenada County¹⁵

15 The Internet's White Pages for Grenada, Mississippi, currently list the following individuals who might be related somehow:

Ida M. Chamberlain, 518 3rd St., age 65+
Alice L. Chamberlain, 4th St., age 36 (associated with Earnest L., Emma L. and Beverly L. Cashaw)
Alice L. Chamberlain, age 61
Alice Chamberlain, age not listed, 950 Silver Leaf Dr., associated with 10 other persons
Rd D. Chamberlain, (associated with 5 other persons)
Amy N. Chamberlain, age 61
Andra Chamberlain, age 38, (associated with AL Chamberlain and Alice L. Chamberlain). Andra's business references Alice Chamberlain as a Principal
Demetra Chamberlain, age 18-24
Barbara J. Chamberlain, age 65+, perhaps the same person as Barbara Jo Chamberlain

In summary, I've listed these detailed census records for this family so that other curious and energetic researchers might be able to trace them in even greater detail, if desired.

Not searched carefully, though this should be done, was the website for the Mississippi Department of Archives and History "Freedmen's Bureau."¹⁶ It states that "After the Civil War, former slaves were given the opportunity to enter into work contracts with planters to ensure equitable payment for their labor. The Freedmen's Bureau ... was established by Congress to supervise all affairs relating to refugees and freedmen, including the writing of labor contracts of planters/farmers with freedmen" - indexed are contracts covering the period 1865-1867. In 1860, Mississippi had 436,631 slaves; these post-war contracts contain the names of some 36,000+ of those former slaves. My cursory search online revealed none of the Chamberlains in this article listed in this Freedmen's Bureau site, however.

The Black, Possibly Chamberlain, Families of Falls County, Texas

As previously stated, Alexander Hunter Chamberlain took five slaves with him when he migrated to Falls County, Texas, in 1855. They are listed with him in the 1860 U. S. census "Slave Schedule" as four females ages 31, 15, 9 and 6 and one male age 11, all black - a single family. Also listed at the same place in 1860 was Alexander's brother, James (or John) Chamberlain, also with a single family of five black slaves - three females ages 25, 8, 3 and two males ages 5 and 1. I was unable to locate these two black families in Falls County, Texas, in the 1870 census nor later on with the surname of Chamberlain (or other surname spellings). Several black families are listed in the 1870 census residing fairly near "Alex Chamblin" but none have the Chamberlain surname. So it remains unlikely that these two black families adopted the Chamberlain surname after their release from slavery, making it nearly impossible to identify and trace them.

Frederick E. Chamberlain II, age 65+, (there in 1996 and other years)
Magnolia M. Chamberlin, age 65+
Roosevelt Chamberlin, age 69, listed in U. S. Public Records Index, Grenada, born 24 Jun 1943, died 31 Oct 2011. His obituary lists the names of five siblings who are all residents of Duck Hill, Montgomery County
Sandra K. Chamberlin or McClain, age 42

16 An online catalog encourages searching, at: <http://opac2.mdah.state.ms.us/freedmanblurb.php?>

Other Black Chamberlain Families In Mississippi

Other Chamberlain/Chamberlain/Chamblin black families elsewhere in Mississippi in the 1870 census include two families in Natchez, Adams County, headed by Edward Chamblin, age 24 and Jennie Chamblin, age 20; one black family in Clairborne County near Port Gibson, headed by Anderson Chamberlain, age 40; one black family in De Soto County, near Branch, headed by Jack Chamberlin, age 29; two black families in Hinds County near Jackson, headed by William Chamberlain, age 35 and Cain Chamberlin, age 60; one mulatto family in Kemper County near Kellis Store Post Office, headed by Frank Chamberlain, age 23; one black family in Marshall County near Lamar, headed by Martin Chamline, age 21; two black families in Noxubee County near Shuqualak, headed by Guilford Chamberlain, age 17, and Ned Chamberlain, age 20; and one black family near Greenville, Washington County, headed by Ed Chamberlain, age 42. I've delved into the history of a few of these other Mississippi families, which will be one subject of subsequent articles about other Mississippi Chamberlain/lins..

DNA Testing Results

Philip J. Chamberlain's detailed chart of Y-DNA results for all Chamberlains does indeed contain matching listings for two known white male descendants of the Abbeville, South Carolina Chamberlains. It shows that their DNA does NOT match any of the other Chamberlains in this DNA listing, but is instead unique. These known descendants are 1) George Lamar Chamberlain, son of George Lamar Chamberlain¹⁷ (1910-1991), a veteran of World War Two and his wife Susie Lee Horton, both buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Grenada County, Mississippi; 2) Ollie "Gray" Chamberlain¹⁸ (1926-2005) and his wife Mary Irene

(Bowser) Findley, of Falls County, Texas, son of Homer Gray Chamberlain (1896-1968) and his wife Stella May Butler of Texas. These DNA results, with fairly close matches to some other non-Chamberlains, suggest the possibility of Irish roots for this family.

Conclusion

This completes my rather detailed report about the Chamberlains of Yalobusha/Grenada counties in Mississippi. It is primarily intended to show what can be done with various extant records (many of them available online, though not all) and with some effort, to trace relationships between white plantation owners in the Southern U. S. and their slaves before and after they gained their freedom, some having kept the surname of their prior owners – in this case Chamberlain. Contact with some living white descendants has proved informative, but this author has not yet been able to contact any living black Chamberlain descendants.

17 Son of George Edward Chamberlain (1878-1945); Thomas Alfred (1823-1884); Thomas (1792/95-about 1839)

18 Gray's step-daughter, Cheryl Chamberlain Noland, is the FTDNA contact for her father's DNA record, and was very helpful to this author in the preparation of this report. Gray was the son of Homer Gray Chamberlain (1896-1968); and grandson of Angelo Ghiberti Chamberlain (1847-1923) of Falls County, Texas, who was discussed in this report. Gray's wife, Mary Irene Bowser (1924-2007), prepared a lovely biographical sketch of her family, entitled "*My Odyssey From The Allegheny Mountains...*" It describes her childhood in

Johnstown, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, her first marriage to Robert Findley in 1946, their daughter Cheryl born 1947, their move to Cameron, Milan Co., Texas for Mary's health, Bob's sudden death in 1950, and her second marriage in December of that year to Ollie Gray Chamberlain, by whom she had six more children. Gray was a dairy farmer until 1953 and later became the Tax Assessor/Collector for the City of Waxahachie.

OBERLIN COLLEGE CHAMBERLAINS

by James Baldwin Parker

This is the fourth in a series of articles which began with a couple of articles about two Joshua Chamberlain/lins, both Revolutionary War soldiers, whose records have been badly confused in previously published sources. The third article about one of them, entitled “Capt. Joshua Chamberlain of Richmond, New York,” also highlighted his two known sons, Pierce Chamberlain (about 1773-1856) of Saybrook, Ashtabula County, Ohio, and Isaac Chamberlain (1780-1849) of Honeyoye and Canadice, Ontario County, New York, who died about 1849 in East Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. This line, based on DNA analysis, traces on back to William (1) Chamberlain (about 1619-1706), one of the five original immigrant Chamberlain/lin ancestors in early New England.

Census data show that Isaac Chamberlain, whose only known children¹⁹ are the subject of this article, in fact had several sons and daughters between 1800 and 1820 or a bit later by his wife Amy Benton (1780-1858), daughter of Ebenezer Benton and Amy Hosford of South Farms, Litchfield County, Connecticut. These two known sons were Reverend Uriah Tracy Chamberlain, born 3 March 1809, in Richmond, Ontario County, New York, and Reverend Ebenezer Benton Chamberlain, born 13 July 1810, also in Richmond, New York. Little is known about their parents, other than that they were farmers who were obviously quite religious, almost certainly either Congregational or Presbyterian, and very dedicated to educating their children. The family moved to northern Ohio sometime before 1833, where these sons entered college. It has been stated that they were ... “two of the thirty-nine young men to found Oberlin College in 1833. Uriah graduated from the first class there about 1836. Members of the [Chamberlain] association traced to him: #72, Frederic W. Chamberlain, Three Oaks, Michigan; Prof. William B. Chamberlain, A. M., Oak Park, Illinois (d. 7 March 1903).”²⁰ More will be said about them later.

The village of Oberlin grew up around the college, in Lorain County, not far from the city of Elyria, Ohio.

The history of Oberlin College²¹ states that it was founded, there in the forest wilderness, by two Presbyterian ministers, John Jay Shipherd and Philo P. Stewart, for the purpose of spreading strong Christian morals among the settlers of the American West, and to train Christian missionaries to spread the Word. Initially, tuition was free, although students were expected to help build and sustain the community. These were without doubt major attractions for students. In addition the college was strongly committed to the principles of anti-slavery; the college early became a hotbed of abolitionist fervor, and a terminus along the Underground Railroad before 1852. In the fall of 1835, Oberlin opened a theological school with Asa Mahan as President and Charles Finney as Professor of Theology – the two Chamberlain brothers enrolled in this school. By 1906, a total of 56 Chamberlain or Chamberlin students from all over the country had been enrolled there, including several descendants in this line.²² Abbreviated biographical entries from the 1906 Oberlin College catalogue are shown together with the names of many of the persons described below.

REVEREND URIAH TRACY
CHAMBERLAIN, enrolled 1834-39 Seminary; from Cayuga, New York; died Cambridgeboro, Pennsylvania, 10 Jan 1880; graduated: Oberlin, Seminary, 1838.

At about the time of his graduation from Oberlin College, Uriah Chamberlain was married to Sarah E. “Sally” Sanborn, 21 Feb 1838, born 15 Sep 1808 in Sandbornten, Strafford County, New

19 Another child is probably Isaac Chamberlain, Jr., a resident of Oberlin, who was enrolled in the college, 1837-38. Nothing else is known about him.

20 *Chamberlain Association Annual Report for 1903*, page 46

21 Wikipedia states, quite appropriately, that “Oberlin College is a private liberal arts college in Oberlin, Ohio, noteworthy for having been the first American institution of higher learning to regularly admit female and black students. Connected to the college is the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, the oldest continuously operating conservatory in the country. The college's motto is ‘Learning and Labor.’ Oberlin is known for having more alumni who earn PhDs than any other liberal arts college in the nation.”

22 *Seventy-Fifth Anniversary, General Catalogue of Oberlin College, 1833-1906*, (Oberlin, Ohio, 1 Apr 1909)

Hampshire, with seven children born to them between 1838 and 1849 in Ohio. Uriah became a Congregational minister (Oberlin became well known as a Congregational College), serving his ministry in numerous places in Ohio and Pennsylvania.²³ Family history says that, as a fervent Congregationalist and abolitionist, the family actively helped hide slaves who were escaping to freedom – in a family barn. A biographical sketch²⁴ for Uriah's wife provides this account:

Sally (Sarah) E., b. 15 Sep 1808; received part of her education at Franklin and Pembroke academies, when, in 1834, the church in Franklin, of which she was a member, raised a scholarship for the infant college at Oberlin, Ohio, and sent her thither "to prepare for future Usefulness." Having completed the prescribed course, she married Rev. Uriah Tracy Chamberlain, 21 Feb 1838. He was b. 3 March 1809, in Richmond, New York; entered Lane Theological Seminary, Ohio, in 1832; was transferred, with thirty-nine other students, in a body, to Oberlin Seminary, and there graduated, 1838, having commenced his first pastorate at Fitchville, Ohio, Feb. 16, of the same year. He was a true evangelist, and an earnest friend of the oppressed; was tried under the "Ohio Black Law," and cleared by the efforts of Hon. Frank D. Parish, soon after which said law was repealed.

He was also a pioneer in the temperance movement in Ohio. His last field of labor (previously at Churchville and Stockholm) was at Hartford, Ohio, until Nov. 1878, and after

23 Reverend Uriah Tracy Chamberlain served his ministry in Fitchville, Erie County, Ohio (1838-40), Fredericktown, probably Knox County, Ohio (1840-41); Lafayette and Seville, Medina County, Ohio (1841-43); Strongsville, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (1844); North Madison, Lake County, Ohio (1847-49); West Andover, Andover Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio (1849-53); Conneaut, Crawford County, Pennsylvania (1853); Cambridge Township near Meadville, Crawford Co., Pennsylvania (1856-59); Centreville and Riceville, Crawford County, Pennsylvania (1861-70) – he lived in Athens Township; Churchville, probably in Clarion County, Pennsylvania (1870-72); Stockholm, perhaps located near Shaker Heights, Ohio, but this is uncertain (years not listed); and finally Hartford, Trumbull County, Ohio (until 1878).

24 Source: Rev. M. T. Runnels, *History of Sanbornton, New Hampshire*, (Boston, Massachusetts, 1881).

forty-one years of faithful service for, "the Master" he "went down to the dark valley with a firm reliance," from his son's, at Cambridgeborough, Pennsylvania, 10 Jan 1880, in his 71st year. Children: 1. Mary Frances Chamberlain, b. 25 Dec 1838, d. 31 Dec 1865, age 27, at Riceville, Ohio. 2. Isaac Dearborn, b. 20 Oct 1840, m. Lydia (?) Bennett, 31 Oct 1872, and is principal of the public schools at David City, Nebraska. Children: I. Frank Bennett, b. 23 April 1874. II. Infant son, b. 15 April 1880. 3. Ebenezer Benton, b. 7 April 1842, m. Marian Conner, 1 Jan 1876; resided in Newark, New Jersey; business in New York. 4. Charles Finney, b. March 5, 1844; is the present efficient and laborious superintendent of common schools for Crawford County, Penn.; resided at Cambridgeborough; published "Proceedings of the Teachers' Institute of Crawford County" (pamphlet, forty-nine pages), 1879; same, 1880, fifty-four pages. He married Flora Waid, 4 Dec 1870. 5. Sarah Sanborn, b. 26 Nov 1845; m. Chester S. Carr, now of Erie, Pennsylvania, 9 June 1870. Children: I. Charles Chester (Carr), b. 27 April 1871. II. Bessie Bernice, b. 30 Oct 1874. III. Grace Garland, b. 3 Dec 1878. IV. Infant son, b. 25 March 1880. 6. Uriah Tracy Chamberlain, Jr., b. 21 June 1848, d. 17 Sept 1878, after eight year's sickness. 7. George Addison, b. 24 Dec 1849, d. 2 Nov 1865, in his 16th year, at Riceville, Ohio.

Isaac Dearborn Chamberlain became editor of a newspaper in Pueblo, Colorado, and by 1910 was listed as editor-printer of the "Knights of Labor," in Washington, D. C., a journal for America's first national labor organization in 1869, which later merged with the American Federation of Labor. He and his wife Lydia Bennett had five known children. Little else is known about the other children of Rev. Uriah Tracy Chamberlain, nor about their descendants.

REVEREND EBENEZER BENTON CHAMBERLAIN, enrolled 1834-39 Seminary; from Cayuga, New York; d. East Springfield, Pennsylvania, 3 Jan. 1882; graduated: Oberlin Seminary, 1838

Ebenezer was married, 11 November 1838, in Austinburg, Ashtabula County, Ohio, to Mary Ann Cowles, born 25 March 1817, Colebrook, Litchfield County, Connecticut. She died in 1874 and he in 1882, both in East Springfield, Erie County, Pennsylvania. Mary Ann, daughter of Samuel (6)

Cowles Jr. and Olive Phelps, was a student at Oberlin College, 1837-1838. Her brother Henry (Yale 1826), taught at Oberlin College, 1835-1876, and her brother John (Yale 1826), also taught at Oberlin College, 1836-1854, as did their younger brother James (Yale 1837), who taught there, 1839-1840. Thus this family was especially instrumental in the early academic development of the college. Reverend Ebenezer Chamberlain served the Congregational Church at Vienna, Gustavus, Wayne, Williamsfield and Ashtabula, Ohio and at Humpreyville, Connecticut and East Springfield, Pennsylvania.²⁵ Ebenezer was also a dedicated abolitionist, who "gave his son William Benton Chamberlain food to take to escaping slaves hiding in a nearby barn in the area" per Mark Stevens. Four known children are listed for this family, all born in Ohio, probably in Gustavus, Trumbull County:

- Henry Cowles Chamberlain, born 3 Apr 1842, died 1887
- Albert Barnes Chamberlain, born 29 Feb 1844
- Ellen M. Chamberlain, born 2 Jan 1846, died Sep 1909 in Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois
- Professor William Benton Chamberlain, born 1 Sep 1847, died 7 Mar 1903, Oak Park, Illinois.

PROFESSOR WILLIAM BENTON CHAMBERLAIN, A. B., Oberlin College, 1875; A. M., Oberlin College, 1880; D. B., Oberlin Seminary, 1881; D. D., Oberlin College, 1900. Instructor in Vocal Music, 1874-76 and 1878-83; Instructor in Elocution, 1881-85; Professor of Elocution and Associate Professor of Rhetoric, 1885-91; Professor of Elocution and Rhetoric, 1891-94; Member of Board of Trustees, 1900-03.

This prominent individual was member number 75 in 1898 of the original Chamberlain Association of America (CAA), while residing in Oak Park, Illinois. His portrait and necrological biographical sketch appear in the Chamberlain Association Report for 1903, pages 17-18 - - text not repeated here. A graduate of Oberlin College in 1875 and the Theological Seminary in 1884, he became Professor of Rhetoric in the college. He later became Dean of the School of Church Music in Chicago, at the

Theological Seminary there, where he was also a Trustee. His remembrance booklet was handed out at his funerals in Oak Park, Illinois and at Oberlin, Ohio²⁶, complete with his photo, per his great grandson, Mark Chamberlain Stevens of Berkeley, California. The obituary reads as follows:

Funeral of Prof. Chamberlain at Oberlin Tuesday - Great Respect Shown.

Oberlin, March 11. - There was a large attendance of sorrowing friends at the funeral of Prof. W. B. Chamberlain here on Tuesday afternoon from the First Congregational church.

The body lay in state from 2 to 2:30 and the remains were viewed by hundreds of students, the faculty and friends of the dead.

The music by the First Church choir included, "I Heard the voice of Jesus Say," the music of which was composed by Prof. Chamberlain.

Dr. J. W. Bradshaw, pastor of the First Church, gave the prayer and Dr. H. M. Tenney read the scripture lesson.

The service was in charge of President King, but short addresses were made by Dr. William E. Barton, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Oak Park, by Dr. Sydney E. Strong, pastor of the Second Congregational Church of Oak Park, both Oberlin graduates, and by Professor Harper, representing the faculty of the Chicago Theological Seminary.

The honorary pallbearers were President Henry C. King, Prof. E. I. Bosworth, D. H. M. Tenney, of Oberlin, Dr. Barton, Dr. Sydney Strong and Prof. Harter of Chicago.

The active pallbearers were Frederick, Ernest, Albert and Harold Chamberlain, sons of Prof. Chamberlain, Prof. J. F. Peck of Oberlin and Edward Peck of Minneapolis. The interment took place at Westwood cemetery.

A short time before his death Prof. Chamberlain had been selected to lead the music at the World's Sunday-school convention to be held in Jerusalem in 1904.

A package of obituaries and other items, sent to this author by Donald Chamberlin of Clearwater, Florida, recently the President of the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society, who has also

25 Mark Chamberlain Stevens, one of my primary sources for the history of this family, provided this comment: "Diary entries of Lucy Ward of Gustavus, Trumbull County, Ohio, mention postings in various churches."

26 The funeral notice was published in The Weekly Chronicle (Elyria, Ohio), 13 March 1903. [Source: www.Ancestry.com Database: The Weekly Chronicle (Elyria, Ohio)]

researched this family, contained a picture, from Ancestry.com, of "Chamberlain - William home" with this caption:

Geology Laboratory (Second), n. d. The house located at 120 North Professor Street, formerly a private residence belonging to Professor William B. Chamberlain, was remodeled in 1915 as a laboratory for the department of Geology. The Geology museum on the second floor contains collections of fossils from Ohio strata and good working collections for study from many other localities in the United States, Canada, and foreign countries. Many casts of rare fossils supplement the natural specimens. Devonian fish remains from Ohio shales constitute one of the best exhibits of its kind in the world. [The Geology Laboratory was originally built in 1883 and was demolished in 1963.]²⁷

Don Chamberlin also provided the following research note about the need to locate a copy of the book, *The Chamberlains at Oberlin College*, recommended by descendant Thomas Taber Chamberlain III, but not seen by this author:

A copy is located in the library at Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas: Elizabeth Ruth? Coates Library - not located online. Evidently written by Raymond Herbert Stetson (1872-1950): Science (Chemistry and Zoology); PhD at Harvard in Psychology and Philosophy. "Stetson taught at Oberlin College (about 1910-1940). Along with the research interests he developed at Harvard University, Stetson was influenced by the work of William Benton Chamberlain (1847-1903), who taught speech and rhetoric at Oberlin. Stetson drew on this background when he began his lifelong research in speech, motor, and still movements." Source: Oberlin College Archives online.

William Benton Chamberlain was married, 6 Aug 1875, in Oberlin, Ohio, to Emily Elizabeth Peck, born 19 Jan 1848, West Bloomfield, Ontario County, New York, died 10 Aug 1929, Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, daughter of John Sears Peck and Mary Fisher.

Six children are listed for them, all of them born in Oberlin:

- Frederic William Chamberlain, b. 2 Sep 1876, d. 1 May 1948, Tyron, Polk Co., North Carolina
- John Fisher Chamberlain, b. 1881, d. 1882
- Ernest Barrett Chamberlain, b. 22 Jan 1883, died probably in New York City
- Albert Edward Chamberlain, b. 26 Feb 1886, d. 26 Feb 1965 in New York City or Brooklyn, New York
- Harold Fisher Peck Chamberlain, b. 4 May 1889 in Oberlin, died 1964 probably in Ripon, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin
- Mary Elizabeth Chamberlain, b. 30 Jun 1891, died perhaps in Dallas, Dallas Co., Texas.

FREDERIC WILLIAM CHAMBERLAIN, Enrolled 1882-86, 1890-91 conservatory, 1892-94 academy; from: Oberlin, Ohio; b. Oberlin, Ohio, 2 Sept 1876, m. Lydia Warren, 11 Jan 1906. Business: Three Oaks, Michigan.

Frederic Chamberlain was married, 11 Jan 1906, in Three Oaks, Berrien County, Michigan, to Lydia Warren, born 26 July 1885, in Three Oaks, died 20 August 1952. In 1918, they were living in Evanston, Illinois, at which time they had four children:

- Mary Louise Chamberlain, born 14 Apr 1908, Three Oaks, Berrien Co., Michigan, died Sep 1949
- William Benton Chamberlain, born 3 Nov 1912, Chicago or Evanston, Illinois, died 21 May 1993, Houston, Texas (Oberlin College graduate, 1933)
- Cynthia Chamberlain, born 17 Aug 1914, Chicago, Illinois (attended Oberlin College, 1934)
- Lucy Chamberlain, born 15 Jan 1917, Chicago, Illinois.
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Frederic Chamberlain was member number 72 of the original CAA organization, residing at Three Oaks, Michigan, evidently the person listed as "Mr. Fred W. Chamberlin of Detroit" in the first membership roster of 1899. He was educated at Oberlin College. In 1934, he became President of the Warren Featherbone Company after his father-in-law's death. He had been connected with this company since 1895. During 1904-05, he was Managing Editor of the Sunday School Times. He was a Trustee of The Chicago Theological Seminary, a member of the Congregational Church, and a Republican. He was also a member of the Union League Club, of Chicago, and the Chikaming

27 Source:
<<http://trees.ancestry.com/tree/9231217/person/2311999678/photo/1?pg=32816>>. Refer to other websites: <www.oberlinheritage.org> and for Oberlin College Library: <<http://obis.oberlin.edu/search>>

Country Club of Michigan. His main residence was at Three Oaks, Michigan, but he also maintained a residence at Lakeside, Michigan. Originally a maker of ladies' undergarments in Lakeside, Berrien County, Michigan, the family-owned company now manufactures baby clothes in Gainesville, Georgia.²⁸

ERNEST BARRETT CHAMBERLAIN, A. B., Oberlin College, 1904; A. M., Oberlin College, 1906. Tutor in English, Oberlin Academy, 1906-07. Address: New York, New York, 700 Park Ave., 1909 – a student.

Little was initially known by descendants about this individual, other than he prepared a family tree, with genealogy notes, in the late 1950s, which provided much useful information to a descendant in this line, Thomas Taber Chamberlain III, of Pflugerville, Texas, with whom Donald Chamberlain has been in contact.²⁹

28 William Benton Chamberlain obituary, *The Houston Post*, Houston, Texas, 27 May 1993; reprinted in Chamberlain Chain, Vol. 18, p. 8. See also David Conrad Chamberlain's Family Group Record #LN16120.

29 Donald Chamberlain's recent Email to this author provides this interesting explanation of his involvement:

I want to clarify my role in the two Chamberlain research projects that I involved myself in -- ultimately finding two DNA candidates and turning them over to Philip for his expertise. I paid for the DNA tests.

The second project, leading to locating Thomas Taber Chamberlain III of Pflugerville, Texas, was prompted by a random sighting of an online newspaper article from the 19 April 1912, *Lowville* (New York) *Herald* (pretty much copied from the *New York Times* of 18 Feb 1912).

"Richmond, Virginia.-- The words 'Wilt thou obey and serve him?' will be stricken from the

marriage vow which Miss Bessie Skelton Moss, a pretty school teacher, will take next

Wednesday when she will become the bride of Albert Edward Chamberlain of New York, a son of the late Prof. William B. Chamberlain, who taught in Oberlin College and

the Chicago Theological Seminary."

Following is the biographical sketch for Ernest Barrett Chamberlain that appears on the website³⁰ for the Oberlin College Archives along with his photograph:

Born in Oberlin, Ohio on January 22, 1883, Ernest Barrett Chamberlain (A.B. 1904; A.M. 1906; B.D. 1910) was a teacher, freelance writer, fund-raiser, and educational consultant. He has been variously described as a man of unusual talents, thoroughly trained with broad and varied experiences, a versatile and dependable gentleman. A successful freelance writer, Chamberlain was a dedicated and loyal alumnus. A member of a comfortable, well-educated family, he had family ties with Oberlin College going back to his grandparents, Ebenezer Benton Chamberlain (Seminary 1838) and Mary Ann Cowles Chamberlain (enrolled 1837-38).

Ernest Barrett Chamberlain was the third of six children born to William Benton Chamberlain (A.B. 1875; A.M. 1880; Seminary 1881; D.D. 1900) and Emily Elizabeth Peck Chamberlain (Literature 1869). His father taught singing in the Conservatory of Music as

The bride was in agreement and the wedding was switched to another Episcopal Church with a Baptist Minister officiating.

I thought that might make an interesting lead for a review of this Chamberlain family for the Key. I learned that Albert Edward was first a minister himself and later changed to a career for the American Red Cross. This Albert had a son Albert E. Jr, and daughters, Jane E and Margaret L. Most of Albert, Sr's career was spent near Atlantic City, New Jersey, but he also traveled and spoke for the Red Cross. I have one blurry newspaper photo of him. He died 26 Feb 1965 in New York (Brooklyn?). His son died 23 Jan 1964, having served in the Army in WW II. I could not locate any other information on the son except a burial in Long Island National Cemetery. The daughters I could not trace.

But following the lead on William Benton C. led to the substantial family connected with Oberlin College; and also to your Key article of Fall 2007. There is a good story here, but complicated by the number of achievers and the still missing complete ancestry.... Best regards, Don C

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<http://www.oberlin.edu/archive/holdings/finding/RG30/SG39/biography.html>

well as elocution and rhetoric in the College and Theological Seminary from 1864-94. The elder Chamberlain was also the founder of the Men's Glee Club (1880.) Three brothers and a sister also attended Oberlin: Frederick William (enrolled 1882-86, 90-91, 92-94), Albert Edward (A.B. 1908), Harold Fisher Peck (enrolled 1903-07), and Mary Elizabeth (enrolled 1906-12).

The family moved to Illinois in 1894 when William B. Chamberlain accepted the position of Professor of Elocution and Sacred Music at the Chicago Theological Seminary. Ernest B. Chamberlain graduated from Oak Park High School, Oak Park, Illinois, as class valedictorian before entering Oberlin College in 1900. As a college student he was active in sports and musical associations; he enrolled in both the English and music divisions, graduating with honors (Phi Beta Kappa) in 1904.

After teaching English and Greek at Chillicothe High School, Ohio during 1904-1905, he returned to Oberlin to earn an A.M. degree in English and music (1906). He taught at the Oberlin Academy (1906-07) before beginning religious studies at the Union Theological Seminary in New York. He later transferred to the Oberlin Theological Seminary where he earned a B.D. in 1910. He was ordained on 3 May 1910 at Second Congregational Church in Oberlin.

From 1910 to 1912, Chamberlain was a student at the Oberlin Conservatory where he studied music history and appreciation, theory, singing, cello, and orchestra. He then taught history and practice of music at Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois for two years (1912-14). In 1914-15, he pursued independent studies in singing and music history in London and New York.

In 1915 Chamberlain moved to Madison, Wisconsin, to study music history and composition and to teach at the University of Wisconsin. From 1915 to 1918, he taught music appreciation and singing and directed the University Glee Club. At the end of World War I (1918-1920), he served in France and Virginia with the YMCA as song leader for the American Expeditionary Forces. For three years (1920-23), he taught history at the McBurney School, a private school in New York City.

In 1923, Chamberlain became director of publicity, public relations, and fundraising for the New York firm Tamblyn and Brown. He worked on publicity and financial campaigns

for a number of schools and philanthropic institutions, including Oberlin College's first Capital Gift campaign in 1923. In 1938-40, he was director of religious education and development for Culver Military Academy, Culver, Indiana.

In the 1940s Arnaud C. Marts (A.B. 1910) recruited him as a staff writer for Marts & Lundy (a New York firm). In this capacity he wrote the campaign brochures for Oberlin's Kettering Hall of Science Building and the Conservatory Building campaigns in 1960. He remained on the staff of Marts & Lundy until his retirement in 1969, but during the 1950s and 1960s, he also worked as a freelance writer.

Included in his writings are two volumes published by the Oberlin Historical and Improvement Organization: *The Churchills of Oberlin: The Contributions of One Family to the College and to the World* (1965), and *The Music of Oberlin and Some Who Made It* (1968). He also wrote *Our Independent Schools - the Private School in American Education* (1944), *Aims and Ideals of Church Music* (1913) and *The Voice in Speaking and Singing* (1917). His editorial work includes *The Memoirs of Will H. Hays* (1955) and Arnaud C. Marts' *Philanthropy's Role in Civilization* (1953).

As President of the class of 1904 and President of the New York City Alumni Chapter, Chamberlain led others to support financial campaigns and numerous other alumni activities. He maintained a keen interest in Oberlin College by attending college alumni functions and promoting the Teachers' Performance Institute at the Conservatory of Music. In 1958, as President of the class of 1904 (1954-64), Chamberlain commissioned and presented to the college a portrait of John Henry Barrows, Oberlin's fifth president. As the class gift in 1961 Chamberlain proposed establishing the Science Library in Kettering Science Building. At the Half Century Club dinner in 1969 (his 65th reunion) he organized a quartet in honor of the Men's Glee Club (1880-1950) in which he and three other alumni represented 70 years of singing in Oberlin.

Ernest B. Chamberlain married Gladys Taber (b.1891; Conservatory (1909-11) on June 26, 1912. Their only child, Thomas Taber Chamberlain was born on 18 July, 1913. The marriage ended in divorce in 1914. Twenty years later, on January 1, 1935, he married Katherine (Kitty) Buster Kane (1895-89). The couple lived in Indiana and New York before

moving to Oberlin in 1959. Kitty Chamberlain worked with her husband as a literary assistant. In 1969, the Chamberlains left Oberlin and retired to Crowley, Texas where they died, he on 21 June 1972 and she on 4 January 1989.

Chamberlain was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Oberlin and the Oberlin City Club.

ALBERT EDWARD CHAMBERLAIN, enrolled: 1903-'08 academy, college, conservatory; from Oberlin, Ohio; b. Oberlin, Ohio, 26 Feb 1886; A. B., Oberlin, 1908. Secretary: Y. M. C. A., Grand Forks, North Dakota.

He later settled in Margate City, Atlantic County, New Jersey, where he was Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. and held other positions. Refer to footnote number 9 for additional information about the family.

HAROLD FISHER PECK CHAMBERLAIN, enrolled 1903-07 conservatory; from Oberlin, Ohio; b. Oberlin, Ohio, 4 May 1889. Address: Oberlin, Ohio, 221 Professor St.

Harold was the grandfather of Mark Chamberlain Stevens, who says that his grandparents "had only daughters." A resident of Ripon, Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, Harold served in World War I, and led an interesting life full of music, as a music teacher, and other interests – Mark has a large collection of memorabilia from this family.

In the next generation, William Benton Chamberlain (1911-1993), is of considerable note:

WILLIAM BENTON CHAMBERLAIN, A. B. Oberlin, 1933; born Chicago, Illinois, 3 Nov 1912.

The Houston Post of 27 May 1993 had the following obituary for this individual:

William Benton Chamberlain, journalist, advertising executive and philosophy professor, died of heart failure May 21, 1993, at the age of 81 in Southwest Memorial Hospital, Houston. Chamberlain was an active socialist in the 1930s. After graduating from Oberlin College, where Chamberlain Hall takes the family name, he was expelled from Union Theological Seminary in New York for protesting against the segregation of churches in the North and against lynchings in the South. After attending the Sorbonne in Paris, Chamberlain took his Ph.D. in philosophy at the University of Geneva in 1938. His dissertation, on the philosophy of the nineteenth-century German philosopher

Ludwig Geuerbach, was soon published under the title, (Heaven Wasn't His Destination). He was recently informed the book had been reprinted. Chamberlain moved constantly. In the 1940s he was editor and publisher of the (Lamanda Park Herald) just outside of Pasadena, California and was a pioneer political broadcaster on radio. During that decade he was also executive assistant to Arizona governor Sidney P. Osborne. In 1951-52, when Las Vegas was just beginning to take on its distinctive character, he was president of the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce. He would ride his paint horse Tengo - shod with rubber shoes - right into the casinos to greet visitors. Chamberlain was professor of philosophy at the University of Houston in the 1960s and a partner with Ben Kaplan in the Kaplan-Chamberlain Advertising Agency, Houston. Kaplan-Chamberlain handled political campaigns of Lyndon B. Johnson, John Connolly, and former Houston mayor Louis Welch. He was involved in promoting cable television franchises in Texas during that decade, when cable was just beginning. After the passing of Kaplan, Chamberlain became president in the 1970s of the public relations agency Chamberlain-Frandolig, Inc., also of Houston. In the 1980s and 1990s, he was syndicated newspaper columnist intermittently, as he was at some earlier times. He served as a contributing editor of the (Houston Chronicle) for part of this period. Chamberlain converted to Roman Catholicism a few years before his death. His mother, Lydia Warren Chamberlain, was the daughter of E. K. Warren, founder in 1882 of the Warren Featherbone Company. His father Frederick Chamberlain became president at Warren's death. Originally a maker of ladies' undergarments in Lakeside, Michigan, the family-owned company now manufactures baby clothes in Gainesville, Georgia. He is survived by his wife, Rita Alice Mary Chamberlain, nee Mulcahy, of Houston, 78, and three children, William Benton Chamberlain III of New York, 54, Roxanne Cargill of Houston, 52, and Lydia Warren Cherry of Purcellville, Virginia, 50. A requiem mass was said May 24 at Notre Dame Catholic Church, Houston."

OTHER CHAMBERLAINS ON THE FACULTY

Joseph Scudder Chamberlain, born 8 Mar 1870, Hudson, Summit County, Ohio [William Isaac, Jacob, Isaac, Isaac, Jacob, Jacob, William], who later

taught at the University of Massachusetts, is listed in the Oberlin College Catalogue of 1909: S. B., Iowa State College, 1890; S. M., Iowa State College, 1892; Ph. D., Johns Hopkins Univ., 1899. Instructor in Chemistry and Physics, 1899-1900. Address: Washington, D. C., Bureau of Chemistry, Dept. of Agriculture.

William Embert Chamberlin [parents: William, b. c1808, Pennsylvania and Elizabeth (-?-) b. about 1820, New York – ancestry unknown], enrolled 1876-77 prep., 1877-87 coll., 1887-88 sem.; from Oberlin, Ohio; b. Flint, Michigan, 16 Jan. 16 1860; A. B., Oberlin, 1887; Tutor in French, 1887'90. Ph. D., Johns Hopkins, 1894. Analytical and consulting chemist, New York. He also taught at Wabash College, 1894.

CONCLUDING COMMENTS

This concludes what developed into a rather lengthy overview of the Chamberlain family members of Oberlin College, though more could be revealed, no doubt, regarding their descendants.

My eldest surviving brother, Dr. Alden Russell Parker, M. D., of Spokane, Washington, was a 1951 graduate of Oberlin College, which I remember visiting then. At that time, as I clearly recall, Oberlin was ranked or rated academically as the #1 small college in the United States, which fact impressed me a great deal. I later chose to attend Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania in 1955, which was rated number 2.

Mr. Welton Chamberlain (1924-2008), my fifth cousin, and the first President and co-founder of our World Chamberlain Genealogical Society in 1996, was a graduate of Western Michigan University at Kalamazoo, Michigan. He then became a theology student at Oberlin College where he was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1959, and was ordained as a minister of the Congregational Church, 31 May 1959. Welton later obtained other graduate degrees, and served in several ministerial positions and other career posts before becoming a school teacher. Welton's wife, Mary Ann Johnson, B. A., Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, 1958, studied Theology in 1959 at Oberlin's graduate school before their marriage that year, and she also had a long career in teaching. Mary became editor of the *Chamberlain Key* in 1996, on behalf of the newly formed World Chamberlain Genealogical Society. At present, Mary is living in retirement. She serves on the Board of Deacons at the historical Webster United Church of Christ, a couple of miles from where this author lives and where I'm the local historian for Webster Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan – my other major hobby, in addition to Chamberlain research. Welton's Chamberlain ancestors were pioneers here in Webster Township, it turns out – farming on a large parcel only about three miles away from where I presently reside. It's a small world!

I suppose that a number of other interesting Chamberlains have attended Oberlin College in more recent years, but that matter would have to be the subject of additional research.

This letter was copied to the editor. Mr. Parker was responding to an e-mail to him from Jim Suggs, dated August 20, 2012, with an attached Family Group Record for Israel Chamberlain, ca1795.

Letter to the Editor

submitted by James B. Parker

August 22, 2012

Subject: Posey County, Indiana Finding

As Jim Sugg was perhaps aware, the family group record of interest that he obtained at the Posey Co. Historical Society and attached [undated, prepared by a Virginia Jackson - she unidentified by me] is for Israel Chamberlain (29 Jun 1789 - about 1848) [LN807] and his wife Hester/Esther Russell

(1801-1858), and their children. This couple, married, 4 Jan 1820 in Posey Co., Indiana, with 12 known children according to my records here, pertains to Carolyn Weidner's ancestral line - she was descended [great granddaughter] from son James William Chamberlain (1825-1892) and his second wife Angelitha Jones (1828-1889). I've maintained a detailed lineage for this family for a long time now, and have corresponded with Carolyn years ago regarding it.

As you are all probably aware, Carolyn's "Chamberlain Chain" periodical newsletter was started in an attempt to solicit information to prove the connection between this Israel, her

ancestor, and his presumed father, Joel Chamberlain (1752-1817) [LN759] and his wife Lavina Newcomb, residents of Hebron, Connecticut; Thetford, Orange Co., Vermont; Stanstead, Quebec, Bloomfield, New York; and Rushford, Allegany Co., New York. Though both David Conrad Chamberlin, Sr. [DCC] and I tried to assist Carolyn in her decades-long search, and were ultimately unsuccessful, I did inform Carolyn not long before her death that I had connected her Israel with Joel in my records, because the preponderance of evidence indicated that this should be done (pretty much a process of elimination to come to this conclusion). So, this line of hers now connects on back to Richard(1), the ancestor of Joel, in my records here.

Here are my research notes for this Israel:

NOTES

LN807. Born 29 Jun 1789 per DCC's Family Group Record [FGR], which lists only his birth date and place and that he was a twin of Jacob. Baptized August 1791. Carolyn Weidner of Spokane, Washington, is trying to prove that he is the same person as her ancestor Israel Chamberlin who was b. 1790-1800 in New York, and married 4 Jan 1820, Posey Co., Indiana to Hester, Russell, etc. Refer to Carolyn's lineage, Branch 1, Chamberlain Chain, Vol. 1, and numerous subsequent queries (almost every issue) seeking additional information. A very detailed query appears in Chamberlain Key, Vol. IV, No. 3, p. 92. For convenience, and because the connection is deemed "probable," her lineage is included here [connected to Joel LN759], but the connection between Joel and Israel remains UNPROVEN despite many years of effort to connect them. Carolyn uses the surname spelling of Chamberlin in the Ch'n Chain, but both Chamberlain and Chamberlin are used in her lineage on World Family Tree [WFT]15-#546, as shown here. See also GenServe lineage from Carole Palmer, which traces this same family, but in less detail.

"Israel was not mentioned in Esther's probate and no death record has been found for him nor any other information."

"His name disappears from the land records after about 1845."

Additional data for this family was obtained by JBP, 2/16/00 from Nancy Green's Genealogy Page: <http://home.earthlink.net~ntgreen/Israe;cj/html>>

Ref. Jim Sugg's 20 Aug 2012 Email to numerous WCGS members, "Posey County Indiana Finding" with attached undated family group sheet for this family, prepared by Virginia Jackson, Houston, Texas,...

This FGR adds a previously unknown child: Israel Chamberlain, born 1841, died 24 Nov 1860, age 19 yr., 6 mo., buried in old part of Bufkin Cemetery, Black Twp., Posey Co., Indiana. Virginia's FGR was compiled from the 1850 census and Esther's estate settlement and "there may be errors."

Following are the only Posey Co. Indiana Chamberlain census listings before 1850:

- 1830 census, Black Twp., Posey Co., Indiana, Israel Chamberlain, p. 178: 210001-11001
- 1840 census, Black Twp., Posey Co., Indiana, Israel Chamberlin, p. 281: 1212001-111001; also listed p. 282 is a Richard Chamberlin: 230002-30102, two persons employed in Agriculture [Index lists given name as Richard - appears to be Whicker per DCC, who states given name uncertain, could be Tucker].

END OF NOTES

The information included on the attached FGR matches quite well with the information I have here, with a couple of exceptions:

1) The wife of Solomon Chamberlain (b. 1832), Orella Utley, m. 27 Apr 1854, is instead the wife of brother Samuel Chamberlain (b. 1834). The other two wives of Solomon are listed correctly.

2) As shown in my research notes, I was previously completely unaware of the 13th listed child, Israel Chamberlain (1841-24 Nov 1860), and have added this information to my records here, since it appears obvious that he must belong to this family. His birth date of about May 24, 1841 [he died 24 Nov 1860, age 19 yr. 6 mo.] does conflict with the recorded birth date of David Chamberlain, born 6 Aug 1841 [not 1851 as shown in the FGR], who died 30 Mar 1900. I have no explanation for this conflict in birth dates.

Thanks for providing me with this information. Please contact me via Email if you wish to discuss this information in greater detail.

Regards,
James B. Parker



Corrections to Winter Key 2012

The delightful poem, "Lineages," in the *Fall 2012 Key*, contained errors. The correct copy should read:

LINEAGES
I am.
I am from
Leinen and Nigon,
from Chamberlin and Hoy.
I am from Clemens and Chatfield.
From Surdam, Sumner, Smith, Shade, Mastick and Tomlinson too.
From Matthew, Isaac, Finley and Charles. From Barbara, Eliza, Emily and Nellie.
I am from soldiers who fought for the Union and from a nurse who tended them.
From singers, shopkeepers and teachers, from miners, writers and preachers.
From wagon trains and railroads. From hard work and harder lives.
I am from cattle ranches and farmlands, from sowing and plowing and reaping.
I am from whiskey and ale, from betting and bad odds—and from the fall-out of it all.

I am from Noreen and Carl, who were like sin and prayer.
What ever in the world made those two think they could stay together?
I am from bad kidneys, bad eyes and bad blood.
I am from dime stores and small towns.
I am from one-pot meals. From white beans, white bread and white rice.

I am from sweet peas, green peas and green tea.
I am from holy water and rosaries, from *Hail Mary* and *Our Father*, from *mea culpa*.
I am from *Little Women* and *Nancy Drew*, from *I'm a Little Teapot* and the *Hokey Pokey*.
From pop-beads, pee-wees, paper dolls, pick-up-stix, skate keys, comic books and jacks.
From coin collections and stamp collections and collections of cobalt-blue glass bottles.

I am from a long line of sharp-tongued women.
From list makers, rule makers and rule breakers—from umbrage and resentment.
From complaining, carping and keeping score. From they don't speak... we don't speak...
Sometimes it seems impossible for me to do it differently, to break this invidious pattern of ours.
And sometimes it is easier to not even try.

I am from good intentions and unattended sorrows. From courage and hope. And grace.
I am from extended arms, extended kindness and extended family. I am grateful.
I am from a company of strangers—this family—of it, but not in it,
watching from the sidelines, taking notes, sifting through
our story and writing down our history, wondering
what directs us, what pokes us and prods us
and has us be who we are, questioning
how I fit into the whole catastrophe,
and, at the end of the day—
knowing I belong.
I am they.
I am me.
I am.

Catherine Frances (Clemens) Sevenau
Granddaughter of Nellie Belle (Chamberlin) Chatfield
Great-Granddaughter of Finley McLaren "Frank" Chamberlin
GGreat-Granddaughter of Harrison Chamberlin
GGGreat Granddaughter of Reuben Chamberlin
GGGGreat Granddaughter of Henry Chamberlain (6

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**Relatively yours,
Pat Sugg
WCGS Corresponding Secretary
13305 Cloverdale Pl
Germantown, MD 20874**



From the Desk of the Secretary

by Patricia Sugg

As Corresponding secretary I have been quite busy since the last Key. In addition to keeping up with the renewals and new memberships, I decided, with the help of Jim to put together a mini version of the Key. This allows me to connect not only with current and past members, but also other researchers. It means I can share information between our Chamberlain Key quarterly publications. It is called the Chamberlain Key Hole and is only available electronically, about every 6 weeks or so. If you did

not receive our first issue in early January and would like to join the mailing list, please let me know at corrsec@chamberlain-society.org

We also have a Facebook page that contains all the current WCGS activity info. Search for World Chamberlain Genealogical Society and join us there.

Our spring meeting will be held in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania the first weekend in April. In addition to the meeting on Saturday, we will also be having some fun starting Thursday the 4th.

Spring 2013 Board Meeting Shaping Up-

The meeting in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania the weekend of April 5, 6, 7 2013 will be held at the Days Inn-Gettysburg. It is located at 865 York Rd. (US Hwy 30); tel- [717-334-0030](tel:717-334-0030). We have negotiated a room rate of ~\$69.00 (US). Please call the hotel directly to reserve your room. Be sure to mention that you are part of the "WCGS" group. We plan to meet Saturday, April 6th. We will start about 9:00 a.m. and the meeting usually lasts a couple of hours. Many arrive a little early, so on Friday night we usually gather for an impromptu Dutch treat dinner and renew acquaintances. Please keep checking the News and Events page on our web site for any current planning details. If you have dining suggestions, please let us know. We have enjoyed both the Farnsworth House and the Dobbins House many times.

New members

#460 Paul R. Chamberlain
Conroe, Texas

#461 Dale Eugene Chamberlain (Gene)
Farmington, Connecticut

LIFE #462 Betty Chamberlain Fiola
Beausejour, Manitoba , Canada

#463 David Chamberlin
Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

#464 Mark Chamberlain
Abilene, Kansas

#465 MaryAnne Barton
Danielson, Connecticut

Query

This is an enquiry e-mail via
<http://www.woosnap.com/chamberlain/> from:
Kathryn Lynn <tiagatita@yahoo.com>

I am trying to find information on the ancestors of Philonzo Chamberlain, born 26 May 1798 or 1804 in Onondaga County, New York. From preserved family tradition, Philonzo's father drowned in one of the Finger Lakes in New York when Philonzo was too young to be on his own. Although his mother was still living (and apparently later married a man named Hunt), Philonzo went to live with Alexander Wilson Jr and his wife Eunice Charlotte Seeley, who were living in Saratoga County, New York. Alexander was a Quaker minister. I don't know if that had anything to do with Philonzo's living with them. Philonzo married Alexander and Eunice's eldest daughter, Cynthia Wilson. The families

moved to Niagara County, where Philonzo ultimately "made his fortune" blasting bedrock for the Erie Canal at Lockport, Niagara, New York. The family then moved to Detroit, Wayne, Michigan. One of their sons, Marvin Howard Chamberlain, was, for a time, Mayor of the City of Detroit.

Information found in History of Detroit and Michigan, by Silas Farmer, pages 1049-50, indicates that Philonzo's great-grandfather participated in the Battle of Bunker Hill. This seems incorrect. If Philonzo was born in either 1798 or 1804, it was more likely that the Revolutionary War ancestor was Philonzo's father or grandfather.

In any case, I have been unable to find any information on Philonzo's Chamberlain ancestors. I am hoping that you might be able to help me.

Thank you.

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b.

d.

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21

10

Great Grandfather

b.

m.

d.

22

23

11

Great Grandmother

b.

d.

24

25

12

Great Grandfather

b.

m.

d.

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13

Great Grandmother

b.

d.

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14

Great Grandfather

b.

m.

d.

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15

Great Grandmother

b.

d.

4

Grandfather

b.

w.

m.

w.

d.

w.

5

Grandmother

b.

w.

d.

w.

6

Grandfather

b.

w.

m.

w.

d.

w.

7

Grandmother

b.

w.

d.

w.

2

Father

b.

w.

m.

w.

d.

w.

3

Mother

b.

w.

d.

w.

1

(your name)

b.

w.

m.

w.

d.

w.

(spouse)

b.

w.

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w = where/location of death

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