

(f) MARTHA JANE MCNEW EWELL VAN DER LUGT

Martha Jane MCNEW was born on 3 August 1856 in Booneville, Owsley County, Kentucky, the sixth child and fourth daughter of Moses and Clarissa. She was not yet four years of age when her father died.

Martha was sixteen when the family moved to Harlan County, Nebraska. Soon thereafter, Martha met Eli EWELL, the son of a neighbor. They were married in Harlan County in 1875 when Martha was about 19 and Eli was 27. (Eli was born in Michigan on the 4th of March, 1848 to Libbius and Eliza EWELL.) The young couple moved to California for a time, and their first child, William, was born there in February 1877.

They had returned to Nebraska by the time their second child, Hester Maud, was born in September 1878. The 1880 Census shows Martha and Eli with their two children, living in the Spring Creek area of Harlan County, next to her Uncle Joseph's and very near Eli's parents and Clarissa.

1880 Census: ¹	Ewell	Eli	31	Farmer	MI
		Martha	23	House Keeping	KY
		William L	3		CA
		Hester M	1		NE

A third child, Fred, was born to them in October, 1881. In 1882, along with most of the MCNEW clan, they left Nebraska by covered wagon for Washington Territory, eventually settling in Lincoln County north of the town of Davenport. A fourth child, Josephine, was born in Lincoln County in April 1885, followed ten years later by another daughter, Olive, in 1895.² Martha had four other children who died at or soon after birth. They were born probably between Josephine and Olive.

In 1885, there was a census taken by the Washington Territorial government in many counties. The Eli Ewell family is listed in Lincoln County, along with another Ewell, probably a brother, although not born in the same state.³

E. Ewell	36	Farmer	MI
M. "	26		KY
Wm. "	8		CA
M. "	7		NE
F. "	4		NE
J. "	1		WT (Wash. Territory)
F.M. "	30	Farmer	VA

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1880, HARLAN CO, NEBRASKA; page 411, Spring Creek.

² Birthdates for Josephine and Olive are from Dorothy Wheeler. Census ages would make them a year older.

³ WASHINGTON TERRITORY AUDITOR'S OFFICE, CENSUS ROLL, LINCOLN CO, 1885

The 1900 Census shows most of the family still living in the Larene area of Lincoln County.¹ It was from this we learned that Martha had nine children, only five of whom survived. The oldest son, William, had left home and was working in Ferry county at this time.

Ely EWELL	Mar 1848	52	M	25		MI	Farmer
Martha	Aug 1860	39	M	25	9	5	KY
Maud	Sep 1878	21	S				NE
Fred	Oct 1881	18	S				NE
Josie	Apr 1884	16	S				WA
Olive M	Apr 1894	6	S				WA

Sometime after 1900, Martha and Eli separated and eventually divorced. Olive remembered being put in a boarding school for a while, presumably to remove her from the domestic discord. Martha later married Martin VAN DER LUGT, who was called "The Old Dutchman" by her children. He died some time before the 1920 Census, which shows Martha as a widow, living with Olive's family in Seattle.²

Ln 69	MATCHETTE,	Frank C	30	WI	Salesman
70		Olive	24	WA	
71		Virginia	4	WA	
72	VAN DER LUGT	Martha	55	KY	Chef

Although Martha looked very stern in pictures, she is remembered as a warm and loving grandmother. She lived in Seattle until her death on 8 October 1930. Eli died on the 30th of May 1913 at Colfax, Whitman County, Washington.

Martha and Eli EWELL:

- fa William L, b. Feb 1877, CA;
 - m1. ?; m2. May ?; m3. Olive HAINES;
 - d. 11 May 1962, Ephrata, WA;
- fb (Hester) Maud, b. Sep 1878, Harlan Co, NE;
 - m. Howard WILLIAMS;
 - d. 1960?, Stites, ID;
- fc Fred Libbius, b. 26 Oct 1881, Kearney, NE;
 - m1. Ida GALLOWAY;
 - m2. (Altha) Pearl CARSON, 21 Nov 1921, Spokane, WA;
 - d. 14 Jan 1966, Spokane, WA;
- fd Josephine Mabel, b. 25 Apr 1885, Lincoln Co, WA;
 - m1. John BURKE;
 - m2. Francis Cecil MATCHETTE, 2 May 1942, CA;
 - d. 1960?, Los Angeles, CA;
- fe Olive Mae, b. 12 Apr 1895, Lincoln Co, WA;
 - m1. Francis Cecil MATCHETTE, 11 Nov 1913, Spokane, WA;
 - m2. Louis LUNDBERG, ?;
 - d. 12 Mar 1985, Seattle, WA

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1900, LINCOLN CO, WASHINGTON; page 285, E.D. 40, Larene Precinct

² U. S. CENSUS, 1920, KING CO, WASHINGTON; E. D. 193, Sheet 4



MARTHA MCNEW EWELL
about 1890
Davenport, Washington
(from Mollie Hansen's album)

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WILLIAM L. EWELL

William was born in California, in or near San Francisco, in February, 1877. Within the next year, his family returned to Nebraska, where he spent most of his early childhood. By the time he was old enough for school, he was living near Davenport in Lincoln County, Washington Territory.

When the Census was taken in 1900, William was working in Republic, Ferry County, Washington.¹

W. L. EWELL Feb 1877 23 S CA Laborer

Little is known of his later life, except that he lived in several locations in Eastern Washington, and was married three times.

In 1920, he was living with his second wife at 322 S. Monroe, Spokane.²

EWELL Wm	42	NE	? shop	City of Spokane
May	41	NY		

William and his third wife, Olive, lived for many years in Coulee City. Olive died 16 April 1961 and William died 11 May 1962,³ both at the Ephrata Hospital. William was 85.

William and ? EWELL:

faa Floyd, b. ? after 1900;
m. Dobby ?;
d. c1960, San Pedro, CA;
fab Leonard, b. ? after 1900;
m1. Marian ?; m2. Dorcas ?;
d. c1972

William and May EWELL:

fac Howard W, b. 29 Dec 1920, Spokane; d. 10 Jun 1921, Spokane, WA

Floyd and Dobby EWELL;

faaa Jack; b. 1930?

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1900, FERRY COUNTY, WA; Republic precinct, E.D. 15, sheet 1, line 11.

² U. S. CENSUS, 1920, SPOKANE CO, WASHINGTON; E.D. 208, Sheet 3

³ Death dates for William, Olive and Howard are taken from WASHINGTON STATE DEATH RECORDS.



WILLIAM EWELL - about 1900

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HESTER MAUD EWELL WILLIAMS

(Hester) Maud Ewell was born in Nebraska in September 1878, and taken to Washington Territory when she was about 4 years old. The 1900 Census shows her at age 21 living with her parents.¹

She married Howard WILLIAMS, and lived in Stites, Idaho (SE of Lewiston) for the rest of her life. They had no children.

1920 Census: ²	Williams	Howard	47	MO	Grain dealer
		M. Ester	36	NE	

Snapshots show her as fairly short with a stocky build, - very different in appearance from her younger sisters. She died in Idaho in about 1960.

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1900, LINCOLN CO, WA, p. 285.

² U. S. CENSUS, 1920, IDAHO CO, IDAHO; E.D. 101, Sheet 7, Lines 56-57

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FRED LIBBIUS EWELL

Fred Libbius EWELL was born 26 October 1881 in Kearney, NE. (It is likely that he was born in Spring Creek and the birth was registered in Kearney.) He was very young when his parents moved to Washington Territory.

He was first married to Ida GALLOWAY, and as far as we know, they had no children. She died 26 May 1921. On 21 November 1921, he married a neighboring widow, (Altha) Pearl CARSON, who had three sons, Jack, Charles and Henry. (Pearl was born on the 31st of October, 1884 in Butler, Montana). Fred and Pearl had three more children (all daughters), and Fred adopted Henry, Pearl's youngest son.

In the 1920 Census¹, Fred gave his occupation as electrician for the Spokane street railway. It is believed that the daughter listed was Ida's from a previous marriage.

EWELL	Fred	head	41	NE	electrician
	Ida	wife	38	WA	
	Nellie	dau	14	WA	

Fred and his family moved to wherever he could find work. In the late 1920s, they lived in Orofino, Idaho while he helped build a railroad. They spent several years in Seattle in the early 1930s, and then moved to Coulee City, where he did construction work on the Dam and on surrounding projects. They remained there until Pearl's death.

Pearl died 26 April 1965 in Ephrata, Washington. Fred then moved to Spokane where he died less than a year later, on 14 January 1966.

Fred and Pearl EWELL:

- fca Henry A. (adpt), b. 7 Mar 1919, Spokane, WA;
m. Kathleen LARSEN, 28 Jun 1947, Coulee City, WA;
d. 7 May 1982, Coulee City, WA;
- fcB Esther Elizabeth, b. 26 Aug 1922, Spokane, WA;
m. Dominick Charles FICHERA, 7 Mar 1948, Philadelphia, PA;
- fcc (Edith) June, b. 29 Jun 1925, Spokane, WA;
m. Joseph DEMARCCA, 15 Dec 1945, Spokane, WA;
- fcd Bonnie Louise, b. 6 Apr 1929, Seattle, WA;
m. Jack Roland DILLON, 11 Jun 1949, Coeur d'Alene, ID.

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1920, SPOKANE CO, WASHINGTON; E.D. 162, Sheet 12

Henry and Kathleen EWELL:

fcaa Henry Jr, b. 1952;
m1. Joanne _?, m2. Debbie _?;
fcab John, b. 7 Jan 1954;
d. 4 Feb 1984;
fcac Paul, b. 1956;
fcad Kathleen, b. 1957;
m1. Dale DAHLKE,
m2. Dale LOEBSACK, Oct 1984.

Henry Jr. and Joanne EWELL:

fcaaa Cliff, b. 1974.

Kathleen and Dale DAHLKE:

fcada Cindy Lee, b. 1979.

Esther and (Dominick) Dick FICHERA:

fcba Deborah Lynn, b. 20 Aug 1954, Philadelphia, PA;
m. (Harold) James BROWN, 16 Aug 1980, Spokane, WA;
fcbb Richard Dean, b. 6 Jan 1956, Philadelphia, PA:

Deborah and James BROWN:

fcbaa Molly Elizabeth, b. 26 Feb 1983, Spokane, WA;
fcbab Timothy James, b. 6 Feb 1986, Spokane, WA;
fcbac Courtney Marie, b. 8 Sep 1990, Spokane, WA;
fcbad Kaylie Michelle, b. 8 Sep 1990, Spokane, WA.

June and Joseph DEMARCCA:

fcca Frederick James, b. 21 Aug 1953, Willimantic, CT;
fccb Patrick Joseph, b. 10 Oct 1958, Willimantic, CT;

Bonnie and Jack DILLON:

fcda Daniel Dee, b. 22 Jan 1950, Ephrata, WA;
m. Marcha EGGARS;
fcdb Jacqueline Jo, b. 4 Nov 1954, Coulee City, WA;
m. Dane ARMSTRONG, 30 Jun 1983.

Daniel and Marcha DILLON:

fcdaa Megan Louise, b. 3 Aug 1977, Pullman, WA;
fcdab Matthew Cecil, b. 23 Mar 1981, Spokane, WA.

(fd) JOSEPHINE MABEL EWELL BURKE MATCHETTE

Josephine Mabel (Joe) was born in Lincoln County, Washington Territory, on 25 April, 1885.

As a young woman, she moved to Montana, and worked as a cashier in a restaurant. Some time later, she married the owner, John BURKE (who was wealthy and much older than she) and moved to Los Angeles, California. They had no children.

They were living in Los Angeles when the 1920 Census was taken.¹

BURKE John F	50	KS	Manager of a cafe
Josephine M	33	WA	

In 1928, Joe's brother-in-law, Frank Matchette, arrived from Seattle with his two daughters, Virginia and Dorothy, and they all stayed with the Burkes several months while Frank looked for a house. Joe and John wanted to adopt Dorothy, then three years old, but Frank wouldn't hear of it.

John BURKE died in the early 1930's, presumably much less well off than he had been before the depression.

Joe then supported herself by opening a catering and gourmet take-out food service with a friend, Addie BARKER. "BURKE and BARKER" was noted for its excellent quality food, and was very successful during the late 30's and early 40's.

In 1939, when Dorothy became a teenager, she went to live with Joe. Dorothy's father would visit every week-end. Eventually, Frank turned his attention from his daughter to her aunt, and he and Josephine were married on the 2nd of May, 1942 in Los Angeles. (He would sometimes jokingly say that he should marry Maud WILLIAMS next as she was the only sister left that he hadn't wed.)

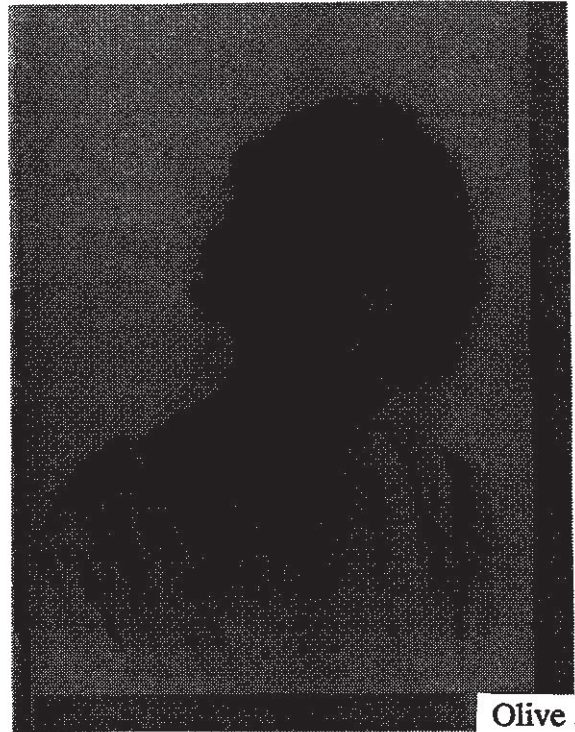
Joe is described as slim, dark-haired, of medium height and a very hard worker. She was full of fun.

Josephine died in Los Angeles in 1960. Frank later married again and moved to Mentor, Ohio, where he died in May, 1976.

¹ U. S. CENSUS, 1920, LOS ANGELES CO, CALIFORNIA; E.D. 345, Sheet 11



Josephine



Olive

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OLIVE MAE EWELL MATCHETTE LUNDBERG

Olive Mae was born in Lincoln County, Washington State, on 12 April 1895, the youngest of the five Ewell children. During her childhood, her parents were separated and then divorced. Olive spent part of this time in a boarding school, an unhappy experience for her.

Olive's first husband was Francis Cecil MATCHETTE (born 19 June 1893 in Iron county, Wisconsin). They were married 11 November, 1913, probably in Spokane. There is a family story that when their first child, Virginia, was being born in their Spokane home in the winter of 1915, Frank fainted. He was promptly thrown out into the snow by Martha, Olive's mother, who was assisting with the birth, and wanted to keep him out of the way.

Olive and Frank moved to Seattle before 1920, and their second child, Dorothy, was born there in 1925. They took in a boarder, a Danish immigrant who worked with Frank, to help with expenses. He was a friendly, agreeable fellow who used to help Olive with the dishes in the evening. In November, 1927, Olive and the boarder, Louis LUNDBERG, ran off together. Frank tried to talk her into coming back to him, but to no avail. Olive obtained a divorce, and married Louis.

Frank took their two daughters to California, where they all stayed with Olive's sister, Joe, temporarily. This move was particularly hard on the older girl, Virginia, who was 13 at that time, and very close to her mother. After six months of homesickness, it was arranged that she would go back to Seattle to live with Olive. The younger daughter, Dorothy, stayed with her father, who had found them a home and hired a housekeeper so they could be together. Olive remained very close to Virginia all her life, but rarely saw Dorothy, who remained in California.

Olive loved pretty things, and always dressed beautifully. She and Louis both loved to travel, and there were not many places on earth which they did not visit. They were on a tour in Denmark in July 1970 when Louis died suddenly.

In her later years, Olive took care of Virginia, who was very ill. They shared an apartment near Broadway in Seattle. Virginia died in the fall of 1984, and Olive followed a few months later on 12 March 1985.

Olive and Francis MATCHETTE:

fea Virginia Louise, b. 9 Jan 1915, Spokane, WA;
m. Carl John OLSON, 1933, Seattle, WA;
d. Oct 1984, Seattle, WA;

feb Dorothy Olive, b. 8 Oct 1925, Seattle, WA;
m. Richard DeHarte WHEELER, 19 May 1945, Los Angeles, CA

Virginia and Carl OLSON:

feaa Dennis Olson, b. 26 Oct 1945, Seattle, WA;
m. Marcia Diane WEHDE, 25 Mar 1972.

Dennis and Marcia OLSON:

feaaa Lisa Diane, b. 22 Sep 1973, Seattle, WA;
feaab Brian John, b. 26 May 1977, Seattle, WA.

Dorothy and Richard WHEELER:

feba Patrick Lloyd, b. 13 May 1949, Los Angeles, CA;
febb Timothy John, b. 27 Jan 1953, Los Angeles, CA;
m. Nancy Ann THOM, 11 Jul 1975, Los Angeles, CA;
febc Deborah Frances, b. 21 Mar 1954, Los Angeles, CA;
m. Cort Edward ZIMMERMAN, 12 Jun 1977, Los Angeles, CA
febd Kathryn Linda, b. 22 Feb 1956, Los Angeles, CA;
m. James Michael JUDGE, 25 Aug 1984, Los Angeles, CA;
febe Susan Patricia, b. 6 Oct 1966, Los Angeles, CA;
m. (Robley) Evans CURTICE, 18 May 1991, L.A., CA.

Timothy and Nancy WHEELER;

febba Matthew Douglas, b. 29 Oct 1978, Los Angeles, CA;
febba Timothy John, Jr, b. 22 Oct 1979, Los Angeles, CA;
febba (Richard) Daniel, b. 5 Feb 1985, Los Angeles, CA;
febba Mary Kathryn, b. 17 May 1990, Los Angeles, CA.

Deborah and Cort ZIMMERMAN;

febca Blake Andrew, b. 25 Mar 1985, Newport Beach, CA
febcb Brett Matthew, b. 27 Jul 1990, Newport Beach, CA.

Page No. _____ Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1880, and ends May 31, 1880.
 Supervisor's Dist. No. _____ Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the first day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE
 Enumeration Dist. No. _____ June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
 Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

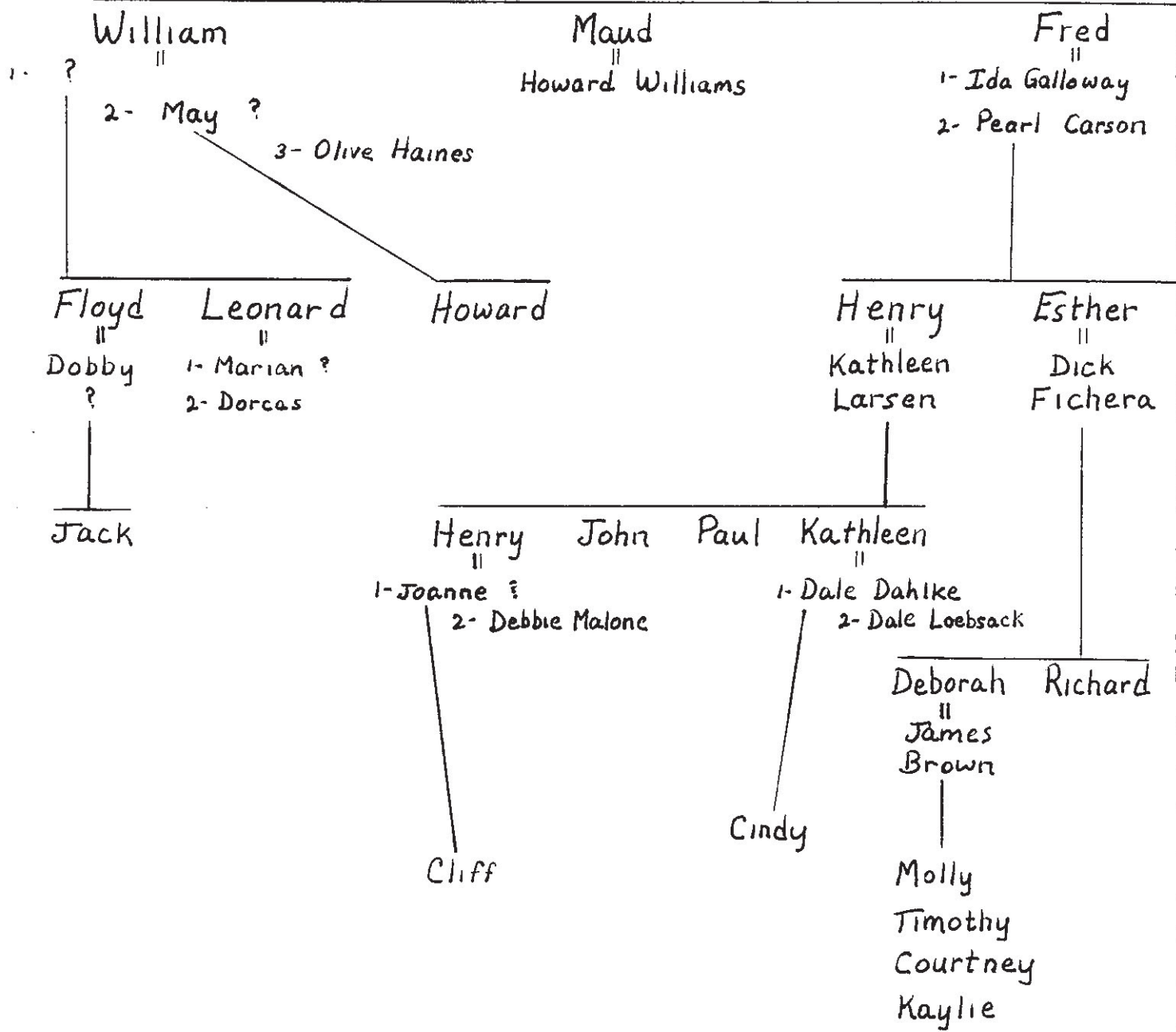
SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in *Spring Creek*, in the County of *Harlan*, State of _____, enumerated by me on the *17th* day of June, 1880.

Line	Name	Sex	Age	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade	Place of Birth	Place of Birth of Father	Place of Birth of Mother
136	Ewell Eli	m	31	W	Farmer	MI	NY	NY
3	Martha	m	23	W	House Keeping	KY	KY	VA
4	William	s	3	W		CA	MI	KY
5	Hester M	s	1	W		NE	MI	KY
6	McNew Joseph S	m	68	W	Farmer	VA	VA	VA
7	MaryAnn	m	48	W	House Keeping	TN	TN	TN
8	America	s	12	W	At school	KY	VA	TN
9	Joseph N	s	10	W	At home	KY	VA	TN

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4	William	3	s		CA	MI	KY
5	Hester M	1	s		NE	MI	KY
6	McNew Joseph S	68	m	Farmer	VA	VA	VA
7	MaryAnn	48	m	House Keeping	TN	TN	TN
8	America	12	s	At school	KY	VA	TN
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Eli Ewell



Martha McNew

Josephine
 1- John^{||} Burke
 2- Frank Matchette

Olive
 1- Frank^{||} Matchette
 2- Louis Lundberg

June
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 Joseph Demarcca

Bonnie
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 Jack Dillon

Virginia
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 Carl Olson

Dorothy
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 Richard Wheeler

Frederick Patrick

Patrick Timothy Deborah Kathryn Susa
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 Nancy Cort James Evans
 Thom Zimmerman Judge Curtic

Daniel Jacqueline
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 Marcha Dane
 Eggars Armstrong

Dennis
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 Marcia
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Blake
 Brett

Megan
 Matthew

Lisa
 Brian

Matthew
 Timothy
 Daniel
 Mary

