

THE TULLIS TRACER

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"GREAT NEWS!"



ARTISTIC IS THE ONLY WAY TO DESCRIBED IT! Tullis Tracer reader Zola Hardy has published a book entitled "TULLIS AND ALLIED FAMILIES". Zola has been a Tullis researcher for many years and has contributed to this publication many times. After having amassed a wealth of information, she made that most difficult decision - 'It's time to publish a book'. So, she devoted countless hours to preparing her genealogical information into a consistent format, writing it up in final form, getting those last few hundred questions answered, indexing all the information, and finally to the printers.

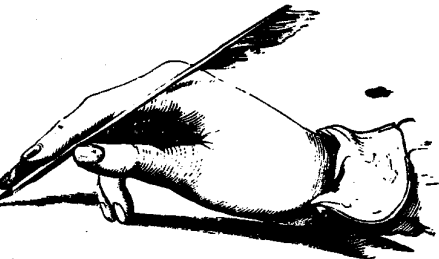
The book is hardbound, 8½ by 11 inches, and indexed. It employs a very easy to use format, and it is very apparent that Zola has directed this book at both the serious researcher and the family at large, because it is very readable and contains a tremendous amount of human interest type material. We were trilled to see many of the articles from this publication incorporated in it.

The book starts with Moses Tullis of New Jersey and follows his descendants down thru the years. It is very well done and every Tullis and Tullis descendant should have a copy. If your family line, or you have had your name published in THE TULLIS TRACER, you'll probably find that you are included in this book. To order your copy, simply send \$25.00 to: MRS. ZOLA SCOTT HARDY, 145 Brett Place, Escondido, California 92027. Genealogies are always printed in limited quantities, so order soon.

We can not let this opportunity pass without extending our personal thank you to Zola for this wonderful book. Her book will not only be appreciated by all of us interested in the Tullis family, but by generations of Tullis's to come.

Donald & Linda Moran

Editorially Speaking



After a year of not publishing the TULLIS TRACER we know from the quantity of letters received that many of you have been asking "What ever happened to THE TULLIS TRACER? We owe you an explanation, and an apology. So the balance of this editorial will concern itself with that story. It would be better entitled: MURPHY'S LAW (And Moran's commentary on Mr. Murphy is that he is an optomist.)

In late 1979 things at the Moran home were getting a bit much - four daughters, plus assorted friends, neighbors, relatives, etc., and a moderately sized home equals total chaos. We decided to do something about it. Moving to a larger home was the natural and easiest method of resolving the space problem, but as we said that would have been the easy way.

We elected to have an addition to the house built. For economic reasons we decided to do so during the winter months, taking advantage of the 'off-season' rates and availability of contractors. We started construction in early December, and it would naturally follow that we had the all time record for wet winters - three times normal! 12 inches is considered normal for Southern California, We had 35 inches, 20 of which were indoors! During the brief periods of sunshine, the contractors worked very hard and completed the re-modeling and new construction right on schedule, plus three months. During this period of time, the former library, now enlarged and converted into a formal dining room, was reduced to assorted boxes and all were inaccessible!

Donald, doing his impression of a tight fisted Scot, elected to complete the interior of the new addition himself. Armed with a ' Guide to home repairs' and a newly

acquired hammer, he proceeded to start this herculean task. Taking two weeks off work, all was in readiness to FINISH the whole project in one swope.

On the very first day of the interior work, true to form, Donald fell from a chair (not a ladder, per the home repair book, but a dining room chair.) and broke his elbow. Three months later we were again ready to undertake this awesome chore, but owing to the previous experiences we were a bit intimidated. But, true to his stubborn Irish pride, he undertook the project anyway. No broken bones this time, a few bumps and bruises and assorted sore muscles, but by late September the majority of the work was completed and livable. The new family room is a delight, and the newly added bath room is a real blatter saver (Ever try to get into a single bath room with four daughters?) The formal dining room now permits proper entertaining, and we are no longer under foot all the time. Best of all, the new library is complete and useable, with adequate book shelves, pleasant appointments, and a strickly masculine motif (in other words, untouched by female hands). Donald now has a place where he is permitted to be a chauvinist.

That takes us to late September, or in other terms, ten months behind schedule. Since then it has been a massive effort to 'get caught up'. We trust this horror story will be an acceptable reason for the temporary suspension of the TULLIS TRACER.

However, we still suffer from a lack of material suitable for publishing. We desparately need biographical stories, genealogies, Bible records, etc. So if you have anything at all, please submit it.

Lastly, the 1979 subscription will be applied to the 1981 issues. To date we have published the following:

1975 - Volume I,	Numbers	1 and 2
1976 - Volume 2,	Numbers	1 and 2 and 3/4 (combined)
1977 - Volume 3,	Number	1
1978 - Volume 4,	Numbers	1 and 2

Donald and Linda Moran

Captain JAMES TULLIS

- Ship's Master -

by: DAVID FRANKLIN CONOVER



*J*AMES TULLIS, Ship's Master, was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey on September 15, 1805. He died at his Residence at Bridgeton, on August 23, 1882, aged 77 years, as stated on his death certificate. He was buried beside his wife in the Methodist Cemetery on West Commerce Avenue in Bridgeton. James was the son of Moses and Lydia Tullis. He married Jeannet Shaw, the daughter

of Richard and Hetty Shaw in about 1829, based on the date of Birth of their first born child. Jeannet was born in Cumberland County, New Jersey on November 7, 1809. She died on April 9, 1882 at Bridgeton.

James' obituary, found on page 3 of the August 25th, 1882 edition of the Bridgeton Chronicle states:

"CAPTAIN JAMES TULLIS, an old and well known citizen of Bridgeton, died at his residence on South Pearl Street, Wednesday evening, in the 77th year of his age. Captain Tullis was born in Bridgeton September 9, 1805, and had followed the water all his life having been Master for fifty years. He lived in the house in which he died for thirty years. A widow, three sons and five daughters are left to mourn his loss."

The children of James and Jeannet Tullis were probably all born in Bridgeton. They are listed below:

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| 1. LYDIA PARVIN (a) | b. 04 Aug. 1830 d. |
| 2. JAMES SMITH | b. 19 Feb. 1832 d. 09 July 1836 |
| 3. HESTER SHAW (a) | b. 10 Oct. 1833 d. 12 Aug. 1834 |
| 4. WILLIAM | b. 12 Aug. 1835 d. |
| 5. SARAH | b. 10 Mar. 1839 d. 14 Feb. 1908 |
| 6. GEORGE | b. 17 Nov. 1840 d. |
| 7. JAMES ASTON | b. 17 June 1843 d. |
| 8. MARY ELIZABETH | b. 22 Nov. 1845 d. |
| 9. HETTY | b. 27 June 1848 d. |
| 10. EUGENIA | b. 09 Jan. 1852 d. |
| 11. WILBERT | b. 22 July 1857 d. |

(a) Of Captain Tullis's mother, Lydia, we know very little. I believe her maiden name may have been PARVIN. I base this opinion on the fact that in the family Bible, Jeannet (Shaw) Tullis, the Captain's wife, wrote the name of her first born daughter as Lydia PARVIN Tullis. Their second daughter was named Hester SHAW Tullis, after Jeannet's family. In the

Scottish tradition, the names of the grandparents were used as middle or first names of the children. It is note worthy that on page 42 of the Greenwich Presbyterian Church Record (included in this issue), are found the families of William Tullis, the father of Moses and grandfather of James the subject of this article. On page 43 appears the Silas PARVIN and his wife Lidia Jones. Their record shows two daughters named Lydia, the first having been born in 1745 and is shown as being dead. The second Lydia was born on July 2, 1753 and is also shown as being dead. She was also the last child shown. Could the Parvin's of had a third Lydia?

SARAH TULLIS, number 5 above, was born on March 10, 1839 probably in Bridgeton, New Jersey. She died in Olivet, New Jersey on February 24, 1908 and was buried beside her husband at Overlook Cemetery in Bridgeton. She had married in Pittstown, New Jersey (now Elmer) on May 25th, 1861 to Timothy M. Conover, the son of Timothy and Sarah (Delap) Conover. Their marriage certificate states they were both residents of Bridgeton, and that the Reverend J.C.Summerill preformed the ceremony.

TIMOTHY CONOVER was born in Pittsgrove Township, Salem County, New Jersey on July 26th, 1835. He died in Centerton New Jersey on July 6th, 1899, aged 64 years and was buried in Overlook Cemetery. His marriage certificate listed his occupation as a "Waterman" (a person who handles boats.) (1861) and his obituary (1899) states that he had been a poultry buyer in Salem and Cumberland Counties for 30 years. Timothy and Sarah (Tullis) Conover had three children:

1. MARY D. CONOVER b. 02 May 1862 at Bridgeton, N.J.
2. CHARLES T. CONOVER b. 09 Oct.1864 at Bridgeton, N.J.
3. JAMES T. CONOVER b. 13 Jun.1866 at Bridgeton, N.J.

CHARLES T. CONOVER, Son of Timothy and Sarah (Tullis) Conover was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey on October 9th, 1864 and died on October 24th, 1954 at Elmer, New Jersey. He was buried in Chestnut Grove, North of Elmer.

Charles married in Elmer on May 9th, 1889 to Margaret Elizabeth Miller, the daughter of David and Harriet (Casper) Miller of Palatine, New Jersey.

Margaret, known to everyone as Maggie, was born in Deerfield township, Cumberland County, New Jersey on the 11th of February, 1867. She died in Elmer on August 8th, 1936 and buried, beside her husband in Chestnut Grove Cemetery.

Charles was a farmer by occupation and he farmed in Fairfield Township, Cumberland County and in upper Pittsgrove Township, Salem County. After he retired, he bought a home in Elmer on Chestnut Street. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and the Democratic Party. Charles and Margaret had three children:

1. JEANNETTE CONOVER
2. FRANKLIN BECKETT CONOVER --Of whom further
3. EARL T. CONOVER

FRANKLIN BECKETT CONOVER was born at Upper Deerfield Township, Cumberland County, New Jersey on September 7th, 1893. He married Helen Reeve Moore on February 17th, 1923. Helen was the daughter of Stacy Lippincott Moore and Bertha May Groff. They had children:

1. CHARLES HAROLD CONOVER - Of whom further

CHARLES HAROLD CONOVER was born at Elmer, New Jersey on June 15th, 1924. He married Ruth Marie Brown on January 31st, 1948. Ruth was the daughter of Russell David Brown and Frances Restein Seibert. She was born on October 22nd 1929 at Mullica Hill, New Jersey. Charles and Ruth had Children:

1. DAVID FRANKLIN CONOVER b. 3 Sept. 1948 at Woodbury, N.J.

by: David Franklin Conover

" Important Genealogical Find! "

Slowly but surely the pieces of the Tullis genealogical puzzle is being fitted together. Our reader and contributor David F. Conover, (Author of the proceeding article, Capt. James Tullis) discovered a very important Tullis record in the GREENWICH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORD, MH & G, Volume III Page 42. On this page there appears a membership record listing the family of William Tullis. Below we have transcribed this document:

Page 42

WILLIAM TULLIS & ELINER DENTON were mar.
 ANN, their daughter, b. Sept. 13, 1739
 WILLIAM, their son, b. Aug. 22, 1742
 JOHN, their son, b. Feb. 18, 1745
 DANIEL, their son, b. Sept. 3, 1747

WILLIAM TULLIS mar. 2nd wife: MARY PLATTS
 MOSES, Their son b. May 15, 1752
 MARY, their daughter b. Aug. 23, 1756
 ELLINOR, their dau. b. Jan. 1, 1758
 ELI, their son, b. Aug. 19, 1761
 RUTH, their daughter b. Oct. 8, 1763
 HANNAH, their dau. b. Aug. 2, 1765

This record serves to correct three important contentions that constantly re-appear in Tullis genealogies. The first is that the earliest Tullis' found in this country came from Scotland after the defeat of Bonnie Prince Charles. That defeat was in 1749, as as we can see, ANN TULLIS was born in 1739, in New Jersey, as we have found a marriage record in New Jersey for William and Eliner. The second correction is that William and Eliner (Denton) Tullis were the parents of MOSES of Berkeley County. He (Moses) was born in 1730, probably about the same time as William and inasmuch as William names a Son Moses it is highly probable

that Moses of Berkeley Co. and William were closely related, perhaps even brothers. The third item that is corrected by this record is the birth date of Moses, the son of Moses of Berkeley Co. That date has been consistently reported as being May 15, 1752 (See page 11, the Tullis Tracer, Volume 1, number 1., Page 32, Volume II, Number 3/4, etc.) and yet as we can see, it is Moses the son of William that was born on that date. Our thanks to David Conover for setting this record straight.

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attention
MARJORIE TULLIS

REGINA is looking for you. She was born on March 2, 1941. She is most anxious to talk to you or anyone who knows of you or your whereabouts. Please help Regina for she would be very happy with any information regarding you. It is never too late to get to know each other. Please contact MARIANNE HUDIS at 3925 Lecont Court, Simi Valley, California 93063, Telephone number: 1-805-526-7695.

Editor's Note: Anyone knowing Marjorie Tullis - please drop Marianne Hudis a note: We would appreciate it very much.

Hereditary Register



This feature of the TULLIS TRACER is devoted to those who have obtained membership in, or have become an officer in Hereditary Societies, etc. If you have please, submit it for inclusion.

Your editor has become a member of the Sons of the American Revolution; State Treasurer for the California Branch of the National Society of the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims; and is serving his second term as President of the Heraldry Society of California.

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