

MEMBERS OF THE

## EYMAN FAMILY

Enjoy A

HIGH PRIVILEGE

And A

PROUD HERITAGE

Equal credit is  
given the spouses  
for their contribution  
to this FAMILY'S  
record

**DEDICATED**

**TO**

My Forebears for their contribution  
to the well-being of Humanity and  
to the Researchers who made this  
information possible.

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Hopefully, the contents of this pamphlet will help the reader contribute even more to that for which the EYMAN heritage stands, i.e.: INTEGRITY, concern for FELLOWMEN, and adherence to LAW and ORDER.

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The message is really brief. The objective is to alert EYMANS to their unique heritage and help them to grasp a new zest for living by applying that which they possess to the well being of their fellow humans, their communities, and their nations's welfare.

Should the facts and experiences unfolded here help serve as guide lines to strengthen the heritage of the present and future generations, regardless of origin, I will feel well rewarded for my effort. The researchers, now deceased, who also contributed information, would join me in this wish if they could.

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This research was prepared and made available that participants can become more aware of the contribution they and other members have made and are now making to the well being of their nation. Perhaps future generations will have the information of the Family's achievements passed on to them.

Throughout the past two centuries or more there is abundant evidence that this loosely knit segment of our nation's population are giving of their lives, resources, time, and effort to promote the welfare of their communities, country, and their fellow men. No facts or rumors through these centuries points to any who seriously harmed their nation or its citizens.

The women, in their quiet way, have probably given more to the EYMAN integrity and stamina than the men. Records show that in time of crisis in the nation they stood shoulder-to-shoulder with the men in the defense of country. Records also prove that Families created through generations of irresponsible parenthood in turbulent home atmospheres produce the destructive forces in the mainstream of society. The mothers

of the EYMAN family deserve the greater credit in guiding the younger generations through their ever increasing problems of growing into adults equipped to assume the responsibilities so ably discharged by their ancestors.

None of the members have sought fame or great fortune to stand out as national figures in these past two centuries. However, a far more worthwhile performance is revealed when close scrutiny is made of the accomplishments of any particular family unit when it is traced back for four or five generations. Inevitably, each succeeding generation has taken advantage of all the advanced knowledge and techniques and applied them in such ways as to provide greater opportunities for future generations of the nation.

This is high praise. These achievements, however, are not unique. In our nation there are thousands of such families with equal accomplishments and whose ancestry may date back into the early seventeenth century. Perhaps the EYMAN, and other similar Families, should take stock of their qualifications and capabilities. To live at peace with others and contribute to their well being is a worthwhile effort. The time has come, however, when those with concern for others and with high talents should, as individuals or in unison, focus on matters heretofore left for others to ponder or solve. Destructive elements apparently have no trouble in obtaining leaders and combining forces to obtain their objectives. These are challenging thoughts.

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Many may be indifferent to their heritage and unconcerned with what, if any, contribution their ancestors made to civilization. Ancestor Worship, as such, contributes very little to the country's present and future well-being. This research and analysis purposely avoids the inference of a "GREATER THAN THOU" birthright. There is evidence here of stability of which it is well to become informed. To become fully convinced of the truth of this contention can stand you in good stead in many ways and at times when morale may be at ebb tide. Give it full opportunity to serve you. The heritage basically is INTEGRITY and CONCERN FOR OTHERS.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME  
EYMAN OR EYMANN

Before belaboring the reader with data on their forebears, a bit of drama might be refreshing. It relates to the manner in which the origin of the EYMAN family came to my attention. In the spring of 1949 I received a telephone call from New York to my office in Stamford, Connecticut, some forty miles distant. The call was from one EWALD EYMANN. It was for permission to call on me. The reason given was to meet someone in America with the name EYMAN. The caller had most recently arrived from Germany. In the interview he explained that he was on a mission in New York and finding the name of a member of my family in the New York Directory, had made contact and was referred to me. There was no question but that he was well informed on the history of the origin of the name and its variations over several hundreds of years. (Detailed information will be found in later paragraphs). The subject needed further coverage and EWALD was invited to be an overnight guest in my home with completion of the summary to be in my office the next morning. He was 29 years old and appeared under considerable tension and overly alert. Sleeping arrangements were such that it was necessary that he share a twin bedroom with me. I stirred in the night. He was up like a flash. That was unusual, to say the least, and required some explanation.

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He apologized and explained he had been an Intelligence Agent in the German attack on Russia in World War II, and worked behind the enemy lines. Anyway, we completed our business the next day and he was on his way back to his ship. So I had some interesting new data and felt that chapter was closed. Not quite. About two weeks later he called again asking for another interview. I agreed, providing it was in my office. The purpose of this interview was to apologize to me and my family. It seems that while he was interested in sharing some family history the person he really wanted to reach was the one in New York who was a mechanical arm to an individual with international interests in political, economic, and humanitarian activities. In this second call he explained that he had been given the name of my relative who, being of the same name, might act as a contact to channel information of value to a world wide oil combine which he represented. His objective met with a cool reception and was abandoned. No further word has been received from EWALD in these past twenty years.

HISTORY OF THE EUROPEAN EYMANNS  
SUMMARY OF THE REPORT OF EWALD EYMANN

March 6, 1949

EARLY ORIGIN

as related to Carl E. Eyman

The original family were members of aristocracy in perhaps 80 A.D. Their name, when members of aristocracy, is not known. The family withdrew from this class to be free to live and operate without the Royal responsibilities in marriage etc. On separation from Royal protection and responsibilities, not to the family liking, they took the name EINMANN (one man), or single man in the sense that they were not members of a Feudal Lord unit.

During this family's residency in the area recognized as Germany from the years 600 A.D. to 800 A.D., the name changed to EYNMANN. In about the year 1000 A.D. the name became EYMANN. It is said this last change appeared in church records south of the Rhine River. Records also show that EYMANNS were living in Alfhausen, Germany, in about the year 1600 A.D.

EWALD stated that the farm they owned in 1600 was still owned by an EYMANN. Alfhausen is about 150 kilometers, or eighty miles, southwest of Bremen.

In 1701 the EYMANN owning this farm died and his five sons had a legal dispute over possession. The family broke up. One son went to Russia; one went to France; another went to Holland; the fourth son was thought to have gone to America. The fifth son stayed on the farm in Alfhausen.

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There is a published record of the arrival of the ship HERO in Philadelphia, October 27, 1764. It was from Rotterdam and carried among its passengers one ULRICH EYMAUNN. This recorded in the Pa. German Pioneer by Stranoburger & Hinke. Vol. I, page 697. From the same source, Vol. III, page 57, list #378, the arrival of the ship THE JOHN WM. VERTEL COMMANDER from Amsterdam, July 19, 1793 is also recorded. Among its passengers was FRANEY EYMAN. (Note the spelling in each instance). This would give credence to EWALD EYMANN'S statement of one of the five brothers having gone to Holland in 1701.

The German EYMANNS have written a family history and verified most of it by long research of Church and State Records. In 1946 a reunion of all traceable EYMANNS from all over Europe was held in Germany. There were about 450 at this reunion. The German historian was Dr. Rer. Pol. Frederick EYMANN, Fuerstenau, Dr. Bersenbruck Germany. British Occupation Zone.

Other name from EWALD'S handwritten notes are transcribed here. The first is Bernard EYMANN, Ewald's father living in San Palo Brazil. The others mentioned as active in keeping records of the EYMANN family were:

Familie Franz Eymann  
 Alfhausen British Zone  
 Dr. Meol: E. Eymann  
 Twityringen (near Bremen)  
 British Zone

Ewald's ancestors stemmed from the brother who early in the 1700's, left the farm in Germany and migrated to Russia. Life was difficult for this family under Czarist regimes and especially following the change to Communism in 1917. Poverty

kept the families to a low standard of subsistence to the point where most of them had settled back in to German controlled areas.

Ewald did not appear to be a Nazi, but he was in the German Military in World War II. His knowledge of Russia was such that he was in the Espionage Service operating for Germany behind the enemy lines. He was granted the right to leave Germany by the Allied Army of Occupation as a member of the crew of a Merchant Vessel. It was reported that he later joined his father's family in Brazil.

THE EYMAN FAMILY  
IN AMERICA

There seems to be no proof of the arrival in America of one of the five sons of the German family that broke up in the early Eighteenth Century. It was said that records in the Boston (Massachusetts) Public Library mention an EYMAN being in Pennsylvania in the early 1700's. Apparently the earliest verified appearance of EYMANs starts in 1763. The first settler of record was believed to be named Henry or Henrich. Other references speculate that it might have been Jacob. He had three sons: Henry, Christian and Abraham.

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A clearer picture of this early history is revealed by those of yesteryear who, individually and in comparing notes, left data that gives posterity considerable information on the American origin of the EYMAN families.

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The most dilligent researcher known to the author was the late Mrs. Zelma D. Harza (whose mother was born an EYMAN). The second was Mr. Edwin EYMAN of Cumberland, Maryland and another the late Mrs. Esther (wife of Ralph Lee EYMAN of Tallahassee, Florida). The information assembled came to my attention between the years of 1940 and 1950.

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From Mrs. Zelma Harza's notes are copied excerpts that give the reader interesting and factual background of the Forebears of a large percentage of the EYMAN family now in America. The following paragraphs are from the writings of Mrs. Harza:

"Dear Mr. Eyman: (Edwin Eyman)

It was indeed a pleasure to hear from you through Mrs. Ralph Lee Eyman who has kindly copied your letters and forwarded them to me.

My first interest began when my mother spoke of how very early the Eymans came to America. They were a fine lot of men and women and we should be proud to be descended from any of them. You ask what authority I have for the names of the Eyman brothers. Mrs. Etta H. McNamee has it in her records. Her Great-Grandfather Henry came with his father from Germany in 1763. They settled in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He and his brother Christian served in the Revolution in 1776. Their younger brother, Abraham was only nine years old at the time. I am a descendant of Abraham. I have records of the estate of his brother Christian being settled in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1834. Also in those records appears the name of ULRICH EYMAN with date of 1765.

"My ancestor Abraham (1767-1831), the youngest son of the founder, lived in Virginia but in 1796 moved to Monroe County, Illinois.

He died in St. Clair County Illinois, in 1831. The farm is still owned by a descendant. He was a mechanic, shoemaker, cabinetmaker, also a blacksmith, farmer and a weaver. The oldest son of the founder, Henry, was a blacksmith and the other son, Christian, was a yeoman. One of Abraham's nine children was also named Abraham. My lineage stems from this son. The original Abraham, after settling in Illinois, was chosen by the Whig party as a member of their first Illinois State Legislature. His religious faith was that of a Dunkard, which is similar to the Quaker faith".

Probably Mrs. Harza speaks from her knowledge of only the EYMANS she know when she says "as I have known them".

The EYMANS have several outstanding characteristics. They are generally tall, thin and dark. They have large expressive brown eyes, which they have a habit of opening wide. All have a sense of humor. They like the wide open spaces. Another comment on the EYMAN men is offered by the author's spouse: She senses a trace of stubbornness, but says she has managed to tolerate these shortcomings without too much difficulty.

The father pictured in "A Legion Family" is also an EYMAN stemming from another of Abraham's nine children. His father , also in the Civil War, died in service leaving a widow with five children, a broken-down wagon, a plow in similar condition, and a team of mules.

Speaking of the heroism and stamina of the wives in the EYMAN family, this case is worth citing. The widow gathered up the family and moved from Illinois to Kansas where she reared the children to manhood and womanhood on homestead land granted veterans. After accomplishing this she continued living to the age of 92.

(Credit for data on this branch of the EYMANS is due the late Esther EYMAN.) This interest in family lineage by those removed from the name is well illustrated by the enthusiasm of Mrs. Harza, whose mother was an EYMAN, in recording the history of the Family for posterity. Also, Mrs. Esther EYMAN, not born an EYMAN, likewise wished to contribute to the history of the family name of her four children.

U A debt of gratitude is due a great body of  
 N our citizenry who, as citizens, quietly accept  
 S the obligations and duty to their country in peace  
 U and war. Their names remain unsung. From the  
 N wealth of available examples illustrating our moral  
 strength in the past is quoted verbatim a vivid  
 description of the conduct and action of a group  
 of citizens in a time of crisis. This might well  
 be a guideline for our own attitudes and reactions  
 for this year and for the years to come:

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 H in the vicinity of Harristown joined in  
 E the refrain 'We are coming, Father Abraham,  
 R three hundred thousand strong. In honor  
 O of these boys, Misses Martha EYMAN and  
 E Mary Eleanor McGuire rode on horseback For  
 S miles and miles, soliciting funds with  
 which to buy a company flag for the boys.  
 The response was beautiful, signifying  
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Flag silk was not obtainable in Decatur.  
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 dered by the committee from New York. A  
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of women and girls there was at John J. Batchelder's home to make the flag. Husbands, brothers, and sweethearts were to go to war. Miss Abbie Batchelder stitched the flag together on her Grover and Baker double chain stitch machine, the only one in the country. The stars were placed in their field of blue by hand by Mesdames Lewis Eyman, Samuel Anderson, Nancy Caroline Eyman, John Averitt, and Miss Mary Eleanor McGuire at Abraham Eyman's residence in Harristown.

With the flag costing eighty dollars and baskets groaning with toothsome eatables, fathers, mothers, sisters, young brothers, wives, and sweethearts journeyed to Camp Macon (Fairview Park). The flag was presented to the company with due ceremony and entrusted to the care of the company captain, then Captain Lewis Eyman. Families united for the last time, ate together. A goodly store of eatables were left for the boys to supplement their camp fare.

Soon the company was called to Camp Butler (Springfield) to be mustered into the service as Company "E" 116th Illinois Infantrymen. At the company's

first engagement, Arkansas Post, January 1863, Captain Eyman was killed. The flag was entrusted to the new Captain for safekeeping. Thus many changes were made before the Grand Review at Washington."

Other segments of our population seem to have lost their perspective of what is required of citizens to keep us free.

These are brief citations of the contributions and sacrifices of EYMANS and EYMANNS throughout the ages.

Unpublished history is replete with such incidents from this segment of our Society. We of EYMAN heritage have a proud history.

The author hopes that others will impress on their growing offspring, the importance of facing the challenge set by their forebears.

It is regrettable that the recorder's name, of the above historical incident, does not appear.

Here is tabulated the states showing the EYMAN or EYMANN name.

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The author assembled the names listed in telephone directories of the urban, suburban, and rural areas. Search was made of the fifty states including Hawaii and Alaska. Canada was cursorily researched. These directories showed about two hundred and fifty listings. There were comparatively few in the metropolitan directories. The majority were in the suburban and a much smaller number in the more rural areas.

The EYMAN migration was westward from Pennsylvania where the families seemed to have first settled. California had the greatest number with 73 listings. Next was Ohio with 40 showing in telephone directories dating from 1965 to 1969. Illinois followed with 18, Pennsylvania 14, Nebraska 15, State of Washington 11, Arizona 10. Kansas registers only seven families recorded in the telephone directories of urban and suburban areas. Missouri also registers seven families. The other fifty recorded names were distributed through fifteen other states. Hawaii had three, New York State and Michigan tied with four each.

## A "LEGION" FAMILY

This is a brief review of the history of an ordinary, yet extra-ordinary, American family established in the mid-nineteenth century. The family's activities, and influence is traced for four generations. All indications are that it's contributions to the improvement of the nation's future welfare will be even greater than in the past.

The founding father is descended from the youngest son (Abraham), of Henry EYMAN, the original founder in 1763. The influence of this family on our nation as revealed here may not be unusual. It is emphasized in the hope that more families will review the effect their conduct is having on the American Way of Life.

The narrative is true. The people involved are, or were, all citizens of the United States. None chose the fate of Martin, the central figure in Hale's "The Man Without a Country". None have fled to foreign lands to avoid services to their country in time of crisis. None have sought sanctuary from arrest at their Creator's altars.

LEGION is chosen as a name because throughout America there are millions of similar families. Some are of high estate, some of low. They are of every race, creed and color. They are active in all walks of life. Because of the great numbers of such families, their name is truly LEGION.

The drama, in the beginning, has a rural setting. The founders were simple farm folk. They were poor in worldly goods but rich in integrity and concern for others. Obviously, they were highly respected in their community. Being humans they admittedly had their shortcomings. In this family were sons. Due to the necessity to provide substance for existence all had to work. The second generation, the children of the founders, acquired such elementary education as was available in the one room country school.

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One of the sons chose farming as a career. Those of their offspring, who continued agriculture pursuits, have made substantial contribution to the productivity of the land and have helped increase the national food production. Another of the second generation elected to be among those in our country whose efforts make railroad transportation an important factor in our economy. Two of the LEGION family's sons sought higher education. One became a professor and later the Dean of Education in the University where he taught. The other, after serving his country in World War I, sought his fortune in the field of finance.

In projecting the growth of this family and its influence in helping keep America free, attention is called to the third and fourth generations. These generations have taken full advantage of the ever increasing opportunities for education. The impact of their presence as citizens is felt in all phases of the cultural, economic, and spiritual

development of their communities and the nation. One of the great impacts of this family is the fact that not one individual in the four generations is known to have seriously wronged or harmed the well-being of a fellow human or failed to respond to the call of the country in peace or war.

There is not great secret as to how to accomplish equal, or greater, records than those cited in this narrative. Practice the art of selflessness and the home will reflect an atmosphere of increased joy and comradeship. Families established on such firm foundations blend into succeeding generations giving great stimulus to the improvement of human relationship. It is in this manner that America has gained the strength to become the bulwark safeguarding their own and the freedom of others.

POSSIBLE SOURCE OF INFORMATION  
FOR THOSE CONTEMPLATING FAMILY RESEARCH

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Learn of their  
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To be a member  
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While this is not a genealogy report, the first two generations of the founders in America are recorded. Vivid illustrations of the characteristics of the members are given in the accounts of "UNSUNG HEROES and OTHERS" and in "A LEGION FAMILY".

The information covers finding of three American researchers now deceased: Mr. Edwin Eyman, Mrs. Ralph Lee Eyman (Esther) and Mrs. Zelma Harza (born an Eyman). The European source was Ewald Eymann.

The limited market potential, plus the high cost of production, marketing and distribution, precludes probable future reprints.

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TO FELLOW MEMBERS:

Here are some valued opinions about the "Eyman and Eymann Families" pamphlet.

When the pamphlet was first issued, the enclosed announcement was sent to all members for which addresses could be obtained. At that time opinions of its merit were not available but a goodly number purchased copies on faith. None have offered adverse comment nor asked for a refund.

I believe the two opinions quoted below summarizes a true evaluation of my efforts. Each of these is from individuals well qualified to comment.

From Dr. Ralph Eyman, a retired University Dean and the husband of a researcher, The late Esther Eyman, he says:

"I want to compliment you on the good work you did in getting out this history. I think the emphasis is correct."

The other comment is from Mrs. Hoffman, daughter-in-law of an active researcher, the late Mrs. Harza. Mrs. Hoffman is in a position to evaluate family life. She is president to the Girl Scout Organization of one of our nation's very large cities. She is more effusive when she says:

"The pamphlet is simply wonderful. I have always wished that someone would record the Eyman history and now you have done it so well.

[Carl E Eyman]

CARL E. EYMAN