

CORNELIUS N. CHRIST AND FAMILY

Cornelius Christ lived at the corner of Madison and Monroe Streets in Redwood City. He was a son of John Christ who was the Redwood City Town Marshal for a period of time. The newspaper called Cornelius' death one of the most lamentable bereavements that have occurred in this city. He died at the home of his parents, "on the island" (meaning Diller's Island, in the center of town) he was only 29 years of age on January 7th 1900 when the angel of death took him.



Cornelius Christ

Cornelius was the brother of John Christ who was the town marshal of Redwood City for many years. January 23rd 1875 the Times and Gazette

Newspaper stated, "Born in Redwood City January 16th 1875, to the wife of John Christ, a daughter." As one can see they were rather brief on such matters and they certainly did not mention the name of the lady who bore this child. None-the-less, the child's name was "Charlotte" she turned out to be a beautiful young lady. She married Frank P. Wentworth, the son of George Wentworth and Sarah Ann Teague Wentworth. **Charlotte** became quite well known in Redwood City, as the newspaper announced on October 25, 1923, Mrs. Wentworth was one of the most prominent women of the community. "She was exceptionally talented with a pleasing, beautiful soprano voice," stated the Redwood City Standard on that date. The Wentworth and the Christ families were prominent members of the Congregational Church. Unfortunately, it was the date of her death and the article was her obituary.



Charlotte Christ

Mr. and Mrs. John Christ moved from Redwood City in 1922, to Berkeley where they lived briefly before moving to Cloverdale where their other daughter was the wife of Reverend Rathbone, the former pastor of the Congregational Church here in Redwood City and was transferred to Cloverdale.

GEORGE H. RICE FAMILY

The Redwood City Democrat of April 29, 1909, "(death of George H. Rice on Friday prior....)"

Undoubtedly no name in San Mateo County is more entitled to a



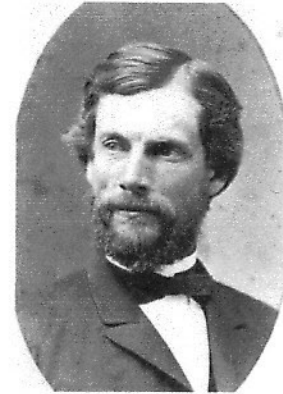
Mary Louise

Teague Rice

permanent place in the annals of California than that of George H. Rice, who for nearly half a century has devoted the best part of his life in promoting the commercial, financial and educational institutions."

Mr. Rice was born in Fairfield, Herkimer County, New York, March 27th, 1833. He received his primary

education in the New York schools and was reared on



George Rice

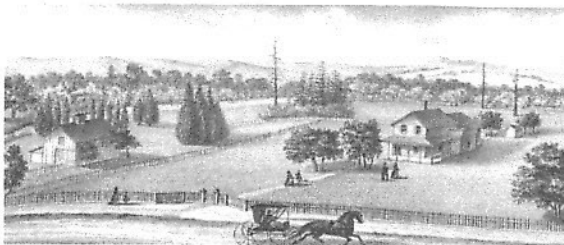
his father's farm. George went to New York City at 19 years of age for California, arriving in San Francisco on May 2nd, 1857. He traveled across the bay to Alameda County where he took up farming and remained there for three years. He then came to Redwood City where he engaged in the process of making shingles in the redwood forests, primarily on the western side of the mountains. George did his work in what was already a primitive way, using a draw shave. In 1867 he developed a partnership with A. Halliburton and purchased a mill site on the west side of the mountain from the Hanson and Ackerson Lumber Company and began the manufacture of shingles by machinery and they operated the mill until 1873 when George suffered an accident which resulted in the amputation of his left arm.

Prior to this accident, however, George Rice married Mary Louise Teague. They lived happily in Woodside until the unfortunate incident. The accident did not keep the couple from producing children and a daughter was

born on September 10th 1874, her name, after her mother, Mary Louise. They also had, Roscoe, who died early, Herman, also died early, Morris, also died early and Stanley. George Rice died on April 23, 1909



George Rice



Moore & DePue lithograph of the Home of George and Mary Rice in western Redwood City

George Rice left the mountains following his accident and was rather quickly elected to the position of County Clerk and Recorder for San Mateo County. He was well prepared for this position because of his well known excellent penmanship. After a number of years he retired from public government and worked on his own business of professional record searcher for the County's of San Mateo and San Francisco.

Stanley Rice's true name was George Stanley Rice and he became, in 1928, a member of the firm of Rice and Hinton, agents for Buick and Chevrolet vehicles with a garage at 502 Main Street, Redwood City.

CHARLES D. WRIGHT

Charles D. Wright married **Francis May Teague** on January 27, 1874, in the Congregational Church in Redwood City. May, as she was known, was an especially gifted student throughout her studies in Redwood City schools she was almost always at the top of her class. She went on to the state normal schools and continued to excel and worked hard to become a teacher.



Charles D. Wright

Stanley.

May worked for two years at her profession before becoming sick at the age to 22 years. She was living in San Jose with her husband and she contracted typhoid fever and died in that city. Her husband also contracted the disease and was in a condition that would not allow him to attend the sad funeral which occurred in the same Congregational Church, in Redwood City, in which they were married. Charles survived his ordeal with typhoid and moved away from the area. Francis May was brought back to Union Cemetery and buried in the same plot as her brother

I looked at every source I am aware of in order to find out what happened to Charles D. Wright and I really drew a complete blank.

William and her father and mother and brother are buried in plot #75D.

MRS. TELITHA TEAGUE SHAW

Telitha was the sixth daughter of Andrew and Permelia Teague. She married and moved to White Salmon, Washington some 50 years before she passed away. She never returned to her native Redwood City where she was raised and educated. Mrs. Shaw was the last of the daughters to leave this earth on June 28, 1928. She had been ill and her death was not unexpected. She was 85 years of age when she died. She in was buried in Goldendale cemetery in Washington.

WILLIAM TEAGUE

William was the only son Andrew and Permelia produced and was one of the first to die. He had just reached his 21st birthday when taken from this earth. He too was buried in Union Cemetery, plot #75, the plot of his parents and his sister, although he arrived before any of them.

CONCLUSION TO THE TEAGUE FAMILY

The family of Andrew and Permelia Teague was one of those families that a great and positive impact on the City of Redwood City and southern San Mateo County. The daughters all married men of high intelligence and physical stature who worked diligently to support their families. The men were able to reinvent themselves when diversity struck in difficult ways and they usually came out in much better shape, because of their own ingenuity and gumption.

Those of us who live one hundred or more years later have benefited from their dedicated activities and it is great that we can now recognize their role and appreciate them for their, often under recognized, efforts.