Notes on the Paternal Ancestors of W. Norman Moore's Children

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1. John Moore was born about 1648 in **Glasgow, Scotland**. He was possibly transplanted to Ireland either during King Charles II reign (1660-1686) or after England's Protestant King William III defeated England's Catholic King James II in the Battle of Boyne (1690), northwest of Dublin, Ireland. Local records indicate he was a Non-Conformist who emigrated to **Ireland**.

2. James Moore was the 2nd child of John Moore. He lived and died in Ballynacree, Antrim Co,. Ireland. He married Sarah Guyon and had three children.

3. Andrew Moore was James & Sarah's 2nd child. "Andrew Moore and Margaret Wilson, both of Dunclady Meeting, were married att ye house of Kathrine Henderson in Dunclady (Antrim Co) ye 27th day of ye 2/Mo. 1715 as by ye certificate may appear" (Minutes of Ulster Province Meeting, Ireland) All other records list her as Margaret Miller. She died in Ireland.

Andrew got permission to go to America from the local Meeting and landed at **New Castle, DE** on 08-13-1723. He settled on a tract of land situated partly in Lancaster and partly in Chester County, PA, along the **Octoraro Creek.** (The place is now called Atglen, PA.) There he built a **tub mill** to grind grain.

On 06-08-1724 Andrew produced his certificate from the Ballynacree Meeting at the Monthly Meeting at New Garden, PA. The minute read: "ANDREW MOORE, received 6 Mo. 8, 1724, from Ballynacree Meeting, County Antrim, Ireland." Andrew was active in organizing the Sadsbury Meeting and building the **Sadsbury Meeting House** North of Atglen. He married Rachel Holliday in 1725 and they had a number of children. We only know of their son John.

Andrew also had a forge by his home. He produced pressing irons, the type that is set on the stove to heat up and a wooden handle attached for holding and pressing clothing. The molten metal must have been formed in a mold because Bill Wilde showed us an iron made by Andrew when Barb & I visited his home in July 2001. "Atglen" was in raised letters on the top of the iron. His home in Atglen, PA, is still called "**Greenwood Forge**". Andrew and probably four generations of his family are buried by the Sadsbury Meeting House near Atglen.

4 John Moore was born in Atglen, PA, 22 miles ESE of Lancaster, PA. He died in Ninepoints, PA, 6 miles WSW of Atglen. He probably farmed there for many years.

5. John Moore Jr. married Anna Walker and lived in Ninepoints, PA. Information on Quakers is difficult to obtain because they did not register at the local, state or national offices until late in the 19th century. Genealogists now make a bundle on transcribing Quaker Meeting records and selling them to descendants.

6. Walker Moore was the 5th child of John & Anna Moore. According to the 1864 map of Sadsbury Township, Lancaster County, he owned a farm a few miles SE of Ninepoints.

7. Caleb Moore was the 10th child of Walker & Anna Moore. He probably farmed with his father in his youth, but the three volume Andrew Moore Family History by Gilbert Passmore lists him as a carpenter. In the summer of 1882, Caleb moved to a Quaker settlement around **Galena, KS**. In February, 1886, he married **Mary Harvey**, from a large influential Quaker family in the area.



Grandma Mary Moore Phippen, SK, 08, 28, 1918



Grandpa Caleb Moore Pasadena, CA, 1920



Grandpa Caleb Moore with Earl Pasadena, CA, 1925

Caleb's wife, **Mary** was the 8th child of **Jesse & Lydia Harvey**. Her younger sister, **Amanda**, married **Aaron McKinney**, who performed the wedding ceremony for William & Loretta Moore. Aaron's son, Earl, was Norman Moore's first cousin, good friend and best man at the wedding.

Four children were born to Caleb & Mary in Kansas - Edward, Jessie, James and Edna. Shortly after they moved to Pasadena sometime in 1894, William Norman was born and later a son Otis.

Caleb helped build the Quaker Meeting House at 500 Villa St., Pasadena, CA, and later served as an elder. During his time in Pasadena Caleb worked as a cabinet maker. He is buried with his wife in the Quaker section of Mt. View Cemetery, Altadena, CA. Norman and Loretta Moore are buried there as well.

8. William Norman Moore was born to Caleb & Mary Moore while they were living on Peoria St., Pasadena, CA. The family moved to Long Beach in 1900 where Norman started school at 6 years of age. The family moved into 728 Earlham St., Pasadena, CA, in 1905. Pasadena City School records of 10/08/1943 show that Norman entered Madison Elementary School on 09/24/1906 and that he graduated from Pasadena High School on 06/11/1915.

About 1910, after getting permission from the Quaker elders, Norman began going to Christian Endeavor with Bernard Chamberlain (father of Phyllis [Chamberlain] Geisler) at Lake Avenue Congregational Church, Pasadena, CA. He also attended the young men's Bible Class.

In 1917 at the invitation of his cousin Earl McKinney, Norman went to Swarthmore, SK, Canada to work in the harvest fields. Earl's father, Aaron McKinney, and his family, had settled in Swarthmore, SK, soon after the Quakers founded the Friends' Colony in 1903.

When a social event was scheduled for the young people of several communities, Earl McKinney looked for a Christian girl to be Norman's date. He knew Loretta Knuff was a Christian and introduced Norman to her. It was love at first sight. Less than a year later, 08/28/1918, Norman and Loretta were married at the Knuff farmhouse in Phippen, SK. Aaron McKinney was the leading elder among the Quakers in the Swarthmore Colony and he performed the ceremony.

Norman and Loretta settled in Swarthmore. Norman farmed and started a grocery store. During their time there, Dorothy and Oscar were born in the nearby hospital in Unity where Loretta had started nurse's training before World War I. Both the farming and store proved unprofitable so, in 1922, the little family moved to Pasadena, CA.

They lived with Caleb Moore for a few months before moving to a house on Wilson Ave. The house is now a part of Longfellow Elementary School. Norman started working in the Chasey Grocery Store on Fair Oaks Ave. above Washington Blvd.

Next they moved to a house on Erickson (now Mendocino) Ave. near the Lincoln Ave. cross street in Altadena. Earl was born while they lived in Altadena. Shortly after this time, Norman was transferred to the Chasey Store in Alhambra and the family moved there to be near his work.

Late in 1925 the family moved into 720 Earlham St., Pasadena, CA. During the 20 years on Earlham, Barbara, Carol, Kay, Gwen and Suzanne were born. Norman began working primarily in the meat department at the Chasey Store on Los Robles near Orange Grove Ave. Safeway bought out the Chasey Grocery Store and Norman worked with them for a few years.

The little grocery around the corner from Safeway became available and Norman bought the store on Orange Grove Ave., just East of Los Robles. He operated Moore's Market for about 15 years and was hoping Oscar would take over after he left the Navy. However, Oscar had no interest in managing a grocery. Norman sold the store and began working at Consolidated Engineering in the Hastings Ranch Industrial zone. In 2007 the zone is a mall with Best Buy, Bed Bath & Beyond, etc.

In 1945 Norman bought 1771 E. Orange Grove Ave., Pasadena, CA, and the Moore's lived there for 9 years until all but Gwen and Suzie had married. After Norman worked at Consolidated a little more than two years, Loretta first had a heart attack and then Norman. As a result they sold the Orange Grove house and lived briefly on Woodbury Rd. before they bought the house at 2182 Loma Vista Avenue.

After a short time on Loma Vista, Norman and Loretta retired to Cathedral City, CA near Palm Springs. They lived there for 19 years. A year before Norman passed away, they moved to Yucaipa, CA.

A few years after Norman's passing, Loretta moved into Atherton Baptist Homes in Alhambra, CA. There she enjoyed almost a decade of life before passing on.