

Dear Cousin -

I am returning the chart which you sent me to fill out, but I'm very sorry I can not make it more complete. I have been unable to learn more names of the nephews' wives.

My father, Will Francis, also Peter and Rachel Francis and their father James F., my sisters Rosa and Ethel are all buried at Salem, Oregon, while my brother Will is buried in Dallas.

Our family Bible, which contained all of the records of births and deaths of our family, was burned when my brother Will's house burned several years ago. I have no other record of these and can not remember the dates. I'm not certain whether or not the ones I have included are correct.

I am interested in learning more about you and your immediate family and hope you will include this in your next letter.

There is a Doctor Francis in Corvallis who says he was in the World War and lost trace of his relatives. We think he probably belongs to some branch of our Francis family as he greatly resembles them in appearance. We intend to call on him in the near future and find out if he possibly could be related to us.

We have made a copy of the chart you sent and

*shall add information to it as we acquire it.*

*It may be of interest to you to know some of the activities of my family, my daughter and her husband, Rex Clemens, are engaged in the logging and lumber industry, known as the Philomath Lumber Company. They operate a sawmill and also do extensive logging. My husband and son, Clifford, work for this company. My other son, John, is a mechanic in a garage in Cloverdale, Oregon. My daughter, Hazel, has just passed her 18th birthday and has a position as secretary to the principal at our local high school and stays at home. She graduated from high school last June.*

*If you would care to I would like to exchange snap shots of our families.*

*I am very sorry that I can not supply any more of the information for which you asked, but hope that you succeed in completing this genealogy.*

*Sincerely,*

*Mrs. Fred Gee*

*Lillie Gee*

*Ed.Note - This letter was probably written late in 1935 or very early in 1936. The third page of the original to this letter was written on the back of a used sheet of stationery with the "Philomath Public Schools" letterhead and a date of "December 5, 1935".*