# Vermont Historical Society

**Annual Meeting** 

Thursday, September 28, 2023



## S. Crocker Bennett II

President, Vermont Historical Society



### **Election of Trustees**

# FOR A 3-YEAR TERM AS A VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRUSTEE:

- Janet Ancel, Calais (3<sup>rd</sup> Term)
- David T. Austin, South Burlington (2<sup>nd</sup> Term)
- Allison Belisle, Brookfield (1st Term)
- Randolph D. Brock, Swanton (1st Term)
- Katherine Lalley, Shelburne (1st Term)
- Anthony Marro, Bennington (1st Term)
- Donald Miller, Bennington (1st Term)
- Wright Preston, Richmond (1st Term)



# Financial Report

### **Dawn Schneiderman**

Board of Trustees Treasurer, Vermont Historical Society



# FY 2023 Unaudited VHS FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

### **Statement of Activities**

Revenue Expenses

	FY 2022	FY 2023		FY 2022	FY 2023
Contributions and Bequests	383,950	870,583	Public Programs	756,743	671,624
State Appropriation	1,022,891	1,085,032	Library	429,520	521,644
Investment Income	-306,780	276,779	Membership	248,547	208,490
Admissions, Fees and Earned Income	76,995	76,365	Museum	424,248	578,599
VT History Bookstore Sales	36,038	38,259	Administration & Finance	153,779	130,671
State and Federal Grants	320,435	502,669	Development	233,191	178,248
Other Revenue	191,134	190,552	VT History Bookstore/Guest Services Museum	65,696	59,789
TOTAL REVENUE	1,724,663	3,040,239	TOTAL EXPENSES	2.311.724	2,349,066

Depreciation of capital assets allocated across expense lines. Total depreciation for FY22 was \$272,756 and for FY23 was \$268,374 Operational revenues and expenses were balanced each year.



### **Balance Sheet**

### Assets

	FY 2022	FY 2023
Cash	760,898	917,250
Other Current Assets	376,794	751.644
Investments	2,308,567	2,572,314
Property Plant and Equipment	9,538,087	9,555,399
Depreciation	-3,402,175	-3,670,549
Total Property Plant & Equipment	6,135,913	5,884,850
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	9,582,172	10,126,059

### Liabilities

	FY 2022	FY 2023
Accounts Payable	146,501	17,176
Short-term Liabilities	174,535	160,871
Mortgage Payable	976,854	977,594
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,297,890	1,155,641
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	FY 2022	FY 2023
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Net Assets	FY 2022	FY 2023



## **Steve Perkins**

Executive Director, Vermont Historical Society



# Richard O. Hathaway Award

The annual Hathaway award goes to an individual, group or organization recognized as making an outstanding contribution to the field of Vermont history. Projects may include, but are not limited to, publications, exhibits, works of art, documentary films, radio programs, websites, and dramatic works.



# Portrait of a Forest Men and Machine



George Bellerose

### **Recent Accessions to the VHS Collections**

Steve Perkins, Executive Director



# ROGER W. MANN, M.D.





# Vermont

Do <u>real</u> Vermont women milk goats?

Anne Sarcka's Nairobi journal

Creating jungles in Vermont: the interior landscaping business

Plus news and advice on money, jobs, families, handling stress, keeping fit...

For Vermont Women of Achievement Volume One Number One

November 1985





















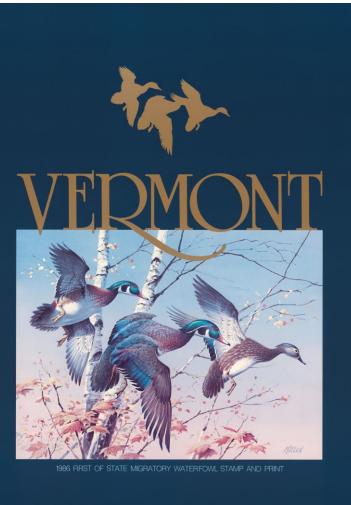


















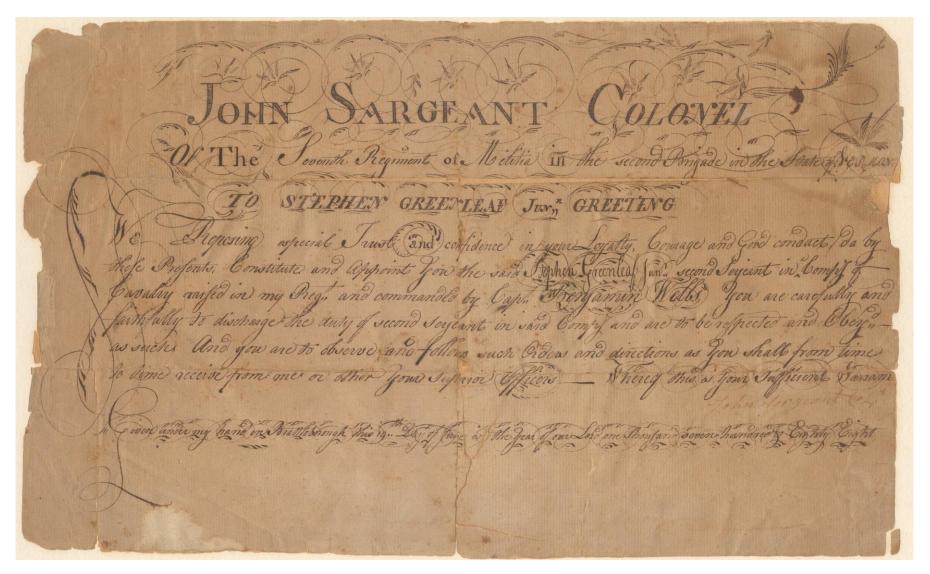


















ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO VERMONT

October 25, 1963

11:45 A.M.

Vice President and his party scheduled to arrive at the Barre-Montpelier Airport. Aircraft that will be used is a 14 place Gulfstreem turbo jet.

Aircraft will stop on apron adjacent to the airport administration building. Present for this ceremony of arrival will be approximately 300 cirizens from the town of Barre-Montreller. One platoen of the National Guard who will be the honor guard, National Guard band and ten girls from the precision drill team known as the Rainbow Girls.

As the plane comes to a stop, Governor and Mrs. Hoff will move forward to greet the Vice President and his wife as they disembark. As the Vice President emerges from the door of his plane, the National Guard band will play "Ruffles" which will be followed by "The Yellow Rose of Texas". With the playing of the "Yellow Rose of Texas", one of the girls from the Rainbow Girls group will move forward and present the Vice President's wife with one dozen long stemmed yellow roses.

Simulataneously, with the above mentioned ceremonies will be a 19 gun salute.

After the Vice President's wife has received the roses and the Vice President and "Lady Bird" have acknowledged the "Reinbow Cirls" group, the Vice President and the Governor will inspect the Honor Guard. This will be followed by the Vice President and his party moving them to the motorcade.

On a standby basis will be a mobile unit to pick up the Vice President's party's luggage take it directly to the Brown Derby Motel.

12:00 NOON

Motorcade moves from Barre-Montpelier sirport via Berlin road rapidly to Route 2. At this point, the motorcade will slow down so that the Vice President and Governor, Vice President's wife and Mrs. Hoff may be viewed by the public which will line the streets.

The motorcade will proceed down Route 2 to Winnowski Avenue in a westerly direction to the new Montpelier Righ School. At that point, the Montpelier High School students will be out to salute the Vice President and the Montpelier High School band will then fall in the lead position of the motorcade which will then cross over the river to State Street. The motorcade will proceed east on State Street, past the State Office Buildings to south Main Street. It will turn aouth on South Main and as the motorcade crosses Winowski Avenue, the Montpelier High School band will fall out of the motorcade and return to the High School. At this same point, Mrs. Hoff and the Vice President's wife and their party will likewise drop from the motorcade and be excorted by two security cars, front and rear to the Lodge in Stowe. The motorcade will then proceed to the Brown Derby Motel arriving at 12,50 p.m.















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Second Lieutenant of Company & , of the First Regiment
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day of May , one thousand eight hundred and ninety-
eight to serve two years , or during the war,
is hereby DISCHARGED from the service of the UNITED STATES, by reason of
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* NO OBJECTION TO HIS REENLISTMENT IS KNOWN TO EXIST.
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15 August 45

At SIX o'elock this morning, some early-bird turned on the radio, and news came over that the Japs had officially agreed to survender under our terms.

Someone remarked, that now we wouldn't have to sweat it out by the radio any more; then we turned over and went to sleep

quietly a bout it and speculating about getting out. Most of the prediction are pretty pessimistic for Gal's - year-and-a-half or two years. Personally, I expect to be darn near the last.

People got pretty excited

over in the states, I guess. Funny, & I's don't seem to get excited about such things. V-E Day was much the same Very tew guys who oped or hollered, just discussion of points and possible discharge. Americans don't seem to go infor this military deal.

from Jack last night. He is on a submarine repair deal and has been to alot of the islands in the Pacific Caroline, Marshall, Hawaiin, & Phillipine)

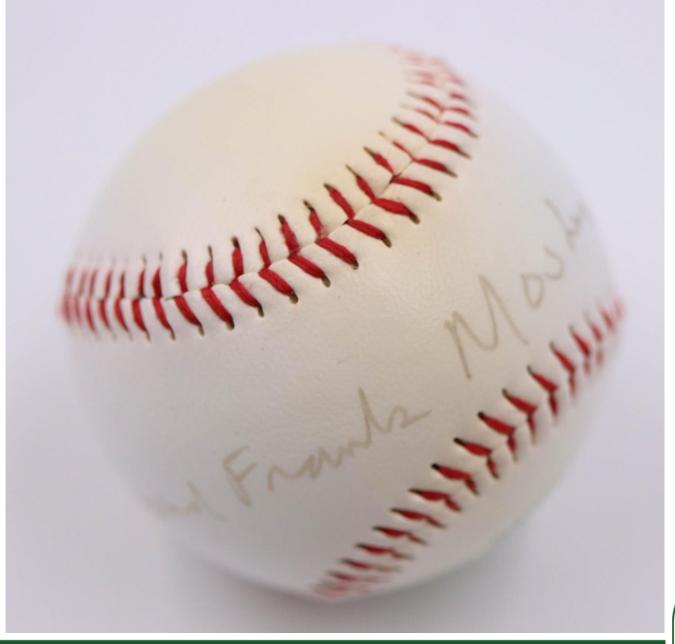
For Pacific service, and he was Transferred to the 35th Inf. Now, he is in a sesting area, amailing shipment to the states.













# Thank you!

Your support of the Vermont Historical Society ensures we can continue to carry out our mission to reach a broad audience through our outstanding collections, statewide outreach, and dynamic programming.

# Keynote Speaker: Mercedes de Guardiola

## "Vermont for the Vermonters"

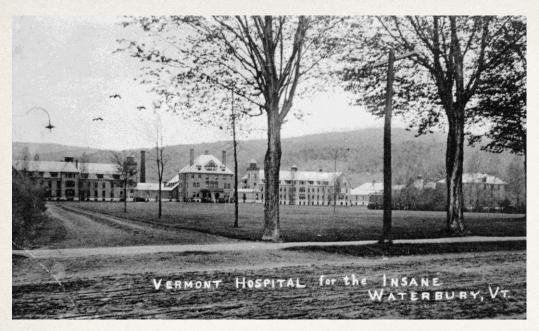
The History of Eugenics in the Green Mountain State

Mercedes de Guardiola

"There are hundreds, probably thousands, in Vermont, who are simply 'breeding like rats' and whose progeny are, intellectually, morally, and socially worse than rats. Proper and intelligent selection - segregation or sterilization, whichever seems best in a given case - is the only remedy to prevent this, and the other states in the union from becoming burdened and disgraced by these unfortunates."

— Dr. Don D. Grout 1912 letter to Governor John A. Mead "Without making too positive an assertion, I think we can safely say that in the sixty-two families that we have studied at any rate, 'blood has told', and there is every reason to believe that it will *keep right on* 'telling' in future generations. 'Running water purifies itself.' The stream of the germ-plasm does not seem to."

— Henry F. Perkins Lessons From a Eugenical Survey of Vermont: A Preliminary Report, 1927











**VEMBER 1, 1912.** 

### STERILIZATION BILL COMING

Measure for Removing a Menace to Society Prepared by Senator Johnson of Franklin County.

RY 14, 1929.

# EUGENICS SURVEY MAKING STUDY OF KEY FAMILIES IN STATE

During the earlier period of its activities, the Eugenics Survey of Vermont found it convenient to study a number of lowgrade families. The

DAY, OCTOBER 29, 1926.

### HEREDITY IS BIG PROBLEM

Home for Feeble-Minded Is Filled With Those Whose Parents Were Not as Carefully Selected as Dairymen Breed Cattle

### Control of Defectives

The sterilization bill passed the Senate last week by a vote of 21 to 7, the overwhelming majority indicating the general feeling which has been developing that something must be done to control the increase of mental defectives in Vermont, both for the sake of improving the population generally and in order to control the rapidly mounting cost of the department of public welfare.

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### FAMILY-TREE FOLDER

FAMILY PEDIGREE-CHART ACCOMPANIED BY SHORT BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES DESCRIBING THE PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND TEMPERAMENTAL QUALITIES OF THE SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY-TREE.

#### PURPOSE.

This folder may be conveniently used for recording human pedigrees. It will be found equally useful in the study of one's own or another family, or for making general pedigree or special studies of traits of various sorts, including talents and defects.

A family-record prepared in this manner differs from a genealogy in that the eugenical record adds to the names, dates, birthplaces and family connections of the ordinary genealogical outline, a description of the physical, mental or temperamental qualities of the several members of the family-tree. These that records may be used in true pedigree-manner for tracing the descent, segregation and recombination of heritable traits.

#### INSTRUCTIONS.

1. On upper half of page 2, prepare a family pedigree-chart in accordance with the instructions given on the

After preparing the pedigree-chart, begin on page 3 to give short biographical outlines and character sketches of the persons indicated on the chart, assigning numbers to each person corresponding to those of the chart.

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Name of person making this study:	
Address:	Date:

When completed, kindly deposit one copy of this record with the

EUGENICS RECORD OFFICE,

Cold Spring Harbor,

Long Island, N. Y.

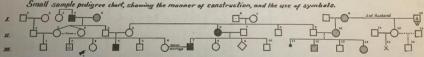
Note: This schedule will be furnished free of charge to persons desiring it. Two copies will be sent in order that, after making the record, the investigator may retain one copy for his own use and may file the second with the Eugenies Record Office. All records deposited with this office will be duly indexed and given a secure filing place where they will be permanently available for reference by persons with legitimate concern in them.

Principal Sur-names of the Family	Principal Locations or Addresses
Principal traits charted, and "Explanation of the Symbols"	
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III.	
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THE FOLLOWING IS A SAMPLE MERELY. DO NOT COPY IT. USE IT AS A GUIDE IN MAKING YOUR OWN CHART ABOVE.

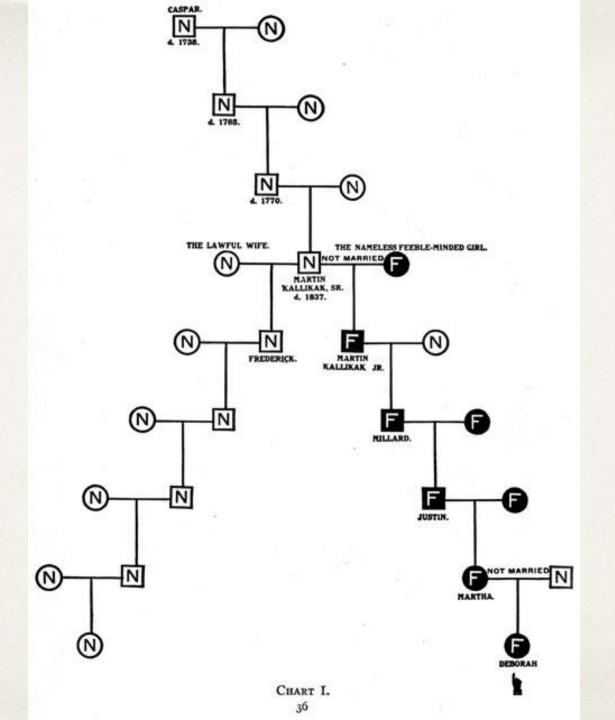
Following the principles of the sample chart, construct in the spaces above the pedigree-chart of the family being studied. Ordinarily for pedigree-study a branch of a family-the comprises the central figure, and, so far as known, his or her brothers and sixten, ancestors, and descendants, and the consorts of such this. In case some one else is not studying the branches represented by consists of the proposition, it is well to include such kin in the immediate study, particularly in case of special trait investigations.

The traits—"leadership," "talent in vocal music," "alcoholism"—here given are only examples of the many hundreds of mental, physical, and moral traits which characterize different families. Disregard these particular traits, named here for purely illustrative purposes, and select four or five of the outstanding natural traits—mental or physical—of the family to be described. The selected traits may be marked diether by black or colored flus placing letters or near the squares or circles standing for the persons who possess the particular traits. In either case, the meaning of such special markings or abbreviations (but not, of course, of the standard blank squares and circles) should be made clear under the beading "Explanation of the Symbols."



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Principal surnames of the family: Watson, Elwood, Henderson. Principal locations or addresses: Bangor, Me., Centralia, Ill., Peru, Ind.



BEDIGREE NUMBER:

PRINCIPAL LOCALITIES: XXXXXX

NO. OF GENERATIONS:

NO. OF INDIVIDUALS:

NO. LIVING IN 1926:

MAIN DEFECTS: XXXX

OTHER IMPORTANT DEFECTS:

NO. IN V. I. S.

NO. IN V. S. S. NO. IN F. W. SCHOOLS IN OTHER STATE:

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NO. AT B. B. R.

NO. IN V. S. P. NO. IN S. P. IN OTHER STATE:

NO. WITH S. D. P. W.

NO. OF STATE PAUPERS: NO. OF PAUPERS IN OTHER STATE:

NO. OF TOWN PAUPERS:

NC. INSANE (NOT AT V. S. H. OR B. B. R.)

NO. PERBLEMINDED (NOT AT V. S. S. OR V. S. H.)

NO. WITH COURT RECORDS (NOT AT S. P.) IN ANOTHER STATE:

NO. WITH COURT RECORDS (NOT AT V. I. S. OR V. S. P.)

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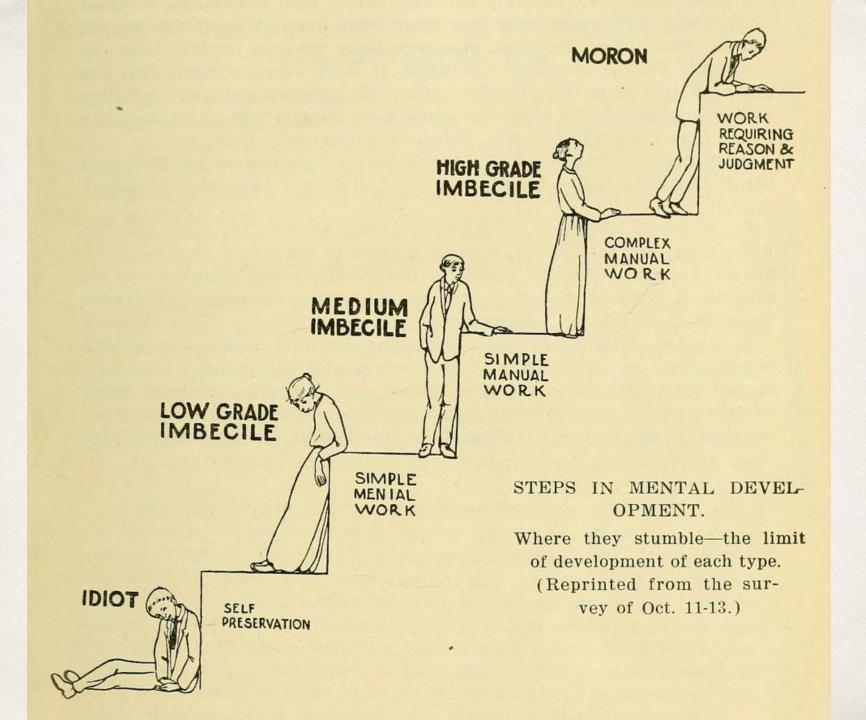
ALCOHOLIC:

VENERRAL DISEASE:

DIRECTIONS. The applicant must sign a request that the operation be performed, if of sufficient intelligence, otherwise the natural or legal guardian of such person must sign. The applicant must voluntarily submit to the operation. The physician and surgeon performing the operation must decide that the welfare of such person and the public welfare will be improved by such operation. The physician and surgeon must mail one of the duplicate certificates to the Commissioner of Public Welfare, Montpeller, Vt., and keep the other.

Physician and Surgeon.

Sterilization Act of 1931.



# Questions?

