

Dear Friends and Relatives:

In the closing lines of our last (1967) Christmas Card we said: "We are bulging at the seams again--someone or something has to go." They went. By mass migration. As indicated by the pictures to the left, Liz started it all by marrying John Martin Neil. A week later, Tracy Jr., married Elizabeth Huntington. Six months later Sherlene married Daniel Ray Bartholomew. About the same time, David became engaged to Donna Rae Coy. We suddenly seemed to have plenty of room. Liz and Tracy Jr. started their new homes in Provo while the husbands finished their schooling at the BYU. Sherlene and Dan, however, left immediately for Naperville, Ill., where Dan is employed at the Bell Telephone Labs. He is studying for a Master's Degree in Physics.

That, briefly, brings us to 1970, which has been a year of achievement, joy, and sorrow for us. Ida-Rose started the year by re-decorating the family room. When that was finished she started compiling "The Descendants of Fielding Langford," (her first LDS progenitor on the Langford side). She mailed the finished books to family members before Thanksgiving.

May 6, 1970. Tracy Jr. and his wife, Betsy, announced the arrival of their first son and our first Grandchild. They named him Huntington Tracy Hall. He is so wonderful that we have ordered three more "Grands" in 1971. One for each of the married couples above.

May 16, 1970. Tracy Sr. was awarded the Chemical Pioneer award by the American Institute of Chemists. Ida-Rose accompanied him to Pittsburgh Pa., to receive it.

May 29, 1970. Tracy Jr. graduated Cum Laude from BYU with his Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry. Liz's husband, Marty Neil graduated Magna Cum Laude, with a five-year degree in Electrical engineering. Naturally we were proud of both of them. This fall both couples moved to California where Tracy is working on a PhD at Berkeley, and Marty is working on his Master's at Stanford.

June 5, 1970. David married his lovely Donna Rae Coy in the S.L. temple and nested nearby at Wymount Terrace. Grandfather Hall moved into his room to live with us and keep us company.

Sept. 1970. Tracy Sr. and his partners in Mega Diamond Corp. announced the development of a new diamond product. They named it Mega-Diamond, and hope to sell zillions of them.

Sept. 23, 1970. A sad day for all of us. David and Donna Rae's plans for the future were terminated by her sudden death after a brief week's illness. Needless to say, she left a real void in our lives, especially David's. He moved back home and is continuing his Mechanical Engineering studies.

Virginia Graduated from High School in May and is now a freshman at BYU. She plans to teach. Charlotte has been involved in Laurel Life activities this summer and fall. She is a "do-er". Nancy started Jr. High School this fall, and moved us completely out of the elementary school phase. She and Charlotte are still studying piano, and Virginia is continuing voice study. They keep our home filled with music, song, and laughter. (And sewing scraps.)

WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY 1971.

THE H. TRACY HALLS



LIZ AND MARTY DEC. 1968



THE TRACY HALL Jr's. 1970



SHERLENE AND DAN JUNE 1969



MARTY AND TRACY JR.



DAVID AND DONNA



AND THEN THERE WERE FIVE AND THE CATS

