LEVI R. SHAW FAMILY HISTORY

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Preface

A Table of vital statistics for this family is provided at the end of this story. The table was initially built from the data provided by Melissa Jo Shaw O'Connor, her place highlighted in yellow. Susan Shaw Lynn and Robert Harry Davis, Jr. provided additional information which was included. Then as subsequent census reports, marriage records, obituaries, draft registration cards, etc., provided different data, the table was revised. Data taken from tombstones are highlighted in light blue. This is a work in progress and new information would be most welcome.

Readers will note this family history spans 1833 to 1989, 156 years; there are a lot of obituaries on 2nd generation family members, which we include verbatim to disclose the names of surviving family members especially the married names of daughters. Wherever possible we have tried to balance those obituaries with the details of the marriage ceremony of their children.

All photographs are from the Melissa Jo Shaw O'Connor Collection unless otherwise footnoted.

We hope the readers will find the story interesting and contact either myself, Melissa Jo Shaw O'Connor (msoconnor@comcast.net) or Robert Davis (robert.h.davis@me.com) with additional information or corrections.

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A New Testament Bible written in the Dutch language contains genealogical Shaw family records written in English supporting the contention that this Shaw family originated in Marble Town, Ulster County, New York where John and Anjie Shaw were born, married, raised their family and died. Together they had seven children, one of whom was Levi Roosa Shaw who is the subject of this family history.

We cannot be sure when Levi R. Shaw left Ulster County, New York and moved to Washington County, Maryland. However, on September 26, 1833 Levi R. Shaw married Elizabeth Harding in Jefferson County, Virginia, by Septimus Tuston. Both were listed as residents of Harpers Ferry, Va. Then Levi R. Shaw moves to Maryland circa 1838. He was reported as an employee of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company as the lock-keeper, Guard Lock No. 4, Dam No. 4 on July 1, 1839, at $150.00 per annum.1 Same on Feb. 1, 1840.2 He shows up in the 1840 census for Williamsport, Md. with five persons in the household; two in the age range 20 thru 49 and three under 20 years.3

1840 was not a good year for Levi R. Shaw because he was arrested for debt as shown by the adjacent newspaper announcement.4 He had moved to Maryland about two years previously, circa 1838, and incurred too much debt.

Levi R. Shaw was reported as an employee of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company as the lock-keeper, Guard Lock No. 4, Dam No. 4 on April 2, 1841, at $150.00 per annum.5 Same on June 1, 1841.6 Same on Jan. 1, 1842.7 Same on May 31, 1842.8 Same on May 31, 1845.9 Sometimes lock tenders left their locks in charge of unqualified substitutes while they attended to personal business. In August 1844 Levi R. Shaw had left an inadequate substitute at guard Lock No. 4 for one day.10 He continued on duty until May 31, 1845 when James Buchanan was appointed to Guard Lock No. 4.11

The 1850 census reported Levi Shaw, age 42, a Laborer, living in Subdivision 2, Washington County, Md.12 Living with him,

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1 Historic Resource Study: Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, by Harlan D. Unrau, C & O Canal NHP, Hagerstown, Md. August 2007, p. 597.
2 Ibid. p. 600.
3 1840 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Williamsport, p. 204.
4 The Mail, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Friday, 1/10/1840.
6 Ibid. p. 605.
7 Ibid. p. 608.
8 Ibid. p. 610.
9 Ibid. p. 612.
10 Ibid. p. 801.
11 Eighteenth Annual Report (1846), pp. 31 - 32.
12 1850 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Subdivision 2, enumerated on 8/21/1850, p. 72.
were: Elizabeth, age 37, wife; Prington [sic Charles Revington], age 12, son; and William, age 9, son. Both children were born in Maryland and Elizabeth was born in Virginia, although later census reports give her birth place as Maryland. Nevertheless it would appear that Levi R. Shaw was unaccompanied from New York to Virginia and it was in Harpers Ferry, Virginia that he met and married Elizabeth Harding on Sep. 29, 1833. Elizabeth Harding Shaw died on June 26, 1851 and Levi R. Shaw subsequently met and married Mary Morrison on March 23, 1852.

During August of 1851 there were reports: "District Meetings, DISTRICT NO. 1, At a meeting of the Whigs of Sharpsburg District, which assembled on the 16th instant, Capt. DAVID SMITH was called to the Chair and A. A. Biggs, appointed Secretary. "After the object of the meeting was stated the following persons were named to meet in Convention in Hagerstown on Saturday next: . . . Levi R. Shaw . . ."13


The 1860 census reported Levi Shaw, age 47, a Boatman with real estate valued at $600 and a personal estate valued at $600, living in Bakersville, Md.16 Living with him were: Mary, age 38, wife; Rigdon [sic Charles Revington], age 22, son; William, age 19, son; and two unrelated persons: Kate Grooms, age 30 and Rodney Grooms, age 3. Son, Robert Shaw, arrived on 9/11/1860, about one month after the census was taken.

The Civil War began on April 12, 1861.

Charles R. Shaw enlisted on Aug. 15, 1861. Served as a private, First Regiment, Potomac Home Brigade, Company A, Maryland Volunteers.17 While in the service he contracted chronic diarrhea and catarrh of the head from which he suffered ever after. Also on the Gettysburg campaign, about June 1863, he contracted rheumatism from which he suffered ever after. He mustered out on Aug. 27, 1864, in Berlin, Md. At that time he was 26 years old, 5' - 9½" tall, light complexion, dark hair and had brown eyes.

On August 25, 1862 Levi R. Shaw bought the canal boat Governor Shaw for the sum of $1,200.18 The boat was to be run day and night. The mortgage was released June 14, 1865. The mortgage is attached to this report. The Governor Shaw was registered to operate on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal on September 2, 1862.19

13 Herald of Freedom, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, 8/20/1851.
14 Ibid.
15 Ibid.
16 1860 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Tilmington, enumerated on 8/8/1860, p. 163.
18 Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book IN 16, p 336, 9/3/1862.
19 All the canal boat data can be found at www.candocanal.org/histdocs/index.html.
The Civil War ended on April 9, 1865.

On September 20, 1865 William R. Shaw bought the canal boat *Ursula & Estella* for the sum of $2,000.\(^{20}\) The boat was named after his two daughters and was to be run day and night. The mortgage is attached to this report. Also in September 1865, Levi R. Shaw of Bakersville had Gross Receipts of $1,628 dollars on which the I.R.S. taxed him at 2½% or $40.70.\(^{21}\)

On August 8, 1868 Charles R. Shaw bought the canal boat *General McClellan* for the sum of $1,500.\(^{22}\) The mortgage is attached to this report. Unfortunately canal boat departures from Cumberland during the period 1850 thru 1873 have not been found or not been transcribed. So we cannot say how active Levi R., William R. and Charles R. Shaw were during that period.

The 1870 census reported Levi R. Shaw, age 60, a Stone Mason, with real estate valued at $1,500 and a personal estate valued at $100, living in Bakersville, Md.\(^{23}\) He was blind. Living with him were: Mary, age 49, wife; and a domestic servant. Living in the adjacent dwelling was William Shaw, age 29, Boating on the Canal.\(^{24}\) Living with William were: Mary, age 25, wife; Ursula, age 7, daughter; Estella, age 5, daughter; Levi R., age 2, son; and a domestic servant.

On March 27, 1872 William R. Shaw bought the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* for the sum of $2,100\(^{25}\) On January 13, 1874 William R. Shaw, for $125, bought one bay horse mule, the harness, boat rig, including the cooking stove and furniture on canal boat *Jacob McGraw*.\(^{26}\) That second mortgage was what we would today call a "home equity loan" wherein property is used as collateral for a loan. The mortgages are attached to this report. During 1874 the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* departed Cumberland with Captain William Speaker.

During 1876 the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* departed Cumberland with Captain F. Mertens.

During 1877 the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* departed Cumberland with Captain W. Shaw on 4/4, 5/11, 6/8 and 9/14/1877. The boat departed Cumberland with Captain F. Mertens on 9/26, 10/5, 10/19, 10/31 and 11/18/1877.

During 1878 the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* departed Cumberland with Captain W. Shaw on 5/29, 8/20, 8/31, 9/16 and 10/4/1878. The boat departed Cumberland with Captain Speaker on 6/17, 7/11, and 7/23/1878. The boat departed Cumberland with Captain F. Mertens on 10/22, 11/2, and 11/13/1878.

The 1879 canal boat departures from Cumberland data is incomplete.

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\(^{20}\) Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book LBN 1, p 197, 10/2/1865.  
\(^{21}\) U.S. IRS Tax Assessment List, Maryland, District 4, Annual List, Sept. 1865.  
\(^{22}\) Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD, Deed Book LBN 2, p 831, 8/25/1868.  
\(^{23}\) 1870 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., District 12, enumerated on 6/24/1870, p. 29.  
\(^{24}\) Ibid.  
\(^{25}\) Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, MD, Deed Book 37, page 528, 4/12/1872.  
\(^{26}\) Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, MD, Deed Book 41, page 194, 1/15/1874.
During 1880 the canal boat *Jacob McGraw* departed Cumberland with Captain W. Shaw on

The 1880 census reported Charles R. Shaw, age 42, a laborer, living in Downsville, Md. While
he was reported as married, no wife was listed; he may have been separated at the time with a
divorce to follow. Living with him were: Charles E., age 14, son, a laborer; Euphienia, age 13,
dughter; and James H., age 4, son.

The 1880 census reported William R. Shaw, age 41, Runs a boat on Canal, living in Tilghmanton. Living with him were: Mary, age 35, wife; Ursula, age 17, daughter; Estella, age 15, daughter; Levi, age 12, son; and Mary, age 58, [mother-in-law?].

On March 13, 1884 Charles Emory Shaw married Amantha Helen Perrell. The two following
tintypes were studio photographs and thus probably their 1884 wedding photographs.

In May of 1886 a newspaper reported: "**The Orphans' Court.** Friday, March 19th. Letters of
administration, d. b. n., c. t. a., on the estate of Levi R. Shaw, deceased, granted unto Buchanan
Schley, administrator d. b. n., c. t. a." Those records remain to be found.

In May, 1889 a newspaper reported: "**MARRIED. DAVIS - SHAW.** - On Thursday, May 23, at
Big Springs, by Rev. J. M. Graybill, Mr. George H. Davis and Miss Luphemia Shaw, both of this
county."

In May 1890 we read: "**One Divorce Granted and Two others Sought.** - Charles R. Shaw of
Downsville district, has, through Adam S. Garis, his solicitor, petitioned for an absolute divorce
from his wife, Laura V. Shaw, alleging abandonment and infidelity on the part of his wife."

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28 1880 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Tilghmanton, enumerated on 6/1/1880, p. 1A.
29 *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, 3/25/1886, p. 3.
30 *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, 5/30/1889, p. 2.
An 1890 census reported Charles R. Shaw, formerly a Private in Company A, 1st Maryland Potomac Home Brigade, who served from Aug. 12, 1861 to Sept. 17, 1864, was living in Bakersville, Md. with no disability.\(^{32}\) That does not match his Declaration for Original Invalid Pension, previously mentioned.

In Sept. 1891 we read in a Marriage column: "SHAW-TURNER - On Friday, August 14, at the residence of Cornelius Ridenour, by Elder W. S. Reichard, Mr. Charles R. Shaw and Miss Mary C. Turner, both of Mercerville, this county."\(^{33}\)

By 1896 Charles and Amantha Shaw had five children as shown in the following tintype. Harry Ross Shaw was standing in the back with his left arm around Grace Virginia Shaw, Eva May Shaw was seated on a chair to the left, Bertha Lillian Shaw was seated on a box to the right and holding the baby Charles Franklin Shaw on her lap.


The 1900 census reported Joseph Turner, age 54, a Level Walker on the Canal.\(^{34}\) Living with him were: Martha E., age 53, wife; Henry T., age 24, son; Ida E., age 12, daughter; Mary C. Shaw, age 28, daughter, widow; Ella V. Turner, age 11, daughter; William R. Shaw, age 8, grandson; and Leona Shaw, age 5, granddaughter. The widow, Mary C. Turner Shaw, and her two children had removed to her father's home after the death of Charles Revington Shaw.

The 1900 census reported Charles Shaw, age 35, married 16 years, a Boatman on the Canal, living in Indian Spring, Md.\(^{35}\) Living with him were: Martha, age 42, wife, married 16 years, she had five children all of whom were then still living; Harry, age 15, son; Bertha, age 12, daughter; Virginia, age 10, daughter; Eva, age 8, daughter; and Charles, age 6, son.

We remember that Charles Revington Shaw's first daughter, Euphenia Lou Shaw, had married George Hamilton Davis on May 23, 1889. The 1900 census reported George H. Lewis [sic. Davis], age 34, married 12 years, was working as a Laborer, W. A., in Potomac, Md.\(^{36}\) Living with him were: Phemia, age 35, wife, married 12 years, she had six children three of whom were then living; Samuel L., age 11, son; Lyddie B., age 8, daughter; and William H., age 2, son.

\(^{31}\) *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, 3/6/1890, p. 3.

\(^{32}\) 1890 census, Special Schedule, SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS, ETC. Persons who served in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States during the war of the rebellion (who are survivors), and widows of such persons, in Tilghman District, Washington County, Maryland, enumerated 6/1890.

\(^{33}\) *The Herald and Torch Light*, Hagerstown, Md., Thursday, 9/17/1891, p. 3.

\(^{34}\) 1900 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Tilghman District 12, enumerated on 6/7/1900, p. 5A.

\(^{35}\) 1900 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Indian Spring, District 81, enumerated on 6/20/1900, p. 15A.

\(^{36}\) 1900 census, Maryland, Montgomery Cty., Potomac, enumerated on 6/20/1900, p. 15B.
Birt Davis, their son, had been born and died in 1895; information on the other two deceased children has not been found.

The following photograph of the entire class of students was taken circa 1900 with Harry Ross Shaw (HRS), Grace Virginia Shaw (GVS), Eva May Shaw (EMS) and Bertha Lillian Shaw (BLS) identified by their initials.

![Image of class of students]

The 1900 census reported James R. Harper, age 48, married 13 years, a Navy Yard worker. Living with him were: Stella E. [Shaw], age 45 [sic 35], married 13 years, she had 5 children only 2 of whom were then living; Richard, age 9, son; Margaret, age 9/12, daughter; Mary C. [James] Shaw, age 55, mother-in-law, widow; and L. R. Shaw, age 32, brother-in-law, a dredge man on the Canal.

1905 was not a good year for James Shaw. A Cumberland newspaper reported:

"OLDTOWN MAN CAUGHT.

"SHERMAN PENNELL ACCUSED OF A MURDEROUS ASSAULT ON JAMES SHAW.

"Deed Was Committed Some Weeks Ago and the Accused Escaped to Pennsylvania

"Located by Sheriff and is now Under Arrest.

"Sherman Pennell, a somewhat notorious character from Oldtown district, is under arrest at Cannonsburg, Pa. Some weeks ago Pennell engaged in a fight on the towpath at Oldtown and seriously cut one James Shaw.

"The cutting is said to have been done in a cowardly manner and immediately afterward or before the sheriff had time to reach the scene Pennell left the State and could not be found.

37 1900 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Tilghmanton, District 12, enumerated on 6/7/1900, p. 5A
"Sheriff Dennen directed his deputy, Mr. Wm. E. Hodel, to locate Pennell, if possible, wherever he might be with a view to bringing him here to answer for the crime. Mr. Hodel obtained a clue to the whereabouts of the refuge and followed it up, finally locating his man in Pennsylvania. Word was sent to officials at Cannonsburg to put Pennell under arrest and the sheriff received a message today stating this had been done.

"Deputy Sheriff Hodel will probably go to Pennsylvania tonight and bring the prisoner here.

"It could not be ascertained this afternoon whether Pennell is willing to come without the service of requisition papers or not.

"In the past few years a gang of desperate characters have made a habit of committing more or less aggravated assaults in the eastern or more isolated districts of the county and afterwards leaving the State until the matter is forgotten or dropped. The county officials are making an effort to have such persons captured with a view to abolishing the notion that they can escape punishment by getting away for a while.

"Deputy Sheriff Hodel left on train No. 5 this afternoon for Cannonsburg to bring the prisoner back to this city."³⁸

By 1906 Harry Ross Shaw was 21 years old and working on the C. & O. Canal. The above tintype, circa 1906, from the family collection, was probably taken as the team approached Lock 75, because all mules were usually hitched to the boat until reaching Lock 75 whereupon two mules were put into the stable at the bow of the canal boat.

Attached to the back of this report are three Canal Towage Company Bills of Lading for Canal Boat 78, whereof H. Shaw [Capt. Harry Ross Shaw] was Master for the voyage.³⁹ First, note they are on pre-printed forms, one for each consignee. Second, the forms were in sets of four,

³⁹ From the Melissa Shaw O'Connor Collection, provided 5/12/2015.
possibly 1 for the Coal Co., 1 for the Capt., 1 for the Toll Collector in Cumberland and 1 for the Toll Collector at the destination. We make the following tabulation for 1908:

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A round trip to Williamsport typically took 7 days while a round trip to Georgetown typically took 13 to 15 days. An allowance in addition to the freight rate was made for the Canal Towage Co. Mules: 4 Mules $12.00; 3 Mules $9.00; and there were some variations, e.g. 3 Mules $4.50 to Williamsport. The variation in allowance for Canal Towage Co. mules remains unexplained. The variation in freight rate appears to be related to the length of the voyage, the 8/20/1906 voyage being a possible exception. In any event it is clear that Captain Harry Ross Shaw was quite busy in 1908.

The family photograph below was probably taken about the same time, the crew and the location were not identified. The two flags at the bow were visual aids for the steersman to help in maneuvering around curves in the canal.

The 1910 census reported Charles E. Shaw, age 45, married 26 years, a Boatman on the Canal, living in Clear Spring. Living with him were: Martha H., age 50, wife, married 26 years, she had five children all of whom were then living; Harry R., age 25, son, a Boatman on the Canal; Bertha L., age 22, daughter; Grace V., age 20, daughter, a Cook on the Canal; Eva M., age 18, daughter, a Cook on the Canal; and Charles F., age 16, son, a [Mule] Driver on the Canal.

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40 1910 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Clear Spring, enumerated on 4/22/1910, p. 8B.
The 1910 census reported Hamilton Davis, age 42, a Canal Laborer, living in Potomac, Md. Living with him were: Euphemia [Shaw], age 43, wife; Samuel, age 20, son, a Canal Laborer; Lydia, age 17, daughter; William, age 13, son; and Harry, age 7, son.

The 1910 census reported James H. Shaw, age 33, married eleven years, was a carpenter in a car shop in Oldtown. Living with him were: Ora B., age 27, wife; Ross F., age 11, son, a street newsboy; Bula V., age 8, daughter; James C., age 6, son; and Clarence I., age 3, son.

The 1910 census reported John M. Groff, age 36, married twice, married 1 year for present marriage, was a farm laborer. Living with him were: Mary C. [Turner Shaw], age 38, married twice, married 1 year for present marriage, she had 3 children 2 were then living; and William R. Shaw, age 17, stepson, also a farm laborer. In 1910 the two living children would have been William R. Shaw and Ella Shaw, age 12+ and possibly living with relatives.

The 1910 census reported Mary C. [James] Shaw, age 65, widow, she had four children three of whom were then still living, living on West Church Street, Hagerstown. Living with her were: Levi R., age 42, son, working as an Inspector for the Railroad; and a Boarder. The City Directory listed Mary C. (widow of William R.) Shaw was residing at 443 Church St., Hagerstown. Living with her was her son, Levi R. Shaw, who was working as a car inspector.

On Nov. 9, 1912, Lydia B. Davis, daughter of George Hamilton and Phemia Davis, married Samuel S. Miller in Washington, D. C.

On March 14, 1914, Harry Ross Shaw married Cora Elsie Shank; Their wedding photographs are to the right.

World War I came along and eligible men registered for the draft, specifically:

**Harry Ross Shaw**, age 33, born March 18, 1885, worked at the Pittsburg Lime Stone Co., Falling Waters, W. Va. and lived in Big Spring, Md. His nearest relative was Cora E. Shaw, wife, of the home address. He was of medium height, medium build, brown eyes and brown hair. The following photograph was taken at Nestles Stone Quarry with Harry Ross Shaw standing at the top right hand corner. He was a foremen.

**Walter W. Sipes**, age 28, born May 26, 1889, worked at the N. Y. Rag & Startup Co., in Hagerstown, Md., where he lived. He was married with a wife and 2 children. He was of medium height, slender build, gray eyes and light colored hair, not bald.

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41 1910 census, Maryland, Montgomery Cty., Potomac, enumerated on 4/29/1910, p. 16A.
42 1910 census, Maryland, Allegany Cty., Oldtown, enumerated on 5/10/1910, p. 8B
43 1910 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., District 10, enumerated on 4/28/1910, p. 10B.
44 1910 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Hagerstown, enumerated on 4/20/1910, p. 8A.
45 1910 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 245.
46 1910 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 244.
47 WW-I Draft Registration card, Serial No. 573, dated 9/12/1918.
48 WW-I Draft Registration card, Serial No. 769, dated 6/5/1917
Samuel Luther Davis, age 27, born Jan. 6, 1890, living in Great Falls, working as a laborer for C. & O. Canal Co., Great Falls. He was married, of medium height, slender build, gray eyes, brown hair and not bald.

Ross Franklin Shaw, age 19, born Jan. 7, 1899, living in Oldtown, worked as extra watchman for Western Maryland Railway Co. in Oldtown. His nearest relative was his mother, Belle Shaw, Oldtown. He was tall, slender of build, blue eyes and dark hair.

William Reichard Shaw, age 25, born May 20, 1892, living at 43 Elizabeth St., Hagerstown, Md. He was a Boilermaker of the Western Maryland Railroad Co., in Hagerstown. He was married with a wife and 3 children [Mary, Elizabeth and Catherine]. He was of medium height, medium build, gray eyes, dark hair and not bald.

On June 21, 1919, Lydia Virginia [Davis] Miller of Washington D.C. died. She left behind her husband, Samuel S. Miller and three children: James Hamilton (b. 8/8/1913); Evelyn Virginia (b. 11/26/1914); and Harry McClellan (b. 10/4/1916).

The 1920 census reported Charles E. Shaw, age 55, a Laborer in a Stone Quarry, living in Clear Spring. Living with him were: Amantha, age 61, wife; Virginia, age 30, daughter, a Seamstress in own home; Eva M., age 28, daughter; Charles F., age 25, son, a quarryman in a Stone quarry; and William Artz, age 69, a Boarder, a Lock tender on the Canal. The left photograph was taken circa 1920 of Amantha Helen Shaw at her home. She was a sister to Martha Jane Silver - wife of John Silver (boat builder at Two Locks) and Ida Taylor - wife of Samuel S. Taylor (locktender at Four Locks).

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49 WW-I Draft Registration card, Serial No. 1344, dated 6/5/1917.
50 WW-I Draft Registration card, Serial No. 3907, dated 9/12/1918.
51 WW I Draft Registration Card, Serial No. 122, dated 6/5/1917.
52 1920 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Clear Spring, enumerated on 6/3/1920, p. 1B.
The 1920 census reported a George H. Davis, age 53, a Lock Tender on the C & O Canal [Lock 59], boarding with the Robert R. Twigg family in Orleans, Md. In 1920, 1921, 1925 and 1926 a Phemia Davis (widow of Hamilton Davis) was living at 2914 M Street, NW, Washington, D. C. The photograph to the right of Euphemia Davis, circa 1920, holding a large doll. Euphemia’s eldest son, Samuel L. Davis lived on Great Falls Road in Rockville, MD with his wife, Clara M., and son, Harry H. Euphemia’s sons Willie and Harry lived with Euphemia.

The photograph to the left of Robert F. Shaw is dated Oct. 8, 1920 when Robert was 10 years old and on the back was written: "to my aunt" which was Phemia Lou Shaw Davis.

Similarly, the photograph to the right of Clystia L. Shaw was also dated Oct. 8, 1920 and on the back was written: "to my aunt." These last three photographs are from the Robert Davis collection.

The 1920 census reported James H. Shaw, age 44, a machinist helper, living in Oldtown. Living with him were: Orabel, age 38, wife; Ross F., age 21, son, a track laborer; Beulah C., age 18, daughter; James C., age 16, son, a canal laborer; Irvin C., age 15, son; Robert B., age 9, son; Clystia L, age 6, daughter; Ralph C., age 3-8/12, son; Howard C., age 2-3/12, son; Raymond E., age 2/12, son; and a Boarder.

The 1920 census reported William R. Shaw, age 27, a Boilermaker for a Railroad, was living in Hagerstown. Living with him were: Iva, age 26, wife; Mary, age 7, daughter; Elizabeth, age 4, daughter; Catherine, age 2-9/12, daughter; Josephine, age 4/12, daughter; Nettie Shank, age 18, sister-in-law; and Exeverious Shank, age 20, brother-in-law.

During the summer of 1921 while Walter and Bertha Sipes were visiting her mother, Amantha Helen Shaw, the photograph to the left was taken of Amantha Helen Shaw and her granddaughter.

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53 1920 census, Maryland, Allegany Cty., Orleans, enumerated on 1/10 & 12/1920, p. 3A.
55 1920 census, Maryland, Allegany Cty., Oldtown, enumerated on 3/12 & 13/1920, p. 4A.
56 1920 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Hagerstown, enumerated on 1/12/1920, p. 13A&B.
Louise Helen Sipes.

In Nov. 1923 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"Mrs. Amantha Helen Shaw, wife of Charles E. Shaw, died at her home at Dam No. 5 at 2 A.M. from a complication of diseases, aged 64 years, 7 months, and 27 days. Although Mrs. Shaw had been in ill health for a year, she had only been confined to her bed for three weeks. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Clearspring. Besides her husband, she is survived by the following: Daughters, Mrs. Walter Sipes, Hagerstown, Misses Virginia and Eva M., at home; sons, Harry R., Falling Waters, W. Va.; Charles F., at home; sisters, Mrs. Margaret Herr, Hagerstown; Mrs. Samuel Tyler (Taylor), Four Locks, brothers, Harry Perrell, Martinsburg, W. Va.; William Perrell, York, Pa. Funeral Monday afternoon meeting at the house at one o’clock with services at the M.E. Church, Clearspring, at two o’clock; Rev. Charles Seymour will officiate. Interment in the Reformed cemetery, near Clearspring."

The following day a follow-up story: "The funeral of Mrs. Chas. Shaw was largely attended from her late home, Dam No. 5. Many beautiful floral tributes were presented from her many friends and relatives. Mrs. Shaw spent a beautiful life and was always ready to help one in need. She always met you with a smile. She was a devoted wife and mother. The best years of her life she gave to the welfare of her home and children. Mrs. Shaw will be generally missed by all who knew her."

The adjacent photograph is of the family home, next to the lock house at Dam No. 5. The home still exists, albeit painted white and occupied by squatters.

On Feb. 16, 1924, Harry T. Davis and Margaret E. Musgrove were married in Washington, D.C.

In July 1926 a newspaper reported: "Marriage Licenses. - William R. Shaw, 34, widower, and Louise B. Manious, 25, divorced, both of Hagerstown"

The adjacent undated photographs (circa 1926) to the left is of James Carl Shaw (b. 2/22/1904) and to the right is if Raymond E. Shaw (b. 12/29/1919) from the Robert Davis Collection.

In 1929 Harry R. and Cora Shaw were living at 739 Chestnut St.

57 The Daily Mail, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 11/3/1923.
58 The Daily Mail, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Monday, 11/5/1923.
Hagerstown and he was working in a laboratory. Also in 1929 William R. and Louise Shaw were living at 20 Lanvale St., Hagerstown and he was working in a laboratory.

The 1930 census reported Charles E. Shaw, age 65, widowed, a Quarryman in a Stone Quarry, living in Clear Spring. Living with him were: Virginia, age 39, daughter; and Eva M., age 37, daughter.

The 1930 census reported Harry R. Shaw, age 45, working as a Washer in a Laundry and living on Chestnut St., Hagerstown. Living with him were: Cora E., age 34, wife; Carman, age 14, daughter; Harry, Jr. [sic not a Jr.], age 13, son; Ralph, age 10, son; Amantha, age 8, daughter; Raymond, age 6, son; and Kitty, age 3, daughter.

The 1930 census reported a Phemia Davis, age 59, divorced, working as a Laborer in a Bakery, living in Washington, D. C. The same census reported Samuel Davis, age 40, working as an assistant storekeeper for the U.S. Government, living on Conduit Road NW, Washington, D. C. Living with him were: Clara M., age 33, wife; and Harry H., age 11, son. The same census reported Harry Davis, age 26, working as an assistant steward at the Metropolitan Club, living on fifth Street, Cabin John Park, Md. Living with him were: Margaret, age 25, wife; Robert, age 5, son; and Olive, age 2 years 11 months, daughter.

The 1930 census reported James H. Shaw, age 54, working as a laborer in a Tie Preheating Plant, living in Oldtown. Living with him were: Orabella, age 48, wife; Ross F., age 31, son, teaching in a public school; Clarence I., age 23, son, a laborer at odd jobs; Robert F., age 19, son, a farm laborer; Cylstia, age 16, daughter; Ralph C., age 13, son; Howard C., age 12, son; Raymond E., age 10, son; Dorothy A., age 6, daughter; and Annabelle, age 3, daughter.

The 1930 census reported William W. [sic R.] Shaw, age 36, working as a Boiler maker for a Railroad. Living with him were: Louise B., age 29, wife; Elizabeth M., age 14, daughter; Catherine M., age 12, daughter; and Josephine M., age 9, daughter.

The adjacent photograph of Ross Franklin Shaw (b. 1/7/1899) is dated 8/20/1930, from the Robert Davis Collection. He looks to be wearing telephone lineman's gear, notice extra belt with climbing strap on his left hip and climbing iron on his right leg.

60 1929 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 417.
61 1929 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 418.
62 1930 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Election District 4, enumerated on 4/10/1930, p. 4A.
63 1930 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Hagerstown, enumerated on 4/18/1930, p. 15B.
64 1930 census, District of Columbia, Washington., enumerated on 4/7/1930, p. 6B.
65 Ibid, p. 21A.
66 1930 census, Maryland, Montgomery Cty., Bethesda, p. 10A.
67 1930 census, Maryland, Allegany Cty., Oldtown, enumerated on 4/7/1930, p. 3A.
68 1930 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., District 25, enumerated on 4/9/1930, p. 4B.
In July 1930 "Mrs. C. C. Ricewick and Mrs. James Shaw spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Sam Farrow, Clearspring, Md."\(^{69}\)

Later that month, we read the following:

"Funeral of J. C. Shaw"

"Funeral services for James Carl Shaw, 25, of 512 Sheridan place, who was electrocuted yesterday morning while working as a lineman for the Potomac Edison Company on McMullen Highway, will be held at 2 p. m., Friday from the Oldtown Methodist Episcopal Church. Burial will be in the church cemetery."

"The body was taken to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, at Oldtown. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Clarence, Raymond, Ralph, Howard Ross, Annabell and Clysta Shaw and Mrs. C. C. Ricerick. Rev. C. H. Mead will be in charge of the service."\(^{70}\)

And the family gave: "CARD OF THANKS - We take this method in expressing our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors for the kindness shown us during the death of our beloved son Carl. We especially thank those who gave flowers and those who donated cars.

"MR. AND MRS. JAMES SHAW AND FAMILY
"Oldtown, Md."\(^{71}\)

In 1936 Harry R. and Rose [sic Cora] Shaw were living at 720 Chestnut St. Hagerstown and he was a washer.\(^{72}\) Their son, Harry R. Shaw, Jr., was living with them and he was a clerk.

On Dec. 7, 1936 Grace Virginia Shaw died. Her obituary follows: "Grace Virginia Shaw, Big Spring, died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Sipes, Cabin John, Md., of complications after an illness of 3 months. She was born and reared at Big Spring, the daughter of Charles E. and Amantha (Perrill) Shaw. She was a member of the Methodist church. Besides her father, Charles E., Big Spring, these sisters and brothers survive: Mrs. Sipes, Miss Eva, Big Spring; Harry, Hagerstown; Charles F., Cabin John. The body was removed to the A. K. Coffman funeral home and will be taken to the home of her father at Big Spring. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, leaving the home at 1 o'clock, with services in the Methodist church at Clearspring at 2 o'clock. Interment in Rose Hill, near Clearspring."

The adjacent photograph (circa 1937) is of Annabelle Shaw (b. 3/25/1927), from the Robert Davis Collection. At the time of the photograph, her father, James Henry Shaw, was working at the Tie Treating Plant, Green Spring, W. Va.

\(^{69}\) *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 7/8/1930, p. 9..

\(^{70}\) *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 7/16/1930, p. 6.

\(^{71}\) *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 7/22/1930, p. 4.

\(^{72}\) 1935 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 317,
In 1937 Harry R. and Cora Shaw were still living at 720 Chestnut St., Hagerstown and he was a washer at Hagerstown Laundry Inc.\textsuperscript{73} Their son, Harry R. Shaw, Jr., was living at home and working as a washer at the same plant. Sometime in the 1937 to 1940 time frame the Hagerstown Laundry Inc. held a Halloween party for their employees as shown in the adjacent photograph. Harry Ross Shaw is shown in the lower left corner, in blackface, and his son, Harry Reginald Shaw to his right, with clasped hands.

In Jan. 1937 we read "\textbf{Ross Shaw’s Birthday Dinner} - Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown, gave a turkey dinner Thursday evening in honor of their son Ross F. Shaw's birthday. Those present outside the immediate family were Dempsey Adams, Robert Beall and Dr. George L. Carder, of Cumberland.\textsuperscript{74} And at the end of that year: "\textbf{OLDTOWN} - Clarence D. Shaw, Hagerstown, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."\textsuperscript{75}

In 1938 we read: "Mrs. Belle Shaw, 57, wife of James Shaw, Oldtown, who fractured her left arm in a fall Saturday from a small bridge near her home, was able to leave the hospital yesterday."\textsuperscript{76}

The 1940 census reported Harry R. Shaw, age 55, a Fireman in a Hotel living on Chestnut St., Hagerstown.\textsuperscript{77} Living with him were: Cora E., age 44, wife; Harry R., Jr. [sic not a Jr.], age 24, son, working as a washer in a Laundry; Ralph E., age 20, son, working as a clerk in a grocery; Amantha E., age 19, daughter, working as a Packer in a Leather Co.; Raymond W., age 16, son; Kitty C., age 13, daughter; and June L. age 4, daughter. From the City Directory for 1940 we see Harry R. and Cora Shaw were still living at 720 Chestnut St., Hagerstown, and he was then a fireman at Hotel Alexander.\textsuperscript{78} Their son, Harry R. Shaw, still working as a washer at the same Laundry. Their son, Ralph E. Shaw, was a Clerk at Christy E. McEwen [grocery store]. Their daughter, Amantha Shaw, was a factory worker. All three children were still living at home.

\textsuperscript{73} 1937 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 351.
\textsuperscript{74} \textit{Cumberland Evening Times}, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 1/9/1937, p. 1.
\textsuperscript{75} \textit{Cumberland Evening Times}, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 12/1/1937, p. 7.
\textsuperscript{76} \textit{Cumberland Evening Times}, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Monday, 7/18/1938, p. 9.
\textsuperscript{77} 1940 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Hagerstown, enumerated on 4/12/1940, p. 9B..
\textsuperscript{78} 1940 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 295.
The 1940 census reported Harry Davis, age 38, a Laborer for the Government, living on 5th Street, Cabin John, Md. Living with him were: Margaret, age 36, wife; Robert, age 15, son; Olive, age 13, daughter; Peggy L., age 6, daughter; Billy, age 3, son; Donald, age 9, son; and Phemia, age 74, mother. Sometime circa 1940 Euphenia Lou Shaw Davis had the adjacent photograph taken at the home of her son, Harry T. Davis, 5th Street, Cabin John, with a granddaughter, probably Peggy L. Davis, age 6.

Later that year, daughter Olive E. Davis died as reported in the following death notice: "On Monday, October 7, 1940, at Takoma Park Hospital, Olive Elizabeth Davis, the beloved daughter of Harry T. and Margaret Musgrove Davis, Cabin John, Md. Brief services at the Bethesda funeral home of Wm Reuben Pumphrey, 7005 Wis. Ave., Thursday, October 10, at 1:15 p.m., thence to the Methodist Church, Potomac, Md. where services will be held at 2 p.m. Interment church cemetery." 

The 1940 census reported James H. Shaw, age 64, working as a Laborer, Wood Preserver, and living in Oldtown. Living with him were: Orabelle, age 59, wife; Ross F., age 39, son; Howard C., age 21, son; Dorothy A., age 18, daughter; Raymond E., age 20, son, working as a laborer in Celanese Corp.; and Annabelle, age 13, daughter.

The 1940 census reported William R. Shaw, age 47, living in Hagerstown. Living with him were: Beulah H., age 40, wife; and William R., Jr., age 5, son.

In Jan. 1941 we read: "OLDTOWN - Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw will give a turkey dinner Jan. 7 in honor of their son Ross F. Shaw’s birthday."

World War II came along and eligible men had to register for the draft, specifically:

**Harry Ross Shaw**, age 57, living at 817 Maryland Ave., Hagerstown, Md. and working for Troy Laundry, East Washington St., Hagerstown. The Description of the Registrant was stamped Baltimore, Md. and that registrant had blue eyes; thus it is considered non-applicable to Mr. Shaw who had brown eyes in 1918.

**Walter Wesley Sipes**, age 52, living on Main Street, Cabin John, Md., working for L. B. Bell, Bell Laundry, Leland St., Bethesda, Md. The Description of the Registrant was stamped Baltimore, Md. and it seems unlikely that someone living in Bethesda would go to Baltimore to register for the draft; thus it is considered non-applicable to Mr. Sipes.

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79 1940 census, Maryland, Montgomery Cty., Cabin John, enumerated on 5/27/1940, p. 3A.
81 1940 census, Maryland, Allegany Cty., Oldtown, enumerated on 6/18/1940, p. 10B.
82 1940 census, Maryland, Washington Cty., Hagerstown, Ward 2, enumerated on 4/4/1940, p. 6A.
83 *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 1/4/1941, p. 7.
84 WW II Draft Registration Card, Serial No. U313, dated 4/26/1942
By 1942 Harry R. and Cora E. Shaw had moved to 817 Maryland Ave., Hagerstown and he was working as a washer man at Troy Laundry Co. while she was a laundress at Ringer Home Laundry. Their son, Harry R. Shaw, Jr. was still a washer at Hagerstown Laundry Inc.; Ralph E. Shaw had joined the U. S. Army; and Amantha was a counter. All three children were still living at home; well Ralph was in the Army but still listed 817 Maryland Ave. as his home address.

In Sept. 1942 we read: "Private First Class Raymond E. Shaw, son of Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown, is stationed at Lemoore, Cal."86 Later that year we read: "Pvt. First Class Raymond E. Shaw, has returned to Lemoore, Calif., after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown."87 And then: "HONOR SON IN SERVICE - Oldtown, Md., Nov. 27. - Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw gave a dinner Sunday evening in honor of their son Howard C. Shaw, who has entered the government service. This is the second son in the army service. P. F. C. Raymond E. Shaw is stationed with the Air Corps at Lemoore, Calif."88

In 1943 we read: "Pvt. Howard C. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown, has been transferred from Ft. Jackson, S. C. to Manchester, Tenn."89 Later that month: "Pfc. Raymond E. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown, has been transferred from Casper, Wyo., to Tullahoma, Tenn. His brother, Pvt. Howard C. Shaw, is stationed at Nashville, Tenn."90 Later that same year: "Pfc. Raymond E. Shaw of Tullahoma, Tenn., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw."91 And then: "Pfc. Raymond E. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, has been transferred from Tullahoma, Tenn., to Laurel Air Base, Laurel, Miss."92 The next month: "Miss Annabelle Shaw is visiting Miss Betty Rubright, Cumberland. Pfc. Raymond E. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, has been transferred from Laurel, Miss., to foreign service. Ross F. Shaw, who recently received a pair of knitting needles from Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, completed 24 knitted garments for the American Red Cross. Mr. Shaw was presented with a service pin this spring by Mrs. Charles L. Relter, chairman of the Red Cross here."93

Late in 1944 we read: "Cpl. Shaw Pays Visit To Wounded Nephew - Oldtown, Sept. 27. - Word was received by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ricewick, of Green Spring, W. Va., that their son, Pfc. James C. Ricewick, a patient in a hospital in England, was recently paid a visit by the soldier's uncle, Cpl. Raymond E. Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, this place. Cpl. Shaw is stationed in England. "Pfc. Ricewick, wounded in the invasion of France, writes that he is getting along fine, and has received the Purple Heart medal."94

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89 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 4/20/1943, p. 6.
90 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 4/27/1943, p. 11.
91 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 6/8/1943, p. 12.
92 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Friday, 6/25/1943, p. 12.
94 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 9/27/1944, p. 5.
As we will see in a moment, Robert Harry Davis enlisted in the Navy on Nov. 4, 1942. He is shown in the previous photograph with Elsie V. Sipes on 6th Street in Cabin John, Md. where they were neighbors. Notice in the photograph that Robert has no insignia on his upper left blouse sleeve, suggesting he had not even completed Boot Camp at the time of the photograph. After completing Boot Camp he would have worn a single, white insignia indicating he was a Seaman Apprentice. Circa 11/1942 - 3/1943 seems the best date.

In the same World War II years [1942 - 1946] we read: "On 04 November 1942, he [Robert Harry Davis] enlisted in the Navy as an Apprentice Seaman. On 15 April 1943, he was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown. He served on board the Yorktown during its operation in the Pacific from 1943 to 1945 as Seaman first class, Aviation Machinist's Mate 3rd class, and Gunner's mate 3rd class. These operations include neutralization of Japanese bases in the Western Pacific, capture of Guam, support of MacArthur's liberation of the Philippines, support of the invasion of Iwo Jima, and raids on Japanese occupied China, Formosa and Japan itself.

"On 18 March 1945, the Yorktown suffered its only damage from the enemy in the war. A bomb hit the signal bridge, passed through the first deck, and exploded above the waterline just outside the hull, killing 5 men and injuring 26. Robert Davis was stationed at the Number 7 quad 40mm gun mount when the bomb exploded. Shrapnel fractured his left arm and ripped into his stomach. He said he kept holding onto his injured arm because he didn't want to lose it.

"On 15 April 1945, he received the Purple Heart for the injuries received on 18 March. He was transferred to the USS Windham Bay, which reached the USN Base Hospital on Guam four days later. Eventually, he was transferred to the Navy Hospital at Portsmouth, Virginia. Robert's mother, Margaret, and his cousin, Harry Hamilton Davis (USMC) went to the Navy Department to request that Robert be moved to the Bethesda hospital so his family could visit him. With persistence, they got the transfer approved. On 06 October 1945, he was transferred from the Navy Hospital at Portsmouth to the Navy Hospital at Bethesda.

"He was honorably discharged on 14 March 1946 from the US Navy Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland. Although he wanted to stay in the service, the Navy considered his injuries too severe for reenlistment. »95 The adjacent photograph is of Robert Harry Davis and a Hospital Corpsman examining the shrapnel fragment on board the Yorktown; his son, Robert Harry Davis, Jr. retains the Purple Heart and the shrapnel fragment.

In April 1945 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"Charles E. Shaw, died at his home in Big Springs Sunday at 8:30 p.m. after four years illness, aged 81.

Born near Sharpsburg, he had been a resident in the Big Springs community for forty years and was once a boatman on the C & O Canal. He was a member of the Methodist church of Cabin John, near Washington.

He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Walter Sipes and Charles F., Cabin John; Harry, Hagerstown, and Miss Eva May at home: brothers, James, Oldtown, Md. and William, Pittsburgh and a sister, Phemia Davis, Washington, DC; 13 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held at the Reformed church in Clearspring on Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. with the Rev. Wade Hoffman officiating; interment in the Rose Hill cemetery, Clearspring."96

In 1945 Harry R. and Cora E. Shaw were still living at 817 Maryland Ave., Hagerstown, and he was still a washer man at Troy Laundry Co., Cora was not listed independently.97 Harry R. Shaw, Jr., was still a washer man. Ralph E. Shaw was home from the Army and working as a clerk at McEwen's Grocery. Then their son, Raymond E. Shaw, was in the U. S. Army. All three sons listed 817 Maryland Ave. as their home address. The adjacent photograph, dated May 16 [probably 1945], is of Raymond E. Shaw in England, from the Robert Davis Collection.

Then in July 1945 a newspaper obituary read:

"SIPES, BERTHA L.

"On Thursday, July 5, 1945, at her home, Persimmon Tree Road, Bethesda, MD, BERTHA L. SIPES, beloved wife of Walter W. Sipes. Funeral services at the Methodist Church, Cabin John, Md., Sunday, July 8, at 3 p.m. Interment Potomac, Md." 98

In November 1945 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"DAVIS, PHEMIA LOU.

"On Tuesday, October 30, 1945, at the home of her son, Harry T. Davis, 6th Street, Cabin John, Md., PHEMIA LOU DAVIS beloved wife of George H. Davis. Remains resting at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase funeral home of Wm. Reuben Pumphrey. Funeral services at the Methodist Church, Cabin John, Md., Thursday, November 1, at 2 p.m. Interment Potomac, Md."99

In that same month we read: "Miss Annabell Shaw, Cpl. Raymond E. Shaw and James H. Shaw, of Oldtown, have returned from Washington, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Phemia Davis."100

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96 The Daily Mail, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Monday, 4/16/1945.
97 1945 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 373.
Once again, in January, we read: "Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown, will entertain with a birthday dinner in honor of their son, Ross F. Shaw, 7 p.m. Tuesday at their home."\(^{101}\)

In 1947 a wedding took place: "**Wedding Told of Dorothy Shaw to Richard Hinkle** - Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, Oldtown, announce the marriage of their daughter Dorothy to Richard Hinkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Hinkle, Green Spring, W. Va. The ceremony was performed May 3 at the parsonage of the Rev. John R. Wilson at Eckhart. Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Kerns, brother-in-law and sister of the bride, were the attendants.

"The bride was attired in a light gray suit with which she wore a black hat and accessories and a corsage of pink rosebuds. Mrs. Kerns wore a blue suit with a corsage of red rosebuds.

"A wedding supper was served at the bride's home following the ceremony.

"Mrs. Hinkle is employed at the Cumberland Undergarment Company plant."\(^{102}\)

In Sep. 1947 the newspaper under a column headed **Oldtown** reported: "C. I. Shaw has returned home after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw," and "Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shaw and family have moved to their new home in Cressaptown."\(^{103}\)

Similarly, in 1948: "C. S.[sic I.] Shaw has returned to Hagerstown after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."\(^{104}\)

In 1950 Harry R. and Cora E. Shaw were still living at 817 Maryland Ave., Hagerstown and he was still a washer man at The Troy Laundry & Dry Cleaning Co.\(^{105}\) Harry R. Shaw, Jr. was a foreman at Central Chemical Corp. Amantha E. Shaw was a counter at Hagerstown Leather Co. Inc. Raymond W. Shaw was still in the Army. And June L. Shaw was a clerk at Potomac Edison Co. All four children listed 817 Maryland Ave. as their residence.

In June 1950: "Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Shaw, Hagerstown, visited Mr. Shaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."\(^{106}\)

In Sept. 1950: "Mrs. Ann Kerns and son are visiting her mother, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw."\(^{107}\) The adjacent photograph, circa 1950, is of James H. and Orabelle C. Shaw.

January 1951 comes and we read: "**OLDTOWN** - Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw will give a dinner Sunday evening in honor of the birthday of their son, Ross F. Shaw. Only immediate members of the family have been invited to attend."\(^{108}\) Later that year we read: "**Oldtown** - James H. Shaw is ill at his home with influenza."\(^{109}\) Later that month: "**Oldtown** - Mrs. Ann Kerns and son, Ernst, of Freemont, Ohio, have been called here due to the serious illness of her

\(^{101}\) *Cumberland Sunday Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Sunday, 1/5/1947, p. 10.


\(^{103}\) *Cumberland Sunday Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Sunday, 9/7/1947, p. 17.

\(^{104}\) *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Friday, 7/2/1948, p. 16.

\(^{105}\) 1950 City Directory, Hagerstown, Md., p. 420.


\(^{107}\) *Cumberland Evening Times*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Thursday, 11/21/1950, p. 20.

\(^{108}\) *Cumberland News*, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Friday, 1/5/1951, p. 20.

father, James H. Shaw, a patient in Memorial Hospital.”

In June 1951 we read: "C. I. Shaw returned to Hagerstown after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."  

Later that month a newspaper had the following obituary: "CHARLES F. SHAW, Cabin John, Md., died at Suburban Hospital, Bethesda, Thursday, aged 57 years. He resided near Big Spring most of his life.

"He is survived by his wife, Ruth Yost Shaw; sons, Charles, U. S. Army; Robert and William, at home; sister, Mrs. C. N. Sanbower; and brother, Harry, Hagerstown.

"Funeral services were held at the Pumphreys Funeral Home, Bethesda; graveside services were held at Rose Hill Cemetery."  

And even later that month in a column headed "Oldtown" we read: "Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hinkle and family, of Fremont, Ohio, are spending the week at the home of Mrs. Hinkle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw." and "Mrs. Robert Shaw is a patient in Allegany Hospital, Cumberland." and "Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Shaw have returned to Woodville, Ohio, after visiting Mr. Shaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw"  

The next month we read: "Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Kerns and son, Ernst, Jr., of Fremont, Ohio, are visiting Mrs. Kerns parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."  They stayed about two weeks: "Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kerns and son Ernest II, Fremont, Ohio, have returned home after visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, Oldtown."  

On Aug. 30, 1951 we read: "William R. Shaw, 227 Summer Street, died last night at 6 o'clock, aged 59 years. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

"Surviving are his wife, Louise; daughters Mrs. Mary Griffith, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Elizabeth Keesecker, Hagerstown; Mrs. Catherine Collier, Hagerstown; Mrs. Josephine Smith, Hagerstown; sister, Mrs. Ella Bowers, Rockford, Ill; brother, James Shaw, Oldtown, Md.; six grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

"Kraiss Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements."  

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110 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Friday, 3/30/1951, p. 11.  
111 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 4/10/1951, p. 18.  
112 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 6/6/1951, p. 10.  
113 The Morning Herald, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Friday, 6/8/1951.  
114 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 6/12/1951, p. 19.  
116 Cumberland Sunday Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Sunday, 6/15/1951, p. 27.  
117 The Morning Herald, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, 8/31/1951.
Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Hagerstown, Md.

In Nov. 1951 Orabelle Shaw had a birthday celebration as was reported: "Mrs. James Shaw Is Honored On Birthday - Mrs. C. C. Ricewick, Green Spring, entertained with a party honoring her mother, Mrs. James Shaw, recently at her home, Oldtown. The party was in celebration of Mrs. Shaw's 70th birthday.

"The large birthday cake was decorated with candles.

"Among those attending were C. C. Ricewick and family; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw and family; Mr. and Mrs. James Landis and family; Mr. and Mrs. James Ricewick and family, James Shaw and Ross F. Shaw." 118

On Jan. 18, 1952 Cora Elsie Shaw died, her obituary read: "Mrs. Cora Elsie Shaw - Mrs. Cora Elsie Shaw, wife of Harry R. Shaw, died suddenly at her residence 817 Maryland Avenue, Friday night at 11:45 o'clock, aged 57 years. She was the daughter of the late John D. and Cora (Gossard) Shank and a member of the Howard Street Methodist Church.

"Besides her husband, she is survived by daughters: Mrs. Carmen Eyerly, Miss Amantha Shaw, Mrs. Kitty Kauffman and Miss June Shaw. Sons, Harry R., Jr., Ralph E. and Raymond all of this city. Sisters, Mrs. Mary Hull, Indian Springs; Miss Etha Shank and Miss Beulah Shank, Pinesburg; Brothers, Earl and George Shank, Pinesburg, and Percy L., Clear Spring. Three granddaughters and several nieces and nephews survive.

"Funeral services will be held at the Norment Funeral Home at 2:30 p. m. Monday by the Rev. Dewitt Dickey and the Rev. Orrin T. Carroll. Interment in Rose Hill Cemetery, Clear Spring." 119

Later that same month we read: "Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw have received word that their granddaughter, Barbara K. Allen of Fremont, Ohio, has become an honor student. Barbara and her family recently moved to Ohio." 120

Later that year we read: "Miss Shaw Is Married September 26 - A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Howard Street Methodist Church on Friday, September 26 at 8:30 o'clock in the evening when Miss June Louise Shaw, daughter of Mr. Harry R. Shaw and the late Mrs. Shaw, of this city, became the bride of Mr. James Hugh Taylor, of Hyattsville, Md.

"The ceremony was performed by the Rev. O. T. Carroll in the presence of relatives and friends.

"The bride's sister, Mrs. Lewis Eyerly, was matron of honor for her sister and only attendant, and Mr. Glenn Whitfield, of Hyattsville, served as best man for the bridegroom.

"Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Eyerly, Rose Hill Avenue. During the evening the couple left for a wedding trip to Washington, D.C. and are now residing at 335 North Potomac Street, this city.

"Prior to her marriage, Mrs. Taylor was employed as assistant cashier at the Potomac Edison Company on North Potomac Street. Her husband is employed as a contractor and at the present time is working on the Sharpsburg Pike." 121

120 The Cumberland News, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 1/30/1952, p. 10.
121 The Daily Mail, Hagerstown, Md., Saturday, 10/4/1952, p. 4.
In 1953 a newspaper had the following obituary: "Walter W. Sipes, 63, of Rockville, injured on Wednesday in an auto-truck collision, died yesterday in Suburban Hospital. Police said the car Sipes was driving crashed into the truck after trying to pass an auto on Route 240 near Garrett Park, Rockville. Sipes suffered shock and internal injuries. A passenger in his car, Audrey Nicholson, 40, of Rockville, was treated at Suburban Hospital for cuts. The truck was driven by Jesse Irving, 43, of 11 K St. NE, police said. Sipes was engineer and maintenance manager of the Beall Laundry, 4706 Leland St., Chevy Chase, Md. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elsie Sipes; two daughters, Mrs. Louise McMullen, 12108 Bluehill Rd., Silver Spring and Mrs. Edith Harp, 6428 Woodrow Ave., Cabin John; and a son, Elwood Sipes of the Bluehill Rd. address."122

In June 1953 we read: "Oldtown Personals - Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hinkle and family of Woodville, Ohio, have returned home after visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hinkle of Green Spring, W. Va."123 The next month we read: "Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw and family of Pennsylvania have returned home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw."124

In January 1954 we read: "Oldtown Briefs - Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw, Morrisville, Pa., spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw." then "Clarence I. Shaw, 223 West Side Avenue, Hagerstown, is home after being hospitalized for two weeks at Washington County Hospital. A former resident of Oldtown, he is employed by the Western Maryland Railway Company." and "Ross F. Shaw has received a communication from Sen. J. Glenn Beall, expressing interest in commemorative stamps Shaw proposed, to honor the late David J. Lewis, father of parcel post, and marking the founding of Fort Cumberland. Sen. Beall suggested interesting historical and civic groups in the proposal."125

In April 1954 we read: "Oldtown Briefs - Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Shaw and family of Baltimore spent the weekend at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw."126 And in Aug of that year we read: "Oldtown Personals - Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kerns and son, Ernest II, of Freemont, Ohio, have returned home after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, here."127

On Sep. 21, 1954 Harry Ross Shaw died; his obituary read: "Harry Ross Shaw, Sr. - Harry Ross Shaw, Sr., of 817 Maryland Avenue, husband of the late Mrs. Cora Elsie (Shank) Shaw, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lewis Eyerly, 1020 Rose Hill Avenue, at 11 a.m. Tuesday. He was 69.

A member of the Cabin John, Md., Methodist Church, he is survived by the following daughters: Mrs. Carmen Eyerly, Mrs. Amantha Conway and Mrs. Kitty Kauffman, all of Hagerstown, and Mrs. June Taylor of Hyattsville, Md., sons: Harry R., Jr., and Ralph E., both of

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Hagerstown, and Raymond W., Baltimore; a sister, Mrs. Eva Sanbower of Hagerstown, six grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews.

"Funeral services will be held at the Norment Funeral Home Thursday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Orrin T. Carroll and the Rev. Dewitt Dickey will officiate. Interment will be made in Rose Hill Cemetery, Clear Spring."

A few months later we read: "Mrs. Raymond W. Shaw (Miss Joan Virginia Albert) - Holiday hues against winter white flowers provided the setting for the wedding of Miss Joan Virginia Albert and Mr. Raymond Weaver Shaw on November 27 at the First Brethren Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Albert, Sr., Charlton, Maryland. Mr. Shaw is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Shaw, St., this city.

"Before the altar adorned with alter vases and baskets of white chrysanthemums and snapdragons, the pastor of the church, Reverend James E. Ault, instructed the couple in their double ring vows at 7 o'clock Saturday evening. Lighted tapers in candelabra cast a soft glow on the flowers and palms.

"As the guests assembled in the sanctuary Mr. Don Ruth presented an organ recital of time honored nuptial music. Mr. Ruth accompanied Mr. John L. Carnochan, Jr., as he sang "Because," "I Love You Truly" and as a benediction, "The Lord's Prayer."

Escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father, the bride appeared in a gown of rose point lace over satin. The smooth fitting bodice featured a pointed neckline, framed with a Queen Anne collar of lace, and long sleeves tapered at the wrists. From points in the front and the back, the scalloped ballerina skirt of lace fell into folds over a ruffle of pleated tulle. Forming a bonnet-like headdress, a scalloped tiara of lace, edged with seed pearls, held the bride's waist length veil. She carried a satin and lace covered prayer book, marked with a single white orchid. Her only jewelry was a single strand of pearls, a gift of the bridegroom.

"Miss Jean Shaner, this city, attended the bride as maid of honor. Her ballerina gown of cranberry red crystallite taffeta was designed with a boat neckline. Push-up sleeves, buttoned with rhinestones, and a petite bow at the back waist completed the simple frock. As a headdress, she wore a double bicycle clip, banded and latticed with matching material. Her spray bouquet was composed of rose carnations and white chrysanthemums around a lavender orchid.

"Serving as bridesmaids were the bride's sisters, Mrs. Thelma J. Reeder, Boonsboro, and Mrs. Vivian L. Rohrer, Keedysville. They wore gowns and headbands of holiday blue crystallite taffeta identical to that of the maid of honor. Their crescent bouquets of bronze chrysanthemums accented the color scheme.

"Little Miss Glenda W. Grove, Charlton, niece of the bride, as flower girl was attired in a frock of pucker nylon with a Peter Pan collar and puffed sleeves, edged in dainty lace. She carried a nose-gay of carnations, centered with a single yellow rosebud. Her headband, placed in the curls at the back of her head, was made of varicolored roses, carnations and pompons.

"Mr. Harry R. Shaw, Jr., this city, stood as his brother's best man. Ushering the wedding guests were Mr. Ralph E. Shaw, this city, another brother, and Mr. Carl K. Kauffman, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

"Reception Served - Following the ceremony, a reception for over 200 wedding guests was held in the social rooms of the church. The three-tiered wedding cake was encircled with smilax and ivy and flanked by glowing crystal candelabra. A white bird cage suspended over the table was centered with an arrangement of shrimp and aqua colored carnations."
"To receive guests at her daughter's wedding and reception, Mrs. Albert chose a dress of old rose lace with black accessories and a winter white hat. At her waist, she pinned a corsage of white rosebuds.

For their wedding trip through the Southern states, the bride change to an aqua suit with white orchid as her floral accent. Upon their return, the couple will reside at 1673 Norther Parkway, Baltimore.

"Mrs. Shaw, a graduate of the Clear Spring High School, class of 1952, was employed by the Western Maryland Railway, this city, prior to her marriage.

"Mr. Shaw is a graduate of the Hagerstown High School, class of 1942, and served with the U. A. Army from 1943 - 1946, being stationed in the Aleutian Islands. He is now employed by the Western Maryland Railway in Baltimore."128

Family visits continued in 1955 as we read: "Oldtown Personals - Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw and family have returned to Philadelphia after having visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."129 then "OLDTOWN - Mrs. Ann Kerns of Freemont, Ohio, who celebrated her 28th birthday on March 25, Maryland has told relatives here that she received a colorful birthday greeting from Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin. Mrs. Kerns is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw. Mr. and Mrs. Kerns and their son, Ernest II, are former residents here."130 and "Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw and family have returned to Philadelphia after spending the weekend here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw."131 Later that year another birthday celebration: "James H. Shaw Marks 80th Birthday - Ross F. Shaw of Oldtown, will entertain with a family dinner this evening, in honor of the 80th birthday of his father, James H. Shaw.

"Shaw, a lifelong resident of the area, in his youth, worked as a boatman on the old C&O Canal and recalls the prosperous business done on the canal for many years between Cumberland and Washington. He later worked at the tie treating plant at Green Spring, for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, but has been retired for several years."132

After the death of his father in 1954, Harry R. Shaw, Jr. and Dolores A. Shaw were living at 289B Frederick St., Hagerstown in 1956 and he was an Assistant Superintendent of an Insecticide Plant for Central Chemical Corp.133 The absence of Amantha E., June L., Ralph E. and Raymond W. Shaw from the 1956 Hagerstown City Directory suggests they had gotten married and/or moved out of the city following the death of their father and the settling of the estate.

Also in 1956 we read: "Oldtown Personals - Mr. and Mrs. Ann Kerns and son, Ernest Kerns, have returned to Fremont, Ohio, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw here."134

Later that year, in August, we read: "Oldtown Personals - Mrs. Ann Kerns and Ernest Kerns II of Fremont, Ohio, are visiting Mrs. Kerns' parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw of here." and "Mr.
and Mrs. William Conley of Gary, Ind., and Mrs. George Conley of Cumberland were guests over the weekend at the home of Ross Shaw here."

In July of 1957 we read: "Mrs. Anna Kerns and son, Ernest Kerns, II, Fremont, Ohio, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown." In another newspaper we found: "James H. Shaw To Be Honored - A family party will be held at the home of James H. Shaw, Oldtown, August 2, in observance of Mr. Shaw's 82nd birthday. Ross F. Shaw will be host.

"Mr. Shaw is a retired Baltimore and Ohio Railroad employee. Prior to going with the railroad about 1914, Mr. Shaw was a boatman for the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal."

In June of 1958 we read: "Personals - Mrs. Ann Kerns, and son, Ernest II, Fremont, Ohio, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Shaw, Oldtown." The next month we read: "Mrs. Dorothy Hinkle, Woodville, Ohio, has returned home after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, Oldtown."

In January 1959 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"JAMES H. SHAW

"OLDTOWN - James H. Shaw, 83, died yesterday afternoon at his home here after an illness of eight years.

"Mr. Shaw was born in Washington County, and had resided here the past 60 years. He was a son of the late Charles R. and Virginia (Taylor) Shaw.

"He was a retired employee of Koppers Company at Green Spring, W. Va. and also worked at one time on the C. & O. Canal. Mr. Shaw was an honorary member of the C. & O. Canal Club.

"Surviving besides his widow, Belle (Carter) Shaw, are six sons: Clarence Shaw, Hagerstown; Raymond Shaw, Baltimore; Ralph Shaw, Fairless, Pa.; Howard Shaw, Woodville, Ohio; and Robert and Ross F. Shaw, both of Oldtown; four daughters: Mrs. Beulah Ricewick, Green Spring; Mrs. Dorothy Hinkle, Woodville; Mrs. Ann Kerns, Fremont, Ohio; and Mrs. Ernst Davis, of here; 28 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

"The body is at the Scarpelli Funeral Home, where the family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

"Services will be conducted on Thursday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home by Rev. Charles S. Reckley. Interment will be in Oldtown Cemetery."

On Feb. 19, 1960 Eva M. Shaw Sanbower died; her obituary follows: "Mrs. Eva M. Sanbower - Mrs. Eva Mae Sanbower, widow of Charles R. Sanbower, 111 East Baltimore Street, died at the Washington County Hospital on Friday afternoon, aged 68 years.

"She was born at Big Spring, daughter of the late Charles and Amantha Perrell Shaw. She had resided in Hagerstown for the past 20 years. She was a member of the Cabin John, Md.,

136 Cumberland News, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 7/30/1957, p. 4.
137 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 7/30/1957, p. 6.
139 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Thursday, 7/24/1958, p. 6.
140 Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Tuesday, 1/13/1959.
Methodist Church. She was the last surviving member of her generation of the family. Several nieces and nephews survive.

"Funeral services will be held on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Norment funeral home with the Rev. J. Robert Welsh officiating. Interment will be made in Rose Hill Cemetery, Clear Spring."

In September 1960 we read: "Oldtown Personals - Charles P. Naill is much improved after being ill at his home.

"Mrs. James H. Shaw is home after visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Shaw, Baltimore.

"Mrs. Ann Kerns of Akron, Ohio, spent the weekend at the home of her mother, Mrs. James H. Shaw.

"Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Shaw and family of Philadelphia, Pa., returned home after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Naill." Later that year we read: "Mrs. Shaw to Mark Birthday - Mrs. James H. Shaw of Oldtown will celebrate her 79th birthday on October 30, when she will be honored at a family dinner.

"Residing with her son, Ross F. Shaw, Mrs. Shaw is a lifelong resident of Oldtown. She and her late husband, James Shaw, boated on the old Chesapeake and Ohio Canal for many years.

"She recalls many things that took place in Oldtown in her youth and takes a great deal of pleasure telling her grandchildren about things that happened on the canal in those days.

"Mrs. Shaw is still active and likes to read the newspapers, listen to the radio and take care of her flowers."

And in December of 1960: "OLDTOWN - Mrs. Annie Kerns, of Wadsworth, Ohio, returned home after visiting her mother, Mrs. James H. Shaw."

In January 1968 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"MRS. JAMES H. SHAW

"Mrs. Belle Shaw, 86, died yesterday at her home in Oldtown after an illness of several weeks.

"A native of Oldtown, she was a daughter of the late Timothy H. and Loretta (Brant) Carter and was the widow of James H. Shaw. She was a member of the Cresap Society.

"Surviving are six sons, Ross and Robert F. Shaw, both of Oldtown, Clarence I. Shaw, Hagerstown, Ralph C. Shaw, Fairless, Pa., Raymond F. Shaw, Baltimore and Howard Shaw, Fremont, Ohio; four daughters, Mrs. Charles Ricewick, Green Spring; Mrs. Clyista Davis, Oldtown; Mrs. Annabelle Kerns, Fremont, and Mrs. Dorothy Hinkle, Woodville, Ohio; a brother Robert Carter, Oldtown, 29 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren.

"The body is at the Scarpelli Funeral Home where friends will be received today from 7 to 9 p.m. and tomorrow from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

"Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home by Rev. James Hobbs. Interment will be in the Oldtown Cemetery."

141 Cumberland News, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 9/10/1960, p. 5.
143 Cumberland Evening Times, Cumberland, Md., newspaper, Thursday, 12/1/1960, p. 22.
Here is another obituary:  "**Ralph E. Shaw** - SHARPSBURG - Ralph Eugene Shaw, 52, of Taylor's Landing in Sharpsburg, died Friday afternoon at the Newton D. Baker VA Hospital in Martinsburg, W. Va.

"He was born in Big Springs, the son of Harry Ross and Cora Elsa Shank Shaw.

"He was a member of the Church of the Brethren in Hagerstown and had been employed as a salesman for the McEwen Furniture Co. in Hagerstown for 20 years.

"A veteran of World War II, he was a member of the Survivor's of Pearl Harbor Club.

"He is survived by his wife, Mrs. June Lavale Herbert Shaw; one son, Loren Eugene Shaw of Fort Reilly, Kan.; four sisters, Mrs. Amantha E. Conway of Rohrersville, Mrs. Carmen R. Eyerly, Mrs. Kitty C. Kauffman and Mrs. June L. Taylor, all of Hagerstown; two brothers, Harry R. Shaw of Elkton, and Raymond W. Shaw of Hagerstown; and one grandson.

"Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Rest Haven Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Dr. DeWitt L. Miller officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery.

"The family will receive friends Sunday night from 7 to 9 at the funeral chapel."

On Sep. 15, 1972, Sherman L. Taylor died in Hagerstown and was buried in Cedar Lawn Memorial Park, Hagerstown; an obituary remains to be found.

In August 1975 the following obituary was published:  "**Mrs. June L. Shaw** - Mrs. June Lavale Shaw, 55, of Avalon Manor Nursing Home died on Saturday.

"She was the daughter of John H. and Eva Frock Herbert, and the widow of Ralph E. Shaw. She was a member of the Church of the Brethren and owned the Lavale Beauty Salon in Hagerstown for 25 years.

"She is survived by a son, Loren E. Shaw, formerly of Hagerstown; and two grandsons.

"Private services were held on Monday at the convenience of the family. The Rev. Dean Miller officiated. Burial was made in Rose Hill Cemetery.

"Arrangements were handled by the Rest Haven Funeral Home.

"Flowers may be placed on the grave."

On April 23, 1982 a newspaper had the following obituary:

"**DAVIS**

"Culpeper - Robert Harry Davis, 57, of Culpeper died Thursday [20th] at Culpeper Memorial Hospital. A native of Washington, D. C., he was the son of Harry T. and Margaret Elizabeth Musgrove Davis of Cabin John, Md. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, participating in numerous battles and serving aboard the carrier USS Yorktown, known as "The Fighting Lady" from the famous documentary film of 1944.

"He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Constance Lane Davis; four daughters, Mrs. Barbara Ann Lewis of Rockville, Md., Mrs. Janet Marie Hildebrand of Miami, Fla., Miss Deborah Jean Davis of Gaithersburg, Md., and Mrs. Joanne Marie Leake of Culpeper; a son, Robert Harry Davis, Jr., of Hyattsville, Md.; eight grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Peggy Lou Lane of Rockville, Md.; two brothers, Donald Lee Davis and William D. Davis, both of Cabin John, Md.; and his parents.

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145  *The Daily Mail*, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Saturday, 11/6/1971, p. 3.

146  *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 8/27/1975, p. 34.
"A funeral will be held on Monday, April 26, at 11 a.m. at the Geest-Johnson Funeral Home in Culpeper, with burial in Culpeper National Cemetery."\(^{147}\)

In January 1983 a newspaper had the following obituary:

**DAVIS, HARRY T.**

"On Tuesday, January 11, 1983, of Cabin John, Md., beloved husband of Margaret E. Davis; father of Peggy L. Lane, William D. Davis and the late Olive, Robert H., and Donald L. Davis; brother of Sam Davis. Six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren also survive. Friends will be received at PUNPHREY’S COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME, 300 West Montgomery Ave. (Rt. 28 just off I-270), Rockville, Md., on Thursday from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m., where services will be held on Friday at 11 a.m. Interment Potomac United Methodist Cemetery."\(^{148}\)

During March 1986 a newspaper had the following obituary:

**DAVIS, WILLIAM D.**

"Suddenly on Sunday, March 2, 1986, of Cabin John, Md., beloved son of Margaret and the late Harry T. Davis, brother of Peggy L. Lane. Services will be held at PUNPHREY’S COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Montgomery Ave., (Tr. 28, just off I-270), Rockville, Md., on Wednesday, March 5 at 11 a.m. Friends may call one hour prior to service. Interment Potomac United Methodist Church Cemetery."\(^{149}\)

In July 1987 a newspaper had the following obituary:

**DAVIS, MARGARET E.**

"On Tuesday, June 30, 1987 of Cabin John, Md., wife of the late Harry T. Davis; mother of Peggy L. Lane and the late Robert, Olive, Donald and William. Five grandchildren and eight grandchildren also survive. Friends will be received at PUNPHREY’S COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME, 300 W. Montgomery Ave., Rockville, Md. (Rte. 28, just off I-270), Friday, 7 to 9 p.m. where services will be held Saturday, July 4, at 11 a.m. Interment Potomac United Methodist Church Cemetery."\(^{150}\)

On Aug. 10, 1989 Ruth V. Shaw died. Her obituary follows:

**RUTH V. SHAW**

"CABIN JOHN, Md. - Ruth V. Shaw, 80, died Thursday, Aug. 10, at Manor Care Nursing Home in Wheaton, Md.'

"Born in Clear Spring, Md., she was the daughter of the late J. William and Hattie M. Yost.

"She was preceded in death by one son, Charles J. [sic F.] Shaw, Jr.

"She was a homemaker.

She is survived by two sons, Robert L. Shaw and William A. Shaw, both of Cabin John; one sister, Mary Delay of Hagerstown; one niece, Louise McMullen of Kensington, Md.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.


"Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Donald E. Thompson Funeral Home in Clear Spring. Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery in Clear Spring.

"The family will receive friends at the funeral home Monday from noon to 2 p.m.

"In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 1819 H. Street N.W., Suite 1200, Washington, D.C., 20006"
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At the request of Frederick Mertens, the following mortgage was recorded September 3rd 1862.

This Indenture, made this 25th day of August in the year of our Lord, 1862, between Frederick Mertens, of Allegany County, in the State of Maryland, of the first part, and Levi R. Shaw, of Washington County in the State of Maryland, of the second part. Witnesseth; Whereas, the said F. Mertens has this day sold to the said L. R. Shaw the Canal Boat called Governor Shaw, at and for the sum of twelve hundred dollars, which the said L. R. Shaw is to pay unto the said F. Mertens, and his assigns, in installments of forty dollars each, for all the trips made by said boat from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria, or Washington City, or any other point on the Canal or River, until the entire purchase money is paid, with interest from date, crediting the respective payments thereon as of the time when such payments shall be made. And whereas it was a part of said contract of purchase and sale, that the said L. R. Shaw shall use said boat in freighting coal from Cumberland to the points aforesaid, in regular trips, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done by day and night boating, and to receive the loads of said boat promptly at each trip with the coal of such company or person, as said F. Mertens or his assigns shall direct; and to freight the same at the lowest current rates which shall be paid by the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, the Allegany Mining Company, and such other companies as are now shipping coal from Cumberland, on the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, to Georgetown, Alexandria and Washington City; and to keep said boat in proper repair, all of which said stipulations the said L. R. Shaw hereby covenant and agree with the said F. Mertens and his assigns to fulfill and to perform. And whereas, the said L. R. Shaw is anxious to secure to the said F. Mertens and his assigns, the regular and due payments of each and every installment of said purchase money, and also to secure to the said F. Mertens and his assigns, the regular prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid, the said L. R. Shaw is willing to execute these presents. Now this indenture Witnesseth, that the said L. R. Shaw for and in consideration of the premises hath granted, bargained and sold unto the said F. Mertens the canal boat called Governor Shaw to have and to hold the same forever: Provided nevertheless, that if the said L. R. Shaw shall well and truly pay unto the said F. Mertens or his assigns, the aforesaid installments of purchase money, with interest, upon each and every trip as aforesaid, until the whole shall be fully paid; and shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law. And this Indenture further witnesseth that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid, that in case of any default upon the part of the said L. R. Shaw to make regular payments on account of said purchase money, as herein provided, or in case of a failure to perform any of the covenants named in this mortgage, then, and in either event, the said F. Mertens, or his assigns, is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat, and after ten days notice thereof, in a public newspaper printed in the city of Cumberland to sell said boat at public sale as mortgagee, to the highest bidder for cash or credit; and out of the proceeds of such sale pay first the expenses of such sale and publication, and the balance due to the said F. Mertens, or his assigns, and if there be any overplus, the said F. Mertens or his assigns are to pay the same to the said L. R. Shaw or his assigns. In witness whereof the said L. R. Shaw hath subscribed his name and affixed his seal

Teste: Samuel Boyer
Levi R. Shaw {Seal}
State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify that on this 25th day of August in the year of our Lord 1862, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, appeared Levi R. Shaw, and acknowledged the foregoing mortgage to be his act.

Samuel Boyer, J. P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit:

Be it remembered and it is hereby certified, that on this 28th day of August 1862, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace in and for Allegany County, personally appeared Frederick Mertens the mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the consideration set forth in the foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide as herein set forth. In Witness whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name on the day and year aforesaid.

J. M. Strong, J.P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit:

I hereby certify that J. M. Strong, Esquire, before whom the annexed affidavit of Frederick Mertens was made, and whose genuine signature appears thereto, was at the time thereof, and still is a Justice of the Peace of the said State in and for the County aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned and sworn. In Testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for said County, at Cumberland this 28th day of August 1862.

Horace Resley, Clerk,

of the Circuit Court for Allegany County

I hereby release the foregoing mortgage. Witness my hand & seal this 14th day of June 1865.

Witness B. M. Blocker  F. Mertens {Seal}
At the request of Frederick Mertens, the following mortgage is recorded October 2nd 1865.

This Indenture made this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord 1865, between Frederick Mertens of Allegany County in the State of Maryland, of the first part and, W. R. Shaw of Washington County in the State of Maryland, of the second part: Witnesseth: Whereas the said Frederick Mertens has this day sold to the said W. R. Shaw the Canal Boat called Ursula & Estella at and for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, which the said W. R. Shaw is to pay unto the said Frederick Mertens and his assigns, in installments of [one] hundred dollars each for the first five trips and sixty dollars afterwards, for all the trips made by said boat from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or Washington City, until the entire purchase money is paid, with interest from date, crediting the respective payments thereon, as of the time when such payments shall be made. And Whereas, it was a part of said contract of purchase and sale, that the said W. R. Shaw shall use said boat in freighting coal from Cumberland to the points aforesaid, in regular trips, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done by running day & night, and to receive the loads of said boat promptly at each trip with the coal of such company or person, as said F. Mertens, or his assigns, shall direct; and to freight the same at the lowest current rates which shall be paid by the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, the Allegany Mining Company, and such other companies as are now shipping coal from Cumberland, on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, to Georgetown, Alexandria and Washington City, and to keep said boat in proper repair and run her regularly for said Mortgage, during each boating season until all of said purchase money is paid, all of which said stipulations the said W. R. Shaw hereby covenant and agrees with the said F. Mertens and his assigns to fulfill and perform. And whereas, the said W. R. Shaw is anxious to secure unto the said F. Mertens and his assigns, the regular and due payments of each and every installment of said purchase money, and also to secure to the said F. Mertens and his assigns, the regular, prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid the said W. R. Shaw is willing to execute these presents. Now this Indenture, witnesseth, that the said W. R. Shaw for and in consideration of the premises, hath granted, bargained and sold unto the said F. Mertens the Canal Boat called Ursula & Estella to have and to hold the same forever. Provided, nevertheless that if the said W. R. Shaw shall well and truly pay unto the said F. Mertens or his assigns, the aforesaid installments of purchase money with interest, upon each and every trip as aforesaid, until the whole shall be fully paid; and shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law. And this Indenture further witnesseth, that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid, that in case of any default upon the part of the said W. R. Shaw to make regular payments on account of said purchase money, as herein provided, or in case of a failure to perform any of the covenants named in this mortgage; then and in either event, the said F. Mertens or his assigns is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat and after ten days notice thereof in a public newspaper, printed in the City of Cumberland, to sell said boat at public sale as mortgagee, to the highest bidder for cash or credit; and out of the proceeds of such sale, pay first the expenses of such sale and publication, and the balance due to said F. Mertens of his assigns, and if there be any overplus, the said F. Mertens or his assigns are to pay the same to the said W. R. Shaw or his assigns. In Witnesseth whereof the said [W. R. Shaw] hath subscribed his name and affixed his seal.
Teste: Samuel Boyer  
Wm. R. Shaw {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:
I hereby certify that on this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord 1865, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Washington County, appeared William R. Shaw and acknowledged the foregoing mortgage to be his act.
Samuel Boyer, J. P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit:
Be it remembered, and it is hereby certified that on this 27th day of September 1865, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, in and for Allegany County, personally appeared Frederick Mertens the mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the consideration set forth in the foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide, as therein set forth. In witness whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name on the day and year aforesaid.
Andrew Gonder, J. P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit:
I hereby certify that Andrew Gonder, Esquire, before whom the annexed affidavit of Frederick Mertens was made, and whose genuine signature appears thereto, was at the time thereof, a Justice of the Peace of the said State, in and for the County aforesaid, duly elected, commissioned and sworn, and authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements.
In Testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name, and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Allegany County, at Cumberland, this 27th day of September 1865.
Horace Resley,
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Allegany County.
At the request of H. T. Weld, the following Mortgage was recorded August 25th 1868.

This Indenture, made this 8th day of August eighteen hundred and sixty eight, between Charles R. Shaw of Washington County, State of Maryland of the first part, and Henry Thomas Weld, of Allegany County, State of Maryland, of the second part. Whereas, the said Henry Thomas Weld has this day sold to the said Shaw, the canal boat called Gen'l McClellan at and for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, which the said Shaw is to pay unto the said Weld, and his assigns, in installments of forty dollars each, for the first twenty trips and thirty five dollars each for every subsequent trip, which shall be made by said boat from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or Washington City, until the entire purchase money is paid, with interest thereon from this date, crediting the respective payments thereon, as of the time when such payments shall be made, and whereas, it was a part of said contract of purchase and sale between the said Shaw and the said Weld, that the said Shaw shall use the said boat in freighting coal from Cumberland to the points aforesaid, in regular trips, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done, & to give a preference in freighting the coal of such Company or person as the said Weld may from time to time direct, provided such person or persons are ready to load him at the current rate of freight payable by the large Companies for a like service within a period of twenty four hours, exclusive of Sundays, after his reporting for loading and to keep said boat in proper repair; all of which said stipulations the said Shaw hereby covenants and agrees with the said Weld and his assigns to fulfill and perform, provided always, that if for any cause whatsoever said Weld shall not be prepared with coal within twenty four hours of the boat being reported by the Captain as ready to receive her load, then all claim of said Weld to the services of the boat for that trip is cancelled, except as far as his right to claim the trip money is concerned, and whereas the said Shaw is anxious to secure unto the said Weld and his assigns, the regular and due payment of each and every installment of said purchase money; and also to secure to the said Weld and his assigns, the regular, prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid, and the said Shaw is willing to execute these presents, now, this indenture witnesseth, that the said Shaw for and in consideration of the premises, hath granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said Henry Thomas Weld, his executors, administrators and assigns, the canal boat called Gen'l McClellan, to have and to hold the same unto the said Henry Thomas Weld, his executors, Administrators and assigns, provided nevertheless, and it is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of these presents, that if the said Shaw shall well and truly pay unto said Weld, his executors, administrators or assigns, the aforesaid installments of purchase money, upon each and every trip as aforesaid, until the whole purchase money, with the interest as aforesaid, shall be fully paid; and if the said Shaw shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed, as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing and every matter and thing herein contained shall cease and be utterly null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law. And this instrument further witnesseth, that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid, that in case of any default upon the part of the said Shaw to make regular payments on account of said purchase money, as herein provided, or in case of a failure to make regular trips as aforesaid with said boat, or in case of a refusal or neglect on the part of the said Shaw to freight for the company or person designated by said Weld, or in case of a failure or neglect to use all diligence, care and skill in making such trips with said boat, as before mentioned, or in case said boat is not kept in proper
repair, or in case of a failure to perform any of the stipulations or recitals in this mortgage named, to be done and performed on the part of said Shaw, then, and in either event, the said Henry Thomas Weld, or his assigns, is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat, and after ten days public notice thereof in a newspaper printed in the City of Cumberland, to sell said canal boat at public sale, as mortgagee, to the highest bidder for cash or on credit; and out of the proceeds of such sale pay first the expenses of such sale and advertisement, and then the balance due to said Weld, or his assigns, of said purchase money and interest. In Witness whereof the said Shaw hath hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his seal, on the day and year first above written.

Teste: Samuel Beyer

C. R. Shaw {Seal}

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit: I hereby certify, that on this 8th day of August 1868, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for said County, personally appeared C. R. Shaw and acknowledged the aforesaid instrument to be his act and deed.

Samuel Beyer, J.P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: Be it remembered, and it is hereby certified that on the 19th day of August 1868, before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Allegany County, personally appeared Henry Thos. Weld the mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the consideration set forth in the aforesaid mortgage is true and bona fide as herein set forth. In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name on the day and year aforesaid.

Andrew Gonder, J. P.
At the request of Fred. Mertens this Mortgage was recorded April 12th 1872.

This Indenture, made this twenty seventh day of March eighteen hundred and seventy two, between W. R. Shaw of Allegany County, State of Maryland party of the first part and Fred. Mertens of Allegany County, State of Maryland party of the second part. Whereas the said party of the second part has this day sold to the said party of the first part the Canal Boat called "Jacob McGraw" at and for the sum of twenty one hundred dollars, which the said party of the first part is to pay unto the said party of the second part, in installments and in the manner and upon the terms hereinafter mentioned, to wit: forty dollars for each and every trip said boat shall make from Cumberland to Georgetown, Washington, Alexandria, or any other point until the entire purchase money, with the interest, is fully paid, crediting the respective payments thereon as of the time when such payments shall have been made.

And whereas it was part of said contract of purchase and sale between the said party of the first part and the said party of the second part, that the said party of the first part shall use the said boat exclusively in freighting coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or Washington City, in regular trips, both day and night, with as much expedition and regularity as can be reasonably done, and to receive the loads of the said boat promptly at each trip with the coal of such Company or person as the said party of the second part shall direct; and to freight the same at the lowest current rates which shall be paid by the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, the Borden Mining Company, the Consolidation Coal Company, and the Hampshire & Baltimore Coal Company, and to keep said boat in proper repair; and that the said party of the first part will not during the continuance of this instrument of writing, assign, transfer or set over, or otherwise by any act or deed permit the said boat to be assigned, transferred or set over unto any person or persons whomsoever, without the consent in writing of the said party of the second part, or his authorized agent, all of which said stipulations the said party of the first part hereby covenants and agrees with the said party of the second part and his assigns, to fulfill and perform. Provided always that if the said Company should not furnish loading for said boat within twenty four hours after the boat has been reported by the Captain at the place of loading ready to receive her load, then the said party of the first part shall have the right of loading wherever he chooses for that trip if such want of readiness to load the boat is caused by any default on the part of the said Company or its agents; but in case of a glut of boats, or in case such default either in loading or unloading happens from any other cause than a personal default of the said Company, or its agent, than all the boats carrying coal for it must take their turn in loading and unloading, and no claim shall be made for such detention.

And whereas the said party of the first part is anxious to secure unto the said party of the second part, and his assigns, the regular and due payment of each and every installment of said purchase money, and also to secure to the said party of the second part and his assigns the regular, prompt and due performance of the covenants aforesaid, the said party of the first part is willing to execute these presents. Now, this Indenture Witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the premises hath granted, bargained and sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain and sell unto the said party of the second part and his assigns, the Canal Boat called "Jacob McGraw" to have and to hold the same unto the said party of the second part and
his assigns forever. Provided Nevertheless and it is hereby declared to be the true intent and meaning of these presents that if the said party of the first part shall well and truly pay unto the said party of the second part or his assigns the aforesaid installments of purchase money, upon each and every trip as aforesaid until the whole purchase money, with the interest aforesaid, shall be fully paid and if the said party of the first part shall well and truly do and perform all the covenants on his part to be done and performed, as set forth in this mortgage, then this instrument of writing and every matter and thing herein contained, shall cease and be utterly null and void; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

And this instrument further Witnesseth that it is mutually agreed between the parties aforesaid that in case of any default upon the part of the said party of the first part to make regular payments, on account of said purchase money as herein provided, or in case of a failure to make regular trips as aforesaid with said Boat, or in case of a refusal or neglect upon the part of the said party of the first part to freight for the Company or person designated by the said party of the second part or his authorized agent, or in case of a failure or neglect to use all diligence, care and skill in making such trips with said boat, as before mentioned, or in case said boat is not kept in proper repair, or in case of a transfer without permission as aforesaid, or in case of a failure to perform any of the stipulations or recitals in this mortgage named to be done and performed on the part of the said party of the first part, then and in either event the said party of the second part, or his assigns, or any duly authorized agent, is hereby authorized to take immediate possession of said boat and after ten days public notice thereof in a newspaper printed in the City of Cumberland, to sell said canal boat at public sale, as mortgagee, to the highest bidder for cash or on credit, and out of the proceeds of such sale to pay first the expenses of such sale and advertisement and then the balance due to said party of the second part, or his assigns, of said purchase money and interest, and if there be any overplus the said party of the second part or his assigns are to pay the same to the said party of the first part. In witness whereof the said W. R. Shaw hath hereunto subscribed his name and affixed his seal on the day and year first above written.

Teste: H. J. Flanagan

William R. Shaw {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this twenty seventh day of March 1872, before the subscriber, personally appeared Wm. R. Shaw and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his act and deed.

H. J. Flanagan, J. P.

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this 27th day of March 1872 before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Allegany County personally appeared Fred. Mertens, mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage, and made oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God that the considerations set forth in the foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide as herein set forth. In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name on the day and year aforesaid.

H. J. Flanagan, J. P.
At the request of F. Mertens this Mortgage was recorded Jan. 15th 1874.

This Mortgage made this thirteenth day of January in the year eighteen hundred and seventy four by me, W. R. Shaw of Allegany County, in the State of Maryland. Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred & twenty five dollars, now due from me, the said W. R. Shaw to Frederick Mertens of Allegany County and State of Maryland, and in order to secure the payment thereof to the said Frederick Mertens, I, the said W. R. Shaw do hereby bargain and sell to the said Frederick Mertens the following property: one bay horse mule and the harness that are now used with said mule, and also the Boat rig now on the Canal Boat "Jacob McGraw," including cooking stove and furniture on said Boat. Provided, that if I, the said W. R. Shaw shall pay to the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns the said sum of one hundred & twenty five dollars with the interest thereon from the date hereof in installments of twenty five dollars for each for all the trips made by said Canal Boat called "Jacob McGraw" or any other Canal Boat on which said mules may work in freighting coal on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal from Cumberland to Georgetown, Alexandria or any other port east of Cumberland, until the entire sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars is paid, with the interest thereon. Provided, said sum and interest be paid on or before the first day of January in the year eighteen hundred and seventy five, then, this Mortgage shall be void. And I, the said W. R. Shaw do hereby covenant and agree, that if in default of the payment of any of said hereinbefore mentioned installments, the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns may, and is hereby authorized to seize said mules, or any of them, and the said harness, boat rig and boat furniture, and sell the same to the highest bidder, for cash, wherever the same may be or seized and taken, after first giving notice by hand bills for at least ten days of such sale, and then pay himself the amount that may be still due to him, and all expenses attending the sale and seizure, and if there then be any overplus, to pay the same to me, the said W. R. Shaw, or my assigns.

In witness whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed my seal.

Teste: Jas. M. Beall.

W. R. Shaw {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: On this thirteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and seventy four, personally appeared before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Allegany County, W. R. Shaw and acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be his act. And at the same time also appeared before me Frederick Mertens and made oath in due form of law that the consideration set forth in said Mortgage is true and bona fide, as herein set forth. In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name, on the day and year aforesaid.

Jas. M. Beall, J. P.
THE CANAL TOWAGE COMPANY.

Shipped, in Good Order and Condition by The Consolidation Coal Company, on board the Canal Boat:

is Master for the present voyage, and now lying at the port of CUMBERLAND, and bound for WILLIAMSPORT, MD., with cargo 17.50 tons R. M. COAL, which is to be delivered without delay in like Good Order and Condition to VICTOR CUSHWA & SONS, they paying freight at the rate of $ per ton. And as an inducement for the Consolidation Coal Company to ship the above cargo, the Master of the Boat agrees not to allow the whole or any part of the Cargo, to be taken from the Boat nor to remove the hatches thereof until ordered to do so by the Consignee; that all detentions in unloading shall be at his risk, and that nothing not herein specified is to be implied between the parties hereto.

In Witness Whereof, The Master or Clerk of said Boat has affirmed to four Bills of Lading of this tenor and date, one of which being accomplished the others to stand void.

Dated at Cumberland, this day of 1908.

Test:

William Herb
For the Canal Towage Company.

THE CANAL TOWAGE COMPANY.

Shipped, in Good Order and Condition by The Consolidation Coal Company, on board the Canal Boat:

is Master for the present voyage, and now lying at the port of CUMBERLAND, and bound for GEORGETOWN, D. C., with cargo 11.6 tons R. M. COAL, which is to be delivered without delay in like Good Order and Condition to W. A. LEETCH, Agent, they paying freight at the rate of $ per ton. And as an inducement for the Consolidation Coal Company to ship the above cargo, the Master of the Boat agrees not to allow the whole or any part of the Cargo, to be taken from the Boat nor to remove the hatches thereof until ordered to do so by the Consignee; that all detentions in unloading shall be at his risk, and that nothing not herein specified is to be implied between the parties hereto.

In Witness Whereof, The Master or Clerk of said Boat has affirmed to four Bills of Lading of this tenor and date, one of which being accomplished the others to stand void.

Dated at Cumberland, this day of 1908.

Test:

William Herb
For the Canal Towage Company.
THE CANAL TOWAGE COMPANY.

Shipped, in Good Order and Condition by The Consolidation Coal Company, on board the Canal
Boat 78, whereof H. H. Shaw is Master for the present voyage, and now lying at the port of CUMBERLAND, and bound for WILLIAMSPORT, MD.,
with cargo 115.00 tons R. M. COAL, which is to be delivered without delay in like Good Order and Condition to STEFFEY & FINDLAY, they paying freight at the rate of 40c per ton. And as an inducement for the Consolidation Coal Company to ship the above cargo, the Master of the Boat agrees not to allow the whole or any part of the Cargo, to be taken from the boat nor to remove the hatches thereof until ordered to do so by the Consignee; that all detentions in unloading shall be at his risk, and that nothing not herein specified is to be implied between the parties hereto.

In Witness Whereof, The Master or Clerk of said Boat has affirmed to four Bills of Lading of this tenor and date, one of which being accomplished the others to stand void.

Dated at Cumberland, this 20th day of Aug. 1868.

Test: William Hebb
For The Canal Towage Company.