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25 July 1980

Mr. Thomas A. Conyngham 4680 Azalea Lane Cleveland, OH 44010

Dear Mr. Conyngham,

My name is Yeoman First Class (YN1) Jerome J. Dennis, U.S. Navy. I began a project recently that you may very well be interested in. As the Ship's Historian for USS CONYNGHAM (DDG-17), I am trying to trace the Family Tree of the ship's namesake, Captain Gustavus Conyngham.

Captain Conyngham was born in County Donegal, Ireland in 1744 (the exact date is unknown). He emigrated to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1763. He married Anne Hockley in 1773. Captain Conyngham was the Commander of the Colonial Cutter REVENGE. As a ship's captain he was more bold and daring than John Paul Jones. However, since he wasn't interested in fame and glory his feats were, for the most part, unknown. He died November 27, 1819 and is buried in St. Peter's Episcopal Churchyard in Philadelphia.

My research has taken me through the Navy Archives Office in Washington, D.C. and through the Edward J. Conyngham family of Portland, Oregon. My mother has searched through the telephone book section of the Township Library in Middletown, New Jersey and I've done the same here in Bath, Maine. This telephone book searching has led me to find 15 Conyngham families. It was through this search that I obtained your name and address.

The reason for this letter is to ask your help in completing my project. Specifically, I would like to you send me any information you may have that pertains to your family lineage, as far back ass practical. Please don't go to any unnecessary expense for this unless you desire to do so. Anything you provide would be most helpful. I am enclosing a return envelope for your convenience. In return for your efforts, I will send you a complete copy of my work, whether or not your family is related to Captain Conyngham.

I want to thank you in advance for taking the time to read this letter and for any information you may provide. If you would like to call me, I may be reached at area code 207, 442-8853 between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. or at home at area code 207, 729-8649 evenings or on weekends.

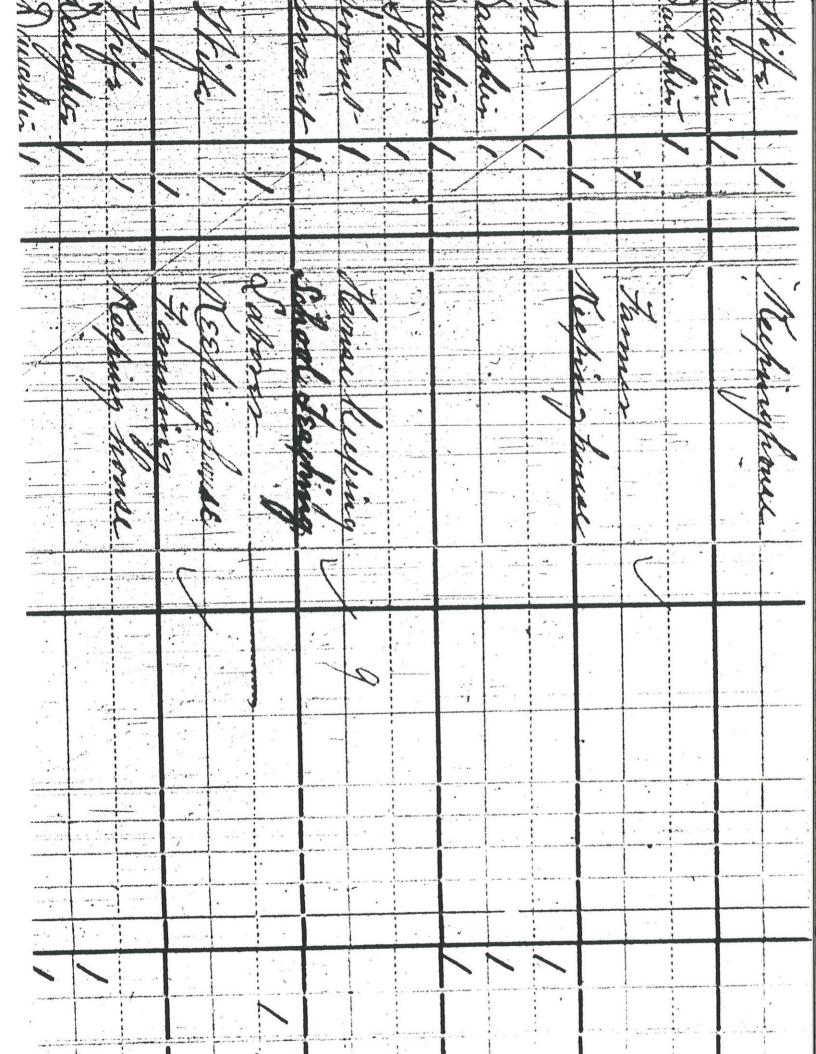
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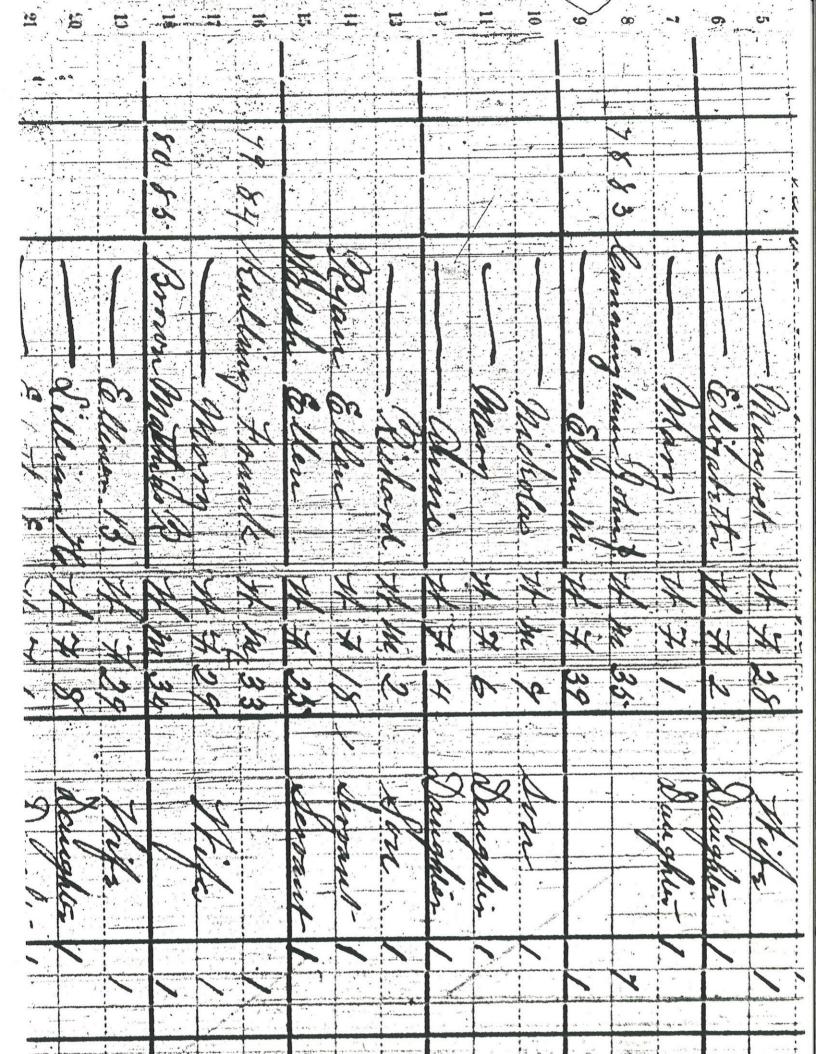
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Anthony Jr.

Joseph (Mary's Father)

Henry

Charles

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Miss Isabelle-----Married Lawrence Condon

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INDIVIDUAL RECORD

Name: Mary HICKEY (AFN:8T2M-RR)

Born: 1825

Sex: F

Chr.: 11 Jan 1825

Knockainy Parish, Limerick, Ireland

Bur .:

FATHER: Thomas HICKEY (AFN:3J8T-7N) MOTHER: Ellen ALLEN (AFN:3J8T-8T)

SPOUSES

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B: 25 Jan 1986 E: 14 Feb 1986

SP:

Parents: Thomas HICKEY (AFN:3J8T-7N)

Ellen ALLEN (AFN:3J8T-8T)

SS:

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B: 18 Oct 1984 E: 25 Oct 1984

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Parents: Thomas HICKEY (AFN:3J8T-7N) Ellen ALLEN (AFN:3J8T-8T)

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- 6. John Christened March 20, 1884
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The arrangements for the grand union excursion of the Orpheus and A. O. U. W. indre are now complete and tickets will be on sale in a few days. Monday, August 23, Is the day selected and a special train will leave the N. Y. Central Depot ni 7:30 A. M. and return at Schot, M. The place chosen is Charlotte, pronounced by all who have been there as the most delightful place for an excarsion of this character. Situated on the Lake, the facilities for boating and bathing are unsurpassed. A steamer also runs to Sen Breeze, five miles distant. The grounds are very handsomely laid out and every sort of amusement provided, including a large pavilion, capable of accommodating 2,000, which will be used for dancing. The accommodation for lunches or regular dinner are equally good. The Hotel Ontario is kept by B. Livingston, for a number of years connected with the bar at The Cataract House, and who says he will make it pleasant for his many friends from the vicinity. Tickets for round trip are placed at \$1.50 for adults and eighty cents for children under twelve. The committee from the Orpheus are: A. Rose, D. Elsheimer and N. P. Browning. From the A. O. U. W., E. M. Clark, O. Canfield and W. Campbell.

OBITUARY.

Bartholomew Cunningham a prominent resident of this town died at his residence in this village on Thursday night. He was thirty-five years of age and had lived in this vicinity for over twenty years. At one time he had charge of and successfully managed the farm belonging to the Seminary of Our Lady of Angels. He was a prominent Democrat he served as Assessor for the Town of Niagara for two terms and last fall he was The driver of the up car saw when cro

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A New Firm.

H. Neilson & Son is the name of a n Dry. Goods firm which will open the store the corner of Main and Falls Streets oppothe International Hotel on the 15th of Se The senior member of the firm owns building with sufficent capital to carry on extensive business, while his sons have large experience in the Dry Goods line. I store is now occupied by Marr & Daff W are now rapidly closing out their sto after which it will be thoroughly overhau and put in readiness for an entirely n stock of goods which will comprise eve thing found in a large establishment of t character. The firm will start for New Yo this week to make their purchases. predict for the new firm a most prospere business.

Runaway Street Car.

Sunday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock one of the open street cars was coming do Ontario Street hill, the driver attempted set the brakes when the chain broke, letti the car, run against the horses legs. T frightened the team and they started on run around the corner and down Second It is customary to meet the up car on t corner, but as the car could not be stopp it came on, increasing its speed all the tin

Citizen's Meeting.

day afternoon a notice appeared in ktrx stating that there would be a Meeting at the Park Theatre list at eight o'clock and hand bills eight o'clock and hand bills eight the village also stated that ting was for the purpose of discussing of vital importance to the inhabithis village. The meeting was called o'clock but it was fully half-past fore the meeting was organized, it over 100 persons being present.

ter A. Porter was made Chairman, Walter Jones, Secretary. At the I the Chair Mr. Gluck briefly stated object of the meeting was to discuss was existing between the Citizens of ge and the Commissioners of the Reand their management of the Park. A. l'orter in a few brief remarks e importance of the question and ever grievances were felt to exist in our citizens thought that they did re from the commissioners that cona to which every citizen of the State ght, they should discuss the matbroadest aspect, and while each one many interests here felt aggrieved, was done should be done carefully bjections submitted to the Commis-

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elected Overseer of the Poor for this District. He leaves a wife and small children. The funeral will be observed from St. Mary's Church to-morrow afternoon at 2:000 clock.

The funeral services of Bessie Margaret, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus O'Loughlin were observed from the family residence on Third Street Sunday afternon at four o'clock. The services were conducted by the Rev. Geo. F. Rosenmuller rector of St. Peter's Church. The remains of the little one rested in a white covered casket with silver trimmings, the little plate bearing the inscription "Our Baby." The casket was covered with floral offerings, smong which we noticed the following:

Rosebuds, Mrs. Henry Howard: Anchor, Mr. J. Doherty; Pillow, (Our Baby). From Parents: Wreath, Aunt Jennie; Bouquet, Miss Fox; Cross, Mr. A. Goodman; Pillow, (Bessie), Miss Carrie Cullen; Cross, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Smith, St. Catharines; Rosebuds, Mrs. H. S. Ware; Cross, Uncle Henry; Bunch Rosebuds, Mrs. Dr. Campbell; Cut Flowers, Uncle Albert; Bouquet, Mrs. John Rowe, St. Catharines; Basket Flowers, Wm. Philpot, Jr.; Cut Flowers, Miss Jeannie Ware; Cradle, Mr. E. E. Philpot; Pillow, Mrs. Rosenthall, New York.

The remains were laid in Oakwook Ceme the following Masters acting as bearers: Willie Cross, Frank Cross, Louis Doherty and Emmet Mason.

The Concert

The concert to be given at the Presbyte rian Church next Tuesday evening promises to be an event of the season. Most of those who will take part are well known to our citizens and need no recommendation from us. The Ningara-Quartette, of Tonawanda, composed of the Messra, Fassett, Longhery,

ing the railroad tracks that somethin wrong and the conductor requested th sengers to alight, which they did. The were also taken off just in time for the ed car to receive the ranaway team came crashing into the cor. It is cust to use a third horse to assist in drawt loaded car up the hill and on this tr third horse had been attached to the car, broke away after crossing the bridge. Just as the two cars came to the driver succeeded in pulling the ning team partly of the track, but one horse was caught between the cat- cr his leg in such a mann r that shooting deemed avisable at once. The paswere nore or less shaken up and son. jumped from the car slightly braised. damage to the cars was slight and trav not retarded.

PERSONAL

- —Miss Jessop of Scranton, Pa., is v Miss Jerauld on Buffalo Street.
- -Mr. Geo. McPartlin of the Ge Buffalo, was in town Sunday.
- -Rev. L. Gross, of Wilson, exch pulpits with Rev. J. C. Brand, of the P Church Sunday.
- -Mr. Thompson, Evangelist from don, England, will peach at the B Church next Sunday evening.
- -Mr. J. S. Mucklem commences hi duties as Teller of the Cataract Bank Monday.
- —Mrs. Maria Pool of Dickersonville William Pool of this village have bee pointed Adminstratrix and Adminstrat the estate of the late Thomas H. Pool.

-General Superintendent Thomas, eral Road Master Johann and C. W. I

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Feb. 13, 1991

TO; Richard Cunningham

Greetings:

Thank you for your very kind letter.

Phibsborough 7, is a district on the North side of Dublin. A number of government offices are in this area. it also contains St. Peters Boys School, St. Peters detention center, Arbor Hill Prision, and the Montjoy prision for men.

The bourough is a large one and may contain other items of interest. Your travel agent might have a map of Dublin or can give you the address of the Irish Tourist office in New York who could send you one. The main Library in Erie may have additional information and books on Dublin.

Good luck in your search

William P. Durning - Director

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Bartholomew Cunningham held the

eighteenth century. Another famous Gaelic poet of that era was Michael Comyn (1688–1760), of Kilcorcoran, Co. Clare. His son Michael Comyn (b. 1704), emigrated to France where he was accepted as one of the nobility of France* and his grandson, John Francis Comyn (1742–1793), was guillotined as an aristocrat during the French Revolution, while David Comyn (1853–1907), another Clareman, was particularly active in the movements which led up to the formation of the Gaelic League. Some families of Comyn came to north Clare as papists transplanted under the Cromwellian régime from east of the Shannon, but the Inquisitions of earlier in the seventeenth century prove that families of the name were already well established in the county before that period. William Cumming (1769–1852), famous as a portrait-painter, was an Irishman who lived and worked in Ireland.

O'CUNIGAN, MacCunigan, Cunningham, (Dongan, Counihan).

The surname Cunningham or Conyngham is among the 75 most numerous in Ireland, the estimated number of persons so called in 1954 being 8,550. They are distributed over all four provinces, the majority being found in the Ulster counties of Down and Antrim and in the Connacht counties of Galway and Roscommon. In the former the families in question are for the most part of Scottish origin; in the latter they are native Irish. The original Irish-Gaelic forms Ó Connagáin and Mac Cuinneagáin were first written in English as O'Cunnigan and MacCunnigan. Under the anglicizing influence of three centuries of British occupation many old Gaelic families, having dropped the O or Mac, gradually assumed an English or Scottish name approximating to theirs in sound. Thus Cunnigan became Cunningham.

There is hardly another name in Ireland which appears in the Registrar-General's records, voters' lists and so forth in so many different guises. Side by side with the standard form Cunningham, we find Coonaghan, Counihan, Cunnighan, Kinningham, Kinighan, Kinagam, Kinnegan and MacCunnigan in Ulster, while Conaghan and Kinaghan are two of the many variants elsewhere. Counihan and Coonaghan, however, are properly the anglicized forms of the north Munster name Ó Cuanacháin.

The true Irish Cunninghams trace their descent from two sources in Connacht, the Gaelic forms given above denoting son (mac) or descendant (ó) of Connagan, which is a diminutive of the personal name Conn. One branch stems from Fiachra, brother of the famous Niall of the Nine Hostages and father of the last pagan King of Ireland, and was located in Co. Sligo; the other is a sept of the Ui Máine (often called Hy Many), a widespread group of septs centred in Counties Galway and Roscommon of which O'Kelly was the most important.

^{*}Descendants of Wild Geese of the name were also enrolled among the nobility of Spain.

As is not unusual in the case of smaller families which, notwithstanding the destruction of the Gaelic order after 1603, refused to accept English rule, no arms are on record at the Office of Arms in Dublin Castle for O'Cunnigan or MacCunnigan. The well-known Cunningham arms are those of a Scottish family, several branches of which settled in Ireland in the seventeenth century and became influential in the north. There is a tradition that these Cunninghams were originally Irish settlers in Scotland: be that as it may they were in Scotland as early as the eleventh century, since their arms and their motto "over fork over" are based on an incident which occurred about the year 1050 when the Cunninghams' ancestor saved the life of Malcolm Canmore, afterwards King of Scotland, by covering him with hay and thus concealing him from MacBeth's pursuing forces.

The most distinguished Irishman of the name was probably Timothy Cunningham (d. 1761), the antiquarian, member and benefactor of the Royal Irish Academy. Mention may also be made of Henry first Marquess Conyngham (1766–1832), who was an Irish representative peer and a man of influence in England in the reign of George

IV, and also of John Cunningham (1729-1773), the Irish actor and poet.

Some of the Cunninghams in Ulster acquired their surname in quite a different way from those dealt with above. There was a minor sept of MacDonegan in Co. Down, one of whom, John Dongan or MacDonnegan, was Bishop of Down from 1395 to 1412, while earlier in the fourteenth century Florence MacDonnagan was Bishop of Dromore. In this area the name was first corrupted to MacConegan and later some of these MacConegans changed this to Cunningham in imitation of the Scottish settlers. Others, however, retained the more correct modernized form Dunnigan, and Dunnigans are still to be found in Co. Down. This name is not to be confused with Donegan or Dongan—Ó Donnagáin in Irish—an important sept of Muskerry, Co. Cork, whose territory was around Rathluirc. Thomas Donegan (1634–1715), last Earl of Limerick (of the first creation), Governor of New York from 1683 to 1691, was the most distinguished man of this name.

MACCUNNEEN, O'Cunneen, Kenyon, (Kinnane).

The fact that Cunneen is never found nowadays with a prefix hides the fact that it represents actually two quite distinct surnames. MacCoinín is that of a literary family of Erris, Co. Mayo. It is anglicized Kenning and Kenyon, as well as Cunneen, and also by pseudo-translation as Rabbitt. Cunneen, and Rabbitt too, are the forms used in English for the Offaly family of Ó Coinín. A variant of this is Ó Cuinín which in turn is used as a variant of Ó Cuineáin, quite a different name in Irish: this is now indistinguishable from Ó Cuinneáin, a surname well-known in north Tipperary

The Reception will be held on March 7, 1992 at Brookside Community Center 3502 Athens Rd. Erie PA 16510 From 2-6 p.m.

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David Conyngham, Wilkes Barre, Pa. 1750-1830

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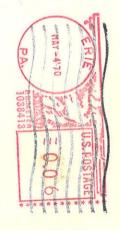
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Mr. Conyngham

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In case you didn't happen to see the attached article, I thought you might be interested.

Mrs. Edwards

What's In Your Name?

There is hardly another name in Ireland or Scotland that has so many variations in spelling than Cunningham. To mention a few; in Ireland it is spelled variously: Cunigan, Counihan, Coonaghan, Kinningham and Kinnegan. In Scotland: Cuninghame, Cuningham, Cunnynghame and Cunynham.

The original Irish-Gaelic forms of O Connagain and MacCuinneagain were first anglicised 'O Cunnigan' and 'MacCunnigan but the influence of three centuries of British occupation caused Cunnigan to become Cunningham. In Scotland the Cunningham name is of territorial origin from the Northern district of the name in Ayrshire.

The name appears in early Scottish history when a Harvey de Cunningham fought at the Battle of Largs in 1263 and in the year 1321 King Robert Bruce gave the lands of Lamburgton to Hugh de Cunningham.

Many of the Scottish Cunninghams appear to have been Rectors of churches and as early as 1403 William de Cuningham, Vicar of Dundonald was threatened with excommunication if he did not stop intruding into the administration of the poort house of Polmadie.

The majority of Irish Cunninghams are to be found in the Counties of Down and Antrim in the Northern part of Ireland, but these are for the most part of Scottish origin. The Cunninghams of Counties Galway and Roscommon are native Irish who trace their descent from two sources, one



from Fiachra, brother of Niall of the Nine Hostages and father of the last pagan king of Ireland, the other is asept of Ui Maine.

A Scottish Cunningham called Andrew who was a glazier (man involved with fitting glass into windows) by trade arrived in Boston at the early date of 1680. He was a member of the Scottish Charitable Society and in 1685 he married Sarah Gibson in Boston.

The importance of the Cunningham name in Scotland may be appreciated by the fact that the First Earl of Glencairn, whose name was Cunningham, was created in 1488 and this Earldom continued to exist up to the year 1796 becoming extinct on the death of the 15th Earl.

Many grants of arms have been made to the Cunningham name and the one illustrated is of ancient origin. It shows a black shakefork on a silver background.

Interested in your name? If you would like to see the history & arms of your name in a future column write: "What's In Your Name?" (c-o Erie Daily

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Captain Gustavus Conyngham was born in County Donegal, Ireland in 1744 (exact date not known) He. imagrated to Philadelphia, Pa. in 1763. He married Anne Hockley in 1773.

He sailed to France on the supply ship "Charming Betty" in the spring of 1777. He was given a naval commission and the 10 gun raider "Surprise".

He raided British ships in the English Channel and raided the Isle of Guernsy and carried off the Lieutenant and the Garrison Adjutant. He sailed to Dunkirk with his prizes.

Imprisoned by France at the demand of the British Crown, he was allowed to escape; equipped by friends with the speedy 14 gun cutter "Revenge".

With this ship he seized 60 British vessels. Early in 1779 on his was back to America, He was caught by the British Frigate H.M.Galatea in April 1779. He was shipped, in chains, to England. There with 50 companions he tunneled out of Old Mill Prison.

How he got back to America is not known. He died November 27, 1819 and is buried in St. Peters Episcopal Churchyard in Philadelphis.

This information is from the Ship's Historian USS CONYNGHAM (DDG-17) and a "Picture History of the U.S.Navy".

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Rebecca A. Burnham 354 Dogwood Avenue Brighton CO 80601-2927

April 10, 1994

Dick Conyngham 3914 Greenway Drive Erie, PA 16506

Dear Mr. Conyngham:

You indicated in an ad in the March-April issue of <u>The Genealogical Helper</u> that you were interested in hearing from anyone with this name or anyone who was researching it.

My mother's maiden name was Cunningham which is not quite the same, but one of her brothers settled in Toronto, Canada, where he was frequently called Conyngham, and generally considered Scottish. I don't know whether that counts or not, but I am researching the name, Cunningham.

The first of that name in our family who came to this country in 1802 was Alexander Cunningham. The original family lived in Scotland and then moved to County Donegal in North Ireland. Alexander's father was John Cunningham who was born and reared in County Donegal. Alexander was quite young when he came to America and apparently landed in Philadelphia where he worked to pay for his passage. He then walked to Pittsburgh and on to Steubenville, Ohio. His parents and family arrived in 1805, and lived near the village of Cross Creek a few miles west of Steubenville. They went to the St. James Episcopal Church which was founded in 1800, the oldest organized parish in the State of Ohio.

On March 11, 1819, Alexander married Mary Thompson who was born and raised in the County Antrim near Donegal and who, with her parents, brothers and sisters, came to America in 1810 and settled in Jefferson County, Ohio. They had seven children, the oldest of whom was John, born February 2, 1820. He was my greatgrandfather. He married Sarah Ann Bone of adjoining Harrison County (Ohio) on June 27, 1847. Sarah Ann had been born and raised on the Isle of Wight. She was born December 11, 1824 and her parents were Thomas and Mary Ann Hillyer Bone. Her father having died, she came to this country in 1836 when she was twelve years old, with her mother, her sister Amelia aged nine and brother Thomas aged two, to Harrison County to join the Robert Pittis family who had come to American in 1831. Robert Pittis was either her uncle or her mother's uncle.

John and Sarah moved to College Township in Knox County on

September 1, 1852, when my grandfather, Robert Pittis Cunningham, was about four months old. They settled on a farm east of the town of Gambier, Ohio (where Kenyon College is located).

I have a copy of an article which appeared in a Scottish Newspaper about 1930, entitled "Glencairn Title" which I will enclose.

I have no idea if any of this is of interest to you, but I couldn't resist writing. I am wondering if you have done any research in Scotland or Ireland on your lines. I have some books suggesting ways to go about it, but as yet have not done anything with it.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Anderson Burnham

Becky Burnham

Enclosure

Taken from a clipping which appeared in a Scotch newspaper about 1930

GLENCAIRN TITLE

Earl of Glencairn was a Scottish title borne by the family of Cunningham from 1488-1796. The first earl was Alexander Cunningham, a lord of Parliament, who was killed when fighting for James III, in 1488.

His descendant, William, the 4th earl, took part in the affairs of both England and Scotland in the reign of Henry VIII., and his son Alexander, the 5th earl (died 1574), was concerned in the troubles of Scotland under Mary Stuart--at time he was with the reformers and at others with the Queen.

William, the 9th earl (died 1664), was perhaps the most prominent of them all, for he was responsible for the rising in Scotland in favour of Charles II. He led this rising in 1653, but it soon collapsed, and he was imprisoned. Later he became Lord Chancellor of Scotland.

The 14th earl, James, who died childless in 1791, is known as the friend of Burns, who wrote a lament on his death (the one beginning "The wind blew hollow frae the hills.") His brother, the 15th earl, died childless in 1796, and the title became extinct.

The Castle of Gaprington, Kilmarnock, in Riccarton parish, is the property of Major W. Wallace Cuninghame, who recently succeeded his father, the late Lietuenant-Colonel John A. S. Cuninghame of Caprington, Ayrshire, and Auchlochan, Lanarkshire. The late Colonel Completed the building as it now is, but its design dates from 1797, in the time of Sir William Cuninghame, 4th Baronet of Lambrughton.--N. B.

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Dear Dick,

Thank you very much for the map of Harbor Creek township. Sorry I couldn't write sooner but I had to attend to some important family matters. This map is really fascinating. Thank you for marking the Neff house. I noticed it was close to the Gitting house, also in the family. I will make copies for our family members and they are sure to be just as delighted as I am.

In reading through some of Dean's family history from Maryland I have encountered information on those members who immigrated from Scotland. Some were from the MacGregor clan. This clan also included people named Conyngham; the same last name as yours. I was surprised to see the same spelling. From what I have read it appears the MacGregor clan was unpopular with the ruling party in Scotland a few hundred years ago. As a result, those in power abolished the MacGregor name. This forced the clan members to take on different surnames which in many cases were maternal surnames. Later rulers in Scotland restored the MacGregor family name. Some went back to it and others kept the maternal surnames.

Reading Scottish history has been driving my brain crazy; too many battles within the country and with England. That must mean it is time to start on German history to learn what was happening when the Neff's and Gittings and Orth's and Kulh's lived in Germany.

Thanks again for thinking of me and sending the map.

Wishing you and early and warm spring,

Margaret Lewis
36102 Springe St.

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August 8th 1992.

Mr. R. Conyngham, 3914 Greenway Dr., Erie, PA 16506.

RE: JOHN J. CONYNGHAM 1848.

Dear Mr. Conyngham,

The I.G.P. Interim Research Service in Dublin recently referred your query to me for assessment, since I am a full time researcher (A.P.G.I) and specialize in the Cork-Kerry region. I must point out the fact that the I.G.P. has experienced serious delays in its referral service, due mainly to a protracted postal dispute in the Central Sorting Office, Dublin April - June, which caused much delay and upset to the smooth operation of their service.

In brief, I would advise a search of 3 hours initially, to check property records of East Cork and then relevant parish records for reference to John Jos.CONYNGHAM...1848.

Cost of search: IR£45.00 or equivalent dollar payment (Rate = IR£12 per hour).

I shall await your further advice in this matter, and hope that I can be of some service in your quest for references to your CONYNGHAM ancestry.

Sincerely,

T.O'LEARY B.A., A.P.G.I.

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                                                    same
                       Ollie E., paper cutter,
                       Hammermill Paper Co.
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	Conyngham	Richard, brakeman	b.	1049 E. 5th St.
	43	Wm. J., lab.	b.	same
1908	61	Bessie, folder Hammerm	i11	
		Paper Co.	b.	1041 E. 11th St.
	81	Florence, folder Ham-		
		mermill Paper Co.	b.	same
	\$1	John G. (Ella)		
	11	Mary, dressmaker	b.	same
	61	Ollie, paper cutter		
		Hammermill	b.	same
	88	Richard	b.	same
	69	Wm. J., lab.	b.	same
1909	19	Bessie E.	b.	906 E. 8th St.
	11	Florence V., counter		
	81		h.	
	18	Mary L., smtrs. J		
		J. B. Boyd Co.	b.	928 E. 10th St.
	41	Ollie E., counter '	b.	906 E. 8th St.
	11	Thomas C., boilermaked	h.	2128 Warfel Ave.
	11	Wm. G. lab.		

John J. CONYNGHAM B. 6-24-87 D. MOTHER & FATHER BORN IN IRELAND MARRIED ELLEN WhitE in Liviston ny St Peters DAUGHTER UF ELLEN MURPHY WhITE B. 1887 WHITE NICHOLAS WHITE 03/26/1871 CHILDREN. NICHOLAS D 11/25/1905 (Buf D8-1-1959 RICHARD W. THOMAS WILLIAM DO4/25/1913

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Elizabeth

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JOHN J HADON 7-3-1897- 6 BROTHERS & 3 SISTERS

John J. Conyngham

TEAM STER FARMER.

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Anna J. Conyngham John J. Conyngham Mary Richard	418 East Avenue
William " 1898 Anna Conyngham John J. Conyngham Peddler Richard Conyngham, Laborer	856 East 8th St.
1900	·
Same as above	
1905 Elizabeth Conyngham John J. " Laborer Mary Seamstress Ollie William J.	1037 East 11th St.
Bessie Folder Hammermill Florence """ John G. (Ella) Mary Dressmaker Ollie Hammermill Richard William J. Laborer	1041 East 11th St.
1912-13	
Bessie Ellen (Widow of John J.:) Florence	1030 Center Street
Mary	928 East 10th St.
Thomas & Carrie	2128 Warfel Avenue
1915 Thomas & Carrie	2128 Warfel Avenue
Ollie Florence	1204 East 21at at.
Mary	928 East 10th St.
1917 Thomas C. & Carrie Bartender for Frank D. Steiner	2128 Warfel Avenue

Anna Drene Congrighem Williams B-12-14-1875 D. 3-15-55 married act 26 1901 Joseph John Williams D·8-3-51 13 1-15-1880 They had Joseph John William Jr. B 8-8-1902 Robert Camillus Williams
B 1-12-1906 D 9-15-1975 Edward Vincent Williams
B 4-13-1908
D 4-30-1968 Mary Drene Williams D 9-15-1982 Bernard Z. Williams B 5-18-1913

anna is the Daughter of John Joseph Congrafion and Ms + Mrs anthony Williams As. anthony Williams & Onna Ennis Williams