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Dear Hazel & Bruce,

I'm "saving" this piece of paper. Because the event is behind us, this would be a piece of "scratch paper."

I have been sick with a cold for several weeks; I can't seem to shake it! It drains almost all my energy. But not quite! I have been entering a lot of information into the computer on weekends and evenings. Did I tell you in an

earlier letter that I've prayed for the Lord to keep me focused on genealogy and out of the department stores? Well, I've been doing both: 1) focused on genealogy and 2) out the department stores.

I'm sending you a copy of my latest printout. Keith Ross suggested, several weeks ago, that I contact Arthur Shull for family info. I did write... and he sent.... I'm sure he will be very surprised when he gets the printout. I'm hoping he and/or his wife will research and fill in locations. It is very disappointing to me to have dates only!

I've been processing through all that info that you've sent over the last few years. In a good many instances I had the same dates but you provided the birth and/or death location. I'm so thankful for all the info that you have shared with me over the years!! It is all coming together beautifully for a future book. Recently I did a search on my major Frantz database and I had over 7,800 descendants of Michael Frantz. I may have added another 200 descendants (maybe less) from the info sent by Arthur Shull. I have over 16,000 names of Frantz and collateral lines in my database but almost 8,000 direct descendants of M.F. And the info is not complete because you indicated on a Crist printout that you have children, of children "if you [I] want more." Yes, I would appreciate the names of subsequent generations. After all, if I'm following female lines down to the present in some lines I need to be consistent and carry them down in all lines if I know the information.

Hazel, I never did get through the entire Dore Frantz Manuscript. My next project is to go through each fische and check to see that I have the info and "index" the name and fische # and where it is on the fische (front, middle, end). There are over 30 fische with 60 frames each so it will take me quite a while to do that but absolutely necessary. For example, maybe you would say: "Lorraine where did you get such-and-such name and date?" Then I can check and, if necessary, take the fische for a copy (photocopy) of that page. I don't plan to put fische #, etc., in the footnote (like a page #) because that is only relevant to me.

I'm also trying to work on my "pet peeve." I believe I told you that I'm trying to build "a preponderance of evidence" to dispute a woman's claim to D.A.R. and Daug. of American Colonists. (Enclosed find a copy of the way it is listed in Salt Lake Library Catalog.) She is

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probably 100% entitled to her D.A.R. on Martin Wenger but I don't want her to have her Daughter of American Colonists on Eliz. Frantz, daughter of David, son of Michael II. THERE AREN'T ENOUGH HOURS IN THE WEEK FOR ALL MY GENEALOGY PROJECTS!!!!!! (Eliz. Frantz m. to Martin W. is not d. of D.F.)

I've spent a lot of hours on the genealogy bulletin board on Prodigy. I think I have made some good contacts and I'm particularly anxious to receive a book promised by a Frantz that I "met" on the bulletin board. He said he would send a book "published by his cousin over 50 years ago." I'm hoping it will be another gold-mine like the Dore Frantz Manuscript. He lives elsewhere but was going home to Pennsylvania for Easter and would get the book and send to me.

I am so amazed by all the Frantz families discussed on Prodigy b.b. I get lots of requests for a Frantz individual but that person isn't in my database. I'm thinking: "Where did all these Frantz come from??" It's certainly a challenge to track the Frantzes.

Alvin K. Funderburg said the sweetest thing in a letter recently: "One whole floor of Heaven will be devoted to Frantzes...." What a tribute!! I want to document these families "of faith" that will be taking space in Heaven!!

The woman from Utah (Shirley Bullock) that got her D.A.R. and D. C.A. on erroneous info was so nasty to me. One thing that she said: "Why are you doing a book? Floyd and Kathy Mason are going to publish a Frantz book." I said that maybe they were doing strictly a Frantz book -- and I am doing Frantz and collateral lines with an emphasis on "faith of my forefathers." Did I tell you that she charged me \$35 for a little bit of additional information? Most of what she sent was a duplicate of what she submitted to Salt Lake. She said she charged her sister and her niece \$35. each -- she wasn't giving any "freebees." Thank God!!, most family historians are not like that woman!! After all that, she had the nerve to ask me for my sources. I didn't write back. I think she can go to the nearby Salt Lake City F.H.C. and take a book off the shelf or take a microfilm out of the drawer. (I recently checked the F.H.C. Library Index to see if the three books are there that I sent in and all three are listed on the book shelf and microfilm and microfische.

I get requests occasionally for info where someone has seen the info in Salt Lake, Prodigy, Genealogical Books In Print, Genealogical Research Directory, etc. but invariably they have less info than I do. I'm sure the same thing happens to you Hazel. I'm always amazed at how much info you have!! Every time I process through material that you have sent, I marvel at the extensive amount of data that you have compiled over the years.

Do you weary of me sending you printouts? Do I sometimes send info that you do not have? As always, I'm always interested in "additions and corrections." I haven't "proofed" this latest printout word-for-word but I've already seen some "goofs" that I'll correct in the computer. (I "proof" two or three times, names, dates, etc. when I put the names and dates into the computer. I "proof" for formatting errors, spelling errors in text, etc., after it is printed out.)

Well, I'm running out of paper so will close. I hope you had a happy Easter. I did. I went to early service at my church (8:00-9:30) and then to a co-workers church where he was preaching and the service was 10:00-1:30 (yes, one-thirty). Very best wishes to you both, and the family.

Love,

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enc: copy of letter to Art Shull; info re: Shirley Bullock; story: Researching PA Ancest in PA w/ Moyer printouts & 2nd copy of Shull info & SASE.