

THE NILO KONSTENIUS FAMILY

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Introduction

FIRST GENERATION

The ancestry of Nilo Tuomas has been traced in the church records of Finland by Sakari Tuomaranta and his daughter Raija Makikallio to a Tohmas Person who was born in 1570. His son Per Tohmasson was born in 1595 and his grandson Hans Pernsen in 1643. The next direct line descendent was Per Hanssen or Hans Persson who used the last name Tuoma perhaps referring back to the earliest known ancestor Tohmas.

Hans Persson married Karin Jonsdotter and had a son Adam HanssonTuoma who lived from 1726 to 1819 in Over-Vojakkala in Finland. This community is just north of Tornio which is at the head of the Gulf of Bothnia and across the Tornio River from Haparanda, Sweden. Adam married Margaretha Johansdotter Kaarakka who was born in 1727. Their son Adam Adamsson Tuoma born in 1766 married on April 24 1800 at Over-Vojakkala Brita Persdotter Prissa born in 1780 at Liakka (Liedakka).

They had a son Erik Adamsson Tuoma born December 13 1812 at Over-Vojakkala who married on January 26 1847, Eufrosyne Nilsdotter Korpi who had been born on April 28, 1826, at Neder-Vojakkala. Their son Nilo (Nils or Niku) is the subject of this story. Nilo was born August 17, 1847 at Over-Vojakkala. He first married Kreeta Matilda (Tilla) Piuva, daughter of Nils David. She was born on October 27, 1850, and was buried on November 1, 1884. She was the mother of six children. After her death Nils married on June 28, 1885, at Prästgården, Aikkula, Kreeta Elvira Lasheikki, daughter of Peka Lasheikki. She had been born on July 11, 1861, at Helsinglyn (Koiniunkyla). Nils died on February 28 1933, at Karunki; Kreeta had preceded him on September 5, 1922.

Nilo and his first wife Tilla Piuva moved from Alatornio on March 1, 1876. This is probably about the time that he bought from David Nils Piuva, his father in law half of Ylihurula. After this he was known as Nilo Ylihurula.

His second wife Kreeta Lasheikki inherited half of Alahurula.. Around 1888 Nilo sold his half of Alahurula. Around 1888 Nilo sold his half of Ylihurula for 5000 marks to "Suokerilleen," who may have been brothers-in-law. He and his second wife also sold her share of Alahurula. They bought the Konstenius homestead. The home itself was on the southern part of Pelttarinsaari (Pelttaris Island) which is an island in the Tornio River between Finland and Sweden. There was land on the island for barns and outbuildings and some fields. The greater part of the estate was on the mainland and included a separate woodland a short distance from the fields.

The price asked for the property was 9000 marks besides a very large "maintenance" for the old Konstenius couple who were selling the place but wished to retain a room in the large two story home for themselves. This meant supplying the pair with nine liters of milk daily plus five barrels of the island's barley a year, meat, coffee, butter, salmon, etc. All of this doubled the price for the property.

At one time Nilo thought of selling hal of the place to a neighbor's son: this may have been

Iisakki (Isaac) Pelttari who married Nilo's daughter Hilda Kristiina. The old couple, however, humbly asked that he not sell in any event. They thought a great deal of the one who was paying their "allowance" and were afraid perhaps that their lot would become worse if the place changed hands. Nilo did not sell; in after years Nilo and his wife were thankful for the advice of the old couple..

Nilo bought the Konstenius place around 1888 and thereafter was known as Nilo Konstenius. The estate had seven hectares of tilled land and he cleared three more hectares. At Hurula the woods had been good, but the fields were full of stones. He did not like stoney land and remarked that "Saws would not stay in condition" at Hurula. The Konstenius fields were without stone and thus were like the fields at his home in Vojakkala. The woods, however, were poorer.

The size of the Konstenius estate was one and one third manttallis (tax or assessment units for land) equal to 260 hectares.

Nilo got the place paid for around 1914 or 1915. He had vigorous horses to help with the work, healthy children and a good wife. In 1912, however, a heavy sorrow fell on the family and Nilo headed for Oulu with his eyes closed. In the summer of 1911 during haying time he had gotten a thorn from a spike of grain into his right eye while he was making drying hurdles. (He was tedding the crop). The eye developed a cataract. The operation at Oulu was to improve the eye, but it did not succeed. The nerve to the eye was damaged and Nilo became totally blind. His bitter saying to the doctor was that "it truly went that three mark tailor made six marks' worth of damage". Nilo remained blind for the last twenty years of his life but continued as the task-master to get the work done on the farm.

The Konstenius land was divided into four pieces eventually, each share being 65 hectares. Jonne , the oldest son, bought one-fourth of the land around 1910 for 3000 marks. The other three sons, William, Sakari and Nilo Heikki, bought the other three shares just before the death of their mother in September 1922. Each paid 20,000 marks for his quarter of the estate in July 1922. One half of the land sale or 30,000 marks had to be divided by nine after the death of their mother in September 1922 so that 3,333 marks could be given to each of Elvira's children. Each son was credited with that amount and had to pay 16,667 marks for his quarter of the estate. 10,000 marks went to the surviving father Nilo; each son paid 3,333 marks to two of his siblings. Sakari paid Mia and Jenny; Heikki paid Hulda and Fanny; William was to pay Jonni and Emil. Emil refused to take his share. When Nilo died in 1930, there was 900 marks on cash and 12,600 marks in belongings to be divided among his 14 children. Again Emil refused his share.

The fifth son Erik Emil had left for the United States when his father refused to sell him a part of the land after selling to Jonne. His father maintained that he had such a large family that he needed all of the rest of the land to support them as well as the old couple from whom he had bought the place. Each of the brothers supposedly was to pay Erik Emil something as his share; but he consistently refused to accept the money feeling he was better off than they were since he was in the United States.

The Tuoma, Ylihurula, Konstenius family is a large one. None of the members were of the clergy or the nobility. The church records contain good remarks about some of the ancestors.

One forefather, however, was reported for working on the Sabbath. Another distilled spirits on Sunday and so received bad marks in the church books. One was spoken of as a gentleman-judge as he served on juries for a long time. This "Sir Judge" was Nilo Konstenius father Erik Tuoma.

As a whole the ancestors were said to be industrious and quick workers but a bit short tempered and proud in nature.

Descendants of Nils Eriksson Konstenius

Generation No. 1

1. NILS ERIKKSON¹ KONSTENIUS was born 17 augusti 1847 in Over-Vojakkala. He married (1) KREETA ELVIRA LASHEIKKI. She was born 11 juli 1861 in Helsinglyn. He married (2) KREETA MATILDA PIUVU. She was born 27 oktober 1850, and died 1 november 1884.

Children of NILS KONSTENIUS and KREETA LASHEIKKI are:

2. i. JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, b. 17 november 1903; d. januari 2003, Karungi, Sweden.
3. ii. HULDA ALIINA KONSTENIUS, b. 9 april 1886.
4. iii. JONNE KONSTENIUS, b. 16 januari 1888; d. 10 november 1926.
- iv. ELINA ELISABETH KONSTENIUS, b. 13 juli 1889; d. 14 oktober 1895.
5. v. ERIK EMIL KONSTENIUS, b. 5 februari 1891, Karunki, Lappi, Finland; d. 19 februari 1957, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
6. vi. HEIKKI KONSTENIUS, b. 30 september 1892; d. 16 november 1892.
7. vii. FANNY EUFROSYNE KONSTENIUS, b. 28 november 1893; d. 1 oktober 1978.
- viii. NIILLO HENRIK KONSTENIUS, b. 10 augusti 1896, Karunki, Lappi, Finland; d. 21 september 1973, Muurola Sanatorium.

Notes for NIILLO HENRIK KONSTENIUS:

When Erik Emil left to go to the United States, Heikki was left to take care of the home fields which he did for 50 years. Finally he and his sisters Beata Eufemia had to leave the island home as the roof threatened to fall down on them. They moved to another portion of the land which he had bought at the death of his mother. He did not marry but was like a father to his sister Beata Eufemias children as well as to those of his brother Jonne who had died when his children were all very young. Nilo Konstenius of Rovaniemi recounted the help that Heikki had been to their family at that time.

He was 5'10 1/2 tall. He was still strong when Florence, his brother Emil's daughter, visited in 1972. He picked her off the floor to give her a bear hug. He was picking potatoes in the field shortly before he entered the hospital where he died.

8. ix. BEATA EUFEMIO KONSTENIUS, b. 2 oktober 1898.
9. x. SAKARI TUOMARANTA, b. 22 december 1900; d. 10 oktober 1984.
10. xi. VILJAMI KONSTENIUS, b. 29 mars 1906; d. 3 mars 1943.

Children of NILS KONSTENIUS and KREETA PIUVU are:

11. xii. HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS, b. 30 augusti 1871, Alatornio.
- xiii. IDA MARIA KONSTENIUS, b. 7 juli 1871, Alatornio; d. 25 oktober 1877.
12. xiv. SOFIA JOHANNA KONSTENIUS, b. 29 augusti 1875, Alatornia, Lappland, Finland; d. 22 juni 1950, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
13. xv. IDA KONSTENIUS, b. 13 juli 1879, Karunk, Lappi, Finland.
14. xvi. HILMA KONSTENIUS, b. 26 maj 1881; d. 1918.
- xvii. MARIA ERIKA KONSTENIUS, b. 12 augusti 1883.

Notes for MARIA ERIKA KONSTENIUS:

The church records noted that she went to Sweden. Hopefully her father had given her a cow at least when she left home. She never married. She had her own little house at Kattilasaari just outside Haparanda, Sweden. She seems to have made a living by sewing for other people. In the old days a seamstress might come and stay with a family until all of them had been outfitted. She must have been a very frugal person as after her death there was property to be divided among her siblings. The record prepared by the church to assist in the division of her estate is a source of valuable information on the members of the family.

She had five full sisters, five half-sisters and six half-brothers but many were deceased by the time of her death. A portion of her estate was allotted to her half-brother Erik Emil in the United States. The money was put in a bank in Finland. There was a devaluation of the currency, however, so by the time the money was given by the heirs, the children of Erik Emil, to their mother or step-mother it was enough to just buy her a new heating stove for the living room.

Generation No. 2

2. JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 17 november 1903, and died januari 2003 in Karungi, Sweden. She married AXEL RIKARD TÖRNGREN, son of HELMER TÖRNGREN and EVA. He was born 9 juli 1900, and died 9 april 1964.

Notes for JENNY CECILIA KONSTENIUS:

Jenny lived in her home place until recent years when she rented her part of a house near the main road going through Karungi, Sweden. She is now very near the post office and store and just a short walk from her daughter Marta. Her own home is set quite far back from the road. It is a typical Swedish home with its red exterior and red outbuildings some of which have been modified to provide quarters for her children when they visit with their families. There is a tall flag pole in her yard, flowers and gooseberry bushes besides trees. She used by bus or train to visit som of the children who lived in the Stockholm area.

More About JENNY CECILIA KONSTENIUS:

Burial: 18 januari 2003, Karungi, Sweden

Children of JENNY KONSTENIUS and AXEL TÖRNGREN are:

15. i. EVA MARGARETHA³ TÖRNGREN, b. 27 december 1931, Karungi; d. 22 november 1991, Söderfors.
16. ii. SVEN TÖRNGREN, b. 14 september 1930.
17. iii. ULLA TÖRNGREN, b. 31 juli 1933, Karungi; d. 17 mars 1995, Söderfors.
18. iv. MÄRTA TÖRNGREN, b. 31 mars 1929.
19. v. ANNA-LISA TÖRNGREN, b. 11 februari 1928, Karungi, Sweden.
20. vi. PER-OTTO TÖRNGREN, b. 27 november 1937.
21. vii. CARL-ERIK TÖRNGREN, b. 18 mars 1940.
22. viii. INGRID TÖRNGREN, b. 9 december 1934.
23. ix. KARIN TÖRNGREN, b. 12 mars 1946.
24. x. EVA KAUPPI, b. 19 augusti 1954; Foster child.

3. HULDA ALIINA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 9 april 1886. She married ERKKI WILJAMI KENTTA 24 november 1907. He died 13 mars 1935.

Notes for HULDA ALIINA KONSTENIUS:

After the death of her husband, Hulda continued to live on the home place at Aapajoki which was given later to the youngest son jwith the provision that he would care for his mother . Hulda, however, is now in a nursing home where she celebrated her 100th birthday in 1986. Her husband wrote to his brotherin law Erik Emil in the United States.

Children of HULDA KONSTENIUS and ERKKI KENTTA are:

25. i. ILMARI ERKKI³ KENTTA, b. 8 juni 1908, Karunki, Lappi, Finland.
- ii. EIMI KENTTA, b. 14 november 1909; m. KALLE ALATALO.

Notes for EIMI KENTTA:

She now lives in an apartment in Haparanda and is very faithful about visiting her mother who is in a nursing home near Tornio.

- iii. PAAVO WILJAMI KENTTA, b. 1912.

Notes for PAAVO WILJAMI KENTTA:

He lived above the Arctic Circle at Joksengi. He had installed a sauna in the upstairs of his home where he had a rental unit at some time.

26. iv. EILA KENTTA, b. 1917.
27. v. EVI KENTTA, b. 1919.
- vi. TAUNO KENTTA, b. 1923; m. AUNE.

Notes for TAUNO KENTTA:

They live on his parents place at Aapajoki. She does weaving of carpets as a hobby.

4. JONNE² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 16 januari 1888, and died 10 november 1926. He married LAURA KAROLIINA NAATSAARI 19 augusti 1917. She died 1981.

Notes for JONNE KONSTENIUS:

The land that he bought from his father was named Lahdelma as it was on a cove. It was the southern strip of the Konstenius estate when it was divided from the island east to the mainland. It seems that he obtained building material for his home from a three storied storage building on the island. He had his brother Erik Emil send him watch from the United States. He died of an absessed tooth very suddenly when the children were all very young. Nilo for one spent a lot of time with his grandparents on the island so much that since his retirement he has been able to paint from memory the old kitchen and his grandfather Nilo using his cane to cross the room.

Children of JONNE KONSTENIUS and LAURA NAATSAARI are:

28. i. NILO³ KONSTENIUS, b. 20 februari 1920.
29. ii. BERTA KONSTENIUS.
30. iii. ENSI KONSTENIUS, b. 9 juni 1918, Karunki, Lappi, Finland.
- iv. ERKII KONSTENIUS.

Notes for ERKII KONSTENIUS:

Lived in Rovaniemi and worked in the woods.

- v. HEIKKI KONSTENIUS.

5. ERIK EMIL² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 5 februari 1891 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland, and died 19 februari 1957 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. He married (1) FANNY SALMELA. She was born in Oulu, Finland, and died 1936. He married (2) ALICE JOHANNA MATTSON. She was born 17 oktober 1907, and died 1974.

Notes for ERIK EMIL KONSTENIUS:

He and his brother Sakari seem to have been favorites of their mother. He did not get along very well with his father especially after his father refused to sell him land so that he could get married. Erik Emil worked on log drives when he could get away from work on the family farm. He bought himself a bicycle and rode some distance on it to learn carpentry from an older man. He practiced that until he had enough money for his passage to the United States.

It is said that when Erik Emil left to go to America on May 8, 1914 that his mothers crying could be heard as far as Sweden. He left for America with several friends. He at least worked in DeKalb, Illinois, for a while in the wire mills. He probably went to visit his half-sister Sofia Johanna Mantyla at the lumber camp her husband was operating and stayed to work there. He met the cook Fanny Salmela and they were later married. They bought a farm in Saxon. Fanny, however, had grown up in the city and wanted to live in one. Erik Emil may have traded his farm for a house in the Aurora Location of Ironwood, Michigan, and went to work in the ironmines nearby. The constraints of marriage proved too much for Fanny and they were divorced on October 15, 1921. The suit had been filed April 21, 1921.

Erik Emil arranged for a series of housekeepers to care for his two children or else had them live with the families of friends. In 1925 he married a young girl from Brantwood, Wisconsin, who had come to be with relatives in Ironwood Township and whom he had hired to care for the children.

He became naturalized American citizen on November 19, 1938 at Bessemer, the count seat.

After being injured in a mine accident in which several ribs had punctured his lungs, he was given a small pension of 30 dollars a month on which the family lived during the Depression. He had built a home for an Italian family across from their friends in the South Pabst Location. The man either became ill or lost his job. They could not buy the home. Erik Emil, therefore, moved his family to the new house and rented out the two-story home in the Aurora Location. The renters, however, did not pay the rent and so the taxes were not paid. The house was finally lost for non-payment of the taxes. There had been a fire in the house in earlier days which had resulted in some remodelling when the building was repaired. There was a garage with attached barn and hayloft entered from the garage. Pigeons were kept there at one time. The front yard was a slope and was fenced in in earlier days. There was a pump in the middle of the front yard and trees and gooseberry bushes lining one side of the driveway nearest the garage. The house was heated by furnace. Erik Emil had put in a wooden foundation for a bathtub in one of the side rooms of the basement but had not finished it before the move to the South Pabst location. He worked in the basement on doll furniture one winter for a gift for Florence.

He built homes for other people and also built a tavern for some friends on the road from Hurley to Mercer, Wisconsin. He worked on W.P.A helping build a road from Ironwood to the Norrie Location. He worked at a sawmill where he lost the tips of several fingers.

He became blind and spent his last years moving between a chair under a tree in the yard and a chair and his bed indoors.

Children of ERIK KONSTENIUS and FANNY SALMELA are:

- 31. i. GEORGE WILLIAM³ KONSTENIUS, b. 25 juni 1926, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
- 32. ii. FLORENCE ELIZABETH KONSTENIUS, b. 14 oktober 1920, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.

Children of ERIK KONSTENIUS and ALICE MATTSO are:

- 33. iii. JENNY CECILIA³ KONSTENIUS, b. 25 juni 1926, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
- 34. iv. WILBERT PELLERVO KONSTENIUS, b. 2 april 1930.
- 35. v. ELIZABETH ANN KONSTENIUS, b. 5 juli 1935.
- 36. vi. NORMA JEAN KONSTENIUS, b. 13 oktober 1942, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.

6. HEIKKI² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 30 september 1892, and died 16 november 1892.

Notes for HEIKKI KONSTENIUS:

He had a small restaurant and an equipment supply place in 1971. He was ill in 1981. He lived on the home place which his father had bought of his father Nilo. The house had been built of logs from a storage building on the island. He had built a sauna on the shore.

Children of HEIKKI KONSTENIUS are:

- i. ARJA³ KONSTENIUS.
- ii. PAULA KONSTENIUS.
- iii. MARJA-LIISA KONSTENIUS.
- iv. PAIVI KONSTENIUS.
- v. ANU KONSTENIUS.
- vi. JANI KONSTENIUS.

7. FANNY EUFROSYYNE² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 28 november 1893, and died 1 oktober 1978. She married JOHAN EMANUEL SEGERLUND 18 januari 1920. He was born 1897, and died 1964.

Notes for FANNY EUFROSYYNE KONSTENIUS:

After the death of her husband Fanny wen to live with her daughter Hellevi but her home was kept ready for occupancy and visitors all the time. The fields were moved and flowers planted as if it were lived in. She and her husband often went to church conventions.

Children of FANNY KONSTENIUS and JOHAN SEGERLUND are:

- 37. i. HELLEVI³ SEGERLUND, b. 1922.
- 38. ii. GUSTAV SEGERLUND, b. 1925.
- iii. OSKAR SEGERLUND, b. 1925.

Notes for OSKAR SEGERLUND:

He also bore a great resemblance to his uncle Erik Emil Konstenius

- 39. iv. BERTA SEGERLUND.
- 40. v. MARIA ELISABETH SEGERLUND, b. 2 oktober 1928.
- 41. vi. ULLA SEGERLUND, b. 1931.
- vii. TORSTEN SEGERLUND, b. 1936.
- viii. NILS SEGERLUND.
- ix. ANDERS SEGERLUND.

8. BEATA EUFEMIO² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 2 oktober 1898.

Notes for BEATA EUFEMIO KONSTENIUS:

She spent all of her life on the island until forced to move because of the condition of the house. She was supposed to have married several times, but each time the groom stood her up. She had polio or some other crippling disease and has been stopped over a great share of her life. After the death of Heikki with whom she shared a home all of his life her son Olavi fixed her home so it would be easy to take care of. He turned all the floor boards over, sanded them and had them refinished with a light varnish. a small bathroom was installed in the corner of the old kitchen and everything just lightened up including the stairs to the attic. Beata Eufemia seems to have a talent for growing plants. An indoor vine covered a large share of one wall in her home which he had a Finnish-type bed which could be used as a settee as well as baking oven/fireplace in the main room.

Children of BEATA EUFEMIO KONSTENIUS are:

- 42. i. OLAVI³ KONSTENIUS.
- 43. ii. ENNA KONSTENIUS.

9. SAKARI² TUOMARANTA (*NILS ERIKSSON¹ KONSTENIUS*) was born 22 december 1900, and died 10 oktober 1984. He married LEMPI KATARINA HUSA 24 juni 1930. She was born 1 september 1899, and died 13 februari 1957.

Notes for SAKARI TUOMARANTA:

When Sakari was called into service he responded to the names of Sakari Konstenius as well as Sakari Hurula. He was told he had better decide what he was to be called. His portion of the old Konstenius estate was called Tuomaniemi (the old family name plus niemimeaning a cape or promontory.) He decided therefore to adopt the name of Tuomaranta as some other non-related family was using the Tuoma name. Ranta means shore so he became the Tuoma living on the shore. Sakari's memories in his life story, "The Two-sided Fence," included the long march he was on to the Arctic Ocean as a soldier his preaching to Russian prisoners, his years of service in civic posts, and his trip by air to the United States when he was in his 70's to visit children of his brother Erik Emil and his half-sister Sofia Johanna Mantyla. He had a strong voice for singing even to the end. He had problems with his eyes for many years and finally lost most of his sight.

He was 5'8" tall. At age 28 he built his first house after borrowing a lot of money for it. Only then would he ask Lempi to marry him. During the war the family fled to Sweden from which they could see the flames from burning of their home. Sakari had left a note perhaps in German telling the soldiers they could use the home but to spare it. It is believed that some Finnish soldiers did not like that and burned the house themselves.

Children of SAKARI TUOMARANTA and LEMPI HUSA are:

- 44. i. REIJO AARO JOHANNES³ TUOMARANTA, b. 9 januari 1933, Karunki, Lappi, Finland.
- 45. ii. RAIJA KAARINA TUOMARANTA, b. 8 juni 1936, Karunki, Lappi, Finland.
- 46. iii. RAUNI REETA HELENA TUOMARANTA, b. 4 april 1941.

10. VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 29 mars 1906, and died 3 mars 1943. He married HENNI MARIA VALLSTRÖM 10 mars 1933.

Notes for VILJAMI KONSTENIUS:

He was injured in the Winter War with Russia and died as a result of those injuries. Many young men were lost from the Karunki area as they enlisted together and remained as a unit. Later they broke up such groups so a community would not suffer the loss of so many of their young men. His brother Sakari helped decide what kind of memorial would be erected at the Karunki churchyard for those dying in that war.

His share of the Konstenius estate was the northern strip. It seems logs from the island home or one of the other structures was used to build his home which he called Nurmi. He took the name of Nurmos for his family as the Tuoma name was being used by others. His home was built much like the island one except that it was smaller. The inner walls were of logs and covered with what Erik Emil called buffie paper which is heavier than wall-paper. It seems Konstu and his sister Raili bought out the other children. They have built a sauna on the shore and were remodeling the old house in the summer of 1981 by replacing the floor for one thing.

Children of VILJAMI KONSTENIUS and HENNI VALLSTRÖM are:

47. i. KYOSTI³ NURMOS, b. 9 juni 1934, Karunki, Lappi, Finland.
48. ii. KONSTU WILJAM NURMOS, b. 1935.
49. iii. KAUKKO NURMOS, b. 1937.
50. iv. RAILI NURMOS, b. 1938.
51. v. ANNELI NURMOS, b. 1941.

11. HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 30 augusti 1871 in Alatornio. She married IISAKKI PELTTARI.

Notes for HILDA KRISTIINA KONSTENIUS:

His family lived on the same island as Hilda's family. Some ancestor had been a bell-maker and thus the family name. His mother did not think Hilda or her family were good enough for her son. Hilda is known to have said that his mother could keep him in a glass case for all she cared.

Children of HILDA KONSTENIUS and IISAKKI PELTTARI are:

52. i. FEEBE³ PELTTARI, b. 1900, Alatornia, Lappland, Finland.
- ii. TILDA PELTTARI.
53. iii. JENNY SOFIA PELTTARI, b. 8 juni 1902, Alatornia, Lappland, Finland; d. 13 juli 1981.
54. iv. HUGO PELTTARI.
55. v. AXELI PELTTARI.
- vi. VAINO PELTTARI.

12. SOFIA JOHANNA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 29 augusti 1875 in Alatornia, Lappland, Finland, and died 22 juni 1950 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married ANDREW MANTYLA. He was born 18 september 1865 in Urvvo, Finland, and died 12 januari 1944 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.

Notes for SOFIA JOHANNA KONSTENIUS:

The Karunki, Finland church records had no record of her except her birth as she went to the United States at a young age. She met Andrew Mantyla in the States and he promised to take care of her so they were married. He had a lumbering camp t one time in Saxon, Wisconsin. Most of their lives, however, were spent on a farm in Erwin Township, just outside Ironwood, Michigan. They sold milk to a dairy and potatoes to people in the locations who did not have garden space to grow them. They also did plowing for those who wanted to have their own gardens. Both of them were bothered with asthma during their lifetimes.

Their home was a good example of Finnish construction. The walls were of logs which were covered inside and out with planed lumber. There was a large entry porch with benches under the windows for seating as well as storage. They used kerosene lamps and lanterns but eventually got in lights and were able to have a washing machine. They had their own well and a sauna. They had one or two hired men especially before the boys were grown. There was an organ in the front room and church services were often held at the home. Before they got lights their Christmas tree was decorated with small candles in metal holders that were kind of woven into the branches.

Two tall cabinets in the large kitchen often held shallow bowls of filia. The kitchen floor was varnished each year late some night so it would be dry by morning.

Children of SOFIA KONSTENIUS and ANDREW MANTYLA are:

56. i. LEMPI³ MANTYLA, b. 1 mars 1903, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
- ii. HILDA MANTYLA, b. 17 oktober 1905, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan; d. 1930.

Notes for HILDA MANTYLA:

Florence remembers her staying overnight and sleeping on the davenport. Florence stayed home from school in hopes that Hilda would play jacks with her. Hilda had seen ballet and tried to make toe danvcing shoes for Florence out of cardboard. (Florence signed up for ballet classes years later taught by the French wife of Major Cartwright, head of the Ironwood High School R.O.T.C unit. She had to drop out because she could not afford the shoes.

- iii. WAINO MANTYLA, b. 25 mars 1906.
57. iv. SAIMA MANTYLA, b. 9 juli 1908, Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan.
58. v. SIGNE MANTYLA, b. 25 augusti 1910.
59. vi. THEODORE MANTYLA, b. 17 februari 1912, SClair Shores, Michigan.

- vii. SANNA MANTYLA, b. 1913; d. 1928.

Notes for SANNA MANTYLA:

She was an early tom-boy. She liked to dress in boys clothes.

- viii. WOODROW MANTYLA, b. 25 mars 1915; d. 1966, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; m. DOROTHY DAGE.

Notes for WOODROW MANTYLA:

He was the last home and then only after the death of his mother. He used to visit his uncle Erik Emil frequently on Saturday night or take out his cousin Florence if she was home from college or her teaching positions. He helped Florence choose linoleums for her parents living and dining rooms as well as curtains from the Sears catalog. He worked in a pet shop when he moved to Milwaukee. His wife came from a well off family and wanted an expensive home. He forgot to open the garage doors when adding anti-freeze to his car and was gassed to death.

60. ix. MARTHA MANTYLA, b. 22 december 1917, Saxon, Wisconsin (her fathers lumber camp).
x. WOLFRED MANTYLA, b. 12 oktober 1921; d. 1 maj 1973.

Notes for WOLFRED MANTYLA:

He may have been injured before birth for he could not go far in school. He loved to walk to visit at his uncle Erik Emils home and to go to town (Ironwood) from there. he got along well with adults as he talked so seriously about grown-up matters yet he was under developed mentally and could act really silly and childish at other times. He thought a great deal of his mother and was her nurse when she was ill. He wandered all over the country and seemed to manage himself. He became blind but even then found friends to help him out. He died away from home.

13. IDA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 13 juli 1879 in Karunk, Lappi , Finland. She married ISAC HELMER HEMPHALA 29 december 1901.

Notes for IDA KONSTENIUS:

The church records reported her moving to Karl Gustav, Sweden. 11 juli 1902 and that she had been married there.

Children of IDA KONSTENIUS and ISAC HEMPHALA are:

- i. EMIL³ HEMPHALA, b. 1902.
ii. LYDIA HEMPHALA, b. 1906.
iii. NILS HEMPHALA, b. 1908.
iv. WILLIAM HEMPHALA, b. 1911.
61. v. GUSTAV HEMPHALA, b. 16 februari 1912.
vi. HJALMAR HEMPHALA, b. 1915.
vii. HENNY HEMPHALA, b. 1923.

14. HILMA² KONSTENIUS (*NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 26 maj 1881, and died 1918. She married AUGUST WILHELM SEGERLUND. He was born 1884, and died 1918.

Notes for HILMA KONSTENIUS:

It seems both parents died about the same time and their bodies had to be taken out by sleigh.

Children of HILMA KONSTENIUS and AUGUST SEGERLUND are:

62. i. JONI³ SEGERLUND, b. 21 september 1908.
ii. JENNY SEGERLUND, b. 1910; m. LINDGREN.

Notes for JENNY SEGERLUND:

Her husband had many deer or elk heads to show from his hunting. He is now deceased.

- iii. OSKAR SEGERLUND, b. 1911.

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15. EVA MARGARETHA³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA*² KONSTENIUS, *NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 27 december 1931 in Karungi, and died 22 november 1991 in Söderfors. She married ENAR HÄRLIN 23 december 1951 in Dorotea, son of JONAS HÄRLIN and EVA PERSSON. He was born 25 april 1925 in Lavsjön, and died 1

februari 1998 in Söderfors.

Children of EVA TÖRNGREN and ENAR HAHLIN are:

- 63. i. YVONNE BERITH⁴ HAHLIN, b. 29 april 1953, Dorotea.
- 64. ii. JÖRGEN ALF HAHLIN, b. 19 januari 1956, Dorotea, Västerbottens län, Lappland.

16. SVEN³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 14 september 1930. He married BIRGIT FREDRICKSON.

Notes for SVEN TÖRNGREN:

He has been a teacher and director in the Haparanda schools. He is also handy as a carpenter and built himself a summer home. He is divorced and remarried.

Children of SVEN TÖRNGREN and BIRGIT FREDRICKSON are:

- i. ERLAND AXEL SVEN⁴ TÖRNGREN, b. 13 oktober 1963.
- ii. ROLAND SVEN RICKARD TÖRNGREN, b. 28 oktober 1966.
- iii. MARIA BIRGIT TÖRNGREN, b. 21 februari 1965.
- iv. PETRA LINNNEA TÖRNGREN, b. 3 juli 1974.

17. ULLA³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 31 juli 1933 in Karungi, and died 17 mars 1995 in Söderfors. She married EMIL OLOFSSON. He was born 18 mars 1931 in Dorotea, Västerbottens län, Lappland.

Child of ULLA TÖRNGREN and EMIL OLOFSSON is:

- 65. i. BRITT-INGER⁴ OLOFSSON, b. 5 april 1956, Dorotea, Västerbottens län, Lappland.

18. MÄRTA³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 31 mars 1929. She married KARL BJARNESTIG.

Notes for KARL BJARNESTIG:

He is an ambulance driver. She works as secretary to the diocese. She has a small greenhouse and grows tomatoes and other tender crops.

Children of MÄRTA TÖRNGREN and KARL BJARNESTIG are:

- i. HANS HENRIK⁴ BJARNESTIG, b. 19 juli 1952.
- ii. LARS RICKHARD BJARNESTIG, b. 3 augusti 1956.
- iii. LENA MARTHA BJARNESTIG, b. 14 maj 1960.

19. ANNA-LISA³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 11 februari 1928 in Karungi, Sweden. She married BENGT ALLERSKOG.

Notes for ANNA-LISA TÖRNGREN:

Her mother claimed that she had a better singing voice than Karl Erik but spoiled it with cigarettes.

Children of ANNA-LISA TÖRNGREN and BENGT ALLERSKOG are:

- i. STIG GUNNAR⁴ ALLERSKOG, b. 17 juli 1948.
- ii. JENNY ANNIE IRENE ALLERSKOG, b. 17 juni 1952.
- iii. BENGT-OVE ALLERSKOG, b. 20 augusti 1960.
- iv. BARBRO INGEGERD ALLERSKOG, b. 28 september 1961.

20. PER-OTTO³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 27 november 1937. He married GUNBORG MATTSON.

Notes for PER-OTTO TÖRNGREN:

He is a teacher as is his wife. They moved from Haparanda area to take positions as administrator and teacher in lower Sweden. He is artistic and has copied the paintings of Carl Larsen.

Children of PER-OTTO TÖRNGREN and GUNBORG MATTSON are:

- i. PETRA CECILIA⁴ TÖRNGREN, b. 22 februari 1965.
- ii. HELENA PETRA TERECA TÖRNGREN, b. 4 oktober 1966.
- iii. KATARINA PETRA TÖRNGREN, b. 17 november 1969.

21. CARL-ERIK³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 18 mars 1940. He married MONICA HASSELROT.

Notes for CARL-ERIK TÖRNGREN:

He left home early and became a singer on radio and television. He travelled with his own band and cut many records some in Finnish. He had his own construction company in Sweden and moved to California to set up a similar company in United States.

Children of CARL-ERIK TÖRNGREN and MONICA HASSELROT are:

- i. MALOU⁴ TÖRNGREN, b. 17 juni 1969.
- ii. MARKUS CESON TÖRNGREN, b. 29 maj 1972.
- iii. MARTIN TÖRNGREN, b. 1980.

22. INGRID³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 9 december 1934. She met JAN ERIK FRANTZICH.

Child of INGRID TÖRNGREN and JAN FRANTZICH is:

- i. JESPER JAN RICKHARD⁴ FRANTZICH, b. 27 juni 1973.

23. KARIN³ TÖRNGREN (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 12 mars 1946. She married KLAS SUNNEHALL.

Children of KARIN TÖRNGREN and KLAS SUNNEHALL are:

- i. AXEL⁴ SUNNEHALL, b. 2 augusti 1974.
- ii. JOEL SUNNEHALL, b. 2 februari 1972.

24. EVA³ KAUPPI (*JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 19 augusti 1954. She married OLA HANSSON.

Children of EVA KAUPPI and OLA HANSSON are:

- i. MOA⁴ HANSSON, b. 31 oktober 1979.
- ii. LINA HANSSON, b. 1982.

25. ILMARI ERKKI³ KENTTA (*HULDA ALIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 8 juni 1908 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland. He married ALLI MARIA SYVANIEMI. She was born 8 november 1915 in Juoksenki.

Notes for ILMARI ERKKI KENTTA:

Born on the island and in the room of the old couple from whom the farm was bought. He suffered from war injures. His home used to be that of a miller and was next to a lovely brook. It was near a railroad too at which two of his daughters were killed while riding with a group of friends.

Children of ILMARI KENTTA and ALLI SYVANIEMI are:

- i. SEIJA⁴ SYVANIEMI, b. 1941.
- ii. KALERVO SYVANIEMI, b. 1942.
- iii. SIRKKA-LIISA SYVANIEMI, b. 1944.
- iv. RITVA SYVANIEMI, b. 1945.
- v. KYOSTI SYVANIEMI, b. 1947.
- vi. LEENA SYVANIEMI, b. 1949.
- vii. LEILA SYVANIEMI, b. 1955.
- viii. SEIJA PORHOLA, b. 1955.

26. EILA³ KENTTA (*HULDA ALIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 1917. She married JONI SEGERLUND, son of AUGUST SEGERLUND and HILMA KONSTENIUS. He was born 21 september 1908.

Notes for JONI SEGERLUND:

His first wife a teacher died after having one child, He then married a half cousin. They have a large herd of dairy cows which are taken care of by a son and a son in law.

Children of EILA KENTTA and JONI SEGERLUND are:

- i. INGRID⁴ SEGERLUND, b. 18 april 1940.
- ii. KERSTIN SEGERLUND, b. 28 mars 1942.
- iii. BIRGITTA SEGERLUND, b. 20 april 1943.
- iv. BIRGITTA SEGERLUND, b. 8 oktober 1944.
- v. INGA SEGERLUND, b. 12 september 1946.
- vi. JULIA SEGERLUND, b. 2 februari 1948.
- vii. KARIN SEGERLUND, b. 12 april 1949.
- viii. DORIS SEGERLUND, b. 18 augusti 1950.
- ix. BERTIL SEGERLUND, b. 7 mars 1952.
- x. OLAV SEGERLUND, b. 24 september 1953.
- xi. MARGARETHA SEGERLUND, b. 26 oktober 1956.

27. EVI³ KENTTA (*HULDA ALIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 1919. She married PETER WAARA.

Notes for EVI KENTTA:

She lives in Hallstahammar, Sweden but they drive up each season to visit their mothers.

Children of EVI KENTTA and PETER WAARA are:

- i. LENNART⁴ WAARA, b. 1945.
- ii. ROLAND WAARA, b. 1948.
- iii. JAN OLAF WAARA, b. 1952.

28. NILO³ KONSTENIUS (*JONNE², NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 20 februari 1920. He married TOIMI VUOLLO.

Notes for TOIMI VUOLLO:

He spent a lot of time at the island home of his grandparents after the untimely death of his father. After his retirement on 1st of March 1978 as a detective in the police force in the Rovaniemi area he took up painting. He did many paintings of the kitchen on the island some showing a woman who had come in to do the spinning, others his grandfather crossing the room with his cane.

Children of NILO KONSTENIUS and TOIMI VUOLLO are:

- i. KUOPUS-PEKKA⁴ KONSTENIUS.
- ii. ANNELLI KONSTENIUS.
- iii. ULLA KONSTENIUS.
- iv. PAULA KONSTENIUS.
- v. MATTI KONSTENIUS.

29. BERTA³ KONSTENIUS (*JONNE², NILS ERIKSSON¹*) She married MALINEN.

Children of BERTA KONSTENIUS and MALINEN are:

- i. ARVO⁴ MALINEN.
- ii. MATTI MALINEN.
- iii. SIRKKA MALINEN.
- iv. TAPANI MALINEN.
- v. AILA MALINEN.
- vi. IRJA MALINEN.
- vii. MERVI MALINEN.

30. ENSI³ KONSTENIUS (*JONNE², NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 9 juni 1918 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland. She married ONNI LUDVIG PAAKOLA 19 september 1943. He was born 21 september 1916 in Kittila.

Notes for ONNI LUDVIG PAAKOLA:

The only transportation they had when they first moved there was by horse or by boat. Even their stove had to be brought in that way. Ensi won a contest in 1981 and used the money to add a bathroom to her home. She told of some man who had been befriended by the local schoolteacher who got up in the night and murdered the family. He was hung up by his feet until the authorities got to him.

Children of ENSI KONSTENIUS and ONNI PAAKOLA are:

- i. MIRJA INKERI⁴ PAAKOLA, b. 20 januari 1939.
- ii. VEIKKO PAAKOLA, b. 14 april 1944.
- iii. EILA PAAKOLA, b. 21 maj 1946.
- iv. OILI TERTTU PAAKOLA, b. 15 mars 1948.
- v. KAUKO ONNI PAAKOLA, b. 21 maj 1949.
- vi. MIKKO ANTERO PAAKOLA, b. 5 mars 1951.
- vii. PERTTI KALEVI PAAKOLA, b. 24 augusti 1953.
- viii. EEVI MARJA PAAKOLA, b. 1 mars 1955.
- ix. ELLI MARSATTA PAAKOLA, b. 24 mars 1957.
- x. MATTI KALERVO PAAKOLA, b. 25 januari 1962.

31. GEORGE WILLIAM³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL*², *NILS ERIKSSON*¹) was born 25 juni 1926 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. He married MARY JACQUELINE SHORT 17 juli 1943 in Mineral Wells Texas. She was born 7 januari 1924 in Montgomery Co, AR.

Notes for GEORGE WILLIAM KONSTENIUS:

He was undecided between a career in law or in the military. He took speech in High School and became acquainted with lawyer/politicians Frank Hook and Alvin L. Rummel. Summers he went to Citizens Military Training Camps. After attending the Gogebic Junior College and Northern Michigan University he went to Washington DC where he worked for the post office in the Department of Agriculture and attended George Washington University.

He enlisted before he could be drafted and was sent to Camp Rucker in Alabama. One day when the drill master was called in, he asked if someone would take over. Bill volunteered since he had been the head of his high school R.O.T.C unit and was familiar with drills. The drill master was so surprised at the precision with which Bill was drilling the men that he was recommended for Officers Training School at Fort Benning, Georgia. After getting his commission as a second lieutenant he was assigned to cadre at Camp Wolters, Texas. He met Jackie there after someone asked if he would like to meet someone his own size. Her family took to him and they were married shortly. His sisters Florence and Jenny visited them during the Christmas holidays when Bill was acting commander and invited them to eat at the Officers Club. Bill was eventually shipped out with one of the groups he had trained. Jackie and his sister Florence spent his last days in the States with him in DC.

He was sent overseas shortly after D-day. He was wounded in action later. His own boys left him for dead after taking whatever valuable he had on him. He heard German being spoken when he first regained consciousness and thought he was a prisoner of war. Instead he was in England and found that one of the Ironwood girls, Catherine Yelich, was one of his nurses.

Despite the unhealed wounds in his abdomen he was sent back to the front. Later he was returned to the States and to Eagle Nest, New Mexico, where his wife was staying with her parents. They moved to the Detroit area where Bill entered law school at Wayne University and worked as a claim adjuster for State Farm Insurance. He had to take driving lessons in a hurry in order to keep the job.

After graduation from law school the family now grown to four moved to Baraga in Michigan Upper Peninsula where Bill set up a law practice and ran for prosecuting attorney eventually. In later years he was elected a judge and covered a large circuit including Crystal Falls. The district was later reapportioned leaving him just courthouses in Keeweenaw Peninsula.

Children of GEORGE KONSTENIUS and MARY SHORT are:

- i. PATRICIA ELAINE⁴ KONSTENIUS, b. 22 juli 1946.
- ii. STEPHEN ARTHUR KONSTENIUS, b. 11 mars 1948.
- iii. DONNA JEAN KONSTENIUS, b. 30 augusti 1949.
- iv. KAREN KONSTENIUS, b. 7 januari 1954.

32. FLORENCE ELIZABETH³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL², NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 14 oktober 1920 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married GERALD WINSTON BROWNFIELD 24 september 1949 in Detroit Michigan. He was born 2 augusti 1919.

Notes for FLORENCE ELIZABETH KONSTENIUS:

At nine months of age she had been left on the floor of the boarding house where her father was staying with the words "She is yours you can have her".

She graduated as valedictorian of her high school class and with honors from Gogebic Junior College Northern Michigan College of Education at Marquette and Wayne State University in Detroit Michigan. She taught for four years at Rock River Township High School at Eben Junction and for two years at the Cheboygan High School before moving to Detroit to live with her cousin Betty Shier and to work as a research librarian for Curtis Publishing Company.

While attending Temple Baptist Church in Detroit she met Gerald Brownfield and after a five month courtship they were married. They lived in his mothers flat while she was visiting her oldest daughter in Arkansas and while the kitchen of their new home was being painted by his brother Woodson Carr Brownfield who was a milkman and worked very early hours.

Florence continued to work until a month or so before the birth of Faye. She managed to paint the other three rooms, bath and hall in time for Faye's arrival but had not had time to shop for any baby clothes which her cousin Betty Shier did while Florence was still in the hospital.

After the arrival of Gene their first home became too small. A three bedroom brick in Redford Township was bought and moved into. Gerald's mother was able to move into the one next door as her banker son in law Fred Carter of Arkansas made the downpayment. Gerald's brother Bill who still lived at home with his mother eventually took over the payments.

At one time when work in insulation fell off Gerald bought a restaurant which he ran for two and a half years. Florence made pasties for it one day a week. However when she was asked to serve as a cook and waitress she decided she would return to that for which she was trained. She applied for a teaching position in the Detroit schools and became permanent substitute at once teaching mathematics. She was rehired the next year and in all taught about four years before the family moved to California.

Gerald had spent time in training for the Signal Corps during the War in California and wanted to return there. He figured that they would be insulating against the heat there. The weather would not prevent work in the winter time as it often did in Michigan. He thought too that children would receive a free education in the state college system. The only one taking advantage of the state system was Gene and that was only after he had gone to Occidental a private college for three years. All three who graduated from colleges had State scholarships and grants and each worked for a while. Gene in the cafeteria salad line, Faye as a lab assistant at Pomona College and Janice in the library at Pepperdine.

After the children were settled in their first schools in California, Florence looked for teaching work. It was the middle of the school year however and there were no permanent substitute positions available. She answered for a library assistant and was hired at Orange Coast College where she worked for four and a half years. This was a year around position and kept her from being with the children in the summer. She enrolled in library school and after a year of evening classes and summer session was hired as a math and English teacher at Los Amigos High School in Fountain Valley California. Before school started the one who had been hired as the librarian got a better position at the University of California at Irvine and Florence was offered the library position. She remained at Los Amigos for 17 years and retired from that position in June 1985. Gerald had retired shortly before their trip to Finland and Sweden 1981.

Marriage Notes for FLORENCE KONSTENIUS and GERALD BROWNFIELD:

Married at the home of her cousin Betty Mantyla Shier, Detroit, Michigan.

Children of FLORENCE KONSTENIUS and GERALD BROWNFIELD are:

- i. FAYE EVELYN⁴ BROWNFIELD, b. 21 september 1950.
- ii. GENE WINSTON BROWNFIELD, b. 8 mars 1952.
- iii. JANICE BROWNFIELD, b. 7 februari 1954.

iv. TIMOTHY MARK BROWNFIELD, b. 28 januari 1960.

33. JENNY CECELIA³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL², NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 25 juni 1926 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married WILBERT CHARLES HILL 27 juli 1946. He was born 14 februari 1923 in Bessemer, Michigan.

Notes for JENNY CECELIA KONSTENIUS:

Jenny started working at a restaurant in down-town Ironwood after graduation from high school and picked it up again when the children were older. She and Wilbert have a cottage on lake Gogebic to which they have retired spending winters with their daughter Joan in Georgia. Wilbert is a skilled carpenter. He remodelled their own home. He also did trapping and taught his son Eddie to do so. Wilbert underwent bypass surgery but seems to be doing well. Jenny is a gifted seamstress and knitter.

Marriage Notes for JENNY KONSTENIUS and WILBERT HILL:

In the parsonage of Rev Herman Matero, Ironwood Michigan

Children of JENNY KONSTENIUS and WILBERT HILL are:

- i. JOAN MARIE⁴ HILL, b. 2 maj 1947.
- ii. EDWIN CHARLES HILL, b. 21 juli 1950.
- iii. SHIRLEY ANN HILL, b. 15 maj 1952.

34. WILBERT PELLERVO³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL², NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 2 april 1930. He married EVELYN MONNAT.

Notes for WILBERT PELLERVO KONSTENIUS:

He lives in Embarrass, Minnesota, where he worked as a steam shovel operator in the open pit mines. As a young man he had worked on the railroads. He served in the Korean War. He invented a toy steam shovel which he has been unable to market. He and Evelyn were divorced in 1986.

Children of WILBERT KONSTENIUS and EVELYN MONNAT are:

- i. JAMES BRIAN⁴ KONSTENIUS, b. 7 juli 1957.
- ii. ROGER WYNN KONSTENIUS, b. 4 juli 1958.
- iii. THOMAS LUIS KONSTENIUS, b. 5 september 1959.
- iv. CARLA JEAN KONSTENIUS, b. 18 september 1960.
- v. LORI ANN KONSTENIUS, b. 18 juni 1963.
- vi. SHARYL LYNN KONSTENIUS, b. 15 maj 1965.
- vii. TERRI LEE KONSTENIUS, b. 16 juni 1966.
- viii. BILLY MARK KONSTENIUS, b. 19 oktober 1970.

35. ELIZABETH ANN³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL², NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 5 juli 1935. She married DAVID LEPPANEN. He was born 18 februari.

Notes for ELIZABETH ANN KONSTENIUS:

Betsy who was named for the heroine of the book "Understood Betsy" graduated from high school and then went to Chicago to get training as a nurse of the new bor. She has been able to use that training to work as an operating room nurse in the Hibbing Minnesota Hospital in which city her husband works as an instrumental music instructor in the city schools. They had lived at Au Gres, Michigan, for a while after their marriage.

Children of ELIZABETH KONSTENIUS and DAVID LEPPANEN are:

- i. DAVID⁴ LEPPANEN, b. 4 augusti 1959.
- ii. KIM LEPPANEN, b. 6 juni 1962.

36. NORMA JEAN³ KONSTENIUS (*ERIK EMIL², NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 13 oktober 1942 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married JACOB AHOLA. He was born 22 november 1938.

Notes for NORMA JEAN KONSTENIUS:

After finishing high school and junior college at home in Ironwood, Norma spent summers with her brother

Bills family who helped her financially to attend Northern Michigan University at Marquette. After graduation she was employed as a teacher at the Ironwood High School. After the birth of her two girls she returned to teaching and found an opening at Marenisco High school where she taught English and drama and put out the schools annual. Feeling she had been unfairly passed over for a promotion she quit and moved to Georgia. She taught for a while there and then accepted a position with the military. She and Jacob Ahola have been divorced for some years.

Children of NORMA KONSTENIUS and JACOB AHOLA are:

- i. REBECCA MARIE⁴ AHOLA, b. 27 november 1965.
- ii. ROBERTA JEAN AHOLA, b. 23 september 1971.

37. HELLEVI³ SEGERLUND (*FANNY EUFROSYNE² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1922. She married PAULI DANELL.

Notes for PAULI DANELL:

He is a fisherman with hereditary rights of the Golf of Bothnia. Her mother Fanny lived with them until she went into nursing home at Haparanda. She has had a professor trace her husband and family.

Children of HELLEVI SEGERLUND and PAULI DANELL are:

- i. LARS⁴ DANELL, b. 20 maj 1947.
- ii. ELISABETH DANELL, b. 5 januari 1949.
- iii. MONIKA DANELL, b. 6 maj 1951.
- iv. STIG DANELL, b. 26 februari 1953.
- v. MARIT DANELL, b. 20 maj 1957.
- vi. SVEN DANELL, b. 16 mars 1959.

38. GUSTAV³ SEGERLUND (*FANNY EUFROSYNE² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1925. He married VIOLOA.

Notes for GUSTAV SEGERLUND:

He bears a great resemblance to his uncle Erik Emil Konstenius.

Children of GUSTAV SEGERLUND and VIOLOA are:

- i. SOLVEIG⁴ SEGERLUND.
- ii. KRISTINA SEGERLUND.
- iii. BENGT SEGERLUND.
- iv. KRISTEN SEGERLUND.
- v. AGNETA SEGERLUND.

39. BERTA³ SEGERLUND (*FANNY EUFROSYNE² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) She married (1) INGVAR YLIVAINIO. She married (2) HENNING BJÖRNFOT.

Notes for BERTA SEGERLUND:

Berta collected old Finnish beds.

Notes for INGVAR YLIVAINIO:

Ingvar made venetian blinds to order.

Children of BERTA SEGERLUND and INGVAR YLIVAINIO are:

- i. ANITA⁴ WESTBRANDT, b. 3 mars 1945.
- ii. KERSTIN SEGERLUND, b. 29 juni 1947.
- iii. KARIN SEGERLUND, b. 29 juni 1947.
- iv. GUDRUN SEGERLUND, b. 2 februari 1950.
- v. PIA YLIVAINIO, b. 10 februari 1954.

40. MARIA ELISABETH³ SEGERLUND (*FANNY EUFROSYNE² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 2 oktober 1928. She married RUNE EVALD JUNTII. He was born 3 oktober 1928.

Notes for RUNE EVALD JUNTII:

He is a customs agent at Haparanda. She resembles her cousin Jenny Cecelia Konstenius Hill in looks.

Children of MARIA SEGERLUND and RUNE JUNTII are:

- i. BÖRJE OLAF⁴ JUNTII, b. 14 juni 1962.
- ii. LENA ANNE-MARIA JUNTII, b. 7 maj 1965.

41. ULLA³ SEGERLUND (*FANNY EUFROSYNE² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 1931. She married BERTIL AAVA.

Child of ULLA SEGERLUND and BERTIL AAVA is:

- i. INGEMAR⁴ AAVA.

42. OLAVI³ KONSTENIUS (*BEATA EUFEMIO², NILS ERIKSSON¹*)

Notes for OLAVI KONSTENIUS:

He worked for the post office. After Heikkis death he fixed up the home his mother and her brother Heikki had shared. The floor boards were turned over. Everything was painted with a light varnish. A bathroom was installed in part of the old kitchen which was now a bright sunny room. An open stairway to the attic was also part of the kitchen.

Children of OLAVI KONSTENIUS are:

- i. PIRKKKO⁴ KONSTENIUS.
- ii. IRMELI KONSTENIUS.
- iii. SEPPO KONSTENIUS.
- iv. KAARINA KONSTENIUS.
- v. SAARA KONSTENIUS.

43. ENNA³ KONSTENIUS (*BEATA EUFEMIO², NILS ERIKSSON¹*) She married LAURI LASSILA KOIVUNEN.

Notes for LAURI LASSILA KOIVUNEN:

He had been injured in the Winter War and died of his injuries 27 juni 1974. He was buried 7 juli 1977. Enna lives just at the beginning of the road leading to her mothers home. She herself needs a walker now because of multiple sclerosis.

Children of ENNA KONSTENIUS and LAURI KOIVUNEN are:

- i. LEENA⁴ KOIVUNEN.
- ii. SULO KOIVUNEN.
- iii. LEEA KOIVUNEN.
- iv. SALME KOIVUNEN.
- v. JUHANI KOIVUNEN.

44. REIJO AARO JOHANNES³ TUOMARANTA (*SAKARI², NILS ERIKSSON¹ KONSTENIUS*) was born 9 januari 1933 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland. He married KULIKKI LAINA ANNA KUNNARI 1 februari 1953 in Salla. She was born 14 februari 1937 in Salla.

Notes for REIJO AARO JOHANNES TUOMARANTA:

He took over his fathers farm and has added to it some land from the estate of his uncle Konstenius. He has also remodelled the farm since the death of his father; the house is now painted red and has a two story entrance porch as well as a sauna in the basement. A new sauna outdoors has also been erected to replace the old "smoke" sauna.

Children of REIJO TUOMARANTA and KULIKKI KUNNARI are:

- i. TARJA LEENA KULIKKI⁴ TUOMARANTA, b. 6 juni 1953.
- ii. JOUNI NILO ERKKI TUOMARANTA, b. 20 maj 1956.
- iii. MAARIT LEMPI RAAKKELI TUOMARANTA, b. 24 augusti 1957.
- iv. MARJA TERTTU KATARIINA TUOMARANTA, b. 16 april 1959.
- v. JONS OLLI SAKARI TUOMARANTA, b. 18 februari 1967.
- vi. JYRKI ARVI JOHANNES TUOMARANTA, b. 30 april 1968.
- vii. JORMA MATTI ADAM TUOMARANTA, b. 26 juni 1969.

45. RAIJA KAARINA³ TUOMARANTA (*SAKARI², NILS ERIKKSON¹ KONSTENIUS*) was born 8 juni 1936 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland. She married HEIKKI EERO MAKIKALLIO 16 februari 1964 in Hameelinna. He was born 22 maj 1937 in Kukkola, Lappi, Finland.

Notes for HEIKKI EERO MAKIKALLIO:

He is an engineer in charge of constructing and maintaining highways in northern Lapland. She is a teacher of arts and crafts in the schools. Her father lived with them the last years of his life. He had a bedroom on the first floor of their lovely two-story home which also has a rental unit at the side.

Children of RAIJA TUOMARANTA and HEIKKI MAKIKALLIO are:

- i. KAARIN ESTER⁴ MAKIKALLIO, b. 4 september 1964.
- ii. TIMO HEIKKI MAKIKALLIO, b. 14 januari 1966.
- iii. EERO SAKARI MAKIKALLIO, b. 22 mars 1967.

46. RAUNI REETA HELENA³ TUOMARANTA (*SAKARI², NILS ERIKKSON¹ KONSTENIUS*) was born 4 april 1941. She married MAURI VOLDEMAR SALMINEN 24 juni 1967 in Karunki. He was born 22 september 1941 in Hameenlinna.

Notes for MAURI VOLDEMAR SALMINEN:

Mauri was in Sweden during the war years and away from his own family. Rauni is a teacher of arts and crafts in the schools. They lived in the dormitory for teachers at Sievi but have built their own home according to their own design at Ylivieska. Sakari on his trip to the United States brought back a door knob and a mail-box for this new home. Mauri works at the state liquor store. He is a runner and often plans the routes that are to be used in orienteering races.

Child of RAUNI TUOMARANTA and MAURI SALMINEN is:

- i. MARKKU SAKARI⁴ SALMINEN, b. 24 juni 1969.

47. KYOSTI³ NURMOS (*VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 9 juni 1934 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland. He married ANJA HELENA KIVINIEMI 22 december 1957. She was born 22 mars 1936 in Karunki, Lappi, Finland.

Children of KYOSTI NURMOS and ANJA KIVINIEMI are:

- i. TAINA HANNELE⁴ NURMOS, b. 17 maj 1958.
- ii. TIMO JUHANI NURMOS, b. 1 augusti 1959.

48. KONSTU WILJAM³ NURMOS (*VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1935. He married MAIRE KULLIKKI PERANEVA.

Notes for KONSTU WILJAM NURMOS:

They lived in the Stockholm area but came to Karunki in the summer to the family home which he and his sister Raili bought from the others.

Children of KONSTU NURMOS and MAIRE PERANEVA are:

- i. JARI⁴ NURMOS, b. 31 januari 1964.
- ii. SARI NURMOS, b. 6 oktober 1966.

49. KAUKKO³ NURMOS (*VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1937. He married RAIJA KOSKELAINEN.

Notes for KAUKKO NURMOS:

He is an architect.

Children of KAUKKO NURMOS and RAIJA KOSKELAINEN are:

- i. KIMMO⁴ NURMOS.
- ii. VELL-MATTI NURMOS.

50. RAILI³ NURMOS (*VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1938. She married HEIKKI AUNE.

Notes for RAILI NURMOS:

She works in Rovaniemi at the same place as Heikki Makikallio. She and her brother Konstu bought the home place from the others. They have built a sauna near the river and were putting in new flooring in the summer of 1981.

Children of RAILI NURMOS and HEIKKI AUNE are:

- i. JUHA⁴ AUNE.
- ii. MARKKU AUNE.

51. ANNELI³ NURMOS (*VILJAMI² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1941. She married AATOS TERVAHAUTA 8 juli 1965.

Notes for AATOS TERVAHAUTA:

They lived in Kello in 1971.

Children of ANNELI NURMOS and AATOS TERVAHAUTA are:

- i. PIKKA⁴ TERVAHAUTA.
- ii. JOHANNA TERVAHAUTA.
- iii. JANNE TERVAHAUTA, b. 1984.

52. FEEBE³ PELTTARI (*HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1900 in Alatornia, Lappland, Finland. She married JANNE EELOVI KOSKENRANTA.

Notes for JANNE EELOVI KOSKENRANTA:

Janne Eelovi Koskenranta who was shot by one of his sons in 1964 who then spent 12 years in jail for the crime. The parents were cousins.

Children of FEEBE PELTTARI and JANNE KOSKENRANTA are:

- i. KYLLIKKI⁴ KOSKENRANTA.
- ii. EDVIN KOSKENRANTA.
- iii. ONNI KOSKENRANTA.
- iv. OIVA KOSKENRANTA.
- v. TUULIKKI KOSKENRANTA.
- vi. HEINO KOSKENRANTA.
- vii. EEMI KOSKENRANTA.
- viii. ORVOKKI KOSKENRANTA.
- ix. VOITTO KOSKENRANTA.
- x. TIMO KOSKENRANTA.
- xi. ANNIKKI KOSKENRANTA.

53. JENNY SOFIA³ PELTTARI (*HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 8 juni 1902 in Alatornia, Lappland, Finland, and died 13 juli 1981. She married JOONAS VILHELM ERKINJUNTTI 30 april 1923 in Alatornia. He was born 23 mars 1896, and died 13 mars 1970.

Notes for JOONAS VILHELM ERKINJUNTTI:

Lived in Canada 1928-32. They had to walk on ice to get to the church for their wedding.

Children of JENNY PELTTARI and JOONAS ERKINJUNTTI are:

- i. KAUKO VILHO⁴ ERKINJUNTTI, b. 12 juli 1924.
- ii. ORVO AARNO ERKINJUNTTI, b. 31 januari 1935.

54. HUGO³ PELTTARI (*HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) He married ELINA MUSTAPARTA.

Notes for ELINA MUSTAPARTA:

Her ancestor was a man with a blackbeard who opposed the King of Sweden in 1550.

Children of HUGO PELTTARI and ELINA MUSTAPARTA are:

- i. HILKKA⁴ PELTTARI.
- ii. PEKKA PELTTARI.
- iii. PAAVO PELTTARI.
- iv. SIRKKA PELTTARI.
- v. TEIJA PELTTARI.
- vi. SEPPO PELTTARI.

55. AXELI³ PELTTARI (*HILDA KRISTIINA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) He married ELISABET HOOLI.

Children of AXELI PELTTARI and ELISABET HOOLI are:

- i. ELLI⁴ PELTTARI.
- ii. EIJA PELTTARI.
- iii. ERKKI PELTTARI.
- iv. KALEVI PELTTARI.
- v. MARTTI PELTTARI.

56. LEMPI³ MANTYLA (*SOFIA JOHANNA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 1 mars 1903 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married (1) WERONEN. She married (2) MATHIAS RITMANICH.

Children of LEMPI MANTYLA and WERONEN are:

- i. WILLARD⁴ RITMANICH, b. 3 juni 1921.
- ii. ANN ELIZABETH RITMANICH, b. 3 juni 1921.

Children of LEMPI MANTYLA and MATHIAS RITMANICH are:

- iii. EMMETT⁴ RITMANICH, b. 18 december 1924.
- iv. MARIAN RITMANICH, b. 23 maj 1927.

57. SAIMA³ MANTYLA (*SOFIA JOHANNA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 9 juli 1908 in Ironwood, Gogebic County, Michigan. She married MILBURN G. SHIER. He was born 19 augusti.

Notes for SAIMA MANTYLA:

She left home at a young age and worked in Iron Belt, Wisconsin. She later moved to Detroit and worked in the homes of wealthy people such as Dr Lorenger. She always been active in church work especially with the children and in visitation having won many to the Lord. After Bills death she moved to Florida to share the home of long time friends Sherwood and Lucy Snow.

Children of SAIMA MANTYLA and MILBURN SHIER are:

- i. KENNETH RICHARD⁴ SHIER.
- ii. BEVERLY SHIER.

58. SIGNE³ MANTYLA (*SOFIA JOHANNA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 25 augusti 1910. She married (1) JOE KUSIK. She married (2) EINO WEIMERI.

Notes for SIGNE MANTYLA:

She went to Milwaukee at an early age. Her husband ran a tavern there.

Children of SIGNE MANTYLA and JOE KUSIK are:

- i. JOE⁴ KUSIK, b. 1935.
- ii. CLARENCE EMMETT KUSIK.

59. THEODORE³ MANTYLA (*SOFIA JOHANNA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKKSON¹*) was born 17 februari 1912 in SClair Shores, Michigan. He married MADELEINE QUINN.

Notes for THEODORE MANTYLA:

He worked on the farm for his parents for many years and then went to Detroit where he worked in machine

shops. He was very attached to his family and home.

Children of THEODORE MANTYLA and MADELEINE QUINN are:

- i. TED⁴ MANTYLA.
- ii. TIM MANTYLA.

60. MARTHA³ MANTYLA (*SOFIA JOHANNA*² *KONSTENIUS*, *NILS ERIKKSON*¹) was born 22 december 1917 in Saxon, Wisconsin (her fathers lumber camp). She married (1) ART KRONMUELLER. She married (2) CARL RITMANICH.

Notes for MARTHA MANTYLA:

She was born at her fathers lumber camp in Saxon, Wisconsin (the other children were born on the farm in Erwin Township, just out of Ironwood, Michigan).

She quit school in the 10th or 11th grade as she felt her father thought she was lazy by going to school. She went to work in the Ironwood area and later to Milwaukee. After her divorce and re-marriage she returned to Milwaukee. She has been very active in helping the Sisters at the Catholic church near her as well as at the Mother house. She took in foster children for many years.

Children of MARTHA MANTYLA and ART KRONMUELLER are:

- i. MARY DORIS⁴ KRONMUELLER, b. 4 april 1942.
- ii. CAROL KRONMUELLER, b. 12 februari 1940.

Child of MARTHA MANTYLA and CARL RITMANICH is:

- iii. DAVID⁴ RITMANICH, b. 5 maj 1954.

61. GUSTAV³ HEMPHALA (*IDA*² *KONSTENIUS*, *NILS ERIKKSON*¹) was born 16 februari 1912. He married ALMA MANSIKKA. She was born 29 maj 1917.

Notes for GUSTAV HEMPHALA:

They live at Kattilasaari just outside Haparanda, Sweden.

Children of GUSTAV HEMPHALA and ALMA MANSIKKA are:

- i. GUNNAR⁴ HEMPHALA, b. 1937.
- ii. GUNVOR HEMPHALA, b. 1938.
- iii. GÖSTA HEMPHALA, b. 1942.
- iv. BROR HEMPHALA, b. 1944.
- v. HELGE HEMPHALA, b. 1946.
- vi. ÅKE HEMPHALA, b. 1948.
- vii. KURT HEMPHALA, b. 1950.
- viii. BENGT HEMPHALA, b. 1952.
- ix. ANNE-MARIE HEMPHALA, b. 1954.
- x. BARBRO HEMPHALA, b. 1956.

62. JONI³ SEGERLUND (*HILMA*² *KONSTENIUS*, *NILS ERIKKSON*¹) was born 21 september 1908. He married (1) MARTA. She was born 1903, and died 1932. He married (2) EILA KENTTA, daughter of ERKKI KENTTA and HULDA KONSTENIUS. She was born 1917.

Notes for JONI SEGERLUND:

His first wife a teacher died after having one child, He then married a half cousin. They have a large herd of dairy cows which are taken care of by a son and a son in law.

Child of JONI SEGERLUND and MARTA is:

- i. RAGNAR⁴ SEGERLUND, b. 29 april 1932.

Children are listed above under (26) Eila Kentta.

63. YVONNE BERITH⁴ HAHLIN (*EVA MARGARETHA³ TÖRNGREN, JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 29 april 1953 in Dorotea. She married TOMMY KARL EKDAHL 28 juli 1976 in Uppsala, son of KARL-ERIK EKDAHL and VALBORG VIKTOR. He was born 27 mars 1949 in Borgholm.

Children of YVONNE HAHLIN and TOMMY EKDAHL are:

- i. PERNILLA SOFIA⁵ EKDAHL, b. 29 mars 1978.
- ii. CHARLOTTE HELENA EKDAHL, b. 6 augusti 1980.
- iii. HENRIC CARL MAGNUS EKDAHL, b. 15 maj 1985.

64. JÖRGEN ALF⁴ HAHLIN (*EVA MARGARETHA³ TÖRNGREN, JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 19 januari 1956 in Dorotea, Västerbottens län, Lappland. He married RIITTA-LIISA HANNELE RATILAINEN in Nacka. She was born 21 december 1957.

Children of JÖRGEN HAHLIN and RIITTA-LIISA RATILAINEN are:

- i. JOANNA EMMI⁵ HAHLIN, b. 2 april 1988, Nacka, Stockholms Län.
- ii. LINA CAMILLA HAHLIN, b. 17 september 1993, Nacka, Stockholms Län.

65. BRITT-INGER⁴ OLOFSSON (*ULLA³ TÖRNGREN, JENNY CECILIA² KONSTENIUS, NILS ERIKSSON¹*) was born 5 april 1956 in Dorotea, Västerbottens län, Lappland. She married TOMAS OLSSON in Uppsala. He was born 3 september 1957 in Antnäs, Luleå.

Children of BRITT-INGER OLOFSSON and TOMAS OLSSON are:

- i. CHRISTOFFER⁵ OLSSON, b. 7 augusti 1987, Uppsala.
- ii. ALEXANDER OLSSON, b. 22 juni 1991, Uppsala.

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