

Ursula<sup>5</sup> Skinner (Harry<sup>4</sup> Skinner, Richard Jr.<sup>3</sup>, Richard Sr.<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>):

**URSULA A. SKINNER**

'Erzula' per 1880 census [KDS]

b. Dec 7, 1873 Glassboro, NJ

d. Jan 23, 1965 age 91, Woodbury, NJ, buried Manahath Cem., Glassboro, NJ

(pub. Woodbury Times, 1/28/1965) Davis, F. D.

m. July 10, 1893 Monday evening at the residence of the bride's father, William Skinner (pub. Glou. Co. Dem., Glassboro News 7/13/1893)

**h. HORACE HAMMELL THOMAN**

Son of Frederick George Thoman and Matilda Ann Thompson

b. Aug 12, 1871 Glassboro, NJ

d. Aug 5, 1925 Woodbury, NJ, buried Manahath Cem., L. N. Shreve, F.D.

Mr. Frederick G. Thoman, a druggist in Glassboro for many years, died in Orlando, Florida, where he was living after retiring. He was 77 years old.

(Pub. Wood. Const. 12/29/1920)

Mrs. Frederick G. Thoman died Sunday at home in Orlando, Florida.

(Pub. Wood. Const. May 23, 1923)

Both buried Evergreen Cemetery, Camden, NJ

**CHILDREN:**

**1. RALPH HAMMEL THOMAN**

b. Dec 15, 1895, at Glassboro, NJ

d. Dec 21, 1965, at Woodbury, NJ, buried Manahath Cemetery, Glassboro, NJ, age 70, Davis Funeral Home, Woodbury, NJ

m. Aug 30, 1923, at Methodist Church, Coatesville, Pa

**w. MARIE ALLISON MAITLAND**

Daughter of Robert Allison Maitland and Mary E. Jones

b. Jun 1, 1891, at Coatesville, Pa

d. Mar 10, 1967 Woodbury-Memorial Hospital, buried Manahath Cem.  
(Pub. Wood. Times, Mar 11, 1967)

### **Child of Ralph Thoman and Marie Maitland:**

#### **Horace Hammell Thoman, DDS**

b. Mar 1, 1927 at Woodbury, NJ

Living 1970

Living 2006, ill, w/pacemaker, 1 Heritage Dr., Cape May Court House, NJ [Annette]

He was a family genealogist [Annette]

d. 2009 [KDS – my parents attended the funeral]

m. Sep 17, 1955 Memorial Presbyterian Church Wenonah, NJ by Rev. Robert B. Scott (Pub.

Sep 19, 1955, Wood. Times)

**w. Shirley Ann Johnson**, dau. of Randall Browning Johnson and Oleta Power of Arapho, OK

b. Jan 12, 1934 Tulsa, OK

d. living 1970 Haddonfield, NJ

#### **Children:**

##### **1. Lauren Meredith Thoman**

b. May 29, 1957 Memorial Hospital, Woodbury, NJ

##### **2. Leslie Marie Thoman**

b. Sep 30, 1959, Lankanau Hospital, Phila., Pa

##### **3. Ellen Browning Thoman**

b. Nov 23, 1961, Lankanau Hospital, Phila., Pa

##### **4. Todd Hammell Thoman**

b. May 12, 1965, Lankanau Hospital, Phila., Pa

Per 2/9/1970/VEM:

Ralph Hammell Thoman was a jeweler for many years in Woodbury, NJ. His store was located on S. Broad Street in the theater building. He resided at 13 1/2 Curtis Ave. Woodbury.

Dr. Horace Hammell Thoman is a dentist conducting his business at 159 Delaware St.,

Woodbury, NJ. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry in 1953.

Randall Browning Johnson, retired industrial relations director of Texaco's Eagle Point Refinery, died Saturday at his home in Laguna Hills, Calif. He was 63. He was buried at Laguna Hills,

Calif. Before retirement, he lived at 108 N. Lincoln Ave., Wenonah, NJ. His wife and another daughter, Mrs. E. H. Wickland of Wenonah survive. (Pub. 11/22/1965, Wood. Times)

Ref.: Dr. and Mrs. Horace Hammell Thoman

**Children of Ursula and Horace Thoman, continued:****2. MARION ELIZABETH THOMAN**

b. 1902, at Glassboro, NJ

b. Sep 5, 1902 [Annette]

Living 2002 Green Briar Nursing Home, Woodbury, NJ [KDS]

d. Apr 12, 2004, age 101 ½, Hammonton, NJ [Annette]

Buried between parents at Manahath Cemetery, Glassboro, NJ [Annette]

m.

**h. ARTHUR ABERCROMBE SMITH**

b. Apr 10, 1903

d. 1977; Lived 1954 Takamo Park, MD; Living 1970 Chevy Chase, MD

**Children:****1. Marion Claire Smith ['Claire']**

b. Jan 21, 1928

d. Mar, 2013

**h1. Fred David Snyder** (1927 - 1956)**Children:****1. Fred Davis Snyder** (1953 - 2006) md. **Vicki** \_\_\_\_\_ [per Vicki Snyder]**child – Chelsea Aleena Snyder** (1989 - ) [VS]**2. Nancy Claire Snyder** (1956 - )**child - Charles Snyder****h2. Donald Carnes Dawson** (1920 - )**1. Amy Beth Dawson** (1970 - )**2. Ralph Thoman Smith**

b. Jul 23, 1929, Memorial Hospital, Woodbury, NJ

m. Sep 11, 1954, Kemble Memorial Methodist Church, Woodbury, NJ (Pub. Wood. Times, Nov. 4, 1954)

**w1. Alice Marie Fuss**, dau. of William Fuss and Sarah Jackson of Verga, NJ

b. Feb 20, 1933

d. living 1970

**Children:****1. Ralph Thoman Smith** (1956 - )**2. Scott Arthur Smith** (1959 - )

m. divorced 1962

**w2. Georgia Howarth** ( )**Children:****1. Stacey Lynn Smith** (1963 - )**2. Gregory Smith** (1966 - )**3. Mark Andrew Smith** (1968 - )

Ref. Marion Thoman Smith

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All above per VEM, dated 2/27/1980 and 2/9/1970 except as noted otherwise

## **COMMENTARY:**

Ursula Skinner (1873-1965), eldest daughter of Harry and Lizzie Skinner, married Horace Thoman (1871-1925) in 1893 at age 20. The wedding took place at the Skinner home on Main Street in Glassboro – street address unknown. The Thomans and Skinners were Glassboro neighbors.

Horace's parents were Fred and Matilda Thoman. Father Fred was a pharmacist who had run a drug store out of his home in the city of Camden per the 1880 census. Camden Business Directories show him at the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Pine in the years 1887 and 1888. Not long after, he must have moved his store and residence to Glassboro.

The Thomans ran a pharmacy out of their home in Glassboro from the 1890's until sometime after the census of 1910. Their Glassboro property was located on the west side of Main Street, the second home south of the intersection with New Street. The Thoman property was across the street from two different homes that the Skinners lived in during the late 1800's and early 1900's. Horace Thoman, son of the pharmacist, would have gotten to know the three Skinner gals very well and married the eldest, Ursula.

Ursula and husband Horace stayed in Glassboro a few years after their marriage, where they were recorded in the state census of 1895. Horace, a watchmaker, opened a jewelry store there. Ursula's Aunt Ella Lloyd, and the Lloyd family, were living with them. Per the census, they were located two doors away from Horace's parents – Fred and Matilda. And Ursula's grandparents – Richard Skinner Jr. and wife Elizabeth, were living next door.

By the census of 1900, they had relocated their home and business to the town of Woodbury. Horace died in his fifties in 1925 and the business passed to his son Ralph Thoman.

The Thomans had two children – Ralph and Marion. Ralph (1895-1965) was a jeweler like his father. Ralph lived on Curtis Street in Woodbury. His jewelry store, located on Broad Street in the theatre building south of Delaware Street, was a Woodbury fixture for many decades and was well known to my parents. Ralph had one child – Horace Thoman, who was a Woodbury dentist when I was growing up.

Marion (Thoman) Smith (1902-2004), brother of jeweler Ralph Thoman, was an independent woman who left her cheating husband as a young women. She worked on Cooper Street in Woodbury when I was growing up and I saw her every now and then while I was a student in nearby Woodbury High School in the early 1970's. She was well known to my parents and to her first cousin Earl Skinner.

In 1995, my father and I decided to visit her for the first time in many years at her daughter's house. I was surprised to see that the 'working woman' I remembered from my youth was now 93 years of age. Frail, but perfect memory. Her light skin and eyes reminded me very much of her mother's brother, Warren Skinner – my great-grandfather. Marion was able to provide interesting information that is presented in these files.

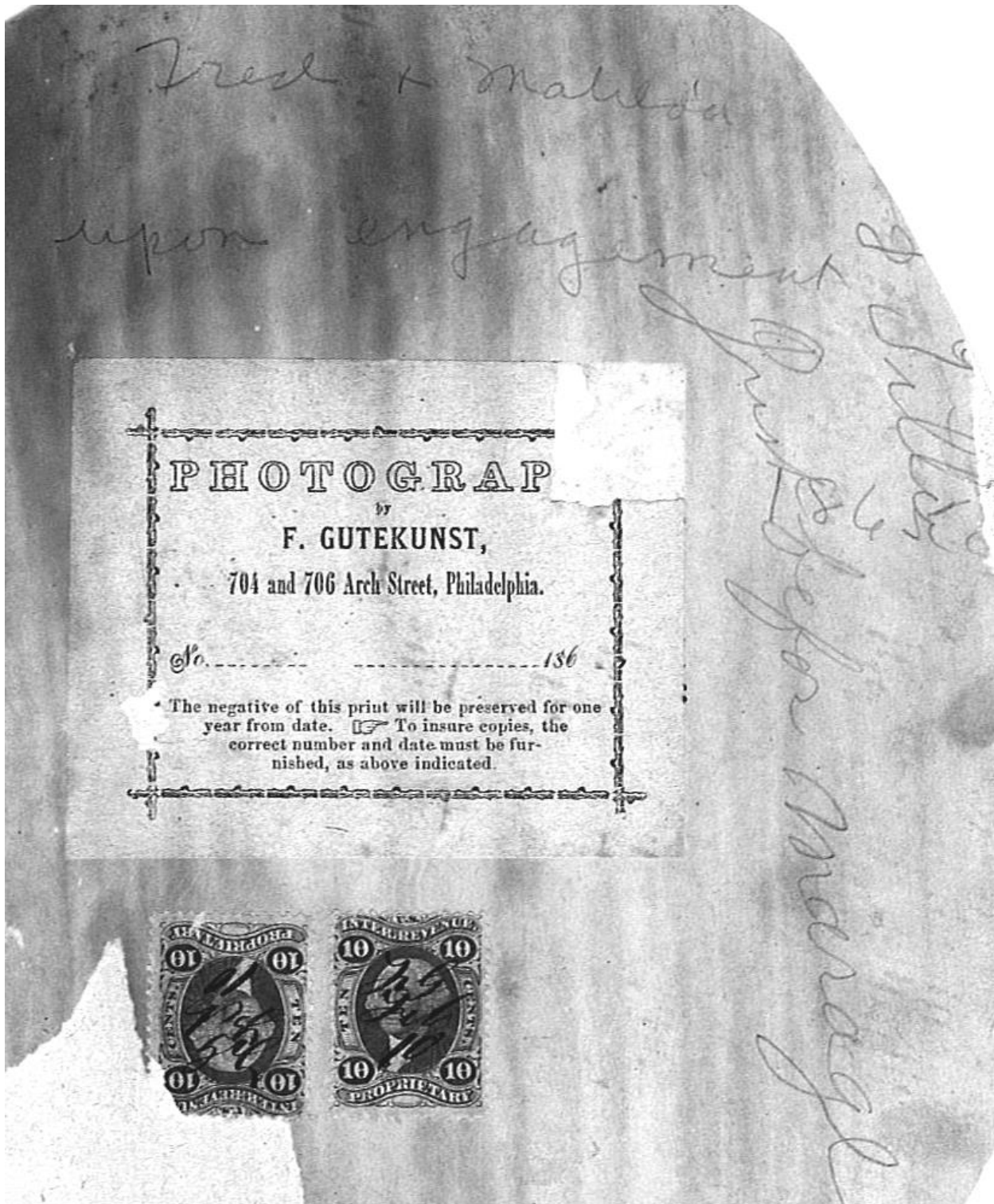
My father and I visited her again in 2002, but she was not really aware of us. Marion faded like a flower and died 2004 at age 101. Per Vicki Snyder, Marion was interested in the family history and she saved much of her mother's effects.

The ancestors of Horace Thoman include Benjamin Ross, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Cousin Vicki Snyder has an incredible collection of Thoman family photos dating back to the Civil War era.



Frederic George Thoman (1843-1920)  
and Matilda Ann (Thompson) Thoman (1841-1923),  
Engagement Photo, 1865

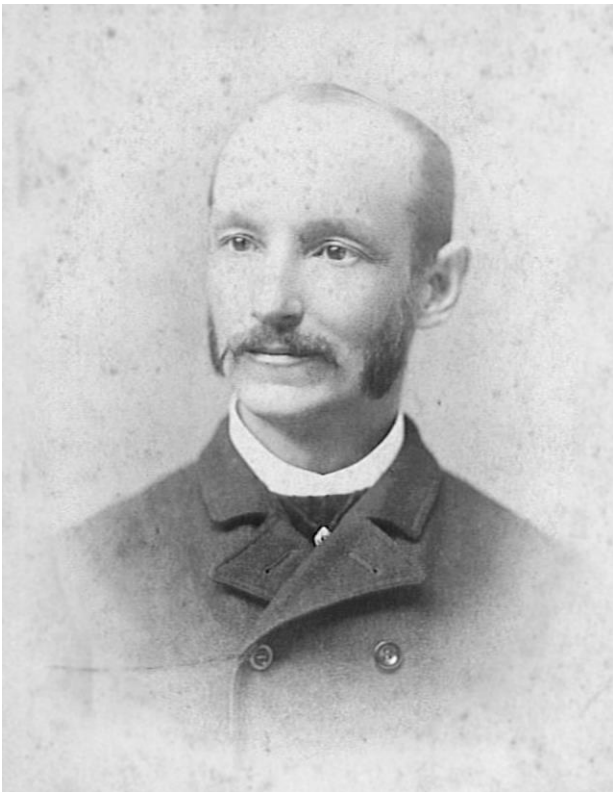
All photos from the estate of Marion Smith, and passed down to her from her mother Ursula (Skinner) Thoman, courtesy of Vicki Snyder. Exceptions are noted.



Reverse Side

"Fred & Matilda Upon Engagement & Jitters Just Before Marriage"

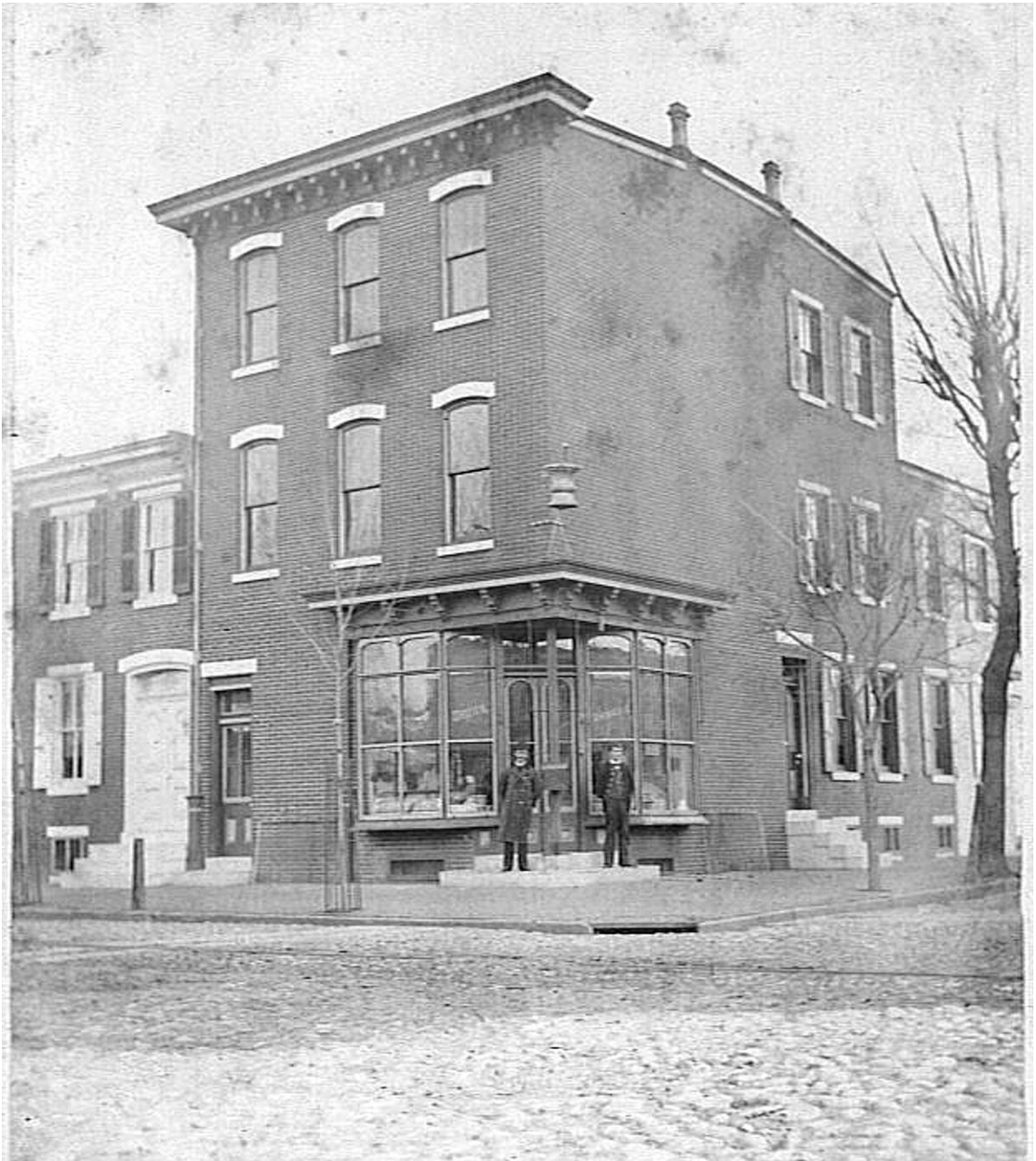




Fred and Matilda Thoman



Fred and Matilda Thoman, 1915

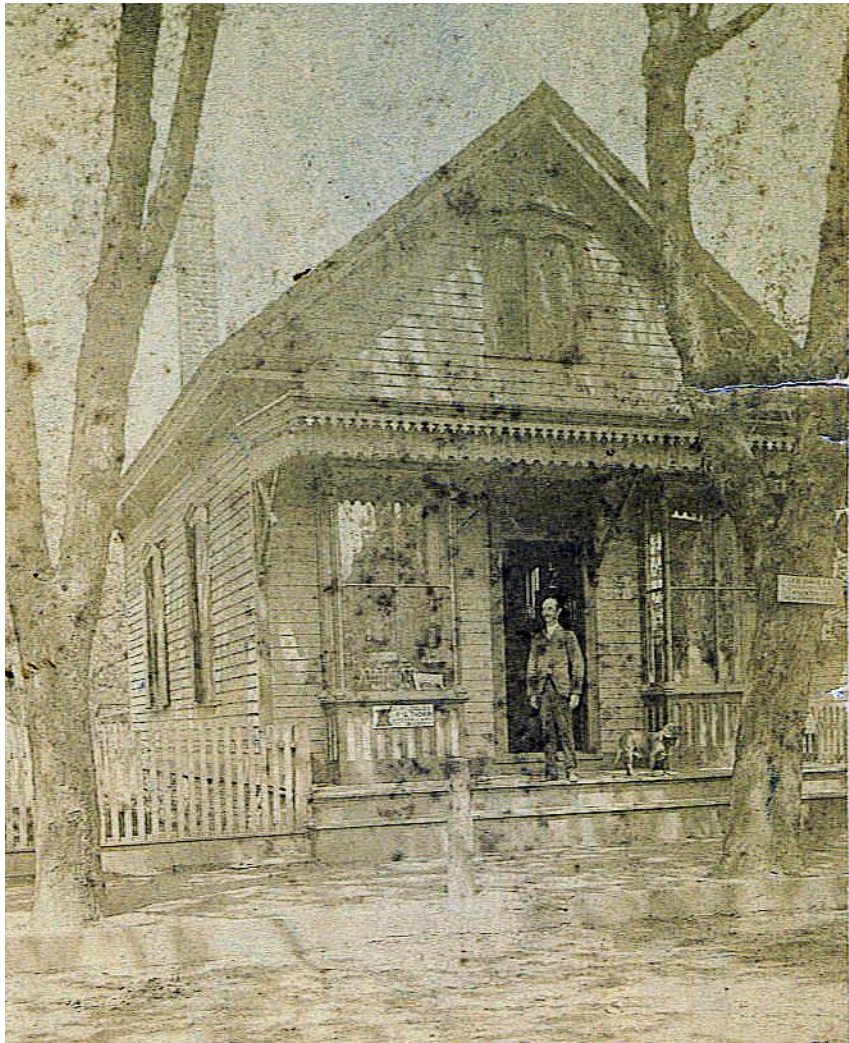


Fred and son Frank?,  
Fred Thoman's Pharmacy  
5<sup>th</sup> and Pine Streets, Camden, NJ, 1890's



5<sup>th</sup> and Pine Streets, Camden, NJ Today  
[Google Street View]





Fred Thoman and his Pharmacy, Glassboro, NJ

It is conceivable that this building was expanded to become the home/pharmacy shown in the next photo.



Fred Thoman with his Horse and Pharmacy/Home  
Main St., Glassboro, NJ

West side of Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> home south of New Street.  
All three homes remain today.  
2013 Update – all homes removed for a parking lot.



Fred Thoman's Pharmacy  
Main St., Glassboro, NJ



Fred Thoman's Pharmacy 2012, Torn Down 2013  
Main St., Glassboro, NJ  
[Google Street View]





Fred Thoman and grandson Ralph Thoman (elder brother of Marion)  
Rear of Thoman home/pharmacy, Main St., Glassboro



Fred and Matilda Thoman with daughters-in-law Ursula (Skinner) and Bertha (Griscom), sons Horace and Frank (one is likely taking the photo) and grandson Ralph (b. 1895)  
Rear of Thoman home/pharmacy, Main St., Glassboro, circa 1902

## Horace Hammell

Frederick Thoman named his son Horace Hammell Thoman. In turn, his grandson Ralph Thoman also named a son Horace Hammell Thoman. Where did the name Horace Hammell come from? It turns out that Frederick Thoman had been one of the charter members of No. 155 of the Camden Lodge of the Masonic Temple with someone named Horace Hammell back in 1871.

“CAMDEN LODGE</b>, No. 155, was organized February 17, 1871, with the following charter members: Thomas McDowell, Samuel M. Gaul, Christopher C. Smith, William Randall, Past Grands; **Frederick G. Thoman**, William W. Thoman, Josiah Matlack, Bowman Matlack, **Horace Hammell**, Andrew J. Cunningham and William T. Brewer. The organization took place in Wildey Hall, where the lodge has met since. It has had a full measure of prosperity, numbers one hundred and fifty-five members and has a reserve fund of five thousand dollars.”

[<http://www.us-roots.org/njcamden/history/part2chapter9.html>]



Horace Thoman with wife Ursula and son Ralph  
with Horace's brother J. Frank Thoman and Frank's wife Bertha Griscom.



Ursula Thoman



Horace Thoman (1871-1925)



Ursula Thoman (1873-1965)

Horace Thoman  
 married Ursula ~~Thoman~~ Skinner  
 Had jewelry store in  
 Woodbury

Lillian's writing; Earls printing

Ursula Thoman  
 Skinner  
 Age 93 when died  
 1965

Lillian's writing; Earl's printing

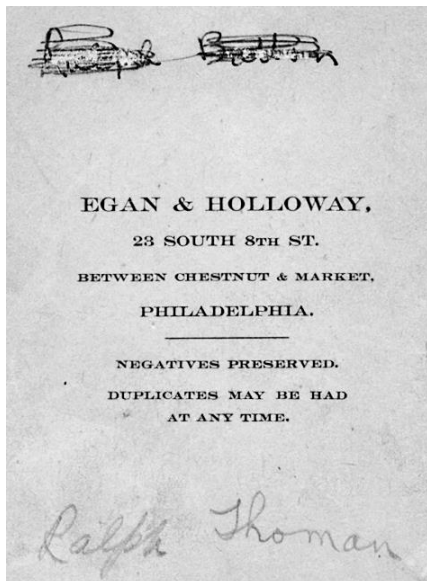
From the estate of Warren Skinner; Identical images also from estate of Ursula Thoman



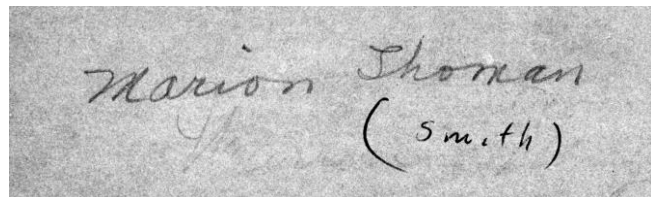
Ralph Thoman (1895-1965)



Marion Thoman (1902-2004)



Earl's mistaken printing;  
Lillian's writing



From the estate of Warren Skinner

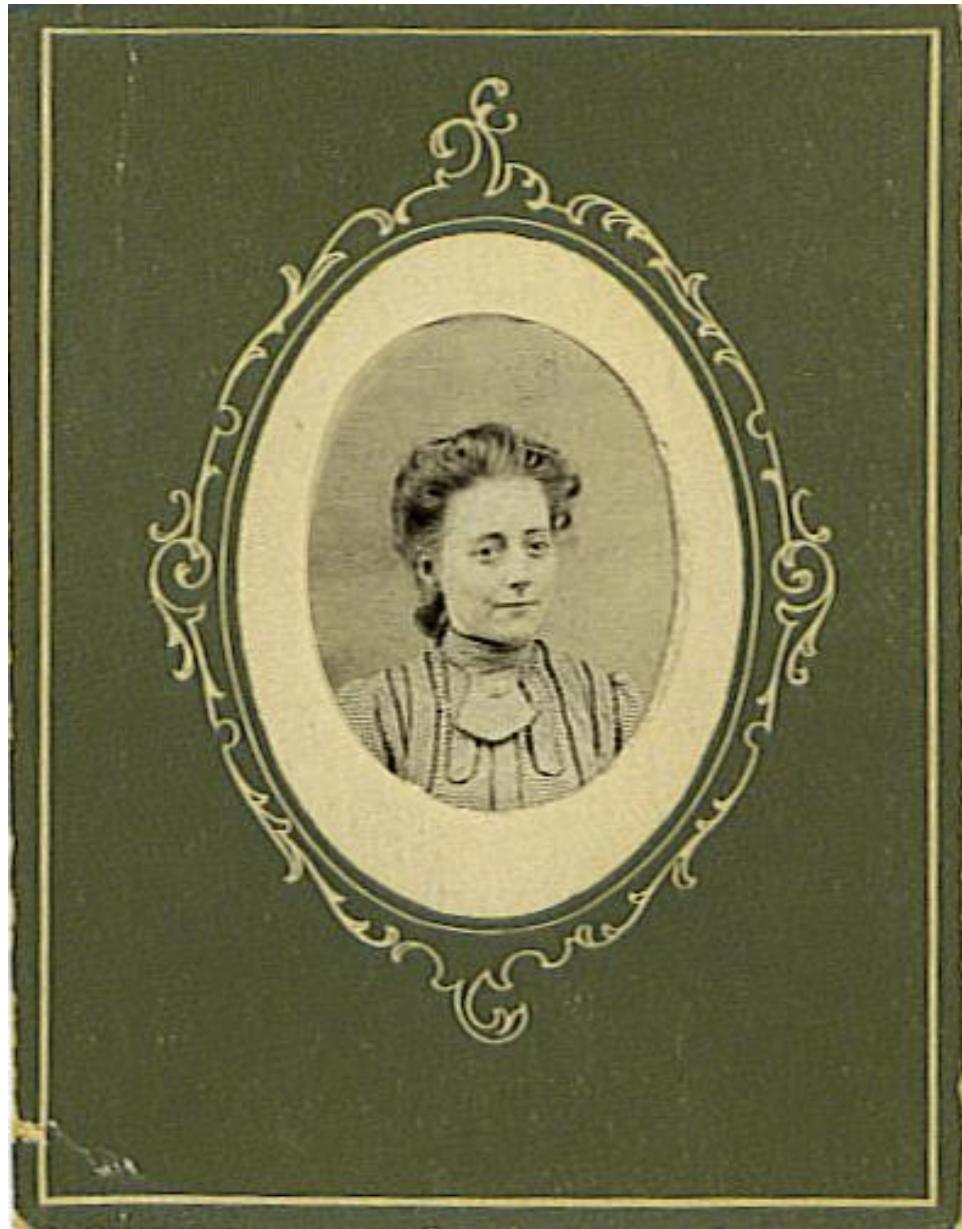




Ursula Thoman with children Marion and Ralph Thoman  
and relative Etta Pierce









Ursula Thoman



"H H Thoman Jewelry"  
Horace Thoman Jewelry Store  
Glassboro, NJ, late 1890's





Horace Thoman Jewelry Store, 1917  
Woodbury, NJ



H. H. Thoman Jewelers, pictured around 1902, was located on South Broad Street and could supply anyone with the most reliable watches, clocks, jewelry, cut glass, and silverware. The store was owned first by Horace Thoman until his death in 1925, after which his son, Ralph, took over the business. In the 1950s, the building housed Romm's Hardware Store and is now Falciani's Law Office.

## OBITUARY

### MRS. URSULA THOMAN

Services were held Wednesday for Mrs. Ursula Thoman, 91, of Woodbury, widow of Horace H. Thoman, who died Saturday.

Mrs. Thoman, a member of Kemble Memorial Methodist Church, Woodbury, sang in the choir for more than 40 years. She was a charter member of Woodbury Chapter, No. 109, OES.

She is survived by a son, Ralph H., and a daughter, Mrs. Marion T. Smith, both of Woodbury; a brother, Warren Skinner, of Glassboro; a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Ungerbuehler, of New Castle, Del.; three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Charles Y. Ulrich, of Pitman, officiated at the private service, held at the Davis Funeral Home, Woodbury.

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## Dentist Horace Thoman [[www.daviswagner.com](http://www.daviswagner.com)]:

### Horace "Tom" H. Thoman

Died: June 02, 2009



Dr. Horace H. Thoman, known as "Tom," to his family and friends, died at age 82, on June 2, 2009, of congestive heart failure at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital.

Dr. Thoman was born on March 1, 1927 to Ralph and Marie Thoman. His father came from a long line of Swiss watchmakers and owned a watch and jewelry store in Woodbury, N.J., where he was raised. Dr. Thoman attended Woodbury High School, graduating in 1944, after which he served in the United States Navy during World War II. Following his service, he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in Chemistry in 1959 and from the University of Pennsylvania Dental School in 1953. He practiced as a dentist in Woodbury, N.J. for over 50 years and was a pioneer in cosmetic dental procedures. Dr. Thoman was a volunteer for the former Woodbury Psychiatric Clinic, where he served on the Board of Directors for over 35 years.

His family recalls his love of music, especially Dixieland and jazz, playing both the violin and trombone. He was a life-long boater, photographer, especially of shore birds, and collected old watches and dental memorabilia, spending his retirement years in Stone Harbor and then Cape May Courthouse, N.J. Throughout his life, Dr. Thoman, had an avid interest in current events, a deep sense of compassion for others and maintained a strong intellectual curiosity.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, the former Shirley Johnson, his four children, Lauren, Leslie, Ellen, and Todd, their spouses and 11 grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by his wife, family, and friends and patients.