

HAMILTON POPE GALT (1873-1963)

Every once in awhile you come across a name that just begs to be “Googled” Thus when I came across Hamilton Pope Galt I just had to type it into Google and see what showed up.

The first thing that I clicked on was his ancestry. The Galt family tree showed he was born in 1873 in Kentucky and he died in Alameda Co. California October 17, 1963. He was a son of Dr. William Henry Galt (1827-1893) & Elizabeth Thurston Pope (1827-1883) and a descendant of the Revolutionary War Williamsburg, Virginia Doctor John Minson Galt (1744-1808).

Hamilton Pope Galt was a poet and author and there are several references to published works. *Puck* contained his poem on *Puck's* successor *Comic Supplement* Feb.9,1910 . “The Autumnal Spirit” was printed in *The Smart Set* November 1910. The December 3, 1913 issue of the *Red Bank Register* of New Jersey published his story “The Amateur Santa Claus”. *The Argosy Weekly* issue of March 15, 1924 printed “Fresh Air” a reprint from *Cavalier* July 20, 1912.

In 1930 the family was living at 2445 ½ Webster Street, Berkeley, California, Hamilton Pope Galt was a journalist for a newspaper. His wife was a proofreader also for a newspaper.

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The Howl of the Hack.

BY HAMILTON POPE GALT.

THE EDITOR has scissors long,
A glue pot, large and full of strong
Adhesive glue,
Placed handy, too.
Of what he prints he clippeth half;
The rest is written by the staff.

The editor will seldom fail
Rejection slips to send by mail ;

And often ships

Acceptance slips

By freight; while, painfully and slow,
His checks around Cape Horn must go.

Hamilton Pope Galt was married June 26, 1902 in Windsor, Ontario to Maude Louise Crichton (1882-1969) one of two daughters of Sarah Jane Whitlock (1853-1887) & Charles Crichton. Sarah Jane Whitlock was the only sister of my great grandfather Fredrick Whitlock and his eight brothers. The family is part of the WHITLOCK01 family, The Whitlocks of Langtree, Devon. The Galts lived in Berkeley, California and there were three daughters Urith Pope Galt b.1903?, Mildred E. Galt b.1905? and Janet C. Galt b.1909. I am still trying to trace descendants of the three Galt sisters.