History 1764-1958

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ISLESBORO

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Islesboro History 1764–1956

Shubael Williams, New London, Conn., came in 1764, 1769, died here 8/27, 1894.
William Pendleton, a cousin of Sameul Pendleton came 1769 and later moved to Northport, Me where he died. He was from Stonington, Conn.
Sameul Pendleton is buried in the Pendleton Cemetery.
Shubael Williams at church yard in N. Islesboro Cemetery
Sameul Pendleton built his log cabin below the Pendleton cemetery, near little island.
Shubael Williams' log cabin was built at the Narrows, near the shore, just above the Marsh Pond.
Here they sawed the timbers for the first town building.
William Pendleton built his home on Bracketts' point.
They all came in their own Pinky boat.

Occupations of the First Settlers

The first settlers were seamen and continued in this work until 1911, at which time the summer tourists began to come in greater numbers. The first tourists to build a home was Jeffery Brackett in 1888.
Some earned a living by fishing with trawls, salmon and mackerel nets.
They made their own salt at the Salt Works Beach, South side of the Salmon Point.
Bricks were made near Little Island.
Lime was made on the Grace Road and at the Lime Kilns in 1880.
The women raised sheep and took the wool to Castine to be made into cloth.
One gallon of salt water makes 1/4 # salt.
Present Industry was organized 1949 or thereabouts by Rev. Anson Williams.
Present Industry is the clam factory January 1954.
The Islesboro Industry knit nets, crocheted, knit with yarn and made other articles to sell.
A few carry on truck gardens and cater to the tourists. Henry Hatch and Cecil Pendleton, L. E. Smith was the first to carry on this trade and also Elisha Hatch.
First Tourist - Jeffery Brackett 1888.
First P. O. on the ferry road at old Grindle house now owned by the Old Tow Path is now our Main road.
The Indians who came here for porpaise fishing, camped on Oak Head 2½ ft. of snow fell here in 1902 (APR.)
L. E. Smith, B. E. LaTobee and Emery Burns.
Williams organized the first Board of Trade in 1920. Its charter is recorded in Augusta.
Fanny Trim was the first president of the P. T. A.
First radio on the island 1923.
First T.V. set 1951.
Law on deer, no open season 1937.
Pheasants brought here 1934.
First Dark Harbor Post Office in paint shop on the bank 1895.
at Pendleton Store 1893
at Harold Pendleton's 1923
at Pripet 1916
No one is sure where the first school was built, but it is assumed that it was in the center of the town where the most people were at that time. It was divided in districts.

The back part of the Pendleton store was the Old Red School house with seats arranged on a ramp, theatre style.

District No. 1 Seven Hundred Acre Island

1 Creek School
2 Dark Harbor
3 East Side Pendleton School
4 Ryders
5 Spragues or upper West Side School
6 Parker School
7 Bluff (near Drexel's) Gripsholm
8 Whitmarsh, consolidated School, Dark Harbor

Schools were first held in the different homes. Later families brought fuel for the school and took turns boarding the teachers.

First teachers were; Abbot, Albert Hall, Luce, Trusworthy, Witham, Andrew and George Pendleton, Josiah Eames, Lydia Philips, Eliza Farrow, Ambrose Bragg, R. E. Smith, Georgia Pendleton Crandall, Elizabeth Warren Whitmore, Belle Coombs, and Adelaide Hatch.

Korean War

Earle Hamilton
Judson Dodge
Maurice Mitchell
Earle Pendleton
Emery Pendleton
Homer Pendleton
Lester Pendleton
Larry Pendleton
Floyd (Buddy) Holmes
Paul Tucker
Merle Pendleton
Gary Tilten
Robert Pendleton
Roscoe Pendleton
Stanwood Pendleton
Theodore Pendleton Jr.
Ralph Roberts
Lamont Rolerson
Alenzo Small
Paul Palmer
John Mitchell
Wayne Pendleton
Benjamin Smith
Richard Sprague
Wayne Keller
Courtney Pendleton
Leland Obee
Marcellus Williams
Gordon Moody
Charles Quimby
Frank Hatch
Buddy Roberts
Harrison Leach
Earle Durkee
Harris Pendleton
FIRST SETTLERS

Shubael Williams or New London, Conn., 1764—Died here 8/17/1804.
Samuel Pendleton of Westerly, R. I., and Stonington, Conn., 1764, 
Died here 3/2/1822.
William Pendleton of Stonington, Conn., came in 1769.

Shubael Williams was first buried on the Burying Point then re-interred at First Baptist Church yard in North Islesboro.

Samuel Pendleton is buried in the Pendleton cemetery and William Pendleton moved to Northport after settling here where he died.

Shubael Williams settled on the shore of Bounty Cove and first built a log cabin, above Oak Head.

Samuel Pendleton built his log cabin below the Pendleton cemetery on the shore there. Later he built his home near the same spot where you will see the lilac trees which his wife, Bathsheba Dodge, brought from Westerly, R. I.

William Pendleton made his home on what is now known as the Brackett Place, at the southern end of the Island. Later he moved to Northport and took part in the Revolutionary War. His descendant may join the Daughters of the Revolution through his service in that war. He died 8/28/1820.

INCORPORATION OF THE TOWN 1789

Same year as our first president, George Washington was inaugurated.

Shubael Williams, Oct. 22, 1788, petitioned the state to incorporate the town under the name of Winchester.

The act was passed Jan. 28, 1789, but the name was changed to Islesborough. Town was surveyed by William Store of Machias and built the house now owned by Justin Pendleton.

It was incorporated with the following islands: 700 Acre Is., Job and Lime Islands in the county of Lincoln.

Islesboro has been in the following counties: Lincoln, Penobscot, Hancock, and Waldo, first being a part of the Commonwealth of Mass. Until 1820, when town voted to be a part by itself, Islesboro voted to remain as a part of Mass.

Our first trading was carried on with Castine at the time the British were there, later with Camden when the first post office was situated at Gilkey's Point in 1834. Trade was carried on in Belfast when packet boat service was established there.

The first settlers were men who followed the sea in bay coasters, sailing vessels, and visiting many foreign countries.

The tourist trade began around 1888 when Jeffrey Brackett built the first cottage on the island, our first summer resident.
OTHER EARLY SETTLERS

Thomas Pendleton, father of Samuel Pendleton, was a whaler and settled here 1766.

Joseph Boardman, called Teaparty Boardman, was one of those who threw the tea from an English freighter, into Boston Harbor. He married a sister, (Mary Pendleton), of Samuel Pendleton, the first marriage on the island.

Samuel Warren of Buistol, Conn. was a Quaker, and had a son, John, a preacher who visited England. They lived on the land opposite the town hall know as the Bill Dick Pendleton estate.

Otis Coombs, was in Maine legislature, first Master of F.&A.M. of Island Lodge, was postmaster, town clerk. He died on his brig in the Mediterranean Sea.

INCORPORATION OF THE ISLAND JAN, 28, 1739

First town meeting was held at the home of Shubael Williams April 6, 1789.

Officers and business

10. Voted Gabriel Johonot for registrar of deeds, also Richard Honewell.

April 15, 1739 called a meeting to raise taxes.
June 9, 1739 voted John Gilkey and Samuel Pendleton to lay out town roads.
Meeting Sept. 4, 1794 voted that the town be divided into districts for schooling.
Meeting Oct. 7, 1800 to select a minister, voted for Chas. Thomas.
Meeting May1, 1792 voted every man must work one day on the roads.
Meeting Jan. 14, 1793 voted to build a meeting house.
Meeting April 1794 voted to pay 20 pounds a year for a minister.
Meeting March 16, 1816 voted no school money this year.
Meeting Sept. 9, 1822 voted fourpence premium on crows' heads.
INTERESTING FACTS

70 families here in 1312.

First matches 1839-used coals from fireplace or used flint and steel kept in a tinder box.

First horses brought here by Rathburn Dodge in 1815.

Chimneys in center of house built of 10,000 bricks, which the owner made.

First money was principally Spanish milled dollars, so far as history tells us.

June 9, 1823, heavy frost, ice the thickness of window glass.
Jan. 27, 1844, 25 degrees below zero.
Jan. 18, 1857, 34 degrees below zero

1874-First potato bugs found here.

Oldest gravestone on the island is of Judith Pendleton, died, April 23, 1781, on the Brackett estate, now the Smith estate

First steamboat wharf, 1846, half way from Turtle Head to Sabbath Day Harbor.

The Meadow Pond is owned by the State and stocked with fish from the state.

Warren's Mt., Whitmarsh estate, elevation, 140 ft.
Stone's Hill, West Side, elevation, 120 ft, next highest point.

Eclipse of the sun, by Prof. Samuel Williams of Harvard College, a relative of Shubael Williams, Oct. 27, 1780. First in U.S.A. Permission was given by British in Castine if they did not communicate with the residents of the town.

Lighthouse was built in 1850. First keeper H. Dunning. Last Keeper, Capt. William Dodge.

Largest population in year of 1860, No. of people, 1,276.

First Bulldozer owned by Don Pendleton & Freddy Hatch, 1945.

First compressed drill used here, April 27, 1938.

Lighthouse discontinued, July 1933, by Maine Governor on orders from President Franklin Roosevelt.

Pripet Post office closed Dec. 31, 1957 with Post mistress Myrtle Trim, retiring at the end of mail service at the Pripet office.
Islesboro was neutral at the time of the Revolutionary War because of so few people here. English soldiers came from Castine and traded with our people here.

The English did quite a bit of trading here in vegetables, etc.

The settlers made their own salt, at Salt Works Beach on Hewes Point road near Hattie Pendletons. They made their own soap, cloth, candles, clothes, shoes, bricks, lumber, cheese, yarn, etc.

First telephone at Pendleton's Store, 1891. W.S. Pendleton was Pres. of the Belfast, Islesboro, Northport Tel. & Tel. Co. The telephone cable is at Benny Heald's Shore, near Ram Island N. Islesboro.

First steam shovel was brought here in 1935 and used on the West Side Ferry Road by the E.R.A.

The poet, Longfellow, was a visitor at Ryders some years ago, also a quest of the Fallowell's at Fallowell's Island.

First electric lights, Dec., 1926, a few days before Christmas.

First cars here in 1933, legally. Pearl Fairfield brought the first one.

First fire chief, Pearl Fairfield.

Gift of Whitmarsh School, Dec., 1952. Our present school.

First Public Building owned by the town was used for public meeting and church also. Built on the site of the present Town Hall, 1794-1804, finished. Amount voted $400. No chimney or floors in it. One store high, balcony seats on the sides and a pulpit.

The town paid the minister 20 £ a year for preaching. We were using English money at that time.

The former Pripet School was the first high school, in 1892, then the old Community Hall, moved to old Masonic Hall (now owned by Matthew Pendleton) and then to the second and third story of the Town Hall, 1906.

Maine Historical Society erected the stone marker on the site of the first eclipse of the sun in N. America, on the Steven's estate above the Narrows. A Prof. Williams of Harvard College, a nephew of Shubael Williams made the survey on his property. Had to get consent of the British at Castine.

Baptist Church was built in 1843, at N. Islesboro with a cemetery around it.

Episcopal Church built, 1893.
Catholic Church built, 1910.
Second Baptist Church built, 1845.
Free Will Baptist Church built, 1845, near the Durkee and Mosely Road at Ryders.
Land for the library was given by Britton, James and Linwood Pendleton.

Library was organized through the efforts of the late Miss Alice Lavinia Pendleton.

Lighthouse was built on the John Gilkey estate, 1850, and discontinued, July, 1933, by order of Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Only Town Landing owned by the town is on the Golf Lines, near the Forbes estate.

Area of Islesboro, 6,000 acres. 13 miles long, width 3 rods, (at Narrows) to 2 miles.

The Old Tow Path is now our Main Road.

Indians from Castine spent their summers at the Narrows during the porpoise season. There is a small burial ground on Oak Head nearby. Indian arrow heads have been found there.

2 1/2 feet of snow fell, April, 1902.

L.E. Smith, Emery B. Williams, and Dr. B.E. Larrabee organized the First Board of Commerce, 1920.

Dr. B.E. Larrabee was the first doctor subsidized by the Town at $50 a month. Present doctor's pay (Loewenstein's) is $4,000 a year.

Mrs. Fanny Trim was the first president of the P.T.A. First P.T.A. organized. Later the present P.T.A. was formed.

First radios on the island, 1923.
First T.V. sets here 1951.

Law on deer: To have no open season at any time during the year here in town, 1937 (First deer to be seen on the island was around 1928 and 1929).

Law to ban cars on the island until 1933. The purpose of this law first to bar cars was to make it an ideal spot for summer tourists.

Pheasants brought here for propagation, Ferry Road, 1934, Pripet, 1930. Partridges brought here in 1956. Several pairs brought by summer residents and by the Megunticook gun club members.

Dark Harbor Post Office in Paint Shop, 1895.
Pendleton Store Post Office, 1893.
Post Office at Pripet, 1916.
Red Building near Corner Store Roderick Pendleton P.M. around 1890.

1950 census population, 526 inhabitants

Masonic lodge organized, 1857.
Order of Eastern Star organized, 1896.

Wars:
- Revolutionary War number serving 4
- Civil War number serving 26
- First World War 48
- Second W.W. 109
- Korean War 21
MAINE

Motto 1920 DIRIGO, I DIRECT
State bird chickadee 1927
State flower 1925 Pine cone and Tassel
Maine hunters, Home of Caribou
Famous canoes on Old Town and baskets
Summer visitors, hunting camps
Song: Dear Old Maine
area 33,040 sq. miles Thorwood Eric's son landed
in Gulf Maine 1,000
Rank 38
length 303 miles
breadth 212
Capt. Augusta
Prin. city Portland
climate average temp January 22° -- July 68°
highest record 103°
lowest -21° below
rainfall 41.9
Mt. Ranges highest point 5,267 Katadhin
Maine school Bowdoin, Bates, and University of Maine. Colby
Maine sent over 75,000 men in Civil War
name given by colonists to distinguish the mainland from
the Island called the Mayn land of N. E.

THIRTEEN COLONIES

Virginia 1607 John Smith Jamestown
New York 1614 Trading
New Jersey 1617
Mass. 1620, 1620 John Winthrop.
New Hampshire 1623. Fishing Dover.
Connecticut 1634
Maryland 1634 Lord Baltimore in Catholic Providence
Rhode Island 1636 Roger Williams Relegent
Delaware 1638
N. Carolina 1663
S. Carolina 1670
Pennsylvania 1682
Georgia 1733

FIRST GRADUATING CLASS 1908

Mildred Pendleton Whitmore Valedictorian deceased 1957
Marion Coombs Kimball
Erma Coombs
Mabelle Wescott Randlett
Leila Farnsworth Williams
Marie Coombs Poulin

Membership of St. Marys of the Isle is about 125--erected by the efforts of Father
T. E. Kealey of Waterville, home in Belfast.

The Islesboro hotel was built at Ryders Cove 1885.

Through the efforts of Leslie Smith, Joseph Pendleton and Malcolm McLoed a ferry
was secured and the first ferry crew members were: Capt. Eben Babbidge; Engineer
Charles Quimby Sr.; and Stanwood Hinckley.
Revolutionary War 1775-1781

Joe Herrick
William Pendleton
Joseph Boardman (Teaparty Boardman)
Shubail Williams was taken to Castine by the British and given 40 lashes of the cat-o-nine tails.
John Gilkey was taken prisoner by the British and forced to serve 3 years in the English navy.

Spanish American War

Herbert Ryder, brother of Mrs. Luella Pendleton.
There were so few here during the Revolutionary War that we were declared neutral. The British came over here and brought vegetables, beef, mutton, etc.

Civil War 1861-1865

Harlan Adams
James Bell Adams
Loenidas Boardman
Wesley A. Brown
Eliphazet Clark
Alonzo Coburn
Joseph Coombs
Eldridge Durgin
George Farrow
Oliver Fletcher
Percy Knowles
Thomas Moody
Alfred Pendleton
Ephraim Pendleton
Isaac Pendleton
James W. Pendleton
Juston H. Pendleton
Fuller Pendleton
Roscoe Pendleton
Nathan Pendleton
David Philbrook
William W. Thomas
Stephen H. Warren
Henry Freeman

War of 1812 no soldiers

First World War Soldiers

Apr. 2, 1917
Nov. 11, 1918

Eben Babidge *
Warren Babidge
Everett Barton **
Harold Barton
Dorrill Bates **
Carroll Beckett
Elmer Boardman
Howard Boardman
Robert Carey **

Almon Crosby
Ralph Crosby
Alfred Decker
Feilds Dodge
George Dodge
Joshua Dodge **
Richmond Durgin
Milton Dyer
Leon Engstrom **
Edward Field
Leonard Hall **
Author Hatch
Elliot Hatch
Ellis Hatch
LaForest Hatch **
Fallowell Moody **
Charlie Pendleton
Clarence Pendleton
Foster Pendleton **
Homer Pendleton First volunteer
First soldier

Lester Pendleton
Mark Pendleton
Oren Pendleton **
Ralph Pendleton ***
Samuel Pendleton
Silsbee Pendleton
Leslie Rolerson **
Raymond Sherman
Kenneth Small
Lilford Small **
Percy Small
Walter Small **
Albert Small
Horace Sprague
Alanson Yeaton
Ethelbert Yeaton
Guy Malcolm Yeaton ***
Summer Yeaton **

World War Two

Paul Pendleton
Eben Grover
Eugene Grover
Charles Nash *
Frederick McLeod *
Howard Trim *
Bruce Wyman ***
Francis Trim *
Robert Pendleton
Hollis Kimball
Robert Durkee
Whitney Emerton
Bernard Pendleton
Vernal Small
Walter Hutchins **
Donald Hutchins **
Robert Durkee
Hollis Small
Ira Small
Douglas Durkee
John Roberts
Second World War
1941-1945

Daniel Small
Gerald Durkee
Edward Small***
Robert Fitzgerald
Merle Howard
Hugh Hatch
Joseph Dodge
Hugh Clements
Willard Rolerson
Edward Pendleton
Roderick Crandall
Herbert Dodge
Lewis Small
Wyman Hatch
Preston Quinby
Alden Kimball
Yeaton Randlett
Stanley Robertson
Richard Steele
William Henry Hatch
Linwood Small
Lilford Small Jr.
Marcellus Williams
David Rolerson
Leslie Smith Jr.
Leroy McCorison
Hoyt Grindle
Douglas Condon
Bartlett Foster
J. Edward Wardwell
Carleton Steele
Raymond Pendleton
Ralph Roberts
Lewis Patterson
Loranus Hatch
Ernest Small
Lester Pendleton
Henry Coombs
Maurice Bowden
Clifton Babidge
Lester Small***
Leland Pendleton
Royce Dodge
Ralph Gray
Amasa Hatch
Ronald Herberts
Ivan Pendleton
Donald Steele
Silsbee Maynard Pendleton
Lyman Wardwell
Joseph Pendleton
Vernon Dodge
Russell Fitzgerald
Linwood Robertson
Roscoe Pendleton
Earle Hamilton
David Warren

Stanford Robertson
John Rolerson
Alfred Hatch***
Author Decker
Dennis Beckett
Author Colcord
William Fitzgerald
Rudolph Hatch Jr.
Richard MacLeod***
Gerald Ober**
Harold Pendleton Jr.
Theodore Hatch
Fletcher Alley
William Brawn
Burton Pendleton
Maclolm Peckell
Franzel Boardman
Rodney Copeland
Jesse Rolerson
Julian Dodge
Merrill Coombs
Ralph Porter
Bowden Hatch
Allen Roberts
Vernon Leach
Forest Phillip Wardwell
Homer Pendleton Jr.
Douglas Babidge
Leslie Coombs
LIST OF PROMINENT VISITORS

1. Richard Whitney (seated on Wells St.)
2. Winfield Pendleton (Senator)
3. Joseph A. Pendleton (Representative to Augusta)
4. Alice Roosevelt Longworth (wife of Speaker of the House) and President Theodore Roosevelt's daughter.
5. Henry Ford (Financiers Ford cars)
6. Atwater Kent (Radios etc.)
7. J.P. Morgan. (Yacht Curbar here.)
8. Seth Low.
10. Howard Gould, (Financier.)
12. Dorothy Forbears (Island children's Santa Claus.)
13. Reginald Boardman (Well known Pianist.)
14. Ruth Draper (Nationally known Monologuist.)
15. George W. C. Drexel (Phil. Financier.)
17. Helen Parks (Married a Lord.)
18. Richard Derby, (husband of Alice Derby.)
19. Winthrop Aldrich (Of Chase National Bank, of N.Y.)
20. Henry W. Longfellow, (Ryders and Followells Island.)
22. John Davis.
24. Sec. Dwight Davis, (Sec. of War.)
25. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, (Artist.)
26. President Theodore Roosevelt spoke at Dark Harbor Inn, 1918.
28. Fritz Krisler, (Violinist)
29. Roderick, (Dean of Education.)
30. Payson Smith helped to organize the high school.
32. Frank Polk, (Member of Wilson's Cabinet.)
33. Miss Rose Cleveland, (Acre Island.)
34. John Burroughs, (Naturalist.)
35. Mark Pierce Pendleton. (Consul to Nova Scotia.)
36. Phoebe Pendleton Crosby, (same at Memorial exercises.)
37. Leie Sprague, (Wrote for Farmers Maraz nes.)
38. Paul Shirley, (pupil of violinist Fritz Krisler.)
41. Horace Hildreth, (ex Governor of Maine.)
42. Margaret Chase Smith, (Senator in Washington.)
43. Dr. Winston Price, (discoverer of cold germ.)
44. Luther Burbank, (Naturalist) At Ryders and Followells Island.
45. Hoot Gibson.
46. Douglas Dillon, (Ambassador to France.)
47. Charles Lindbergh, famous flyer, first to fly the Atlantic solo.
48. Cornelia Otis Skinner, (Author.)
49. Irene Langhorn Gibson.
50. Emily French, famous writer wrote "The End and I."
51. George Montgomery, (Deau Shores husband.)
52. Katherine Hepburn.
53. Governor Edmund Muskie 1957.
54. Herace Hildreth, (ex Governor of Maine.)
55. Louis Brann, ex Governor.
The Masonic Order was organized in Boardman's store beside the Second Baptist Church, on the North side in 1857.
The Eastern Star was organized in the old Masonic Hall (Ora and Matthew Pendleton's house) 1896 first high school grade A was held in this building also.

The present population of Islesboro, 1950 was 526. Census of 1940 was 716 persons and around 400 in the winter of 1957.

The first settlers came in the Pinky boat which is a rather small sailing boat.

**Blacksmith Shop**

One on the North side of Pendleton's Store with Rankin Grady and Percy Clements as blacksmiths. Tildens across from Effiean, Emmertons.

Macolm McLeod with Hall as blacksmith. Al Gilkeys stable with Rudolph Hatch.

Another was across the road from the Gold Mine or the Drift Inn with Daniel Haynes.

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Stores on the Island in 1958 were: Amasa Williams, Dark Harbor, Donald and Lloyd Pendleton, Islesboro Center. Ralph Trim at Pripet, and George and Lavinia Durkee, Corner Store, Ryders.

There are Lilac bushes below the Pendleton cemetery brought by the first settlers wife Dorcas from Stonington, Conn.

Samuel Pendleton and Wife are buried at the Pendleton cemetery. Shubail Pendleton at the Church Cemetery, North Islesboro. William Pendleton in Northport where he moved to.

Islesboro has been in four counties Lincoln, Hancock, Penobscot, and Waldo.

The first Baptist Church built in 1834 at North Islesboro with the cemetery in the rear.

The largest membership of the Second Baptist was 165, now 29 as of 1958.

The highest elevation on the island is at the Central School 140 ft., and Stone's hill 120 ft.

Oldest gravestone on the Brackett Point (Smith estate now) dated April 23, 1781, named Judith Pendleton.

We were a part of Mass. but the rest of the towns led the majority in favor of organizing our own state of Maine.
The First Churches and Town Buildings

This building had no chimney and no floor. It was used as Public Meeting house and church also. The present town Hall is built on the same site.

The first Town Meeting was begun in 1797 and furnished in 1801. It was built on the site of the present of the Town Hall and the land was given by Shubael Williams. It was used for Church services and Town meetings. It had no chimney and people brought warming pans to keep warm through the long sermons. It was $37 \times 40$ ft. and cost $400$, the present Town Hall was built in 1892 and cost $3000$.

Churches

A Baptist church was built at Ryders in 1845 opposite the Grace Road and beside the Kiler graveyard, razed in 1929 or 1930. Second Baptist Church N. Islesboro near the cemetery in 1843. The First Baptist Churches were organized by Isaac Case 1719 and the Town raised $20$ to pay the minister's salary.

OUR LIBRARY 1902

The first library was made possible through the efforts of Miss Alice L. Pendleton. The second story of the Pendleton school was used and she was librarian in 1902. Then it was moved to a smaller building at the foot of the hill. A brick and granite building was erected on the Philena Fletcher lot given to the town by the heirs, Britton, James Linwood Pendleton and Annie Belle Lawrence in 1918. Will Hatch and Fred Lee were the contractors. It is known as the Alice L. Pendleton Memorial Library. 1956. The tomb of Guy Malcolm Yeaton is buried there killed in action in World War I. There are also bronze plaques of civil and World War I soldiers on each side of the door. An honor for World War II soldiers is also there unless removed.

FACTS

A drought in 1930 began in July and first rain was in November. Everyone got water at town pump and there were only a few artesian wells. Capt. Hosea Bates was taken prisoner in the War of 1812. Some of the island men manned their boats and recaptured his vessel. The English set him ashore in Camden.
Vessels were built on the shores of Mill Creek, Shattucks Points, Gilkey's Harbor, Nathan or Justin Pendleton's shore, Sammul Pendleton's Little Is. and Shipyards Point.

Shuabael William's second house was the first to have window glass.

Samuel Warren on the Bill Dick P- was a Quaker and a surveyon by trade, first roads were laid out by him. His son John was a minister.

Capt. Ben Church landed on Acre Is. 1692. Geo. Washington appointed Henry Knox Sec. of the Dept. of War and he granted lots of land in 100 acres each to people here in 1799.

The middle Church was torn down 1930. The island is around 3 miles from the mainland.

William Stne from Ellsworth surveyed the island for its incorporation in 1789.

Winfield Pendleton and Joseph Pendleton of Dark Harbor served several times in legislature.

Leslie E. Smith Sr. visited Augusta and obtained the ferry road on the West side, the ferry and its terminal and cars, also the ban on shooting deer.

Facts

1950 Census- Population 526
Masonic Lodge Organized 1857
Order of the Eastern Star 1896

I. Number served in Revolutionary War 4
   " " " Civil " 26
   " " " First World " 48
   " " " Spanish Am. " 1
   " " " Second World " 109
   " " " Korean " 21

FIRST TEACHERS

Dark Harbor Inn torn down in 1956.

Church organized in Charlotte Boardman's barn at the Bonnet, 1791 by Isaac Case. That house was also said to be one of the first frame houses on the Island.

Mills. Lime Kilm, Grist Mill Pendleton Store: Grist Mill, Ed Eames, Spragues Cove (Lime); Creek; Grist Mill-Lumber, Hewes Point.

Mill Pond and Dam at Meadow Pond. Grist Mill at Mill Dam at Ryders Cove.

William King was the first gov. of Maine 1820. First P. O. Grindles Point 1834. 1945 Sec. Baptist Church 128 members.

Largest airplane in the Country in 1932, the Sea Elephant brought Dillon to Dark Harbor, landed on Golf Links.

The Zeppelin Graf. sailed over the Island with Sec. Davies in 1929 or 1930.

Mark Pierce Pendleton was appointed Cunsul to Pictou Nova Scotia in 1893, lived across the road above Pendletons store. In 1903 Conrad Beckett brought home a load of grain on the ice in the East Penobscot Bay on April 19th.

First issue of Observer Nov. 7, 1941 Rev. Lauris Whitman, Lester Hale and Arline M. Pendleton during the War. Prin. Yeaton Randlett and students have carried it on during the past several years.

First crossing of Mill Creek bridge Jan. 18, 1938.

We entered Waldo County in 1827.
Population in 1958 is about 400 during the Winter months.
Largest population in 1860 was 1276. First high school in Prpct school 1872.

Present industry is the clam factory opened January, 1939, manager Raymond Ellis.

Largest membership of the Second Baptist Church was 165. Membership 1950 around 50.

Area of Islesboro 6000 acres. 13 miles long. Its width, 3 rods at the narrows, to 2 miles.

Center line comes down by Leslie Rolcrson to the clam flats of Broad Cove.

Lasonic Order was organized in a building on the north side of the Second Baptist Church 1857.

The first town manager was Benedict Kelley of Monro 1916-19.

Isaac Caso organized the first Baptist church here in 1791.
Minister's salary was $200.00.

Highest elevation Whittensh school 140 feet elevation. Stone's Hill 120.

Lighthouse discontinued July 1922. Last Keeper, Captain William Dodge.

Henry Hardsworth Longfellow was a guest at Ryders Cove in the beginning of the season as a summer colony.

Luther Burbank visited to Nathan Followeals Island in the West Bay, in the early 1900's.

The Prpct Post Office closed its long term of service Dec. 31, 1958 with Mrs. Myrtle Trim as Post Master.
TOWN OFFICERS

Town Manager; Ellis Reeby
Council: Harold Pendleton, Ben Moody, Paul Pendleton, Reuben Beeman, Fred Hatch.

Assessors; Ben Moody, Rueben Beeman, Yeaton Randlett.
Fire Chief; George Durkee succeeded Pearl Fairfield 19 years.
Constable; Stanley Radvillas
Town Clerk; Pauline York.
Matron, O.E.S. Mrs. Blenda Reeby
Patron, O.E.S. Ellis Reeby
Master of Island Lodge; Ralph Gray
Postmaster Islesboro; Mrs. Florence Pendleton succeeded Mr. Harold Pendleton after 35 years.
Dark Harbor; Mrs. Elsie Hatch
Doctor; Doc. John Webber
Minister; Rev. John Dow.
Snow Plow; David Rolerson and Frank Rollins
Supt. of Islesboro schools Harold Wiggins, Union Me.
School Council; Harold Pendleton March, 58.
Mrs. Estelle McCorrison, Mrs. Una Speed.
Wilbur Cuzner Science
Miss Louise Ayer English
Amogene Rolerson 6, 7, 8.
Arlene Pendleton 3, 4, 5.
Dorothy Pendleton Sub. 1, 2.
Janitor and Bus Driver Willard Rolerson
Lions Club Organized April 30, 1958 with 16 members:
First Officers:

- Pres. John Webber (Dr.)
- Vice Pres. Ellis Reedy (TOWN MANAGER)
- Vice Pres. Eben Randlett Jr.
- Vice Pres. Gerald Pendleton
- Sec. Dartt Creelman
- Treasurer William Littlefield
- Lion Tamer: Emery Hatch
- Tail Twister: David Rolerson

Board of Directors:

- Yeaton Randlett 2 yrs.
- George Durkee 2 yrs.
- Leland Ober 1 yr.
- Robert Pendleton 1 yr.

Membership:

- Witney Emerton

Islesboro Fish and Game Club organized 1956 with 50 members.
First Pres. Carroll Pendleton; Sec. -Tres. Donald Pendleton.
First to bring partridges to the Island and many pheasants each year.

Valuation of Islesboro 1957 is 1,600,000 according to county statistics.