



Some of the Cain family: from left to right, mother Carrie, Milton, Bert (on porch) and father John, sitting on steps of their home on Smith Street. Photo courtesy of Robert Cain of Oconto.

months ago was stricken with paralysis.

Mr. Cain was born in Chilton, Wis., November 1, 1857, and when 19 years of age came to this city. He was married 43 years ago to Carrie Rose.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife and eight children, George of Laona, Harry of Milwaukee, Mrs. V. H. John of Crandon, Milton with the Rainbow Division in France, and William, James, Bert and Mrs. Frank Rousseau of Oconto.

The funeral will be held Friday morning from St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. Looze to officiate, and his remains will be interred in Catholic Cemetery."

Carrie went on to live another 34 years dying at the age of 94 in Oconto, still a widow. She lived long enough to see her son Milton, one of the twins, become mayor of Oconto in 1952 and to see many of her grandchildren growing up. But she also experienced the loss of three of her children, Elizabeth, the first born, died at about the age of 17 probably of an illness.³⁶ George died in 1924,³⁷ and James who died after being hit by a car while walking home to dinner.³⁸ It is probably a good thing that she didn't survive long enough to have to live through her son Bert's suicide in 1955.³⁹

Children:

- +13. Elizabeth Ann (1875-1892)
- +14. Gertrude (1877-1962)
- +15. William (1879-1963)
- +16. George Dennis (1882-1924)
- +17. Albert Michael (Bert) (1887-1955)
- +18. James Orville (1888-1946)
- +19. Henry C. (Harry) (1892-1977)
- +20. Mary Mildred (Twin)(1894-1965)
- +21. Milton J. (Twin)(1894-1972)

7. Dennis Edward CAIN. Other than James, Dennis is the only other child of Martin and Winifred that we know what happened to and even that information is for the most part vague.

By 1875 Dennis is old enough to be out in the world earning a wage as can be seen on his census entry. While living with his father and step-mother he is working as a wool picker in a local factory. He continued his career in the textile industry working many years in the National-Providence Worsted Mills as a weaver.

Family rumor has it that his wife Mary Agnes McCahey was a Wade cousin, which could be true. They were married sometime before 1895 and had two children that lived to adulthood: Mary Louise and Vincent.^{39a}

Dennis and his family stayed in Rhode Island where he also owned a small store in Providence, which indicates that he was a man of substance and enterprise.

Dennis died young, 45, of a heart attack.⁴⁰ This genetic flaw has passed down on the Cain/John side of the family. Although,



Dennis Cain with probably his wife Mary Agnes McCahey, who is thought to be a cousin on the Wade side of the family; there is a possibility this is a sister. Photocopy courtesy of Tim Preece.

