

Homer Foster Worcester

(May 16, 1896-Dec 23, 1972) was the son of Waldo (Apr 8, 1870-Oct 21, 1954) and Katie (Foster) Worcester. He married Frances Sawyer on June 15, 1927. They had no children but were "Auntie and Uncle Homer" to many many many. Uncle Homer grew up in Columbia, Maine. As a boy, he practiced pitching baseballs through a hole he cut in the barn door, improving his proficiency to the point that he at one time played baseball in a local semi-pro league. His career came to an end when he one day pitched both games of a double header and injured his arm. He graduated from Washington Normal School (now the University of Maine in Machias) and went on to teach in Hartford, CT for five years. While there he introduced an attractive former student, Evelyn Wind, to his brother-in-law, Dan Sawyer, and that match ended in marriage.



After college, Homer was hired to teach and attend to some discipline problems in a Hartford, CT junior high school. He took care of the discipline issue promptly by confronting one particularly troublesome student. Five years in Hartford being enough, they returned to Maine and Homer was elected to the Maine State Senate. He served one term and there was some speculation that he would run for governor, however the political scene was not his niche. Grandpa (John) had bought an insurance business, the intention being that Homer and Dan would run it. Homer, however, was approached to be the head of the newly formed Farmers' Home Administration, headquartered in Bangor. He refused the offer because Frances did not want to again leave Jonesport. He did accept an offer to take the job temporarily (6 months) which meant he spent his week days in Bangor and weekends in Jonesport. That "temporary" job turned into an 18 year career, and the Worcester-Sawyer Insurance Agency was managed by Dan and Frances.

From the album of Annie (Sawyer) McMichael



R/L HOMER WORCESTER
ANNE SAWYER
John SAWYER
JOSIE BOWLES SAWYER

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TAKEN IN FRANCIS WORCESTER'S
DINING ROOM

Form the album of John V. Sawyer II

Homer and Frances (Sawyer) Worcester with grand nephews and nieces



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