

MAY 19<sup>th</sup> 23

Hi NANCY,

I LOVED SEEING GEORGE GALE BEING REMEMBERED. AS TEEN AGERS MY FRIEND BOB MORES AND I WOULD SIT WITH HIM OFTEN. HIS FACE WOULD LIGHT UP WHEN WE SHOWED UP WITH THE CATFISH WE LAUGHT AT LONG POND AND ROUND POND. IT WAS <sup>ONE OF</sup> HIS FAVORITE MEALS. I CAN REMEMBER THE SMELL OF PIPE TOBACCO AND THE WOOD BURNING IN HIS POT BELLY STOVE. I THINK HE SAID HIS FATHER WAS BORN INTO SLAVERY. I WILL CHECK ANSCESTRY.COM AND SEE WHAT SHOWS UP.

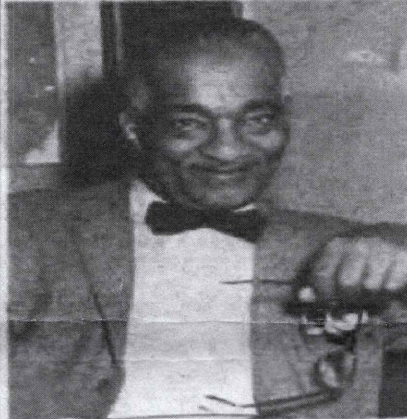
GEORGE WOULD TALK ABOUT THE SCRIPTURES, THE POLICE DEPT, AND REALLY SEEMED TO ENJOY HIS LIFE. HE NEVER HAD A BAD THING TO SAY ABOUT ANYBODY.

THE PATTEN TOWN BOOK HAS HIM SERVING IN THE WAR WITH GERMANY-AUSTRIA 1917-1918 ALONG WITH HIS BROTHER ERNEST.

THE TEWKSBURY 200<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY HE IS LISTED BEING IN EPISODE 6 OF THE CELEBRATION. HE WAS PLAYING THE PART AS "THE BUTLER".

Tom King

**GEORGE GALE**



Tewksbury... -- George is a real native of our Town, having been born here, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gale. Educated in Tewksbury Schools and a graduate of Lowell High School; where he was an outstanding member of the track team. One of the original Boosters of good, clean athletic opportunities for the youngsters of our Town. All contests will find Mr. Gale on the sidelines giving a boost to the individual boy as well as the whole team, forever inducing the young athletes to go on to a higher field in their chosen sport. He has helped not only many a youngster but many an adult as well as he served in his capacity as Desk Officer for 17 years on the Tewksbury Police Dept. Previous to his appointment to the Force he was employed by our Highway Dept. so for service in years he has accumulated 29 years for the Town of Tewksbury.

George served as Scout Master for the original Scout Troop of our Town. Many of his boys, all grown up now constitute some of our finer citizens. A Veteran of World War I and an active member of Tewksbury Jackson - Gourley Post American Legion. Since his retirement from our Police Force he now devotes much of his time to raising beautiful flowers and a real beautiful vegetable garden.

In conclusion I must say I wish every Police Officer of our Country who comes in contact with a person who is a bit off the beaten track could have some of the thinking and feeling of this man whose motto has always been, "Let's help to the best of our ability" and in most cases the help has always been the person's salvation. George Gale's name has always been synonymous with goodness.