



(Keep for future reference.)

small one marked F. I told Lillias  
Haup Krotz she could use them and if  
I never called for them she could have  
them. I never intended to be married  
at that time and have a home of my  
own but when I did she returned  
4 of the 6 spoons. Said she thought  
a negro woman who worked for  
her stole the other 2 spoons.

The other 3 spoons (not marked) are  
also sterling silver, not plated,  
so all 6 of the spoons I am sending  
you are solid silver.

I hope you will enjoy using  
them - With love.

Aunt Anna -

Pacific Grove,  
California,  
March nineteenth,  
Nineteen thirty-eight.

About the spoon engraved O.S., Ruth.

Your Father's grandmother was  
Olive Stone (O.S.) before she  
married your great grandfather,  
Capt. Asa Fairfield and became  
your great grandmother. Her  
father was Capt. Oliver Stone of  
Kennebunkport, Maine where Capt.  
Asa Fairfield also lived and  
where your grand-father, James  
Monroe Fairfield was born in 1826.

When Olive Stone was married  
her father, Capt. Oliver Stone had  
full sets of teaspoons, table spoons,  
knives and forks made from  
sterling silver in Philadelphia,  
for his daughter, and this  
is one of the teaspoons. It was



given to me by my uncle  
Cyrus King Fairfield. He and  
his first wife Aunt Anna Fairfield  
lived with my grandfather and  
grandmother Fairfield and they  
inherited the family heirlooms  
together with my Aunt Olive  
Phillips. She gave away to her  
friends (so I have been told)  
the silver teapot, sugar bowl  
& pitcher ~~to~~ also much of the  
silver ware when it came into  
her possession. I used to think  
as a child that Grandfather's home  
was like fairy land with such  
beautiful black-hair cloth chairs  
and tete-a-tete, pretty carpets  
and pictures &c.

Your grandfather James Monroe  
Fairfield was born Apr. 30, 1826  
which will be 112 yrs. ago next  
April. He was the second child  
of Asa<sup>rd</sup> and Olive Stone Fairfield  
and the spoons &c were given  
her on her marriage so you  
see the spoon is probably  
114 or 115 yrs. old, and is  
an heirloom which I hope  
you will treasure and give  
some day to Ruth Anna Munson  
to care for.

The Ft. Wayne spoon with the  
Old Fort built in 1794 in the bowl  
was given me by Laura Muirhead.  
I helped her prepare to take exams.  
for teacher's license and she gave  
me this spoon later. <sup>(cost 3.00)</sup> I bought  
a set of the small spoons like the