

Chapter 03955 1917

LEROY K. PEARCE

4/4/1891—11/11/1965 (74)

and

Florence E. ??

1895—??

Boonton NJ and Brooklyn NY

George Pearce branch #5, generation #5.

Leroy is a 2nd great grandson of Henry Pearce #1

Leroy is the same generation #5
as cousin Charles Small Pierce.



5/2/2025


Relationship: Henry PEARCE to Leroy K. 'Roy' PEARCE

Leroy K. 'Roy' PEARCE is the 2nd great grandson of Henry PEARCE


Self

	Henry PEARCE b: 25 Jul 1725 England d: 08 Jul 1788 Fairfield, NJ
	Elizabeth Lucinda SPEAR b: 06 May 1737 England d: 16 Oct 1814 Fairfield, NJ


Son

	George PEARCE b: 05 Jan 1779 England d: 15 Nov 1853
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Grandson

	Henry George PEARCE b: 29 Dec 1812 Fairfield, NJ d: 06 Sep 1900
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Great grandson

	Edward Hatch PEARCE b: 11 Apr 1847 Caldwell, NJ d: 01 Jun 1904 Boonton, NJ
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2nd great grandson

	Leroy K. 'Roy' PEARCE b: 04 Apr 1891 Boonton, NJ d: 11 Nov 1965 Saint Petersburg, FL
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Gen #5



Leroy K. PEARCE

1915

Dishonorable Discharge 2/19/1915

Pierce, Leroy Benton Jr. 21st Iron Horse
5-10^{1/2} | 64.6 | Dishon. dis, Feb. 19, 1915.

Seems odd since he was in the Coast Guard years later.

Need to get his military record.

Leroy was working at this place in 1917 and maybe before that.

“Boonton Rubber Company, was founded in Boonton, New Jersey in 1891, as a business to recycle rubber (primarily from bicycle tires).

General Manager Richard W. Seabury contacted Leo Bakeland in 1908, soon after the invention of Bakelite, and began to experiment with molding the new material. According to Jeffrey L. Meikle, Boonton soon became the first custom molder in the plastics industry, working closely with Bakeland to improve the material and process.

Boonton bought molding compound from the supplier (Bakelite) and produced parts for a product's primary manufacturer, seeing an industrial pattern of production still widely followed today.

Success came when the New York Central Railroad ordered 100,000 third rail insulators of Bakelite to replace ceramic in electrified track.

Seabury brought the processing technology from hard rubber. Boonton "molded solid one-piece objects in hydraulic presses from a mixture of powdered Bakelite A and chopped asbestos fibers or wood flour. With application of heat and pressure to a cast-iron (later steel) mold, the Bakelite binder liquified, impregnated and surrounded the asbestos filler, circulated through the mold's enclosed volume, and solidified as Bakelite C—with a film of pure resin curing last, against the mold's surface, to yield a smooth uniform finish."

In 1933 Boonton Rubber Company changed its name to Tech-Art Plastics and moved from Boonton to Long Island City, New York."

See: Meikle, *American Plastics: A Cultural History*, 42-43, 97

ESTABLISHED 1891



BOONTON RUBBER MANUFACTURING COMPANY
BOONTON, N. J.

Form 1 **94 REGISTRATION CARD** No. **95**

1	Name in full Leroy Pearce (Given name) (Family name)	Age in yrs 26
2	Home address 201 Holmes (No.) (Street) (City) (State)	Boonton N.J.
3	Date of birth April 14 1891 (Month) (Day) (Year)	
4	Are you (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? Natural Born	
5	Where were you born? Montreal (Town) (State) (Nation)	Q. J. W. S.
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or office? Miner	18 22
8	By whom employed? Boonton Rubber Mfg. Co. Where employed? Boonton N.J.	
9	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? Mother	
10	Married or single (which)? Single Race (specify which)? White	
11	What military service have you had? Rank Private branch Coast Artillery years 2 year 3 mos 21 days Nation or State U. S. A.	
12	Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? Yes Dependent	

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

1084 **Leroy Pearce**
(Signature or mark)

If person is of African descent, race at this corner

WW1 1917 Draft registration card.

The draft board papers show that Leroy was previously a Private in the Coast Artillery for 2.2 years

2-12-17 REGISTRAR'S REPORT

1	Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? Tall Slender, medium, or stout (which)? Medium
2	Color of eyes? Blue Color of hair? light Bald? No
3	Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? Not disabled

I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

John E. Stocum
(Signature of registrar)

Product **1**

City or County **Boonton Morris**

Date **June 5 1917**
(Date of registration)

2/15/1919

Seaman's Certificate

Leroy said he was in the Coast guard for 2.2 years. He sailed on different ships. See the video about the Carmania.

No.8371.....

APPLICATION FOR SEAMAN'S CERTIFICATE OF AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP (R.S. 458.)

FEB 15 1919

New York, N.Y.191..

LM

Name *Leroy Pearce* Address *113 Holmes St. Brooklyn N.Y.*

Place of birth *Montaukville N.Y.* Date of birth *4/14/91*

Birth (or citizenship) confirmed by *Affidavit of Master*

Place of father's birth *Us* Mother's *Us*

.....naturalized by.....court of.....

.....at.....certificate number.....

dated..... Age *27* on *4/14* 19 *18*

Height *5' 11 1/2"* Complexion *Rud.* Hair *Brn.* Eyes *Brn.*

Physical marks *Mc. un. R. eye*

Last vessel *Carmania* flag *Brit.* Arrived *3/15/18*

Next vessel *Waring* Rating *Measurement*

Vessel and rating confirmed by *Emt. Lewis Newkirk Gargner*

Identified by *Signature on affidavit*


I do solemnly swear that the above facts are all true and that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion.


Signature *Leroy Pearce*

FEB 15 1919

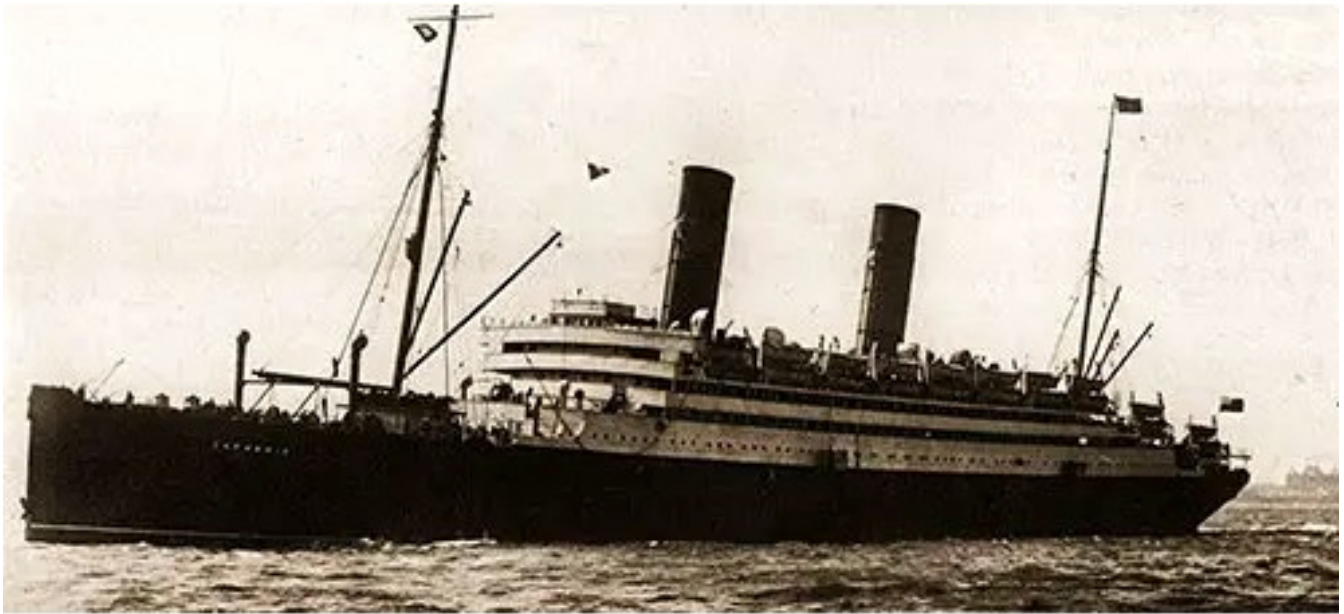
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Act. Deputy Collector.

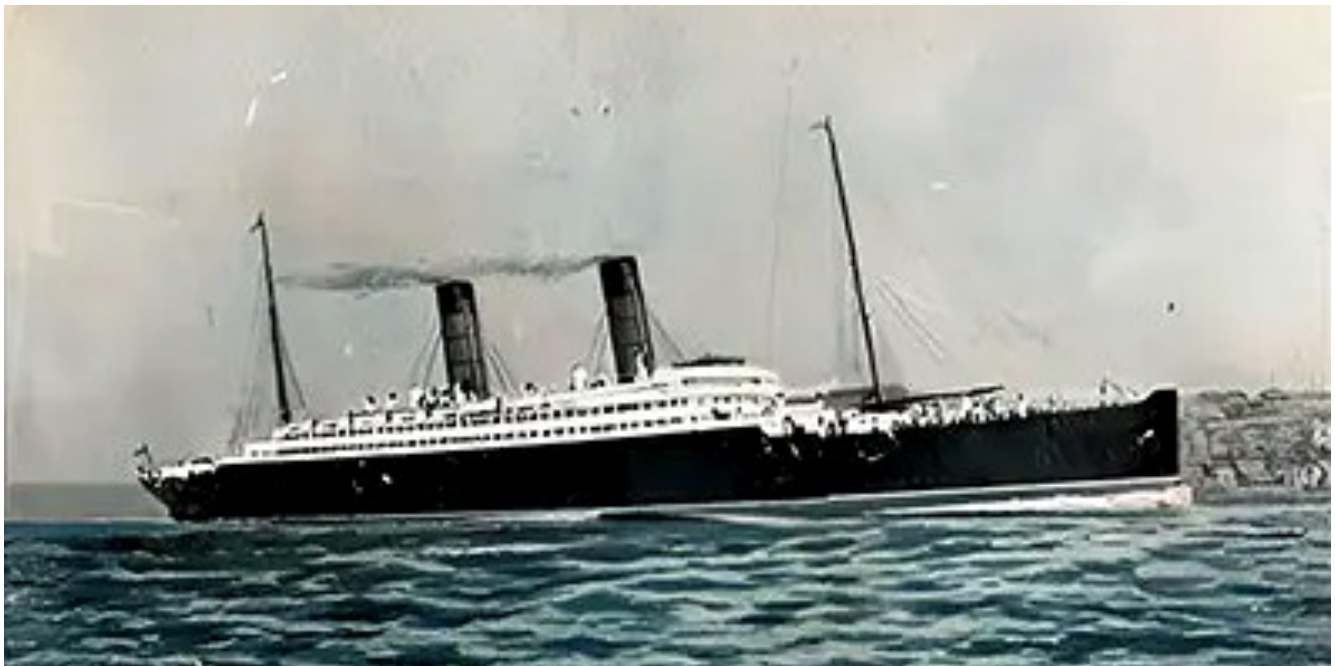




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RMS **Carmania** of the Cunard Line, 1905



WHY THAT LAME BACK?

That morning lameness—those sharp pains when bending or lifting, make work a burden and rest impossible. Don't be handicapped by a bad back—look to your kidneys. You will make no mistake by following this Boonton resident's example.

Mrs. **L. Pearce**, 201 Holmes street, says: "I had constant, dizzy spells, which blurred my sight and my back was lame. When I tried to lift anything the least bit heavy, I felt terrible distress across my kidneys. When I retired at night, I couldn't rest well because I found no comfort in lying in any position. When I got up in the morning I didn't feel refreshed. I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and got some at Brown's Drug Store. I noticed the symptoms begin leaving in a few days and it wasn't long before I was well again."

Price 60c., at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. **Pearce** had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

1919

Mrs. Florence E. Pearce
age 23.

wife of Leroy Pearce.

Boonton Weekly Bulletin, 6/5/1919, Boonton NJ

WW2 draft registration—Leroy was age 51. Cutoff was age 35.

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER	1. NAME (Print)		ORDER NUMBER
U 7008	Leroy	Pearce	
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 225 Parkside Ave Brooklyn Kings N. Y. <small>(Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)</small> [THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]			
3. MAILING ADDRESS			
Same <small>(Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)</small>			
4. TELEPHONE	5. AGE IN YEARS	6. PLACE OF BIRTH	
Bu 4-8792	51	Boonton	
<small>(Exchange) (Number)</small>	<small>DATE OF BIRTH (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)</small>	<small>(Town or county) (State or country)</small>	
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS			
Wise, Florence Pearce, 225 Parkside Ave Brooklyn			
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS			
Gas Advisors, 60 Pine St, New York			
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS			
Same <small>(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)</small>			
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.			
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)	(over)	16-21630-2	Leroy Pearce <small>(Registrant's signature)</small>

The Evening Independent
11/12/1965 St. Petersburg FL

1965

Leroy Pearce

Leroy Pearce, 74, 424 Central Ave., died Thursday (Nov. 11, 1965). Born in Boonton, N.J., he came here a year ago from Brooklyn, N.Y., after four winter seasons. He was a stock transfer clerk for City Service in New York City, and attended the Union Methodist Church. He was a member of St. Albans Lodge 56, F&AM in Brooklyn, Scottish Rite and Aurora Grotto. Surviving is his wife, Florence E. Wilhelm. Thurston Funeral Home is in charge.

He was a retired stock transfer clerk.

1957 lived in Brooklyn, NY. NY SS# 101-09-2336. Moved to and died one year later in Saint Petersburg Florida.

Scottish rite.

Is this our Florence ??

3/5/1895—7/23/1975

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PEARCE, MRS. FLORENCE E., 80, of 115 10th Ave. N, St. Petersburg, retired insurance collector Wednesday (July 23, 1975). Wilhelm-Thurston Funeral Home.

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PEARCE — Mrs. Florence E., 80, of 115 10th Ave. N, passed away Wednesday, July 23, 1975. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Mrs. Pearce came here in 1964 from there. She was a retired insurance collector. Mrs. Pearce was a member of Christ United Methodist Church here, and Midwood Chapter O.E.S. No. 827, Brooklyn, N.Y. Surviving are a brother, William H. Dalton, Redbank, N.J., and a sister, Mrs. Anna E. Saddington, N.Y. Funeral services will be conducted 10 a.m. Friday in Wilhelm-Thurston Chapel, 145 8th St. N, with the Rev. Wyane Curry officiating. Interment will be later.

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