The ancestors of the Jaquiths were French Huguenots who first fled France sometime before 1628, spent time in Cornwall, England, and are believed to have returned temporarily&nbspto France before departing for America early in 1643. They became a well known, highly respected family of patriots; first --in presence and in numbers-- when, in response to the alarm of April 19, 1775, the minutemen and militia of Billerica, Massachusetts mustered on the common at Pollard's Tavern before marching to Concord and Meriam's Corner to face the British at the outbreak of the American Revolution.