

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

On behalf of the 1989 Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society, I would like to extend a most cordial welcome to each and every one of you! As we enter our 32nd year of service, let us pause briefly and reflect on the fact that the remarkable progress made by the Society over the past 31 years reflects the continuing enthusiasm and vitality of the members of the organization, Board and staff. The tremendous amount of mail from members and friends, the programs designed to enhance and support genealogical research education, and the dramatic flow of patrons in and out of the Genealogy/Local History Department of the Fort Worth Public Library are a tribute to the efforts of all. This is also an excellent indicator of how important the study of family and local history has become to an ever-increasing number of Americans!

We accept the challenge of excellence that has characterized the activities of the Society throughout the years! We pledge you our best efforts in the collection, preservation and publication of documents and other materials essential to the study of our Texas pioneer ancestors, wherever their origin might be. We look forward to lectures on a variety of topics germane to the goals of the membership in attendance, and we invite you to contribute copies of your manuscripts, typescripts, Bible records, new books and microform publication to augment the already impressive collection of the Genealogy/Local History Department of the Fort Worth Public Library so that research progress can continue at an accelerating pace! Let us enthusiastically demonstrate once again what we can do when there is a concerted effort!

Our heartfelt thanks go to Mrs. Olyve Hallmark Abbott, 1988 President of the Society and all other officers and committee chairmen who have so graciously agreed to continue giving so generously of their time and talents during this new year. These members impart a vigor and dedication that is vital to every function of the Society.

May 1989 bring us all closer to the realization of our genealogical research goals.

Donald J. Martin

NEWS FROM THE FORT WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Donald J. Martin, Ph.D.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to Miss Deborah Bloys who joined the staff of the Genealogy/Local History Department of the Fort Worth Public Library in December. Deborah, a native Texan, is a Ph.D. candidate in American History at Texas Christian University. Her wide range of research experience makes her a wonderful asset to our library.

The following publications recently accessioned by the Genealogy/Local History Department are highly recommended:

NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DOCUMENTARY SOURCES. (Part 3: State Archives, State Libraries, State Historical Societies, Academic Libraries and Other Repositories.) Published in microfiche by Chadwyck-Healey. This powerful reference work will ultimately greatly improve the quality of genealogical research in the United States. By using the NATIONAL INVENTORY in your own library you may have access to thousands of finding aids (registers or guides that list or describe in some detail the contents of an archive or manuscript collection) from archives and libraries throughout the United States. The difference between the NATIONAL INVENTORY and other sources that list the locations of unpublished collections such as the NATIONAL UNION CATALOG OF MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS and the Research Libraries Group's pioneering effort to provide an on-line record of collection-level information on archives and manuscript collection is that the NATIONAL INVENTORY not only provides factual data about each collection but reproduces it in full. This is what is so useful! The researcher may peruse at leisure the finding aids for the bulk of a repository's holdings without the expense of a visit, thus saving both money and time as well. The finding aids often contain (1) a "scope note" describing the time covered, amount of material, and general contents; (2) a biography or history of the subject of the collection; (3) information on copyright and where to request permission to use the material; (4) restrictions on use; (5) provenance of the collection; (6) a calendar of events; (7) an outline of family or organizational history; (8) box-by-box, folder-by-folder, or item-by-item description of contents; and (9) a subject index to the collection. The NATIONAL INVENTORY embraces every kind of finding aid from elaborate and detailed guides to brief lists. Formats reproduced are also varied, including published books and pamphlets, typed lists, cards of every size and shape, slips, loose-leaf binders and data on computer tape. Because of the large amount of material to be reproduced, the NATIONAL INVENTORY is being published in units over a number of years. It will never be complete because new finding aids are being created and added all the time. Do let us assist you as you learn how to use this wonderful publication.

PERIODICAL SOURCE INDEX published by the Allen County Public Library Foundation, Fort Wayne, Indiana. This 4-volume set is the first installment of the 16-volume retrospective set, and includes over 120,000 entries covering the United States, Canada, Foreign, Methodology and Families. It is a comprehensive place, subject and surname index to genealogy and local history periodicals covering the years 1847-1985. We're confident that this outstanding reference will become increasingly popular as genealogists and local historians are able to more quickly find articles of interest in the genealogical periodical literature. If we don't have the journal article in our collection, let us assist you in obtaining a copy through inter-library loan.

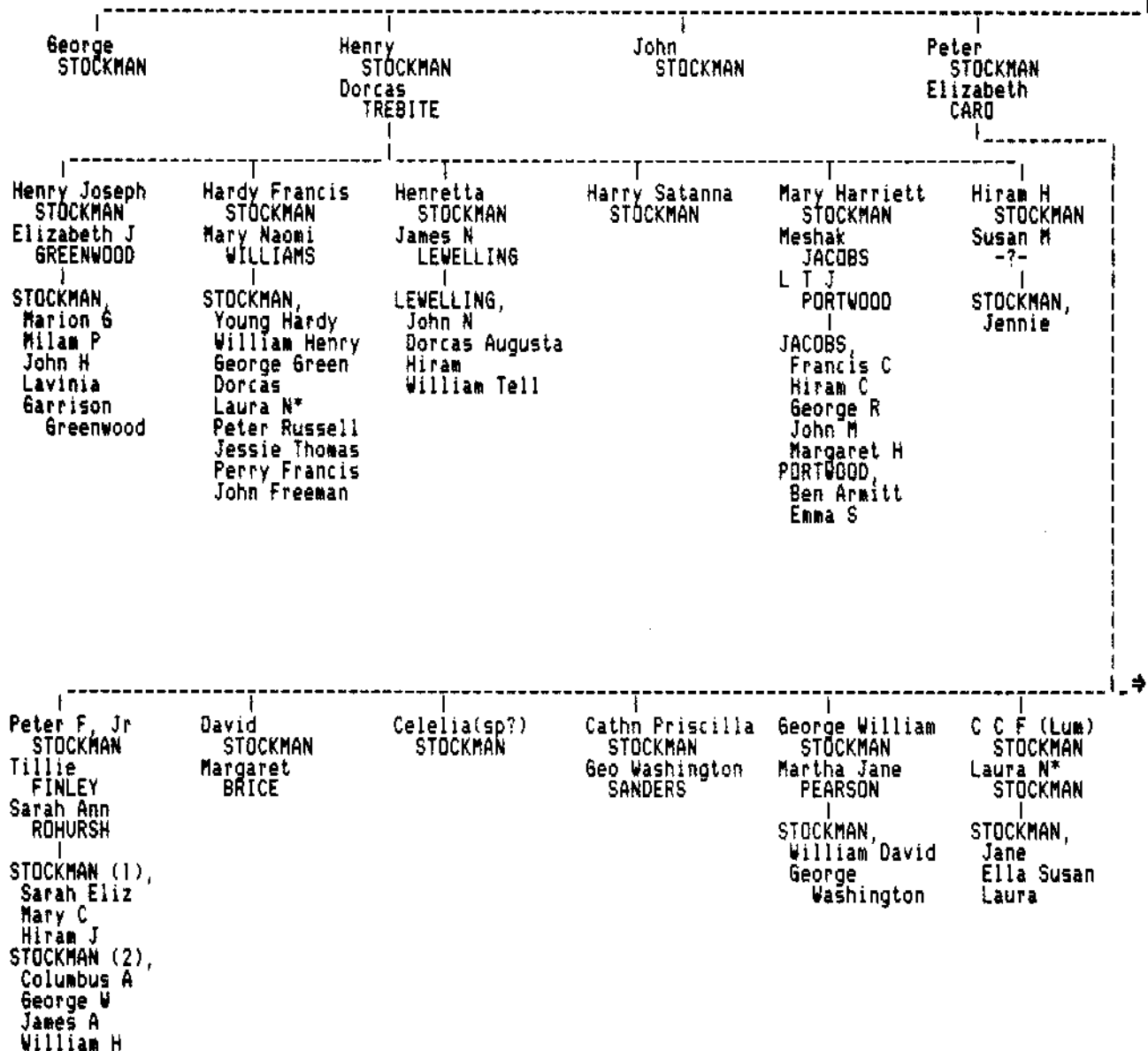
EARLY MIDDLE TENNESSEE MARRIAGES published by Byron Sistler & Associates, 1988. In this excellent alphabetical listing--one volume by the surname of the groom, the second volume by the surname of the bride--of marriages in early Middle Tennessee for which records have survived, the Sistlers have published the names of the bride and groom, date of marriage, and the county in which the marriage was performed. Additional data such as names of bondsmen, ministers, justices of the peace, churches, etc. is omitted.

THE PAPERS OF WILLIAM PENN edited by Mary Maples Dunn and Richard S. Dunn. [92 Penn, W.] The writings of William Penn are interesting, timely and valuable to genealogists and historians alike. He was a voluminous author who wrote, or collaborated in writing, nearly 140 books, pamphlets and broadsides. He also wrote and received many thousands of letters and kept extensive business accounts and legal records. Over 2600 of these letters and papers survive. This edition of his writing focuses upon his manuscripts: correspondence, journals, religious and political papers and business records. The Appendix of Volume 2 contains a wealth of information of particular value to genealogists attempting to identify the origin of a Quaker ancestor: The First Purchases of Pennsylvania lists the names of the individual, English residence, occupation, sale date, acres amount of payment, location of land in Pennsylvania and the document source.

A GUIDE TO THE HISTORY OF TEXAS edited by Light Townsend Cummins and Alvin R. Bailey Jr. [978.4G.] This book is part of the "Reference Guides to State History and Research" series, and will well serve the researcher as a concise historiographical and archival guide to the history of the state. It contains two types of articles: in part one, historiographical essays that note important items in the published literature, and in part two, descriptions of major archival repositories. It should be considered as a starting point for research in Texas history rather than as definitive treatment of any particular historical topic or archives.

THE FAMILY OF FREDRICK STOCKMAN

Fredrick STOCKMAN=

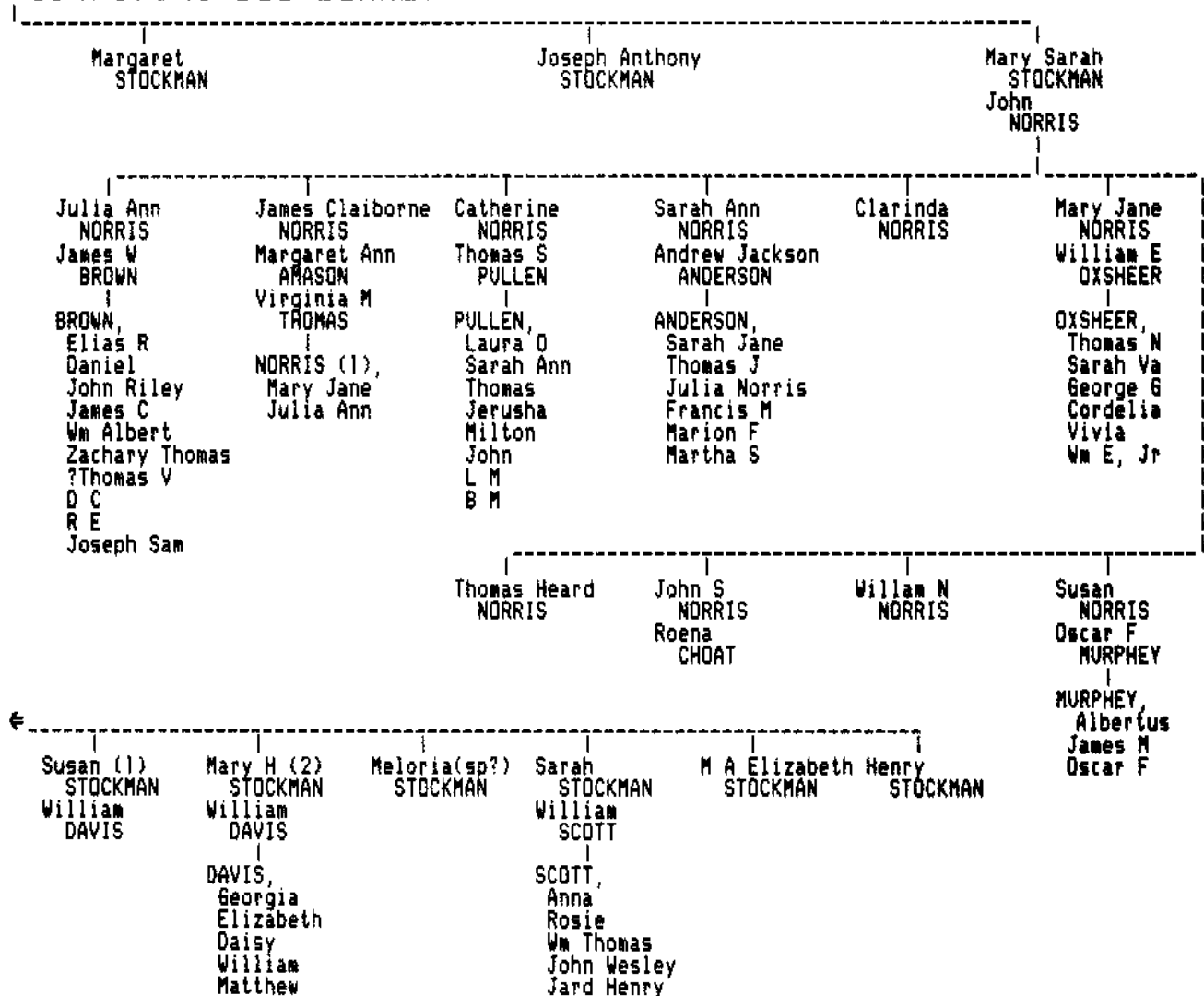


The accompanying chart shows the known descendents of Fredrick STOCKMAN and Catherine Des BONNET through the fourth generation. Fredrick STOCKMAN first brought his family to Texas by late 1805, settling on land five miles south of Villa Trinidad de Salcedo. In January 1812 they were ejected from Texas and went to Natchitoches, Louisiana. After Mexico gained its independence from Spain in 1821, Peter and Henry STOCKMAN and John NORRIS, their wives and families returned to near Nacogdoches. Peter made a home in what is now Shelby County alongside his wife's relatives, the CAROs. Henry found land in present Rusk County. Fredrick returned to Texas in the mid-1830s, and Catherine somewhat earlier; they both died in Texas in that decade.

Later Henry and Peter and most of their children moved farther west, and records in many counties attest to their presence. Almost all of Peter's family went to McLennan and the nearby counties of Hill and Limestone. Henry's family scattered more widely, →

AND CATHERINE DES BONNET

=Catherine Des BONNET



*Laura N STOCKMAN appears twice, as daughter of Hardy Francis STOCKMAN and as wife of Christopher Columbus Fredrick (Lum) STOCKMAN

to places like Blanco, Brown, Burnet, Caldwell, Dallas, Edwards, Kerr, Lampassas, San Saba, Travis, and Williamson Counties. A majority of the children of John NORRIS and Mary Sarah STOCKMAN likewise scattered to points in Texas farther west, but NORRIS and STOCKMAN descendents are still found in east Texas as well as in the rest of the state.

This chart is from a project by Lee T STOCKMAN of Antioch, California, and Jim McMILLEN of Arlington, Texas, to assimilate their own genealogical data and that of a number of other STOCKMAN family researchers into a more easily usable form. Personal and historical information is also being collected. The project carries the STOCKMAN descent down, in many cases, to the ninth generation.

Descendents of any of the families named are urged to contact James M McMILLEN at 1300 Park Lane, Arlington, TX 76012, or phone (817) 461-1599. -JMM-

WHEN IS A BIBLE NOT JUST A BIBLE
TO A GENEALOGIST?

By

Billie Beth Moore

Before the life of any genealogist is over, he or she will have asked the question, "Where is the family Bible?". As we all know, many family Bibles become lost, are burned, thrown away or end up in some sort of book store or junk yard. Sounds (as it is) most disrespectful for the Word of God to be treated so.

To a genealogist, however, it contains more than the Word of God, doesn't it? Within its pages is the history of countries, wars and people with their loves and hates. And, I'm sure we all have found more than one genealogy there. But, besides these which were written thousands of years ago, what about the Family Bible Record most often found between the Old and New Testaments...or have you found one at the beginning of the Bible or perhaps at the end?

As chairman of the Bible Records Committee for the Fort Worth Genealogical Society, it is my responsibility to index and cross index on 3X5 cards all the surnames in the "hidden" Bible records published by the many Texas quarterlies received by the society in exchange for FOOTPRINTS.

You, as a member and friend of the society are strongly urged to find, copy and present for publication in FOOTPRINTS any Bible record you may find - anywhere.

When copying a record, be sure to photocopy the title page along with the record. Of course, the older a Bible is, the more valuable its record becomes. We all agree that when possible the record should remain a part of the Bible and not be torn out. But, should the Bible be so old that it has come apart, the source will still stand as genealogical proof and verification of the record as written.

If you cannot photocopy and must hand copy or type the record, it is always wise to have a notarized statement to the fact that "This is as true and accurate a copy as it was possible to make."

Also, if the record is hard to read or you wish to give additional information, this should be done on a separate page and not in parenthesis in the record.

Please start looking for and sending in those records soon-before they are lost forever. Summer vacations are a great time to begin this fascinating part of your genealogical hunt.

FAMILY RECORD OF D. C. BROOKS & WIFE

This Bible record was copied 20 January 1958 by Twiggs Boger Brooks, of Childress, Texas, who gave it to Nancy Timmons Samuels in 1964. Mr. Brooks was the son of D. C. Brooks.

BIRTHS

Daniel Cicero Brooks born July 27th 1846
 Victoria Isabel Jowell born August 21st 1852
 Mellie Elizabeth Brooks born July 4th 1871
 Franklin Cicero Brooks born February 11th 1873
 Charlie Eugene Brooks born February 25th 1875
 James Preston Brooks born February 13th 1876
 Joel Welborne Brooks born March 3rd 1878
 Lona Belle Brooks born March 14th 1880
 Ewel Homer Brooks born February 27th 1882
 Donna Clare Brooks born June 11th 1884
 De Vic Brooks born January 19th 1888
 Grady C. Brooks born May 4th 1891
 Twiggs Boger Brooks born February 9th 1893
 Gentry Warner Brooks born November 10th 1895

MARRIAGES

Mellie Elizabeth Brooks married Charlie C. Bigham, Jr. - 1890
 Donna Clare Brooks married James Madison Lane June 21st 1910
 De Vic Brooks married Leona Bennett October 4th 1910
 Twiggs Boger Brooks married Lula Belle McSpadden Feb. 9th 1914
 Grady C. Brooks married Juno Helen Godfrey July 27th 1920

DEATHS

Charlie Eugene Brooks died March 26th 1875
 Franklin Cicero Brooks died April 30th 1876
 James Preston Brooks died March 14th 1878
 Joel Welborne Brooks died December 25th 1878
 Euel Homer Brooks died March 27th 1883
 Lona Belle Brooks died August 12th 1889
 Victoria Isabel Brooks died - August 12th 1941
 Daniel Cicero Brooks died January 3rd 1944

Mr. T. B. Brooks wrote: "Of the 12 children in our family, only the oldest and the five youngest ones lived to adulthood. Mellie Elizabeth (Brooks) Foster died Feb. 24th 1964." [His oldest sister m/2 Mr. Foster]

Notes by NTS:

Victoria Isabel Jowell was born in Rusk County, Texas, daughter of James Abercrombie and Tabitha Paralee (Jowell) Jowell, who were first cousins, and who were early settlers in Palo Pinto County, Texas. Their ancestors had lived in Laurens County, South Carolina, in Tennessee and Alabama, and came to Texas before 1850.

Daniel Cicero Brooks was born in Cherokee County, Texas, the son of John Franklin and Elizabeth G. (Moss) Brooke. These families used both spellings,

Brooks and Brooke. The parents soon returned to Cherokee County, Georgia, where, in November 1847, John F. Brooke was thrown from a horse and was killed. His grave is in the Sixes Cemetery, Cherokee County, Georgia. Elizabeth m/2 on 17 April 1850 Alexander Abbott, in Cherokee County, Georgia. They returned to Texas about 1854 and lived in Lampasas, Coryell, Bosque, and perhaps other counties. Her two Brooks sons, Joseph Warner and Daniel Cicero, were living in Bosque County in 1860, with or near their mother's Hill relatives. Little is known about the brother, Joseph Warner Brooks, who married his first cousin, Sarah Florence Edwards (a Brooke descendant), had a large family, and finally moved from Evant, Coryell County, to near Benjamin, Knox County, Texas. A daughter, Miss Mattie, was the second wife of Judge Carter Taylor, of Baylor County. In 1950 she wrote about her parents move from Evant. Descendants of Daniel Cicero stated that the two brothers seldom visited each other.

In 1929 Daniel Cicero and Victoria Isabel Brooks celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary, in Wellington, Texas. Their picture and an article appeared in the Fort Worth Star Telegram.

In 1942 an article by D. C. Brooks appeared in the Star Telegram's "West Texas Pioneers" series:

PALO PINTO PIONEER, AT 96, EAGERLY WATCHES
NEWS OF WAR: HE REMEMBERS FIVE

I have been waiting a long time to be old enough to have a place in your column. I am now 96 years old so should qualify as a West Texas Pioneer. I was born in Texas, of pioneer stock, and when a young man started out to be a pioneer, myself, going to Palo Pinto County in 1868. There I met Victoria Jowell, like myself, born in a pioneer Texas settler's home. Her family had moved to Palo Pinto County in 1855. In 1869 we were married and shared together the experience of the frontier, of pioneering a new country.

We were privileged to have many years together, and on July 27 celebrated our 72nd Wedding Anniversary, three weeks before my wife died.

When I first went to Palo Pinto County, I taught school. Will Cureton, father of our late Chief Justice, C. M. Cureton, and I taught at the same time. Some of our pupils later were of real importance in the State.

In 1870, when I was 25, I was appointed sheriff of Palo Pinto, Young, Throckmorton, Stephens and Eastland Counties. Judge Soward was presiding judge for this area, and S. W. T. Lanham was our prosecuting attorney, and a good one. We elected him to Congress from out our way, and Texas elected him Governor.

Being sheriff in those days, over that wide stretch of Indian-infested country, was a far different arrangement from being a sheriff of one county now, with good roads, automobiles and all sorts of laws. However, I had a fine horse named "Trusty", good six-shooters, a good saddle gun, youth and good luck—so I'm here yet.

There could be many tales told of my travels and experiences, some humorous and some most tragic. Each November I rode a horse to Austin to turn in thousands of dollars of tax money. Come to think of it, that was quite a ride.

In 1875 I pre-empted a home--rich land on the Brazos, seven miles southeast of Graham, in Young County. It is in range of the much-talked-about Possum Kingdom Dam. We lived there 35 years and raised our family of six children there. Wellington has been our home for some time now.

Right now I'm watching with great interest the outcome of this war--the fifth I've seen. My knowledge of wars started with the Texas Indian War, I was with the Texas Rangers for some time.

If any of the Palo Pinto, Jack, or Young County pioneers of my times reads this I salute them and hope that all is well with them, too. -- D. C. Brooks

According to an Abbott descendant, Elizabeth (Moss) Brooke Abbott had three Abbott children, Preston, Roxie and Edna Malinda, b. 1861, who was three days old when her mother died. Elizabeth is buried somewhere in Lampasas County. Old Jane, one of the Moss slaves, became nursemaid for Edna Malinda Abbott. Malinda married Martin Franklin Hornbuckle in 1882; he served as sheriff of Bosque County. After the death of "great-grandmother Moss" [Edna], Uncle Cicero Brooks took Old Jane to Weatherford and bought her a house, and this is where Old Jane died. She had a son, Sam Moss, and Sam had a son, Henry Moss, who lived at Whitney, Texas [1964]. Descendants of the Moss slaves visited Malinda (Abbott) Hornbuckle until her death in 1946. [This information from a daughter of Malinda Hornbuckle, of Clifton, in 1964]

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SURNAME RESEARCH INDEX

The Fort Worth Genealogical Society's SURNAME INDEX, compiled by Olyve H. Abbott, is available by mail for \$4.75 ppd. The INDEX contains over 5,500 surnames, including counties and states in which these people lived. Make your check payable to Fort Worth Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 9767, Fort Worth, TX 76147.

SURNAME INDEX SUPPLEMENT - If you did not submit names last year, or you are a new member, and wish to participate in the 1989 supplement, this is the procedure:

1. Mail an ALPHABETICAL list of SURNAMES that you are researching. 2. List the county and state in which your ancestors lived. If you know of more than one place in which they lived, list them. Do as many names as you are researching, on one numbered list. If more than 25 names, check your preferred 25. If space allows, we will use your entire list. Optional: Include a pedigree chart in addition to your surname list, but not instead of a list. If you are researching Brown, Johnson, Jones, Smith, or Williams, include a given name.

EXAMPLE: 1. HAWKINS - Stafford Co and ? Co VA; Jessamine, Rowan, Fleming Cos KY; Somervell Co TX.
 2. JOHNSON. Jesse B. - Rowan Co KY; Comanche Co TX.
 3. PEARCE - VA; Bath and Fleming Cos KY.
 4. SHULTS - Washington Co AR; Franklin Co MO.

BIBLE RECORDS OF
JOSEPH H. D. STREET
AND
JOSEPH MONTFORT STREET

Editor's Note: These records were sent to us several years ago by Philip Smyth of Denton, Texas. The Bibles originally belonged to his great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather. Mrs. Smyth has given permission to print them as submitted by her late husband.

MARRIAGES

Joseph Hamilton Daviess Street and Emily A. Burnett were married on the 17th November A. D. 1835 at Prairie du Chien Wisconsin Try. at the residence of Gen. J. M. Street Father of J. H. D. Street

William J. Parsons and Mary Eliza second daughter of Joseph H. D. and Emily Ann Street were married on the 29th day of November A. D. 1869 (By Rev. L. B. Stateler) at the residence of the bride's Father on the East Gallatin River Gallatin Co. Montana Territory.

George W. Wakefield and Adela Davis daughter of J. H. D. and Emily Ann Street were married on the 7th day of January A. D. 1875 by Rev. L. B. Crittenden at the family residence of the brides father on the East Gallatin River Gallatin Co. Montana Territory

William O. P. Hays and Mary Eliza second daughter of J. H. D. and Emily A. Street were married on the -- day of May A. D. 1879, by Rev. L. B. Crittenden at the residence of her brother on East Gallatin, Gallatin Co. Montana

BIRTHS

Joseph H. D. Street the 2nd son of Joseph M & Eliza M Street, was born at Walnut Springs Henderson Co Ky. on the 2nd day of Dec. 1812

Emily Ann Burnett the wife of J. H. D. Street, was born in Shelly [sic] County Ky. on the 23rd August 1818

Adela Davis the Eldest child and 1st Daughter of Joseph H. D. & Emily A. Street was born at Cassville Wisconsin June 21st 1837

Joseph Mountfort 1st son of J. H. D. and Emily Ann Street was born at Cassville Wisconsin Oct 10th 1839

Thomas Posey 2nd Son of Joseph H. D. & Emily Ann Street was born at Cassville Wisconsin July 7th 1841

Burnett 3rd Son of J. H. D. & Emily Ann Street was born at Cassville Wisconsin Octr 21st 1843
Thornton Alexander 4th Son of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street was born 21st March 1846 at Agency House Iowa

Mary Eliza 2nd Daughter & 6 child of J. H. D. & E. A. Street was born in Iowa 10th July 1848. Ottumwa.

Theodore Legrand 5th son of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa 22nd December A. D. 1851

Lucy Eleanor 3rd Daughter & 8 child of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa 23rd September A. D. 1853

Anna Maria 4th Daughter & 9 child of J. H. D. & Emily Ann Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa 17th November A. D. 1854

Sarah Lloyd 5th daughter & 10th child of J. H. D. & Emily Ann Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa 27th September 1856

William Anthony 6th Son and eleventh child of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa on the 9th day of February 1859

Emma Ida 6th daughter & 12th child of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street was born at Ottumwa Iowa on the 27th day of September 1861

DEATHS

Joseph Mountfort 1st son of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street died at Prairie du Chien Wisconsin July 14th 1840. Aged 9 months & 4 days.

Burnett 3rd Son of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street died at old Agency House (Iowa) March 16th 1848. Aged 4 years 4 months & 24 days. An unusually bright & intelligent child.

Lucy Eleanor 3rd daughter of J. H. D. and Emily Ann Street, Died at Ottumwa (Iowa) Octr. 30, 1853. Aged 5 Weeks and two days.

Anna Maria 4th daughter and 9th child of J. H. D. and Emily Ann Street died at Ottumwa Iowa October 20th 1855. Aged 11 Months and 3 days. Sermons at the House.

Sarah Lloyd 5th daughter and 10th child of J. H. D. & Emily A. Street died at Ottumwa Iowa August 1857 at 10 Oclk P.M. Services at Presbyterian Church

William Anthony 6th son and Eleventh child of J. H. D. and Emily Ann Street died at Ottumwa Iowa on the 4th of September 1859 at 10 Oclk A.M. Aged 6 months and 26 days

Departed this life at the residence of her Dear Husband on the Gallatin River, in Gallatin County Montana Territory; on Wednesday the 6th day of May A. D. 1868. at 4Oclk and 20 minuts A.M. in

full and blessed assurance of a life of Peace & joy in the presence of her Lord and Master Jesus Christ, Emily Ann consort of Joseph H. D. Street; aged 49 years 8 months and 13 days. The dear subject of these lines was married to the undersigned at the early age of 17. We lived together in much hapiness for over 32 years, and wer blessed by the Lord with 12 children 6 sons and 6 daughters. 6 of these died in infancy and 6 she leaves to mourn their great and irreparable loss She had been in a poor State of health for some 12 or 18 months before her death, occasioned principally by severe Sick headaches which undermind her constitution and frequently left her in a very low & melencholy state of mind. During this time she often spoke affectionately to her children & with great calmness and christian resignation of her approaching death. The Monster seemed to have no terror for her and she seemed only anxious & troubled about the welfare and hapiness of her dear ones that she must leave behind.

While in this low & feeble state, She was attack with mountain or typhus fever which for near 5 weeks raged with great violence and finally after baffling all the skill & energy of her Phycians & friends terminated her Earthly existence. She was surrounded by her anxcius husband Six Kind & loving children and many good Kind friends who did all in human power to prolong her dear, useful life & who when they found they had to give her up exerted themselves to soothe her passage to the world of bliss. She passed away calmly & quietly. Just laid her dear head of Jesu's breast and breathed her life out sweetly there.

J. H. D. Street

Judge Joseph Hamilton Daviess Street departed this life on Friday, September 18th 1875, at Willow creek, Gallatin Co. Montana, aged 62 yrs 3 mos and 16 days, after an illness of only fifteen minutes, resulting, it was thought from heart disease. He had been in apparent good health up to that time. He died ion full and blessed assurance of a peaceful rest in that world where sorrow never comes, where all is peace and joy forever more.

BIBLE OF JOSEPH MONTFORT STREET

MARRIAGES

Joseph M. Street was born on the 18th day of December 1782. The sixth son of Anthony & Milly Street, formerly Molly Stokes.

Eliza Maria Street, formerly Posey, the first Daughter of Thomas & Mary Posey was born the 26th day of August 1792.

Joseph M. & Eliza M. Posey were married by the Reverent James McGready at (Western view in) [added between lines in ink of another color] Henderson [Ky] on the 9th day of October 1809.

Thomas Posey Street, 1st son of J. M. & E. M. Street, was married to Mary Jane Mayfield the --- of September 1834.

George Wilson and Mary Street, daughter of J. M. & E. M. Street were married at Jos. M. Street's house in Prairie Du Chien 26 March 1835.

Joseph Hamilton Daviess Street, 2d son of Joseph M. & E. M. Street, was married to Emily Burnett at J. M. Street's house ion Prairie DuChien, the 18th day of November 1835.

John Beach and Lucy Frances Street daughter of J. M. & E. M. Street, were married the 21st day of August 1837, at Joseph M. Street's House in Prairie du Chien.

Alexander Street and Amelia Ferger Beach (5th Son of J. M. & E. M. Street) were married 25th of Decr 1844 at Racoon Agency the residence of John Beach by the Reverend John Pardoe [written in ink of another color]

William B. Street (4th Son of J. M. & E. M. Street) and P. M. Cobb were married at Oskaloosa Iowa July 28th 1854 by Revd John Harris

BIRTHS

Thomas Posey Street the first son of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street was born the 14th day of December 1810 at Western view Hend. Ky.

Joseph Hamilton Daviess Street the second Son of Joseph M. and Eliza M. Street was born on the 2d Day of December 1812 (at Walnut Spring Henderson Kentucky) [added in margin in same ink]

Thornton Mountfort Street the third son of Joseph M. and Eliza M. Street was born on the 4th day of September 1814 (At Shawnee town Illinois) [added in margin in same ink]

Mary Street the first daughter of Joseph M. and Eliza M. Street was born on the Eighteenth day of May ion the Year One thousand eight hundred and sixteen (At Westwoodplace Gallatin Illinois) [added in margin in same ink]

Lucy Frances Street the second Daughter of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street, was born the 23d day of November 1817

William B. Street the fourth Son of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street was born the 12th day of July 1819 at Westwoodplace Illinois

Alexander Street the fifth son of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street was born the fifth day of April 1821 at Westwoodplace Illinois

Sarah Ann Street the third Daughter of Joseph M. & Eliza Maria Street, was born the Twenty second day January A. D. 1823 at Westwoodplace

Washington Posey Street the sixth Son of J. M. & E. M. Street was born the 2d day of January 1825 at Westwoodplace

Eliza Ann, the fourth Daughter of Joseph M. and Eliza Maria Street was born the 28th day of January 1828 at Westwoodplace

John Lloyd the Seventh Son of J. M. & E. M. Street, was born the 23d day of November 1829, about 9 O'clock in the morning at Prairie du Chien

Anthony Waddy Street the eight son of Joseph M. & Eliza Maria Street was born the 24th day of November in the year 1831. At Prairie Du Chien.

Sarah Eleanor Street 5th daughter of J. M. & E. M. Street, born 11 March 1836 at Prairie du chien

David Street 9th Son of J. M. & E. M. Street, born 24th May 1837 at Prairie du Chien

DEATHS

Genl. Thomas Posey the Father of Eliza Maria Street. Died at Westwoodplace Gallatin County Illinois 2 miles from Shawn Town in the Ohio River, On the 18th day of March 1818 in the 68th year of his age in sound mind and full confidence of a joyful resurrection, he laid on his death bed 8 days and suffered much in body but his mind was unusually tranquil & calm & a sweet resignation (brightened his happy Spirit to Glory) [added between lines in another color ink], he was attended by only 2 of his children his 2nd son Maj Fayette Posey of Henderson County Kentucky & his Eldest daughter E. M. Street, his wife Mary Posey & Son in Law Joseph M. Street

Mary Posey the Mother of Eliza M. Street departed this life at Walnut Spring in Henderson County Kentucky on the 24 day of May 1837 in the 83rd year of her age at this advanced age she enjoy'd uncommon health had raised 12 children was a most exemplary christian she lived as those whose light shineth more and more until the perfect day 2 or 3 days she was slightly sick and then without much apparent suffering fell asleep in Jesus.

Sarah Ann Street, the third Daughter of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street departed this life on the 12th day of August 1824 20 minutes after 4 O'clock in the morning; aged 1 year 7 months & 10 days

Thornton Montfort Street the third son of Joseph M. & E. M. Street departed this life the 1 day of January 1833 with a sweet hope of an immortal glory through faith in Jesus Christ - 18 years & 4 months old. A decided Christian and said he believed he was going to die and that he was going home to God.

Gen. Joseph M. Street departed this life on the 5 day of May 1840- of apoplexy he had been in feeble health during the summer and in the fall had several attacks of sickness in Novr. he was seised with a return of a disease in some measure constitutional

a paralytic affection, in the course of the winter he had several other distressing diseases which all baffled the skill of the best Physicians and in the full hope of a blissful immortality he left a large family and numerous friends to mourn their loss. Aged 58 years 7 months & 23 days. Say ye to the righteous it shall be well with him for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Isaiah 3rd chap & 10 Verse (at the Sac & Fox Agency)

Eliza Ann Street Fourth Daughter of Jos. M. & Eliza M. Street departed this life near Jacksonville, at 15 minutes after 4 p.M. on the 25th of September 1843. Aged 15 Years 8 Months & 28 Days.

Death but removed a spotless flower
While yet its huse were bright
To bloom afresh in Heaven's fair bower
In endless glorious light

Thomas Posey Street oldest Son of Jos. M. & Eliza M. Street departed this life on the 15 day of April 1841 at Prairie Du Chien in the 31st year of his age he was only severely sick a few days he died of Thyphus fever

Lucy Frances Beach the 2nd Daughter of Joseph M. & Eliza M. Street departed this life on the 31st day of July 1845 at the Raccoon River Agency of quick consumption. She bore her last severe illness with christian meekness & fortitude & died in the triumphs of a firm & well grounded faith in her lord & master. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Ed. Note: The last page of this Bible record concerns the slaves of Joseph M. Street and does not give complete information in some cases.

END OF BIBLE RECORDS

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THE BIOGRAPHY AND BIBLE RECORDS OF

JAMES COPE WAITS

AND

MARTHA ANN CHRISTIAN WAITS

By Elizabeth Schuler Chupet

It is difficult to decide whether to begin this biography of my great-grandparents with an 1893 newspaper clipping or with a quote from a letter of 1903. The letter is from my father, James Burt Schuler, in Dallas, to my mother, Emma McConnell Schuler, visiting her parents in Alvord, Texas. "You have missed the visit of darling Grandma Waits" reveals great affection, I think. What a compliment to a grandmother to be "darling Grandma!" But since the clipping gives information about both Martha Ann and James Cope Waits [my great-grandparents] I shall begin with it.

The clipping is from a Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County, Texas, newspaper, dated May 28, 1893.

GOLDEN WEDDING DAY CELEBRATED BY COUPLE WHO WERE AMONG THE FOUNDERS OF JEFFERSON. A very enjoyable and happy celebration of the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Waits took place at the old homestead, one mile east of town May 16. Just fifty years ago they were married in Red River County by Rev. John McKenzie who has long since passed away, and there is but one other person living who was present at the time. In a short time after their marriage, they moved to Jefferson, Texas, where he with others laid the foundation of that prosperous city. In 1861 they moved near this place where they have since lived. They raised a family of eight children, five sons and three daughters, five married and three single, and all present with the families to cheer the aged couple in their declining years, save one son.

The dining room was tastefully arranged, a beautiful monogram of the figures 1843 and 1893 was arranged over the old-fashioned fireplace in full view of all those entering. The presents were rich and costly and useful as well as ornamental. This aged couple are members of the Methodist Church and have been for more than thirty years.

Everybody is made to feel pleasant and at home when about "Uncle Jimmy and Aunt Martha" as they are familiarly called.

Rev. J. D. Martin, Pastor of the Methodist Church and a pupil of Rev. McKenzie, who married them was present and did the honors of the day. All left with a hearty Goodbye and a "God bless you."

"Uncle Jimmie" and "Aunt Martha" were the parents of my grandmother, Mary Jane Waits, who was born in Jefferson, the Republic of Texas, on Dec. 4, 1844.

My grandmother lived with us and I realize now that she was an encyclopedia of information about her own Waits Christian family and that of her husband, Washington Gray Schuler. If only I had asked questions and listened!

Her father, James Cope Waits, was the eldest son and second child of Allen Waits [Waites] and Rhoda Cope Waits, and a grandson of Samuel Waits who came to South Carolina from Scotland about 1767. According Mrs. J. Alvis Davis of Port Arthur, Texas, Samuel was accompanied by two brothers and a sister.

According to James Revill's A Compilation of the Original Lists of Protestant Immigrants to South Carolina 1763-1773, John Waight, aged 60, his wife Mary, aged 52, John 19, Samuel 15, Benjamin 13 and Sarah 8, arrived in the province from Bristol in late 1767 or early 1768. I believe this is "my" Samuel's family but I have no proof. According to family tradition, Samuel died at the early age of 37 in 1790 - probably in Georgia. His son, Allen, was born the same year. Other possible children may have been James, Joseph and Samuel, all living near Allen in 1830.

Allen Waits is shown on the 1820 Warren County, Tennessee, married, the father of three sons and a daughter. His wife was Rhoda Cope, daughter of James and Elizabeth Cope of the same county. By 1830 the Waits family had moved fifty miles south to Jackson County, Alabama, near the town of Bolivar.

According to Waits Bible records, children of Allen and Rhoda Waits were:

1. Polly, born July 24, 1815
2. James Cope, born May 11, 1817
3. Cartrel Bethel, born Aug. 2, 1818
4. Allen J. born July 20, 1820
5. William S. born Jan. 14, 1822
6. Joseph C. born Dec. 4, 1823
7. Elizabeth, born Jan. 12, 1826
8. Lina Doran, born April 19, 1827
9. Rhoda Emmaline, born Dec. 19, 1829
10. Matilda Jane, born Nov. 5, 1831

All of the children were born in Warren County, Tennessee, except Matilda Jane, who was born in Jackson County, Alabama. I do not have any further information on Polly and Matilda Jane.

Cartrel Bethel Waits married Mary Lucas in 1840. He died in Arkansas in 1907.

Allen J. Waits married Sarah Boatwright and died about 1859 in Colorado.

William S. Waits married Sarah A. Haskins in 1858. He was killed in 1860 in Arkansas by bushwhackers.

Joseph C. Waits married three times 1) Margaret Hammonds; 2) Martha O'Brien and 3) Eunice Johnson. He died Nov. 28, 1909 in Sapulpa, Okla.

Elizabeth Waits may have married one William Robert Sanders.

Linea Doran Waits married John Fritts in 1852 in Madison County, Arkansas. She died Jan. 18, 1906.

Rhoda Emmaline Waits married Wilson A. Beaver in 1852. She died April 9, 1877.

Allen Waits, father of the above children died July 29, 1832 in Bolivar, Jackson County, Alabama. What a plight for a young woman left with ten children! What a struggle it must have been to make ends meet! Four years later, in 1836, Rhoda Waits married John Woodard Sanders, a widower and native of Virginia. The couple set out, with nine Waits children, for their new home in War Eagle Township, Madison County, Arkansas, arriving there in the fall of 1836. The oldest daughter, Polly Waits, stayed in Alabama.

My great-grandfather, James Cope Waits, left Arkansas for Clarksville, Red River County, Texas in 1841. As far as I know, he never returned to Arkansas. About the same time, Mark Robertson Christian and his wife, Jane Mary Burt Christian moved to Clarksville from Madison County, Tennessee.

Both Mark and Mary Christian were born in Wake County, North Carolina. Mary was the daughter of Alfred Burk and Elizabeth Senter Burk. Mark was the son of James and Helen Hardy Christian. James, a Revolutionary War veteran, died in Wake County on March 25, 1815. The Christians of my family came originally from the Isle of Man, from Cumberland, England and from the area of Wigtonshire, Scotland. My ancestor, Gilbert Christian and his wife, Margaret Richardson Christian, came from Ireland to Newcastle, Pa. in 1726 with their three sons, John, Robert and William [my ancestor] and a daughter, Mary. By 1732, they had moved to the area of Staunton, Virginia - originally in Orange County - later Augusta County.]

I have no information on Helen Hardy Christian and am interested in acquiring Hardy information.

Mark Christian, my great-grandfather, still held property in Wake County, N. C. in 1820, but by 1821 or 1822 he had moved to Madison County, Tennessee. He is shown in the census of that county in 1830 and 1840.

Martha Ann, the youngest child of the Christians [born March 11, 1827 in Madison County, Tennessee,] must have been a beauty when

she married James Cope May 16, 1843. She was only sixteen. She was quite a beauty even in old age as seen in a painting of her owned by a great granddaughter, Mrs. E. L. Britt of Arlington, Texas.

The newly married couple moved to Jefferson almost immediately. It was then in Cass County, Texas, and became Marion County in 1860. It is my belief that Martha Ann's parents also moved there at the same time. She had brothers [or half brothers] George, Rufus, Alfred, James and William, and a sister. One Jane Christian married J. H. Barham on Feb. 16, 1840 in Tennessee. Was she Martha Ann's sister? Several Christian families are shown in the 1840s and 1850s in northeast Texas. Which were relatives? I need help with this.

In October 1975, my husband and I visited the lovely old Excelsior House, a hotel still available for guests in the charming town of Jefferson. While there, I showed the "Golden Wedding Day" clipping, and was told that my grandmother just might have been the first white child born in Jefferson.

The Waits family is shown in the 1850 census of Cass County, Texas living in Precinct #2, Dwelling 66. James Waits occupation was that of carpenter. The daughter "Frances Mary" shown as 4, should be "Mary Jane" who was then 5 years old.

Living next door to James and Martha Waits was J. Mary Christian, 51, born in North Carolina; William Christian, 29 born in Texas [should be Tenn.] and Mary Christian, age 18, born in Texas. Mark Christian had died before 1850. Where did he die? He owned land in Titus County [near Mt. Pleasant] as well as acreage elsewhere in northeast Texas. Therefore, he could have been buried in a town other than Jefferson.

Mrs. Christine Waits Bates [my cousin] of Dallas owns the Waits Bible and the Coffey Bible. [Cleora Waits married Thomas Jessup Coffey.] My cousin has been unable to find any clue as to the publisher of the old Waits Bible. The back and most of the pages are misplaced, but the records are very clear, probably in the handwriting of Martha Ann Christian Waits until her death in 1913.

Parents' Records

James Waits was born May the 11th A. D. 1817
Martha Ann Helen Christian was born March the 11th 1827

This information is repeated on another page with the additional fact that "consort of James Waits was born March the 11th 1827 in Madison County, Tennessee."

James Waits married Martha Christian the 19th of May 1843 in Red River County, Texas by the Rev. John McKenzie

BIBLE RECORD

Mary Jane Waits was born Dec the 4th A.D. 1844
 William Tell Waits was born April the 29th A.D. 1850 Allen
 Christian Waits was born January 17th A.D. 1853
 Cleorah Ann Waits was born March the 13th A.D. 1855
 Walter Scott Waits was born November the 28th A.D. 1858
 James Moreland Waits was born June 1, 1863
 Martha Leona Waits was born March 30th 1866
 Sam Mitt Waits was born Sept. 16 1874

All the children except Martha and Sam were born in Cass County, Texas. The two younger were born in Hopkins County, Texas.

MARRIAGES

Mary Jane Waits was married to W. G. Shuler on the 23rd day of Dec. 1863 Hopkins Co. Texas

Cleora A. Waits was married to T. J. Coffey 23rd of Sept. 1874 by the Rev. Wiley Shook Hopkins Co. Texas

W.T. Waits was married to Sarah Shook December 24th 1876 by the Reverend Matt? Smith Hopkins Co. Texas

Leona Waits married to Harry Norris the 20th of January 1892 by Bro? Dunn? in Hopkins Co.

Allen Waits married to Florence Fulmer Nov. 29, 1893 by the Reverend Bucher" Riddle in Sulphur Springs, Hopkins Co., Texas

W. S. Waits married Tuesday September the 8th in Oklahoma City, Okla. to Mrs. May Morgan [the year could be 1903 or 1913. Record difficult to read]

James M. Waits married to Nannie Edwards June 17th 1891 Indian Territory

Samuel Mitt Waits married Abby D. Mitchell on April 15 1908 [date given by owner of Bible, a daughter of Samuel and Abby Waits]

DEATHS

Florence Waits Consort of Allen Waits died Saturday night 18th of Aug. 1874 [Both Allen & Florence were waylaid and shot. Florence was killed. The murderer was hanged shortly thereafter in Sulphur Springs]

Sam Mitt Waits died on Tuesday, Apr. 11, 1950, around 10:00 A.M. in Austin, Texas. Buried April 13th at Laurel Land Cemetery, Dallas, Texas

James Cope Waits died at Oak Cliff, Dallas Monday, March 13, 1899 and was buried at Sulphur Springs, Hopkins Co. Texas

Martha Ann Waits died at Oak Cliff, Dallas, Texas Feb. 19, 1913 at 5:50 O'Clock P.M. [buried at Sulphur Springs]

Margeth Sammie Waits died at Thorp Springs, Tx. June 16, 1920 at 9:00 A.M. [daughter of Sam Mitt Waits]

Abbie D. Waits died Thursday Nov. 30, 1939 at 5:20- P.M. Consort of Sam M. Waits

The following death dates are from various sources:

William Tell Waits died on January 19, 1925 in Sulphur Springs [given by son, Burt Christian Waits]

Cleorah Ann Coffey consort of Thomas J. Coffey died Jan. 11, 1933 in Dallas [from Coffey Bible]

Mary Jane Schuler wife of W. G. Schuler died on Dec. 20, 1933 in Dallas, Texas. Buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Dallas [Schuler Bible Records and Confederate Pension record]

Martha Leona Norris, wife of Harry Dent Norris died July 26, 1861 in Dallas, Texas [information from her daughter, Mrs. Hill]

Walter Scott Waits died on April 17, 1935 at 4509 Columbia Ave. Dallas, Texas. Buried Greenwood Cemetery, Dallas April 19, 1935 [death certificate]

Allen Christian Waits died Jan. 21, . 1947 in Ennis, Ellis Co. Texas. Buried in Fort Worth [death certificate]

James Moreland Waits died on June 25, 1952 in Austin. Buried in Austin Memorial Park [death certificate]

The Coffey Bible is also owned by Mrs. Christina Waits Bates. It is "The Parallel Bible" with text conformable to that of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. N. D. McDonald and Co., New Orleans, La. Date is shown as 1875 and it was given to T. J. Coffey in 1890. The children of J. C. Coffey and Cleorah Waits Coffey are shown as follows:

BIRTHS

Susie Waits Coffey was born Nov. 2, 1876 Dallas
Leona Lillian Coffey was born March 10, 1879 Dallas
Bessie Allen Coffey was born Sept. 6, 1880, Dallas
Cleora Jim Coffey was born Dec. 9, 1882, Dallas
Mary Truehart Coffey was born Sept. 23, 1884, Dallas
Homer Sales Coffey was born Nov. 23, 1885, Dallas
Eula Clothilda Coffey was born March 7, 1888, Dallas
Frances Hull Coffey was born July 31, 1893, Dallas
Harry Buford Coffey was born May 3, 1895 Dallas
Martha Maurine Coffey was born May 15, 1897, Dallas

DEATHS

Cleora Jim Coffey Departed this life June 26, 1884, Dallas
 Mary Truehart Coffey Departed this life June 8, 1885, Dallas
 Leona Lillian Coffey Departed this life Dec. 21, 1891, Dallas
 Francis Hull Coffey departed this life Aug. 2, 1893 [Dallas]
 Thomas Jessup Coffey departed this life Nov. 4, 1915 [Dallas]
 Cleora Ann Coffey departed this life Jan. 11, 1933 [Dallas]
 Eula Clotilda Coffey Wadsworth departed this life Jan. 15, 1954
 Harry Buford Coffey departed this life Oct. 1954?
 Allen Coffey Clayton departed this life Dec. 30, 1955 4:40 P.M.
 Martha Maurine Coffey Quarles departed this life Sept. 15, 1968
 Susie Tom Coffey Price departed this life Feb. 28, 1971
 Marion Allen Price Jack departed this life Sept. 22, 1968
 [All the above-named died in Dallas]

Eula Coffey Wadsworth collected genealogical records of the Waits and Christian families, as well as the Coffey family, only to have them thrown away by a brother after her death!!!

My grandmother, Mary Jane Waits Schuler, loved to read, especially historical novels. Upon completion of one of Sir Walter Scott's books, she said to me, "I came from a very fine family." I have often wondered if the particular novel was Quinton Durwood which given an account of the Christian family in the Isle of Man during the 17th century.

My grandmother married Washington Gray Schuler in Sulphur Springs, Texas on Dec. 23, 1863. [What liberties county clerks took in recording statistics. She is shown as "Mollie Waits!"] He was the son of Leonard and Cassandra Gray Schuler of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and had recently been discharged from the Confederate Army with disabilities.

Parish records of Esslingen, Wuertimburg, Germany [copies in my possession] show the ancestry of Leonard Schuler as:

Grandparents: George Adam Schuler and Maria Regina Durr, both born in Esslingen. Leonard's father was Johann Christoph Schuler, born March 10, 17845 in Esslingen, died Oct. 28, 1808 in Esslingen. He first married, June 13, 1769, Anna Marie Laufer [born June 5, 1752 and died Oct. 25, 1785.] His second marriage on Feb. 16, 1786, was to Catherine Barbara Silber, daughter of Johann Georg Silber and Maria Barbara Falch. She was born Jan. 26, 1765 in Esslingen and died Jan. 13, 1837.

Johann Leonhard, or Leonard, Schuler, was born July 3, 1807 in Esslingen. He came to the United States about 1829 or 1830 because of his discontent with the highly militaristic pressures of Prussia. For unknown reasons, the spelling of the surname was changed to Shuler. This was revealed to his wife and children on his deathbed in 1870. Most of the family changed back to the original spelling in the next few years.

Leonard Schuler settled in Washington County, Arkansas, where he married in January 1832 Cassandra Gray, daughter of Washington and Phoebe [Byrd?] Gray. Leonard died May 5, 1870 and Cassandra Gray Schuler died Jan. 29, 1891. Both are buried in Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

The children of Leonard and Cassandra Schuler were:

1. Christopher Jeremiah "Nance," born 1833 Cane Hill, Ark.; died March 30, 1907 in Henderson, Rusk Co. Texas. He was a Confederate veteran. He married Nov. 26, 1868, Claiborne Parish, La., Barbara ---- Born 1850; died Jan. 29, 1934.
2. Washington Gray [my grandfather], born July 5, 1837, Cane Hill, Arkansas; died July 25, 1900, in Dallas. He married Mary Jane Waits Dec. 23, 1863 in Sulphur Springs, Texas. She was born Dec. 4, 1844 in Jefferson, the Republic of Texas and died Dec. 20, 1933 in Dallas. Both are buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Dallas.
3. Josephine A., born April 1, 1841, Cane Hill, Arkansas; died Nov. 4, 1909 in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. She married Jesse Gregory Riddle May 29, 1885. He was born Dec. 14, 1841; died Jan. 15, 1919.
4. Marcellus, born July 12, 1843, Evansville, Arkansas; died Jan. 28, 1878, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
5. Mary Louise, born May 1, 1845, Evansville, Arkansas; died March 27, 1915 in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. , She married Nov. 2, 1868 Emsloy A. Blount, born Oct. 1, 1845, Hardin Co. Tenn.; died Feb. 3, 1891 from a railroad accident. Both are buried in Masonic Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
6. John Tan [Tallyrand], born Oct. 10, 1856, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; died June 10, 1913, Mt. Pleasant. About 1877 he married Mary Frances Alford, born Sept. 12, 1854 in Georgia; died Sept. 21, 1910, in Mt. Pleasant. They are both buried in Damascus Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

Josephine Riddle was a special favorite of my grandmother. Actually, she, Mary Jane Waits Schuler, was so attached to her Waits family that I recall little conversation concerning Mt. Pleasant. Her thoughts lay with Sulphur Springs, Mineral Wells and later Dallas, where the Schulers moved in 1888. My father, James Burt Schuler, worked for many years at Sanger Brothers. His letters to my mother, Emma McConnell, prior to their marriage June 3, 1903, are with the envelopes which show early street scenes of Dallas in the left hand corner. It is in one of these that my father spoke of her missing the visit of "darling Grandma Waits."

BIBLE RECORD OF JAMES TURNER PERSONS

Photostats of these records were sent to the editor in 1955. At that time the Bible was in the possession of James Turner Persons of Corpus Christi, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Persons are now deceased, as is their only son, James, and the present whereabouts of the Bible is not known.

BIRTHS

Sally A. Persons daughter of James T. & Catharine Persons was born A. D. December 2 1829

Amos Persons son of James T & Catharine Persons was born May 28, A. D. 1831

Cynthia E. Persons daughter of James T & Catharine Persons was born Jan 27 A. D. 1833

Robert H. Persons, son of James T & Catharine Persons was born Nov 29, 1834 A. D.

Henry J. Persons son of James T & Catharine Persons was born July 9 A. D. 1837

Martha G. Persons, daughter of James T & Catharine Persons was born Nov 13th A. D. 1839

David F. Persons son of James T & Catharine Persons was born September 16 A. D. 1841

Ann C daughter of James T & Catherine Persons was born A. D. July 25th 1843 [handwriting is that of Catharine Persons]

Catharine Persons jr daughter of Jas T & Catharine Persons was born A. D. Nov the 26 1845 [handwriting is that of Catharine Persons]

Lucy J Persons daughter of Jas T & Catharine Persons was born February 13th A.D. 1848

Laura Serene Persons daughter of Jas T & Catharine Persons was born March the 18 A. D. 1851

Sallie P. Berry was born Dec 26th A. D. 1851 [Catharine Persons handwriting]

Jimmy [James Turner written above] & Mary was born the 19 Nov A.D. 1855

DEATHS

Amos Persons son of Jas T & Catharine Persons departed this life April 17 A. D. 1832 aged 11 mos & 20 days

Sallie A. Berry departed this life March 7 A. D. 1852

Lucy J. Persons departed this life March 19 A. D. 1853

Serene Persons departed this life April 6 A. D. 1853

James T Persons departed this life Oct 6th A. D. 1861

Henry J. Persons departed this life Feb 22 A. D. 1862 was wounded in the battle of Valverde on 21st [Catharine Persons' handwriting]

Cinthia E Phillips departed this life May 10th 1862

Robt H Persons departed this life July 23 A. D. 1862

David Persons departed this life July 29, 1870

Carrie Weedin departed this life December 8th A. D. 1874

Catharine Persons departed this life 4 oclock a.m. Aug 8th A. D. 1878 at Cleburne Johnson Co Texas

Supplemental notes by BRK:

James Turner Persons was the son of Amos Persons and Martha Gardner. He was born in 1806 in Warren County, Georgia. The Persons family moved to Livingston County, Kentucky about 1809. James Persons grew up there and married Catharine Hodge on September 28, 1828. All of the children were born in that county.

In 1856, the Persons family moved to Navarro County, Texas. James Persons died of pneumonia in the fall of 1861, followed by his son-in-law, Dr. Phillips, just one week later. Catharine Persons went to visit her new grandson, another James Persons, in 1878 - a visit from which she never returned. While there, she died on measles.

Sally Persons married Beverly Miller Berry in 1851. She died a few months after the birth of their daughter. Little Sally was reared by her maternal grandmother since she and her father came to Texas with the Persons family. James Persons and Mr. Berry were in partnership in a mercantile business until the former's death.

Amos Persons and another baby - stillborn - are buried in the Duley's Bluff Cemetery in Livingston County, Kentucky.

Cynthia Elizabeth Persons married Dr. Robert Marcus Phillips in Livingston County in 1854. Dr. Phillips, although a Kentucky native, was then practicing medicine in Chatfield, Navarro County. They had three children: James Marcus, Harriet and Kate. Bob Phillips' death came just one week after that of James Persons. "Sis Cinnie," as my grandmother called her, died of tuberculosis in early 1862. I have her wedding ring - set with garnets.

Robert Hodge Persons was working in New Orleans when he received word of the above-mentioned deaths. He went home to help his mother, and after seeing to the spring planting, returned to New Orleans to wind up his business affairs. While there, he died of yellow fever.

Henry James Persons was "reading law" with Judge D. M. Prendergast in Marlin, Texas when the War began. He bought his own horse and equipment and left for San Antonio to join General Henry H. Sibley's Brigade. His expressed wish - "to get into a good battle" - was granted. He was mortally wounded at the Battle of Val Verde Feb. 21, 1862, and died the next day.

Martha Gardner (Mat) Persons married William Dudley Talley, Jr. in 1861. The Talley family had moved to Texas from Virginia after the death of the husband and father, William D. Talley, Sr. There were three children: Bertha and Edward, who died young, and Delia. Mat died in 1871.

David Fort Persons enlisted in Capt. Marion Martin's Company, 19th Brigade Texas Militia, CSA, in August 1861, just before his 20th birthday. After the end of the War, he came home to take over the management of the farm for his mother - a job which ended when he died in 1870.

Ann Caroline (Carrie) Persons, first married William F. Stokes, by whom she had two children, Virginia (Jennie) and Erin. Bill Stokes died in 1867, and Carrie married James Frank Weedin in 1873. She died in childbirth in December of the same year. Catherine (Kate) Persons married James Talley, (her brother-in-law) in 1867. The elaborate wedding took place in the Hodge home in Chatfield. Kate and Jim Talley had six children. He died in 1881 and his widow died in 1933.

Lucy Jane and Laura Serene Persons died before the family moved to Texas. Family tradition says that both children had measles and someone left a door open, allowing a cold wind to blow in on Lucy, causing her death. Serene died a few weeks later.

The twins, James Turner and Mary Nelm Persons, grew up on the Rush Creek farm. Both attended Marvin College in Waxahachie, Texas. Jim continued to live in the old home after his mother died. He married Henrietta Eleanor "Ellie" Kimes in 1882. In 1901, he moved his family to Hamilton County, Texas, where he was widely known as one of Hico's most respected and substantial

citizens. He died in 1933. Ellie Persons died in 1940. They had eight children whose births are also recorded in this Persons Bible.

BIBLE RECORD

Edgar Harris Persons son of J. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born Sunday May 11th A. D. 1884

James Turner Persons Jr. son of J. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born Tuesday, August 24th A. D. 1886

Sarah Catharine Persons daughter of J. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born Wednesday July 18th A. D. 1888

David Henry Persons son of J. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born August 27th A. D. 1893

Robert Hodge Persons Son of J. T. & Ellie K Persons was born July 27th A. D. 1895

Mary Daughter of Jas. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born June 29th (Saturday) A. D. 1898

Thomas Kimes Son of Jas T & Ellie K Persons was born June 29th A. D. 1900

Eleanor Persons daughter of J. T. & Ellie K. Persons was born at Hico, Texas (Tuesday) Oct. 27, 1908

DEATHS

Mary Persons departed this life Oct. 17, 1922. Buried at Hico Cemetery

James Turner Persons departed this life Sept. 17, 1933. Buried at Hico Cemetery

END OF BIBLE RECORD

Mary Persons met Dr. Richard Harrison Simonds while visiting her uncle, William Hodge, in Cleburne. They were married in December 1876, and had one son, James Persons Simonds. She married secondly in 1889, John Lumberton Joplin. Two children, John and Hattie, were born in Kerens, Navarro County, Texas.

The Joplin family migrated from South Carolina just after the War and settled at Bazette, Navarro County. John was a son of Rev. Dosse Joplin, a Baptist minister, and Margaret McNair. After the death of his wife during a typhoid epidemic in 1888, Dosse Joplin

returned to South Carolina, where he remarried and died some ten years later in Union County.

My grandparents, John and Mary Joplin, lived with us during my childhood. My grandmother always loved to tell stories about the family. How I wish I had listened more carefully! Shortly before her death in 1942, she dictated all that she could then remember. It was a great deal of help to "build on" when I began tracing this family.

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Camp of Mckies Squadron
May 30, 1864

Miss Mollie Hodge
Muskete Texas

My darling cousin I am very anxiously looking for another of your sweet letters it has been three weeks since I received your first I will write as often as I can have an opportunity of sending a letter to the office and will send by every one who goes home. All of your acquaintances in the company are well there is but little sickness in the Squadron now I have had better health since I came here than I have for a year I am well pleased with the cavalry service think I shall be able to stand it through the war. Capt Mckie has not yet returned. We are ordered away from here to Coral Parish Louisiana will start tomorrow I hate very much to Leave here we have been living very fine and there is a pritty girl near here I have falen in love with Lieut Hervie says we have all got to march in line tomorrow but I think I will be missing i must see her before I go away Some have set on the river and shot at the transports as they pass down loaded with soldiers I shot twice at one the other night I am sure I got one of them there was four others with me we killed five and wounded two. It is fine fun and the beauty of it is that there is no danger in it. you can sit behind the levee and they may shoot all day without hurting anyone. There has been a hard fight at Vicksburg we heard here this morning that the enemy had been defeated again with the loss of 3000 men we heard the cannon here. Mr M Howel is ready to start I send this by him to Ma's. Give my love to all the family tell Mattie to write

Your devoted cousin
David [Persons]

Note: Chatfield was known as Muskete, for some unknown reason, during the War. In 1867, the postoffice name was officially changed to "Chatfield."

San Antonio
Sept 26th 1861

My dear Mother

I had the pleasure of receiving your kind letter a few days ago; was glad to hear from you, but regretted to learn that there was so much sickness in the family - I hope you are all enjoying good health ere this. I am glad that Pa succeeded so well in making a crop this year and that he is willing to give a portion of it to the support of the War - It is necessary for every one to do something. I have given all I have and gave it freely. I am sorry that I have nothing more to give where there is but little only a little can be expected

We are all growing tired of inactive life. We want to take our leave for the place of our destination though we know there are many difficulties before us. It is one thousand miles from here to Santa Fe - we will have to travel over a barren desolate country - It is very probable that we will suffer from fatigue, hunger and thirst. I will willingly endure all if I can just get into a respectable fight after I get there! but the idea of travelling so far and then being deprived of the pleasure of trying *my courage* is something horrible -It is generally thought that California will send over a force to protect New Mexico from Southern Army. If she does we will have as much fighting to do as we want. I will never return home satisfied unless I get into a battle.

We are waiting here for the Brigade to fill up - Twelve or thirteen companies have been mustered into service. When full it will be composed of twenty companies. We may possibly be here one month yet and we may leave in a few days.

My health continues good, I looked into a glass this morning for the first time since I left home. It was sometime before I could recognize myself. My face is full and my cheeks are rosy and I have the prettiest pair of whiskers I ever saw.

My next P. Office after leaving this place will be El Paso. You can direct your answer to this place and direct it to the care of Capt. W. L. Lang, Sibley's Brigade. Tell Kate I would like for her to answer my last. My love to Jimmie, Mary and the rest of the family. I will write every opportunity. Your son as ever Henry

Note by BRK:

The above letter was written by Henry Persons to his mother, Catharine Persons in Navarro County. He mentions "sickness in the family" but it is most likely that he never knew of his father's and his brother-in-law's deaths.

New Orleans Wednesday Oct 30th 1861
 Miss Kate Persons
 Rush Creek Texas

My Dear Sister

On Saturday I received a letter from Uncle Robt which contained the sad intelligence of our Father's death, but he failed to give many particulars which though sad would be interesting to me. How long was he ill, did he suffer much and were there any other physicians called in except Bob (I suppose him to be the first of course.) Did you have to sit up with him much. Who attended his funeral. If no one has written dont neglect answering this for a day. I sympathize with you all deeply in this sad bereavement for I know you at home must feel it more keenly than we who do not live within the family circle. I must impress upon you the duty of kindness to your widowed mother. We have lost a father but Ma a husband a companion for over thirty years. Her children now are her only comfort. We should remember she has ever been our best friend and now in this her hour of sadness we should leave nothing undone which would add to her happiness.

We have no late news from Ky the latest is that there are 600 Lincoln troops at Smithland who have one 64# planted on the graveyard hill which commands the [Ohio] river pretty effectually and two 32# rifled cannon in Sanders orchard on the hill probably nearly opposite. Uncle Blount went down to Paducah about last of Sept for the purpose he said of sleeping one night more beneath the stars and stripes.

It is expected all our armies in Ky will make a forward movement soon & probably take Paducah, Henderson, Louisville & Lexington & I would not be much surprised if Cairo & St Louis were also taken. Another Iron clad has entered Savannah laden with arms clothing &c for the Confederate Army. If this news does not interest you it will David [his brother.]

The patriotic people of this city & surrounding country feed daily about (8000) eight thousand poor people. Goods are much higher here than in Texas. Calico is now selling at 30 cents. The Ladies complain awfully & buy but little. Breadstuffs & provisions are very high. I must close. Kiss Ma and the little ones remember me to David and all the rest of the family & write soon to your affectionate bro Robt

N B Oct 31st Wm Stokes letter just received it seems all our troubles are coming at once. Will leave tomorrow or next day for home. Yours, Robt

[The postscript refers to the death of his brother-in-law, Bob Phillips.]

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William A. Loper and Rachel H. Stokes were married the 10th day of October A.D. 1800.

Robert Goode and Mary H. L. Loper were married on Thursday the 30th day of January A.D. 1817.

James M. Loper and Margaret Moore were married on the 24th day of January A.D. 1833.

S. S. Loper and _____ M. H. Hymore were married Dec. 23rd, 1872.

William A. Loper was born the 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord 1778.

Rachel H. Stokes was born the 21st day of July in the year of our Lord 1780.

Mary H. L. Loper, the daughter of the above, was born in the 15th day of September in the year of our Lord 1803.

Lewis A. Loper, son of the above, was born the 11th day of July in the year of our Lord 1805.

Elizer C. Loper, daughter of the above, was born the 5th day of July in the year of our Lord 1807.

William A. Loper, the son of the above, was born the 18th day of October in the year of our Lord 1809.

James M. S. Loper, the son of the above, was born the 7th (?) day of January in the year of our Lord 18??.

Elizer C. S. Loper, daughter of the above, was born 1st day of August in the year of our Lord 1813.

Orriler T. Loper, daughter of the above, was born the 16th day of May in the year of our Lord 1815.

Luezear A. Goode, dother of Robert and Mary H. Goode, was born the 21st day of February in the year of our Lord 1819.

Elizer Jane Goode, dother of Robert and Mary H. Goode, was born the 17 May the year of our Lord 1821.

Robert Loper, the son of A. Loper and Sarah, his wife, was born the 12th March 1864.

Mary E. (or C.) Loper, the doter of James M. Loper and Margaret his wife, was born 18 day of November in the year of our Lord 1833.

Wilson (or Wilens) H. Loper, son of J. M. Loper and Margaret his wife, was born the 28th day of November in the year of our Lord 1835.

Luis Robert Loper, son of James M. Loper and Margaret his wife, was born 3rd day of February in the year of our Lord 1838.

James G. Loper was born December 15th, 1839.

James T. Loper was born December 15th, 1839, the son of J. M. Loper and Margaret, his wife.

Alvin Charles Loper, the son of James Loper and Margaret, was born the 24th day of May 1842.

William A. Loper departed this life the 27 day of April A.D. 1817.

Lewis A. Loper, son of the above, departed this life the 31st day of July A.D. 1806.

Elizer C. Loper, daughter of the above, departed this life the 16th day of October A.D. 1810.

William A. Loper, son of the above, departed this life the 6th day of November A.D. 1818.

Orriler I. (or T.) Loper, the daughter of the above, departed this life the 25th (?) day of October A.D. 1817.

Mary L. C. Goode, daughter of the above, departed this life the 7th day of June A.D. 1831.

Elizar Gilley (or Citty) Loper, daughter of the above, departed this life the 10th (or 16th) day of October A.D. 1820 (or 1810).

Col. Robert Goode departed this life Dec. 31 (?) 1842.

Rachel Ford departed this life May the 8th 1801(or 1851).

G. S. Loper was born January 29 (or 20) 1849, the son of J. M. Loper and Margaret.

Mary E. Loper departed this life the 10th October 1836, the darter of James M. Loper and Margaret, his wife.

Lewis R. Loper departed this life the 8th day of September 1840, the son of J. M. Loper and Margaret Loper, his wife.

James M. Loper died November 1879(?).

Margaret Loper, the wife of James M. Loper, departed this life April the 27th 1869.

Willey Wilson Loper died the 14 August 1870.

Mary Margaret Loper was born Feb. 9th 1867.

Wilson Loper born August 14th 1870.

Laura Loper was born May 27th 1874.

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Joye K. Evetts, Fort Worth, Texas, submitted the Loper, Harris and Smith Bible records.

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Thomas Harris of Savannah, Georgia, and Mary Margaret Loper (daughter of Alvin C. Loper and Sarah Smart) of Ridgeland, South Carolina, were married 6 February 1886 at Ridgeland, South Carolina, by Rev. J. Trowell.

Alvin C. Loper and Sarah Smart were married August 4, ____.

Alvin Chesterfield Loper, the son of James M. and Margaret Loper was born May 29th, 1842.

Sarah Smart was born December 6, 1843.

Reuben Alvin Loper, the son of Alvin C. and Sarah Loper, was born March 12, 1864.

Sarah Matilda Loper, the dater of A. C. Loper and Sarah his wife was born the 16 Sept. 1866.

Mary Margaret Loper, the dauter of A. C. Loper and Sarah his wife was born February the 9, 1867.

Wilson Loper was born August the 14, 1870.

Lorita (or Larita) Loper was born May 27th, 1874.

Livenia (?) Mathau (?) Loper was born April 6th, 1876.

Annie Matha Loper was born October the 20th, 1880.

Hennretta Loper was born March the 11th, 1882.

Robert Grooms was born January 26, 1876.

Mary Margaret Loper, the daughter of A. C. Loper and Sarah, his wife, was born February the 9th (?), 1867.

Ruben Alvin Loper C. Loper and Sarah Loper departed this life June the 4th, 1865.

Sarah Matilda Loper departed this life July the 3rd, 1867.

Sammie Chesterfield Sauls was born February 15th, 1901 and died March 6th, 1906.

Henrietta Sauls died March 19th, 1906 (?).

Mrs. Lillie Bunton died _____ 5th, 1902.

Mrs. Sarah Loper, wife of A. C. Loper, died May 6, 1901, in the 58th year of her life.

Family Record Deaths

Charles Harris	Died July the 13, 1895
Miss Dora Harris	Died Sept. the 7, 1913
Mr. Thomas Harris	Died April 2, 1915
Mr. A. C. Loper	July 28th, 1917
Mr. S. S. Loper	Sept. 24th, 1918
Theima Miller	November 5th, 1932
Mr. W. I. (or T.) Loper	Died May 7, 1942
Mrs. W. I. (or T.) Loper	Died Dec. 15, 1942
Mary M. Harris	Died June 24, 1944
Meta Harris Miller	Died May 6, 1976

Family Record Births

Thos. Harris	Born 1861 January 12th
Marry M. Harris	Born 1867 February 9th
Miss Dora T. Harris	Born 1889 December 25th
Miss Meta Harris	Born 1891 September 27th
John C. Harris	Born 1892 October 12th
Charls Harris	Born 1895 January 21st
George W. Harris	Born 1903 December 27th

Jennie Bunting	Born March 15, 1899
Hubert Edwin Miller	Born June 9, 1916
A. C. Loper	Born May 28th, 1842
Thelma Miller	Born March 29, 1922
Roy W. Miller	Born Jan. 11 1892
George Woodruff Harris	Born July 14, 1931
Helen Louise Harris	Born December 18, 1935
Etta Harris	Born Oct. 6, 1910
Wilson T. (or I.) Loper	Born Aug. 14, 1870
Susin I. (or T.) Loper	Born Dec. 15th 1867
John Chesterfield Harris, Jr.	Born Oct. 18, 1924
Geneva Harris	Born Dec. 10, 1922
Hariette Woods Harris	Born Feb. 26, 1895
Mr. George Garbade	Born 1871, August 28th Died January 27, 1927

Marriages

Miss Mary Loper was married to Mr. Thomas Harris February 6, 1886.

Miss Meta Harris was married to Mr. Roy Miller December 20, 1914.

Mrs. Etta Nettles was married to Mr. George W. Harris on October 18, 1930.

Miss Harriette Elizabeth Woods married John Chesterfield Harris July 18, 1920.

Anna Celia Houston born August 1th 1814, Age 16.

Pleasant Eady born October 10th, 1883, Died April 26th, 18??

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Editor's note: This is a "first" for us, in that we have used only Bible records in this issue. We hope they will be of help to you, and we encourage you to submit your own Bible records to be used in future issues.

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Mrs. S. I. Loper joined church at Springfield, Georgia In.
E. Church in the year 1909, October.

Mr. W. I. Loper joined the church at Springfield, Georgia
In. E. Church October, 1912.

Jennie Bunting joined the In. E. Church at Springfield,
Georgia in September, 1912.

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William Smith was born April 11th in the year 1837.

Tancy (or Nancy) Joynor was born May the 4th (or 7th or 9th)
in the year 1839.

Lydia Ann Smith was born July 28th in the year 1861.

Mary Cathan (or Catherine) Smith was born May 2th 1866.

Charley Hamblin Smith was born August 28th, 1868.

W. H. Smith departed this life in the year of our Lord A.D. July 12, 1921; age 84 years, 3 months, and 1 day.

Simon Smith was born the 5th of Janedy, 1815.

Rebecca Smith was born August the 10th, 1816.

Elizabeth Smith was born August the 8th, 1818.

Thomasena (or Hannah) Smith was born August the 7th, 1819.

George Smith was born February the 10th, 1822.

Thomas Blicken Smith was born the 24th of April 1833.

William Smith was born on April the 11th, 1837.

Sussan Smith was born March 7th, A.D. 1837.

George Smith was born May 26th, 1779.

Eliza Green was born August 31st, 1810.

Simon Smithes Family: Daniel Smith was born April 11th, 1841.

Encline (or Endine) Smith was born April 19th, 1889.

Eliza Smith departed this life ??? 12, 1900; age 90 years, 2 months and 12 days.

Thomas Smith departed this life Ap. 13th, 1908, age 74 years, 11 months, 19.

George Smith departed this life July 18th in the year of our Lord 1847 (or 1841) A.D.

Lydia Ann Smith (?) departed this life June 17 in the year of our Lord A.D. 1879.

George Smith departed this life January 11th in the year of our Lord 1891 A.D.

Susan Young departed this life December the 7th A.D. 1893.

Elisbeth Dutrow departed this life January 12th, 1900, 81 years, 5 months and 4 days.

James Young departed this life August 26th, 1913.

George Smith and Eliza Green were joined together in the bonds of holy matrimony in the year of our Lord 1835 on the eight of October by the Rev. J. P. Cline.

Elizabeth Smith and George B. Dutrow were joined in Holy Matrimony in the year of our Lord 1845, November 23.

G. B. Dutrow was born February the 19th, 1826.

G. B. Dutrow departed this life 17th day of Apr. age 92 years and 28 days.

Simon Smith and Caroline Shaffer were bound together in the bonds of holy matrimony in the year of our Lord 1840 on the 18th day of June by the Rev. John P. Cline.

George Smith and Polly (?) Green were bound together in the bonds of holy matrimony in the year of our Lord 1842 on the 29th of March by the Rev. Mr. Bomben.

Rebecca Smith was born April the 16th in the year of our Lord 1842.

William Smith and Tancy an Joyner were bound together in the Bonds of Holy Matrimony the 26th day of July in the year of our Lord 1860 by Lewis Timmins, Esquire of *Madison County*, State of Ohio.

Nelson Joyner and Sally Ann Geyo were bound together in the Bonds of Holy Matrimony in the year of our Lord 1875, January 2.

Frances Green died September 6th, 1848 (or 1840 or 1870).

Michael Eustirday died August 31st, 1837.

Eleanor Elizabeth _____ pherson was born April 19th in the year of our Lord 1845.

This is to certify that Eliza Smith having publicly professed her faith and confirmed and ratified the solemn vows and promises made by her sponsors at her baptism, renewing and assuming the same for herself and engaging evermore to observe them by the grace of God, was received after the administraton of the rite of Confirmation, as a Communicant Member of the Evangelic Lutheran Church. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand an seal this 18th day of May A.D. 1839. John P. Cline, Pastor of the Ev. Lutheran Church of Smithburg, Md.

QUERIES

BROWN

Seeking information on G. A. Brown, born 19 September 1828, Alabama: married Barbara? Died 20 June 1879, Titus County, Texas.

Barbara Farris, P. O. Box 2, Carmichael CA 95609

WILLIAMS, FEEVEY, MCGEE, ZEAGLER, KEACK, ARTERBURN, CAMPBELL,
COX, GILBERT, BOUTWELL, SHEPARD, MAXWELL, MCLAUGHLIN

James W. Williams, born 1789 North Carolina, married Eliza Feevey, born 1799, Georgia, moved to Sabine County, Texas, 1835, to Dallas County 1857. Children: William H., born 3 August 1819, Alabama, died 1872, buried Jasper County; married Mary A. McGee, born 10 February 1834, died 28 April 1866; Mark Daniel "Dock", born 2 March 1820 Alabama, died 16 June 1985, Jasper County, married (1) 1857, three children; married (2) Lucinda Jane (Zeagler) Keack, Littleton R., born 11 February 1821, Alabama, married Jane?; James T., born 18 September 1822, Alabama, married Sarah Jane?; Ursula, born 29 March 1825, Alabama, Mary Rebecca, born 20 June 1836, Sabine County, Texas, died 17 March 1913, Parker County, Texas, married 4 May 1858 William Arterburn, Young Robert, born 8 May 1838, Sabine County, married Mary C.?; Arzalas, born 25 November 1841, Sabine County, married 20 September 1857 James M. Cox; Susan born 20 September 1847, Sabine County, married a Gilbert; Corzine LaFayette, born 23 December 1845, Sabine County.

Nathaniel C. Boutwell, born 9 September 1825, Illinois, died 13 June 1897, buried Leon, Oklahoma, married Mrs. M. J. (Margaret?) Shepard, born 6 May 1832, died 18 February 1909, buried Leon, Shephard children: Charlie, born 1850 Missouri, Margaret E., born 1852, Missouri, died 1897, buried Leon, Boutwell Children: W. E., born 1858, Texas; Viva Jane, 1865, Texas; Thomas Lee, 19 October 1872, Cooke County, Texas, married Victoria Cox 15 April 1895, died 27 January 1927, Carter County, Oklahoma; James S., 1874, married 1896 Dora Maxwell, died 1909, buried Carter County; George D. (Coon), 13 May 1875, died 22 March 1914, buried Leon, married Jessie; Lonnie born 1877, married 1891 Robberson, Indian Territory.

James M. Cox, born November 1833, Illinois, residence 1900 Graham County, Arizona, married Arzelia Williams, 20 September 1857, Dallas County, Texas, Children: William Henry, born 1859, Dallas County, Texas; John Davis, 1860, Dallas County; Jess Hartwell 1864, Texas; James Walter, July 1866, died 16 March 1956, Maricopa County, Arizona; Rowell Honeycutt, 1868, Texas; Emily Lucinda 1871, Texas, married Boss McLaughlin; Victoria Eliza (Ellen) 7 July 1874, Stonewall County, Texas, died 21 April 1946, Carter County, Oklahoma, married 15 April 1895, Mariella, Indian Territory; Thomas Lee Boutwell.

Barbara A. Quinlivan, 807 E. Park St., Emmett Gem, Idaho 83617

O'NEAL, O'BANION, CHANDLER, POLK, WILLIAMSON, REEVES, ROBERTS, TEER

Researching William and Lucinda O'Banion O'Neal, who were married 1835, Talladega County, Alabama, but originated in Georgia. They settled in Walker County, Montomery County, Texas about 1850. The last three children were born in Texas. Children: Caroline; James R.; Mary Ann (married James W. Chandler; Sarah Ann (married James K. Polk); William N. (married Jinev or Jincy A. Polk); Benjamin N.; George W. (married Sarah T. Williamson); John (married Mary F. Reeves); Green Hill (married Miss Tennessee?); Thomas Jefferson (married Susan A. Roberts); and Robert J. I believe Lucinda may have been a daughter of Green Hamilton and Hulda Teer O'Banion, but I need to know who William's parents are. Will be happy to exchange information on any O'Neal-O'Banion.

[Note from M. G.: Mrs. Grote's address was omitted from her query in the August issue, so here it is:]

P. Jayne Grote, 1914 Nuevo Rd., Henderson NV 89014

CLEVELAND, RAY

Trying to find the descendants of John Cleveland and Ella Grimes Ray, who at one time had a grocery store in Fort Worth. I am pretty sure that they died and are buried somewhere in that county. They had one son, Leonard, that I know of, and there may have been more children. John was born 1 August 1885, son of Marion and Mary E. Morton Ray. Can anyone help me find these people, or do you know of anyone working on this line?

Joan Morton Smith, Route 2, Box 106-B, Kilaore TX 75662

PORTWOOD, JEFFERSON

Would like to contact anyone with information on David Ogletree Portwood, born May 25, 1837, died August 17, 1913, Married Jane Jefferson, born October 20, 1832, died September 25, 1897. They both lived and died in Tarrant County, Texas.

David A. Portwood, 198 Trev Terrace, Macon GA 31210

TURNER, MARTIN

Herrill E. Turner, early settler in Fort Worth, 1844-1928, was supposed to have owned land where stockyards were located. Son, Omar Kyle Turner, was born in Fort Worth in 1812, had sister, Clara Mateldia. A Mr. Martin compiled a genealogy of this family but I don't know how to find a copy.

Mrs. Lorene Beves, Rt 1, Box 13, Lockney TX 79241

WALKER, MOSES, SIMPSON

Would like to have any information about Claud Walker, born 1884, married to Annie Moses of Decatur. Also information on Edward Walker, born 1908, son of Claud, married to Ethel Simpson.

Mrs. Loren Cheslev, 2707 Broadmoor, Wichita Falls TX 76305

PEDDY

Would like to correspond with anyone who has done research on the Peddy family of Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, or Texas.

Marc B. Smith, Jr., PO Box 9701, Fort Worth TX 76147

REED, HITE

John Hines Franklin Reed married Lorena Jane Hite, and had the following children in order of birth: Mary Frances (Betty), Albert Nathan, Law Euna, Tacoma J., James Luther, Robert Andrew "Doc", and Mamie Jewel, all born in Calahan Co., Texas, between 1878 and 1897. The family later moved to New Mexico.

Dolores Reed Phillip, 16084 Park Drive, LaPine OR 97739

CARPENTER, EGGLESTON, VALLS

Desperately seeking to locate family or descendants of a Charles Carpenter, born about 1862, Alabama, who had a daughter, Edith, who lived in the Dallas/Fort Worth area around 1910. Also William Churchwell Carpenter, born about 1857 Alabama and wife, Lottie E. Valls, who lived in Bay City, Texas, 1891.

Wish to contact anyone knowing the whereabouts of Martha Elizabeth Eogleston, daughter of Richard Henry Egleston. She was living at #6 Glen Iris Park, Birmingham, as of 24 March 1939. Seeking family or descendants of Richard F. Eogleston, with 1939 address of Knoxville, Tennessee, or brother, Beverly S. Eogleston of Orlando, Florida, in 1939. Any help will be appreciated.

Mrs. William F. Tarrant, 26131 Glorietta Lane, Mission Viejo CA 92691-3247

HAVINS, AXELY, ALLEN, SMITH

James Thomas Havins, son of Thomas Tolbert Havins, married an Axely, Mary Elizabeth Smith Allen, daughter of Oscar Allen and Martha Smith, was born in Liberty Hills, Texas. Does anyone have information on these persons?

Ann Havins, 1259 Well Road #8, Ajo AZ 85321

TEAL. BOREN. HUDSON. MCCULLOUGH. DAWSON. HENSEN. HALL. MUMFORD.
BARR MORROW

Seeking information on John Teal, married Polly Boren, resided Robertson/Burleson county areas before 1850. Both deceased by 1850. Children: Richard S., Thomas W., Francis R. and William B. T. John Hudson, married Delilah Boren, resided Robertson County area before 1850. Both deceased by 1850. She married (2) James A. McCullough. Their son, James A. Hudson, married Amanda Dawson, who had children: Marv Ann, married Alex Hensen 1852; and Disa, married Wm. N. Hall 1854. Franky, a daughter of James and Amanda, married Jesse Mumford.

Rhoda Morrow married (1) Elijah Boren, (2) Robert A. Barr about 1835. He died 1839. Two children. Elizabeth died young. John Fletcher Barr used the surname Boren the rest of his life, as did Rhoda. Lived Burleson/Milam/Robertson areas before 1850. Barr supposedly first Postmaster General for the Republic of Texas. Would like to correspond with anyone working on these lines.

Richard E. Cowling, 118 Deer Trail Road, Boulder CO 80302

CLARK. SIMS. RABON. LYNCH

Researching the following: James Ballard Clark (1849-1930), son of Frederick Jackson Clark (born ca 1826 South Carolina, died 1899 Lamar Co., Texas) and Georgia Ann Sims. Ann Isabel Clark (born about 1844 Mississippi), daughter of Robert Clark and Nancy Rabon, married Stephen Patrick Lynch in Louisiana.

Vinita L. Patrick, 7217 Alto Rev. El Paso TX 79912

NITE. STEPP. LOGOW. BENNETT. LANSING

My great-grandfather, John Edward Nite, arrived in Houston County, Texas, November, 1835 with wife Lucy Stepp and family. Other men who arrived in the county in the same month were Thomas Logow, Stephen Bennett and James Lansing. Did they come from Hardin County, Tennessee, together? John Edward Nite received one league and one labor of land in Navarro County, Texas, which his children sold after he and his wife died. Don't believe they ever lived in that county. Will appreciate any help.

Sue Nite Raduzin, 5008 Briarbrook, Dickinson TX 77539

JENNINGS. SHORT. ROGERS

Wesley Preston Jennings married Maroret Short, had 13 children. In 1870 lived in Grayson Co. Youngest child Laura Bell Jennings, 1870-1970, married Reubin Silvester Rogers, 1871-1960. I am 93 years old and would appreciate some help with my family.

Mrs. Alma Phillips, 929 SW 47th, Oklahoma City OK 73109

CLARK. MILLER. COX. BLACKMAN

Daniel James Edwin Clark was 16 years old in 1865 when he enlisted in the Confederate Army. died 12 March 1925. Hale Co., Texas. married Mary Lucinda Miller. His son, Thomas Earl, married Annie Alice Cox, daughter of Walter Thomas Cox and Julietta Sapphire Blackman. Is anyone working on this family?

Marilyn Fuller Delono, 4550 Montair Ave., Apt F16, Long Beach CA 90808

FLOOD. FLUD. HAMPTON. BURDIS. WHITESIDES

Looking for information on David N. Flud/Flood, born Newton County, Arkansas, September 1862, son of David Flood, who was hanged in Arkansas during the Civil War. David N. married Susan ? 29 June 1883, and was in Tarrant County, Texas, in 1902. His mother, Martha Hampton Flood, married a Jack Burdis in Wise County in 1866 and a Charles Whitesides in 1873 in Tarrant County. She is buried in a Fort Worth cemetery in the north part of Fort Worth. Does anyone know of this family?

Evelyn M. Flood, 370 N. Jack Tone Rd., Stockton CA 95205

WESTFALL. SMITH

Samuel Westfall, born 1778, Virginia, married Nancy?, born 1787, South Carolina. Son, Zachariah, born 11 April 1810, Mississippi, died 28 December 1877; married Marinda Smith, born 31 December 1820, Mississippi. Children: Permelia born 1837, Sabine County, Texas; William Riley 1839, Sabine County; Matilda Jane 1841; James Irvin 1844, Fayette County; Samuel Cvrus 1845; Francis Smith 1848; Nathaniel Greene 1850, Williamson County; Mary 1855; Laura Ann 1856; Newton 1859; Benson 1869. James Irvin was my wife's grandfather, and I have most of his lineage. Willing to share and exchange any information available on the Westfalls. Also have traced Terry back to 1700's in Virginia.

Charles D. Terry, 105 Redland Lane, Palestine TX 75801

CLARK. BROWNING. GREEN

Terrisa Jane "Janie" Clark, born 1857, Calhoun Co., Alabama, died 1915, Reilly Springs, Hopkins Co., Texas, married James Henry Browning, born 1855, Alabama, died 1933, Texas. Their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth was born 1882, Alabama, died 1955, Hopkins Co., was my maternal grandmother. Who were parents/siblings of Janie Clark?

Elizabeth Clark, born 1807 Georgia, died after 1860, married 25 October 1824, Alabama, James Green, born 1805 North Carolina, died after 1860. Possible children were: James Jefferson, born 1834, Marion Co., Alabama, died 1904, Texas; Arena; and Alex.

Who were parents/siblings of Elizabeth Clark?

Marv Ellen Crabb Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving TX 75061

TEMPLE. SUTTON. HINSHAW. COFFER. BURLESON

\$50.00 reward for first proof of parents of George W. Temple, born 1822, Tennessee, and of his wife, Martha Sutton, whom he married 1 June 1840 in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. In 1850 George and Martha were in Marshall County, Mississippi, and in 1860 Smith County, Texas (Troop Postoffice) with children William H., James A., Dempsev, and Samuel, born 1842-1860. We also note Samuel H., born 1860 with family Emma, Willie W., Lena and Alvie Temple (1894-1907) on 1910 census of Hamilton County, Texas.

Need to contact descendants of Joseph Hinshaw, born 1830 Illinois, and wife Melissa. On 1880 census of Corvell County, Texas, their children were: George, born 1867; John 1869; Celia 1873; and Benjamin 1877.

On 4 January 1872 in Bell County, Texas, Penina Jane Coffey married Marion Burleson, born 1857. Penina was age 9 when in 1866 her mother Amanda Hinshaw Coffey was brutally murdered by Comanches in Eastland County. Any descendant of Marion Burleson should have a record of this tragedy.

Arthur A. Worrell, 208 W. Woodlawn, San Antonio TX 78212

MCCARTER

I have an old quilt with 64 signatures embroidered on it that I would like to find a good home for. It was given to my husband's grandmother, Flossie Webb Park McCarter, when she moved from Fort Worth to southern California in 1936. I don't know if an organization made it or just a group of friends. There are both men's and women's names on it as well as "Ft. Worth" and "1936" here and there. It has been used, is frayed along the sides, but the body is in good shape with no tears or obvious worn spots. If some historical organization wants it, I feel it should go back home to Fort Worth if it would be appreciated and kept.

Sarah Walker-Hitt, P. O. Box 277, Lyndon, KS 66451

CLARKE. CALLEY

Looking for information on Dr. H. T. Clark(e) of Burnet County, Texas. Also for information on great-grandparents Cora Evelyn Clark(e) and Thomas Jefferson Calley, married in 1892, lived Cherokee, San Saba County, Texas. Eleven children.

Iva Lee Calley Riggs, PO Box 3896, West Sedona AZ 86340

WERNING. WERNEKING. NIMIT. NIMMIT. DAVID. RUBENIK. HUFFAKER

Researching above surnames and will appreciate contacts with others.

Susan Werning. 3912 East Weldon. Fresno CA 93703

TRAXLER. CORBITT. LUKE. EMMONS. HARVEY

Charles Lawrence Traxler. born 1871. Clinton. Missouri. married 1897. Fort Worth. Texas. Nancy Lauretta Corbitt. He was a son of Oscar Traxler and Katherine Amanda Luke. Charles and Nancy had children: Clara Maybell. born 1899. married Griffin Emmons; Harry. Lawrence. Oscar Thomas. Catherine. Mamie Ethel. Charlesv. married Harvey. A book on Traxlers is being planned for next year and will appreciate any information.

Mvrtle Traxler. 17715 Traxler Lane. Ferris CA 92370

HUGULEY. BUFORD. WHISENANT. LEAKE

Cora Buford Huguley. born 1862 Alabama. died 1934 Collin County. Texas. was daughter of Ransom W. Huguley. born ca 1825 Georgia. and Savannah Florence Buford. born ca 1825. Georgia. They had eight children: Ida M.. Ferdinand. Charles F.. Marv Lela. Cora B.. Adam. Lillie Bell. and Emma Estelle. listed on the 1860 census of Chambers County. Alabama. All were born in Alabama except Emma. who was born in Texas. The family came to Texas following the Civil War and are listed on the 1880 census of Collin County where Ransom W. voted in 1872 at the age of 48. Ransom's parents were John Huguley. born ca 1793 in Virginia. and Susannah. born ca 1795 in Georgia. They had five children listed in the 1850 census of Wilkinson County. Georgia: Ransom. George. Thomas. Mahaley. and Amorleax.

Mathew Whisenant. born 11 November 1853. Texas. died 25 February 1903. Collin County. Texas. Married ca 1882 Lura Bell Leake (born 15 September 1862. Texas. died 26 December 1912. Collin County). Had nine children. six living at the time of the 1900 census of Collin County: Dicie Ellen (my grandmother). Hugh. Lottie. Wesley Thomas. Robert L.. Beulah E.. and Bryant Elmer or Elmer Bryant. Will appreciate sharing information on any of the above families.

Nelda Hutto Martin. 8409 Kinsale Ct.. Fort Worth TX 76116

WILLIAMS. DUKE

G. H. Williams married Charlinda Duke. Their son. Benjamin T.. was born 1884 in Texas. and he had a son named Carl Evans born ca 1925 in Texas or Oklahoma.

Mrs. W. J. Buntrock. 434 E. Main. Perham MN 56573

SHOEMAKER. LORD

Andrew L. Shoemaker of Tarrant County, married Hettie C. Lord of Minnesota City, MN. on 20 January 1895, and they are thought to have made their home in Texas. I would appreciate any information on either of these families.

Mrs. Dorothy G. Gullett, 3679 Demorest Rd., Grove City OH 43143

BALLEW. BELYEU. BROWN

Need information on Millie Ballew (or Belyeu) Brown who died ca 1904. husband William Brown. two sons, Joe and Bill. Millie is buried in an old cemetery in DeLeon in Comanche County, but inscription on marker cannot be read. No death record available. The family of William Brown were pioneers in Comanche County, and I would also like information on them.

Mrs. Lillie Brown, Rt 2, Box 45, Breckenridge TX 76024

CLARK. CARTER. THOMPSON. CARITHERS. YOUNGBLOOD. TATOM. ROCKENHAUS. DEUSCHER

Andrew Clark, born 1790 North Carolina, died 1873, wife Lucinda. Children: J. Harvev born 1813; William 1816; Louisa and Marv. Harvev married (1) Adeline L. Carter. (2) Elizabeth Thompson. Children: Eliza Jane Clark 1836-1903, married Hugh Means Carithers; Marietta Carithers married James Lafayette Youngblood; Helen Viola Youngblood married Bascom Gwinn Tatom; Elizabeth Tatom, born 1926, married Martin Rockenhaus. Thomas Clark, thought to be a son of William Clark, was agent for farm machinery for H. F. Deuscher Co., 600 W. Weatherford St., Fort Worth, in late 1900's.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rockenhaus, 1630 West 6th St., Irving TX 75060

TANDY. CLAUBAUGH

Helen Tandy, born 1869, Hopkins County, Kentucky, married E. C. Claubaugh in Bosque County in 1891. If anyone has information on the Tandy family, I would like to hear from them.

Mrs. Gerald H. Bacon, Jr., 5809 Apache Ln., Lynchburg VA 24502

CORBIN. SANDERS. COLLINGSWORTH. MCCOMB. LARSON

I have learned that several members of the Corbin family migrated to Grapevine, Texas, from Claiborne, Tennessee, some time between 1860 and 1870. They were William W. Corbin born 1832, married Marv Jane Sanders; George C. Corbin born 1836, married Melvina Sanders; Frances Corbin born 1851, married John Collingsworth. About 1966, two of George Corbin's granddaughters, Mrs. Fred

McComb and Mrs. Lee Larson. came to our area looking for Corbin relatives. If anyone knows them. I would like to correspond with them.

Frankie Corbin. 1614 Greene Road. Morristown TN 37814

FILLMORE. HENSLEY

Need information on Ella Fillmore. born 8 November 1882. Tarrant County. Texas. daughter of Millard Ambrose Fillmore and Marv E. Henslev.

Mrs. Darlene E. D. Gordon. 1188 S. Frontage Rd.. Provo UT 84601

SULLIVAN

John V. Sullivan. born ca 1855 in Pennsylvania. is thought to be buried in a Fort Worth cemeterv. He was killed in a railroad accident between 1910 and 1925. He was a Catholic and is probably buried in a Catholic cemeterv.

Janet Hawley. Box 66. Barnard MO 64423

BOWLIN

The death certificate for Lorenzo Dow Bowlin shows that he died in Marlin. Texas. August 31, 1910. age 57. He operated a bar or saloon in Rising Star. Texas. and was buried there. His death certificate was signed by W. J. Bowlin of Rising Star. I would like to correspond with anyone knowing this familv.

Mrs. Nan Hill Ingram. 2004 Burriughs St.. Wichita Falls TX 76309

MOSER. KNOX

Daniel Moser. born 1790. Orange County. North Carolina. son of Michael Moser and Sophia Reinhardt. Their son. Clarence Edward. was born 1871. died Minden. Louisiana. 1942. Robert Young Moser died 1957. Fort Worth. Texas.

John Knox and wife Jean Gracie immigrated to this country. They had seven sons who fought in the American Revolution. Am inter-ested in the line of descent from Samuel. Sr.. Samuel. Jr.. John Barclay and William Clinton. The Knox familv came from Georgia to Ellis County. then Fisher County. Texas. Will appreciate anv contacts with persons interested in the Moser and Knox lines.

Barbara Knox. 2616 Sarah Jane Lane. Fort Worth TX 76119

Now is the time to send in your query for the next issue.

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AUTOBIOGRAPHY COLLECTIONS AT THE FORT WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Donald J. Martin, Ph.D.

In 1935 a Presidential order established a Federal Writers' Project in the Professional and Service Division of the Works Progress Administration (WPA.) In January, 1936, a District Field Office for North Central Texas was established in Fort Worth. By September, 1939, the Federal Writers' Project had been abolished, and the Fort Worth office became a unit of the Texas Writers' Project, sponsored by the Bureau of Research in the Department of Social Sciences, the University of Texas. A year later, the Board of Trustees of the Fort Worth Public Library became a contributing sponsor and the Library Unit of the project was established with Eugene L. Schilder as Writer/Research Editor. Research data collected covered Fort Worth and Tarrant County, Texas, with additional notes on Texas history, the rise of the cattle industry in the Southwest, and autobiographies of cowboys and ex-slaves residing in Fort Worth.

The following is a list of cowboy and ex-slave autobiographies on file. Reference to the page number of the WPA Federal Writers' Project volume on which the narrative begins follows the name of the subject. Also included are localities identified as former residences.

EX-COWBOY BIOGRAPHIES

<u>Name</u>	<u>State, County, Ranch/Owner</u>	<u>WPA Pg.</u>
MARCH, Frank	Bordon County, Singleton's	26153
MARTIN, George T.	Denton County, Robinson Ranch	26170
MATHIS, James W.	Burnett County, Sherly Ranch	26188
MAY, Dave	Waco	26207
McCLURE, Tom	Wise County	26217
McFARLAND, Joe	Oklahoma, Marietta, W. E. Washington Ranch	26234
	Texas, Bonham, Cobb Plantation	26234
McGREGOR, Eddie	Clay County, Waggoner Ranch	26246
MOONEY, James M	Tarrant County, Ft. Worth	26360
MURPHY, E. L.	Graham Ranch	26393
SCOVILLE, Victor R.	Frio County, Cloverleaf Ranch	25761
SELF, P. D.	Hood County	25772
SHULTS, James E.	Llano County, Duncan Ranch	25781
SMITH, L. E.	San Saba County, 101 Ranch	25812
SMITH, Wm. A.	McGill Ranch	25822

<u>Name</u>	<u>State, County, Ranch/Owner</u>	<u>WPA Pg.</u>
SNOW, Tom J.	Cleburne Co. Alabama Hunter Ranch	25835
SPANN, Ernest	Baylor County, "HF" Ranch	25865
STARR, Pony	Oklahoma, Starr Plantation	25873
STIERS, George S.	South Dakota, Pine Ridge Indian Reservation	25911
THOMAS, W. H.	Collin County	25970
TINNY, W. A.	Callahan County, JC House Ranch	25982
WALKER, H. P.	Hood County	25997
WATTS, Neal S.	Shelby County	26029
WHETAKER, Fred W.	Mount Clam, Moore & Bonner Ranch	26054
WOODY, Joe C.	Wise County, Paradise	26084
YOUNG, Henry	Colorado City "CA" Ranch	26132

Except as otherwise indicated all counties/ranches are in Texas.

EX-SLAVE ORAL HISTORIES
WPA Writers' Project

<u>Name</u>	<u>State, County, Plantation/Owner</u>	<u>WPA Pg</u>
ADAMS, William	Texas, Tarrant, 93, 1404	23777
ANDERSONO, Andy J.	Texas, Williamson, Haley Plant.	23784
AUSTIN, George	Texas, Cass, Morris Plantation	23793
BLACKWELL, Willie	Blackwell Plantation	23825
BORMER, Betty	Texas, Tarrant, Johnson Plantation	23843
BROWN, Fred	La., Baton Rouge Par. Brown Plant.	23849
BROWN, Steve	Ala., Mobile, Gurley Plantation	23857
BROWN, Zeke	Tenn., Warren, Brown Plantation	23866
BUSH, Sam	Texas, Ellis, Connors Plantation	23874
BUTLER, H. H.	Va., Fququier, Sullivan Plantation	23882
CAPE, Jim	Houston Ranch	23893
COLE, Hattie	Texas, Robertson, Hearne Plant.	23900
DAVIS, Tobe	Texas, Nacogdoches, Turnipseed Plant.	23909
EDWARDS, Ann J.	Va., Arlington, John Cook	23919
FARROW, Betty	Va., Patrick, Clark Plantation	23929
FINNELY, John	Tenn., Jackson, Finnely Plan.	23935
FITTS, Jennie	Texas, Angelina, Glen Fisher	23945
FOWLER, Louis	Ga., Macon, Beaver Plantation	23945
GREEN, Mandy	Ga., Troupe, Maddox Plantation	23959
GRICE, Pauline	Ga., Fulton, Blackshier, Plan.	23967
HAMILTON, William	William Hamilton	23975
HAYES, James	John Henderson	23982
HILL, Albert	Georgia, Walton, Hill Plantation	23990
HOBBS, W. E.	Tenn., Franklin	24004
HOLMAN, Eliza	Miss., John Appiewhite	24012

<u>Name</u>	<u>State, County, Plantation/Owner</u>	<u>WPA Pg.</u>
HOMER, Bill	La., Shreveport, Homer Plan.	24023
HOMER, Mary	Tenn., Anderson, Buckner Plan.	24032
HOOPER, Scott	Texas, Shelby, Hobert Turner	24039
INGRAM, Mary	La., St. Mary Par. Burvick Plan.	24058
JAMES, John	La., E. Bat. Rg. Par. Chapman Pl.	24064
JONES, Lewis	Texas, Fayette, Tate Plantation	24072
MALONE, Julia	Judge Ellison Plantation	24102
MARROW, Mandy	Texas, Burnett, Benn Baker	24109
MAY, Dave	Texas, Waco	26207
McFARLAND, Joe	Cobb Plantation	26234
MILLER, Anna	Mark Loyed	24122
MULLINS, Hannah	Texas, Johnson Sta. M. T. Johnson	24335
NAPIER, Florence	Texas, Falls, Matson Ragsdale	24037
NELSON, Anay	Texas, Denton, J. Wolft	24175
NILLIN, Margrett	Texas, Palestine, Chas. Corneallus	24353
PAULS, Jessie	Sneed Plantation	24362
PERKINS, Henderson,	Tn., Nashville, John Pruitt	24164
POWERS, Betty	Texas, Harrison, Perry Plantation	24294
POWERS, Tillie R.	Carolina, Edgemore Co. Powers Pl.	24373
REECE, Ellsie	Texas, Grimes, John Muedrew	24382
RILEY, Jack	Ohio, Montgomery, John Riley	24290
RIMM, Walter	Texas, San Patricio, Hatch Pl.	24268
ROBERTSON, Steve	Texas, Washington, Robertson Pl.	24247
ROW, Annie	Texas, Nacogdoches, Finnely Pl.	24151
RUFFINS, Florence	B. of ex-slaves near DeKalb	24394
RUSSELL, Arron	La., Quachita Par., Patrick Pl.	24402
SKELTON, Lou	Terry Plantation	20343
SMITH, Giles	Ala., Union Sp. Major Hardway	24224
SMITH, James W.	Texas, Anderson, Hallman Pl.	24422
SPINKS, Leithean	Miss., Rankin, Thompson Pl.	24210
THOMAS, Philles	Texas, Brazoria, Miles Pl.	24432
THOMAS, Wm. M.	Miss., Lauderdale, Thomas Pl.	24441
THOMPSON, Penny	Ala., Coosa, Calvin Ingram	24453
WASHINGTON, Sam J.	Texas, Wharton, Young Pl.	26014
	Texas, Wharton, Sam Young	24476
WEST, James	Miss., Tippah, West Pl.	24465
WILLIAMS, Rose	Texas, Bell, William Black	24488
WILLIAMS, Willie	La., Vermilion Par., Maddox Pl.	24323
WILSON, Fannie	Texas, Tarrant, Ditto Pl.	24498
WILSON, Jannie	Arthur Carroll	24139
WILSON, Mary A.	S. C., Calhoun Plantation	24502
WILSON, Robert	Henry Byas	24196
YARBROUGH, Virginia	La., Rapides Par., Neal Pl.	24511
YOUNG, Louis	Ark., Phillips, Hampton Atkinson	24186
YOUNG, Teshan	Texas, Harrison, Scott, Pl.	24130

GRUNEWALD BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Mrs. James W. Smith, Fort Worth, Texas

This Bible was presented to Wilhelmine Soffie Grunewald by her husband, Peter C. Grunewald, on May 15, 1884.

Peter Christian Grunewald was born October 28, 1853, Coldenbuttel, Germany and Wilhelmine Soffie Stregeman was born December 28, 1855 in Branstead, Germany. They were married May 19, 1878, Husum Church, Husum, Germany by Pastor Lars. They sailed for North America September 3, 1881 and landed at New York on September 17, 1881.

BIRTHS

August Robert Grunewald born May 31, 1879, Husum, Germany
 Fredrick Wilhelm Grunewald born June 1, 1880, Husum Germany
 Frieda Wilhelmine Grunewald born Nov. 26, 1881, Chicago, U.S.A.
 Cora Susanna Albertine Grunewald born May 28, 1888, Ft. Worth
 Minna Bertha Paldine born October 6, 1889, Ft. Worth, Texas
 Lilie Grunewald born June 15, 1894, Ft. Worth, Texas U.S.A.
 William Hugo Grunewald born Aug. 28, 1895, Ft. Worth, Texas
 Julia L. Grunewald born Aug. 20, 1882 [different handwriting]

DEATHS

Lilie Grunewald June 16, 1894 1 Day Ft. Worth, Texas
 August Robert Dec. 18, 1896, Ft. Worth, Texas (gun shot wound)
 Peter C. Grunewald (Father) Dec. 7, 1926 Age 73 (Heart)
 Cora Susanna Grunewald Eberling April 7 1933 age 45 (cancer)
 Wilhelmine Soffie S. Grunewald (Mother) Sept. 12, 1946 (old age)
 Julia L. Grunewald (Fredrick's wife) April 23, 1958, age 75
 Frieda Wilhelmine G. Starr Oct. 14, 1962
 Fred William Grunewald Sept. 13, 1967, age 87
 William Hugo Oct. 27, 1977
 Minnie Bertha G. Coleman April 19, 1985, age 95, Ft. Worth

END OF BIBLE RECORD

VISIONS OF YESTERYEAR IN OLD FORT WORTH -

REMEMBER GRUNEWALD PAVILION AMUSEMENT PARK?

The house next door, where he was born, is being torn down, but the sight doesn't mar W. H. Grunewald's memory. When the 72-year-old man closes his eyes, he can still see visions from yesterday as handsomely clothed ladies and gentlemen arrive in their horse-drawn buggies to join in the merriment that abounded at Grunewald Pavilion and Amusement Park at 1104 Samuels.

The first horse-drawn street car running from the courthouse north of town ended its run in front of the park. Ladies carrying filmy parasols to protect themselves from the hot summer sun strolled around parkways in the shaded two-acre grounds surrounding the dance hall. "It was the thing to do back in those days," Mr. Grunewald said. "Lodges and organizations with something to celebrate would rent the hall. Whole families came for picnics. Later the band would arrive and they'd dance."

The amusement park was started by Mr. Grunewald's father about 1885. He patterned it after the traditional biergarten found in his native Germany. For 20 years people came to celebrate festivals during the warm months.

"But in 1905, my father could see business dropping off. He decided to close up the old Pavilion. For a while he kept a saloon and hotel for railroad. We moved away from Samuels Avenue to be nearer his hotel property located where the Santa Fe freight office is now."

"Every so often, we would get in the buggy and drive out to the Pavilion property. Once in a while my father would catch some kids who had broken in and chase them out with a buggy whip. My brother and I always liked to sneak in and roller skate on the old dance hall floor."

A few years later, the hotel and saloon were sold and the family moved back to Samuels Avenue. "My father was retired, but never idle. He tore down the old pavilion and built six houses on the two acres. Then he cut our original house in two and moved half of it to another lot. That gave him six rentals and one house to live in."

Access to Samuels Avenue has become obscured through the years although it was once a lively route into "Silk Stocking Row." "Now Elm Street is the only way to get here and its entrance is hard to find. Fast traffic and freeways seem to cut us off from the rest of town." But it was another story when the Grunewald Pavilion was in full swing!

MANN FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Patricia L. Edwards, Hurst, Texas

BIRTHS

David Stotz Mann born in Somit Co. Ohio June 20th 1848.
 Married to Mary Rankert February 1st 1883.
 Mary Rankert born in Indiana Oct. 27th 1857

Two children were born to this union
 Golden Mann born in La Paz Ind. July 2nd 1884
 Dean Mann born in Lakeville Ind. Oct. 30th 1888

DEATHS

David S. Mann died Jan. 2, 1892 at La Paz, Ind.
 Mary Mann died March 27, 1930 South Bend

Golden David Mann died November 29, 1943 So Bend

FAMILY RECORD

Henry Rankert born in Schwetzinzen Ger. Mar. 20th 1822
 died March 4th 1886 Father

Mary Rankert born in Schwetzingen Ger. Feb. 10th 1822
 Died April 20th 1892 Mother

Charles Rankert born in Schwetzenzen Ger. Oct. 7th 1843.
 Died February 22, 1910

Josephine Rankert born in Schwetzenzen Aug. 5th 1845.
 Died June 22th 1879

Lizzie Rankert born in Schwetzenzen Ger. Feb. 24th 1847

Francis Rankert born in Canal Dover Ohio Dec. 7th 1850
 Died August 9, 1907

Henry Rankert born in Canal Dover Ohio Feb. 22th 1852

John Rankert born in Canal Dover Ohio Feb. 21th 1854

Mary Rankert born in Indiana - Marshall Co. Oct. 27th 1857
 Died March 27, 1930.

Orlando Rankert born in Ind. May 4th 1859 decd

Edward Rankert born in Ind. Feb. 7th 1862 decd

William Rankert born in Indiana Aug 18th 1865. Died De---

NORRIS BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Patricia Edwards

BIRTHS

William G. Norris born Dec. 18th 1807
 Mary Norris born the 30th of Sept. 1815
 Fani Norris born Sept. the 28 1835
 John Spenser Norris Born Dec. the 11 1836
 James Carel? Norris Born June 27th 1840
 Leonidas Norris Born Oct 29th 1842
 Lydia Ann Norris Born Sept 13 1845
 Lusebe? Norris Borne March 27, 1848
 Zachary Taylo⁹r Norris Borne October 13th 1849
 Mercy Melinda Norris Borne November 30th 1854
 Frank Colefax Norris Borne May 1st 1860

Leonidas Norris Mann, son of Golden & Blanche Mann
 born June 15, 1905 [different handwriting]

BIRTHS

Eva Norris Borne February the 27th 1874
 William J Norris Jr Borne the 30 of September 1876
 George Washing Norris the son of Zack Norris
 Borne October 8th 1878
 Eluma Norris the Daughter of Zack Norris Borne Feb 17th 1881
 Blanche Norris, Daughter of Leonidas Norris born July 8, 1885
 [different handwriting]

DEATHS

Jane Norris Departed this Life Nov. 12, 1835
 Aged one month and Three weeks and four days old
 Lusebe? Norris Departed this Life April 6, 1848
 Aged one week and two Days old
 Frank Colifax Norris Departed this life Sept 28th 1862
 Aged two years four months & twenty eight days old
 Mary Carel? Norris Departed this life March 26th 1869
 Aged 53 years & 26 days old
 Mrs. Lydia A. Pierson departed this life Feb. 5, 1900 55 yrs
 Leonidas Norris departed March 13, 1906. Age 63 years
 Eva May Departed this life the 5th of September 1875
 Age 1 year Six months and seven days

MARRIAGES

William G. Norris Married To Miss Mary Card August the 7 1834
Both of Buffalo & State of New York

John H Norris Married to Miss Merrada Mantzel Apr 31st 1862
Both of South Bend Ind

Lydia Ann Norris married to G. H. Pierce Nov 21st 1866
South Bend Ind

Izack Norris Married to Miss Lizzie Heverling in December
the 18 1872 Both of South Bend Ind

Leonidas Norris Married to Miss Mary Yant Nov. 1, 1879

Blanche Norris married to Golden D. Mann March 31, 1915
[different handwriting]

L. Norris Mann son of Golden & Blanche Mann married to Della Marie
Gleason June 17 1925

END OF BIBLE RECORD

The PRUETT-WILLIAMS REUNION ASSOCIATION will meet 12 August 1989 in Ranger, Texas. One of the highlights of the event will be the dedication of a medallion for WILLIAM WILLIAMS who died 14 May 1904, and is buried in the Pioneer Cemetery in Ranger. Judge Scott Bailey, Chairman of the Eastland County Historical Commission, will preside at the dedication ceremony to be held at 11:00 a.m. in Pioneer Cemetery on Young [formerly Clay] Street, in Ranger.

The graves of WILLIAM WILLIAMS, hero of early Texas, and his wife, are marked only by rocks. Papers documenting his service to the Republic of Texas have been approved by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas (DRT).

It is hoped that all descendants will want to have a part in this important event, either by being present and/or contributing to the fund for the marker. To obtain additional information, please send an SASE to Jeane Pruett, P. O. Box 99, Ranger, Texas, or call (817) 647-3824 evenings. To contribute, send check or money order (no cash) payable to Pruett-Williams Reunion Association, c/o Jeane Pruett. You do not have to contribute in order to attend the reunion.

SORRELS - FARRIS BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Shirley B. Cawyer, Stephenville, Texas

This Bible belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Tilleafus Farris who lived in Coryell and Lampasas Counties, Texas. In 1972 it was in the possession of their son, Harvey Ozean Farris, of Stephenville, Texas, who supplied supplemental information shown in brackets.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

"This certifies that T. L. Farris and Q. V. Sorrels were solemnly united by me in the bonds of Holy Matrimony at J. P. [Josh] Sorrels, [uncle to Queen V.] on the fifteenth day of July in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety One. Conformed to the Ordinance of God and the Laws of the State. In Present of: B--Myers and S. L. Garner [two other names are faded.]

FAMILY RECORD

T. L. Farris was born in McLelland [McLennan] Co. Tex. April 29, 1866. Q. V. [Queen Victoria] Sorrels was born in Gofman [Kaufman] County, Texas Feb. 28, 1871.

T. L. Farris and Q. V. Sorrels married July 15, 1891.

Borned:

A. T. Farris born in Burnett Co. Tex. June 26, 1892.
Married April 20, 1915.

R. I. [Ruth Isabell] Farris born in Burnett Co. Tex.
Feb. 6, 1894.

H. M. [Hallie Mae] Farris born in Burnett Co. Tex. May 8, 1896.
Married May 9, 1919.

H. O. [Harvey Ozean] Farris born Coryell Co. Tex. Feb. 2, 1898.
Jewell Walter [male] Farris born in Scurry Co. Tex.
Oct. 14, 1905.

Elblena Farris born Lampasas Co. Texas. May 10, 1906.

SORRELS FAMILY:

G. M. [Green Mathew] Sorrels was born Arkansas May 21, 1848.
Married June 5, 1870. Died June 23, 1924.

A. S. [Arminta] Jones was born Kaufman Co. Tex. Jan. 13, 1853.
Married June 5, 1870 to G. M. Sorrels.

Q. V. Sorrels was born Feb. 28, 1871 Kaufman Co. Tex.

G. A. [Georgia] Sorrels born Cook Co. [Texas?] Sept. 30, 1873.
Married July 16, 1892. [Jim Moore; lived Lampasas Co.]

D. C. [girl, twin] Sorrels born Cook Co. Sept. 30, 1873.
Died August 9, 1874.

G. M. Sorrels Jr. born Kaufman Co. Tex. Sept. 30, 1875.
Married Nov. 12, 1896 [Ida--; lived Ennis, Texas]

Albert Sorrels, born Ellis Co. Tex. Oct. 29, 1877.
Married August 7, 1904 [Maggie Sorrels, cousin; lived Coryell Co. Texas.]

Tolbert Sorrels born Ellis Co. Tex. Sept. 4, 1879. [Died young.]

Samuel Sorrels born Ellis Co. Tex. July 5, 1881. Married May 5,
1906. [Birdie Warren, half sister to Rebecca Jane Warren, daughters
of Charles Warren.]

Fannie Sorrels born Ellis Co. Tex. March 4, 1883. Married
August 1904 [-- Hale, lived Ennis, Texas]

Oley [girl] Sorrels, born Ellis Co. Tex. Feb. 15, 1885.
Married June 1905.

Walter Sorrels was born Ellis Co. Tex. April 6, 1887.
Died April 28, 1902.

Andrew [Jackson] Sorrels, born Ellis Co. Tex. Feb. 2, 1889.
Married June 1907 [Mabel Hurst, sister to Oley Sorrel's husband]

George Sorrels born Ellis Co. Texas July 8, 1891.
Married June 6, 1901. [Lyle Owens. Lived Ennis, Texas]

B--- Sorrels born Ellis Co. Texas Feb. 2, 1896.
Died Feb. 21, 1896.

R. J. [Rebecca Jane] Warren was born in Shoney [Shawnee?] Illinois
Aug. 25, 1844; married Oct. 6, 1863; died June 12, 1922.

A. J. [Andrew Jackson] Farris was born in Tennessee in 1829.
Married R. J. Warren Oct. 6, 1863. Died Feb. 3, 1902.

Charles Warren was born in Ky., Nov. 12, 1820. Died April 22,
1893. [Lived in Coryell Co. Texas during the Civil War]

Hemby Farris was born in McClelland [McLennan] County, Texas August
30, 1872. Died August 1875.

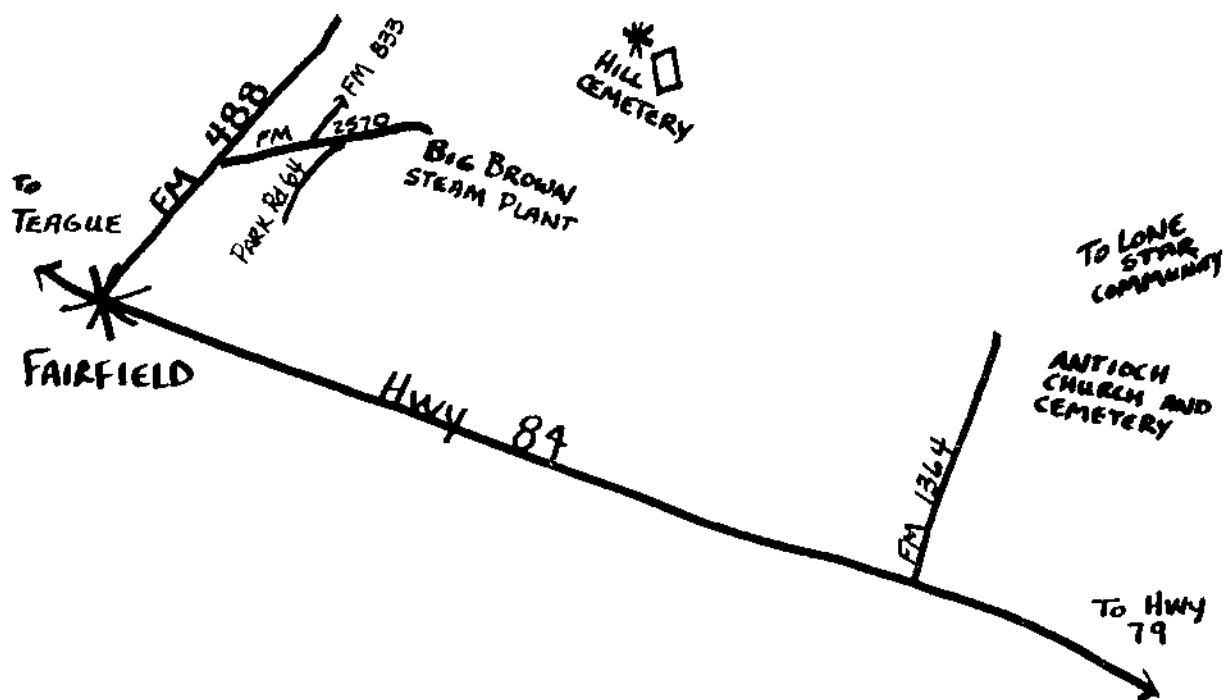
END OF BIBLE RECORD

HILL CEMETERY - FAIRFIELD, TEXAS

Copied By Donna Frasier Williams, Jacksonville, Texas

Note by copier: This cemetery is found in Freestone County, Texas. I found reference to the Hill cemetery in the library at Fairfield, and feel that this is it. I have copied each head and foot stone from right to left from the gate.

Directions: Take Hwy 84 approximately 16 miles from the turnoff from Hwy 79 to FM 1364. FM 1364 turns into a dirt road at the Antioch Baptist Church. Take a left approximately 8 miles and you will see the Hill Cemetery on the left in a woods. It is fenced in but not kept. You can follow the dirt road on around past the Big Brown Generating Plant and follow the paved highway back to Fairfield.



J. M. HILL

Born July 27, 1868

Died Jan. 29, 1886

Footstone J M H

MATTIE EMMA

Dau. of J. M. & Lulas Hill

Born Jan. 20, 1894

Died June 17, 1895

Footstone: M. E. H.

MARTHA

Wife of Dr. H. S. Hill

Born in N. C. 1820

Died Mar. 9, 1894

Footstone: M.H.

To the Memory of HENRY S. HILL (Masonic Emblem)

Born in Darlington

District S.C.

June 18, 1815

Died May 18, 1873

Age 57 yrs. 11 mo.

Footstone: H.S.H.

Part of a broken headstone under a cedar tree marked with Masonic emblem.

JAMES T.

Only son of

W. & M.F. CRAWFORD

Born Jan. 23, 1871

Died July 23, 1875

Footstone: J.T.C.

W.R.

Son of J. R. & N. A. WOOTEN

Born Jan. 22, 1900

Died Sept. 5, 1908

Footstone: W R W

REBBLE

Son of J. R. & N. A. WOOTON

Born Dec. 17, 1907

Died June 19, 1911

Footstone: R. W.

Some graves were marked with rocks, some with cedar spikes.

Second row:

MAGGIE E.
Daughter of T. F. & M. E. YOUNG
Born July 30, 1885
Died Apr. 8, 1887
1 yr. 9 ms. 8 ds.

The next three graves were marked with rocks.

ROBERT H.
Son of
T. F. & M. E. YOUNG
Born Nov. 17, 1877
Died July 22, 1878
Age 9 mo. 5 ds.
Footstone: R. H. Y.

AUGUSTUS STAPLES
Son of A.S. & L. M. KOONCE
Born July 11, 1892
Died Aug. 2, 1892
Footstone: A. S. K.

There are several graves marked with rocks that finish out this row.

Third row:

IDA
Dau of W. G. & M. E. OWENS
Born Aug. 11, 1877
Died July 12, 1879

Several graves marked with rocks.

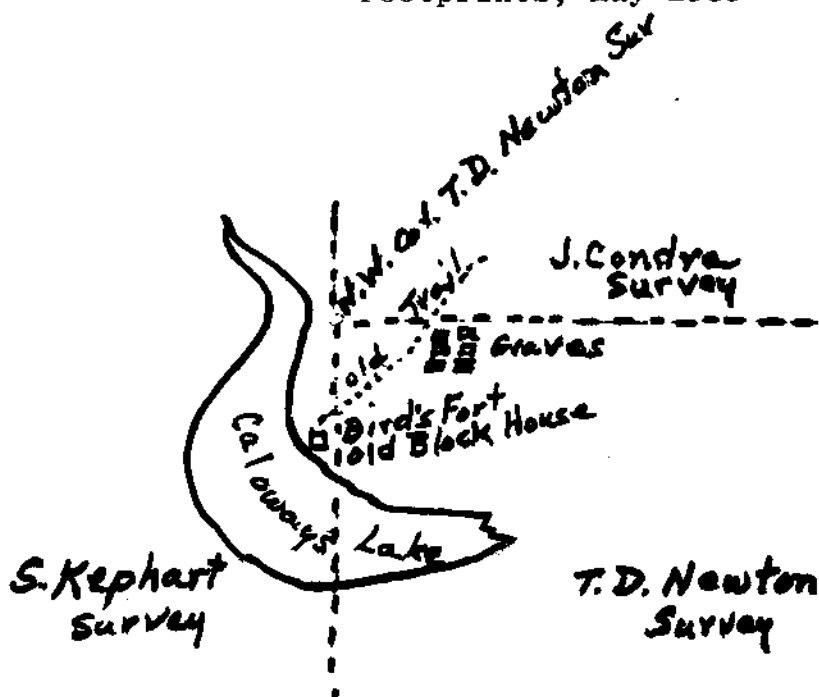
A. B. VAUGHN
Born Dec. 15, 1848
Died Sept. 3, 1912
Footstone: A. B. V.
IDA
Dau of W. G. & M.

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"A little fact is worth a whole limbo of family tradition"

Emerson and Edna Perry Deckler

Footprints, May 1989



Judge C. C. Cummings
Fort Worth Texas

Dear Sir - I entered the surveyor's office in Tarrant County in 1880 and continued in that office with the exception of about one term to summer of 1907 when I resigned to come to San Angelo. During the years from 1870 to 1874 I frequently visited Col. B. Rush Wallace and the family of Hon. H. C. Wallace whose residence at that time was at the site of old Bird's Fort situated on the NE bank of Calloway's lake on a high bluff bank in a bend of said lake, at that time the site of the old Block House of this Fort was plainly visible also several graves situated in a sandy ridge by side of a trail leading N E from the Fort and about 300 yards distant was pointed out to me as the graves of occupants of the old Fort. During the early part of my term in the surveyor's office of Tarrant County I had occasion to make a survey of the S Kephart and T. D. Newton surveys and in making this survey it was ascertained that the old Block House was on the S Kephart near its east line and the graves on the T., D. Newton survey near its north line and about 300 yards N E of the old Block House.

The above sketch will show the relative position of the old Fort and graves to Caloway's lake and the two surveys above mentioned. Caloway's lake is situated in the edge of the Valley of Trinity River and about 14 miles east of Ft. Worth.

Yours truly,

/s/ J J Goodfellow

San Angelo Texas
Sep 3, 1915

Fort Worth, Texas
Dec 29th 1874

To the Hon Senate and House of Representatives
of the State of Texas

Whereas in this the 14th Judicial District of the State of Texas
the business has increased until there is more than one Judge can
attend to.

Therefore the undersigned members of the bar of Tarrant County most
respectfully petition your Hon boddies to detach the County of
Tarrant from the 14th Judicial District and attach it to the 13th

Very Respectively

C. C. Cummings [County Judge]
W. S. Pendleton
J. J. Jarvis
S. P. Green
J. Hays
J. L. Chapman
J. M. Thomason
J. C. Scott
W. R. Gause
T. B. James, Sheriff T C
Jno. Swayne Depty D.C.C.T.C.
J. Y. Hogsett

J. F. Beall
John Hanna
Hyde Jennings
Jas. Cooper
John D. Templeton
Jas. H. Field
F. W. Ball
J. S. Morris
J. P. Smith
J. W. Cleveland
Jas. P. Woods Depty
J. C. Terrell

[Copied from Texas State Archives]

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as well as queries for Virginia, West Virginia and Rhode Island.
Anyone can submit as many queries as they like, up to 50 words
each, not counting name and address. Do not use abbreviations
and print neatly or type all submissions. Send to Bette Butcher
Topp, W. 1304 Cliffwood Ct., Spokane WA 99218-2917.
[Prince George's County Genealogical Society Bulletin, Nol. 19,
No. 9, May 1988.]

CIVIL WAR LETTER FROM ISAIAH INMON

Contributed by Mrs. James P. Ogles, Joshua, Texas

Editor's Note: The original letter is written on blank printed sheets of paper taken from an Arkansas Courthouse book having to do with consignment of prisoners to jail.

Camp Nelson Arkansas

October the 29th 1862

Dear Father & Mother I will drop you a few lines to inform you that I am well excepting a bad cold Allso That Jont is well again and geting far - his health has improved mity fast. Johnt is very consius with reguerd to his health. I have received yours of Date the 30th which come to hand by Mr. Botright, he got into Camps day before yesterday we all received our clothing safe and sound. Johnt and Simer was hear todey to get theirs. Our Clothing all fits splendid and I tell you that we was right glad to get it. My Coat is full large so is Johnts But that is no objections at all as I can ware it over my other coat. my over shirt fits fine so does my pants. You ask me about Drawers. Well I have two pair thats good with the exactsions of one little hole in each pair where my knife wore them out and my check shorts that I got at Buchanan. I have wore one of them out and the other is allmost worne out. My White Shirt is good as ever as I have not worne it but very little. Well I will just name over what I have got, Two Coats Two pairs of Pants Two white Shirts Two under shirts one over Shirt Two pairs of Drawers Five pair of socks that I will tell you I am just about bairfooted though I will get Shoes soon and as to Bedclothing I am rather scairs one quilt and one blanket. If you have a chance send me one quilt I dont know exactley how Johnt and Simer is off for bedding though I think that they say that they have got enough to do them. I must brag about your good luck in manufacturing Tobacco. I think that it is splendid to be so new I wish that I had a plenty of it its lots better than I have been using.

We will draw two months wages to morow that is we will draw up to the 30th of April them that was mustered in the 15th of January will get three months and a halfs pay. I was mity anxious to get all my money. I have such a good chance to sent it home by Mr. Botright. I dont know how long Botright will stay with us his sone is down with the rheumatims and Pheuralisia I dont know which Johnt and I will beat home when we can get furloughs though theirs no change to get them now neither do I know when we can get them. Mother it would do me the most good in the world if I could get a pair of cards But I expect that they are as scairs hear as their and thats not all. You I dont suppose have eny Idea how close we are kept let me tell you something about our Guards first we have a Regimental guard that goes around Each Regiment. Then we have a

Civil War Letter

Brigaide Commander and a man mite as well try to fly as to get that then we have to answer to our names three or four times a day so you can see that we have no change to get out I wish that I knew what Regiment J. D. Martin and the Leepers Boys belongs to then perhaps I could get to see them I think that they belong to Col Alens Regiment and there was a Regiment come in to day that we think was Col Alens, it I think belongs to Flounoyw Brigade if so they will camp about threemiles from us, and write to me allso if you know what Regiment D. C. Thomas belongs to

Father I want you to ride Billey a cowhunting and make him do his part He surtainly symphathises largely with Wiley to go off and pout with him when he didnt go himself, I dont know how long we will stay hear I dont hear eny talk of us leaving now as ever
Isaiah Inmon"

On another printed sheet:

"The order is Ishued and no mistake for all the men that was in the servis that the Conscript let out to come home imediately or they will be considered Desirters and delt with accordingly, they will have to return to the Regiment to which they belonged. That will allmost ill some of them dont you think so."

And on a separate sheet:

"From Isaiah Inmon a Private in Co (A) Col Darnell's Regiment {To} Mr. John Inmon Grandview Johnson Co Texas"

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ATTENTION COMPUTER BUFFS! Don't miss Marsha Hoffman Rising's article in the National Genealogical Quarterly, Vol. 76, No. 3, September 1988. Entitled "Computers and Genealogical Scholarship: Have the Twain Yet Met?" - this should be required reading for everyone who is "into computers and genealogy."

NGS has over 1500 members in its Computer Interest Group [NGS/CIG] which publishes a bimonthly Digest, provides a national forum for the exchange of information on computer-genealogy, and operates a bulletin board system.

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CONFEDERATE VETERANS' RECOLLECTIONS

(Continued from Vol. 31, No. 4)

SHILOH AND CHICKAMAUGA

The pick of southern valor, historians say, fought at Shiloh. Rosecranz' proud federal army of the Cumberland was crushed at Chickamauga. Tom C. Mitchell participated in both battles. "Yes, sir, I was in a bunch of them. I was at Mill Springs and Farmington and Waitsboro and Fishing Creek, too. I fought for Albert Sidney Johnston."

The 84-year-old veteran was captured at Chickamauga. He was on the skirmish line ahead of his advancing regiment, when some Union soldiers jumped up and had him "dead to rights." He and his two companions surrendered, but he stayed in the Federal prison camp only eight days. One afternoon he went to the creek to take a bath, and when the guard's eye roved, he scampered up the bank and vanished into the brush - headed south.

He has some pleasant memories of Murfreesboro. The southerners swept through the first line of Federals, the second and then the third. It was entirely unexpected for the third line - they had a bunch of hogs and the water was boiling - so the Confederates enjoyed their breakfast. Mitchell was one of six privates remaining out of one company of 64 men in that battle. He never surrendered. The veteran shook his head. "I just went home."

He has always been a farmer and still goes to church regularly and takes a morning walk. He has eleven living children: Mrs. Mattie Crosby, Mrs. Bell Wright, Mrs. Alice Probst, Mrs. Leona Copher, Mrs. Velma Castles, Miss Fannie Mitchell, all of Fort Worth; Mrs. Tennie Parker, Handley, Mrs. Ella Gary, Tucson, Arizona; W. I. Mitchell Breckenridge and J. Frank of Sour Lake. (Fort Worth Press, October 5, 1931)

SHERMAN'S FAMOUS MARCH

General Sherman's march to the sea wasn't without some unpleasant features. The South's main army was scattered and torn, but remnants of Confederate brigades dogged the flanks of the conquering northerners. In one of those bands was 84-year-old James M. West, now living at 2620 Lipscomb in Fort Worth. West was with the 14th Georgia Cavalry.

He remembers the time when a southern scout came upon a band of 200 Northerners some 35 miles from Sherman's main army. He hurried back to West's company, and the men crept up on the sleeping Union cavalry men. The rebel yell sounded "like a bunch of cougars and coyotes howling. They started running and most of them got away, but we got all their horses and stuff to eat."

West came to Texas from Georgia 36 years ago. He farmed for a while before he established one of the first rooming houses in Abilene. He came to Fort Worth in 1892. (Fort Worth Press, October 5, 1931)

EXCITING TIMES WITH MORGAN

No more colorful command rallied to the sound of Confederate bugles. Southern youth....Kentucky and Tennessee thoroughbred horses....elusive as shadows....under the command of the famous John Hunt Morgan. George Ellison, 88-year-old veteran, rode with this famous band. Then twenty years old, and six feet tall, he once rode for 19 days and nights without ever getting out of the saddle except to fight. "If we couldn't whip 'em, we'd run before they whipped us. We were always on the go."

Ellison didn't run fast enough once in Ohio, and landed in a federal prison. Toward the end of the War he and several of his companions were exchanged. He promptly joined Echols' Division of Lee's command and was with Echols when Lee surrendered.

However, there were Southern soldiers at Appomatox that day who did not surrender - the fragments of five brigades. They were determined to die fighting in defense of the Confederacy and went with Jefferson Davis to Washington, Georgia. There they were to make their last stand, but Davis and his cabinet vanished. For their heroic gesture, they received the remains of the Confederate treasury - 20 dollars in gold and Mexican currency to each man.

In 1877, Ellison moved to San Saba County, Texas from Richmond, Kentucky. He came to Fort Worth when stage coaches were still in use and opened a mercantile business. He still lives in the house he built 32 years ago at 810 Taylor. According to Mrs. Ellison, he once owned the "finest greenhouse" in Texas. I've made a pretty good husband out of him, too."

The Ellisons have no children, but he has enjoyed teaching children when he began organizing Sunday schools. Classes were first held under shade trees. Three of these classes later organized as churches. These were Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Chamber Hill Church and the West Berry Church. (Fort Worth Press, October 1, 1931.)

(To be continued)

CHARLOTTE AND THE MURDER OF JOHN COUCH

By Patrick McKenna

This story can now be told because the people involved, and their children, are no longer living. Their descendants are unaware of the event since it was hushed up and then almost obliterated by time. Now no one can be hurt by the telling and the injustice of the act should be exposed. This is written to exorcise - once and for all time - what were once whispers and now silence.

"We are interested in our ancestors -
they were us in another age."

Red Hills and Cotton

Ben Robertson

"Couch, Henderson, was foreman of the jury at the first court ever held in Dallas County, December, 1846; he and his eleven colleagues divorced Mrs. Charlotte M. Dalton from her husband, Joseph Dalton, and before the sun of that day glided to the 'heathen Chinees' side of the globe, the said Henderson Couch and Charlotte M. Dalton legally and constitutionally, were husband and wife. It was the first civil suit - Dalton vs. Dalton - ever tried in Dallas county." Elsewhere the same story is repeated, adding that Mrs. Dalton was "a daughter of John Hewitt."¹

Quite a story! But the historical facts are so different that we must reconstruct the case in the light of documentary accuracy. A good story is often ruined by an eyewitness. It is unfortunate that the court case, related in 1892 by a 71 year-old-man, W. P. Overton, was a recollection of events of almost half a century before.²

According to records of the Sixth District Court,³ the first civil suit in Dallas County was Joseph Mather vs. Jefferson Tilley. The second case on the docket was Charlotte Dalton vs. Joseph N. Dalton.⁴ Although William P. Steeley was foreman, Henderson Couch was a member of that jury.⁵ Dalton vs. Dalton was indeed the first divorce case in Dallas County.⁶ Joseph Dalton did not appear in court; Charlotte presented her case to the jury⁷ and the jury ruled in her favor. Henceforth, Charlotte was a free woman.⁸

Romantic as it sounds, this was not love at first sight. Henderson Couch and Charlotte Dalton had known each other for a long time. John Huitt and Henderson Couch had adjoining lands "where Martha Huitt, Jefferson Tilley and Henderson Couch's land corners together on Cedar Springs branch...."⁹

According to the diary of Sarah A. Sayre, a very early settler:¹⁰

"My father and family....arrived at Cedar Springs in Peter's Colony, March 20th....[1844.] There was forted at that place five families....Mr. Shelly, Jeff Tillery, John Hewitt¹¹ John Couch and William Skurlock."¹²

It should be noted that there was no Couch-Dalton wedding recorded that December court day, nor any other day, in either Denton or Dallas Counties. It is very unlikely any woman would drop one husband in a day and marry a neighbor 15 years her senior on an impetuous whim. A divorce in those days was a scandalous, emotional and physically trying affair. The second marriage occurred sometime later - probably in Tarrant County. Record of the marriage has never been found most likely because of the Tarrant County courthouse fire March 29, 1876.¹³ To top it all off, Charlotte was required to pay the cost of the divorce suit she had just won.¹⁴ One imagines this was more than enough for any woman in one day!

Who was this Henderson Couch? From Peter's Colony of Texas we learn:

"Henderson Couch migrated to the colony as a family man prior to July 1, 1844. He was issued a land certificate by Thomas William Ward in 1850 and patented 488 acres in Dallas Co. (Nacogdoches 3rd Class No. 2124.) The remaining portion, 146 acres, was patented in Dallas Co. (Nacogdoches 3rd Class No. 2008.) According to the colony agent's report for 1844, he was living on White Rock Creek in old Nacogdoches Co. (Dallas Co.)"¹⁵

But according to Sarah Sayre's diary, "John Couch" was living at Cedar Springs in May 1844. (There was no other Couch in Dallas at this time, and surely no other Couch at Cedar Springs, so this is undoubtedly Henderson Couch.) If Henderson did live on White Rock Creek, it is not shown in any deed records. Whether he was a widower in 1844 is not known. His acreage shows he was granted the allotment given to a married man.¹⁶

There was another side to Henderson Couch's character. He sued and was sued many times in Dallas District Court over debts. From June 1847 to November 1848, a group of men were charged in separate cases for "Gaming." A similar charge against Couch was subsequently dropped.¹⁷ He was accused in another case of "Permitting Gaming." He pleaded guilty and was fined \$10.00 plus court costs.¹⁸ But there was amuch more serious charge made May 22, 1850 - The State of Texas vs. James Mackey and Henderson Couch for "Assault with Intent to Murder." Finally tried May 15, 1851, Couch pleaded not guilty; the jury agreed and he was released.¹⁹

Charlotte Dalton and Henderson Couch were married sometime between the divorce in December 1846 and 1848, since the 1850 census shows their first child, Tennessee E. Couch, to be 2 years old.²⁰ According to that census, Henderson was born in 1811 in Tennessee, and Charlotte was born in 1826 in Arkansas. This census also lists a second daughter, Highly A., "age 3/12."²¹ There is also a 22-year-old Peter Couch, born in Tennessee, living in the household, about whom nothing is known. This family's life was centered in Cedar Springs, "2-1/2 miles north of Dallas," as designated in all early Dallas County deeds.²²

The Memorial and Biographical History statement that Charlotte was "a daughter of John Hewitt" has merit, though not conclusively proven. John Huitt was the first sheriff of Dallas County, elected July 13, 1846.²³

Evidence that Charlotte was related to him in some way, is shown in a curious, but significant, document found among the estate papers of the John Huitt estate:

Feb. 19, 1848 - petition to Probate Court of Dallas County "...that we, Martha Huitt, and John Hibbert and Elizabeth, his wife, and Henderson Couch and Charlotte Couch, his wife, heirs in majority²⁴ of the estate of John Huitt, John Huitt, deceased, are desirous...." (petition refers to return of Alson, a slave belonging to the estate after his hiring out term to a blacksmith)²⁵

This proves a close tie between John Huitt and Charlotte, but whether she is a direct descendant or a collateral descendant is not proven. In addition, we find a notation on the divorce bill that John C. McCoy [Clerk of the Court] swore in open court on March 28, 1846, that John Huitt agreed to pay the \$13.25 fee for Charlotte Dalton's divorce.²⁶ This further substantiates kinship.

The sudden death of John Huitt was reported in the January 1848 Probate Court. Martha Huitt, consort of John Huitt, revealed that he died "on or about the 7th day of January 1848, intestate."²⁷ Her petition of January 17th was co-signed by Rowland Huitt, John's brother. Rowland was to become the second sheriff of Dallas County to fill his brother's unexpired term of office.²⁸ During the time of the Huitt estate probate, his heirs patented 640 acres of land in Tarrant County, Texas, adjoining the Louis Finger and James Hyden surveys.²⁹

Meanwhile, Amanda Huitt, "daughter of John Huitt, over the age of 14 years of age" on September 18, 1848, was treated by Dr. J. L. Sampson at the residence of "H. Couch."³⁰ Amanda married William Lowe.³¹ Henderson sold much of his land to John Cole and Isaac Carter in early 1852,³² but kept most of his 488 acre patent in Dallas County. It was time for a new beginning, even though it would be just a few miles to the west.

NOTES

1. Memorial and Biographical History of Dallas County, Texas, Lewis Publishing Co., Chicago, 1892 ed., pp. 155, 176-177.
2. Ibid., p. 176
3. These court cases have been rebound into the "14th District Court" cases when districts were reorganized. Original Minute Books are now housed in the Texas/Dallas Division, 7th Floor, Dallas Public Library. They are indexes with some original loose papers.
4. Joseph Mather vs. Jefferson Tilley, Case No. 1; and Charlotte Dalton vs. Joseph N. Dalton, Case No. 2; District Ct. Min. Bk A., p. 2., Texas/Dallas Collection.
5. Ibid.
6. Ibid.
7. Ibid.
8. Dalton vs. Dalton, Dist. Ct. Min. Bk. A., op. cit.
9. Dallas Co. Deed Bk. B., original page 102, acknowledged before John N. Bryan, Notary Public on March 17, 1849, and recorded the same date by John W. Smith, Clerk, Dallas Co. Court.
10. "Camp Meeting Record for White Rock Camp Ground - 1890. Copied Aug. 28, 1890, from diary of Sarah A. Sayre by C. I. McWhirter, recorder. Dallas Gen. Soc. Quarterly, V. 29, No. 4, p. 215, December 1983."
11. "Hewitt" sometimes can be seen in these records; however, in all original papers, John's signature appears as "John Huitt." There were other Hewitts in the county much later, but they are not related to this family.
12. Sarah Sayre reported the name as "John" Couch. This may be true. We find that later Charlotte named her older son "John Henderson Couch," which could have been his full name, but as we note her probable father was also named "John," and considering the common use of this name, it is not proof. She also meant Jeff Tilley (not Tillery) and William Scurlock (for Skurlock.)
13. Introduction to "Estate Records, Tarrant County, Texas, Abstracts of Original Papers," "Footprints," Fort Worth Genealogical Society, Fort Worth, Texas, V. 17, No. 4, p. 165.

14. Itemized bill for divorce, op. cit., Huitt Est. Papers, Prob. Case #905, Micro. Roll 7, Gen. Sect., DPL.
15. Peter's Colony of Texas, A History, and Biographical Sketches of the Early Settlers, Seymour V. Connor, Texas State Hist. Assn., Austin, Texas 1959, p. 229.
16. No land deeds show Couch owning land at White Rock Creek. Since Sarah Sayre's diary stated he was living "at Cedar Springs: in May 1844, it seems likely the Colony agent mistakenly confused Cedar Springs Branch and White Rock Creek.
17. State of Texas vs. Henderson Couch, Case No. 27, Dist. Ct. Min. Bk. A., pp. 4 & 13, June 3 and 9, 1847.
18. State of Texas vs. Henderson Couch, Case 80-81, Nov. Ct. 1848. Ibid., pp. 108=109.
19. State of Texas vs. James Mackey and Henderson Couch; No. Numbered Case, pp. 174-176 (Case finally designated No. 139, pp. 195 & 222, May 1850 through May 1851.)
20. Texas 1850 Census, Dallas County, Family #385; enum. Dec. 7, 1850.
21. Ibid.
22. Originally a community of small farms, the village of Cedar Springs is now within Dallas where Cedar Springs Road and King's Road intersect.
23. Dallas Co. Deed Book A., o.p. 56. John Huitt posted \$500 bond for service as an elected official July 20, 1846; he was elected Sheriff on July 13.
24. Meaning heirs "of full age." Martha Huitt states several times there were three minor heirs, Thomas B., Margarett and Irene (or Irena.)
25. Petition to court by Martha Huitt, et al, Feb. 19, 1848, Huitt Est. Papers, Prob. Case No. 905, Micro. Roll 7, Gen. Sect. DPL.
26. Itemized bill, op. cit., Huitt Est. Papers Prob. Case, #905, Roll 7, Gen. Sect., DPL.
27. Petition by Martha and Rowland Huitt to Dallas Co. Probate Court, Feb. 19, 1848, Huitt Est. Papers, Prob. Case #905, Micro Roll 7, Gen. Sect. DPL.
28. Entry, Nov. 24, 1848, p. 100, Dist. Ct. Minute Bk, A.,

29. First Settlers of Tarrant County, Texas, by Weldon I. Hudson, Vol. 1, p. 96: Robertson Land District (Tarrant Co.): For John Huitt, east part of Tarrant Co. Colony Certif. #12, for 640 acres, issued 20 Mar 1850, surveyed 8 June 1852, rec. 24 Sept. 1852, as a settler in Peter's Colony.
30. Medical expenses account bill, for Amanda Huitt, accepted Feb. 26 and approved Feb. 27, 1849 by administrators of estate; John Huitt Est. Papers, Prob. Case #905, Micro Roll 7, Gen. Sect. DPL.
31. Marriage was 7 Feb 1850, Marriages, Dallas Co. Texas, Books A-3 (1846-1870) Vol. 1, p. 2, Helen M. Lu and Gwen B. Neumann.
32. Dallas Co. Deed Bk. C, Henderson Couch to Isaac Carter, rec. 15 Jan. 1851, o.p. 12-13, 14, 15-16; Henderson Couch to John Cole, signed 18 Jun 1848, act. 10 Jan. 1852.

(PART II will appear in the next issue)

SURNAME INDEX

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EXAMPLE: 1. HAWKINS - Stafford Co & ? Co VA; Jessamine, Rowan, Fleming Cos Ky; Somervell Co TX.

THE MARCHBANKS AND ALLIED FAMILIES

Editor's Note: This family record was compiled by Boling Feltz Marchbanks in 1920. These abstracts from the original record were made over 30 years ago.

"As soon as the Confederacy flaunted its flag, war became inevitable. During the war I condemned Mr. Lincoln, but now after the lapse of more than half a century, looking back, I write as above, war was inevitable. Mr. Lincoln did his duty, as he saw it. But I would not revoke by vote - But I now mourn the loss of our noble and brave men and boys who were victims of that cruel war. And would revive the names and memory of my comrades who lingered behind and now we hope are bivouacking in the 'Shade of the Trees Over the River.'"

"It was 1861 and men were rushing to join the ranks of the blue and grey. I along with my brother Newton volunteered and was accepted for duty with the Confederate Army. We served until the end of the War in 1865."

"I first met Miss Mollie Hodge of Chatfield, Navarro County, Texas, at the home of H. D. Marchbanks in Waxahachie. She was visiting school friends and I was home on furlough. I wrote my first letter to her from Marshall, Texas. We were married on October 12, 1865. There were five children born of this union. [Florence Josephine, Martha Florene, Boling Ford, Will Henry and Mary Bess.]

"My dear wife died of childbirth when her little babe Mary Bessie was just 21 days old - April 3, 1883. The mother named the babe Bessie for Mrs. Hodge as soon as it was born. And the father added Mary for its mother. From the date of our marriage I was close to the Hodge family and knew them all well."

According to these notes, one George Marchbanks (derivation of Scottish Majoribanks) and two sons, George Jr. and William, came to America from Scotland "in colonial days" first settling in Amelia County, Virginia, later moving to Pendleton, South Carolina. No mention was made of a wife, and Mr. Marchbanks speculates that the immigrant was a widower, coming to America "for solace." George Marchbanks, Jr. returned to Scotland and "nothing further is known of him."

William Marchbanks was married three times 1) Molly Smith; 2) Molly Burchfield and 3) Molly Murphy. He had 8 sons and 6 daughters, all by his first marriage: Johnston, William, Columbus, Jr., Josiah, Elijah, George, Joseph, Jonathan Burrell, Susan, Mary Jane, Jane,

Sally and Ursery (called Netty). [only five daughters' names]

Josiah Marchbanks [son of William] moved to Overton County, Tennessee, where he lived near his brother William, Jr. He married Ellen Binum [died 1802] by whom he had two daughters, Mary and Elizabeth. After Ellen's death, Josiah and his children returned to South Carolina where he married Margaret Sophonia Cannon 1803-04. There were 12 sons and 1 daughter by the second marriage: Harold D., Russell P., Thomas Calvin, Eleanor, William B., James C., Jonathan, George F., Ransom P., Alexander C., Jasper, Burton and Josiah Bailey Marchbanks.

The family returned to Overton County, Tenn. [exact date not given], and for some 45 years Josiah "toiled continuously in that new country, felling trees, building cabins to shelter his children and their faithful mother and fainted not. . . . admirably faced the battle of life in the hot sunshine of the summers and the cold blasts of the winters of that Tennessee climate." In 1850 Josiah owned 200 acres of land, had a comfortable home and a fine apple orchard," plus many other things to compensate him for his hard struggle. I am sorry to say that in the months of investigation I have not found a single Bible containing the record of Josiah. My cousin Jane, Uncle Bailey's daughter, sent me a corner of the leaf of the family record, the generous leavings of the mice. The only record I have been able to get of Josiah's land was through a fellow Mason after calling at the County Clerk's office in several Counties. Copy of letter reads as follows:

Livingston, Tennessee
March 12, 1920

Dear Sir and Brother:

After searching the records of deeds of Overton County in the County Clerk's office we found Josiah Marchbanks deed, dated March 20, 1810, A.D. calling for 200 acres of land on Bear Creek Branch of Roaring River, now something like three miles south of Algood, Tenn.

Yours fraternally,
/s/ Philip W. Wheat, Scty.

"My Grandfather Josiah and my good old Grandmother Margaret Sophonia, were of the old time religion. They were old Primitive Baptists (Hardshells.) In 1850 Josiah sold his old home in preparation for a move to Ellis County Texas. He died just prior to starting this journey." His wife and several sons carried out the planned move, settling Ellis County.

Margaret Cannon Marchbanks bought about 1000 acres on the south side of Waxahachie Creek [Ellis County] about 3 miles from the town, which she sold in 1852-53, when she and her sons moved to Johnson County [Texas.] There she lived in a small brick home about three miles from the present location of Cleburne - there was no town there then - until she sold it several years later and lived with her various children. She died at the home of her son, Jasper, in 1874, age 99. "As I finish this sketch, I rejoice that her long life is over and doubt not that she had a glorious reward for all she had suffered."

Children of Josiah Marchbanks by 1st wife:

1. Mary b. 1798 (called "Polly") m. Morgan.
2. Elizabeth, b. 1800, m. Robinson. "In 1862 during the Civil War I spent several days at my Aunt Betsy's house recuperating from the measles. I love her dearly. She had five sons and two daughters. One of the daughters was named Fannie and I have never forgotten that dear Cousin Fannie combed the cotton and spun the thread and knitted me a fine pair of socks. I will confess my neglecting to write Aunt Betsy and her family after the War gives me great remorse. I should have shown them, by frequent letters that I had not forgotten them or their kindness. I have made great efforts to reach them, or at least some one of my dear Aunt Betsy's grandchildren, and thereby get some of the history of their lives during the 58 years than have passed freighted with many sorrows amid unmarked graves and faded flowers. But no word comes from the graves...."

Children of Josiah Marchbanks by 2nd wife:

1. Harold D. Marchbanks, b. Feb. 14, 1805 Overton Co. Tenn.; m. Hixie Strother Nov. 8, 1832. Came to Texas in advance of his mother via the Gulf of Mexico and up the Brazos River by boat to Independence, Washington Co. Texas. In the summer they moved to Ellis County, Texas, where they lived in a slab floored cabin.
2. Russell P. Marchbanks, b. Aug. 24, 1806; never married. "He and my father, Thomas Calvin Marchbanks, lived together in Tennessee before coming to Texas. Russell had a beautiful yellow posting horse which I remember as if it were only yesterday. When I was at Van Alstyne visiting my father's cousins, I asked William R. if he had ever seen Russell. He said that in 1852 Russell came to his father's on his way to Texas. I asked him what kind of a horse Russell had drawing his buggy and he answered a yellow pacing horse. On reading this story you will say daddy is getting old and childish again. To this I plead guilty. Now picture yourself at 81."

3. Thomas Calvin Marchbanks, b. March 17, 1808; d. Ellis County, Texas Dec. 8, 1884; m. Josephine Pauline Sullivan April 14, 1839, Smith Co. Tenn. and settled in DeKalb Co. Tenn. "The health of my parents was for the most part good. My father had few sicknesses in his life. He did have sick headaches that seldom occurred after he was about 50 years old. He also had a few chills in the summer of 1852. The immediate cause of his death was never known although he did have rheumatism in his right side. My mother's health was generally good. She died after a 60-day attack of typhoid fever." Their children:
- (1) Boling Feltz Marchbanks, b. Dec. 5, 1839; d. Jan. 30, 1932. [the writer of this history]
 - (2) Newton Blackstone Marchbanks, b. Jan. 2, 1842; d. Sept. 27, 1864. Volunteered CSA Aug 1861 - Parsons' Regt.; died while on furlough home to collect clothing for his company. "A brave soldier and a manly man - left-handed and weighed about 165 pounds."
 - (3) Victoria Ann Marchbanks, b. May 2, 1845; d. July 8, 1874; m. Dr. R. F. Sweatt of Waxahachie, Texas May 14, 1861. Children: Josephine Elizabeth, Maurice, Julia and Robert Newton (who drowned in a tub of water, aged 1 year 4 months.) "Ann was in bad health the greater part of her life but she died as a result of an injury suffered from lifting a heavy pot from her cookstove."
 - (4) Alfonso (Fon) Calvin Marchbanks, b. Sept. 19, 1847; d. Sept. 29, 1921; served CSA until May 1865 in Co. B. Bates' Regt. Married Ann ? Aug. 7, 1858.
 - (5) Josephine Sullivan Marchbanks, b. Aug. 14, 1850; d. June 27, 1898.
 - (6) Laura J. Marchbanks, b. March 5, 1853; d. Feb. 11 1989 of "spotted fever."
 - (7) Josiah Oscoola Marchbanks, b. Dec. 12, 1853; d. Nov. 24, 1861 of croup.
 - (8) Augustus Darwell Marchbanks, b. Aug. 7, 1858; d. Feb. 27, 1897 of a throat condition similar to croup.

Thomas Calvin Marchbanks married secondly Mrs. Melvina Cunningham Whittenberg on May 30, 1861 in Ellis County, Texas. She was a sister of George C. Cunningham and widow of Norman H. Whittenberg. "I am sure that all the Marchbanks children and Whittenberg children were present. My father and Mrs. Whittenberg owned and lived on adjoining

My father at the time owned more than 1000 acres of land extending north from Waxahachie. At the time of their marriage, there were 8 living Marchbanks children and 3 Whittenberg children. An extra large table was needed to accommodate my mother and father and the eleven children.

The Whittenberg children were: Clementine, called "Clemmy," Salome, married Alexander Thomas in 1868 and Norman, Jr., married Rosa Rodgers.

4. Eleanor Marchbanks, b. April 17, 1811; d. Feb. 7, 1887; m. Thomas W. Fowler. Children: Margaret Ann, Sarah Jane and William W.
5. William Marchbanks, b. April 17, 1813; d. 1888 in Arkansas.
6. James C. Marchbanks, b. Jan. 19, 1815.
7. Jonathan Marchbanks, b. April 18, 1817; d. 1867.
8. George F. Marchbanks, b. July 24, 1820; d. Feb. 24, 1896, Waxahachie, Texas.
9. Ransom P. Marchbanks, b. Aug. 25, 1822. "He was married and survived his wife. He suffered from asthma. He was killed near or at the Dallas bridge when his team of horses ran away. He was buried in Waxahachie, Texas 1874."
10. Alexander C. Marchbanks, b. Dec. 12, 1824; drowned in the Trinity River before the War. "Was the first of Grandfather's children to die."
11. Jasper Marchbanks, b. April 15, 1827; d. 1878. Was married 3 times.
12. Burton Marchbanks, b. Jan. 29, 1830; d. Feb. 12, 1864; m. Mary Caroline Vance Sept. 19, 1850. "Mary Caroline was the last survivor of the adults who made the long trek to Texas. She was living in Cleburne [Johnson County] when she died July 22, 1924, at age 93. Burton was in the Confederate Army and died while home on leave in Jan. or Feb. 1864."
13. Josiah Bailey Marchbanks, b. Feb. 2, 1833; d. May 25, 1906. "I think he died of blood poisoning from a small wound. The name of his wife and child is not known."

THE SULLIVAN FAMILY

"The subject of this sketch, James Sullivan, came to America from Ireland. He first lived in Franklin County, N. C. where his children were born. He participated as a soldier in the Rev. War under George Washington. For his service in this fight for freedom from the British he was awarded a large tract of land, 10,000 acres, by the governor. It was located in Smith County, Tennessee, in a bend of the Cumberland River known as Sullivan's Bend. James Sullivan moved to Nashville after the War, and later moved to the above mentioned land - located only a few miles from Carthage, Tenn. There is no record of his age, name of his wife, or date of their marriage."

"When James returned home from the Revolutionary War, he brought a flower horn which he had taken from the deserted home of a Tory. It seems to have been made of some white earthenware..... with flowers and leaves painted in blue. This horn has since remained in the possession of his descendants - a cherished relic. He gave it to his only daughter, Elizabeth, who gave it to her daughter, Rebecca Roscoe. Rebecca, in turn, gave it to her sister, Fannie Davis [?] who was the last known person to possess the horn."

"We close this sketch with his tragic death. As was his custom, he mounted his horse, and armed with his old flintlock musket and accompanied by his dog took some corn and set out to find and feed his hogs. Several days passed and he failed to return. A search for his whereabouts solved the mystery of his disappearance. He had shot and crippled a deer which for safety ran into the Cumberland River. Our great-grandfather, after tying his horse, undressed, left his gun and clothing and evidently swam to the deer. In the ensuing struggle he was overcome by the deer and drowned. This brave soldier who so gallantly fought the battles of the Revolution lost his life in this struggle."

Children of James Sullivan:

1. William Sullivan m. Anne Feltz. Children:

- (1) Boling Feltz Sullivan - studied medicine at Louisville and graduated. Died in early manhood.
- (2) Blackstone B. Sullivan - married in Tennessee and moved to Texas prior to 1850; settled at Lockhart. Known children: Boling Feltz, James, (killed 1876 in Louisiana); Blackstone B. Jr. (killed 1876); twin daughters (names not known); Lucy, (lived Hico, Texas); May (lived Lockhart). "At time of this writing, a grandson, S. W. Swearingen, was living in Lockhart."

- (3) Lucian B. Sullivan
- (4) Mary Aramanda Sullivan b. March 20, 1812; d. Jan. 24, 1862; m. P. A. Thomason ca 1848-89 [in Tennessee.]
Children: Anne Elizabeth and Newton B. Thomason.
- (5) Josephine Pauline Sullivan, b. March 1, 1817; d. April 14, 1859; m. Thomas Calvin Marchbanks in Smith County, Tennessee. "They lived in Sligo, DeKalb County, Tenn. In January, 1842, the waves of the Cary Fork River swept away their home.....three-week-old Newton and his mother were rescued by ferry boat. The next year they sold that property and bought 100 acres in Smith County, approximately one mile from Lancaster. At the time of this writing, all remaining is a big pure water spring and a large cave."
- (6) William Duane Sullivan - married but no record of wife. Several daughters but no mention of any sons. He was a school teacher. "I once wrote him and he replied correcting my spelling with this quotation which I retained: 'he is my friend who shows me my errors and shows me how to correct them.' Duane was a widower when he came to Waxahachie 1850-53 to settle his interest in his mother's will. He lived in Tennessee and died many years prior to 1920."
- (7) Horace Napoleon Sullivan - no record of birth - d. about 1848 of typhoid fever. Never married. Graduated from medical school at Louisville, Ky.
- (8) Herbert H. Sullivan, b. March 21, 1824; d. Sept. 10, 1903; was Methodist minister; m. Mariah --- July 24, 1849. Daughter, Irene, m. Nussbaum; son Claude; both lived in Nashville "when last heard from."
- (9) G. Edithia A. Sullivan. Was attending a school in Alexandria 5-6 miles from her home when she married. Family story is that her mother sent a trusty Negro with her horse to bring her home. Instead, she married Dick Lamberson and rode to his family's home. Although the Lambersons lived only a few miles from Editha's mother, they never met again. " My grandmother, though heart-broken, still loved her youngest daughter, and gave her two young Negro women." [She is also mentioned in her mother's will.]

2. James Sullivan

3. Wyley Sullivan

4. Lee Sullivan - doctor in Arkansas
5. Edward Sullivan (Uncle New)...."as we knew him was never married. He was a wanderer; but that does not mean a tramp. He was known to be an excellent man, full of fun and fond of fishing and hunting. He claimed to have been in Jackson's army at New Orleans....Uncle New came to Texas in the 1840s and went into the pineland, perhaps near Houston, where he camped in the woods somewhat like a hermit. There he built pine kilns and burned tar for its revenue and profit. He came to Ellis County about 1857, where there were 4 nieces living in or near Waxahachie - my mother, Josephine Pauline Marchbanks, Hixie Strother Marchbanks, Eliza Shephard and Polly Sweatt. Hixie, Eliza and Polly were daughters of his sister Elizabeth, who had married Judd Strother. Uncle New always found a hearty welcome awaiting him....it was so hearty, in fact, that he made his home with these families. We have no record of date of his birth. He was taken ill during the Civil War at the home of Mrs. Eliza Shephard of Waxahachie where he died in the winter of 1862-63. Was about 72 years old."

"Uncle New requested that he be buried with his head to the north on a certain white rock mound in the bottom land of Waxahachie Creek, on the land of R. V. B. Sweatt. It was a bitter cold day when his friends.... had his grave dug, facing north and south as Uncle New requested....an equally cold and bitter day when his shivering friends and relatives laid his body (old, worn and weather beaten) to rest until the great day when the Angel of the Great Commander shall awaken the sleeping dead. A Baptist minister held the solemn service for this poor penniless man, but Thank God, not friendless. There he rests alone as was his wish in life. Over this lone grave the hooting owl sings his solemn requiem in the darkness of the night."

6. Samuel Sullivan - a doctor
7. Elizabeth Sullivan m. Judd Strother. Children:
- (1) Hixie Strother m. Harold D. Marchbanks 1832
 - (2) Eliza Judd Strother m. Shepherd 1841
 - (3) Polly Strother m. Gilmore Sweatt 1827
 - (4) Henry Sullivan Strother
 - (5) Permilia Strother m. Sam Vaden 1827
 - (6) Amanda Strother
 - (7) Luther Strother
 - (8) Helen Marr Strother
 - (9) Rebecca Jane Strother
 - (10) Judd Strother Jr.

THE STROTHER FAMILY

"Judd Strother and his sister Mary came to America from England. Judd was born in 1771 and died in 1843. He married Elizabeth Sullivan, daughter of James Sullivan, in 1802. (She was b. 1779 and died 1872.) Both died in Sullivan's Bend in Tennessee."

"Judd's sister, Mary, married Boling Feltz. A daughter, Anne, married William Sullivan."

"I have been unable to find any record mentioning the dates of birth and marriage of William and Anne. It is my assumption that she was 65 when she migrated to Texas in 1851. The question of her age is not now important."

"Anne Sullivan, with her two sons-in-law, Thomas C. Marchbanks and P. A. Thomason, left Tennessee Sept. 16, 1851. The caravan included Thomason, his wife and children and Burton Marchbanks and his wife. They probably reached Red Oak Creek [Ellis County] in October, 1851, where they found the other grandmother [who had come out in 1850] with 9 of her children living around her. Anne Sullivan had an old-fashioned barouche drawn by a good-sized iron gray horse, a wagon driven by Uncle Jim and also a four horse team. Uncle Thomason had a carryall in which he, his wife and daughter rode, drawn by one faithful roan mare and another wagon drawn by a three-horse team. Thomas's carryall was drawn by two fine yellow mares. His other two wagons had been made in his shops - one pulled by a three-horse team and a black mule named Brandy and the other by two fine 3-year-old mules. Burton had a carryall pulled by a nice little pony."

"In my exhumation of material for this family history, I have resurrected my grandmother's [Anne Sullivan] will. It is an autograph will written June 30, 1849. A will such as this does not require the presence of witnesses during the time the will is written but can be proven by witnesses familiar with the handwriting of the maker of the will. This will is, of course, of no value, but it has two or three clauses worth calling to your attention. First, it was written by an old woman. Proof was furnished by two witnesses. Second, it disposes of Negroes as property (Think of it - human flesh.) Third, it is entitled to reverence for its old age and for the faithful service it performed since it did carry out the will of the dead. Here, then, is the will of Anne Feltz Sullivan."

"I, Anne Sullivan, of the County of Smith in the State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of life, and the shortness of time, do make and publish this, my last will and testament form as follows:

- First: I will all my just debts be paid out of my estate by my executor after my decease.
- Secondly: I will my house and my tract of land to my youngest son, Herbert H. Sullivan, on the following conditions: if he holds notes on me of not more than three hundred dollars at my death, is not to claim of my estate, but if he holds any more than that he must be paid, and if he holds no notes on me he is not to pay anything.
- Thirdly: I also will him free and full possession of house and plantation at my death.
- Fourthly: I bequeath to my son, Lucian B. Sullivan, his choice of my horses, one horse, one cow and calf, and ten head more of my hogs than the other children.
- Fifthly: I will my daughter Mary A. D. Thomason one Negro woman by the name of Secy and one by the name of Pampy and bed and furniture.
- Sixthly: I will my daughter, Josephine P. Marchbanks, one Negro woman by the name of Mary, and one man by the name of Riley and one bed and furniture.
- Seventhly: I also will Herbert one bed and furniture. All the residue of my estate is to be equally divided between all my children except Herbert H. Sullivan, to wit: William Duane Sullivan, B. H. Sullivan, Lucian B. Sullivan, Mary A. D. Thomason, J. P. Marchbanks, C. E. A. Lamberson.

/s/ Anne Sullivan

Proven by:

H. D. Marchbanks

J. W. Berry

Dec. 29, 1852

B. F. Hawkins C.C.C.E. [Chief Clerk, Ellis County]

"All family history, so far as it is not supported by contemporary evidence, is romance."

Dr. Samuel Johnson and Edna Perry Deckler

ABSTRACTS FROM THE GRAHAM LEADER

By Barbara Knox

Continued from Volume 31, No. 3

March 10, 1883

Dallas. Ex-Sheriff Brown of Johnson County reports the arrest of robbers alleged to have held up the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe train last June and November. They are Tom Killen, Bob Burleson, John Bennett and Mart Yarborough. All but Killen were captured in Hill County and are in Cleburne jail. This makes 9 men who have been arrested in north Texas this week in connection with various train robberies.

Fort Worth. Four suits have been filed for divorce: Emma Pearl Costa vs. Garibaldi W. Costa - plaintiff claims brutal treatment; no children; Lula Alberto Gabriel vs. Amiel Alberto Gabriel - plaintiff claims brutal treatment and says that defendant stole her jewelry; no children; Martha Haley vs. Charles Henry Haley; five children; plaintiff says defendant unbearably cross from opium eating and brutal to her and children; Molly Finley vs. Sam Finley - defendant whipped her brutally in public. All four husbands charged with using foul language.

Waco. March 6. Horrible crime took place near Hubbard City, about 30 miles east of this city. A dancing party was given at home of Mr. Land, a respectable farmer. Tom Varnell, son of Hill County stockman took one of Mr. Land's daughters on a walk away from the house at pistol point, and also attempted to assault her sister. When Mr. Land ordered the girls into the house, Varnell turned on him and shot him through the heart. He escaped with the help of a Mr. Walker, an apparent accomplice. A large reward is offered by the Land family. It is known that Varnell and Walker bought the gun and ammunition in Waco before attending the party.

Local. Mr. Robert Holman has received word of the death of Judge E. T. Hilliard's child in Cisco, and of the Judge's serious illness. His sister and mother, who are visiting, are also ill. Late notice informs us of the death of Judge Hilliard on Friday at 2:00 a.m.

William Trilligan, who lived on Clear Fork, was found unconscious on the road between Mr. Dobbs and Capt. Gays last Wednesday and died that night. He had been to town to get some medicine for his sick family. The doctor feels that he was stricken with paralysis and the all night exposure caused his death.

On October 8, 1869, Lemuel Edwards was found dead on his farm on Clear Fork 5 miles from Fort Worth. At the time, his son-in-law, James Creswell, was thought to have been the murderer. The case was forgotten until several months ago when Sheriff Maddox received word from south Texas that a prisoner named Creswell, alias Williams, was being held to see if he was wanted elsewhere in the state. He was brought to the Fort last week, found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment.

March 17, 1883

Local. Little Mattie Tyra, nine year old daughter of the widow Tyra, died from bronchitis and was buried in the old cemetery. A subscription was taken up for her mother to help with expenses.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler of Breckenridge was married Thursday inst. to Miss Ida DeBerry of Cleburne, Johnson County.

Texarkana. March 10. Sheriff Nixon was tried for killing A. S. Johnson on the 7th inst. Jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

Tom Varnell, wanted for killing Mr. Land at Hubbard City, is still at large. He is about 22 years old, weighs 140 pounds, fair, dark blue eyes, riding iron grey horse. If the horse is his, or his father's, will have brand TV or IV. He frequents saloons. His friend, Walker, is tall and slender with fair complexion.

March 24, 1883

Granbury. H. F. Crocker, confined to jail on a charge of horse theft, committed suicide by taking morphine. A diary found stated that he was born in Georgia and settled in Hood County, Texas in 1873. He admitted to having killed three men and two women - had no family or friends - no one to care for him. He had wanted only one more thing on this earth - to kill the two men on the Paluxy - (who arrested him) but will be better off dead than "have to endure what I have for the past 12 months. You can throw my body in the river or on the prairie."

Dallas. A. B. Rust, charged with assault and battery to his wife, Mrs. Abby Rust, was tried with a verdict of guilty, and fined \$750. He requested new trial.

Waco. When Lt. Gov. Martin went home to Corsicana, sick and feeble, he was offered a car by the Pullman Company (which was not used.) Some people have objected to special treatment, but it is felt that the Pullman Company was only honoring the people of Texas who have elected their representatives and nothing improper was done.

Bids are now being accepted for the courthouse which, when completed, will place Shackelford County in the same bracket of progress as the counties of Nolan and Mitchell.

Denison. J. M. Cotton, insurance adjuster from Houston, has sued a hotel keeper here because the porter failed to wake him up for an early train. Before suing, he demanded \$10 damages, but offered to compromise for \$5. The hotel keeper is a woman who has won the good will of all by her energy and business tact.

Local. Morton Price of Virginia was married to Miss Motie Price, daughter of Dr. Price of Graham, last Sunday at the Presbyterian Church, Rev. R. S. Burwell officiating. The couple will live in Virginia.

Mr. Walter E. Kay will soon move his family to Fort Worth.

Euel Homer, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Brooks, aged 1 year and 1 month, died of measles last Tuesday night.

April 7, 1883

E. B. Carnes and Miss Lucy McCormick were married in Dallas, the Rev. Dr. Smith of the Presbyterian Church officiating. She is the daughter of the Hon. A. P. McCormick.

J. G. Blackburn offers a reward for information leading to the return of 75 of his cattle stolen the night of the 19th inst. They are marked with a crop and split in the right ear and under half-crop in the left. An X4 (cross 4) marks the hip and side.

April 14, 1883

A fire at Greenville burned the Ende hotel. About 40 guests and attendants were in the building. Some escaped but others did not. The hotel was kept by Mrs. N. E. Pruitt, formerly of Jefferson.

All applicants for appointments as cadets at the U. S. Military Academy and Naval Academy are asked to meet at Cisco in Eastland County on Tuesday, April 28, for a competitive examination.

McKinney. Severe winds demolished the Christian Church and Methodist Church. Many chimneys were blown down and the smokehouses of Mrs. Jameson and Mrs. Chase were destroyed.

Hillsboro. George Walker's application for bail was refused. Varnell is still missing. R. B. Stokes, charged with the murder of N. M. Johnson last December in Hill County, was granted \$2500 bail.

April 21, 1883

McKinney. Sheriff William Warden and Marshall Oates arrested Frank Bender and Jim Williams, from Louisiana, for having some \$120 in counterfeit money.

G. C. Wright, Sheriff of Clay County, arrived in Fort Worth on his way to Kansas to take charge of a band of horse thieves.

Crowley, Texas. Margaret Evans asks for information about her son, Sam Evans, about 12 years old, who ran away on the 29th of March. He was traced to Burleson, and may be with some stockman. "Anyone who knows of him send him home to greatly oblige A Mother in Trouble."

The second charge against Mrs. Burchell, postmistress at Fort Worth was read on Saturday. Eight sacks of H. H. Warner's circulars had been sent for distribution. Only three were given out and the rest sold. She was bound over to the Federal Court on \$500 bond.

Jacksboro. Joseph Blackerby and James Wyrick had an argument over some sheep. Blackerby shot Wyrick who died soon afterward. It was agreed that Blackerby acted in self defense and the case will probably be dismissed by the court.

This afternoon, John Green, Jr. shot and killed his uncle, Joseph Winchester, over what was said to be an old grudge.

Local. Mr. William Woods was married to Miss Betty Carnahan at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. G. W. Black officiating.

Diamonds should be washed regularly but it is not necessary to hang them out on a line in the back yard.

Last week, the bridge over East Fork, one and a half miles east of McKinney, was burned. Two men have been arrested on suspicion of arson.

April 28, 1883

The court house at Brownwood was fired Wednesday a.m. by incendiaries, leaving the walls and floors badly burned. No clue as to the culprit. It is believed that the Odd Fellows Hall over the court house was intended to be burned, but it was not damaged.

The Coleman courthouse door was blown open last night. All misdemeanor indictments, several felony charges, and one volume each of the minutes of the county court and district court were stolen.

John B. Crain and Miss Sudie Baker were married at the residence of the bride's parents, seven miles east of Graham, the Rev. J. G. Putnam officiating. John has been known for a long time as "one of the boys," and the bride, daughter of Mr. R. P. Baker, is an accomplished lady.

May 5, 1883

A cyclone at Belton killed Clifford Branham, his wife and son, and William Scott, who lived in the Rock Church neighborhood. Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Dannon were badly injured. The storm skipped over to Mt. Vernon, destroying the houses of Mr. Brown and Mr. McGregor. A number of people were injured, but the crops were not damaged.

Mr. Alec Benge of Seymour married Miss Emma Williams of Belknap, Rev. J. G. Putnam officiating.

W. E. Miller reports that the town of Palo Pinto was literally demolished by a storm yesterday with damages estimated at \$25,000.

It is reported that last Tuesday caterpillar worms were so thick on the railroad track in Wharton County that sand had to be used to let the train proceed.

Col. Jack Hays, Texas Ranger, died Saturday afternoon at his home near Piedmont. He was born in 1817 in Wilson County, Tennessee and came to Texas when he was 18 years old, enlisting under General Sam Houston.

Local. Mr. Allen Benge of Seymour and Miss Emma Williams of Belknap were married by Rev. J. G. Putnam.

May 12, 1883

The trial of S. B. Allison for the murder of Prof. Rogers began on Monday, 30 ult. and ended Thursday the 10th inst. He was found guilty of second degree murder and sentenced to 15 years in prison. The jury is to be commended for their patience. Defense council is attempting to get a new trial.

Bennett and Williams are two of the most desperate horse thieves ever to trouble north Texas. Williams was wounded and captured at Stringtown and Bennett has just been captured this morning in Indian Territory.

Judge A. P. McCormick is expected to move from Dallas to Graham this month.

(To be continued)

BOOK REVIEWS

By Merle Ganier

IN SEARCH OF BLUE WATER, by Robert Cecil McDaniel, hard cover, 9 1/4"x 6 1/4", 220 pp., \$22.75, from author, Route 2, Box 188, Hemphill, Texas 75948. A gift of Mrs. Helen Gomer Schluter.

The author has written about his growing up in the rural community of Six Mile, Sabine County, Texas; his travels to far countries during twenty-one years in the U. S. Army; and his account of friends and acquaintances he met on the way. To explain the title, the author says that he originally wrote a poem called "Blue Water." "The theme that I hoped to convey in this poem was that blue water in the ocean indicates deep water; and it is only in deep water that the great fish are to be found. But in life, the only true way to search and find this 'blue water' is not in outward places or circumstances, but only through the heart."

COLVER-CULVER FAMILY GENEALOGY, by Valerie Dyer Giorgi, hard bound, 6"x9", 700 pages, 27 pictures, \$38.00, California residents add \$2.10 sales tax.

According to the author, Edward Colver arrived in America in 1635, and his descendants spread from New England to New York, later to Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ohio and then to virtually every state in the United States. Notable Colver-Culver people include Harry Hazel Culver who founded Culver City, California and Henry Harrison Culver, along with his brothers, who founded the Wrought Iron Range Company of St. Louis and the Culver Military Academy in Indiana. Others became ministers and political leaders.

ABSTRACTS OF PARKER COUNTY, TEXAS, PRE-EMPTION LAND RECORDS, 1850-1858, by Jerry Wright Jordan, 212 pp., maps, index, paper back, \$17.50, Heritage Books, 1540E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 300, Bowie MD 20716.

Parker County was created in 1855 from parts of Milam, Robertson, and Denton Land Districts. The surveyors of each of those land districts made copies of all the surveys in their offices that pertained to lands that were in the new county and sent them to the Parker County Surveyor. These surveys are especially important because in 1874 a fire swept through the county court house and destroyed all the deed, probate, and other court records. Fortunately, a deputy surveyor was sleeping in the building at the time, and was able to rescue the survey records. A valuable resource if you have interests in Parker County.

These books were donated to the Fort Worth Genealogical Society, and will be placed in the Fort Worth Public Library. The Society sincerely thanks the donors for their generosity.

QUERIES

Edited by Merle Ganier

DUNCAN, CARMICHAEL, WHITE, HUFF, HAYLES, BIRDSONG, WYSONG,
TURNER, DORRAH/DARRAH, HOBSON, ORR, MORRISON, ALLSUP

Desire to correspond and will exchange information with anyone researching these surnames in Texas and southern states: Duncan, Carmichael, White, Huff, Hayles, Birdsong, Wysong, Turner, Dorrah/Darrah, Hobson, Orr, Morrison.

James D. Allsup, born 2 November 1838, Tennessee, married Sylvira Wysong in 1865, came to Texas in 1890. He died 5 October 1901 near Bowie, Texas. No record of death or burial. Seeking place of burial and any information on his family or descendants.

Emily Ann Birdsong, born 8 December 1832. Where? Married Charles W. Hayles, both died in Paris, Texas. When did she die? Who were her parents, siblings?

William C. White, born 24 September 1870, Cabarrus Co., N.C., ran away at age 11 to Texas. Married 14 August 1890 Ella Rhea Allsup in Holliday, Texas. Had first general store in Holliday, later had a cotton gin near Childress. Children: Charles, born 1892-3, Marvin born 1894, Sadie 1897, Leonard 1900, James. Seeking any information on this family or descendants. Will share what I have.

Joyce Colliflower, 8591 El Rancho, Fountain Valley CA 92708

MILLER, RABORN

Researching the name of William Jefferson Miller, born in 1856 or 1858, and the name of his spouse, Sallie Ida Raborn, born 1868. Please write if you have any information on this family.

Donna Neal, Rt 2 Box 31, Olney TX 76374

LANGSTON, EVERETT

Am trying to locate a first cousin, whose home was in Fort Worth the last I knew of him. He was born in Celine, Texas, close to Greenville, and they moved to Fort Smith where his father John Harrison Langston, died, and was buried in Fort Worth. He was a railroad man most of his life. His only child was Harrison Wesley. My mother got a picture of him several years later and he was singing from a radio station KFPW, Fort Smith, Arkansas, with the Everett Brothers. My uncle, John Harrison Langston, was in World War II. He married a woman named Ore Lee, who had two daughters, one named Eula Mae. This cousin would be somewhere close to 57 or 58 years old. As our reunion is coming up in June, I would like to locate him.

Mrs. Julian Vincent, Rt 1 Box 493, Tatum TX 75691

ROCHELLE, ISOM, JOLLY, EAKIN, ELKIN, CRABTREE, CARR, BOLES, LANHAM, FRENCH

Need information on John L. B. Rochelle, born 1814, Tennessee. Married 1836 in Leake Co., Mississippi, to Sarah Isom, born 1818, Kentucky. They were in Jackson Co., Louisiana, by 1842 and in Smith Co., Texas by 1852. In 1870 census five of the children were living with their step-mother, Cassandra (Jolly) in Hunt Co., Texas. Think children were: Mary, m John Eakin or Elkin; Isabelan; Nathan B. or Nathaniel; John m Mary Crabtree; Isom m Victoria Carr; Alonzo m Mary E. Boles; Armedalia; Giles or Charles m Cinthia Lanham; Lucretia; A.J.; and Rebecca Ann. My grandfather, Oliver Mack French, married Crecia Rochelle in Hunt Co., Texas, in 2877. Later married my grandmother, Rebecca Ann Rochelle. Would like to hear from any Rochelles.

Meryle Grossman, Rt 2, Box 88, Canute OK 73626

PIERCE, LOCKE, BULLARD, SHELTON, CURRY, PEVEHOUSE

Interested in surnames Pierce, Locke, Bullard, Shelton, Curry and Pevehouse. David B. Shelton died in Falls County between 1880 and 1885. Can anyone verify?

Christine Rice Harris, 54 Lilac, Bonner Springs KS 66012

NEWSOM, TEAGUE

Searching for parents of John Henry Newsom, born May 1853, Louisiana. Married August 15, 1874 Lee County to Sarah Catherine (Sallie) Teague, born Alabama August 15, 1857.. John Henry died in Quanah, Hardeman Co., August 25, 1926, and Sallie died there February 11, 1947. Children: Maud, born 1881, Writice 1885, Wallace Thomas 1888, Grace 1894, Elbert 1899, all born in Texas. Found in Bosque County in 1900.

Nellie Newsome, 3032 Mary Boaz, Fort Worth TX 76118

WILSON, LAWSON, WHITE, ADAMS, BADING

McKinney Lawson, born May 1825, Tennessee, son of Mordica and Frances Stephens Lawson, married 8 February 1853, Itawamba Co., Mississippi, Cyrena J. Wilson, daughter of Robert L. Wilson. Their issue: Amos, born January 1854, Mississippi, died 11 June 1925, McCullach Co., Texas, married Ada D.; Eddie E., born October 1859, Arkansas, married Susana S. White 18 October 1876, Hays Co., Texas; J. L., born January 1863 Arkansas, married Lorry; James W., born 1865 Arkansas; Lizzie L., born 1867, Texas, married A. L. Adams, 23 November 1882, Hays Co., Texas. Possible other children born Arkansas. One daughter could have married a Bading in Hays Co.

Margaret Kimbrell, 2315 N. W. 26th St., Fort Worth TX 76106

HOPKINS, SCROGGINS

Would like to contact anyone with information on Dicy Hopkins, born 1811, Tennessee. Married as second husband Claiborn Scroggins August 20, 1860, Travis County, Texas.

Mrs. Norman Barnett, P. O. Box 96, Smiley TX 78159

STAFFORD, FRAZIER

Wish to correspond with any descendants of Charles H. Stafford, born July 1855, Illinois, married circa 1880 Illinois to Nora Ann Frazier, born 17 June 1865, Sangamon Co., Illinois, died 7 June 1958, Oklahoma Co., Oklahoma, buried Sulphur, Oklahoma. They are my grandparents. One of my uncles was Ralph I. Stafford, Sr., lived in Fort Worth, and I believe he died in 1940-44. He had a son, Ralph, Jr., who may still be living.

Carolyn Stafford Price, 10510 Six Pines Drive Apt 8209, The Woodlands TX 77880

COWAN

Searching for a copy of the book "The Cowans from County Down," by Rev. John Kerr Fleming, a Presbyterian clergyman. The book is now out of print and will appreciate any help in locating a copy.

Earlene Cowan Tennison, 519 Neches St., Jacksonville TX 75766

WEST

The 1855 school census of Freestone Co., Texas, lists Charles West with three females, Palena P. West, Mahala A. West, and Sophronia J. West, all between the ages of 6 and 16. Was this Charles B. West from Christian Co., Kentucky, who was the uncle of Thomas West who later founded West, Texas? Are there descendants? Any help appreciated. Will exchange.

Mrs. Edward D. Oliver, 2604 Ramblewood Dr., Carrollton TX 75006

ELIOT

Desire information regarding parentage of Jacob Eliot, attorney, farmer, printer, born New York ca 1804; late 1820's 30's and 40's in Hardin County, Kentucky; Corsicana, Navarro County, Texas, from 1850 or earlier until death in 1870's. Wives: Mary?, Lucinda, and Ann.

Lois E. O'Connor, 7617 So. Depew St., Littleton CO 80123

SPRAYBERRY/SPRABERRY, BARRETT, ALLEN, PARISH, PUCKETT, HARDIN, KING.

Will exchange family group sheets and other information on any Sprayberry, Spraberry, or any spelling thereof. William E. Barrett died 11 May 1909, Anson, Texas. Wife Mary Allen Overton Parish and wife Mary Francis Puckett, who died 16 November 1908, Wingate, Runnels Co., Texas. John S. Hardin had daughter, Margaret, born ca 1861, Little Rock, Arkansas. Family moved to Texas 1880? William King, born 1822, died 1903, Wingate, Runnels Co., Texas.

John P. Spraberry, Box 1204, Lamesa TX 79331

DAVIS, DARSEY, JONES, PADGETT, SAXON, HAY

Seek information on John Benjamine Davis and wife Rachel B., who came to Texas from Walton Co., Georgia, settling around McLennan County after the Civil War. She died 1906, McGregor, at the home of daughter, Ruth, Mrs. Wade Darsey. When and where did he die? Other children included Mamie, married Jeff Jones; Penelope Ann, married Thomas Henry Saxon; Martha Lucretia, married James Jefferson Padgett; Rachel Ella, married George Hay; Eli S.; William David; and Gee.

Blanche Saxon Stein, 11027 Fernald Ave., Dallas TX 75218

REYNOLDS, GILMER, CAMPBELL, MOSS

Seeking information on great-grandparents who died in Texas. Am looking for parents of both William Thomas Campbell, born 1871 in Limestone Co., Alabama, died January 8, 1957 in Van Zandt County, and his wife Agness Moss, born 30 September 1873, Limestone, Alabama, died May 8, 1950, Van Zandt Co., Texas. Also need names of parents of Louise Gilmer, born 1859, Virginia?, died Hunt Co., Texas. Her father was supposedly John H. Gilmer, probably from Virginia, but have no other information about him or wife.

Ann Mason, 906 Hill St., Grand Prairie TX 75050

CHOAT, KING, WILLIAMS, LISEBY, KELLY, STONE, CLAY, ROGERS, GORMAN, TOWNSEND, LLOYD

Would like to contact descendants of Abner P. Choat, born ca 1822 Wayne Co., Tennessee, and wife Emily S., born c 1822 Tennessee. They came to Texas ca 1851 and settled at Fairfield, Freestone Co. In 1850 they had two sons, Milton, age 2, and James W., age 2/12. Emily is said to have bought property in Fairfield. The family was still there in 1855, according to Freestone Co. school census, and in 1857, when Abner became administrator of the estate of H. B. V. and Margaret Choat King. The King orphans were returned to Wayne Co., Texas. Abner Choat evidently remained in Texas. Where is he buried? Was Milton Choat, who is

on the 1880 census of Bowie Co., Texas, a son of Abner?

Would also like to contact descendants of Jeremiah H. Williams (1826-1907) and wife Ursula Jane Choat Williams (1832-1905). Both were born in Tennessee, probably married in Missouri. Lived in Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Came to near Chico, Wise Co., Texas ca 1875. She is said to be buried at Bridgeport and he in Oklahoma. They had eleven children, of whom three died in childhood or as teenagers. The other children were: John, married Ella Lisenby; Mary, married (1) Kelly, (2) Stone; Sude, married George Clay; Mattie, married J. L. Rogers; M. Ellen, born 1865, Kansas, died 1947 Henrietta, Clay Co., Texas, married 1884 William James Gorman; Reese, married Nora Townsend; Cora, married James Lloyd; and George, married Rogers.

Nancy Timmons Samuels, 4783 Lubbock Avenue, Fort Worth TX 76115

SHAW, BLAIR, BEAN, NOLAN, BLACK, ROACH, GREGG

Need information on William Shaw, born ca 1782 in Hawkins County, Tennessee, died ca 1855/59 Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas. He was a son of ? Shaw and Elizabeth Blair Shaw Bean, and half brother of Peter Ellis Bean, who went to Texas with the Phillip Nolan expedition in 1801. William Shaw and wife, Susanne, lived in White County, Tennessee, in 1818 and moved to Washington, Hemstead County, Arkansas, ca 1821 where he co-owned a blacksmith shop with James Black, the maker of the original "Bowie Knife". James Black, born 1 May 1800 in New Jersey, died 22 June 1872 in Washington, Arkansas, married 29 June 1828, to Ann Shaw Black, daughter of William and Susanne Shaw. Their children were: William Jefferson, Grandison Deroyston, John, Syndingham James, and Sarah Ann.

In 1849 William Shaw moved to Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas, and brought with him the children of James Black. "A History of Cherokee County [Texas]" by Hattie Joplin Roach 1934, states: "In 1849, William Shaw, great-grandfather of Mrs. E. R. Gregg of Rusk, purchased part of the Lacy League, including the fort site. Mrs. Gregg's grandmother was married in one of the fort buildings in 1856."

Stanley Dee Pruitt, 1301 Pinehurst Drive, Fort Worth TX 76134

NELSON, HART, STUART, MCCARTER

Collecting Texas Nelsons and their data for entry on computer to sort the families. Please send information on your family, may print family sheets in book form that will help all of us. All free.

Will exchange information on James Franklin Nelson and wife, Oranna Francis Hart, who were in Fannin, Montague, Cook Counties, Texas and Indian Territory between 1840-90. James born in Tennessee, said to be kin of James Stuart who came to Lamar Coun-

ty in 1850's. James Stuart had Nancy Nelson, born in 1843, Tennessee, on 1860 census with his family. What happened to Nancy?

James Stuart, born 1784, Virginia, went to Washington and Rhea Counties, Tennessee, married Sarah?, moved to Lamar County, Texas in 1850s with children Wiley, born ca 1826; Emeline born ca 1830, married Able M. McCarter; Samuel born 1816; Francis born ca 1815. James married second to Martha in Texas. John born ca 1837, Lem ca 1839, Melinda ca 1846, with them on 1860 census. May be her children by previous marriage.

Lavonne Walker, Route 4, Box 9, or 1014 N. Broadway, Tecumseh OK 74873

SEWELL

Need information on Isaac Quimby Sewell, in Johnson County in 1860. He married a Lewis in 1835. Where? Where are they buried?

I. T. Sewell, 421 E. 10th St., Borger TX 79007

STEPP. DANIELS. HARVEY. ALDREDGE. NICKS

Martha Stepp and William Daniels came to San Augustine County, Texas, in 1839 from Tennessee or Alabama. Children: William Lafayette, born 1830 Tennessee, died Limestone County, Texas, married Virginia Cargill Harvey; Richard, born 1831, married 1851 in Nacogdoches County to Sarah Aldredge; Mary Jane, born 1839, married 1854 in Nacogdoches County to James A. Nicks. Need help.

Sue Nite Raguzin, 5008 Briarbrook, Dickinson TX 77539

COX. MCLAUGHLIN. LARGE. EDINBURGH. FRAZIER. WILLIAMS. FANN. HAMILTON. KEACK. ZEAGLER. COLEMAN. LETNEY

Emily Lucinda Cox, born 1871, Texas, married Boss McLaughlin 1890-95. Children: John Wesley; Silas Monroe (Bob); Gracie Cleo married Fred Large; Edna Lenora married Russell Edinburgh, Allie Mae married Wesley Frazier; Lily; Major Boston; Oscar Hartwell; Robert Roy.

Mark Daniel "Dock" Williams, born 1820 Alabama, died 16 June 1905, Jasper Co., Texas. Children: Morris Francis, 1858-1887, Saine Co., Texas, married Josephine Eloise Meigs 1883; Eliza Matilda, 1860, buried Angelina Co., married Fann; Mary Emma, 1861-1909, buried Jasper Co., married 1885 John Boyd Hamilton. #2 Mrs. Lucinda Jane (Keack) Zeagler 1871 Jasper Co., Texas. Children: Twins died at birth; Sweet Arzella 1874-1943, buried San Augustine Co., married Ben Manning Coleman; Arzla 1887; Shuge 1881-1926 buried San Augustine Co., married Eddie Letney.

Barbara A. Quinlivan, 807 E. Park St., Emmett, Idaho 83617

BOYDSTON, BROWN

Nathaniel Boydston, born ca 1830 Cocke Co., Tennessee. Family moved to Clay Co., and then to Platte Co., Mo. Married Rebecca Jane Brown. Three children: Elizabeth born 1855, Missouri; Anna Stacia born 1856, Birdville, Texas; and James Marion, born 1859, Missouri. Would like any information on the Boydston family.

Mrs. Ruth L. Walton, 970 Oakhill Ave., S.E., Salem OR 97302

LOASON, LEESON, TRAER

Tracing grandmother, mother's family Loason or Leeson. Cary and Suzanne Leason, daughter Mary Irene Leason, married Isaac Allen Traer December 14, 1877. Leasons were from Indiana, but don't know when they moved to Texas. Possibly owned manufacturing company in Fort Worth. Cary Leason died 1892.

Fern Allen, 3339 Harvard, Visalia CA 93277

ELLER

Looking for information on great uncles, William Eller and Oscar Eller. Both died and are buried in Fort Worth. William died 1943, possibly in Veterans Hospital, WWI veteran, married Beatrice? in France. Three children: Walter, Louise and James. Oscar's wife named Bertha. Son Robert, who had daughter Dalla May.

Charlotte Eller Marshall, 605 S.E. Park Ave., Corvallis OR 97333.

MCCLURE

Searching for information re great-great uncles and aunts who lived in Birdville area and taught school there in the 1850's. David H. McClure taught only a few years, but sister Mary Frances McClure (never married) taught all her life. Not certain how long she was in the Fort Worth area, but died in Texas. Her brother, John, lived in Parker County in 1850, and Davis was in Palo Pinto County by 1860.

Jean McClure Story, 68th St., LaMesa CA 92041

ZOOK, VON LUNEN

John W. Zook lived and worked in Fort Worth. The City Directory lists him from 1883 to 1900, at which time he moved to California where he died in 1906. He is listed as a cattle dealer and realtor. Julia Zook von Lunen is believed to have died in Fort Worth November 19, 1897. Samuel Phillip Jewell is supposed to

have died "in Texas" in 1901. Does anyone have information on any of these people?

Shaunler L. Smyson, Box 2011, HOC 2nd GPS Bn APO NY 09458

TAYLOR, POUGH

Trying to locate a first cousin of grandmother's, Robert Taylor, who lived in Dallas at time of his father's death in 1963. Parents were Fred W. Taylor and Edna A. Pough, who lived in Wheeling, WV. Any help in tracking down cousin appreciated.

John C. Settles, 1519 B. Queen LP CAFB, Clovis NM 88101-8120

WILLIS, HENDRICKES

Trying to locate distant relative, Nadine Willis, descendant of Adam Admire Hendrickes, born 1800 in NCV. Have copy of letter she wrote tracing Hendricks line from 1600's to late 1970's. At that time she lived in Terrance, Texas.

Gail Hendricks Seevers, 2735 S. Raleigh, Denver CO 80236

ATTENTION CENSUS READERS! If you have been using R. H. Saldana's A Practical Guide to the "Mistakes" Made in Census Indexes (Salt Lake City, 1987,) you will be interested in D. L. Kent's critique which appeared in the June 1988 issue of the Austin Genealogical Society's Quarterly. In pointing out numerous errors which appear Mr. Kent cites several names selected at random which were badly misinterpreted by the reader. These included "Ivce Durling" for "Ira Durling," "Janenoll Dusenbury" for "James M. Dusenbury" and "Doeluff Duryen" for "Roeluff Duryea." In every case, the indexer made no note as to a questionable interpretation.

In addition to such errors as the above are others which omit an entire county, or two, three or even more! Case in point: Jackson, Teeples, and Scafermeyer Georgia 1830 Census Index (1976) includes part of the Alabama 1830 census (although the omitted Georgia page in not in the Alabama index - some 250+ households omitted. In the same Georgia index, 10,946 persons in Warren County were shown as living in Ware County. Also, the Jackson and Teeples Mississippi 1850 Census Index (1977) completely leaves out Pike, Pontotoc and Rankin counties - another loss of 3,398 households.

However, Mr. Kent concludes: "But let us conclude on an upbeat note and say whatever good we can of this book: It is sturdily bound."

Editor's note: Certainly we should all benefit from Mr. Kent's commentary, and use census indexes with great caution.

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NEWS FROM THE FORT WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Donald J. Martin, Ph.D.

Librarians in the Genealogy/Local History Department, Fort Worth Public Library, are frequently asked about electronic bulletin boards, computer software for genealogists, and other genealogical computing resources. The tremendous interest shown by members of the computer users group of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society reflects a national trend among genealogists to use their computers for a variety of purposes as they conduct research.

The following commercial services may be of interest:

COMMSOFT Phone: 415-967-6730 [modem] [Nat.Gen.Conf.]
CompuServe Phone: 800-848-8890 [information]
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Computer Interest Group

A file named GBBS.ARC or GBBS.TXT is available which gives a complete list of approximately 200 bulletin boards available on the National Genealogical Conference. Bulletin boards which offer the Tafel Matching System are also included.

An impressive selection of genealogy software is now available to the researcher. Included are:

FAMILY ROOTS - available for the IBM, Apple, Mackintosh, Commodore and other personal computers. There are a number of utility programs which are designed to work with FAMILY ROOTS. The current version of ROOTS is 3. Contact:

Quinsept., Inc.
P. O. Box 216
Lexington, MA 02173 Phone: 800-637-7668

PERSONAL ANCESTRAL FILE - developed and distributed by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints [Mormons,] is available for computers compatible with IBM-PC, Apple Mackintosh and Apple II. The current version of PAF is 2.1. Contact:

Salt Lake LDS Distribution Center
1999 West 1700 South
Salt Lake City UT 84104 Phone: 801-531-2584

ROOTS III by COMMSOFT is available for the IBM PC and compatibles. The company also offers a number of utility packages, including a text processor called ROOTS WRITER, a Calendar conversion program, the Historiograph, and a GEDCOM conversion program. The current version of ROOTS III is 1.04. Contact:

COMMSOFT, Inc.
2257 Old Middlefield Way
Mountain View, CA 94043 Phone: 800-327-6687

It is always wise to "look before you leap" when investing in any software. Determine your needs before deciding on a package. Seek recommendations from members of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society's computer users' group.

Two books recently accessioned by the Genealogy/Local History Dept. of the Fort Worth Public Library will be of particular interest to those who have research interests in Ireland:

IRISH RECORDS; SOURCES FOR FAMILY & LOCAL HISTORY by Dr. James G. Ryan [Gen. 941.5R] provides the researcher with an introduction to the county records of Ireland. Arranged alphabetically by county, the author begins each chapter with a brief review of the history of the county, discusses some categories of records, provides a map of the civil parishes, lists censuses and census substitutes, some published family histories, newspapers, gravestone inscriptions, wills and administrations, miscellaneous sources, libraries, societies and research services, as well as some information on Roman Catholic, Church of Ireland and Presbyterian church records. The book's introduction should be carefully studied by all who plan to pursue research interests in Ireland. It is hoped that the book will be revised and a second edition published that will include a closer examination of other religious groups (Quakers, Methodists, Congregationalists, Baptists, Moravians and Huguenots come to mind,) a review of the records available in the Registry of Deeds, and the holdings of such repositories as the Genealogical Office, the General Registrar's Office, the National Archives and the Royal Irish Academy.

IRISH RESEARCH; A GUIDE TO COLLECTIONS IN NORTH AMERICA, IRELAND AND GREAT BRITAIN compiled by DeeGee Lester [Gen. 941.50025 :] is a valuable reference work that is a companion volume to IMMIGRANTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND which the compiler co-authored with Weaver in 1986. The purpose of this book is to provide a research tool for those involved in any area of Irish research. The work is arranged by state, Canadian province, Irish county, and British shire, including Wales, and then by city. Under each city heading, entries are alphabetized by the name of

the repository. In the case of university facilities, the entry is listed alphabetically by university name first, followed by the name of the library. Each of 681 entries reflect the information received in response to a questionnaire sent to 1,296 individual facilities: purpose of the organization, Irish resources available (general collections), special collections, special services (indexes other than the card catalog, guides to collections, pamphlets, newsletters, bibliographies, etc.,) and special tips for researchers from the librarians. Finally, the book is indexed. While the work represents only about 73% of the facilities investigated, it is, nevertheless, a very useful and important work and gives the genealogist an idea as to the scope of Irish collections on this continent and abroad.

Additional accessions this past year include an impressive collection of microfilmed RECORDS OF ANTE-BELLUM SOUTHERN PLANTATIONS from the colonial period through the Civil War. Records received include selections from the South Caroliniana Library at the University of South Carolina, the South Carolina Historical Society, the Library of Congress, the Maryland Historical Society, the University of Virginia Library, Duke University, and the Barker Texas History Center at the University of Texas. These collections are of inestimable value to researchers who are tracing families in burned counties, tenant farmers, slaves and local social and economic history. Each collection contains a useful guide to the records on microfilm. These records complement the county courthouse records most frequently used by genealogists and should not be overlooked in any research project involving the geographical areas in which the plantations were located.

KENTUCKY: If you have ancestors who passed through the Cumberland Gap, you are invited to submit information about these ancestors and their families to the new Cumberland Gap Archives. Material may be in the form of letters, documents, histories, family group sheets, etc. Please do not send originals. The Archives will house all materials and make them available to researchers. Send your information to: Cumberland Gap Archives, P. O. Box 1848, Middlesboro, KY 40965.

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FORD CEMETERY

This cemetery was copied May 11, 1989, by Mark Wilson of Bedford, Texas. The copier notes that Pinkney Harold Ford was the leader of a Kentucky family who migrated to Texas in 1855. The cemetery is located in east Tarrant County in Grand Prairie.

Susie M. G.
 Daughter of M. E. & C. H. Hugo
 Born May 5, 1890
 Died July 18, 1890

Raford A. Bellomy
 Born 1-20-1897
 Died May 31, 1899

George M. Bellomy
 Born 6-26-1867
 Died 1-4-1936

Amy F. Bellomy
 Born 9-10-1875
 Died 10-11-1940

Mary J. Wife of W. H. Bellomy
 Born April 1, 1848
 Died Sept. 16, 1910

William Belomy
 Born Aug. 8, 1837
 Died March 21, 1904

Baby McGlothlin - 1880

Sarah Edington
 1810 - 1880

Nancy -Wife of W. M. Ford
 Born Nov. 23, 1823
 Died April 9, 1899

William M. Ford
 Born May 12, 1839
 Died July 10, 1901

Fannie J. Wife of W. L. Hope
 Born Dec. 22, 1857
 Died July 24, 1888

William I. Hope
 Born Oct. 5, 1848
 Died April 28, 1894

Siaca - son of W. P. & S. E. Brewer
 Born Jan. 7, 1890
 Died Jan. 26, 1891

Edith Ruth Lasater
 April 20, 1918
 Nov. 28, 1924

Ernest Cluck 1887 - 1937

Mrs. Eliza C. Lasater
 1867 - 1942

Mary Sue Cluck - 1896 - 1941

Margret Ruth Lasater
 Jan. 18, 1898
 Nov. 29, 1915

S. D. Lasater
 Aug. 11, 1850
 April 30, 1926

America C. Wife of S. D. Lasa[ter]
Born March 15, 1852
Died April 23, 1883?

Henretta - S. D. Lasater
April 15, 1864
To April 30, 1898

Leola Jordan Mother
1876 - 1941
John W. Jordan Father
1878 - 1926

Mary H. Lasater
Born Nov, 23, 1824
Died Oct. 26, 1896

Henry A. - son of P. H. & E. E. Ford
[Born]Sept. 18, 1872
Died Feb. 18, 1874

P. H. Ford and E. E. Bailey
Married Oct. 30, 1850
P. H. Ford
Born Feb. 9, 1831
Died June 13, 1901
E. E. Ford, Wife of P.H.Ford
Born April 17, 1834
Died Aug. 23, 1898

William C. Son of
L. & H. M. Clifton
Born July 14, 1854
Died Sept. 6, 1858

Henry E. Son of
L & H Clifton
Born Dec. 5, 1858
Died April 17, 1859

Jas. J. Williams
Died Nov. 11, 1873
Age 8 years - 6 months - 12 days

Maria Trayler
Born 1799
Died 1858 [oldest grave]

Notes from the Alford News, Alford, Texas, June 1, 1894

Submitted by Eleanor Hutcheson

Death May 28, 1894 -W. C. Harvey, born 1824, came from Hassie, Mississippi

Marriage: Methodist Church June 1, 1894 (Sunday).
Miss Mollie Winter of Pella, daughter of F. S. Winter, Married H. G. Musgrove of Alford. Attendants include P. G. Beyett, Mrs. Mary Ham, W. H. Beyett, Miss Vollie Holley, Jeff Musgrove, Miss Ella Beyett and Mis Colier. Rev. W. T. Ayers.

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MOORE FAMILY BIBLE

Submitted by Ann Allcon Shouits, Fort Worth, Texas

This Bible is in the possession of Traynham Moore, Rt. 1, Box 90, Teague, Texas 75860.

FAMILY RECORD

BIRTHS

Seely Denton Moore was born June the 27 1877
 Sallie O Helon Moore was Borne June the 8th 1875
 Allen Moore was borned November 1812.
 And Died March the 24th 1854
 His Wife Sallie Moore was born November 1813
 And died June the 29th 1871
 John Hermon Moore was born April the 1st 1909
 Vera Pearl Moore was born Dec 31st 1893
 W. T. Moore was born July the 7th 1898
 Joe T Moore Was born Dec the 19th 1903
 Wm Brooks was borned the 3rd of May 1810
 Permelia S. Brooks was borned March 12th 1820

BIRTHS [second page]

S. W. Moore was borne April the 23 1838
 Arkansas A. Moore was borne June the 29th 1844
 PerMerlia J A Moore was borne November the 19th 1860
 William Allen Moore was borne May the 17th 1864
 John Thomas Moore was bornd May the 12 1866
 Sallie Ohelon Moore was bornd June the 8 1875
 Seely Denton Moore was born June 27th 1877
 J. C. Moore was born May the 24 1895
 Y A Moore was born August the 13 1896
 W H Moore was born March the 9th 1898
 H. T. Carr was born February the 7 1894
 W. L. Carr was born March the 27 1898
 Ira Carr was born June the 2 1900
 Aubrey Carr was born June the 18 1903
 Josep C Moore was born July the 20 1900
 S. D. Moore was borned January the 1 1900
 M. Bascom Moore was born March the 2nd 1903

MARRIAGES

S. W. Moore and Arkansas Brooks was Married January the 19th 1860
 John King and Permelia Moore Married January the 9th 1879
 William A. Moore and Mary E. Bryant Married Oct the 13 1887
 W. A. Moore and Marie E Brient was Marrie the 13 Oct 1887
 J. T. Moore and Sallie E Turner was married the 22 of March 1893
 Seely Denton Moore and Allic Turner was married Oct the 19 1895
 Sallie O Helon Moore and A T Carr was married Dec the 21 1892
 W A Moore was married the secon time to miss Mattie Bryant
 June the 14 1896

DEATHS

J. W. King died Dec the third 1881
 J C Moore died Dec the 13th 1896
 J A Moore died January the 10 1898
 Martha A Wilkinson died Sept the 8 1899
 Mary E Moore died February the 18th 1895
 Callie Juel Moore died February the 17th 1894
 Wm Brooks Died March the 26th 1894
 Permelia S. Brooks Died December the 20th 1864
 [?] D Brooks April the 21st 1896
 Hardie Moore Died Aug 2 1852
 S D Moore Died Jan 9th 1924
 A A Moore died Nov 9th 1925
 J T Moore Died Oct 27th 1939
 Sallie E Moore Died Apr 3 1956

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S W Moore Died Nov 30th 1912
 P S Brooks Died Jan 3rd 1902
 Permelia A. Walstone Died Jan 30th 1911
 Wm Brooks Died March 26, 1894
 Permelia S Brooks Dec 20, 1864
 Susan E Smith May 29 1872

END OF BIBLE RECORD

Newspaper clipping found in Bible concerns death of the daughter of William Allen Moore and Mary Bryant Moore, at age 2 months. No date and source but is bylined "Nip and Tuck." This community, first settled ca 1870, was located 4 or 5 miles north of Teague, Texas. The name was changed to Shanks in 1899.

BIBLE RECORD OF ROBERT HEBER NELSON

BIRTHS

Francis Nelson, son of Francis Nelson and Lucy his wife was born on the 1809
 Letitia R. Nelson, daughter of William Proser and Letitia his wife was born on the 21st of February 1817; Died in N C 1881
 Sarah Berkley Nicolson Nelson, daughter of the above, was born on the 19th of March 1839
 Philip Meade Nelson, son of the same was born on the 20th of January 1844
 Lucy Grymes Nelson, third daughter of the same was born on the 21st January 1846
 Wm Proser Nelson, second son of the same was born on the 22d January 1849
 Molly Proser Nelson, fourth daughter of the same, was born on the 1st of Jany 1851 Died July 1885
 Francis Nelson third son of the same was born on the 19th of July 1853
 Nathaniel Nelson fourth son of the same was born July 1st 1857

DEATHS

The above Nathaniel Nelson Died October 1860 in Henry Co Va
 Francis Nelson Sr? March 1st 1871 Rowan Co. N. C.
 Lucy G. Whiting Died March 21st 1871 in N C
 Sally Berkley Nelson wife of R H Nelson Sept 17th 1891 at Glen Dale Va
 Reginald Heber Nelson entered in to rest 9th of March 1923
 Lucy Chiswell Nelson Catlett died at Timber Neck Gloucester Co Dec 1904

BIRTHS

Peyton Randolph Son of Reg. H and Sally B. Nelson was born October 14th 1858
 Infant son born 11th April 1860 & Died on the same day
 Lucy Chiswell Nelson 1st Daughter born 11th June 1861
 Hugh M Nelson 3d son was born November 6th 1862
 Mary Ethelinda Nelson second daughter born October 8th 1865
 Reginald Heber Nelson 4th son was born Nov 24th 1867
 Letetia Rebecca Nelson 3d daughter born Aug 22 1869
 George Wilmar Nelson 5th son born May 18th 1872
 Francis Nelson 6th son born May 21st 1874
 Robert Nicolson Nelson 7th son born September 8th 1876
 Robinson Nelson 8th son born 14th March 1880
 Philip Proser 9th son born 8th March 1882
 Sally Berkley Nelson 7th daughter born September 16th 1883

MARRIAGES

Francis Nelson and Letitia Rebekah Proser were married on the 25th of September 1837

Reginald Heber Nelson and Sally Berkley Nelson were married on the 24th of December 1857 at Chelsea in King William County Va the residence of their beloved Aunt Ann F Moore

My grand father's register having been nearly obliterated by age I hereby transcribe it to this book - R Heber Nelson

Robert Nelson & Susanna Robinson were married at Chatham the 6th of March 1779

Their children's births were as follows

Robert born at Yorktown March 20th 1780

William born at Chatham May 3d 1781

Susanna born 22d June 1783 at Malvern Hill

Peyton Randolph was at M Hill 23 March 1784

Molly Grimes? was born at North Darrell? 28th Aug 1785

Nathaniel was born at M Hill 3d of Feb 1787

Anne Fitzhugh was born at M Hill June 22d 1788

Lucy Chiswell was born at Malvern May 3d 1790

Ethelinde was born 27 December 1792

Eliza Randolph was born 27th Oct 1794

Thomas Hugh was born Mar 24 1796

Robinette was born 24th Feb 1798

Robinson was born 22 June 1800

Charles Chiswell Sept 1802

DEATHS

George Wilmer Nelson Died September 11th 1873

Sally Berkley Nelson beloved wife of R Heber Nelson died Sept 17th 1891 - She doth rest from her labors and her work do follow her and speak her praise

[different handwriting]

Letitia Nelson Catlett died Oct. 7, 1934

Robt. Nicolson son of R. Heber & Sally B. Nelson died at his home Dec 28th 1935. He passed away suddenly after a life of useful deeds and a handicap? body always looking to help others. Many mourn this loss, he passed over the river? trying to do his duty.

Mary Ethelinda Nelson died Feb. 26, 1948 age 82-1/2.

Peyton R. Nelson Died Aug 23 1955 age 96 yrs 10 mos.

Hugh M. Nelson Died Sept 13 1955 age 92 yrs 10 mos.

Reginald Heber Nelson Jr., died April 29, 1963, aged 95 yrs 4 mos. [different handwriting]

Philip Proser Nelson died February 1968

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The Following was written by R Heber Nelson

There is no record of my grand father's or mother's death (Robert Nelson and Susanna Robinson) Think the latter? died first about 1810 or 12 the former? about 1815

Robert their son died Oct 5th 1850
 William " " was grown but no --- of death
 Susanna " daughter died about 1828
 Peyton R their son died about June 1845
 Molly Proser their daughter died July 22 1863
 Nathaniel their son died 1852
 Ann Fitzhugh daughter died 1866
 Lucy Chiswell daughter died June 1875
 Ethelinda daughter died Dec 1874
 Eliza Randolph daughter died June 22 1806
 Thomas Hugh son died July 25th 1799
 Robinette daughter died about 1818
 Robinson son died about 1819
 Chiswell son died March 1855

Memorandum of my Grand Father's Family

Robert Nicolson lived at Yorktown Va born between 1755 and 1760. Married Elizabeth Diggs Daughter of Hon. Dudley Diggs (She died 1845) Robert was surgeon in Revolutionary War. Died at Hot Springs Va 1798. He had 4 Brothers and 2 Sisters Dr. Robert left two sons & one daughter The latter married my father Peyton Randolph Nelson of Malvern Hill.....older son Robert died 3 yrs after graduation of Dartmouth College; George Jr married Sarah - ----of ----Middlesex Ct and died at Deer Chase same County
 /s/ R Heber Nelson

END OF BIBLE RECORD

Note: Photocopy of record was extremely difficult to read.

GEORGIA RESEARCH: Current county maps for Georgia may be obtained from the Department of Transportation, No. 2 Capitol Square, Atlanta, Georgia, 30334; Attn: Map Sales. Cost \$1.50 each.

Family Tree, Northeast Cobb
 Genealogical Society, May 1989

WILLIAM GREEN COOK

Mrs. Mildred Wedgeworth Weedall of Seal Beach, California, has sent us the Confederate war record for one William Green Cook, Private, Co. C. Robert's Regt., Texas Confederate Army. She writes "This Green Cook could have been a relative, but I have no information on him . . . I am sure someone would like to know what happened to this man."

Mrs. Wedgeworth's grandfather was William Greenberry Cooke - born Blount County, Alabama, 12 Sept 1842. He moved with his family to Texas in 1855 and joined Co. E., Texas 10th Regt., on 10 April 1862, at Veal Station, Parker County, Texas. He was wounded and captured at Ft. Arkansas in 1863; parolled from Ft. Douglas, Ill. and fought until the end of the War. He was discharged in May 1865 at Guthrie's Point on the Tennessee River and walked all the way home to Texas. Mr. Cooke was married four times and died at home in bed, 8 September 1922, Vanderpool, Bandera County, Texas.

This Green Cook was a Pvt. in Capt. Burton's Co. C, Robert's Regiment, Texas Infantry. He enlisted Feb. 17, 1862, at Hemphill [Texas] at the age of 28, and died of remittant fever on 23 May 1862, at a "General Hospital" in Houston, Texas.

If this man is your ancestor, the editor will be happy to send the copy of his service record to you. Thanks to Mrs. Weedall for sharing this information.

The NGS 1990 Conference, billed as a "Capital Conference," will be the first major genealogical conference held in the nation's capital. Those who attend will have the opportunity to use three of the country's major genealogical research facilities - the National Archives, the Library of Congress and the National Society DAR Library. The program will focus on records of the federal government, research methodology and various regional and ethnic topics. If you are a member of NGS, brochures will be mailed to you. Otherwise, write for the conference program and registration when it becomes available in January 1990. Address: 1990 NGS Conference, 4527 17th Street, North, Arlington, VA 22207-2399.

HOW I RESEARCHED MY NICOLSON FAMILY BACK TO 1655/56

Contributed by Janice Nicolson Holmes
Fort Worth, Texas

My first interest in genealogy came after visiting Colonial Williamsburg in 1972. After seeing the brown frame "Nicolson Shop" on Duke of Gloucester Street, my curiosity was aroused, because so few Nicolsons are spelled without the "h." Could this family be an ancestor? I decided to find out.

Like so many young people, when I was young I cared nothing about my dad's history (George D. Nicolson, 8th), let alone my grandfather, Edward Dudley Nicolson (7th.)

If you are lucky enough to have grandparents still living, help them tape their past immediately . . . you'll even find they enjoy remembering.

It was too late for me to interview my grandfather who died in 1937. How I regret it, for I learned he rode on the old Chisholm Trail in the 1870s and settled in San Antonio, where my father was born in 1888. The 1850 census for Callaway County, Mo. shows Granddad aged six months old.

I did get Dad to tape his remembrances at age 84. I had not known Dad set up the first bookkeeping for T. C. U. in 1918. The five buildings which were printed on its stationery of that year were The Administration Building, Clark, Jarvis and Goode Halls and Brite Bible College. Fortunately, he had saved a 1930 clipping from a Fulton, Missouri paper, telling of his grandmother's (Mrs. George A. Nicolson) winning a prize for her hand-woven carpet in 1862. I hadn't even known her name, nor that my grandfather was born in Missouri and ran away to become a cowboy. After he saw I was interested, my father gave me early photographs of him and his father back to 1865. Now I was an eager genealogist!

During one of Pat Chadwell's genealogy classes, I mentioned Fulton, Mo. to one of the other students. She happened to come from there and was going back for a visit. She kindly brought me a copy of a deed re George Andrew Nicolson (6th). It mentioned Edward D. was at that time living in San Antonio. So - I learned my great-grandfather's middle name.

I rushed to the library and read "Pioneer Families of Missouri" by William S. Briggs. There was "G. A. Nicolson, 1843, Virginia." But where in Virginia? Paul Campbell of the Fort Worth Public Library introduced me to "Swem's Index" for Virginia ancestry. I'm eternally grateful for this because it opened up avenues I would never have known to travel.

William L. Norford's "Albemarle Co. Marriages," shows G. A. Nicholson (6th) married Mary Jane Dyer on March 28, 1833. This date had been incorrectly printed in the Dyer Family Chart given to my dad in the 1930s. This was as far as they had taken the Nicolson line.

Checking all George and Andrew Nicolsons in Swem's, I found both on the 1782 tax list for the City of Richmond. Since my great-grandfather was named George Andrew Nicolson, I played a hunch, and sent for the 1810 will of Andrew Nicolson (5th) of Chesterfield County, Va. It mentions wife Judith and son George, who was bequeathed 1000 acres of military land in Ohio. I wrote Burwell Reid of Richmond (a bi-lateral descendant) who found Andrew Nicolson's 1803 Mutual Assurance Policy on property in Manchester, Chesterfield County, in the "State of Virginia papers" and graciously sent it to me. Following up on Andrew was easy.

I sent to the Virginia State Library for a copy of Andrew's wife's will. Judith W. (Diggs) Nicolson made the will in Richmond in 1841, bequeathing to her son, George A. Nicolson, a certain amount of money, with interest, from his father. She mentions he is no longer in Virginia. Now I know this was the G. A. Nicolson who moved to Missouri, following his in-laws. Swem's Index has much source material on these earlier Nicolsons (often spelled Nicholson.) One is fortunate to be able to tie in with a Virginia ancestor.

Now to connect my Andrew Nicolson (5th) with Robert Nicolson of Williamsburg. I found the book, "The Record of Bruton Parish Church" by W. A. R. Goodwin. Eureka! Baptisms from the old parish register showed "Andrew, son of Robert and Mary Nicolson--1764." It was even spelled correctly. In the June, 1976 issue of "Virginia Tidewater Genealogy," Charles A. Nicholson listed all of the tombstones of Bruton Parish, with a map. On page 88, a tombstone by the north door of the church read, "Here Lies the Body of Mary Nicolson, the wife of Robert Nicolson who departed this Life Oct. 20th 1795 in the 73rd year of her age." Now I had proof that Robert Nicolson was my 4th generation Nicolson. He was a merchant and tailor who also rented rooms when the General Assembly overflowed the inns. "Colonial Williamsburg - Official Guidebook and Map," 7th edition, 1972, omitted three of Robert's sons--Andrew, John and Thomas. At age 50, Robert was a patriot, furnishing goods to the militia for the Revolution.

After the death of his wife, Robert Nicolson (4th) moved to Richmond, where his three sons and daughter, Rebecca Nicolson Copland then lived. His tombstone in St. John's Churchyard, Richmond, reads "Here lies the body of Robert Nicolson who departed this life on the 14th day of July, 1797, Aged 72 years." I found it about eight paces from the left corner of the church front, almost obliterated with age. But it was still readable in 1974. As a Bicentennial project, I had a bronze plaque placed on it with the above epitaph easily read.

In a letter to John Norton & Sons, Merchants, under date of Jan. 19, 1779, Robert mentions his father: "Sir, Above is Mr. Wilkinson's letter advising you that a son of mine [George] has purchased a Bill of him for the ballance due him in your hands. I have bought it and now Send home the Second copeny with this, to my father, who I know is much in want of it. Your humble Servant, Robt. Nicolson, Williamsburg." My next task was to find the father's name and county in which he lived.

I was now to the third generation of Nicolsons, but couldn't locate the will of Robert (3rd). He had moved to York. At a Court held in York 17 June 1763, he was one of sixteen signing to "make use of a house in Williamsburg as a place for Public Worship of God according to the practice of Protestant Dissenters of the Presbyterian denomination...." The Church of England was the official church of early Virginia.

In "Virginia Historical Genealogies" by John Boddie I found that the widow of a Robert Nicolson of Surry (Mrs. Joanna Joyce Nicholson) married (2) Henry Flood. Sending off to Virginia, I received a copy of Robert Nicolson's will made in Surry County in 1720. (recorded in Surry County Deeds & Wills, Book 7.) In it, his third son, Robert Nicolson (3rd), inherited 200 acres purchased by his father, Robert Nicolson (2nd), in Surry County, 1710, as well as a gold ring and negroes. His then wife was Joannah Joyce. Her second husband, Henry Flood, had a daughter, Elizabeth Flood, who married Robert and Joyce Nicolson Flood's son, Robert Nicolson (3rd).

Since so many generations named their son Robert, I checked on the Surry County tithables in "Colonial Surry" by Boddie, and later "Magazine of Virginia Genealogy" Vol. 22, No. 2, and Vol. 23, No. 1, co-compiled by Edgar MacDonald and Richard Slatten. Brothers Robert Nicolson (Nicholson) and George Nicholson were both tithed from 1678 to 1685 in Surry, part of the time at the domicile of George Lee. As recorded in Surry Co. Deed Book 4, p. 29b, Robert Nicholson paid his brother, George Nicolson, of Upper Chippokes Creek on April 16, 1888"2000 pounds of tobacco and cash for 55 acres in ye county of Surry....thence NE to ye sd. creeke the very course of my said Brother's owne land that he late

purchased of my father in law, Mr. Geor. Lee...." (This term was also used for "stepfather" in early records.) George Lee's will of 12 April 1691 names Robert and George Nicholson as his executors. Lee had earlier (1687) granted "our beloved Son in Law Robert Nicholson" a parcel of land containing sixty-eight acres. Mrs. Sarah Lee freely relinquished her right of dower to the land (Surry Co. Deed Book 3, p. 19.)

Now I know Sarah Lee had previously been the wife of Robert Nicolson-Nicholson. As far as I have ascertained, Robert Nicolson (1st) is the progenitor of this line. From Charles City Co. Court Orders of 1687-1695, p. 132, Robert's (2nd) brother "George Nicholson, son of Robert, deceased, acknowledges receipt of his estate from George Lee...1688." Few Charles City Co. Va. records are extant, so I presume brother Robert also received his estate from his father at an earlier date. Luckily, Charles City County Patent Book 4, p. 323, was saved. On Jan. 3, 1655/56, Robert Nicholson received 200 acres as headright for transporting four persons to the Colony. At the same time he bought 300 additional acres for land on the north side of the James River, opposite Tapahanna Marsh. He renewed the patent in Charles City County March 18, 1662.

Having found proof of all my Nicolson ancestors, I checked Swem's Index again to follow up on all recorded deeds of these Nicolsens, for human interest. Since not only my direct line interested me, I compiled four separate three-foot genealogical charts, stemming from the three Nicolson brothers, second generation. Then I compiled a "History of the Nicolsens 1655-1985." It includes photographs and some photocopies of source material. For those interested, these may be seen at the Fort Worth Public Library.

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JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS
1854 TAX LIST

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Fort Worth, Texas

Supplemental Notes by Nancy Timmons Samuels

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| 1. J. L. Blythe | 28. H. D. Marchbanks |
| 2. A. G. Blair | 29. David Mitchell |
| 3. S. C. Bright | 30. Wm Oneal |
| 4. Ben Branson | 31. S Odom |
| 5. Jack Bradley | 32. A H Onstott |
| 6. R P Covington | 33. John Pointer |
| 7. F A Claridge | 34. Josiah Robinson |
| 8. Jas? Easterwood | 35. J? T. Rawls |
| 9. Zopher Foster | 36. John Rawls |
| 10. John S Foster | 37. E B Ray |
| 11. E. M. Heath | 38. J J Reese? |
| 12. T. N. Hunter | 39. R? J Stacks? |
| 13. John Hunter | 40. G. R. Shannon |
| 14. W E Jones | 41. G. R. & W. Shannon |
| 15. D. R. Jackson | 42. W. R. Shannon |
| 16. L W? Jones | 43. John Stephens |
| 17. C H Jones | 44. C C Stacks? |
| 18. F. L. Kirtley | 45. J. M. Toland |
| 19. A. D. Kennard | 46. Lewis Tansy |
| 20. G. W. Meador | 47. Wm Whitlock |
| 21. Preston McBee | 48. J. B. Williford |
| 22. J. D. Myers | 49. H. Woods |
| 23. F T? Mills | 50. Wm Woods |
| 24. Wm Mills | 51. Joseph Whisenhunt |
| 25. John More | 52. Carlos Wise |
| 26. Jno Mackey | |
| 27. Thos McMillan | E M Heath, Assr-Collr |
| | 21 May 1855 |

Notes by NTS:

1. James L. Blythe; by 1860 he lived at Goliad
2. H. G. Blair; his name was Hiram
3. Stephen Drane Bright of Navarro County 1850 and 1860
4. Benjamin Branson
5. Jackson Bradley of Ellis Co. 1860 & 1870
6. Rolly P. Covington who was "hung by the vigilance committee for Horse Stealing on the -- of July 1860."
7. Frank Claridge

8. Only one Easterwood family in Johnson County - that of Jeremiah, a Methodist minister, whose sons were William, James and A. W.
9. Zopher Foster from Bond Co. Ill.
10. John S. Foster - son of Zopher.
11. Elbert Monroe Heath, who lived Dallas Co. Texas 1850.
12. T. N. Hunter - probably son of John Hunter
13. John Hunter
14. W.E. Jones
15. David R. Jackson from Cass Co. Texas
16. L. W. Jones - actually lived Tarrant Co. Texas
17. C. H. Jones
18. Fielding Lorie Kirtley of Navarro Co. Texas 1850
19. Anthony Drew Kennard of Grimes Co. Texas 1850
20. George W. Meador of Ellis Co. Texas 1850
21. Preston McBee - no record
22. James David Myers of Johnson Co. 1860
23. Probably Jonathan, enumerated as J. J. Mills 1860 Johnson Co.
24. Jonathan had son, William, but he was not old enough to be on tax roll.
25. John More - no record
26. John McKee - Cumberland Presbyterian minister
27. Thos. McMillan - not known
28. Harold D. Marchbanks of Ellis Co. Texas 1860
29. David Mitchell - first Chief Justice of Johnson Co. - not the same David Mitchell of Navarro Co.
30. Wm Oneal - on 1850 Ellis Co. census, but actually lived Tarrant Co.
31. S. Odom - not known
32. Abraham H. Onstott
- 35 & 36. Sons of John Rawls who d. Johnson Co.
37. P. V. (Pleasant) Ray/Rhea
38. Probably John H. Reece, a Justice of the Peace in Johnson Co. 1856; not found on census.
40. George R. Shannon of Johnson Co. 1860
45. Could be Toler/Tolar/Toland; John Abernathy states that "J. M. Toler settled in 1853 in Caddo Grove community."
46. Lewis Tanzy of Ellis Co. 1852; Erath Co. 1860; Navarro Co. 1870
48. James B. Willeford from Iowa ca 1853-54.
49. & 50. Could be A. J. & Wm Wharton Woods of Johnson Co. 1860. Wm later went to Montague Co.
52. Carlos Wise - is on 1860 Tarrant Co. tax roll and 1870 census.

MARRIAGE NOTICES

From the *Fort Worth Gazette*

January 3, 1883

Editor's Note: Blank spaces are due to poor photocopying making it impossible to read the entire name.

WASHINGTON COUNTY - Issued for the week ending Dec. 27, 1882

Edward Wicke and Fredericke Ratzeburg
 Ethel Rathke and Hedwig Wickel
 Richard Jones and Minerva Scott
 Gilbert Allen and Mary Pitman
 Edward Ellis and Annie Coale
 William Lenttke and Ottettie Zetts
 Isaac Lang and Johanna Davis
 Lawson Porter and Emily Thornton
 Pleasant A. Henderson and Alice Buster
 Louis Steinkamp and Minnie Kramer
 Henry Gardner and Idella Shepard
 Sid Robinson and Nora Lofton
 Gilbert Williams and Maria Nelson
 Heinrich Benke and Amelia Schleider
 Horace Linzy and Estella Daniels
 August Henke and Rosina Graves
 Dave Berans and Emma Osburn
 Wesley Hubert and Becky Feild
 Willis Lee and Maria Hays
 Kimball Johnson and L. C. Hartwell
 Wesley Williams and Esther Scurry
 William Walker and Cledonia Williams
 Frank Mikeska and Verona Mashack
 Ed Morton and Edna Newsom
 James Malone and Ida Hudson
 Berry Roberts and Mary Jane Nix
 Joachim Dahse and Mary Thiel
 William Routt and Georgia Routt
 Alfred Wills and Annie White
 Joseph White and Eliza Williams
 Hermann Menn and Louisa Wassermann
 Richard Estes and Rilla Baker

CLAY COUNTY - Issued for month ending Dec. 30, 1882

William Martin to Miss I. Riley
 C. F. Acres to Miss C. A. Eddy

MITCHELL COUNTY - Issued during the month of December 1882

Dec. 2 - Mr. J. M. Miller to Miss M. C. Wilder
Dec. 11 - Mr. J. D. Stone to Miss S. F. Shields
Dec. 13 - Mr. E. H. Boggus to Miss L. J. Gibson
Dec. 15 - Mr. R. P. Clayton to Miss Jennie Holloway
Dec. 18 - Mr. T. F. Hopkins to Miss Delia A. Downing
Dec. 26 - Mr. Levi Smart to Miss Bittie Jackson
Dec. 27 - Mr. Hamilton Hardcastle to Miss Mary M. Selman
Dec. 30 - Mr. E. M. Hart to Miss L. Z. Peacock

COOKE COUNTY [no dates given]

Mr. J. B. Rosson and Miss M. B. Lyons
Mr. J. H. Bewly and Miss Annie E. Duncan
Mr. Lee Stone (colored) and Mrs. Amanda Mills (colored)
Mr. Chas. Williams and Miss Emma Boon
Mr. G. P. Lillard and Miss Mary Bennett
Mr. W. E. Parnell and Miss M. A. Smith
Mr. T. J. Cates and Miss Maggie Hays
Mr. Thomas Burden and Miss Lina Lemons
Mr. B. F. Hargrove and Miss Mollie Kimbrough
Mr. J. M. Ford and Miss Drusilla E. Brownfield
Mr. Thos. Mitchell and Miss Louisa E. Spencer
Mr. Jonathan Robertson and Miss Jennie M. Austin
Mr. R. H. Alexander and Miss Mary E. Cumbie
Mr. W. H. Meyers? and Miss M. A. Wallace

M'CULLOUGH [sic] COUNTY - Issued during December 1882

Mr. Walter Anderson to Miss Amanda E. Willis
Mr. Albert Hayes to Miss Joan Davis

GREGG COUNTY - Issued from Dec. 11, 1881 to Dec. 11, 1882

John T. Northcutt and Miss Zula P. McPherson
Samuel Forster and Miss Florence Horton
Murray Daniels and Miss Hannah Huges [sic]
Willis Peel and Miss Fanny Hughes
Richard C. Cooper, Sr. and Mrs. Milvy Hight
Jeff Sanders and Miss Judy A. Carr
Thomas D. Campbell and Mrs. Mollie E. Goodwyn
William H. Jeter and Mrs. Sarah E. Sims
James Wilson and Miss Callie Turner
William A. Windsor and Miss Tудie E. Graybill
Carroll K. Vernon and Miss Josie York
Spencer Ford and Miss Phillis Griffin
Oston W. Shelton and Miss Fairlina F. Harris
Martin V. McNeely and Miss Ida Wynn
Sam Washington and Mrs. Julia Ann Cooper

Allen Richardson and Miss Ella Hill
 Robert Barton and Miss Julia A. Tutt
 Harry H. Florence and Miss Eliza E. James
 John Davis and Miss Jane Johnson
 Elihu Muckleroy and Miss Julia Hendricks
 Kale Jacobs and Miss Anna Rollins
 John Tibbett and Miss Mattie Malone
 Johnson Vaults and Miss Julia Taylor

CALLAHAN COUNTY - Issued for week ending Dec. 25, 1882

Dec. 14 - G. W. McDaniel to Miss Jane Lacy
 Dec. 25 - James M. Garr--- to Miss Mary F. Gillit

COLORADO COUNTY - Issue for the month of December 1882

Wm Kritzscher and Miss T. Brune
 F. J. Schmidt and Miss E. Schmidt
 J. H. Obenhaus and Miss Emma Folts
 R. P. Woolsey and Miss Mina Grobe
 W. J. Webb and Miss M. L. Garner
 W. W. Watts and Miss M. L. Montgomery
 J. G. Bertholt and Miss Lizzie Bowen
 W. A. M. Wiseman and F. W. Hamilton
 Louis Meyer and Norah Dunlavy
 Christian Agner and Geneva Reger
 Henry Deidrich and Mary Meyer
 J. M. Henderson and Mary F. Secrest
 E. L. Obenhaus and Rosa L. Flourney
 J. W. McMillan and Susie Grace
 William Venkhaus and Auguste Sommerlotte
 J. W. Craig and Alice Bratton
 Fred Wolter and Johanna W. F. Kulow
 Otto Reichart and M. Hassler
 A. F. Hoelscher and A. Mossmeyer
 J. A. Burch and N. A. Smith
 W. T. Obenhaus and Penney Ingram
 W. W. Hamilton and Jennie Ingram
 Jas. Croxton and Ma____Stafford
 Paul Kazman and ____Pevitz
 Robert E. Tanner and ____Boedecker
 R. N. Claiborn and ____Smith
 John Janek and ____Pawelka

G. B. OWEN'S WAR EXPERIENCES

(as copied verbatim from his diary)

Submitted by Patricia Moore Sellers, Colleyville, Texas

Green Babbit Owen was born April 5, 1845 at Searcy, Arkansas and died October 9, 1932 in Little Rock. He married November 14, 1867, at Searcy, Ema____. They lived most of their life in Little Rock. There were five daughters and one son.

One daughter, Laura Louise, married Thomas L. Moore. They were the grandparents of Patricia Moore Sellers. Her parents are Coral Dvance (C. D.) Moore and Lela Bankston, who were married June 6, 1923, at Harlingen, Texas. C. D. [only son of Thomas Moore] was born Nov. 10, 1896 in Arkansas. Lela Bankston was born April 6, 1893, Oklahoma Territory, and died at Bedford, Texas June 10, 1983, aged 90.

G. B. Owen and a daughter traveled by train from Little Rock to visit his grandson, C. D. Moore, "in the Valley" at Harlingen, Texas, to celebrate his 81st birthday. Their visit lasted three months because they "were having such a good time." Mr. Owen liked fiddle music and enjoyed listening to "The Arkansas Traveler." After the local radio station heard of this, they played the song often for "the visiting Arkansas traveler in our midst."

Although G. B. Owen never talked of his war experiences, he did keep a diary of some of his experiences.

"I enlisted in the army April 1, 1863 at the age of 18 years in Capt. McCauley's Company, Col. Newton's Regiment, Gen. Walker's Brigade, Cavalry. My first imaginary fight was a short time after I enlisted. We were near Black River in Missouri, marching late one evening, not expecting the enemy. I was marching near the rear of the army, but ahead of the rear guard. There was a Quartermaster foraging ahead of the army. For some reason he got frightened and came running yelling, 'The Yanks are coming.' The boys followed suit, but I was not used to army life so did not run until they were nearly out of sight, then thinking no use to run now they will get me anyway I jumped off my horse and hid myself in a thicket. The enemy was nowhere near. The alarm had been false. The faithful horse waited until I came back to get him so I got back into line safely.

My first real engagement with the Federals was at Cape Girardeau, Missouri. From there we retreated back into Arkansas, fighting nearly every day for about twelve days. On the 4th of July 1863, we fought nearly all day at Helena and got into town, but in the evening the Federals came in with their gunboats and shelled us out. We fell back and had many scurmishes with them from there to De Valls Bluff, where we tried to keep them from crossing White River. After fighting nearly all day, we fell back late in the evening, and for the next ten or fifteen days Col. Newton's Regiment scurmished with them.

There was one night I will never forget. I was dispatch bearer for Col. Newton and late in the evening the Federals came up and fired on our pickets so we soon formed in line and started to meet them, and when we got to our pickets they told the Colonel that the Federals were a short distance ahead of us. The Colonel told me to ride on ahead of the command and listen and when I got where I could hear them talk for me to come back to him and let him know. As that order came from my superior officer I had to obey; for such is military life. I rode on about two or three hundred yards ahead. I was very lonely on the open prairie with not a twig to get behind and knowing that the enemy was just ahead of me. I could hear every cricket that sung his night song, for I expected that I would be fired upon by the enemies picket, but like the boy that stood on the burning deck I would not desert my post, but no one knows what joy came into my heart when I could hear clear and distinct voices of men talking, for now my silent mission was over and it was my duty to report to the Colonel what was in front of him and his men. So silently I rode back fearing that my trusty steed might stumble and bring down on me a shower of lead, but I got away without being detected. When I got back to the Colonel, who was marching at the head of his command, he at once formed his men across the road in line of battle on their horses, but the men were hungry, tired and sleepy so everything soon got still and the men begin to get off of their horses; some standing by them; some even lay down on the grass.

At about the hour of midnight the unexpected moment came. There was a Yankee yell up the road and there they came and you can imagine what happened to an army of men some on foot by their horses, some sitting on the ground and some asleep. Before they could get on their horses, the enemy had passed through our lines and the only damage done was a collision of horses in the road, as the enemy had passed we were all mixed up together and no one fired a gun. Some of our boys run away and did not get back until the next day. The Federals were as much surprised as we were for it was a small squad and no doubt they thought they were charging the pickets.

One evening after that we were some fifteen or twenty miles from Little Rock the federals had been driving us all day. I was with three squads that was bringing up our rear guard, one squad would form and back of that squad another and back of that another, when the enemy came up our squad would fire on them and fall back behind the second squad back of us and form again. We had kept that up all day until late in the evening our army made a stand to give them a general attack with our full force, so our army was formed in a line on both sides of the road. Late in the evening as they advanced on us the squad I was with fired on them and they made a charge on us and came right on our men and when our men fired on them it demoralized them so that they begin a hasty retreat and did not stop until they got back to De Valls Bluff. That gave us a chance to cover our retreat in better order. The next morning there was all kinds of plunder thrown out of their wagons and fifth wheels from their artillery to lighten their loads so they could make better time. That gave us time to prepare to make a stand at the Arkansas River. They crossed just below Little Rock. We made a stand at Fourche, but just with one regiment. When we left Fourche we came right on into Little Rock. When I came up somewhere about where Markham and Main is now, I looked back and could see a line of blue coming right behind us. Then our regiment was taken from the rear and put in front of our wagons and the infantry. Our command marched down to a small town called Tulip and there we got a few days rest. The next move then was to take our command and go across the country to Pine Bluff. There we had a considerable fight and went right into the City, we did not get the court house, then we went back to our camp at Tulip, but before we made our rade on Pine Bluff there was a Captain by the name of Ashford that came and got a detail of ten or twelve men to go to Pine Bluff. He was a farmer out from Pine Bluff and seemed to know every trail in that section, so we slipped right into the edge of Pine Bluff and stayed there until day. I think he located the enemy camp and where all the pickets were and then got out without them ever thinking of us being there. As we came out we came by the Captain's farm and he caught a young man there whom he said had been piloting the Federals over the country. He put him on his horse and tied a rope around his neck, led the horse under a stooping tree and told me to go up and tie the rope around the tree, but that was one time I refused to obey my superior and by so doing saved a boy's life. We carried him to camp and put him in the artillery and he stayed there until he was captured in Price's last raid in Missouri. The last I knew of him he was in prison in St. Louis.

Soon after our attack on Pine Bluff, Gen. Steele began his march from Little Rock and Pine Bluff to Camden and as we were camped some half mile up the Pine Bluff Road, from where it connected with Little Rock and Camden road they thought to capture us there. The army out of Little Rock was to get there first, then

the army from Pine Bluff was to come up and attack us from that side and the Little Rock army was to be ready to attack us from the other side, but there were two men who had deserted our army that night and as they were slipping around our pickets trying to get away they met the Federals slipping around so they ran back and told our commander, but before we could get away the Pine Bluff army had fired on us. We rushed to the Camden Road and made our getaway. We then went down on Big Red River and went into winter quarters at a little town called Rondo, but I did not get to enjoy the winter much for I was detailed to go out into the country in South Arkansas and Northwest Texas to conscript men that had deserted the Army and others that were laying out in the mountains committing all kinds of depredation, but when the spring of 1864 opened our army decided to attack Gen. Bank's army that was coming up Red River and Gen. Steele's army that was then camped at Camden. About the time we got there Gen. Steele sent out about two hundred wagons foraging with about two thousand cavalry to guard them but we surprised them and got all the wagons and a good part of the cavalry, this was at Poison Springs. I was thrown out on a scurmy line to pick up stragglers that had not been captured in the main fight. I was off to myself and saw a big Yankee coming through the wood. I summed up courage and halted him and ordered him to come to me and he obeyed. He was riding a large horse with a new McClellon saddle. My saddle was very sorry so I told him to dismount and take the new saddle and put it on my horse. I knew some of the officers would get it if I let him ride up to headquarters, but my captain got it at last, he kept offering me boot until he gave me two hundred dollars and I traded and got cheated.

Then our next move Gen. Fagan was ordered to go below Camden and cross the river and get in between Camden and Pine Bluff, we went over there and the federals were coming through with about two hundred wagons and I suppose about two thousand guards. They camped at Marks Mill and we attacked them about sunrise. They used their wagons for breastworks but we charged them and got all the wagons and supplies. I remember a Federal, a large man, lying under the wheels of a wagon with four big mules hitched to it. He looked at me and asked me to pull him from under the wagon, I did so, he then asked for water and I gave him my canteen and went on with my fighting.

By this time our command was ordered to the Saline River to head Gen. Steel's army at Jenkins ferry, but Gen. Steele captured the messenger whom Gen. Price had sent the dispatch by and Gen. Steele then sent one of his men, dressed in citizens clothes, to our commander with a dispatch with Gen. Price's name signed to it, telling him to get to Arkadelphia as Gen. Steele was going to cross the river there. Back at Jenkins Ferry men fought in water waist deep. I had a friend who was shot down in the water, one of my

brothers carried him out, but he died. We drove Gen. Steele back into Missouri and Kansas.

The next fighting I did was at Pilot Knot, Missouri. There I was shot down and captured. I was there five weeks unable to be moved and then I was moved to a hospital in St. Louis and kept there until I was able to go again. Then I was moved to Alton, Illinois and put in the state penitentiary. That was a piece of land, I suppose about ten or twenty acres, walled in with a high brick wall. On the upper side there was a tall building with cells in it just wide enough for three men to lie down in the cell and they were crowded. Around these cells was a thick wall about one hundred feet high, and all the heat we got was from stoves around this building between the two walls; two stoves to every side and there were shacks built on the outside of the high walls, and there were dug-outs in the hill sides, they were about the warmest places we had. Sometimes the boys would get knives and as the prison was on sandy land they would dig under the wall and get away. One time while I was there were thirty of the boys who attempted to dig out, and they were about a week digging the tunnel. They started from one of the dug-outs in which they slept. They took the straw out of their beds and burned it and put the dirt into the beds to keep from being caught at their trick. One night they got ready to break through on the out side but thought they would wait until the next night in which to get away, but that day one of the crew gave the secret away, so guards were stationed where they were to come out, and when the first man broke through a guard said to him "Mister it is against orders to come out at that hole." There were thirty men in there, they kept them there for a while, then put them in cells and fed them on bread and water for some time.

In the spring they took us to Baltimore and put us on a ship and sent us to Richmond, Virginia for exchange, but as Gen. Lee had no soldiers to exchange he gave us parole furloes so we could get out and try to get something to eat. I think the Federals knew that Gen. Lee had nothing to feed his soldiers on, so rushed a few thousand half starved prisoners on him to compel him to surrender. I think Gen. Lee's army was as nearly starved as an army ever was. When we got off of the ship at Richmond we heard that the Quarter Master was bringing us something to eat, he only had bread, but we were glad to get that.

Gen. Lee surrendered soon after he gave us our parole furloes and we who were out on furloes had to get home the best way we could. I got home about the First of April, and as I was not in service when Gen. Lee surrendered I had to take the Oath of Allegiance after I came home; thus my war record ended. Then came the K.K.K.'s and the Brooks and Baxter war, but in them I never fired a gun.

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" PARTY AT MR. TOM COPE'S "

Submitted by Patrick McKenna

This party took place in the Webb-Mansfield area of Tarrant County sometime in the 1890s. The listing is on letterhead stationary of W. M. Bowers, College Street, Midlothian, Texas. Bowers was the husband of Maude Mounce, daughter of John Franklin Mounce and Anna Perry, who lived in Midlothian.

Boys

1. Charles Back
2. Tommy Perry²
3. Oscar Alexander
4. Bud Perry
5. Dick Perry
6. Walter Ferrel
7. Murph "
8. Wills Estis [sic] Estes
9. Harbut Estis [sic] Estes
10. Ruff Perry
11. Verna Loyd
12. Robert Bowerman
13. Sid Herd [sic]
14. John D. Porter
15. Charlie Dukes [sic]
16. Elmur [sic] Loyd
17. Jim Porter
18. Willie Embry
19. Johnie Wisrock

Girls

- Annie Perry¹
- Sally Perry³
- Minnie Wyatt
- Bessie Wyatt
- Joan Perry
- Jetty Bowerman
- Lula Bowlin
- Ida Ferril
- Sallie Heard
- Estelle Fowler
- Hattie Turner
- Ava Curry
- Rhena Bowerman
- Zella Duke
- Mittie Duke
- Cretia Loyd
- Minnie Porter
- Lizzie Wisrock

1. Annie Perry, actually Annie Dalton, was known as Annie Bridges. She was the only child of Josiah Dixon Perry's wife, Jane Jordan Perry, and her first husband, James Dalton. She later married John D. Porter.

2. Thomas Claiborne Perry was N. B. Perry's youngest child by his second marriage. Tommie later married Minnie Wyatt (No. 3). Note by this time Jetty Perry is already Jetty Bowerman, wife of Robert (No. 12.) The name was "Bowermon." A son, Jess, changed it to "Bowerman."

CHARLOTTE AND THE MURDER OF JOHN COUCH

PART II

By Patrick McKenna

*"Pain had a strong hold on his heart,
and he swallowed it like a slow poison."
(from the story "Sleep," by Naguib Mahfouz)*

In the early 1850s a flood of settlers poured into southeast Tarrant County. They all wanted one thing: land - by bounty warrant, by Republic grant for early pioneering, or bought at a good price. But get the land!

John Huitt, first sheriff of Dallas County had died in 1848, so his heirs received the Peter's Colony land granted to him posthumously.¹ And so the Huitt heirs moved into southeast Tarrant County.

Henderson Couch, apparently John Huitt's son-in-law, appears on the 1853 Tarrant County tax list on the F. M. Howerton Survey. He is shown the next year on the Joab Watson Survey, both located on Walnut Creek. By 1857, his land was on the Watson and Samuel West Surveys.² John H. Couch and A. T. Couch were born after 1850. Since the 1860 Tarrant County, Texas census is missing, we don't know their exact ages. They are not shown on the 1870 Texas census, although we do find them later. The five years the Couch family lived on Walnut Creek was spent like those of other farm families: they worked the land, harvested the crops, went to church and sometimes to town.

On March 5, 1857, Henderson Couch died, according to Charlotte's petition for letters of administration.³ According to these records their children were: Tennessee E., Hiley Amanda, John Henderson and Albert T. Couch. The Howerton and Samuel West acreage was to be divided among the four minor heirs.

Martha Huitt later married Anthony Bledsoe⁴ Thomas Benton Huitt also married in this area.⁵ The fate of his sisters, Margarete and Irene, is unknown..

In June 1860, three men were appointed to appraise the Couch estate - I. G. Bowman, Jason Watson and N. B. Perry.⁶ Napoleon Bonaparte Perry had come from Harrison County, Texas in 1854. His first wife, Sarah Jane Gibson of Maury County, Tennessee died in 1855, and he married Margaret A. (Maggie) Burford of Johnson

Station, Texas, in 1857. He was considered one of the outstanding citizens of the community and was a pillar of the Baptist Church.⁷

A petition by Charlotte Couch, dated April 26, 1858, is found in the estate settlement of F. M. Howerton, but in the estate settlement of Samuel West in 1859, she is listed as Charlotte Curry. The West papers explain that "...C. Couch, widow of H. Couch, deceased, afterward intermarried with one I. I. Curry...."⁸ No doubt this third marriage was in Tarrant County in 1858 or 1859 (the marriage records were destroyed in a fire in 1876.)

Descendants today of the well-known Curry family of Mansfield, Texas, do not know of I. I. Curry. Israel I. Curry was born in Indiana.⁹ He first appears on the 1857 Tarrant Co. tax list as "I. A. Curry" [sic.] Through 1867 he is listed as "J. J. Curry" with the Couch children shown under his name, their inherited land taxed and paid for by "C. Couch." Since Curry is shown on the McLennan Co. tax list of 1867, we know they left Tarrant County in late 1865 or early 1866.

The years after the Civil War uprooted families beyond belief. But life at North Webb, Texas, found many of the same names of a decade ago still there. N. B. Perry's children by two wives were all living at home. Included were his eldest son, Josiah Dixon (Jodie) and his eldest daughter, Anna Camilla.¹⁰ A Tarrant County deed, dated Sept. 8, 1874, shows that Anna C. Couch "of McLennan Co." sold her share of land in the N. D. [sic] Perry tract to G. F. Chrisman. Albert T. Couch, also "of McLennan Co." sold his inherited Samuel West acreage to Chrisman, stating that his "sister, Hiley A. Couch, and Brother, John H. Couch, are both deceased." He does not mention his sister, Tennessee, who must have died while they were living in Tarrant County.¹¹

The following story was told to the writer in the 1950s and again in the 1970s. The first six people cited personally knew N. B. Perry and all were his kinfolk. All had heard the tale told in whispers since childhood.¹²

One day, while with a group of people, Napoleon Perry was told, "Anna is in love with John Couch." His immediate reply was, "If he marries her, I'll kill him!" No one answered that statement. The cause of his violent feeling is not known. Some have said John was a Union soldier, but he is not listed among the Texas Union troops.¹³ There is the possibility of a father's jealousy, but this seems farfetched, since his other five daughters all married later without incident. In addition, Perry had known Henderson Couch (John's father) for three years and served as an appraiser in his estate settlement.

Even though we will never know the reason for the tragedy, we can follow the sequence of events.

Napoleon and his son, Jodie, were returning from hunting on the day a rider galloped up with the news, "John Couch and Anna got married today!" N. B. said, "Come on, Jodie," and they took their guns to a spot along the road from Fort Worth. No one came. At sunset the two men went home. Word of this spread like wildfire. An old lady ventured to ask Maggie Perry, "Don't you think Mr. Perry will forget it by morning?" "No," said Maggie, "He won't forget. Not Mr. Perry." Sure enough, at dawn, N. B. and Jodie returned to the roadside.

John Henderson Couch was shot that day as he drove his buggy with his new wife sitting by his side. All those interviewed stressed this point - the young man was killed beside his bride. It was a heinous act, a crime of savagery, and, since the possibility of the marriage had been known for some time, we must call it premeditated, cold-blooded murder. Even so, this crime was never reported in any Texas newspaper, nor was Napoleon B. Perry ever indicted. No one denied he did it, but there was never any public outcry - only silence. A few people have said that Maggie Perry was pregnant and he was "needed at home." Others have defended him because he was "a leader of the community." But are these claims of any value against taking a human life?

Anna Camilla Perry Couch, bride and widow in an instant, never forgave her father and never returned home. The deed record cited above strongly indicates that she went to live with, or near, her mother-in-law, Charlotte, and the Curry family. Anna married secondly, John Franklin Mouch, a driver for the Butterfield-Overland Mail, had two daughters, and subsequently divorced.¹⁴ She was employed in Waco at Add-Ran College, and died at her sister's home in Corsicana, Texas, Sept. 12, 1888, aged 38.¹⁵

Jodie Perry took the blame and ran away to West Texas. He changed his name to "Josiah Dick Bridges," and joined the Texas Rangers.¹⁶ Jodie married Jane Elizabeth Jordan in Mason County in 1876, and had nine children before returning to Tarrant County in late 1896 or early 1897.¹⁷ J. D. always said, "I never killed that man." "Who did, Paw?" And Jodie would only shake his head and say, "Oh.....someone."

Napoleon Bonaparte Perry lived to be 83. A horse kicked him in the shoulder, pneumonia resulted, and he died 11 Dec. 1903.¹⁸ On the surface, murder did not seem to have touched his life. Only inside did Napoleon possibly face guilt and perhaps feel remorse.

And what of Charlotte? Her full story is not known. Daughter of a sheriff, she had three husbands: the first, she divorced; the second, a person often in trouble, she tolerated; the third, a man she lived with, whatever their life might have been, finally became completely destitute. According to the 1870 McLennan County

census, she was living in the Jessie Miller household. Next door was Israel Curry, living with two Curry sons, William and James, aged 11 and 9. By 1880 Charlotte and Israel were living alone, with no children. She died sometime between 1880 and 1900, since I. I. Curry is shown as a widower in the latter census.¹⁹ Her gravesite is unknown.

Undoubtedly, the murder of her son, John, must have affected her life greatly, causing not only pain and sorrow, but perhaps much bitterness as well, since the murderer was never brought to justice. The wall of silence was never broken.

NOTES

1. The heirs of John Huitt (except for Martha Huitt and issue, from unproved, circumstantial evidence) are: Charlotte Couch, Elizabeth Hibbert, Amanda Huitt Lowe (apparently children of a first wife); second wife Martha Huitt and her three minor issue: Thomas Benton, Margarette and Irene. Amanda Huitt has recently been documented as John's daughter.

2. Tarrant Co. tax lists, 1853-57, microfilm, Texas/Dallas Div., DPL, 7th Floor.

3. Henderson Couch Estate Papers, Tarrant Co. Texas. These 50 original loose papers are now in the Genealogy Section, Fort Worth Public Library.

4. They married 11 March 1849 Marriages Dallas Co. Texas, Vol. 1, p. 1 (from Marriage Book A-B.)

5. "Mansfield Residents Reminisce" column, John T. Huitt, in Mansfield News, Mansfield, Texas, 20 Sept 1956. John T. was a son of Thomas Benton and Ellen Huitt.

6. They were sworn in at Johnson Station, 26 June 1860; H. Couch Est. Papers, op. cit.

7. N. B. Perry Bible; Tarrant County, Texas Commissioners' Court minutes make several references to his community service 1850 - 1880.

8. Both petitions cited in "Estate Records, Tarrant Co. Texas; "Footprints," Vol. 19:2; p. 83 and Vo. 18:3, p. 115.

9. 1870 McLennan Co. Texas census states Israel Curry was born in Arkansas. 1880 and 1900 censuses give birthstate as Indiana.

10. 1870 Tarrant County census, page 543; Pct. No. 1, Family 1022/1024.
11. Tarrant Co. Deed Bk. O, pp. 215-217; both re-filed 12 March 1879; and both re-recorded 5 April 1879.
12. Mrs. Dolly Reece Perry; Mrs. Lula Perry Morris; Mrs. Viva Perry McKenna; Mrs. Annie Bridges Porter; Mr. Ollie Perry; Mrs. Leta Estes Jones; Mrs. Noreane Perry Bodiford and Cecil S. Perry. The latter is the only survivor of the group.
13. "Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served From Texas," (2 rolls), Genealogy Section, DPL.
14. Death record of John Franklin Mounce, Coos Bay, Oregon (in author's possession) states he was divorced. Anna's death is recorded in N. B. Perry Bible, op. cit.
15. After Anna's death, Leonard B. and Louisa Hill Perry Embry raised her two children, Maude and Pearl Mounce. Mounce information was given by Leta Estes Jones and Henrietta Bowers Park (both deceased), daughters of Anna's two daughters.
16. Jo. D. Bridges, Corporal, in Daniel Hester's Co. R, Minutes Men, Mason Co. Service, Texas Ranger Service Records, 1847-1900, by Ingmire, Vol. 1, p. 75.
17. Okla. Confederate Pension Application #7256, Mrs. J. D. Perry, Tulsa, Okla. The return to Tarrant County is from interviews with Lula Perry Morris and Viva Perry McKenna, late daughters of Jodie Perry. Viva was born 8 April 1897 at North Webb, Tarrant County.
18. Napoleon B. Perry Death Record #52956 (Tarrant Co.) Bureau of Vital Statistics, Austin, Texas.
19. 1870-1900 McLennan Co. censuses, op. cit.

Don't forget to check non-genealogical societies and organizations for genealogical auxiliaries and subsidiaries. For example, Rotary International has a division called "International Genealogy Fellowship of Rotarians." They publish their own genealogical magazine, *Rota-Gene*. Some societies, like the Rotarians, do not require you to be a member of the parent organization to participate in the auxiliary.

THE SPANISH HERITAGE OF ELIZABETH CARO

by Jim McMillen

Few of us know much about the conditions in Texas at the time the first Spanish settlements were founded, yet many of today's Texans are descendants of these early European immigrants. Many, and not just in the areas near Nacogdoches or San Antonio, would be surprised to find the Spanish who came directly to Texas in the 1700s among their own ancestors. One Spanish lady who has descendants scattered throughout Texas and the Southwest was Ysabel, or Elizabeth, CARO.

The first sure record we have of one of Elizabeth's ancestors is that of her grandfather, Pedro José CARO, who was born in Los Adaes, then the capital of Texas, about 1770. To learn something, not only of the CARO family, but also of the early history of East Texas, let us follow the people of Los Adaes from the time the village was founded until Texas became a Nation. Except for those parts obviously questioned, the story is true.

The year was 1714, and Louis de St. DENIS had just founded Natchitoches, the first non-Indian settlement in the Louisiana Territory, for the French. To show Spanish claim to the area, Franciscan fathers moved, in 1716, from East Texas across the Sabine River to a spot just 15 miles west of Natchitoches, near present Robeline, Louisiana, to build a mission for the Adaes Tribe of the Caddo Indians. Three years later French soldiers ousted the Spanish from Los Adaes.

The Marques de AGLAYO, in 1721, reestablished the mission and added a presidio. From that year until 1773 Los Adaes was nominally the capital of Texas, though in the later years the governor lived at San Antonio de Béxar. In 1729 Antonio Gil Y'BARBO was born to parents who had come as settlers from Andalusia, Spain, four years earlier; he later became the leader of these people. Settling there also, though not necessarily at the same time, were people with names like FLORES, SANCHEZ, and CARO. Families of these shared hardships, forced moves, and still, a century later, were neighbors whose children were intermarrying.

Time passed, and trade continued between Los Adaes and Natchitoches, despite being outlawed by Spain. The Spanish officers cheated their men and became rich; the proud presidio soldiers were reduced to rags. Though Spain claimed to the Red River on the north, most of northeast Texas was controlled by France, until France ceded Louisiana to Spain in 1762.

Europe was in constant conflict and the Spanish treasury suffered; in 1767 the Spanish King sent the Marques de RUBÍ the length of New Spain's frontier, from California to Texas, to inspect and to make recommendations. In East Texas he found missions, but no Indians in them; in Los Adaes he was outraged by the condition of the Army. In all of Texas only one presidio was defensible, at Goliad. He accepted Bexar because of the strong mission activity there, but the need for outposts such as Los Adaes was diminished. RUBÍ told his King that everything in Texas must be pulled back to the Goliad-Béxar line; the King agreed.

It was in June of 1773 that Baron de RIPPERDÁ reached Los Adaes, finding there almost 500 people; soldiers, Indian converts, and citizens (who were mostly descendants of the original settlers). Among them was three year old José CARO. Sickened by what he had to do, RIPPERDÁ gave just five days for the move to Béxar to begin. The crops aren't in, the cattle are in the forests? Leave them. Carts and beasts of burden few? Take what you can carry. No horses? Walk. He finally relented and gave two weeks; some could stay with those who couldn't travel. Many disappeared into the woods.

Across Texas in July the heat was staggering; food rotted; sickness began. A supply train was met at the Brazos, but the rains set in and they slogged onward, finally, to San Antonio. Thirty adults did not survive the journey; ten children were buried along the way; young José somehow lived. The good land they had been promised was all taken; what was left was out in the path of the dreaded Comanches. The word passed, "We will go back."

By then their leader, Gil Y'BARBO, had presented a petition from the Adoes, but he had to take it to Mexico; with him went Gil FLORES. They were told they could return as far as Los Ais, near present San Augustine, near home! But then the order came: you must stop at the Trinity. In 1774 they set out to found a new village where the Camino Real crossed the river, Nuestra Señora del Pilar de Bucareli. During that same year, in the new villa, Micaela EQUIZ was born; she, like José CARO, was mostly Spanish, part Indian.

The town prospered, dealing illegally with the French. Y'BARBO went to Los Adoes for buried cannon and building hardware. A plaza was surrounded by a church, guardhouse, twenty houses, and many huts. Without soldiers, they formed a militia. Outside the town were fields of corn; life was again bearable. But, in 1777, an epidemic hit; among those who died was Gil FLORES. Later that year there was a Comanche raid, the next year another. With their fields abandoned and cattle stolen, Y'BARBO asked permission to move north and east. Before it came, the people themselves had made the decision--the Trinity flood was more than they could bear. Half of the survivors moved on; half of the town burned; they couldn't return. The rest followed, to the old site of Nacogdoches, where the log mission building still stood to act as their church. A stone fort was built, land was portioned out, there where the Tejas Indians could help protect them, in that year of 1779.

By 1790 José CARO had married Micaela EQUIZ, and shortly children were on the way: Tomas in 1791 and, two years later, Antonio. José and his growing family apparently prospered, for in the 1809 census of the Nacogdoches District their ranch was described:

Named Santa Rita on the Attoyac River and composed of one league in each direction of north, south, and east; he had it by grant authorized by D. Francisco VIANA. On it he had a residence, ___ cattle, 16 horses, and 9 hogs. Also some land on the borders of the village and he had it from D. José de la BEGA in an extrajudicial trade; on it he has a log house enclosed with a picket fence in which he plants six almudes of corn and has fruit trees and composed of 200 vs. [Evaras] front and 300 vs. depth.

In 1806 an agreement was reached by unofficial representatives of the governments of the United States and Spain to relinquish claims between the Sabine and the Arroyo Hondo (a creek about half way between Natchitoches and Los Adoes); a Neutral Territory was formed. Within this land-of-no-law soldiers gathered, with covert support from the United States, to invade Texas. In 1812 the invasion began, led by Spaniard GUITIÉRREZ and American MAGEE. In Nacogdoches the troops were greeted and volunteers joined them. They marched on and took Goliad and Béxar, but soon suffered leadership problems and were defeated in ambush.

The next year, 1813, all of East Texas was in turmoil; even the large Nacogdoches merchants, BARR and DAVENPORT, were forced to close. Spain was charging ever higher prices for goods and paying ever lower prices for produce. The people were not allowed guns for protection. The lawless were running to the Neutral Territory to avoid capture; the lawful were running there, too, to escape Spanish Texas. Early in 1814 José CARO

moved there with his family. By 1815 Badio FLORES had built a business in renewed Adaes.

In 1816 Antonio CARO married a young girl of only 13 or so, Celeste ROJO, most probably the daughter of Nicolas ROJO and Manuela SANCHES, both Spanish. The first CARO child, Anastacio, was born late the following year and the first daughter, Ysabel, on 25 May 1819. Antonio, his brother Juan, and father, José, were all found by the 1820 U. S. Census in the Natchitoches District in Louisiana. In 1821 Mexico won its freedom from Spain and Texas was again a place one could live. People who had fled Texas began to return that year. By 1828 all of the CAROs were again living west of the Attoyac, near Nacogdoches. Once more all of the familiar names were found nearby.

Back in 1806 a citizen of former Spanish Louisiana had come to Texas (Louisiana had been French, Spanish, French, and was by then American); only former Spanish citizens, of all Anglo-Americans, were allowed in Texas in those years. This man was Fredrick STOCKMAN; with him was his family, including sons Henry and Peter. They were living near Villa Trinidad de Salcedo, located across the Trinity from the site of the abandoned Bucareli. In January of 1812 the STOCKMAN family was forced to leave Texas, through Nacogdoches to Louisiana, and told to never return. But in 1821, Peter STOCKMAN, now grown, came back to Texas. Later, he and the CAROs got adjacent land grants (in present Shelby County), parts of which were traded, sold, and resold to each other for decades.

Mexico allowed Austin and others to bring settlers to Texas, but Austin had to provide a census of the inhabitants. That census found Peter STOCKMAN in a family of three in San Augustine in 1835. From church records we learn that his wife was Ysabel CARO; they had married about 1833. Their descendents would remember a story that young Peter and another man loved the same girl, but that she chose the other; they were all close friends, the story went, and to soothe Peter they promised him their first girl-child as his bride. Peter and Antonio, Ysabel's father, were in Natchitoches at the same time; Peter and Antonio were about the same age; Peter and Antonio got adjacent land grants in Texas; Elizabeth was Antonio's first-born girl—maybe that story is true!

Peter STOCKMAN and Elizabeth CARO had at least a dozen children; the oldest was Peter F, some of whose descendents still live in Shelby County. Peter and Elizabeth moved to McLennan County before 1860 and lived in the farmland south of Axtell, near where, family tradition tells us, Peter ran a trading post, and near where most of their children married. Elizabeth died about 1890 in McLennan County, some 25 years after Peter.

From Spain came the Y'BARBO, SANCHES, FLORES, CARO, ROJO and other families. From Los Adaes to Béxar, Bucareli to Nacogdoches, back to Los Adaes and back again to Texas, they survived, to leave many Texans a proud Spanish heritage. Some four hundred of those are known descendents of Elizabeth CARO. For many of them, and for too many others, that heritage has, unfortunately, been long-since forgotten.

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CITY OFFICERS OF MANSFIELD [Tarrant County, Texas]
September 27, 1890

Submitted by Eleanor S. Hutcheson

Names are copied from Tarrant County Election results as recorded in the first election book after the fire in 1876.

Mayor	Jas Nugent	19
	N C Pyles	42
	J. N. Thomas	1
Marshall	J Polk Ellis	31
	J A Stewart	33
Alderman	J M Harrison	54
	P B Pyles	56
	E F Chrisman	49
	J W Yeates	51
	S S Smithee	46
	J A Groves	3
	John Blessing	6
	D Van West	5
	J N Thomas	3
	A P Branson	4
	A J Batts	2
	J H Wright	1
	W A Upchurch	1
J H Alexander	1	

From the Johnson County (Kansas) *Genealogist*, Vol. XVI, No. 3, September 1988: If a Masonic emblem is upside down on the tombstone, that person was assassinated. Woodman of the World tombstones look like tree stumps. If there is a broken limb across the stone, the man's wife preceded him in death. Stumps for each child born to that marriage are also shown.

From the same periodical, quoted from a December 1864 newspaper: "There is an old superstition that the reading of grave-stones causes a loss of memory. It may well make us forget a thousand things belonging to this world."

THREE GENERATIONS OF ONE JONES FAMILY

Editor's Note: These records were compiled by Mrs. James Persons Simonds of Chicago, Illinois, now deceased.

FAMILY RECORD OF MILTON HENRY JONES, JR.

Milton Henry Jones, Jr. was born March 8, 1836, in Yazoo County, Miss., the seventh child of Rev. Milton Henry Jones and Keziah Culbertson Jones and the grandson of William Jones and Sarah Standard Jones.

Milton Jones and Cornelia P. Jones were married on November 27, 1859, in Henderson, Rusk Co. Texas, by James M. Mitter, J.P. He was known in the Confederate Army as "Milton Jones."

Children:

Wiley Jones was born Oct. 28, 1860, Meridian, Bosque Co. Texas

Henry Payne Jones was born Feb. 23, 1862

Charlie Rufus Standard Jones was born Aug. 2, 1866

Milton (Miltie) Jones was born Oct. 17, 1868

Mary Cornelia (Mamie) Jones was born Sept. 15, 1871, Auburn, Ellis Co. Texas

Albert Price Jones was born April 25, 1874, Angelina Co. Texas

Mattie Emily Jones was born Aug. 7, 1877, Woodville, Tyler Co. Texas

William Key Jones (Willie) was born Sept. 15, 1881, Jonesboro, Coryell Co. Texas

Minnie Pearl Jones was born Dec. 12, 1883, Morgan's Mill, Erath Co. Texas

Cornelia Patience Jones died at Reid's Branch, near Brownsboro, Henderson Co. Texas, Sept. 25, 1895, at 11:30 p.m. Services at Leagueville Baptist Church, Sept. 27, 1895.

Reverend Milton Jones died Oct. 11, 1922, 6 p.m. near Henderson, Rusk Co. Texas; service at Old Zion Hill Church, Oct. 12, 1922.

Wiley Jones departed this life Jan. 20, 1861, Meridian, Bosque Co. Texas.

Miltie Jones died Feb. 17, 1872, Snyderville, on Village Creek, Tarrant Co. Texas

Mattie Emily Jones died Aug. 30, 1877, Woodville, Tyler Co. Texas

William Key Jones died March 16, 1886, Palo Pinto Co. Texas
 Charlie Rufus Standard Jones accid. killed Oct. 30, 1887, Strawn,
 Palo Pinto Co. Texas
 Henry Payne Jones died early 1930s in California.
 Albert Price Jones died in California; bur. Medicino, Calif.
 Mary Cornelia Jones Noble died April 1, 1958, Corsicana, Texas.
 [Minnie Pearl Jones Simonds d, April 2, 1961, Chicago, Ill.]

MARRIAGES

Henry Payne Jones married Mollie Crawford ca 1888.
 Mary Cornelia Jones married J. B. Noble, Kerens, [Navarro Co.]
 Texas, Jan. 30, 1889
 Albert Pierce Jones married a French countess [name not known] in
 the early 1900s.
 Minnie Pearl Jones married Dr. James Persons Simonds, Kerens, Texas
 Jan. 26, 1909.

FAMILY RECORD OF MILTON HENRY JONES

Milton Henry Jones was born July 7, 1803, Gallatin Co. Tenn.
 Keziah Culbertson Jones was born November 1, 1807, Claiborne Co.
 Miss. Their children:

William Lorenzo Jones, born Jan. 17, 1827, Claiborne Co. Miss.
 Candace Benton Jones, born June 26, 1828, Claiborne Co. Miss.
 Sarah Jones, born August 1, 1829, Claiborne Co. Miss.
 Samuel Jones born Nov. 6, 1830, Warren Co. Miss.
 John Wesley Jones born Jan. 31, 1832, Warren Co. Miss.
 Matildah Jones born April 1, 1834, Yazoo Co. Miss.
 Milton Jones, Jr. born March 8, 1836, Yazoo Co. Miss.
 Martha Elizabeth Jones born Nov. 3, 1837 Carroll Co. Miss.
 Benjamin Franklin Jones b. March 3, 1839 Yallabusha Co. Miss.
 Wiley Jones, Jr. born May 31, 1840, Shelby Co. Republic of
 Texas
 Francis Wilson Jones born Oct. 12, 1841, Shelby Co. Republic of
 Texas
 Wiley Palmer Jones was born Sept. 12, 1844, Houston Co. Republic
 of Texas
 John Culbertson Jones was born Feb. 4, 1847, Rusk Co. Texas

DEATHS

Milton Henry Jones departed this life January 22, 1875, Acton, Hood
 Co. Texas, at 10 o'clock p.m., was buried with Masonic honors
 January 24th, 12 o'clock noon

Keziah Jones departed this life February 10th 1847 Rusk Co. Texas
 Sarah Jones departed this life July 10, 1834, Yazoo Co. Miss.
 Samuel and Wesley Jones departed this life June 30, 1834, Yazoo
 Co. Miss.
 Matilda Jones departed this life July 31, 1834, Yazoo Co. Miss.
 Wiley Jones departed this life July 26, 1840 Shelby County,
 Republic of Texas
 Francis Wilson Jones departed this life February 27, 1847, Rusk
 Co. Texas
 John Culbertson Jones departed this life Feb. 13, 1847.
 Martha Elizabeth Jones Murry departed this life May 10, 1892,
 Panola Co. Texas
 William Lorenzo Jones departed this life March 9, 1896 Jonesboro,
 Coryell Co. Texas

MARRIAGES

Milton Henry Jones and Keziah Culbertson were married March 16,
 1826, Claiborn Co. Miss.
 Candace Benton Jones and Claborn B. Lindsey were married December
 14, 1848, Rusk Co. Texas
 Wiley P. Jones and Harriet Anderson Gilmore were married January
 28, 1866, Ellis Co. Texas

FAMILY RECORD OF WILLIAM JONES AND SARAH STANDARD

William Jones was born in North Carolina Sept. 7, 1778
 Sarah Standard was born in North Carolina August 15, 1778
 William Jones and Sarah Standard were married January 22, 1801.

BIRTHS

Levi Womack Jones, born November 16, 1801
 Milton Henry Jones born July 7, 1803
 Fountain Winston Jones born Nov. 23, 1804
 Medis Ingraham Jones born Nov. 12, 1806
 Matilda Ingraham Jones born Sept. 12, 1808
 Wiley Jones born May 8, 1810
 John Standard Jones born May 16, 1812
 William Jones, Jr. born Dec. 26, 1813
 Allie Jones born Jan. 12, 1816
 Eansley? Crabtree Jones born April 4, 1818
 Isham Osborne Jones, born Dec. 15, 1821

DEATHS

Levi Jones died "at advanced age in Mississippi"
Milton Henry Jones died Jan. 22, 1875, Hood Co. Texas
Fountain Jones - death not known
Medis Jones died during Civil War
Matilda Jones King died 1840
Wiley Jones died in 1842/43
John Jones died March 1878 near Corsicana, Texas
William Jones - death date not known
Allie Jones Treadwell died in 1872
Eansley Jones died in 1834
Isham Osborne Jones died July 9, 1834 of fever (epidemic) in Yazoo
Co. Miss. aged 12-1/2 years
Philanzo Jones died Johnson County, Texas [date not given]
William Jones died Feb. 11, 1828, Caldwell Co. Ky.
Sarah Standard Jones died May 26, 1828

Additional information on this family: [date of recording not known]

Levi Womack Jones has son in Mississippi; daughter, Mrs. L. E. Parker, Caldwell Co. Ky.
Philanzo Jones has daughter Sallie Robinson, Jack Co. Texas
Allie Jones married Samuel T. Treadwell in 1833.
Wiley Jones married Sarah Jordan in Miss.; one child, Cornelia Patience, born Oct. 4, 1842; lived Coffeerville and Carrollton, Miss. Sarah Jordan Jones died in 1842.
Matilda Jones married Terry D. King in 1830; two sons Robert and Porter; after her death he moved to Washington Co. Texas in 1852. Porter King married and moved to Tarrant Co.; Robert King (youngest son) married and lived Washington Co. Texas.
John Standard Jones first married a Miss Steadman who died during Civil War; no children; married 2d a Miss Thomas; moved to Tyler, Texas; had two sons and two daughters.
Fountain Jones married and lived in Illinois.
William Jones Jr. came to Texas early 1830s; was printer.
Milton Jones married Keziah Culbertson March 16, 1826, Claiborn Co. Miss.
Medis Ingraham Jones married Andrew Bowlin; 3 children: 1) son died accidentally; 2) Sallie married a Mr. Anderson and moved to Missouri in 1854; 3) Frances married 1851 a Mr. Valentine and died a year later.

Notes by Mrs. Simonds:

Inasmuch as I am now the last living member of the immediate family of Reverend Milton H. and Cornelia Patience Jones, I want to record some of the things told to me as a child about our family. You will see by the record there were nine children - six boys and three girls - I was the youngest.

By the time my mother was 45, she had lost five of her nine children. Then her two remaining sons left home for the West Texas Panhandle, so only my sister, Mamie, and I were left.

Three children, Wiley, Miltie and Mattie, died long before I was born and I was much too young to remember Willie and Charlie. But I recall most clearly how deeply my mother grieved for her lost children - especially Willie and Charlie, and the hours and hours she spent praying for her two sons, Henry and Albert.

Wiley was named for my mother's father. He was born in 1860 and died in infancy. I seem to remember that he was about four months of age - my parents always thought that he might have been smothered in bed, and it was a great sorrow to them.

The second child they lost was little Miltie - my father's namesake. He died when he was four years old, possibly from croup, or diphtheria, and this was another terrible blow.

My mother always said that if Mattie had only lived I would have had another sister. The family was living in Woodville, in Tyler County, Texas, at that time. That was where my father taught Mr. Kirby, the lumber king, his letters, and how to read.

Willie died when I was just past two years, so I do not remember him at all. I was told that he was named for Uncle William Jones, who lived in Jonesboro, in Coryell County. Another story is that Jonesboro was named for Uncle William, my father's oldest brother. Willie was also named for Bishop Key, a friend of the family, and a bishop in the M. E. Church [founder of Kidd-Key College.] At that time, my father was a Methodist minister and liked to "ride the circuit" as the itinerant preachers in Texas did in early days.

Henry was named for my Uncle Payne, who sent my mother to school for 3 - 4 years at Black Hawk, Mississippi, after her Aunt Martha's death. He was supposed to be the brilliant member of the family. He read Latin and Greek with my mother and they spent much time studying mathematics. He was sent to Georgetown [Texas] to school and was said to have a degree in surveying from Southern Methodist University. I have never been able to document this statement. Henry taught school in some little town in west central Texas. He married Mollie Crawford, one of his students, and moved to Silverton, Briscoe County [Texas.] My mother and sister never stopped grieving over Henry's marriage. They thought he had such a brilliant future!

I recall mother's saying that Charlie was a very happy and cheerful boy and full of fun. He remained at Strawn since he had a job with a farmer there. He was accidentally killed while running after a calf one evening, fell over a stump and broke his neck. I remember my mother and sister lying across a big bed and crying. I was

terribly frightened, and heard the word "telegram," for the first time, which seemed to be the cause of their crying. Poor Charlie was only 21 and none of the family ever got over the shock of his death.

My sister, Mamie, married in January 1889, shortly after her seventeenth birthday. Henry once said to me, "She ruled us all." I can remember watching her standing in a gorgeous white dress before the mirror, and my Mother stirring and stirring a big cake on the kitchen table. That night there was a terrific din and uproar - only a few of the boys in the community giving the bride and groom a "shivaree" as was the custom then.

Albert did not like farming, and could find no other work, so about 1891 he went out to the Panhandle to live and work with Henry. Times were hard and they carried the mail from Clarendon, (where it came in on the old Fort Worth and Denver railroad,) to Silverton. They rode horseback and met halfway about noon every day.

Somewhere in the west, Albert met and married a French countess. (He had the papers to prove her lineage!) She must have had tuberculosis, for I remember that he took her to the mountains for fresh air. He adored her, waited on her hand and foot, and never forgave the doctors when she died after an operation. As a child, all I can remember of him is that he combed my hair, fixed my food, and petted me when my mother was away.

My father took me hunting with him and I followed in his footsteps wherever he went. He constantly taught me - but in a happy way - the books of the Bible, names of the presidents, Texas governors, multiplication tables, and how to write. I wrote his sermons as he dictated. He said he was like Milton, the poet whose daughters wrote his great work, "Paradise Lost" from his dictation.

West Texas had a terrible drought in 1887. There was no money to pay teachers or preachers in Palo Pinto County, so father started to East Texas, where he had always wanted to live. He stopped at Long Prairie, which was then a thriving community, and taught a summer school there, before moving on.

My mother's last years were very sad. She constantly impressed on me that she would not live to bring me up, but that I must study all the time and must become a teacher. When she died, my sister, Mamie, came with her husband and three small children, and made the dress in which she was buried.

BOOK REVIEWS

By Merle Ganier

SOLOMON MANGHAM, His Ancestors and Descendants, hard cover, 9 1/4" x 6 1/4", 369 pp., illustrated, indexed, \$48.00, from compiler and publisher, Vaughn Ballard, 2320 Country Green Lane, Arlington TX 76011.

Although there was a Mangum in Maryland in 1666, the John Mangum who was in Virginia before 1700 appears to be the first to have descendants and is thought to be the ancestor of Soloman Mangham. There are at least ten variations of the name. The descendants of the family that remained in North Carolina use Mangum, while most of the family that moved to Georgia changed the spelling to Mangham and Tennessee descendants use Mangrum.

John Mangum was born in Europe about 1671, migrated to America before 1695 and settled near Lawne's Creek, Virginia, where he died in 1737. He married Frances Bennett, daughter of Richard Bennett, Jr. in Isle of Wight County, Virginia in 1694-95. They are thought to have had ten children. A grandson of John, Solomon Mangum was born in North Carolina, probably before 1758, and died in Georgia in 1810. This book concerns his descendants.

The descendant charts at the back of the book cover fourteen generations, and are easy to follow. Historical background information, family stories, traditions, and many photographs add interest to this well-written family history.

GILES COUNTY, TN. 1840 FEDERAL CENSUS, paper back, 8 1/2" x 11", 54 pp., indexed, \$15.00 postpaid from compiler, M. Janell McCann, 313 N. Chandler, Fort Worth TX 76111.

To the censuses now in print, Janell McCann has contributed another. There are 2375 households listed with the number of white males and number of white females in age brackets. Also listed are age groups for free colored males and females and groups for slaves. Best of all, there is an every-name index. Surely future generations will appreciate what this generation has done in making the census records more accessible.

These books were donated to the Fort Worth Genealogical Society, and will be placed in the Fort Worth Public Library. The Society sincerely thanks the donors for their generosity.

QUERIES

Edited by Merle Ganier

RAY, CLARK

Searching for information about a cemetery that was four miles due north of the center of Handley, Texas, but I do not know the name of it. I took my mother there twice during World War II. We went west from Grand Prairie on Highway 80 to an old red brick building, center of Handley, then north four miles. It was on the left on a rise going north.

Avis Wagley Miller, 1226 Donna Dr., Richardson TX 75080

TEXAS HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Does anyone know where the holdings of the Texas Heritage Foundation are located today? I have a special interest in finding these holdings, as my great-great-great-grandfather was Jesse Grimes, one of the signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence. His old letters were proudly given by his descendants to the Texas Heritage Foundation in 1956. I was told by the Houston Central Library Information Center that the foundation had been abolished after a short duration, and its holdings were divided into two parts, one of which went to the Texas A&M Heritage Foundation. I called there and was told they knew nothing of any collections being sent to them by this foundation. The second part of the holdings of the foundation were supposed to have gone to the State Archives in Austin, but they knew nothing about them. Will appreciate any information.

Marie DeVena, 626 Tejas H R 48, Porter TX 77365

MURROW, POTTER, HARVEY, EAST, SHIRES, UNDERWOOD, OWEN, SCHMIDT, THOMAS

Would like to correspond with anyone researching or having information on the Murrow family. Related surnames include Potter, Harvey, East, Shires, Underwood, Owen, Schmidt and Thomas.

Mrs. Burch R. Bryant, Sr., 6 Cornus Court, Savannah GA 31406

WILLIAMS, BROOKS, JEFFERYS, ELLIS, ASHWORTH, HOWETH, BLACK

Need information on Brooks Williams, killed by Cherokee Indians on 7 April 1836 near the present town of Alto, Texas. He was a son of Thomas Williams, and Mary Priscilla Brooks. Brooks Williams' widow was Mary (Polly), who married (2) Henry Jefferys, (3) ? Ellis. Known children of Brooks and Mary were: Robert,

born ca 1821 in Louisiana, married 3 June 1849, Cherokee Co., Texas, to Vianna Ashworth; Elizabeth, born ca 1820, married Suel Howeth; James; Cytha Anne; Miranda; Reynaldo; and Nancy Annie, born ca 1835 in Texas, married 25 March 1850 in Angelina Co., Texas, to Brandison Deroyston Black.

Stanley Dee Pruitt, 1301 Pinehurst Dr., Fort Worth TX 76134

BOLES, WILLIAMS

Seeking information or descendants of Ervin and Nancy Williams Boles. They were living in Tarrant County, Texas in 1900 and 1910.

Wanda M. Barnum, 313 Mankin NE, Albuquerque NM 87123

HARRIS, ROBINSON

James C. Harris married Tennessee Robinson in 1866 Newton County, Arkansas. His eldest daughter was named Rachel. He served in Co. D, 2nd Arkansas Cavalry, Union, in Civil War. He was born 1845 in DeKalb Co., Alabama, June 1891, lived Baxter Co., Arkansas. In August 1892 was living in Tilden, McMullen Co., Texas; June 1893 Georgetown, Williamson Co., Texas; November 1893 Hillsboro, Hill Co., Texas; 1894-1898 near Garrett's Bluff, Lamar Co., Texas. Have a picture taken in Henderson, Texas, possibly of his family. Has anyone heard of him?

Evelyn M. Flood, 370 N. Jack Tone Road, Stockton CA 95205

MASON TERRILL

Would like to correspond with anyone researching the surname "Mason." My great-grandfather's name was Richard C. Mason, born ca 1800 North Carolina. Who were his parents? Were there siblings? When and where was he married, and what was his wife's maiden name? The Masons came to Texas after the Civil War. A young girl, Callie Terrill, is listed in the same household with the Masons on the 1880 census of Wilson County, Texas. Who were Callie's parents? How is she related to the Masons? What happened to her?

Dalla Mason Stair, 1215 Yale Dr., Roswell NM 88201

PERKINS, JONES, LONG, HATCHETT

A. M. Perkins, born 14 February 1831, died 5 November 1884, buried at the Old Johnson Station Cemetery, now located in the middle of Arlington, Texas. The first record I have of him is in the Tarrant County 1880 census which shows him age 43, born in Rhode Island, wife Samontha, 34, born in Virginia, and three

children: Belle Z. 8, Geo. W. 4, Mollie 1, all born Texas. His daughter's death certificate shows him born in Tennessee. He enlisted at Johnson Station, Texas, in June 1861, and served as a private in Co. D, 9th Regiment, Texas Cavalry, being stationed at Camp Rogers, Mississippi, near Holly Springs. He must have been married twice, as Louisa Belle Perkins' mother was listed as Mary Jones on her death certificate in 1933. Louisa Belle, daughter of Amezikeh A. M. Perkins, moved to Parker County, Texas one year before marrying William Long in 4 May 1890. She was born 29 November 1871, so was about 18 when she came to Parker County, and married at 19. Louisa Belle Perkins Long is my mother Lula Long Hatchett's mother. In 1933 when Belle Perkins Long died the paper listed the following brothers and sisters all living in Fort Worth: George W. Perkins, Rhodes Perkins and Nora McMillan.

Jim R. Hatchett, Box 1166, Baird TX 79504

TATUM, EDWARDS, BRICE, STANFORD, VALENTINE, ELKINS, PARKER, WHITLOCK

Need information on A. J. Tatum, born 1846, Alabama, married Dora Alice Edwards, born 1861, Texas. A. J. had a sister, Nancy, who married Christopher C. Stanford, and lived in Uvalde, Edwards County, area. When did Tatum die? Who were his parents? A.J.'s wife Dora was the daughter of A. J. Edwards and Nancy J. Brice. Nancy was daughter of John Coalson Brice. What happened to Nancy and children after her husband A. J. Edwards was murdered in 1869 in Walker County area? Who killed him?

John G. Valentine, born 1843, Missouri, married Mary D. Elkins, born Illinois, and lived in Lonesome Dove, Grapevine, Texas, from pre-1870 to 19? When did they die? John G. had a brother, Ira, who lived in the area also. Would like to find descendants. John G. had a daughter, Martha, who married James P. Parker, son of A. J. Parker and Sarah Whitlock. James and Martha had a daughter, Ila L. Parker, born Lonesome Dove in 1904, who married A. J. Tatum's son, Thomas M., born 1900 in Leakey, Texas. Seeking information on any and all of the above families.

Evelyn Tatum, P. O. Box 458, Crescent City CA 95531

CARTER, BELK

Seeking any information about the family of Celin Carter and his wife, Eliza Adaline Belk. One daughter, Sara Victoria, was born in Whitesboro, Grayson City, Texas, on February 23, 1870. The family originated in Tennessee.

Georgie L. Schryver, 301 Allen Drive, Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada S9H 3A4

MURCHISON, RAWLS, RALLS, HIGHTOWER

Seeking descendants of Weldon Jones Murchison (11 October 1838 in Waterford, Mississippi - 23 August 1899 in Lovelady, Houston County, Texas) and Celita Rawls/Ralls. They had two children, both probably born in Houston County, Texas: Ella who remained unmarried, and Mary Belle, who married Culle Hightower in February 1894 in Houston County. They had two sons, names unknown, and lived in Fort Worth. This is part of a comprehensive history of the Murchison families in Texas. Would also like to correspond with any Murchison descendants.

James Evans, 3614 Routh, Dallas TX 75219

GOODMAN, SPEER, ELLIS, HOFFMAN, MASSEY, COOPER

Captain Samuel H. Goodman, born Shelby or Henry County, Tennessee, 1830. Moved to Texas before Civil War. May have married Amanda B. Speer in North Carolina September 1857, and/or May Jane Ellis Shelby County, Tennessee, January 1850. Was in Co. D, Third Regiment Arizona Brigade, an all Texas unit. Also married Martha (Mattie) A. (Hoffman?) Massey on October 25, 1877 in Llano, Texas, and Hattie Cooper in Bandera, Texas, on January 3, 1897. Need information.

Donald P. Goodman, 921 Blue Lake Drive, Fort Worth TX 76103

MCMICKEN, CRISWELL, DANIELS, FAIRES

Seeking proof that Andrew McMicken, Sr., is father of Mary Elizabeth, born 25 August 1829 in Tennessee, who married William Vanoy Criswell 23 October 1844; Sarah A., born ca 1831 Tennessee, married Joseph Eve Criswell 1 June 1848; and James M., born ca 1840 Fayette Co., Texas, married Mary E. Daniels on 26 May 1869. Andrew was born ca 1806 in Tennessee, married Eliza A. (or Mary) Faires 22 September 1822, died ca 1880. Need burial place of Andrew and Eliza. Is there proof that Eliza's father was William A. Fairies of Fayette County, Texas?

Miss Billie Beth Moore, 1600 Carl Street, Fort Worth TX 76103-1824

DUNN, CHASTAIN, DIXON, HUDGINS, LIGHTFOOT, JORDAN, MONTGOMERY, REAGAN, BRANNON, WEST

My great-grandfather, James Powell Dunn is our mystery man. He was living in Moultrie, Colquitt County, Georgia, with his wife and family, then one day he just walked away and went to Texas. Did he get a divorce? Marry again? He died somewhere in Texas in the early 30's. Where?

Does anyone know the names, dates of birth and places of the

parents and siblings of Elizabeth Chastain, born 3 February 1844 at Ockocknee, Thomas Co., Georgia; died 3 September 1916, Thomas County. Is she descended from Solomon Chastain?

Who were the parents and siblings of Thomas Long Dixon, born 12 July 1854 near present Thomasville, Georgia, died Thomasville 17 January 1910?

When and where was Louisa Hudgins born? She was daughter of Silas Hudgins (1830-1899) and Mary Ann Jordan Lightfoot (widow)(1826-1865). Who were the parents of Silas Hudgins?

Who were the parents of Mary Ann Jordan Lightfoot? When and where was she born?

John L. Montgomery, born 1819, and his wife Jane were living in Thomas County, GA, in 1860. Where was he born? Who were his parents? What was Jane's maiden name and names of her parents?

Simpson Reagan, born 3 October 1822, married Elizabeth Brannon, born 1825, South Carolina. Where and when was he born? Who were his parents? Who were Elizabeth's parents, and where in South Carolina was she born? Son, Milton Smith Reagan, Thomas Co., Georgia.

James E. West, born 1805 in North Carolina. Who were his parents? He was married more than once. Who were his wives?

Mrs. Gloria Southard, 15801 Dusty Rd., Jacksonville FL 32234

COKER, CANNEFAX

Would like any information on William Henry Coker (1822-1903) and wife Nancy Jane Cannefax. They moved from Homer, Louisiana, after the Civil War and settled in Dallas. William may have worked some as a deputy sheriff for Dallas County around 1890. May be buried near Plano.

Harry M. Feather, 2900-10th St., Wichita Falls TX 76309

HENDRIX, VAUGHAN, SAVAGE, MAYNORD

Would like to correspond with descendants or anyone who has knowledge of the following: James Pope Hendrix, born May 1853, Georgia. In 1880 he was living in Hunt County, Texas. George C. Vaughan, born December 1854, Tennessee, and wife Mary C. Savage, born February 1859, Overton County, Tennessee. Living in Hunt County, Texas in 1890. Samuel Kelly Maynord, born February 1860, Tennessee, and wife Priscilla Elizabeth Savage, born 1858, Overton County, Tennessee. Living in Limestone County, Texas, in 1904 when Priscilla died. Will answer all letters.

Beulah Hendrix, 3301 Riverside Drive, Anderson CA 96007

BLANTON

Would like to correspond with any of the Blanton family in Kansas, Indiana, Texas, or any points West. I am writing a family history of the Blanton family from when they first came to Virginia in the early 1600's, and would like to hear from the western Blantons. Will gladly share information.

Mary Louise Blanton Attal, 3510 E. Croft Circle, Spartanburg SC 29302

CLARK

Need names of parents of Cora Evelyn Clark, born 28 February 1874, Burnet Co., Texas. Believed to be N. T. Clark, a doctor.

Iva Lee Riggs, PO Box 3896, West Sedona AZ 86340

JONES, ERVIN, DOUGHERTY

Andrew Jackson Jones, born 1 July 1833 New York, married Mary H. Ervin, born 11 October 1834 West Virginia. Enlisted Gainesville, Texas, CSA 21 February 1862, with 16th Reg. Texas Cavalry in Capt. Frank M. Dougherty's Co., which later became A Co. Four children: Orlena, born 2 September 1855 in Missouri; Virginia Catharine January 1860 Texas; Lillia Dale 1862 Texas. Fourth child - sex and birth date not known. Where in Texas were these daughters born and where did Mary and her children live during the Civil War? Family left Texas after War and settled in Iowa, possibly Butler Co. When did they leave?

Mrs. Betty A. Casey, 3405 Kerry Drive, Rapid City SD 57702

CORBIN, COLLINGSWORTH

William W., George C. and Frances Corbin (married John Collingsworth) migrated to Grapevine, Texas, from Claiborne Co., Tennessee, some time during 1860's or 1870's. Would like to correspond with any descendants of this family. I am a great-grandson of Alvis Canada Corbin, and my father often talked about a whole county of Corbins in Texas.

Frankie Corbin, 1614 Greene Road, Morristown TN 37814

WAKEFIELD, PINKNEY, BROOKS

Researching Wakefield families of Denton, Tarrant and Dallas counties. Particularly interested in George and Lucy Ann Wakefield. George died Tarrant County ca 1901. Had sons Newton and Thomas W. A William Wakefield, born Denton County, Texas,

son of Silas and Elizabeth Pinkney Wakefield. William's sister, Nancy, married William Brooks, and I believe lived in Tarrant County. I have a death date for a Nancy E. Brooks, Tarrant Co., August 24, 1925; also death date for William Brooks, Tarrant Co. May 24, 1927.

H. M. Cleveland, 2914 Egypt Central Rd., Memphis TN 38128

JACKSON, MAYFIELD, FORGUS, SMITH

James Allison Jackson Sr. died ca 1905 Weatherford, Texas; his wife, Gertrude Permelia Forgus Jackson died 1952 Weatherford. Their children were: Connie (Cora) Emily, James A. Jr., William Preston, Claude Marion Bruce and Dorothy Leta. Dorothy Jackson married Francis Loret Mayfield 1926 Brownwood, Texas. He was the son of William Elbert Mayfield and Mary Jane Smith who married ca 1888 Sparta, Miss. Who were the parents of James A. Jackson, Sr.? Does anyone know about this Mayfield family?

Connie Mayfield Brown, 1608 Sarah Jane Lane, Fort Worth TX 76119

HARRIS, MALONE FREEMAN

Mary Ellen "Polly" Harris was a daughter of Hiram Harris and sister-in-law of Rev. John Freeman. She married Perry Malone in Missouri. She was shot ca 1857 by a German man who was drunk and insisted that he was going to marry her 12-year-old daughter, Kate. What was the German's name? Was this incident published in any Denton County or Tarrant County newspaper?

Marie Brookins, P. O. Box 485, Ehrenberg, AZ 85334

KINGSLEY, MASSEY

John W. Kingsley was b. 5 March 1842 in SC and d. 16 Aug 1918 in Miss. He married Eliza Jane Massey (b. 3 Jan 1845 in Ala.; d. 30 May 1914 in Miss.) John Kingsley was the son of Thompson (Thomas) Kingsley, b. SC 1817, and Lucy Beaver, b. ca 1816 SC. Need proof that Thompson Kingsley was the son of Jeremiah Kingsley who d. Union County SC Jan 1830.

E. H. Turner, 1454 Dallas Circle, Marietta, GA 30064

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society, I would like to express sincere thanks and appreciation to the membership of the Society for the enthusiastic participation and generous contributions of time, talents, and funds which have resulted in a successful and enjoyable year! Once again the officers and committee chairmen have demonstrated what can be done when there is a concerted effort! As the months have passed, I have felt a special bond of friendship and indebtedness to those who did so much to make possible the many accomplishments.

I wish to express my gratitude for the dedication of Barbara Knox as editor of FOOTPRINTS, of Beverly Nelms as editor of the Newsletter, of Paul Henderson as treasurer, of Marie Gooch as membership chairman, of Betty Gerth as recording secretary, of Billie Beth Moore as Bible records chairman, of Merle Ganier as publishing committee chairman, of Florine Waters as registrar, of Paul Campbell as program chairman and of W. A. Satterwhite who assisted with the mail. Their commitment to excellence and to the proper functioning of the Society has been appreciated far more than can be adequately expressed.

To Frances Malcolm whose commitment to greater outreach to the general public through workshops for beginners, a special thanks for her unselfish giving of her time and expertise as a teacher and researcher. The zeal and confidence with which her students approach genealogical research reflects her outstanding skills.

Any vibrant and active genealogical society cannot rest on the laurels of traditional success. New initiatives, fresh ideas, and renewed vigor are essential to the growth and development of any group. We look forward to another exciting year and to the participation and contributions of all.

My best wishes and kindest personal regards always.

A. J. Martin

NEWS FROM FORT WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Donald J. Martin, Ph.D.
Head, Department of Genealogy/Local History

The recent earthquakes in California remind us of the fragile existence of life and documents. We will probably never know the loss of documents, family records, photographs, and research collections. We can well imagine that, in many cases, much information will be lost forever.

Many genealogists and local historians realize the value of their collections and work, and are only too happy to share it with others through publications and by providing copies of their research findings to relatives, archives and libraries. They believe that the time and money spent in sharing information holds a promise that future generations will have access to the past. We encourage people who have spent so much time and money in genealogical research to accept the responsibility of preserving their work in a systematic way which will minimize loss in the event of natural disaster.

We're often asked how one can get the most out of a trip to any genealogical research department in a library and how to take advantage of the expertise of the staff. Over the years the following recommendations have proved to be helpful: (1) Take the time to update your lineage chart and family record sheets and bring copies of them with you for reference. When consulting with a librarian on a research problem it will be helpful if you present your chart and family group records for review. (2) Take a copy of your research log showing those publications and microfilms already searched and plan to take the time to patiently record the complete citations and call numbers of all works reviewed. When having a consultation, present this list of publications, etc. for review so that other sources overlooked can be recommended. (3) Consult guides to the genealogical periodical literature and bibliographies for information, and inquire whether or not copies of articles and microfilmed copies of publications might be obtained through inter-library loan services. (4) Be patient with slow progress! No library has the resources to acquire every publication or microfilmed record to meet the needs of all. Do realize that many records have never been microfilmed or published.

Research is usually very tedious and time-consuming. Expect to invest a considerable amount of time in any research project, regardless of what has or has not been published. (5) Consider the advantages of advertising your research interests and ask your librarian for help in finding query services.

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Dr. A. B. Pruitt's GLASGOW LAND FRAUD PAPERS 1783-1800: NORTH CAROLINA REVOLUTIONARY WAR BOUNTY LAND IN TENNESSEE contains information from five volumes in the North Carolina Archives. This material relates to the Glasgow Land Fraud which was an attempt by a few men to obtain as much as possible of the Tennessee land reserved by North Carolina to be granted to men who served in the Revolutionary War. The book contains an excellent introductory history of the Glasgow Land Fraud case supported by a bibliography. The general introduction must be carefully studied before using the work. It is a very valuable reference tool and should be consulted by all who have research interests in this region of the country for this period of time.

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GEORGIA INDIAN DEPREDATION CLAIMS edited by Donna B. Thaxton pertains to claims from citizens of Lee, Baker, Early, Marion and Muscogee counties, Georgia concerning encroachments by the Alabama Creek Indians. These claims mention the deaths of husbands, wives, children, and the loss of homes, horses, and farm animals, crops and personal property. Dating from 1787 - 1825, the claims represent signature documents and constitute a partial census of the Georgia frontier as it moved from the Oconee River to the Chattahoochee River. The researcher will be able to locate the county of residence of many Georgians prior to 1830. This work is an excellent example of the rich genealogical research data to be gleaned from federal documents.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: In order that the November issue of *Footprints* may be mailed in a timely fashion, the index to Volume 32 will accompany the February 1990 issue.

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BIBLE RECORD OF JAMES M. HALLMARK

Contributed by H. M. (Mel) Henderson, Arlington, Texas

This is a large Bible with a wooden cover and is in the possession of Mrs. Mozelle Bunch Mayes, Mexia, Texas. The Hallmark family has a reunion each year in June at the Teague, Texas, Community Center.

FAMILY RECORD

BIRTHS

[portion of page missing] Hallmark

"	"	"	April the
"	"	"	1815 grand pa
"	"	"	Grandma Hallmark

Mourning Hallmark was bornd July the 31st A. D. 1814

Record of the Ages of J. M. and Mouning Hallmarks family

Stephen Washington Hallmark was bornd March the 24th A. D. 1839

Louiza Adaline Hallmark was bornd January 12 A. D. 1841

Marion Williams Hallmark was bornd February 8th A.D. 1892

William Hamilton Hallmark was bornd September the 28th A.D. 1844

Thomas Madison Hallmark was Bornd April the 26th A.D. 1846

Wilson Palmer Hallmark was Bornd May the 25th A.D. 1848

Francis Davis Hallmark was Bornd April the 24th A.D. 1850

Tabitha Annetah Hallmark was Bornd July the 22nd A.D. 1852

[in different writing] my Dora's Mother

Mourning Alis Hallmark was Bornd April the 17th A.D. 1855

Susan Cedora Hallmark was Bornd April the 19th A.D. 1857

James Pierce Hallmark was Bornd April the 26 A.D. 1860

[last entry in original script. Following entries in different handwriting]

Melvin Whit Henderson was bornd July the 17 1854

Josephene Rebecca Henderson was bornd December 13 1903

Tommy Simeon Henderson was bornd June 18 1906

Melvin Whit Henderson Departed this life February 20 1907

Maggie Henderson was borned October the 17 1889

William Foster Henderson was bornd October the 28 1891

Oscar Melvin Henderson was bornd April 26 1893

Cedora Henderson was bornd August 3 1894

Robert Sneed Henderson was bornd March the 21 1896

Hugh Whit Henderson was bornd October 30 1897

FAMILY RECORD

DEATHS

Louiza Adaline Hallmark Departed this life April the 12th A. D. 1841 age 3 months

Stephen Washington Hallmark Departed this life November the 26 A. D. 1854 being Aged 15 years 8 months 2 days

Thomas Madison Hallmark Departed This life September the 16th A. D. 1847 being Age 1 year 4 months 2 d

Wilson Palmer Hallmark Departed this life July the 14th A. D. 1850 being Aged 2 years 1 month 27 days

James Pierce Hallmark Departed this life November the 25 A. D. 1862 being Aged 2 years 6 months 29 days

Marion Williams Hallmark Departed this life September the 27th A D 1867 being Aged 27 years 8 months 19 days

[added in different script - Grandpa Hallmark]

James M. Hallmark es. Departed this life Nov. 30 A.D. 1882 Aged 67 yr 7 ms & 18 days

[added in as above - Grandma Hallmark]

Mourning Hallmark Departed this life February the 24 1885 Aged 70 yrs 6 mo & 24 d

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Tabitha An[neth]

Herndon depa[rted]

this life Febuary

the 23 1885 Aged 32 y-

On the title page of the Bible are two other notes as follows:

Robbert [sic] Sneed Henderson Departed this life March the 21 1897 being Aged 1 year

Mrs. M. A. Henderson Departed this life Oct 4 age 46 - 5 month 17 days 1901 My Mother Alice Hallmark

END OF BIBLE RECORD

FAMILY BIBLE OF JAMES MADISON HENDERSON

Contributed by H. M. (Mel) Henderson, Arlington, Texas

This Bible is in the possession of Melvin Henderson of Fairfield, Texas. Mr. H. M. Henderson is researching this Henderson family. His address: 3412 Country Club Road, Arlington, Texas 76013.

BAPTISM

James Madison Henderson was baptised in the year 1812 by the minister of the church for Elbert County Geo, of the order of the M. E. P. Church

William Henry Henderson Son of James M & Adaline M Henderson was baptised in 1860 - in to the Baptist church

Fannie M. Henderson was baptised in 1876 in to the Christian Church

Geo. N. Henderson was baptised in to the Church of Christ in 1874 ["Baptist" has been entered at some later time]

Josie Burleson was baptised Aug. 7, 1884 in to the Baptist church

J. M. Henderson was baptised August 25th 1887 into the babtist [sic] church

DEATHS

Elizaabeth (Consort of J. M. Henderson) Departed this life December 3rd A. D. 1834 aged 17 years & 1 day

James Wesly (only child of J M & Elizabeth Henderson) departed this Life April 4th A. D. 1835 aged 4 months and seven days

The above were entombed at the Rheuhamah church in Anderson District South Carolina & a Tomb stone was there erected at each of the graves by J M Henderson

Adaline M - consort of James M. Henderson Departed this life 13th July 1846 at the town Cincinnati Texas - was killed by Lightning [sic] at her chimney died Instantly but spoke to her husband before death called his name & asked him to pore [sic] water on her, he did so she then said I am dead & sunk - was entoomed [sic] next day by her friends, she was a member of the Baptist Church & lived a highly respectable & honourable life aged 21 years & 9 days
honourable life aged 21 years & 9 days

Wesley Earp - father in law of J M Henderson died in Anderson District South Carolina 1845 Novr 26th

James A Shockley Brother in law of J M Henderson died in Miss Sept 18th 1844 was an Itinerant Methodist Preac.

Robt Brown (brother in law of same) died in Georgia 13th April 1846 age 46 years 11 months 2 days

Simeon Henderson Father of J. M. Henderson Died 24th June 1831 aged 47 years 9 months 26 days died where he was raised in Elbert County Georgia & was born in Virginia

Nancy Allen - formerly the wife of Simeon Henderson decd died October 1st 1850 in Marshall County Mississippi - she was the Mother of J M Henderson of Georgia formerly -now of Texas

James M Henderson Departed this Life 22 Feb 1896 aged 63 years 3 months 30 days of pneumonia

END OF BIBLE RECORD

Notes by Mr. Henderson:

Simeon Henderson, from Virginia, was in Georgia by 1791. Simeon married Nancy---- ca 1787 and had ten known children:

1. Anna B. b. ca 1802 Ga; d. 23 May 1851 Monroe Co. Ga; m. 2 May 1822 Elbert Co. Ga. James H. Gaines
2. Elizabeth b. ca 1805 Ga. d; ca 1862; m. 11 Jan 1829, Elbert Co. Ga. William James
3. Mary "Polly" b. 2 May 1807 Ga; d. 22 Nov 1880 Elbert Co. Ga; m. 26 Apr 1821, Elbert Co. Robert Brown
4. Sarah E. b. ca 1809; d. after 1860 Newton Co. Miss.; m/1 26 March 1831 Elbert Co., James A. Shockley; m/2 1835 Burgess Garner
5. Martha "Patsy" b. ca 1810; d. ca 1864 Elbert Co.; m. 20 Jul 1826 Robert P. Dickerson
6. James Madison b. 23 Oct 1876 Elbert Co. Ga.;d. 22 Feb 1876 Freestone Co. Texas; m/1 Elizabeth Earp 31 Oct 1833 Anderson Co. S.C.; m/2 Adaline M. Henry 18 Sept 1840 Harris Co. Ga; m/3 Frances Mae W. Goodman 19 Jan 1848 Walker Co. Tx

7. William Jackson, b. ca 1815 ga; d. before 1868 De SotoCo. Miss.; m. Eliza Ann Patterson 7 Nov 1830 Elbert Co. Ga.
8. Cynthia b. ca 1820; d. 1892 Elbert Co. Ga; m. Drury Oglesby, Jr. 26 Sep 1839 Elbert Co.
9. Amelia b. ca 1821; d. before 1861; bur. Zebulon Ga. m. ca 1841 A. Jackson Beckham
10. Thomas B. b. 2 Jun 1827 Ga.; d. 8 Jan 1913 Granbury, Texas; m/1 Sarah Jane Honnell 3 Sep 1846 Fayette Co. Tenn; m/2 Mrs. Louvenia Swan ca 1870 Houston Co. Texas.

After Simeon's death (24 June 1831) in Elbert Co., Nancy married Thomas Allen (14 Jan 1841, Marshall Co. Miss.) Nancy d. 1 Oct 1850 in Marshall Co.

James M. Henderson m/2 Adaline Mildred Henry. They had two children: William Henry and Simeon Thomas (d. Civil War.) The family came to Texas in 1846 and settled in Cincinnati, Walker Co. After Adaline's death, James married Francis M. Goodman and were in Fairfield, Freestone Co. by 1850. Frances was the daughter of Sarah Williams Carter Goodman and William B. Goodman. James M. Henderson, at various times, was the County Clerk and a Justice of the Peace in Freestone County. He and Frances had three children: George N., Melvin Whit and James Madison, Jr.

Thomas B. Henderson (a brother to James) came to Texas prior to 1850 and settled in Houston County. He had two wives and fathered nine known children: William S., Thomas J., Robert, Nancy, John, Isabella and Sarah Eugenia.

The descendants of James Madison Henderson hold an annual reunion at noon on the last Saturday of June at the Fairfield Community Center.

THE WORD FAMILY

Contributed by Lesbia Word Roberts, Fort Worth, Texas

John Word, the son of Charles Word, was born 25 October 1767 in Bedford Co. Va., and on 11 February 1802 married China Renfro, daughter of James Renfro and Charity Ann Huff. John Word died 2 May 1836 and is buried at Four Mile, Kentucky with his wife, China, who died 6 January 1853. A son, John Word, and the wife and children of another son, James Word, settled in Texas. The family of James Word came to Fannin County, Texas about 1852 and John Word moved his family into the area in 1873, later moving to Lampasas, Texas.

The children of John and China Word were:

1. James Word, b. 5 Sept. 1803; d. 4 March 1844; d. Lynn Camp (now Corbin) Ky.; m. 24 Sept. 1829 Sophia McLeigh Jordan Moss, daughter of Marcellus Jordan Moss and Olivia Huff of Claiborne Co. Tenn.
2. Samuel Word, b. 30 Sept 1805; married 4 Nov. 1841 Elizabeth McHargue, widow of Ohler Alexander.
3. William Augustus Word, b. 11 Sept. 1807; m. 18 Feb. 1834 Susan W. Barton.
4. Nelson Pocahontas Word, b. 17 Dec. 1809; d. 27 March 1884 at Kalb, Mo.; married 31 July 1834 Margaret Burch.
5. Mary Word, b. 12 December 1811; m. 3 Dec. 1829 Thomas C. Burch
6. John Word, b. 5 July 1814; d. 16 June 1892 Lampasas, Texas; m. 27 Dec 1842 Knox Co. Ky., Elizabeth Catherine Pogue.
7. Charity Word, b. 10 Dec 1816; m. 11 May 1836 Knox Co. Ky., John P. Bruce.
8. Juda Word, b. 9 March 1821; d. young and unmarried.

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An inventory and appraisal of the personal property of John Word may be found in Will Book A. pp. 156-158, Knox County, Kentucky. It was returned by Samuel Word, one of the executors, and dated 20th May 1837.

BIBLE RECORD OF JOHN WORD
(son of John Word and China Renfro)

The Bible belongs to Mrs. Gus Word of Lampasas, Texas, and was copied by Lesbia Word Roberts on December 5, 1970 at Lampasas, Texas. Title page and date missing.

John Word born 4 July 1814 married 27 December 1842 in Knox Co Ky. Elizabeth Catherine Pogue, the daughter of John Pogue and Hannah Gillis. Catherine Pogue was born 16 June 1824. John Word died 16 June 1892 in Lampasas, Texas. All of their children were born in Knox Co. Kentucky.

BIRTHS

William Evermont Word was born 18 October 1843
Helen Hannah Word was born 14 March 1845
Nancy Elizabeth Word was born 31 August 1846
John Pogue Word was born 10 January 1848
Charity Bruce Word was born 1 May 1849
Mary Gillis Word was born 8 December 1852
Lucy Ellen Word was born 16 April 1854
Samuel Augustus Word was born 27 September 1855
James Nelson Word was born 15 November 1857
Arabella Catherine Word was born 15 January 1859
Susan Renfro Word was born 5 January 1860
Emma L. Word was born 16 April 1863

MARRIAGES

William Evermont Word married Loulie Dishman 13 February 1833 Knox Co. Ky.
Nancy Elizabeth Word married 1864 Joseph H. Davis Knox Co. Ky.
John Pogue Word married 27 Dec 1877, Taswell, Tenn. Kate M. Evans
Charity Bruce Word married 18 April 1867, Knox Co. Ky. Dr. James R. Evans
Samuel Augustus Word married 14 December 1879, Burnet Co. Texas, Nelle Groves
James Nelson Word married Alice Jones
Arabella Catherine Word married 20 December 1877, Burnet Co. Texas, Omar Smith, son of George Washington Smith and Eliza Ann Sandefur
Susan Renfro Word married 24 December 1878, Burnet Co. Texas Kyle Smith, brother of Omar Smith
Emma L. Word married 31 December 1884, at Lampasas, Texas Omar Smith

DEATHS

John Word departed this life 16 June 1892 Lampasas, Texas
 Elizabeth Catherine Pogue departed this life 6 June 1906, Lampasas,
 Texas
 Lucy Ellen Word departed this life 22 October 1855, Knox Co. Ky.
 Helen Hannah Word departed this life 16 August 1857, Knox Co. Ky.
 Mary Gillis Word departed this life 30 August 1878, Lampasas, Texas
 Arabella Catherine Word Smith departed this life 28 December 1883,
 Lampasas, Texas
 William Evermont Word departed this life 5 April 1893, Knox Co.
 Kentucky
 Susan Renfro Word Smith departed this life 6 September 1894,
 Lampasas, Texas
 John Pogue Word departed this life 26 February 1920, Lampasas,
 Texas
 Samuel Augustus Word departed this life 1 July 1944, Lampasas,
 Texas
 James Nelson (Jim) Word departed this life 6 October 1949, Bandera,
 Texas
 Emma L. Word Smith departed this life 29 July 1955, Lampasas, Texas

Letter from John Word to his wife, Katherine Pogue

Orangeville, Texas
 February 13, 1873

My dearest Kate,

Tomorrow will be two long weeks since I left you and the dear ones at home but you must not think hard of me for not writing sooner. I got John to write the first night I arrived at Sherman and intended to write on Sunday, but got Chat to write and went with John to Bonham, but no use of apologies.

Now what must I write, you already learned that we got here alright and no accident of any importance, but I suppose I had as well give a short detail of our trip. We got to Livingston, you know, on Sunday evening, got tickets, baggage checked alright (paying \$30.00 to St. Louis) stayed all night at Ben Goodins, was treated very kindly, got on the cars about 8 a.m. Monday morning and struck out on our long journey (saw Mr. Harvey at Gumsulpher), and arrived at Louisville about 3 p.m. but had to wait until 7 o'clock for the St. Louis train. We didn't travel around much in Louisville but took the boys down to see the bridge. Walked about half a mile out on it and returned. I tell you it was a grand sight. Left Louisville at 7 p.m. and traveled all night through Indiana and Illinois without getting to see any of the country.

We arrived at the Mississippi river (opposite St. Louis) at 8 o'clock on Tuesday Morning, took the omnibus to go across the river to the depot and although there were 3 or 4 steamers constantly running (across the river) it took us two hours to get over and through the crowded streets to the depot. Got there barely in time (by being in a great hurry) to get our tickets and recheck our baggage and get on the M. K. & T. train to Texas (leaving our baggage behind.) Traveled on a slow bad road until evening, when we came to a halt and were detained an hour in consequence of a train ahead of us having run off the track (a baggage train.)

This accident caused us to miss the connection to Ledalin, where we had to lay over until morning. We went to a low dutch house to stay til morning. All three of us slept in a little old hard bed and had nothing or worse than nothing for breakfast, but only paid three dollars. We traveled on at a very slow gate all night, passing through the Indian Territory in the night. Arrived at Denison on Thursday at 11 A.M. looked around and waited until about 3 o'clock, could see no John nor Jim. Gave a wagoner \$2.50 to take us to Sherman and about sundown, just as we were getting to Sherman, up came Jimmy Herndon behind us. John had sent him to meet us at Denison but somehow he missed us.

Well, I suppose I have got now to where John's letter commenced and will leave off particulars at Sherman. On Friday Jimmy and I got in one of the boys' machine wagons and started for Orangeville. The mud was awful, we broke two singletrees on the road but got here before night (met Jim E. at Kentucky Town, 6 miles from here) and found Chat and Kate tolerably well. Chat had gotten pretty well over her sick spell and has been improving ever since. That night we got a little scared about Jimmy Word, he had caught a great deal of cold and was taken chilly and complained of a sore throat and was stopped up in the head, didn't sleep all night and was so hot I could hardly lie touching him. But we doctored him up and he was all right the next day and is now getting along very well.

We have been quite busy for two or three days fixing up our housekeeping and just got moved yesterday. Chat and I and the two Jims had finished first meal and Chat was wondering what she would do with so much vitals left when up came John from Bonham, and in a few minutes Sam and Jimmy H. from Sherman. You better believe us - we had a gay old time that night. We have quite a comfortable house but the kitchen almost too small for dining room, bedroom and stove and sitting room.

Well, I suppose you begin to want to know how I like the country, I can't tell much about it yet but as far as I have seen I like it as well as I expected, there are some objection. Timber

is a little scarce and my greatest objection is the scarcity of water, though in most places they get good water by digging from 20 to 60 feet. They say here that this has been an unusually dry fall and winter, the creeks are all dry except some puddle holes. I have not seen a spring or running stream of water since I crossed the Red river, but not withstanding all the objections I think it is a much better poor man's country than old Knox. I am convinced that with the same amount of labor and pay rent I can make twice as much as I would or I could on Uncle Ev's bottoms if they were given to me, provided we have anything like a good season. Twenty acres of cotton here will make more money than can be made on the best farm in know county, but we will have to work and put up with a good many hardships the first year or two.

Don't know how we could have done if John had not been here to give us a start. He rented us as much land as we can tend and is furnishing us with everything we need. We are a pretty heavy tax on him this year, but hope we will be able to make it up to him someday. Jim has not made anything here at his practice, and seems to be dissatisfied and wants to go back to southern Texas or somewhere else. He is restless and not right anywhere.

This is a right pretty and good part of the country, but I have no notion of locating permanently here until I see more of the country. The people here, so far as I have become acquainted, are sociable and neighborly, a great portion of them Kentuckians and Tennesseans. We are 6 miles from Kentucky Town, 12 miles from Bonham, 21 from Sherman, and 28 from McKinney. Our village has 2 stores and a grocery, Post Office, grist mill and about a dozen families. We have a pretty good school but no church nor preacher.

Now about home, how and what are you all doing? My heart almost sickens when I think of your lonely and helpless condition. Although it would be such a pleasure and happiness to be with you all, I can't regret not bringing you all along at this time, situated as we are I don't see what we could have all done here, and if we had stayed there, what could we have done?

I will have to close as the mail will soon be here, will write again as soon as I get more leisure.

Sam and Jim I think will be pretty well satisfied, they don't seem to be homesick much yet. John was with us last night. Has gone to McKinney today for more machines. He is selling a good many and has a man hired to help him and is doing business for himself. Goodbye for this time.

Your affectionate husband,
/s/ John Word

CONFEDERATE VETERANS' RECOLLECTIONS

(Continued from Vol. 32, No. 2)

CAPTURED FEDERAL GUN BOAT

Moses J. Bonner was 15 years old and weighed 84 pounds when he joined a Louisiana regiment and five days later, he helped capture a gun boat belonging to the enemy. He was in "Buckskin" Bill Parsons' brigade which played a big part in driving back the Federal expedition led by General Banks in the Red River campaign.

Bonner served mostly as a courier - he was called "Little Bonner" for obvious reasons. He had two good horses - a brown gelding and a dun mare, which he had brought from his grandmother's ranch (some 10 miles northeast of Dallas) along with his Negro servant, Jim.

After the War, "Little Bonner" went home to the ranch and helped his grandmother take care of 1100 horses. Jim came home with him, but did not stay long.

During his army service, Bonner was the brigade's entry in horse races. His interest in the sport never left him and he began stock breeding. One of his horses, "Harvester," ran three quarters of a mile in one minute and eleven seconds at Sheepshead Bay - a record which has never been broken. Another horse, "Schoolgirl," took first prize in races in San Antonio, Dallas, Corpus Christi and Galveston. All this happened before 1890 when Texas made race betting illegal. After that, Bonner spent a year in Mexico where he sold most of his horses.

He longs for the return of bookmaking. "Arlington Downs would make Dallas and Fort Worth one city," he declared. He also bewails the fact that Texas Confederate veterans get a pension of only \$25 a month.

He says that only two men are still alive who saw Fort Worth before he did. They are M. G. Ellis, who came here in 1849 and S. H. Chapman who came in 1852. Bonner arrived in 1855. After he returned from Mexico, he worked as a traveling salesman and later had a grocery store in Fort Worth.

He says he has "grey mist" - affecting his eyesight. Unless he gets close to an object, it seems to be clouded in smoke.

Bonner has six children - Mrs. Alla Lorance, Mrs. J. C. Jones and Will, Bob, J. L. and R. C. Bonner. *Fort Worth Press*, October 7, 1931.

BROTHERS FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE

In the last cavalry brigade to leave Richmond with Lee's retreat were two brothers who had fought side by side throughout the War. They were the Doyle twins, Jimmie and Billie, now 85 years old, who live in Teague and Granbury, respectively. Billie was a member of the Texas Senate in 1927-28 and still practices law in Teague. Jimmie is a retired merchant.

Billie was captured in September, 1864, and was in prison at Camp Lookout, Maryland, until the following March. Jimmie was wounded at Coal [sic] Harbor, Virginia, but was back in action before the War ended.

The twins had two other brothers who fought for the Confederacy. John was a surgeon with the Second North Carolina Regiment and Tom was killed at Muscle Shoals. (*Fort Worth Press*, October 7, 1931).

VETERAN HOLDS NO MALICE TODAY

When Northern troops began foraging for food in Montgomery, Alabama, they took the Burton family's cow. Things had been bad before but that was just too much. Mother Burton went to the Federal commanding officer and told him she had to have milk for her three children. The cow was returned!

Tom J. Burton, 85-year-old Fort Worth veteran, holds no malice in his heart today against the North. Although his father was killed at Shiloh, and he went to work in a Confederate arsenal when only 15, the memory of that officer's kindness to his mother is still vivid.

Although he worked in the arsenal most of the War, Burton served as a guardsman at Mobile, Alabama during the last year. According to him, news of the approaching Northern troops in the last days was not received with dismay. Food was scarce and suffering intense. The arrival of Federal troops saw the opening of traffic on the Alabama River and resumption of commerce.

Burton established one of Fort Worth's first gunsmith shops 44 years ago. He later was a shop worker for the Southern Pacific and retired at age 70 after 37 years with the railroad.

He lives with his youngest daughter, Mrs. Mayzie Boltz, at 2413 Sanguinet. She is the only one of his seven children now living. (*Fort Worth Press*, September 28, 1931)

END OF ARTICLES

LIFE IN HILL COUNTY, TEXAS 1879

Editor's Note: This letter was published in the *Natchez Trace Traveler*, Vol. 8, No. 3, August 1988. Contributor was John Winchester of Florence, Alabama, who identified the writer as a relative, but was not able to identify other persons mentioned. The *Traveler's* editor has added punctuation for better reading.

Prairie Dale School House
April 17th, 1879

Mr. W. A. Hopkins
Higly Esteemed friend

I take the pleasure of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am still in the land and among the living. I have nothing of importance to write you, only we are all well at this time and have all enjoyed good health except Alice. She has had Rheumatism since we came to Texas. tell your wife that I have not saw Gary but one time since he came here; he is living about one mile from where I am teaching. I have not saw Plunket but once. Plunkett is soured on Texas he spent a dime or two to get here. Bill this is the prettiest country that I ever saw the grass on the Prairie land that is under fence is now 6 or 8 inches high and as green as wheat is in May in your country. Some wheat has been headed out here two weeks or more Corn is from 7 inches to knee high some cotton large enough to chop out and others just planting. Corn is worth from 15 to 25 cts per bushel; wheat, a kind of hard wheat from 25 to 35 cts per bushel soft wheat from 75 cts to one dollar; bacon 6 to 7 cts per lb; lard 7 cts; dry goods about like they are there; coffee from 5 to 6 lbs to the dollar. Now for a description of the country: I have traveled from Dallas to Waco by land; it is a solid Prairie Country though the Prairie is not flat like a pan cake. there is small creeks and ravies [ravines?] running through the country, a plenty to drane all of the land though the hills are small. I live two and a half miles from the timber, but I [have] to hall wood about five miles. I have a good small house to live in and thirteen acres of land for Drake. he has three acres of nice corn and will commence to plant ten acres in cotton tomorrow. I am teaching school at fifty dollars per month. I have been taching two months and a half. the public pays me \$250 dollars pay fifty dollars at the end of every month; the patrons pays the balance and the school will run untill the 1st of Setember. Bill, I am owing Bill Winchester four dollars. I left a molasses mill

at Watsons Mill. tell him to take it and sell it for what ever he can and pay himself, or if he cannot do no better, sell the mill for the four dollars. Kent Bates wanted it and if he cant get the four dollars for the mill, tell him to write to me or you write and I will send it to him by male if I can get the change in greenbacks. it is no trouble to get the change but it would be in silver. But tell him he shall have it and immediately if he cant sell the mill for I can make money here. Bill, I have a fine school from 40 to 60 schollars and the people appear to be well pleased. I can learn more about how they are pleased from out siders than from them. they think if a man will take those rough Texas boys by the foretop and slap them around, he can teach in Texas. you bet they walk a chalk line. Bill Hopkins, I want you to attend the Pleasant Hill Lodge and get my demit. I paid up all dues and paid for the demit before I left there and if the Treasurer has not destroyed that due bill that I gave them, get it and destroy it. [I] payed up all dues and for the demit in the presence of Bob Fletch Patterson and Tom Clark or tell Fletch to send it to me. Send all of your letters to Woodbury Post office, Hill County, Texas. Hopkins, this is undoubted the best farming country in the world for a man can get any thing here to farm with: machines to sow his wheat or oats with, drop his corn with and plows that open, drop reapers that cut the wheat or oats and tie or bind them at the same time, and [one] man can make as much, they all say, as four can gether. there is young men going to school that are making crops and I hardly miss them from school while they are planting. when they chop there cotton out, I suppose they will be absent a few days. there is no crab grass here to contend with, only a few burrs and I tell you they are fine. well Bill, for the water I have a splendid well in the yard that has not been less than ten feet deep in water at any time since I have been here. the water has a different tast here to the water there but I like the tast very well better than I do the water upon Cedar Creek east of you. Stock water is scarce here in places but it is pure lazness for they can get water nearly any where if they will dig for it or can make tanks for stock water. the dirt will hold water like a cistern. I hope you will excuse my bad writing for I have to write so fast and then pen is no account. give my respects to all enquiring friends and keep a portion to yourself. hoping to here from you soon. Fraternally your friend

John S. Goodwin

NOTES FROM THE MARSHALL NEWS MESSENGER
Marshall is in Harrison County, Texas

Contributed by Colleen Morse Elliott, Fort Worth, Texas

Sept. 21, 1873

Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Starnes, and daughter, and Miss Mary Oakley, who are visiting the centennial at Philadelphia, report a royal time,. Mr. Oakley, we regret to learn, has resigned his position with the Texas and Pacific and will go to Philadelphia.

Oct. 31, 1873:

People are complaining that the post office does not open until 8 o'clock.

HEARD ON THE STREET CORNER: Some girls say they will never marry anybody but a here, and it takes a hero to marry one of them.

Feb. 15, 1874

Emigration to Texas by wagon has about stopped since the cold spell set in. There has been much suffering among the campers traveling in wagons and stopping on the roadside at night.

July 3, 1884

A new feature has been added to the Capitol Hotel accommodations, being a lunch stand, where all persons can be served with a nice lunch, prepared in best of style, at any hour by day or night, and at reasonable rates. This addition will be specially appreciated by both the local and traveling public.

Nov. 6, 1893

Capt. Charles E. Hartsill left today for New Orleans to finish up his medical course. He will be gone six months.

The Capitol Hotel bar is again open and will dispense the "Oh Be Joyful," day and night.

June 16, 1894

The T and P volunteer firemen are preparing to handle on their annual picnic and excursion to Atlanta June 23, the largest crowd that has ever gone out of Marshall by rail.

Oct. 23, 1903

The 104 Club organized last night with the following officers: R. J. Medill, chairman, H.H. Taylor, secretary and treasurer, Drs. H. R.

Carlile, Perry Rains, Holman Taylor, T. E. Williams and W. D. Jones, advisory committee.

March 5, 1894

It is a ten dollar fine to throw dead chickens in streets or alleys, but many seem to disregard this law.

Managers Bonham and Haynes have requested the Messenger to say that they will donate the entire receipts of next Thursday at the Natatorium to help pay the YMCA debt.

May 28, 1904

Capt. Holman Taylor is in receipt of a letter from Adjutant General Hulen stating that the Marshall Musketeers have been selected as one of the companies to represent the Texas National Guard at the World's Fair and asking them to attend the United States Army Field Maneuvers at Manassas, Virginia in September.

June 30, 1914

A number of passengers over the Louisiana division of the Texas and Pacific have complained lately of white men bathing in the second Texas and Pacific shop pond east of Marshall without bathing suits. Sunday afternoon there were three of these characters bathing in the pond, making no pretense whatever of covering their nakedness, but like turtles, lying on logs and the bank.

84 YEARS AGO [from the issue of Jan. 16, 1963]

We had a visit yesterday from the Rev. Daniel Morse, a faithful Methodist minister, who leaves his quiet pleasant home near Marshall, with all its comforts, to fulfill his charge for this year as presiding elder of the Beaumont district, for which work he was selected by the East Texas Conference. Mr. Morse has been in the ministry over 30 years. Although 66 years of age, he does not look like he was more than 45 and is apparently as strong and vigorous as a man of thirty. For the last ten years he has been preaching in this county. He has many warm personal friends in the church and out of it and better than all, he merits them. His new work embraces the counties of Orange, Jasper, Newton, Liberty, Polk, Jefferson, Chambers, Tyler, Angelina and Hardin. If the good people of that section appreciate him as much as we do here, they will treat him kindly and render it a year of delightful labor. There is much in Methodist to admire but the highest type of its excellence is the self-sacrificing spirit and the unvarying devotion to duty of its ministry. [Rev. Morse is Mrs. Elliott's great-grandfather.]

END OF NOTES

TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS
SCHOOL ELECTION OFFICERS - 1885

Contributed by Patrick McKenna, Dallas, Texas

Compiler's Note: Between 1876 and 1884 Tarrant County operated under a community school system in which schools were *designated* by numbers, i.e., 1, 2, 3, etc. Prior to that time, in the post-Civil War period, numbers could change from year to year and boundaries were very poorly defined. This change brought new numbers, but schools were not given names.

The list which follows shows schools by both number and name. "S.H." indicates "School House." An extra bonus is the listing of three elections for each district who were to preside over the choosing of school trustees at the local level for the upcoming year. Material is taken from the bound volume of Tarrant County Commissioners' Court Minutes, Book 5, pages 239-241.

Commissioners' Court, Special Term, July A. D. 1885. Tuesday, July 14, A. D. 1885. Court met this morning pursuant to adjournment. Present as on yesterday.

Schools - Officers Election

Ordered by the Court that there be holden in the several school districts of Tarrant County, Texas, an election on the first Saturday in August A. D. 1885 for the purpose of electing school trustees for the ensuing scholastic year and further that the following persons be and they are hereby appointed in the districts designated to hold said election for said purpose, to wit:

No.	Place of Election	Names of Presiding Officers
1.	Montgomery S.H.	D. O. Portwood, J. D. Baden, H. J. Hodnott
2.	Dido "	J. L. Arnold, A. J. Thurmond, L. Labry
3.	Blue Mound "	Chas. Mitchell, F. Gilmore, H. Beckwith
4.	Henrietta "	B. R. Elliott, G. Giles, S. C. Witten
5.	Mt. Gilead "	T. A. Neace, H. Keller, Jno. McCall
6.	Sams "	Wm McCowan, C. A. Sams, S. Graham
7.	Lonesome Dove	A. J. Hallford, J. Foster, John Dailey
8.	Miller "	J. C. Holt, R. F. Jones, L. Price
9.	Cottonwood "	S. J. Looper, W. S. Scribner, A.J.N. Dunn
10.	Grapevine "	J.P. Lipscomb, T. C. Lewis, J.E. Murrey
11.	Easter "	John Cain, J. G. Human, Frank Bearr
12.	Whites Chap. "	S. B. Austin, Z. J. Cross, J. P. Lowe

No.	Place of Election	Names of Presiding Officers
13.	Lone Elm S.H.	H. G. Moore, Jas. Harris, Wm. McNatt
14.	Keller "	R. F. Moore, W. L. Burnett, J. N. Pruett
15.	Lowe "	A. T. Lowe, M. N. Mosely, E. H. Chorn
16.	Big Bear Crk"	S. A. Davis, John Boone, Wm. Price
17.	Crozier "	C. B. Law, J.N. Reed, F. Terry
18.	Azle "	W. C. Frese, W.H.H. Moore, William Nix
19.	Mill Creek "	A. B. Smith, M. G. Pugh, E. T. Rice
20.	Steele "	L. Steele, F. M. Young, G. A. Cole
21.	Marine "	M. G. Ellis, W. L. Holt, G. T. Eskew
22.	Odum "	J. M. Knight, J. S. Jeffries, W. A. McLean
23.	Little Fossil	J. F. Keith, R. A. Doles, Hugh Roberts
24.	Watauga "	S. D. Penny, S. B. Turner, J. A. Zinn
25.	Salem "	H. Allen, Thos. Austin, J. A. Blair
26.	Smithfield "	R. Hedges, H. G. Holt, S. Dansom
27.	Shady Grove "	M. A. Austin, R. E. Autry, M. A. Hill
28.	Pleasant Run	J. E. Glanton, T. E. Brock, J. L. Byars
29.	Pleasant Glade	D. S. Harris, Robt. Cobb, D. S. Booth
30.	Minters Chapel	Jas. Cate, A. Borgoon, R. B. Rogers
31.	Goodfellow "	Wm. Trigg, R. B. Merrill, J. Crowin
32.	Woodlawn "	W. M. Fuller, D. C. Trigg, Jno. Evans
33.	Bedford "	H. E. Valentine, Wm. Trimble, C. Popen
34.	Florence "	R. Bailey, A. G. Walker, W. L. Wood
35.	Birdville "	W. O. Neal, H. C. Doggett, J. J. Magin
36.	Iham "	J. D. Parker, H. Calloway, M. P. Roberts
37.	Wh. Settlement	C. W. Baker, W. T. Allen, B. F. Latimer
38.	Tannahill "	M. Clifton, H. Mosely, Wm. Tannahill
39.	Chapin "	G. S. Chapin, E. S. Billings, Jas. Bursy
40.	Thomason "	Geo. Brown, H. Douglas, A. P. Ryan
41.	A. J. Willis resid.	S. H. Mulkey, P. Richards, Jno. Miller
42.	School House	A. H. Tandy, J. A. Sanderson, Arch Hall
43.	Pendleton S.H.	W. S. Pendleton, A. A. Stephens, W. T. Sands
44.	Mineral Wells "	J.G.S. Haynes, J.F. Isham, J. G. Benning
45.	Wheeler's Mill "	J. B. Farmer, W. T. Goin, C. A. Calvin
46.	Handley "	J. H. Wheeler, Geo. Beggs, R. Crockett
47.	Woods "	J. W. Roy, F. F. Foscutt, J. F. Smith
48.	Arlington "	R. W. Collins, B. A. Martin, A. Hain
49.	Wm. Harrison res.	Wm. Harrison, T. J. Gibbins, T. J. Hunter
50.	Watson S. H.	J. H. Watson, S. D. Lassiter, G. W. Evans
51.	Thomas S.H.	W. A. Thomas, T. B. Collins, J. H. Tyson
52.	Johnson Sta. "	A. Flapps, J. C. Roy, F. R. Wallace
53.	Joplings "	L. L. Jopling, J. G. Roy, F. R. Wallace
54.	Little "	Porter King, M. B. Richey, W.H. Tunnell
55.	Village Creek "	S. D. Hartman, M.T. Dann, L. W. Cron
56.	Forest Hill "	Green Chapman, E.J. Pamer, A. J. Dunn
57.	Prairie Chapel "	S. S. Patterson, E. W. Willets, Jas. Lytle
58.	Marinda "	E. W. Snyder, W. E. Burke, S. B. Hamilton
59.	Beaver Springs "	Wm. Hunter, Calvin Johnson, Wm. Atkins

60.	Wheatland	"	J. W. Keys, W. F. Murphy and C. Havenhill
61.	Rock Creek	"	J. E. Neely, F. M. Martin, E. Riddle
62.	Clifford	"	John Colthorp, E. S. Evans, Louis Sims
63.	Ratcliff	"	J. J. Scott, J. R. Austin, Bud Hale
64.	Sycamore	"	J. M. Gross, John Walsh, James Camill
65.	Antioch	"	Joel Neace, N. Stephenson, S. Vaughn
66.	Cottonwood Springs	"	J. W. Lotsprich, J. W. Sherron, J. T. Vogles
67.	Oak Grove	S.H.	G. W. Tye, John Decker, A. W. Overton
68.	Cross Roads	"	J. W. Nichols, R. F. Patterson, G. Stewart
69.	Williams	"	W. H. Garrett, J. D. Hudson, Jno. D. McVein
70.	Center Point	"	J. M. Farmer, R. P. Tomkersly, C. D. Ledbetter
71.	Boles	"	Irvin Boles, S. L. Williams, John Christopher
72.	Pool	"	N. A. Pool, Aaron Williams, D. W. Loftin
73.	Gibson	"	R. L. Blizzard, Chas. Grimsly, W. H. Riley
74.	Mansfield	"	T. C. Graves, P. G. Davis, R. S. Mann
75.	Wyatts	"	Jos. Nugent, Chas. Grimmitt, R. D. Brandon
76.	Subletts	"	Harrison York, John Elliott, J. W. Perry
77.	Fish Creek	"	Jas. Abbott, W. P. Miller, T. B. Matlock
78.	Turk	"	W. T. Massey, Theo Turk, W. R. King
79.	Loyd	"	J. K. Porter, N. B. Perry, F. M. Loyd
80.	Cope	"	M. F. Alexander, A. F. Lacy, J. T. Hopsin

T. B. Maddox -Report

Ordered by the Court that the report of T. B. Maddox, Superintendent of the poor farm be and the same is herebe received and approved.

END OF RECORD

DeSoto County, Mississippi has a new genealogical society which publishes a quarterly *DeSoto Descendants*. Their members will search courthouse, libraries, cemeteries and newspapers for your ancestors who once lived in the county as a free service. In return, they would like you to become a member of their society. Dues are \$10.00 which includes a subscription to their publication. Their address: Genealogical Society of DeSoto County, Mississippi, P. O. Box 303, Hernando, MS 38632.

DENTON COUNTY, TEXAS
1880 MORTALITY SCHEDULE

Transcribed from microfilm by Barbara Knox

This schedule contains many names crossed out which presumably were entered in error. In checking his work, the enumerator has almost obliterated, in many cases, the numbers of the households corresponding to Schedule 1 (Population Schedule.) In some cases, the numbers have been switched, using either family or household, making it difficult to identify families. Some names are not identified by number. "PR" means "Physician's Return."

Page 1, ED 100, Sup. Dist. 3, James P. Bates, Enumerator

14	Bates, Kenneth	1 mw	TX	KY	TX	Sep	Dysentery
39	Ross, Vernon	9 mw	TX	MS	AR	Jun	Convulsions
39	Alexander, Sarah E.	30 fw	IL	IL	IL	May	Dropsy of heart
43	Blanks, no name	1/30 mw	TX	VA	MO	Dec	Premature death
43	Blanks, Edna	6 fw	MO	VA	MO	Apr	Burn
46	Borden, George	5 mw	TX	AL	TX	Aug	Scarlet Fever
48	Ruddasill, Rufus	51 mw	NC	NC	NC	Oct	Dissipation
56	Barb, Delany D.	5/12 mw	TX	AR	AR	May	Entercolitis
65	Peacock, Adrien M	11/12 fw	TX	OH	AL	Sep	Flux
68	Francis, Taylor B.	4/12 fw	TX	VA	TN	Jun	Erisiplas
77	Forester, Alcy	57 fw	TN	TN	TN	May	Rheumatism
88	Dawkins, Ella M.	1 fw	TX	KY	MO	Dec	?
95	Taylor, Mollie J.	30 fw	NC	NC	NC	?	Typhoid fever
102	Paisley, John R.	77 mw	NC	PA	PA	Nov	Flux
106	Neeley, Ada B.	3 fw	TN	TN	--	Nov	Typhoid fever

110	Willson, Francis S.	44 fw	Al	Ga	Ga	Aug	Consumption
113	Foster, not named	1/30 fB	Tx	--	Tx	Dec	Premature birth
117	Long, Mary	35 fw	Tn	Tn	Tn	Dec	Dropsy of head
127	Nickels, Florence	7/12 fw	Tx	Al	Ga	Feb	Flux
138	Mays, John	10/30 mw	Tx	Tn	Ms	Jan	Flux
179	Goodall, Hattie	1 fB	Tx	Tx	Tn	Mar	Intermit. fever
184	Durham, Dennis	1 mw	Tx	NC	Ga	Jul	Flux
186	Venable, Sarah K.	58 fw	Tn	SC	SC	Oct	Typhoid fever
207	Miles, Louisiana	42 fw	SC	SC	SC	Feb	Pneumonia
220	Page, John	74 mw	Ga	SC	SC	Nov	Pneumonia
230	Garrison, Moses F.	4 mw	Tx	Il	Ar	May	Flux
234	Nunley, Margaret A.	22 fw	Il	Tn	Tn	Dec	Dis. of heart
269	Garrison, Richard A.	2 mw	Tx	Tn	Al	Oct	Flux
273	White, Sintha C.	57 fw	Tn	Va	Va	Sep	Fall fr wagon
280	Mourland, John	32 mw	Il	Tn	Ar	May	Flux
289	Wisdom, Mary	42 fw	Ky	Ky	Ky	Apr	Consumption
--	Falkner, William W.	14 mw	Tx	Tn	Tn	Apr	Pneumonia
--	Carpenter, Christopher	25 mw	NC	NC	NC	Mar	Pneumonia

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310	Roberson, William T.	18 mw	Tn	Tn	Tn	Jun	Cong. chills
330	Burkhart, Matilda	9/12 fw	Tx	Tn	Mo	Jul	Inflam. bowels
--	Murphy, James	26 mw	Tx	Tn	Ind	Jul	Poisoned
--	Mills, William	28 ms	Can	-	-	-	Enlarg. spine

Page 1, ED 101 Pct. 1 C. C. Daugherty, Enum.

17	Daugherty, Joseph	8/12 mw	Tx	Mo	Tx	Nov	Croup
20	McNeel, John M.	48 mw	Ga	Va	NC	Jun	Dropsy
33	Thompson	1/30 mw	Tx	Mo	Mo	Feb	Convulsions

61	Harris, Coley?	25	fw	Ms	Ms	Ms	Feb	Cong. chills
67	Fry, Samuel	10/30	mw	Tx	NC	Il	May	Prem. birth
74	Kenagy, Effie	1	fw	Tx	Oh	Oh	Jan	Erysipelas
83	Hunter, James	1	mw	Tx	Tx	Tx	Dec	Cong. chills
85	Hinchel	SB		Tx	-	-	Mar	Still born
114	Rutledge	SB		Tx	Ky	Ky	Jan	Still born
106	McDade, Holland	4/12	mw	Tx	Ga	Ms	Aug	Dysentery
115	Vitatow, Sarah E.	39	fw	Mo	Ky	Ky	Jan	Consumption
119	Mathews	1/30	mw	Tx	Ar	NY	Sep	--
117	Oliver, Celia	30	fw	Ar	Tn	Tn	Mar	Consumption
--	McMath, Barlie?	10	mw	Neb	Ms	SC	Apr	Typho malarial
PR	McGowen, Charles	18	mw	Tx	Ire	Ire	Mar	Pneumonia
PR	Carpenter, Luther	7 /12	mw	Tx	-	-	Mar	Enteritis

Page 1 ED 102 Ward No. 4. H. W. McMurray, Enum. (Pct. 1)

40	Beachamp, George	1	mw	Tx	Ky	Ky	Jun	Dysentery
--	Venable, Sarah	?	fw	Tx	-	-	May	Dysentery
--	Reaves, Oliver	19	mw	Tx	-	-	Aug	Dysentery
67	Taylor, Lovinia	71	fw	Tn	Pa	Pa	Jun	Flux
--	Blair, Ardina	84	fw	SC	SC	SC	Mar	Remit. fever
--	Tompkins, Cora	46	fw	La	La	La	Feb	Morphia
130	Starr, Peter	63	mw	Tn	Tn	Tn	Dec	Dropsy
136	France, Gertie	2/12	fw	Tx	Oh	Tx	Jan	Pneumonia
153	Yeck, Frederick	2	mw	Tx	Pa	Oh	May	Enterocolitis
155	Brown, Calvin	1/12	mw	Tx	Tx	Tx	Feb	Croup
167	Beal ---	7/30	mw	Tx	Ms	Ms	May	Septicemia

177	Chesser, Laura	9/12	fw	Tx	Tn	Ar	Aug	Scarlet fever
183	Shifflett	2/30	mw	Tx	Mo	Mo	Jan	Premature
185	Hammett, James	3/12	mw	Tx	Al	Tx	Jul	Dysentery
194	Burch, Sarah	1	fw	Tx	Ms	Tn	Jun	Measles
194	---- Henry	1/12	mw	Tx	Ms	Tn	Apr	Measles
212	Lewellen, Joseph	29	mw	Ms	Ms	Ms	Nov	Pneumonia
246	Fincher, Lovey	4	fw	Tx	Ga	SC	Sep	Croup
252	Schockey, George	1	mw	Tx	Tx	Mo	Aug	Convulsions
257	Junken, Lillian	11/12	fw	Tx	IL	IL	Sep	Dysentery
299	Johns, John	23/30	mw	Tx	Ind	Mo	Apr	?
312	Thompson, James	1	mw	Tx	Tn	Al	Jul	Convulsions
316	Parr, Mary E.	41	fw	Al	-	-	May	Typh.pneumonia
333	Darby, Martha	47	fw	Al	Va	SC	Oct	Dysentery

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6	Jones, Albert S.	1	mw	Tx	Ga	Al	Oct	Cholera inf.
--	Brown, Oden	5/12	mw	Tx	Ga	Ga	Jun	" "
17	Holford, Willis	17	mw	Tx	Tn	Tn	Oct	Typhoid fever
57	South, Henry V.	2/30	mw	Tx	Mo	Mo	May	Measles
84	Nunn, Walter, J.	3	mw	Tx	Ky	Va	Apr	Flux
94	Shegog, James E.	73	mw	Ire	Ire	Ire	Nov	Congestion
103	Bethel	1/12	mw	Tx	Tn	Tx	Aug	Worms
104	Williams, Hattie	1	fw	Tx	Ms	Al	Mar	Measles
112	Moody, Matilda	30	fw	Mo	Mo	Mo	Jun	Pneumonia
116	Rea, Mrs. David L.	29	fw	Ar	Al	Al	May	Pneumonia
---	Compere, S. J.	83	fw	Tx	-	-	Feb	Bronchitis

120	Gee, Walter A.	1	mw	Tx	Tn	Tx	Apr	Cholera infant.
---	Wolcott, James D.	72	mw	RI	Eng	Eng	Feb	Pneumonia
136	Appleby, Ralph	10/12	mw	Tx	Al	Al	Oct	Cholera infant.
137	Dale, Marcus A.	4/12	mw	Tx	Ar	Tx	Aug	Spinal
141	Alexander, John W.	4/12	mw	Tx	SC	Mo	Jan	Dyphtheria
---	Harrison	SB	fB	Tx	Tn	Tx	Jul	Still born
151	Hollar, Jane	14	fw	NC	NC	NC	Dec	Pneumonia
157	Leath, Maud	11/12	fw	Tx	Al	Tn	Sep	Dysentery
149	Brooks, James M.	37	mw	NC	NC	NC	Nov	Chronic bronch.
172	Wright, Robert B.	25	mw	Va	Va	Va	Jun	Dysentery
174	Powledge, W. T.	4/12	mw	Tx	Al	Al	Apr	Asfixin
---	Slaughter, M. M.	4	mw	Al	Al	SC	Nov	Cholera infant.
181	Johnson, Roy G.	10/12	mw	Tx	Ms	Ky	Jan	" "
202	Williams, Jonathan	65	mw	Pa	-	-	Dec	Nephritis
203	Powers, Clark S.	33	mw	Oh	Oh	Oh	Mar	"
289	Bradford, Dana W?	10/12	mw	Tx	Al	Al	Mar	Pneumonia
PR	Pulley, Robt. L.	25	mw	Tx	-	-	Jul	Typhoid
203	Howard, Stephen S.	27	mw	MA	MA	MA	Dec	Nephritis

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Additional information as recorded on the 1880 Denton County, Texas Population Schedule (Schedule 1).

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14/14	James P. Bates and wife Leonie	(page 3)
39/39	Robert S. Ross, widower	(page 6)
43/43	William H. Blanks and wife Adelia A.	(page 6)
46/46	William M. Borden and wife Jane	(page 6)

48/48	Carrie Rudasill, widow	(page 7)
56/56	Gustavus H. Barb and wife Mary E.	(page 7)
65/65	Thomas E. Peacock and wife Sally A.	(page 8)
68/68	Henry C. Francis and wife Mattie	(page 9)
77/77	Lock S. Forester (liv w/sisters)	(page 10)
88/88	Levi Dawkins and wife Florence	(page 11)
95/95	Sam J. Taylor, widower	(page 11)
102/102	John C. Paisley and wife Sarah B.	(page 12)
106/106	Bishop Neely and wife Belle	(page 12)
110/110	William A. Wilson and wife Frances L.	(page 13)
113/113	Harris F. Garnett (Rachel Foster servt)	(page 13)
117/117	William A. Long, widower	(page 14)
127/127	William H. Nichols and wife Nancy	(page 15)
138/139	William E. Mays and wife Anna	(page 17)
176/179	Hettie Goodall, widow	(page 21)
180/184	Alexander R. Durham and wife Georgia	(page 22)
182/186	Leander? B. Venable, widower	(page 22)
200/207	Thomas J. Miles, widower	(page 24)
212/220	Jasper N. Page and wife Ruth J.	(page 25)
222/230	Elijah K. Garrison and wife Nancy	(page 26)
226/234	Joseph P. Nunley and wife Elizabeth	(page 21)
260/269	Ephraim Garrison and wife Margrett G.	(page 30)
264/273	William H. White and wife Mary A.	(page 30)
272/280	Drucilla Mourland, widow	(page 31)
281/290	Louisa C. Falkner, widow	(page 32)
282/291	Solomon Carpenter and wife Mandy E.	"
301/310	Newton J. Roberson and wife Sarah F.	(page 34)
320/330	George Burkhart and wife Margaret	(page 36)

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17/17	James M. Daugherty and wife Sarah E.	(page 3)
20/20	Rebecca McNeel, widow	(page 3)
33/33	Taylor Thompson and wife Mary	(page 4)
61/61	Richard Cocke and wife Martha W.	
	Liv in hh is Edward Harris, bro-law	(page 8)
65/67	David H. Fry and wife Emma	(page 9)
82/82	John J. Breush and wife Bell	(page 11)
83/83	Jessy Jackson; dau Maria Hunter liv hh	(Page 11)
85/85	Charles Hinchel and wife Lena L.	"
106/106	Charles M. McDade and wife Fannie	(Page 15)
115/115	David Vitetow, widower	(page 16)
119/119	Edward Matthews and wife Minnie C.	(page 17)
139/139	John McMath and wife Elizabeth	(page 19)

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32/40	Sylvester? Beauchamp and wife Jenny	(page 4)
67/73	Wilford H. Taylor and wife Sarah J.	(page 8)
125/130	Harriet Starr, widow	(page 14)

130/136	David France and wife Ella	(page 14)
147/153	Mannassex Yeck and wife Laura	(page 16)
149/155	Louis Brown and wife Winnie (B)	(page 17)
158/167	Theadus Beal and wife Martha	(page 17)
165/175	Ramsey Wilburn and wife Fannie	(page 18)
167/177	James Chesser and wife Puritee	"
172/183	Louis Shifflet and wife Eliza	(page 19)
174/185	James Hammett and wife Pauline	"
181/194	George Burch and wife Sarah	(page 20)
197/212	William Turner and wife Margret	(page 21)
	liv in hh Louisa Lewellen, moth-law	
231/246	William Fincher, widower	(page 25)
237/252	James Shockey and wife Nannie	(page 26)
247/257	Neal Smith and wife Amanda	"
278/299	George Johns and wife Mary	(page 31)
291/312	Henry Thompson and wife Frances	(page 32)
296/316	Jessie C. Parr, widower	(page 33)
312/333	William Darby, widower	(page 35)

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6/ 6	James Jones and Wife Eunice S.	(page 1)
10/10	William T. Brown and wife Frances N.	(page 1)
17/17	Willis Holford and wife Mildred M.	(page 2)
57/57	Joseph F. South and wife Josephine H.	(page 7)
84/84	Thomas W. Nunn and wife Lucy P.	(page 11)
94/94	Cerves? Shegog (liv with sisters)	(page 12)
103/103	Henry Bethel and wife Nannie E.	(page 14)
104/104	S. F. Williams and wife Lula E.	"
112/112	Joseph C. Moody and wife Maragrett	(page 15)
116/116	David N. Rea (single)	"
120/120	Alexander W. Gee and wife Nettie	(page 17)
123/123	Wolcot, Martha, widow	"
136/136	James K. Appleby and wife Sarah S.	(page 19)
137/137	Matthew A. Dale and wife Mary E.	(page 18)
141/141	Jack R. Alexander and wife Martha J.	(page 18)
148/148	William Harrison and wife Millie	(page 21)
151/151	Max Hollar and wife Lear	(page 22)
157/157	Samuel J. Leath and wife Elizabeth P.	(page 23)
163/163	Kate Brooks, widow	"
170/170	Francis C. James hh; liv with him dau Mary Wright, widow	(page 24)
174/174	Joseph Powledge and wife Mary	(page 25)
181/181	John W. Johnson and wife Elizabeth J.	(page 26)
202/202	John F. Turner and wife Miriam	(page 30)

(Additional information to be continued)

ABSTRACTS FROM *THE GRAHAM LEADER*

(Continued from Volume 32, No. 2)

May 19, 1883

The Decatur and West Texas Railroad will soon be chartered to run through Jack, Young and Throckmorton Counties.

Dallas and Fort Worth are struggling to surpass each other in commerce and trade. The Fort had the edge but Dallas recently secured a large boot and shoe factory and will also have a large cotton factory. Houston and Galveston are rivals with Houston having the edge on the beer gardens. As far as Austin and San Antonio go - the latter is the oldest city, but Austin is our state's capitol, and has state wide benefits as such.

The state legislature has passed a law giving each county in the state a county brand to be used on all horses and cattle in addition to private brands. Young County's brand is YO.

Local. George Wright has sold his sheep to S. R. Crawford and gone to Ellis County.

June 2, 1883

Local. Mose G. Lemley and Miss Susan Meeks were married by Rev. J. A. Lafferty - they live in the southern part of the county.

Rev. J. B. Allison, presiding elder at Waco, and prominent in the M.E. Church South, died last Saturday. He was born in Smith Co. Tenn. in 1828 and had been a preacher for some 30 years. Rev. Allison had lived in Texas only a short time, first in Waxahachie and Weatherford before moving to Waco.

June 9, 1883

Baird. Great excitement here when J. W. Molley, the Texas Express agent, was shot and killed instantly tonight. It was a result of a previous quarrel between him and John Reeves. A yard switchman named Davenport received a stray bullet in his leg. Reeves has yet to be apprehended.

Over The State

Corpus Christi is afflicted [sic] with hoodlums. There is a brisk demand for real estate in San Antonio. The old courthouse in Montague was sold at auction on the 11th inst. Galveston's cotton

receipts are nearly double over this time last year. Belton will soon have a \$40,000 cotton press, a big oil mill, brick kiln, soda water manufactory, new Baptist church and a jail. It is hoped that more people will be in the church than the jail. Dallas is over-run by vagrant cows. They "like a place free from noise and bustle."

A "fatal affray" at Killeen resulted in the death of R. J. McDowell at the hands of Dr. Renfro. The two men had words and fired at each other. The doctor was badly wounded in one arm. McDowell was a prominent hardware merchant and the son of Judge John McDowell.

Waco. The young son of J. H. Hamlin came to town for the doctor saying that his father had shot two men. The story was that Capt. S. P. Ross and his son, Will Ross were on their way home when Ross stopped at Hamlin's and entered the lot for some unknown reason. His presence disturbed the horses leading Hamlin to think he was a horse thief. Hamlin called out twice, and receiving no answer, fired his gun, wounding both men in the stomach. It was first thought it was fatal, but a later report states that both will recover.

Local. James Melton, was arrested last Tuesday night at Albany and held on \$12,000 bond for aggravated assault. His friends here hope he will be fully exonerated.

Decatur. Miss Hattie Bayless, Miss Mable Moore, Fred Burke and Henry Hughes recently registered at a hotel in Sherman. After spending the night drinking beer and wine, they boarded the train back to Denison. Miss Bayless went to White's Hardware Store and bought a gun. She wrote a note bidding farewell to her mother and saying that she was tired of her wild career, naming Harry Burke as the cause of her trouble. She then shot herself. Miss Moore swallowed chloroform (she had intended to take morphine) which blistered her mouth and alimentary organs instead of killing her. Burke and Hughes are in jail.

June 16, 1883

Fort Worth. At 10 a.m. this morning a chambermaid at the El Paso Hotel found Robert H. Rozell, well known cotton buyer "stark and cold in death." He has just returned from a trip to San Antonio for health reasons; visited his wife (who left him in Little Rock 2 months ago because of his drunkenness) and his little son. He later purchased 10 gms of morphine at a drug store which he took when retiring. The jury called it "death from heart disease."

Local. Hiram Harmon and Mrs. G. W. Hunt were married last Sunday, Rev. J. A. Eddleman officiating. Mr. Harmon is a distinguished citizen and an eloquent debater.

Greenville. More than 150 houses were blown down or moved on their foundations by a storm last night. Approximately 50 homes were demolished and the Methodist church destroyed. Total damages are estimated from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

June 23, 1883

Dallas. Robert E. Cowart was tried in March 1882 for the murder of J. M. Thurmond, found guilty of second degree murder, and sentenced to seven years in prison. A second trial was granted at which time he was acquitted.

Denison. Mr. Fred Hughes and Miss Mable Moore, involved in the late scandal and suicide of Miss Hattie Bayless, were married in Boone, Iowa, and plan to return here to live.

John Thomas and Miss Zollie Lauderdale were married Monday evening, Rev. Mr. Burwell officiating.

Fort Worth Flashes.

Harris Watkins, charged with theft, has forfeited his \$500 bond.

Lemuel H. True, by his next friend, John F. True, sued the T&P Railroad for \$25,000 for loss of his leg.

W. M. Wilkerson, manager of a livery stable, was shot in the face by Daniel H. Cain. Cain was arrested when he was found hiding under the bed in Mrs. Laurence's boarding house.

June 30, 1883

Waxahachie. Mr. Sam Gilburn, son of F. W. Gilburn, one of our wealthiest citizens, was married last evening to Miss Thompson, who was to have become the bride of Eugene Donnoway next Wednesday. The young lady notified Gilburn that she would be his bride if he would come for her. They were married here by Rev. Mr. Cox. Donnoway seems to be bearing his misfortune well. Both young men are "highly esteemed and have good prospects."

Citizens of Graham met at the courthouse to discuss building a public school. J. E. Ryus, S. R. Crawford and A. T. Gay were appointed as a committee to study the matter further.

G. H. Crozier has received a good selection of new music. Included are "My Darling Shoes," "They Are All Getting Married But Me," "Darling Kate" and "McNally's Row of Flats."

July 7, 1883

Jefferson. Last night about half past 10, Mr. Charles Haughn, former county judge, while on his way home, was shot and killed by person or persons unknown. His horse returned home riderless and Mrs., Haughn, not seeing her husband, asked a negro boy where he way. The boy replied that he didn't know, but a man was lying a few hundred yards away in the road - drunk he assumed. The distraught wife found her husband and neighbors helped remove the body. An inquest will be held this morning. Mr. Haughn had lived here for 17 years and was a prominent political figure, The county court adjourned out of respect.

McKinney. An important slander suit has been going on all week. Miss Sue M. Jennings, poor but handsome and charming young lady, sued D. P. Teliff and wife, wealthy old couple for "defamation of character by wife." She was awarded \$2600.00.

Bonham. Professor Monte, balloonist, traveling with Automatic Show, made an ascension last Monday. The evening was calm and clear and the balloon went up some 800 - 1000 feet. Over Powell Creek it caught on fire, and before thousands of viewers, began to rip apart. Fortunately, the fire was on the top side, and the ripped part acted as a parachute, allowing Monte to descend into a corn field about a mile south of town unhurt except for burned hands. Many had rushed to the spot expecting to find him dead. The balloon was entirely destroyed.

Local. J. H. Ware, formerly of Fort Worth, is now bookkeeper for G. B. Jewell.

Early Wednesday, Samuel B. Allison, who was convicted of the murder of Professor Rodgers last February, has escaped from jail. He had been confined to a steel cage, (which would have prevented any method of escape) but was moved to a wooden cell so that his little boy could visit him. Allison burned a hole through the ceiling to the loft and came down through the same place that other prisoners had used for escape over the years which had never been properly secured. Descending the stairway, he met the jailor's wife, who immediately gave alarm to her husband. Allison was pursued to Twin Mountain, but has not yet been apprehended. There is a reward of \$100 for his capture.

July 14, 1883

Mammy Sikes of Weatherford was married last Sunday to J. T. Turner, formerly of Terrell. Congratulations are due the groom for "securing his handsome and bewitching bride and one so well known for the kindness and motherly care of 'her boys.'"

Local. A young man, Dan Newby, came to this county some three years ago and has disappeared. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will please notify his sister in Quincy, Ill.

July 21, 1883

Fifteen citizens of Vernon have signed a petition calling a meeting to maintain law and order.

The Hillsboro *Mirror* says that 900 kegs of beer are consumed daily in Fort Worth.

Local. George Wright wishes to employ a person to kill the fleas in his "office."

Henry Williams of Belknap married Miss Dinkie Johnson of Montague County Thursday night. The couple have many friends here.

July 24, 1883

The city of Fort Worth was terrorized for a time tonight with the threat of a riot. Two hundred men, working on the sewers, had been waiting for two weeks to be paid. When the city council finally appropriated enough money, a mistake was made, and only sixty cents out of each dollar was actually paid. The threatened riot was prevented by the vigilance of Marshal Rea and other officers and the eloquent speeches of Alderman Hickey and Atty. M. D. Kent.

A shooting at Baird left Henry Merchant dead and Charles Hynson wounded. The latter was sent for safety on a chartered train to Fort Worth.

July 28, 1883

Charlie Daily, former bartender at Waco, now said to be employed as a cook in Hillsboro, was left \$118,000 by a recently deceased aunt in Virginia.

The little daughter of W. R. Powell, who lives near Midlothian in Ellis County, died Wednesday p.m. She was bitten by a rabid dog last May.

A carriage containing the skeletons of three adults and two children have been found under a tree in Llano County. The tree had been shattered by lightning and it is supposed that the people drove under it for shelter and were killed, as were the horses. The mishap appears to have occurred a year or two ago. A letter addressed to James A.

Chamberlain, London, Eng. was found in a small trunk. It is presumed the party were tourists who may have lost their way since they were found in a very remote place.

Judge McAdo died at his home in Washington County last Monday. He served as a judge on the Supreme Court during the time of Edmund J. Davis and was a popular and esteemed gentleman.

August 4, 1883

Longview. There is much regret over having discovered that Mr. L. Lewis, postmaster at Kilgore, has been systematically robbing the mail. "He was a prominent republican but generally respected."

Galveston. Dr. Wilcox left late this evening to attend Mrs. Gilliam, wife of the superintendent of the coal mines. Unable to procure a special train, the doctor travelled on railroad velocipede.

Local. Prof. N. J. Boatwright of Ky. arrived a few days ago. He is a teacher with considerable experience and numerous certificates of high honors.

Mr. Wilkerson and family of Navarro County are visiting Judge Woods, Mrs. Wilkerson's father.

August 11, 1883

Galveston. Miss Wiley and Mr. Barr were married in the surf at Ocean City. The bride was standing in water up to her shoulders as was the groom and clergyman. A few friends witnessed from the beach.

John Humphries died at his home in Seymour last week. He was well known in Young County.

(To be continued)

Are you looking for: a family organization?

Southern Genealogists Exchange Quarterly, Vol. 7, No. 120, p. 163, lists Family Organizations & Newsletters. Nearly five pages from agnew to Wright.

A town not now in existence? The U. S. Board of Geographical National Centers, Stop 523, Reston VA 22092 has records of name changes and no longer existing towns.

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THE MARION DAY MULLINS MARRIAGE RECORD COLLECTION

An Overview by Eleanor S. Hutcheson

The Marion Day Mullins Marriage Record Collection consists of those printed marriage records and working papers that were left to the Genealogy Department of the Fort Worth Library from the estate of Dr. Marion Day Mullins. Of particular interest are the handwritten Marriage Records which cover the first thirty to forty years of a number of early Texas counties.

Over a period of years Dr. Mullins visited these counties, laboriously copied the marriage records, returned home and indexed them. In a number of cases, several other dedicated individuals assisted in copying and indexing. Prior to 1864, Dr. Mullins gave the Fort Worth Genealogical Society twenty-six of these county marriage records, on microfilm, which are available for purchase from the Society. These records are included in this Collection.

The Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Genealogical Society is now deciding on a proposed project to make microfiches of each county's records separately; first, to make permanent copies of the collection, and secondly, to have copies made available for sale at a nominal cost to facilitate individual research. There are some fifty-five counties included [a few have only bits and pieces], but most of the records cover the period from the beginning of the county to about the 1880s.

The Marriage Records of Early Texas, compiled by Norma Rutledge Grammer, who has contributed so much to early research in Texas, has been published by the Fort Worth Genealogical Society.

If any reader has early Texas marriage records not included in the following lists, it would be appreciated if these records could be added to the Collection. A long range plan is to compile a master index of all early Texas marriage records.

MARRIAGE RECORDS OF EARLY TEXAS 1824 - 1846 Norma R. Grammer
(REPUBLIC OF TEXAS) [Date is of the first record of Bond or Marriage]

Austin	1824	Bexar	1837	Brazoria	1829
Brazos	1841	Colorado	1837	Fannin	1838
Fayette	1838	Fort Bend	1837	Galveston	1838
Gonzales	1829	Harris	1837	Harrison	1838
Jackson	1835	Jefferson	1837	Lamar	1842
Matagorda	1837	Montgomery	1838	Nacogdoches	1837
Red River	1845	Robertson	1838	Rusk	1843
San Augustine	1837	Travis	1840	Victoria	1838

The records of the original fifty-five counties placed in this collection consist of the following counties and the dates covered:

COUNTY	DATES	COUNTY	DATES	COUNTY	DATES
Anderson	1846 - 1880	Angelina	1846 - 1894	Bandera	1856 - 1891
Bee	1858 - 1893	Bell	1850 - 1882	Bosque	1860 - 1891
Caldwell	1848 - 1885	Cass	1847 - 1880	Chambers	1875 - 1900
Cherokee	1846 - 1870	Collin	1846 - 1875	Cooke	1849 - 1879
Delta	1870 - 1891	Denton	1875 - 1891	Falls	1854 - 1881
Fannin	1838 - 1870	Fayette	1838 - 1871	Freestone	1851 - 1888
Goliad	1870 - 1891	Grayson	1846 - 1877	Grimes	1848 - 1875
Hardin	1858 - 1899	Harrison	1838 - 1889	Henderson	1860 - 1887
Hill	1873 - 1880	Hopkins	1846 - 1880	Hunt	1847 - 1881
Jasper	1849 - 1881	Jefferson	1837 - 1900	Johnson	1854 - 1880
Kaufman	1849 - 1881	Lamar	1841 - 1875	Liberty	1874 - 1900
Limestone	1873 - 1883	Matagora	1837 - 1900	Montgomery	1838 - 1879
Nacogdoches	1837 - 1871	Newton	1846 - 1900	Orange	1852 - 1888
Panola	1846 - 1890	Parker	1874 - 1886	Red River	1845 - 1877
Refugio	1839 - 1903	Robertson	1838 - 1876	Rockwall	1876 - 1894
Rusk	1843 - 1877	Sabine	1876 - 1880	San Augustine	1837 - 1880
Smith	1848 - 1880	Tom Green	1875 - 1884	Tyler	1846 - 1888
Van Zandt	1855 - 1880	Victoria	1838 - 1890	Washington	1837 - 1880
Wichita	1882 - 1905				

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Anderson	1846 - 1869	Angelina	1846 - 1897
Bandera	1856 - 1891	Bexar	1836 - 1866
Blanco	1876 - 1880	Brown	1880 - 1902
Burnet	1852 - 1888	Caldwell	1848 - 1865
Calhoun	1847 - 1890	Cass	1847 - 1880
Cherokee	1848 - 1890	Collin	1846 - 1888
Colorado	1837 - 1846	Comal	1846 - 1884
Comanche	1865 - 1903	Dallas	1846 - 1877
Denton	1875 - 1894	Erath	1860 - 1891
Fannin	1850 - 1875	Freestone	1857 - 1872
Gregg	1873 - 1895	Guadalupe	1847 - 1874
Harris	1837 - 1865	Hays	1848 - 1889
Henderson	1860 - 1887	Hood	1875 - 1900
Hunt	1846 - 1911	Jack	1858 - 1900
Jackson	1840 - 1890	Johnson	1854 - 1894
Kaufman	1848 - 1900	Kendal	1862 - 1900
Lampasas	1873 - 1881	Limestone	1874 - 1890
McLennan	1850 - 1870	Marion	1855 - 1927*
Medina	1848 - 1886	Montgomery	1838 - 1879
Nacogdoches	1881 - 1888	Panola	1846 - 1890
Pecos	1875 - 1947	Red River	1845 - 1881
Rockwood	1876 - 1884	San Augustine	1837 - 1894
San Jacinto	1871 - 1900	Smith	1846 - 1899
Tom Green	1855 - 1888	Van Zandt	1855 - 1884
Williamson	1849 - 1860	Wilson	1860 - 1876

GRAYSON COUNTY, TEXAS MARRIAGES

1846 - 1877

Copied by Mrs. A. B. Harmonson and Miss Marion Day Mullins

8-20-1846	James Chambers	Mary Smith
9-10-1846	John W. Boggs	Margaret E. Ganet
10- 1-1846	William Burns	Matilda F. Wilson
9- 2-1846	Fielding Dorson	Nancy Smelser
12- 3-1846	David Wall	Nancy Bailey
12-15-1846	Franklin W. Davis	Elizabeth Myers
2-25-1846	John Simpson	Mary Lewellen
1-22-1847	James Thomas	Tansy McIntire
10- 4-1847	Andrew J. Johnson	Sarah A. Boggs
10-10-1846	Elias Underwood	Malisia Chadwell
6-27-1847	John R. Bean	Jane Mitchell
6-20-1847	Hillard Jennings	Nancy Hendrix
4-27-1847	Addison D. Kendall	Sarah M. South
7-26-1847	Solomon Huffstatter	Patsy Middleton
8- 5-1849	Moton Watson	Rachel C. Harris
9- 9-1847	David Harbolt	Sintha Hendrix
9- 9-1847	Thomas Cassody	Emiline Martin
12- 9-1847	W.T. Lankford	Martha Clark
1-21-1848	Jesse Smith	Jane Sacket
1-30-1848	Robert J. Scott	Elizabeth Worley
2-24-1848	Hugh Cowans	Melvina Jones
4- 5-1848	John F. Hickson	Perecinder Jennings
4-14-1848	Michael French	Lucinda Fisher
6- 8-1848	David Fittsgereld	Mary Jane Fleming
7- 3-1848	David Sackett	Anne Strong
7-13-1848	Enos Coonrod	Matinda Moody
7-13-1848	William M. Savage	Louela Fitch
7-26-1848	Samuel Inman	Martha Carter
7-26-1848	David Cunningham	Lucinda Jane Devard
8- 1-1848	Daniel Montague	Jane Shannon
9-10-1848	James B. Shannon	Tabitha Randolph
10-19-1848	Richard Corn	Mary A., Fitch
11-22-1848	Robert Wheelock	Emily Shannon
11-12-1848	Samuel B. Savage	Elizabeth I. Maddox
11-20-1848	Able H. Drake	Sarah Blagg
12-11-1848	Henry Slack	Susan Evans
12-14-1848	John A. Fitch	Mary J. Scott
12-27-1848	Nicholas Farrens	Margaret Steel
12-31-1848	L. M. Boyd	Mary R. Williams
12-30-1848	William Martin	Ursula Gibson

2- 1-1849	Thos. G. Murphy	Mary F. Suttonfield
3-10-1849	William Teel	Fanny Underwood
2-27-1849	James Hambleton	Elizabeth A. Vanslyke
4-22-1849	Joshua Gorham	Lucinda Worley
6-29-1849	Samuel Blagg	Emeline Jennings
4-22-1849	James Jennings	Sarah Jane Nessers
4-22-1849	John A. Burns	Lucinda F. Jennings
5-19-1849	William Boyles	Elizabeth West
6-27-1849	Jeptha S. Burns	Amanda V. Baron or Bacon
7- 8-1849	Hardy Martin	Lucretia Johnson
7-15-1849	Alfred Stinson	Amelia Chandler
7-19-1898	Jesse Thomas	Louisa West
7-26-1849	Benjamin F. Savage	Martha D. Pitman
8- 9-1849	Ware Bangs	Tennessee Juell
8-20-1849	Isaac V. Stark	Amanda F. Despain
9- 8-1849	M. L. McKinney	Emilie Cartwright
9-19-1849	B. W. Taylor	Catharine C. Dugan
9-24-1849	Henry Marshall	Elizabeth Walker
12-27-1849	Fleming P. Jenning	Caroline Jewell
12-30-1849	Thomas K. Carmack	Matilda L. Maddox
1-12-1850	Calvin S. Shoate	Charlotte Love
1-24-1850	James M. Hambright	Rachel Adams
1-29-1850	Elijah Skidmore	Lydia Louisa Vanslyke
2- 3-1850	Uriah Burns	Nancy Thompson
4- 6-1850	James W. Savage	Charity Verton
2-28-1850	Solomon E. Adams	Artimicia Emeline Smith
2-28-1850	Mitchell P. West	Lilla Stanley
6- 9-1850	John Shields	Martha Allington
6-27-1850	Josiah Watson	Cinthia C. Harris
7-11-1849	Ethelbert S. Harris	Jane Bailey
7-27-1850	G. A. Crimer	Matilda Love
8-18-1850	John A. Cantwell	Mary Catherine Henderson
9- 8-1850	William Alred	Frances Washburn
8-29-1850	Ruben Martin	Harriett Johnson
9-12-1850	Johiel M. Fox	Lydia E. Marriott
9-26-1850	Thomas Jackson	Mary Elizabeth Brown
9-26-1850	Charles C. Quillin	Teresea Hartzog
10-13-1850	R. E. Butridge	Mary Susan Watson
10-28-1850	James H. Hathaway	Mary Jane Lackey
11- 7-1850	John T. Hill	Nancy E. White
11-14-1850	William E. Adams	Margaret Willoughby
12-10-1850	George Lackey	Nancy Francis
12-15-1850	William Colwell	Barbary McMintry
1-23-1851	Thomas George	Rebecca Rucker
1-23-1851	Joseph Mathews	Laviona Milam
2-13-1851	J. Brooke	Nancy C. Chaffin
3- 5-1851	Robert Savage	Elizabeth Stephens
3- 8-1851	William S. Burns	Mrs. Letty King
4-20-1851	G. W. Todd	Dyena Smith
3-20-1851	William J. Stephen	Polly Vernon

4- 6-1851	William Warden	Martha Stephens
4-27-1851	Francis N. Hackney	Adaline Deaver
5- 8-1851	James Langley	Martha Jackson
6- 2-1851	S. Cotril	Sirene Deaver
6- 3-1851	Jno. William Francis	Sarah Jane Williams
7- 3-1851	Prior L. Langford	Mary Ann Merideth
7- 3-1851	Silas Martin	Martha Jane Foster
6-14-1851	Nicholas J. Thomas	Margaret Simmons
6-15-1851	Pleasant Thompson	Sarah Ann Hamilton
6-15-1851	<i>Samuel Gilman</i>	<i>Susan Day</i>
6-29-1851	James Brown	Sarah J. Stanley
7-17-1851	James Turley	Mary Ann Edwards
7- 2-1851	William T. Ewing	Mary E. Shipp
9-28-1851	Thomas Walker	Rachel Caroline Mathews
10-16-1851	Uel D. Fox	Margaret Jane Osburn
10-30-1851	James H. Willis	Elvira Jones
11- 9-1851	Oliver Scot	Oma C. Coffee
12- 2-1851	John P. Dunn	Nancy Jewell
12-25-1851	Jacob A. Day	Amanda Barnett
12-30-1851	Oral Nichols	Sunny Boren
12-28-1851	Washington Pierce	Barbary McClelland
12-18-1851	Aaron Haning	Sarah Francis White
1- 8-1852	Eli Coffee	Eliza Ann Huffstutler
1-17-1852	Wm. C. DeShane	Amanda Turley
1-26-1852	Charles Gilman	Sarah L. Martin
2-12-1852	Daniel Swank	Elizabeth Jones
2-16-1852	Robert McFarlin	Martha Mayse
2-12-1852	James E. Berry	Sarah S. Montgomery
2-26-1852	Leonard Reed	Mahala Lewis
3-16-1852	Sylvanus G. Echols	Lucinda L. Boren
3-14-1852	Erasmus G. Brewer	Lucinda J. Clements
3-22-1852	<i>John Temple</i>	Susanah Colbert
4-18-1852	Henry H. Waldrum	Isabella Ann Maddox
4-19-1852	Chas. J. Brashers	Lezerand Fulson
4-27-1852	Thomas H. Howeth	Sarah Eliz. Southwood
5-16-1852	Daniel Jackson	Lydia J. Warwick
5-16-1852	Henry Colbert	Louisa Kemp
4-25-1852	Wm. L. Gooch	Manerva Pope
7-15-1852	Wm. Mathews	Emily Caroline Griggs
6-29-1852	Robert Watts	Lucretia Boirun
7-15-1852	Jno. S. Shackelford	Elizabeth A. Scott
8- 1-1852	Abraham Coots	Mary Fox
8- 5-1852	John Blundell	Caroline M. Campbell
8-22-1852	Alexander Wilson	Tabitha Fox
9-13-1852	Stephen Bell	Mary Baggett
9-16-1852	Thos. J. McDonald	Mary J. Faulkner
9-16-1852	Wm. Montgomery	Martha E. Faulkner
9-16-1852	James Morrow	Sarah Ann Lackey
9-14-1852	Isaac G. Herod	Martha Ann Blue

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10-13-1852	R. J. Wright	Sarah Ann Petty
11- 4-1852	Robt. Miscall	Eliz. Pitman
12-27-1852	A. H. Shirley	Loisa J. Watson
10- 7-1852	George W. River	Susan Kirkland
10-17-1852	Walter J. Gardenshire	Elender Garrison
11-11-1852	Wm. Pitman	Emily Jane Wheeler
10-20-1852	Lindsey Parrisons	Sarah A. Blair
12-17-1852	Wm. Haston	Jane Cauhorn
12-22-1852	W. W. Hampton	Angelina Petty
12-25-1852	Martin Ritez	Lorene Sinco
12-29-1852	Franklin Richards	Julia A. Shannon
1-14-1853	Wm. A. Garrison	Ellen A. Walker
12-15-1852	John Chronister	Eliz. Devault
12-30-1853	John C. Hanna	Harriet Steel
12-23-1852	Jas. C. Southwood	Martha E. Caler
1- 2-1853	Augustine Y. Bone	Louisa Atchison
12- 5-1852	Rufus K. Wilburn	Eliz. Miller
9- 9-1852	George H. Montgomery	Sarah A Allin
1 -1-1853	Thomas C. Spain	Jemima Ann Miller
7- 7-1853	Wm. C. Drake	Sarah Eliz. Murrey
2-21-1853	Richard D. Glover	Elizabeth Lankford
2-25-1853	William Lewis	Sarah Clements
3-14-1853	James Smith	Sarah Glover
2- 3-1853	Henry Camron	Permila Newton
4-28-1853	Samuel Watson	Martha H. Cartwright
4-14-1853	W. H. Copage	Amy Vititow
11-23-1852	Lewis Newton	Winna Savage
3-16-1853	Charles Wantland	Lucy Ann Jennings
3-19-1853	Luis O. Love	Melinda A. Snodgrass
6- 3-1853	Alfred Gordon	Phebe Jane Clark
6- 9-1853	Thomas Lemons	Keziah Pierce
3-22-1853	John L. Ash	Caroline Ross
8- 7-1853	Geo. W. McGlothin	Dorinda S. Reeves
5-12-1853	Wm. T. (or P.) Head	Nancy C. Ray
3-31-1853	John Pope	Hannah Carpenter
7- 9-1853	Jno. W. Petty	Elizabeth Blar
5-12-1853	John Watson	Lucy Ann Watson
6- 7-1853	P. B. Beckham	Margay J. Rousland
7-11-1853	Cyrus J. Grigsby	Margaret Crager
5-23-1983	Andrew Blevings	Nancy Ward (Mrs.)
7- 1-1853	James Duncan	Mary Jane Henry
3-13-1853	Geo. Augustus Dickerman	Mary Jane Henry
6- 9-1853	Austin W. Groves	Lucretia Thompson
6-13-1853	Jno. M. Long	Isabella H. McClain
6-16-1853	Thomas Elliott	Mary Jane Maxey
3-31-1853	Thomas Jennings	Elizabeth Hendrix
5- 9-1853	Ervin Curtis	Mary Rachels
5-16-1853	Richard T. Cobb	Mary Elen Gooding

8-30-1854	Wesley W. Bradley	Nancy Reeves
10-15-1853	Algernon S. Steel	California Bragdon
12- 5-1853	Wm. A. Arnet	Martha Atkins
11- 8-1857	James Simmons	Sally Simmons
9-11-1855	Solomon Wells	Martha E. Stevenson
11-15-1857	George H. Sutton	Sarah Dowday
11-15-1858	Wm. E. Stephens	Martha Emily Pagett
2- 3-1858	Milton S. Christian	Nancy C. White
3-22-1857	Wm. J. Walllance	Isabela Smoot
3-22-1858	J. F. M. Myers	Mary Ann Bunch
1-21-1858	J. N. Steel	S. J. Morgan
4-27-1858	John James	Catherine TEas
5-26-1858	Wm. P. Williams	Elvira A. Stratton
5-28-1858	James Saunders	Elizabeth Hobbs
6- 1-1858	Joquin Cradrass	Nancy Jane Donahoo
1-10-1858	Wm. A. Dupuy	Violet L. Gilliam
2-18-1858	Jas. W. Giddens	Martha J. Creager
1-28-1858	Daniel Swank	Louisa Walker
3-25-1858	Richard Webb	Martha Jane Moore
6-16-1858	Natl Ferguson	Louisa J. Griffith
5-27-1858	Wm. F. Miller	Elizabeth Critenden
4-28-1858	Richard G. Hall	Susannah M. McDonald
12- 2-1858	Solomon Allred	Mary W. Myers
12-31-1856	Benjamin F. Rodman	Mary A. Penn
1-28-1858	Wilson Dickerson	Mary Willis
10-21-1857	J. F. Babb	Mary Caroline Davis
7- 9-1858	Jesse J. Allred	Rhody Jane Hericod
12-24-1857	Marion Stanley	Malinda M. Blue
12-22-1856	Alexander M. King	M. L. Collins
12-10-1857	Thomas Morris	Lucinda Fagal
5-20-1858	Wm. G. Walker	Nancy Holbrooks
2- 9-1858	Emanuel P. Pearce	Elizabeth Brown
7-18-1857	Wm. M. Wells	Ornida Adams
10-28-1857	Carter Shipp	Malinda Dumar
5-10-1857	George A. Dickerman	Winnifred W. Morris
9- 2-1857	Wm. J. Stovall	Tabitha D. Burleson
1-22-1857	James M. Lewis	Sarah Maddox
12-17-1857	J. M. Kelly	Margaret A. McKinney
6- 7-1858	Thomas B. Boggs	Charity A. Rhodes
4-15-1858	James H. Clark	Mary C. Richards
11-12-1858	Wm. G. Reynolds	Mary Hopson
9-24-1857	M. A. Sapington	Albany S. Parr
10-12-1856	John Wafford	Sally K. Hinton
9-19-1855	J. H. Dupree	Mary Rogers
11-12-1857	Edward Williams	Cordelia F. Aston

Editor's Note: The Grayson County marriages are a part of the Marion Day Mullins Marriage Record Collection and will continue in the next issue of *Footprints*.

BOOK REVIEW

CLARKE'S KINDRED GENEALOGIES: A Genealogical History of Certain Descendants of Joseph Clarke, Dorchester, 1630; Denice Darling, Braintree, 1652; Edward Gray, Plymouth, 1643; and William Horne, Dover, 1659; and Sketches of the Orne (Horne), Pynchon, and Downing Families, by Augustus Peck Clarke, A.M., M. D., of Cambridge, Mass., Member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, Cambridge, Mass, The Harvard Printing Company 1896. Reprint by Higginson Book Co., 14 Derby Square, Salem MA 01970; paper cover, 175 pp., index, \$16.50 plus \$1.50 postage.

This is another rare book made available through the Higginson reprint program. In addition to Clarke, other genealogies are included as above listed. Quite a bit of space is devoted to the origin of the name of Clarke in England.

This book has been placed in the Fort Worth Public Library, and the Society thanks the donor for its generosity.

THE SEARCH FOR WEST MOSLEY/MOSELEY AND HIS DESCENDANTS by Mrs. Leonard Mosley, Drawer J, Clyde, Texas 79510, has been placed in the Fort Worth Public Library by the author. She says that three of West Mosley's great-grandsons came to the Delta-Lamar Counties area in 1900, and the book concerns their families.

The sink is filled with dishes
 The silverware's turned green
 The sloppy bed turns a roach's head--
 he runs away and screams.

And underneath the newspapers--
 If you will give it a tug
 You'll shockingly discover
 Your floor DOES have a rug.

If you go into the living room
 Be careful! All around
 it's safe enough to stand right still
 but heavens don't sit down.

The place has gotten out of hand
 I couldn't keep it neat
 But --there's rejoicing in a far off place
 Great Grandparent's RECORDS ARE COMPLETE.

ANONYMOUS

QUERIES

Edited by Merle Ganier

TULK, LEMON, KORRAL

My great-grandparents, William M. and Lucinda Tulk and their four children are on the 1860 census in Coffee County, Kansas, Burlington Postoffice, in 1880. William M., oldest daughter Louella, and youngest son James W. are in Kimble County, Texas, census. Louella is married to Paschall Lemon. What became of Lucinda, oldest son W. M., and youngest daughter Mary W.? Also Melissa 9, and Samuel 8, Tulk are shown in the household of Thomas and Cloretta Korral on the 1870 Coffey County, Kansas census, Postoffice Ottumwa. Do these children belong to William M. and Lucinda Tulk?

Sam Tracy, 1919 N. Canal, Carlsbad NM 88220

WORRELL, CREWS, TAYLOR, REED

\$100.00 reward for first proof of parents of Bryant Worrell, born 1790 in North Carolina. He had a son, Rev. John Durant Worrell, Sr., (1817-1888), a Methodist preacher in Alabama, who married Jane Crews in Alabama 1847. They came to Texas about 1872, and some of their children (raised about Camp San Saba in McCulloch County, Texas) were: J.S., J.D., Francis, Laura married Taylor, and M.J. (female) married Reed. I am a descendant of Kinchen T. Worrell (1822-1902), a brother of the respected preacher. Now Peter Worrell arrived with William Penn (Pennsylvania) in 1682, but I need help to get beyond 1790. Maybe someone has that old Worrell family Bible.

Arthur A. Worrell, 208 W. Woodlawn, San Antonio TX 78212

ANDERSON, SHIELDS, LOWTHER, MORRIS, SIMMONS

Seeking names of parents of Penelope Anderson, born 16 April 1815, Twiggs County, Georgia; died 4 April 1881, Hunt County, Texas; married John Franklin Shields, 22 December 1836, Troy, Pike County, Alabama. Family came to Texas in 1868, settled near White Rock, Hunt County. Issue: Starling, James, William Robert, Thomas Johnson, Josiah P., Augustus, John Franklin (1853 Alabama-1910 Texas), Jack Robinson, Shadrack A.

Need names of parents and sibling data for John Franklin Shields, born 4 November 1814, Georgia, died April 1888, Hunt County, Texas; married to Penelope Anderson, 22 December 1836, Troy, Pike County, Alabama. In 1862 was constable of Troy; family moved to Hunt County, Texas by 1868. They had nine sons, including John Franklin (1853 Alabama-1910 Texas).

Seeking birth and parent data for Joseph Morris, born 2 January

1824, Georgia, possibly DeKalb County; died 23 September 1892, Hunt County, Texas; married 18 May 1841, Georgia, to Martha Jane Simmons. Removed to northeast Texas ca 1843; family living in Titus County in 1850.

Sandra Sue Lowther, 3855 Country Club, Lewiston ID 83501

JAMES, HITTSON, RENTFRO, MCMURTRY

My great-great-grandfather, William James, came with his wife and small children to the Republic of Texas with the Peter's Colony. His daughter, Eliza Jane, married William Daniel Hittson, and later lived in Denton County at Pilot Point.

Eliza's brother, Thomas B. James (my great uncle), was Sheriff of Tarrant County in the reconstruction days. The Jameses also owned saloons, one of which was the Board of Trade Saloon. I have numerous entries of Thomas B. as sheriff from the quarterly FOOTPRINTS and the like. Their brother, William was the Grand Marshal of the Masons, and I have found some nice articles, plus a beautiful bearded picture, of him in Fort Worth newspapers.

I would be interested in anything that might afford me more information on my James family. They were a colorful lot and I plan to write a book about them in the near future. Their cow pasture was supposed to have been the area that is now the Union Depot. Their mother, Jane Rentfro James, and some of the relatives are buried in the Old Birdville Cemetery, which I visited last summer. These entries are listed in the Lonesome Dove Cemetery book.

Barbara Ann Hittson Skopeck, 33712 Surfside Drive, Dana Point CA 92629

TANKERSLEY

Searching for information on the surname Tankersley. All information is of interest, as well as anyone who has searched for Tankersleys.

R. R. Tankersley, 210 W. Phillips Ct., Grand Prairie TX 75051

SARVAY

Ardell R. Sarvay, born 19 February 1870, Wilna, Jefferson County, New York, died Fort Worth 3 July 1889 of typhoid fever. Burial was in Natural Bridge, N. Y. Searching for additional information regarding him, such as church affiliation, obituary, employment. He had been in Fort Worth since March 1889, and presumably was unmarried. I think his parents were Unitarians or Congregationalists.

Merton E. Sarvay, 773 Dartmoor Dr., Crystal Lake IL 60014

DOLLINS, MOBERLY, MARSHALL, FARMER, VAUGHT, BAUGH, CARMICHAEL, GULLY, TINSLEY, CRABTREE, WALLACE, SAMUELS, JONES, NEWHOUSE, SLACK, HARRISON

William Dollins married Nancy Moberly 4 February 1827, Madison Co., Kentucky. Benjamin F. Dollins married Sarah F. Marshall 9 September 1853, Lincoln Co., Kentucky. Charles Marshall married Clarissa Farmer 6 November 1821, Lincoln Co., Kentucky. John Franklin Dollins married Sarah Vaught 30 July 2875, Madison County, Kentucky. Jeremiah Vaught married Sally Ann Carmichael 12 April 1838, Pulaski County, Kentucky. Henry Vaught married Esther Baugh 28 July 1795, Pulaski County, Kentucky. John F. Tinsley born 1826, Jackson County, Tennessee. James William Gully, born 1844, Knox County, Tennessee, married Tennessee Tinsley, born 24 November 1849, Jackson County, Tennessee. John Martin Crabtree married Mary Caroline Jones 1 July 1848 in Sulphur Springs, Virginia, moved to Texas, died and is buried Dallas, Texas. Alexander Wallace, born 15 November 1833, Charleston, West Virginia, married Eveline Newhouse, born 22 October 1833, Sissonville, West Virginia. Alexander Wallace, born in Scotland, married Agnes Harrison (parents of Alexander Wallace above). Greenberry Samuels, born 15 April 1776, married Ester Slack, born 12 March 1784, died Sissonville, West Virginia, March 1800. Rachael Samuels, born 14 September 1812, married Edmond Newhouse, born 14 September 1809, Kanawha County, West Virginia.

Carol Dean Crabtree Peacock, 1801 6th Ave., Fort Worth TX 76110

DUNAWAY, BARR, SANDY

Looking for an old Bible that belonged to Grace Maude Dunaway Barr Sandy and a letter that was in it. She died Roanoke, Texas, 1951.

Mrs. LaHonda Barr Sanders, 3514 - 84th, Lubbock TX 79423

CARLIN, WHALEN

Looking for any information about William Worth and Nell Beatrice Whalen Carlin, and their two children, William Worth, Jr., and Anita. Lived in Ranger, Texas, in early 1930s. Willing to share my information about other Carlins.

Francis L. Fowler, 1401 Constitution Ave., Fort Collins CO 80521

KING, DEATON

Need information on Joseph Milton "Tobe" King, born 1853, Atlanta, Georgia; married Emma Charlotte Deaton 17 August 1884, Hamilton County, Texas. Living 1900-1910 Eastland County, Texas, according to census. Where was he between Georgia and Hamilton

County? Ten children. Joseph and Emma are buried in Corinth Cemetery, Eastland County, Texas.

Christine Leach-Partain, 4505 Vance Road, Fort Worth TX 76180-8161

BROWN, HALL, KNIGHT, LIPSEY, PEACOCK, SCOT(T)

Need information on John W. Brown family, Bedford County, Tennessee; John Hall, Limestone County, Texas; Moses T. Knight and Family, Georgia, Alabama, Texas; Wesley Lipsey of South Carolina and Limestone County, Texas; Arnold Peacock and Family, Barnwell County, South Carolina, Pike County, Alabama, Smith and Van Zandt Counties, Texas; John F. Scot(t), South Carolina and Texas.

Donald L. Peacock, 1801 6th Ave., Fort Worth TX 76110

KNIGHT, MOONEYHAM, MONNAHAM, THOMAS, MARSH

Looking for information on Joseph Wesley Knight, Martha Mooneyham (or Monnaham?). Willie Knight, my grandmother, was married 1903, Paris, Lamar County, Texas to James Alfred Thomas. Searching for records on William W. Thomas who was married to Mary Ann (Annie) Marsh. Also Doc, Emmitt, Dale, Addie, Minnie, Cohen and Robert Gabriel Thomas.

Ms. Lee Thomas, 320 Hobbs Ln, Santa Maria CA 93455

FIELDS, HERRIN, ELLIOTT, WILLIAMS

Would like to correspond with anyone researching or having information on William Fields. He married Kiziah Herrin 16 November, 1848. The 1850 Rusk County, Texas, census lists William and Kiziah living near William and Polly Elliott. William received land under Thomas Williams' will. Masonic records indicate he died 31 August 1868 in Panola County, Texas. Who were his parents?

Anita Adler, 3604 Falcon Drive, Fort Worth TX 76119

NEWSOM, TEAGUE, HUTCHEN, DESSETT, HOLLOWAY, ABERCROMBIE, SCOTT

Seeking information or parents of John Henry Newsom, born May 1853 in Louisiana; moved to Lee County, Texas, and married Sarah C. (Sallie) Teague on August 15, 1874. John died August 23, 1926, and Sallie died February 11, 1947, both in Quanah, Hardeman, Texas. I believe John's father was D. B. (Ben) Newsom born in Virginia, but I can't find anything else. Would appreciate any and all leads. Will exchange.

Need birthdates and birthplaces of following Hutchen sisters (ca

1870-1880): Eunice married Newsom; Zora married Dessett; Ora married Holloway; Grace married Abercrombie; Mae married Scott.

Nellie Newsome, 3032 Mary Boaz, Fort Worth TX 76118

THOMAS, SPARR

Would like to hear from anyone who has Thomas ancestors from Alabama who settled in Texas early 1900-1910. Manley M. Thomas, born Alabama 1880, married Mary Magdaline?. Mary died 7 November 1906, Dallas, Texas, and Manley married Mollie Sparr about 1907 and had one child, Alice. Manley and Mary had three children, James Willie, and Lester M.(my father). What happened to the brothers and sister?

Would also like to exchange research with anyone who needs re-search done in Oregon. I have access to many records here in Portland and have been doing genealogy for 20 years.

Barbara Fazzolari, 13929 NE Russell, Portland OR 97230

CLARK, GARDENHIRE, DAVIDSON, MCMILLIN

Need birth date, birthplace and names of parents of a Clark who married Sarah Jane (Sally) Gardenhire. She was born 1854 in Kaufman County, Texas, to Jacob and Susanah Davidson Gardenhire. The Clarks may have lived in Dixie, Oklahoma.

Need birth date, birthplace and names of parents of Mark L. Clark, who married Mary Gardenhire, born 1848 Tennessee. She was the daughter of Erasmus Lee and Mary McMillin Gardenhire.

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ORR

Trying to get some information on Mrs. Edith Orr and her family. Part of the children lived in Tarrant County some time around 1880. Their names were: Joseph, Aquilla, Sherman, Elizabeth, Harrison Lee, David and John.

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MEGLASSON, BORDNER

Seeking information on the family of G. M. Meglasson who lived in Cisco, Texas, and the family of Mrs. Bordner of Iredell, Texas. Would like to correspond with any of these families who may be still in these areas.

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CLARK, YOUNG, FRANKLIN

Researching my ancestor, Littleberry Clark, born ca 1803 presumably in South Carolina, who married (2) Nancy (Young) Franklin ca 1846 in Alabama (?). They came to Harrison County, Texas, by October 22, 1847, and lived near Ashspring. He died in the 1850's. He was married, with a boy and girl under 5, in Carrol County, Georgia, according to the 1830 census. Any further information about him will be appreciated very much.

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KEY, JENNINGS

Need information on the Key and Jennings family from Vigo Park, Happy, Wayside, or Tulia, Texas. My grandfathers were George Stanley Key and Leroy P. Jennings. Any help would be appreciated.

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MCCOWN, RUNDELL, MALONE

Looking for name of the first husband and parents of Lula Jane Malone, mother of Drury and Lula. Ms. Malone married my g-grandfather, Andrew Jackson McCown, in 1881. Also need information on the surname Rundell. Etta McCown married Thomas Rundell in Texas. She is the daughter of Lula Jane McCown.

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FORE

In the 1910 Kent County, Texas federal census the following family is listed: George F. Fore, born 1861, Texas; Ida M. 1880, Arkansas; Myrtle J. 1899, Texas; Ruby E. 1901, Texas, William L., 1903, Texas; Loys C. 1905, Texas; Calvin B. 1909, Texas. Would like to correspond with anyone who has information on any or all of this family.

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Now is the time to send in your query for the next issue.

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