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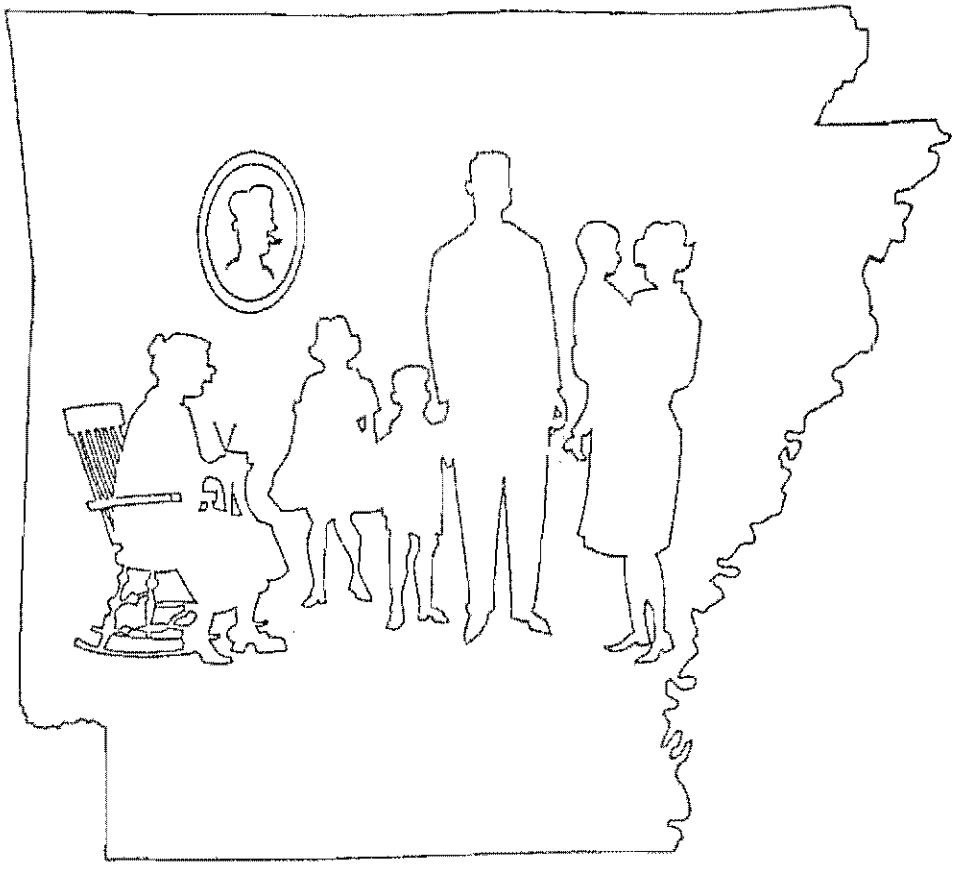

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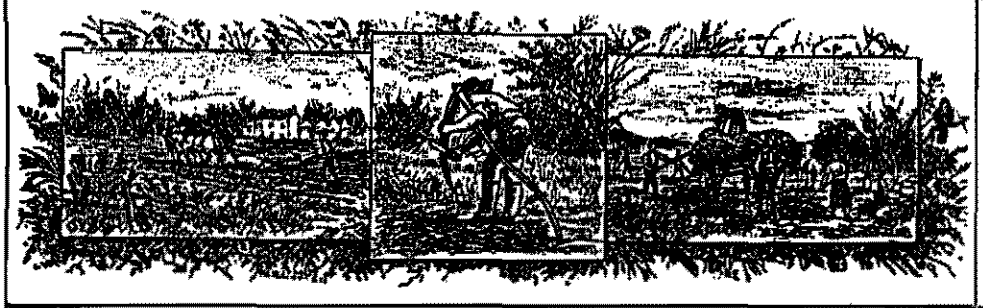

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

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This year promises to be an exciting one for the Arkansas Genealogical Society as we will celebrate our twenty-fifth anniversary. Some plans are all ready under way for special issues of The Arkansas Family Historian, including a possible re-print of the first issue of the quarterly. The Board will also consider establishing a special speaker's group to give beginning genealogy seminars for local societies during this special year. If you have ideas about celebrating our silver anniversary, please contact me or one of our other Board members. We always need your ideas, help and comments.

As many of you know, the 1988 National Genealogical Society's Conference in the States will be held in Gulfport, Mississippi. I would like to see Arkansas represented by a large delegation and would like for us to have a booth of Arkansas materials in the exhibition hall. We need to start planning now for this event. If you or your group have materials that you would like displayed, please contact A.G.S. so that if we are able to secure an exhibit booth we will know how much space will be necessary. If you plan to attend this conference, we would also like to know so that plans might also possibly be made for an Arkansas "reunion."

Please remember also that nominations are needed for the annual Genealogy-in-Media award. If your local paper, radio or television station has done a good job of presenting something of interest to genealogists, please nominate them.

Jan Eddleman

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AN HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL ACCOUNT OF BAXTER COUNTY, ARKANSAS

by Mary Ann Messick

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article, written specifically for the AGS by the author, is based on material found in Miss Messick's superb book, The History of Baxter County, 1873-1973, now in its second printing, as well as an article she has written for "Heritage Keepsakes" earlier this year. Portions have appeared in a sesquicentennial publication for Baxter County.

Baxter County is located mid-center of the northern line of Arkansas counties bordering Missouri. The area was first owned by France, then Spain, then back to France, and it was part of the Louisiana Territory purchased by President Thomas Jefferson in 1803. As far as we know, explorers with Hernando DeSoto's Grande Conquistadores were the first white men to traverse the area that is now Baxter County. Sometime in the year 1541 they crossed the White River, near the mouth of Bruce Creek, about 10 miles downstream from present-day Bull Shoals Dam. An overgrown slag pile near their diggings for silver is mute evidence of the visit, along with an inevitable story of a lost Spanish treasure in one of the many caves that pockmark the bluffs along White River... a treasure said to be guarded by the skeleton of a Spanish soldier still wearing a rusty helmet and breastplate, his bony fingers wrapped around a Spanish bayonet.

But ere the Conquistadores came, Baxter County was home to several tribes of Indians, among them the Delawares, Shawnees, Cherokees, Kickapoos, Quapaws and the Buffalo River tribe. Before these were the Bluff Dwellers, located along the White and Norfork rivers. Near the mouth of Bruce Creek is a long river field, still known as Turkey Bottom. Early settlers found the bluffs there so full of turkeys that the bottom would be completely covered when the big birds came down to feed and drink; these flocks were remnants of the turkeys domesticated by the Bluff Dwellers. Much has been learned of these Bluff Dwellers from diggings in their shelters. Remains of their ceremonial robes have been found, woven from turkey-down, kernels of Indian corn, and squash and pumpkin seeds -- all dried and preserved so well that when planted today, they still grow seedlings. And before the Bluff Dwellers were the Mound Builders, who later Indians referred to as the "moon-eyed" people. Like the Bluff Dwellers, the Mound Builders arrived and left Baxter County under mysterious circumstances, leaving us to wonder, "Who were they?", "Where did they come from?", and "Where did they go?"

With the Louisiana Purchase, this part of Arkansas became known as the Territory of Missouri, District of Arkansas. Settlers began to push through the lush green mountains lying west of the Mississippi River. To protect the Indians living in this territory and the Indians who would be transplanted from the Eastern seaboard, President Jefferson in 1809 appointed Major Jacob Wolf of Bowling Green, Kentucky, as Indian agent to the Arkansas Cherokee Nation. In 1810 Major Wolf and a large group of slaves poled a flatboat up the White River to the mouth of the river's "Great North Fork." At this time, the white population of the District of Arkansas (almost the entire present state) was 1,062. Some dispute has arisen as to the date Major Wolf actually built his famous double-log house: some say it was built as early as 1811, while others give the date

as late as 1828... not that it really matters! Wolf's majestic log mansion still stands today -- as impressive and beautiful now as it must have been to the weary travelers who rested there 150 years ago on their way north and west.

Besides the Indian Agency, Major Wolf had a trading post, a blacksmith shop, an inn, and a post office at the Wolf House. He was married three times and fathered 16 children; all but the oldest were born there. The first court ever held in what is now Baxter County was held in the upper rooms at the Wolf House in 1825, and there is evidence that court may have been held there as early as 1811. The settlement was known then as Liberty, rather than Norfork as it now is, and it was the social, commercial, cultural and religious center of northern Arkansas and southern Missouri. Protracted camp meetings were held there for weeks at a time after the crops were laid by. Major Wolf died in 1863, and the old house passed through some hard times before it was purchased by the citizens of Norfork and restored as a museum. During the nation's bicentennial, the Wolf House was refurnished in the period of Major Wolf's own life, and today it is open for tours during the summer months... it is located on state hwy. 5, on the southern border of present-day Baxter County.

According to an article in The Baxter County Citizen, dated July 1891, the following families were listed as early settlers in Baxter County -- many coming here while Arkansas was still a Territory:

Jacob Wolf, Sr.
Michael Wolf (Jacob's father)
John A. Beck
Peter Adams
Joseph Adams
Robert Livingston
John Stone
James Tracey
Jesse Mooney
Issac Mooney
John Hargraves, Sr.
Fielding Herron
Geo. Goodal
W. L. Shipp
Joseph Webber
James Cockrum
Elisha Smothers
William Wesley
Mart Green
James Littlefield
James James
James Duggins
John Painter
David Jackson
N. G. Tracey
Rev. V. B. Tate
W. B. Goforth
Calvin Luther
Wiley Brewer
Robert Carson
Henry Lance
John Fletcher
Hiram Wells
Denis Hawkins
Noah Baker
Wilburn Baker
Perry Tucker
Col. R. D. Casey
Col. O. L. Dodd
T. Y. Casey
Judge Russell
Dr. J. M. Casey
Dr. J. H. P. Wallis
Prof. J. S. Howard
Prof. A. J. Truman
Hugh Calhoun
Dr. John E. Marler
William H. Alley
William L. Aylor
Asa Baker
A. G. Byler
Dr. James R. Caststeel

R. W. Tate	Hugh Conley
William Kasinger	Richard Covington
Charlie Finley, Sr.	William Cranfill
Dick Hutchinson	Byrd Deatherage
William Rimm	James Fisk
John Jenkins	Henry Fletcher
Joel Sinor	Tom Hamilton
John Megee	James H. Heiskill
Stephen Norris	Berry Hudson
Dr. Frizelle	Mart Ivens
T. T. Travis	John J. Kelley
Dale McCormack	Abe Kemp
David Robertson	Henry Knight
Allen Bagwell	J. H. Lewis
Col. Morgan	N. Lamb
J. T. McCrackin	Bradford Martin
Dan Anglin	James McNeil
J. M. Schoggen	Bailey Schoggen

About the same time that Jacob Wolf came from Kentucky, another Jacob -- James "Jacob" Mooney -- came from Tennessee. Mooney opened a trading post about four miles above present-day Cotter, where the Valley-Fly-In airport on Rainbow Drive is located today. Mooney also had a whiskey gin and a corn and cotton plantation. Later there was a large race track located there, a steamboat landing, several large warehouses, and a ferry. When steamboats began to ply the White River about 1840, Jesse Mooney came to take over the operation at Mooney's Landing from his father. In 1859, Jesse Mooney and his partner, George Pearson, took their steamboat, the Thomas P. Ray, all the way up White River to the mouth of James River in Missouri. This was the farthest upstream any steamboat, before or after, has gone. On the return trip, the upper decks were decorated with bright flags to celebrate their feat. While there are no physical evidences today of Mooney's Landing, a recent dig at the site turned up broken pottery, china, nails, pearl buttons and a clay pipe which have been scientifically dated to the early 1800s. On August 31, 1986, memorial markers honoring Jacob and Jesse Mooney and Dr. John E. Marler, early day physician who practiced near Mooney's Landing, will be dedicated on Rainbow Drive by members of the Mooney and Marler families who still live in the area.

Among other early pioneers were three brothers in the Talbert family, also spelled Talburt and Talbot -- Ted, Wat and Sim. Ted Talburt made one of the first land entries from Baxter County, traveling overland in 1828 to St. Louis, the nearest land office. He left Chief Johnnycake to watch after his wife and children in his absence; Johnnycake was a popular and well-mannered Delaware who operated a water-powered grist mill on the White River.

Talburt's Ferry, also known as Mooney's Ferry, was the scene of one of the first, if not THE first, battles of the Civil War in Arkansas. The exact date is not known, but early in 1862 there was a minor skirmish at Talburt's Ferry between a Lt. Hickok of the 4th Iowa Cav., U.S.A., and

Col. Schnabel of the C.S.A. The Rebels were on the south side of the river at the powderworks, and Lt. Hickok attempted to commandeer the ferry and force Jesse Mooney, a member of the Marion County Militia, to put his troops across the river so that he could destroy the powderworks. In the ensuing battle, Lt. Hickok was killed, and it was rumored that Mooney bragged that he had the honor of shedding the first Union blood on Arkansas soil.

While there were no major battles in Baxter County, a number of skirmishes were recorded, including one at the Wolf House where a Confederate soldier hidden by the Wolf family was killed by Union soldiers. The Confederate soldier's blood is supposed to be still visible on the steps, and at night he can sometimes be heard moaning in the upper rooms of the house.

The pleasant hamlet of Mountain Home was almost completely destroyed by Union troops and bands of marauding Jayhawkers, also known as bushwhackers and bush buzzards. Col. Orin Dodd's beautiful home, with its stained glass windows and skylights, and the two-storied white building of the Male and Female Academy were burned to the ground. Professor Howard, head of the Academy, had already been taken prisoner by the Union troops and was in a Federal camp at Springfield, Missouri. The gracious country home of Col. Randolph Casey was spared during the war, but ironically was almost destroyed by a tornado that struck Mountain Home in 1985! The Casey House, now almost completely re-restored by the Baxter County Historical Society, stands on the grounds of the Baxter County fairgrounds.

Other early day settlers were "Uncle Bob" Carson at Monkey Run, the Anglin brothers of Gassville and Independence, the Adams and Livingston families at Norfork, the Knight family at Buford, the Sinors, Cunninghams and Caststeels at Buffalo, Bakers and Roses at Big Flat, and the Goforth, Jackson and Rouse families at Arkana. The Hargraves family lived at Wesley's Chapel, west of Mountain Home; one day when they came home from the fields, they found a big black bear had taken up residence in their sleeping loft. Other towns in Baxter County were and are Henderson, Midway, Lakeview and Gamaliel.

Despite the devastation and hardships of the war, veterans from both sides returned to their land (sometimes all they had left was the land), and took up life with renewed work and dedication. By 1873 the area had grown and progressed to the point that the citizens felt they deserved a county of their own. A new county, created out of parts of Marion, Izard, Fulton and Searcy counties, was created by an act of the Arkansas legislature on March 24, 1873, and was named in honor of then-Governor, Elisha Baxter. Mountain Home was named the county seat and on July 7, 1873, the Baxter County court was first held in the little store and post office at the corner of the Casey House. Through the years there were several attempts to move the county seat elsewhere, but in 1914 a third floor was added to the courthouse, stopping the serious efforts to remove the seat of government from the square at Mountain Home. (NOTE: the state law says that no seat of government can be removed from a three-story building!) In later years, there was nonetheless a half-hearted attempt to move the seat to Cotter, and still later during the building of Norfork Dam to the boom town of Salesville or Ellis.

Baxter County has lost three sheriffs in the line of duty: sheriff A. J. Byler, the first man to hold such office, was killed on June 25, 1892, by the young outlaw, Jesse Roper, at the Twiggs ranch south of Mountain Home. It was a direct result of the Denton-Twiggs feud at Gassville, where Roper's uncle, John Twiggs, was killed on Main Street in front of the present post office during a shootout with the Dentons.

Eugene Mooney, the eighth sheriff, was accidentally killed Oct. 5, 1907, on the train at Holdenville, Oklahoma, while bring back prisoner Billie Estes from New Mexico Territory. Mooney started to remove his pistol from his belt so that he could relax, and the weapon went off, mortally wounding the young sheriff. Mooney's brother, Dr. Jesse Mooney, Jr. of Oklahoma, was called to the scene to pronounce his brother dead. He, along with Deputy John Conley, returned the body and the prisoner to Baxter County. Another brother, Leon Mooney, was appointed to fill his term. Leon Mooney saved his salary and went to medical school, later returning to Mountain Home where he practiced medicine for some thirty years.

The 15th man to hold the office of sheriff of Baxter County was Emmett Edmonds, killed in a jailbreak at Mountain Home on May 4, 1968, by Edwin Odus Pittman. Pittman was captured at Cotter 65 hours later, following the biggest manhunt in the county's history. Edmond's widow, Mrs. Pauline Powell Edmonds, was appointed to fill his term; today Mrs. Edmonds is head of the Gassville branch of the First Bank of Mountain Home. The Edmonds' son, Joe, is now sheriff of Baxter County, and Pittman is serving a life sentence without parole in the state penitentiary.

Mountain Home was the scene of a lynching on February 26, 1894, when a mob of armed masked men overpowered sheriff Eatmon and his deputies, and they shot and killed Jasper Newton and Anderson Carter who were in leg chains in the county jail. The two were awaiting trial for the robbery and murder of Hunter Wilson, prominent rancher from the Bayeou country of eastern Baxter County.

But all has not been sad for Baxter County. It is presently the fastest growing county in Arkansas -- thanks to tourism, industry and retirees. Highlights were: 1) the coming of the railroad in 1906 and the dedication of the new town of Cotter in 1905. Cotter was the division point for north- and south-bound trains on the Missouri Pacific lines; the roundhouse and depot at Cotter for many years provided a million dollar-plus payroll for the county. 2) The building of Norfork Dam between 1941 and 1944, and Bull Shoals Dam between 1947 and 1951, provided jobs for hundreds of natives and brought in additional hundreds of workmen. One of Baxter County's proudest moments came on July 2, 1952, when President Harry S. Truman dedicated both giant structures on the overlook at Bull Shoals Dam; a crowd of some 10,000 people attended. At that time so many high government officials were on hand that Baxter County was called by the press, "the little White House."

3) The Mar Bax Shirt Company was established at Gassville in 1960, and Baxter Laboratories came to Mountain Home in the 1970s, giving employment to hundreds from Baxter County and surrounding communities. 4) In the 1980s, we saw the completion and dedication of the Twin Bridges over Lake Norfork, and said goodbye to the "Arkansas Navy" -- the hwy. 62 and hwy. 101 ferryboats that carried us across the shimmering water for a quarter of a century. 5) Professor Howard had returned to Mountain Home following the Civil War and re-opened his famed Male and Female Academy, bigger and better, and it evolved into the Mountain Home College. It was a sad day in the 1930s when Baxter County voters turned down the chance to establish a community college here, but it was a happy time in the 1980s when it was announced that North Arkansas Community College of Harrison and Arkansas State University of Jonesboro would have campuses at Mountain Home. 6) And as Arkansas enters the 151th year, and Baxter County its 113th year, a new highway bridge is rising across White River at Cotter, upstream from the beautiful Marsh Rainbow bridge which was built in the 1930s and can no longer bear the burdens of modern travel. The Rainbow bridge will be preserved as a landmark and a bridge to the past -- even as the new bridge carries us into the future and the 21st century.

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Our sincere thanks to Mary Ann Messick for sharing this article with us, and to Dr. Thomas A. Bruce for submitting it.

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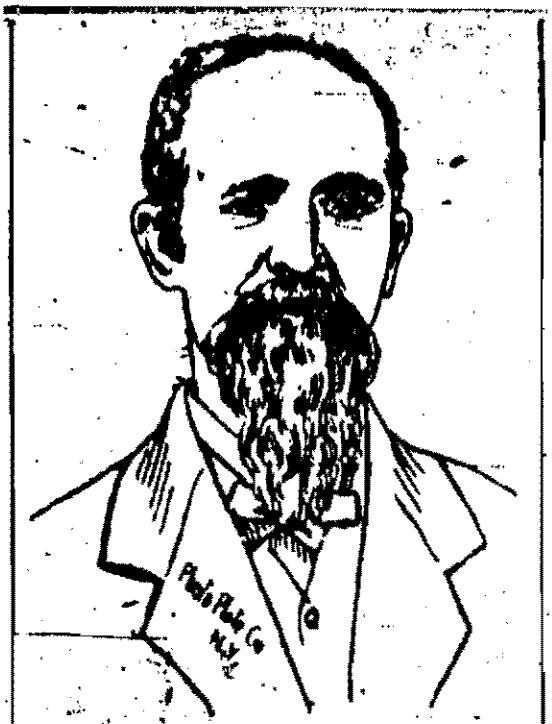
First officials of BAXTER COUNTY and their years of service: John S. RUSSELL, Judge, 1874-1880; C. A. EATMAN, Clerk, 1873-1866; A. G. BYLER, Sheriff, 1873-1884, 1890-1892; J. W. HAGDEY, Treasurer, 1873-May 15, 1875; J. M. WOLF, Coroner, 1873-1876; John JORDAN, Surveyor, 1873-1874; V. B. TATE, Assessor, 1873-1876.

First officials of CHICOT COUNTY and their years of service: W. B. DUNCAN, Judge, 1829-1830; John CLARK, Clerk, 1823-1825; Wm. B. PATTON, Sheriff, 1823-1827; Richard LATTING, Coroner, 1823-1825.

First officials of GREENE COUNTY and their years of service: L. BROOK-FIELD, Judge, 1833-1834; L. THOMPSON, Clerk, 1833-1836; James BROWN, Sheriff, 1833-1834; J. SUFTIN, Coroner, 1833-1835; G. HALL, Surveyor, 1833-1836.

First officials of LEE COUNTY and their years of service: E. L. BLACK, Judge, 1874-1882; M. H. WING, Clerk, 1873-1874; W. H. FURBUSH, Sheriff, 1873-1878; B. B. NUNNALLY, Treasurer, 1873-1880; J. ROBERTS, Coroner, 1873-1874; S. M. WILEY, Surveyor, 1873-1878; Geo. H. W. STUART, Assessor, 1873-1874.

First officials of POINSETT COUNTY and their years of service: Wm. HARRIS, Judge, 1838-1840; Thomas JONES, Clerk, 1838-1840; W. G. ARLEDGE, Sheriff, 1838-1840, Richard HULL, Treasurer, 1838-1840; B. McCANEN, Coroner, 1838-1840.

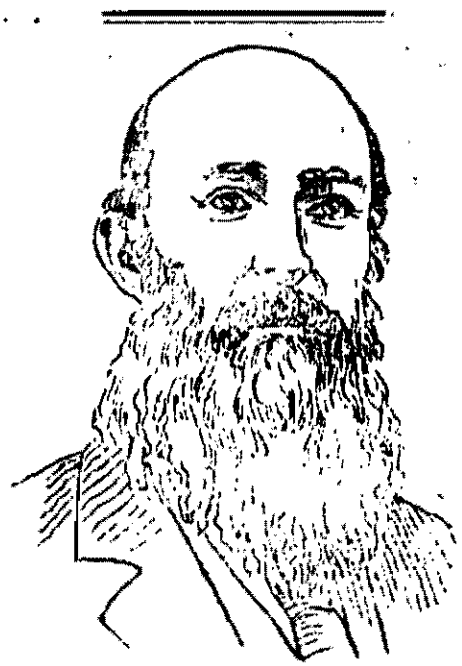


Hon. V. B. Tate, of Baxter County.

The gentleman, whose honest open face appears above, is now in the city, and will be found in the senate, which convenes on Monday next. He is well known in the politics of Arkansas, and stands well with all classes. He first came to the legislature in 1877, serving in the lower house, and being one of the workers on the committee on counties and county lines. So well did he represent his people, that in 1879 he was returned, when he was made chairman of the committee on which he served before. In 1881 he was again in the house, and was chairman of the committee on elections. Again he was returned, and in 1883 served on the committee on federal relations, and was also chairman of the militia committee. His constituency, fully realizing his good work, now send him down to the senate, giving him a majority of 1423 over his opponent.

Personally Mr. Tate is a genial, sociable gentleman. He is an active Methodist Episcopal minister, roaming at large pretty generally over north Arkansas and preaching whenever and wherever he may be when the spirit moves him. He was born in North Carolina December 22, 1837, and married in Marion county, Ark., in 1864. A kind fortune has blessed him with ten children, and he is in every way an honored, happy and useful citizen. In politics his views are liberal, and he comes to the legislature with no axes to grind and no enemies to punish. He favors the taxing of railroads, and at the same time treating them in a liberal spirit, realizing their great value as civilizers and immigration agencies. Free schools receive his unqualified support, and another good point in his work ever since his advent in public life, is a generous support of the state charitable institutions. All in all, Hon. V. B. Tate is one of the true representatives of modern Arkansas.

Arkansas Gazette, Jan. 8, 1885



Senator G. T. Holmes.

The gentleman whose face and name is presented above is one of the senators, having the honor to represent the Tenth senatorial district—Pulaski and Perry counties. He is a resident of the last named county, a practicing physician and a successful farmer. Born in North Carolina in 1836, he came to Arkansas when twenty years of age and located near where he now resides. He is a married man, well-to-do, of integrity and merit, and is universally respected. His first public service was in 1879, when he represented his county in the lower house of the general assembly. So excellent was his work, and so popular is he among his people, that in 1883 they sent him to the senate. He is a faithful representative, and reflects honor upon his people.

Arkansas Gazette, Jan. 24, 1885

JAMES ITHAMAR BAIRD, ARKANSAS PIONEER

By Marcus M. Key, Houston, Texas,
Josie M. Baird, Rotan, Texas,
& Doss B. Reed, Little Rock, Arkansas

The Baird family of Tennesse, Arkansas, and Texas has been chronicled in two definitive publications, Fermine Baird Catchings, Baird and Beard Families (Nashville, 1918),[1] and Josie Baird and Delila Baird, A Baird Family in America (Abilene, Texas, 1971).[2] In spite of considerable research on the early origins of this family, it is still difficult to separate family fact from fiction. There remain a number of contradictory and controversial traditions and tales, some of which will be mentioned in passing. The primary purpose of the present article is to bring together new and old information, especially information relating to the Baird family that settled in Arkansas in the early 1830s.

James Ithamar* Baird was born about 1797 in Middle Tennessee, near Nashville, the eldest son of the enigmatic Isham† H. Baird,[3] who according to one version of family tradition, was born in Scotland, came to Virginia when young, and became rich through the slave trade.[4] Isham married Clarissa Bushrod in Sumner Co., Tenn., Oct. 21, 1795.[5] She was said to have been from "York State"[4]--variously interpreted as New York State, York Co., Va., or York Co., S.C. The marriage was performed by the Rev. Griswold Latimer, who had come to Tennessee from Connecticut. Latimer also served as bondsman. Isham and Clarissa Baird were also the parents of Nancy Baird, born near Nashville about 1799, married James Shumake in Tenn. and moved to Conway Co., Ark.;[3,6] Alvan Baird, born in Tenn. about 1807, served as a Methodist minister in the Missouri and Arkansas Conferences, married Maria Barbara Sprigg in Ark., 1836, and settled in Navarro Co., Texas;[3,7] John Quincy Baird, about whom little is known;[8] and Benjamin Harrison Baird, born Jan. 1, 1809, Maury Co., Tenn., married Mary Craig in Ark., 1834, and settled in Grants Pass, Oregon.[8,9] The Harrison name figured prominently in the early history of the Bairds; the name appearing in almost every generation. Until the recent discovery of Clarissa's marriage record, it was thought her maiden name was Harrison. Another possibility that has been suggested is that Harrison was Isham H. Baird's middle name.

According to Baird and Baird,[10] Isham H. Baird was born in Ireland (Co. Derry), the son of Cornelius Baird of Scotland, who married Sarah Moore in Ireland and had several sons and daughters who emigrated to South Carolina. Although James was not listed as a son of Cornelius, it appears that Isham had such a brother. This would explain the James Baird who purchased land on Snow Creek in Maury Co.,Tenn., in 1808, next to the place where Isham H. Baird was living.[11] A tradition preserved by Catchings is

*A Biblical name--see Exodus 38:21.
†Pronounced Isom, with a long I.

that Isham is said to have come over with six brothers and settled in Maury and Tipton Cos., Tenn.[12] In addition to Isham and James Baird, several other Baird names appeared on early Maury Co. tax lists.[13]

Apparently Isham and Clarissa Baird separated and went their separate ways; at least this is the impression created by the various traditions and stories. Clarissa Baird is said to have gone to Arkansas with her eldest son James and his family in the 1830s and died there near Springfield.[14] She was not enumerated in James Baird's household in the 1840 Census.[15] Isham's fate is largely unknown. Stories have been passed down about his remarrying and raising another family; his being robbed of his gold and murdered on the way back to Virginia to buy more slaves; and a big lawsuit in Nashville over his estate.[14,16,17] All that can be said for sure is that Isham was living in Perry Co., Tenn., as late as 1838.[18]

There appears to have been another(?) Isham Baird family in Tennessee. The 1850 Census shows an Isham Baird, age 63, born in Virginia, living in Franklin Co. with his 26 year old wife, also born in Virginia, and their 2 year old daughter, born in Tenn.[19] Also of interest in Franklin Co. is the 1846 marriage of Isham H. Beard to Ruthy Tinsley.[20] Baird and Beard were often interchangeable. No further information is available on the Franklin Co. Bairds/Beards.

The earliest recorded activity of James Ithamar Barid was in 1823, when he purchased 20 acres in Perry Co., Tenn., on Cedar Creek,[21] near Isham H. Baird[22] and Alvan Baird.[23] James married Susan McAllister, who is reported to have been born May 17, 1807.[3,16] She was 44 at the time of the 1850 Census[24] and 54 at the time of the 1860 Census,[25] so she may have been born in 1806 instead of 1807. The so-called Indian connection of the Bairds, imputed by some to Susan,[3] is difficult to evaluate. The stories are not consistent,[14] and some explain it as a misinterpretation of James Baird's nickname of "Indian Jim."[26] As indicated below, Susan was considered a Virginian,[27] even though she was born in Tennessee.[24,25] There were McAllisters in Davidson Co. in the early days of Nashville's settlement. A James McAllister was listed in the Militia records of 1787 and 1812.[28] There are also records in Davidson Co. of marriages of James McAllister to Jenny Mills in 1800 and to Mary Shaw in 1810 and of John McAllister to Nettie Bearden in 1798,[29] but nothing to link these with Susan McAllister or the Bairds. There were McAllisters subsequently in Maury Co., Tenn.,[30] but, again, no indication of a Baird connection.

James and Susan Baird moved to Conway Co., Arkansas Territory, near what is now Springfield, sometime between 1830, when their son Joseph was born in Tennessee, and early 1833, when James Baird and James Shumake, his brother-in-law, and several McCallisters signed a petition for a new mail route from Batesville on the White River to Lewisburg on the Arkansas River.[31] In 1840, James Baird and his family were enumerated in

Welborn Township of Conway Co., as follows:[15]

White Males		White Females	
<5:	2	<5:	1
5-10:	1	10-15:	1
10-15:	1	30-40:	1
40-50:	1		
50-60:	1		

The identity of the 50-60 year-old male in this household is not known.

The following account of James Baird's family is from The Arkansas Pioneers:[27]

> James Baird, wife and nine [three at that time] children came from Tennessee to Springfield, Arkansas in 1830. It was about this time that the tribe of Creek Indians was removed from Tennessee across the Mississippi into Arkansas. James Baird dealt so honestly and kindly with this tribe that both Indians and friends gave him the title of "Indian Jim." He cut the first stick of timber in the Georgia Settlement, and blazed the road leading from this place to Lewisburg. This road with a few changes, is still used.
>
> Although a southern man, he believed in the old Scotch rule of each lad learning a trade, and much against the wishes of his Virginia wife he had his sons taught the trades of harness making, shoemaking and millwright. . . .
>
> While the family resided in this part of Arkansas, Jane Baird, the eldest daughter, became the wife of Craven Harrison, who was later killed in the Battle of Bull Run. The widow and three children remained in this county, all the family now being dead except the youngest child, Lizzie Harrison, now Mrs. J. T. Beal of Little Rock.
>
> After the marriage of his daughter Jane and death of his son James, Mr. Baird, his wife and seven remaining children, Benjamin, Joseph Alvin, John Harrison, Malvina, George, Albert and Hester moved to Princeton, Ark., in Dallas county. It was at this place he died.
>
> Joseph Alvin Baird who learned the trade of harness making under James Weems, married Ann Elizabeth Campbell, whose family came from Virginia. He followed farming until 1861, when he went into the War between the States, remaining until the spring of 1865 when he was honorably discharged. While he was yet in the war his talent for harness making was discovered and he was taken from field duty and put to this work. After the war he continued his farming until old age rendered him too feeble for this work. He died during the winter of 1906, near Prescott, Ark. . . .

The names James and John are reversed in the above account. A composite listing of the children of James and Susan Baird is as follows:

(1) Nancy Jane Baird, born 1827, in Tenn., married Craven Weaver Harrison, 1846. Issue: Fannie, James Benjamin, Elizabeth Jane, Mary.[32,33]

(2) Benjamin Wilson Baird, born ca. 1828, in Tenn., married

Lauriva Ratliff. Issue: Benjamin Franklin, Ella, James, Charles.[34,35]

(3) Joseph Alvin Baird, born. Aug. 23, 1830, in Tenn., married (1) Elizabeth Ann Campbell, 1854 (see Excursus: Campbell), and (2) Mary E. Hipp, 1864. Issue: by (1) Laura Jane, Robert Alvin, Belle Elizabeth, and by (2) William, Forrest Ellen, Mackie M., Mattie C., Bertha S.[36,37,38,39,40]

(4) James Harrison Baird, born Apr. 6, 1833, in Ark., married (1) Elizabeth (Betty) Stell and (2) Rosa Hannah. Issue: none.[41,42,43]

(5) Malvina A. Baird, born ca. 1838, in Ark., married (1) Lemuel Gammill, 1858, and (2) Jefferson A. Stuart, 1866.[44,45]

(6) David Albert Baird, born Dec. 29, 1840, in Conway Co., Ark., married Nancy Pennington, 1867. Issue: Acey, Tabitha Hope, Nancy Susannah, James Ithamer, John David, Robert Wilson, Lecynthia Malvina, George Cavasso or Clark, Halcomb Walker, Carrie Matilda.[44,46,47,48,49]

(7) George Washington Baird, born June 9, 1843, in Ark., married Martha Rebecca Ligon, 1865. Issue: Charles, William Edward, Josephine H., Pearl Rebecca, Francis, Folsom, Jesse Lorene, Anna Leah, Lawrence Albert, Mary Bell.[44,50,51]

(8) Hester A. Baird, born ca. 1847, in Ark., died young.[44]

(9) John Franklin Baird, born in Ark., died young.[44]

James Baird died intestate in Dallas Co., Ark., October 1848,[52] at the age of 51.[36] His son Benjamin W. Baird was Administrator of the estate, which included 40 acres homestead and 320 acres of State land.[52] His widow continued to live in Dallas Co. for several years and was enumerated in the 1850[24] and 1860[23] Censuses; in the latter she was next door to her son Joseph.[53] Her house is identified as "Mrs. Beard" on the Confederate Map of Dallas Co., Ark., 1864,[54] located about 12 miles southeast of Princeton and about 4 miles west-southwest of Bucksnort. Susan Baird died at age 70,[36] in Prescott, Ark., where her son Joseph was then living.[38]

James Baird was reportedly buried in Holly Springs Cemetery in Dallas Co.,[55] and Susan is said to have been buried five miles north of Prescott;[56] however, neither grave can be located. The Bairds were Methodists, and it is more likely that Susan was buried at Midway (Methodist) Church Cemetery, five miles west of Prescott, where her grandson Robert A. Baird was baptized in 1876.[56]

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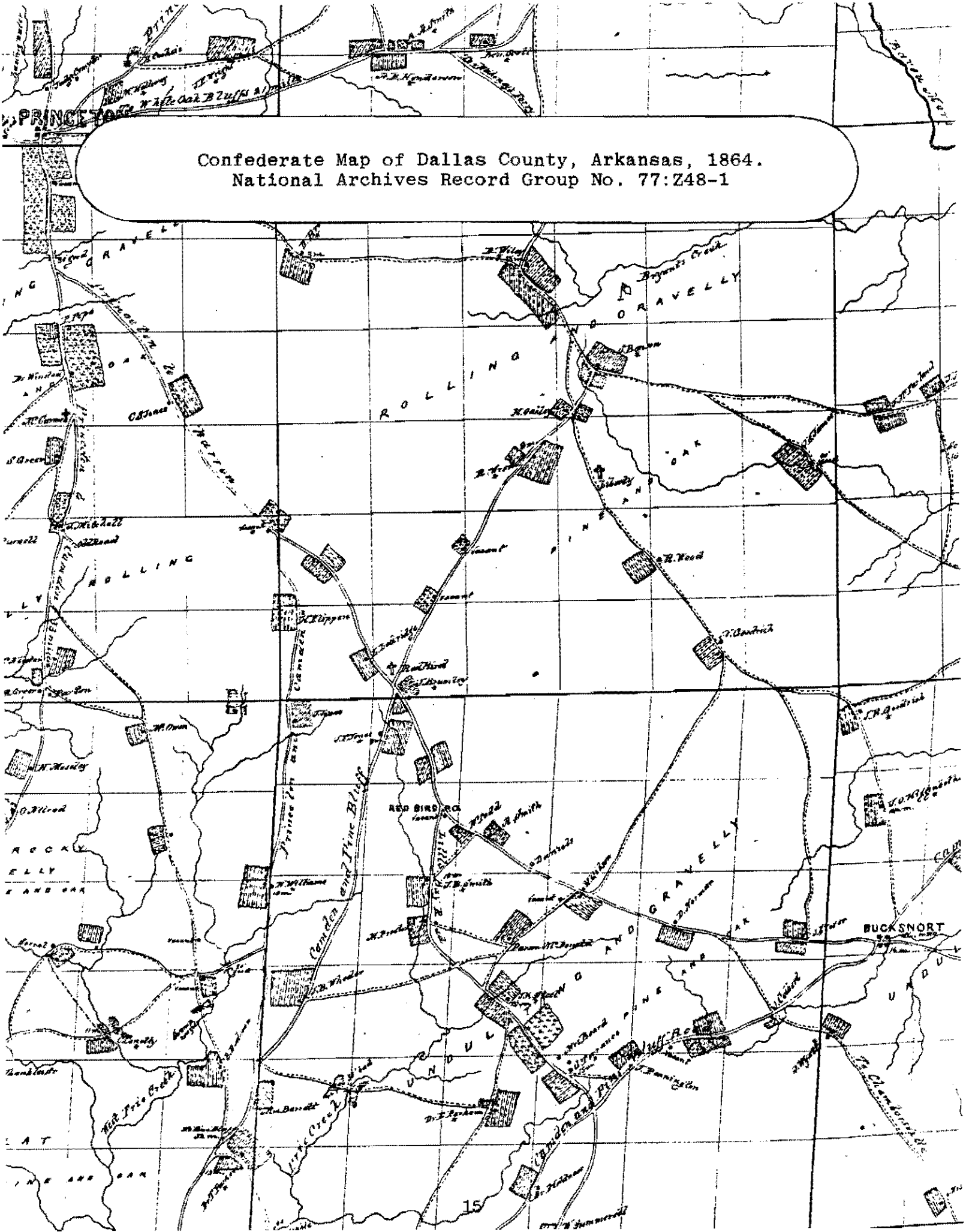
EXCURSUS: CAMPBELL

The original compiler of the following account of early Campbell history is believed to have been Clyde Campbell.

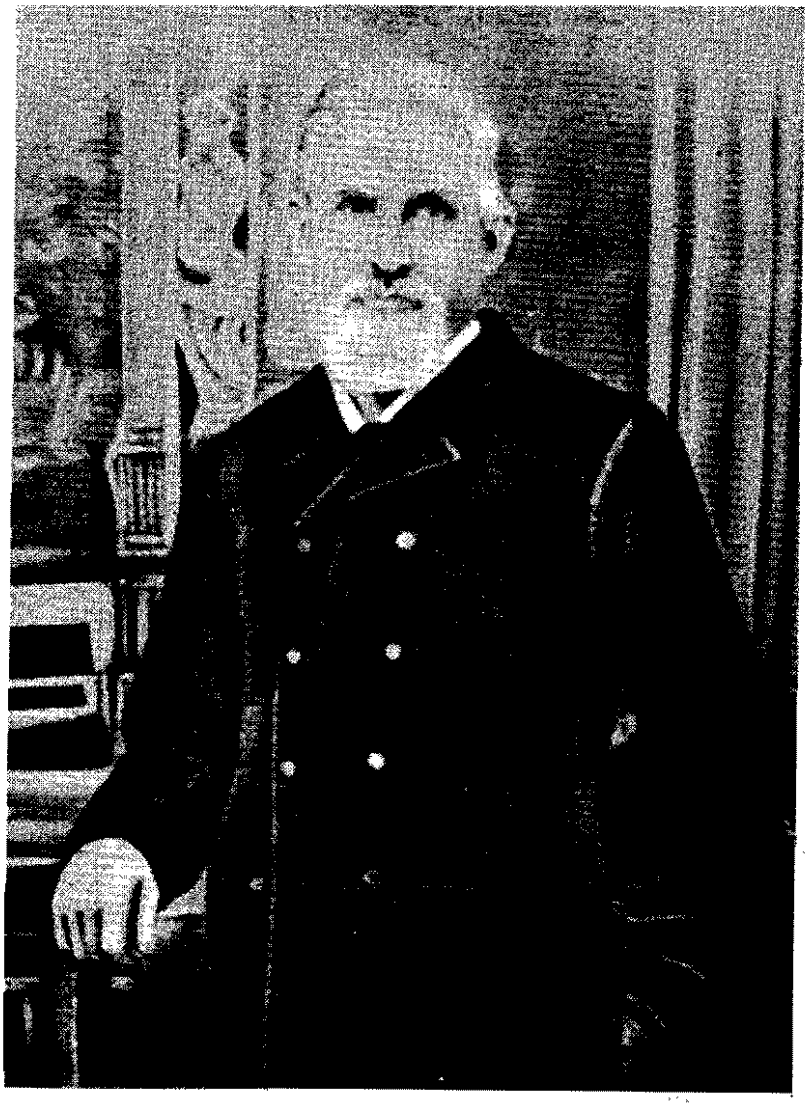
Edward Campbell, b. 1746, d. Aug. 16, 1825. Said to have been a first cousin to Alexander Campbell, who founded the Church of Christ. Sold his lands on Buie's Creek, Hartnett Co., N.C., in 1805 and moved to a farm of 6000 acres near Franklin, Tenn. He was accompanied by his children. His grave is on the Hillside Farm 2 miles from Boston, Tenn., in Williamson Co. Several of his children and his brother-in-law John Wilkins are buried

there. Children as follows:
(1) John K., buried with father
(2) Duncan, married Polly Vance Aiken
(3) Alexander, married Nancy Gee
(4) Edward, buried with father
(5) Neil, married Elizabeth C. Wilkins
(6) Daniel

Alexander Campbell, b. 1796, Buie's Creek, Harnett Co., N.C., d. May 6, 1865, Shawnee, Kansas. Was 9 years old when the family moved to Tenn. Married Nancy Gee at Memphis, Tenn., 1820, and settled in Dresden, Weakley Co., Tenn. Lived there for some years and moved to Arkansas, where he was living in Locust Grove Township, Ouachita Co., at the time of the 1850 Census. He moved to Quindora, Kansas, 1860, with sons, Alexander, James, and David. He is buried at Shawnee. Nancy Gee Campbell died July 8, 1882, Shawnee, Kansas. Children as follows:
(1) David Gee, b. 1821. Married America V. Cooley of Dresden, Tenn., 1846. Moved to Kansas in 1860 with his father. Grandfather of Clyde Campbell. David was living in Shawnee, Kansas, in 1881.
(2) Edward, b. 1822, near Franklin, Tenn., d. 1891, Fordyce, Ark. Moved with his father to Ouachita Co., Ark., where he was listed in Locust Bayou Township in the 1850 Census. Taught school in Ark. in 1860. Later moved to Bryan's Mill, Cass Co., Texas. Married (1) Sarah Wood, (2) Harriet Newell Walker, and (3) Margaret Barnes Higgenbotham. Was living in Honey Grove, Fannin Co., Texas, in 1881.
(3) Alexander, b. 1835. To Quindora, Kansas, 1860, with father.
(4) James Washington, b. 1826. To Quindora, 1860. Living in Honey Grove, Texas, 1880.
(5) Mary, b. ca. 1823, married G. J. Hubbard of Henry Co., Tenn., 1848. Moved to Ouachita Co. and later to Calhoun Co., Ark.
(6) Nancy Jane, , b. ca. 1832, married Thomas M. York. Living in Hampton, Calhoun Co., Ark., 1880.
(7) Elizabeth Ann, b. 1833, married Joseph A. Baird, 1854, d. in Arkadelphia, Ark., 1863. Buried in Double Springs Cemetery, Calhoun Co.
(8) Louisa, b. 1837.
(9) Marthia, may have married in Tenn. before family moved to Ark.
(10) Catherine, may have married in Tenn. before family moved to Ark.



Confederate Map of Dallas County, Arkansas, 1864.
National Archives Record Group No. 77:Z48-1



JOSEPH A. BAIRD (1830-1906)

Confederate Soldier & Sadler
Methodist Lay Preacher

Our thanks to Dr. Marcus Key, 2232 S. Piney Point, No. 112, Houston, TX 77063, for submitting this fine article.

JEFFERY CEMETERY
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

This material was submitted, on disk, by Jan Eddleman, Rt. 1, Box 137, Hackett, AR 71937, who says this cemetery was copied years ago when she was desperately hunting her great-grandfather's family. "They aren't my Jeffreys,but are descendants and relatives of some of the very early settlers of Izard, Stone, Cleburne and Independence Counties."

The Jeffery Cemetery is located in the White River bottom. From Mountain View, take Highway 5 North and turn right at the Livingston Creek Bridge.

Hayden, Infant; 17 Jan. 1910 - 24 Jan. 1910; daughter of W. K. and M. T. Hayden

Hayden, Jesse M.; 7 Jan. 1854 - 18 Oct. 1905

Hayden, Laura M.; 10 Nov. 1911 - 9 Jun. 1913; daughter of W. K. and M. T. Hayden

Jeffery, Emma; 20 Apr. 1858 - 30 Dec. 1873; daughter of Miles and Sarah Jeffrey

Jeffery, Frances S.; 12 Dec. 1844 - 6 Jan. 1871; wife of R. E. Jeffery

Jeffery, Frank P.; 1 Mar. 1882 - 14 Dec. 1901

Jeffery, Gerault P.; 6 Jan. 1873 - 11 Feb. 1912; son of Dr. R. E. and M. E. Jeffery

Jeffery, Jehoiada; died 21 Nov. 1878; age 38 years, 9 months, 2 days; husband of Mary A. Jeffery

Jeffery, Mary E.; 22 Sep. 1849 - 5 May 1890; wife of R. E. Jeffery

Jeffery, Miles; 8 Feb. 1854 - 21 Jan. 1874; son of Miles and Sarah Jeffrey

Jeffery, Miles; 13 Apr. 1816 - 6 Sep. 1868; husband of Sarah Williams

Jeffery, Robert E. Sr.; 18 Jan 1843 - 27 Jul 1903

Jeffery, Ruth Rutledge; 18 Aug 1886 - 1 Mar 1894; daughter of Dr. R. E. and M. Jeffrey

Jeffery, Sarah; 8 Feb. 1854 - 12 Jan. 1874; daughter of Miles and Sarah Jeffery

Jeffery, Sarah Williams; 1820 - 1876; wife of Miles Jeffery

Wallace, Robert Worley; 25 Oct. 1872 - 22 Aug. 1875; son of W. J. and Attie Wallace

The June, 1984, issue of The Arkansas Family Historian contained some early letters from the Montgomery family. Following are more letters Jan has graciously shared with us.

MONTGOMERY FAMILY LETTERS

In 1857 and 1858, Hugh Porter Montgomery and his brother James Riley Montgomery moved their families from Georgia to Arkansas. Hugh Porter orginially settled in Conway County and James Riley settled in Izard County. The next year their parents, other brothers, and assorted in-laws and cousins formed a wagon train and joined the two in Arkansas. The following letters are on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission.

Please note: the spelling and grammar are as in the original text.

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(Letter from James Riley Montgomery to Mahala Montgomery.)

Izard County, Ark. August 16th, 1858

Dear Mother

I will now try to answer your welcome letter of the 31st of July, which reached us and found the most of us well except Hale and Tom they still have the chills Tom has been drunk for two or three days and I think the chills is broke on him Hale goes about when the chills and fever is off I do not believe the chills hurt people here like they did in Georgia The most _____ for me. _____ if I can help it. Your letter for _____ and Robert at my house They was all _____ did not get him place _____ Conway as well as Izard Though he said ___ all get here and _____ he can get _____ my place he will Seemed to lake Izard very well they left for home this morning. I reckon if no bad _____ and Robert _____ be back the first and I am in hopes _____ better situated _____ than we ever was. I think when you all get _____ if you like the country ----- enough you ---- get land cheap enough ----- here ------do not like this ---------- The country here is a large ------ of country in the best that ----- maybe you can be suited and if you cant be suited you can go back. Though I do not think there is any danger of that. I begin to want to see you all and thinks the time long. Dock and Robert looked verry natural. Docks voice was very familiar You can tell Daddy his horse will be verry exceptable for I have to foot it these times so I expect against you get here I shall be tiered footing of it. I am nor carrying on my shop by my self my copardner has conluded to go to school and Preaching, he made his first begin a Preaching last Sunday I do not have a great deal of work to do in the Shop now. Horseshoeing is the most and you know I am a dabster at that work, it has been almost to hot this summer to do anything it is also verry dry in places crops generaly looks ----- all-----Crop on my place looks bad ----was not planted til the 6th of July and it has been to dry ever since, the Johnson boys I expect will be back before this letter reaches you. George can tell you some of this country and I guess Jane Gilbert will tell a dismal tail about this Country and I expect she has had a rough time of it they lived in a sickly part of the country I do not wonder at their being sick there is some sickness in this country now mostly chills.

I dont hear of much fatal sickness At least the Doctor does not get a great deal of riding to do I am still well satisfied with this country and things if no back luck I can do well or at least make plenty to live on I believe I have had my health better and feel better than I did in Georgia. You can tell Ab there is plenty of turkeys here now I kill one evy once in a while They come close to my house so I think aganst he gets here we can have some fun killing turkeys deer is torerable scarce at this time but turkeys is plenty.

I could buy places aplenty for Daddy but when he gets here he might not want them There is lots of good places to sell from two hundred to one thousand dollars, tell Ab I wrote to Hank all I knew about his and John Edmondsons business Hale sayes to tell you she is shakeing with the ager but she is cuting peaches to dry to eat when she gets well, the children is all in a powerful way of drying peaches except Robert and he is devling the balence he is as bad again as Tom and Frank ever was for Devilment Dock says Robert is nearly as heavy as Octavia. Martha says if you expect to weave any when you get here you had better fetch your Slags with you for there is no chance to get any here. She says she expects we will have to use Jonny Cake boards for she has made no cloth since she has been here. Tell July Pur ill try to let here have some of my stock of cattle if I dont shoot the old bich for jumping in my field I believe I have wrote all I can think of I want you to start a letter to me a day or two before you start when you write again direct your letters to Violet Hill, Izard County, Ark. That is a new post office in half mile of me.

So good by for this time.

J. R. Montgomery

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(James Riley Montgomery to Thomas Montgomery)

Oct 28th 1861
Bowling Green Ky

Dear Father

and friends, I will once more send you a few lines but has never received a line from home yet in the first place I am well and hearty I am as heavy as I ever was, the Camp agrees with me so far Hugh is rather on the puny order he has had a light fever for several days until yesterday he missed he has been taking medicine I think now with care he may miss a spell of sicknes John Goodwin had a chill yesterday Wm Arnold is now down with the Measles We have got them well broke out on him now so I think with care he will soon be up You can see one half our men is sick and the other half well Ab is as fat as a Bear Anderson Jones is verry low and has been for several days he had the diareer and Measles he may be a little better this morning but it is hard to tell Bob and Jo is both puny I think mostly cold There was 20 on the Sick List in our Company this moning and Capt Smiths Compy there was 40 mostly Measles I dont think there is many dangerous cases if they will try to take care of themselfs We have had no fighting yet and some times I dont believe we will though there is two hostile Armies close together our picket guards has little bruses ocasionally There is on thing if the Lincon troops does conclude to give us a fight they will get badly whiped our boys all seems anxious to get a lick at the Linconites Daddy I want you evry chance you can to see how the Children is geting on with their work direct them all you can I think Tom if he can keep well will do the best he can and Frank I calculate will do as he pleases Mother tell Mcouistin Rigs Black and Uncle Billy that I would write to them all but they will hear the

letters I write and they must excuse me for I have not forgot them because I do not particular write to them I have a bad chance to write Cooking drilling and seeing to the Sick keeps me verry busy and then I have to write a good many letters for the other boys. I want you all to write as soon as you can and as much sooner as you please. Direct your letters to

J. R. Montgomery
Bowling Green
Kentucky
Care of Capt. Barnett
9th Regt. Central Divison
Arkansas Volunteers

When the letters comes to Bowling Green if we are gone they will follow us I could tell a heap if I was there but I will have to quit writting for this time. Write soon.

J. R. Montgomery

To
Thos Montgomery

I expect to send this by hand in to Arkansas before it is mailed. There is one thing I can say Arkansas is the best country I have seen yet.

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(Hugh Porter Montgomery to his mother and father, Thomas and Mahalia Montgomery.)

State of Arkansas Conway Co. Nov 29th 1857

Dear Fathers and Mothers

We now take the oppertunity of letting you know our whereabouts We have stopt in Springfield Conway Co and has bought a house and three lots and give two hundred and seventy five dollars We are all well and has stood the trip very well Dock and Quince has stopt a bout ten miles from heare Quince has boght land Dock has not setled yet as we know of I have last one of my steers Buck he died with the murin Mel and Robert is agoing to work in the Shop blacksmithing is very high here horseshoing is one dollar and fifty cts and other things proportion and ther is no doubt but what we can get more work than we can do I think if we keep our helth we will make money fast thare is plenty of cheap land heare up land is worth from 12 1/2 cts to one dollar per acr bottom from four to five dollars per acr anyone can do better to look a round a while I am not able to tell you all whether you could better your selvs or not but I will tell you more about it after a while tell Jep not to give Arkansas tar a bad name he might want to come back agane (turn over) Whar we are is the heltist looking place I have seen in Arkansas the people looks helthy here tell Abb thaare the out shootings people here for a pool I ever seen I am about to sell my gun for twenty five dollars I got a dollar aday for house carpentering last week and I think we will get our Shop in blast nex week Robert says to tell Bob Wood to come on to burn Coal Coal is worth from five to ten cts a bushel Corn is worth from 35 to 40 cts per bushel pork 5 cts per lb
Dec 1th 1857 I will take a new starte I sold Charley yesterday for 20 dollars a bad loss Abb I killed a turkey yesterday lots of game heare but not time to hunt tell Keeler I want to heare him laff and I would like to see the Connection and friends if Jim is started I want you to write to me as soon as you heare where he is Write as soon as this come to hand Write how Sick is and whare you are all Setled and ever thing else give my best respects to the Conection and inquiring friends and if you find anything you cant reed let it rip So nothing more at present but remains youre Sones and daughter un till deth

H. P. Montgomery

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Buck Mountain July 22, 1860

Dear Sister and all the Rest,

I received your letter yesterday which found us all in good health I was glad to hear that you was all well as I had begun to think there was something the matter as I could not hear from you We have the hotest weather I ever felt and the dryest Our crops is nearly burnt up The peoples think we wont make more than a half crop and if we dont I cant see what we will do for bread next year for there is no old corn in the Cuntery and we would have had to done with out bread if they had not halled meal from Marion County here and sold it to us at $.25 pr bushel and as to wheat it is not here flower is worth five dollars pr hundred and scirce at that. Well Mother the reason why I am coming to Batesville and not coming to see you all is because

none of you wont to come to see me. I think I have done my duty coming to see you all but I dont think you have all done yours. I wan to see all as bad as you posibly can wan to see me I am here by my self and thare you are all to gether and dont think of me enough to come and see me. I have fgove one Runaway Negro in Jail but I am loking for his master to come and take him out and then the Jail will be clear. Octavia is going to School and is learning very fast She can Spel most any where in her Book Leoner wont go to School beacause she says her Mother cant spare her and as to my boys the world cant beat them. Ann says her litt one is the nicest one because he is black eyed he is beginning to crall and cant set alone that beats all your boys. July 29th Well I will try and finish my letter well we have had a good Rain and it is thundering now and I think we will have more so I think we will make pretty good crops yet Well Hugh I will tell who is maried Mr Zeb Venable to Miss Susan Hobs and there is a great likelyhood of Dr. Hannah and Mary Morgan & John Venable & Bety Whitecotten. Well, I will quit for this time by Saying I think some of you might come and see me. Wright soon and often.

I remain the same.
Wm F Montgomery

(William F. Montgomery was the brother of Hugh and James.)
(Hugh Porter Montgomery to his mother and father Mahala and Thomas Montgomery)

Springfield Conway Conty Ark. Mar 31st 1858

Dear father and mother and all the connection and friends

I now site down once more to drop you a few lines We are all well at present and a doing very well but very much displeased with our old Georgia friends and conectrion from the way you have all treeted us so fare as writing is concernd I wrote about twenty letters my self and received Soerely none in return I watch dailey for the male and see it a coming and run to the offis and like the mans goose nothing there I want you to write often Mother I red yourse like print and I think any boddy that has negroes could take time to answer all the letters I can write July you try it I can rede any thing if you can't think of nothing else put howdy in a letter and send it on tell the Balippes to write and Daniels and the Blands and Sicks and all the rest it is true that my letters aint much interesting but I do the best I can I wrote to Jim and he wont answer my letters So I recon I disgust the people with my letters please inform me if that is the case and I will stop Ab the turkeys is a gobling like thunder here I have got our same old gun and Knife ayet Dock has filling the turkeys with pepper now vegitation is sprouting up smartly Catle can live fine in fact there is a great many wianterd them selves where he have had a very wet Spring there is some few comenet planting corn our town is improving they have comect a very large Court house Dock is working on houses and gets $.50 cts per day Comman hands can get fifteen dollars per month and borded the price of Stock is low at this time negroes is very high on the sise of Sicks Caroline will bring Six hundred dollars I am very well satisfied with Ark so fare I want you to write whether you intend moving to this Contry next fall or not I believe from what I have seen and herd from this Country further north would suit you better than here So I will haver to come to close and give Uncle Nathan and aunt Sally my best respects and all the Connection and friends Nothing more at present but remains youre Son until death.

(Letter to Julyann Montgomery Hames from her husband Absolum Hames)

Bowling Green, Ky Dec 22nd 1861

Dear Wife,

I again seat myself to write you a few line to still let you know that I am living and havent entirely forgotten you. I am well at this time and hope that these few lines will find you all well. I have allmost despared of ever hearifng from you. I havent had the Scraps of a pen since I left Arkansas. I have written you several letters lately but never get any answer from you. I dont see who you dont write or if you do why they dont come for the other boys get letters from Violet Hill every week now. I can hear through their letters that the people around is ginerally well and that is some Satisfaction but not enoubh to Satisfy my anxieties. I haven't had a letter from any body Since I have been on in the Campaign. I will write to al of the old Neighbors and meaby I will get an answer from Some of them. I am very anxious to hear from home more on account of what is going on with those union men than anything else I have understood they was going to play the wild with you all but I am in hops they will catch them and hang them as high as hamon for we have no use for such men in Arkansas if our Battalion was sent back there we would soon make a clean shucking of them for we have been out long enough now not to care for anything hardly we would take it was a pleasure to get after the Tories and make them quake and tremble before us like the autum leaves. We have fhad the most delightful wether I eaver saw for the time of year but ity has change and has Set in to raining and turning cold We will have bad wether from now on I am afraid the balance of the winter we are still at the same place doing nothing we have been looking for the Yankees to come on us ever since we have been here but they havent showed themselves yet our troops or a good portion of them have been ordered to move to Green River There was one Regiment started this morning but they have all come back to Camp again. I cant tell why they have come back unless the Yankees have retreated back towards Louisville. i expect the Peace will soon be made from all accounts and I dont care much how soon for their is no fun in a Camp life but we get on fine have plenty to eat and not much to do yet but we may have plenty to do yet if peace is not made soon for there will have to be some fighting done next Spring. I dont see any use in keeping an Army out twelve months and doing nothing. We made a draw yesterday. I drew fifteen dollars. We drawed for a month and eight days. If I had any chance I would send it home to you but I have no chance that I know of. I don't care about risking it my Mail for mail routs are too tricky now to depend on. I have a notion of trying to send you a paper. We get here the Louisville Courrier it is a splendid paper if you could get it you could tell what is going on here evry day it is a dayley paper printed in Nashville, Tennessee. Some of the Company gets it eavry day and by that we can tell what is going on all the time from here to Richmond Virginia. We have all of the Telegraphic dispatches from all points. England, Spain, France and Holland, has all recognised the indipendence of the Southern Confederacy and England has all ready called out her transports for the war. They will come in two Canada and that will hem the duck. We will have them surrounded completely. England sais she will tare out all of the bloackades in the South and Blockade up the North. If that is done the Yankees will have to give in. Some of the Big men is offering to make large

bets on peace being made in the course of forty days. It may be made that soon but if it is we will all have to Stay a long time befgore we can get our discharges made out. it will take nearly as long to get out as it did to get in but if we hold out faithfully we will get out sometime I recon in the coarse of a year or so as my paper is growing short I will have to begin to bring my lines to a close. I want you to be sure and write and I will answer all the letters that comes from home with pleasure. I all so hope that by the time this comes to hand you will have received several letters from me. Write what is going on what you are all doing generally. I am anxious to hear from you all nothing more. I send you all my best wishes and receive for your self my love and may I still remain Yours Truly,

Absalum Hames

To Julian Hames

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(From W. F. Montgomery to his parents, Thomas and Mahala Montgomery)

Buckmountain, Sept 10th 1859

Dear Sister & Father & Mother and all the rest

I take this oportunity to write you a few lines to let you no that we are all well and hope these lines may find you all the same. I received your letter the other day dated August 17th which give me great pleasure to hear from you all to hear you was all well and will satisfied. I have had a few shakes of the ager since Abb _____ though I _____again Tom_____has had the _____ Since Abb was here but he is well again. There is a right smart of sickness in this part of the world now. Though there is not agreet many deaths, I have got as fine a crop on my place as you ever saw I will make corne pleanty to do me and I saved fodder plenty to do me I have got me annother house raised I built it to the end of my old one and left a pasage between so you can see I will have double cabins You seem to have plenty of cabage well you are better off in that line than we are ----- Chickens _____us_____as to coming up I dont no how it will be yet as I dont no whether I can get a wagon and teem or not if I can and get some one to keep house for me till we come back I will come but you see there is a heap of it in the way. The children and Ann talks about nothing but going to big Graneys and I want them to come as bad as or they do if we come you will hear us jungling along bfore long. I have spoke for ___Barrel to fetch to get _____ of Molass I think I will get ___nother to fill with crout but I dont no whether it is worthwhile to pester with the crout barrel as we can just put Hughs cabbage head in the wagon and fetcit home and crout it at our leasure. Well Abb I have not bin a turkey hunting since you was here I think when the leaves falls you must come down and go with me as turkeys is all the game we have her for the deer has all dyed with the Black tongue though it has not been very fatal with the Cows Well Sick if you was down here you could get im ------working----- guns and get your own price for your work They devil me nearly to death a trying to get me to work on their guns for them they seem to think there is nobody else can fix their guns but me and you no I am a sory hand at the busines well dady and Mother I dont see what is to hinder you from coming down as you have got the wagon and teem and some one to leave at home and realy I dont see what is to hinder any of you from coming to see me better than I can come to see you as I am by my self and no one to leave to take

care of my things and there is so many of you you could come any time. I got a leter the other day from John H. King he says he is doing well and all he lacks is a wife he is working at the Silver smiths trade and gets as much work as he can do was it not a good thing that Banker hung him self I thought Joby Swift was dead before we left Georgia but I suppose he has scrached out again to get to kill himself Well let ---- go if Strouds can spare him----I can-----Well Hugh I dont no what to say to you I have not sold your place yet not dont no when I shall as Town property is not much in demand There is not much news here that would be new to you Vann Johnson is dead I believe he is all that is ded that you knew as to wedings they are not very plenty butr as to peach orchard Boars we have plenty and thea girls would not be afraid if they was four times --- large. Thare I will have to come to a close as the lamper is most burnt out Mrs. Jones sends her respects to you all says she would like to see you all very much Ann says she has got the nicest boy in Conway County he goes to bed of a night with the rest of the children and she dont have to nurs him to sleep She sind her respects to you all Thare I will quit.

Nothing more at presant
But remains your Brother and Son

W F Montgomery

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FROM THE DIARY OF JAMES WILEY WALLIS

ONE OF MY STUDENTS, REGINA ROWE, BROUGHT THIS TO ME LAST YEAR. JAMES WILEY WALLIS WAS HER GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER AND WAS FROM STONE COUNTY. SHE GAVE ME PERMISSION TO USE IT. Submitted by Jan Eddleman

In the year of 1877 I was taken sick on the 9th of August and was so low that for three weeks I didn't know anything. Only one day during that time and on that day my nose bled all day and there was awhile that day I was sensitive. It taken the most I had to run me in my sickness and to pay the doctor, and at spring I was not strong. In the wind of my sickness, my ear became sore and inflamed so that the whole side of my headswelled up very large and finally broke and run behind my ear. I think it was caused by something getting in my ear with I was 5 months old.

In 1876 and 1877 I lived on Roasting Ear Creek and was broke up. But, in the following 10 years I gathered a little around me so that I could begin to live. In the fall 1880 and into 1881 was good times that lasted a few year--up to 1886. Then a panic set in and lasted until 1889; then times began to get better, that being the fall that McKinley was elected again by a large majority. Not that McKinley makes good times, but it happened that way anyhow. We know some of the democrat presidents brought hard times, but not all. Every bitter has its sweet and there is not a sweet without its bitter. So, we should be content with such things as we have, alright.

In 1886 I moved to Big Creek and lived there four years. During that time, we contacted a sickness that broke out in my family. It lasted two years and ended with five dead and me broke up. Since that time we have been very healthy. 1890 I moved to Bigflat where we had more sickness. I own 170 acres of land here. I was taken with rupture, not knowing the cause, but worried along with it, doing the best I can, not being able to do much work. I am on the decline

due to my age, being 62 and on account of the rupture, otherwise my health is good. I have worked all I could for the church to keep it in order as best I can. We commenced building a meeting house and made a very good start, though, it's not finished. We had the association with our church this fall and had a fine meeting on account of several joining the church, and on account of all being in one accord, in the same spirit, and one mind. All preached the smae doctrine. All enjoyed it well. Oh, that the good Lord would be with us forever. Amen.

The year of 1900 was noted with me on account of my not being well, not being able work much due to the rupture and partly because of old age. I was not able to do much work in 1899. I can do but little labor not, more particular in hot weather. I haven't got much, but I am not much in debt; and I have plenty to eat and to wear, for which I am thankful; though not as thankful as I ought to be when I consider how unworthy and un profitable I am. Knowing how I have blessed, even in my unrighteousness, that when I think of myself I know it is by the grace and mercy and according to the purpose of God that I am spared. I have nothing to boast about or upon but in God, my Savior, for he is all to me.

December 31, 1900. I have preached all I could and done all I could for the good of the church to the best of my understanding; and, yet it seems like the church is cold, and some are not meeting with us for some cause unknown to me. My desire is that the church stand together and live in peace and union. The year of 1900 was remarkable for good times: more money than usualy, cotton better priced, and a very good crop left the people in better circumstance than they have been in for years. The winter commencing in 1900 was the warmest winter in a long time--no snow to amount to anything, not a great deal of cold wind nor cold rain, the ground not being frozen much.

1901. Came in the good times. The people are in good spirits. A lot of improvement in the country and more land homesteaded than usual, more weddings, the people taking more interest in land than common, partly owing to the scarcity of land and partly on account of more marriages and folks needing homes.

March 1901. Spring is here now: the weather is nice for working and some work is going on. The past winter there has been a heap of sickness, some deaths and lots of children born.

April 1901. George's coalt foaled April 14. A baby girl born to J. T. Wallis April 18.

Trees are beginning to put out leaves; corn coming up. It's spring and all vegetation beginning to shot forth and bud. The weather is nice; farmers using their time well and caught up on their work. Railroad men are thick again, on April 17, 1901.

May 10. Spring is late, but cattle can live on grass. Dogwood blooms, nearly all off. Plowing corn is the order of the day.

May 11. Dry weather.

May 16. Small rain, looks like more rain.

Preaching and religious services almost out of sight. The people seem to be a dead state. Not many crimes committed close here, people seem to be quite

and I can't read my Bible as I wish to. It seems I want my mind on my Bible but can't keep it there. I know that all things work together forgood to them that love God and now, if I knew that I was one of them that love God, it would satisfy me. Of course, I hope that I am for I do want to love God.

I smoked several years previous to August of 1900. And August 20 I smoked and then layed the pipe away until April 1 of 1901 when I took it up again, but don't know how long I will use it, of course. I have been in cold state most of this year, but it seems like I am coming to my mind, and begin to love to read my Bible and to try to preach and I hope it stays with me for it hurts me to be in the dark, but may be good for me. May the good Lord be with me and give me strength and courage to undergo hardships and persecutions like a good soldier.

May 20. I hope my mind is getting better. I tried to preach yesterday and had reasonable liberty.

June 2. My mind is very good. Amen.

Early corn on the flat won't average half leg high. Cotton commencing to make 3rd and 4th leaf. The weather has been so cold that vegetation grows slow. A little shower on the 6th. A nice shower on the 12th of June.

July 12. Now 2:00 o'clock, some clouds appearing.

July 13. Some appearance of rain. 14th still looks rainy but extremely hot at 12:00 o'clock.

July 15. I am 65 years old today. Had a nice shower of rain.

July 23. Hot winds today.

24th. Windy and warm.

25th. Cloudy and looks like rain.

26th. A good shower.

31st. A little rain.

August 9, 1901. Railroad men are with us again.

August 20. Showers.

21st. Light showers.

22nd. Shower.

I had chills on August 14, and on 15th and 16th I feel tough. My neck is not right some way.

I had a bad chill on the 18th and called the doctor. Took medicine all night and next day. That night I slept good. Set up most of the time the 20th. I feel reasonably well but not strong. The doctor said the disease was remittent fever.

I got up with nothing on my mind that I wanted to talk or write about, and I remained that way for two week, more or less. I was easy in my mind and in no trouble. It was a rest for my mind. Then it began to work again and new ideas came to my mind, and I went ahead preaching and writing. After this, I went to the association, after which I visited some of the other churches and scattering appointments.

Nov. 1901. It commenced raining slow and continued 24 hours, the first good season since April 17. Also, on Dec. 12 it rained all night and rained 24 hours; after which it turned very cold. There was light snow on Dec. 4, 8, 13, 16, and 17. The weather began to moderate the 21st and 22nd, warm and cloudy. The year of 1901 is out and we enter the year of 1902.

During the past year I have preached 55 times. Have had more light on the scriptures the last year than ever before in my life. Know better how to rightly divide the word of truth. I am very thankful for it. Most of my time is spent studying and talking on the scriptures; it is all I want to do. In the last two years I have written several pieces on the scriptures in the way of doctrine. I want to leave work here to show the people what doctrine the Bible teaches. I preach the Bible doctrine and don't try to pass up anything that is true on Bible words. I take it for granted that the Bible is true and means what it says.

Jan. 1902. Came in with very nice weather and remained nice to the 8th. Very warm and clear for this time of year. George commenced plowing today. Jan. 8th and 9th warm and smoky. I am awful poorly today.

10th. Mighty warm. I'm not well. Jan. 11 cold and windy. I am still not well.

12th. Cool. I feel better today.

13th Cold and dry. I am mending.

14th. Some warmer.

15th Pleasant. I am mending.

16th. Fair and warm. I am feeling good.

Jan. 17th. A little cool and windy.

18th. Cool and windy with some sprinkles in the morning.

19th. Cold and windy.

20th. Cold, misty. Wind in south.

21st. Cold, sleet, north wind.

22nd. Cloudy but pleasant. Cool.

23rd. Cool, cloudy, sprinkling.

24th. Cold, cloudy, looks like snow.

25th. Cool dark clouds, rain in evening.

26th. Dark, misty and cold

27th. Cold, wind from north.

28th. Cold, windy, sleet in evening.

29th. Cold, Still sleeting.

30th. Cold, slick and icy.

31st. Cold. Ground coated with ice.

Feb. 1, 1902. February came in cloudy and still with a quantity of ice on the ground. On the 20th of January I took a cold and am still very poorly. Have pain over my eyes; it's dark and misty. I don't remember seeing the sun for six days.

Feb. 2. Sun is shining this morning. Clear, cold wind from north.

3rd. Fair in forenoon. Ice melting fast, cloudy in evening.

4th. Clear, cold wind from north. More moderate in evening.

5th. Clear and pleasant but cold, and as much ice as I ever saw. Mist falling in evening, snowing at night.

6th. Warmed and cloudy. Clearing my 11:00 o'clock. Warm evening, ice melting. I have had awful pains in my head several days.

7th. Cold and clear morning. More moderate in evening. I feel better.

8th. Fair, nice morning. I am poorly. Nice all day, but cold wind.

9th. Cold and cloudy, clearing by noon. My head hurts bad.

Feb. 10th. Cold and snowing. Clearing by noon, evening nice but cold. My head not so bad.

11th. Fair morning, not so cold. Warmer evening. My head hurts.

12th Very nice, but little hazy. cool wind. 2:00 o'clock sun out. Ice melting. Pain back in my head.

13th. Cold, cloudy morning, misty at noon. Still misty at 4:30. Dark, cold evening.

14th World white with sleet. Misting yet, heavy thunder last night.

15th. Nice day. Ice melting fast. My head is easy.

16th. Fair nice morning. Ice melting. Cloudy by noon.

17th. Cloudy morning, cold. Clearing by 12. Ice melted a sight today.

18th. Cold, cloudy. Moderating little by evening. Sleet and thunder at night.

19th. Cold, cloudy, rain and sleet by 12. Evening dark and misty.

20th. Big snow fell last night, still snowing. 8 inches deep by 3 p.m., 10 inches deep by 5:30. No wind.

21st. Dark, cloudy, little warmer. Mist or snow in forenoon. Timber covered with ice, sleet or snow. Evening cleared. Snow melted mightly.

22nd. Clear, nice. Cloudy by 12. Ice melted off timber and some on ground.

23rd. Cloudy, warm. Snow still melting fast. Thunder at 12.

24th. Fair, nice all day.

25th. Fair and warm all day.

26th Warm and clear. Cloudy by noon. Rain by evening. Good rain at night.

27th. Warm, sprinkling rain.

28th. Cloudy, rainy off and on all day.

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AGREEMENT

Articles of an agreement made and entered into this December 29, 1874 between JAMES H. GOLDEN and REBECCA L. GOLDEN: I, JAMES H. GOLDEN do agree and bind myself to give to REBECCA L. GOLDEN our child, WILLIAM SOLOMON GOLDEN relinquishing all claiims forever to the said child. I further agree to give said REBECCA L. GOLDEN all or equal to all she had when married: to wit - and calf, four bedquits, one centerpin, one pillor, one spinning wheel, one pair of cards, one jar, one pot, with all the wearing apparel of myself and the above named child. I further agree to make good her board and doctors bill from November the 14th till February 1875 which we agree shall be (36) Thirty-Six Dollars. I further agree to give to her child or children to which she is shortly to give birth, and relinquish all my claim to the same. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at the day and date above written.

James H. Golden, seal

Done in presence of:
C. B. Vaught
H. L. Wasson Witness

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CLEMENTS FAMILY BIBLE
(Owned by James E.Clements, Jr. 6/1979, New Edinburg, Cleveland Co., AR)

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Holy matrimony was celebrated between Early J. Clements of New Edinburg, Ark. and Fannie S. Furlow of New Edinburg,Ark., on November 13th 1889 at New Edinburg by Rev. James Fowler

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Marriages

Willie W. Clements and Allie O. Cook were married Nov. 23, 1913.
Ben Davis and Mabel Clements was married Nov. 5th, 1922.
James Early Clements and Noma Loryne Mobley were married 25 Dec. 1925.

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Births

James Early Clements Sr. was born 28 May 1866
Fannie S. Clements was born Nov. 18, 1869 (this is Sarah Frances Furlow BN.)
Fannie Esther Clements was born Aug. 26, 1890
William Wesley Clements was born Oct. 21st 1891
Robert Clifton Clements was born Sept. 30, 1892
Anna Ruth Clements was born Mar. 9, 1894
Bessie May Clements was born Mar. 8, 1895
Mabel Estelle Clements was born July 15, 1902
Maud Marie Clements was born 28 Nov. 1904
James Early Clements Jr. born Jan. 6th 1906
Thomas Jeptha Clements and Henry Edward Clements born June 26th 1910
William Henry Furlow was born 25 Oct. 1862
Nancy Melisa Furlow was born Jan. 3, 1867

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Deaths

Anna Ruth Clements died July 8, 1895
Bessie May Clements died 18 Mar. 1905
Early James Clements Sr. died 7th Feb. 1920
Robert Clifton Clements died Sept. 20, 1920
Henry Edward Clements died Apr. 14, 1958
William Wesley Clements died 25 Mar. 1865
E. J. Clements was 54 at death (Copied by Billie W. New, 1979)
Ancestral notes on the above family:

Jeptha Clements born ca 1786, North Carolina, died Nov. 1847 Monroe Co., GA lists in his will children: Isham, James K., and Thomas M. and wife Elizabeth. Jeptha was married 1st to Elizabeth English Mays, mother of the above children. Married 2nd to Elizabeth Griffin on 1 Feb. 1838 Jones Co. GA.

Thomas Jeptha, son of the above Isham, was born 20 June 1840, Monroe Co. GA, married Anna E. Stevens on 24 June 1866. He died 24 May 1902 Cleveland Co. AR. Thomas J. was the proprietor of the Clements House Hotel in New Edinburg, Cleveland Co., AR, and was Justice of the Peace there for many years beginning in 1886. He and Anna had children: Early James (see Clements Bible record - James Early), Robert J., Thomas Wightman, Joseph T., Myrtie E., I. W., and W. E. (the last three died young.)

Compiled by Billie W. New, 2 Kaye Lane, Jacksonville, AR 72076

DIED -Of apoplexy,on the night of the 22d inst., after an illness of but a few hours, James A. Wilson of this town. He was born in Yancy county,North Carolina, in 1821, removed to Marion county, Ark., in 1846, and was once a Representative of that county in the Legislature. For many years up to the time of his death he had been a prominent member of the bar and had anextensive acquaintance and practice in North Arkansas. He leaves a widow and several children.-Harrison Banner, 26th ult. Mountain Echo (Yellville), Fri., April 2, 1886, p1 c2.

GEORGES CREEK - Mrs. Paxton, wife of Rev. W.J.Paxton, died the night of the 7th inst. of catarrhal fever. She leaves a large family and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Mountain Echo (Yellville), Fri., April 16, 1886, p2 c3.

Patents have been granted to the following Arkansas inventors recently: Eli C.Stranbroug,Lead Hill, combined washing and wringing machine; Geo.S. Benedict, Mayflower, device for taking down, putting up and stretching wire. Mountain Echo (Yellville), Fri., April 23, 1886, p1 c6.

Mrs.Dodd, wife of Mr. Sam Dodd, of the vicinity of Doddsville, died on last Tuesday night of consumption. Mountain Echo (Yellville), April 30, 1886, p2 c1.

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First officials of MONTGOMERY COUNTY and their years of service: Andrew BOLES, Judge, 1844-1846; George FISHER, Clerk, 1844-1846; N. F. ROBINSON, Sheriff, 1844-1846; J. M. FLEMING, Treasurer, 1844-1846; A.LANGFORD, Coroner, 1844-1846.

First officials of SEVIER COUNTY and their years of service: John CLARK, Judge, 1828-1830; H. HATFIELD, Clerk, 1828-1830; G. CLARK, Sheriff, 1828-1830; J. T. LITTLE, Coroner, 1828-1830.

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Jan Crow, 921 Ray Andra, DeSoto, TX 75115, has contributed her grandfather's Day Book that we will publish serially. Jan says this is a typed copy of the Day Book in her possession that belonged to M. W. J. (Billie) Hinsley, her grandfather, who ran a country store in the community of Milford, near Lockesburg, in Sevier County, Arkansas. It spans the years 1898 to 1922. There are not entries for every year during this time. The entries are made in no particular order, year-wise. There is a type of index but it is not complete. Spelling is as it appeared in the "Day Book". There are names throughout that might be of interest to a genealogy researcher.

Our sincere thanks to Jan for sharing this with our members, and we hope it will be of help to some of you.

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Oct.	21	White commence	
		Board	
"	21	2 meals	.33 1/3
"	22	3 meals	.50
"	23	3 "	.50
"	24	3 "	.50
"	25	2 "	.33 1/3
"	26	1 "	.16 2/3
"	27	1 "	.16 2/3
"	28	3 "	.50
"	29	3 "	.50
"	30	2 "	.33 1/2
			3.85 1/3
Oct.	15	G.H. Whitten comence	
		barding at night 1 meal	.16 2/3
"	16	3 meals	.50
"	17	3 meals	.50
"	18	1 meal	.16 2/3
"	21	2 meals	.33 1/3
"	22	3 meals	.50
"	23	3 meals	.50
"	24	3 meals	.50
"	25	1 meal	.16 2/3
			3.33
"	28	2 meals	.33 1/3
"	29	3 meals	.50
"	30	2 meals	.33 1/3
"	31	2 meals	.33 1/3
			4.85

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1911		J.T. Hinsley Acct. 1911	Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	10	By cash borrowed		8.85
"	10	To bucket S. Food	3.50	
"	11	By 100 lb.s flour		2.90
"	12	" fence work H. 1 1/2		.87 1/2
"	13	" spliting logs 1/2		.37 1/2
"	14	" hauling logs 1/2		.37 1/2
"	16	" S. house work 2 1/2		1.87 1/2
Feb.	15	" 1 day work pailing making		.75
"	17	" 1 day work on garden		.75
"	18	1/2 day on garden		.37
		to one sow & pags	15.00	
		to 14 bus. corn	10.50	
		Paid Taxes	4.49	
		By cash. hay baling		].30
		To 5 gals. sorghum	2.25	
		To corn in sack		
		Shops tool		5.03
		Hauling hay 1/2 day		.37 1/2
		Baleing hay " "		.37 1/2

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	Furnace work 1/2		.37 1/2
	Hoeing cotton 1 1/2 day		1.12 1/2
	Lard 10#	1.20	
	1 bu. Shelled corn	.75	
		37.69	26.70
	Stock Food	1.75	1.26
	Willie one day potato diging	.75	2.74
		40.19	30.70
		30.70	
Feb. 12	Paid to date	9.49	9.49

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1912	J.T. Hinsley Work	Dr.	Cr.
Mar. 13	J.T. H. to one day clean		.75
" 13	L.K. 1/2 clearing		.37 1/2
" 14	L.K. 3 1/2 hrs. clearing		.20
" 14	J.T.H. 1/2 day clearing		.37 1/2
" 15	J.T.H. 1 day clearing		.75
" "	L.K. 1 day "		.75
" 16	J.T.H. 1/2 in well		.37 1/2
" 18	J.T.H. 1 day clearing		.75
" "	L.K. 1 day clearing		.75
" 19	L.K. 1/2 day clearning		.37 1/2
" 19	J.T.H. 3/4 day clearing		.56 1/4
" 20	J.T.H. 1 day clearing		.75
" 20	L.K. 1/2 day diging.		.37 1/2
	J.T.H. 1/2 day		.37 1/2
Apr. 4	1 day hauling manure		.75
" 11	1/2 day cleaning up		.37 1/2
" 13	1 day draging logs & stalks		.75
" 16	1/4 " in well		.18 3/4
" 19	1/2 " in well		.37 1/2
	1 day plowing		.75
June 5	Julia 1/2 day thining corn		.37 1/2
" 6	1/2 day " "		.37 1/2
" "	J.T.H. 1/2 " "		.37 1/2
" 20	1 day sowing peas		1.00
" 21	3/4 day hoeing cotton		.75
" 21	Julia 1/2 day hoeing		.50
" 22	J.T.H. 1/2 day hoeing		.50
"	J.T.H. 1 day plowing		1.00
Aug.	J.T.Hinsley to cash		
	for shingles	5.25	
	To cash on washstand	1.00	
	To DeQueen	5.00	
	Beef 8 (18 cts) 10# (8 cts)		1.60
Oct. 18	Beef 36# (8 cts)		2.68
	Hay cut 2 1/2 at 75 cts.		1.87 1/2
	To Hay baling 23 bales	1.38	
		12.50	11.74
	Coal oil 5 gal.		.75
			12.49

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	Charley Waters to caro	25.00	
	Chaley Waters		
	Meat 11 1/2 lbs.	1.38	
	by cash		5.00
Sept. 24	By cash		3.00
	By Hay baling		3.48
		26.38	11.48
		11.48	
		14.90	

Ed Coulter 17 1/2	1.70	paid
Boney Lee 12 1/2 lbs. meat	1.50	"
A. Sutton 6 or 8 lb.s meat	.72	

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	Dr. Muldrow	Dr.
Mar.1908	To 1 bu. Seed Potatoes	.75
Sept1909	To 3 gal. molasses	1.50
" 28	" 1 gal. molasses	.50
Oct.	" 1 gal. molasses	.50
Dec. 20	" 1 gal. molasses	.50
Dec. 16	" cash	5.00
1910		
Jan.	1 gal. molasses	.50
Feb. 9	1 gal. molasses	.50
" 24	1 gal. molasses	.50

1916	John Shelly	1916
	1 day plowing	
Apr. 3	1/2 day on fence	
" 4	1 day " "	
" 5	1 " " "	

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	J.T. Hinsley	Dr.	Cr.
1898			
May 26	J.T. Hinsley cr. By		
	one pr. pants		1.75
	one pr. suspenders		.25
June 9	J.T. Hinsley Cr. By		
	One pr. shoes		2.00
	One hat		1.75
	Two prs. socks		.35
July 14	J.T. Hinsley Dr. or charged with		
	cash	6.00	
Sept. 2	To Cash	1.50	1.25
	By one days riding		
	To two months wages	20.00	
Dec. 1	Paid on cotton picking	3.30	
" 3	bought one bottle med.	1.00	

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Dec. 13	Rec'd cash of J.T. Hinsley		4.25
" 24	Paid on Lagrune act. Cash	8.65	
" 27	To Cash. Borrowed	20.00	
Jan. 1	Balance	60.45	11.60
1899	----------		
Apr. 10	To Cash	1.00	
June 6	To cash	4.00	
" 6	By one watch		1.80
" 6	By one pr. soles		.15
" 6	By perfume		.20
November 1899			
Nov. 14	J.T. Hinsley		
	By Board		20.00
Apr. 4	To Taxes	1.90	
" 6	J.T. Hinsley By Cash		1.00
May 26	J.T. Hinsley to corn 10 bushels	5.00	
Aug. 26	J.T. Hinsley to Bacon	2.37	
" "	" " Sugar	4.00	
" "	" " Coffee	4.00	
		82.72	34.75

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J.T. Hinsley Acct. 1900-1

Oct. 8	Amt. brought forward	82.72	34.75
" "	To Cash	1.00	
" "	By Mdse.		.55
" "	By work done on farm		8.90
" "	By Board 5 mos		25.00
" "	J.T. Hinsley To Cash	7.00	
Nov. 10	J.T. Hinsley to Cash	15.00	
Nov. 30	J.T. Hinsley To one Mare	45.00	
Dec. 3	J.T. Hinsley By Cotton picking		14.35
Dec. 3	By Cotton 152 lbs.		4.56
		150.72	88.11
1901		88.11	
	Bal. Due 1-1-1901	62.61	
Feb. 14	J.T. Hinsley By corn		13.05
Feb. 15	J.T. Hinsley To Cash on oats	1.60	
Mar. 8	To Plow points	.55	
Apr. 6	J.T. Hinsley By Cash		9.00
	By cotton picking		2.53
	Corn gathering		1.12
	By Baging & ties		3.40
	By Cotton Picking		.80
	By Cash		2.00
		64.76	31.90
			32.86
Feb. 28 1902	J.T. Hinsley Balance	64.76	64.76

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J.T. Hinsley Acct. 1902

March 14	To Cash for 6 1/2 bu. of corn @.87 1/2	5.69	
Mar. 29	To Cash for tax	2.60	

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Apr. 12	By corn		1.25
Apr. 17	By Pair harnes		.75
	By oats		2.00
May 12	To corn 7 1/2 bu. @ 1.12 1/2	8.42 1/2	
May 31	By one day hoeing		.75
June 1	By one day hoeing		.75
" 2	2:40 minutes		.20
Apr. 22	By board Walter Nix		1.10
Sep. 17	J.T. Hinsley to Muldrow Acct.	4.50	
Dec. 3	to cotton picking	1.55	
		22.76	6.80
		6.80	
Dec. 31	Bal. Due	15.96	
1903			
Jan. 14	To Cash Paid D.M. Galliway	7.85	
" 22	By broceries		27.00
		23.81	27.00
			23.81
Mar. 19	Balance		3.19
"	To Shevel plows	.35	
June 8	To Cash paid Jim Livingston	7.50	
June 17	To Cash paid Ashly for hoeing	3.30	
"	To Cash paid Steel	1.00	
Jul 29	To lawyer fee	5.00	
Aug. 11	" one pr. shoes	2.00	
Nov.	By sheeting		1.00
	Paid for transtient labor	3.35	
		22.50	4.19
		4.19	
		18.31	
Nov. 27	By Groceries	10.00	10.00
		8.31	

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1904-6	J.T. Hinsley Acct.		
1904	Amt. brought forward	8.31	
	One bed & stead	4.00	
	To Ellis King cash	.50	
	To Roda Leash	.50	
	by cotton seed 8 1/3 bu.		1.65
	by one sweep		.20
1905			
Apr. 24	To two cows one calf	30.00	
"	By groceries		10.00
Sep. 12	Sawing one day		1.25
" 13	" one-half day		.62 1/2
" 15	" 8 hrs.		1.00
" 18	" one day		1.25
" 19	one half-day on raod		.62 1/2
" 25	one day sawing		1.25
" 26	one day sawing		1.25
" 27	one day sawing		1.25
" 28	2 hours swaing		.25
Oct. 4	one half-day sawing		.62 1/2
" 11	one day sawing		1.25

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Oct. 12	one day sawing			1.25
" 13	sawing J.E. King one day			1.25
" 16	Sawing one day			1.25
" 17	Sawing one day			1.25
" 18	Sawing 1/4 day			.31 1/4
" 20	Striping cane 1/2 d.			.37 1/2
" 21	One day striping cane			.75
" 23	diging potatoes			.75
" "	To beef 33 lb.s	1.65		
" "	To Molasses one gal.	.50		
" "	To Lard 3 lbs. @ 9 cts	.27		
Nov. 8	To 28# Beef at 4 cts	1.12		
May 1906				
May 1	by ten lbs. meat			1.00
" "	two plow stocks			1.50
June	1 day plowing			.75
July 19	1 day plowing			.75
" 20	1 day plowing			.75
	Julya hoeing			.75
	July 2 days plowing			1.50
	To peas 1 1/2 bu	2.00		
	knee pads			.75
Oct. 6	Received 10.00			10.00
Dec. 1	Paid J.T. Hinsley	46.85		47.34
	Cash	10.00		
		56.85		47.34

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1907 J.T. Hinsley Transient labor work account on farm

Apr. 25	Boss King 3/4 day	.56
" "	Emmit one day	.75
" "	Sim Graves 1/2 day	.25
" 29	Luke Malone one day	.50
" 30	" " " "	.50
May 1	" " " "	.50
" 2	" " 3/4 "	.35
		3.35

Mo. Logs

No. days	Logs
1	44
2	24
3	42
4	22
5	48
6	48
7	56
8	4
9	24
10	35
11	41
12	40
13	50
14	15
	493

Sawing for J.E. King
2 hands one day 3.00

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J.T. Hinsley

1907		Amt. brought forward	56.85	47.34
		Borrowed money		1.00
		Loaned J.T.H.	4.00	
July	12	Puting up wire 3/4 d.		.75
Aug.	19	J.T. Hinsley to 4 1/2 bu. corn-65 ct	2.92	
Sep.	4	One day on crib log		1.00
"	6	One day " " "		1.00
Nov.	15	by Cash		10.00
		To cash paid	3.70	
Jan 1	1908		67.47	61.09
		paid cash	2.50	

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J.T. Hinsley Acct. 1913

Jan	29	3/4 day clearing		.56 1/4
"	30	3/4 day clearing		.56 1/4
"	31	1 day clearing		.75
Feb.	7	1/2 day clearing		.37 1/2
"	12	1 day clearing		.75
"	13	1 day clearing		.75
"	14	1/2 day clearing		.37 1/2
"	17	3/4 day clearing		.56 1/4
"	20	Stalk burning		
"	27	3/4 making rails		.56 1/4
"	28	3/4 making rails & fence R		.56 1/4
Mar.	3	1 day fence work		.75
"	12	1 day m new groing		.75
"	14	1 day hauling R & P		.75
"	15	1/2 day mold n. ground		.37 1/2
"	"	1/2 bushel potatoes		.75
"	"	Board for surveyor		2.25
"	15	Paid cash	11.22	11.22
		Balance on Rent	26.74	
Apr.		Received cash		25.00
"	21	1 day hauling rails		.75
"	22	1 day burning N.G.		.75
"	23	1/2 day " " "		.37.1/2

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W.D. Eddlemon Cotton

1	First bale and seed	88.90
2	Second " and seed	86.85
3	Third " " "	102.49
	Bg bal. on seed	2.74
4	By one bale cotton	100.59
"	by one bale seed	12.30
5	Bale	92.35
6	Balale and seed	103.91
	Credit by corn	76.48

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M.A. Shelly Acct. 1909

		Corn 9 bu.	9.00		
Apr	9	To cash	25.00		
May	8	To Cash	10.00		
July		To Meat 41 lbs. 12 1/2 cts	5.12		
"		Cr. by Sow & pigs		6.00	
Nov.	1	" by cash		30.00	
"	26	To interest on money	2.12		
"	26	By Cash		13.30	
			51.24	49.30	
		To Loard 15 # @ 15 cts	2.25		
Dec.	9	By cash		2.00	
"	"	To haul of cotton 3 bales			
			53.49	53.49	
1910					
Jan	7	2 1/2 Work cuting blocks		1.87	1/2
"		1/2 day on smoke h		.37	1/2
"		1/2 " " " "		.37	1/2
"	22	1/2 day on smoke H		.37	1/2
"	24	1 day shingling		.75	
"	27	1 day on house		.75	
"	28	1 day " "		.75	
"	29	1 day on house		.75	
Feb.	2	1/2 day on house		.37	1/2
"	3	1 day on house		.75	
"	4	1 day on house		.75	
"	5	3/4 day on house		.56	1/4
"	7	1/2 day on house		.37	1/2
"	8	1 day on house		.75	
"	9	1 day on house		.75	
"	10	1 day on house		.75	
"	11	1/2 day on house		.37	1/2
"	14	1 day on house		.75	
"	15	1/2 day on house		.37	1/2
"	22	1 day on house		.75	
"	25	2 days on house		1.50	
"	28	2 days on house		1.50	
Mar.	1	2 days on house		1.50	
"	2	2 days on house		1.50	
"	7	1 day haul-dirt rock		.75	
"	8	1 day hauling rock L.		.75	
"	9	1 day on chimney		.75	
"	10	1/2 day on house		.37	1/2

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Mar.	11	day on chimney		.75	
"	12	1 day on chimney		.75	
"	14	1 day B. Backs & Jams		.75	
"	15	1 day haul & house w		.75	
"	16	1 day work on house		.75	
"		To potatoes 1/2 bu.	.50		
June	6	1/2 day cleaning up		.37	1/2
Sept		2 1/2 days on crib		1.87	1/2
		To cotton seed 70 lbs.	1.00		
		Paid	1.50	5.00	
				1.50	
				3.50	

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		M.A. Shelly Acct. 1909		
		Corn 9 bu.	9.00	
Apr	9	To cash	25.00	
May	8	To Cash	10.00	
July		To Meat 41 lbs. 12 1/2 cts	5.12	
"		Cr. by Sow & pigs		6.00
Nov.	1	" by cash		30.00
"	26	To interest on money	2.12	
"	26	By Cash		13.30
			51.24	49.30
		To Loard 15 # @ 15 cts	2.25	
Dec.	9	By cash		2.00
"	"	To haul of cotton 3 bales		
			53.49	53.49
1910				
Jan	7	2 1/2 Work cuting blocks		1.87 1/2
"		1/2 day on smoke h		.37 1/2
"		1/2 " " " "		.37 1/2
"	22	1/2 day on smoke H		.37 1/2
"	24	1 day shingling		.75
"	27	1 day on house		.75
"	28	1 day " "		.75
"	29	1 day on house		.75
Feb.	2	1/2 day on house		.37 1/2
"	3	1 day on house		.75
"	4	1 day on house		.75
"	5	3/4 day on house		.56 1/4
"	7	1/2 day on house		.37 1/2
"	8	1 day on house		.75
"	9	1 day on house		.75
"	10	1 day on house		.75
"	11	1/2 day on house		.37 1/2
"	14	1 day on house		.75
"	15	1/2 day on house		.37 1/2
"	22	1 day on house		.75
"	25	2 days on house		1.50
"	26	2 days on house		1.50
Mar.	1	2 days on house		1.50
"	2	2 days on house		1.50
"	7	1 day haul-dirt rock		.75
"	8	1 day hauling rock L.		.75
"	9	1 day on chimney		.75
"	10	1/2 day on house		.37 1/2

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		Shelly continued		
Mar.	11	day on chimney		.75
"	12	1 day on chimney		.75
"	14	1 day B. Backs & Jams		.75
"	15	1 day haul & house w		.75
"	16	1 day work on house		.75
"		To potatoes 1/2 bu.	.50	
June	6	1/2 day cleaning up		.37 1/2
Sept		2 1/2 days on crib		1.87 1/2
		To cotton seed 70 lbs.	1.00	
		Paid	1.50	5.00
				1.50
				3.50

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	M.A. Shelly		
1911			
Oct.	To (1) one gallon molasses	.45	
"	" 10 gal. molasses & keg	5.35	
	" 33 lbs. Lard	3.96	
Nov.	" one wagon	20.00	
1912		29.76	
Oct. 25	Credited by cash	20.00	20.00
		9.76	
Nov. 23	Ballance		9.76
	Cotton Picked		
	Lonny 588		3.82
	Cora 487 paid	6.98	3.16
		16.74	16.74
1913			
Jan 3	J.T. Shelly one dress		
	ed hog weight 117 lbs. 8 cts.	9.36	

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	Will Cook 8 bu.	4.20	4.00
	Borah Bell 17	5.00	8.50
	W.A. Sutton 21 1/2	12.20	10.75
May 7	W.A. Sutton		
	by Wallace 3 3/4 bu		1.87
	Paid Cash by Wallace	1.00	
		22.40	25,12
	Interest		1.25
			26.37

	Tom Needham	
May 19	Commence work	
" "	1 day plowing	
" 20	1/4 day "	
" 21	1/2 day thining corn	
" 22	1/2 day " "	
" 24	1 day plowing corn	
" 26	1/2 day " "	
" 28	1 day plowing new ground corn	
" 29	1 " " " " "	
" 30	1/4 day hoeing cotton	
June 4	1 day hoeing cotton	
" 5	1 " " "	
" 6	1 " " "	
" 7	1/2 day plowing	
" 7	To cash	4.00
" 9	1 day plowing	
" 10	1 day "	
" 11	1 day "	
" 12	1 day "	
" 13	1/2 day "	
" 16	1 day "	
" 17	1 day "	
" 18	1 day plowing & bush c.	
" 19	1 caling bushes	
" 20	1/2 " "	
	To cash	14.00

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	M.A. Shelly 1914			
	Beef 13			.91
	Loney and M.A. Shelly			
Dec.	1/2 Sawing wood 2 1			
Jan 1	3/4 Sawing post 2 1 1/2			
7	M.A. Shelly			
8	1/2 Sharpening post 1/2			
	To one shoulder meat 9 cts		.63	
	" one gal. molasses		.55	
" 12	By 1/2 day plowing (1/2)			
" 13	By 1 day plowing (1)			
" 14	M.A. Shelly			
	To 411 lbs. meat 9 cts		36.99	
" 26	M.A. Shelly To 104 lbs. meat 9 cts		9.36	
Feb. 16	M.A. Shelly (day (1))			
" 16	Loney Shelly (day (1))			
" 21	M.A.S. fencing day 1			
" 21	Loney " day 1			
" 25	Loney making post 1			
" "	M.A.S. " " 1			
" 26	" " " set post 1			
" "	Loney " " 1			
" 27	" fencing 1/2			
" "	M.A.S. fencing 1			
" 28	M.A.S. fencing 1			
" "	Loney " 1			
" "	M.A. Shelly powing 1/2			
Apr. 2	M.A.S. setting posts 1			
	M.A.S. " " 1			
	Loney " " 1			
	To Sharpening 2 S.		.20	
	one set side harrow teeth		.25	
June 17	To one bushel corn		1.00	
July 1	Building fence 3 days			
	Hay baling			.95
Aug. 15	1/2 Bu. corn		.50	
	cuting threads on bolt		. 5	
Nov.	By cash			15.00
	" clearing			8.55
	Total Debits		49.53	
Jan. 1	By total amt. day work			20.70
			46.17	46.17
	Bal. Due		3.36	
			3.36	
1915				
Jan. 22	Acct. closed			

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	M.A. Shelly		
Apr.	7 planting corn		.75
	1/2 day piling brush		.37 1/2
	Loney hauling manure 1 day 7 hours		1.22 1/2
Apr. 29	1/2 day harrowing		.37 1/2
May 12	1 day cuting bushes		.75
" 13	1/2 " " "		.37 1/2

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1915		M.A. Shelly		
May	14	3/4 bush cut & plowing		.56 1/4
	15	1/2 day plw & bush cut		.37 1/2
		To 2 jugs molasses	1.10	
		" 1 shovel plow sharp	. 5	
"	17	Loney cuting bushes		.37 1/2
		1/2 M.A. Shelly		.37 1/2
	18	M.A. Shelly		.75
		Loney by cash	3.95	
	21	1/2 day making posts (short time)		.30
		1 M.A. Shelly " "		.30
	22	1/2 day thining corn		.37 1/2
June	24	To one jug mol.	.55	
			5.65	7.26
Apr.	3	1 day work fences		
"	4	1 " " "		
"	5	1 " " "		
1918	29	Crib work 5 1/2 day	5.50	3.89
Apr.	29	1918 bal.	11.15	11.15

Apr.	20	C.F. Proctor for Walter	
		to 14 bu. cotton seed	9.10
		to 13 gal. molasses	7.15
		to 4 gal. "	2.20
		Total	18.45

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		J.H. Teague		
		work		
		1/4 day in oats		.18 3/4
		1/2 " " "		.37 1/2
		1/2 (Wesley) in oats		.37 1/2
		J.H. Teague 1/2 day seting posts		.37 1/2
		J.H.T. to one bucket molas.	.50	.50
		to sharpening 4 shovel plows	.30	
		To rent on cows		
		4 months less 2 weeks	7.00	
			7.80	1.81
Nov.	23	credited by one 7 day plowing		
		with team		1.75
"	24	1/2 day with team		.85
		Trip to Mineral with cotton		2.00
		3/4 day in sorghum thrashing peas		.75
			7.80	7.16

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		J.W. Wood Account 1899		
Feb.	6	To one ax handle	.15	
"	8	To 1/2 bushel meal	.25	
"	11	To cash	4.00	
"	24	Mrs. Wood. To lash	.50	
"	23	To one month wages	13.00	
Mar.	11	To Nitre	.05	
"	20	By Cash		5.00
"	23	To one month wages	15.00	
Apr.	13	To one 1/2 month wages	8.65	
			41.60	5.00

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		J.W. Wood continued		
		(from previous pg.)	41.60	5.00
			5.00	
		Due Apr. 13 1899	36.60	
Apr.	14	By Wagon		35.00
"	20	By Cash		1.60
"	20	Ballance	36.60	36.60
		Nelson White		
		to Meat		
		89 1/2 lbs. 112 cents	10.29	

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		R. Elmer 1899		
Apr.	17	To one day	1.00	
"	18	" " "	1.00	
"	19	" " "	1.00	
"	20	" " half day	.50	
"	24	To one day	1.00	
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"	2	" " "	1.00	
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"	4	To one half day	.50	
"	5	" one day	1.00	
"	6	" one day	1.00	
"	8	" one day	1.00	
"	9	" one day	1.00	
"	10	" 3/4 of a day	.75	
"	12	" 1/2 day	.50	
"	13	" one day	1.00	
"	15	" one day	1.00	
"	16	" one day	1.00	
"	17	" 3/4 day	.75	
"	18	" 1/2 day	.50	
"	19	" one day	1.00	
"	22	Rec'd of Mr. Elmer Cash		14.25
"	22	One coat		1.00
		To borrowed cash	10.00	
"	22	To one day	1.00	
"	23	To one half day	.50	
"	24	To one day	1.00	
"	25	To one day	1.00	
"	26	To one day	1.00	
"	27	To one day	1.00	

BOOK REVIEWS AND NOTICES

By Bobbie Jones McLane

The following are reviews and/or announcements of book acquisitions for the Arkansas Genealogical Society. These books are permanently housed in the Local History and Genealogy Room of the Little Rock Public Library, which currently is open Tuesday through Saturday of each week. The Society expresses its appreciation to the authors and contributors.

MARRIAGES, HEMPSTEAD COUNTY ARKANSAS, 1875-1900, published by the Hempstead County Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 1158, Hope, AR 71801. In 1969, this reviewer and the late Mrs. Capitola Glazner published the Marriages of Hempstead Co.,AR, from the earliest 1817 to 1875, and I am personally delighted to see the balance of these records from this very important Arkansas county, up to 1900. The compilers transcribed the marriages from a microfilm copy of Books D through M, verified difficult to read entries with the original books on file in the Hempstead Co. Court House, and have indicated those in which the original marriage license is still on file in the clerk's office. The book is alphabetically arranged by the name of the groom, with a surname index for brides, and includes all pertinent information. A listing of the Ministers and JPs who performed marriages during these years is included, indicating the number of marriages each performed during the various years. Soft cover, 225 pp., priced at $20.00 and may be ordered from the Society at the above address.

The following four volumes are available from the compiler, Wanda McGehee, 8303 So. 30th Circle, Fort Smith, AR 72903:

ATLAS OF SEBASTIAN CO., ARKANSAS (Reprint), compiled and drawn from the U. S. official Surveys, County Records and Personal Observations by E. L. Hayes, 1887, and contains Tables of Distances and Population, and maps of Fort Smith and Sulphur Springs, Dayton, Salem, Witcherville, Hartford, Greenwood, Hacket, Jenson, Jenny Lind, Biswell Springs Camp Ground, Excelsior, Bloomer, Milltown, Central, Lavaca, or Oak Bower and a patron's list and business directory. Soft cover, 29 pp., $8.00.

MARRIAGE RECORDS SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS, LOWER DISTRICT, GREENWOOD COURTHOUSE BOOK "B" 1886-1892. These marriages are arranged alphabetically by the name of the groom with a complete index for brides. The records were copied by the compiler at the courthouse in Greenwood. Many of those married were from the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, as Greenwood was the nearest courthouse to them. Some were from Franklin, Logan and Scott Counties, AR. Soft cover, 39 pp., $10.00.

MARRIAGE RECORDS SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS LOWER DISTRICT, GREENWOOD COURTHOUSE BOOK "C" 1892-1899. (see above) Soft cover, 36 pp., $10.00.

MARRIAGE RECORDS SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS LOWER DISRRICT, GREENWOOD COURTHOUSE BOOK "D" 1898-1904 (see above) Soft cover, 36 pp., $10.00

MARRIAGE RECORDS SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS LOWER DISTRICT, GREENWOOD COURTHOUSE OLD BOOK "D" 1881-1886 (see above). Soft cover, 28 pp., $8.00

These records are a welcome addition to our holdings of records from Northwest Arkansas. It is noted that Ms. McGehee plans to transcribe and publish the Guardianship and Administration bonds.

The following four volumes were compiled by Sue Clark, Star Route Box 91-AA, Natural Dam, AR 72948, and may be ordered from her at that address. They concern the "upper" area, or the Fort Smith District, of Sebastian County.

MARRIAGE BOOK "A" FORT SMITH DISTRICT, SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS 1865-1870. This volume contains 316 marriages and although Book A is dated 1865-1870, there are four marriages for 1864, one for 1863 and one for 1861. There is even one dated 1880. Alphabetically arranged, with a complete bride name index, Ms. Clark notes that she did not include the place of residence, or title "Mrs.", "Miss", "Capt.","Sgt."d, etc. (many were for marriages for soldiers at the Fort and some for soldiers at Fort Gibson), and stated that some marriages give names of witnesses, bridesmaid, groomsman, and place where marriage was performed. (This reviewer feels that this information would have greatly added to these records) Soft cover, 10 pp. $5.00.

MARRIAGE BOOK "B" FORT SMITH DISTRICT, SEBASTIAN COUNTY ARKANSAS 1870-1881. There are 865 marriages in this volume and although Book A states the marriages begin in 1870, there are some recorded which are dated earlier - one in 1847 was not recorded until the 1870s. The original book was not indexed. Same format as the above book. Soft cover, 23 pp., $8.00

SEBASTIAN COUNTY, ARKANSAS MARRIAGE BOOKS "B" & "BA" 1873-1880, GREENWOOD DISTRICT, FIRST TWO MARRIAGE BOOKS. A fire in 1881 and another in 1882 destroyed most of this county's early records. These two marriage books were saved, though the edges are burned and the covers seared. Book "B" is the first book of marriages, and indictes that the records date from May 18,1873 to April 21, 1880; however,the compiler found a few dates of 1864, 1867, 1869, 1870 & 1872 - marriages performed on these dates, but not recorded until this time period. Book "BA" is the second book of marriages,written on forms with three marriages to a page. The marriage at the top usually has a name or age burned off. There are only 42 pages in this book. Ms. Clark mentions that the researcher should be aware that there are two "B" Marriage books at the Greenwood Courthouse. The second Book B is for sale by Wanda McGehee and is reviewed above. Grooms names are alphabetically arranged, with a complete bride index, soft cover, 41 pp., $10.00

PRAIRIE COUNTY, ARKANSAS 1890 CENSUS RECONSTRUCTION, a part of the Arkansas Sesquicentennial Project of AGS, has been published by Margaret H. Hubbard, 1207 Shady Grove Road, Hot Springs, AR 71901. This was transcribed from microfilm of the real property tax records for Prairie County,and read from the original records by Gilda Beckman. No personal property listings were available. Also included is a listing of the 1891 Real Estate Assessment Book for the Southern Division of this county. Soft cover, 105 pp., $12.00, postpaid.

ARKANSAS COLONIALS, 1868 - 1804, compiled by Morris S. Arnold and Dorothy Jones Core. This book, commemorating the 300th anniversary of Arkansas Post, is also a Sesquicentennial project of the Grand Prairie Historical Society, P. O. Box 122, Gillett, AR 72055. It is a collection of French and Spanish Records listing early Europeans in Arkansas 1686-1804. The book contains the census, militia and other lists of names of Arkansas' colonial inhabitants which the compilers have discovered in their study of Arkansas colonial history over a considerable period of time. Anyone with an interest in our very early history of Arkansas should have a copy of this book and we welcome it for our AGS Library holdings! Soft cover, 104 pp., surname index, $13.25, including

shipping charges, may be ordered from the Grand Prairie Historical Society at the above address.

BIOGRAPHICAL & HISTORICAL MEMOIRS OF NATCHITOCHES PARISH, LOUISIANA This is a reprint extracted from Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Northwest Louisiana, originally published 1890, Nashville & Chicago, The Southern Publishing Company, with a new, every-name index by Donna Rachal Mills. An excellent addition to the many Goodspeeds Histories now being indexed and reprinted. Soft cover, 122 pp. (31 p. Index) $16.25, including postage and handling, may be orderd from Mills Historical Press, 107 Woodbridge, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406.

DEED ABSTRACTS OF WARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1797-1812 (Deed Books A1, B2, C3, D4, E5), VOLUME 1, abstracted by Joyce Martin Murray, 2921 Daniels, Dallas, TX 75205. Abstracts of Deeds, Bills of Sale, Deeds of Gift, Mortgages, Powers of Attorney, etc. contained in these earliest Deed Books of this important South Central Kentucky county. Much of the land involved is in present-day adjacent counties of Logan, Simpson, Barren and Allen. The period covered is from the formation of the county (and includes many much earlier references) until early 1812. Many relationships are stated, and other counties of residence identified. Hardback, off-set printing, 105 pp., full name index, $20.00, order from compiler at the above address.

DEED ABSTRACTS OF WARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1812-1821 (Books F-6, G-7, H-8, I-9). During this period the new counties of Allen (1815) and Simpson (1819) were formed. Numerous references are made to ties with persons and land in Virginia, Illinois, Tnnessee and other Kentucky counties. Contains same information as Volume 1 above and in addition to the full name index, Volume 2 includes two separately indexed research aids: An Index of Place Names and an Index of Slaves, in which only one name is given, but in most cases the name of the owner is included. Hardback, off-set printing, 204 pp., $25.00, order from the compiler, Joyce Martin Murray, 2921 Daniels, Dallas, TX 75205.

FAMILY HISTORY OF OUR BRATTONS, MASSEYS,AND MARTINS, by Louise Brint Jones, 3540 South 3610 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84109. A history of the descendants of Paul Bratton of Hardin Co., TN, who came to Searcy Co., Arkansas, some arriving on Christmas Day, 1838. The Brattons were Quakers from NC. Paul was the son of Robert Bratton (Brattain) and Mary Milliken, whose lineage is detailed prior to the Revolution. The Masseys were descendants of Thomas W. Massey, b. NC, who also came from Hardin Co., TN, to Searcy Co., AR, prior to the 1850 census. Martins were descendants of Henry Martin b. VA, and his wife Nancy, from Wayne Co., TN to Ark., first in Green Co. in 1850 census and then to Searcy Co. prior to 1860 census. A well-presented book, hard cover, $36.50, unfortunately, no index. Compiler says that two families of Martins came from Wayne Co., TN, to Searcy Co. at about the same time. Both have many of the same given names and same traditions of Cherokee Indian blood, but so few records in either ramily or in pertinent court houses, that relationship has not been proved. Order from compiler at above address.

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI LANDS, A Guide to Spanish Land Grants at the University of Michigan, by Winston DeVille, F.A.S.G. This guide addresses 150 land documents in the William L. Clements Library at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, relating to land ownership in the Lower South before 1803. The records are evenly divided between Louisiana and Mississippi and all relate to land titles acquired or confirmed during the Spanish period, although some refer

to land grants made much earlier. This is a guide to the microfilm and is an index referring to entry numbers. Wrappers, 16 pages, $3.50, including postage; may be ordered from the Evangeline Genealogical and Historical Society, P. O. Box 664, Ville Platte, LA 70586.

OLD LAND RECORDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, ALABAMA, by Margaret Matthews Cowart, 7801 Tea Garden Rd. SE, Huntsville, AL 35802. The federal land records are among the few early records of Franklin County in existence. Several courthouse fires destroyed almost all of the records prior to 1890. This book is a compilation of land records showing the earliest legal land owners within the boundaries of present-day Franklin County starting in 1818. This volume contains over 3,500 early land owners' names. Those who have tried to find early Franklin County records will find this an invaluable research tool to this area.Soft cover, 260 pp., including a full-name index, $18.00, may be ordered from the compiler at the above address.

THE ARKANSAS PIONEERS, Reminiscenses of Arkansas Pioneers, pages from the Arkansas Pioneers Magazine 1912-1916. From 1913 until 1916, the Arkansas pioneers Association published anoccasional historical magazine - Arkansas first - devoted to "procuring from living pioneers, or their descendants, authentic details of events in the lives of those people who were the earliest known settlers of Arkansas." Because these articles are now almost completely unknown and universally inaccessible, the Pulaski County Association of the Arkansas Pioneers published this new edition, along with a complete name index. Contains some excellent reminiscences of early Arkansans. Soft cover, 150 pp., $12.50. Order from S. Eugene Locklar, 419 Fairfax St., little Rock, AR 72205.

OAKLAND U.S.A by Kenon & Mildred Parham and Dewell & Lotis Grisham, contains primarily tombstone inscriptions from Oakland Cemetery at Holland, Faulkner Co. Arkansas. The listing is complete as of 1985, with the deaths of 1986 added. An attempt was also made to identify unmarked graves. Funeral and church records were also added, though a specific site of burial could not be named. A list of marriages recorded by A. G. Duran 1887/1909, and other historical memorabilia is included. Soft cover, 105 pp., $18.95. Order from Dewell & Lotis Grisham, 5820 Walnut St., North Little Rock,AR 72118.

THE LIVES AND LETTERS OF THE COMBS FAMILY, by Ann Combs Krahn. A history of the Combs family, listing descendants of Thomas Hicks Combs and his wife Kizziah Hayes, based on the recollections of living members of the family, and more than 90 letters which are still in existence today, written by members of the family during the 1800s. The Combs family came from Wilkes Co., NC, to Hancock Co., IN, by the time of the 1840 census. The book appears to be a well documented study, covering their lives from NC, continuing into Indiana, and finally, the lives of their descendants as they spread throughout the United States. Hard cover, 219, pp., full name index, price $25.00 plus $3.95 shipping and handling. Order from Ann Combs Krahn, 9618 Sunnehanna Blvd., Pensacola, FL 32514.

1860 CENSUS CHICOT COUNTY, ARKANSAS, compiled by Ken Trigleth and indexed by Elizabeth Trigleth. A transcription of the 1860 census with a full name index. Soft cover, 66 pp., $16.00. Order from Genealogical Research Aids, P. O. Box 750118, Duncan, OK 73575 (This company is apparently planning the publication of the 1870 and 1880 Chico County,Arkansas, census).

1880 MOORE COUNTY, TENNESSEE, CENSUS, by Judy Henley Phillips. Moore Co.,TN, surrounded by Bedford, Coffee, Franklin and Lincoln Cos., was established in January 1872, and the 1880 was its first census. Therefore, those persons who were listed in the surrounding counties on the 1870 census may be here in 1880. Ms. Phillips has done a creditable job of transcribing these records and has added a complete name index. Soft cover, 110 pp., $16.00. Order from the compiler, Judy Henley Phillips, Rt. 3, Box 284, Tullahoma, TN 37388.

THE LEGACY OF ADAM FISHER (- 1757 by James S. Fisher. This book is the result of more than 309 years research by this author who states that "nothing herein is documented! I have not set out to PROVE anything...merely to collect all of the information I could on my Fishers." In spite of this disclaimer, this enormous book not only makes for very interesting reading,but contains much infomation on many descendants of this family. The author states that Adam Fisher has decendants living in 33 states and in Japan. Anyone interested in any branch of the Fisher family will find the book contains a wealth of material. Hardback, 666 pp., full name index, $50.00. Order from James S. Fisher, Piscator Publications, 908 No. Madison, Jackson, MS 39202.

ROBERTS-ALLEN FAMILIES and Related DAVIS, HIGHFILL, ROGERS, compiled by Merritt E. Roberts, Ph.D., 3938 Mesa Circle Dr., Lompoc, CA 93436. Beginning in the New Bern Colony of North Carolina, this book chronicles the descent of the family of Andrew Roberts through his two sons, John and Andrew, and the above mentioned collateral lines. Dr. Roberts book reflects very careful research and he relates much general history of the areas about which he writes, as well as the history of his own family, with numerous photographs used. These families have several Arkansas connections, namely in Boone, Dallas, Poinsett, Prairie and Benton Cos. The numbering system used by the author may be confusing to some, but is really quite simple when studied. Hardback, 540 pp., full name index, $42.50 and may be ordered from the compiler.

PAUL R. COPPOCK'S M-I-D-S-O-U-T-H, edited by Helen W. Coppock and Charles W. Crawford, Mid-South residents who were readers of The Commercial Appeal during the 55 years between 1928 and 1983 are familiar with the writing of Paul R. Coppock. He wrote as a reporter and as an editor, but for most of his followers he wrote as an historian, one who knew more about the area's history than any other person. Having published two previous books, his work was not completed when he died in 1983. This book is the one he planned to make available to readers of his adopted region and has been edited with careful attention to his own standards of accuracy. Articles in the book concern some of the most colorful characters and interesting places in Memphis, West Tennessee, Arkansas, Missouri and Mississippi. Subjects of interest to Arkansans concern "Devil's Elbow", "Climber Car", "Sacred Heart Academy - Helena", "Hopefield", "Horn Lake" and "Hardy, Ark." Hardback, 321 pp., $17.95 plus $1.25 to cover postage and handling. Indexed. Order from West Tennessee Historical Society, P. O. Box 111056, Memphis, TN 38111.

KINFOLKS OF WAYNE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA 1793-1832 by Joseph W. Watson, 406 Piedmont Ave., Rocky Mount, NC 27801. This is the latest in the series of "Kinfolks" books published by Mr. Watson. It is a compilation of relationships proved or indicted by the deeds of Wayne County, and is of tremendous value in locating ancestors and establishing family ties to them. By using this method of revealing the relationships, either stated or implied, in the deed books, the compiler can cover so many more years than by abstracting the deeds page by page. Wayne Co. was formed from Dobbs Co. (n longer existent) in 1779. The

earlier deeds were abstracted in a previous book published by this compiler in 1981. All names in capital letters, fully indexed, 275 pp., 6" x 9", cloth bound, $25.00. Order from compiler.

AN AMERICAN ODYSSEY: The Autobiography of Robert Brownlee. edited by Patricia A. Etter. Robert Brownlee, a Scottish stone cutter by trade, came to America after New York's great fire in 1835 to try his masonry skills in America. His experiences in New York, Arkansas, and California taken from his personal writings of almost 100 years ago (1893) came to life in this book edited and clarified with exhaustive footnotes by Ms. Etter. He practiced his craft in NC (on the Satate Capitol) and was one of the stonecutters who worked on Arkansas' Old State House. he was on one of the first "gold trains", or expeditions, from this state to the California Gold Rush in 1849 and brings to life details of this trip. The book, and Brownlee's writings, are greatly enhanced by Ms. Etter's prefaces and footnotes to each chapter. Especially interesting is the list of Arkansans aidentified as members of Brownlee's company of Forty Niners. Hardback, 240 pp., $17.95, order from University of Arkansas Press, McIlroy House, 201 Ozark St., Fayetteville, AR 72701.

ASHLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS MARRIAGE RECORDS 1873 - 1888, compiled and published by the Ashley County Genealogical Society, P.O.Drawer R, Crossett, AR 71635, lists first the grooms alphabetically, with a full name cross index of brides showing book and page numbers for original records at the Ashley County Court House, Hamburg, AR. Soft cover, 26 pp., $17.50; order from the society.

ASHLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS MARRIAGE RECORDS 1888-1899, compiled and published by the Ashley County Genealogical Society. Same format as above. Soft cover, 29 pp., $17.50, includes postage and handling.

QUERIES

Prepared for publication by Bobbie Jones McLane

Material submitted for this 'Query Section' must pertain to an area of Arkansas at some point in time. Since we always work with a "backlog" of queries, we have no time table for printing them, as we work several months ahead of the actual appearance of this quarterly. We do, however, strive to print them in the order in which they are received. In order to be fair to all our members, PLEASE SUBMIT NO MORE THAN ONE QUERY AT A TIME.

Queries are limited to members only. It simplifies the work of the all-volunteer staff of this publication if you send your queries with your membershp fee, to the Arkansas Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908. Queries should be confined to approximately fifty words.

If the name of the County is known and included, it increases your chance of receiving replies to your questions. Always give a full name and a date for reference.

McWILLIAMS DUFF McGOWN — J. W. McWilliams, Rt. 2, Box 130 A6, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, would like any information, especially birth and death locations for the following McWilliams brothers: Anderson b. ca 1805 KY m. Elizabeth Duff 26 Oct. 1826, Jefferson Co.,AL; William b. ca 1810 KY m. 2nd Catherine McGown, 7 Jan, 1847, Union Co., AR; Wright b. ca 1812 KY, m. Rachel ? ca. 1829-30. All were in Union and Lafayette Cos., AR 1850-1860.

1890 "CENSUS" — Helen Turney, 626 West South Ave., Harrison, AR 72601, needs help in reconstructing in entirety each family in Marion Co., AR in 1890. Most personal property taxpayers were recorded by initials and surname only. Need full names and any nickname (in quotations following name, please) of all members, their birth month, year, state, and death date. Also full names of parents of taxpayer and spouse including maiden name of their mothers.

ROBERTS CAGLE — Mrs. Stanley Risner, Rt. 1,Box 179, Watson, AR 71674: Daniel W. Roberts, his wife Susan or Susannah Cagle, their children and Susan's father David Cagle and his family were all living near Minville, Warren Co., TN, in 1850 according to census records. These same families were living in Clark Co., AR in 1870 according to the census. Does anyone know where these families were living when the 1860 census was taken?

CAGLE CARMICHAEL — Lorene Golden,Rt. 1, Gurdon, AR 71743: Charles Cagle, b.1833, Clark Co., AR and Caroline Cagle Cagle b. 1831, Clark Co., AR. Their parents were David and Elizabeth (Carmichael) Cagle. In 1860 census, Clark Co., Ark., Caroline was listed in her father's household with his second wife Sarah Ann. What became of Charles and Caroline? Did they marry, or die? Where are David and Elizabeth Cagle buried?

SMOOT McGOWEN — Mrs. William T. Files, 8 Bride St., Parkdale, AR 71661, needs info. on Ira Smoot, b. ca. 1803 KY, living in Sevier Co., AR in 1850, wife Minerva McGowen. He was County Surveyor 1850-56.

Also George Smoot, living in Columbia Co., AR. Would like to hear from anyone working on the Meek(s) and Smoot families that came to Arkansas from Hardin Co., KY.

MEEKS SMOOT — Beatrice Schwammel, 4502 Banbury Bend, Austin, TX 78745. Suddith Meeks m.Winney Smoot "The Smoots of Md. & Va." by Harry Newman. Son John b. 1806 KY m. Mary ? and their first child Suddith was born 8 Feb. 1832 Mt. Pleasant, Barry Co., MO. John Meeks was in 1829 Sheriff's Census, Crawford Co., AR, and Suddith Meeks in 1830 census, Crawford Co., AR (Mulberry Twp.).

PHILLIPS TAYLOR LANDIS — Mrs. Doris Lampman, Box 85, Centerview, MO 64019. Edgar Phillips, b. ca.1880 m. Alpha Taylor in Little Rock,AR ca 1904. They divorced and she m. Charles Landis in Kansas City, MO. One child, Mildred Walsie Phillips, b. Mar. 30, 1904 at Little Rock, AR. Need to know Edgar's date and place of birth, and names of parents.

OWENS BRANHAM BOLDIN SANDERS — Mary Jones Ziegler, 606 Cooper Dr., Placentia, CA 92670. William Farrell Owens, b. ca 1820, KY, and wife Louisa Jane Branham, b. ca 1829 KY,& ch. were at Van Buren, Crawford Co.,AR by 1860 census, by way of Pike Co. & Owensboro, Davis Co., KY and MO (where?). Ch. b.in KY were Robert F. c1847, Thomas, c1848, and William Harman Farell b. 1849. Ch. b.MO Matilda, c1853, James H. c1855, Louisiana, c1858, and a male 1859. Wm. Harman m.1st Minnie Boldin c1870, had dau.Lauri, 1871 b AR (where?) m.2d 184 Nancy Jane Duncan Sanders. By 1884 all the above ch. had gone to Erath Co.,TX, except Minnie. Where is she buried? Where was the Owens family at time of 1870 and 1880 census?

HOLLINGSWORTH RIGGS — Leonard B. Stephens, 22141 Raven Way, Grand Terrace,CA 92324. Three Hollingsworth brothers, Harrison, Charles C. and Warren G. moved from Benton Co.,AL, to Calhoun and Bradley Cos., AR, in late 1840 and resided there until their deaths. Warren and Charles m. sisters who were daus. of Lewis S. Riggs in Calhoun Co. in the early 1850s. Lewis S. Riggs was married to Edney Lassierter in St. Clair Co.,AL, in 1824. Both died in Calhoun Co., AR, in the 1860s.

SHAW LOYD BONE — Ann Fitzmier, 1150 Vine, Apt. 30B, Denver, CO 80206 seeks parentage of Green William Shaw b. 1816 TN, to Independence Co., AR 1840, d. 1881 Izard Co., AR, m. 1st Frances Loyd 1837 in Wilson Co.,TN; m. 2nd Margaret Ann Bone 1850 in Independence Co., AR. Had 9 or 10 children by each wife. Shaw was County Judge in Independence Co. 1866-68 (lived in Washington Twp. and Polk Bayou) and County Judge in Izard Co. 1874-1880 (lived in Barren Fork). Was Shaw's father Jeremiah Shaw, Wilson Co., TN?

GENTRY — Mrs. Thos. E. Crawford, 10548 Stone Canyon Rd., #228, Dallas, TX 75230, seeks desc. of any of the children of Samuel and Melinda Gentry. Samuel d. 1847;Melinda 1860, both in Saline Co., AR. Ch. William W. (1831); Ryall Perry (1833); Amos (1835); Martin (1837); Minerva (1838) m. R. G. Rushing; Mary Ann (1840); Sarah A. (1845); Samuel (1847).

FLOOD FLUD FLUDD — Evelyn Flood, 370 N.Jack Tone Rd., Stockton, CA 95205, wants data on anyone related to Floods. In the Civil War there were supposedly seven men hung at Limestone Cave, AR, June 1863.

There was a Smith, Standridge and others. Does anyone know where I can locate information on this incident? Also need help in Newton Co., AR.

ELROD
BATTIE
BEATTIE
HAMBRICK

Eudora Elrod Hill, P.O. Box One, Delta, LA 71233. Laura E. Elrod, b. 1856 Benton, Saline Co., AR, m. 20 Dec. 1874, Robert Battie/Beattie in Yell Co., AR. Dau. of Jesse R. Elrod and Oneida Eveline Hambrick. Not in Yell Co. census since marriage - involved in land transaction in 1886 in yell Co. Who are her children and where did she move?

GARNER
HERRON
JACKSON

Margaret Griffin, 520 Elmridge, Tuler, TX 75703. Milly Emily Garner b. 1836, McNairy Co., TN; m. Isaac Newton Herron 1855, Clark Co.,AR; d. 1932 in Pike Co., AR. She was dau. of Peter & Susan (Jackson) Garner. Peter b. ca 1810 in NC; m. ca 1831 in McNairy Co., TN; d. ca.1888 in Clark Co., AR.

COOK
PAYNE
SIDERS
MARTIN

Ivadene Spicer, P.O. Box 1103, New Caney, TX 77357. Robert Elee Cook b. 2-2-1871 in Rison, AR, was youngest of nine sons: Luther, Marion & George, other 5 unknown. His half-sister, Ella Payne m. W. L. Siders and lived in Dallas, TX. Robert was reared near Camden,AR, m.Minnie Laura Martin in Mayflower, AR 16 Sept. 1897 and d. 2 Dec. 1937, Star City, AR.

BAILEY
HILL

Bobbie McBay, 8620 Skyview Terrace, Fort Worth, TX 76116: Francis Baker Bailey of Pope & Yell Cos., AR, was born in Mechlenberg Co., VA, May 1, 1796. He m. Evalina Belmont Hill and eight sons were born in VA, two in KY, before settling in Pope Co., AR. Does anyone have the names of these sons?

STAGNER

Anita Meador, P.O. Box 6382, Odessa, TX 79767-6382. Needs info. on William Stagner b. ca. 1818 NC; and wife Elizabeth, b. ca. 1824 MO/MS; had dau. Eliza A. b.1840 AR. William Stagner and his family moved from AR to Colorado Co., TX, ca 1842 and to Fayette Co., TX ca 1860. His children were: Eliza A., John F., Henry, William, James Lewis (Bunk), Mary F., Jefferson M. and Matilda.

RUSSELL
THOMPSON
JOHNSTON

Doris Grande Rose, 603 - 39th St., Richmond, CA 94805. William Russell b. 1809, Orange Co., NC, and Jane Thompson (Johnston - 1md) b 1797, Orange Co., NC; family moved to Saline Co.,AR,prior to 1850. Both buried Nelson Cemetery,Benton. Also buried there is Eiza Ann, a dau. b. 19 Feb. 1840. Desire descendants of Alexander (son) b. 1832 d. 1905 who m. Sarah Ann Nelson, 1850 Saline Co., AR. Desire descendants of dau. Mary Elizabeth b. 1837 Orange Co., NC, who 1s m. Js. R. Davidson (killed in Civil War) m. 2nd John H.Forsyth, 15 Aug. 1866, Saline Co., AR.

RILEY
O'REILLEY
WILLIAMS

Mary Lou Martin, Star Route 4, Box 196, Bishop, CA 93514, needs parents, brothers & sisters of Randolph & Sarah (Riley or O'Reilley) Williams both b. AR. Their son Rufus Winfield Williams, b. 1876, Arkadelphia,Clark Co., AR.

NEAL
SKAGGS
ANDREWS
KERNAL
CHEATHAM

Mrs. Thomas A. Cherry, 701 N. Witte, Poteau, OK 74953. Were Wm. H. Neal and wife Lucetta Skaggs (m. Mar. 1853, Hempstead Co.,AR) parents of Mary Willie b. 20 May 1855? What happened to Wm. H. Neal? Mrs. Lucetta Neal m. Richard Andrews 24 Dec. 1857. They were living in Sebastian Co., AR, by 1870, had 3 sons, 2 daus.

Were James M.Skaggs and wife Catherine Kernal (m. 15 Oct. 1833, Hempstead Co., AR) parents of Lucetta? What happened to them? In 1850, Lucetta Skaggs was living with Mathew Cheatham and wife Catherine in Saline Twp., Hempstead Co., AR.

VAUGHAN
OLIVER
COULTER
BILTON
BLACK

Janice Looney, P. O. Box 231, Walnut Grove, MO 65770. Archilles Vaughan was father of Celia and Nicia. Celia m. Joel Oliver, 8 Aug. 1815, Roane Co., TN. Nicia m. 1st Geo. Bilton, and 2nd Wm. Black 1847, Washington Co., AR. These families from Roane Co., TN, to Washington Co.,AR, by 1840. Celia and Joel Oliver had dau. Jane D. Oliver who m. Thomas Coulter 17 June 1840, Washington Co., AR.

GRIFFIN

Beulah Hendrix, 3301 Riverside Dr., Anderson, CA 96007. Auswell (Oswald) Griffin b. 1777-80 NC (SC?) was living with his son, Eli D. Griffin, Perry Co., AR, in 1850. Who were his parents, when did he die and where is he buried?

WATTS
MURPHEY

Flo D. Hazzard, 210 S. 4th St., Paragould, AR 72450. Thomas B. Watts, b. 1844/45 inGA, d. 3 Sept. 1889 in Arkansas Co., AR, m. 11 Mar. 1868 Sarah "Sally" Murphey, b.10 Jan. 1850 in MS, d.11 Mar. 1914 Arkansas Co.,AR. Who were their parents and where were they born?

JACKSON
RILEY?

LaVerne Good Parsons, 5421 Pebblebrook Dr., Dallas, TX 75229. Need info. on Stephen Jackson, listed 1840 census Osage Twp., Conway Co., AR. Is this the same Stephen Jackson listed on the 1850 Bastrop Co., TX census, who later moved to Cameron, Milam Co., TX? Married Nancy A. (Riley?) and had children: William Riley, Emily and Marzie?

RANDALL
SEAGRAVES

Carolyn S. Clark, 1106 E. 8th St., Cushing, OK 74023. Needs parents of Thomas Randall, b. 1821 TN, and wife Martha Seagraves b. 1824,TN. Thomas lived in Wright Co., MO and in Arkansas. He had children b. in AR in 1862, 1866, and 1847. Had two grandchildren (twins) b. in his home (1874) at Gables Point, AR. Does anyone know where Gables Point was located? Could it be in Carroll Co.? Have reason to believe he was in Baxter Co. at one time. Children: John E., William J., Thomas,Sally Ann,Nancy,James M., Sims, Hernlore, Minnie, Charley, Jasper, Jonathan R., Rubin, Lee, Iriah, Sylvania & Nora.

BYRD

Mrs. Rodney Kilduff, 822 Donaghey Ave., Conway,AR 72032, needs info.on James Byrd, b. 1813 NC, and wife Diappy b.ca 1825 NC, who moved from Scott Co., VA, 1870 census, to Sharp Co. AR, by 1880 census. Children were: James Marshall b. 1849; Margaret b. 1853; John b. 1854; Conley F., b. 1856; Albert b. 1858; Alexander b. 1860; Mary b. 1861; Henry b. 1863; Rebecca b. 1864; and Nancy b. 1867.

JONES
VANCE
DICKSON
GOOD

Jean Huggins Wingert, 79 La Prenda, Benecia, CA 94510. James Harvey Jones b. 1830, Paris, Edgar Co., IL, son of James Jones and Eliza Blackburn Vance, m. 1st Nancy Frances Dickson and he migrated to AR 1852-53 to Monroe Co. He m.2nd Ann Good. Children are Prudy, Frank and Lizzie b. ca 1868 in AR. James Harvey Jones left his family in IL and never saw them again after leaving for Arkansas. He wrote his brother in 1875 from Monroe Co., AR, and died shortly thereafter.

DERAMUS
DeRAMOS

Venita Grimes, 616 W.Oak St., Palestine, TX 75801, would like to correspond with anyone researching the surname "Deramus" or "DeRamos" or similar spelling, who were in Arkansas in the 1860s.

LONG
HARRISON

Max J.Kuespert, P. O. Box 115, Veradale, WA 99037-0115, needs parentage of William Richard Long, b. 7 Mar. 1817, at Cross Plains, Robertson Co., TN, m. 3rd Nancy Harrison, 5 Feb. 1871, Hempstead Co., AR, and died 15 June 1895 at McCaskill, Hempstead Co., AR.

DRINNON

Nelda Davis, Rt. 1, Box 125, Milburn, OK 73450, is looking for info. on her great-uncle Klen Drinnon, b. ca. 1827 in TN, moved to Baxter Co.,AR, ca 1865 and raised his family at Mountain Home, AR.

COPELAND
JACKSON
ROBERTSON

Karen (Copeland) Risenhoover, 514 S. El Reno, El Reno, OK 73036. Charles Frank Copeland b. Izard Co., AR, March 25, 1881 to James and Alice Jackson Copeland, one of 8 children. Charles Frank m. 1st Mary Ellen Robertson who d. 1826. He served in Ark. Legislature in 1929, representing Stone Co. and later settled in Oklahoma where he was a schoolteacher and ordained Baptist Minister. He d. 7-24-1968 in Nowata, OK and was buried Rogers, AR.

REAMS?REAMES
INSTITUTE

Betty C. Gill, 2321 Felicia Ave., Rowland Heights,CA 91748. Amanda Elizabeth Reams, b.1844 TN, m. 1858, MO, relocated to Garland Co., AR after 1880. Daughter Miller Jane Reams m.1892 Hot Springs, AR, to James Monroe Williams. Son of Amanda Markham Reams d. 1831-32, Fort Smith, AR. Does anyone know of Haskell Institute that existed around turn of the century and where located? Believe to have been in Fort Smith area, but can't confirm.

HOLLOWELL
WELCH
BABBS
TIDWELL

Joan Threet, P.O. Box 205, Alexander, AR 72002, desires contact with anyone researching these lines in Independence, Jackson,Stone, Izard, Fulton and Baxter Cos., AR.

CASTLEBERRY
CUMMINGS

Juanita Connally, 609 W. Central, Anadarko, OK 73005, would like to know where the following couples are buried. Mark and Rhoda Castleberry living in Polk Co., AR in 1870. King Hiram Tire Cummings and wife Elizabeth, who lived in the Rocky area of Polk Co., d. ca 1898/99.

NEAL
LESTER
TALKINGTON
HARRINGTON
SHIPLEY
MATLOCK
WRIGHT
LYNN
COLEMAN
KIMES

Shirley Ward, 316 West Georgia,Anadarko, OK 73005, is compiling a book on the Neal and Lester families, with other collateral lines named.
William Thomas Lester and wife Margaret E.(Talkington) Lester lived in Hempstead and Washington Cos. before settling in Crawford Co. before 1844. Also need historical sketch on Cedarville,AR.
Joe Stanley, John Milan and wife Anna Belle Cash. John's father was Turner L. Milam, all lived in Arkadelphia, Clark Co. AR from 1850s to 1900.

NEALY
ELLIOTT
FOSTER

Tressie Nealy, 509 SE 70th, Oklahoma City, OK 73149. Who were the parents of Thomas Nealy b. 1849/50 MS/TN?, m. 1870, Lydia Elliott, Phillips Co., AR, m. 2nd Cora Foster; 3rd Martha

BROWDER — Morton Browder, lived in Cook Co.,TN 1880; Chickasaw IT 1900, Pitsburg Co. OK 1910?

HENDERSON FARNSWORTH — Mary Ellen Schroeder, 114 Jahnke Ave., Waverly, IA 50677, wants data on William W. and Martha (Henderson) Farnsworth. He was a teacher in Jasper, AR ca. 1850/1865. Nathaniel Henderson lived in Jasper at same time and later. Any Henderson in that area, as most were related.

POLLARD DAVIS — Mrs. Lou Boelens, 1595 Manzanita Ave., Chico, CA 95926. Charles B. Pollard, b. 1845 AL, Mother Martha, a widow in 1850 Cherokee Co.,AL census with children,Charles, Wm., and Lousidney. He served in Civil War m. Mary C. Davis 1865 GA moved family to Ft. Smith AR, ca 1870. Ch. Bertha, William, Benny D., Homer George, Bemonia, Al,Reeder and Joe. Also lived in Washington and Benton Cos., AR. Wife d. 1892, and he m. Mrs. Mary Barnes 1893, had one dau. Myrtle. Died a widower at Ft. Gibson, OK, ca 1905. What became of dau. Myrtle after his death? Who were Charles B.'s parents?

DOUGLASS EDWARDS STOCKTON — Georgia D.Helderlein, 22118 Trotter Road, Grass Valley,CA 95949 Mary Jane Douglass b. Jan. 1850 McMinn Co., TN, m. James Watkins Edwards ca. 1868 in Howard Co.,AR, on 1880 census moved 1896 Calvin, OK (I.T.) d. Feb. 1912, Calvin, OK. Cintha Juda Douglass b. ca. 1854 McMinn Co., TN, m. Thaddeus Stockton 18 May 1873, Sebastian Co. to McAlester, OK ca. 1900, m. (2nd) Fellner. Dau., Josephine Rodenberry, Rosa, Florence, Schlack, one son, Isom Stockton. Cintha moved to SC where she died.

FLEMING ROBERTSON — Bill Robertson, 443-1/2 Central Ave., Holland, MI 49423. Fleming m. Abigail Robertson in 1860. 1860 census Black River Twp., Lawrence Co., AR. Not there in 1870. Could they be the parents of Andrew J.Fleming listed in 1870 census in the home of his uncle William Fleming?

TAYLOR RUTLEDGE FAYE — Dorothy Rutledge Miller, 314 Marclare St., Dixon, IL 61021 Charles Henry Taylor, b. Dec. 9, 1868, lived in Huntsville, AR 1956. He possessed the Taylor History, article in Wash. Co. News & Brightwater News, Fayetteville,AR, dated June 29, 1956. He was a bro. of Amanda Taylor Rutledge, wife of William Rutledge. They were children of Robert J. Taylor & Isabella Faye. Robt. J. Taylor, June 28, 1835, d. June 5, 1914, at Litle Rock, AR, buried at Rogers, AR. Isabella Faye b. ca. 1847, England, still living in 1914.

JONES TEAL MOOREHEAD — Artie McDonald, 23582 N. Bryant Road, Acampo, CA 95220. Francis M. Jones, b. 1843/44 TN, m. America J. Teal 1865, in Independence Co., AR. In Sharp Co. 1870 census with wife & ch. James L. & Feby S. Elizabeth Jones b. 1845 TN, m. George W. Moorehead 1965,Independence Co., AR. On 1870 census Independence Co. with ch. Nelson,Mary A. Elizabeth d. 1907 and George d. 1915, both buried Pine Grove Cem., between Floral & Concord in Independence Co. Francis M. & sister Elizabeth Jones were children of Jacob Lewis & Mary Jones, both b. TN who were in Independence Co. 1850 and 1860, in Fulton Co. 1870. Other Jones ch. were Marthena & Nancy b. TN, Phillip M., Alamentha, Susan,Gilbert John, Mary & Sarah, all b. AR.

BRINSFIELD
FOUNTAIN
CULP
BLACKBURN
SCRIBNER

Barbara J. (Blackborn) Borboa, 660 Foster Ave., Madera, CA 93637, seeks data on families lisited in the area of Bexar near Calico Rock, AR. Her grandmother was a Fountain, whose cousin Rev. A. Wesley Fountain, founder of "The Shepherd of the Hills Home" and inventor of the "Easy Pillow Slip" was located in Bexar, AR, b. 1884, d.1983. He was also writing a book "The Order of Melchizadek".

JEFFREYS
BROWN
DUVALL

Bobbie Moutaw, 642 N. Louisa, Shawnee, OK 74801. Rev. Jesse Jeffreys, b. 1 Jan. 1852, d. 17 Feb. 1937, Moreland, AR, m. Leana Lois Brown, 17 Aug. 1873, Lawrence Co., AL. To Ark. 1895, 1900 census in Conway Co. Leana Jeffreys d.1906. 1901 letter from Walker Co.,AL, from John Brown & wife Sarah to sister Leana mentions names Stevens, Tidwells, Buck Brown and Woodards. Jesse Jeffreys m. 2nd Bell Duvall, Sept. 1906, Russellville, AR.

BURTON
LAMBERT
JONES

Earlene W. Rogers, Rt. 2, Box 275, Greenwood, AR 72936. James Calvin Burton m. Mary Jane Lambert, both b.IL in 1830s. Several children, one William Anderson Burton b. IL, m. Louisa Jones in Mar. 1891, Sebastian Co., AR. Her father George Kinnel Jones b. TN, m. 1st Miss Warren who d. ca. 1879, m. 2nd Angelina (?), all buried at Lone Star in Fort Chaffee, Greenwood, AR.

BOYER
LOWRY
WALLIS

William F. Graves, 9710 Barlow Road, Fairfax, VA 22031. Seeking place of birth and documentation for my grandmother, Ida May Wallis nee Boyer. She was born in Arkansas on 6 April 1883, perhaps near Carlisle in Lonoke Co., to Charles D. and Alice Grey Boyer, nee Lowry. She was reared, married and died in Collin Co., TX.

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If you can give any assistance to these researchers, please take the time to write to them and pass along information. If you are asking for information from any of them, do send a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope).

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF P.H. McHENRY & T.W.WELLS

P. H. McHenry, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

P. H. McHenry is the present capable sergeant-at-arms of the senate. He is a native of South Arkansas, and a brother of Dr. M. J. McHenry, of Jacksonville, who rendered able service as a member of the legislature of 1879. Philip McHenry, as he is usually called, belongs to a family of physicians, some of his ancestors being the most eminent doctors of the land. From a boy young McHenry has had his heart set on the mercantile business, and about ten years ago came to Little Rock, where he has since been actively engaged in his chosen vocation. He is, perhaps, acquainted with more people in the city and state than any other man, and by his ready courtesy and obliging nature, has surrounded himself with a host of friends and supporters. For some time past and at present he is in the employ of the large and substantial firm of Quinn & Gray, of this city. To them he is an invaluable man. In business he is correct and honorable, in disposition genial and courteous, and in nature enterprising and progressive. For the first time in life he ran in 1883 before the senate for the office he now holds, and was defeated; but when at the present session he again offered for the position, the second ballot gave him a large majority. He has a devotion for duty, is ever attentive to the comfort and convenience of senators, and his commanding figure is prominent at the door of the senate chamber, where he pleasantly greets his many friends.

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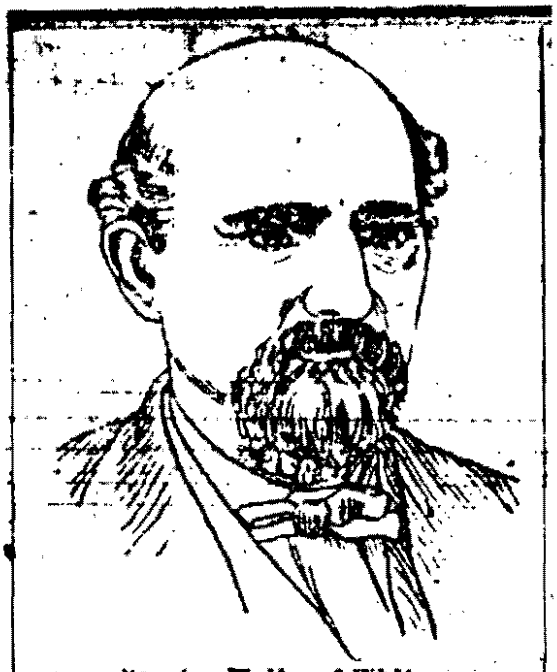

Senator Wells, of White.

The above named gentleman, one of the "hold-over" senators, is a well-known figure in Arkansas legislatures. Senator T. W. Wells was born May 18, 1834, in Haywood county, Tenn. He was raised on a farm, and has been a tiller of the soil all his life. His first public service was that of internal improvement commissioner of White county, in 1860, serving two years. In 1867 he was appointed assessor, and in 1874 elected to the lower house of the general assembly. He also served in the extra session of 1875, and was re-elected in 1876. He is now a conspicuous member of the present senate, representing White and Faulkner counties.

Ark. Gazette, Jan. 18, 1885