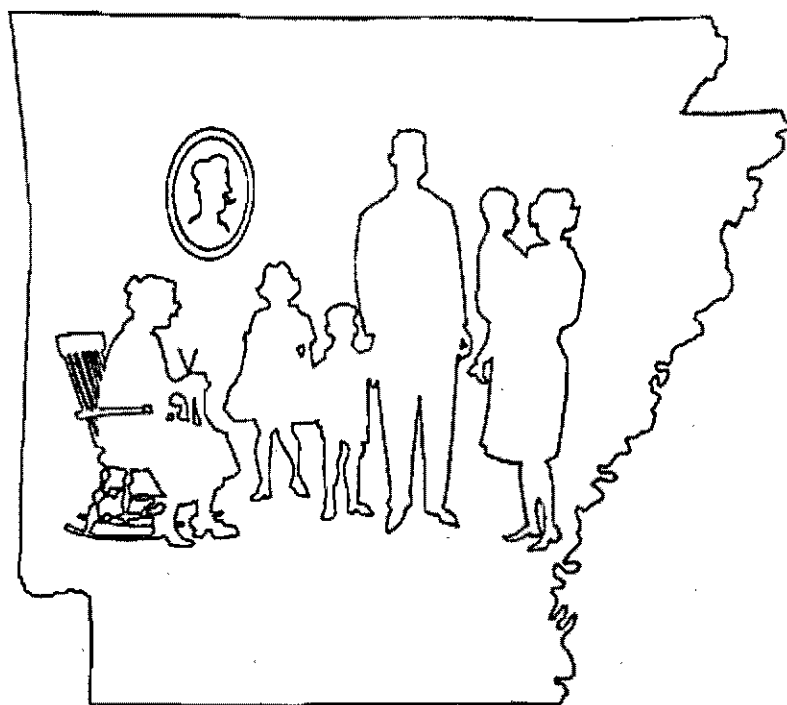


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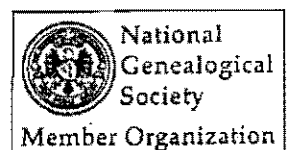
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 Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of receipt for registration.

**Mail completed form & check to:**

AGS 1999 Fall Seminar, %David Malone, P O Box 1048, Fayetteville, AR 72702-1048

**ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS:** Holiday Inn-Airport. Take I-440, Exit 3 (Airport Exit). Conference participants receive a special room rate. Be sure to mention AGS when making reservations. Call 1-501-490-1000 for room reservation. Saturday lunch is a deli buffet, dessert, and drink.

**Vendors:** Contact Jan Davenport, 1 Cinnamon Road, North Little Rock, AR 72120, Wk Phone 501-682-6900. Space is limited so register early. No vendor may participate unless preregistered.

**SPEAKERS:**

**John Philip Colletta, Ph.D.,** featured speaker, has been a professional genealogist since 1985. He is on the faculty of the National Institute on Genealogical Research at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.; the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research in Birmingham, Alabama and the Institute of Genealogical Studies in Dallas, Texas. He has taught French and literature at the university level. John wrote two well-known books, *Finding Italian Roots* and *They Came in Ships*. He has lectured at national conferences for the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the National Genealogical Society.

**Russell P. Baker** is an expert on research in Arkansas. He is a well-known author, lecturer, archivist and historian. He is author of many articles on Arkansas history and is a popular teacher for classes on researching Arkansas and southern family history. He is deputy director at the Arkansas History Commission. A past president of the Arkansas Genealogical Society, he has served on the Board since 1975. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Arkansas and has a masters degree. He is listed in Volumes One and Two of *Who's Who in Genealogy and Heraldry*.

**Barbara Roberts Baylis** is a founder of the Genealogical Institute of Texas and past president of the Dallas Genealogical Society. Her articles have been published in the quarterlies of The New Hampshire Society of Genealogists, Texas State Genealogical Society and Dallas Genealogical Society. She has researched in 16 states (117 repositories). A professional photographer, she lectures frequently in Texas and teaches genealogy classes at Southern Methodist University. She has spoken at national conferences of the National Genealogical Society and is listed in the *Hereditary Honors Roster* and *Hereditary Society Blue Book*.

**Susan Gardner Boyle** holds BA and MA degrees from State University of New York at Albany and an MSE from Arkansas State University. She taught history, served as a volunteer librarian at a Family History Center, and for the past nine years worked in the research room of the Arkansas History Commission. Susan has been researching her family for fifteen years in records of New York, Pennsylvania, New England, Quebec, England, Ireland, Germany, and Sweden. In 1996, she completed the Irish Research course at Samford University and participated in the Institute's research trip to Ireland in 1997.

**Tracey Carrington Converse** majored in history at the University of Texas. She is an award winning radio personality and for several years was the youngest female host of a political talk show in the U.S. She left radio to become a mother and started a new career as a professional genealogical researcher. Tracey owns several genealogical mailing lists including GenTips and sponsors the Pulaski County GenWeb page. She distributes an online genealogy newsletter each month. She is on the Board of Directors of the Arkansas Genealogical Society and volunteers at the Arkansas History Commission.

**Lynda Childers Suffridge** currently serves as President of the Arkansas Genealogical Society and is an Area Director for the National Genealogical Society. She is the Arkansas delegate to the Federation of Genealogical Societies. A graduate of the University of Arkansas she has worked part-time for the past 12 years in the research room at the Arkansas History Commission. Twice she attended the National Institute on Genealogical Research at the National Archives in Washington, DC and completed eight courses at Samford University's Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research in Birmingham, Alabama.

Additional Information Contact: Mary Reid Warner, Seminar Chair, 18 Fastola Lane, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909, 501-922-6598.

# ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 1999 FALL SEMINAR and BOOK FAIR

Friday, October 22, and Saturday, October 23, 1999

Holiday Inn-Airport East, Little Rock, Arkansas

Take I-440, Exit 3 (Airport Exit)

**Friday, October 22**

Register early, seating is limited.  
Please select one class for each hour.

5:30-9:00 p.m. REGISTRATION & BOOK FAIR

6:30-7:30 p.m. Class Time:

1. "Razorbacks and Rackensackers" - Russell P. Baker
2. "20th Century Research" - Barbara Roberts Baylis
3. "Irish Origins in North American Sources" - Susan Gardner Boyle
4. "Researching on the Internet" - Tracey C. Converse
5. "Panning for Genealogy Gold in the Draper Papers" - Lynda Suffridge

7:50-8:50 p.m. Class Time:

6. "Razorbacks and Rackensackers" - Russell P. Baker
7. "Pitfalls in Researching" - Barbara Roberts Baylis
8. "Researching Irish Origins" - Susan Gardner Boyle
9. "Researching on the Internet" - Tracey Converse
10. "Panning for Genealogy Gold in the Draper Papers" - Lynda Suffridge

## JOHN PHILIP COLLETTA, Ph.D.

**Saturday, October 23**

8:30 a.m. REGISTRATION AND BOOK FAIR

9:15 - Welcome & Introduction

9:30-10:30 "Passenger Arrival Records, 1820-1957"

10:30-11:00 Break & browse books

11:00-12:00 "Naturalization Records, 1790-1920"

12:00- 1:20 Lunch & browse books

1:20- 2:20 "Using Primary Sources: Challenges and Rewards"

2:20- 2:35 Break & visit vendors

2:35- 3:35 "How to Assemble and Write a Genealogical Work That Is  
Both a Reliable Document and a Readable Story"

**REGISTRATION** - postmarked by September 17:

Friday only - \$15.00

Saturday only - \$30.00

Friday & Saturday - \$40.00

After September 17:

Friday only - \$20.00

Saturday only - \$40.00

Friday & Sat. - \$50.00

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AGS welcomes contributions of family records, public record transcriptions and other information of interest to those interested in family history and genealogy in general, and in Arkansas specifically. Responsibility for the accuracy of information and for opinions, omissions and/or factual errors is that of the contributor.

## Manuscript Submissions

Submitters of articles and material for possible publication in *The AFH* are requested to send typewritten or mechanically generated manuscripts on white 8 ½ x 11 inch paper, double-spaced, one-inch margins on all sides, with all pages numbered. The sources from which the material was obtained, specific statements of facts, or statistical information MUST be documented; that is, the specific, detailed source description must be listed either within the body of the text or as notes. Previous publication of material in any form must be brought to the attention of AGS. AGS encourages submissions on IBM compatible computer disks in Word for Windows or ASCII format, accompanied by a hard copy of the material.

## Membership

AGS offers individual, institutional, sustaining, life and honorary membership classes.

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## Queries

Members of AGS are invited to submit one fifty-word, Arkansas related query each year. See the Query Section for details.

## Book Reviews

Authors and publishers who wish to have reviews or notices of their work published in *The Arkansas Family Historian* are invited to submit a copy of the work with ordering information and price, if applicable.

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**DON'T MISS THE SEMINAR!** October 22 & 23, 1999 are the dates for the 37<sup>th</sup> **Annual Arkansas Genealogical Society Seminar** at the Holiday Inn Airport-East on I-440 (Exit 3) in Little Rock, Arkansas. Register NOW! It is going to be a wonderful, informative, interesting, exciting weekend! Outstanding local and national speakers will be presenting top quality programs to help you with your genealogy research. There will also be a large number of quality book and genealogical supply vendors in the atrium. See the registration form elsewhere in the *Family Historian* for details. *Razorbacks & Rackensackers* will cover Arkansas Research by THE authority on Arkansas genealogical research, Russell P. Baker. *20<sup>th</sup> Century Research* presented by Barbara R. Baylis will be an ideal lecture for beginners as well as more experienced researchers. *Irish Origins in North American Sources* by Susan Boyle will help you find records that will give you the important clues you need to find the home place in Ireland. *Research on the Internet* by Tracey Converse will take the group live on the net to explore the genealogical possibilities on line. *Panning for Genealogical Gold in the Draper Papers* by Lynda Suffridge will explain the importance of and how to search the Draper Manuscript Collection which is the largest single collection of American historical and genealogical data between 1755 and 1830. Saturday, October 22, John Philip Colletta, an outstanding national speaker who recently gave the keynote address at the Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference in August in St. Louis, will offer lectures on *Passenger Arrival Records, 1820-1957; Naturalization Records, 1790-1920; Using Primary Sources: Challenges and Rewards; and How to Assemble and Write a Genealogical Work That is a Both a Reliable Document and a Readable Story.*

**HELP! HELP! DO YOU HAVE AN UNDATED OBITUARY CLIPPING?**  
Thirty years ago David W. Dole created a

coding system for television to identify all television commercials and programs which was adopted by the industry. Ten years ago his wife was clipping obituaries and he was helping create an index when he came across one that said "Ingrid Mikkelsdatter died at her lake home on Friday. Services are at Christ Church on Wednesday." He realized how useless that information was without the publication date. He accepted there was not a lot he could do about the past but he could do something about the future of obituaries! Between 1995-1998 he has created the Publisher's Genealogical Coding Service (PGCS) under which a newspaper licenses a seven-character identity code and uses it, plus the publication date in a special-format, eight-character code. An example is "A0001B1998MY16". (Usually it is inserted in very small type in news items and obituaries.) This code, coupled with a web site database where a quick alpha-numeric check on "A0001B" will tell you: *Northfield (MN) News* with full address, phone and, if available, fax and e-mail. The "1998MY16" is the publication date. Please visit [www.obituarycoding.com](http://www.obituarycoding.com) his PGCS web site on the Internet and get the whole story and register. You will receive a response by mail enclosing a letter addressed to the publisher/editor of the newspaper to which you subscribe, ready for your signature. There will also be a single-sheet explanation of the PGCS coding and an application form, both of which are to go to the newspaper with the cover letter. If you are not "on-line", write to David W. Dole, 8102 Highwood Dr. B-125, Bloomington, MN 55438; e-mail: [dwdole@fishnet.com](mailto:dwdole@fishnet.com). [The article by David W. Dole is titled "Quid Pro Quo!" at [www.ngsgenealogy.org/news/content/quidpq.html](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/news/content/quidpq.html)].

**LOOKING FOR INSURANCE FOR YOUR RESEARCH?** Applying for a **CERTIFICATE OF ARKANSAS ANCESTRY** is a great way to preserve your research without having to "write a book

about your family." The charts are indexed, microfilmed and available at the Arkansas History Commission. This insures that your documented research included in your application is preserved for posterity. If you have a fire, flood, or tornado destroy your home, all your history is not lost. The categories include **Colonial** [resident of Arkansas before 1 January 1804, **Territorial** [resident of Arkansas before 14 June 1834, **Ante-bellum** [resident of Arkansas before 6 May 1861] and **Nineteenth Century** [resident of Arkansas before 31 December 1900]. Write to the Ancestry Certificate Committee Chair, Jan Eddleman, 1807 Sunshine Mine Road, Hackett, AR 72937 for application forms and information.

**LOOK FOR DEATH DATES IN MASONIC RECORDS!** Soon to come in *The Arkansas Family Historian* will be an article regarding the deaths of Masons from the *Annual Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas*. This collection is available on microfilm and has been indexed into the Biographical Index at the Arkansas History Commission & State Archives for about a 50 year time period beginning in the 1860's. If you visit the History Commission, ask for "General Microfilm File: Masons". Always check the Biographical Index when you are at the History Commission. It is the best place to start your research at that facility.

**THE PRIORS INDEXING PROJECT HAS BEGUN!** On July 26, 1999 volunteers from the Arkansas Genealogical Society officially began indexing the 100+ year old birth records at the Arkansas Department of Vital Records. If you are interested in volunteering some "data entry" time, contact Ed Sanders, chair of the AGS Vital Records

Indexing Project, 10 Choctaw Dr., Searcy, AR 72143-5906.

**HELP US HELP YOU!** You can enrich our society even if you live too far away to help with projects going on in Arkansas by contributing articles about your family history, Bible records, and submission of other genealogical materials for publication. Genealogists learn that "sharing" often reaps rich rewards. Deadlines for submissions of articles to be included in *The Arkansas Family Historian* are: For March issues - January 15; For June issues - April 15; For September issues - July 15; For December issues - October 15

Hope to see you at the Seminar in October!

Lynda Childers Suffridge  
President

#### **Notice of Amendments to By-Laws**

At a meeting duly convened 17 July 1999, the Board of Directors of Arkansas Genealogical Society, Inc., unanimously elected to amend Article V of its By-Laws in the following particulars: Subsection (b) of Article V is hereby deleted; Subsection (c) of Article V is hereby deleted; Subsection (d) of Article V is hereby amended to read as follows: "Life membership shall be \$300.00 payable in one installment".

Notice is hereby given that the above amendments will be submitted for ratification at the Annual Meeting of Arkansas Genealogical Society, Inc.

## Box 908

**NARA has a new microfilm publications database.** The creation of this database has been announced by Archivist of the United States John Carlin. This can be accessed on home, office or library computers through the NARA Archival Information Locator (NAIL) at <http://www.nara.gov/nara/nail/html>.

### Reunions

Parker & Allied Families will meet Oct. 8, 9 and 10, 1999 at Sequoyah State Park, Wagoner, OK. For registration, contact JayEtta (Parker) Blaesing, PO Box 65, Aiden, MI 49612.

Adams family reunion for descendants of Nathan and Malinda Adams will be Saturday, 28 Sept. 1999 at 2:00 p.m. Sumner Cemetery, Pulaski Co., AR. For more information contact Marie Burns, 1850 Mt. Carmel Rd., Cabot, AR 72023 (501-843-70098)

The Pierre Chastain Family Association will hold its 24<sup>th</sup> reunion on Sept. 17-19, 1999, in historic Chattanooga at the Hawthorne Suites, Ltd., 6710 Ringgold Rd., that city. Reservations must be made directly with the hotel, by calling: 423-893-7979 or at their Website: <http://www.qualityinn.com/hotel/TN248>.

Southern Genealogists Exchange Society, Inc., PO Box 2801, Jacksonville, FL 32203, announces its 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminar on 24-25 September, 1999. Contact the society for further details.

### Seminars

**AGS' own Fall Conference will be held in Little Rock on Oct. 22 and 23, 1999. Use registration form in this issue to be included.**

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society will hold a workshop on Sept. 11, 1999, in the Community Room, Phillips College, 2807

Hwy. 165 So., Stuttgart, AR. Call 870-673-4626 for particulars.

Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., PO Box 3945, Springfield, MO 65808-3945, announces it's 19<sup>th</sup> Fall Conference on September 17-18 in Springfield, MO. Contact them for further details.

Louisville Genealogical Society, 2000 Ashwood Bluff Ct., Louisville, KY 40207-1290 will hold its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Seminar on Sept. 18, 1999, at the Executive Inn, 978 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY. Contact the society for further information.

### Did you Know

In Statuary Hall in Washington, D. C., there are 50 statues. Each state is represented. Our own state of Arkansas is represented by Uriah M. Rose, who served as the first President of the Arkansas Bar Association (1899), and as President of the American Bar Association from 1901 to 1902.

"There never was any system of law that was not better than no law," wrote Uriah M. Rose. Born in Kentucky in 1834, Judge Rose studied Latin at the age of five, became a deputy circuit clerk as a teenager and graduated from Transylvania Law School in Pennsylvania at 19. Attracted by Arkansas' weather, he brought his bride to Batesville in 1853. In 1860, he was appointed chancellor of the only chancery circuit in Arkansas. After the Civil War, he resigned his judgeship and practiced law in Little Rock until his death in 1913, declining a federal judgeship and a U.S. Senate seat along the way. Those who knew him said his outstanding characteristics were his gracefulness and his scholarship.

Source: Fort Smith Newspaper, 1998

## Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry Report

By Jan Eddleman, 1807 Sunshine Mine Rd.,  
Hackett, AR 72937

Arkansas Genealogical Society offers  
Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry issued in  
four categories:

**Colonial** - a resident of Arkansas before 1  
January 1804;

**Territorial** - a resident of Arkansas before  
14 June 1834;

**Ante-bellum** - a resident of Arkansas before  
6 May 1861;

**Nineteenth Century** - a resident of Arkansas  
before 31 December 1900

Send SASE with \$0.55 postage (2 ounces) to  
AGS, PO Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-

0908, for an application form for your  
certificate.

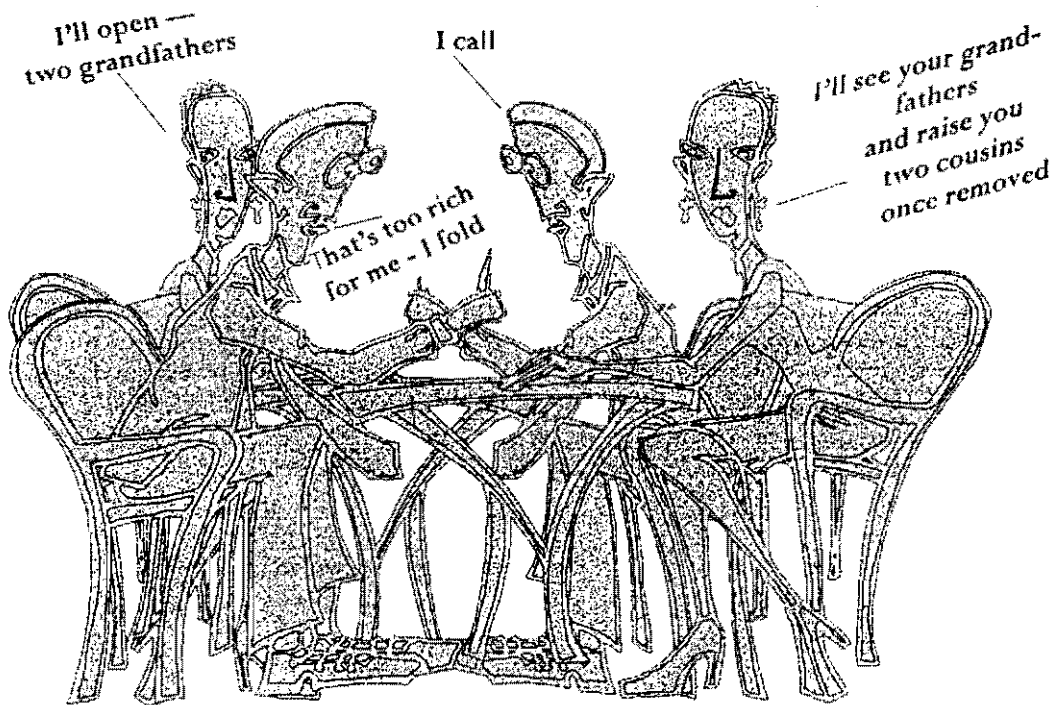
You may make application for another  
person to use the certificate as a gift.

### Nineteenth Century

Ancestor: Robert Oscar Taylor  
Arkansas County

Submitted by:  
Roger Floyd Taylor  
4602 Cedar St.  
North Little Rock, AR 72116

## Genealogy Poker



## Ancestors of Gastons in Montgomery Co., AR

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Submitted by Doris Smith Pringle  
([Okie4715@aol.com](mailto:Okie4715@aol.com)), Tulsa, OK sent the following

This is an ancestor chart (of sorts) that I discovered posted in the announcement box, on the door of the Gaston Church in Montgomery County, Arkansas. This little church, complete with the Gaston Cemetery, is located about 5-10 miles from Mt. Ida, AR, dirt road most of the way. But it is beautiful and well kept, and church and cemetery are both still in use. Progenitors of this church and cemetery were my GG grandparents, James and Lucinda Gaston.

This Gaston line migrated from Indiana to Montgomery Co., AR. James Bullock Gaston was b. 8 Feb. 1822 in Greene Co., IN. He married Lucinda McConnell, b. 4 July 1827 in Missouri Twp, Arkansas Territory (it later became Hempstead County). She was the daughter of Robert McConnell and Sarah ? McConnell. They were married 19 Feb 1846 in Sulphur Springs, AR. James died 16 July 1896 at the home of his son Jack, in GastonTwp., Montgomery Co., AR.

James Bullock Gaston was the son of Robert Gaston born 1799, probably in IN. Robert married Sarah "Sally" Bullock, born 3 Sep 1820 in Knox Co., KY.

Robert was the son of Hugh Gaston who married Jane? He died in August 1830 in Greene Co., IN.

Hugh Gaston was the son of Robert Gaston, born in Ireland. He married Margaret Logan, born in Ireland. Robert died in 1838 in Marion Co., IL.

Robert was the son of William Gaston, b. 1685, probably in Ireland. He married Merry Olivet Lemon. He died in 1770 in Ireland.

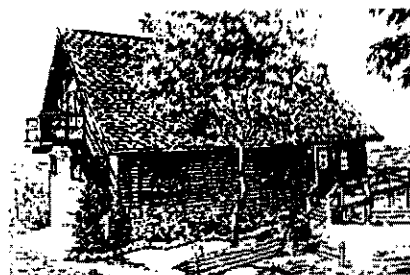
William was the son of John Gaston, born 1645 in Scotland and died in Ireland. Wife's name unknown.

John was the son of John "Jean" Gaston.

Compiled by Max Perry, LeRoy McPhail, Nacogdoches, TX, Foster McConnell, Jr., and Waymond Gaston in 1994.

[WendyGayle@aol.com](mailto:WendyGayle@aol.com) added the following:  
Found in the Miller Conty Marriages 20 July 1910:

W. E. Gaston, 31, of Grayson County, TX, to Kate Lyon, 17, of the same place. Security: Groom and F. H. Ryan. Married and filed on 20 July 1910. Performed by C. W. Kimball, County Judge.



## Family Bible Record of James A. Beard

Submitted by: [Mary9012@aol.com](mailto:Mary9012@aol.com)  
(Mary Russell Beard)

Tabitha Allen Beard was borned August  
6<sup>th</sup> AD 1858

### BIRTHS

James A. Beard was borned Aug the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
1822

Mahala Beard was borned March 4<sup>th</sup>  
1824

Molsey Beard was borned May the 31<sup>st</sup>  
1827

John Franklin Knight was borned  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> 1882 (child of Permelia  
Beard)

John Baly Beard was borned January 22,  
1842 (born Ala mother Mahala)

James Berry Beard was borned April 24,  
1846 (born Ala mother Mahala)

Elizar Ann Beard was borned April 21,  
1848 (born Ala mother Mahala)

Esreal Leroy Beard was borned Aug 2,  
1869 (don't know if this date is  
1849/1869, see deaths)

William Albert Beard was borned April  
13<sup>th</sup> 1851

Calvin A. Beard was borned November  
the 10<sup>th</sup> 1852

Nancy Ann Beard was borned August 8<sup>th</sup>  
AD 1856

Rebecker Isabella Beard was borned  
August 28<sup>th</sup> AD 1856

### FAMILY RECORDS MARRIAGES

James A. Beard & Mahala his wife was  
married March 20<sup>th</sup> 1841

James A. Beard & Molsey his wife was  
married Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 1848

[Note: for some reason the date 1836 is  
written on this line above Richard  
Knight]

Richard A. Knight & his wife Permelia  
was married Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1860

Louis A. Beard & Lula Brown his wife  
married Nov 3 1895

### FAMILY RECORDS DEATHS

Mahala wife of James A. Beard Died  
May the 23 1848

Elizar Ann Beard Died July 28, 1848

Esreal Leroy Beard Died Aug 22 1849

James Berry Beard Died June 21, 1854 or  
65

John Baly Beard Died January 18, 1 866

Rebecker Isabellar Beard Died Sept 6,  
1868

Molsey wife of James A. Beard Died  
February 27 @220 AM AD 1900

James A. Beard Died October 26 at 8 AM  
AD 1908 Age 86 years 2 ms 24 ds

## FAMILY RECORD MISCELLANEOUS

Thomas Alvin Beard was born March the 10<sup>th</sup> 1860

Franklin A. Beard was born April 11, 1862

Molsey Inn Beard born Aug 16<sup>th</sup> AD 1854

Josiah Samuel Beard was born Aug 1<sup>st</sup> AD 1867

Louis Aaron Beard was born August 7<sup>th</sup> AD 1869

"...some of the dates seem odd. Most all the children of James A. had a middle initial "A". We are from Louis Aaron Beard and Lula Brown. We have been in Hardin Co., TX, almost 100 years. Census shows James A. Beard born AL, married both wives Tallapoosa, AL; moved to AR around 1850 according to Ouachita Co. Census; was there also in 1860; 1870 and 1880 not yet located. James A. Beard was in Angelina Co., TX, with his daughter and son-in-law, Permelia & Richard Knight. It is very possible he was in a surrounding county in Arkansas or had moved to Logansport,

LA, or Newton Co., TX. Louis Aaron Beard was supposed to have been born in Texas, but not yet proved. Possibly the father of James A. Beard could be Berry Beard and Nancy Hay.

**Internet Mail Lists** – Everyone who has an electronic mailbox should at least experiment with some of the many, many mail lists out there. In case you don't already know, a mail list is a vehicle that you subscribe to. Once you have subscribed to a particular list, you may send queries to all of the other subscribers on that list. Your queries will go directly to their mail boxes. There are mail lists that deal with individual surnames. There are mail lists for people who are researching in a particular area. There are general information lists and lists aimed at specific groups such as librarians, family newsletter editors, etc. A good place to see what mail lists are out there is: [http://members.aol.com/johnf14246/gen\\_mail.html](http://members.aol.com/johnf14246/gen_mail.html). Check it out and I'll bet you find at least one list you'd like to try. Happy Hunting.

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## Westmoreland Cemetery

Nevada County, AR

Submitted by Faye J. Sivley, 1801 Cherry St., Grand Prairie, TX 75050-3910

This cemetery is located 10 ½ miles from Prescott, AR, on Nevada County Road 333 or Cale Road. It consists of one acre of land lying in a square in the SE corner of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of the SW 1/4 which was heretofore conveyed to Bethel School in Section 10, Township 12, Range 21 in Nevada County. (Quitclaim Deed recorded April 30, 1955, in Record Book 208, page 263... Grantors Arthur Garrett and his wife Sylvia Garrett to Grantees U. G. Westmoreland, Sam [William Samuel] Westmoreland, Albert Westmoreland, Forest Westmoreland and Leonard Westmoreland and their heirs.) Recorded by Glenda Westmoreland of Prescott and Roxie Ann Wessels of Olathe, Kansas, in October, 1998.

The cemetery was first recorded (inventoried) in 1970 and again in 1979, and yet again in October, 1998. Ms. Sivley has a large amount of Westmoreland information.

Ulysses G. Westmoreland, 1893-1955, age 61, 9 mos. 19 days  
Bertha Lee Westmoreland, 1894-1975, wife of Ulysses  
Jerry G. Westmoreland, 1847-1929  
Josephine B. Westmoreland, 1852-1917, wife of Jerry  
Lela Westmoreland, 1881-1885  
Lina Westmoreland, 1875-1893  
Jerry Gilbert Westmoreland, July 1, 1921-Feb. 1989  
Eddie Ray Bryson, March 20, 1938-May 26, 1995  
Melisa Westmoreland, 1826-1887-Grandmother  
Leonard Miles Westmoreland, March 23, 1899 – (died July 22, 1979)  
Anna Lee Westmoreland, Dec. 8, 1898-March 12, 1960

Lois Avena Westmoreland, wife of Joe Lee, Sept. 20, 1912-Feb. 8, 1978  
Ela Idell Sherrill, wife of Forrest M. Westmoreland, 1890-1920  
Joyce Russell Westmoreland, Sept. 24, 1940-July 7, 1997  
B. Harold Westmoreland, August 15, 1904-October 6, 1997  
Westmoreland Infants (2) Albert Westmoreland's babies. See below  
Westmoreland Infants (2) Sam Westmoreland's babies (Thomas Samuel Westmoreland) See note  
Westmoreland, Infant  
Rhodes, Infant  
(There were 2 Rhodes infants reported by Leonard M. Westmoreland in 1970)  
Cottingham, Infant  
Brandon, Infant  
Tatum, Infant  
Kemp, Infant  
Hill (3) (Tommy Hill and two of his sisters per Leonard M. Westmoreland)

Note: Melisa Westmoreland's husband, Andrew Jackson Westmoreland, died Feb. 6, 1906, in Texas and was buried at Olive Springs Cemetery on FM 2921 north of DeLeon in Comanche Co., TX. One of their sons was Jerry G. (Jeremiah Gilbert) Westmoreland (1847-1919) listed above. Another son was Thomas Samuel Westmoreland whose family moved to Texas; they resided in Comanche Co., TX, in 1900 as well as other children of Andy and Melisa Westmoreland, in both Comanche and Eastland counties. Andy's brother, Robert Perry Westmoreland, resided at Cale, Arkansas. Information regarding Albert Westmoreland's babies buried in the Westmoreland Cemetery was: one was born and died on Feb. 12, 1913, and the other was born and died on April 6, 1927. Albert's family moved to Houston, Texas, as did other children of Jerry and Josephine Westmoreland.

## Independence County Cemeteries

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Submitted by Anna Parks, 2205 Oak Hill Loop, Batesville, AR 72501 several years ago. She stated these cemeteries were not listed in Cemeteries of Independence Co. by Greene and Greene.

### Blackburn Cemetery

In T 14 N, R 7 W, Zane Fair farm (between Wilson and Prairie Branches)

1. Alma Copeland  
and  
Doris Pilgrim  
Died Nov. 18, 1918  
Boughten marker
2. Paralee Reynolds, wife of G.M. Reynolds,  
Oct 14 1945, Nov 15 1895  
Iron marker with glass insert
3. Elmer Williams
4. M. S. L.  
Dec.                July  
11 1872?                ?
5. Sarah H. Williams, dau. of J. R. and M. C.  
Williams, June 1857 - May 20 1862  
Boughten marker
6. Twins

### Marshall Cemetery

NE ¼ Sec 13, T 14 N, R 7 W

1. Mrs. M. J. Marshall, Sept. 28 1862 - Dec  
11, 1918
2. W.T. Marshall, husband of M. J.  
Marshall, Nov. 20, 1849 – Oct 7, 1902
3. T. H. Henderson, d. Aug. 27, 1941, 76  
yrs 9 mos 19 das
4. (unreadable marker – identified by  
neighbor as Lizzie Henderson, wife of T.  
H. Henderson and dau. of M. J. and W.  
T. Marshall

### Creswell Cemetery

### Oneal Cemetery

NW ¼ Sec 15 T 113 N R 8 W

This cemetery has been mostly destroyed and no stones with inscriptions are left.

### Cemetery A on Eagle Mt.

(Lakeview Subdivision, Batesville, AR)

1. Harvey Lee, died April 28, 1888
2. Lucretia Ana, Nov. 26, 1844 – Feb. 21,  
1845
3. James Lewis, Oct. 31, 1842 – Feb. 24,  
1845, son and dau. of Sandy and Clara  
Waugh
4. Sandy, son of Jefferson and Amanda  
Miller, May 20, 1875 – Aug. 26, 1918
5. Casella A., dau. of Edgar and Fannie  
Rucker, June 12, 1902, aged 2 yrs 7 mos  
4 das
6. FannieWaugh Willis, Aug. 6, 1886 –  
Feb. 22, 1924

### Cemetery B on Eagle Mt.

(Southridge Subdivision, Batesville)

1. Birdie E., infant dau. of J. H. and Laura  
Walls, Jan 14, 1895 – Aug 3, 1895
2. Susie A., dau. of J. D. and Sarah F.  
Wright, Sept. 7, 1866 – Sept 28, 1872,  
age 6 yrs 21 da
3. S. F. Wright, Dec. 28, 1839 – Oct 18,  
1897
4. J.D. Wright, Nov. 30, 1829 – Nov. 27,  
1897

Other unmarked graves

### Allen Cemetery

SE ¼ Sec 18 T 14 N R 6 W

1. Robert Irving Allen, Feb. 14, 1912 –  
Nov. 9, 1912
2. William A. Allen, 1870 – 1927
3. G. Washington Allen, husband of Sarah  
M., died Feb. 10, 1897, ages 60 yrs 28  
das
4. Sarah M. Allen, wife of Washington  
Allen, Sept. 27, 1817 – Feb. 18, 1875,  
age 57 yrs 4 mos 2 das

5. William H., son of G. Washington and Sarah M. Allen, age \_ 2 yrs 2 mos 2 das (stone broken)
6. A. N. Simmons, Aug. 28, 1833 – Dec. 16, 1898
7. John A., wife of A. N. Simmons, Dec. 12, 1835 – Mar 19, 1872, age 36 yrs 3 mos 7 das
8. Anniel Simmons, Feb. 1, 1870 – Oct 29, 1870
9. Mary 1., dau. of A.N. and J. A. Simmons, died Mar 1 1872, age 1 mo?
10. Joseph O. Simmons, Nov. 22, 1867 – Oct. 25, 1870\*
11. Joseph O., son of A. N. and J. A. Simmons, died Oct. 25, 1870, aged 2 yrs 11 mo 2 da\*
12. Robert E. L., Simmons, Aug. 11, 1884 – Feb. 1887
14. Mary E. L. B., dau. of R. A. R. and son of S. E. and M. V. Simmons
13. Gilbert A. C., son of S. E. and M. V. Florence Patterson, Jan. 24, 1888 – Jan 6, 1889

\*two stones – same person  
possible 24 graves

### Big Bottom Twns.

Cemetery near Mud Creek, NE ¼ NE ¼ SE ¼ Sec 17 T 12 N, R 4 W

1. Susan E., beloved wife of Ped Magness, Feb. 29, 1860 – July 23, 1916
2. Rich Denton, born 1847, died Sept 21, 1902
3. Eartha Gilmer, born Oct 9, 1899, died Aug 18, 1900
4. Cora A. Gilmer, born Mar 2, 1908, d. Dec. 12, 1908
5. Jimjincy Ducaine, born Apr 17, 1907, died Nov 12, 1907
6. Infant son of Richard & R. Jones, Mar 15, 1901 – Mar 18, 1901
7. Maggie D., daughter of Richard & R. Jones, Oct 18, 1884 – Jan 31 1892

This is reported to be a black cemetery.

Many other graves in area – possible total of 25-30.

### Cemetery on Ray Story's farm

2 miles east of Cushman, SW ¼, Sec 2 T14 N, R 7 W

1. Martha, wife of Wm. A. Williams, Oct. 27, 1827 – Oct 22, 1896
2. Harrie D., son of W. A. & M. E. Williams, May 17, 1869 – June 11 1893
3. Frank P., husband of Maggie Southard, Oct 3 1852 – Oct 18, 1898
4. George W., son of F. P. And Maggie Southard, Nov 30, 1886 – July 7, 1888
5. George Russell, infant son of W. W. and Lizzie Williams, January 22, 1895, Feb. 26, 1896

Several more graves marked with pieces of fieldstone.



# ARKANSAS DEATH DATES FROM MASONIC ANNUAL PROCEEDINGS

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October 1, 1865 to October 1, 1866

Submitted by Lynda Childers Suffridge, 3801 Caraway Court, North Little Rock, AR 72116

Genealogists looking for death dates should check the *Annual Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Arkansas* if they suspect an ancestor might have been a member of that organization.

The Arkansas History Commission has microfilmed copies of the *Annual Proceedings* beginning in 1844, with some missing years. Death dates first begin to appear in the 1866 publication. Please note that if the name does not list a specific date of death, the record indicates they died **between** October 1, 1865 and October 1, 1866. Remember to check all possible spellings of a name. For example, John Wright appeared in the records as "John Right."

The following DEATH DATES are found in the *Proceedings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Arkansas – Nov. 5, 6, and 7 A.D. 1866, A. L. 5866*. Little Rock: Arkansas Gazette Print. 1866. Pages 207- 211. [From Arkansas History Commission & State Archives - General Microfilm File: Masons – Roll 1].

Beginning page 207, APPENDIX: TABLE NO. IV - *Giving name, date and Lodge of members who have died, from October 1, 1865, to October 1, 1866.* [Transcriber has added the post office and county using the Lodge Directory.]

| Name                 | Date of Death | Lodge       | No. | Post Office  | County       |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-----|--------------|--------------|
| Crouch, A.           |               | Washington  | 1   | Fayetteville | Washington   |
| Robertson, Jno. S.   |               | Mount Horeb | 4   | Washington   | Hempstead    |
| Caruthers, W. J.     |               | Mount Horeb | 4   | Washington   | Hempstead    |
| Purdom, Jas. A. L.   |               | Mount Horeb | 4   | Washington   | Hempstead    |
| Phillips, Raleigh T. |               | Mount Horeb | 4   | Washington   | Hempstead    |
| Newland, Geo. W.     |               | Van Buren   | 6   | Van Buren    | Crawford     |
| Hendron, Dr. Wm      |               | Mount Zion  | 10  | Batesville   | Independence |
| Bacon, E. J.         | June 1866     | Camden      | 11  | Camden       | Ouachita     |
| Graves, N. S.        |               | Camden      | 11  | Camden       | Ouachita     |
| Bacon, E. J.         | June 1866     | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Johnson, Wesley      |               | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Tucker, T. L.        |               | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Strickland, R. A.    |               | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Tatom, Richard       |               | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Waldrip, F. M.       |               | Lewisville  | 14  | Lewisville   | Lafayette    |
| Monroe, Jas. C.      |               | Arkadelphia | 19  | Arkadelphia  | Clark        |
| Porter, W. A.        |               | Belle Point | 20  | Fort Smith   | Sebastian    |
| Mersham, Jos.        |               | Concord     | 23  | Eudora       | Chicot       |
| Clanton, Jas. D.     |               | Concord     | 23  | Eudora       | Chicot       |
| Peak, R. G.          |               | Concord     | 23  | Eudora       | Chicot       |
| Cannon, Lafayette    |               | Concord     | 23  | Eudora       | Chicot       |

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|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----|-------------|-----------|
| Crow, J. B.             |               | West Point      | 24 | West Point  | White     |
| Harris, Keim            |               | West Point      | 24 | West Point  | White     |
| Wiley, R. M.            |               | Princeton       | 27 | Princeton   | Dallas    |
| Collins, W. W. G.       |               | Pleasant Valley | 30 | Nashville   | Hempstead |
| Burnett, James          |               | Warren          | 33 | Warren      | Bradley   |
| Van Volkenburg, Wm. M.  |               | Warren          | 33 | Warren      | Bradley   |
| Pelton, Eli E.          | 23 May 1866   | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Miller, M. S.           |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Cloud, George J.        |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Smith, Ira              |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Lindsey, Joseph         |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Polly, James W.         |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Price, John E.          |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Holt, George M.         |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Lindsay, Lewis M.       |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Meek, A. H.             |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Warford, John           |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Logan, John D.          |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Johnson, H. G.          |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Caldwell, D. C.         |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Pryor, E. O.            |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Cox, Alfred             |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Brooks, Joel            |               | Benton          | 34 | Benton      | Saline    |
| Warner, John G.         |               | White River     | 37 | Des Arc     | Prairie   |
| McKay, Robert           |               | Eureka          | 40 | Monticello  | Drew      |
| Allen, W. M.            |               | Eureka          | 40 | Monticello  | Drew      |
| Lawrence, C. S.         |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Baumer, Henry           |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Knight, W. R.           |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Aikman, S. M.           |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Lewis, G. W.            |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Caffrey, P. S.          |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Hanes, Thomas J.        |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Herring, Ichabod        |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Runigan, M. K.          |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Sloan, Mathew           |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Hill, Thomas T.         |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Robertson, D.           |               | Danville        | 41 | Danville    | Yell      |
| Bland, B. F.            |               | Augusta         | 45 | Augusta     | Woodruff  |
| Parrot, B. W.           |               | Augusta         | 45 | Augusta     | Woodruff  |
| Stamps, W. W.           |               | Augusta         | 45 | Augusta     | Woodruff  |
| Pert, James             |               | Augusta         | 45 | Augusta     | Woodruff  |
| Dodson, Richard H.      |               | Searcy          | 49 | Searcy      | White     |
| Foulkes, Joel B.        |               | Rome            | 55 | Rome        | Clark     |
| Merrick, T. D. (P.G.S.) | 16 March 1866 | Magnolia        | 60 | Little Rock | Pulaski   |
| Joslin, W.              |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Gibson, Emberson        |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Karnes, S. A.           |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Karnes, J. P.           |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Karnes, S. N.           |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Thorn, J. J.            |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Thompson, B. F.         |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |
| Masters, David          |               | Ashley          | 66 | Berryville  | Carroll   |

|                       |           |                |     |                    |              |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------------|-----|--------------------|--------------|
| Taylor, John          |           | Pine Bluff     | 69  | Pine Bluff         | Jefferson    |
| Flynn                 |           | Pine Bluff     | 69  | Pine Bluff         | Jefferson    |
| Cain, Wm. R.          |           | Randolph       | 71  | Pocahontas         | Randolph     |
| Gray, Moses S.        |           | Randolph       | 71  | Pocahontas         | Randolph     |
| Smith, W. S.          |           | Powhatan       | 72  | Powhatan           | Lawrence     |
| Belle, Thos S.        |           | Paraclifta     | 73  | Paraclifta         | Sevier       |
| McDonald, B. E.       |           | Columbia       | 82  | Magnolia           | Columbia     |
| Stevenson, J. B.      |           | Hickory Plains | 95  | Hickory Plains     | Prairie      |
| Harrell, George T.    |           | Mount Pleasant | 99  | Saundersville      | Prairie      |
| Cross, C. W.          |           | Mount Pleasant | 100 | Saundersville      | Prairie      |
| Eperson, T.           |           | Sulphur Spring | 100 | Amity              | Clark        |
| Mixon, E.             |           | Leake          | 101 | Leake's Store      | Columbia     |
| West, P. R.           |           | Cincinnati     | 102 | Cincinnati         | Washington   |
| Parks, James R.       |           | Cincinnati     | 102 | Cincinnati         | Washington   |
| Foster, G. I.         |           | Lewisburg      | 105 | Lewisburg          | Conway       |
| Fisher, James         |           | Green Grove    | 107 | East Fork          | Conway       |
| Robinson, J. E.       |           | Palestine      | 109 | Johnville          | Bradley      |
| Rawls, J. G.          |           | Palestine      | 109 | Johnville          | Bradley      |
| Carl, Lee R. B.       |           | Hamilton       | 110 | Devall's Bluff     | Prairie      |
| Arnheart, A. H.       |           | Patterson      | 111 | Clinton            | Van Buren    |
| Johnson, Joel M.      |           | Scottville     | 112 | Scottville         | Pope         |
| Ross, T. J.           |           | Scottville     | 112 | Scottville         | Pope         |
| Smith, Jas            |           | Centre Hill    | 114 | Centre Hill        | White        |
| Wilson, John S.       |           | Campbell       | 115 | Burowsville        | Searcy       |
| Cloton, Wm.           |           | Campbell       | 115 | Burowsville        | Searcy       |
| Wilson, Leander       |           | Campbell       | 115 | Burowsville        | Searcy       |
| Bradshaw, Jno         |           | Campbell       | 115 | Burowsville        | Searcy       |
| Gray, Alexander       |           | Campbell       | 115 | Burowsville        | Searcy       |
| Thacker, David        |           | Ouachita       | 116 | Orion              | Ashley       |
| Tinsley, William      |           | Ouachita       | 116 | Orion              | Ashley       |
| Agee, William T.      |           | Ouachita       | 116 | Orion              | Ashley       |
| Cowdrey, J. M.        | June 1866 | Yellville      | 117 | Yellville          | Marion       |
| Barnes, A. H.         |           | Spring Hill    | 118 | Spring Hill        | Hempstead    |
| Arnold, R.            |           | Spring Hill    | 118 | Spring Hill        | Hempstead    |
| Bean, W. L.           |           | Pleasant Grove | 120 | D'Armond's Springs | Drew         |
| Harrison, E. R.       |           | Bushy Woods    | 125 | Como               | Dallas       |
| Kilpatrick, E.        |           | Bushy Woods    | 125 | Como               | Dallas       |
| Prince, Jacob         |           | Bayou          | 126 | Sulphur Rock       | Independence |
| Bevens, Moses         |           | Bayou          | 126 | Sulphur Rock       | Independence |
| Woold, J. A.          |           | Bayou          | 126 | Sulphur Rock       | Independence |
| Livingston, A. A.     |           | Springfield    | 127 | Springfield        | Conway       |
| Cobler, Thomas        |           | Dallas         | 128 | Dallas             | Polk         |
| Oden, S. M.           |           | Jonesboro      | 129 | Caseyville         | Poinsett     |
| Dotson, J. P.         |           | Jonesboro      | 129 | Caseyville         | Poinsett     |
| Razor, F.             |           | Euclid         | 130 | Mount Adams        | Arkansas     |
| Burton, C. C.         |           | Greenwood      | 131 | Greenwood          | Sebastian    |
| Louden, John T.       |           | Greenwood      | 131 | Greenwood          | Sebastian    |
| Weatherford, Leroy    |           | Napoleon       | 133 | Napoleon           | Desha        |
| Lefter, W. H.         |           | Napoleon       | 133 | Napoleon           | Desha        |
| Van Rensellaer, A. S. |           | Napoleon       | 133 | Napoleon           | Desha        |
| Ashbrook, Calvin      |           | Napoleon       | 133 | Napoleon           | Desha        |
| Neal, B. D.           |           | Napoleon       | 133 | Napoleon           | Desha        |
| Atchley, W. N.        |           | Crooked Creek  | 135 | Crooked Creek      | Carroll      |

|                   |                 |               |     |               |              |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----|---------------|--------------|
| Atchley, Jesse    |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Beller, W. C.     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Ewing, G. W.      |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Ewing, James      |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Greenlee, S. J.   |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Hutson, Harris    |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Harrison, G. W.   |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Ingram, D. N.     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Mitchell, E. G.   |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Parker, Alvin     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Quiett, W. C.     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Rowland, J. B.    |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Stroud, L. M.     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Stafford, Stephen |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Staples, J. A.    |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Trotter, David    |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Woody, James      |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Wasson, W. L.     |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Lewis, Thos. W.   |                 | Crooked Creek | 135 | Crooked Creek | Carroll      |
| Jenkins, C. L.    |                 | Olive Branch  | 136 | Spring Branch | Lafayette    |
| Barnes, Jacob     |                 | Evening Shade | 143 | Evening Shade | Lawrence     |
| Hudson, Jefferson |                 | Evening Shade | 143 | Evening Shade | Lawrence     |
| Barnett, J. N.    |                 | Evening Shade | 143 | Evening Shade | Lawrence     |
| Johnson, J. M.    |                 | Curia         | 144 | Curia         | Independence |
| Shannon, W. E.    |                 | Curia         | 144 | Curia         | Independence |
| Tidwell, James    |                 | Wooten        | 145 | Stony Point   | White        |
| Massey, R. M.     |                 | Wooten        | 145 | Stony Point   | White        |
| Frier, R. C.      |                 | Pitman        | 149 | Pitman        | Randolph     |
| Bailey, David     |                 | Pitman        | 149 | Pitman        | Randolph     |
| Writer, John      |                 | Pitman        | 149 | Pitman        | Randolph     |
| Bowls, Lewis      |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Basham, Monroe    | 4 November 1865 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Campbell, W. L.   |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Cardwell, H.      |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Edmondson, J. W.  |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Edmondson, W. D.  |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Harris, D. M.     |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Hamrick, J. H.    |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| House, F. M.      |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Lee, J. M.        |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Short, David      |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Poland, J. W.     |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Dillard, John     |                 | Providence    | 150 | Mount Moriah  | Ouachita     |
| Moore, C. G.      |                 | Sardis        | 152 | Gravel Ridge  | Bradley      |
| Callaway          |                 | Sardis        | 152 | Gravel Ridge  | Bradley      |
| Hazlewood, J. B.  |                 | Elm Springs   | 154 | Elm Springs   | Benton       |
| Ward, W. P.       |                 | Dewitt        | 157 | Dewitt        | Arkansas     |
| Wadkins, R.       |                 | Dewitt        | 157 | Dewitt        | Arkansas     |
| Kingsbury, D. P.  |                 | Dewitt        | 157 | Dewitt        | Arkansas     |
| Davis, Thomas     |                 | Dewitt        | 157 | Dewitt        | Arkansas     |
| Davis, J. A.      |                 | Dewitt        | 157 | Dewitt        | Arkansas     |
| Thorbrough, A.    |                 | Holland       | 158 | Quitman       | Van Buren    |
| Wyley, White      |                 | Holland       | 158 | Quitman       | Van Buren    |

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|---------------------|------------------|----------------|-----|----------------|-------------|
| Kendall, G.         |                  | Holland        | 158 | Quitman        | Van Buren   |
| Iverton, B. R.      |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Elkins, John        |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Spurlock, Houston   |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| McCord, Samuel      |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Rogers, James M.    |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Goodwin, A. C.      |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Hardwin, Moses J.   |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Spurlock, William   |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Estis, J. C.        |                  | Ash Flat       | 159 | Ash Flat       | Lawrence    |
| Moore, Lewis        |                  | Wise           | 161 | Palestine      | Columbia    |
| Matthews, M. M.     |                  | Montongo       | 162 | Montongo       | Drew        |
| Newton, J.          |                  | Montongo       | 162 | Montongo       | Drew        |
| Adams, Alexander    |                  | Adams          | 164 | Pleasant Run   | Izard       |
| Leverbough,         |                  | Adams          | 164 | Pleasant Run   | Izard       |
| Izard, Mark W., Sr. |                  | Madison        | 167 | Madison        | St. Francis |
| Nance, W. B.        |                  | Gainesville    | 168 | Gainesville    | Greene      |
| McJunkins, W. S.    |                  | Dooley's Ferry | 169 | Dooley's Ferry | Hempstead   |
| Casey, James        | 22 November 1865 | St. Mary's     | 170 | Lexington      | White       |
| Ursery, Pearson     | 10 December 1865 | St. Mary's     | 170 | Lexington      | White       |
| Wells, J. A.        |                  | Galley Rock    | 172 | Galley Rock    | Pope        |
| Gates, Thomas J.    |                  | Troy           | UD  | Arkadelphia    | Clark       |
| Babb, Stephen P.    |                  | Poinsett       | UD  | Harrisburg     | Poinsett    |
| Richardson, H. P.   |                  | Kerr           | UD  | Forrest Home   | Monroe      |
| Keith, J. H.        |                  | Prospect Bluff | UD  | Prospect Bluff | White       |
| Heflin, William     |                  | Prospect Bluff | UD  | Prospect Bluff | White       |
| Lewis, R.           |                  | Prospect Bluff | UD  | Prospect Bluff | White       |
| Poltinglar, P. H.   |                  | Prospect Bluff | UD  | Prospect Bluff | White       |
| Hicks, J. T.        |                  | Prospect Bluff | UD  | Prospect Bluff | White       |
| Wilson, Leander     |                  | Blue Mountain  | UD  | Riggsville     | Izard       |

## The Indian Territory

Items of Interest Gathered from  
Correspondents and Exchanges

Published in *The Fort Smith Elevator* in  
1892

Submitted by Jan Davenport, 1 Cinnamon  
Rd., North Little Rock, AR 72120

Muskogee is to have a new Federal jail in the  
near future.

Three weddings among the upper ten of  
Muskogee are on the list, to be celebrated in  
the near future.

The Seminoles have let the contract for the  
erection of a \$40,000 school building in the  
south portion of their reservation.

A school teacher in the Okmulgee district has  
been placed under arrest on the charge of  
making false school reports and drawing  
money on them.

There will be a grand Democratic meeting at  
Muskogee Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup>. The object of  
the meeting is to ratify the nomination of  
Cleveland and Stevenson.

The Indian Territory is to stand on equal  
footing with the states at the World's Fair.  
Space has been allotted, and the B.I.T.  
allowed two commissioners and two  
alternates for the five civilized tribes.

The First Baptist Church at Muskogee  
celebrated the second anniversary of its  
history as an organization last Sunday. The  
exercises were very interesting. The Baptists  
there have the best house of worship in the  
Territory.

The W.C.T.U. ladies at Muskogee are talking  
of introducing what is known as a  
temperance fountain in that city. It is a  
nickle-in-the-slot machine. You drop a nickle

in the slot and get a glass of lemonade or  
whatever other drink the fountain contains.

A great deal of interest in political matters is  
being awakened in the Indian Territory.  
Republican and Democratic clubs are holding  
ratification meetings and grand "blow-outs"  
of various kinds. The enthusiasm displayed is  
all the more noticeable because the residents  
can't vote for their favorite candidates and at  
best are only on-lookers in the great  
campaign.

Mose Belvin is charged with the killing of  
the ferryman at Cobb's ferry. It is stated by  
one or two Choctaws that he told them he did  
the killing and his reason for doing it was  
that the ferryman had said something to him  
one day that he did not like. On the day the  
killing occurred, all the Choctaws were at a  
funeral except Belvin and he took another  
man's gun and went to the bottom and killed  
the ferryman. —*Indian Citizen*

Three masked men entered the depot at  
Nowata, Monday morning about 1 o'clock  
and robbed the agent of several hundred  
dollars. The route agent was there checking  
one agent out and another in, consequently  
the safe was open. There were four men in  
the office at the time the robbers entered.  
They were covered with pistols and required  
to hold up their hands while the robbers went  
through the safe. The retiring agent lost his  
salary of \$200 just drawn and the railroad  
lost about \$150. There is no clue as to the  
identify of the robbers.

"Whiskey Bill", who for the past ten years  
has plied his vocation of selling whiskey and  
stealing horses in the Territory, was last  
week lodged in the Federal jail here. His beat  
has been west of Euafula from Kansas to the  
Texas line. His has been a rather long and  
successful career of law breaking as he is just  
now in the toils of the law for the second  
time. Some years ago he was arrested and  
taken to Wichita jail, but managed to escape.  
He has been shot three or four times and been  
constantly wanted, but nothing retarded him

from his hazardous business of selling mean whiskey. They say he has followed it constantly and vigorously doing all these years now and then taking a horse on the side.

The Masonic Grand Lodge, which held its session at Tahlequah last week, was attended by about 140 delegates. The proceedings were full of interest. A term of ritualistic work for the Territory and new by-laws and constitution were adopted. Provision was made for the organization of a Grand Lodge for Oklahoma Territory, thereby dividing the now one jurisdiction. The following officers were elected: Grand Master, Leo E. Bennett. This is the fourth time that Mr. Bennett has been chosen to fill this high and important position. L. S. Byrd, Deputy Grand Master; J. A. Scott, Senior Grand Warden; Andrew Hardin, Junior Grand Warden; J. J. McAlester, Grand Treasurer; J. S. Murrow, Grand Secretary; W. A. McBride, Grand Lecturer.

R. V. Belt, Acting Indian Commissioner at Washington, in reply to the question as to what is necessary to become a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, writes as follows:

Sir: In reply to your communication of May 18, 1892, I have to advise you that in case the Eastern Cherokees, etc. [117 U. S. 811] the Supreme Court decided as follows: 'If Indians in that state (North Carolina) or any other state east of the Mississippi, wish to enjoy the benefits of common property of the Cherokee Nation in whatever form it may exist, they must, as held by the Court of Claims, comply with the constitution of and laws of the Cherokee Nation, and be admitted to the citizenship as there provided.' Application for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation should therefore be submitted to the authorities of that nation, and from their decision in such cases there is no appeal. You are also advised that an applicant for citizenship in the Cherokee Nation can have no rights therein until he shall have been lawfully admitted to citizenship, in accordance with the local laws of the nation, and further, should he enter the nation prior to such admission and make improvements therein, he would do so at his own risk and would be liable to removal as an intruder.

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## State News

Items of Interest From All Portions of Arkansas

A colored Democratic club has been organized at Osceola.

There are 54 counties in the state in which whiskey is not sold.

A Judsonia farmer made \$2400 on twelve acres of strawberries.

The boll worm has made its appearance in Southeast Arkansas.

The finest broom corn in the South is raised in Mississippi County.

Col. D. E. Barker has been elected President of the State Alliance.

H. W. Huntington, of Texarkana, has a collection of coins valued at \$600.

The prospects are that Arkansas will get an immense yield of corn this season.

"Fodder pulling" is the chief business of the Arkansas farmer these days.

A negro man who slapped a white woman near Camden, was soundly whipped.

Chicago parties have paid \$2,000 for 186 acres of marble lands near Lone Rock, Baxter County.

The canning factory at Springdale last season canned and shipped abroad 300,000 pounds of tomatoes.

The contract for building the ex-Confederate home near Little Rock has been awarded for \$9,741.

The Bentonville flouring mill grinds 300 bushels of wheat every 24 hours and is kept running night and day.

A through freight train on the Cotton Belt railroad ran over and killed a 300- pound bear a few miles north of Weiner recently.

At Beebe last week, Willie Babbit, the 7-year-old son of a widow lady, was run over and had his head cut off by a freight train.

The wind storm of last week blew down the smoke stack of the Van Buren cotton compress and did other slight damage to the machinery

Little Bessie Ferguson, five years of age, died at her home in Little Rock Monday from the effects of a serious burn she received some two weeks ago.

There is much activity in the Batesville manganese district and a large amount of ore is being shipped. One man has shipped over 800 tons within the last six weeks.

Capt. E. M. Ayres, of Mississippi County, has 45 acres in broom corn, and he will realize more than any one in the county will on a like number of acres of cotton.

Hon. J. F. Rives, Jr., a member of the legislature in 1883, committed suicide at his home in Searcy Monday by shooting himself through the temple with a revolver.

A patent medicine fakir named S. Onunally, was placed under arrest at Green Forest, Carroll county, for attempting to outrage the little 8-year-old daughter of a Mr. Russell.

William Bross, at one time in the drug business in Cairo, Ills., who was visiting relatives at Camden, last week committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a pistol.

Mrs. Mary A. Hooper of Logan county has 232 direct descendants, 141 of whom attended a family reunion recently. She is 74

years of age, and has 45 children and grandchildren married.

Ed. H. Rice, a policemen, who about a year ago shot and killed Henry Morton for indecent exposure of his person on the streets of Pine Bluff while drunk, has been convicted of first degree murder.

Charlie Hawn, whose parents live in Springdale, was drowned in a stream in the Territory, about 50 miles this side of Paris, Texas, recently. His remains were taken to Springdale for burial.

Garland Stone, the grown son of Lieut. W. Q. Stone, was found dead in a small stream a short distance from his father's house last week. His body was perfectly clothed, and the manner of his death suggests suicide.

A Southern Arkansas, and ex-Confederate, who applied recently to Geo. Tilles for a life policy, stated that his father and eight of his fourteen brothers were killed in the late war. They were from Logan county, Ky. —  
*Arkansas Gazette*

Wm. Young, a transient, was shot from ambush at Bearden last Friday night. He was sitting on the porch with his wife, when he was shot. The face was shot to a jelly, causing instant death. Young was from Tennessee and was said to be a refuge from justice.

There is now running every good day, over 100 hay presses in Arkansas and Prairie counties. That means 600 tons of hay daily, and taking the past five years it has sold, on an average, at \$6 per ton. Mr. N. W. Slifer has sold nineteen hay presses at Stuttgart within the past sixty days.

Last week Sam Stevenson took to Van Buren a stalk of corn that seemed to reach up clear into the sky. On measurement it was found to be eleven feet and three inches tall. It had one ear eighteen inches long and two well developed shoots. It was raised on upland. Score one more for Arkansas.

A brutal murder was committed at Marianna Wednesday night of last week. Nelson Williams, a negro, shot and killed his wife while she was asleep with a double-barreled shot gun loaded with bird shot. Both loads were fired at the same time ...

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There are more than 10,000 members of the Knights of Pythias order in the Territory.

The town of Miami, less than two years old and ten miles from the railroad, has a daily mail.

The beer business is a thing of the past in the Territory since the passage of the new law by Congress.

The *Indian Sentinel* has changed hands, W. A. Thompson stepping down and out, and R. T. Hanks assuming control.

There has been a very beneficial revival in the Baptist church as Hudson's Creek, Rev. J. H. Hogan pastor. Seventeen were received to membership.

The north-east part of the Territory, from Fairland to Kansas, has an enormous wheat crop. Oats also were very good, and corn will be a fair average.

William Finlay, merchant and postmaster at Hyenmier, Chickasaw Nation, last week shot and killed George Summers, a negro, at that place. Finlay shot Summers with a gun heavily loaded with bird shot, at close range, killing him instantly. Finlay was remanded to jail at Paris, Texas.

The water in one of the public wells at Lehigh about a year ago became so foul that no one could use it, and it was abandoned. Recently it was determined to see what effect cleaning it out would have. The well-digger unearthed particles of a rotten blanket and quilt and finally the skeleton of an infant was brought to light. All the bones were

disjointed and there was no flesh left whereby the body could be identified.

The soldiers are in the Cherokee Strip rounding up cattle to drive them out of the Territory. This move, it is said, principally catches the small cattlemen, and not the larger ones, as it should. On good authority it is known that the large cattlemen had information of what was coming in sufficient time to drive their herds to the west end. This, it is thought, would do for the present, and if a close watch is not kept the herds will again be on the Strip as soon as the soldiers shall have left. *Purcell Register*.

It is estimated that the cotton crop of the Indian Territory this year will not be more than one-half as large as last year, owing to the greatly reduced acreage all over the land. But while the cotton has been diminished the acreage of corn and wheat has been greatly increased and the change will certainly prove advantageous to the planter. Corn will find a ready market, as many cattle will be fed throughout the country this winter, and wheat always is as good as gold. We look for no depression of times, owing to the fact that cotton will be short. *Phoenix*.

Joseph Jackson, through his attorneys, has filed suit in the United States district court at Ardmore against the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company for \$50,000 damages and injuries received by plaintiff while in the employ of the defendant's road. Jackson formerly worked on the section and alleges that while working at the washout near Purcell on the night of September 1, in carrying a rail in the darkness, he fell over a pile of ties, inflicting serious internal injuries of a permanent nature, rendering him a cripple for life, for which he asks damages as above.

Four miles east of Tablequah, on Monday night of last week, Thompson Bearpaw shot and instantly killed Raspberry Manus. Both parties were at a dance, Bearpaw playing the violin and Mnaus dancing. After the set was finished, Bearpaw arose from his seat and

drawing his pistol and presenting it at Manus, said: "This is the way my brother used to do in his lifetime." Without further warning Bearpaw fired three shots at Manus, two of which passed through his body, and he fell on the floor dead. Bearpaw left the house and has not yet been apprehended.

All these reports about the Dalton boys figuring in the recent robberies committed in the Indian Territory are false. We have received at this office excellent evidence that the Dalton boys had nothing to do with the recent robberies—not even the Red Rock robbery. In fact, they were not in Indian Territory and have not been for several months. They have been in Colorado and can prove an alibi for every robbery committed in the Territory for the last four months. They are just like the James boys, receiving the blame for crimes they really knew nothing of and were five hundred miles away from the scene when the crime was committed. —  
*Territorial Topics.*

## State News

Items of Interest From All Portions of Arkansas

Nashville, Howard County, wants a bank.

According to the latest census, Little Rock has a population of 40,000.

Apples are being shipped out of Washington and Benton counties by the car load.

New York and Philadelphia firms are buying aluminum deposits in Saline county.

State normal schools will be opened September 15 at Jonesboro, Morrilton and Stuttgart.

A negro answering the description of the Sedalia ravisher has been lodged in jail at Camden.

Robert Mann, who lives near Hot Springs, was struck by lightning last week and instantly killed.

A. P. Castles has been acquitted, at Magnolia, of the charge of murdering a man named Hornbuckler.

Alfred Gray, a negro living near Camden, accidentally shot and killed his twelve-year-old son last week.

A wheat convention was held in Poinsett county recently and a number of farmers pledged themselves to sow wheat.

Al. Fuller, a prominent liveryman at Princeton, fell from a Cotton Belt train one night last week and was crushed to death.

James Dameron, of Siloam Springs, was a member of the First Regiment of Missouri Volunteers in the war against the Seminole Indians.

Miss Cora Lockhart of Malvern, was awarded \$8,000 damages against the Park Hotel at Hot Springs, for the loss of a hand in the laundry.

The Street Railway Company at Batesville have asked the Council to pass an ordinance granting them the privilege of handling freight on their cars.

Mrs. Garrett, of Mt. Ida, went out into her garden the other day and returning found a new-born babe on her bed, with no trace of where it came from.

James Donaldson, a well known engineer on the Iron Mountain road, was bitten by a tarantula recently at his home in Little Rock, and severely poisoned.

At Arkadelphia last week, a large circular saw in the Arkadelphia Lumber Co.'s saw mill, bursted. A piece of the saw struck John New in the head, causing death.

The post office at Natural Dam, fourteen miles north of Van Buren, was broken open last Thursday night, the safe blown open and \$150 in money and a lot of stamps taken.

Charles Griffin, colored, who was charged with assault with intent to commit rape upon Mrs. Dowdy near Newport, was sentenced to twenty-one years in the penitentiary.

Quinces and tomatoes twelve inches in diameter, a snap bean thirty inches long and ears of corn twelve inches long and the same in circumference, are on exhibition at Pine Bluff.

The assessment of the Iron Mountain railroad in this State has just been made at \$10,165,279, including its branch lines. Under Republican rule no railroad in the State was made to pay taxes.

The farmers around Newport have made such a success with their wheat crop this season that they say if a good flouring mill is started there they will raise not less than 80,000 bushels of wheat.

Sam Stewart's safe, at Lancaster, a small station on the Frisco road twenty-five miles north of Fort Smith, was blown open last Friday night, and all the cash, checks and other valuables, amounting to more than \$1,000, carried off. Stewart is one of the leading merchants at Lancaster.

Mrs. Mabel Brookins, a widow, committed suicide at Little Rock last week, by taking a dose of rough on rats. Her husband was killed two years ago by being run over by a hook and ladder truck, and she had been despondent ever since. She was twenty-four years of age.

A dastardly murder was committed at Cameron, a small station on the Cotton Belt railway, fifteen miles north of Texarkana, one night last week. Bad blood had existed for some time between Paschall Frazier and a Mr. Long. The latter and his wife had retired

when five shots rang out. One struck Mrs. Long, causing her death. Frazier fled. ...  
*Fort Smith Elevator*, Sept. 2, 1892

## Sawyer Family Letters

Ashley County, AR

Submitted by Juanita Sawyer Fidler, 609 West 15<sup>th</sup> St., Ada, OK 74820

Hamburg, Ark. Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 1876

My Dear Children,

We have fine health at this time except Polk's little girl. Its health is not good. We have had the worst weather during this whole season I have ever witnessed. And it seems today that spring is opened. We have done very little in the way of farming yet and nothing in the way of gardening. John and myself have rented the Camp place and are aiming to try to make something there this year. But cotton is so low and times are so hard and no money in the country, it will be a tight fit for us to make anything. I am on the Turf for Probate Judge. If I can succeed and live I may be able to get along a little better in the future.

The boys are going to school and Belle is flying around having an easy time at last (not married yet). This is quite a dull place now, you may be sure. Nothing to occupy myself at. Loafing is popular in Hamburg. Plenty of whiskey drank. Leap Year has brought about many weddings, so many I will not undertake to name them. None of our Kinsfolk. I expect to go to the swamp tomorrow to see how times are and make arrangements for regular farming.

\_\_\_\_\_ is still living and drinking plenty of whiskey, but don't think the time is far distant when he will have to close on it or it will close on him. Jimmie, when you go to Paris give my respects to old friend Sam Mason and our respects to Owenby and family. Since writing about the people in Texas, reminds me of a Texan coming to our

town and taking off one of our girls. Miss Eatsman to Dr. Morris (dentist).

... Write soon and often to your devoted Parents Brothers & Sister.

R. B. Sawyer  
Olive Sawyer  
J. R. Sawyer  
J. B. Sawyer  
D. B. Sawyer

Hamburg, Ark.  
Sept. 9, 1878

My Dear Son,

Through the providence of God I have once more concluded to try to write you a few lines Though with difficulty... George and Buck are gone hunting. We are now at George's place for the present for health, which has only been moderate this season. This has been a remarkable season for sickness and deaths. To attempt to name the deaths would be a task. I presume you have heard of the death of Sumner, he died last Feb. Old Man Roakes this summer, one of your Uncle Mc children Maurice (?). That is about all of connection.

Dan White is married to Bettie Staton. My son, to say anybody is well I cannot. And my son everybody is so poor and crops so sorry and money so scarce that I cannot see how we are to live. Business of all kinds is so perfectly prostrate that nothing can be found to do. James, my son, is there any chance for a living in Texas? What is the prospect out there? We have been looking for Dick or some of you out this season, but now I suppose a scare from Yellow Fever may prevent any from coming.

Cotton crops are generally good but corn crops are very short. Willie Norvell was one who had a part of my place and he was taken sick, lay eleven days and died...

Your devoted parents, R. B. Sawyer  
Olive Sawyer

P.S. Show this to Martha and Turner and give our love to all.

R.B.S.

Hamburg, Ashley County, Arkansas  
October 31, 1886

Dear Bro.

The last letter that any of us has rec'd from you was written to Father on the 21<sup>st</sup> Feb/86. And I have this morning concluded to write to you again in order if possible to hear from you all once more. Bro. I have no news of interest to write. Our crops are cut short by quite one half that is the cotton. The corn crop as a general thing is very good where they were worked. So you see short crops and short prices for them and heavy credits places things in rather bad conditions with the generality of the people in this country.

The health of this country has been tolerably good up to about two weeks ago. There has been some sickness on the Bayou since that time and resulted in three or four deaths. All on Bayou, John Allen, John Hudspeth, John Fork and John Bell all died within the last weeks with swamp fever and pneumonia. We have had three or four large Frosts this week and we hope will check the sickness in the swamp country and elsewhere. This writing finds us all well so far as I know with the exception of a few chills and colds and I hope will find you all enjoying good health and prospering.

Pa, I believe is trying to get ready to get off to Church. We had a man to preach for us in Hamburg about a month ago. Carried on his meeting for two weeks and affected much good. There was seventy five conversions and some of our oldest men a few names of whom I will mention. Old man McDuffie, James Willis, James Watson, Jess Files. This man is a Methodist preacher, raised in your country in Texas. Perhaps you know something about him. His name is Harry May a converted Jew. I did not get to hear

him. Father and Bro. John went up to hear him and they came back home much pleased with his preaching. They believe he preaches the right doctrine.

I recon you have learned before this that we have elected a new set of county officers. Jim Still is our County Clerk, John Clark, Sheriff, Hogan Allen, representative, and so on. We are to hold an Election next Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Novr. To elect our Congressman Thos. C. McRae.

Well Bro. I have nothing more of interest to write I will bring this to a close hoping to be more interesting in my next after hearing from you all agin for I do not know whether I am writing to the dead or living though I hope not to the former the dead ... Bro. Polk wrote to Sister Mat some two months ago and have never heard a word from her since. Tell them to write ... Much love to you all. I remain as ever our Bro.

S/ Geo. W. Sawyer

#### JAMES HENRY SAWYER

James Henry Sawyer moved to Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, with his wife, Jessie Estelle, and three of their ten children around 1912, living in the Steedman community for about ten years, where James Henry was Postmaster, before moving into Ada, where they lived until their deaths. They resided at 1023 (now 1011) N. Hickory and are buried in the Old Ada Cemetery on North Hickory Street, the land for which was donated by R. E. Hodges, father of the wife of their son Roy Sawyer. James Henry died on December 15, 1930, and Jessie, on March 13, 1927.

James was born in 1842 at Montgomery, Alabama, and moved with his parents to Berlin (Ashley County), Arkansas, where he married Jessie Estelle Capers on October 14, 1866. According to the book, History of Pontotoc County, Oklahoma, page

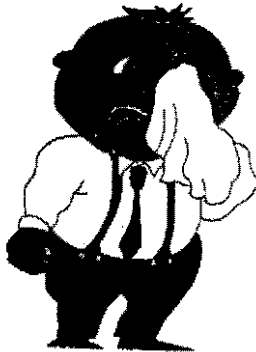
85, he was a Civil War veteran, serving in Co. B, 3rd Arkansas Infantry. After their first three children died of "summer complaint" within a ten-day period in 1873, they moved to northeast Texas and resided at Garretts Bluff, Lamar County, Texas, from 1876 to 1885. The years, 1887 to 1895, found them in Yell County, Arkansas, near Danville, but they moved back to Texas (probably Red River County, where Jessie's mother, who lived with them, died at Manchester) and then to Oklahoma (Byars, Steedman, and Ada).

The children of James and Jessie Sawyer (except for the first three) in order of birth were as follows: Nina E., Ameola E., Roland L., Janette, James Edwin, Deceima H., June Boardman, Effie R., Bertha, and Roy Early, all of whom are now deceased.

\_\_\_\_\_ Parents of James Henry were Reason Berry and Olivia (Reid) Sawyer (R. B. served as County Treasurer in Ashley County from 1882-86); grandparents were William Early and Sarah (Woolley) Sawyer of Edgefield County, South Carolina (they moved to Ashley County around 1820 and are buried in Eden Cemetery without markers), and James and Elizabeth (Goodwin) Reid from Maplesville, Alabama; great-grandparents were George and Elizabeth (Bird) Sawyer of South Carolina (George was a patriot in the Revolutionary War, DAR #548527), Reason and Elizabeth (Bates) Woolley, and Young and Martha (Patsey?) (Andrews) Goodwin, with the Reid great-grandparents unknown at this time. Martha Andrews' father was Gray Andrews, American Revolutionary patriot.

Parents of Jessie Estelle were James Henry and Susan (Wingate) Capers of southern Arkansas (J. H. Capers was a Major in the 3rd Reg. Ark. Vol. in the Confederate Army); grandparents were William H. and Elizabeth Lenore Capers and William W. and Maryann (Ewing) Wingate of North Carolina.

## *Bible Record – Corrected*



The Bible record shown on page 36 of the March, 1999, issue of *The AFH* shows an incorrect surname. The record is listed here correctly with notes supplied.

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Copy of Bible Record from the J. J. Simpson Collection in possession of Llano Estacado Museum, Wayland University, 1900 West 7<sup>th</sup> St., Plainview, TX 79072, along with many photographs of the Winfield Scott Wasson and J. J. Simpson families.

### MARRIAGES

Abram Peed and Sarah Ware was married August the 30<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1842

### BIRTHS

Abram Peed was born March the 26<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1814

Sarah Ware was born Feb. the 3 A.D. 1822

Martha Jane Peed first daughter of Abram and Sarah Peed was born November the 5<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1843

Mary Elizabeth Peed was born July the 26<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1845

James Alexander Peed first son of A & S Peed was born August the 7<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1847

Martha Anjaline Peed third daughter of A & S Peed was born Oct the 4<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1849

Sarah Francis Peed fourth daughter of A. & S. Peed was born May the 5 A.D. 1851

### DEATHS

Abram Peed Departed this life April the 30<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1852

Sarah Peed Departed this life July the 12<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1894

James Alexander Peed Departed this life Feb the 8 A.D. 1876

Margaret Anjline Peed Departed this life Nov the 20 A.D. 1865

Sarah Francis Peed Departed this life Oct the 16<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1862

Notes not taken from Bible Record:

Abram Peed and brother, Nicholas Peed, arrived in Lawrence County, AR about 1840 from Lincoln County, NC, sons of Cyrus Peed, who died in Catawba County, NC 22 Nov 1858.

(Lawrence County, Arkansas Loose Probate Papers: 1815-1890, Marion Stark Craig, M.D.)

(Catawba County North Carolina Will Abstracts 1842-1910, Miles S. Philbeck, Jr., Mecklenburg County Public Library, Charlotte, NC)

Sarah Ware (born 3 Feb 1822) is assumed daughter of Martha (maiden name unknown, born c1795) and husband (unknown given name) Ware of 1830 Lawrence County, AR.

(1850 Lawrence Co., AR, Washington Twp., census schedule page 206, family 222)

(1850 Lawrence Co., AR, Washington Twp. Census schedule page 201, family 161)

Mary Elizabeth Peed (26 July 1845) married Winfield Scott Wasson 18 Dec 1870 in Sharp, AR. (Family history) They moved to Plainview, TX 1<sup>st</sup> May 1898, with the J. J. Simpson (son-in-law) family.

Hale County Facts & Folklore, Vera Dean Wafford (Unger Memorial Library, Plainview, Texas)

The eldest daughter of Winfield Scott Wasson and Mary Elizabeth Peed, Luvenia Lee Wasson, married J. J. Simpson around 1896 and moved to Plainview, Texas with the elder Wasson's family.

Notes supplied by Regina Creekmore Weaver, 200 D and D Rd., Batesville, AR 72501, a descendant of the Ware family. The [above] Wares were Martha McKnight Ware and Joseph Ware, some of the earliest settlers in Lawrence County, having been in the area since c1814. ...

Census and early records of residents in AR also show these surnames as Pead and Wear.

The Historical Report of the Secretary of State shows Judge N. Peed, also a descendant, in Independence County (1856-1864).

## Marron Bible Records

Transcribed by Jan Eddleman

Photocopies of the following Bible records are on file in the Genealogical Department of the Fort Smith Public Library, 61 South 8<sup>th</sup> St., Fort Smith, AR 72901. They were originally photocopied by members of Frontier Researchers, a genealogical society, and have appeared in their journal. The record has been transcribed as in the original.

This certifies that the rite of holy matrimony was celebrated between Mr. W. J. Marron of Brockville and Miss Clara Carney of Brockville on July 2th 1877 at Brockville by Rev. R. B. Montgomery. Witness: James Marron. Witness: Clara Dixon.

Barbara Diane Hughes, daughter of Virginia Marron Hughes and Fred Hughes, granddaughter of James Marron and marion (sic) Marron born Friday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1945.

John Fredrick Hughes, son of Virginia Marron Hughes and Fred Hughes, grand son of James Marron and Marion Marron, born Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1948

### MARRIAGES

Anna Jane Olson and William John Marron married in Sioux City, Iowa June 19<sup>th</sup> 1916 by Rev. Robert Keck, Grace M.E. Church.

Dorothy Ann Marron and Victor Rudolph Johnson of Slayton Mines married 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church St. Paul June 19, 1940 by Dr. S. W. Powell

Sarah Alice Dodgen and Victor Rudolph Johnson, Jr. were married 1<sup>st</sup> Methodist Church, Springdale, Arkansas, Jan. 18, 1965, by Rev. Farrell Hatch

Mary Ann Holloway and William O. Johnson were married at St. Boniface Catholic Church May 24, 1970, by Rev. Marcus Gerke

## DEATHS

Terrence Carney Marron died December 8 – 1884 – aged 4 years 8 months

Wm Marron Jr. died Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 1914 aged 62 years

C. S. Marron – Died Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 1918, buried April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1918, aged 56 years

Mrs. A. C. Olsen died April 21<sup>st</sup> 1928, age 75 yrs 11 months 21 days, mother of Mrs. Wm. Marron

Mrs. E. Compton (“sister Elizabeth”) died Jan 14<sup>th</sup> 1930 at Hull Quebec Can. Age 52 years

James Marron died Jan 28, 1941, age 52 years

Mrs. John Chesley Marron died March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1953

Clara Maud Marron Garvin died Dec 13, 1863 in Toronto Ont Canada

Anna Jane Olson Marron died Oct 3, 1973 in Fort Smith, ARK

## BIRTHS

Elizabeth Ann Marron was born November 17 – 1878 at Brockville

Terrence Carney Marron was born March 21 – 1880 at Brockville

William John Chesley Marron was born May 16 – 1883 at Brockville

Clara Maud Marron was born March 19 – 1885 at Brockville

Terrence Edward Marron was born February 12 – 1886 at Brockville

James Marron was born Oct 17 – 1888

Edith Peal Marron was born Oct 9 – 1890 at Brockville

Dorothy Anne (daughter of W. J. C. Marron) Marron April 19<sup>th</sup> 1917 St. Paul Minn.

Anna Jane Olson Marron (wife of W. J. C. Marron) Oct 28, 1907 (?) Sioux City, Ia

Victor R. Johnson born Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1944 son of Dorothy Marron Johnson

William Oscar Johnson born Thursday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 1948 son of Dorothy Marron Johnson

## FAMILY HISTORY

Miss Clara Sophia Carney born March 12<sup>th</sup> 1862 at Brockville

### Civil War Prisoner Burial Site

Submitted by Judith Pelton, 794 N. Daniel Way, San Jose, CA 95128

Relatives searching for clues to Civil War ancestors should be aware of the records of Confederate prisoners at Fort Delaware Prison on Pea Patch Island, Delaware. There are records for 2,436 Confederate soldiers who died in that prison during the Civil War. The prison held up to 12,595 inmates at a time and a total of 33,565 were held there during the war. When prisoners died, the bodies were transported by boat to the New Jersey side of the Delaware River and buried in trenches at Inn's Point. The place is marked with a towering obelisk and at its base there are plaques with names of the soldiers in the common grave. (*Newsletter of the Chicago G.S.*, Vol. 28 #4, Nov. 1995. *Antique Week, Eastern Edition*, Monday, May 13, 1996, page 23B)

## Amnesty Oaths 1865-1866

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Listed in a group of unnumbered pages in the file back of Circuit Court Book "A",  
Montgomery County, AR

Submitted by Russell P. Baker

Martin V. B. Salyers, Montgomery Co.  
James J. Land, Montgomery Co.  
M. V. B. Cogburn, Montgomery Co.  
W. M. Williams, Montgomery Co.  
Alfred Jones, Montgomery Co.  
F. M. Morgan, Montgomery Co.  
Lewis S. Shirley, Montgomery Co.  
G. D. Goodner, Montgomery Co.  
Robert J. Pierce, Montgomery Co.  
Andrew J. Smith, Montgomery Co.  
Elijah Williams, Montgomery Co.  
B. M. Singleton, Montgomery Co.  
W. B. Baggs, Montgomery Co.  
Ephraim Shipman, Montgomery Co.  
Edward M. Pate, Montgomery Co.  
Francis M. McKinney, Montgomery Co.  
George S. Scott, Montgomery Co.  
Thomas I. Scott, Montgomery Co.  
W. A. Morgan, Montgomery Co.  
L. R. Roberts, Montgomery Co.  
R. E. Morgan, Montgomery Co.  
William T. Scott, Montgomery Co.  
J. G. Ellison, Montgomery Co.  
James B. Gaston, Montgomery Co.  
Robert J. Whitaker, Montgomery Co.  
John Voyles, Montgomery Co.  
James L. Cogburn, Montgomery Co.  
James Madison Anderson, Montgomery Co.  
John H. Jeffry, Montgomery Co.  
D. M. Goodner, Montgomery Co.  
William J. Cox, Montgomery Co.  
Alfred P. Alexander, Polk Co.  
S. J. Preston, Montgomery Co.  
John Welch, Clark Co.  
William Tweedle, Montgomery Co.  
Henry C. Brewer, Montgomery Co.  
N. J. Floyd, Montgomery Co.  
Amos Ridge, Montgomery Co.  
Solomon Jones, Pike Co.  
Willie Perran, Montgomery Co.  
Jonathan H. West, Pike Co.  
William Irvin, Montgomery Co.

William G. Anderson, Montgomery Co.  
Jacob C. Carroll, Montgomery Co.  
Harman W. Scott, Montgomery Co.  
Robert McConnell, Montgomery Co.  
James Cogburn, Montgomery Co.  
William C. Lovell, Montgomery Co.  
H. H. Marques, Montgomery Co.  
Mary L. Strawn, Montgomery Co.  
Eli Oliver, Crawford Co.  
Thomas Russell, Pope Co.  
Philip T. Salyers, Montgomery Co.  
Soloman Chapman, Montgomery Co.  
David Blassinger, Montgomery Co.  
J. H. West, Montgomery Co.  
David Maberry, Montgomery Co.  
Robert J. Coleman, Scott Co.  
Archubald Payne, Montgomery Co.  
Riley Wheeler, Montgomery Co.  
James R. Baggs, Montgomery Co.  
William Smith, Montgomery Co.  
William Arrington, Montgomery Co.  
Nathaniel B. Goss, Montgomery Co.  
King Darias Abernethy, Montgomery Co.  
Mahlon Rankins, Montgomery Co.  
George Crawford, Montgomery Co.  
C. B. Moore, Montgomery Co.

The above oaths were recorded between  
Sept. 19 and Oct. 26, 1865

New list: Oct. 26, 1865:  
William O. Robbins  
John Johns  
George W. Gray

Oct. 27:  
William Gentry  
William Maddox  
John C. Willhite  
John Gentry  
Robert Dees/Deer?  
William M. Scott  
Ely Standridge  
James Standridge  
Abraham Walker  
James Moore  
Nathaniel M. Fowler  
John Patton

Lorenzo D. Froust  
Frederiep (?) Weehunt

Nov. 24:  
C. C. Pope

Oct. 28:  
A. J. Scott  
Ira Bolin  
W. A. Hopper  
W. R. Rowten  
John C. Derr  
Mary J. Nelson  
George W. Pettie  
William A. Poling  
A. Patterson  
Thomas Fryar  
Henry Fryar  
William Fryar  
F. Strawn  
Samuel M. Smith  
Henlee M. Baker  
John G. Goodner

Nov. 25:  
Nathan A. Morgan

Nov. 27:  
John Scott

Nov. 24:  
William J. Anderson

Nov. 25:  
James H. Standridge

Dec. 9:  
Elisha M. Price  
James T. Morrow

Oct. 30:  
Jordan Symes  
James Pate  
James Montgomery  
W. H. Jackson  
William Gramer  
Robert E. Gladden  
Gulbert Jackson  
Isaac M. Corley  
J. W. Kimbrough  
Henry Wisenant  
Johnathan Wisenant

Dec. 14:  
A. W. Miller  
Ruhany (?) Hill  
W. C. Ownby

Dec. 22:  
James L. Miller  
S. P. Miller  
P. T. Musgrove

Jan. 2, 1866:  
John Hines  
Mary Hines

Oct. 31:  
C. Rowten  
Elizabeth Golden

Jan. 4:  
Sarah Salyers  
Mary C. Willhite  
Rebecca Stringfellow  
F. M. Lanier

Nov. 1:  
Thomas J. Bates  
James M. Bates  
W. J. S. Rankins  
N. M. Rankins  
Nancy B. Erwin  
William Stewart

Jan. 18:  
John F. Petty  
N. A. Penlance

Nov. 16:  
David Huddleston

Jan. 16:  
John D. Hopper

Nov. 18:  
George Holeman (?)

Jan. 27:  
P. D. Davis

Jan. 29:  
Thomas Hencont (?)  
Russell Cogburn

Jan. 30:  
D. M. Beck  
Julius M. Robbins

Feb. 27:  
John Irons  
James R. Irons

March 15:  
Josephus Perrin

March 17:  
Harriett Tweedle

April 20:  
W. J. McCarroll  
G. D. Meredith

April 17:  
C. W. Collier

April 28:  
W. F. Kirkes  
W. J. Holden

May 26:  
Elizabeth Coleman

June 28:  
A. M. Davis

July 2:  
Joseph Allen

July 5:  
Henry C. Bower  
James H. Gamblin  
Silas P. Vaught

July 9:  
William Hopper  
J. B. Trout  
John Rose

July 28:  
William Ferguson

July 30:  
T. J. Brown  
John C. Goodner  
James Goodner  
Thomas Robbins  
Andrews J. Robbins

July 31:  
John Huddleston  
William P. Symes  
William Symes  
Nicholas Gentry

Aug. 1:  
J. W. Standridge(?)

Aug. 2:  
J. M. Kapely  
Henry Whissenant

Aug. 3:  
William J. Sean  
Quintus C. Rowton

Aug. 6:  
James M. Baker  
J. G. Gray

#### Sample Oath

United States of America  
County of Montgomery

I Martin V. B. Salyers of Montgomery  
County State of Arkansas do solemnly swear  
in the presence of Almighty God that I will  
hence forth support and defend the  
Constitution of the United States of America  
and the union of states thereunder and that I  
will in like manner abide by and faithfully  
support all laws and proclamations which  
have been made during the existing rebellion  
with reference to the emancipation of slaves.  
So help me God

S/M. V. B. Salyers

No oaths were located after October 26,  
1865.

# The Grandfather I Never Knew

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Submitted by Jimmie Lois Caton Jones, 258 Catherine Heights Rd., Hot Springs, AR 71901

Some people will look at you when you tell them your grandparents were old when you were born. Being the younger of five children, I fit into that age bracket. My father would tell me of his father, but he could not remember very much as he was only seven when his father died.

Benjamin Franklin Caton, my grandfather, was born the first day of March 1842 in Nelson, Cooper Co., MO. He was the sixth child of Thomas Caton and Elizabeth Ann Lawrey (Laurie). Thomas and Elizabeth were married in Fauquier Co., VA, 6 Dec 1828 with H. L. Pearson as Clerk, and William Giles as Governor. Thomas and Elizabeth had four of their 10 children in VA, the others being born in MO.

The service record of Benjamin and several of his brothers lists them as being in the State Militia of Missouri. The story that has been passed down each generation was a really sad one. It seems that they were fighting in Missouri when the Union soldiers took them prisoners. They were told they could go fight the Indians in Oklahoma, or be put in prison or could give allegiance and join the Union ranks. The Caton boys joined the Union ranks and marched off from Sedalia to Springfield.

Benjamin was only 18 years old when he joined at a Private in Company A, 27<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Mounted, under Captain Samuel McGuire on 20 September 1861. In 1864 he joined the 52<sup>nd</sup> Regiment E.M.M. Company under Captain Newman. They all joined from Ottersville, MO. Benjamin marched so hard and it was winter time and his legs froze. He was home in bed for several muster calls. He received three ribbons.

The story told to us was that his father, Thomas, could not stand to see his sons go to fight without him. He was the drummer boy because he was too old to fight. He was hard of hearing. In one battle he lost his life because he did not hear the train and his pants were caught on the cattle guard. We have no idea where he was buried, but believe it was a common grave by the battlefield where they buried all that were killed in that skirmish. More military records are being sought.

Benjamin went back to Pineville and Anderson, MO, after the war. It has not been determined why he left Nelson, MO, but it is thought he went to visit some of the Caton or Lowery families.

He met Barbara Ellen Shy in Pineville. She was the daughter of Henry and Francis Dolly Catt Lockhart Shy. Barbara was born in Knox Co., IN, 16 Nov 1859. She had a half-sister, Belle Lockhart, who was older, and she had married R. A. Faulk and moved to Pineville. Belle's father was James Lockhart. Frances Doolly was without a husband so she and Barbara went to Pineville from Vincennes, IN, to see R. A. and Belle Faulk. Benjamin and Barbara were married 1 May 1878 in the home of her half-sister, Belle Faulk. Francis Dolly was so mad because she had married an older man who was ill with leg ulcers. Benjamin was thirty-six and Barbara only 19 years old. Benjamin was a farmer all his life. He and Barbara had six children; five were born in MO, and the last one in Arkansas.

Francis Dolly's mother, Margaret Ann Phillips Catt Hooten, and her two half-sisters, Mary Catherine Brodie and Rosann Hooten, moved to Anderson, MO, before the War Between the States had ended. They left Terre Haute, IN, by wagon train heading west. They would cook for the soldiers along their way. They enjoyed the food and company of both North and South soldiers.

Since they were kind to everyone, they were allowed to head their wagons west. While in Missouri, Francis Dolly met a Mr. Tatum in Anderson, MO. She married him but for some reason she got a divorce and married his brother Joseph Tatum. They moved to Saline Co., AR. They established the little town of Tatumville, southwest of Benton. Joseph was the mercantile store owner and Francis Dolly was the Postmistress.

Benjamin was a proud man; he had help on the farm with his children. His family lived in Cooper Co. and helped him also. Barbara wanted to move closer to her mother. Times were hard and Benjamin was getting worse from his war wounds. She wrote her mother and told about their condition. Francis Dolly decided to go to Missouri and bring her daughter and family back to Arkansas. Some time before 1893, she went to get them. The Caton and Lawrey families were very upset for Benjamin to leave the state. Francis Dolly was very persistent and when Mr. Lawrey told Francis Dolly that he owned the biggest part of Saline Co., MO, Francis Dolly boasted that she and Joseph Tatum owned the town of Tatumville, Arkansas, in Saline County. Needless to say, she brought them back to Arkansas and gave them a 40-acre farm. Their last child was born in 1893 in Tatumville. Benjamin drew a pension from the war, but that was not enough to take care of 6 children. Barbara Ellen played the fiddle. She would let the children have play parties and play for them to sing and dance. They raised farm products for market. Benjamin became very ill and died 5 April 1895. He is buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Saline County. My father, James Addison, was a young lad of a boy. He helped his mother on the farm.

Mr. Samuel "Buck" James lost his wife Nancy Ann Hickman James. He was a widower with five children. Barbara Ellen Caton and Samuel James were married in 1898. In order for Barbara Ellen's mother to know they had married, she wanted them to come to Little Rock to marry. Francis Dolly and Joseph had moved to Little Rock, Big

Rock Twp., and opened another Mercantile store. Francis Dolly was a large woman and had a hard time breathing. Barbara Ellen loaded all the kids in a wagon and went to her mothers to wed.

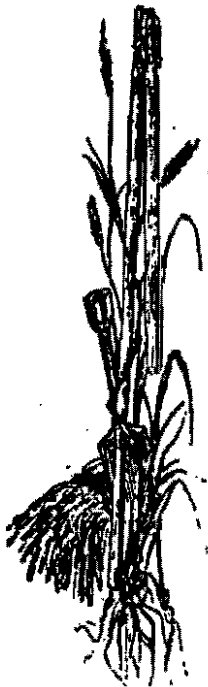
James Addison would tell what a great time the kids would have after all the chores were done. Francis Dolly was caring for Joseph, as he had pneumonia. A young man had come their home on 19<sup>th</sup> and Marshall to visit Joseph. When Francis Dolly was seeing him to the front door, he heard her call to him "catch me, I am falling"; he eased her to the floor where she died 19 February 1903. Joseph Warren Tatum died 22 April 1903. They are buried in Oakland Cemetery in Little Rock.

Samuel "Buck" and Barbara James had a son that died as an infant. They then had a daughter, Mildred Irene James. The family was in Crandell, TX, in 1916 when Samuel died of heart failure. Barbara Ellen's half-sister, Belle Faulk, had lost her husband and had married a Mr. Henry Hitch in Little Rock. When Joseph Tatum wrote his will, he named Belle as guardian of their adopted son, Joseph (Joe) Tatum. He said if he would go straight and narrow and not make life hard for Belle, he would be left enough money to finish school. Belle could not do anything with him, so she asked to be relieved of her duties. Henry had died so she asked Barbara Ellen to come live with her and her two sons. Barbara chose to move to Hot Springs and live near some of her children. She died 4 July 1936 in Hot Springs. She had battled cancer of the stomach for four years. She is buried in Gravel Hill Cemetery, Saline Co., AR.

My grandmother was sick and old when I was old enough to know her. I have walked over her farm in Saline Co. and wondered how she could have walked behind a mule and plow to raise food to take to market and sell. The notes tell us she would borrow money from the bank to raise a crop and pay them when the corn or cotton would come

off. They had milk cows and a lot of other farm animals.

The Caton children all lived in Arkansas. Some moved around to other states. Josiah Franklin and Lona Isabella Rice were parents of 9 children. They lived in Little Rock. Ella Elizabeth Caton and Nathan Harris had five children by 1910 in Alto, Poinsett Co., AR. Julia Rosetta Caton and Charlie Otwell were parents of seven children in Pleasant Hill, AR. Floyd Walker and Lavada Jane Stigall were parents of seven children in Little Rock and Lonoke. Mildred Irene James and John Dunn had three children in Hot Springs. The other James children moved to Oklahoma.



## Item From Exchange Bulletin

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(Continuation of Bumper Sticker list)

A family tree can wither if no one tends it's roots  
Don't sit under the family tree with anybody else but me!  
Every family tree has some sap in it  
Everybody's ancestors could not fit on Columbus' ship  
Evolution is God's way of issuing updates  
Cleaning out the gene pool, one at a time  
Genealogists are time travelers  
Genealogists do it generation after generation  
Genealogists live in the passing lane  
Genealogy – a search for the greatest treasures—our ancestors  
Genealogy – it's only an obsession after all!  
Heredity: Everyone believes in it until their children act like fools!  
How can one ancestor cause so much TROUBLE?  
I think my ancestors had several 'bad heir' days  
I'm not sick, I've just got fading genes  
I'm searching for myself; Have you seen me?  
I'm stuck in my family tree, and I can't get down.  
If only people came with pull-down menus and on-line help  
Isn't genealogy fun? The answer to one problem, leads to two more!  
It's hard to believe that someday I'll be an ancestor  
Many a family tree needs trimming  
May the Saint of Genealogists bless you!  
My ancestors must be in a witness protection program!  
My family came on the Mayflower – or was it Allied?

## Arkansas Queries

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General guidelines for submitting queries:

- 1) Queries are limited to members only
- 2) Please submit no more than one query per calendar year
- 3) Keep the query to approximately fifty words
- 4) Neatness counts! If possible, type, double spaced. Otherwise, print legibly leaving a space between each line.
- 5) Capitalize surnames
- 6) Remember the 4 W's"  
Who - Give complete names of interest  
What - What do you want? Keep it short and to the point

Where - Locality in ARKANSAS

When - Give a time period

Since we always work with a large backlog of queries, we strive to print them in the order in which they were received. It may be several months, however, before your query appears. We do use all queries received in a calendar year by the end of that year. We continue to receive queries with no name and address included. If the query gets separated from the envelope, we cannot use it. It simplifies the work of the all-volunteer staff of this publication if you send your query with your membership fee to Arkansas Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908.

**Noble, Leroy, Jr., b. c1 Oct 1826 Blount Co., TN; were his parents Leroy, Sr. and Susan, b. SC? Leroy, Jr., m. 1) Sarah Trantham, m. 2) Catherine Trantham. Also researching Pickens lines. Need any info. LaVena Lebow Wilson, PO Box 684, Camp Verde, AZ 86322-0684**

**Halbrook/Holbrook, Seek info on parents of D. N. (Daniel Nero) Halbrook, b. 25 Nov. 1855, m. 21 Jul 1881 Conway Co., AR, to Margaret Polk, b. 1858 Ouachita Co. His death certificate lists Jim Holbrook, NC, Patsy McAllister, b. TN. Children of D.N. and Margaret: Charity Isabelle, 26 July 1882, Morrilton, AR; Delure Halbrook, AR?**

**1885? Connection to Jerry Starkey, John Starkey**

**and Martha Ann Polk? Darla J. Foley, PO Box 6903, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315**

**Wilson** Searching for information on William Walker Wilson, father of Robert Walker Wilson, wife possibly Isabelle or Sarah Hoak/Hogue. Robert Walker Wilson, b. AR 1 Mar 1871/72 m. Sarah Catherine Andrews 18 May 1895, Cato, Faulkner Co., AR. **Rose Marie Williams, PO Box 273, Attica, OH 44807-0273**

**Boyd, Thomas, son of James and Sarah Larimore Boyd, b. 14 June 1831 Fayetteville, Washington Co./Indian Nation?, m. Martha Jane Boyd, cousin, b. 9 Nov 1832, Fayetteville, AR. Children: Amanda Caroline Boyd, b. 1851, m. Thomas Collier; Elizabeth Boyd, b. 1853, m. William H. Lee; Alexander Boyd, b. 1856, m. Emily L. Chase; Mary Matilda Boyd, b. 1858, m. John C. Hamilton; Sarah Margaret Boyd, b. 1862, m. H. W. Coker; John Edward Boyd, b. 1865, m. Nellie Marlow; Lydia K. Boyd, m. Riley G. Gregg; Martha Jane Boyd, b. 1870; William Boyd m. Sadie Allen; James Boyd m. Letha Work. Seek info on this family. **Michelle Findley Yahnian, 2607 E Houston, Visalia, CA 93292****

**Kellar/Keller** Seek info on Richard Keller and family. Death certificate shows name as Richard Dalton Keller who died 6 Sept. 1968 at the Arkansas Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Logan County, AR. Also shows he was born Winchester, TN; spouse was Rachel Keller; father was Ed Keller and mother Tilda Southern Keller. 1900 Census for Franklin Co., TN, shows Edward Y./W.? Kellar married to Matilda P. with children Dalton, 5, William, 5, James or Jessie A., 3, Charley W., 1. His father Ed had

a brother Lee Henry. The informant for the certificate is listed as Clyde Keller who lived at 204 Winona, Hot Springs, AR 71901. Burial was at Rush Fork Cemetery in Garland County. Believe affiliated with Church of Christ. Need any information on this family. **Lou Orr, 1610 NE 192<sup>nd</sup> St., Seattle, WA 98155-2334**

**Campbell** Researching Samuel Richard Campbell, b. c1872, presumably Boone Co., likely near Missouri border. He m. Elsie Clementine Forrest in Lutie, MO, on 15 June 1890. **W. L. George Collins, 2924 L. A. Cann Dr., Ponca City, OK 74604-9508**

**Taylor Brazeale, Oslin, Berry** Researching these lines – Taylors and Brazeales came to Jackson Co., AR, from TN 1845-1890; Oslins and Berrys to Ashley, Drew and Saline Counties late 1880s. **Jerome T. Berry, 1290 Country Club Dr., Rolla, MO 65401**

**Gregory** Need info on Frederick Bryant Gregory who was living in Dardanelle, Yell Co., in the 1900 census; he was born June 1865 KY; wife was Addie, b. May 1879 NC. Children were Emmerson b. Dec 1897, and Florence, b. March 1900. Both children born AR. **Jo Anna Dale, 704 Ponca Dr., Independence, MO 64056-2053**

**Parker** Seek info about Louis/Lewis Parker and Nancy Jane Parker who lived in Cleveland/Morrilton/Conway and later Des Arc area in 1800s. They had 7 children: Alexander, Baxter, John Jackson, Louis Tilden, Adam, Mary Jane, Gracie, Belle. Louis d. c1882-83; believe Nancy d. 1920s. **Della Rutz, 2608 S. Spruce Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73128-3019**

**Pauley, Simpson** Researching Margaret Elizabeth Pauley who m. 1) John May, m. 2) Lewis Simpson; married in Lincoln Co., but license says she lived in Desha Co. Need help in finding records on both lines. **Rebekah Ann Snow, HC 78, Box 262, Star City, AR 71667-9221**

**Moss** Seek info on John Henry Moss (parents? Spouse?) Sons Francis Henry Moss, b. 12 Mar 1854, m. Mary Dorcus

Reeder, b. 5 Mar/May 1861 Cincinnati? AR; Lewis N. Moss, b. 8 Mar 1864 AR; possibly in Illinois Twp., Washington Co., AR. **Betty Stelmah, 11776 N. Dragoon Springs Dr., Oro Valley, AZ 85737-9236**

**Thatcher** Need info on Samuel I(saac) Thatcher, b. Jan 1840-41 AR, m. 1864 Martha Ellen Lynch, b. Aug 1851-52 KY, d. 1901 AR. In Liberty Twp., Van Buren Co., 1880; in Griffin Twp., Conway Co., 1900. Who were their parents? Where buried? Who are children? **Wanda M. Dilbeck, 5902 Golden Valley, San Antonio, TX 78242-1631**

**Green, Odor** Martin Green's homestead was in White Co. in 1862; his family included wife Lucinda, sons Nathaniel Doss Green and Thomas; mother Elizabeth Green lived next door. Oliver Terrill Odor's homestead was in Madison Co. 1904; his wife Martha and children Minnie Mae, Stella, Nannie, Vina, Sammie, Nora and Henry lived with him. Need any information at all on these families. **Willidean Thornton Green, 3508 NW Briarwood Dr., Blue Springs, MO 64015-2521**

**Stevens, Reddick P.**, b. SC, m. Teresa Wade SC, later moved to GA and MS, then to Ashley Co., AR for years. When his wife died, he lived with son Felix and daughter Phoebe Noble in Malvern, AR. Also researching George W. Mathis, b. 1831 TN, d. 1908 in a community in Grant Co., AR. Wife Frances died in 1912. Children that lived AR were George A. Mathis, and Zuella Mathis who m. W.E. Johnson. **Mary Quintrell Shipp, 3924 Chelsea Nicole Cove, Bartlett, TN 38135-9117**

**Hampton, Baker** Researching these families in Carroll Co., AR, 1830s forward. Allied lines are Hampton, McElroy, Purvis, Johnson, Sweeton. **Rex C. Hopson, 3703 Mackland Ave. N. E., Albuquerque, NM 87110-6234**

**Davis** Seek info on Hezekiah Wm. Davis, b. Smith Co., TN, m. Margaret Stroud c1837 TN. Siblings – Eli B., 1841; b. IL; Sabra, b. 1844; Ezekiel, b. 1848; Benjamin, b. TN;

James, b. 1852; Winchester, b. 1852; Hezekiah, b. 1856; Starlin, b. 1859; John b. 1866; Berryman, b. 1868; Margaret, b. 1869; Archibald, b. 1873 and Mary, b. 1875. **Marian Wood Hilton, RR 2 Box 556, Fordland, MO 65652-9801. E-mail: MLW321@aol.com**

**Holman** Need parents of Thomas Holman, b. c1800 NC, present in Clark Co. c1829; present with wife Levisa (Knapp?) in 1830-1840 in Saline and Hot Spring Cos. until his death in 1844. Youngest children Joseph, b. 1836 AR, and Thomas, b. 1838, AR. **J. Thomas Holman, 5902 Skyline Hts. Ct., Alexandria, VA 22311. E-mail: JHolman701@aol.com**

**McConnell** Want to locate descendants of McConnell family that settled Newport and Batesville areas late 1860s. Want to purchase recent book published AR, TX, CA. **Gail Ravellette, 2647 Diane Dr., Arnold, MO 63010-2915. E-mail: orvlrav@worldnet.att.net**

**Rogers** Searching for info on James M. Rogers, b. 2 Feb 1819 Oakland, AR, d. 29 Oct 1893, wife/widow's name unknown. Sons: Albert and Joseph; step-daughter Clara? **Wanda Poteet Howard, 1409 N. Sherry Ln., Shawnee, OK 74801-5421**

**Warren**, Joseph L. and Massila A. lived in Wayne Co., TN, 1870 census. Ch.: Harriet J., Frances E., William L., Marion D., Mary Ann A., Sara D. and "Eighter" (Ada?). Need additional info, especially on Joseph, date and place of birth, etc. **Garry W. Warren, 832 Olde Mill Trace, Cottondale, AL 35453-9591**

**Snyder, Farison, Emery, Reed, Qualls, Chapmond, Grady** Will share info these families of Montgomery, Clay, Yell, Johnson and Pulaski Counties in AR. **Pauline Kouvalas, PO Box 6604, San Jose, CA 95150-6604. E-mail: hprew@SJM.infi.net**

**Parker** Looking for parents, b. KY, of Ida Parker, b. c1885 AR (Benton Co.?). Ida m. Jonce ("John") Elms before 1900 (also b. AR). Their four children were Carrie, b. c1899; Jean (male), b. 1906; Charlie and

Willie, b. 1912. **Mike Craigie, 6103 S. Owens Ct., Littleton, CO 80127-2478. E-mail: craigil9@idt.net**

**Snider, Snelson, Patterson** In the 1850s, Lehre Snider and wife, Margaret Bull came from Orangeburg, SC, to AR. Son Jacob William Snider was b. in Beech Creek, Columbia Co., in 1855. On 2 Nov 1876, he m. Sallie Snelson in Stephens, Ouachita Co. Jacob and Sallie moved to Buckner, Lafayette Co., where they ran a boarding house. Info shows Sallie Snelson b. Stephens 30 June 1855 to Iverson F. Snelson from GA. Other records show her as dau. of Berthina Ingram and J. F. Snelson Her death certificate shows dau. of Iverson; census shows her as dau. of J. F. Land patents in Ouachita Co. 1857 1869 show "I" looking like "J". Which is correct? She d. 28 Sept. 1940. **Sylvia Patterson McAllister, 1651 Barn Swallow Pl., Marietta, GA 30062**

**Mason** Thomas and Eliza Newsom Mason moved to Jackson Co., AR, in 1856. Children: William David, m. Matilda Henry; Sarah m. Charles Frizzell; Henrietta m. Robert Scantlin; Lula m. James Sadler; and Thomas, Jr., m. S. Caisey. Who were Thomas Mason's parents? He was b. 25 Oct 1818 in VA. **Carolyn Coe Anderson, 5607 Dogwood Dr., Lincoln, NE 68516**

**Snow, Deese** Need any info on Henry Snow family from Crawford Co., and Alexander Deese family from Hempstead Co. c1850-1900. **Sally Carter, PO Box 153, Blairsden, CA 96103**

**Malcolm** Seek info on parents of Elisa Malcolm. Her father was allegedly a school teacher in Miller Co. c1900. Family believed to have immigrated from Scotland. Elise d. 1894 in Miller Co. and is buried in Goodwin family cemetery. **Ruth Berkman Fowler, 4792 Ashbury Ave., Cypress, CA 90630-2857**

**Nichols**, William, b. 1788 NC, wife Dorcas, b. 1788 SC, a Cherokee Indian, purchased land Sept 1818, Lawrence Co., AL. On county census 1820 Lawrence Co., AL; purchased land Jan 1826 Fayette Co., AL;

on Federal Census Fayette Co. 1830 and 1840. Montgomery Co., AR, c1845. On 1850 census Montgomery Co.; on personal property tax lists through 1857; was a Justice of the Peace in Mountain Twp., Montgomery Co., AR. Where did William and Dorcas go? When and where did they die?**Oretha Nichols Turner, 4 Woodland Dr., Jacksonville, AR 72076-2557**

**Elkins, Jasper** Newton, was son of Harmon Kinsley Elkins and Nancy Caroline Campbell Elkins who were m. 29 Dec 1846 Union Co. Tradition says they lived south of El Dorado just off Hwy. 7 3 miles north of Junction City. Am unable to find on 1850 census of Union Co. or Union Parish, LA. He sold 40 acres of land in Union Parish in Dec. 1856 and bought 120 acres the same day. Want to know when he came to AR and when he left for LA; he lived in Russell Co., AL, in 1830s.**Jasper Hoover, 321 Indianhead Dr., Sherwood, AR 72120-3608**

**Henderson** Researching Thomas B. Henderson, 1870 Union Co., AR, page 573, Lapile Twp., b. LA, m. Malissa Manning 7 Feb 1869 in Union Co. Two older children listed: Thomas W., 18, and \_\_\_ A, (female), 16; also step-son W. D. Manning, 7. **Mike Henderson, 318 Ave. A., Wharton, TX 77488. E-mail: ppadia9628@aol.com**

**Daniel, Joyce, Langford, Cantrell** Researching these lines in AR.**John M. Daniel, 10508 Hwy. 13 N., Carlisle, AR 72024**

**Flowers, Glass, Homan, Winn** King B. Flowers, b. 12 Sept 1852, Sevier Co., AR, d. 5 May 1898, and his mother Sarah, b. 1816 TN, d. 17 May 1891, are both buried Greenwood Cem., Hot Springs, Garland Co., with King B's first wife, Ruth Homan. Sarah's sister, Susan Glass, b. 1827, TN, d. 1899, husband James also buried Greenwood. Linnie Sinclair, step-dau. of thomas Winn, m. King B. in 1897 or 1898; My mother Josephine was b. 7 Jan 1899 Hot Springs. Seek maiden name of Sarah Flowers. **Charles F. Weaver, 1203 Church**

**St., Bastrop, TX 78602. E-mail: cfweaver@totalaccess.net**

**Young, Chadwick, Branscum, Ennis, Ballard, Clark, Reed** Researching these lines in Fulton, Izard, Searcy, Independence, Jackson and Sharp Counties. **James F. Young, 7558 East 19<sup>th</sup> St., Tulsa, OK 7411207704**

**Reed, Horton** William Riley Reed b. 1842 AL, m.in Oct. 1896, Sharp Co., AR, Annie Horton, b. 1877 in AR; children: Dewey, b. ?; Fannie, b. 1898; Charlie, b. 1899; Dolphis, b. ? Do you have a connection to this family? **Charles H. Reed, 22386 Tanager St., Grand Terrace, CA 92313-6036**

**Caplinger, William**, b. 1848, Oldham Co., KY, d. 1920, Pleasant Plains, AR, had two sets of Ladd grandparents: James d. 1827 Henry Co., KY, m. Elizabeth Hardwick, and William, "Sr.", d. 1852 Oldham Co., KY, m. Faith Pennington. James' son William "Jr." m. William's daughter Henrietta. Both Ladd families lived in Bourbon Co., KY, previously. How were James and William related? **Frances Hook Jernigan, 52 Colony Rd., Little Rock, AR 72227-2947**

**Bryan, Melvin and Sadie**, had 5 children in Coal Hill. Melvin shot a man for sparking and courting his wife around 1910-1930. He paroled to Spadra, AR. Brothers William Jesker "Jack" m. ? 1936 Baptist Church, CoAl Hill; Lee Roy Artimas m. Alma Blanton; Bessie m. Charles Lovell, Sr. Russellville 1895-1920. Need help on these. **Diana Brint Bryan, 4300 Soquel Dr., No. 27, Soauel, CA 95073**

**Shelley, Thomas**, a widower, b. Sep 1829 TN, m. Oct 1865? McDonald Co., MO, to Mary Elizabeth Love, is shown living with son John W. (Jay) Shelley in Fayetteville, Washington Co., AR, during 1900 census. Believe Thomas d. 1902 in AR. Need info about Thomas and John. **Nora Laikam, 609 W.Sierra No. 108, Fresno, CA 93704**

**Ainsworth, 24<sup>th</sup> Inf., CSA, Morgan** Looking for info on Ainsworths in Union, Calhoun and/or Columbia Counties in AR.

Also looking for info on 24<sup>th</sup> AR Inf., CSA; would also like info on family of Susan (Susannah) Morgan, b. 13 July 1840 AL, m. Alfred Ainsworth 1859, d. 16 Sept 1883 in Union Co., AR. **Carol Ann Johnson, 2618 N. Pump Station Rd., Springdale, AR 72762-1755**

**Pryor, Taylor** Seek info on Stephen Pryor, b. c1813 AL, first wife unknown; second marriage to Sarah McCarver c1860. John Pryor, b. 1857 MO, m. Lucinda Taylor, b. 1851 AL. Lucinda's parents were George Washington Taylor and Margaret Martindale; Lucinda had one known brother, Zebidee Taylor. Thomas Harlan Pryor, b. 1880 AR, m. Lottie Myrtle Hott. **Mary Seiger, PO Box 564, Lawton, OK 73502-0564. E-mail: [lms@ionet.net](mailto:lms@ionet.net)**

**Huddleston** Looking for parents of Daniel Mack Huddleston, b. 1806, and his brother, David M. Huddleston, b. 1808 TN. Daniel moved to Montgomery Co., AR, before 1834; David after 1846. Will exchange info. Family names: Caldwell, Fullbright, McGuire and Vowell. **Laura Strickland, PO Box 696, Earp, CA 92242-0696**

**Jones** Searching for info on Rev. Evan Jones family who originally came from Wales to GA to AR. Daughter Hannah was second wife to Benjamin Hogue Pierson. **Lovina Pierson, PO Box 245, Sinclair, WY 82334-0245**

**Prescott, Bayless, Snow, Reader** John Simeon Prescott (c1817-c1855), Sevier Co., AR 1850; m. c1821 in AL to Nancy Bayless, dau. of Lucius and Tempy (Snow) Bayless. Family moved to Sebastian Co., AR, c1865. John Calvin Prescott, (1845-1929), b. MS, d. Barling, AR, m. Margaret Cottrell, dau. of William and Rachel (Reader) Cottrell. **Mary Ann Gitchell, 2506 Riverfront No. 4, Little Rock, AR 72202**

**Weatherford** Warren Weatherford-Nancy Caroline Johnson, m. 3-1-1841. Children: William Thomas, m. 1) Nancy Cox, m. 2) Ann Prisalla (?); Daniel m. Nancy Lindsey 3-21-1864; Walker Warren m. Zora Jane Breeding 2-14-1876; Daniel was

administrator of W. W. Weatherford 1858. Seeking children of these marriages. **Tamzia R. Marple, 4911 Arbardee Dr., Fair Oaks, CA 95628-5405**

**Scott** Seek info (other than census) on Isaac Jefferson and Nancy E. Scott families of White/Cleburne Co. c1880-1900. Also on his father Isaac Jefferson Scott, Sr., and his wife Mary (Mathis) Scott, same period. Where were they buried? Any photos? School/church/court records? **Paul W. Adcox, PO Box 1670, Hot Springs, AR 71902-1670**

**Halk**, Cassius M., b. 1848 MS, son of Isaac Halk; mother was Mary Waits Barnes. Cassius M. m. Julia A. Wilkinson. Daughters Georgianna M., b. 1876 MO, and Julina T., b. April 1880 TX. Seek any info on this family. **Gene Cole, 1902 S. Cleveland, Russellville, AR 72801**

**Gray** Seek info on Martha ?, wife of John H. Gray, listed in 1850 census, IZARD Co., AR; need maiden name, date and place of birth and death. **Claudia Hamilton, 5301 Country Club Blvd., Little Rock, A 72207**

**Parnell, Trammell** Researching history of James Madison Parnell, Marion Co., his mother, Sarah Woods, and his wife, Sarah Springer. Also his father John Wesley Parnell. Need any info on the Trammell connection. **Bea Gutierrez, PO Box 491, Taos, NM 87571-0491**

**Jefferson Co., AR, 1900-1920** Looking for leads to historical accounts, events and people during this period; Pine Bluff and Tucker in particular, including Native American and African American people living with European Americans. **Sharon Weinraub, PO Box 67186, Los Angeles, CA 90067**

**Stroud** Would like to exchange info with anyone researching Strouds of Van Buren and Conway Counties. James and Annie Morgan Stroud settled near Scotland, AR, c1847. **Alan Dunsworth, 345 Pharris Dr., Fayetteville, AR 72703-4035**

**Younger** Looking for burial place of Alexander Younger, d. 1 Jan 1906 "at rear Bruno", Marion, AR. Not in Bruno Cemetery. Theory: because of proximity of his farm, is either Water Creek Cem at Freck, Pea Ridge Cem. About 3 miles east of Bruno, or old Tomahawk Cem., located on the Sasser farm. Another possibility is Anderson Flat. **Helen McMIndes, 626 West South Ave., Harrison, AR 72601. E-mail: [calark@oztech.com](mailto:calark@oztech.com)**

**Harding** Seek info on Mrs. Holly Harding and Horace Harding listed in Pulaski Co. tax records for 1828, 1829, 1835 and 1836. Were they married? Who are their descendants? **Theresa Harding, 1230 Kenwood Pl., Glen Burnie, MD 21060-7047. E-mail: [tlhardin@bellatlantic.net](mailto:tlhardin@bellatlantic.net)**

**Pickens** Seek info on Lucretia Pickens, b. c1834 IL, m. Jacob Sexton. They are in Scott Co., AR, on 1860 census; Johnson Co. on 1870 census; Pope Co. on 1880 census. Every census shows Lucretia b. IL. Jacob Sexton's Union Army pension papers give Lucretia's maiden name as Pickens. **Melva Y. Whitehead, PO Box 957, Bedford, TX 76095-0957**

**Perry, Clayton, Kitchens, Easley, Tucker** Need info on children of Henry P. Perry and Madeline A. Clayton – last 3: Virginia M., c1862; Wm. Howard, Dec. 1858; Robert L., 1870, b AR, probably Columbia Co. Also need info on John, Samuel, Jas.M., David, Frances and Wm. Kitchens, b. AR 1851-1862 to William Kitchens and Easter Ellen Tucker, perhaps Columbia Co. James Monroe, d. 1935 in Waldo. In 1871, Easter m. John C. Beasley and resided in Nevada Co. where Isaac, MarthaE. And Thomas W were born. **Mrs. I. E. Zuber, PO Box 2832, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670-0832**

**Norman** Searching for William Arthur Norman in Lincoln and Desha Counties, AR, before 1884. He was b. Martin, TN, 1864, migrated to AR before 1884, m. Annie Batchelor in Desha Co., in 1884. Unable to locate him on the 1880 census. Believe he was in Lincoln Co., AR, before 1884. (African-American). Need any information.

**Curtis Brasfield, 7540 S. Seeley, Chicago, IL 60620**

**Parker** Need info on Thomas Parker, who was in Searcy 1880; had a daughter Emma and a son Benjamin. Emma was married to Parish Garner Scott in 1877. **Bobbie R. Richards, 3211 Watson Rd., Greenwood, AR 72936-9173**

**Webb**, Issac Nelson, b. 1819 TN, probably Jackson Co., m. Sarah ? as second wife; had two known children by her: Isaac Nelson Webb, Jr., b. Jan 1855 in Pulaski Co., AR; CatherineTalker Webb, b. April 1851 Pulaski Co., AR; Issac Nelson Webb d. June 1855 in Pulaski Co. His children by his first wife Susannah went to live with Issac's brother. What happened to Sarah and her children? **Carolyn J. Cunningham, 17128 Randalls Ferry Rd., Norwood, NC 28128**

**Cameron** Searching for descendants of family of Daniel Allen Cameron, 1833 TN-1896 Saline Co., AR, and Adeline Pipkin Cameron, 1838-1903 Saline Co., AR, with 1. Willis James Cameron/Mary E. Mercer; 2. Mary E. Cameron/William A. Davidson; 3. Martha A. Cameron/John Orr & Tom Bolin; 4. Laura J.Cameron/Henry Bascom Russell; 5.Eliza C. Cameron/Oliver Watson; 6. Emma Sue Cameron/Nathan E.Bragg; 7. John Littleton Cameron/Della Martha Ulmer. **P. J. Cowling, PO Box 440, Bryant, AR 72089-0440. E-mail: [user377364@aol.com](mailto:user377364@aol.com)**

**Russ, Thurman, Wilson/Williams** Chrisola (Ola) Russ m. 1)J. T. (Terry) Thurman 1888, Jackson Co., AR; m. 2) a Wilson or Williams in North Arkansas or South Missouri in 1890s. Need info on 2<sup>nd</sup> husband. Couple died in flood, probably early in 1900s. Where? **Joan Vickers, 110 Pine Meadows Loop, Hot Springs, AR 71901-8229**

**Davidson** Need info on John Davidson who d. 1842 Washington Co., AR; m. 1) Rebecca Newton on 20 Sept 1807. She d. 29 July 1824 Washington Co., AR. He m.2) Sarah Garvin. **Mary B. Clark, PO Box 860, Angola, IN 46703-0860**

**Williams, Joel** looking for descendants of Joel and wife Nancy Hendrix; to Yell Co. 1830-34; Nancy was Indian and may have been Cherokee; Joel from TN. Ch.: Thomas, Henry, Elizabeth, David, Judith, Lewis, Mary, Narcissa. Joel and second wife Caroline Owens had: Joel Hardy, b. 1865; lived on Dutch Creek, Dutchess Twp. **John E. Ernest, 4407 51<sup>st</sup> Ave. NE, Seattle, WA 98105 E-mail: jeernest@aol.com**

**Reed** Need information on Ralph Reed, b. 1814 TN, m. Mary Hall 1834, dau. of Thomas Hall and Sarah (Williams). Sister Mary Reed m. William Hall, bro. of Mary 1831. Father of Ralph and Mary was John. Ralph lived AL 1840, Washington Co., AR, Berry Co., MO. May be related to Harers in Washington Co., AR. **Jean Thomas, 530 McKinley, Pocatello, ID 83201-5065**

**Ragland** Trying to locate descendants of William Newton Ragland. Found family on 1920 census living in McGehee, Desha Co., AR, but unsuccessful in finding them later. There was a large family. **Lorraine W. Wells, 5135 Sweet William, Billings, MT 59106-4406**

**Tankersley, Holmes** Researching these lines in AR. Tankersley family settled in Hot Spring Co. area late 1800s, but an allied family, Thornton, was in Hot Spring Co. as early as 1836. Lewis Holmes was in Clark

Co. by 1878, having come from GA, with parents James and Matilda (Jenkins) Holmes. Also researching Bittick, Caruthers, Cox, Cabbage, Fairchild, Hinshaw, McGarrah, Murphy, Prince, Pilcher and Siratt in AR. **Rochelle Tankersley White, 512 Woodstream Pl., Mesquite, TX 75149-5874**

**Johnson, Wade** Seek info on Johnson and Wade family; settled in Dutch Creek, Yell Co., AR, 1869; came from GA. Albert Johnson b. 1831 GA, Elizabeth Jane Wade Noblett 1830, SC, Thomas B. and Frances Wade. **James W. Johnson, 1411 CR 406, Rector, AR 72461**

**Bennett** Wish to correspond with descendants of Green P. Bennett, b. 1826 TN, d. 1906 AR, m. Mary Ann Ammens 1844. **Ovelle Bennett Cagle, 125 Cedar Springs, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482-4876**

**Kinnee** Searching for records or ancestors of Abraham Miles Kinnee, who was living in Seastian Co. in 1929. He was raising two boys: Aaron and Therron Kinnee. On July 22, 1929, Aaron was killed when he picked up a live wire; he was buried in Oak Cemetery. **Brenda G. Kamka, 4771 W. Broadway, Idaho Falls, ID 83402**

## **Book Reviews and Notices**

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Bobbie Jones McLane, Russell P. Baker, Jan Eddleman, Rebecca DeArmond Huskey

**The Dalton Gang Story**, by Nancy B. Samuelson, P.O. Box 359, Eastford, CT 06242, \$25 plus \$3 shipping and handling, soft cover, photographs, illustrations, comprehensive bibliography. This is a well written, informative and entertaining book that traces the history of the Dalton, Younger and Rabourn families as well as telling the story of the infamous Dalton Brothers and their band of outlaws. It has established Ms. Samuelson as an authority on the history of the West in the area of Oklahoma and western Arkansas and she deserves that designation. Unfortunately, this volume does not have an index, but, in spite of that, it is well worth the purchase price for those of you who have "outlaw" roots or are fans of the real West. The photographs are excellent and the facts are supported by documents reproduced in the book. There is an extensive, annotated bibliography. As the magazine *True West* said, "Samuelson did her homework well and made a good story about outlaws into a good work of history." [JBE]

**Shoot From the Lip: The Lives, Legends, and Lies of the Three Guardsmen of Oklahoma and U.S. Marshal Nix** by Nancy B. Samuelson, P.O. Box 329, Eastford, CT 06242, \$35.00 plus \$3.00 postage and handling, hard cover, 188 pages, photographs, illustrations, footnotes, bibliography, index. In a book that matches in style and historical value of her earlier book, *The Dalton Gang Story*, Samuelson has written the story of Chris Madsen, Heck Thomas, E.D. Nix and Bill Tilghman, early law enforcement officers in the area of eastern Oklahoma and western Arkansas. It is another story of the West as it really was; not the "John Wayne, good guy

in a white hat" legend that is often attached to the early lawmen who often walked the fence between that and outlaw. It is a "good read."

The book also contains appendices of genealogical notes on the Madsen, Morris, Derr, Thomas, Mowbray, Tilghman, Kendall, Stratton, Nix, Holland and Felts families. [JBE]

**Index of Death Notices Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, 1/1/99-6/30/99** by Oscar G. Russell ( 358 pages; softbound \$21; hardbound \$34; Russell Publishing Company, 506 Loop Road, North Little Rock, AR 72120-2216. Mr. Russell has again produced a valuable genealogical tool in this alphabetical listing of all the obituaries that appeared in this newspaper in the time period stated. The listings include the surname, first names, town, state and age of the deceased as well as the paper edition, page and column number. Although most of the data pertains to Arkansas residents, there is information on persons in 45 other states and over 50 foreign countries. Most of you know the value of an obituary in genealogical research and will recognize the importance of this work along with Mr. Russell's earlier editions. (JBE)

**Arkansas Links: A Comprehensive Guide to Genealogical Research in the Natural State**, compiled by Rhonda S. Norris0 Kearney NE: Morris Publishing, 1999. Over 500 pages including maps, soft cover, perfect bound, bibliography, and index. Order from Rhonda S. Norris, CGRS, Arkansas Genealogical Research, P.O. Box 1889, Russellville, AR 72801. (Phone; 501-967-7792). Limited offer price; \$38.65 plus \$5.00 shipping. AR residents add 7% sales tax. Regular price; \$42.95. This book, the result of an immense two and one half year

undertaking by the author, is a must for for any genealogical researcher with Arkansas roots. It is the kind of book that will have a priority seat on the desk and will prove to be a timesaver and a great help over and over. The author overlooked no source in this compilation that includes preliminary material such as a a brief summary of dates and events in state history, maps from 1819 to 1859, a state map with dates of county organization, holdings at the Arkansas History Commission Archives, a long list of Arkansas history and genealogy related books, and publications for census indexes, land patents, and military records. The main text is a resource guide for each county.

>>>Following a map of the county, is a comprehensive description of its creation, boundary changes, county seats, addresses and telephone numbers for the Chamber of Commerce, courthouse, libraries, historical and genealogical societies, museums, etc.

The reader then learns what books and other sources are available on the county and where to locate them. These include not only local history but also cemetery records, census records, church records, telephone directories, funeral home locations and records, land patents, marriage records, newspapers, vital records, voter registration, and address of local chapters of DAR and UDC. The index is by county and easy to use.

This volume will benefit genealogists as well as historians, librarians [each library should have a copy!], archivists, attorneys, etc. The cost of the book will pay for itself in saved postage, phone calls, and time.

Rhonda Norris has been a Certified Genealogical Record Specialist since 1995 and is the only one at this time in the state. The recipient of several distinguished scholarships for genealogists, she is the author of Reflections of Gardiner (a family history) and A Genealogist Guide to Arkansas Research. She is a member of several local genealogical associations, a board member of the Arkansas Genealogical

Society, and owner of Arkansas Genealogical Research. [RDH]



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