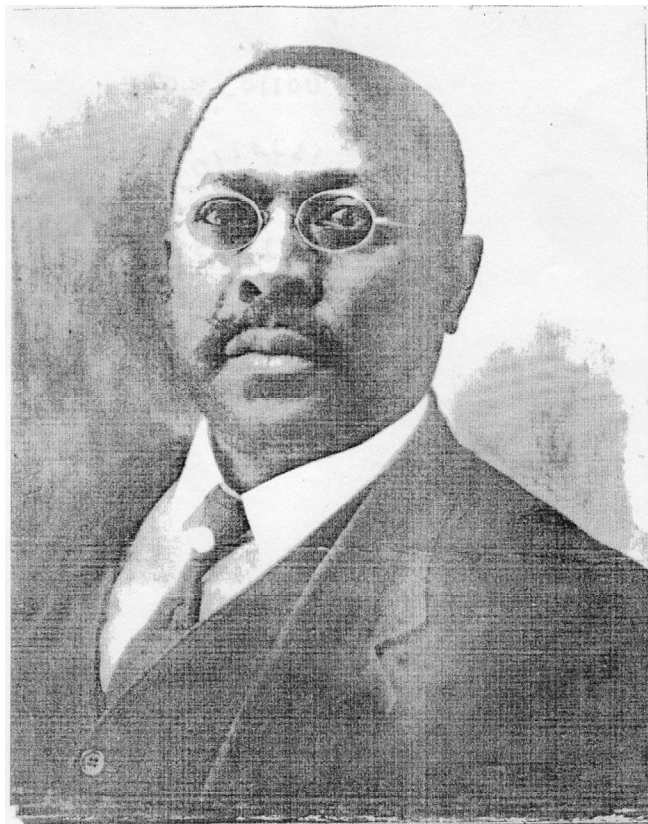


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On the cover: The Reverend Professor Ralph Amos was born in Louisiana, but he spent half his adult life in Arkansas. He is the subject of the AGS Family History Writing Contest second-prize entry on pages 4 through 11. The authors are sisters, previously of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The researcher, Derryl Parker Evans of Michigan, has always been interested in her family history. The writer, LaVerne Proctor-Streeter of Georgia, converted the research into narrative for the article.

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Editors' Page

The editorial board is pleased to bring you in this issue the second place article from the 2005 AGS Family History Writing Contest. *The Reverend Professor Ralph Amos* is a good example of what we as genealogists can produce by converting to text the data and background information we gather on a generation or two of one of our family lines. We encourage all of you to write about one of your families. It will benefit your data analysis and your research process.

We know the value of obituaries in bringing closure to a life we have researched or providing information about family still living. For this issue Whitney McLaughlin has indexed obituaries from the *Mena Star* from 1896 to 1899 to help you in researching Polk County families.

Something new in this issue is the first installment of *Listening for the Untold Stories: Strategies for Capturing the Narratives of Women in the South Prior to the 20th Century*. In four segments, we present Bill Lindsey's richly detailed, thoughtful accounts of women in his ancestral lines. His writing and analysis of data is as entertaining as it is educational for his readers.

Tommy Carter transcribed the 1867 Calhoun County Voter List that is presented in this issue in its entirety. It is one of the registration lists that were created by the Reconstruction government in each county to qualify voters who had not supported the Confederacy, so it is not a complete census of every adult male in the county at the time.

We hope you enjoy the lineages from the new Arkansas Ancestry Certificate applications that we share with you in each issue.

The queries and book review may provide you contacts with cousins or food for thought. Enjoy.

Treasurer’s Report, 2005

OUTFLOWS

Advertising	1,136.78
Bank charge	22.00
Copyright registration	120.00
Dues paid	145.00
Exhibit fee	572.50
Merchandise purchases	883.88
Miscellaneous	160.00
Postage.....	2,128.75
Postal permit.....	300.00
Printing	18,349.90
Rent	503.10
Sales tax out.....	586.84
Salt Lake City expense	800.00
Seminar expense.....	6,278.53
Supplies	528.07
Web site maintenance	861.46
Willow Bend purchases	249.40
Total Outflows	33,626.21

INFLOWS

Books, documents.....	13,591.94
Commissions.....	26.80
Donations.....	7.00
Dues	14,575.00
Interest income.....	374.48
Memorials	50.00
Merchandise sales.....	740.00
Other income	15.04
Salt Lake City income.....	3,836.60
Seminar revenue	6,110.00
Tax, shipping	1,544.49
Willow Bend sales.....	319.20
Total Inflows.....	41,190.55
OVERALL TOTAL	7,564.34

NET WORTH AS OF 12/31/05

ASSETS

U.S. Bank Account	14,122.42
CD	10,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS.....	24,122.42
LIABILITIES.....	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL.....	24,122.42

2005 Second Place
AGS Family History Writing Contest

Reverend Professor Ralph Amos

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“Who is that man in that picture?” Everyone asked that question at some point after visiting my grandmother’s home. The picture in the large oval, dark brown, leather frame hung on her living room wall for as long as I can remember. In the picture the gentleman’s full chest appeared to cover the entire frame. I remember that big chest as a child. The man in that frame seemed to have a chest larger than life. His body is turned to his right, but his face looks straight at you. He wears a dark, three-piece suit with a skinny dark necktie. I always wondered about the small white circle that appeared at the neck of his necktie. It looks like a white pin, but I think it is the reflection of the flash from the camera. He wears a crisp white shirt. He looks so distinguished, so stately, just so!

The gentleman’s glasses, round and wire-rimmed, highlight his intelligent face. His nostrils are slightly flared. His neatly trimmed, dark mustache frames his full lips. His top lip is turned slightly upwards for a slight smile. His closely cropped hair shows the distinct shape of his baseball-shaped head. He appears to be a middle-aged man. His picture was positioned on my grandmother’s living room wall such that if you sat on her sofa or in either one of her chairs, his eyes appeared to follow you. His eyes were focused and looked straight ahead in an intense look. Although I felt he was a serious man, I sensed a lighter and warmer side to him. His smooth, chocolate complexion gave off a feeling of warmth. His look was that of being on a mission to accomplish something.

I do not remember ever not seeing that picture in my grandmother's home. I never met the man in the picture, because he died before I was born, possibly in the late 1920s. That was almost thirty years before I was born.

Interestingly, when I was in my late teens, I discovered that the picture was really a framed poster. I received permission from my grandmother to remove it from the frame and copy it. The folded flap that was hidden from sight for all those years had the following words inscribed on the poster:

*Rev. Prof. R. AMOS
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of Arkansas¹*

Ralph Amos' name is not known to many people, not even those who reside in the cities and states where he once worked and lived. He is not a well-known figure in American history. Some who are familiar with his name know of a few of his many significant accomplishments. However, he has not been completely ignored and forgotten, because parts of his life are documented in census, newspaper articles, county and state records, and published books.

Reverend Professor Ralph Amos was my maternal great-grandfather. My grandmother, Lydia Amos Jones Sanders, was his daughter. She told her children, grandchildren, and anyone who inquired of his works and fame.

I never knew him, but I surely knew of him, and I am especially thankful to my grandmother who made certain

¹ Original poster and frame in possession of Mrs. Derryl Evans, Flint, MI.

that all her grandchildren knew about her father. She was very proud to be his daughter and very proud of him. She told us of his travels, community work, and work with prominent citizens. It seems especially significant that he was a man of color who achieved success in the late 1800s and early 1900s in Arkansas and Louisiana.

Grandma Lydia spoke about my great-grandfather's agricultural demonstration projects for African Americans in Allport and Alma, Arkansas. She told of the school that he started in Montrose, Arkansas. She spoke of him taking her to hear famous guest lecturers on topics such as the Back to Africa Movement and the migration of African Americans to the North. Grandma Lydia had many years to remember him before she passed away in 1994, at the age of 101, one week short of her 102nd birthday.

Reverend Professor Ralph Amos is indeed a name of prominence in our family. Many of his children named their children after him. My mother is his namesake. Yes, a female with the name of Ralph Amos. Although my mother recognized the honor associated with that name, she preferred a female name. She changed her name from Ralph *Amos* Jones to Ralph *Ann* Jones.

Ralph Amos said he was born in 1861 in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, to Ralph Amos, Sr., and his wife Rose. However, the 1870 census found the family in Rapides Parish and Ralph was enumerated as age three, the next to youngest child in a household of seven children, all born in Louisiana.² Whether born the year the Civil War began or after it ended, Ralph was a young child during Reconstruction and the changes brought by the Thirteenth Amendment outlawing slavery, the Fourteenth Amendment

² Ralph Amos household, 1870 U. S. census, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, population schedule, Cheneyville ward, Alexandria post office, page 67, dwelling 818, family 920; National Archives [NA] microfilm M593, roll 528.

bestowing citizenship upon African Americans, and the Fifteenth Amendment giving African Americans the right to vote.

During Ralph's formative years, terrorist organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan worked to intimidate, terrorize, and kill African Americans and other ethnic groups. Lynchings, massacres, race riots, and segregated public facilities were prevalent, and literacy and understanding tests were instituted to disenfranchise African American citizens.

The era must have been difficult for Ralph, but he persevered. The 1880 census taker enumerated him as a nineteen-year-old son in his parents' household.³ The discrepancy in his age and therefore his year of birth according to the census is unexplainable at this point. Ralph was educated in Louisiana schools and attended New Orleans University for two years.⁴ He said he was nineteen years old when he married in Louisiana to Emmiline Cason in December of 1880.⁵ They had five children: Jessie in 1882, Ferdinando in 1883, Dennison in 1886, Lydia in 1892, and Rosie in 1896. Ralph and his family relocated to Arkansas sometime after 1886,⁶ and over the next two decades he achieved notoriety as a minister, educator, businessman, and orator.

³ Rafe Amos household, 1880 U. S. census, Rapides Parish, Louisiana, population schedule, Cheneyville ward #3, enumeration district [ED] 40, p. 638C, dwelling 145, family 164, NA film T9, roll 466.

⁴ *Colored America*, 5 December 1903, p. 3; abstracted by Tom W. Dillard in his Black Arkansiana Collection, Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Central Arkansas Library System, Main Library, MSS00-10, Series I, Box 1, File 8.

⁵ Copy of marriage license in possession of Derryl Evans, from Clerk of Court, Rapides Parish, Louisiana.

⁶ Ralph Amos household, 1900 U. S. census, Ashley County, Arkansas, population schedule, Grant township, ED 9, p. 192B, dwelling 329, family 334; NA film T623, roll 49.

By 1900 Ralph was a clergyman, his occupation in the census of that year.⁷ Following the death of Emmiline in 1896, he had married Margaret Benjamin, a widow with six children. Those stepchildren, three of his children from his first marriage, and one-year-old Coyal [spelled Coral by the enumerator] were all in his household in 1900. In spite of his large household and many domestic responsibilities, Ralph became an activist. Between 1901 and 1907 he founded, edited, and published the *Trumpet*, the first African American newspaper in Montrose, a town in Ashley County, Arkansas. From 1907 to 1910, he continued to publish it under the name *Union Trumpet*.⁸

In 1903, Ralph participated in the Arkansas Colored Businessmen's Convention in Little Rock, Arkansas, where he was appointed to the Committee on Professions.⁹ Items on the agenda included African American farms, the poll tax, sponsoring an African American exhibit at the 1904 World's Fair, and encouraging unity among the races.

Perhaps Ralph's most ambitious activity was his effort to build a school for African American children. Early in 1901 he wrote to the Ashley County *Eagle* about intentions to build a broom factory at Montrose to be operated by African Americans and to build a school there on a site donated by the Mississippi River, Hamburg & Western Railroad. He solicited subscriptions from residents of the county to pay for the project.¹⁰ By the following spring Ralph announced in the newspaper that building was about

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Arkansas Black History Online, Black Arkansas Newspapers from 1869 to the present, online at <http://www.cals.lib.ar.us/butlercenter/abho/bib/newspaper.html>.

⁹ "For the Fair, Colored Business Men Stand for Progress," *The Arkansas Democrat*, Little Rock, Arkansas, Thursday Afternoon, 1 January 1903, page 2, column 4.

¹⁰ Rebecca DeArmond-Huskey, *Beyond Bartholomew: The Portland Area History* (Conway, Arkansas: River Road Press, 1996), 81.

to begin on the school and asked subscribers to pay their pledges to the cashier of the Ashley County Bank.¹¹ In a separate article *The Eagle* complimented Ralph, describing his recent lecture tour through the northern states to raise funds and his address to the Ohio General Assembly. The newspaper then endorsed his efforts and encouraged their readers to “give him unstinted moral and financial aid and encouragement.”¹² The Montrose Male and Female Industrial and Agricultural School opened that fall, the first school of its kind for African Americans in that area.¹³

The next year, Rev. Amos traveled to Washington, D.C., to solicit funds for his school, carrying with him recommendations from several prominent white Arkansas citizens, such as Attorney General Murphy and *Arkansas Gazette* editor, J. N. Heiskell. His speech at the Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church was greatly anticipated beforehand and extensively reported on afterwards.¹⁴ During his speech Rev. Amos encouraged African Americans to take pride in their heritage.

In January 1904, the *Ashley County Eagle* once more praised the Rev. Ralph Amos, reporting on his recent trip to Washington, D.C., and New York City and reprinting parts of newspaper articles from the *Washington Times*, the *Evening Star*, and the *Washington Post*. The *Times* called him a “gifted pulpit orator” who “charmed his audience.”¹⁵ By this time, Ralph had also acquired 1640 acres of land five miles from Montrose to be used by the school to teach

¹¹ Ashley County Eagle, Hamburg, 8 May 1902, page 3, column 3.

¹² Ibid., page 3, column 5.

¹³ DeArmond-Huskey, *Beyond Bartholomew: The Portland Area History*, 81.

¹⁴ *Colored America*, 5 December 1903, abstract by Tom W. Dillard, Black Arkansiana Collection.

¹⁵ “What an Ashley County Negro is Doing,” *Ashley County Eagle*, Hamburg, Arkansas, 7 January 1904, page 2, columns 2-3.

farming.¹⁶ Sadly, Ralph's fundraising efforts did not bring in enough funds to keep the school running, and after a few years it was lost under foreclosure.¹⁷

In 1907, Ralph became an agent for the new United States Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration Program.¹⁸ In that position, he instructed farmers in selected communities to cultivate a portion of their land under the direction of the U. S. Agricultural Department and with seeds provided by that agency. Other farmers were invited to attend the demonstrations and encouraged to use the same procedures. Ralph's demonstrations were carried out in Lonoke, Monroe, Jefferson, Lee, St. Francis, Woodruff, and Arkansas counties.

His new occupation may have initiated his move from Ashley County to central Arkansas. Whatever the reason, by 1910 Ralph was living on Pulaski Street in Little Rock.¹⁹ He had been married to his third wife Emma for two years and besides Ralph's children Lyde, Coyal, and Afra, from his previous marriages, there was a one-year-old son Sylvester in the household. Ralph was still a minister by occupation, and he owned a mortgaged house. In that same year he was listed in the city directory as Grand Master AF & A Masons of the State of Arkansas and editor and publisher of *The Eulogizer*.²⁰

In March 1913, Rev. Professor Amos was invited by the 39th General Assembly of the Arkansas House and Senate

¹⁶ Ibid.

¹⁷ Y. W. Ethridge, *History of Ashley County, Arkansas*, The Press-Argus: Van Buren, Arkansas, 1959, appendix, lix.

¹⁸ Monroe N. Work, *Negro Year Book, 1913*, 216, abstracted by Tom W. Dillard in Black Arkansiana Collection.

¹⁹ Ralph Amos household, 1910 U. S. census, Pulaski County, Arkansas, population schedule, city of Little Rock, ED 106, page 1, dwelling 14, family 14; NA film T624, roll 62.

²⁰ *Little Rock & Argenta City Directory 1910*, Little Rock, Arkansas: Polk's Southern Directory Company, 1910, page 74.

to make a presentation about his demonstration project. Besides making a presentation, he also prepared a banquet in the basement of the new Arkansas State House in Little Rock. With the help of his demonstration cooks, he served eighty-five fat hens to the 39th General Assembly.²¹

Later that same year, Ralph presided over the King Hiram Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Arkansas at Bullock Chapel, C. M. E. Church in Little Rock, where he spoke about friendly relations between the races.²²

By 1920, Ralph was occupied as a high school principal.²³ He had moved east to Lonoke County, where he owned a mortgaged house. He was sixty-one years old and head of a household containing his fourth wife Rebecca and her son. Ralph's son Dennison was living nearby.²⁴

It is clear that the Reverend Professor Ralph Amos was a visionary in his time, committed to his community, and active in Arkansas politics. He was an orator who made presentations to churches, political groups and other community organizations. Undaunted by hard times, he was a man of many talents who labored throughout his life to help his peers improve their situation. It is thought that he died in the late 1920s and a family member believes he is buried in Helms, Mississippi, in a private cemetery located in the yard of a high school.²⁵

²¹ *Acts of Arkansas*, 1913, House Concurrent Resolution No. 5, page 1517.

²² "Negro Masons Meet," *The Arkansas Gazette*, Little Rock, 29 November 1913, page 5, col. 5-6.

²³ Ralph Amos household, 1920 U. S. census, Lonoke County, Arkansas, population schedule, Crooked Creek township, ED 164, page 20, dwelling 394, family 394; NA film T625, roll 70.

²⁴ *Ibid.*, dwelling and family 382.

²⁵ Conversation between the author and Ralph's grandson, Dallas Amos, of Camden, Arkansas, in July 2004, at the 13th Amos Family Reunion in Kansas City, MO.

MENA WEEKLY STAR
Index of Obituaries and Death Notices, 1896 – 1899

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Although often full of information not elsewhere found, newspapers are probably underutilized in research due to inaccessibility and lack of indexation. If the date of the event is known, browsing the pages of a newspaper isn't too difficult. If the timeframe spans many years, however, it can take countless hours of reading small print with no guarantee of finding anything. An index may save the researcher time and frustration.

The following is an index of deaths noted in the Mena Weekly Star from its beginning in August 1896 through 1899. The notice of death may have come in one of several forms; an obituary, a local news item, correspondence from surrounding community columnists, resolutions of respect from fraternal organizations, or a full article. This index includes only deaths of local interest occurring in Mena and surrounding area, of former residents living elsewhere, or current residents whose death occurred elsewhere.

The index is for the weekly version of the Mena Star and not the daily version that was published at the same time. It is likely that most items printed in the smaller daily version were also printed in the weekly version. However, it should not be assumed so. Researchers finding an article of interest in the weekly paper should also check the daily paper for the possibility of more information or detail.

The newspapers used for this index were microfilmed by the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives. Missing issues are July 17, 1897 and January 19, 1898.

Following each name is the date of the newspaper and page.

Name	Date	Pg
Conner, Wynona	9/2/1896	3
Allen, Omer	9/16/1896	4
Vaughn, Charlie	9/16/1896	5
Kennedy, W. H.	10/21/1896	3
Lacy, Patrick	10/21/1896	3
Leonard, J. H.	10/21/1896	3
McDonald, Jack	10/21/1896	3
Morris, L. O.	10/21/1896	3
Murphy, Dennis	10/21/1896	3
Ryan, J.	10/21/1896	3
Garrett, Lulu	11/4/1896	3
Ward, Capt. James T.	11/4/1896	3
Johnson, Swede	11/18/1896	3
Casey, Thomas	11/25/1896	3
Hopkins, Mr.	11/25/1896	3
Johnson, Bob	11/25/1896	3
Dilbeck, M. P.	12/2/1896	3
Dickens, Mrs.	2/3/1897	3
Kelly, William	2/10/1897	3
Wells, D. W.	3/24/1897	3
Palmer, baby boy of Claud	4/28/1897	3
Latimer, Clinton W.	5/26/1897	3
Barker, James	6/16/1897	3
Puckett, Mr.	6/30/1897	3
Sanders, Rollie S.	7/14/1897	3
Hoover, baby of Milton	7/14/1897	4
Caudle, Mrs. J. M.	7/21/1897	1
Rosson, baby of H. L.	7/21/1897	1
Wilcox, Rev. B. G.	7/21/1897	1
Taylor, George	7/21/1897	3
Head, H. C.	7/28/1897	3
Addison, Mrs.	7/28/1897	6
Raymond, Dennis	7/28/1897	6

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Nix, John	8/4/1897	4
Nelson, Harry	8/11/1897	5
Newman, Mrs.	8/11/1897	6
Blackburn, Mrs. William	8/18/1897	7
Edmond, Mrs.	8/18/1897	13
McClarion, Mrs.	8/25/1897	5
Addison, T. C. (Kit)	8/25/1897	6
Nichols, J. W.	9/1/1897	5
Hardons, child of Joe	9/1/1897	10
Holmes, Mrs. J. D.	9/1/1897	10
Morris, Mr.	9/1/1897	10
Coffel, John	9/8/1897	4
Mount, J. P.	9/8/1897	5
Clelend, Charles	9/8/1897	7
Cole, baby of Henry	9/8/1897	7
Minors, twin boys of Mr.	9/8/1897	7
Crawford, James W.	9/15/1897	5
Rind, Mrs.	10/6/1897	6
Crawford, Mrs. E. J.	10/20/1897	8
Philpot, infant of Dr.	10/20/1897	8
Nally, John	11/10/1897	5
Moffit, Mr.	11/17/1897	8
Allen, Mother	11/24/1897	5
Brashure, baby of J. H.	11/24/1897	5
McLeod, Brother	11/24/1897	5
Rice, Sadie	11/24/1897	5
Lomack, Frony	12/8/1897	5
Perrin, H. A.	12/8/1897	5
Johnson, Mrs. J. M.	12/15/1897	5
Suit, Fanny	12/22/1897	2
Heeth, Ernest	12/29/1897	4
Harris, Mrs. James	12/29/1897	5

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Taylor, baby of Willis	12/29/1897	5
Watt, Mrs.	12/29/1897	5
Charleton, Jack	1/5/1898	5
Cummings, Alty M.	1/5/1898	5
Smith, baby girl of C. A.	1/5/1898	5
Watt, Grandmother	1/5/1898	5
Thomas, child	1/12/1898	4
Bealman, George	1/12/1898	8
Dagg, J. Franklin	1/12/1898	8
Gann, Hiram	1/12/1898	8
Humphrey, Old Brother	1/12/1898	8
Byers, Dan	2/2/1898	5
Byers, Dan	2/9/1898	5
Potter, Old Grandmother	2/16/1898	10
Gates, Grandma	3/9/1898	5
Boyd, son of Fred	3/23/1898	5
Fortune, W. S.	3/23/1898	5
Willard, Francis E.	3/23/1898	5
Smith, Mrs. Sarah M.	3/30/1898	5
Worrell, W. A.	3/30/1898	5
Tyler, baby of Gerry	4/6/1898	8
Goodwin, infant of James	4/13/1898	8
Whisenhunt, Mrs. D.	4/20/1898	6
Gates, Mrs. Louisa	4/20/1898	8
Lewis, George M.	5/4/1898	5
Foster, Mrs. A. J.	5/4/1898	6
Beaver, Mary	5/18/1898	3
Foster, Nancy Elizabeth	5/18/1898	3
Beaver, Mary	5/18/1898	5
Hankins, H. B.	5/18/1898	5

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Oglesby, Toby	6/1/1898	5
Bailey, Oliver	6/1/1898	7
Carder, baby of Sam	6/8/1898	5
Lambert, Winch	6/8/1898	5
Babcock, Daniel	6/15/1898	5
Daniels, Freddie	6/15/1898	8
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Horner, Cora	7/6/1898	8
Cole, H. A.	7/13/1898	5
Craddock, Uncle "Tobe"	7/13/1898	8
Yaudle, infant of Thomas	7/13/1898	8
Ancell, Wm. H.	7/20/1898	2
Freeman, Minnie Lee	8/3/1898	5
Graham, baby of D. J.	8/17/1898	5
Little, Mrs. D. E.	8/17/1898	2
Archer, E. B.	8/24/1898	3
Archer, E. B.	8/24/1898	5
Brown, Archie	8/31/1898	5
Brown, Mrs. Levi	8/31/1898	5
Foster, Grandmother	9/7/1898	8
Garner, dau of S. J.	9/21/1898	5
Legate, Marie	9/21/1898	5
Morgan, Emma B.	9/21/1898	8
Murphy, baby of Alfred	10/12/1898	3
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Bates, infant of Joseph	1/18/1899	5
Snow, J.V.	1/25/1899	2
Davis, Winnie	2/1/1899	3
King, Eulis	2/1/1899	3
King, Ulysses	2/1/1899	3
Barnette, Mary E.	2/1/1899	5
David, Winnie	2/1/1899	5
Petty, baby of G. W.	2/1/1899	5
Curtis, John	2/15/1899	5
Wigle, infant of P. N.	2/15/1899	5
King, Ulysses L.	2/22/1899	3
Blackburn, Mrs.	2/22/1899	5
Cummings, Grandmother	2/22/1899	5
Snow, Parson	2/22/1899	5
Woodson, Mrs. Frank	2/22/1899	5
McKinney, Young	3/1/1899	5

Name	Date	Pg
Pipkin, Sheriff J. L.	3/1/1899	5
Woodson, Mrs. Frank	3/1/1899	6
Taylor, children of Martin	3/8/1899	2
Donaldson, Harold	3/8/1899	3
Miller, Mrs. R. S.	3/8/1899	8
Winton, Uncle Steve	3/8/1899	8
Fish, Charles	3/23/1899	5
Horn, Widow	3/23/1899	5
Sharp, Chas. D.	3/23/1899	5
Wimberly, Andy	3/23/1899	5
Clements, widow	3/23/1899	7
Edwards, James	3/23/1899	7
Wintemute, Mrs.	3/30/1899	4
Cummings, Mrs. Elizabeth J.	3/30/1899	7
Sharp, C. D.	3/30/1899	7
Harner, Birtie	3/30/1899	7
Fish, Charles	4/6/1899	4
Bolden, Eliza	4/6/1899	5
Kelley, Dr. James D.	4/6/1899	6
Wimberly, A. L.	4/6/1899	6
Kelley, Dr. James D.	4/6/1899	7
Miller, Quillin	4/20/1899	5
Horner, Claude	4/20/1899	8
Newman, Calvin	4/27/1899	3
Dugan, Samantha	4/27/1899	3
Philpot, Julia	4/27/1899	5
Horner, Claudie	5/4/1899	4
Philpot, Juber	5/11/1899	8
Buchanan, Ruby	5/18/1899	8
Gillham, Robert	5/25/1899	3
Winton, Stephen M.	6/8/1899	3
Evans, Celia	6/22/1899	3

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Name	Date	Pg
Bond, Artencie Vibilar	6/22/1899	5
Bonner, Charles	6/29/1899	3
Beauchant, son	6/29/1899	5
Curd, Mrs.	6/29/1899	5
Eddleman, Leon	7/6/1899	5
McGovern, George	7/6/1899	5
Gipson, Sarah	7/13/1899	3
Smith, Jinety	7/13/1899	3
Smith, infant son of J. E.	7/20/1899	5
Counsil, R. M. "Bob"	7/27/1899	3
Compere, Susie	7/27/1899	5
Rice, Sarah E.	7/27/1899	5
McBride, infant	8/3/1899	5
Belote, Wm. H.	8/3/1899	7
Barber, Grandma	8/10/1899	4
Shaw, Mrs. D. D.	8/10/1899	4
Baker, Elizabeth	8/10/1899	5
Clark, George A.	8/10/1899	5
Wilson, Edna	8/10/1899	5
Gatlin, John H.	8/17/1899	3
Langford, Nancy	8/17/1899	4
Dracon, W.	8/17/1899	5
Dunn, J. A.	8/24/1899	4
Newport, Kelly	8/24/1899	4
Miller, Mr.	8/31/1899	4
Fleming, B. M.	8/31/1899	5
Boyd, dau of F. M.	9/7/1899	5
Hiltebrand, John J.	9/7/1899	5
Prowell, Samuel M.	9/7/1899	5
Freeman, Claib	9/14/1899	4
Bushon, Joseph "Frenchy"	9/14/1899	5
Roberts, Arthur	9/21/1899	3

Name	Date	Pg
Means, Dr. Henry	9/21/1899	5
Pipkin, Jamie Lee	9/28/1899	4
Wright, Lillie I.	9/28/1899	5
Titsworth, Anna E.	10/5/1899	3
Triplett, William	10/5/1899	4
Gipson, Narcissus E.	10/19/1899	3
McAtee, Mrs.	10/19/1899	5
Furrh, Mrs. F. H.	10/26/1899	4
Brewer, Mr. F. M.	11/2/1899	5
Henry, Mrs. M. J.	11/9/1899	4
Converse, dau of G. A.	11/9/1899	5
Converse, Mattie	11/9/1899	5
Converse, infant of G. A.	11/9/1899	5
Craig, George	11/9/1899	5
Parmley, mother of M. L.	11/16/1899	3
Randolph, Aunt May	11/16/1899	4
Bowman, Robert	11/16/1899	5
Robinson, Judge Thos. J.	11/23/1899	5
Compere, Thurma	11/23/1899	6
Williams, Mrs. J. L.	12/7/1899	3
Converse, Ida	12/7/1899	5
Wisensbeck, Freddie	12/7/1899	5
Barber, Anna	12/14/1899	5
Maddox, Ada	12/14/1899	5
Graves, Henry	12/21/1899	3
Littlejohn, Selmer	12/21/1899	3
Reaser, baby of D. L.	12/28/1899	5

**Listening for the Untold Stories:
Strategies for Capturing the Narratives of
Women in the South Prior to the 20th Century
Part 1**

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When I ask myself how I got involved in the maddening, fascinating pursuit of elusive ancestors, I come to the same answer I arrive at when I ask what enticed me into my professional academic field, studying the history of Christian thought and institutions. The lure is history itself: history is intrinsically interesting because it is story-telling. History has enfolded within it, after all, the word “story”—etymologically, history *is* story. What passes for the official history of a time and place is a composite of stories that have gained a hearing and have been passed down as “authentic” history.

As we all know, however, not every story *does* gain a hearing. This is not to say that some stories are not worth hearing: in my view, psychologist Erving Polster is absolutely correct when he says that every person’s life is worth a novel.¹ Every person who ever lives is an essential part of a huge ongoing narrative of human existence. Who gets a hearing is, however, clearly determined by the power structures of any given society. In “authentic” history, the stories we hear are those that are easiest to retrieve: they are the stories of those who write history. Our official histories are dominated by the stories of the powerful, because it is the dominant who usually record history.

In many different academic fields, the fixation on history as the story of the dominant has been challenged in

¹ Erving Polster, *Every Person’s Life is Worth a Novel* (New York: W.W. Norton, 1987).

recent decades. Historians, sociologists, scholars of religion, writers—all have focused recent attention on what are called stories from the underside. Scholars increasingly try to uncover what is often called the view from below, the perspective of those who look at events from the bottom of the socioeconomic pyramid. Those who promote this approach argue that we need the view from below to make our histories complete, because the dominant and victorious did not make history alone: the history of a time and place comprises the stories of everyone who lived in that time and place; because all of these stories make history, each deserves a hearing.

Take the case of the antebellum South: the history of that time and place has often been written as if slaves, native peoples, poor whites, and women simply didn't count. Though all these groups contributed in significant ways to creating the culture of the pre-Civil War South, the history of the South has traditionally been written as if only men (and affluent white men at that) had anything to do with creating the Old South. This was brought home to me a few years ago when I visited St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Edenton, North Carolina. This beautiful old church overlooking Albemarle Sound is one of the oldest Episcopal churches in the nation; its present structure dates from around 1736 to 1766. A plaque beside the church says that it was built by slaves whose names are unknown. Those names will perhaps never be known, and yet the legacy that these unknown builders left is part of what we think of as the quintessential "Anglo" legacy of the South. The work of these voiceless laborers has now entered our official histories as a component of the official history of the established church in the Carolinas.

The problem that confronts historians, of course, is how to retrieve such stories. The socially powerful not only leave their stories behind (even if the versions they produce are often sanitized): they also bequeath to us many artifacts

and documents that enable us to memorialize their contributions. With the so-called “silent voices” of history, we have few such documents. With those voices, we have to employ innovative methods to release “silent voices” and hear the stories they wish to tell us. When we do so, we will discover that these voices aren’t silent at all: we simply have to stretch ourselves to discover productive ways to retrieve them.

My concern in this article (and one of the concerns driving my genealogical research) is best expressed as a desire to hear stories that have not had a hearing. Everything that I am about to say focuses on the notion that our ancestors did not merely leave us a set of dry facts to document their lives: they left stories. Their lives *were* stories. Given my predilection for history as story-telling, and my concern to release the hidden voices within my family history, I have a longstanding fascination with the stories of female ancestors—and, in particular, with those who seem to have left no mark at all on history, other than their names and the descendants they left behind.

One such ancestor is my great-great grandmother Bridget Tobin. We know practically nothing about her. For many years, we knew her only as her tombstone in Orion Cemetery in Grant County identifies her: Bridget, wife of Valentine Ryan. This (and her dates of birth and death) were the whole of what we knew until I hunted down the couple’s marriage record in Kilmacow Parish, County Kilkenny, Ireland, with much effort and luck a few years ago. At that point, we discovered that Bridget Ryan had been born Bridget Tobin. When I was able to visit Ireland and see the parish books in Mullinavat, where the family lived until they left Ireland in 1852-3, we added a bit more to our fund of knowledge about this elusive female ancestor: we discovered that, in addition to the three children we knew of, who accompanied the family to America—Margaret, Patrick, and Catherine—Valentine

and Bridget had had children Valentine, Ellen, William, and John, born one after the other from 1839 to 1844, none of whom emigrated with their parents. I can only assume that they died in the Famine that drove this family from Ireland.

These bare facts, and a story that she emigrated within the year after Valentine arrived in New Orleans on Christmas day 1852 to join him with her three children, is all my family knows of Bridget Tobin. I am haunted by unanswered questions as I listen for Biddy's voice: what was it like to lose four children one after the other, children who could not have lived much beyond the age of ten; what was it like to live through the awful days of hunger when people boiled nettles to keep body and soul together and when fevers and other illnesses quickly decimated the population of the starving nation; how did a woman in her early forties leave her family behind forever and set out on a dangerous voyage across the ocean to the exotic port of New Orleans, totally alien from anything she would have encountered in Ireland? What did she experience when the family moved first to southeast Mississippi and then to central Arkansas? Why did Bridget's name not pass on in any of the families descending from her, whereas the equally "ethnic" name of Valentine did get passed on (along with dozens of Pats, Margarets, and Kates)?

I will never hear all of the stories I want to hear from Bridget. I am aware, at the same time, that I would not be here, had she not had the strength to keep her family alive during the Famine, and the courage to cross the sea. In my garden, I keep the footstone to her grave, which had been displaced in Orion Cemetery a few years ago, as a reminder of all I owe to her.

Another female figure who has long attracted my attention is not a direct ancestor, but the sister of my great-great-grandfather Batchelor, Sarah K. Batchelor. In the very week in which I first prepared the draft of this article,

I received an email from a cousin, Bill Russell in Maumelle, Arkansas, sending me transcripts from an old family scrapbook of his great-great-grandfather, a brother to my great-great grandfather. We knew from the 1890 Goodspeed's biography of this man, Dr. Wilson Bachelor, that he had a sister Sarah, who lived with her brother in 1890.² The 1860 census notes that she had been blind from a fever since age 7.³ The two censuses on which Sarah's age is given—1860 and 1880 (the Wilson Bachelor family was moving by river from Tennessee to Arkansas as the 1870 census was taken)—have conflicting information about her age: she is 30 in 1860, but 56 in 1880.⁴

Those of us working on this family have known hardly another thing about Sarah, except that she never married. Her brother Wilson's diary mentions her on Christmas day 1891, noting that "Blind Sally" was at home with the family that day. The next entry, Christmas day a year later, says, "Blind Sally, who was here last Christmas, is not here to night—She has passed away."⁵

This is the sum total of what we knew of Sarah until Dr. Bachelor's scrapbook, now owned by a descendant in Ft. Smith, Arkansas, emerged and Bill Russell began to

² *Goodspeed's Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Northwest Arkansas...Franklin County* (Chicago: Goodspeed Publishing Co., 1890), 1223.

³ William Pyburn household, 1860 U.S. census, Hardin County, Tennessee, population schedule, 6th Civil District, page 329, dwelling 652, family 683, National Archives [NA] microfilm M653, roll 1254. This dwelling was two houses from that of Sarah's brother Wilson R. Bachelor.

⁴ *Ibid.*; and Wilson Bachelor household, 1880 U.S. census, Franklin County, Arkansas, Mill Creek township, enumeration district [ED] 62, page 797C, dwelling 355, family 357, NA microfilm T9, roll 44.

⁵ The diary has not been published; the original is in the possession of a descendant in Riverside, California; a photocopy is in the possession of descendant Bill Russell of Maumelle, Arkansas who has transcribed the document. I also have a photocopy and Bill Russell's transcript.

transcribe documents from it. One of these is a eulogy that her brother wrote for Sarah's funeral in 1892. This states that she lost her sight permanently shortly after 1850, and was deaf for the last fifteen years of her life. It says that, though she could not see and hear, she would often walk outside and say, "Oh, the blessed sunshine!" The eulogy once again refers to Sarah as "Blind Sally."

These are the kinds of artifacts we all hope to find as we try to hear the voices of female ancestors. All the better when they actually speak in the voice of the woman in question, and not in someone else's voice, as is the case with Wilson Bachelor's diary and eulogy of sister Sarah. Even after reading her brother's final commemoration of Sarah, I remain haunted by questions about her: What did this woman, blind from early in her life and deaf for the latter part of her life, think? What was her life like; what would she have said about it, if we might have heard her own words? We will never know; what we do know from these sources is that her life was valued and touched the lives of those around her.

Bill Lindsey has recently accepted an administrative position at Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, FL. As you can tell, he has devoted much of his life to researching his ancestors. The foregoing article is the first of four parts discussing and illustrating the difficulties inherent in researching and relaying the stories of nineteenth century southern women. In the June issue of the *Arkansas Family Historian* we will continue with Part II, "The Case of Women's Stories in the Antebellum South." In September, Part III will present the first of three stories, "Eliza Jane Smith." The December quarterly will complete Bill's article with the last two of the three stories, "Aunt Mollie Simpson" and "Aunt Belle." We hope you will enjoy them and be encouraged to think and write about your unheard female ancestors.

Calhoun County 1867 Voter List

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In 1867 the U. S. Congress passed acts providing for the registration of voters and the holding of elections in the former Confederate states. Otherwise qualified males of age twenty-one who had not voluntarily served in the Confederate Army could register after taking an oath. Some of these voter registration lists survived for Arkansas and were filmed by the Mississippi State Archives. The lists are by county and then by election precincts that correspond to 1867 townships. The names in each township are not alphabetical but are numbered. The following is the list of Calhoun County, Arkansas voters. The film may be accessed at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives, General Microfilm file, Voters: Voters Lists 1867, Ashley – Yell Counties.

CASWELL ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Clemens, John
2	Bush, James
3	Jirdon, Rufus
4	Nutt, Josiah
5	Nutt, Pleasant
6	Nutt, Newton J.
7	Anthony, A.
8	Williams, W. D.
9	Williams, G. D.
10	Nutt, W. M.
11	Butler, A. W.
12	Neel, J. M.
13	Dickson, B.
14	Steelman, Monticue A.
15	Neel, Marshal A.

CASWELL (Cont.)	
16	Lightfoot, J. Y.
17	Seymour, W. B.
18	Brown, Sampson
19	Stanton, Harrison
20	Arnold, W. M.
21	Dail, W. T.
22	Calvert, Wm. J.
23	Calvert, S. W.
24	Watson, Jno. J.

MORO ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Warren, Wm.
2	Acruman, E. A.
3	Wade, W. N.
4	Neel, L.

MORO (Cont.)	
5	Higgenbotham, H.
6	Miller, Lewis
7	Wilkerson, H. J. J.
8	Tomlinson, Perry
9	Howell, Wm.
10	Crabb, Bounaparte
11	Wright, John M.
12	Killebrew, Wm. W.
13	Edwards, Archy.
14	Harris, Daniel
15	Harper, J. T.
16	Marks, Jerry
17	Cone, Jacob
18	Matthews, Andrew
19	Vaughn, Joseph
20	Floyd, Nichs. L.
21	Post, Saml. G.
22	Harnesberger, J. C.
23	Statum, Hilliand
24	Machen, Jas. H.
25	Turner, Smith R.
26	Turner, Thos. I.
27	Wiley, Prior
28	Robertson, J. C. N.
29	Stroud, Jas. M.
30	Stroud, Andw. J.
31	Brown, Feilding G.
32	Bass, James R.
33	Harnesberger, Geo. M.
34	Harnesberger, Stephen Z.
35	Harnesberger, L. E.
36	McLemore, Dallas
37	McLemore, Harrold
38	Ellis, John F.
39	Lingo, Taliaferro

MORO (Cont.)	
40	McLemore, Alex P.
41	Wilkins, Wm. A.
42	House, Jonathan J.
43	Gray, Henry
44	Cone, R. R.
45	Cone, Sanford
46	Cone, Jack
47	Allen, Willis
48	Cone, Richmond
49	Marks, Wm.
50	Royford, Emanuel
51	Grubbs, Jno. A.
52	Atkerson, Wm.
53	Brewer, Lee
54	Green, Frank
55	Kendrick, A. H.
56	Turner, Willoby
57	Smith, Wm. R.
58	Cone, Asbury H.
59	Cone, Asa R.
60	Pate, Wm. M.
61	Haraday, John
62	Holdernes, Algerunon L.
63	Turner, Middleton F.
64	McManey, Frances
65	Caulder, Thomas I.
66	Roland, Wm.
67	Gray, Philip
68	Harris, Solomon
69	Floyd, James
70	Stanton, Chesley
71	Cup, Alfred
72	Shirley, James R.
73	Bryant, Elijah
74	Williams, Thos. H.

MORO (Cont.)	
75	Bryant, James B.
76	Smith, John
77	Harnesberger, Jno. M.
78	McManus, Andrew T.
79	Calaway, Joseph H.
80	Harnesberger, Wm. H. H.
81	Hornaday, Jephtha A.
82	Hampton, Wm. J.
83	McManus, Henry
84	Gray, James M.
85	Council, Jesse
86	Robertson, Jack
87	Adams, G. Z.
88	Cone, John
89	Wilkerson, Reuben O.
90	Gresham, James M.
91	Hogg, James R.
92	Williams, James H.
93	Reddin, W. T.

LOCUST BAYOU ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Harbour, Jas. R. P.
2	Moon, Leroy
3	Harbour, Elisha
4	Holloway, Major C.
5	Williams, Henry
6	Cates, John
7	Neely, James H.
8	Etheridge, Joseph E.
9	Gammel, Wm. A.
10	Hubbard, G. T.
11	Terry, Benjamin
12	Leonard, June
13	Hilliard, Wm.

LOCUST BAYOU (Cont.)	
14	Richett, Humphry
15	Johnson, Wm. R.
16	Gentry, Green M.
17	Jones, Wm.
18	Harbour, Jno. H. S.
19	Lester, Elisha T.
20	Plunkett, Jno. M.
21	Coleman, Jno.
22	Hickman, Thos. J.
23	Warren, H. F. M.
24	Moon, W. D.
25	Overstreet, Jno. W.
26	Hollis, L. J.
28	Sullivent, H. W.*
29	Evans, Yerly D.
30	Holloman, J. R.
31	Yeager, Michael
32	Goodwin, G. W.
33	Mitchell, J. S.
34	Ball, Calvin
35	Robertson, Willis
36	Elliott, Robt. H.
37	Ashley, Pink
38	Cleaves, J. H.
39	Yeager, J. P.
40	Woolam, Wm. P.
41	Johnson, Henry
42	Haslam, J. H.
43	Burne, James
44	Gatlin, Wm. M.
45	Matthews, Gilbert
46	McKnight, Charles
47	May, James

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LOCUST BAYOU (Cont.)	
48	Vaughan, Jas. H.
49	Evans, John W.
50	Riggs, Reuben
51	McCoy, James
52	McKay, Peter
53	Jones, R. H.
54	Yeager, Jno. P.
55	Montroy, Frank
56	Rice, P. H.*
57	Harrison, Geo.
58	Tyler, Fred
59	Elliott, Lewis
60	Scoggin, Sam
61	Arnold, T. D.
62	Lindsey, H.
63	Gattlin, Thomas J.
64	Croft, Raif
65	Miller, William D.
66	Hollis, J. H.
67	Riggs, W. H.
68	Harris, W. O.
69	Byars, R. K.

HUEY ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Bumgarner, Jno. A.
2	Bumgarner, Jno. W.
3	Nowlin, Thomas
4	Jones, James
5	Bradford, R. H. ⁺

HUEY (Cont.)	
6	Session, W. S.
7	Jones, Wm. M.
8	Johnson, M.
9	Etheridge, Jacob
10	Jones, Joseph
11	Beason, J. W.
12	Cates, Joseph
13	Murray, W. C.
14	Callaway, M. P.
15	Myers, L. O.
16	Callaway, Wm. T.
17	Murray, A. S.
18	Scroggin, H. J.
19	Nutt, R. G.
20	Peirce, E. B.
21	Hill, T. J.

POLK ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Means, Andr. N.
2	Benson, Wm. C.
3	Means, Robt. D.
4	Orr, William
5	Orr, James
6	Taylor, Saml.
7	Barclay, G. M.
8	Wilman, James
9	Hillian, Andrw.
10	Padgett, Jno. B.
11	Biggers, A. J.
12	Busbey, T. D.
13	Grubbs, Thos. A.
14	Barclay, George
15	Hall, John S.
16	Wright, Stafford

* Name is crossed out and transferred to Franklin Precinct #135

⁺ Crossed out and has transferred to Polk Township #37

POLK (Cont.)	
17	Jones, Peter
18	Nalls, Bryant
19	Flanray, W. C.
20	McYork, Thos.
21	Thomas, Perry
22	Hollingsworth, H.
23	Hollingsworth, F. M.
24	Nutt, S. N.
25	Diggs, L. R.
26	Nawls, B.
27	Etheridge, J.
28	Morrison, Wm. P.
29	Morrison, G. H.
30	Morrison, J. J.
31	Johnson, Moses
32	Glass, William
33	Barclay, H. G.
34	Hayes, Kinchen
35	Means, Jas. H.
36	Rowan, Josiah
37	Bradford, R. H.*
38	Thompson, G. H.
39	Evins, John

DALLAS ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Cone, Wm. S.
2	Bass, Thos. C.
3	Thomason, Ben. H.
4	Bond, Nat. H.
5	Shelton, Thomas
6	Edwards, Jesse
7	Grisham, Jno. H.

DALLAS (Cont.)	
8	Jones, Samuel
9	Edwards, Allen
10	Harris, E. T.
11	Everett, Robt. B.
12	Grumley, Wm.
13	Johnson, H. L.
14	Johnson, Emanuel
15	Ware, John
16	Edwards, Samuel
17	Edwards, John C.
18	Brumley, A. B.
19	Brumley, Peter
20	Bull, Jacob A.
21	Mitchell, R. A.
22	Bull, W. H.
23	Harris, Thos. H.
24	Pilgreen, Thomas
25	Rowland, Thomas
26	Gray, Jackson
27	Bradley, H.
28	Bradley, Toney
29	Wilson, Jno. C.
30	Russell, N.
31	Moffet, Wm.
32	Earnest, Wm. H.
33	Johnson, B. B.
34	Green, Thos. R.
35	Emmerson, John J.
36	Earnest, Jas. F.
37	Tibbetts, Jeff. T. O.
38	Brunley, John
39	Ritchie, A. F. ⁺

* Transferred from Huey Precinct #5

⁺ Transferred to Champagnolle
Precinct #99

DALLAS (Cont.)	
40	Akins, Jno. T.
41	King, C. C.
42	Williams, Jas. M.
43	Johnson, J. J.
44	McCarter, E. W.
45	Johnston, Wash.
46	Hutchingston, W. T.
47	Thomas, Oliver
48	Brumley, W. M.
49	Thomason, W. L.
50	Cross, Richard
51	Levillian, John W.

JEFFERSON ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Newton, James
2	Saunders, N. J.
3	Akens, W. H.
4	Watson, Peter
5	Davis, Wilson
6	Shirley, E. W.
7	Hutchings, P.
8	Chambers, Snowdon
9	Hutchings, Alfred
10	House, Willis
11	Jones, Isaac
12	Axton, A. L.
13	Newton, Jesse I.
14	Watson, J. M.
15	Redding, Isaac K.
16	Speer, W. H.
17	House, W. M.
18	Watson, T. J.
19	Thomason, Willis C.
20	Hutching, Hue

JACKSON ELECTION PRECINCT	
1	Dickinson, James
2	Atkins, Jolly
3	Dunn, Jas. S.
4	Yates, John S.
5	Bayless, Sam. G.
6	Johns, Joseph
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20	Bunn, Jerry
21	Hall, Scott
22	Neal, Jake
23	Rix, Jack
24	Bunn, Drew
25	Ayres, Silas
26	Booker, Littleton
27	Strang, Jno.
28	Wood, Peter
29	Wordlaw, Doctor
30	Bunn, John
31	Hurse, Anderson
32	Clary, Harrison
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34	Dickinson, Henry

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35	Rix, Allen
36	Tarvin, Wm. F.
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38	Talbot, Green B.
39	Smith, M. H.
40	Tarvin, John J.*
41	Madara, A.
42	Bunn, Wiley J.
43	Rucker, Stephen
44	Tarvin, K. T.
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46	White, Ed. L.
47	Lands, Stephen
48	Rix, Crawford
49	Williams, Benjm.
50	Martin, Chesley
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58	Slaughter, M. S.
59	Gilbert, James
60	Nalone, R. T.
61	Ainsworth, Dennis
62	Tatum, Anthony
63	Wise, Harry
64	Tatum, Nelson
65	Owen, Simon
66	Sterling, Abernathy

JACKSON (Cont.)	
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68	Tidwell, F. N. [¶]
69	Medara, James R.

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1	Dubose, W. S.
2	Dubose, Benj. J.
3	Madara, T. F.
4	Daniel, Josiah
5	Tarvin, Thos. J.
6	Lambert, Jas. C.
7	Barnett, Aleck
8	Tatum, Dick
9	Davis, Jas. A.
10	Schaer, Godolphin
11	Dubose, Jas. L.
12	Hayer, W. R.
13	Parker, Jas. A.
14	Dubose, S. D.
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16	Holmes, T. P.
17	David, F. M.
18	Lambert, E. D.
19	Haynes, J. P.
20	Mitchell, J. W.
21	Haynes, J. W. R.
22	Hill, A. C. L.
23	Smith, B. F.
24	Parker, T. A.

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FAYETTE (Cont.)	
25	Baggent, G. W.*
26	Haynes, W. C.
27	Parker, E. B.
28	Merritt, N. P.
29	Floyd, J. H.
30	Bunch, Elishia
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32	Boytt, Phillip W.
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35	Parker, John A.
36	Hill, John D.

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1	Nettles, A. A.
2	Raiford, J. W.
3	Cross, Henry
4	Nalls, D.
5	Nourning, J.
6	Silliman, J. J.
7	Humphreys, J. C.
9	Randall, Sam [†]
10	Tobin, Minor
12	Strong, Peter
13	Moon, Andrew
14	Isaac, Jack
15	Robertson, Lewis
16	Farris, Qinton
17	Watkins, Albert
18	Greer, John
19	Hoffman, Pemberton

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21	Vaughan, Jordon
22	Jacob, George
23	Dunn, Bill
24	Langston, George
25	Sumner, Richard
26	Weaver, John
27	Furr, James E.
28	Dunn, Lucas M.
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30	Noble, John
31	Kelly, James
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33	Phillips, Henderson
34	Holly, Jordon
35	Couch, Augustus
36	Bush, Robt.
37	Johnston, James
38	Couch, Emanuel
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44	Given, Perry
45	Jackson, Warren
46	Otter, Surrey
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48	Will, William
49	Silliman, C. C.
50	Dunn, Allen D.
51	Murphy, Jack
52	Wheeler, Kit
53	Nettles, Henry
54	Martin, Wright

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58	Brown, Aleck
59	Strong, Gat
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14	Bunon, Jno. C.
15	Farrior, J. M.
16	Frost, J. W.

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* Transferred from Dallas Precinct #39

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17	String, G. M.
18	Drummons, B. F.
19	Silliman, W. C.
20	Land, A. W.
21	Williams, S. M.
22	Sloan, H. H.
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28	Tate, Wm.
29	Bell, Richard
30	Tobin, Jno. W.
31	Rowan, Wm.
32	Riggs, L. S.
34	Williams, Bill*
35	Moon, Ned
36	Murphy, Ned
37	Cages, Seburn
38	Davis, Berry
39	Wynn, Peter
40	Rowan, Peyton
41	Pilgreen, Lemuel
42	Tobin, C. D.
43	Hynes, W. M.
44	Tutt, James M.
45	Brown, Christopher
46	Stanton, W. I.
47	Weysinger, Thos.
48	Stephens, W. C.
49	Hollingsworth, C. C.
50	Grisham, Nathaniel

FRANKLIN (Cont.)	
51	Johns, J. A.
52	King, John S.
53	Van Ness, W. H.
54	Porter, H. A.
55	Marks, Ellis
56	Garrett, Jno. M.
57	Brown, Sam V.
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59	Hunt, R. M.
60	Porter, J. M.
61	Stringfellow, R. A.
62	Parker, Jack
63	Weyslinger, T. F.
64	Davis, T. M.
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66	Jones, W. W.
67	Bull, Henry
68	McKnight, James
69	Riggs, Ephraim
70	Euly, Benjamin
71	Oliver, Jephtha
72	Benson, Ben H.
73	Hollingsworth, W. R.
74	Pickett, Jim
75	Pickett, Edward
76	Pickett, Sheppard
77	Pickett, W. J.
78	Merritt, Jno. I.
80	Shofner, H. P. ⁺
81	Cook, Thos.
82	Gaines, E. R.
83	Matthew, W. B.
84	Loyd, Danl.

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⁺ There is no #79

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85	Jones, Henry
86	Cook, C. C.
87	Hunt, Geo. C.
88	Singleton, Richd.
89	Weysinger, H.
90	Dunn, Alfred
91	Dunn, Gilbert
92	Thompson, W. H.
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106	Buzby, W. J.
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118	Rowan, P. H.
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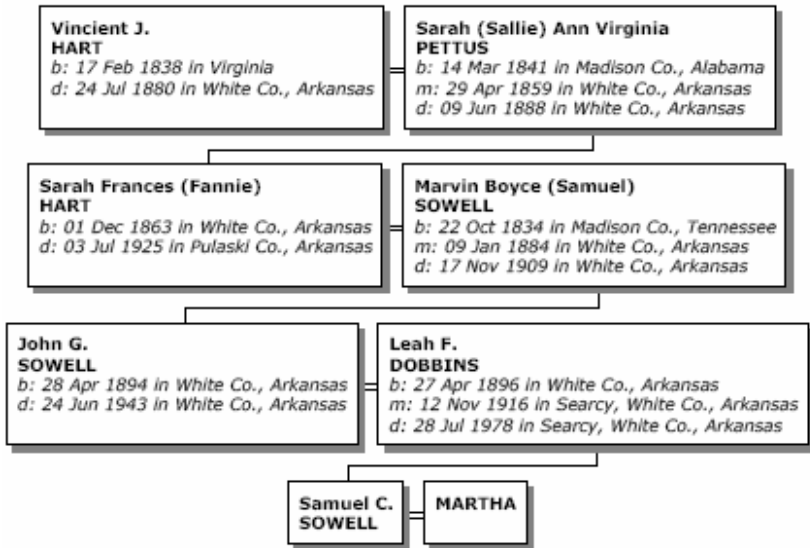
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129	Irvin, M. F.
130	Tarvin, John J.
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133	Cook, William A.
134	Sullivant, J. M.
135	Rice, P. C.
136	McMillion, Wampum

Arkansas Ancestry Certificates

Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate for Sam C. Sowell through Vincient J. Hart

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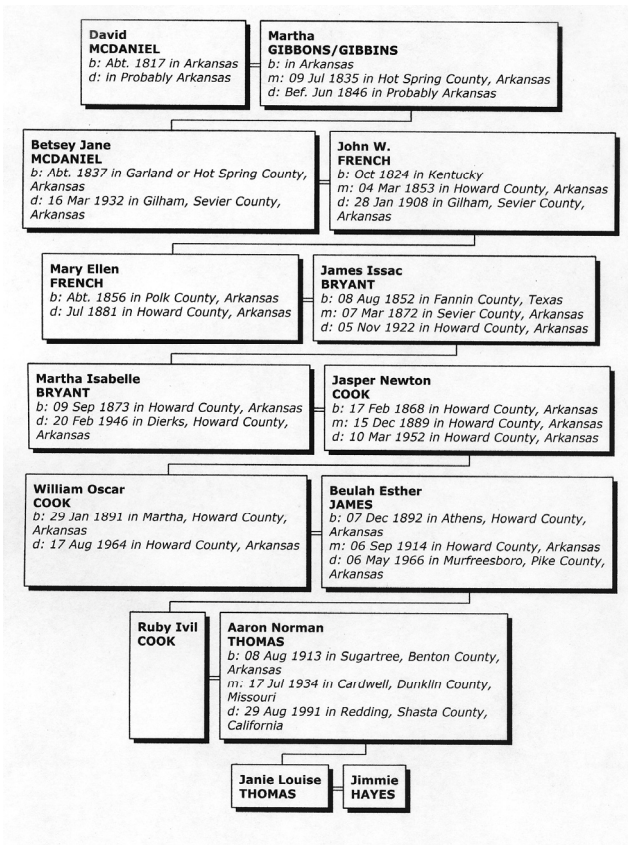
Sam C. Sowell received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was Vincient J. Hart. Vincient J. Hart and Sarah Ann Virginia Pettus were married in 1859 in White County, Arkansas and purchased land there in 1860.



Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate for Janie Louise Thomas Hayes through David McDaniel

*Submitted by Janie Louise Thomas Hayes
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Weed, CA 96094
(530) 938-4260*

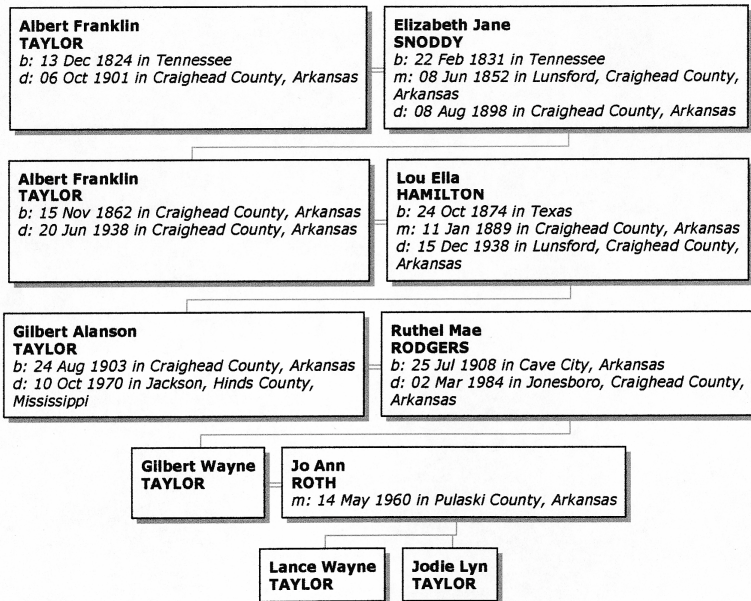
Janie Louise Thomas Hayes received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was David McDaniel. David McDaniel appears in the 1850 Hot Spring County Census.



**Antebellum Arkansas Ancestry Certificate
for Lance Wayne Taylor
and Jodie Lyn Taylor
through Albert Franklin Taylor**

*Submitted by Jo Ann Roth Taylor Cooper
606 Sequoia Drive
Jonesboro, AR 72401-6072
(870) 972-5482*

Lance Wayne Taylor and Jodie Lyn Taylor received Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry for the antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The antebellum ancestor was Albert Franklin Taylor. Albert Franklin Taylor appears by 1838 in Poinsett County.



Arkansas Queries

BAIRD: Nancy Pennington Baird was buried in Falcon Cemetery in 1896 according to some researchers. I have found that Falcon is in Nevada County, but those in charge of inventory of this cemetery do not have her listed. She either doesn't have a stone or was not buried there. Does anyone have any information? **Rosemary Warnix**, 475 Hwy 46 N, Sheridan, AR 72150, email *rosie@seark.net*.

BRADLEY: “Loss” Bradley b 1873 in Dallas Co AR. Son of Hugh Lawson Bradley and Sue Pickett Bradley. Any info appreciated. Listed on 1900 Dallas Co census living with father and sister Willie Mae b 1885. **Ann Bradley Summer**, 2835 Kendra Dr, Louisville, TN 37777, email *abs4230@aol.com*.

BRASHERS – THOMAS – DALLAS – FERRELL:

① Paul or Orville Brashears of northeast Arkansas, mother believed to be Rose or Rosie. ② Dovie Dacus Brashears husband James Thomas of NE Ark. Anyone know of Dovie's or James' family & date/place of burial? ③ Earnest Alford Dallas of Faulkner Co AR, b 21 Jul 1896; m Mittie Ferrell, believe to have son Welton, completely lost after 1920 census. ④ William E. Dallas b 3 Jun 1884 possibly Faulkner Co AR, wife Nanny Gertrude Moore; children: Otha David b 1912 and Edna Jewell b 1914. Any help on the above people would help. Thanks. **L. Irene Dallas Goble**, P.O. Box 60, Bassett, AR 72313, email *PecanPt@aol.com*.

BRASHER – PILGRIM – WILLIAMS: My aunt Bessie (Brasher) Chaloner lived in Redfield, Jefferson Co AR in

Sep 1945. I visited her there when I was discharged from the army at Camp Chaffee, AR. She was living with her mother, my grandmother, Victoria A. (Pilgrim) Cowger Brasher Williams aka Mrs. E. W. Williams, who, according to the 1910 census of Marshall Co OK, was age 39 in 1910, born AL. I don't know much about Victoria, but she probably died after 1945 in AR. Where was she born? Who were her parents? When did E. W. Williams die? Where is Victoria buried, and anything else about her?
Robert E. Brasher, Jr., 6855 Driscoll St., Long Beach, CA 90815.

BRAZZEL – RICHARDSON – HOLIMON: ① Henry Clay Brazzel b 8 Sep 1859 in AR or LA; d 17 May 1907 in Bradley, AR; m Cecilia Lou Smith on 6 Aug 1885 in Warren, AR. I need information on Henry. ② Sarah Ann Richardson b 7 Feb 1842 in Walton Co GA; d 17 Nov 1895 in Jersey AR; m Edwin Alonza Smith 16 Sep 1856 somewhere in GA. ③ Louis P. Holimon b 19 Jun 1891 in Portland AR; d 22 Dec 1967 in Coquille, OR; m LaUna Magness Brazzel in 1912. ④ James Lafayette Holimon b 1827 in AL; d 1879 in AR; m Minerva Jane Davis in 1849 in Fayetteville, AL. Father of James Carrol Holimon and Ada Holimon. **Janet Holimon Stone**, 438 Pumpkintown Rd., Marietta, SC 29661, email jhstone56@direcway.com.

BURT: Looking for Burt family – were in Mississippi Co AR in 1883 – had daughter Minnie L. who married P. B. Bougher. They lived in SE Missouri, Pocahontas, AR and Minnie and children lived in Yell & Johnson counties in the 1920s, 30s and early 40s. **Susan M. Dawson**, 2432 Blake St., San Bernardino, CA 92407, email turtlehawkwoman@aol.com.

CONDREN – KING – YADON: Condren family: ① Stewart, bur Excelsior abt 1854, Sebastian Co AR. ②

Alfred L d 8 Nov 1883 in Jenny Lind. ③ John Buchanan Condren b 24 Aug 1854, Greenwood-Jenny Lind area. ④ Robert Lee Condren b 1875, Excelsior, all in Sebastian Co AR. King family: Robert S. d 27 Mar 1907 in Greenwood, Sebastian Co AR. Yadon family: Eli d 7 May 1900, bur Evans Cemetery, Excelsior, Sebastian Co AR. **Ann W. Condren**, 1428 Southwest 72, Oklahoma City, OK 73159-3440

COULTER – TOLLETT – LEWIS – WEBB –

GARNER: Seeking information on these surnames.

David Howell, 111 Parlange St., Thibodaux, LA 70301, email dhowell@mobiletel.com

GEHEB: Would like to correspond with any Geheb descendants. **Kathryn Drexler**, 272 N. Fremont St., Whitewater, WI 53190-1323, email drexlers@charter.net.

GIBSON – PRICE: From Alabama to Pope Co AR by 1839. Johnson Gibson m Lucy Gibson (cousin?) 1815 Louisa Co VA. John Price & Eliz Gibson m ca 1835 AL? Need parents of Johnson Gibson & John (H.?) Price. Both Gibsons & Prices stayed in Pope Co for life. On census 1840+ ch of John (Jack) & Eliz (Betsy) were ① Reuban b 1837 AL ② Christopher b 1839 AL ③ James F. b 1841 Pope Co AR ④ John H. b 1843 AR ⑤ Robert Roan b 1843 ⑥ George Buchanan Price b 1854 ⑦ David Benj. b 1842 AR; plus a number of daughters. **Janis Price Lindemann**, 1809 Bradley Lane, Russellville, AR 72801, email janis001@centurytel.net.

GLENN: Seeking info on two wives of Hardy Glenn, b abt 1828 TN, d probably in Pulaski or Lonoke Co AR in 1870s. Hardy Glenn is in 1850 Dallas Co AR census with wife Elizabeth, b abt 1833 TN and in 1870 Pulaski Co AR census with wife Nancy J. b abt 1840 MS. Nancy Glenn is

listed as a widow in 1880 Lonoke Co AR census. Hardy and Elizabeth had a son, James Thomas, b 1852 AR. Hardy and Nancy Glenn's children included ① Malissa Francis b 1856 AR or TN ② John Samuel b 1857 AR ③ Louisa b 1859 AR ④ Marg b abt 1862 AR ⑤ Joseph Hardy b abt 1868 AR. Who can tell me Elizabeth and/or Nancy J.'s maiden names and what became of them?

Robert R. Edwards, 300 Lake Ridge Drive, Russellville, AR 72802-9276, email bobandcarolyn@cox-internet.com.

HASH – POOL: Where in Oklahoma did Esther Elizabeth “Lizzie” (Hash) Pool die about 1894? She was from Madison and Washington Counties AR. **Dr. Kenyon B. De Greene**, 4345 Chaumont Rd., Woodland Hills, CA 91364, email DrKenyonD@aol.com.

HICKS – MCKINNEY: (African American) – Conway County, Lonoke County. Robert Hicks, wife Phoebe McKinney Hicks 1900-1940. **Deborah L. Hicks**, 6706 Fairfield Drive, Little Rock, AR 72209, email hicksgd@aol.com.

JONES: Seeking any info re William Jones family Clark Co AR from 1840 thru 1900; wives Mary and Martha, children Nancy, Hardin, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Lorena, Priscilla, William, Giles, Coleman, Wiley and Hamilton. **Wayne Mortensen**, 133 Sedgefield Ct., San Ramon, CA 94583, email danish1904@msn.com.

MANN – BARNES: Dallas Co AR. **Vyrah Mann**, 203 Oakley, Fordyce, AR 71742.

Book Review

The Descendants of Andrew Jackson Pittser: A Genealogical Compilation. Compiled by B. W. Thompson, Sr. Privately published by the compiler, P.O. Box 180, Tehachapi, CA 93581; 1998. 1,202 pages plus index; table of contents, photocopies of original documents and published sources, maps, photographs. Hardbound. The compiler does not indicate a price or if copies are available.

Mr. Thompson discusses variant spellings of the Pitser surname, the probable origin of the immigrant ancestor and his brother in Wurttemberg, and imagines their journey to America in 1752, their temporary settlement in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, and their move to Virginia in 1765. He tries to refute some of the erroneous “family stories.”

The first three genealogical sections of the book deal with the immigrant Matthias Bitzer/Pitzer, his nine sons, and children and grandchildren of John Pitzer, the father of Andrew Jackson, whose descendants are the title subject. There is little text, but there are photocopies and transcripts of tax lists, wills, and marriage records. Some of them include brief source citations.

The section on Andrew Pittser and his descendants is the bulk of the book. Some descendants lived in Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma. Text is brief and there is no analysis of data. There are photocopies, transcripts and photographs, but little source documentation. Each person is given a number indicating his birth order, his parent’s birth order, etc. So #123 would be the third child of the second child of the immigrant who is number one. Trying to move backwards from a child with an eight-digit number to his parent with a seven-digit number is more work than worthwhile. This is a huge book. Unfortunately, much paper was wasted in printing blank spaces for unknown spouses and birth, death and burial dates and places. On the other hand, if you have a Pittser in your ancestry, you may look at this book and find your cousins. The book will be donated to the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives.

Susan Boyle
Little Rock, Arkansas

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**Arkansas Genealogical Society
Family History Writing Contest**

Entry Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip+4: _____

Email: _____

Brief bio of genealogical experience:

Title of entry:

May we list your name in *The Arkansas Family Historian*? _____

May we print your article in *The Arkansas Family Historian*? _____

Signature and Date:

Arkansas Genealogical Society

Membership Application or Renewal Form

Benefits of membership:

- Quarterly issues of *The Arkansas Family Historian*
- Quarterly newsletter
- Priority registration for AGS Sponsored Research Trips
- Queries published in *The Arkansas Family Historian*

Membership dues are payable annually and entitle members to a year's subscription to the Society's periodicals. New memberships may be submitted at any time of the year.

Check one: New Membership Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Type of Membership: Individual (\$25/yr) Household (\$35/yr)
 Patron (\$100/yr) Foreign Resident (\$35/yr)

Query for *The Arkansas Family Historian*

Members may submit queries. The query should pertain to Arkansas families. Please try to mention the county or region of Arkansas involved and a full name and date, if possible. Queries are printed in the order received.

Send this form and a check payable to Arkansas Genealogical Society to:

Arkansas Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 17653
Little Rock, AR 72222

Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry

From the Arkansas Genealogical Society, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222

Do you have ancestors who would qualify for ancestry in Arkansas? AGS has certificates in four different categories of residency. In which category does your ancestor belong? It requires a little research to acquire a certificate giving recognition to your family's pioneers and settlers of Arkansas. The categories are:

Colonial

This certificate is for an ancestor who resided in Arkansas prior to January 1, 1804.

Territorial

This certificate is for an ancestor who resided in Arkansas prior to June 15, 1836.

Antebellum

This certificate is for an ancestor who resided in Arkansas prior to May 6, 1861.

Nineteenth Century

This certificate is for an ancestor who resided in Arkansas prior to December 31, 1900.

To prove ancestry in Arkansas, a lineage of the direct ancestor must be submitted to AGS, along with source documents to prove these facts. A family group sheet of the ancestor who resided in Arkansas must be completed with primary sources as proof. All sources must be cited, photocopied and submitted with the application. The citation must be easily searched for verification. Examples of acceptable documents include: census records, church or bible records, tax lists, court records, military records, land patents, deeds, newspaper items, etc. Send copies, not originals, since they will not be returned. Periodically, the applications are filmed by the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives, where they may be accessed through the Biographical Index.

It only costs \$10 to apply for an Arkansas Ancestry Certificate. To receive an application write to Tommy Carter, 10106 Sulphur Springs Rd., Pine Bluff, AR 71603 and send your name and address with \$1.00 for postage or print it from the website at www.AGSGenealogy.org. Complete the application form and return it with \$10.

New Shirts Available from AGS

AGS DENIM SHIRTS



They are back! This is the third time that AGS has sold these shirts and they were a hit every time. They are made by Jerzees and are the best quality of denim. The long-sleeved shirt has the AGS logo in red. They are versatile for all events and may be used as a jacket. There are all sizes from Small to 2XX. These shirts are available from the AGS Store. \$25.00

AGS GOLF SHIRTS

For the first time AGS has golf shirts in maroon and navy blue. The shirts are made by Jerzees of the best quality cotton. The AGS logo is in the contrasting color. The shirt is short-sleeved and can be worn for every occasion. There are all sizes from Small to 2XX. These shirts are available from the AGS Store. \$25.00



Arkansas Genealogical Society

*A member of the National Genealogical Society and the
Federation of Genealogical Societies*

The Arkansas Genealogical Society began in 1962 and is incorporated as a non-profit organization. The purpose of this society is to promote and educate its members in genealogy, to publish articles pertaining to Arkansas ancestors, and to locate and preserve genealogical, historical, and biographical information determined worthy of publication.

Membership

Any person interested in genealogy is encouraged to become a member by payment of dues in advance for one year. Annual dues are \$25.00 for individual, \$35.00 for family (only one publication per family), \$35.00 for residents outside the USA and \$100.00 for patrons. This includes a year's subscription to the society's periodicals. Make your check or money order payable to: AGS, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

Back Issues

Back issues of *The Arkansas Family Historian* are available while supplies last. The entire set can be purchased on microfiche with our publications order form or from our website.

Research Policy

The society regrets that we do not provide research for members. We do suggest that anyone wanting fee-based research refer to the Association of Professional Genealogists website for a list at www.apgen.org.

Book Reviews

Authors and publishers may submit books for review by the AGS Book Review Committee. Books should be sent to Susan Boyle, 57 Plantation Acres Dr., Little Rock, AR 72210. All materials become the property of AGS to be distributed as the society deems appropriate.

Queries

Members may submit queries related to Arkansas ancestors to be published in *The Arkansas Family Historian*. Send queries by email to Publications@agsgenealogy.org or mail them to AGS Queries, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222. Be sure to include your name, address, e-mail address and phone number.

Submissions

Members are requested to submit articles to be considered for publication. Photographs and materials will not be returned. Sources should be cited as footnotes or endnotes. Materials may be submitted by email at Publications@agsgenealogy.org or on disk to AGS, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222. The right to edit all material submitted is reserved by the Editorial Board. The submitter must include name, address, phone number and email address with the material. Proof copies will be sent prior to printing.

Contributions

AGS is a qualified charitable organization. Therefore, pursuant to Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, any contribution to AGS can be deducted as a "charitable contribution" by an individual or by a corporation.

Change of Address

Please notify AGS when there is a change of address or mistake in address as soon as possible. Contact us by email at Membership@agsgenealogy.org or AGS, P. O. Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

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