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On the Cover: Descendants of John Reuben Searcy and Mary Elizabeth Collins. Back row, left to right: June Searcy, Ben Searcy, Bob Searcy, Carrie Searcy, Moree Searcy Harrell, Charlie Searcy, Ophie Searcy, Lucy Searcy, Kit Smith, Rufus Smith, Maude Searcy Smith, Max Smith, J. B. Searcy, and "Aunt" Alice Searcy. Front row, left to right: Alice Searcy, Louise Searcy, Ben Searcy, Lola Searcy Ramsey, Calip Smith, Eva Searcy, Doris Searcy and Leola Searcy. Original in possession of Lynda Childers Suffridge, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

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EDITOR'S NOTES

The goals of the Arkansas Genealogical Society include education in family history research, the dissemination of genealogical information, and the encouragement of family history writing. The AGS Family History Writing Contest addresses those goals. Each December issue of *The Arkansas Family Historian* contains the winning entry in that year's contest. This year the winning article is "The Descendants of Reuben Searcy and Isabella McDonald," based on a family member's poem recounting oral history. The author uses kinship theory to explain migration and track descendants and the resulting article illustrates the value of putting family history research into print. The research and thought it requires is a learning process that forces analysis of all sources and information for relevance and accuracy and tests previous conclusions about relationships and events.

Researchers often have questions concerning the nature and source of education for ancestors who appear to have been in the medical profession. Librarian Amanda Saar of the UAMS Historical Research Center has written an article explaining sources for research of medical practitioners. The first part, printed in this issue, addresses physicians.

The third article in this issue addresses a common genealogical dilemma. Determining the parents of young children who appear in their first census with a family of a different surname is often considered a brick wall problem. The problem is compounded when combined with burned courthouses. Location and analysis of all available information concerning an extended family may help solve the puzzle.

The list of Columbia County voters begun in the last issue is continued here. It was created in that time period immediately following the end of the Civil War when many southern families are difficult to locate.

Likewise a Randolph County delinquent tax list printed in the newspaper in that void between the taking of the 1880 census and the 1900 enumeration may shed some light on previously "misplaced" individuals.

Ancestry Certificate lineage charts, queries, and a book review round out this issue. We hope you enjoy it and learn something as well.

Susan Gardner Boyle

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DESCENDANTS OF
REUBEN SEARCY AND ISABELLA McDONALD

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Way back yonder, long time ago
Before there was any you or me
There came to this country
*A good old man by the name of Rubin Searcy.*¹

These words begin a poem written for a Searcy family reunion held between 1930 and 1933 on the banks of the Saline River at White Oaks Bluff in Cleveland County, Arkansas.² Charles Searcy, grandson of Reuben and Isabella (McDonald) Searcy, wrote several poems about his family that provided clues to the names and locations of their descendants.

Reuben Searcy, a farmer, and his wife, Isabella McDonald, were typical of many southern couples that moved frequently in search of a better life. In *Communities of Kinship: Antebellum Families and the Settlement of the Cotton Frontier*, Dr. Carolyn Earle Billingsley discusses the importance of examining the kinship groups of ancestors because “kin relations were a driving factor in choices about migration and settlement and a key element in establishing a community.” She proposes the idea that “...migration is... quite complex, encompassing a myriad of questions about economics, demographics, geography,

¹ Part of the first stanza of a poem written by Charles Searcy (1874–1942) of Benton, Saline County, Arkansas, in the early 1930s. A photocopy of the original is in the possession of this author.

² The date of the reunion is based on the presence there of Ira Elisha Moore who died in 1934; Cleveland County Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas, Cemetery Records*, Vol. 2, 1981, 68, Searcy Family Cemetery, located between Pansy and Rye on Hwy. 15.

agriculture, religion, politics, family dynamics, slavery, race, class, and gender.”³

In following the migration trail of Reuben and Isabella Searcy after their marriage in 1828, one can see the effects of kinship groups, economics, agriculture, politics and religion as factors in their migration pattern. Records indicate they moved numerous times to various counties in Alabama as land became available following the removal of the Choctaws. In 1851 they left Bibb County, Alabama, and moved to Mississippi⁴ to join their oldest daughter and her husband. They stayed there only a few years before moving once again when their daughter and her husband moved to Texas. They did not follow this daughter to Texas however. Instead, they moved to Calhoun County, Arkansas, in September 1855.⁵ It is probable that strong ties to the Baptist church drew Reuben and Isabella to Arkansas where their eldest son served as a prominent Baptist minister. It is interesting to note that Arkansas received more settlers from Bibb County, Alabama, than any other county in the South.⁶

In 1860 Reuben and Isabella were living in Dallas township, near Summerville, in Calhoun County, Arkansas. Reuben had two hundred acres of land and had improved thirty-five acres with his farm valued at \$1,200. He had two horses, three milch cows that produced seventy-five pounds of butter, two working oxen, and two other cattle, no sheep, and ten swine with all the livestock valued at \$390. He had raised three hundred bushels of Indian corn, ginned thirteen bales of cotton, each weighing four hundred pounds, and dug twenty bushels of Irish potatoes and ten bushels of sweet potatoes.⁷

Reuben and Isabella possibly thought their moving days had ended when they purchased land in Calhoun County, Arkansas, but the chaos created by the Civil War caused their temporary removal to Daingerfield,

³ Carolyn Earle Billingsley, PhD., *Communities of Kinship, Antebellum Families and the Settlement of the Cotton Frontier* (Athens and London: University of Georgia Press, 2004), 41.

⁴ Goodspeed Publishing Company, *Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Southern Arkansas*, (1890; reprint, Easley, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1978), 437.

⁵ *Ibid.*

⁶ Ulysses Huey Abrams and Mattie Sanford Johnson, eds., *A History of Early Bibb County, Alabama, 1820–1870*, (no place: privately printed, 1981), 103.

⁷ 1860 U.S. Census, Schedule 4: Productions of Agriculture, Arkansas; Arkansas History Commission [hereafter AHC], Little Rock, Arkansas, microfilm: Special Schedules, Roll 13, Calhoun County, Arkansas, page 3, line 13.

Texas, “to get out of the war.”⁸ Thomas A. DeBlack in his book *With Fire and Sword: Arkansas 1861-1874*, describes the conditions in Arkansas in 1862:

Poor harvest in both 1861 and 1862 produced food shortages in many areas of the state. An epidemic of hog cholera decimated the hog population.... In southern Arkansas many items were in short supply.... For the next two and a half years, many citizens of the state would experience the horrors of civil war to an extent matched by few other Americans.⁹

In 1866, after the War was over, the Searcy family moved from Texas back to south Arkansas settling finally in Hurricane township in Bradley [later Dorsey, now Cleveland] County. Along these migration trails several of their children met and married their husbands and wives. The poem provided clues to marriages and locations of descendants.

Generation One

*Now this dear old man and his dear good wife
To obey the scriptures did try.
For as unto Adam God seemed to say
Go forth and multiply.¹⁰*

1. Reuben Searcy¹ was born about 1808 in Georgia¹¹ and died 23 February 1880 in Dorsey [now Cleveland] County, Arkansas. He married in Montgomery County, Alabama, 4 September 1828, to Isabella McDonald.¹²

⁸ Compiled service record, J. B. Searcy, chaplain, Co. F & S, 26th Arkansas Infantry, *Compiled Service Records of Confederate General and Staff Officers, and Non-regimental Enlisted Men*, National Archives [hereafter NA] microfilm M331, roll 221.

⁹ Thomas A. DeBlack, *With Fire and Sword: Arkansas, 1861-1874* (Fayetteville, Arkansas: University of Arkansas Press, 2003), 73.

¹⁰ Poem by Charles Searcy.

¹¹ Reuben Searcy household, 1860 U.S. census, Calhoun County, Arkansas, population schedule, Dallas township, page 9, stamped page 637A, dwelling and family 59, line 38; NA microfilm M653, roll 38.

¹² Montgomery County, Alabama, Marriage Book C: 75; Family History Library [hereafter FHL] microfilm 1,492,030, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Reuben Searcy, a farmer, was twenty years old when he married sixteen-year-old Isabella McDonald in Montgomery County, Alabama. Their names were recorded as “Reuben Sasser to Isabella McDaniel.”¹³

Two years after his marriage, Reuben Circia [sic] was listed on the 1830 Lowndes County, Alabama, census with a female age twenty to under thirty [Isabella] and a female under age five [Nancy Ellen Searcy].¹⁴ In August 1837, Reuben purchased eighty acres of land from the U.S. government in Dale [now Coffee] County, Alabama, in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 19 East, and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 3, Township 5 North, Range 19 East.¹⁵

The 1840 Dale County, Alabama, census reflects the growth of the family:

- 1 male under 5 [James Bryant Searcy]
- 1 male 20 to under 30 [Reuben Searcy]
- 1 female under 5 [Melvina Searcy]
- 2 females 5 to under 10 [Margaret & Isabella Searcy]
- 1 female 10 to under 15 [Nancy Ellen Searcy]
- 1 female 20 to under 30 [Isabella McDonald Searcy]¹⁶

The land description indicates they lived in the area that became part of Coffee County on 29 December 1841.¹⁷

Although no supporting records have been located to confirm Reuben and Isabella ever lived in Barbour County, Alabama, the biography of their son Rev. J. B. Searcy relates he was born in Barbour County,

¹³ Montgomery County, Alabama, Marriage Book C: 75. This is the sole documentary source of Isabella’s maiden name. The family tradition is that her name was McDonald.

¹⁴ Reuben Circia household, 1830 U.S. census, Lowndes County, Alabama, Southern District, page 278, line 13; NA microfilm M19, roll 3. Lowndes was created from Montgomery County 20 January 1830; *The Handybook for Genealogists*, tenth edition (Draper, Utah: Everton Publishers, 2002), 38.

¹⁵ U.S. Bureau of Land Management, “Patent Search,” database, *General Land Office Records* (<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch>; accessed 6 July 2004) entry for Reuben Searcy, Sparta office, doc. no. 3807.

¹⁶ Reuben Searcy household, 1840 U.S. census, Dale County, Alabama, p. 15, line 23; NA microfilm M704, roll 5.

¹⁷ *The Handy Book for Genealogists*, tenth ed., 36.

Alabama, in 1838.¹⁸ By 1850 the Searcy family was living in Bibb County, Alabama.¹⁹

They probably moved to Bibb County about 1847 when their eldest daughter married there.²⁰ They joined the Bethel Baptist Church located seven miles south of Centreville and Reuben Searcy served as a delegate for his church to the Cahawba Baptist Association.²¹ In 1848 Reuben was listed on a Bibb County tax list for District 1 which shows him living in Section 19, Township 22, Range 8, with possessions valued at fifty dollars, and he paid one poll.²²

The 1850 Bibb County Agricultural Schedule reports that R. Searcy was farming thirty acres of land with ten acres unimproved. His cash value was fifty dollars, with forty-five dollars worth of farm implements and machinery. As of 1 June 1850, he had two horses, one milch cow, two working oxen, twelve other cattle, nine sheep, and twenty-five swine. His livestock was valued at \$288. His farming efforts had produced 200 bushels of Indian corn, and twenty-five bushels of oats.²³ He raised no cotton and is never listed as owning slaves. The wool of his nine sheep possibly contributed to a wool counterpane or coverlet spun, dyed, and woven by Isabella Searcy that was brought from Alabama to Arkansas, and passed down through the family.²⁴ See Figure 1.

¹⁸ J. B. Searcy obituary, Pulaski County Baptist Association records, 1920, page 18; AHC microfilm: Baptist Association Records.

¹⁹ Reuben Sercy [sic] household, 1850 U.S. census, Bibb County, Alabama, population schedule, page 4B, line 39; NA microfilm M432, roll 2.

²⁰ MFS Manuscript 573, Bibb County, Alabama, Marriage Licenses, Book D (1837-1850), page 362; Special Collections, Samford University Library, Birmingham, Alabama. Emanuel Fikes to Nancy E. Searcey, solemnized 4 February 1847, by Wesley Shuttlesworth, J.P. Consent of Rewben (X) Searcey for daughter.

²¹ Howard F. McCord, *Baptists of Bibb County: A Denominational Salute to the People Called Baptists in Cahawba (Bibb) County, Alabama, 1817-1974* (Birmingham, Alabama: Banner Press, 1979), 95.

²² 1848 Bibb County, Alabama Tax List, District 1, submitted by Jacquie Otts, Alabama GenWeb project at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/%7Ealbibb/taxes/1848taxlist2.htm>

²³ Linda L. Green, transcriber, 1850 Agricultural and Manufacturing Census, Vol. 2 (Woolbridge, Virginia: L. L. Green, 1999), 467.

²⁴ The coverlet is owned Mary Alice Harrell Johnson, great-granddaughter of Isabella McDonald Searcy, PO Box 125, Harrell, Arkansas. She received this coverlet from her mother, Moree Searcy Harrell who had received it from her sister, Alice Searcy. Their grandmother had spun the wool into yarn, dyed it, woven it into strips, and put the strips together into the coverlet.



Figure 1. Wool coverlet spun, dyed and woven by Isabella (McDonald) Searcy.

The 1850 Bibb County, Alabama, population schedule contains the names of the nine Searcy children still living at home. The oldest, Nancy Ellen, had married before that census.

In 1851 Reuben Searcy moved his family to Lauderdale County, Mississippi, following his oldest daughter and her husband, Emmanuel Fikes.²⁵ They remained in Mississippi only a few years before Emmanuel and Nancy Ellen (Searcy) Fikes moved to Coryelle County, Texas, and Reuben and Isabella (McDonald) Searcy moved to Calhoun County, Arkansas.

On 1 July 1859, Reuben purchased federal land located at the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 29 in Township 11 South, Range 11 West in Calhoun County.²⁶ He sold this same piece of land for \$950 to Samuel S. Word on 20 September 1859. “Isabella Searcy, wife of the said Reuben Searcy” released and quit claimed all her rights and dower in the land.²⁷ Nearly two years later on 1 April 1861 Reuben bought another 40 acres in Calhoun County in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17 in Township 13 South, Range 12 West.²⁸ Census records report them living in Dallas township in Calhoun County on 22 June 1860.²⁹

On the 8th of July 1861, Elder J. B. Searcy preached at the Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Bradley County, Arkansas, and “with Bro. John E. Owen an ordained deacon... constituted the following members

²⁵ Reuben Searcy, 1853 Lauderdale County, Mississippi state census, p. 33; FHL microfilm 899,869.

²⁶ U. S. Bureau of Land Management, “Patent Search,” database, *General Land Office Records* ([http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/Patent Search](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/Patent%20Search): accessed 1 January 2006) entry for Reuben Searcy patent, Champagnolle office, doc.no 7689.

²⁷ Bradley County, Arkansas, Deed Book 15: 421–423, County Clerk, Warren, Arkansas.

²⁸ Bureau of Land Management, “Patent Search,” database, entry for Reuben Searcy, Champanolle office, doc. no. 11860.

²⁹ R. Searcy household, 1860 U.S. census, Calhoun County, Arkansas, population schedule, Summerville post office, page 637A & 637B, dwelling and family 59; NA microfilm M653, roll 38.

into a Gospel [Baptist] Church of Christ.” Among the members was his sister Margaret (Searcy) Hinson, wife of J. F. Hinson.³⁰

In 1863, during the Civil War, Reuben and Isabella moved to Davis [now Morris] County, Texas. Their son Rev. J. B. Searcy was serving as a chaplain in Co. F. & S. [Field and Staff], 26th Arkansas Confederate Infantry, and requested permission by letter dated 21 December 1863 for leave to visit his father to move his family from the northern part of Drew County to a safer location at Daingerfield, [Morris County] Texas.³¹

When the census was taken on 4 August 1870, Reubin [sic] and Isabella lived at Bradley in Hurricane Township of Bradley County, Arkansas. Only one daughter, Emaline, was still living at home.³²

Their granddaughter Theodosia, daughter of Rev. J. B. Searcy, “recalled her grandparents with pleasure. Her grandfather Searcy was skilled in healing and was called frequently to see the sick. He found himself riding so much at night, and in all kinds of weather, he finally enrolled for a brief course in medicine and ‘took out’ a license to practice; thus he could charge a modest fee for his services. His home was one large room with curtains as partitions.”³³

Records of the Enon Missionary Baptist Church, now in Cleveland County, Arkansas, give further insight into the beliefs and morals of Reuben Searcy. “Bro. Reuben Searcy and his wife, sister Isabell[e] Searcy came forward with their letter and were received and the right hand of fellowship extended to them” on 18 March 1870.³⁴ Four years later, Reuben Searcy questioned the position of the church regarding a popular activity of the times:

Is it the sense of this church that her members may engage in the “popular plays” of the day in which both sexes unite and march round in a circle in some respects like the promenade

³⁰ Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church Minutes 1861–1880, Lincoln County, Arkansas; Lincoln County Records Roll 61, AHC; FHL film 980,002.

³¹ Compiled military service record, J. B. Searcy, chaplain, Co. F & S, 26th Ark. Infantry, NA microfilm M331, roll 221.

³² Reubin Searcy household, 1870 U.S. census, Bradley County, Arkansas, population schedule, Hurricane township, Bradley post office, page 504, dwelling and family 18; NA microfilm M593, roll 48.

³³ Sara Lowrey, *Theodosia, Gift of God* (New York: Carlton Press, Inc., 1972), 12.

³⁴ Enon Missionary Baptist Church Records, 1866–1967, page 22; AHC microfilm, Religion: Baptist Church Records.

of the dance while a part or all are engaged in singing carnal songs which only appeal to the passions and have no tendency to gratify God or benefit man and usually terminate with carnal kisses among the sexes³⁵

Reuben Searcy died 23 February 1880 at his home in Annover of cerebus spinal fever, having been a resident of what was then Dorsey County for twenty-three years.³⁶

Isabella McDonald Searcy died on Wednesday 14 December 1881 at the residence of her son E. W. Searcy at Annover a few minutes past one o'clock in the morning. She had been ill for nearly a month, quite severely for the last two weeks. She had been a Missionary Baptist for nearly fifty-four years, having been baptized by Bro. Hall in Lowndes County, Alabama, in 1828.³⁷ Her obituary describes her as

*. . . devout, pious and full of mercy and good fruits, her exemplary character beamed forth with steady radiance as a beacon of light of Christianity. Her consoling word and timely advice hath often soothed and guided the tempest spirit of the bereaved and unfortunate and her deeds of charity hath made darkness light before many of the sons or daughters of poverty and affliction.*³⁸

Theodosia also shared memories of her grandmother Isabella

. . . as one who made life happier for all. She was always actively involved in neighborhood service. Whether the occasion was a funeral or wedding she was likely to be the first one there and the last to leave. She would go for three weeks of preparation for a wedding in order to bake the cakes. She never owned a cook-stove. She scorned such new-fangled innovations, preferring to bake her cakes and bread on the hearth. She took pride in adjusting the hot bricks so

³⁵ Enon Missionary Baptist Church Records, 47.

³⁶ 1880 U.S. census, Dorsey County, mortality schedules, Hurricane township, enumeration district [hereafter ED] 86, sheet 1, line 7; NA microfilm T9, roll 43.

³⁷ Isabella Searcy obituary, *The Arkansas Evangel* (Baptist), Little Rock, Arkansas, 4 January 1882, page 2, column 3.

³⁸ Sister Isabella Searcy obituary, Saturday, 1 April 1882, Enon Missionary Baptist Church Records.

*that the cake would rise to a great height and brown a golden color. She made the best cakes in the area.*³⁹

*Thirteen children were born to them
But several went away
When they were little children
So I've heard my Auntie say.*

The children of Reuben Searcy and Isabella McDonald were:

Generation Two

2. i. **Nancy Ellen² Searcy (Reuben¹)**, was born 9 January 1829 in Lowndes County, Alabama, married Emmanuel Martin Fikes, and died 25 May 1886 at The Grove, Coryelle County, Texas.⁴⁰
3. ii. **Sarah A.² Searcy (Reuben¹)** died young.

*Among those that I remember
Was Bell who married Fate Moore.
Two girls are all of their flock that's left
Four have crossed to the other shore.*

4. iii. **Isabella² Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born 24 February 1832 in Alabama.⁴¹ She married William Lafayette Moore on 27 October 1859 in Bradley County, Arkansas,⁴² and died 24 January 1904 in Calhoun County, Arkansas.⁴³
5. iv. **Margaret² Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born June 1834 in Alabama and married Rev. John F. Hinson 3 August 1861.⁴⁴ She died 2 October 1909 in Dallas, Texas.

³⁹ Sara Lowrey, *Theodosia, Gift of God*, 13.

⁴⁰ Scott Fikes, compiler, *A Fikes Family Record and Some Collateral Lines 1777–1989* (Fort Worth, Texas, privately printed, 1989), 205.

⁴¹ John T. Moore household, 1900 U.S. census, Calhoun County, Arkansas, population schedule, Dallas township, ED 27, sheet 3A, dwelling 36, family 35; NA microfilm T623, roll 52. Isabella Moore was listed as “Mother” born Feb 1832, age 68 at last birthday, a widow, mother of six children with six children living, born in Alabama, with father born in Georgia and mother born in Alabama.

⁴² Bradley County, Arkansas, Marriage Records, Book A: 108; FHL microfilm 981,960.

⁴³ Mollie Weisinger Grant, *Calhoun County: Cemetery Records of Calhoun County, Arkansas* (Hampton, Arkansas: privately printed, 1980), 39, Dickerson Cemetery, located five miles east of Harrell at old Summerville, off Highway 4.

⁴⁴ Calhoun County, Arkansas, Marriage Book A: 267; FHL microfilm 980,954.

*Another called Aunt Splint
Whom Elijah Stinson wed
They moved away to the mountains
Where both of them lie dead.
All I remember of their bunch
Is Medora and Cousin Lige.
If you can tell me about the others
I'll be very much obliged.*

6. v. **Melvina² Searcy (Reuben¹)**, born 18 July 1836 in Barbour County, Alabama, was nicknamed “Aunt Splint.” She married Elijah Stinson and died in Hot Spring County, Arkansas, 16 December 1915.⁴⁵

*Then there was J. B. the preacher boy
And dear Aunt Fannie, his wife
Who tried to help the Searcy flock
To lead a better life.
Now Dosia and Rube and Effie
And dear old Cousin Jim
Are all we now have left
Of the ones that belong to them.*

7. vi. **James Bryant² Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born 18 July 1838 in Barbour County, Alabama.⁴⁶ He married (1) Miss Mary F. Killum; (2) Mrs. Margaret Francis Owen Atkins on 12 February 1863⁴⁷ in Drew County, Arkansas; they had issue; (3) Mrs. Linwood L. Woodall.

⁴⁵ Hot Spring County Historical Society, *Headstone History: Cemetery Inscriptions, Hot Spring County, Arkansas, Volume III, East of the Ouachita River*, 1979, page 91, Cooper Cemetery [originally started under the name of Phillips Cemetery, updated Nov. 1978].

⁴⁶ J. B. Searcy obituary, Pulaski County Baptist Association records, 1920, p. 18; AHC microfilm, Baptist Association Records.

⁴⁷ *Baptist Advance*, Volume XII, No. 9, Little Rock, Arkansas, Thursday, February 27, 1913, page 2.



Rev. James Bryant Searcy, age 69, and his second wife Margaret Frances Owen, age 65. Photograph taken in April 1907.

*Paulina married Elisha Moore
 He died in the war you see
 Leaving only one little son,
 Our dear Old Cousin Irie.
 She later married Jeff Thomas,
 Three children bless their life
 But only one of them is left,
 That's Nellie, Will Williford's wife.*

8. vii. **Paulina Ann Charlotte² Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born 9 April 1841 in Alabama and died 4 June 1888.⁴⁸ She married (1) Ira Elisha Moore on 16 October 1859 in Bradley County, Arkansas,⁴⁹ and married (2) William Jefferson Thomas on 2 March 1866 in Calhoun County, Arkansas.⁵⁰

⁴⁸ Cleveland County Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas, Cemetery Records, Volume Three* (Crossett, Arkansas: Nowlin Printing, 1996), 289.

⁴⁹ Bradley County Marriage Book A: 108, County Clerk's Office, Warren, Arkansas.

⁵⁰ Calhoun County Marriage Book A: 344, County Clerk's Office, Hampton, Arkansas.

*At last we come to John Reuben
Who by chance one day did roam
And finally some how or other
Landed at the dear Collins home.
Now in this home there was a daughter
As fair as any in the land
And after a while
John Reuben won Elizabeth's hand.*

- +9. viii. **John Reuben² Searcy (Reuben¹)**, born 14 March 1844 in Alabama, married Mary Elizabeth Collins about 1867, probably in Bradley County, Arkansas, and died 18 November 1893 in Cleveland County, Arkansas. He is buried in the Searcy Family Cemetery.⁵¹
10. ix. **Emmanuel Washington² Searcy, (Reuben¹)** was born 6 February 1847 in Bibb County, Alabama, and married Laney C. Park in 1869 in Texas.⁵² She was the daughter of Newton and Mary (Moore) Parks. Emmanuel was born the day after his oldest sister Nancy Ellen married Emmanuel Fikes. Reuben and Isabella Searcy held their new son-in-law in such high regard, they named their own son after him.

*Another one married Sanders Whaley.
They moved away out west.
And I can't learn a thing about them
Though I've tried my very best.*

11. x. **Sarah J.² Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born in 1848 and died before 1876, probably in Bell County, Texas. She married William Sanders Whaley 26 March 1868.⁵³
12. xi. **Benjamin Young Searcy (Reuben¹)** was born in 1849. He died November 1859 in Calhoun County, Arkansas, and is buried in Searcy Family Cemetery.⁵⁴

⁵¹ Cleveland County Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas Cemetery Records, Volume Three*, 288.

⁵² Goodspeed Publishing Company, *Biographical & Historical Memoirs of Southern Arkansas* (1890, reprint, Easley, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1978), 800.

⁵³ W. S. Whaley household, 1870 U.S. census, Bell County, Texas, population schedule, Beat No. 5, Belton post office, page 58, dwelling and family 412; NA microfilm M593, roll 1575.

*Then there was Doad [sic] who married Taylor Moore
They had no daughter or son
I guess that is the reason
She mothered us everyone.*

13. xii. **Dora Emaline Searcy (Reuben¹)**, born 28 April 1852 in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, married Zachary Taylor Moore 10 October 1875. She died 28 March 1918.⁵⁵
14. xiii. **Napoleon Searcy (Reuben¹)**, died young. He does not appear in the 1860 census.

⁵⁴ 1860 U.S. Census Mortality Schedules, Calhoun County, Arkansas, Dallas township, page 1, line 18, Benjamin Searcy, died of "dropsey of the heart" after being ill for three years; AHC microfilm, Special Schedules.

⁵⁵ Undated clipping from unknown newspaper [probably Cleveland County Herald, week of 28th March 1918] in possession of compiler: In Memory of Mrs. D. E. Moore - When the angel of mercy came to our home and eased forever the aching body of our dear "Aunt Dode," through selfishness we would have stayed His hand, so sad were we to have her go away. Through all the lonely years since our parents were called home, 'twas to her we told our heartaches, to which she not only listened, but with loving counsel and advice, helped us over many hard places in life's rugged way and took from our sorrow much of its bitterness. She loved her friends with an unusual tenderness, while her devotion to her "own people" was almost akin to worship. How sweet it has ever been to steal away from the daily routine, and stern perplexities of life, and spend a while at "Aunt Dode's". But alas for earth's fleeting pleasures; and this one too, has passed away, and we who loved it so, shall know its sweetness no more. Had she remained with us til April 28th, she would have been sixty-six years old, but her suffering was so intense, that the Father was pleased to relieve her on March 28th and on the 29th friends laid the body in the little family cemetery, 'neath the shadow of the pines and each day as the gentle zephyrs pass through the evergreen foliage, nature sings a requiem to her who will never again weep to see her loved ones pass away. Her husband had gone twenty-one years before and though she left no children, she has been friend, kinsman and mother to many. "Tender and sweet is the memory we hold, Of her who has gone away, To join the loved on the other shore, In that land of cloudless day. Sadly we miss her smiling face, And words of admonition given, But trust that through His saving grave, We'll meet "Aunt Dode" again in Heaven." Her niece.

Generation Three

9. John Reuben² Searcy (Reuben¹) was born 14 March 1844 in Alabama and died 18 November 1893.⁵⁶ He married Mary Elizabeth Collins about 1867 in Bradley County, Arkansas. Their names appear in the index to the marriage book in Bradley County, Arkansas, but the pages recording the marriage are missing.⁵⁷



Sketches made by Charles Searcy of John Reuben Searcy and Mary Elizabeth Collins. Originals owned by Mary Ann Searcy Titus, Rosebud, Arkansas, 2006.

Their children are:

15. i. **Benjamin Young³ Searcy (John Reuben,² Reuben¹)** was born 5 October 1868 in Bradley County, Arkansas. He married June Ederington 27 May 1903 in Cleveland County, Arkansas,

⁵⁶ Cleveland County Arkansas Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas, Cemetery Records, Volume Three*, 288, Searcy Family Cemetery.

⁵⁷ Bradley County, Arkansas, Marriage Records volume A, 1853-1868; FHL film 981,960, item 1.

and died 28 August 1915 at Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas.⁵⁸

*Out of this fast throng
Of Collins and Searcy fame
There is only one
Who has ever been true to the name.
The Girls have changed names entirely
While the boys have drafted in new
But dear old Sister Alice
Has been Searcy through and through.
Out of this entire lot
I believe her the dearest and best
If anyone here doubt it
I'll prove it by the rest.*

16. ii. **Mary Alice³ Searcy (John Reuben,² Reuben¹)** was born 13 July 1872 at Annover, Bradley County, Arkansas, and died 8 May 1942. She is buried at Searcy Cemetery in Cleveland County, Arkansas.

“Aunt Alice” became a Christian when a young girl and united with the Baptist Church. She attended Blue Mountain Female College in Mississippi during 1887 and 1888 at age fifteen and graduated from Ouachita Baptist College in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, in 1892. Following the early deaths of her parents, “Sissie” raised her younger brothers and sisters. She taught school for twenty years, taking her youngest sister Lola and her pallet quilt along while she was too young to attend school. Moree, J. B., and Maude, her other siblings, were students in the school. In 1905 she went to work for “Cousin” Ira Moore, helping to care for his children following the death of his wife. She taught school a couple of years in the Rison School before going to work as bookkeeper for Ira Moore, Merchant, Ginner and Planter. She worked at this job until her health failed in 1938 when she moved to the home of her sister Maude Searcy Smith. She had a stroke in July 1939 that left her helpless. “Aunt Alice” was a devout Christian who lived her religion and was loved by all the family and her friends. She died 8 May 1942.⁵⁹

⁵⁸ Cleveland County Arkansas Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas, Cemetery Records, Volume Three*, 94, Greenwood Cemetery, Rison, Arkansas.

⁵⁹ “Miss Alice Searcy Claimed by Death,” undated clipping from unidentified newspaper, in family papers of Jim Searcy Childers, 40 Wingate Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, niece

17. iii. **Charles³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)**, born 18 November 1874 in Dorsey County, Arkansas, married Lucy Jane Nance 7 September 1898 at Burks, Saline County, Arkansas. He died 12 October 1942 and Lucy died 22 November 1963. Both are buried in Old Rosemont Cemetery at Benton, Saline County, Arkansas.
18. iv. **Robert Collins³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born 4 December 1876 in Dorsey County. He married Carrie Mae Edrington 2 September 1904 in Bradley County. He died 27 May 1945 in Rison and Carrie died 25 July 1973 in Casa Grande, Arizona. Both are buried at Greenwood Cemetery in Rison.⁶⁰
19. v. **Isabelle³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born in 1879 and died in 1882. She is buried in the Searcy Family Cemetery.⁶¹
20. vi. **Eliza Maude³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born 14 August 1881 in Dorsey County, Arkansas, and died 22 November 1963 at Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas. She married William Rufus Smith on 21 June 1904. William Rufus Smith died 18 January 1956. They are buried in the Smith Morgan Cemetery at Smith's Chapel in Cleveland County.⁶²
21. vii. **J. B.³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born 18 October 1883 at Annover, Cleveland County, Arkansas, and married (1) Velma Hawk on 30 December 1914 at Wilmar, Drew County, Arkansas. Following her death he married (2) Tennie May on 15 January 1925 in Calhoun County, Arkansas. He died 25 November 1949 at Baptist Hospital in Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas, and was buried beside his second wife in Greenwood Cemetery in Rison, Cleveland County, Arkansas.⁶³

J. B. Searcy was named after his uncle, Rev. James Bryant Searcy. His early education was at Annover followed by enrollment at Ouachita

of Alice Searcy. The date 8 May 1942 is handwritten on the clipping. Desmond Walls Allen, *Arkansas Death Records Index, 1941-1948*, page 541, lists Searcy, Mary Ali___, Cleveland County, 5/8/[19]42.

⁶⁰ Cleveland County Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County, Arkansas, Cemetery Records, Volume Three*, 94.

⁶¹ *Ibid.*, 94.

⁶² *Ibid.*, 321.

⁶³ *Ibid.*, 94.

Baptist College. Because of the early death of his parents, he took turns going to school and staying home to work crops with his brothers and sisters so they could all get an education. He was a tall man at six feet, one inch, with blue eyes and black hair before becoming bald in his early twenties. Following his education at Ouachita Baptist College, he taught school for a time at Summerville in Calhoun County. Next he worked for Cudahay Meat Packing Company, traveling on the train in Oklahoma and Arkansas to sell meat. He met his first wife, Velma Hawk of Wilmar, when she was working in a grocery store he supplied with meat from Cudahay. She was the daughter of James A. Hawk and Amanda Jennie Bradley. Following their marriage J. B. and Velma lived in Rison. He later worked as a bookkeeper in I. E. Moore's General Store in Rison, losing his job following the death of Ira Moore in October 1934. J. B. opened a service station and grocery store next door to his home in Rison and ran it until 23 March 1938 when fire destroyed his store building. He was a member of the Culpepper Masonic Lodge at Rison and was initiated into the Saraha Temple Shrine at Pine Bluff in May 1928. He was baptized by a minister of the Rison Baptist Church in 1927 at Pool in the Saline River. During WWII he worked at the arsenals in Camden and Pine Bluff. His second wife, Tennie May Searcy, died of a stroke on 18 November 1949 at Davis Hospital in Pine Bluff. J. B. Searcy was in the hospital recovering from gall bladder surgery and upon learning of his wife's death, seemed to give up and died in Baptist Hospital in Little Rock a week later.⁶⁴

22. viii. **Mina Moree³ Searcy (John Reuben³, Reuben¹)** was born 17 December 1885 at Annover, Cleveland County. She married Bennett W. Harrell 26 March 1911 in Calhoun County, Arkansas, and died 23 November 1966 at Hampton. She is buried in the Dickinson Cemetery at Harrell.⁶⁵
23. ix. **Willie Modena³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born 4 August 1889 at Annover and died 4 April 1891. She was buried in the Searcy Family Cemetery, Cleveland County, Arkansas, on Highway 5 between Pansy and Rye.⁶⁶

⁶⁴ Oral history interviews with his daughter, Jim Searcy Childers, 40 Wingate Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, 23 November 2006.

⁶⁵ Mollie Weisinger Grant, *Calhoun County: Cemetery Records of Calhoun County, Arkansas*, 38.

⁶⁶ Cleveland County Extension Homemakers Council, *Cleveland County Arkansas, Cemetery Records, Volume Three*, 289, Searcy Cemetery.

24. x. **Johnnie³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)** was born and died 19 July 1891. He was buried in the Searcy Family Cemetery.
25. xi. **Lola³ Corine Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)**, a twin, was born 24 January 1893 at Annover and married Russell Lee Ramsay 28 July 1916 at Little Rock. She died 17 May 1965 and is buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Colorado Springs, El Paso County, Colorado. Russell Ramsay died 27 September 1967 and is also buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Colorado Springs.
26. xii. **Ola³ Searcy (John Reuben², Reuben¹)**, a twin, was born 24 January 1893 at Annover and died 23 February 1895. She was buried in the Searcy Family Cemetery.

Conclusion

*Now all the descendants of all of these
Are most too numerous to mention
But I dare say there are Searcy seed
All over this entire nation.*

Record losses in “burned counties” and various unusual ways of spelling and indexing the name Searcy, including Circia, Corcia, Learcy, Learey, Sasser, Searcy, Search, and Sercy, presented great challenges in tracing Reuben and Isabella Searcy’s descendants. But using the poem for clues and tracing other families involved in their lives helped open the pathways to records in the migration trails of their children. All available records that could be located were searched, and interviews with descendants who willingly shared their records, stories, and photographs added to the story.

**GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES AT THE HISTORICAL
RESEARCH CENTER: UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR
MEDICAL SCIENCES LIBRARY
Part I: Physicians**

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After doing all the “right things,” many people working on genealogy realize that whomever they are researching had ties to the very broad field of health sciences in Arkansas. However, finding out more about that person and his or her connection to that field appears to be difficult if not impossible.

The UAMS Library’s Historical Research Center contains resources that may help. Organized in 1978, and located on the second floor of the UAMS Library, the Historical Research Center exists to preserve the history of the health sciences in Arkansas and make it accessible. The staff receives several requests a year concerning people who may or may not have been doctors, or nurses, or pharmacists or other members of the health professions in Arkansas.

Anyone is welcome to come in and use the HRC, but the UAMS campus is undergoing a renovation, and parking is problematical and definitely not free. If you do wish to come in person, the hours are 8-5 Monday through Friday, though arrangements can be made to use items in the collection on weekends. Requests for research may be made by email to SaarAmandaE@uams.edu; or by telephone, for a simple inquiry, at 501-686-6733; or by letter to HRC, UAMS Library #586, 4301 W. Markham, Little Rock, AR 72205. The latter is quite often the best choice for many people. The charge is \$.10 per copy for photocopies or copies of microfilm or microfiche.

In order to locate as much information as possible about the person, it is best if the inquiry contains:

- The person’s full name, and date of birth and death if possible
- What area of the state the person probably worked in
- Which medical area might be involved: doctor, nurse, pharmacist, med tech, etc.
- Why the researcher thinks the HRC might be of help

The reply to the inquiry will be in writing, either a letter or email, that describes the information found, and the location of that information.

Physicians: Background

It has been said that in early Arkansas a person could come to the territory or state, claim to be a doctor, act like one, and be consulted as if he was one. That is true, although many of the early doctors did “read” to be a doctor with another physician, and learned their skills that way. As another person pointed out, “they really didn’t have much to learn, anyway,” which, from the perspective of what is required to practice modern medicine, may hold some truth.

However, there were medical schools in the United States beginning in 1765 and some people who later ended up in Arkansas both attended them and graduated from them. There were also medical schools in Arkansas beginning in 1879.

Medical Schools in Arkansas

What is now the College of Medicine at UAMS began as the Medical Department of the Arkansas Industrial University in 1879, and was known as that until 1899. From 1899 to 1918, it was called the University of Arkansas Medical Department. In 1918 it became the University of Arkansas School of Medicine, and in 1975 it became the University of Arkansas College of Medicine. It is now one of six colleges, one graduate school, one hospital, many outpatient clinics, institutes, and centers that make up the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, the only academic health science center in Arkansas.

If a person is suspected of having graduated from, or attended, any of the precursor schools of the present College of Medicine, there are resources that can be consulted.

Sources

The first resource is the four-volume limited edition print set called *Class Rosters*. Compiled by the late Horace N. Marvin, Ph.D., *Class Rosters* lists the members of each Medicine class from 1879 through 1978, with notations about each person’s origin and gender and whether or not he dropped out and re-entered, withdrew, or eventually graduated.

The print work is not indexed by person's name, so the Library staff is in the process of creating an Excel spreadsheet listing the contents of the *Class Rosters*, with a worksheet for each letter of the alphabet. This spreadsheet is a very helpful tool, but until it is finished, information on the person's date of birth is useful in case the print version needs to be checked year by year.

The second resource is a book published in 1979 written by W. David Baird titled *Medical Education in Arkansas 1879-1978*. Dr. Baird was on the history faculty at UA Fayetteville at the time of the UAMS Centennial in 1979, and wrote this very interesting history. Included in the book are several appendices. One appendix lists all faculty members in the College of Medicine from 1879-1978; another lists graduates by year. This book also lists graduates from the other UAMS colleges from their beginning until 1978. The HRC has copies of this work available for purchase for \$15.00, which includes postage.

The third resource is a list of the students and graduates of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. The College of Physicians and Surgeons began as a medical society in Little Rock in 1873, but later incorporated a hospital and a medical department in 1906 that included training for nurses and pharmacists as well. The College of Physicians and Surgeons merged its Medical Department with the University of Arkansas Medical Department in 1911. Records from 1873 to 1918 are in the UAMS Library Historical Research Center Archives, Box 257.

The fourth resource, and sometimes the first consulted depending on the request, is a group of directories. The HRC has directories or photocopies of the Arkansas pages of national medical directories dating from 1874. Each directory is slightly different, but primarily the information contained in each is organized by state, and within state, by town. The information on each person listed may be based on a questionnaire sent to the person, but sometimes the source is unclear.

In many of the directories there is some symbol by the person's name, indicating that the questionnaire has not been returned. Depending on the directory, information may include the person's year of birth, place of medical education, date of graduation, date of licensing, location of his practice at the time of the reply, and at times the office address, the home address, and the office hours.

Some directories also give background on the medical schools in existence at the time of the directory's publication, whether or not they ceased to exist, or if they merged or otherwise changed their names. In

other instances, a web search will locate the descendent college or verify that the college still exists. For example, Jefferson Medical College is still in existence, has an archives, and information on a graduate from that institution may still be available by contacting the archivist at <http://jeffline.jefferson.edu/SML/archives/index.html>

If a person practiced in Arkansas, it is possible that he or she published articles in Arkansas medical journals. In 1986, the Historical Research Center's History of Medicine Associates, in conjunction with the Arkansas Medical Society, published the *Index to the Journal of the Arkansas Medical Society* covering July 1890 through May 1986. This publication includes an index to authors as well as one by medical subject headings.

Also useful are two other resources: *Obituary Index from Arkansas Health Sciences Publications* (HRC, May 1981), and the *Collection of Obituaries of Arkansas Health Professionals* clipping file (HRC S503). There is also a Biography File in the HRC, arranged by surname and containing information that may not easily fit elsewhere.

Licensing

A very good description of the licensing situation in Arkansas is given in Baird's *Medical Education in Arkansas 1879-1978*.

Below is a timeline, based on the information in Baird.

1831 – The Arkansas Legislature passed legislation for licensure in Arkansas. Governor John Pope vetoed.

1881 – First law enacted, requiring registration by county, with the records kept in the county clerk's office.

1893 – Licensure law passed creating state board.

1895 – Repealed 1893 licensure law and restored county examining board system. Remained in effect until 1903.

1903 – Licensure law passed, required three boards, each to offer exam.

1909 – General Assembly made a diploma from a recognized medical school a prerequisite to taking a licensing exam.

1929 – Law passed requiring candidates for a license to practice medicine in Arkansas to first pass an examination in the basic sciences. This law had its origins in the 1920s, when many different types of medical practitioners competed with "regular" doctors for public acceptance and recognition. This board was eventually known as the

Basic Sciences and Healing Arts Board, and all who wished to practice any form of medicine in Arkansas had to take the exam.

[Nationwide, one of the oddities of the physician licensing system was the separation of physicians into three groups, based on their approach to treatment. Arkansas as well as other states had an examining board for each group:

- Homeopaths:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Homeopathy#The_principle_of_medical_similars
- Eclectics: see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eclectic_Medicine
- Allopaths: most like modern day practitioners]

1955 – The Arkansas General Assembly abolished the fifty-two year-old system of medical licensure whereby eclectic, homeopathic, and regular physicians had been certified by their different boards (less than one hundred eclectics and few, if any, homeopaths continued to practice in the state.) A single Arkansas State Medical Board composed of nine members was created and authorized to license physicians to practice medicine within the state.

1959 – Original law changed to make the administration of the basic sciences exam a State Healing Arts Board.

1977 – State Legislature abolished Healing Arts Board.

Why is this knowledge important? From 1929-1977, any person wanting to practice medicine in Arkansas had to have had interaction with both of these boards. For many, records of both boards have survived and can be helpful.

The records of the Basic Sciences and Healing Arts Board (1929-1977) are housed in the HRC Distribution Center with the index at the HRC proper. These records consist mostly of applications to take the exam, complete with photographs, and are also available on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission. These are very useful for background information.

The Arkansas State Medical Board has applications for licenses going back before 1900. In most cases, each applicant did receive a license, and those licenses were sent to the applicant, but the application, with some background information, remained with the agency handling the examination. Contact the Arkansas State Medical Board at 501-296-1802 or <http://www.armedicalboard.org/index.asp>

What about individuals who practiced in other states? Some of the resources listed above could be helpful, such as the directories. However, other states will have similar resources, and the HRC can supply information about accessing those sources also.

The next article in this series will deal with resources for those in the nursing profession.

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THREE LEE SISTERS OF JOHNSON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

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At the time of the 1860 federal census of Johnson County, Arkansas, the household of Thomas and Margaret (Cravens) Whittaker contained three Lee girls: Margaret age six; Arabella age five; and Sophia age two.¹ The question is who were their parents and what became of them and the girls?

William Lee, age thirty-eight and born in North Carolina, was a head of household in the same township.² His household contained only men, listed as farmers, perhaps working on his farm. This William Lee's probate file verifies Margaret and Sophia were his daughters.³ Arabella apparently died young since she is not found after the 1860 census, nor is she listed in the probate record.

The Whittakers, aged in their fifties, were likely the girls' maternal grandparents. In 1850 they were enumerated with a probable daughter, Nancy, age sixteen, in their household.⁴ Undoubtedly due to burned courthouses in Johnson and other nearby counties, no marriage record has been located for William Lee and Nancy Whittaker, but they were probably married about 1853 and became the parents of these three girls. We will not find the couple together in a census as the *Arkansas Baptist* of 11 March 1859 records Nancy's death as follows: "On the 24th Feb., 1859, in Johnson county, Ark., Mrs. Nancy Lee, wife of Wm. Lee."⁵ William Lee and Thomas Whittaker likely had some connection, as

¹ Thomas Whitaker household, 1860 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, Clarksville post office, p. 958, dwelling and family 231; National Archives [hereafter NA] microfilm M653, roll 44.

² William Lee household, 1860 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, Pekin post office, p. 942, dwelling and family 113; NA microfilm M653, roll 44.

³ William Lee probate, Logan County loose probate papers, file box no. 39, Logan County Courthouse, Paris, Arkansas.

⁴ Thomas Whittaker household, 1850 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, p. 125B, dwelling and family 43; NA microfilm M432, roll 27.

⁵ Nancy Lee obituary, *The Arkansas Baptist*, Little Rock, Arkansas, 11 March 1859, page 3, column 5.

William Lee's probate file indicates he owned the same eighty acres Thomas Whittaker homesteaded in 1843 near the Patterson Bluff area.⁶

William Lee, age thirty-nine, married second Lucy M. Titsworth on 19 September 1861, in Franklin County, Arkansas.⁷ She was a daughter of John and Mary Ann (Johnson) Titsworth.⁸ William Lee's parents remain unknown, but he was not a son of William and Dicey (Ennis) Lee as has been suggested by other researchers. Their son William was born in Tennessee ten years after this one was born in North Carolina.

William and Lucy Lee's children were: Mary N. Lee, born circa 1863, married David D. Caulk on 23 March 1879,⁹ and apparently died before 1900 when he was living alone in Oklahoma; John Ryan Lee, born circa 1864, married Tinney McFadden on 21 June 1884;¹⁰ Joseph J. Lee, born circa 1867; Lorenzo S. Lee, born circa 1868; Henry Edwin Lee, born circa 1869; Lindsey Rufus Lee, born April 1870; Isaac Newton Lee, born circa 1872; and George W. Lee, born circa 1874.¹¹ What became of these heirs is unknown.

William Lee died between the 1870 census¹² and when his probate was filed about June 1874, while the Sarber County (later renamed Logan County) courthouse was in Ellsworth, Arkansas. After that courthouse burned the county seat was moved to Paris and his probate was re-filed there. Along with the children of William Lee and his second wife, Lucy M. Titsworth, the probate lists as heirs George A. Maddox and Sophia Cravens.¹³

In 1870, George A. Maddox and his 17-year-old wife, Margaret (Lee) were living in his mother's household in Johnson County,

⁶ Desmond Walls Allen and Bobbie Jones McLane, compilers, *Arkansas Land Patents: Logan County* (Conway, Arkansas: Arkansas Research, 1991), 85.

⁷ Franklin County, Arkansas, Marriage Record 1850-1861: 275; Family History Library [hereafter FHL] microfilm 1034243.

⁸ John Titsworth household, 1860 U.S. census, Franklin County, Arkansas, Lower township, Roseville post office, p. 358, dwelling 842, family 805; NA microfilm M653, roll 41.

⁹ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book B: 119; FHL microfilm 1027136.

¹⁰ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book C: 22; FHL microfilm 1027136.

¹¹ William Lee probate, Logan County loose probate papers.

¹² William Lee household, 1870 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, Ellsworth post office, p. 10B, dwelling and family 139, NA microfilm M593, roll 57.

¹³ William Lee probate, Logan County loose probate papers.

Arkansas.¹⁴ Their marriage record has not been found. An Ellsworth church record states that “Maggie Maddox died in October 1875,”¹⁵ indicating why she was not named in William Lee’s probate but her husband was. The 1880 Logan County, Arkansas, census¹⁶ indicates that Margaret was the mother of Thomas R. Maddox who married Lydia Titsworth in 1897¹⁷ and probably John A. Maddox, age five in 1880.

Eleven-year-old Sophia Lee was living in the Whittaker household in 1870.¹⁸ She and Jesse Jenkins Cravens were married about 1876. No marriage record has been found since the courthouse in Paris burned in October 1877. Their household in 1880 contained two sons: Herbert, age three, and Thomas R., age five months.¹⁹ They were divorced in 1880 or 1881, as he remarried in December 1881.²⁰ Sophia Lee Cravens then married Leroy Hixson on 26 August 1888.²¹ By 1900, she was a widow with two Hixson sons: Cliff, age ten, and Emmett, age six.²² Leroy Hixson appears to have died between 1893 and 1900. Sophia (Lee) Cravens Hixson was age sixty-two in the 1920 Logan County, Arkansas, census²³ living on the Morrison Bluff and Cotton Town road with her son Emmett and his wife Eunice (Willis) Hixson.²⁴

In June 1874 when the probate judge ordered a deed for forty acres made out to William Lee’s widow, she was Lucy M. Moore.²⁵ She had

¹⁴ Caesar Maddox household, 1870 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Spadra township, Clarksville post office, p. 107, dwelling and family 162; NA microfilm M593, roll 57.

¹⁵ The author’s abstracts of privately held copies of the church records.

¹⁶ George A. Maddox household, 1880 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, enumeration district [hereafter ED] 96, p. 222D, dwelling 310, family 319; NA microfilm T9, roll 50.

¹⁷ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book DE: 612; FHL microfilm 1027138.

¹⁸ Thomas Whitaker household, 1870 U.S. census, Johnson County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, Ellsworth post office, p. 9B, dwelling and family 119; NA microfilm M593, roll 57.

¹⁹ Jessie J. Cravens household, 1880 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, population schedule, Clark township, ED 96, p. 223A, dwelling 316, family 325; NA microfilm T9, roll 50.

²⁰ Johnson County, Arkansas, Marriage Book P: 297; FHL microfilm 1027106.

²¹ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book C: 400; FHL microfilm 1027137.

²² Sophia Hixson household, 1900 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, Clark township, ED 51, p. 59A, dwelling 107, family 116; NA microfilm T623, roll 66.

²³ Emmett Hixson household, 1920 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, Clark township, ED 48, p. 99A, dwelling 48, family 49; NA microfilm T625, roll 71.

²⁴ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book J: 357; FHL microfilm 1027141.

²⁵ William Lee probate, Logan County loose probate papers.

married second Joseph Moore and they are listed together in the 1880 Logan County, Arkansas, census with a son James M. Moore age one.²⁶ Lucy's children by William Lee were scattered in four different households in Logan County in 1880, one of them being the household of Lucy's eldest daughter Mary N. Lee and her husband David Caulk.²⁷ Joseph Moore apparently died within a few years, as Lucy married for the third time to S. Duke on 4 December 1887.²⁸

The probate judge also ordered a deed for forty acres made out to George A. Maddox and the remaining William Lee land to be equally divided amongst the other heirs.²⁹ This apparently was not done as the 1890 Logan County, Arkansas, tax book was still showing his land as "William Lee Estate."³⁰

If you have information, records or pictures and wish to communicate about any of these people, please write to Bill Hanks at the address above.

²⁶ Joseph Moore household, 1880 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, Ellsworth township, ED 96, p. 218D, dwelling 248, family 255; NA microfilm T9, roll 50.

²⁷ Thos. Whittaker household, 1880 U.S. census, Logan County, Arkansas, St. Mountain township, ED 97, p. 241B, dwelling 181, family 196, contained John Lee, age 16; W. H. Fort household on p. 245 in same ED and township contained Linsy Lee, age 11; David D. Caulk household, Six Mile township, ED 98, p. 293, dwelling 541, family 553, contained Joseph Lee 13, Lorenzo S. 11, Newton J. 8, and George W. 6; Joseph Cravens household, Logan township, ED 96, p. 211A, dwelling 136, family 141, contains an Edward Lee, age 12, who may be William and Lucy's son Edwin; NA T9, roll 50.

²⁸ Logan County, Arkansas, Marriage Book C: 320; FHL microfilm 1027136.

²⁹ William Lee probate, Logan County loose probate papers.

³⁰ Logan County, Arkansas, Real Estate Tax Book for 1890: 86; FHL microfilm 1027157, item 2.

1867 VOTER LIST
COLUMBIA COUNTY, ARKANSAS
PART 2

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In 1867 the U. S. Congress passed acts providing for the registration of voters and 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 for Arkansas survived 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 sometimes numbered. The following is the list of Columbia 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 Cos.

Harrison Township
Thompson's Store Election Precinct

No.	Name	No.	Name
	Page 33	914	Edward Jones
905	James L J. Gilbert	915	George Pipkin
906	Hiram H. Weaver	916	Peter Joyner
907	Daniel M. Green	917	William Green
908	Henry F. Hicks	918	Wyatt Jimison
909	Willoughby Edwards	919	Benjamin Johnson
910	James McCurly	920	Noridge Butler
911	Simeon Dennis	<u>White</u>	
912	Garland Walker	921	William T. Black
		922	Ruben Bearden
<u>Colored</u>		923	Thomas Birmingham
913	William Milner	<u>Colored</u>	
		924	Abraham M. Machen

No.	Name	No.	Name
925	Charles Butler	957	Everett Sanders
<u>White</u>		958	James Kendrick
926	Olin G. Moores	959	Peter Buffington
927	John C. Watts	<u>White</u>	
<u>Colored</u>		960	Joseph T. Powell
928	Simeon Weaver	961	James E. Askew
929	Lewis Thompson	962	Lewis H. Westbrook
930	Andrew Lewis	963	Milton Hight
931	Monroe Trammell	964	Wilson Guthry
932	Paul McCracken	965	Thomas R. Elledge
933	Peter Green	966	William R. Green
934	Henery Dickard	<u>Colored</u>	
935	George Cooper	967	Robert Perry
936	Brass Beasley	968	Jacob Bufington
937	Samuel Jefferson	969	Samuel Bufington
938	Thos. Jefferson	970	Willis Godbold
939	Henry Dunn	<u>White</u>	
940	George Dennis	971	James E. Powell
941	Thos. Rogers	972	Levi H. Woolley
942	Moses Serrills	973	John Williams
<u>White</u>		974	John Berry
943	Eli L. Smart	975	Samuel H. Edington
944	James W. Bell	976	William A. Bearden
945	Rufus R. Bunce	<u>Colored</u>	
946	Wiley H. Buffington	977	Anthony Thompson
947	John J. Thompson	978	Ira Fergusson
948	William H. Murphy	979	Samuel Stephens
949	Henry S. Gasden	<u>White</u>	
950	William Banks	980	Andrew J. Thompson
951	Francis M. Strange	981	George Cobb
952	Peyton A. Allison	982	Thomas L. Milner
953	John M. Dennis	983	Samuel M. Watkins
954	James Morris	984	James W. Hartsfield
955	Wm. J. Bateman	985	Thos. Burk
		986	Dudley H. Dennis
		987	James C. Fombey
		988	George W. Reeves
		989	M. B. Oscar
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<u>Colored</u>			
956	Alfred Harlin		

No.	Name
<u>Colored</u>	
990	Washington Weaver
991	Jeremiah Green
992	James Green
993	Elijah Box
994	Nimrod Barnell
995	Minor Young
996	Richard Agee
997	Nelson Moore
998	John Box
<u>White</u>	
999	David J. Green
1000	Robert C. Brummett
1001	William Birmingham
1002	Jesse E. Hays
<u>Colored</u>	
1003	Thomas Melton
1004	Elam Jackson
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1005	George Allen
1006	Nelson Thomas
1007	Jackson Prater
<u>White</u>	
1008	Ben M. Starnes
1009	James E. Smith
1010	Ben F. Chenault
<u>Colored</u>	
1011	Alfred Godbold
1012	James Edwards
<u>White</u>	
1013	Daniel P. Godbold
1014	Asbery B. Murphey
1015	John C. C. Byrd
1016	Wm. L. Edington
<u>Colored</u>	
1017	Charles Valantine
1018	John Jefferson

No.	Name
1019	Joseph Edwards
<u>White</u>	
1020	James H. Finley
1021	James A. Drake
1022	John Murphey
<u>Colored</u>	
1023	Ceazar King
1024	John Fadeous
1025	Phillip Pearce
1026	Joseph King
<u>White</u>	
1027	John McCain
1028	Wm. H. Bell
1029	Wm. R. Lindsey
<u>Colored</u>	
1030	Gilbert Gray
1031	Somersett Smith
1032	William Bolton
<u>White</u>	
1720	Andrew J. Kelly
1721	Stephen Chinnault
1722	James P. McRea
1723	John T. Vaughan
1852	John Ware
1970	James Toland
2055	Thomas Gottin
2057	George W. Gatlin
2066	George H. Murphy
2074	Milton G. Kelso
2111	Jesse Archer
2112	W. L. Westbrook
2158	W. Y. Bailey
2159	S. N. Wright
2168	James R. Bearden
2186	E. C. Lockwood
2198	James W. Starritt
2199	A. J. Birmingham

**Taylor Township
Sulpher Springs Election Precinct**

No.	Name	No.	Name
	Page 37		
1033	James W. Roberts	1063	Wyley P. Malone
1034	Ben J. Williams	1064	John A. Singleton
1035	William J. Bailey	1065	Samuel Plunket
1036	Hickorybud Herran	1066	William C. Realing
1037	John L. Boyce	1067	Samuel H. Plunket
1038	Thos. J. Binge	1068	Nathaniel Malone
1039	Benj. J. Matison	1069	William Halton
1040	Washington G. Smith	1070	Aseriah T. Baley
1041	Joel G. Moody	1071	Charles F. Plunket
1042	Stephen A. Crabb	1072	James H. Henry
1043	Jarett B. Webb	1073	Wilborn Haynie
1044	Benson R. Plunkett	1074	Hampton S. Sanders
1045	Alfred B. Luck	1075	William A. Dean
1046	George W. Matison	1076	John D. Best
1047	James A. Frundsley	1077	Docktor F. Phillips
1048	Austin Mitchel	1078	William W. Stringer
1049	Asa J. Waters	1079	Thomas M. Best
1050	David L. McClung	1080	Wm. B. Bailey
1051	Thomas A Baker	1081	Richard A. Sanders
1052	Nathan Ray	1082	William Bartlett
1053	William R. Burden	<u>Colored</u>	
1054	Baxter B. Benge	1083	Toney Flowers
1055	James S. Marler	1084	Isack Haney
1056	John D. Kieth	1085	Peter Flowers
1057	Wm. Basden	1086	Robert McKeney
1058	Charles Pate	1087	Levi Blake
1059	Lewis Cobb Waters		Page 38
1060	Humphry P. Bearden	1088	Isaac Matison
1061	James Plunket	1089	Miles Haney
1062	Adam Crabb	1090	Joseph Matison
		1091	Rufus Moss

No.	Name	No.	Name
1164	Alexander Moses	1182	Jason Tyson
1165	Alexander Dudley	1586	James A. Pipkin
<u>White</u>		<u>Colored</u>	
1166	John F. Wallis	2011	Sampson Sharman
1167	Edward M. Williams	2088	John R. Atkins
<u>Colored</u>		2089	John L. Atkins
1168	Charles Thomas	2126	J. W. Blake
1169	George Hobson	2127	L. W. Blake
<u>White</u>		2128	D. G. Pipkin
1170	Stephen W. Wright		
1171	William J. Wallace		
1172	Riley Moodey		
1173	Author C. Foyil		
1174	F. W. Baley		
<u>Colored</u>			
1175	Bruce Hobson		
<u>White</u>			
1176	Stephen R. Stewart		
1177	James W. Mixon		
1178	John C. Miller		
1179	Hugh Aarant		
1180	William E. Smith		
1181	James L. Patton		

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2143	Pleasant Dismuke
2151	John H. Williams
2165	T. H. Boswell
2166	John E. Beam
2167	Daniel Hay
2171	Robert Munn
2172	Henry Oliver
2195	James M. Wright
2082	Thomas P. Warmack
2083	Thomas Martin

**Smith Township
Eutaw Election Precinct**

No.	Name	No.	Name
		1191	A. C. Tucker
		1192	Brittan Upchurch
		1193	John B. Willingham
		1194	Thomas J. Spinks
		1195	Franklin M. Moreland
		1196	Offie R. Friday
		1197	William P. Roberson
		1198	Jesse M. Dennis
		1199	Vincent A. Friday
		1200	William H. Reeves

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1183	James Cooper
1184	Johnathan Thradkill
1185	John F. Formbey
1186	William W. Formbey
1187	Josephus C. Formbey
1188	Henry C. Dickson
1189	Joseph Wreyford
1190	Robert Smith

Warren Township
Warren's School House Election Precinct

No.	Name	No.	Name
Page 44		1290	Wiley J. Jones
1256	John M. Warren	1291	Wm. F. Jones
1257	Wm. A. Beasley	1292	Wm. H. Lee
1258	Levi Branch	1293	Caleb Powell
1259	Isaac J. Hudgins	<u>Colored</u>	
1260	John McDaniel	1294	Duglass Fears
1261	Mathew J. Sharp	1295	Jeremiah Boyes
1262	Joel L. Slaughter	1296	Samuel Warren
1263	David C. Haltom	<u>White</u>	
1264	James Hanson	1297	James W. Taylor
1265	Riley Wallace	1298	Thomas Hanson
1266	Henry M. Collier	1299	John B. Collier
1267	Oliver Shurtliff	1300	James England
1268	Felix S. Eddy	1301	Luther R. Lile
1269	John Eddy	1302	Robert C. S. McKamie
1270	Carlins Eddy	1303	James A. Smith
1271	John M. Altom	1304	John W. Clark
1272	Wm. F. Chaffin	1305	Wm. Sauls
1273	Thomas Strange	1306	Nathan Sparks
1274	Wm. R. Queen	1307	Robert Jamison
1275	Charles H. Strong	1308	Zadak L. Daniel
1276	David E. Strong	1309	George R. Story
1277	Pleasant J. Harris	1310	Thomas Branch
1278	Fortunatus Pottman	1311	Pleasant R. Hays
1279	Orrelius P. Carruth	Page 45	
1280	John Shuler	1312	D. W. Dickson
1281	John H. Taylor	1313	Joseph A. Cook
1282	Frank V. Winslow	1314	Wm. R. Aldridge
1283	Albert H. Edwards	1315	Jasper Brumfield
1284	Irvin Holmes	1316	Joel V. Vinson
1285	Adrew W. Frasur	1317	Bernard W. Dufus
1286	Robert C. Warren	1853	Paul T. Dismukes
1287	John M. Warren Jr	1854	James Jamison
1288	John S. Mauldin	2201	W. G. Strange
1289	Wesley Powell		

**Alabama Township
Falcon Election Precinct**

No.	Name	No.	Name
Page 46		1350	J. N. Hariston
1318	Richard F. Hardcastle	1351	J. B. Hariston
1319	Alexander J. Rodes	1352	Jas. L. McNatt
1320	John P. Roberts	1353	Murd Campbell
1321	William Hardcastle	1354	Wiley Nichols
1322	Rural Hovaster	1355	Thomas Hamilton
1323	John W. Landers	1356	M. V. Hamilton
1324	Henry Landes	1357	Thomas W. Hamilton
1325	William Jackson	1358	Larkin Nix
1326	Isaac Massey	1359	William A. J. Cooper
1327	James M. Ham	1360	Burrill Jones
1328	Moses H. Cadell	1361	Anguish B. Jackson
1329	Stephen P. Stubblefield	1362	B. F. Lewis
1330	Richard W. Sandy	1363	H. W. Capehart
1331	Wm. M. Cox	1364	Armestead D. Lewis
1332	Asberry T. Thompson	1365	William Bell
1333	William McNutt	1366	J. L. Cable
1334	Jacob V. Hulse	1367	Josiah W. Darby
1335	John S. Thompson	1368	Anderson Allee
1336	John Cope	1369	William E. Mills
1337	Eligah Lewis	1370	Gabriel M. McSawain
1338	James R. Nelson	1371	Cable C. McSwain
1339	James S. Brandon	1372	Green B. Boswill
1340	William Brooks	1373	John M. Callicott
1341	James W. Brooks	Page 47	
1342	James Ormand	1374	Rubin Ridling
1343	Peter J. Russell	1375	James C. Muldin
1344	Marville M. Olive	1376	Frankling Farley
1345	Charles H. Nichols	1377	John R. Bell
1346	James Carington	1378	John D. Wage
1347	Joseph Berry	1379	M. D. Garrett
1348	John Berry	1380	Wm. B. Nance
1349	Andrew J. Nichols	1381	Eli H. Riley

No.	Name	No.	Name
1447	Osker Phillips	<u>White</u>	
1448	Wm. Clary	1479	Ruben Cornelius
1449	Newton V. Rogers	1480	Wm. R. Rusweell
1450	Wiley J. Sheckelford	1481	James B. Hardcastle
1451	Natham Carson	1482	Jesse Boyett
1452	Thomas M. Knighton	1483	Calvin J. Craine
1453	William P. Hairston	1484	Thos. A. McCraw
1454	John W. Crain	<u>Colored</u>	
1455	James F. Adams	1485	Thos. R. Arlington
<u>Colored</u>		1486	Rufus Madden
1456	James Clay	1487	Gravett Dandredge
1457	Cyrus Gibson	1488	Alfred Garrett
1458	Richard Bunting	<u>White</u>	
1459	Boston Wilborn	1489	Thomas Millwee
1460	Samuel Tucker	1490	Thopbelus Burk
1461	Henry Bayles	1491	Robert Ormand
<u>White</u>		1492	Lorenzo Burk
1462	Peter P. Nichols	1493	Samuel Smith
1463	Francis Alldar	1494	Thomas J. Millwee
1464	M. J. Carlock	1495	Wm. C. Milwee
1465	James Vick	1496	James A. Milwee
<u>Colored</u>		1497	Henry Davis
1466	Simon Askew	1498	Wyatt H. Brooks
1467	Aaron Gantt	1499	George W. DeVaughan
1468	Wyatt Lowdermill	1500	James R. Giles
1469	Martin Henry	1501	Thomas N. Valient
1470	Robert Dailey	1502	Green W. Darmon
1471	Peter Roberts	1503	James Henry
1472	Henry Gulley	1504	Robert L. Knighten
1473	Samuel Cox	1505	James W. Knighten
1474	Alexander Scott	1506	Henry Cox
		1507	Wm. Crain
		1508	John F. Ormand
		1509	Curtis W. Lewis
		1510	Joseph R. Rockett
		1511	Samuel W. Crosnoe
		<u>Colored</u>	
		1512	Wyatt J. Mauldin
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1475	Henry Scott		
1476	Whit Rogers		
1477	Peter Langdon		
1478	Pompey Willbert		

No.	Name	No.	Name
<u>White</u>			
1513	Martin M. Crain	1521	Elini F. Gourdan
1514	Wm. McClure	1522	Elhan J. Alder
1515	George J. Bland	1523	John D. Rodgers
1516	Thomas F. Cox		
1517	George J. Parr		
1518	Jasper Barfield		
<u>Colored</u>			
1519	Moses Cornelius		
1520	William Thompson		

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1524	Joseph E. Rodgers
1525	Albert G. Stranger

**Magnolia Township
Magnolia Election Precinct**

No.	Name	No.	Name
		1546	Moses Lewis
		1547	Moses Lewis Jr.
		<u>White</u>	
		1548	Eligiah N. Chinnault
		1549	Samuel Torrans
		1550	Warren S. Parhain
		1551	James B. Rudd
		1552	James R. Melton
		1553	Andrew J. Hudman
		1554	James A. Matisett
		1555	Joel M. Wilson
		1556	Wm. McDonald
		<u>Colored</u>	
		1557	Isaac Gray
		<u>White</u>	
		1558	John T. Sharman
		1559	Josiah A. Christa
		1560	Francis M. Lewis
		<u>Colored</u>	
		1561	Wallace Dunn
		1562	Thomas Dunn
		1563	Horrace J. Jackson
		1564	George W. Furlow

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1526	Jonathan S. Hogue
1527	Wm. H. C. Reed
1528	Thos. H. Dismukes
1529	Clark A. Cornine
1530	Stephen A. Snell
1531	David Snell
<u>Colored</u>	
1532	John Wellborn
<u>White</u>	
1533	Benjamin W. Bennett
1534	Robt. R. Sharman
<u>Colored</u>	
1535	Wm. Blakeley
1536	Willis Harriss
1537	Taylor Givins
1538	Jefferson Mahone
1539	Henry Pulig
1540	Jeremiah Jameson
1543	Richard Warnick
1544	Edmond Morgan
1545	Levi Scott

No.	Name
1565	Monroe Dunn
<u>White</u>	
1566	George W. Dailey
<u>Colored</u>	
1567	Henry Thompson
<u>White</u>	
1568	Jeff Lewis
<u>Colored</u>	
1579	Burrell Dunn
<u>White</u>	
1580	Wm. H. Rose
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1581	James M. Marshall
1582	Thos. J. Grimmitt
<u>Colored</u>	
1583	Harrison Paschal
1584	Benjamin Givens
1585	Jefferson Givens
<u>White</u>	
1587	Burl Truplett
1588	Francis M. Brady
1593	Charles H. Palmer
1594	Lucious D. Palmer
1595	Larkin Barmore
1596	James Simmons
1597	John C. Walker
1598	James L. Nabers
1599	Jonathan Parker
1600	John Thompson
1601	Wm. Wilson
1602	Jacob B. Powell
1603	James H. Franklin
1604	Thos. W. Hudson
1605	Washington G. Stratten
<u>Colored</u>	
1606	Wyatt Means
1607	Arthur Woodenmore

No.	Name
1608	Edward Sharp
1609	Albert Sharp
1610	Burrell Bradford
1611	Handy Banks
1612	Alfred Roberts
1613	Fredrick Crawford
1626	Hilliard Scott
1627	Glasgow Scott
1628	Elbert Scott
1629	Charles Curry
1630	Green Hall
1631	Clark Sharman
1632	Spencer Scott
1633	Moses Curry
<u>White</u>	
1634	David M. Barnwell
1635	John C. Staggs
1636	Joseph Jacops
1637	Drakeford L. Trammell
1638	James M. Beasley
1639	H. P. Skinner
1640	James M. Emerson
1641	John L. Emerson
1642	Stephen D. Kendrick
1643	Nathan Loventhal
1644	James K. Chennault
1645	Melchadick Voss
1647	James Bennett
1648	Robert H. Emerson
1651	Charles B. Morgan
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1652	William H. Young
1653	Ransom F. Owen
1654	William A. F. Parker
<u>Colored</u>	
1655	Robert Cofield

No.	Name	No.	Name
<u>White</u>		<u>White</u>	
1656	John F. Turner	1689	John C. Green
1657	John R. Finley	1690	Benjamin F. Staggs
1658	Robert Masters	<u>Colored</u>	
1659	Riley Thompson	1691	Henry Harrison
1661	Jonathan W. Jordan	<u>White</u>	
1662	Wm. B. Eubank	1692	Willis Chambers
1663	William Holden	1693	Jesse F. Chambers
1664	Henry Murphy	1694	Thomas C. Chambers
1665	Green Hunt	1695	Benj. A. Clemens
1666	Alexander Friarson	1696	Wm. W. Hales
1667	A. H. Palmer	<u>Colored</u>	
1668	John W. Dodson	1697	Charles Jack
1669	Jacob Atchison	Page 55	
1670	Daniel W. Payne	<u>White</u>	
<u>Colored</u>		1705	Cicero A. Ansley
1671	Osna Johnson	1706	Josia C. Ansley
1672	Isam Smoote	<u>Colored</u>	
1673	Isam Boone	1707	Stephen Driver
1674	Henry Trammell	<u>White</u>	
1675	Jarvis Askew	1708	Jas. E. Yarbrough
1676	Allen Wyatt	1709	Christopher C. Dickson
1677	Mark Trammel	<u>Colored</u>	
<u>White</u>		1710	James Harton
1678	Calhoun Wyrick	1711	Stephen Walker
1679	John M. Wyrick	1712	Stanton Walker
<u>Colored</u>		1713	Doctor Trammel
1680	Charles Hicks	1714	Johnson Beasley
1681	Judge Trammel	<u>White</u>	
1682	James Pearce	1715	Samuel Morris
1683	Andrew Johnson	1716	Howard G. Nabers
1684	Henry Carry	<u>Colored</u>	
1685	Reuben Frazier	1717	Miles Lewis
<u>White</u>		1718	Pinkney Alexander
1686	Jefferson W. Runyan	<u>White</u>	
1687	John Adkins	1719	David C. Trammel
<u>Colored</u>		1725	Albert H. Vaughan
1688	George Roberts		

No.	Name	No.	Name
1726	William H. Key	1759	James A. McCall
1727	Henry T. Wickersham	1760	Josiah Bussy
1728	William Faulk	1761	Geo. W. Rea
1729	David W. Dees	<u>Colored</u>	
<u>Colored</u>		1762	Jacob Harton
1730	Jackson Key	1763	James Warrick
1734	Jackson Jack	1764	Abraham Warrick
1735	William Wilburn	1765	Willis Warrick
1738	Jordan Joiner	1766	Charles Warrick
1739	Sidney Roberson	1767	Charles Wrayford
<u>White</u>		1768	Moses Collins
1740	Sedgwick W. Wilkison	1769	Wade Collins
1741	William A. Simmons	1770	Wesley Collins
1742	Henry L. Thomas	1771	Eli Trammel
1743	Flemming Burke	<u>White</u>	
1744	Enoch A. Simmons	1772	George W. Payne
1745	Henry Nelson	1773	James Vaughan
1746	Rufus K. Formby	1774	William C. Jack
1747	David Parish	1775	Alexander B. Thomas
<u>Colored</u>		1776	Elijah A. Shippey
1748	Dennis Griffin	1777	Eli Dudley
1749	Reese Sherman	1778	Jeremiah M. Hartsfield
1750	William Hall	1779	William Boyd
<u>White</u>		1780	Jno. N. Simmons
1751	Daniel Triplett	1781	Jas. Wm. Henry
<u>Colored</u>		1782	Elisha Maness
1752	John Payne	1783	Charles Smith
1753	Julius Dismuke	<u>Colored</u>	
<u>White</u>		1784	Jesse Collins
1754	William Rose	1785	Cyris Penn
<u>Colored</u>		1787	Charles Coleman
1755	Jefferson Cobb	<u>White</u>	
1756	James Dickson	1789	Milton Granger
		1790	Jeremiah Tucker
		1791	John H. Hale
		1792	Solomon James Torrans
		1793	Jacob W. Jordan

White

1757 George B. Archer
1758 William F. Barlow

No.	Name	No.	Name
<u>Colored</u>		1833	Thos. J. Owsley
1794	Peter Lewis	1834	Samuel E. Davis
1795	Henry Smith	1835	Archibald R. McKenley
1796	Lewis Vaughan	1836	J. T. Hudman
1797	York Cleaver	1837	James J. Aldridge
1798	Nathaniel Hall	<u>Colored</u>	
1799	Green Hall	1838	Lovelas May
1800	Wesley Hall	1839	Alexander Griffith
1801	Aaron Hall	1840	Addison Wyrick
1802	Harry Johnson	1841	Russell Latta
1803	Benjamin Crawford	1842	Alfred Elmore
1804	Abram Jackson	1843	Hartwell Marble
<u>White</u>		1844	Jesse Cross
1812	Spencer Haltom	1845	Jackson Robison
1813	William Cooper	1846	Jefferson Fears
1814	Isam L. Cooper	1847	James Davis
1815	Jesse A. Starling	1848	Dublin Simmons
Page 57		1849	Andrew Qualls
1816	Elias Groves	1850	Ben Brown
1817	Joseph T. Bailey	1851	Eligah Robeson
1818	Wm. P. Tucker	<u>White</u>	
1819	Lewis Carter	1856	Norborne Young
<u>Colored</u>		1858	Henderson Maness
1820	Thomas Young	1859	Peter M. Simmons
1821	Samuel Dismukes	1860	Josiah Dickson
1822	Thomas Morgan	1862	Charles C. Lyle
1823	Turner Gantt	<u>Colored</u>	
1824	Daniel Webster	1863	David Robertson
1825	Henderson Ellis	1864	Hamburg Hackett
1826	Jackson Hall	1865	Joseph Tidwell
1827	Doctor Dockry	1866	Lewis Haney
<u>White</u>		1867	Daniel Smith
1828	B. F. Askew	1868	William Dismukes
1829	Alfred L. Killian	1869	Anderson Dickson
1830	Samuel Neill	1870	Richard Rogers
1831	James E. Neill	1871	Ruben Dismuke
1832	Joseph Neill	1872	Allen Bolten
		1873	Henry Runyan

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1874	Cudjo Faulk
1875	William Askew
<u>White</u>	
1876	Thomas R. Simmons
1889	John Reagan
1890	Wm. F. Dodson
1891	Anderson J. Dodson
1892	Nathan L. Fenly
1893	William B. McNiel
<u>Colored</u>	
1894	Randal Johnson
1895	Joseph Patton
1896	Squire Porter
1897	Eli Holmes
1898	James Warren
1899	Eligeah McGraw
<u>White</u>	
1900	Simeon H. Pearce
1901	Stephen W. Nelson
1902	John P. Jacks
1903	William M. Joiner
1904	John Berdine
<u>Colored</u>	
1905	Wesley Runyan
1906	Madison Arnold
<u>White</u>	
1907	Ransom F. Owen
1908	William W. Barnett
<u>Colored</u>	
1909	John Francis
<u>White</u>	
1910	William J. Conine
<u>Colored</u>	
1911	James Stafford
1912	Samuel Johnson

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<u>White</u>	
1913	Thomas W. Power
1914	Uriah G. Wood
<u>Colored</u>	
1915	William Rayford
1916	Isaac Brown
<u>White</u>	
1917	Claudius N. Robeson
1918	Andrew J. Harrington
<u>Colored</u>	
1919	Jeremiah Johnson
1920	Washington Couch
1922	Jerry Cooper
1923	William Dickson
<u>White</u>	
1924	Trever Cavin
<u>Colored</u>	
1925	Henry Finley
<u>White</u>	
1926	J. M. Bolger
1927	Jesse M. W. Summers
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1928	Louis L. Smith
1930	James D. Zackry
<u>Colored</u>	
1932	Gladen Jacob
1933	Handy Grimes
1934	Henry Wyrick
1938	John Rose
1939	Adam Sharp
<u>White</u>	
1940	Needham Cockrill
1942	Wm. Runyan
1943	Isaac L. Runyan
<u>Colored</u>	
1944	Caleb Rose
1945	Jephy Rose

No.	Name
<u>White</u>	
1946	Simeon D. Simmons
1947	Harrison W. Lewis
<u>Colored</u>	
1948	Ennis Couch
<u>White</u>	
1949	T. W. Robeson
1950	Isaac N. Runyan
1954	Singleton V. Walker
1955	George W. Dodson
<u>Colored</u>	
1958	Jesse Dumas
1959	Gallin Frazier
1960	Eli Smith
1961	Peter Scott
<u>White</u>	
1962	Thadeus M. Carder
1963	Paul T. Elmore
1964	Edward G. Spriggs
1965	Elijah Elmore
1966	M. Smith
1967	Isaac Runyan
1974	Archibald Campbell
1978	M. H. Roberts
1979	W. E. Austin
1980	John E. Tucker
1885	William J. Strong
1987	Edmond T. McDaniel
1988	Darius Scott
1989	Zebulon Raley
1990	Nathaniel Burchfield
<u>Colored</u>	
1991	Madison Banks
<u>White</u>	
1992	John R. Hudson
<u>Colored</u>	
1993	Daniel Bussey

No.	Name
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1994	George F. Hick
1995	John W. Stephenson
1997	B. F. Simmons

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1999	Soloman Cooper
<u>White</u>	
2000	Monroe Starnes
2001	William A. McDaniel
2003	Daniel Thompson
<u>Colored</u>	
2004	James Young
<u>White</u>	
2005	John Neill
2009	John Gillespie
2010	Moses I. Hunt
<u>Colored</u>	
2012	Edward Wyatt
<u>White</u>	
2013	F. M. Thompson
2014	A. H. Richardson
2015	F. M. Voss
2016	R. W. Burton
2017	P. P. Frazier
2019	Alfred Hildreth
2021	John B. Hall
2023	Lewis Carr Moore

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2024	Lunsford Upchurch
2025	Charles H. Walker
2026	James W. Simmons
2027	George White
2028	John C. Jackson
2029	Richard A. Tidwell
2030	George D. Berdine

No.	Name	No.	Name
<u>Colored</u>		2079	J. M. Burdine
2031	William Gray	2080	Job Rudd
2032	Marsh Rudd		
2033	Cain Barnes		
<u>White</u>			
2037	John A. Johnson	2087	John Y. Young
2038	Thomas S. Mullins	2092	D. E. Cofield
2040	James E. Smith	2093	W. A. Weeks
2041	Madison Barnes	2105	John T. Kerlin
2042	Wm. W. Wiggs	2129	A. J. Vaughn
2043	Willis J. Snow	2134	Green Harris
2045	William C. Tidwell	2135	Doctor Bailey
2046	Thos. W. Yarbough	2136	Reuben Pearce
2047	Thos. J. Hicks	2137	Jeremiah M. Douglass
		2138	D. D. Smith
<u>Colored</u>		2142	Thomas N. Curry
2048	Richard Pace	2144	John R. Winkle
<u>White</u>		2146	William Arnold
2049	John A. Reeves	2150	Stark Measles
2050	William H. Pace	2153	J. T. Walker
2051	Claborne S. Barron	2154	C. R. Rudd
2052	Isaac W. Carhart	2155	Mack Alexander
2053	Leonard W. Rosids	2156	Wesley Holley
2054	William C. Nabors	2164	Thomas Salter
2056	George W. Crane	2175	J. W. Arnold
2058	Henry F. Rungan	2177	Major Blakely
2059	Elijah Burge	2179	Thomas Clemens
2060	Simeon O. Hurt	2180	John Alexander
2061	Thomas J. Heath	2183	Green Jameson
2062	George Sheppard	2187	James Griffin
2063	Humphrey P. Haynes	2191	Levi Threadgill
2064	George F. Dymar	2201	W. Benton
2065	William Frazier	2202	Josephus Wells
2068	William Henry	2203	Benjamin McCullough
2071	Frederick Hicks	2204	Eli Williams
2072	George W. McCown	2205	Prince Givens
2075	D. Reeve		
2076	John Sherman		

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Randolph County, Arkansas
1892 DELINQUENT TAX SALE LIST
from the
Randolph Herald¹

*Submitted by Nina Corbin
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The lands and lots, and parts of lots returned delinquent in Randolph county for the year 1892, together with the taxes and penalty charged thereon, agreeable to law, contained and described in the following list:

<u>OWNER'S NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
Est. of A. C. Slayton	pt fl sw nw S18 T18N R1E	1.00
L. E. Weathford	pt e ½ nw S19 T18N R1E	68.00
Crockett & Deland	e fl ne sw S19 T18N R1E	26.00
D. Fetters	w ½ nw S19 T18N R1E	80.00
Lina Moore	ne S22 T18N R1E	160.00
L & J Hanauer	w ½ sw S36 T18N R1E	80.00
Same	se sw S36 T18N R1E	40.00
Gurlock & Less	sw se S2 T19N R1E	40.00
W. C. Bennett	e ½ se S4 T19N R1E	80.00
L. Hanauer	ne sw S13 T19N R1E	40.00
Thos Hendix [sic]	w ½ sw S14 T19N R1E	80.00
Same	se sw S14 T19N R1E	40.00
W. M. Land	w pt n ½ nw S19 T19N R1E	40.00
J. J. Peters	w ½ nw S20 T19N R1E	80.00
Same	w pt se nw S20 T19N R1E	10.00
Okes & Truley heirs	pt se se S21 T19N R1E	13.00
William DeClerk	pt nw ne S22 T19N R1E	40.00
F. E. Weible lot 33	pt n ½ se S28 T19N R1E	1.50
Emeline Ulmer	nw se S23 T20N R1E	40.00

¹ *Randolph Herald*, Pocahontas, Arkansas, 25 May 1893, page 3; microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives, Little Rock, Arkansas.

<u>OWNER'S NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
J. J. Smith	pt n ½ ne sw S24 T20N R1E	18.00
W. M. Johnston	nw sw S24 T20N R1E	40.00
Same	nw cr ne sw S24 T20N R1E	2.00
S. S. Mack	se nw S25 T20N R1E	40.00
H. F. Poyner	fle pt nw nw S1 T21N R1E	20.00
R. Nicklase	nw nw S33 T21N R1E	40.00
Est. of Ann Brown	pt sw ½ S6 T18N R2E	161.80
Same	pt frl w ½ nw S7 T18N R2E	63.44
J. R. Williams	bal ne S25 T18N R2E	80.00
Same	se ne S26 T18 R2E	40.00
W. P. Brooks	se S36 T18N R2E	160.00
N. Dupont	frl nw S2 T19N R2E	20.00
P. N. Goetz	nw S2 T19N R2E	131.75
N. Dupont	pt w ½ sw S2 T19N R2E	20.00
P. N. Goetz	pt w ½ sw S2 T19N R2E	60.00
N. Dupont	pt frl e ½ e ½ S3 T19N R2E	10.00
P. N. Goetz	pt frl e ½ e ½ S3 T19N R2E	88.55
D. W. McIlroy	nw sw S8 T19N R2E	40.00
Hammett & Morrison	se S14 T19N R2E	160.00
John Arnold	n ½ se S15 T19N R2E	80.00
Hammett & Morrison	w ½ sw S17 T19N R2E	80.00
Same	s ½ se S18 T19N R2E	80.00
R. D. Brown	nw flr S19 T19N R2E	160.00
Railroad Co.	ne nw S23 T19N R2E	40.00
Hammett & Morrison	n ½ sw S23 T19N R2E	80.00
Same & R. D. Brown	s ½ sw S23 T19N R2E	80.00
R. D. Brown	nw se S23 T19N R2E	40.00
Same	s ½ se S23 T19N R2E	80.00
B. F. Hammett	ne se S23 T19N R2E	40.00
Morrison & Decker	ne S24 T19N R2E	160.00
Same	e ½ se S24 T19N R2E	80.00
F. H. Cabler B S R	bal frl w ½ S24 T19N R2E	189.46

<u>OWNER'S NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
Crowley & Jackson	ne S25 T19N R2E	160.00
Morrison & Decker	- w S25 T19N R2E	80.00
[paper torn]	— w nw S25 T19N R2E	10.00
Jerome Paylor	pt nw frl S25 T19N R2E	13.51
A. J. Witt	bal nw S26 T19N R2E	50.00
A. J. Witt	bal nw S26 T19N R2E	110.00
Hoften Warren Lum. Co.	ne ne S35 T19N R2E	40.00
A. V. Skinner	nw ne S35 T19N R2E	40.00
Same	se ne S35 T19N R2E	40.00
Morrison & Decker	n ½ S36 T19N R2E	320.00
Eli Abbott	se se S14 T20N R2E	40.00
Levi Votan	n ½ se S19 T20N R2E	80.00
Same	se se S19 T20N R2E	40.00
Morrison & Decker	nw ne S21 T20N R2E	40.00
Wm. H. Williams	nw nw S27 T20N R2E	40.00
Eli Abbott	nw ne S30 T20N R2E	40.00
J. S. Triplett S R lot 4	e ½ ne S35 T20N R2E	62.92
J. D. Scates	pt sw sw S1 T21N R2E	8.00
W. M. Johnson	sw nw se S2 T21N R2E	10.00
Ben F. Taylor	frl w ½ ne S4 T21N R2E	48.21
Louisa McIntock	w ½ se S6 T21N R2E	80.00
C. A. Fowler	se se S22 T21N R2E	40.00
J. T. Redwine	w ½ sw S22 T21N R2E	80.00
J. G. Ruff	ne sw S22 T21N R2E	40.00
J. M. Redwine	se se S31 T21N R2E	40.00
James Kerley	pt nw ne se S31 T21N R2E	0.20
Same	pt nw ne se S31 T21N R2E	0.10
R. D. Brown	n r frl se S17 T19N R3E	6.21
D. S. Hisey	s ½ ne S4 T20N R3E	80.00
Same	se S4 T20N R3E	160.00
Day & Reese	pt sw S4 T20N R3E	87.34
J. W. Ingram	frl w ½ sw S18 T20N R3E	79.51

<u>OWNER'S NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
James L. Johnson	pt frl sw S19 T20N R3E	102.80
J. M. Herron	sw sw S28 T20N R3E	40.00
L. E. & J. H. Imboden	e ½ se S3 T18N R1W	80.00
A. W. W. Brooks	pt se se ne S13 T18N R1W	3.00
Henry Rock	w ½ se S13 T 18N R1W	80.00
J. A. Frazier	ne sw S17 T18N R1W	40.00
Same	se S17 T18N R1W	160.00
S. N. Pratt	se S20 T18N R1W	160.00
A. J. Guinn	pt ne se S22 T18N R1W	6.00
J. H. Slayton	pt sw sw S23 T18N R1W	6.00
James L. Gray	n ½ SW S28 T18N R1W	80.00
Same	sw nw S28 T18N R1W	40.00
Ben Feland	ne se S29 T18N R1W	40.00
W. S. Bennett	ne sw S28 T19N R1W	40.00
Frank Jackson	pt nw frl s hf S8 T20N R1W	1.00
James Hindman	se ne S10 T20N R1W	40.00
J. N. Vandergriff	s ½ sw S16 T20N R1W	80.00
Slayton & Hall	½ int w ½ ne S2 T18N R2W	40.00
Same	½ int s ½ nw S2 T18N R2W	40.00
John Songer	frl e ½ sw S2 T18N R2W	61.00
J. S. Songer	pt sw se S2 T18N R2W	2.00
Same	pt se sw S2 T18N R2W	31.00
Robt. Benson	pt w ½ se S2 T18N R2W	12.00
J. B. Williams	pt n hf se S2 T18N R2W	54.00
A. G. Henderson	nw ne S11 T18N R2W	40.00
H. Wrenfrow	w frl nw sw S6 T19N R2W	5.00
W. A. Glasscock	sw ne S16 T19N R2W	40.00
D. R. Weakley	pt nw nw S18 T19N R2W	2.50
Unknown	se nw S31 T19N R2W	40.18
South Mo. Land Co.	ne sw S31 T19N R2W	40.00
Same	e hf se S31 T19N R2W	80.00
W. A. Glasscock	sw sw S4 T20N R2W	40.00

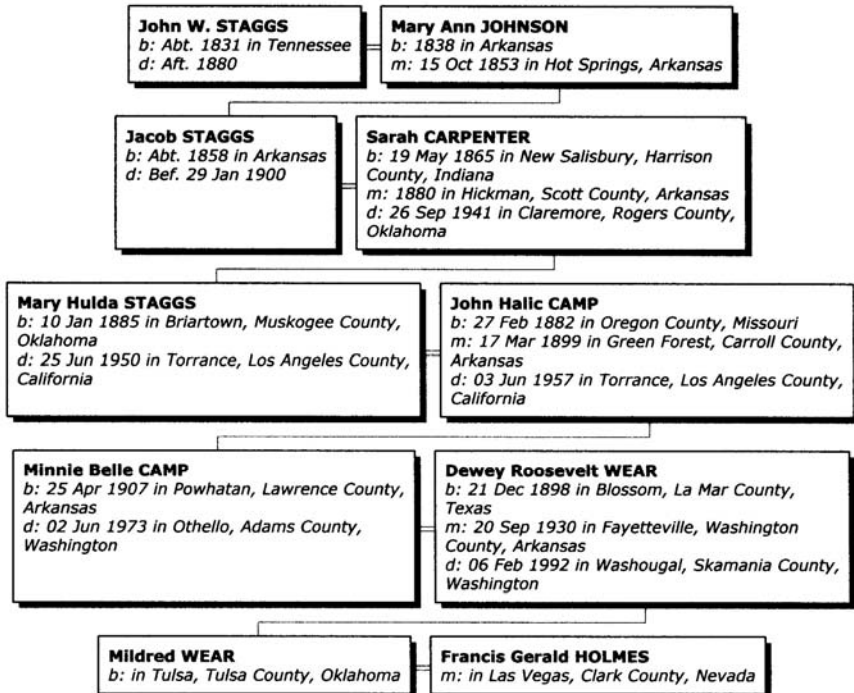
<u>OWNER'S NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
Same	frl se sw S4 T20N R2W	36.50
Same	pt e hf se se S5 T20N R2W	25.50
Same	ne nw S9 T20N R2W	40.00
Richard Rowine	ne frl sw sw S35 T20N R2W	2.00
R. A. Moffit	s hf ne S12 T21N R2W	80.00
Ziuriah Hagar	n hf se S12 T21N R2W	80.00
Isaac Boothe	s frl sw ne S11 T20N R3W	14.00
Unknown	frl s hf e hf S1 T21N R3W	54.48
George W. Stephens	s hf nw S15 T21N R3W	80.00
Amanda Arnold	w frl pt S2 T21N R4W	60.00
Same	e frl pt S3 T21N R4W	64.11
Heirs Elijah James	½ int ne nw S13 T21N R4W	
Same	½ int ne sw S13 T21N R4W	26.66
Town of Pocahontas, Ark.		VALUATION
Maggie James	Block 50 East B St.	150.00
Adelaide Jenkins	Lot 4 Block 1 West B St.	100.00
R. Nicklase	Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 Block 7 West B St.	40.00
Town of Ravenden Springs, Ark.		VALUATION
J. C. Richardson	Lots 7, 7, 14 Block 1	0.56
Same	Lot 1 Block 1	10.00
C. S. Pannell	Lot 1 Block 2	600.00
H. L. Welch	Lot 11 Block 3	5.00
C. S. Pannell	¾ Lot 24 Block 1	150.00
Unknown	Lots 1, 2 Block 6	20.00
D. A. Gault	Lot 10, 13 Block 10	20.00
J. T. Jackson	Lot 11 Block 10	10.00
C. S. Pannell	Lot 3 Block 12	10.00
Welch & Blackshare	Lot 1 Block 14	5.00
Town of Reyno, Ark.		VALUATION
Willie H. Cherry	Lot 9 Block 2	150.00

Arkansas Ancestry Certificate

Antebellum Ancestry Certificate for Mildred Wear Holmes

*Submitted by Mildred Wear Holmes
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Marysville, WA 98270
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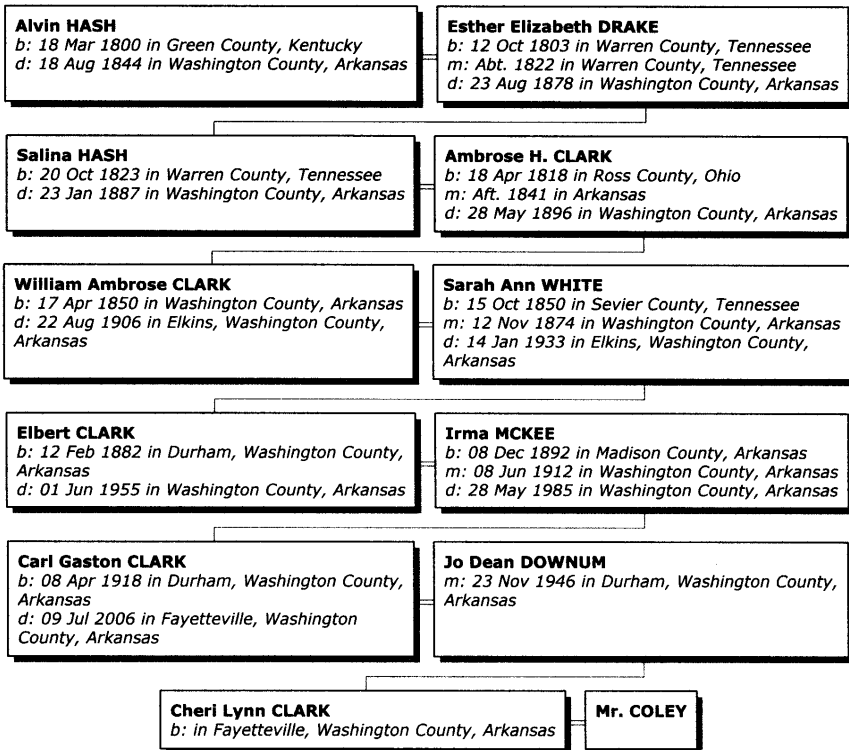
Mildred Wear Holmes received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was John W. Staggs who was in Dallas County, Arkansas, by 12 October 1850 when the 1850 federal census was taken there.



Antebellum Ancestry Certificate for Cheri Lynn Clark Coley

*Submitted by Cheri Lynn Clark Coley
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479-443-4390
dckcoley@sbcglobal.net*

Cheri Lynn Clark Coley received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was Alvin Hash who was enumerated in Washington County, Arkansas, by the 1840 U.S. census.



Arkansas Queries

BENAFIELD/BENEFIELD – I would like to correspond with anyone who has done research on the Benafield/Benefield families in Arkansas counties of Independence, Pope, Woodruff, Logan, Yell, Faulkner, Jackson, Pulaski and Lonoke. **Rita Benafield Henard**, 5415 C St, Little Rock, AR 72205-3472 henard1@juno.com

CARPENTER – STAGGS – Looking for a Carroll Co., AR divorce of Jacob (Jake) Staggs and Sarah Carpenter prior to 1900. The 1900 census states Sarah is divorced. Also needing a death record for Jake Staggs. He was b abt 1858. **Mildred Wear Holmes**, 10121 5th Dr NE, Marysville, WA 98270 mildredwear@people.com

HALBROOK/HOLBROOK – DRIVERS – HARDY – GOONE – BURNETT – Seeking info on these families in AR, TN and MS; were in AR counties of Conway, Van Buren and Pope.

Amy E. Halbrook, 2765 E El Dorado Pkwy Ste 215-102, Little Elm, TX 75068 amy1970@grandecom.net

HARRELL – Richard and Andrew Jackson Harrell were both b 1834 in TN. I suspect they are twin brothers. I find them living as neighbors in the 1850 Poinsett Co, AR census. They are also neighbors in the 1870 and 1880 census for Cross Co, AR. I cannot find them however listed on the 1860 census for AR. Any information will be appreciated. **Norman Harrell**, 1121 SW Hillside Dr, Burleson TX 76028 nharrell@p3mc.com

IRELAND – I would like to correspond with anyone having done research on the Ireland family in Independence and Jackson Co., AR. This family raised two of my grandfather's orphaned brothers in the late 1800s. These brothers were Benafield/Benefield siblings.

Rita Benafield Henard, 5415 C St, Little Rock, AR 72205-3472 henard1@juno.com

OWEN – FORD – George Henry Owen, Clear Creek Twp, Drew Co AR: needing any information prior to 1880 census, pg 14, enumeration district 90. He is my great grandfather and m Little Mattie Ford, whose family is shown on same page of census. **LaVerne Owen-Barakat**, 532 S Helberta Ave, Redondo Beach, CA 90277 laverneob@adelphia.net

MURPHY – HOLLIS – SANDERLIN – I am looking for background and proofs of b and d for Hugh Murphy b 9 December 1888 in Warren, AR, d in St. Louis, MO, married Cynthia Rebecca Sanderlin. Hugh was the son of Ben Murphy b Jan 1861 and Irene Hollis b October 1864/65, daughter of W. T. Hollis b 1833 of Warren, AR. Cynthia was a daughter of William Sanderlin and Nancy _____, Warren, AR, d 1950.

Mrs. Julia P. Grehan, 1444 State St, New Orleans, LA 70188
hgrehan@cox.net

UNITED KINGDOM RESEARCH – I can offer suggestions to those wishing to do research in the United Kingdom.

Jean Harding, 37 Ed G Cumbe Ave, New Quay, Cornwall TR72NL, UK *jeaneology@onetel.com*

WARD – Would like information or correspondence concerning John Ward whose daughter Elizabeth b 1805 by his first wife Elizabeth Stephenson m 1824 John Henry, Sr., the early Methodist minister who settled in Mound Prairie, Hempstead Co AR. John Ward's daughter Martha Ann b 1818 by his second wife Peggy Prewitt m William M. Henry, the son of John Henry, Sr., by his first wife Ann Alexander. John Ward m Peggy Prewitt 7 November 1816 in Mercer Co KY. **Susan Boyle**, 57 Plantation Acres Dr, Little Rock, AR 72210-3627
susanb1996@aol.com

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Book Review

Ancestral Trails, The Complete Guide to British Genealogy and Family History, second edition. By Mark Herber. Published by Genealogical Publishing Co., 3600 Clipper Mill Road, Suite 260, Baltimore, MD 21211-1953. 2006. 873 pages. Softbound, \$34.95, P&H USPS rates \$4.00 for first book, UPS \$6.00. Illustrations, maps, charts, eleven appendices, bibliography for each chapter, index.

The subtitle of this book says it all. The author presents a thorough and detailed guide to searching for ancestors in Great Britain. He proceeds in a logical order, starting with how to begin and organizing material. He goes on to address common problems such as spelling variations, difficult handwriting, multiple given names, language changes, and old and new style dates.

The bulk of the book describes in detail the genealogically important British records such as civil registration of births, marriages, and deaths; census returns; Church of England parish registers and Catholic, Jewish, and non-conformist church records; cemeteries; directories; wills and administrations; marriage licenses and divorce records; maps and land and property records; newspapers; poll books and electoral registers; parish administration and town records; school and university records; military records; records of shipping and navy and merchant seamen; professional, trade, and business records; tax and insurance records; civil, church, and criminal court records; peerage, gentry and heraldry; and manorial records and title deeds. In the case of each type of record, the author provides a history and description of the record and changes that occurred through time as well as where such records are held and how and in what format a researcher may access them. In many cases he provides examples or case studies from his own research to illustrate the use of the record.

The book includes a chapter devoted to records and research in Scotland, Wales, Ireland, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands when they vary from what has been presented. Also included are chapters on tracing migrants within Britain and immigration, emigration, and research abroad.

Helpful appendixes provide General Registry Office codes for areas and volumes of vital records; indexes to miscellaneous civil registration groups; county code abbreviations for all of Great Britain; a list of

beginning dates for the reigns of the various kings, critical information when records are dated only in that format; a list of National Archives Information Leaflets; addresses of county record offices; lists of finding aids for probate and court records; and web sites for family historians. An extensive bibliography and a comprehensive index complete the book.

Anyone starting or currently pursuing British genealogy would do well to have this book handy at all times for reference. The whole is truly a complete guide, but researchers can consult individual chapters briefly and easily with satisfying results. This second edition has been updated to reflect the technological advances in record access in the last decade and includes quite a bit more information in other areas as well, compared to the original addition.

Susan Gardner Boyle

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