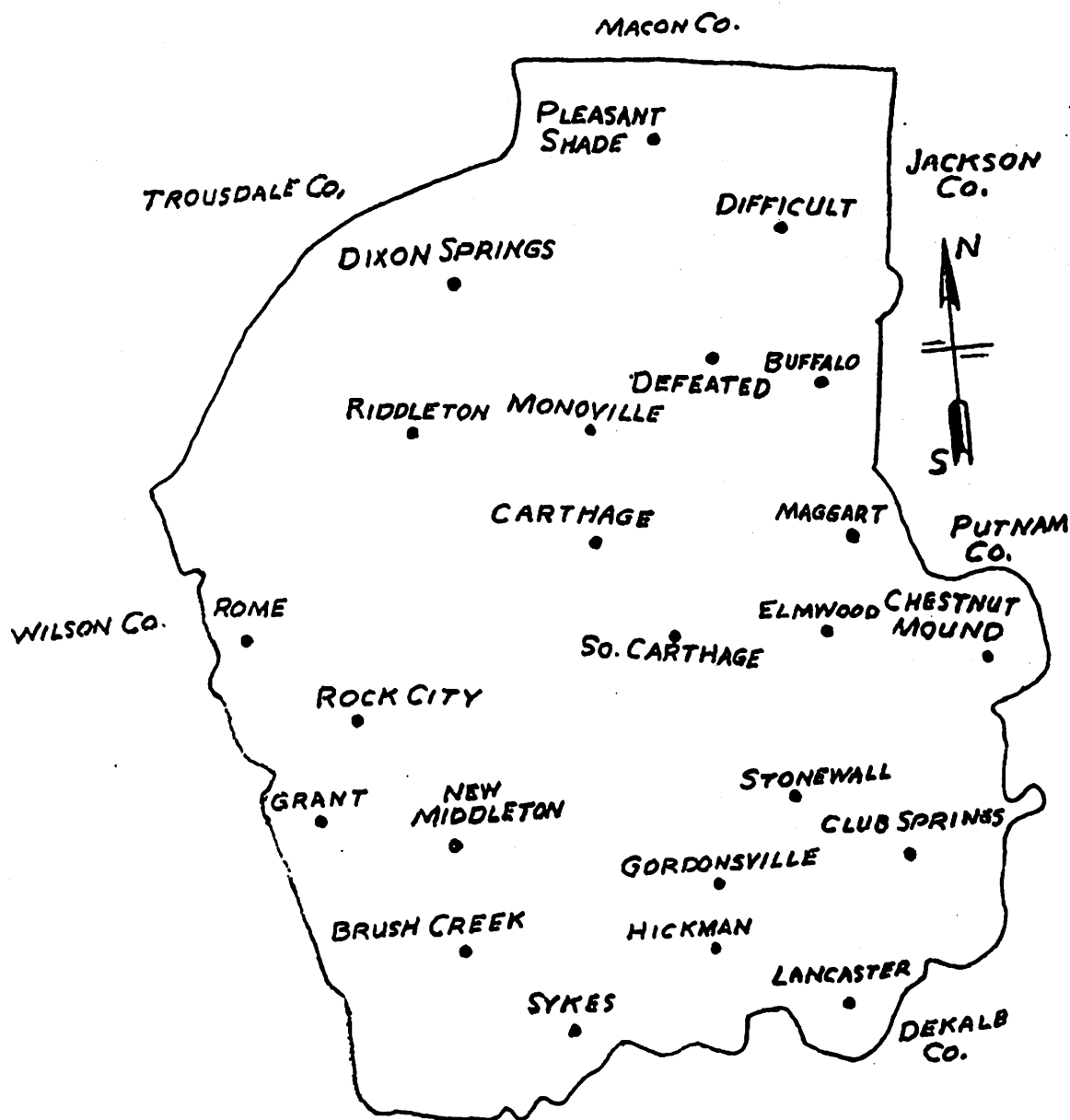


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Historical and Genealogical Society



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FROM THE EDITOR:

The year 2003 has been good for the Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society. In spite of competition from "chat rooms" and "lists" on the Internet, we have maintained a membership of about 300. Dues are now payable for the year 2004, so please use the enclosed form to remit your renewal now.

The "150 Club" has been well received and provides a forum for members to publish their family history. Hopefully, present and future researchers will benefit from the information. As in any research more documentation may be needed but at least these stories give clues as to where to begin.

In September a resolution was passed by the Society encouraging historic preservation in the county. It is hoped that both merchants and homeowners will strive to restore and preserve their respective properties.

The National Register of Historic Places accepted two new additions in the county in the past year. The antebellum home of Lisa Campbell and Buddy Ingram, known as the Fite/Williams/Ligon house, was placed on the Register in July. On November 14 Battery Knob Earthwork was recognized by the National Register. This historic spot, located on a hill just north of Carthage, was the site of a battery maintained by Union forces throughout most the War, giving them control of the Cumberland River.

One of the most exciting and eventful occurrences of the year was the acquisition of a site for the Smith County Heritage Museum. The Society, along with the Chamber of Commerce, is sponsor for the museum. The Town of Carthage generously offered the old Stephen's Manufacturing Company building. The Board accepted the offer and renovation has begun. The building was home to one of the first commercial factories in the county and provides ample space for museum exhibits. Plans are for a "grand opening" for the establishment at Easter 2004.

Some generous contributions have been received, but further financial support is needed for continued work on the building as well as for day-to-day operations once the museum is opened.

One successful fund-raiser was the sale of Christmas ornaments. The 2002 ornament pictured Smith County's historic courthouse. The Stephens building is featured on the 2003 ornament. Both are available from the Smith County Chamber of Commerce, P. O. box 130, Carthage, TN 37030 at \$10 each.

Donor classifications are:

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Yearly membership classifications are:

Individual \$25; Family \$40; Student \$5

Thank you for your continued support of both the Society and the Museum.

Happy New Year,

Sue Maggart-Petty

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The Society meets on the 3rd Monday of each month with the exception of December, July, and August at the Smith County Library at 7:00 p.m. Dues are \$12.50 annually with the year beginning in January. Back issues are available at \$3.50 each.

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GRAND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT!

AT
RIDDLETON, TENN., JANUARY 8, '86

For the benefit of the Good Templar's Hall.
On this occasion The RIDDLETON DRAMATIC CLUB will produce
the entertaining moral drama:

PAST REDEMPTION!

With the Following Cast of Character:

John Maynard	S. P. Fergusson.
Harry Maynard, his son	Dr. W. H. Jolley.
Robert Thornton	M. Chambers.
Tom Larcom	L. C. Key.
Nat Harlow	Ellis Bensley.
Capt. Nathan Bragg	W. Pope.
Stub, a negro help	R. J. Kindred.
Murdock Thornton's friend	W. H. Jolley.
Daley, a barkeeper	A. L. Merriman.
Mrs. Maynard, John's wife	Miss Nannie Culbreath.
Mrs. Charity Goodall, John's sister	Miss Myra Duffy.
Jesse Maynard, an adopted daughter	Miss Laura Merryman.
Kitty Corum, a girl with two strings to her bow	Mrs. A. J. Merryman.

Also the Rattling Farce:

BROTHER BILL AND BEN!

A Noodle	John Drim	Simon Squib	S. P. Fergusson
Ben Wiggle	Dr. W. H. Jolley	Wm. Wiggle	M. Chambers
Seraphine Noodle	Miss Minnie Hign	Wilhelmina Noodle	Miss Stella Culbreath
Marth, a servant	Miss Nannie Culbreath		

The whole to conclude with the laughable sketch the GARDEN PARTY, by the Company.

MUSIC BY THE ORCHESTRA.

Doors will be open at 6 o'clock. Performance begins at 7 o'clock.

ADMITTANCE 25 CENTS. CHILDREN 10 CENTS.

J. B. Luster and Son, "Carthage Mirror" Print, Carthage, Tenn., 1885.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT
AT RIDDLETON, TENNESSEE

Submitted by William J. (Bill) Amonette

Playbills recently discovered in the Fergusson Family Papers at the Tennessee State Library and Archives evidence musical and dramatic activities in the Riddleton community in the 1880's. These advertisements, printed by both *The Carthage Record* and *Mirror*, were saved by Maj. W. W. Fergusson and give insight into the cultural life of the community of that decade. These plays and musicales were given by the Riddleton Dramatic Club under the sponsorship and for the benefit of the recently constructed Grand Templars Hall. The building also housed the school known as Haywood Academy.

During this period of time, the village was experiencing a growth boom. There were three stores, a post office, blacksmith shop, grist and steam sawmill, three churches and two practicing physicians. Families were purchasing town lots and building modern houses on them. One could sense a feeling of community and there were hopes of improved roads and a railroad from the west to Gallatin and beyond.

Participants in the public events were, of course, strictly amateur, but there was considerable musical talent and thespian ability thereabouts. The Fergusson boys, Sterling Price, Frank and Willard, made use of their musicianship in leading the orchestra as well as acting some of the roles. Listed as members of the casts were: Dr. W. H. Jolly, M. Chambers, merchant-postmaster William (Billy) Pope, Lon C. Key, Addison and J. W. Merryman, John Brim, Robert and Talbot Kindred, Willis Beasley, J. H. Bradley and Dr. W. S. Payne as well as many others. Some the young ladies lending their efforts were: Misses Nannie Culbreath, Laura Merryman, Myra Duffy, Cora Bradley, Minnie High, Bertie Cosby and Stella Culbreath. R. C. Williams was general manager; W. H. Jolly was stage manager and W. H. Fergusson was leader of the orchestra.

The plays had some interesting titles: "*Not Such a Fool as He Looks*;" "*Past Redemption*;" and "*On the Brink*." After each drama was finished, the entire company would combine in a humorous musical medley or conclude with some type of humorous farce. Admission charge for the programs was 10 and 25 cents, proceeds going to eleemosynary purposes. Ladies of the Lodge served as hostesses.

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GRAND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT

AT THE GOOD TEMPLAR HALL

RIDDLETON, TENN., NOVEMBER 20.

For the purpose of relieving the debt on our new hall:
On this occasion the THESPIAN SOCIETY of the Lodge of Good
Templars will produce the entertaining Moral Drama:

ON THE BRINK!

With the Following Cast of Character:

Mr. David Thaxter,	Dr. W. H. Jolly
Harry Thaxter,	M. Chambers
Ebenezer Addlesaddle,	W. Pope
Jothan Wheeler,	L. C. Koy
Ben Wood,	W. H. Fergusson
Jim Rankin,	J. W. Merryman
Jake Dean,	S. P. Fergusson
Dave Black,	<i>J. K. Kendall</i>
John Barker,	Company
John Balley,	
Ben Baker,	
Mrs. Ellen Thaxter,	Miss Nannie Culbreath
Miss Rosalena Thaxter,	Miss Laura Merryman
Miss Mary Effington,	Miss Myra Duffy

To Conclude With the ROARING FARCE:

THE LIMERICK BOY!

Paddy Miles' Boy,	Dr. W. H. Jolly,	Job, a gardner,	J. W. Merryman
Dr. Coates,	William Pope,	Mrs. Fidget,	Miss Myra Duffy
Harry, his son,	M. Chambers	Saus, her daughter,	Miss Nannie Culbreath
Reubin,	S. P. Fergusson		

MUSIC BY THE ORCHESTRA.

Doors Open at VI o'clock, P. M. Performance at VII o'clock.

ADMITTANCE 25 CENTS CHILDREN 10 CENTS

The ladies of the Lodge will be delighted to have every one
you will be warmly welcomed and well entertained.

J. E. Lester and Son, "Carriage Mirror" Print, Carthage, Tenn., 1883

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Compiled and edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Volume XV, No. 2

Excerpts from Mrs. Wilson's Diary from January 2, 1889 - May 9, 1889

[Ed. Note: *Kelly Wilson continues to contribute to his Mother's diary. Mrs. Wilson probably finds it difficult to keep the diary current in addition to her many chores as a farm housewife; she probably, too, deems it good training for her son to cultivate his writing. For some reason, the diary ends in May 1889 and is not continued for three and a half years.*]

- 01/02 Bright and beautiful. Aunt Bobbie and Fred walked and went over the hill. Mama and sister rode Old Valley and spent the day at Cousin Betty Rigsby's. Jesse still at Grandpa's. Papa and Willie went to Mr. McWinter's after a load of corn and I was here by myself. Papa sold the white heifer to Mr. Pope for \$19.00.
- 01/04 (Elenora writes: TWB) Cold and raining this morning. Mr. Wilson and Willis worked Maude Muller to the wagon. Bobbie and I made Wilsye four pairs of drawers. Kelly went to Aunt Nannie's to spend the night.
- 01/10 Elenora writes: A beautiful day. Albert came to invite Bobbie to a party at their house tonight. Mr. Wilson carried ten bushels of apples to Rome. Sold my turkeys for five cents per pound. Bobbie has gone to George's to the party.
- 01/11 Bobbie came home this morning. Kelly, Wilsye and I went with Nancy Jane over to Aunt Nan's, leaving Bobbie and Dicie to keep house. Mr. Wilson and Jesse went to Rock City this evening. This is another beautiful day.
- 01/14 *elly mts:* A clear and warm day. Papa went to Mr. Carpenter's after us a pair of turkeys and a plymouth rock rooster. Mama went to Aunt Betsy's and stayed awhile. Bob and Albert were here this morning on a hunt of Isom Watkins (colored).
- 01/17 A beautiful day. Pap sold Slasher to Mr. John Dawson for \$105. Papa went to Rock City. Willis and Fred cut down and sawed posts all the evening. I shucked corn also all the evening. Mama and Aunt Bobbie finished their rug.
- 01/18 A comfortable day. Papa went to Rome. Willis and Fred put in posts. I went to Mr. James Hale's after the wire pinchers. Hattie and Miss Julia came for Aunt Bobbie to go

with them to a pound supper at Mrs. Owens but she didn't go. Bob came and took her to the party.

01/19 Cloudy and pleasant. Aunt Mary came early. She and Bedford spent the day here. Bob stayed here last night and I went to mill as he left and stayed till my corn was ground.

01/20 A rainy, gloomy day. I found Rosie with a little calf this morning. We are all at home all day. Aunt Bobbie with us.

[Elenora Davis: May I interrupt again please. If the reading indicates at times that there's another writer, it is true. Grandmother fills in some, as does Bobbie. TWB]

Now we continue the reading...

01/21 Kelly writes: Clear and cold. This is Mama's birthday. Papa, Fred and I went to Rome today to carry his hogs. After we came back Papa and I built a fence. Fred and Aunt Bobbie went to Aunt Nannie's to spend the night with them.

01/23 Warm and cloudy. Bob came and told us that Uncle Thayer, Aunt Alice and Ada had telephoned from Nashville for Papa to meet them at the river today and Bob ate dinner here and immediately after dinner Papa carried the buggy and this evening they all came and we were so glad.

01/27 One of the worst days of the season. Windy and cold and snowy. Bob and Aunt Bobbie went early to stay with Miss Louisa Montgomery until the boat came. Papa and I carried Uncle Thayer and Aunt Alice and Ada over to Mr. Tom Price's to stay until the boat came about twelve and a half o'clock. We all came home. It is blowing and snowy.

01/30 Clear and cold. This is Papa's birthday. He is 40 years old.

02/04 Another beautiful day. Aunt Nannie came early and she and Jordan spent the day here. Papa and Uncle George went to Mr. Carpenter's today and tonight Willis, Papa and I went to Rome to hear some novel preaching and exhibition of pictures by some foreign gentlemen.

02/07 A clear, cold day. Meat still frozen so Papa couldn't salt it. I about twelve o'clock found the old black ewe with three lambs. Papa gave me one of them. Mama and I fed it and put the old ewe and lambs in the smokehouse.

02/08 Cold and snowing very fast most of the forenoon but turned a little warmer at night. I cut cedar and Willis hauled them. Papa salted his meat that he had killed Tuesday.

02/16 A rainy, gloomy day. Papa went to Rome and sold Cousin Nat Flippin's cow. All gone from home but Papa, Mama and us children. Cousin Nat's son, Jim turner and I had a big race this afternoon for the cow.

02/20 Still cold. Backwater almost to the bridge. [The bridge across the creek where it empties into The Cumberland River at Rome.] Fred and I went to Aunt Nannie's to a candy pulling and there was lots of children there. Cousin Matthew and Cousin Kate and we had lots of fun.

02/22 A real pretty day. Mama and sister and Jesse were at Aunt Nancy Jane's until after dinner when they and Grandma and Aunt Nancy Jane and Jordan came and spent the evening at

- Mr. Moorefield's and then Mama and sister went with Grandma to Aunt Polly's because Old Liz was so scary and to Rock City to exchange satchels.
- 02/26 A cloudy, gloomy day with a little rain. Mr. Watts, a book agent, is here tonight with a book named "Beautiful Story" and Mama bought it for me.
- 03/03 [Still Kelly writing] A cloudy, lonesome day. We are all at home tonight. Papa went with Mr. Whitson up the creek, found another ewe with three lambs. Cousin Sam Pernell's baby died last night.
- 03/04 Cleared off today. Papa, Willis and I made the wire fence which formed a line from the barn to the hill and I took Alma to the shop and had two pound shoes put on her four feet to break her from pacing. After I came back I rode her over the rails.
- 03/05 Cold and cloudy. I carried Old Mag to Rock City and had her shod. This evening I carried Mama and sister down to Aunt Betsy's to see Mr. Butler and I went to Aunt Nannie's and got Mama and Aunt Betsy a mess of turnip salad. Wilson Williams was here this morning.
- 03/06 Papa and I started very early to deliver Bonnie Rogan. Four miles beyond Chestnut Mount. We left him at Mr. McKinley's. We went to Granville and are at Grandpa Kelly's tonight. Grandma had gone to Aunt Alice's. Mr. Wash Burton was accidentally shot and killed instantly at Granville this evening.
- 03/07 A beautiful day. Papa and I in Granville this morning. Edgar got home from Nashville this morning at three o'clock. Uncle Thayer came down to Grandpa's. Pa and I went up to Uncle Dave's. We went to Uncle Fred's (Elenora's brother) store and then returned to Grandpa's for dinner, after which we started home. We came through Carthage and stopped there awhile, getting home about dark.
- 03/11 Beautiful day. Aunt Mary Tom came and spent the day here. Just before dinner Miss Lou Williams came and took dinner. John Haley (colored) came and rode Maggie Muller to Rome the first time she was ever rode. Papa finished sewing clover. Mama has sick headache tonight.
- 03/12 A lovely day. Willis plowed the garden and now is ready to plant. Papa put sister on Old Morgan and he shook her off, which scared us very much. Papa was sent for to go to the telephone so he went hurriedly to Rome. There was a man at Granville who wanted to know if Papa still had Bonnie Rogan.
- 03/13 A warm, sunshiny day and we began to plant corn and I dropped my first. Mama went to see Wilson Williams, who is sick. Papa fed.

[Kelly Still Writing:]

1889

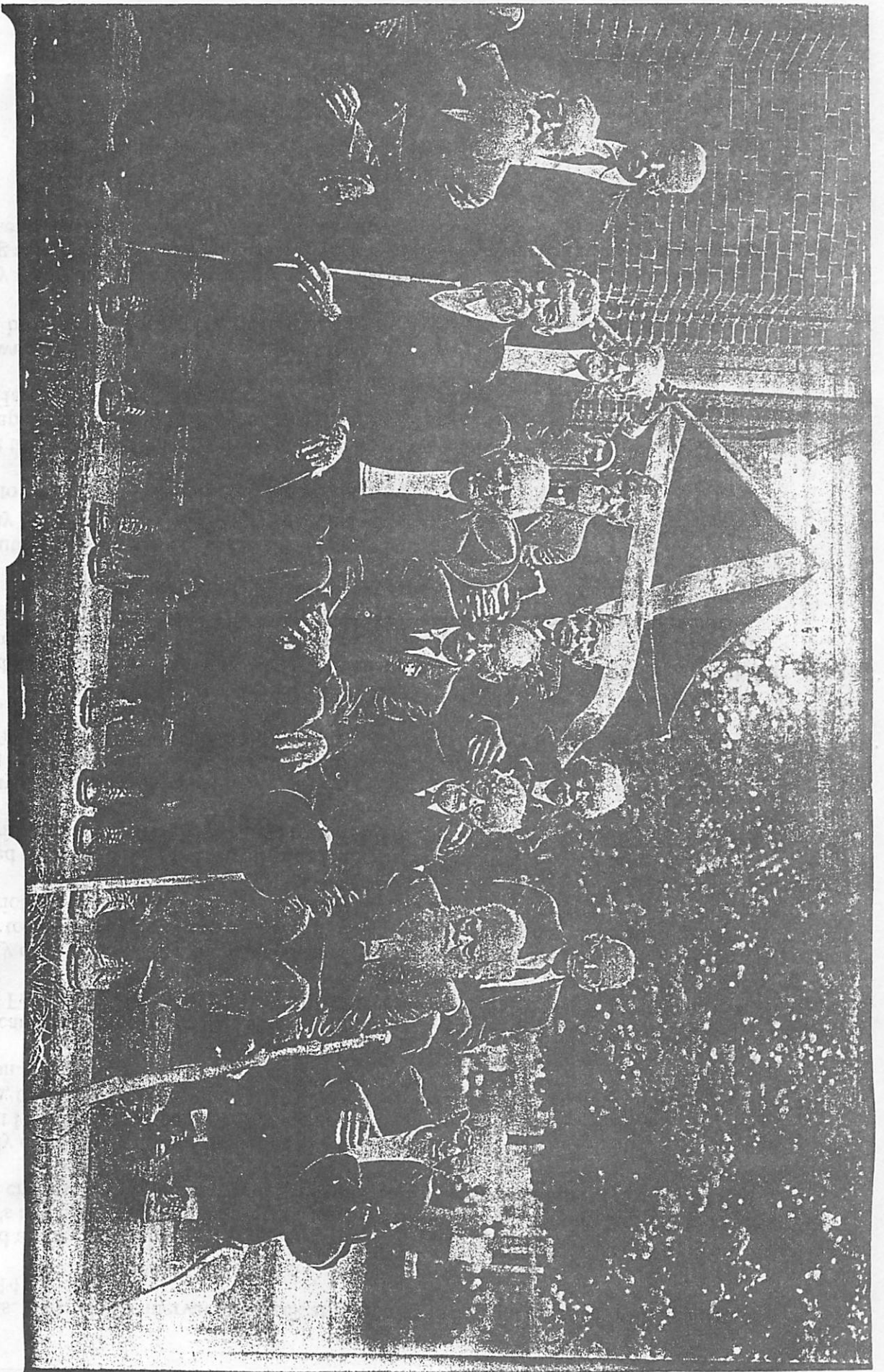
- 03/15 A pretty day. John Haley (colored) helped and we all planted corn all day, getting our crop almost half planted. Wilson is still very sick and Papa has gone up there tonight.
- 03/16 Papa came home this morning and thought he was sick, though not dangerously so and he went on to Rome to the fair meeting and Walter Williams passed and told us that Wilson was worse and Mama came back late this evening and told us that he died a little after one o'clock. Bob ate supper here and he and Papa have gone up to Uncle George's tonight and we are sad and lonesome.

- 03/17 A beautiful day. Mama and Papa went up to Aunt Nannie's and Fred, Walter, Neva and I here alone all day. Brother Oakley, the young Presbyterian preacher, preached his funeral and there was a long procession and they buried Wilson at Grandpa's. [Wilson appears to be the son of John Burr's sister, Nancy, who was, married to George Williams. TWB]
- 03/20 A beautiful day. I went early and carried Old Valley after Aunt Mary and Papa and Mama went to Lebanon. They went by the school house and told Bedford and Nettie to come up here and they came this evening and they and Aunt Mary are with us tonight. Papa and Mama are gone. Willis and I helped cut wood for Aunt Betsy.
- 03/1 Another beautiful day. Aunt Mary and all of us children went down to Aunt Betsy's. Mama and Papa got home at sundown, having stayed at Mr. John Gann's last night. Mama had her last upper tooth taken out by Dr. Claiborne at Lebanon and he took the impression for a new set and they brought me my first suit of ready-made clothes. [Note: Elenora is now age 33 and has already lost all her upper teeth, perhaps from so much childbearing. TWB]
- 03/24 A rainy day. Papa and I intended to go to church but we heard there was none. I went up to see how Walter Williams was. He was not better and when I came back Papa and Jesse went and spent the day there. Mama is sick today.
- 03/25 It cleared off today. I carried Net home and when I came back Mama got on Old Val and her and Sister went to Aunt Manda's and I went with them and brought Old Valley back and after dinner Willis and Papa hitched Old Valley and Maggie Muller in the wagon and drove them down to Mr. Thompson's and then they hitched Old Maggie Muller in our little two wheeler cart and drove her to Flat Rock. Mama came home and Papa went to help sit up with Walter Williams.
- 03/27 Another beautiful day. Mama was sick in bed all day. Two Negroes were hung in Lebanon today.
- 03/29 Still right cool. I went to milk. Mama and Sister went to Aunt Nannie's and when they came back they said Walter, Hattie, Burr and Aunt Nannie were all in bed, none able to sit up. (They are all members of John Burr's sisters' family. TWB) Papa's gone up to Aunt Nannie's tonight.
- 03/30 Papa came home early this morning from Uncle George's and said that they were all better.
- 03/31 Mama, Fred and Sister spent the day at Aunt Nannie's and said they were all better.
- 04/03 A lovely day. Mary Tom and Net came very early this morning to stay with us and Mama and Papa went to Lebanon and Mama got her new teeth Dr. Claywell had made, a full upper set and they did not get back until late.
- 04/07 A lovely day. We all got ready very early and Papa, Fred and Jesse went to Uncle Josh's. Mama and Sister and I stopped and stayed awhile at Grandpa's and Grandma went with us over to Uncle Josh's. We all took dinner there. The steamer L. G. Armstrong got there about one o'clock and Mama, Fred and Sister and Jesse all got on the boat and went to Granville and Papa and I went up to Uncle Josh's and got the buggy. Grandpa and Grandma came with us to Grandpa's.

[Eleanora Davis: There is an interval of a week at this point and we pick up the reading again on Sunday, April 14]

- 04/14 It rained all day and Papa and I were lonesome. We went to Grandpa's and to Aunt Nannie's and all of her children except Burr were there. We came home late this evening and the creek was so full that we could not cross it so Papa and I came across the hill.
- 04/16 A lovely day. Willis drove Old Liz and I rode Val and we went to Wilson County. Tonight I am at Cousin Tom Arrington's and Willis went on with the Jennets, Lizzie and Simella, to Mr. Hancock's out on the Murfreesboro Pike about seven miles from Lebanon.
- 04/17 Willis came back to Cousin Tom's this morning and we came home and found that Mama, Fred, Jesse and Sister had gotten home yesterday evening.
- 04/18 A pretty day. I went down to Grandpa's and got his buggy gear for Papa to drive Mag Muller to Liberty but as Mama was afraid of her, Papa rode Slasher and started to Liberty to district conference.
- 04/20 It rained this morning. Papa is still gone to district conference. Some Turks passed the road with two bears, which was quite a curiosity to us.
- 04/22 A pretty day. I went home with Walter to get some eggs. Aunt Nannie, Hattie and Jordan spent the day here and Jesse went home with them to spend the night. Hattie and Fred Taylor rode Old Val and went to Rock City this evening. [Note: Walter, Burr, Hattie, Jordan are all Williams, therefore, Kelly's first cousins]
- 04/24 Rained a shower this evening. I carried Mama on Old Val to Uncle George's gate and she and Fred and Sister, Aunt Nannie, Hattie and Jordan spent the day at Miss Lizzie Hale's and Mama came to see Miss Ella Haley awhile. Then she and Fred and Sister walked home. Papa and Willis sheared the sheep.
- 04/28 A beautiful day but real cool. Papa and I came home and fed and went to Mt. Olivet to Sunday School. Mama, Sister and Grandma and Aunt Polly Norris all drove Val and came to church. Brother Graves preached and we all went to Grandpa's.
- 05/05 I went to Sunday School and then back home and we are here all day with Dicie as Mama and Papa went to Center Hill and heard Brother Owens preach the funeral of Old Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and their daughter.
- 05/06 Papa went to Lebanon today and drove Mag Muller in the road cart. Mr. Watts, the book agent, brought our book, "The Beautiful Story." Oh how we do need rain.
- 05/09 A very warm day and rain much needed. Papa, Fred and I carried our lambs to Rome, having sold them to Mr. D. Johnson. Grandma spent the day here and Papa went home with her to spend the night. Uncle Josh was here to show Papa his fine mare.

TO BE CONTINUED



Front Row, L to R
W. R. Perkins; Joe Sullivan; A. B. King;
John E. Gold; M. N. Ford; Ike Evans;
Sam Nixon

Back Row, L to R
John Knowelle (Federal); E. N. Beasley;
W. H. Flippen; J. C. Nixon; Tom Williams
John C. Pritchard

UNCLE JOE SULLIVAN, CONFEDERATE VETERAN DIES

With the passing away of Uncle Joseph Sullivan, who died at the home of his grand daughter, Mrs. Watt Armistead, near Chestnut Mound, last Saturday morning, Sept. 30th 1928, Smith county loses another one of its honored Confederate veterans and highly respected citizens.

For sometime Uncle Joe, as he was affectionately called, had been in failing health on account of his advanced years, and was unable to attend the reunion of Smith County Confederate soldiers held in Carthage this summer. Mr. Sullivan was 87 years of age, and was born and reared in the community where he died. He was honorable, upright and a Christian gentleman, and had hosts of friends to extend sympathy to the members of his family in their bereavement.

Mr. Sullivan was preceded to the grave by his beloved wife who passed away some six years ago. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Bransford Wade, one grand daughter, Mrs. Armistead, with whom he made his home in latter years, one grandson, Beeman Wade, a member of the Smith county court. He was a brother of the late Albert Sullivan of Carthage Junction.

At the outbreak of the Civil war Uncle Joe enlisted in the Confederate army, and made a gallant soldier throughout the war. His passing away only leaves 12 or 13 of Smith County's Confederate veterans. For many years Mr. Sullivan had been a devout member of the Baptist church.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at Macedonia church by Rev. Phocian Gibbs and Rev. Orin Lynch. Bro. Lynch was just concluding his part of the funeral services when he fell dead in the pulpit. For many years Bro. Lynch and Uncle Joe had been the closest of friends, and it was for this reason the aged minister was called to take part in the funeral services.

Mr. Sullivan's remains were laid to rest immediately after the funeral services in the family burying grounds, with Bass & Harper, undertakers, in charge.

Buried now in Macedonia Cem.

Carthage Courier, October 10, 1928

SMITH COUNTY CENSUS

1880		1860			
Isaac Sullivan	40 M	Farmer			
Mary Sullivan	36 F				
Joseph Sullivan	20 M	Laborer			
Tandy Sullivan	18 M	Laborer			
Albert Sullivan	14 M		Sullivan, Joseph	W	M 39
Jane Sullivan	13 F		Elizabeth	W	F 42
Ira Sullivan	10 M		Milbra J.	W	F 14
Martha Sullivan	5 F				Daughter

THE "150 CLUB"

Your response to the "150 Club" has been most gratifying. Please continue to submit those family histories. They are published in the order received. Not only are these histories a part of our Smith County heritage but also helpful to other researchers. Mark Twain once said that every man, great or small, had a story to tell – so send us yours!

The Gwaltney Family

Submitted by: Irma Gwaltney Paschall

The family, of Welsh origin, came from Wales to Virginia earlier than 1700. John Gwaltney, (born December 19, 1775, Surry Co., Virginia) married April 6, 1801, Elizabeth Carroll, (born February 5, 1783) - (14 children). John owned land on Jenkins Hill Road (Smith County Deed Book G, P141). John and Elizabeth Carrol Gwaltney's home was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2002. John is listed on the 1820 Smith County Census.

Dawson Gwaltney (10th child of John and Elizabeth Carroll Gwaltney) (born September 2, 1819- died January 15, 1911) married Eliza Jane Ward (born June 25, 1825 - died September 30, 1899) (7 children).

William (Bill) Gwaltney (5th child of Dawson and Eliza Jane Ward Gwaltney) (born May 30, 1857 - died July 9, 1933) married Lydia Wauford (born May 4, 1864 - died October 31, 1891) (3 children: Finis, Lura, Bart).

Robert Bart Gwaltney (3rd child of William (Bill) and Lydia Wauford Gwaltney) (born July 31, 1889 - died June 26, 1978) married Lillie Edna McDonald (born September 4, 1900 - died December 11, 1985) (2 children: Jean Doris and Irma Elizabeth).

Jean Doris Gwaltney (1st child of Bart and Edna McDonald Gwaltney) (born July 4, 1920 - died December 30, 1995) married Wirt Jared Lancaster (born June 23, 1913 - died December 16, 1999) (2 children: William Barton and Nancy Jane).

William Barton (Billy Bart) Lancaster (1st child of Wirt and Doris Gwaltney Lancaster) (born February 23, 1941) married Linda Watson (born November 4, 1944) (1 child: Lisa Michele).

Lisa Michele Lancaster (born November 18, 1963) married Randall Earl (Randy) Dillingham (born August 10, 1961) (4 children: JeremyKeith, Jamie Craig, Randall Blake, Kelsey Lynn).

Irma Elizabeth Gwaltney (2nd child of Bart and Edna McDonald Gwaltney) (born September 23, 1927) married Earl Eugene Paschall (born December 29, 1924 - died August 12, 1968) (3 children: Judy Carol, Earl Edwin (Eddie), Deborah Jean).

Judith (Judy) Carol Paschall (1st child of Earl and Irma Gwaltney Paschall) (born March 1, 1947) married James A. Due (born September 23, 1951) (No children).

Earl Edwin (Eddie) Paschall (2nd child of Earl and Irma Gwaltney Paschall) (born October 12, 1948) married Brenda Leigh Cowan (born March 31, 1956) (2 children: Brent Justin, Sheryl Lynn).

Deborah Jean Paschall (3rd child of Earl and Irma Gwaltney Paschall) (born December 26, 1952) (Not married).

Nancy Jane Lancaster (2nd child of Wirt and Doris Gwaltney Lancaster) (born June 11, 1945) married James Larry Hall (born March 21, 1947) (3 children: Cody Daniel, Lindsay Michelle, Hailey Danielle).

DESCENDANTS OF BENJAMIN DENNEY

Generation No. 1

1. BENJAMIN¹ was born in Person - Lunenburg Co., NC. He married BARBARA.

Child of BENJAMIN and BARBARA is:

2. i. JOHN² DENNEY, b. Abt. 1771, NC.

Generation No. 2

2. JOHN² DENNEY (*BENJAMIN*¹) was born Abt. 1771 in NC. He married SARAH "SALLY" WINFREE, daughter of JAMES WINFREE and ELIZABETH JONES. She was born Abt. 1778 in Goshen, Granville, NC, and died Aft. 1835.

Notes for JOHN DENNEY:

Will dated 13th of May 1847, Smith Co., TN.

Children of JOHN DENNEY and SARAH WINFREE are:

i. WILLIAM GABRIEL³ DENNEY, d. Abt. 1852, Smith Co., TN; m. (1) CAROLINE WRIGHT; m. (2) CHARLOTTE WARD.

Notes for WILLIAM GABRIEL DENNEY:

Moved to MO - about 1844/45.

ii. WILEY "WILLIE" DENNEY, b. Abt. 1794, Person/Granville Co., NC; d. Bef. 1869, Denney Branch, Smith Co., TN; m. CLARA ENOCH, Abt. 1817, Smith Co., TN; b. Abt. 1800, NC; d. May 04, 1887, Denney Branch, Smith Co., TN.

More About WILEY DENNEY and CLARA ENOCH:

Marriage: Abt. 1817, Smith Co., TN

3. iii. ZACHARIAH DENNEY, b. January 19, 1794, Person/Granville Co., NC; d. February 27, 1848, TN.
iv. CHARLES W. DENNEY, b. December 27, 1801, Granville Co., NC; d. Abt. 1865, Henderson, KY; m. MARTHA PATRICIA EVERETT, Abt. 1820, TN; b. Abt. 1798, Smith Co., TN.

More About CHARLES DENNEY and MARTHA EVERETT:

Marriage: Abt. 1820, TN

v. BENJAMIN DENNEY, b. December 26, 1810, NC; d. September 05, 1844, Smith Co., TN; m. (1) EVALINE ROLLINS; b. Abt. 1810, VA; d. October 1896, Smith Co., TN; m. (2) CAROLYN.

Notes for BENJAMIN DENNEY:

Died the same day that he wrote his Will. Tuberculosis.

Generation No. 3

3. ZACHARIAH³ DENNEY (*JOHN*², *BENJAMIN*¹) was born January 19, 1794 in Person/Granville Co., NC, and died February 27, 1848 in TN. He married CATHERINE/KATHERINE STALLINGS Bef. 1819 in New Middleston area, Smith Co., TN. She was born March 02, 1798 in NC, and died Aft. 1860 in TN.

Notes for ZACHARIAH DENNEY:
Surname spelled Denney/Denny.

More About ZACHARIAH DENNEY and CATHERINE/KATHERINE STALLINGS:
Marriage: Bef. 1819, New Middleston area, Smith Co., TN

Children of ZACHARIAH DENNEY and CATHERINE/KATHERINE STALLINGS are:

- i. JAMES MILLS⁴ DENNEY, b. May 14, 1819, Smith Co., TN; d. Bef. 1900, Putnam Co., TN; m. (1) MARTHA A. SCUDDERT, July 02, 1846; b. May 31, 1825; d. October 08, 1875; m. (2) MARTHA ROBINSON, Abt. 1877; b. July 1850; d. April 04, 1919.

More About JAMES DENNEY and MARTHA SCUDDERT:
Marriage: July 02, 1846

Notes for MARTHA ROBINSON:
d/o Mack & Martha Robinson. The surname, death & parents of Martha Robinson have not been proven.

More About JAMES DENNEY and MARTHA ROBINSON:
Marriage: Abt. 1877

- ii. JONATHAN DENNEY, b. March 29, 1822, Smith Co., TN; d. Aft. 1900, Putnam Co., TN; m. AGNES "AGGIE" WINFREE; b. Abt. 1828, KY; d. Bef. 1900, Putnam Co., TN.

Notes for AGNES "AGGIE" WINFREE:
Certificate of Death: John Bell Denny & Silas Denny Obituary states that the surname of their mother was Agnes "Aggie" Winfree.

- iii. WILLIAM IRA DENNEY, b. January 31, 1824, Bluff Creek, Smith Co., TN; d. July 08, 1903, near Bowlin's Branch, Smith Co., TN; m. (1) TERESA SCUDDERS BATES, Aft. 1850, Smith Co., TN; b. Abt. 1818, Smith Co., TN; d. Abt. 1859, Smith Co., TN; m. (2) ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" BETH COFFEY, March 06, 1860, Smith Co., TN; b. April 22, 1840, Smith Co., TN; d. November 01, 1889, near Bowlin's Branch, Smith Co., TN.

More About WILLIAM IRA DENNEY:
Burial: Denney Cemetery, Smith Co., TN

More About TERESA SCUDDERS BATES:
Burial: Denney Cemetery, Smith Co., TN

More About WILLIAM DENNEY and TERESA BATES:
Marriage: Aft. 1850, Smith Co., TN

More About WILLIAM DENNEY and ELIZABETH COFFEY:
Marriage: March 06, 1860, Smith Co., TN

4. iv. TIMOTHY DENNEY, b. December 22, 1825, Bluff Creek, Smith Co., TN; d. November 05, 1898, near Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN.
- v. JOHN SMITH DENNEY, b. November 01, 1827, Smith Co., TN; d. November 19, 1912, Rock Springs Valley, Putnam Co., TN; m. NANCY HENRIETTA CARLEN, February 26, 1865, St. Mary Hollow, Smith Co., TN; b. August 20, 1846, Pekin, Putnam Co., TN; d. February 06, 1920, Rock Springs Valley, Putnam Co., TN.

Notes for JOHN SMITH DENNEY:

Tombstone: b. 2 November 1828, Rock Springs, TN

More About JOHN SMITH DENNEY:

Burial: Denny Family Graveyard, Rock Springs, TN

More About NANCY HENRIETTA CARLEN:

Burial: Denny Family Graveyard, Rock Springs, TN

More About JOHN DENNEY and NANCY CARLEN:

Marriage: February 26, 1865, St. Mary Hollow, Smith Co., TN

- vi. ELIZABETH ANN "BESTY" DENNEY, b. August 04, 1832, TN; d. October 12, 1918, near Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN.

Notes for ELIZABETH ANN "BESTY" DENNEY:

Never married. Died of Pneumonia at age 86.

'God wanted another angel to join his happy band so in making his selection he called Aunt Besty Ann.'

Besty lived with her brother, Timothy Denny.

More About ELIZABETH ANN "BESTY" DENNEY:

Burial: Capt. William Jared Cemetery, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN

- vii. LUCY WHITLEY DENNEY, b. November 28, 1835, Smith Co., TN; d. May 30, 1908; m. BAILEY GANNAWAY WOODSON, April 01, 1852, Smith Co., TN; b. November 17, 1820, Smith Co., TN; d. December 02, 1911, Cisco, Eastland, TX.

More About BAILEY WOODSON and LUCY DENNEY:

Marriage: April 01, 1852, Smith Co., TN

- viii. CATHERINE DENNY, b. November 01, 1837, Smith Co., TN; m. JOHN L. HUDDLESTON, Putnam Co., TN; b. July 04, 1837, TN; d. November 06, 1864, TN.

Notes for JOHN L. HUDDLESTON:

John L. Huddleston is thought to have died during the Civil War during Confederate Service.

More About JOHN HUDDLESTON and CATHERINE DENNY:

Marriage: Putnam Co., TN

Generation No. 4

4. TIMOTHY⁴ DENNEY (ZACHARIAH³, JOHN², BENJAMIN¹) was born December 22, 1825 in Bluff Creek, Smith Co., TN, and died November 05, 1898 in near Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN. He married ELIZABETH HETTIE PAUL September 26, 1876 in TN, daughter of THOMAS PAUL and SARAH ERVIN. She was born October 26, 1844 in TN, and died March 22, 1922 in near Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN.

Notes for TIMOTHY DENNEY:

Died on a Friday at home, Big Indian Creek Rd. & Hopewell Rd., Silver Pt., TN near Buffalo Valley, TN.

'Since thou can no longer stay to cheer me with thy love hope to meet with thee again in yon bright world above.'

Private: Co. A - 84th Confederate Infantry.

More About TIMOTHY DENNEY:

Burial: Capt. William Jared Cemetery, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN

Notes for ELIZABETH HETTIE PAUL:

Died at home, Big Indian Creek Rd. & Hopewell Rd., Silver Pt., TN near Buffalo Valley, TN. Surname of mother: Sarah Denny or Sarah Ervin, has not yet been proven.

More About ELIZABETH HETTIE PAUL:

Burial: Capt. William Jared Cemetery, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN

More About TIMOTHY DENNEY and ELIZABETH PAUL:

Marriage: September 26, 1876, TN

Children of TIMOTHY DENNEY and ELIZABETH PAUL are:

- i. MINNIE MYRTLE³ DENNY, b. February 18, 1882, Big Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN; d. May 10, 1957, Hazelwood Rest Home, Lebanon, TN; m. BETHEL APPLE, December 28, 1902; b. Abt. 1874.

Notes for MINNIE MYRTLE DENNY:

Tombstone records birth: 18 February 1881 - Bible indicates, 18 February 1882. Divorced Bethel Apple.

More About MINNIE MYRTLE DENNY:

Burial: Rock Springs Cemetery, Putnam Co., TN

More About BETHEL APPLE and MINNIE DENNY:

Marriage: December 28, 1902

5. ii. VIRGIL TIMOTHY DENNY, b. November 17, 1884, Big Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN; d. June 26, 1949, Little Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN.

Generation No. 5

5. VIRGIL TIMOTHY⁵ DENNY (*TIMOTHY⁴ DENNEY, ZACHARIAH³, JOHN², BENJAMIN¹*) was born November 17, 1884 in Big Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN, and died June 26, 1949 in Little Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN. He married AUDRA CAMILLA ANDERSON November 28, 1917 in Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN. She was born February 09, 1899 in Boma, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN, and died October 26, 1990 in Cookeville General Hospital, Cookeville, TN.

Notes for VIRGIL TIMOTHY DENNY:

Married by: Walter Jones, J.P. - Witnesses: Lafayette Nichols & Edith Maddux.

More About VIRGIL TIMOTHY DENNY:

Burial: Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN

More About AUDRA CAMILLA ANDERSON:

Burial: Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN

More About VIRGIL DENNY and AUDRA ANDERSON:

Marriage: November 28, 1917, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN

Child of VIRGIL DENNY and AUDRA ANDERSON is:

6. i. TIM⁶ DENNY, b. May 25, 1923, Little Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN; d. August 01, 2001, Clinton Twp., Macomb Co., MI.

Generation No. 6

6. TIM⁶ DENNY (*VIRGIL TIMOTHY⁵, TIMOTHY⁴ DENNEY, ZACHARIAH³, JOHN², BENJAMIN¹*) was born May 25, 1923 in Little Indian Creek, Silver Point, nr. Buffalo Valley, TN, and died August 01, 2001 in Clinton Twp., Macomb Co., MI. He married GERALDINE LOFTIS July 10, 1949 in Bowling Green, OH, daughter of MILTON LOFTIS and ESSIE JERNIGAN. She was born October 25, 1930 in Double Springs, Putnam Co., TN, and died January 17, 2002 in Clinton Twp., Macomb Co., MI.

Notes for TIM DENNY:

Died 7:25 p.m. on a Wednesday, Church of Christ Care Center, Clinton Twp., MI - Congestive Heart Disease. His mother wanted to name him William Lewis Timothy Denny, Lewis after her father, Lewis Monroe Anderson & Timothy after his grandfather, Timothy Denny, but only Tim Denny was on the birth certificate. Served 15 months in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations with the 1522nd Army Air Forces Base Unit. Served part of this time with the Army Transport Command - Veteran WWII - 7 April 1943 - 11 March 1946. Farmer, Production Worker, Maintenance - Retired from the East Detroit School System.

More About TIM DENNY:

Burial: Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Twp., MI

Notes for GERALDINE LOFTIS:

Died at 1:40 a.m. on a Thursday, Church of Christ Care Center, Clinton Twp., MI - Heart Disease.

More About GERALDINE LOFTIS:

Burial: Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Twp., MI

More About TIM DENNY and GERALDINE LOFTIS:

Marriage: July 10, 1949, Bowling Green, OH

Children of TIM DENNY and GERALDINE LOFTIS are:

7.
 - i. RONALD TIMOTHY⁷ DENNY, b. December 05, 1950, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN.
 - ii. RICHARD LEWIS DENNY, b. February 05, 1952, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN.
 - iii. AUDREY JUNE DENNY, b. March 28, 1953, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN; m. (1) DENNIS PATRICK CASE, June 06, 1975, East Detroit, Macomb Co., MI; m. (2) MICHAEL HENRY LAMBERT, April 04, 1989, Las Vegas, NV; b. September 19, 1957, Detroit, Wayne Co., MI.

More About DENNIS CASE and AUDREY DENNY:

Marriage: June 06, 1975, East Detroit, Macomb Co., MI

More About MICHAEL LAMBERT and AUDREY DENNY:

Marriage: April 04, 1989, Las Vegas, NV

- iv. JOE NELSON DENNY, b. February 07, 1963, Detroit, Wayne Co., MI; m. DIANE JULIE WINN, March 05, 1997, Clinton Twp., MI.

Notes for JOE NELSON DENNY:

Divorced.

More About JOE DENNY and DIANE WINN:

Marriage: March 05, 1997, Clinton Twp., MI

Generation No. 7

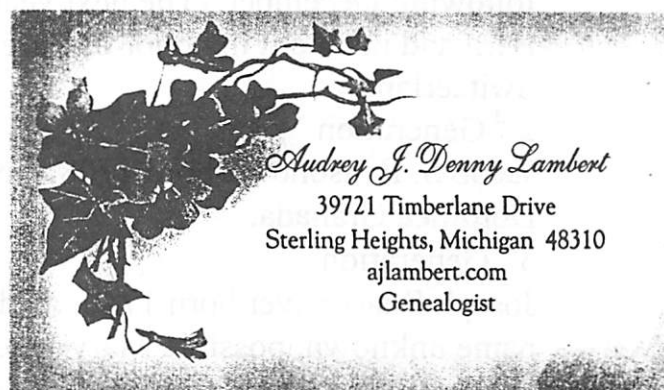
7. RONALD TIMOTHY⁷ DENNY (*TIM*⁶, *VIRGIL TIMOTHY*⁵, *TIMOTHY*⁴ *DENNEY*, *ZACHARIAH*³, *JOHN*², *BENJAMIN*¹) was born December 05, 1950 in Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN. He married (1) SUSAN KNIGHT June 01, 1975. He married (2) LESLIE RIYE HABU February 04, 1989 in Seattle, WA, daughter of YUTAKA HABU and FUMI KUROKAWA. She was born September 15, 1952 in Seattle, WA.

More About RONALD DENNY and SUSAN KNIGHT:
Marriage: June 01, 1975

More About RONALD DENNY and LESLIE HABU:
Marriage: February 04, 1989, Seattle, WA

Children of RONALD DENNY and LESLIE HABU are:

- i. REED TIMOTHY AKIRA⁸ DENNY, b. July 20, 1989, Seattle, WA.
- ii. GRANT RONALD TEIJI DENNY, b. June 10, 1991, Seattle, WA.



**MATTHIAS RIESENBUCHER, RIESONHOFER,
REASONOVER
TEN GENERATIONS**

Submitted by Oleda Bass Hill

Matthias, Matteus ór Matthew Riesenbucher, Riesonhofer, Reasonover came to America from the Palatine Valley Region of Germany by way of London, England in 1709 with his second wife, Elizabeth Granada, born Ca 1680 and his 3 children; Catron born 1702, John born 1705 and Jacob S, born 1708. They were among a group of German and Swiss immigrants under the leadership of the Swiss Colonization Agent, Baren Christopher deGraffenried. The convoy sailed from London, England early in October 1709 and arrived in what is now Craven County, North Carolina late the following December. The next year 1710 they founded the town of New Bern and named it in honor of Baren deGraffenried's native town of Bern, Switzerland.

2nd Generation

Jacob S. Reasonover born 1708, Germany, died 1765. Married Clara Dorothea Granada.

3rd Generation

Joseph Reasonover born 1740, died April 1833 in Smith County, Tn., wife's name unknown, possible Mary Jane Rogers. 4 known children; Polly born 1764, Jacob S. born 1766, Joseph Jr born 1767, John born 1768.

4th Generation

Joseph Reasonover born 1767 died 1854. Married Elizabeth Benson, born 1773 in Virginia, died April 13, 1864, Tn. 9 children; Elizabeth, Jacob B., Sarah J., Joab, Mary C., Benjamin, George W., the other 2 names unknown, possibly died in infancy.

5th Generation

George W. Reasonover born 1794. Married Jennie Webster, born 1800 or 1801 in Virginia, died July 18, 1887, Sykes, Tn. 5 known children; John Bover [Logue], Sarah Frances [Fannie], Catherine [Time], Kirk, Governor.

6th Generation

John Bover [Logue] Reasonover born 1835, died 1922. Married Elizabeth Frye Springfield, born 1838. 3 children; Lucy L., Sarah, George Washington. Elizabeth died and he married Feban Wauford on March 3, 1869. They had 4 children; Effie, Jose, Maggie Dora, and Jake.

7th Generation

George Washington Reasonover born October 13, 1862, died March 23, 1954 Smith County, Tn., buried Union Hill Church Cemetery, Sykes. Married Mary James Wauford born October 6, 1876, died January 17, 1945. 6 children; Wavey Elizabeth [Lizzie] married James Campbell [Jim-Dodd] Gwaltney 7 children. More about this family in the next generation. Matt Nicholas born December 5, 1899, died July 6, 1901; John Bartly born Novembaer 10, 1902, died June 15, 1965, married Edith Bell Grandstaff; James Ernest born March 11, 1907 died March 30, 1994 married Ruth Kyle, 2 children; Marion and James Robert; Kate born and died January 24, 1917; Sarah Frances Lee born February 4, 1920, died July 13, 1988, Farmersville, Texas, married Eulas A. Lorance, 5 children, *Judy, Jerrye, Patsy, Jaquita, Bartly.*

8th Generation

Wavey Elizabeth [Lizzie] Reasonover born November 27, 1897, died August 30, 1969. Married July 16, 1913 to James Campbell [Jim-Dodd] Gwaltney, son of Arch D. and Connie Sykes Gwaltney, born August 4, 1895, died April 30, 1968. 7 children; Johnnie Arch, born September 14, 1916, died August 11, 1917; Frances Aloda born March 14, 1919, married Ernest L. Gentry, 4 children; Freda, Stevie, James and Juanita; George Clydale, born March 2, 1922, died August 15, 1988, married Elizabeth Ann Curtis one son George Curtis. Mary Oleda born December 1, 1926 married Paul B. Bass, 3 children; Rebecca Jean born March 6, 1935, died January 28, 2002, married Lewlyn Ivan Mc Kinney, 6 children; Marley, Ernie, Susan, Emily, Becky and Dianne.

9th Generation

Mary Oleda Gwaltney born December 1, 1926 married Paul B. Bass on April 19, 1955, Paul born December 14, 1917, died December 7, 1964 3 children; William Sanford [Billy] born March 22, 1956; Linda Carol born April 23, 1957, married June 16, 1979 to James Micheal Finley, 3 children, Barry, Michelle and Matthew.; Paul Daniel born May 21, 1958 married March 28, 1981 to Paula Annette Manning, 2 children; Megan Hope and Kurt Daniel. Oleda Married second to Claude D. Hill, born April 14, 1917, died April 16, 1978. No issues.

10th Generation

William Sanford [Billy] Bass born March 22, 1956 married August 27, 1982 to Judy Rebecca Carr, born April 22, 1964 Japan; 2 sons Zachary David Paul born August 11, 1987, William Jacob born December 28, 1988. Billy and Rebecca divorced February 13, 1990. Billy married second Amanda Holliman on February 13, 1999 they have a daughter Sydney Danielle born October 14, 2000.

150 Club

Submitted by Jama Covington Wright

I am Jama Covington Wright, only child of member James Jay Covington who died in 2000, but I have kept the membership up and hope to enroll two of my families in the "150 Club" - KITCHING and SIMPSON.

GENERATION 1 James and Martha Kitching in Southampton County Virginia

Generation 2 James Kitching b ca 1749 in Virginia died in Smith County 1818, married Morning (name unknown). 3 children

Generation 3 Thomas Kitching b 3 Nov 1809, Smith County, d 15 Nov 1895 married Mary Davis b 16 Jan 1814 d 14 July 1889. Married 1831. 14 children

Generation 4 Eliza A. (Elizabeth) Kitching b 13 July 1844 d 3 August 1894. Married 17 Feb. 1861 to J. T. (Tump) Simpson b 28 Jan 1839 d 21 Sept 1910. 13 children

Generation 5 Robert Gilbert (Bob) 1865-1946 and Eliza Jane Shipp 1870-1949 Children: Bonnie Clara, Eliza Nell and Julia Louise

Generation 6 Bonnie Clara Simpson 1896-1988 and John A. Covington 1899-1985 Children: James Jones (Jay) AND Harold Miller

Generation 7 James Jones (Jay) Covington 1921-2000 and Ruby Nevil 1922- Children: Jama Nevil

Generation 8 Jama Nevil Covington 1955- and William Nelson Wright 1956- Children James Nelson Wright

Generation 9 James Nelson (Jay) Wright 1987

THE KITCHING FAMILY

James Kitching born 1749 in Southampton County, Virginia to James and Martha Kitching. He was Pvt in Co K Ist Reg North Carolina Militia Revolutionary War, pay voucher not dated. His father James died 1762, will in Southampton County Virginia.

James Married Mourning (name unknown). The following on file in North Carolina.

Bought 100 ACRES in Halifax CO. North Carolina, 26 December 1776, Book 13 Page 543

Sold 100 acres in Halifax Co, North Carolina 19 November 1788 Book 17, Page 5.

Bought (1796) 274 acres in Sumner Co, Tn (from Northhampton Co, NC) Book 1 Page 237 (registered in Sumner County)

Deed Book 1 Page 251-Indenture 15 Feb. 1796 Robert Williams, Pitt Co., NC to James Kitchins, Northampton Co. NC. 274 Acres on S side of Cumberland River & on headwaters of Mulharin's Creek.

Land Grant (No 7776) 55 Acres, Smith Co. Tn. first district, headwaters of Kitchens Creek, a fork of Round Creek. 27 Sept. 1815. Next to land grant of Thomas Kitching's grant of 54 acres same location and date. James Kitching bought Thomas Kitching's grant of 54 Acres on 7 Sept 1817 (Smith CO. DEED Book F, pp 180-181. land grant Registered. James Kitching - Smith Co. Deed Book E, Page 440, Thomas Kitching- Smith Co. Deed Book F Page 173.

James Kitching was in Smith County, Tennessee when it was still part of Sumner County. Sumner organized in 1787 and Smith from part of Sumner County in 1799.

James and Mourning Kitching were Charter Members of Brush Creek Primitive Baptist Church, May 29, 1802. Recorda in Tennessee State Archives. James and Mourning are buried in the Brush Creek Cemetery. They had children James, Thomas and Sarah. Will Book 4, (1816-1820) Page 191, Smith County.

James Kitching son of James and Morning-no information except he had son name William mentioned in his grandfathers will, will probated Feb. 1818, Smith County, Tn will book 4; 1816-1820. page 191.

Sarah Kitching died 1835 and buried Brush Creek Baptist Church of Christ, married Wiley Odum b ca 1765 -died 20 December 1818. 9 issues

Kinching b ca 1792 d 1869 in Smith County Texas. 7 issues-Bennett Wilwy, Francis, Durham, Martha Ann, Andrew, Kinching and Ester.

Britton Odum b 1794-d 1862 married 12 September 1814, Ridley Blurton b 1797-d 1885

Britton served in War of 1812 under General Andrew Jackson.

Will 1863 Lebanon (Wilson County Court House) Tn.

Four issues: Dempsey married Susan Swann
Daniel married Mary Bass
Lecy married Dave Litchford
Nancy Jane married James Monroe Floyd

Dempsey B ca 1795 d 1860 married 19 June 1817, Sarah Jordon d 1870

12 issues: Lucy married James Stilley
William C. married Elizabeth Taylor
Eliza Jane married Spencer Allen
Elizabeth A. married Harris Moren
Moses married Mary Fry
Sara Jane married Spencer Allen
James K. married Sarah Watson
Rachel married Van West
Martha married John Cantrell
Mary married Alfred Hendrixson
Nancy No information
Caroline (died young)
Ridley married James Heflin

Moses Odum Ca 1805-1871 married 4 August 1825 to Lucy Lawrence married 1846 Analiza Dotson

Mose served in Black Hawk War in 1832. He received bounty Grant of Land in Williamson Co. Illinois in 1850 and in 1855.

8 Issues: William Lawrence married 1849 to Elizabeth Marks
John L d 1847
Britton
Rev. Martin married Millard F. Franklin
Enlisted in 31st Illinois infantry in 1864,
Wounded in Atlanta and discharged 1864.

Mary Jane died in fnfancy
Sarah F.
Edward

Elizabeth Odum b ca 1800 Twin sister Lessie (Lecy)
Elizabeth married James Morgan Casey
Lecy married Thomas Burris Oakley 22 Dec 1848
Elizabeth no further information

Lessie (Lecy) and Thomas Oakley had following issues
George Oakley 5 Feb 1832-8 Nov 1907 married
22 Dec 1848 Elizabeth (Betsey) Foust 1832-1896
William (Buck) Oakley b ca 1821 married Louisa Gill
Mary (Pop) Oakley ca 1831 married Ephrian Taylor
1860 Census Crittendon County, Ky.
SUSAN Oakley b 11 March 1827 d 30 June 1906 married
12 Oct 1848 William Hardin 1825-1888.

Thomas Odum b 16 Nov 1811 d 15 Nov 1889 married Elizabeth
Allen 10 June 1813 d 8 June 1890

Martha Odum married William Browning No children

Mary Odum married Joseph (John) Marks
Britton Marks

Information on the Odum family, from Ken Floyd, Nashville
research. He descendant of Sarah Kitching and Wiley Odum's son
Britton and Ridley Blurton.

Thomas Kitching son of James and Morning Kitching b 3 Nov 1809
Smith County, Tn d 15 NOV 1895, married 1831 to Mary
Davis b 16 Jan 1814 in North Carolina d 14 July 1889,
both bueied Kitching Cemetery on Highway 53.

14 issues: Nancy Jane b 4 Sept 1834 d 21 Feb 1912. Married
Benjamin Bradley 24 August 1854,
3 issues Robert married Nannie Barry
James b 28 Feb 1857 d 25 Dec 1928
married M. F. Hall Nov 29 1888, she b
21 Mar. 1868 d 18 Apr. 1902
Sarah Jan married James H, Ballinger

James Bradley and M.F. Hall had 4 issues
Verner b 5 Oct 1889 d 6 June 1970 buried on the 8th at
Brush Creek, Sm, TN. married 24 Dec 1911 to Ona Nixon b 5 Aug
1892 d 3 Fed 1982, buried with her husband. 3 issues Ruth, Ralph
and Doris.

Ferrell b date unknown d 20 July 1970, married 4 Sept
1915 Laura Timberlake by Rev. Byrd Phillips, known issues
Verner Paul. Frances, Garland, Dorothy and Jean.

Guy Wilson b 25 July 1896 d 14 Jan 1969 married 19 March
1919 t0 Cora Ford b 28 March 1903 d 19 June 1959 Both buried
Brush Creek cemetery.

Hugh b 5 Jan 1902 d 29 August 1969 buried Union Hill
Cemetery. married Sybil Carmichael no dates known names of 4
issues Eddie, James, Ekizabeth and Hugh Jr.

James Bradley married a second time to Ellen Megalin (Maggie) Evans 22 Feb 1868 d 4 Sept 1950. Issue Leland Dale Bradley b 9 Oct 1907 d married Daisy Lyle but divorced after 3 years.

Second child of Thomas and Mary Kitching was Manerva born 3 August 1836 d 10 Apr 1912 Buried Thompson family cemetery 19 Civil Diatricht, Wilson county. Married 2 Apr 1857 to James P. Paty b 12 FEB 1837 d 25 March 1922 buried with wife. Issues Mary A b 5 June 1860, Emma J. b 7 Jan 1862, Sarah N. b 9 May 1868, R. W. b 22 Jan 1874 and T. B. b 7 Oct 1877.

Third child Josiah b 26 Feb 1838 d 9 March 1902. On 19 Sepr 1865 in Wilson county married Sallie Campbell 22 May 1839-14 Feb 1898 Both buried Kitching Cemetery on Highway 53 Smith Co.

Fourth James H. b 28 May 1840 Married Mattie Dowell 2 Feb. 1870 license issued 30 Jan 1870 in Dekalb County. James served in Civil War. Issues Robert D, Jesse, Ella, Hallie and Edith.

Fifth Emily Ada b 5 July 1842 d 3 June 1901, Married George E. Courtney b 22 Oct 1936 d 11 Nov 1905 the license were issued Dec 7 in Smith County and the wedding performed by J. R. Smith Minister of Gospel on Dec 10, 1871.

Sixth child Eliza A. b 13 July 1844 d 3 August 1894 (Elizabeth) buried in Kitching Cametery married 17 Feb. 1861 to James Thomas Simpson (Tump) by John James, Smith County.

Tump b 28 Jan 1839-d 21 Sept 1910, buried Kitching cemetery. Issue of 13

Lucy b 1861 d 1952 buried Denison, Texas, married Jim Marler 8 Jan 1885 by T. H. Hinson, MG in Smith County Issue Kate, Ella and Ellen

Jessie Eliga (Bud) b 30 Apr 1863-d 16 Nov 1952 Married 3 May 1891 Jennie Rebecca Bobo by J. l. Bryant Preacher Wilson County. Jennie b 8 June 1871 d 9 Oct 1958, both buried Bethlehem Cemetery, near Tuckers Crossroad (Wilson County) issue Alex, Lacey, Aline, Fred, Roy,, Robert Gilbert b 29 June 1865 d 31 Mar 1946, married Eliza Jane Shipp b 1 Jan 1870 d 9 Jan 1949 They were married 1 August 1895 by T. H. Hinson MG in Smith County Both buried in Suit Cemetery on Highway 70 Hiwassee Road. issues Bonnie Clare, Nell Eliza and Julia Louise

Ida b 8 August 1868 d 22 Jan 1952 married Robert Lee Bryant (Bob) 19 Oct 1890, no issue

Hattie b 30 Jan 1871 d 21 Oct 1947-48 married Alonzo Carter 30 Dec 1897. ISSUE C. T., Inez, Claude, Dement

Mollie b 20 August 1873 d 27 May 1925 married Sam Paschall 4 Oct 1896 by C. R. Carlock MG, Smith County Samuel H. b 4 Mar 1870 d 27 Dec 1941 both buried Brush Creek Cemetery issue W. Carver, Bonnie Alene, and Irene.

Notie b 3 Dec 1875 d 7 Nov 1950 married John Cooksey 23 May 1877 by T. H. Hinson MG. Wilson County John J. b 20 May 1876 d 1 Nov 1955 boyh buried in Bethlehem Cemetery near Tuckers Cross (Wilson County) Issue Ida, Annie, Van, Clyde and Clarence (twin) died 2 years old.

Ophella b 15 March 1878 d 3 March 1962 married Edgar Lee Bradshaw 15 March 1898 issue Hallie, J. D., Freola, Mary, Margarete, Lee and Jack.

Feddie (Fed) b 15 Feb 1880 d 8 July 1962 married 2 Feb 1899 to ED Bethel b1873 d 1957. Issue Kline, Edward Jr. Hazel and Sarah

Frank b 20 Nov 1883 d 12 May 1954 Married Lizzie Costello Issue Hortence, Mattie Bell, J. Edward and Costello, second married Lucy Mae Neal Grandstaff. Frank buried at Bethlehem cemetery near Tucker Cross Road, Wilson County.

Dewitt b 20 May 1885 moved to Texas married Edna Montgomery 1 issue Doris (daughter) know other information

Kate b 23 Sept 1888 d 20 Feb 1963 married 23 Dec 1914 to Virgil Badgett by Simond Ensor, MG (Wilson County) Virgil b 29 Jan 1883 d 4 July 1954 Issues William Wesley, Mildred. Grace, Robbie and Katheleen

Alice b 28 Apr 1892 d 5 Feb 1944 Married Tollie Tomlinson 21 Dec 1913 Tollie b 2 Oct 1890 d 5 May 1974 both buried Lebanon Memorial Gardens Issue Katherine and Ernest

Seventh Child Sarah B. b 26 June 1846 d 1882 married 23 Jan 1867 in Smith County to Thomas H. (Tom) Campbell (Campbelle) Tom b 6 Sept 1844 d 2 Nov 1928 Both buried Campbell Cemetery Hwy 53 on way to Grant near Mulherrin Creek.

Eight Child Gilbert D. b 19April 1848 no information

Ninth Child Mary R b 11 April 1850 d 15 Sept 1875 married William F. (Bill) Turner 6 Sept 1870 in Smith County by J. C. PUTMAN MG, Bill b 16 August 1840 Both buried in Turner Cemetery South of Brush Creek City Limits on East side of Highway. issues Hattie and Charles

Tenth Child Samuel T (Sam) b 5 Apr 1852 d 9 Dec 1925 married 25 Nov 1875 Hattie Patterson by B. R. Patterson MG. Hattie b 31 Jan 1859 d 18 Sept 1907 both buried Turner Cemetery South of Hickman Creek Bridge in Sykes.

Eleventh Child William Melvin b 30 March 1854 d 20 Dec 1881 married 20 May 1873, Smith County, Heneritta Graves W, M. buried Katching Cemetery

Twelfth Child J. H. b 7 Dec 1856 d 27 Sept 1882 buried Katching cemetery

Thirteenth Child Texanna (T.A.) b 25 August 1857 d 18 Apr 1881 Buried Kitching Cemetery

Fourteenth child Katie R. (K.R.) b 22 Sept 1861 d 9 Sept 1877 buried Kitching Cemetery

Third child of Eliza Kitching and Tump (J.T.) Simpson Robert Gilbert Simpson b 29 June, 1865 d 31 March 1946 married Eliza Jane Shipp 1 August 1895 Eliza b 1 Jan 1870 d Jan 1949. Oldest daughter Bonie Clara Simpson b 18 Sept 1896 d 10 Sept 1988. married John A Covington 5 Feb, 1920 Oldest child of Bonnie and John A Covington. James Jones Covington b 4 Jan 1921 d 13 Dec 2000 married 18 Dec 1946 to Ruby Nevil b August 16, 1922- living at present James J. and Ruby Covington only child Jama Covington b 16 March 1955 Married 17 June 1977 Janes Nelson Wright b 25 April 1956.

SIMPSON FAMILY OF SMITH COUNTY

Generation 1 William Simpson and Agnes (unknown) Virginia
Children: James, David, Agnes and ALICE

Generation 2 James Simpson D Kentucky 1815 and Mary Lancaster
1771-1848 Children: Mary, Agnes. Rachel, Sarah.
John and Thomas.

Generation 3 Thomas Simpson 1805-1862 married Ca 1830 to
ATTLANTA Ellison 1809-1868 Children: James,
Charolette, Lewis E., William B AND John S.

Generation 4 Joseph Thomas (Tump) 1839-1810 and Elizabeth
(Eliza) Kitchen 1844-1894 Children: Lucy, Jessie
Eliga, Robert Gilbert, Ida, Hattie, Mollie,
Notie, Ophella, Feddie, Frank, DeWitt, Kate and
ALICE

William Simpson and wife Agnes (no B-D dates) in Amhurst County
were first Simpson have information on. William died in Amherst
County in 1786. They had 4 children: Agnes, James, Alice and
David

Records in Amherst show that Alice married Matthew Montgomery
March 7, 1769 with the consent of her father Suerty, Robert
Montgomery.

Agnes married July 4, 1787 with the consent of of her mother
James Morrison, Surety.

David, we have no records.

James born in Amherst County Virginia and married there April
2, 1787 to Mary Lancaster, Surety David Simpson, Consent of
his mother Agnes Simpson. The family including Agnes Simpson
moved to Shelby County, Kentucky. James died in Kentucky 1815
leaving 3 minor children we have names of six children total.

See attached papers

After James death his widow moved the family to Smith County
Tennessee.

Rachel born in 1789 married Augusta Robinson (he was appointed
guardian for the 3 minor children of James and Mary Simpson
in Smith County December 1819).

Mary (Polly) Simpson born 1783 married Samuel Wilson in 1817
in Shelby County Kentucky.

Sarsh Simpson born 1797 to Nathaniel Terry

John Simpson 1801 married in 1823 in Wilson County, Tn to Polly
Ann Teague.

Thomas Simoson born 1806 married Atlanta Ellison in Smith County
Ca 1830

Agnes Simpson born 1809 married George Washington Coopwood
buried in Aberdeen, Mississippi.

recorded 2^d december 1819

An Inventory of the personal property of Thomas Simpson
John Simpson & Agnes Simpson heirs James Simpson
decd which I have received as Guardians for the above
named heirs to wit one negro Boy 18/19 years old
one woman 40 or 50 years old by each deed with 50
negroes \$120, or the above negroes hired the present
year 140, or I Certify that the above is a true
account of the property and effects received by me
about the first of January 1819 as guardian for the above
named heirs of James Simpson decd given by me this
15th November 1819 Augustus Robinson

State of Tennessee } November Term 1819
Smith County Court } Then the amount of the
within property of the ward therein mentioned
was rendered into Court by Augustus Robinson then
guardian and an Motion ordered to be recorded

Attest
recorded 2nd November 1819 Pickett clk

MEMOIRS OF COLONEL JOHN A. FITE
7th TENNESSEE INFANTRY
C. S. A.
FEBRUARY 10, 1832 - AUGUST 23, 1923

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[Ed. Note: *Colonel Fite was transferred from Johnson's Island on February 27, 1865*]

We left Johnson's Island on the 27th day of February, and walked over on the ice to Sandusky where we were kept for several hours. While there I got the officer in charge to let us go to a restaurant and get something to eat. There was a Federal officer there who had been in prison in the South and he professed to be very much in sympathy with us. The officer told him if he'd take charge of me, I might go out and get something to eat. We went to a restaurant and got supper. After I'd finished eating, I took out a Confederate \$10.00 bill, stuck it up to the gas light to light my cigar. There was an Irishman there and he saw me and thought it was a \$10.00 green back that I was burning. He said, "Mine got my friend don't do that." I told him the gentlemen in my country never lighted a cigar with less than a \$10.00 bill. He said, "I've heard that, but I never believed it before." I let it burn so near up; that he couldn't tell what it was and threw it down.

Sometime that night we started. They put us in a box car. We like to have frozen to death. We got way down in Penn. at some little town and were there for a good while. There was an old woman came along that had eggs, hard boiled eggs, to sell. I had a bone ring on my finger that was made while I was in prison. I got to bartering the old lady to trade my ring for some eggs. She offered me two eggs for it I insisted for a while on more. During the time she was talking to me, she told me that she'd had two boys killed in battles around Richmond. We finally traded, I gave her a ring for three eggs. Just as the train started to move off, and after it had started, I spoke to the old lady, and told her to take good care of that ring that I made it out of the thigh bone of a Yankee, and it might be one of her boys. You never saw such a commotion as I raised, and if the train hadn't moved out, they'd have taken me out and hung me right there.

Nothing else happened until we got into Baltimore. We went to the pier, our boat was landed up by the pier. It was an immense shed, and there were hundreds of people there to see us off. After I got on the boat I reached down and called to an old woman who had bread to sell, baked bread, and told her to throw me up a pone of bread, and the change. A soldier reached down off of the top of the boat, and she stuck a 5 cent loaf on the fellow's bayonet and held on to my change. The boat was moving off when a little yellow negro came up behind her and grabbed the whole sheet of bread and threw it up on the boat. He broke through the crowd and two or three old women after him. You never heard such a yell as they put up, both on the boat and under the shelter.

They put us down in the hull of the boat, most disagreeable place I nearly ever saw, and this was the way they carried us to City Point. When we got to City Point and got off of the boat we pretty soon learned that the exchange had been stopped. They kept us there for several hours and finally agreed that they would send us through the lines on parole but would not exchange us. The crowd that was brought the day before were the last prisoners exchanged.

We got on the boat above City Point and went to Richmond. We stopped there two or three days, and then went to the regiment at Petersburg. I stayed there only one night, and then took the train for North Carolina. After going a few miles we came to where there was a wreck on the railroad, and there we stayed in the woods all night until they could fix a road.

That night I got acquainted with Mrs. Gen. Vaughn who was a Confederate hospital there. Mrs. Vaughn knew the surgeon in charge. We had to stay over there all night, and he furnished Mrs. Vaughn and me with rooms in the hospital. She had a fellow with her to wait on her and take charge of her baggage. The next day we went to some little town in North Carolina and had to stay there that night. We sent that fellow that she had with her to try to find us a place to stay all night. After so long a time, he came back and said he'd found a place where a woman said if we'd all stay in the same room we could stay with her as we couldn't do no better. We accepted her proposition, me and the fellow slept in a trundle bed and Mrs. Vaughn in the big bed.

The next day we went to Saulsbury, and I went to a hotel and she went on to Morgantown. After staying at the hotel a few days, the Yankees came on there, and I went out to a Col. Jones' with one of his sons. While we were there we gathered a lot of cherries and sent them by a negro woman to town to swap them for coffee. Then she came back home that night she brought her cherries with her and said they told her they would not buy her cherries unless she'd take the oath. She told them she'd stave before she'd take the oath. Next day there was a Yankee Colonel come out there and put a guard to keep the soldiers away from annoying the family. I met him and found him to be a very pleasant fellow. I told him about this darkey refusing to take the oath and sell her cherries. He laughed very heartily about it and told me to tell the old woman to bring them out there where he was at the gate. She brought them out. He told her, "I'll buy them from you, I'll have one of my men here to bring them to my quarters, and bring you back some coffee." She had two long tin baskets full of them. He handed them to one of his men, and told him to take them to his quarters, about a mile from there. After a while the fellow came back, one of his buckets full of ground coffee and the other full of sugar. He invited me to come and see them, and I did so in a day or two. He treated me very nicely.

Colonel Jones, the man I was staying with had two sons, both of them were soldiers, one of them a colonel, the other one a private. He had a seine and we took some negroes and went about a mile and a half over on the creek and seined in a mill pond. It was the strangest constructed mill dam I ever saw. The dam made the wagon road. I got tired of seining and walked up to a cabin standing about a hundred or two yards from the mill pond. There was a little old negro sitting by the side of the door, the oldest looking human I ever saw. I asked him how old he was. He said he didn't know, but he was over a hundred. I asked him how long he'd been living here. Said he was born right there and didn't never live nowhere else. I said you must have lived here when that mill was built. Said he was, he remembered when they made it. I asked him who built it, he said, "Mr. Leonard Fite." I asked him whatever became of him. He said he went away to the West, I said, "Uncle, that was my Grandfather." He said, "Well, I must get up and shake hands with you." And he got up with great difficulty and we shook hands.

I stood there and talked to him for some time. I asked him how he was getting along. He said, "O, pretty well cept I can't get bacca." I gave him what I had in my pocket and when I got back to Col. Jones' that night, talking about it, and about the old negro he said there was a fellow across the fields there who had a barn full of tobacco. He expected the Yankees would take it all.

The next day I got a rope and went over there and bought as much as I could well carry. I carried it over to the old negro. When I gave it to him he said that would do him as long as he lived. He called his granddaughter and told her to put it under his bed and the first negro that touched it had better have a big stick.

I went from there up to Morgantown. Col. Jones and Col Hill and myself went up there. Col. Jones had a sister living there and we stayed with them and we had a fine time there. For a good while we had a party somewhere every day or two. I fell mightily in love with a gal there the widow I am now writing to in Washington City (Mrs. Jenie Belcher who Col. Fite visited while passing through Washington on his way to New York to sail for a Mediterranean Cruise in 1912). I expect we would have married if she'd had anything to live on, but we were too devilish poor to think of matrimony.

While we were there we got news one evening that the Yankees were coming. We didn't know what they might do with us, so we broke for the woods with the worst rainy night I ever saw.

After we got out two or three miles from Morgantown, we heard some wagons going along. They were stalled in a field. We didn't know whether it was Yankees or if it was our folks so we had another fellow volunteer to go and find out. When we got to where we could tell who they were it was wagons with one of our quarter masters out hauling salt, trying to carry it to some place where the Yankees could not find it. When we went over to an old fellow's house and spent the night in the woods. There were several of

us along. Next day we went about a half mile further to a great pine ticket and there we concluded that we'd stay. We sent a fellow over to a country store and he bought a big basket of eggs, some bacon and crackers and we stayed there in the pine thicket a day or two, couldn't see anybody to find out anything. We went over to a house and got a boy there to go to town and find out if there was any Yankees there. He came back and reported that there wasn't any Yankees there. We'd had all of our trouble for nothing. Then we all went to town..

We went down to Saulsbury and while at Saulsbury got up a great excitement that the Yankees were coming there. In fact they were close to town. Just before leaving Morgantown there was a fellow there by the name of Simpson and I loaned him \$14,000.00 in Confederate money. He sent by me on the train three barrels of whiskey to Saulsbury, with instructions to sell it and keep the money that he owed me. When I got down to Saulsbury I went to see a saloon keeper down there, and see what he'd give me for it. He said he'd give me \$15,000.00 for the three barrels and take it that evening or if the Yankees didn't come that night (there was rumor there that they were on the way), that he'd give me \$20,000.00 for it the next morning. I didn't much believe they'd come so I concluded to hold on to it until next morning. Next morning about sunup we heard firing out about a mile from town, several of us went down to the depot and when we got down there, our people were hitching every car that could go, and running it for down South. We were at a great loss to know which way to go. There was a train going to Morgantown, and one going to Charlotte. Col. John Murey and Major Irwin insisted it was best to go back to Morgantown. I and two or three others thought differently, and we took the train for Charlotte. About two or three miles from Saulsbury a company of Yankee cavalry attempted to cut us off and capture the train, but the engineer running the train pulled out and put on speed. They fired on us but never hurt anything.

When we got about ten miles down the road we came to where they'd been changing the gage of the road, and we laid there all night. In the meantime they were fixing the road. The next morning we got to Charlotte. We left Charlotte and took up a little railroad to Lincoln town and there we stopped. There were four of us, I think then. We first stopped at the house of a friend of one of the fellows who was along and I felt like it was an imposition on the fellow so I moved up to the hotel.

There was a fellow, Captain Corey, who was a Captain of a slave vessel, and brought over a steam boat load of Negroes from Africa about the beginning of the war. He had two sisters there and a nephew who they were living with then. His sisters were old ladies, both of them. I think they were widows. We got out of whiskey and didn't have a drink. Everybody denied having any. I told Corey I knew how he could get some whiskey. I wrote in great big letters and tacked it on the end of his walking stick. what I wrote on the paper was "I'll give a qt. of green coffee for a qt. of whiskey," and told

Corey to take the stick and put it on his shoulder and walk up to the court house where there was a lot of fellows standing and to let them see the thing and if they had any whiskey we'd get it. He went up there and they asked him what it was he had. He let them read it and there was a fellow there who said that his old Mother wasn't well and he had a little whiskey and he'd trade with him. He told us to come down to where he had an empty store house. I went and got a bottle of coffee and went down to his store. He hauled out an old jug full. We gave him the coffee and he gave us the whiskey, that is filled our bottle, and we went up to our room and drank it.

A night or two after that there was a ball out at a place called the laboratory. A good many of us went and a nephew of old Captain Corey's and a son of an old proprietor of the hotel where I was stopping were at that ball, and both of them were in love with a young lady there, and both of them were drunk. She refused to have anything to do with either one of them. The next day a number of us were sitting up at the court house, and we heard a pistol shot down at the old Captain Corey's house. The woman run out in the street and commenced screaming and a number of us went down there. His nephew had blown his brains out. The women were taking on terrible. Old Captain Corey, a regular ruffian, said, "The dam fellow ought to have done that a good while ago."

Some days after this there was a big scare that the Yankees were coming. We had some cavalry there. They were in charge of some horses they were feeding, and they went out to the road to meet the Yankees and did meet them and fired on the Yankees.

To Be Continued.

QUERIES

HUNT, SCURLOCK, COWAN, TIDWELL. Researching the foregoing families.
LOLA TURNER, 707 Parker Lane, Lafayette, TN 37083

POWELL/LANCASTER. Looking for descendants of JESSE and ELIZABETH LANCASTER POWELL. Children: DIF, CHRIS CHANEY, JESSE, DEMPSEY, RHODA, JOHN S., SALLY C. Some of these moved 1830's to IL. Associated surnames: ROBINSON, MCNEIL, CARDWELL.
SARA FIREHAMMER, 17108 Mayfair Ct., Granger, IN 46530-7488

HEROD/VALENTINE. Need information of the following: WILLIAM HEROD, SR., born 1748 Stafford Co., VA died 1836 Peyton Creek, Smith Co., TN. May have married SARAH VALENTINE who would have died before 1836. Need proof of marriage. Parents of the following: William, Jr. born 1785 Stafford Co., VA, married Sallie Settle. Peter born 1787 Stafford Co., Va. Married Rebecca Key and second Rachael McKinnis, died 1880 Smith Co., Tn. Charity married William Fagg. James born @ 1790 Spotsylvania Co, Va. Married 1st Judith Haynie, she died and three Herod children may have been raised by Haynie family. He married 2nd Elizabeth ?? who is said to have been Cherokee -need proof. James & Elizabeth lived in Obion Co., TN with their family before moving to MO. James died in Dent Co., Mo between 1861-70. Frances married Nathaniel Hall. Mary Ann married Daniel M. Lane and they also lived in Obion Co. Mary Elizabeth born @ 1789 married Claiborne Hall @ 1820. She died after 1860 Smith Co., Tn. Valentine, no information.
BARBARA HELWICK, P. O. Box 50345, Casper, WY 82605-0345.

BORUM, TYREE, ZACHERY, CARTWRIGHT. I would like to correspond with anyone working on any of these lines.
BETTY BASS CLEERE, P. O. Box 16864, Hattiesburg, MS 39404-6864
601-261-2177

JENKINS, TUGGLE, SWAN(N). My great-great grandmother was Mary (Polly) Swann, married to Joseph H. Jenkins. Her father was Jimpsey Swann that had lived in the Tucker's Cross Road area. I am trying to trace Joseph H.'s parents and Mary's; also their siblings. Does anyone know what the H. in Joseph's name is for? Joseph is buried in the Jenkins Cemetery on what was (is) Allison property. His second wife was Sarah (Sally) Tuggle, sister of John Adams Jenkins wife, Harriett (my great grandparents).
DOROTHY C. (JENKINS) DITZIG, 917 Poplar Drive, Benton, AR 72015

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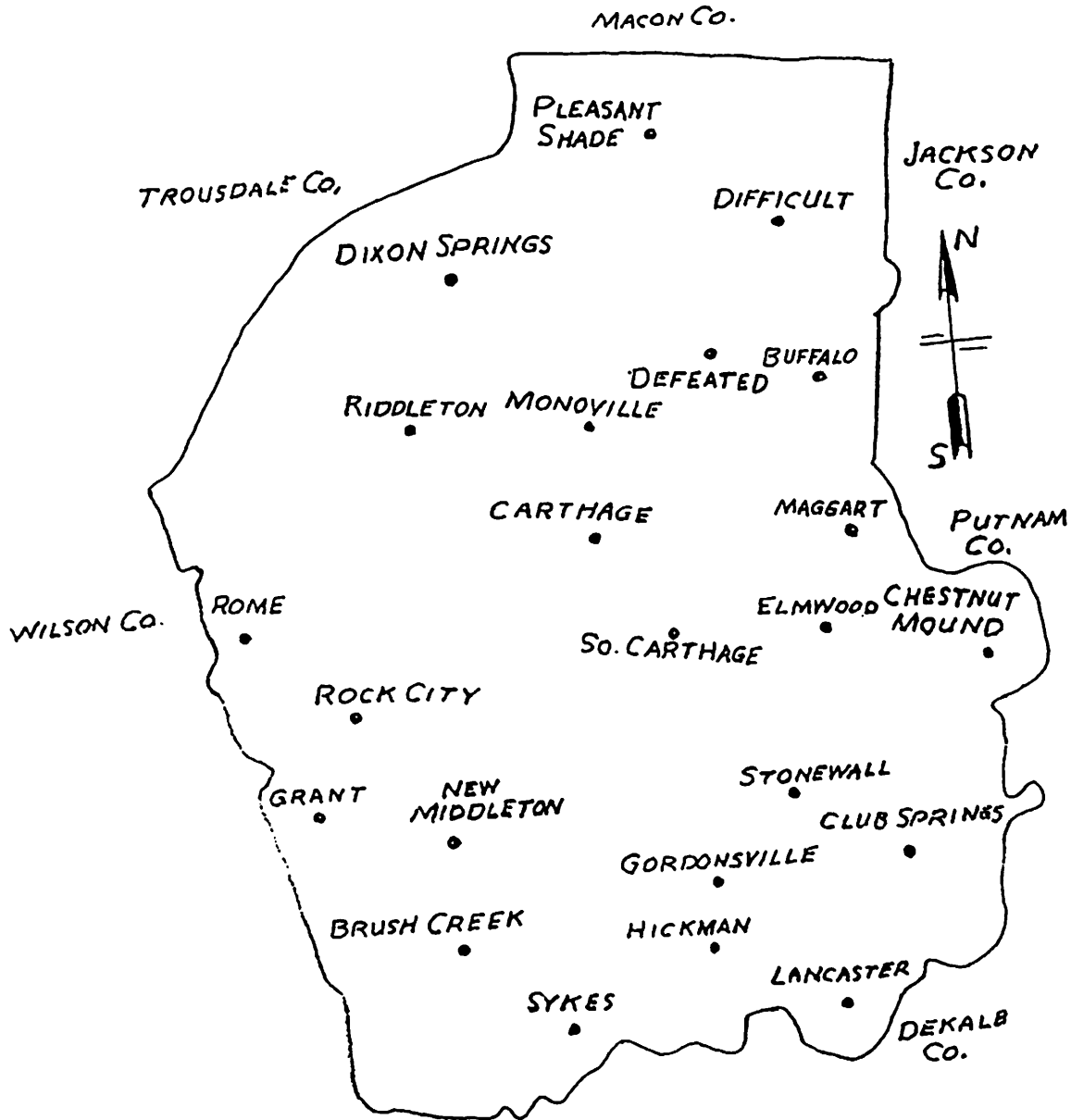
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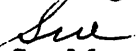
In the spring a "young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love." Let our hearts turn to preserving our history, our family heritage, and the projects of our Society.

The Town of Carthage will observe its bicentennial this year. The Society voted to support and participate in activities that may be planned by the city in celebration of this event.

The Smith County Library offers a great collection in the F. C. Key Genealogy Room. If you have plans for summer family research do not overlook this valuable collection. Library personnel are always willing and eager to assist in your endeavors.

Progress continues for getting the Smith County Heritage Museum "up and running." The interior of the Stephens building has been renovated and display cases obtained by purchase and gift. Graduate students in Museum Science from MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN, are working on exhibits for the time frame 1880-1920. Their assistance will be invaluable in future planning and maintenance of exhibits. Personnel are accepting gifts and loans of artifacts for the exhibits at the Museum on Wednesdays from 10 -2. The mailing address for the Museum is P. O. Box 73, Carthage, Tn 37030.

Have a great and safe summer.


Sue Maggart-Petty
Editor

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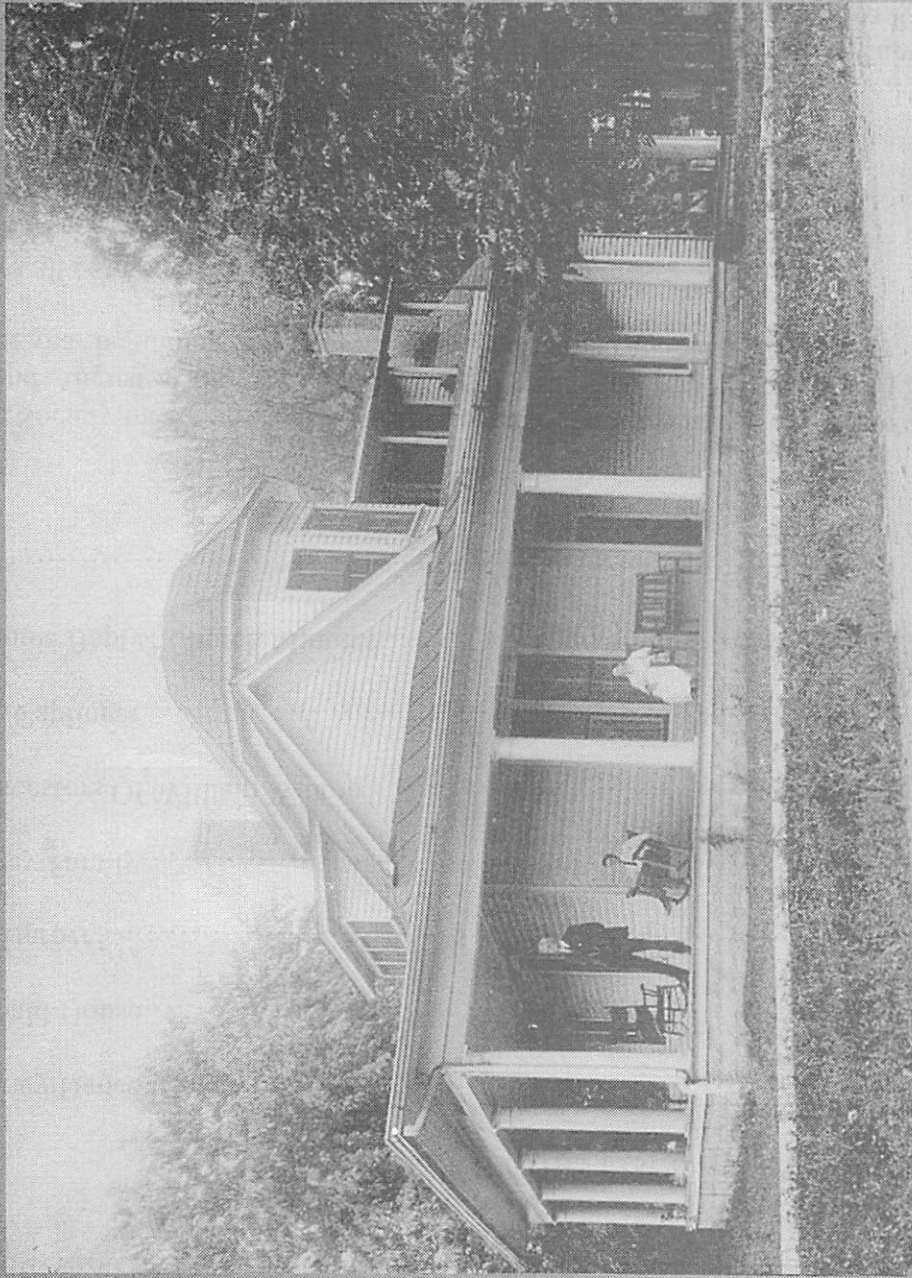
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*Dr. E. S. McKinney House, Main Street, Gordonsville, Tennessee
The dapper gentleman standing in the foreground is probably Dr. McKinney.
The two seated figures maybe George and Lillie.*

MCKINNEY/ HANCE BIBLE

[We are grateful to Marianne Rogers, descendant of Dr. E. S. and Lillie Hance McKinney, for submitting the Family Bible, Dr. McKinney's ledgers and picture of the McKinney house.]

Dr. Ellis Seton McKinney was born May 11, 1857, the fourth son of James E. and Letsy J. McKinney. Other children in the McKinney household in the 11th district of Smith County (1860-1870 U. S. Census) were John F., Samuel G., Andrew, James, Sarah, and Elsa.

Ellis S. McKinney and Fannie Bob Dillard, daughter of James L. and Nancy Dillard, were married on January 27 1881. Fannie was the granddaughter of George R. and Aletha Dillard, both families living in the 11th district. Fannie Bob was born September 22, 1858, and died April 19, 1897. Dr. Ellis and Fannie Bob were the parents of the following children: Erma Belle, born November 9, 1882, married David Luster Kemp December 20, 1903, died August 10 1908; Altie Gertrude, born July 24, 1884, died 1891; Effie Maddin, born August 4, 1886, married J. D. Beasley 1919; Charlie Briggs, born August 13, 1888; George Benton, born September 17, 1890; Garvin Dala, born March 20, 1893; Leolin Cuthbert, born December 30, 1894; Lillie Lucile, born December 5, 1896, died April 8, 1897 just 11 days prior to her mother's death.

On November 28, 1897, the Rev. J. B. Jordan, prominent Methodist minister of the day, joined Ellis Seton McKinney and Lillie May Hance in matrimony at the home of the bride at Defeated Creek, Tennessee. Lillie was the daughter of David W. Hance and his wife, Eliza J. Carter Hance, pioneer settlers in the Defeated/Montrose area of the county. Dr. McKinney and Lillie were parents of Earle Carter McKinney, born September 25, 1898, died October 4, 1900; Ruby Fowler McKinney, born April 22, 1900, died September 19, 1900; Lutrell Taylor McKinney, born September 18, 1902.

Tragedy struck often in the home of Dr. McKinney. Not only did several of his children die at an early age but also he was left with a young family to rear with the premature death of his wife, Fannie Bob. Only one of three children born to he and Lillie Hance survived to adulthood.

For many years Dr. McKinney lived in Defeated Creek where he not only practiced medicine but also operated a profitable mercantile business. His account ledgers reflect the practice of the day – for medical services rendered - received 2 hogs; paid in full by 1 pig ; 6 bushels of corn; 1 bushel corn and potatoes; 14 lbs. beef, 6 lbs. ribs, 17 lbs. pork and so on.

The Smith County Census of 1920 finds Dr. McKinney and his family living in Gordonsville, Tennessee, where he built a handsome house on Main Street and continued

his medical practice in that area. Dr. McKinney died at his home in Gordonsville on January 2, 1928. Lillie May Hance McKinney survived her husband for sixteen years. She died at Protestant Hospital in Nashville on January 4, 1944. George continued to live in the house on Main Street until his death on January 21, 1964. Dr. McKinney and Lillie along with George B. are buried in the Gordonsville Cemetery.

CARTHAGE COURIER
JANUARY 5, 1928

DR. E. S. MCKINNEY

Dr. E. S. McKinney died at his home in Gordonsville on Monday afternoon, January 2, 1928, after suffering from an illness of several months. Dr. McKinney was one of Smith County's oldest and best-known physicians. For years and years he has practiced medicine in this county being active in his profession until a few years ago when he was forced to retire on account of failing health.

For many years he resided at Defeated but some few years ago he and his family removed to Gordonsville where he spent the remainder of his days. Besides his wife he is survived by 3 sons, George who makes his home with his parents, Leolin and Lutrell of Birmingham, Al. Dr. McKinney was about 70 years of age.

In politics he was an outstanding Republican and always took an active interest in his parties affairs. He was a pleading orator and was often called on in this capacity. He was full of wit and humor. At the time of his death Dr. McKinney was numbered among the county's oldest physicians and it was recalled that he had ridden thousands and thousands of miles up and down the hills and hollows answering the call of suffering humanity.

The funeral was conducted at the residence in Gordonsville last Wednesday afternoon by Rev. J. L. Smotherman and Van N. Smith after which the remains were taken care of by his old friend, G. F. M. Russell, undertaker of Difficult, and laid to rest in the Gordonsville cemetery.

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As stated in his obituary, Dr. McKinney was active in the Republican Party, serving as Smith County Chairman.

After the demise of Dr. McKinney, George made use of the surplus stationary for his personal correspondence.

Although he marked through the names on the letterhead, they remain legible and your editor finds them to be of historical and political interest to Smith Countains.

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Record of the births, deaths &
marriages of the family of
David W. and Eliza J. Hance,
also of the immediate family
of Ellis Seton, & Lillie Hance McKinney

Lillie Hance McKinney

"WHAT GOD HATH JOINED TOGETHER LET NOT MAN PUT ASUNDER."



This Certifies

THAT THE RITE OF

HOLY MATRIMONY

WAS CELEBRATED BETWEEN

G. W. Hauser of Montrose Tenn.
and Eliza J. Carter, of Monticello Ky.
on Nov. 1, 1860, at Braxton ^{Tenn} Va.
by Rev. William Simpson

Witness:

Adam France
 was born at Bay the 22
 day 1749

 Henrietta France
 was born January
 the 1 1836
 James M. Mos was
 born December 23 1836
 Jennie Mos was
 born August 21 1837

Births.

D. W. Hance was
born at Newburn, Va.
Feb. 5, 1821

Oliver J. Carter was
born at Monticello
Ky. Dec. 17th 1839.

^{Mary unity}
Willie H. Hance.
Hears Montrose Smith
Co. Penn. Dec. 8, 1861

James B. Hance.
Montrose Smith
Co. Penn. July
24, 1865.

Billie Hance
Montrose Smith Co
Dec. 31, 1867 (1867)

^{Julia}
Kettie J. Hance
Red Boiling Springs
Macon Co. Penn.
July 21, 1870

Willie H. Hance
Washington Wilson Co
Tenn. March 19, 1871.

Edgar Lyles Hance
Cumberland Smith
Co. Penn. Jan'y 5,
1878.

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Birn. ...
Sept. 25 - 1898

Defeated, Tenn.
Ruby Fowler McKinney
Defeated, Tenn.

April 22 - 1898
Linnell Taylor McKinney
Sept. 18th 1901

Defeated, Tenn.
Children of C. S. ...
Ellis Eaton McKinney

Born May 16th 1857-

Deaths

James Braxton
Hance, Died at
DeFatted Smith Co.
Tenn. Jan'y 9th 1885
Aged 19 yrs, 5 mos, 15 days.

Eliza J. Carter Hance
DeFatted Tenn, May
13, 1896, Rest in
peace Dear Mother!

David W. Hance
Feb. 10 - 1900, at
DeFatted Tenn

Mary Unity Hogg
Joshua Texas,
Jan. 4th 1928

Ruby Fowler McKinney
DeFatted, Tenn
Sept. 19, 1907

Earle Carter McKinney
DeFatted, Tenn
Oct. 4th 1900

Ellis Seton McKinney
Jan. 2, 1928,
Gordonsville Tenn,
70 years - 7 mo. 21 days

Lillie Hance McKinney
Died January 4th 1944
at Protestant Hospital
Nashville, Tennessee
76 yrs - 0 - 3 days

Marriages

^{Mary Unity}
Mollie H. Kance, to

J. H. Kegg, Nov. 21, 1886

at Montrose Church,

Lillie May Kance, to

Dr. E. S. McKinney

Nov. 28, 1897

By Rev. J. B. Jordan

at Home

Luttrell Taylor McKinney

to

Daisy Douthett

Senals City, Tenn,

April 25, 1925,

Ellis S. McKinney & Fannie B. Bellard
 were married Jan. 27, 1881.

Ellis S. Mc and Lillian May Hanes
 were married Nov. 28, 1897.

Emma Belle McKinney born Nov. 9, 1882

Alta Gertrude " " Born July 22, 1884

Effie Maddie " " Aug. 4, 1886

Charlie Briggs " " 13, 1888

George Benton " " Sept. 17, 1890

Garvin Hula " " March 20, 1893

Leslie Curthbert " " Feb. 30, 1894

Julia Lucile " " Feb. 5, 1896

Earl Carter " " Sept. 25, 1898

Ruby Fowler " " Apr. 22, 1900

Lutrell Taylor " " Sept. 18, 1901

Wade Ellis Kemp " " July 27, 1905

" " " " " " July 30, 1908

" " " " " " Sept. 27, 1858

Mr. Willard McKinney was born, Sept. 27, 1858 =

David Luster Kemp + Erma B. M. McKinney
were married Dec. 20, 1903.

Erma B. Kemps died Aug. 10, 1908.

Alta Gertrude M. McKinney died Aug. 27, 1891

Lillie Lucile M. McKinney " Apr. 8, 1897

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Ruby Fowler " " Sept. 19, 1904

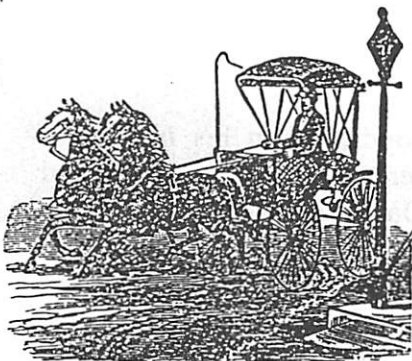
Earl Carter " " Oct. 4, 1900

Gavin D. M. McKinney " " 1924

Luttrell Taylor McKinney died Feby. 26, 1955 Gulfport,
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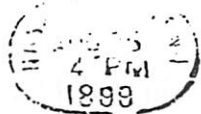
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M'DONALD HOUSE

We are indebted to Mrs. Sam Neal whose late husband was publisher of the Carthage Courier for many years for generously sharing the following letter with our readers. The unique letterhead of the M'Donald House is, indeed, a rare find, one not seen before by this editor. Thank you, Roberta.

One of Carthage's most elegant hotels, as noted by Goodspeed in his *History of Tennessee*, published in 1884, was the McDonald House, operated by Col. Henry B. and his wife, Julia McDonald, and later, their son, Capt. David B. McDonald. The combination hotel, tavern and livery stable was located on Main Street a little south of the location of the present Smith County Bank. The home of Governor Benton McMillin was just across the street. When the young grandchildren of the McDonald's became orphaned in Washington, DC, Congressman McMillin had them sent to their grandparents by American Express Company. One of the children was the grandmother of the late Sam Neal.

According to the letterhead, the hotel was established around 1870. Transfer to the trains would have included transportation to both Carthage Junction at Gordonsville and the Carthage depot which was across the river in South Carthage. Red Boiling Springs was a popular resort of the period where the well-to-do went to "take the waters" for their health. Travelers would take the train as far as Carthage and then the "hack line" on to the Springs in Macon County.

Colonel and Mrs. McDonald's son, David, was a West Point graduate. He was married to Miss Clara Whitehurst from Nashville who was an accomplished musician and very generous with her talents. Captain McDonald is described by Dewitt McGinness in his memoirs (See Quarterly Vol. XIV, No. 4, p. 110) "as a swashbuckling, hell-roaring Indian fighter with shads of Indian relics and trophies to prove it. He was czar of his end of town."

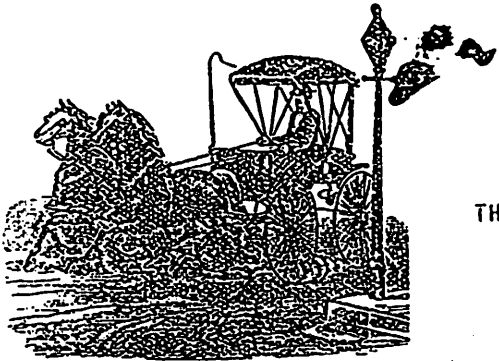
"Little David," the son of Captain and Mrs. McDonald to his cousin, Amy, in Nashville, wrote the following letter on December 11, 1898. David describes his school activities and states that "they are very good to me out to the college," probably a reference to the Joseph W. Allen College on the north side of town.

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to write you a short letter school
commenced. I on 2nd 1894. I have
gone through the fourth grade
I am in history part. I in
my little school very well.
I will come to
Nashville soon to school
I am a very large
I like it not coming this time
I am going to school now.
She does not want to come
back any more. Because
Grandma kept her so close.
I would not let her go out.
I like school myself they are
very good to me. I am at the college
school opens at 3 o'clock and
and closes at 4 o'clock.

I have nothing more to say
Yours lovingly
Little Daniel

"150 CLUB"**JOSIAH HARPER**

Submitted by Max Gordon Harper

Josiah Harper was born in Virginia in 1763 and as a young man was in the Revolutionary War. He married Sarah Parrott and their children were: Sally, Josiah, Jr., Thomas, Rachel, Rebecca, Benjamin, Robert, and John. With his family Josiah moved from Bedford County, Virginia, to Smith County, Tennessee about 1813. He was a farmer and lived the remainder of his life in Smith County where he died in 1838. It is believed that most if not all of his children moved to other parts of the country except for John.

John Harper was born in 1788. He married Jane Flemming Skelton and their children were: Paul, Franklin, Martha, John, Jr., Thomas, Timothy, Mary Jane, James and Josiah H. Harper. John was also a farmer in addition to being a Baptist minister. He helped organize the Plunkett's Creek Baptist church and was its first pastor. John died in 1846. His sons Thomas and Timothy were both casualties of the Civil War.

John's son, Josiah H. Harper, also known as Joseph was a Confederate veteran and remained in the Rock City community. He married Mary Frances Wilson and their children were: Turner, Jenny, Henrietta, Thomas, Annie, Flora, Samuel, Hamilton, Lucy, Johnny, Minnie, Jordan and Joe E. Harper. Josiah H. Harper died in 1896. Joe E. Harper was a farmer in Rock City and a WW I veteran. He married Gladys Denton. Their children are: Joe Denton Harper and Max Gordon Harper. Joe E. Harper died in 1960.

Reference: Smith County Deed Book C., pp 324-325, 8 June 1810.
Sheriff George Matlock to Josiah Harper, a tract of land.

GWALTNEY FAMILY

Submitted by Deona Lee Thomas

- Generation 1 - John Gwaltney, born Dec. 19, 1775 married Elizabeth Carroll Gwaltney, born Feb. 5, 1783. Their parents were from Wales and moved to Virginia prior to 1700. Elizabeth's father was Charles Carroll, signer of the Declaration of Independence. John and Elizabeth had 14 children.
- Generation 2 - Dawson Gwaltney, born Sept. 2, 1819 and died Jan. 15, 1911. He married Eliza Jane Ward, born June 25, 1825 and died Oct. 1, 1899. (7 children)
- Generation 3 - William Gwaltney, born May 20, 1857 and died July 9, 1933. He married Lydia Wauford, born May 4, 1864 and died Oct. 31, 1891. (3 children)
- Generation 4 - Finis Gwaltney, born June 25, 1884 and died July 13, 1965. He married Adelia Etta Johnson, born Apr. 15, 1884 and died Apr. 28, 1985. (5 children)
- Generation 5 - Lydia Oleta Gwaltney, born Feb. 20, 1912 and died Feb. 28, 1999.
- Generation 5 - Frances Lee Gwaltney Thomas, born Nov. 29, 1913 and died Dec. 26, 1989. She married Joseph Benjamin Thomas, born Nov. 11, 1912 and died May 5, 1999. (1 child)
- Generation 6 - Deona Lee Thomas, born Dec. 15, 1955.

Generation 5 - Ralph Gwaltney, born Apr. 26, 1915 and died Nov. 3, 1994.

He married Elizabeth Travis Gwaltney, born Nov. 18, 1914
and died Nov. 25, 2002. (1 child)

Generation 6 - Carolyn Ann Gwaltney, born Aug. 14, 1942. She married Don
Midgett, born July 9, 1942. (2 children)

Generation 7 - Jenifer Midgett, born July 4, 1965. She married Robert
Wright. (3 children)

Generation 8 - Hunter, Will, and Holly Wright.

Generation 7 - Jennette Midgett, born July 7, 1968. She married Chris.
Sockwell. (3 children)

Generation 8 - Allie, Peyton, and Elizabeth Sockwell.

Generation 5 - Maurine Gwaltney Yancey, born June 2, 1918. She married
James Roy Yancey, born July 7, 1918 and died Nov. 1, 1989.

THE ANCESTORS OF WILLIAM WALTON

Submitted by Sarah Adelle McDonald Brunson

[Much has been written about William Walton, first settler of Carthage, and his descendants, but little has been said about his ancestors. We are grateful to Sarah Brunson, a Walton descendant, for sharing this information with our readers.]

The lineage of Sarah Adelle McDonald Brunson:

1. SARAH ADELLE McDONALD BRUNSON
(Full Name of Applicant)
I was born on AUG 6, 1939 at DALLAS TX
(1) married on JUNE 10, 1961 at DALLAS TX
to WILLIAM THOMAS BRUNSON JR born on OCT 25, 1938
at OKLAHOMA CITY OK died or divorced _____
(2) married on _____ at _____
to _____ born on _____
at _____ died or divorced _____
2. WILLIAM DRURY McDONALD born DEC 25, 1904 at REDLEVEL AL
died at LAKE CITY CO on AUG 21, 1952 and his (first or _____) wife
VIOLA ADELLE YOUNG born NOV 5, 1907 at OKALONA AR
died at DALLAS TX on MARCH 3, 1961 Married - Date MARCH 27, 1931
Place FORDYCE AR
I am the daughter of _____ was the child of _____
3. The said VIOLA ADELLE YOUNG
JAMES JOSEPH YOUNG born MAR 18, 1860 at ? MISS
died at CADDEN AR on JAN 17, 1937 and his (first or _____) wife
ADELLE PAYNE RICE born JULY 17, 1867 at FLORENCE AL LAUDERDALE CO
died at OKALONA AR on MAY 28, 1932 Married - Date JAN 19, 1887
Place OKALONA AR
_____ was the child of _____
4. The said ADELLE PAYNE RICE
WILLIAM THOMAS RICE born APRIL 16, 1824 at DECATUR AL LAUDERDALE CO
died at LUKA MS on JUNE 20, 1878 and his (first or 2nd) wife
SARAH WALTON WILLIAMS born JULY 16, 1839 at ATHENS AL
died at ESTANCIA NM on 1907 Married - Date c. 1858
Place _____
_____ was the child of _____
5. The said SARAH WALTON WILLIAMS
ROBERT WILLIAMS born JULY 12, 1812 at SMITH CO, TN
died at LUKA MISS on JAN 19, 1870 and his (first or _____) wife
SARAH SIMS BOYCE born MAY 12, 1813 at GILES CO, TN
died at CORINTH MISS on OCT 30, 1844 (1884)? Married - Date 1836
Place PULASKI TN
_____ was the child of _____
6. The said ROBERT WILLIAMS
NATHANIEL WILLIAMS born JAN. 1778 at NC
died at KNOX CO TN on JUNE 1833 and his (first or _____) wife
SARAH WALTON born ca 1789 at CARTHAGE TN
died at SMITH CO, TN on AFTER 1840 Married - Date JULY 21, 1811
Place SMITH CO, TN
_____ was the child of _____
7. The said SARAH WALTON
WILLIAM WALTON born 1760 at BERTIE CO, NC
died at SMITH CO, TN on MARCH 6, 1816 and his (first or _____) wife
SARAH JONES born JUNE 1763 at _____
died at SMITH CO, TN on MAY 31, 1840 Married - Date DEC. 1783
Place HERTFORD CO, NC
_____ was the child of _____

ANCESTORS OF WILLIAM WALTON

Generation No. 1

1. **William Walton**¹, born Abt. 1760 in Bertie Co., NC¹; died 06 March 1816 in Carthage, TN¹. He was the son of 2. **William Walton** and 3. **Rachel Hunter**. He married (1) **Sarah Jones**¹ 1783 in Hertford, NC.. She was born June 1763¹, and died 30 May 1840 in Carthage, TN¹.

Notes for William Walton:

Source: "Historic Sumner County Tennessee" by Jay Guy Cisco, pp 302-303

Captain William WALTON was not for many years a citizen of Sumner County, but long enough to deserve mention here. He was born in Bertie County, North Carolina, a county that has given to Tennessee many of her prominent men, in 1760. He was of English Cavalier descent: attained his early manhood about the beginning of the Revolutionary war, and at the age of 17 enlisted in Major Hardy MURFREE'S battalion as a private. Later he was commissioned a Lieutenant, and then Captain. He was in many of the most important engagements of the war, and demeaned himself as a brave and gallant soldier. He was twice taken a prisoner. In December, 1783 he was married to Sarah JONES, and in 1785 removed to what is now Sumner County, Tennessee and settled on Mansker's Station near Goodlettsville. The next year he located a body of land in what is now Smith County, on a part of which the county seat was afterwards located (Carthage). Captain WALTON continued to reside in Sumner County until 1796, when he removed to his new home. At that time Smith County was a part of Sumner. When Smith County was formed he was one of its first magistrates, a position he had held in Sumner County. When the question of a county seat came up, through his influence it was located on his land, he giving a square in the center of the town for a courthouse and other public buildings.

Captain WALTON inaugurated the plan, and was the contractor who built what is known as "Walton's Road," which connects the Cumberland country with Knoxville and East Tennessee, and was for many years one of the most traveled roads in the State. The construction of this road was a great achievement at that day. The Tennessee Central Railroad closely follows its course from Lebanon to Kingston, across the Cumberland Mountains.

Captain WALTON died at his home in Smith County, March 6, 1816, leaving a handsome fortune and many descendants all of whom have, up to this day, been useful and honorable citizens.

SOURCE: http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/hg/cems_north/oc_ww_hensley.htm: William Walton Cemetery

WALTON, William, Capt.
1760 – 6 Mar 1816
A Revolutionary War Soldier

WALTON, Sarah Jones
Jun 1763 - 31 May 1840

Wife of W. Walton married Dec 1783 at Winton, Hertford Co. N.C. Born in Bertie Co. N. C. William Walton fought in the Rev. for that state. He settled in the Cumberland country in 1784 and came to Smith Co in 1786. William Walton served in the legislatures of N. C. and Tenn. and as a Smith Co. magis-trate. Land for Carthage and Geneva Academy Smith County's first school were given by him from his 3 806 acre land grant. He cleared farm land operated a ferry and in 1801 opened the Walton Road from Carthage to Kingston, This cemetery is located near where his old homestead once stood. Said to be one of the first cemeteries opened in Smith Co. it contains the graves of a number of his family and des-cendants, old pioneer associates and other early day cit-izens of Carthage and vicinity. In 1978 the Caney Fork Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution restored this long neglected cemetery.

On July 22, 1979 a re-dedication of this cemetery was held and a DAR marker was placed on the grave of Captain William Walton.

Generation No. 2

2. William Walton, born Bet. 1708 - 1718 in King & Queen Co., VA¹; died 1771 in Chowan, NC. He was the son of 4. William Walton and 5. Hannah ????. He married 3. Rachel Hunter.

3. Rachel Hunter, born Abt. 1724; died Abt. 1783 in Chowan, NC. She was the daughter of 6. Isaac Hunter and 7. Elizabeth Parker.

Notes for William Walton:

Source: <http://www.sallysfamilyplace.com/MapleLawn/WaltonWm2.htm>

In the name of God Amen The Twenty fourth day of November One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one I William Walton in Chowan County and Province of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased god to bless me in this life I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form To Wit --- Item: in the first place I give and bequeath to my son Timothy Walton all my land lying on the Water[~] Swamp to the westward of a Line to be run beginning at James Costen's corner tree a pine standing near a place called great pond, and to run a straight course dew South to my outside line, I say to him and his heirs forever. I likewise give to my said son Timothy Walton the one third part of my copper still and one gun to him & his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son William Walton the plantation whereon I now live and all the Land thereunto belonging to the before mentioned Line, I likewise give him One-third part of my still both of them to him and his heirs forever, I likewise give to my son William Walton one gun to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son John Walton all my land lying in the Timber pocoson joining William Gibson's line and John Jones line I say to him and his heirs forever, I likewise give to my said son John Walton the one third part of my copper still and one nice gun to him and his heirs forever - - - - -

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Walton my negrue boy named Mingo to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel Garrett my negroe Boy named Jack and ten sheep together with what she has already received and that to be her full share of my Estate to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Walton my Negro girl named Lucy to Her and Her Heirs for ever - - - - -

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Walton my negroe Girl named Patt to her and her heirs forever,

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Celia Walton one negroe girl named Kate to her and her heirs forever
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Item I give and bequeath to my Three sons Thomas Walton, Isaac Walton & James Walton a Negroe wench called Saul and her Increase, likewise a negroe boy named Dick to be equally divided amongst them, when my said Son Isaac Walton comes of age to them and their heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Rachel Walton my two negroes named Duke & Hager to her and her heirs forever.

Likewise my will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate not before given be equally divided according to the act of distribution Between my Wife Rachel Walton and my ten children by name Timothy Walton, William Walton, John Walton, Thomas Walton, Isaac Walton, James Walton, Sarah Walton, Mary Walton, Ann Walton & Celia Walton.

I likewise, constitute, make and ordain my two Sons Timothy Walton and William Walton my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament And I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul every other testament wills, legacy, and bequeaths and executors by means in any ways before named, willed, and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and did the day and year above written. William Walton

Signed, sealed, publish and pronounced in the presence of:

Palatiah Walton, Charles Rountree, James Freeman, Jurat, Jno Agav NC Archives.

Children of William Walton and Rachel Hunter are:

- i. Timothy Walton, born Abt. 1740; died 1821; married Milly Outlaw.
- ii. Rachel Walton, born Abt. 1751; married Jesse Garrett; born 1735; died 1797 in Bertie Co., NC.
- iii. Sarah Walton, born Abt. 1753; died 1807; married (1) Frederick Lassiter; died 1787 in Bertie Co., NC; married (2) David Standley; died 1795 in Bertie Co., NC.

- iv. Mary Walton, born Abt. 1757; married (1) Jacob Eason 1774; married (2) Solomon Cherry 1779.
- v. William Walton, born Abt. 1760 in Bertie Co., NC; died 06 March 1816 in Carthage, TN; married Sarah Jones 1783 in Hertford, NC..
- vi. John Walton, born Abt. 1761; died 1798 in Chowan Co., NC; married Leah Garrett Abt. 1782.
- vii. Thomas Walton, born Abt. 1761; died Abt. 1783.
- viii. Isaac Walton, born 01 February 1763.
- ix. James Walton, born Abt. 1765; married Mary Walton; died 1822.
- x. Nancy [Ann] Walton, born 1766; died 1842; married James Sidney Jones; born 1765; died 1816.
- xi. Celia Walton, born Abt. 1769; died 1807.

Generation No. 3

4. William Walton, born 1685 in New Kent Co., VA¹; died 1732 in Chowan, NC¹. He was the son of 8. Thomas Walton and 9. Ann ????. He married 5. Hannah ???.

5. Hannah ???, born 1695.

Children of William Walton and Hannah ??? are:

- 2 i. William Walton, born Bet. 1708 - 1718 in King & Queen Co., VA; died 1771 in Chowan, NC; married Rachel Hunter.
- ii. Timothy Walton, born Abt. 1710; died 1770 in Chowan Co., NC; married (1) Mary Benbury; married (2) ? Speight.
- iii. Thomas Walton, Jr., born 1713 in King & Queen Co., VA; died 1759 in Chowan Co., NC; married Sarah Rountree 1735; died 1761.
- iv. John Walton, born Abt. 1715 in King & Queen Co., VA; died 1748 in Chowan Co., NC; married Zilpha Speight; born 1716; died 1762.

6. Isaac Hunter, born 1690; died 1753 in Chowan Co., NC. He was the son of 12. William Hunter. He married 7. Elizabeth Parker.

7. Elizabeth Parker, born Abt. 1698; died Bef. 1752.

Notes for Isaac Hunter:

Will of Isaac Hunter In the Name of God Amen I, Isaac Hunter of Chowan County, Being of perfect Memory and mind and Calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory, Do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament, in manner and forme following, first I Bequeath my Soul to almighty God: and my Body to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Execut/r, hereafter named; and as for my worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to Bestow upon me, I Give and Dispose of as followeth, Vizt:

First, my will and Desire is that all my Just Debts be Trewly paid and Discharged by my Execr,

Item. I give and Bequeath to my son Elisha Huntor my plantation whereon I now live and the plantation whereon he now lives together with all the land thereunto Belonging, I Say to my sd. Son Elisha Huntor and his heirs and Assigns for Ever. I also give to my sd Son Elisha Huntor, my Negro man named Duke, to him and his heirs forever

Item. I give and bequeath to my son, Jesse Hunter, all my land and plantation purchased of Thomas Morris as pr. Deed of sale containing three hundred acres be it more or less I say to my son Jesse Hunter and his heirs and assigns forever. I also give to my sd son Jesse Hunter, my Negro boy named Toney I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I Give and bequeath to my son Isaac Huntor all my Land in Barteau County as by a pattennt Dated the twenty eighth day of February 1744/5 for one hundred and fifty acres; also a deed of sale for 170 acres dated April 20, 1745 and joyning Elisha Hunter's lands I say to my son Isaac Huntor and his heirs and assigns forever; I also give to my son Isaac Huntor my Negro girl named Venus she and her increase; also one good feather bed and furniture there unto belonging; also three medle sized puter dishes and one puter Bason and one iron pot of forty pounds weight, one frying pan and two cows and calves to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give to my son Daniel Huntor seventy five pounds currant money of Virginia to be raised out of my estate it being in consideration as I have not given him any land or negroe I also give to my sd son Daniel Huntor one good feather bed and the furniture thereunto belonging, also three medle sized puter dishes, one puter bason, and one Iron pot of about forty pounds weight one frying pan and two cows and calves I say to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give to my daughter Alce Perry my Negro man named Tobey to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give to my daughter Hannah Riddick my Negro girl named Lacey she and her increase, to her and her heirs

forever.

Item. I give to my daughter Elizabeth Perry my Negro girl named Kate provided she pay to my daughter Alce five pounds currant money to make the value of Tobey equill with her negro Kate and then I say to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give to my daughter Rachell Walton my negro woman named Hagar to her and her heirs forever.

Item. I give to my daughter Sarah Hunter my negro girl named Tresea also my side saddle and my leather trunk with a date of 1734 on it and a horse or mare of four pounds vallue and three meddle sixed puter dishes one puter bason one Iron pot, one frying pan two cows and calves and one good feather bed and the furniture thereunto belonging. I say to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my grandchildren ye sons and daughters of my daughter Jean deceast namely Jesse, Phillip, & Mary Perries & Sarah Field to each and every of them the sum of five pounds currant money of Virginia to them and their heirs forever.

Item. I give to Zilphea Parker, daughter of Jonathan Parker one good feather bed and furniture and two puter dishes & three puter plates provided that if she stays and lives with me or in my family till she comes to the age of eighteen years and behaves well, or at ye day of marriage if to my or friends satisfaction then I say to her and her heirs forever.

Item. All the rest and residue of my estate not before given be it of what nature or kind soever it is my will and desire that it be equally devided between my sons and daughters namely: Elisha, Jacob, Jesse, Isaac, Daniel, Alce, Hannah, Elizabeth, Rachell, and Sarah share and share alike; it is also my desire that my son Jacob Huntor have & enjoy all my right of the water mill.

Lastly, I nominate and appoint my son, Elisha Huntor, my whole and sole executor to see this my Will duly fulfilled and performed and I do hereby revoke and make null & void all former or other will or wills heretofore by me made, published or declared either by word or wrighting and if my son Elisha should happen to die before this my will be fulfilled then and in that case I do hereby appoint my son Jacob, and John Gordon or either of them to see this my last will and testament duly fulfilled. In winess whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and fixed my seal this seventeen day of April 1752.

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the Testator to be his last will and Testament in the presents of us:
Isaac Huntor (seal)

Moses Sumner, Samuel Sumner, Jurt., John Sumner, Jurt. Proved April Ct 1753

Child of Isaac Hunter and Elizabeth Parker is:

- 3 i. Rachel Hunter, born Abt. 1724; died Abt. 1783 in Chowan, NC; married William Walton.

Generation No. 4

8. Thomas Walton, born Abt. 1660 in New Kent Co., VA¹; died 1719 in Chowan, NC¹. He married 9. Ann ???.

9. Ann ???

Notes for Thomas Walton:

Thomas Walton 8 May 1719 875/145 8 Jun 1719
before the Gov. of Chowan "of perfect health"

Wife Ann of King & Queen Co in Tatsie Parish in VA.

I equal share of debts due me in NC with my 3 sons & 4 daughters in sd. parish i.e. 1/8 part to each; all my estate to sd wife & children.

Ex friend John Plowman

Wit: And. Cockburne, John White, Mary White

Note. The original of this will has the following variants. Probated before Charles Eden; Thomas Whalton

Witness A B Cokburn. Wills 1663-1722: 532

Children of Thomas Walton and Ann ??? are:

- 4 i. William Walton, born 1685 in New Kent Co., VA; died 1732 in Chowan, NC; married Hannah ???.

- ii. Thomas Walton, born 1690 in New Kent Co., VA¹; died Abt. 1751 in Chowan, NC¹; married Sarah Ann Hunter.

Notes for Thomas Walton:

This Thomas Walton was elected Vestryman of St Paul's Parish, Chowan Co, NC for three two-year terms 1734, 1740 & 1744. Will of Thomas Walton Sr Dated 12 Nov 1750; prov. 5 July 1751. In the name of God amen the twetueh Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and fifty I Thomas Walton, Sen. of North Carolina in Chowan County Planter being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto god therefore Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die Do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul unto the hands of god that gave it and for my Body I've commend it to the earth to be buried in a Christan Like manner at the Descreton of my executors nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection I Shall Receive the Same again by the mighty power of god and as touching Such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased god To Bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form—

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Thomas Walton my plantation where I now live and one hundred and fifty acres of New pattent Land joyning to it
 Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Walton my Neagro man Name Wilefor and my coper kettle
 Item I give and bequeth to my Daughter Sarah Perry my Neagro boy named manvake and one good fether bed and furnatu and that to be hur full Sheare of mye estate ----
 Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Susanah Walton one fether bed and furnatu and my Loom and harnas and liberty of my manner plantation During hur Natural life or marriage and Two New iron potts and My Neagro garl Named pegg and my Neagro man Named Roben and likewise I give and bequeath to my Daughter Susanah Walton all my hogs and Sheep belonging to my plantation & my work horse and my small fluke hoe and one youke of oxen and Cart and wheals
 And I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elezebeth Trotman my Neagro garle Named Venus—
 and all the rest of my personal estate to be equally Devided betwen my Son and four Daughters
 Vis—William Walton, Elezebeth Trotman, Susanah Walton, Judeth Rountree, Ann Hunter-----
 I likewise Constitute make and appoint my Son William Walton my hole and sole executor of this my Last will and Testament in witness ---- where of I have heare unto Set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written -----

Thomas (his mark) Walton

Test: William Walton, Hardy Hunter, Timothy Walton
 July 5, 1751; This day personally appeared before me William Walton & Timothy Walton subscribing Evidences to the last Will & Testament of Thomas Walton Deceased and on the Oath that they saw the said Deceased Execute the said Instrument as of for his last Will & Testament and William Walton at the same Time quellified as Executor of the said Will by taking the Oath appointedby Law for that Purpose.
 Gab Johnston

- iii. John Walton, born Abt. 1692.

12. William Hunter, born Abt. 1654 in Nansemond Co., VA; died Abt. 1729.

Notes for William Hunter:

"Captain William Hunter, son of William Hunter of Nansemond was captured on the High Seas by the French in 1705 and made a prisoner for three years in Paris 1708. He had two brothers, Nichoas Hunter, an attorney, and Robert Hunter"

p.77 Nansmond Chronicles by Mrs Evelyn Cross.

(I found her book in FHC, Salt Lake City. also library in Gatesville, NC)

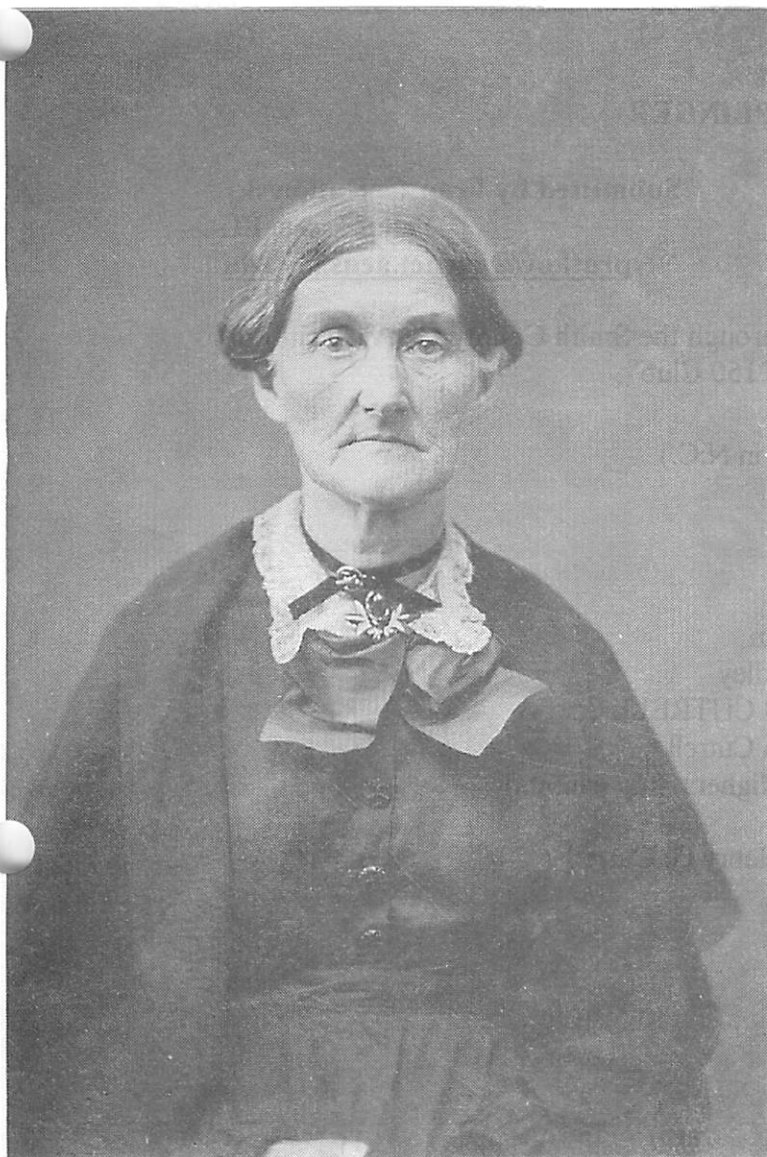
Child of William Hunter is:

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- i. Isaac Hunter, born 1690; died 1753 in Chowan Co., NC; married Elizabeth Parker.

Endnotes

1. www.familysearch.com, *Latter Day Saints*, (Information not confirmed: Use only as a guide), "Electronic."



Sarah Walton Williams Rice
16 July 1839 - 1907
Gr Granddaughter of
William Walton



May be picture of
Sarah Walton Williams
1789 - ca 1840
Daughter of William Walton

CUTRELL/CAPLINGER

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In the Smith County 1837 Tax List (online through the Smith County GenWeb site), I found some of my ancestors, qualifying for the "150 Club":

Dist. 18 - Migett Cutrote (Midgett Cutrell, b. 1808 in N.C.)
John Caplinger

JOHN CAPLINGER m. Barbara Reager
their dau. Elizabeth Caplinger m. Jacob DICE
their son Solomon Dice m. Elizabeth Nancy Ruleman
their son John Henry "Tuck" Dice m. Mary A. Handley
their dau. Mary Forest "Sis" Dice m. James Carroll CUTRELL
their son Henry Gilford Cutrell m. Martha Ophelia Cutrell
their son Homer A. Cutrell m. Josephine Davis Highers (my parents)

Midgett G. Cutrell was the great-grandfather of both Henry G. Cutrell
and Martha O. Cutrell, my grandparents

Dist. 12 - Jacob DICE
Solomon Dice

Dist. 13 - HERIS, George (Highers)
Heris, Henry (Highers)

Henry Hires/Highers (b. 1795/96 in S.C.) m. Celia Williams, Smith Co., 1827
their son Jacob Highers m. Eleanor Wilson
their son Simon Claiborne Highers m. Ella Frances Miller
their dau. Josephine Davis Highers m. Homer Alexander Cutrell (my parents)

regards, Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky (grew up in Dixon Springs)

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MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

Continued from Volume XV, No. 2
The Minutes are unedited for spelling and grammar.

JANUARY TERM, 1864. (p. 62) The church in conference, nothing of record.

FEBRUARY TERM, 1864. The church in conference, Brothers Johnson & Coleman Samson report that there was some rumors about there disorders as Cristians (sic) of whitch some is untrue they satisfied the Church and all wright. J. J. Farmer, Mod.; J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MARCH TERM, 1864. Nothing of recorde.

APRIL TERM, 1864. (P. 63) The church in conference. Brother L. James reports Brother Joel Dickerson for profain swearing a committee appointed to see him to reporte at the next term, to wit James A. Ligon & James Stalling, Senior also report Lee Alison for profaning the name of the Lord also young Brother Wootin for living unchristianise all as rumors. Brother Bates & Brother Oliver to see Brother Alison & report the next Term. Brother James Staling, Junior & William Snody as a committee to see Brother Wooten & reporte the next Term. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM, 1864. Macedonia Church in conference the [name] of Brother Woten examined him enclused the case. Brother Lee Alison examined him restored the case of Brother Joel Dickerson reported he failed to come to the Church & answer to the charge the committy ordered to see him again and reporte to the next term. A committy appointed to examman into the mater of some of the members playing and reporte the same at the next Term the committy were as follows Thomas Clarke, John T. Farmer, & Banks Oliver. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM, 1864. (P. 64) Macedonia Church in conference the case Brother Joel Dickerson the committy reports that he promise to come and answer to the charge he failed to come and answer the charge the church excluded him. Thomas Clarke one of the committee to examine in the plays reported that he found all of the members willing to be submissive to the church the balance of the committy reports they had don nothing. Brother Clark dismissed. The church communed together. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM, 1864. The Church in conference. Brother J. T. Farmer report that he found all right with regard to those plays. Members elected to the association (to wit) James Barret, L. James, J. T. Farmer, Coleman Samson, alternative. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM, 1864. Macedonia in conference the letter to the association read and rec'd. James Barret, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT TERM, 1864 (P. 65) The Macedonia church in session at New Middleton her Church House being burnt down the association being held there at that place all went off well in the association. Brother Bass, Moderator of the association.

OCT TERM, 1864. The Church in Conference. Nothing of record. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

NOV TERM, 1864. No conference.

DECEMBER TERM 1864. No Meeting.

JAN TERM 1865. No Meeting.

FEB TERM 1865. No Meeting.

MARCH TERM, 1865. Macedonia Church Meeting held at Brother Bates no business of importance done in conference. L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

APRIL TERM, 1865. Macedonia in Conference at Brother Bates nothing of record. L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM 1865. (p. 66) Macedonia in Conference the church met at Brother Bates and held there Communion. L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1865. Macedonia in conference nothing of record. L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM 1865. Macedonia in conference the Church excluded Sister Carter for unchristian act. They also elected their delegates to the association to wit James Barret, John T. Farmer, James A. Ligon and also L. James, C. Samson, J. Bates the alternative. James Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM 1865. Macedonia Church in Conference the letter to the association read and adopted. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT TERM 1865. We met on Friday preceding the 3 Sabbath no Business of importance. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

OCT TERM 1865. The Church give their voice that they were in favor of Building a new Church House they held their Protracted Meeting & 40 professed Faith in the Lord. J. Barret & L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

NOV TERM 1865. (P. 67) Macedonia in Conference, 4 joined the Church by experience and "Baptism" to wit: James Davis, Thomas K. Allen, Taylor Rollins, William Barret. They also appointed Friday the 1st of Dec to meet and consult about Building them a new Church House. Also dismissed Maigret Baker and Betty Ragen by letter. J. Barret, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

MET THE 1ST OF DEC 1865. Met according to appointment on Friday for the purpose of electing a Building Committy to Build them a Church House the Church appointed there building committy and give them charge of all the means subceribed and to doo the best they could and they would substane them in the same there committy was James Barret, Jeramen Bearde, James A. Ligon. J. Barret, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

DEC TERM 1865. (p. 68) Macedonia Church in conference the Church excluded Brother Lee Alison for Drinking & swearing. James Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JANUARY TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in conference. Brother Leroy James reported Brother Archebad Manning of giting drunk a committy was appointed to waite upon him to inform him of the same and reporte at the next Term the comitty was follows James A. Ligon, Banks Oliver, Brother James also reported Brother David T. Barrett an sister Green Barret also sister Mandy Alison of being in those Singing plays it being contrary to the rites of the church a committy was appointed to wait upon them and in form them of the same which was Coleman Samson, John T. Farmer and reporte at the next term.

FEB TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in Conference business called for rules of decorum, read the case of Brother Maning investigated and him restored, the case of Sister Manday Alison investigated also the case of Sister Green Barret investigated both the above Sisters acknowledge there guilt through their committy and sayed for the future they would try to let those plays alone they were restored to full fellowship, also the case of Brother David T. Barret presented on examination we finde him not guilty as charged of ingaged in those singing plays for the above charges was as rumed. The church prefer a charge against Thomas Stalings and Elijah Staling for ingaging in the singing plays, a committy was appointed to wait upon them and reporte the next term who was John T. Farmer, C. S. Samson ,also a committee appointed to see Taylor Rolling for playing who (was) James Bradford, James Barrett and report at the next term. Sister Rachel Ragan dismissed by letter, also Sister Mary Ragan dismissed by letter also Brother Joel Ragan called for letter refused to give him a letter there semed to be some ? with regards to his religious caractor.

The Church passed a resolution that all members guilty of playing of thoes singing plays shall come forward to the Church and answer to the charge, this resolution is to take effect from this time, with exception of the above charges. C. S. Samson, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

QUERIES

FROGG, FROGGE, FROGUE. LEMANS, LAMONS. WHITAKER. Found grave of Jessie Frogue (formerly Frogg) Mar 5, 1823 – Dec 23, 1897, in Bolivar, Texas, was in McKain's Company, McGilivery's Btn. Dilehey's 55th Consolidated (Medical Corp) Enlisted at Carthage. Myrtle Frague, 1898-1984, taught at Pleasant Shade 1917-1923, met and married a soldier boy who was wounded in WWI and had been with Pershing in northern Mexico, 1916.

WHITAKER, JOHN V., 4420 Andrew Jackson Pkwy, Hermitage, TN 37076

DAVIS, APPLEBY, MEADOWS. Researching these names.

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ETHRIDGE. Researching family name.

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CARTER. Carter surname DNA Project has been started, hoping to match with other Carter researchers and find new clues to help continue the search of Carter family. The website is www.carter-cousins.org.

TALLENT, VICKIE CARTER, P. O. Box 516, Otto, NC. 28763

YANCEY, FREED, MAXEY, GARRETT, GERGORY, family names being researched.
GARRETT, WANDA POTEET, 1329 Madison Ck. Rd., Goodlettsville, TN 37072

HEROD, WILLIAM, SR. born 1748, Stafford Co., VA, died 1836, Peyton Ck, Smith Co., TN May have married Sarah Valentine who would have died before 1836. Need proof of marriage. Parents of following: William, Jr. b 1785, marr Sallie Settle; Peter 1787, marr Rebecca Key & second Rachael McKinnis, died 1880, Smith Co.; Charity marr William Fagg; James b ca 1790, marr 1st Judith Haynie, she died & three Herod children may have been raised by Haynie family. He marr 2nd Elizabeth ??? who is said to have been Cherokee—need proof. James & Elizabeth lived in Obion Co., Tn with their family before moving to Mo. James died in Dent Co., Mo. between 1861-70. Frances marr Nathaniel Hall; Mary Ann marr Daniel M. Lane, they also lived in Obion Co., Tn. Elizabeth b ca 1789 marr Claiborne Hall ca 1820. She died after 1860 Smith Co., Tn;

Valentine, no information.

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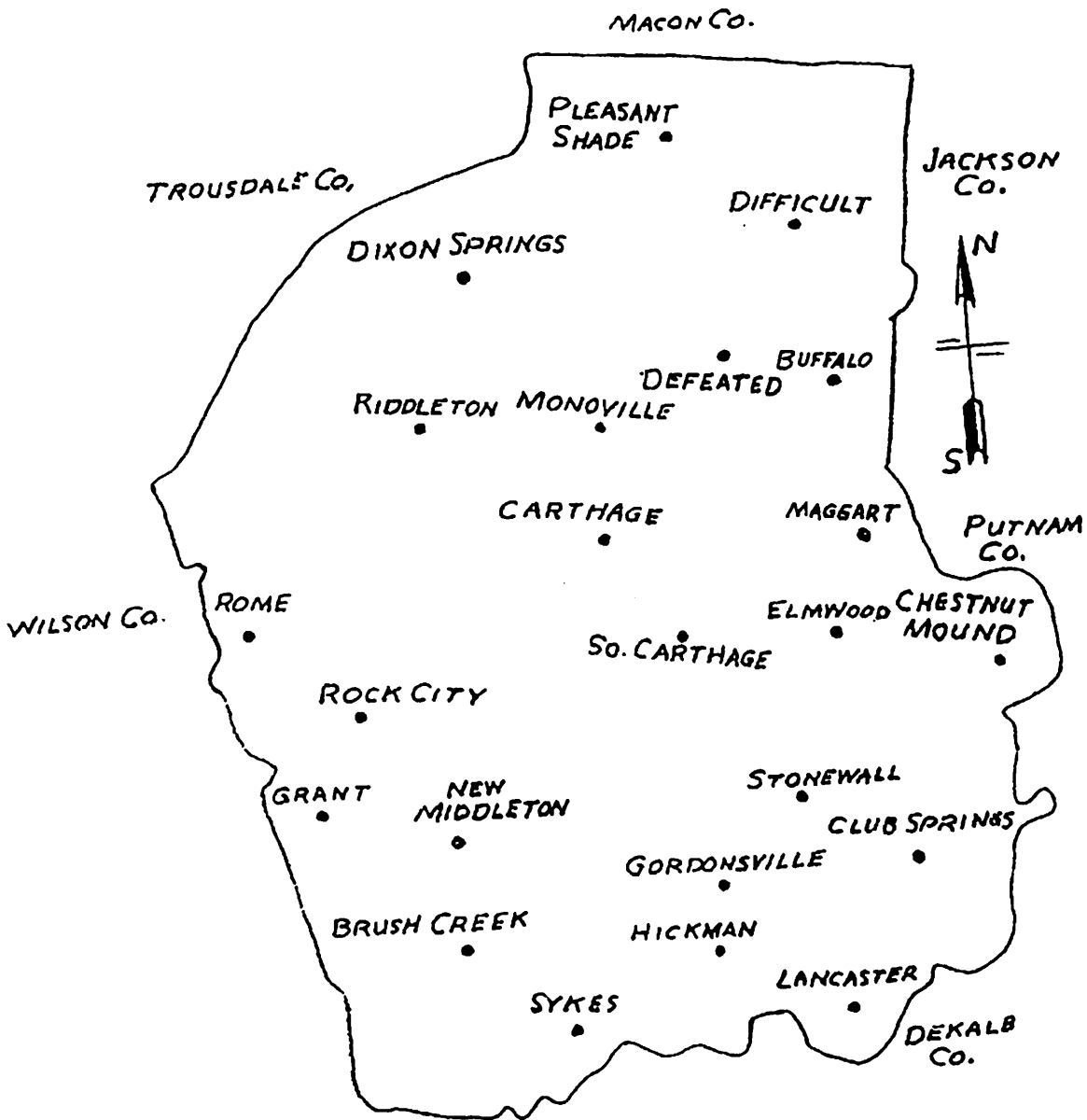
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FROM THE EDITOR:

The lazy, hazy days of summer are upon us, and we trust that you are enjoying yours. Historically, things are quiet here, and the hot days are well spent researching in a good cool library.

Interest in our Heritage Museum continues as more than fifty people attended a reception in May for members and donors. The *piece de resistance* of the evening was a large roll-up stage curtain that was in the Bowling's Branch School dating back to the 1930's. Featured in the center of the curtain is a pastoral river scene surrounded on the four borders by squares containing advertisements of local merchants of the era.

The curtain was purchased by silent auction by a donor who bid on and obtained the piece for the museum. We are indebted to Evelyn Malone Grisham and her husband, Dr. Joe Grisham, for their interest and generosity.

On Saturday October 2, 2004, plan to board the Music City Steamboat for a cruise on the scenic Cumberland River, sponsored by the Smith County Chamber of Commerce. For further information contact the Chamber at P. O. Box 70, Carthage, TN 37030.

No meetings in July or August, but we hope to see everybody on the third Saturday in September.

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The Society meets on the 3rd Monday of each month with the exception of December, July, and August at the Smith County Library at 7:00 p.m. Dues are \$12.50 annually with the year beginning in January. Back issues are available at \$3.50 each.

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Milton Gregory Home, located on Frog Branch Road

HENRY MILTON AND MATILDA GRISSOM GREGORY

Recently, Roger Gregory and I purchased a tombstone for our great-great grandparents, Henry Milton and Matilda Grissom Gregory. Roger is the son of William, son of Herbert, son of Isaac who was a son of Milton and Matilda. I descend from Milton and Matilda through their daughter, Missouri Smith, her daughter, Laura Dickerson, and my father, Dewey Dickerson.

Milton and Matilda are buried in the Alex Gregory Cemetery on Frog Branch Road near the intersection of Frog Branch and Nickajack Roads about three miles southwest of Pleasant Shade. During all the years of their interment, only fieldstones marked their gravesites and there are no inscriptions on these markers. As a tribute to our ancestors, Roger and I purchased a simple gravestone displaying the appropriate inscriptions and more adequately marking their final resting place.

The setting of this stone was made April 17, 2004 with the combined efforts of John and Retta Waggoner, Gordon and son, Dan Gregory, my wife, Faye Russell Dickerson and myself. Gordon is another great-great grandson of Milton and Matilda and descends from them through Jesse Alexander, William (Will Alex) and Buddie Gregory. Gordon is also the owner of the land containing the cemetery. Pictures of the stone setting participants are shown below.

Little is known about Matilda except that she was born in about 1830 and died in about 1865. At her death, she left an infant son, John Wesley (Wes), older children and husband, Milton. Family tradition states that she contracted a type of cancer that produced a large cavity in her back resulting in her early death. She was the daughter of Patsy Gregory Piper Grissom and probably Lambert Grissom. Patsy was the daughter of William Henry (Squire Bill), one of the earliest members of the Gregory clan to move to the present Nixon Hollow near the Graveltown Community of Smith County.

Milton, however, left more of a record of his existence. This, perhaps, was because he survived for so many years (1827 - 1926), was widely known due to his loaning of money to numerous individuals in the county and lived during a time when the gathering and publication of information had become commonplace. Shown below is a summary by the late Calvin Gregory of the life and death of Milton Gregory. This publication is included in the Smith County History of 1986.

But first, it should be noted that Milton was honored by having two descendants, still surviving, that share his name. They are great grandson, Wade Milton (Monk) Dickerson, of Carthage and great-great-great grandson, Eric Milton Gregory, of Chattanooga. Eric is the son of the above mentioned, Roger Gregory.

In addition, there are two stories related to me about Milton that may add to this publication. The first story emerged during a birthday party for Milton when he was well into his nineties. Many family members, friends and neighbors came to honor him on this occasion. During the celebration, he was asked if he still enjoyed living at this stage in his

life. Milton was sitting under a large tree having huge limbs and answered: "See that big limb up there. You would be surprised how fast I could run if that limb started to fall."

The other story occurred after his death. It was well known that Milton was quite wealthy for his time, did not do business with banks and therefore kept any money that he did not have on loan somewhere in his house, out-buildings or perhaps buried. Upon his death, some of his family members and perhaps non-family members almost dug-up his farm in search of his "buried treasure". If any money was found from these efforts it was not reported.

Shown below is Milton's only picture, made when he was about 90 years old, the publication by Calvin Gregory, his house and his death certificate. Milton's house was located on Frog Branch Road near the Alex Gregory Cemetery. The picture of the house was made in 1978 but it has since been torn down. At the time of his death, Milton and his son, Wes, were living in the house. Milton died of pneumonia. There is an error on Milton's death certificate where it states that Milton's parents were born in Tennessee rather than in N.C. Also included are pictures of Milton and Matilda's new tombstone and pictures of the stone-setters. The stone-setters are John and Retta Waggoner, Tom and Faye Dickerson, Gordon and Dan Gregory.

Tom Dickerson

PLACE OF DEATH		STATE OF TENNESSEE	
County <u>Madison</u>		STATE BOARD OF HEALTH Bureau of Vital Statistics	
Civil Dist. <u>1</u>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH <u>7938</u>	
Village _____		Registration District No. <u>816</u>	File No. _____
City _____		Primary Registration District No. _____	Registered No. _____
2 FULL NAME <u>Henry Milton Gregory</u>			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5 MARRIAGE STATUS <u>Married</u>	16 DATE OF DEATH <u>March 6, 1926</u>
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>Sept 4, 1829</u>	7 AGE <u>98</u>	8 OCCUPATION <u>Farmer</u>	17 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am a duly licensed and qualified physician and that I last saw the above on <u>March 4, 1926</u>
9 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tennessee</u>	10 NAME OF FATHER <u>William Gregory</u>	11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER <u>Tennessee</u>	18 CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Acute Solar Pneumonia</u>
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Matilda Davis</u>	13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER <u>Tennessee</u>	14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE	19 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Record Removers)
15 SIGNATURE OF DECEASED <u>Henry M. Gregory</u>		19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Madison</u>	
15 SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES <u>Tom Dickerson</u>		20 UNDERTAKER <u>W. H. ...</u>	

HENRY MILTON GREGORY

By Calvin Gregory

Uncle Milton Gregory, one of the wealthiest men in the Pleasant Shade section of the county, died on Thursday afternoon March 4, 1926. He was probably the oldest man in the county at that time, having been born, September 4, 1827.

Uncle Milton was the son of William "Little Bill" Gregory, who came with his parents to Smith County in 1791 from North Carolina. "Little Bill" Gregory died the first of November 1872.

Miss Matilda Grissom became Uncle Milton's bride about the year 1846. She passed away around 1865 and he never remarried. They were parents of four children, three sons, Wes, Isaac and Alex Gregory, all prominent citizens of the Pleasant Shade area; and a daughter, Mrs. Wade Smith, also of Pleasant Shade. At the time of his death, there were nineteen grandchildren, fifty-six great grandchildren, and seventeen great great grandchildren. The oldest of the great great grandchildren, being nine-year-old Louzell Kittrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kittrell.

Milton Gregory was the last surviving member of a large number of brothers and sisters. His funeral was conducted by Revs. C.B. Massey and Calvin Gregory.

Uncle Milton was possessed of many virtues, being honest, frugal, thrifty and upright in his dealings. He worked very hard nearly all his life, having helped to make a corn crop only two years before his death. He was quite active for one of his years and could mount a horse as easily as men half his age. By means of his thrift, he managed to lay aside a large amount of money which he loaned to hundreds of persons over this and other counties. He never did any business with a bank and refused to take checks in payment for debts. Since his death it is reported that a flour sack containing \$8,000 was found in his home by relatives. His wealth is estimated by some to be as high as \$50,000.

Uncle Milton was what might be rightly called a pioneer of the county, as he lived very much like his ancestors of a hundred and forty years ago. He lived in a large log house with the cracks chinked as in olden times. Near the house stood the bee hives once seen around nearly every pioneer home. Instead of the modern feed barn, there still stand the little log stables scattered here and there. The world's modern ways did not disturb the peaceful trend of the life of this old man and he went about his way as did his father before him. His memory of olden times was now and then good and he told of numerous happenings of the long ago. He saw all the wars in which our country engaged except the two wars with England, although he was never a soldier. He only had one picture made during his long life and that was done to some extent without his knowledge of what was going on.

He was the last person in all this section to engage in what was called in olden times a "pitched battle" which really meant a fight between two men in a ring with seconds to see

that each man had fair play. They were allowed no weapons and could use only what nature had provided. This was considered great sport in Smith County a hundred years ago, but the tender young men of this day and time would not last long in a scrap of this kind.

Uncle Milton fought one battle of this sort about seventy years ago when he was a man of about 28 years and weighed about 160. However, he was all muscle and bone and was considered the most active man of his section. In the neighborhood of Dixon Springs there lived a famed bully, by the name of Matt McClanahan who had had numerous fights and had whipped nearly every man he had ever fought. He challenged young Gregory to a combat and Gregory rather tried to get out of the fight as McClanahan had more experience in such struggles and was noted for his strength and endurance. However, when the fight could not be avoided without loss of honor, the two met in the middle of the pike at Dixon Springs and the "battle" began. Back and forth the two men struggled with might and main, the advantages being first with one and then the other. McClanahan was the larger man and might have been a little stronger, but Gregory was the more active and quicker on his feet. Striking each other with all their force, clinching, going down on the ground together the two men wrestled and struggled for some time. Finally McClanahan managed to get his opponent down. Gregory struggled with all his power and strength to come out from under the larger man. He was on the point of giving when a bystander urged him to strive a little longer. With a last desperate effort Gregory turned McClanahan and together they rolled into a ditch at the side of the pike with Gregory on top. With one free hand he grabbed a large handful of sand and with all his force rubbed the sand into the eyes of his struggling opponent. This so blinded McClanahan that he gave up the fight and conceded the victory to Gregory.

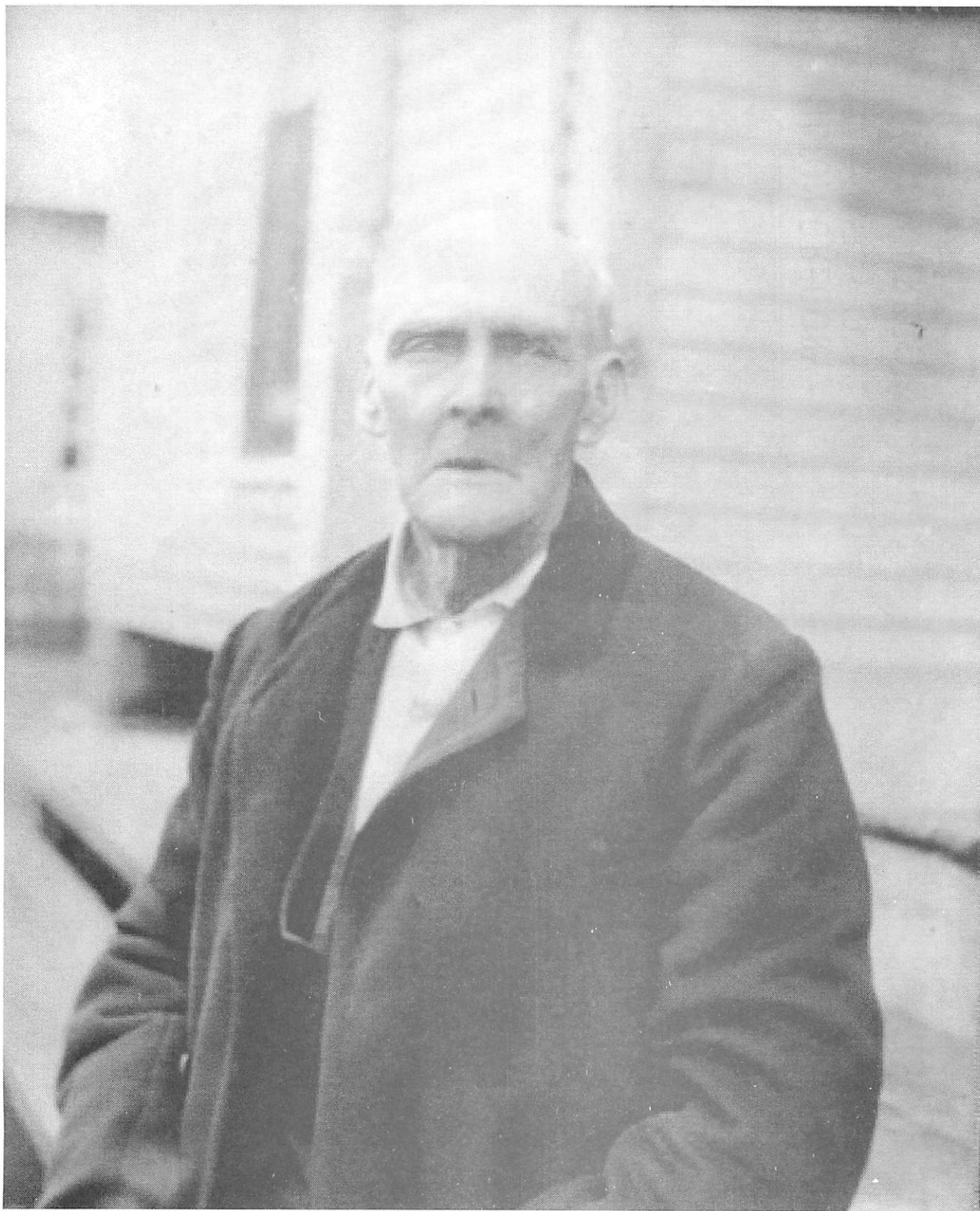
The fierceness of the struggle may well be imagined by the fact that Gregory entered the scrap wearing a brand new pair of heavy brogan shoes. When the fight was over, the soles were torn off, the seams were ripped up and the shoes torn to pieces. Afterward they met again at Dixon Springs, but this time peacefully and ate a large watermelon, never afterward holding any malice toward each other. Such things were common in our country in pioneer times, but things of this sort have long since passed away.

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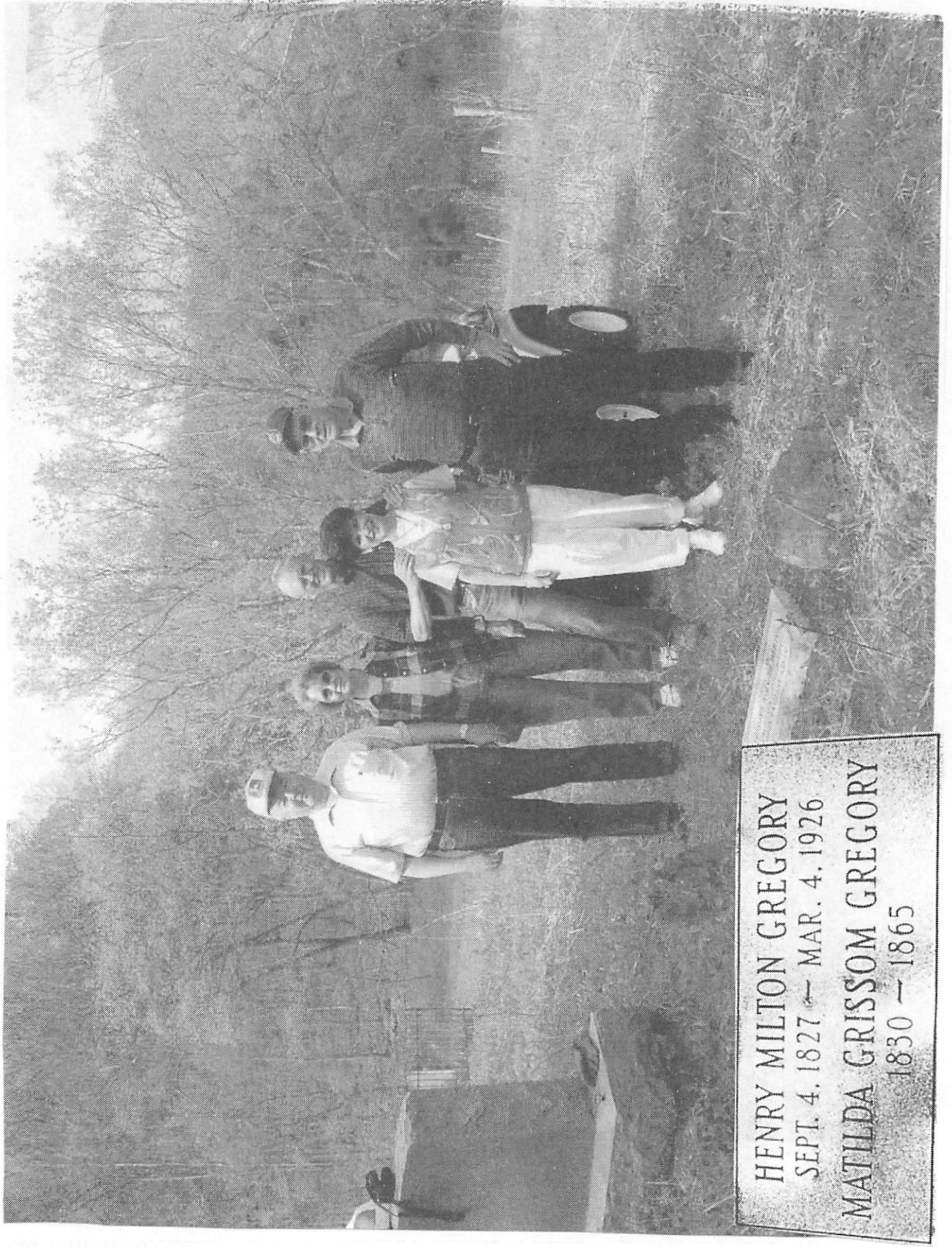
Notes by Tom Dickerson:

Calvin Gregory stated that "Little Bill" came to Tennessee with his parents from North Carolina. In numerous other reports, Calvin stated that Little Bill's father, John Gregory, had already died before the family moved to Smith County.

Calvin also noted that Milton was the father of three sons and one daughter. However, the 1870 census shows four sons and two daughters. One of the sons not mentioned was James Gregory. In addition, son, John, and daughter, Victoria, died as children between 1860 and 1870. The other daughter not mentioned was Laura Udora Gregory who married Landsford (Kinny) Kemp. His eldest daughter was Susan Missouri who married Wade Taylor Smith and they became the parents of my grandmother, Laura Smith Dickerson. Wade Smith was the son of William "Hairy Bill" and Minerva Smith Smith.



Henry Milton Gregory, 1827 - 1926



HENRY MILTON GREGORY
SEPT. 4. 1827 — MAR. 4. 1926
MATILDA GRISSOM GREGORY
1830 — 1865

*Stone-setters: John and Retta Waggoner, Tom and Faye Dickerson
Gordon and Dan Gregory*

HAYNIE/ BEASLEY/ HACKETT/ BETTY

150 CLUB

Submitted by Dianne Davis Agee

*[Dianne descends from the following four pioneer "150 Club" Smith County families:
William Haynie, Isham Beasley, Peter Hackett, Isaac Betty].*

Husband: William Haynie

Born: Abt. 1753 in: Prince William Co Va
 Married: June 05, 1774 in: Caswell County, NC
 Died: August 25, 1826 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: Reuben Haynie ?
 Mother:
 Other Spouses:

Wife: Ann Bradley

Born: Abt. 1755 in: NC
 Died: February 10, 1843 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: James Bradley, Sr.
 Mother: Judith Sanders
 Other Spouses:

CHILDREN

I	☉ Name: Elijah Haynie	
M	Born: June 20, 1779	in: NC
	Married: August 15, 1801	in: Smith County Tn
	Died: August 05, 1846	in: Smith County Tn
	Spouse: Clarkey Beasley	
2	Name: James B. Haynie	
M	Born: Abt. 1783	in:
	Married:	in:
	Died: February 04, 1830	in:
	Spouse:	
3	☉ Name: Thomas Bradley Haynie	
M	Born: March 11, 1785	in: NC
	Married: Abt. 1806	in: Smith County Tn
	Died:	in:
	Spouse: Ann Weatherford	
4	Name: Judith Haynie	
F	Born: Abt. 1787	in:
	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse: James Herod	
5	Name: Susannah Haynie	
F	Born: Abt. 1790	in:
	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse: Samuel G. Evette	
6	Name: William Haynie, Jr.	
M	Born: Abt. 1793	in: NC
	Married: Abt. 1822	in: Smith County Tn
	Died:	in: Haynie/Hackett Cemetery
	Spouse: Nancy Baker	

Husband: Isaac Betty

Born: Abt. 1774 in: Warren County NC
 Married: Abt. 1804 in: Warren County NC
 Died: December 1820 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: George Betty
 Mother:

Other Spouses:

Wife: Martha Turner Cheek

Born: Abt. 1788 in: Warren County NC
 Died: Aft. 1830 in: Bellevue, Iowa
 Father: Randolph Cheek
 Mother: Fnu Tignor

Other Spouses: Henderson Palmer

CHILDREN

1	Name: Louisa T. Betty Born: February 18, 1803 Married: January 09, 1821 Died: May 20, 1840 Spouse: Zachris Cross	in: NC in: in:
2	Name: William Randolph Betty Born: Abt. 1805 Married: Abt. 1828 Died: Abt. 1890 Spouses: Margaret Emily Cornick, Mary E. Holland Martins	in: NC in: in: Smith County Tn - buried Nazarene Church Cem/
3	Name: Alfred Mecken Betty Born: September 13, 1813 Married: Abt. 1832 Died: July 22, 1902 Spouses: Elizabeth J. Farmer, Lina C. Apple	in: Smith County Tn in: in: Smith County Tn
4	Name: Robert Carroll Betty Born: November 30, 1815 Married: April 20, 1838 Died: July 12, 1916 Spouse: Dorcas Warren	in: in: Smith County Tn in: Mineral Wells, Texas
5	Name: Isaac Betty Born: Abt. 1817 Married: Died: Spouse: Louisa Allen	in: in: in:
6	Name: Arminto Ellen Betty Born: Abt. 1818 Married: Died: Spouses: Robert Lancaster, Thadeus Armsted Harris	in: Smith County Tn in: in: Orleans Parish La
7	Name: Born: Married: Died: Spouse:	in: in: in:

Husband: Peter Hackett

Born: February 14, 1786 in: Va
 Married: March 12, 1818 in: Charoletteville, Va
 Died: January 08, 1860 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: Thomas Hackett
 Mother:
 Other Spouses:

Wife: Ann Garrett

Born: April 18, 1789 in: Buckingham Co Va
 Died: January 02, 1865 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: William Garrett
 Mother: Mary Branch Coleman
 Other Spouses:

CHILDREN

Name: Mary "Polly" Hackett
 Born: February 25, 1819 in: Va
 Married: in:
 Died: October 10, 1916 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse:

Name: William Temple Hackett
 Born: January 25, 1820 in: Va
 Married: January 04, 1844 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: July 09, 1887 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: Mahala Jane Vance

Name: Peter Hackett, Jr.
 Born: September 22, 1823 in: Va
 Married: June 22, 1843 in: DeKalb County, Tn
 Died: September 09, 1909 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouses: Sarah Williams, Elizabeth Sarah P. Taylor, Celia J. Powell

Name: Jane Hackett
 Born: Abt. 1826 in: Virginia
 Married: Abt. 1844 in:
 Died: in: Overton Co, Tn
 Spouse: Mitchell Pleasant Garrett

Name: Henry Miles Hackett
 Born: October 01, 1828 in: Virginia
 Married: Abt. 1856 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: November 19, 1909 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouses: Clarkey Ann Haynie, "Molly" Mildred Clarkey Haynie, Luella Petty

Name: Thomas D. Hackett
 Born: February 16, 1831 in: Va
 Married: December 29, 1858 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: January 15, 1923 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: Martha Susan Haynie

Name: Elizabeth B. Hackett
 Born: June 04, 1835 in: Smith County Tn
 Married: January 05, 1854 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: November 16, 1913 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: James Baker

Name: Elijah H. Hackett
 Born: May 03, 1837 in:
 Married: January 17, 1859 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: July 30, 1876 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouses: Lutitia J. Oldham, Mary E. Chambers

Name: Martha K. Hackett
 Born: February 02, 1840 in:
 Married: March 14, 1859 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: January 17, 1886 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: John M. Nesbitt

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 Died: in:
 Spouse:

Husband: Isham Beasley

Born: January 11, 1760 in: NC
 Married: November 27, 1782 in: Orange County NC
 Died: May 20, 1855 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: John Henry Beasley
 Mother: Mary [Beasley]
 Other Spouses:

Wife: Polly Andrews

Born: May 19, 1767 in: Oregon County, NC
 Died: March 26, 1851 in: Smith County Tn
 Father: Thomas Andrews
 Mother: Susannah [Andrews]
 Other Spouses:

CHILDREN

Name: Johnson Beasley
 Born: Abt. 1783 in: Tn
 Married: in:
 Died: 1847 in: Smith County, Tn
 Spouse: Margaret [Peggy] Green

Name: Clarkey Beasley
 Born: September 09, 1785 in: NC
 Married: August 15, 1801 in: Smith County Tn
 Died: February 25, 1872 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: Elijah Haynie

Name: James Ellis Beasley
 Born: Abt. 1788 in: NC
 Married: in:
 Died: March 1863 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouses: Nancy Debow, Nancy Cole

Name: Henry Beasley
 Born: March 06, 1789 in: NC
 Married: Abt. 1811 in:
 Died: April 27, 1858 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouses: Polly Johns, Catharine Stott

Name: Braddock Beasley
 Born: 1793 in: NC
 Married: in:
 Died: May 1857 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: Sally Ferguson

Name: Major A. Beasley
 Born: April 25, 1797 in: NC
 Married: December 19, 1815 in:
 Died: June 07, 1883 in: Smith County Tn
 Spouse: Betsy C. Nixon

Name: Polly Beasley
 Born: Abt. 1797 in: NC
 Married: in:
 Died: in:
 Spouse: William F. Grizzard

3	Name: Deborah Beasley Born: Abt. 1798 Married: Died: Spouse: Robert Corum	in: in: in:
3	Name: Susanna Beasley Born: Abt. 1799 Married: Abt. 1817 Died: Abt. 1827 Spouse: James Burton "Cucklebur" Bradley	in: NC in: in: TN
0	Name: Matilda Beasley Born: February 24, 1792 Married: December 15, 1815 Died: June 30, 1882 Spouse: Anthony H. Metcalf	in: NC in: Smith County, Tn in: Sandia, Patricio Co., Texas
1	Name: Mahala Beasley Born: Abt. 1804 Married: Died: Spouse: William Vaden	in: in: in:
2	Name: Robert Beasley Born: August 30, 1803 Married: July 02, 1829 Died: October 14, 1865 Spouses: Sarah Cunningham, Mary Ann Green	in: in: Wilson County, Tn in: Illinois
3	Name: Elizabeth Beasley Born: February 04, 1802 Married: January 08, 1822 Died: September 09, 1829 Spouse: John Elliott Baker	in: in: in: Wilson Co, Tn
4	Name: Joanna Beasley Born: July 27, 1805 Married: Abt. 1831 Died: March 31, 1898 Spouses: James Asa Beasley, William A. Bomar	in: in: in:
5	Name: Gabriel D. Beasley Born: March 11, 1807 Married: Abt. 1832 Died: May 05, 1876 Spouse: Sally M. Perry	in: Smith County, Tn in: in: Smith County Tn
6	Name: William H. Beasley Born: March 01, 1815 Married: August 31, 1868 Died: May 08, 1880 Spouse: Harriet D. Webb	in: in: Smith County Tn in: Smith County Tn
7	Name: Born: Married: Died: Spouse:	in: in: in:
18	Name: Born: Married: Died: Spouse:	in: in: in:

150 CLUB**BAIRD**

Submitted by Katheryn Frye Dickens

Generation 1: Josiah Baird, born 1782, came to Smith County, Tennessee ca. 1805 –1810 from Rowan County, North Carolina. On 4 January 1810, Josiah Baird was deeded land along the banks of Hickman's Creek from Henry Moores. The land was part of a North Carolina Grant #64 of 3, 062 acres to Captain William Ferrebee. (Smith County Deed Book D, page 219).

This land was in what is now known as the Sykes area. The community was then referred to as Bairdsville.

Generation 2: Reuben Baird was the son of Josiah Baird and Mary Sutton Baird. Reuben Baird was born 16 August 1801 in Rowan County, North Carolina and died in Smith County in 1849. He married ca. 1837 or 1838 Martha Frances Paris Hughes who was born ca. 1807. She was the daughter of James Paris and the widow of Leander Hughes, Sr. She was the third wife of Leander Hughes, Sr. (THE HUGHES FAMILY AND CONNECTIONS by Leander Hughes, the grandson of Leander Hughes, Sr.) (Reuben Baird's will dated 18 August 1849 and probated September 1849. Smith County TN Will Book 7).

Generation 3: Mary Elizabeth "Molly" Baird was the daughter of Reuben Baird and Martha Frances Paris Hughes Baird. Mary Elizabeth was born 7 February 1839 and died 10 August 1903. Mary Elizabeth Baird married 13 October 1854 William Thomas Blackburn. They lived together for over 23 years and were the parents of 7 children before divorcing in April 1878. (Smith County Circuit Court Minutes, 1876 – 1879. Book 2, p. 249).

By 1880 Mary Elizabeth Baird Blackburn had married William Viers.

Generation 4: William H. "Billy" Blackburn was the son of Mary Elizabeth Baird Blackburn and William Thomas Blackburn. Billy Blackburn was born in September of 1856 and died 4 November 1907. He married Ammie Lou Braswell 14 September 1874. Ammie was born

6 March 1856 and died 21 November 1921. They are both buried on a portion of the Paris-Hughes-Baird land now owned by Charles W. McKinney, a direct descendant.

Generation 5: Chloe Belle Blackburn was the daughter of Billy Blackburn and Ammie Lou Braswell Blackburn. Chloe was born 9 December 1890 and died 26 September 1967. She married Elbert Lafayette Frye 2 May 1909. Elbert Frye was born 5 April 1890 and died 26 August 1977.

Generation 6: Dalton Odell Frye was the son of Chloe Belle Blackburn Frye and Elbert L. Frye. Dalton was born 25 November 1917 and died 6 May 1982. On 22 June 1940 he married Mattie Frances Neal who is still living. She was born 10 June 1921.

Generation 7: Chloe Katheryn Frye is the daughter of Dalton Odell Frye and Mattie Frances Neal Frye. Katheryn is married to James Donald Dickens. (Both living). They have four grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. One granddaughter bears the name Amy Dalton and the great-granddaughter's name is Elisabeth.

TURNER

Generation 1: Hezekiah Turner, a son of William and Rhoda Dent Turner, was born 14 October 1767 in Charles County, Maryland and died in 1843 in Smith County, Tennessee. On 31 December 1794 he married his first cousin, Eleanor Turner, who was born 9 March 1768. They were married in Charles County, Maryland, later moving to Virginia, and finally settling in Smith County, Tennessee in 1815. (Smith County Deed Book E, page 498. November 1816. Hezekiah Turner's Will, Smith County Will Book III, 1826-1843, probated October 1843).

Generation 2: Hezekiah Turner, Jr. was born in 1809 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, and moved with his parents to Smith County, Tennessee when he was six years old. He was married 26 February 1840 to Allie Ellis, the daughter of Radford and Elizabeth Ellis. Allie was born 30 December 1825 and died 14 March 1915. She and Hezekiah were the parents of eleven children. (Brush Creek Baptist Church records). They are buried between Brush Creek and Alexandria near the Northfield Subdivision.

Generation 3: Mary Caroline Turner was the daughter of Hezekiah Turner, Jr. and Allie Ellis Turner. Mary Caroline Turner was born 28 January 1856 and died 20 March 1937. She married 3 January 1878 Benjamin Smith Fry who was born 7 March 1833 and died 19 October 1912.

Generation 4: Elbert Lafayette Frye, the son of Mary Caroline Turner Fry and Benjamin Smith Fry, was born 5 April 1890 and died 26 August 1977. Elbert married Chloe Belle Blackburn 2 May 1909. Chloe was born 9 December 1890 and died 26 September 1967.

Generation 5: Dalton Odell Frye, the son of Elbert L. Frye and Chloe Blackburn Frye, was born 25 November 1917 and died 6 May 1982. On 22 June 1940 Dalton married Mattie Frances Neal who is still living. She was born 10 June 1921.

Generation 6: Chloe Katheryn Frye is the daughter of Dalton Odell Frye and Mattie Frances Neal Frye. Katheryn is married to James Donald Dickens. (Both living). One of their daughters lives on a portion of the Elbert Frye farm which is near the resting place of Hezekiah and Allie Turner.

VRIE, FREY, FRY, FRYE

German origin cognate to Free (man)

The earliest records of the Frey family show those bearing the name to be in the German part of Switzerland or more exact in eastern and northeastern Switzerland. From the parish records of Knonau, Kanton Zürich, Switzerland, it is found that Marti Frey and his wife, Ursula Wiss, are the primogenitors of our Frey lineage. The family migrated to Wingen, Alsace Germany, which is now known as Strasbourg, France, then to Pennsylvania and later to North Carolina. (ANCESTRY AND DESCENDANTS OF JOHANN PETER FREY by James A. Journey, Bellevue, Washington, August 1992.)

Generation 1. The first Fry in Smith County, Tennessee, was Henry Fry who settled on the Dry Fork of Mulherrin's Creek near New Middleton between 1825 – 1830. (Smith County Deed Book L, pages 539-540, 6 March 1830. Deed Book L, pages 577-578 27 August 1832). Henry H. Fry, the son of Johann Heinrich Frey, was born in Rowan County, North Carolina in 1782. Henry's second marriage was ca. 1825 to Elendes "Allie" Briggs. Henry Fry died in 1867. The sale of his farm is recorded in Smith County Minute Book 24, 1870-1872, pages 203-204.

Generation 2: Benjamin Smith Fry was the son of Henry Fry and Allie Briggs Fry. He was born in Smith County 7 March 1833 and died 19 October 1912, married 17 March 1859 Mary Elizabeth Hunt, and married second time 3 January 1878 Mary Caroline Turner, the daughter of Hezekiah Turner. Mary Caroline Turner was born 28 January 1856 and died 20 March 1937.

Generation 3: Elbert Lafayette Frye, the son of Benjamin Smith Fry and Mary Caroline Turner Fry, was born 5 April 1890 and died 26 August 1977. Elbert married Chloe Belle Blackburn 2 May 1909. Chloe was born 9 December 1890 and died 26 September 1967.

Generation 4: Dalton Odell Frye, the son of Elbert L. Frye and Chloe Blackburn Frye, was born 25 November 1917 and died 6 May 1982. On 22 June 1940 Dalton married Mattie Frances Neal who is still living. She was born 10 June 1921.

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Hubbard

Submitted by Brenda Gibbs

1. Patrick Hubbard born in Virginia, and died 1848 Smith County, Tennessee married Mary Hopkins. (Smith County Census 1840, Page 224 and Smith County Will Book 3, Page 332, Dec. 23, 1848).
2. William H. Hubbard born January 20, 1828, Tennessee and died Jan 19, 1899 Smith County, Tennessee married Bettie Elizabeth Halliburton, who was born April 4, 1833 and died March 20, 1906 in Smith County, Tenn. (Smith County Census 1850).
3. Julie Ann Vandora Hubbard born July 12, 1865 and died August 9, 1947 Smith County, Tenn, married Benjamin J. Vaden April 8, 1882. Benjamin was born September 11, 1858 and died Feb. 29, 1924.
4. Ella Vaden born Jan. 24, 1887 and died July 30, 1968 Smith County, Tenn. married Jesse Franklin Armistead February 2, 1908. Jesse was born January 1, 1878 and died September 16, 1966 in Smith County, Tenn.
5. A.J. Armistead born July 25, 1911 and died Feb. 2, 1983 in Smith County and married Rubye Beatrice Vaden March 29, 1935. Ruby was born August 6, 1916 and died October 14, 1974 in Smith County, Tenn.
6. Brenda Armistead Gibbs (Living) married James Thomas Gibbs (Living).

150 CLUB

Vaden

1. John Vaden born 1793 in Virginia died after 1850 Smith County, Tenn. married Martha Uhles about 1819 .
(Smith County Census 1830).
2. Robert Gilman Vaden born 13 Feb 1845 in Smith County and died 15 September 1917 in Smith County, Tenn.
married Mary Etta Meachum Green
8 November 1885. Mary Etta was born 11 November 1858 and died 13 Feb. 1921 in Smith County, Tennessee.
3. Joseph Winston Vaden born 28 Dec. 1892 and died 9 March 1973 in Smith County, Tennessee married Lela Downen Lynch 7 June 1914. She was born 23 November 1898 and died 6 Sept. 1978 in Smith County, Tenn.
4. Rubye Beatrice Vaden born 6 Aug. 1916 and died 14 Oct. 1974 in Smith County, Tenn. married 29 March 1935 A.J. Armistead.
A.J. was born 25 July 1911 and died 2 Feb. 1983 in Smith County.
5. Brenda Armistead Gibbs (Living) married James Thomas Gibbs (Living).

BENJAMIN RISLEY – FIRST POSTMASTER OF CARTHAGE

Submitted by Kenneth C. Thompson, Jr.

(We are indebted to Mr. Thompson for the following article relating to Benjamin Risley:

The Ancestors and Descendants of The Honorable Calvin Pease and Laura Grant Risley Pease, his wife, of Suffield, CT, Rutland, VT, and Warren, OH, by Alene Beaumont Duty, Cleveland, Ohio, 1979.

Abstracts relating to Benjamin Risley, first postmaster of Carthage, Tennessee, are taken from the above-cited booklet. The article in its entirety with further documentation of Risley/Pease/Lyon descendants is filed in the F.C. Key Genealogy Room of the Smith County Library. Also, interesting information relating to the William Pitt Lawrence family (Risley's daughter, Nancy Pomeroy, married Dr. William Pitt Lawrence) and their relationship with Andrew Jackson may be found in the booklet.)

Benjamin Risley was the first postmaster of Carthage, Tennessee. He was appointed in April 1807 and served in that capacity for 8 months. Benjamin was born in Glastenbury, CT 29 Feb 1744 and died in Warren, OH 12 May 1813. He was the son of Richard Risley.

Benjamin married first about 1764 Sarah Smith of Glastenbury, born 17 Feb 1745 and died in Bolton, CT 23 June 1777, the daughter of Benjamin and Ann Smith. Benjamin married secondly as her second husband in 1779, Eunice Grant 1754-1828. Both are buried in the Pease lot in Oakwood Cemetery, Warren, OH.

The name Risley/Wrisley, is a contraction from that of Wriothsley, a name in the English Peerage. The earliest of the name in Glastonbury was Samuel whose son, Samuel, had land given him by his father in 1745.

The children of Benjamin and Sarah Smith Risley are presumed to be: Sarah, b ca 1765; Doand b abt 1766; Endocia 1769; Mary (Polly); Elizabeth 1777.

Benjamin Risley was a private in Capt. Clark's Company, 3rd Battalion, Wadsworth's Brigade, June 1776. He later became a prominent and wealthy citizen in Hartford, CT. In 1784 Benjamin and Eunice moved to Middlebury, Ct. The town was organized in March 1786 and "voted 1st, Benjamin Risley, Moderator." He also had other town offices and was a member of the first church organized in Middlebury, Addison County, VT (site of the present Middlebury College).

Benjamin and Eunice's first daughter, Phila, was born 1781. Their next daughter, Laura Grant was born in 1786 in Rutland, VT where Benjamin moved from Middlebury. Benjamin's next move was to Saratoga Springs, NY in 1790 where he built the first

tavern in the town. On 11 August 1791 Benjamin and Eunice's last daughter, Nancy Pomeroy, was born.

Presumably, Benjamin moved from Saratoga Springs to Waterford, CT and later joined his daughter, Phila, and her husband, James Lyon, in Washington, DC. where James published a political paper. There on 2 June 1804 Laura Grant Risley was married to Calvin Pease who settled in Warren, OH. About 1804 Benjamin and wife, Eunice, and Phila Lyon and her family joined the Peases in Ohio. Around 1806 the Risleys and Lyons went down the Ohio River to Kentucky. By 1807 they were all in Carthage, Tennessee where James Lyon published the *Carthage Gazette*. Carthage is described as "a post-village, capital of Smith County, Tennessee, on the right bank of the Cumberland River at the mouth of Caney Fork, fifty miles east by north from Nashville, Tennessee."

On 26 May 1808 Nancy Pomeroy Risley, Benjamin's youngest daughter, married Dr. William Pitt Lawrence on 26 May 1808 in Carthage, Tennessee. Now, sixty-four years of age and with all of his daughters married, Benjamin, along with Eunice, moved back to Warren, Ohio, to spend their remaining years with their daughter, Laura Grant Risley Pease and her husband, Judge Calvin Pease.

On the occasion of a visit to her former home in Carthage, Nancy Pomeroy Risley Lawrence writes the following letter from McMinnville, Tennessee, in 1819 to her mother, Eunice, who is now living in Warren, Ohio:

We returned to Carthage. It is greatly improved. It is a very pretty place and the people live very genteelly.

We crossed the ferry and went to the old place, it is in a state of ruin and decay scarcely anything left except the stone chimney and that end where your room was. I had a mournful, reflection when I cast my eye at the little window in your chamber, where I took the last look of my Dear Parents as they rode off—it was a last look, of my Dear Father, as I then anticipated. Oh! My mother, I shall never cease to regret so irreparable a loss! His memory is ever sacred to me. May I ever remember his virtue and piety and endeavor to follow the example he set.

Nancy Pomeroy Risley Lawrence died in Nashville in 1846. Dr. William Pitt Lawrence died in 1853, both buried in the Old Nashville City Cemetery. Dr. Lawrence was with Andrew Jackson at New Orleans in 1815.

Benjamin did not live long after the return to Ohio, but Eunice lived with her daughter, Laura, and her family until her death in 1828.



Phila Risley Lyon
1780 - 1869
Wife of James Lyon
Both were newspaper publishers
(4th great aunt of Kenneth C. Thompson, Jr.)



Benjamin Risley
1744 - 1813
S/O Richard Risley and Hannah Smith
Copied from original ink wash
(5th great grandfather of Kenneth C. Thompson, Jr.)



Eunice Grant Pomeroy Risley
1754 - 1828
D/O Ephriam Grant and Esther Parker
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The Ancestors and Descendants of
 THE HONORABLE CALVIN PEASE AND LAURA GRANT RISLEY PEASE
 His wife, of Suffield, Ct., and Rutland, VT.
 And Warren, Ohio
 By
 Allene Beaumont Duty
 Cleveland, Ohio
 1979

Ralph E. W. Earl, the artist who painted the beautiful portraits of Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence, was a protégée of Andrew Jackson and also painted portraits in similar style of General and Mrs. Jackson.



Dr. William Pitt Lawrence
 1784 - 1853
 S/O Major Jonathan Lawrence
 and Mary Pitt
 Portrait painted by Ralph E. W. Earl
 (4th great grandfather of
 Kenneth C. Thompson, Jr.)



Nancy Pomeroy Risley Lawrence

EZEKIEL SMITH/JOHN KERBY

Submitted by Evea Smith Bachnak

Descendants of Ezekiel Smith and John Kerby will be interested in the well-documented booklet compiled by Evea Bachnak:

THE SMITH AND
KIRBY CONNECTION
EZEKIEL SMITH DESCENDANTS
AND
JOHN KERBY DESCENDANTS

After twenty years of research, Ms. Bachnak has generously shared her information with others. The 8 1/2 X 11 paper-back booklet contains about 50 pages including a full-name index and numerous pictures.

The first part of the book contains the descendants of Ezekial and Mary (Shank) Smith from Georgia to Alabama to Tennessee to Illinois. The second part contains the descendants of John and Jemima Kerby from Virginia to South Carolina to Tennessee to Illinois.

Following are a few excerpts from the booklet that will be placed in the F. C. Key Genealogical Room of the Smith County Library. Ms Beahnak says she has a few copies that she will be happy to mail to anyone who is interested in purchasing one for \$12.00 each. (Evea Smith Bachnak, 1717 Fishr St., Munster, IL 46321. email - IMEVEA2@AOL.com)

Descendants of Ezekiel R. Smith

Generation No. 1

1. EZEKIEL R.² SMITH (*UNKNOWN*¹) was born Abt. 1780 in probably Wilkes Co., GA, and died Aft. 1860 in Macon Co., TN. He married MARY SHANK Abt. 1805 in Wilkes Co., GA, daughter of JOHN SHANK/SCHENCK and MARIAH ALDERFER. She was born Abt. 1790 in VA, and died Aft. 1870 in Clay Co., TN.

Notes for EZEKIEL R. SMITH:

The birth date for Ezekiel R. Smith is taken from the 1850 census, and is only approximate. Since 1801 was first year I found him paying poll tax, this age is close. Males paid poll tax when they reached 21 years of age. He was in Lincoln Co., Georgia, Samuel's District in 1801 and 1803. He was also in Lincoln Co., Jones' district in 1804.

James Smith and Millie (Golden) are a good possibility for being Ezekiel's parents, but I have not been able to document this. Since Ezekiel's eldest son seems to have been James Archibald Smith, it fits the pattern of naming used in the early days.

Ezekiel and Mary likely married in 1804-05, and lived in Wilkes County for several years. Ezekiel was listed in the 1807 and 1809 Wilkes Co. tax lists, paying only poll tax; no property. He was listed along with some of the Shanks, who were Mary's father John and brother Henry. They were in John Hughes' district, which was the Fishing Creek area. In 1809 they were in Capt. John Patterson's district 11. From the lists, one can tell who had gone to town together to pay their taxes, because they had not yet begun to alphabetize them.

In the 1812 tax list for Lincoln Co., Georgia, Ezekiel is shown owning land. He was in the lists each year after, 1818 being the last. This must have been when he took his family to Giles Co, TN, where they can be found in the 1820 census. When Ezekiel was in Lincoln County lists, he was near James Smith, who possibly was his father. When in Wilkes Co. lists, he was near John Shank. There is much circumstantial evidence that he was Mary's father. Further evidence is that John Shank's family was the only Shanks in Lincoln/Wilkes Counties at that time.

Thomas Smith was in the Lincoln Co. tax lists also. 1812 was the first year his name appeared, so he was probably born ca 1800. I believe he was a brother to Ezekiel. In fact, in the 1815 tax lists, Ezekiel paid poll tax for Thomas. They were in Sims' district #4, Lincoln Co.

Ezekiel Smith and Thomas Smith appear in the Muster Roll in 1814, in Lincoln County. Clara (Smith) Kirby said that Ezekiel served in the War of 1812.

James A. Smith lived next door to Ezekiel in Limestone Co., AL., 1840 census. He was most likely Ezekiel's and Mary's eldest child. A land deed lists him as James Archibald Smith. He was born about 1806 GA, according to censuses. It seems to be a fair assumption that their second child was Sidney Smith. According to Limestone Co. censuses, he was born ca 1807, in GA. The third child seems to have been Susan Sarilda, born ca 1810, GA., who married a Wall. He was dead by the 1850 Giles Co., TN. census. Caroline, was born 1812, GA, and Nancy Mariah in 1815, GA. The identity of the next child, a son, is unknown, but he may have been Thomas, who was living in Giles Co., TN in the 1850 census. Next is John Pinkney, born ca 1825, then George W., 1827, and lastly, Joseph Allen, born Nov 11, 1831. John, George, and Joseph were all born in Alabama.

The only reference to Ezekiel's middle name or initial is in the 1840 census of Limestone Co., AL., which lists him as 'Eze R. Smith'. He was in Limestone Co. census in 1830, 1840, and 1850. We know he was in Limestone Co., AL, by 1826, when he was listed in the Animal Take-up Book as appraising the value of a cow. The fact that John Pinkney was born by 1825 in Alabama makes it even earlier than that. It was soon after 1850 census that Joseph Allen, youngest son of Ezekiel and Mary, went to Macon Co., TN. It is not known if Ezekiel, Mary, George W., John Pinkney, Mariah and her children all went at the same time or somewhat later.

Ezekiel and Mary Smith were in the 1860 Macon Co. census. Ezekiel's age is 87, but should be 80, and born in Georgia. Mary is listed as 77, but should be 70, and born in Virginia. Ezekiel was dead by the 1870 census, and is probably buried in Bethany Cemetery, Macon Co. Mary was living with her granddaughter, Mary [Hare] Kirby and her husband Swepson Kirby, in the 1870 census of Clay Co. TN. She was not in 1880 census. She is probably buried in Bethany Cemetery, which is not far from the area of Clay County where Swepson and Mary Kirby lived. Swepson's and Mary's son John Pinkney, was the great grandson of Ezekiel and Mary. Years ago, he related his memory of his great grandmother going about the house quoting scripture in another language. Being of Pennsylvania Dutch ancestry, she was no doubt speaking German. John was born in 1859, so he would have been old enough to remember her years of living with them. John told this story to Clara {Smith} Kirby. She was married to John's grandson, John Wilbur Kirby.

Notes for MARY SHANK:

Although I am still seeking proof of Mary Shank's parents, I believe them to be John Shank, Rev. War soldier, and his wife Mariah {Alterfer}. According to censuses, Mary was born in VA, about 1790. John Shank moved his family to Wilkes Co., GA, after 1790, according to Thom Shank, a family researcher, and author of SCHENCK SHENK SHANK. John and his family are the only Shanks found in Lincoln and Wilkes Counties where Ezekiel Smith lived, according to the tax lists from 1803 until 1818. Ezekiel seemed to live very near the Shank family, according to tax lists. His name appears next to Henry Shank, and they most likely went to town together to pay their taxes. Further evidence of Mary's parentage is the fact that she and Ezekiel named one of their daughters Mariah.

Mary would have been very young when she married Ezekiel, probably about fifteen years old. Ezekiel was about ten years older than she. It is not known when Ezekiel and Mary moved to Macon Co., TN, but they were in the 1860 census there. They do not appear in the Bethany Baptist Church records, but sons Joseph and John, and daughter Mariah and her daughters are listed in the membership rolls in the early 1850s. It is most likely that Ezekiel and Mary moved to Tennessee when their sons and daughter and granddaughters moved there.

Children of EZEKIEL SMITH and MARY SHANK are:

2. i. JAMES ARCHIBALD^d SMITH, b. Abt. 1806, probably Wilkes Co., GA.
3. ii. SIDNEY H. SMITH, b. Abt. 1807, probably Wilkes Co., GA.
4. iii. SUSAN SARILDA SMITH, b. Abt. 1810, probably Wilkes Co., GA; d. probably TN.
5. iv. CAROLINE LUCINDA SMITH, b. 1812, probably Lincoln Co., GA; d. Abt. 1880, Limestone Co., AL.
6. v. NANCY MARIAH SMITH, b. December 1815, probably Lincoln Co., GA; d. June 22, 1902, Clay Co., TN.
- vi. THOMAS SMITH, b. Abt. 1822, Limestone Co., AL; m. LOUISIANA.

Notes for THOMAS SMITH:

There is no documentation that Thomas was the son of Ezekiel and Mary Smith. However, there are some things that suggest he may be the missing son listed in the earlier censuses, which only list age categories of males and females. For one thing, listed in his household in the 1850 census of Giles Co., TN, is a Pinkney Smith, the right age to be John Pinkney. John isn't listed anywhere in the Limestone Co., AL. census. Another thing is the names of some of his children, namely James and Andy E., which could be Ezekiel. Note also, that Ezekiel had a brother named Thomas.

7. vii. JOHN PINKNEY SMITH, b. Abt. 1825, Limestone Co., AL; d. May 31, 1905, Ripley Co., MO.
8. viii. GEORGE WASHINGTON SMITH, b. March 29, 1829, Limestone Co., AL; d. May 11, 1897, Livingston Co., KY.
9. ix. JOSEPH ALLEN SMITH, b. November 11, 1831, Limestone Co., AL; d. September 10, 1905, Jackson Twp., Effingham Co., IL.

JOHN KERBY OF VIRGINIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA

*Descendants of John Kerby**Generation No. 1*

1. JOHN¹ KERBY died Abt. January 1808 in Union Dist, S.C.. He married JEMIMA.

Notes for JOHN KERBY:

The name Kerby can be found with numerous spellings in the early American records. Some are Kearby, Kerby, Curby, Curbo, and Kirby. Some documents have different spellings contained in the same record. Most families now use Kirby, but there are still some who use Kerby and Kearby.

While there is no proof that this John Kerby was our ancestor, there are reasons to suspect this. He left Pittsylvania County, Virginia, after 1789, and before 1799, and went to Union County, South Carolina. John wrote permission for his son Boling to marry Millie Campbell in Pittsylvania County in 1789. He sold a piece of property to his son John in Pittsylvania County in 1799. John Sr. left a will in 1807, Union County, SC. It names his wife Jemima, sons Henry, Jacob, John, and Boling, and several daughters. One daughter, Jenny, married a Draper, who was probably William. Henry Kerby and William Draper appear in various early Smith County, Tennessee, records together, and lived in the same vicinity.

There is also reason to suggest that John Kerby was a son of Hanover Henry Kerby of Halifax County, Virginia. The records suggest that there were two main Kerby families in Halifax/Pittsylvania Counties. One was "Old John", who died in 1772, leaving a will in Pittsylvania County. He and Joanna (Owens) had a large family. The other was Hanover Henry. Old Richard and Elizabeth were probably John's and H. Henry's parents. I believe the rest of the Kerbys were Hanover Henry's sons; John, Henry Baker, and Richard. There are many Johns and Henrys to be sorted out. No probate records have been found for H. Henry, so it is not known when he died, or where. He, Richard, and Henry Baker, all had land joining each other in Halifax County.

Notes for JEMIMA:

No marriage record has been found for John and Jemima, so her maiden name is unknown. However, some Kirby researchers believe she was a Boling.

Children of JOHN KERBY and JEMIMA are:

2.
 - i. HENRY² KIRBY, d. 1829, Smith Co., TN.
 - ii. ELIZABETH KERBY.
 - iii. WILLIAM KERBY.

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- iv. JOHN KERBY.
- v. JACOB KERBY.
- vi. NELLY KERBY.
- vii. FRANCIS KERBY.
- viii. GOOLDSPING KERBY.
- ix. BOLING KERBY.
- x. NANCY KERBY.
- xi. JENNY/JANEY KERBY.

Generation No. 2

2. HENRY² KIRBY (*JOHN¹ KERBY*) died 1829 in Smith Co., TN. He married SUSANNA WRIGHT, daughter of JOHN WRIGHT. She died Abt. 1839 in Smith Co., TN.

Notes for HENRY KIRBY:

Henry Kerby and his wife Susanna (Wright) can be found in land records of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, in the last quarter of the eighteenth century. Susanna was named in John Wright's will as Susanna Kerby, and inherited a slave named Doll. The will was written 30 July, 1791, in Pittsylvania County.

It is not known just when Henry and Susanna left Virginia. Since their son John married Nancy Ann Brown (daughter of Frederick Brown) in Pittsylvania County, November 21, 1803, and their daughter Sarah married Uzzi Panky the previous year, it seems probable that they were still in Pittsylvania County at that time. Records Caney Fork Baptist Church in Warren County, Tennessee, include a Henry and Susanna Kerby until about 1820. There was another Kerby couple in the church records also, named Henry and Rosanna. He probably was Henry's and Susanna's son Henry. Henry's and Susanna's slave Doll is also mentioned, so we can be sure that they were in Warren County, TN before going to Smith County.

Henry left a will in Smith County, Tennessee, written October 6, 1827, and produced in court December 3, 1829. He named his son John and son-in-law Uzzi Panky as his executors. "Old Doll should be given her freedom at Susanna's death."

Susanna apparently lived with Sarah and Uzzi Panky after Henry's death. The 1830 census lists an elderly female in the household of Uzzi.

Notes for SUSANNA WRIGHT:

Susanna appeared in the Smith Co. tax list of 1838, as owning one slave. This shows she died after 1838, but before the census was taken in 1840. Susanna was the daughter of John Wright, who gave her a slave named Doll in his will, written 30th day of July, 1791. His estate was inventoried 29th October, 1791. Susanna and husband Henry Kerby obviously purchased a slave boy Daniel from her sister, Elizabeth Kirby. When Henry wrote his will in Smith County, which was probated in 1829, he

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mentioned slaves Doll and Daniel. "Old Doll" was to have her freedom at the death of Susanna. It is likely that Susanna outlived Doll, because the tax list of 1838 lists one slave, which was probably Daniel.

Children of HENRY KIRBY and SUSANNA WRIGHT are:

- i. WILLIAM³ KIRBY, b. Virginia.

Notes for WILLIAM KIRBY:

William was evidently handicapped in some way. His father Henry wrote in his will that son John Kirby and Uzzi Pankey executors, and also guardians of his son William. He may have been living with his brother Richard in 1840, as there is one male who was 40 to 50, and one male who was 50 to 60. Only one of the men was engaged in agriculture. This suggests that one of them was unable to work.

- ii. RICHARD KIRBY.
iii. ROBERT KIRBY.

Notes for ROBERT KIRBY:

A Robert Kerby is listed in the records of Defeated Creek Baptist Church, Smith County, Tennessee. He was received into fellowship July, 1841, and requested and received his letter of dismission in April 1848.

- iv. HENRY KIRBY, d. Bef. 1848.
v. ARCHIBALD KIRBY.
vi. SARAH KIRBY, m. UZZI PANKEY, January 15, 1802, Pittsylvania County, VA.

Notes for UZZI PANKEY:

Sarah's brother John Kirby/Kerby signed as surety, along with Uzzi for this marriage. "Know all men by these presents, that we Uzzi Pankey and John Kerby are held and firmly bound unto James Monroe, Esq. Governor of the commonwealth of Virginia.....15 day of Jan.y 1802."

- vii. ELIZABETH KIRBY.
viii. JUDAH KIRBY.
3. JOHN KIRBY, b. Abt. 1779, VA; d. 1866, TN.
4. x. JOSEPH KIRBY, b. Abt. 1797, VA.

MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 2, 1799 – 1804

Continued from Volume XV, No. 3

MONDAY JUNE 11, 1804

P. 128. Court held at late dwelling house of Peter Turney, dec'd. Present: Tilman Dixon, Godfrey Fowler and James Vance.

The following were drawn from original venire: Elected, tried and sworn and charged as Grand Jury to this term: Andrew Greer, Foreman, Michael Murphy, John Gray, Thomas Bowman, Wm. Wooten, George Thomason, Wm. Land, Richard Britton, Charles McMurry, Edward Settles, James Bradley, James Jenkins, Thomas Draper, Samuel Casey, James Cope, and Wm. Penney, Constable sworn to attend them.

Deed 640 acres, James Robertson and Wm. Trigg, Jr. proven by oath of Andrew Greer. Stock mark recorded for Leonard Ballow.

John Barkley and Henry Sadler were excused from attending Venire at this term.

Burnett H. Henderson produced his attorney's license; admitted to practice in this court.

P. 129. Joseph Williams stock mark recorded.

George Matlock and Godfrey Fowler, Esqs., commissioners to settle with Wm. Martin relative to his guardianship for John Young.

Patrick Donoho appt. overseer of road in place of John Johnson (resigned). Same hands work under him.

Assigned to work road under Allen Wilkerson, overseer: John Sloane, John Patterson, Archibald Wilkerson, Benjamin Payne, George Thomason and John Thomason.

Charles Carter relinquished his right as administrator of estate of John Carter, dec'd.

Dale Carter presented an authentic copy of John Carter's will, he was named sole Executor, returned an inventory of the estate; court ordered perishable property be sold Freeman Burow was appt. constable.

P. 130. Deed 207 acres John Braley to Jacob Overall proven by oath of Adam Dale.

Leonard Fite granted permission to build a water grist mill on Smith's fork of Caney Fork – owned land on both sides of river. Charge customary toll.

Deed 250 acres Stockley Donelson to Wm. Reehires, proven by oath of Miler Stephens. Stock mark recorded for David Shelby.

Deed 237 acres Thomas Harney to Thomas Hammock, registered.

Adam Dale permitted customary rate for grinding at his mill on Smith's Fork upon condition that he does not dam up water so as to injure mill granted Leonard Fite.

Authorized to charge customary rate. Court adjourned.

JUNE 12, 1804. Tuesday morning with John Lancaster, Godfrey Fowler and Archibald Sloane present.

P. 131. Deed 320 acres Martin Armstrong to John Johnson proven by oath of Tilman Dixon.

Deed 220 acres Martin Armstrong to Jesse Beasley proven by oath of Tilman Dixon.

Deed 100 acres Martin Armstrong to John Rankin proven by oath of Tilman Dixon.

Deed 220 acres Edmond Jennings to James Ballow, acknowledged.

Stock mark recorded for John Fisher.

Capt. Charles Kavanaugh appt. guardian for Andrew Johnson Kavanaugh, 14 years of age who chose his guardian. Leonard Fite and Adam Dale the Capt.'s securities.

Deed 120 acres Charles Mundine to Hugh McCannon, proven by oath of Charles McCannon.

Power of attorney Stockley Donelson to James Taylor and Henry Bohannon Taylor proven by oath of Samuel Walker.

Deed 100 acres James Pryor to John Dillard proven by oath of Henry Sellars.

P. 132. Deed 100 acres John Sedgley to Edward Cage proven by oath of King Karr.

Letter of attorney Claibourn Duval to Buckner Russell, proven by oath of Martin Young.

Supplementary return of Daniel Mungle's estate received and recorded.

Grand Jury returned a bill of indictment against Robert Stuart.

Deed 200 acres Sampson Williams to Henry Huddleston, acknowledged.

Stock mark recorded for Henry Wakefield, Henry Webster and Martin Young.

Deed 20 acres James Ballow to Stephen Anderson, acknowledged.

Peter Turney, dec'd. will was produced for probate, William Martin proved the execution of said will and swore that Edmond Burton was also a subscribing witness, Sampson Williams qualified as executor.

P. 133. William Martin other named executor, relinquished his right to serve.

Deed of lease William Martin to Daniel Burford, acknowledged.

Jury who laid off Dower for Abigail Mungle, widow of Daniel Mungle, dec'd. permitted to operate grist mill on Wartrace Creek, charge customary toll.

Grand Jury returned a bill of indictment against Enos Harrold for an assault and battery.

Deed of 40 acres Henry Tooley to James Gwin, Joseph Collins and Henry Tooley, acknowledged.

Elisha Dillard qualified as admn. of Estate of John Dillard, dec.

Appt. to serve on the venire of next superior court were: John L. Martin, Grant Allen, William Alexander and William Lancaster.

John Douglas released from payment of Tax on 494 acres of land for 1803.

P. 134. John Kavanaugh given nine dollars for service and expense in taking John Anderson to Nashville and other services rendered state in summoning witnesses.

James Gwin, county trustee, exonerated from paying ten dollars for stray taken by John Payne; appears proven by Charles Carter.

Following appt. to serve on Grand & Petit Juries to Sept Term, 1804: John Johnson Hafter, Wm. Brandon, Wm. Roper, David Ventrice, John Rutherford, Leonard Ballow, Elias Johns, Job Bass, Armistead Moore, Wm. Sullivan, Jr., Judd Strother, John Gordon, Jr., Benjamin Johns, Joseph Collens, Wm. Martin, Edward Harris, John Harris, Henry Tooley, Randal Run, Daniel McFarland, Josiah Woods, Malcolm Henry, Stephen Box, Stephen Montgomery, Lewis Pipkin, Wm. Turnbull, John Johnson, (Horse Mill), James

Smith, Abram Brittain, Benjamin Payne, Christian Boston, Wm. Grenade, Boling Feltz, John Feltz, Henry Wakefield, Wm. Jenkins, Robert Collier, Charles Mundine and Neill Thompson.

Court adjourned to meet again Wednesday morning 13 June 1804, with James Draper, Godfrey Fowler and James Vance.

P. 135. James Galey and Reuben Goad were appt. constable for next two years. Letter of attorney James Moore to Whitson White proven by oath of Daniel Burford. Jacob Dice was appt. Admn. of Estate of George Naggle.

John Douglass, late sheriff, be paid \$80 for his *Ex officio* services for 1803 and until second Monday in March 1804.

Clerk allowed \$40 for his *Ex officio* services for year 1803 and \$21 for 1802.

\$2.00 was to be paid for each wolf scalp killed on due proof in Smith County since year 1802 until 1803.

Grand jury returned bills of indictment against John Young, Daniel Bridgman, Nathaniel Brittain, John Johns, James Fisher and Milly Tumblin.

Stock recorded for Daniel Witcher.

P. 136. Tax list for 1804 returned by James Draper, Commissioner of revenue received and approved.

Joseph Price appt. guardian to Elizabeth Cage, orphan, 14 years old, who chose him; approved by court with Joel Dyer and Edward Givens, securities.

Deed 50 acres Samuel Comer to James Laxton, proven by oath of Alexander Lowey.

Deed 62 1/2 acres Samuel Thompson to Chesley Wheeler, acknowledged.

Deed 62 1/2 acres Samuel Thompson to Robert Cannon, acknowledged.

Elisha Dillard permitted to build a mill on his Spring Branch near Lancaster Ferry; charge the customary toll for grinding.

Obediah Saunders was fined 50 cents for contempt; remains in custody of sheriff until paid. Court Adjourned.

Met Thursday Morning 14 June, present: Wm. Walton, John Lancaster, Lewis Ford and John Gordon.

P. 137. Gideon Pillow appt. overseer of road from Caney fork to Mulhering Creek, following work under Pillow: Martin Hoover, John Hoover, Christopher Hoover, Old Mr. Hoover's hands - Dudley Jolly, Alexander McDonald and John Glyse.

Vincent Ridley and Wm. L. Alexander allowed \$21.20 for trouble and expense in taking Michael Murphy from his own house to Nashville as a Prisoner.

Grand Jury returned bill of indictment against John Dickson.

James Gwin and Lazarus Cotton released from paying for stray hogs taken up by Cotton. Wm. Walton proved hogs were his.

Wm. Wooton, Wm. Lane, Richard Rizer, Thomas Hale and Jeremiah Hale appt. to view and mark and lay off road from Arthur Hogan's to Wm. Robert Ward's, report to ensuing court.

Anthony Samuels appt. overseer of part of road where Wm. Alexander was overseer. Same hands work under Samuels.

P. 138. James Bradley appt. overseer of road from Bledsoe borough to intersection of Bledsoe's Road and road leading from Barrles Ferry to John Shelton's. All hands assigned to said road continue to work this one.

Following hands Tillman Dixon's hands, John Johnson, Joseph Lock, Samuel Evetts and John Moore work road from Dixon's Lick Creek to fork of Dixon's Creek on Fort Blount road. Elisha Thomas, overseer.

James Gwin, Henry Tooley and Joseph Collens allowed \$10 for James Simpson selling lots in Livingstone.

Grand Jury issued a Scifa against Elizabeth Smith, widow, mother of two orphan children, to show cause as to why said children should not be bound out.

James Jenkins appt. constable for 2 years in Capt. Collins Company.

Grand Jury discharged.

Micajah Duke, Edward Barbee, Bynal Cook and Robert Brooks work under overseer James Haynie from Sullivan's Ferry to Fort Blount Road.

John Nichol's petition for ratification of his 1000 acre land grant be granted. Clerk certify same to secretary of N. C. Adjourned.

P. 139. Friday Morning 15 June 1804. Present: Tilman Dixon, John Lancaster, Godfrey Fowler.

Jesse Wharton, attn. For John Morris, moved to set aside the recognizance in which he was on the complaint of Nelly Gasway for bastardy. Court heard requests from both sides. Defendant was released from recognizance and case discharged.

Wm. Walton and John Gordon appt. to settle with John Lancaster, Admn. Return to ensuing court.

County Tax of 12 ½ cents on each white poll; 18 ¾ cents on each slave; 12 ½ cents on each hundred acres of land, 12 ½ cents and each stud horse, 12 ½ cents on each town lot levied for year 1804.

P. 140. Charles F. Mobias appt. county coroner for ensuing two years.

Lee Sullivan, Sheriff, appt. State and County Tax Collector for 1804.

Stock Mark recorded for Henry Dancer.

Court adjourned to meet in Sept. at house of William Walton.

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P. 141. September 10, 1804, Court met. Present were Nathaniel Brittain, John Looney and Godfrey Fowler.

Deed 100 acres Wm. Phariss to Thomas Williamson proven by oath of Joseph Williamson.

Bond 100 acres of land Wm. Saunders to James Cordree proven by oath of Samuel Comer.

Jud Strother and Henry Moore named Justices of Peace for Smith County by Governor, dated 4 August 1804. Qualified and took their seats.

Abram Brittain exempted from serving on the Venire at present term.

Commissioners assigned to settle with Col. Wm. Martin reported that John Young is now full-age; that Martin had accounted for everything in a satisfactory manner. Young had received his negro.

P.142. Elizabeth Kavanaugh, wife of Benjamin Kavanaugh, dec'd. Capt. Charles Kavanaugh and Henry Moore given letters of Admn. on estate of Benjamin Kavanaugh, dec'd.

Deed 3000 acres Stockley Donelson to Michael McGarath proven by oath of John Looney to be handwriting of Donelson and that of subscribing witness.

Jacob Turney appt. constable.

P. 143. Court adjourned.

Tuesday a.m. Present: Charles Kavanaugh, James Hibbits, John Looney and Abram Brittain.

Elijah Haynie appt. overseer of road in place of James Birmingham, same hands work under Haynie.

Henry Tooley exempted from serving on jury at present term.

Following from venire returned to this

P. 144. term were drawn as Grand Jury: Benjamin Johns, Foreman, Noel Thompson, Job Bass, James Smith, Robert Collier, Christian Boston, Daniel McFarland, Leonard Ballow, Edward Phariss, Wm. Roper, Benjamin Payne, John Johnson, H. Joseph Collier, John Johnson and John Fite sworn and charged.

Jacob Turney appt. Constable to serve Grand Jury.

Hugh McKinnis appt. overseer of road from Payne's Ferry to mouth of Peyton's Creek to Alexander Piper's. Same hands work under McKinnis.

Deed 108 acres John Vines to Richard Rizen proven by oath of Thomas Hale.

Wm. Jenkins exempted from serving on jury this term.

Inventory of sales of George Naggle's estate returned and recorded.

Deed 250 acres John Williamson to Wm. Sullivan proven by oath of Wm. Sullivan, Jr.

? Jared be excused from his nonattendance as juror at term having given satisfactory reasons.

John L. Martin and Stephen Montgomery appt. by governor dated 4 August 1804 – qualified.

Deed 100 acres Martin Armstrong to Josiah Payne, proven by oath of John Johnson.

Deed 640 acres John L. Martin, sheriff to Nicholas Shrum.

Isaac Short bound as apprentice to John Binion to learn trade of sadler.

Tilman Dixon, Wm. Walton, John Gordon and Michael Murphy issued tavern license at their respective houses, rated as theretofore.

David Laurence permitted to build a saw mill on his land on East fork of goose Creek provided it does not injure land of anyone else.

Next court to meet at home of Wm. Saunders, dec'd.

Elizabeth Smith gave proof that she could provide for her children was acquitted from the charge.

PP. 144/145. James Braley, William White, William Pendarvis to be summoned at Livingston first Thursday in next October to examine the materials prepared for building court house and report value thereof.

Affidavit of Patsy Edwards relative to her having a bastard child returned by Bassel Shaw; filed; recorded.

Deed 219 acres Nathaniel Ridley to Benjamin Turner proven by oath of Sampson Williams.

Michael Ashburn appt. constable but failed to qualify.

Following appt. to serve on venire December term 1804: James Bradly, Isham Beasley, James Bishop, George Bradley, John Cage, Wm. Alexander, John Patterson, John Douglas, Sr., Charles McMurry, Abram Thompson, Wm. Hargis, Edward Hogan, Henry Sadler, John Lovelady, Stephen Anderson, Shadrack Moore, John Piper, Harry Bradford, James Cook, Benjamin Turner, Wm. Wooton, Wm. Lane, Thomas Hale, James Wallace, Samuel Casey, John Shoemaker, Samuel Caruthers, Wm. Stalcup, Thomas Walker, James Wright, Bynal Crook, Robert Brooks, Willie Sullivan, John Warren, John Shelton, Francis Findley, John Brevard, George Matlock, Daniel H. Burford.

Court adjourned to meet tomorrow nine o'clock.

P. 146. September 12, 1804, Wednesday morning, court met at William Walton's.

Present: James Hibbitts, John Gordon, Jr., John Looney and John L. Martin.

Appt. to view and lay off agreeable to law from county line near mouth of Wartrace crossing Cumberland River to intersect with road from Fort Blount to Witchers: Samuel Hannah, Isaac Wilson, James Robertson, Fredrick Skeggs, James Ray, Joseph Ray, Charles White and John Sleck.

John Reasonover appt. overseer of road from James Smith's to Lancaster Road, near John Wright's. Same hands work on said road.

Deed 96 acres Stephen Montgomery to Joel Holland, acknowledged.

Willis Jones appt. to survey tract of land conveyed by Wm. T. Lewis to Wm. Sullivan, Sr. at mouth of Martin's Creek.

Bill of Sale Joseph Collins to Wm. Epperson proven by oath of John Gordon, Sr.

Grand Jury indictments against Patrick Donoho, overseer of road; against Lincoln Harper for assault and battery; and against Wm. Porter for profane swearing.

P. 147. No further business for jury; they were dismissed.

James Draper, Co. comm. allowed \$125 for taking tax lists.

Stock mark recorded for Matthew Harper. Court adjourned.

September 13, 1804, Thursday, court met with John L. Martin, Wm. Marchbanks and James Raulstone present.

Same jury previously appt, Mark and lay off road from Bowman's Mill to intersect Fort Blount Road near Capt. Pate's, report to next court.

Isaac Scudder appointed constable.

Henry Moore permitted to build grist and saw mill on Hickman Creek upon his own land, charge customary toll.

P. 147A. Robert Brooks, Bignal Crook, Edward Barker and Micajah Duke work under Joseph Williamson, overseer.

Inventory account of estate of Peter Turney, dec'd. returned by Sampson Williams, executor.

Inventory account of sales of John Carter's estate given by Sampson Williams.

Christian Boston appt. overseer of Fort Blount Road from Michael Murphy's to top of ridge between Payton's and Dixon's Creeks, following work under him: George Thomason, Benjamin Payne, Andrew Payne, John Thomason, Joseph Cartwright, Edward Settles James McFarland, Samuel Thomason, Peter Hession, John Sutton, Thomas Johnson, William Thompson and those who live in these bounds work under Boston.

Thomas Kitchen, Jr. appointed to replace Soloman Thomas as overseer, same hands work under Kitchens as had under Thomas.

Elijah Haynie appointed overseer in place of James Birmingham, same hands work under Haynie.

Richard Porterfield appointed overseer of road formerly under Henry Bohannan, same hands work under Porterfield.

To be continued.

The Versatile Age

The old rocking chair is empty today,
For grandmother is no longer in it.
She's off in her car to the office or shop
And buzzes around every minute.

No one shoves grandma back on the shelf.
She's versatile, forceful, dynamic.
That isn't pie in the oven my dear,
Her baking today is ceramic.

You won't see her trudging early to bed,
From her place in the warm chimney nook.
Her typewriter clickety-clacks through the night
For grandma is writing a book.

Grandmother never takes one backward look
To slow down her steady advancing.
She won't tend the babies for you anymore
For grandma has taken up dancing.

She isn't content with crumbs of old thought
With meager and second-hand knowledge.
Don't bring your mending for grandma to do.
Grandma has gone back to college.

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QUERIES

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FROGG, FROGGE, FROGUE. LEMANS, LAMONS. WHITAKER. Found grave of Jessie Frogue (formerly Frogg) Mar 5, 1823 – Dec 23, 1897, in Bolivar, Texas, was in McKain's Company, McGilivray's Btn. Dilehey's 55th Consolidated (Medical Corp) Enlisted at Carthage. Myrtle Frague, 1898-1984, taught at Pleasant Shade 1917-1923, met and married a soldier boy who was wounded in WWI and had been with Pershing in northern Mexico, 1916.

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CARTER. Carter surname DNA Project has been started, hoping to match with other Carter researchers and find new clues to help continue the search of Carter family. The website is www.carter-cousins.org.

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HEROD, WILLIAM, SR. born 1748, Stafford Co., VA, died 1836, Peyton Ck, Smith Co., TN May have married Sarah Valentine who would have died before 1836. Need proof of marriage. Parents of following: William, Jr. b 1785, marr Sallie Settle; Peter 1787, marr Rebecca Key & second Rachael McKinnis, died 1880, Smith Co.; Charity marr William Fagg; James b ca 1790, marr 1st Judith Haynie, she died & three Herod children may have been raised by Haynie family. He marr 2nd Elizabeth ??? who is said to have been Cherokee—need proof. James & Elizabeth lived in Obion Co., Tn with their family before moving to Mo. James died in Dent Co., Mo. between 1861-70. Frances marr Nathaniel Hall; Mary Ann marr Daniel M. Lane, they also lived in Obion Co., Tn. Elizabeth b ca 1789 marr Claiborne Hall ca 1820. She died after 1860 Smith Co., Tn;

Valentine, no information.

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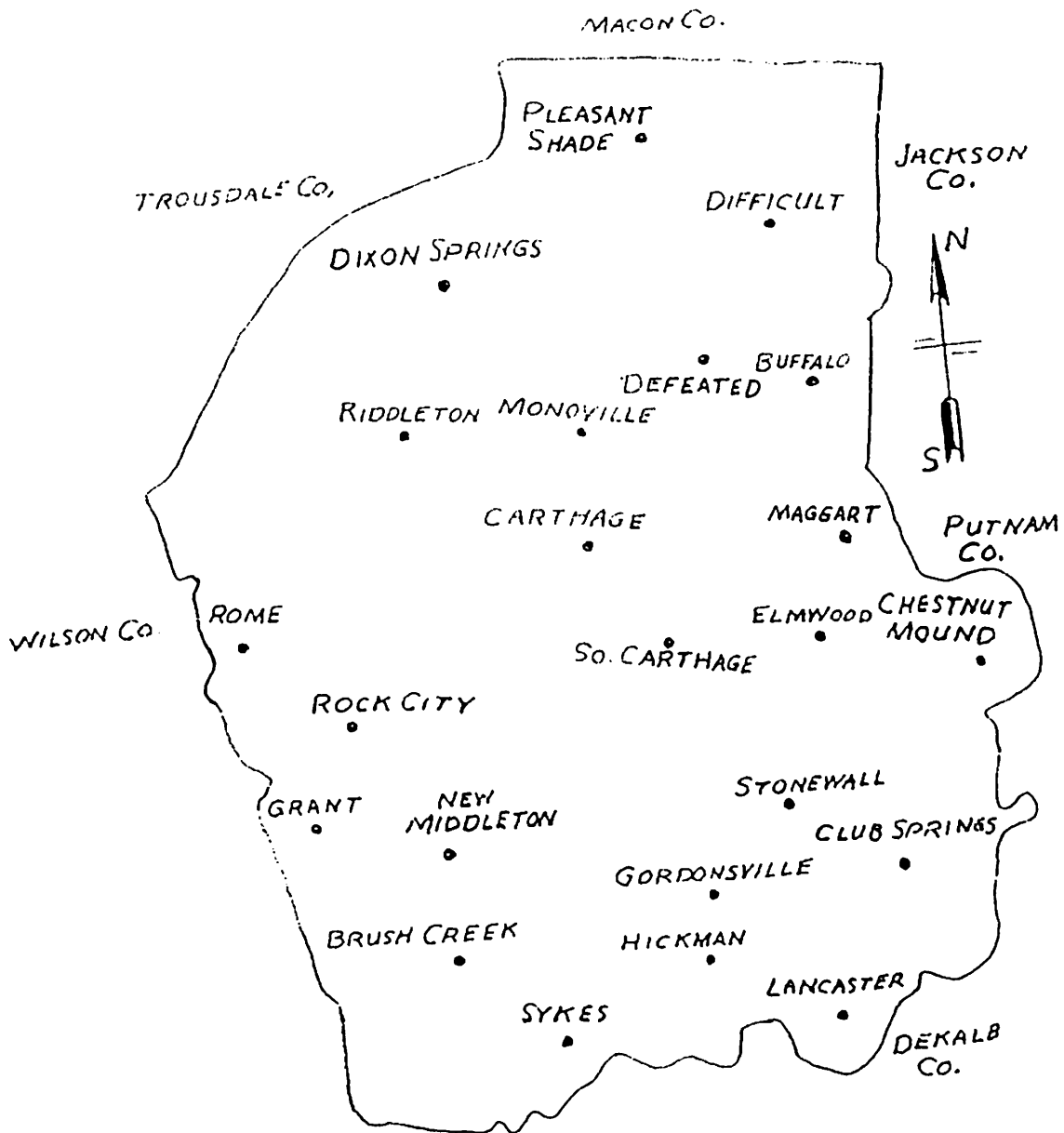
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From the editor:

Whatever happened to the Summer issue of the Quarterly? After several inquiries your editor finally solved the mystery. The issue sent out in July was entitled FALL when it should have been SUMMER!! To keep the record straight, this will be the "real" FALL issue, the final one for 2004. My friend and mentor, Carmack Key, often said that the only person who never made a mistake was the one who did nothing - so my apologies - Carmack failed to say how many mistakes one is allowed.

The Society did not meet in July and August, but the new year was heralded in on September 20 with an interesting and educational program as guest speaker, Walter Durham, Tennessee State Historian, spoke to a welcoming audience in the Smith County Court House. Mr. Durham's topic was on Daniel Smith, prominent pioneer and surveyor for whom Smith County was named.

A prominent and handsome new sign adorns the facade of the Smith County Heritage Museum as work continues on the interior as exhibits are assembled. A quilt show and art exhibit by elementary school children was successful attraction of October 2. The main focus for now is the creation of a Civil War exhibit. Artifacts, pictures, letters, and diaries are being sought, so if you have such items and are willing to give or loan them to the Museum, they will be welcome.

You are encouraged to continue to submit articles for the "150 Club" and queries for those lost ancestors.

This being the final issue for the year, we wish for each of you safe and happy holidays.

Sue Maggart-Petty
Editor

The Society meets on the 3rd Monday of each month with the exception of December, July, and August at the Smith County Library at 7:00 p.m. Dues are \$12.50 annually with the year beginning in January. Back issues are available at \$3.50 each.

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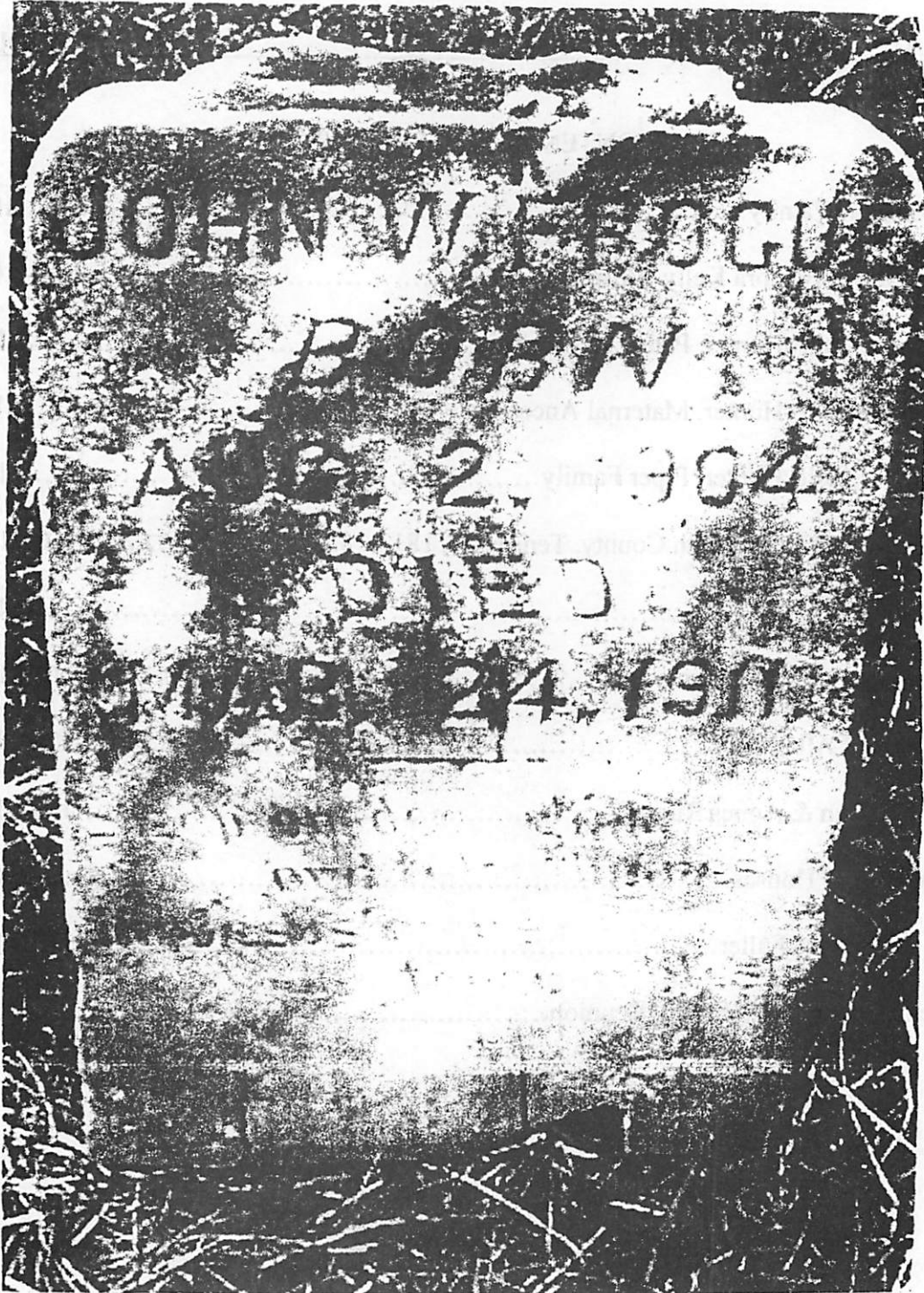
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FROGG/FROGUE FAMILY

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Going north from Carthage onto Turkey Creek Road, turning left into Farley Lane, a short way up the lane just before reaching the foundation of an old house, one finds - face down - the gravestone of John W. Frogue, Jr. who died on March 24, 1911. A clipping from an old Carthage newspaper is headlined, "Little Johnny Frogg Dies." The persistence of that spelling of the name as late as 1911 puzzles this writer because it seems that Froggs from Kansas to Missouri to Tennessee and Texas all changed the spelling to "Frogue" simultaneously without any apparent communication or agreement. In the Family Bible which is still in my possession, the last name is written as "Frogg" but at a later time, and in a darker ink, a "u" was written over the second "g" and an "e" was added.

Gideon Bransford Lamons, my great-grandfather, was born 13 October 1844, dec'd. 11 May 1909. He is also buried on Turkey Creek on the Hugh West farm. G. B. Lamons was shot through the shoulder at Chickamauga and may have been cared for by my other great-grandfather, Jesse B. Frogg (Jesse B. Frogue on gravestone in Bolivar, Texas, dec'd. 23 December 1897) who was in the Medical Corps of the 55th Tennessee Volunteers. Gideon Lamons' wife, Martha Jo, born 3 September 1839, dec'd. 29 December 1916, is buried by his side on Turkey Creek.

My grandfather, John William Frogue, Sr. was born in Marrowbone, Kentucky, in 1866, and was married to Olive Lamons on Christmas Day 1892. My father, Fred Milton Frogue, Sr., was born February 1900, the last month of Teddy Roosevelt's presidency. My father was the last of seven children. I was born in Chicago in 1942 and went to California in the Marines in 1964.

There remain many Frogues in Guthrie, Kentucky, and quite a few in California. I would enjoy hearing from anyone who bears the name or knows of any FROGG, FROGUE families.

[Editor's Note: The picture on the opposite page of Little Johnny Frogg's tombstone was taken by John and Retta Waggoner on August 11, 2004, and graciously shared by them for this article.]

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Continued from Volume 16, No. 1

(This ends the diary for 1889. At this point the records are missing for three and a half years. We take up the reading again and the date is January 1, 1893. Elenora Wilson is writing.)

1893

- 01/01 Quite a gloomy new year. Rained and snowed. I spent several hours at Aunt Betsy's. Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went down to Mr. Laconiare's awhile. When we all came home we found Walter Williams here and he is still here tonight. We all wrote to Fred Taylor tonight as he has been in Granville nearly two weeks and how we miss him. I weigh 106, Mr. Wilson 126, Kelly 96, Jesse 54, Wilsye 43, and Walter Williams 109.
- 01/03 Turned real cold last night and is very cold today. Dicie is washing. I fried and put up sausage all day. Uncle Ed came today and he and a pack peddler, Mr. Black, ate dinner here. Received a postal from Fred Taylor.
- 01/07 Still cold. Mr. Wilson started early to quarterly meeting at Zion. Brother J. T. Currey presiding elder. A Mr. Cartwright from Texas looking for a jack. Mr. Sam Thomas to buy shoats (young pigs) offering five and a half cents. Received two postals from Fred Taylor who we all are getting real anxious to see as he has been gone since December 21st. Mr. Wilson settled his shop account with John Grissom for 1892, \$1,265.00.
- 01/10 Just awful cold. Wilson and Kelly and Horace carried the cows and the shoats to Rock City. Old Red weighed 1160 pounds and Maude 980 (cows). The 11 shoats weighed 1195 pounds. Mr. George Baines' little girl was buried and twas so cold there was no one there except about a half a dozen men.
- 01/17 Clear, bright, calm and cold. Uncle Ed left at nine o'clock to go to John Estes'. Marshall Haley started to Texas and Julia and Hattie went as far as Lebanon with him. I have an awful sick headache. Jesse still gone to Aunt Nannie's. Willie (colored) came to stay with us until my Ma comes for her. Had a good letter from Fred Taylor telling us he could not get home on account of the ice. Glad indeed to get it for he has been gone it seems almost as long as we can stand it.
- 01/21 My birthday. 37 years. I feel the gathering of responsibility as the years go by. It has been a pretty day and some warmer. I was most ready to go home with Burr when Mr. Wilson came and said that a filly was sick and he would rather I would not go and I did not. Got another letter from Fred Taylor.
- 02/01 Quite a warm, cloudy day. Mary Tom stayed until after dinner and then went home and Jesse went as far as Mr. House's with her after some milk. I ironed this evening. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage today to hear Reverend M. L. Blanton preach as he is conducting a series of meetings at Carthage this week. He also brought me a new blue and white checked woolen dress.
- 02/08 It turned warmer about noon today. Mrs. House spent the day here. Willie (colored) and Wilsye went to Pa's and spent the day. Wilsye carried an old hen to get her some quilt calico. [i.e., the little girl took a hen to sell so as to have money to buy calico to make a quilt] Jesse carried Old Val after Grandma this evening and tonight both Mamas and Uncle Ed and Mr. Jim Link are here.

- 02/11 Ground white with snow but melting fast. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and came back and told Ma that the steamer Odel would be up tomorrow so after dinner Ma and I both rode Old Val and went down to Pa's, the first time I've gone since they moved. Uncle Ed is with Mr. Wilson and the children and Ma and I are at Mr. Wilson's Mama's tonight and no one there but Pa, the two Mamas and myself. [Note: They have gone to the elder Wilson's house to be near the river as Elenora's mother will catch the steamboat home to Granville. TWB]
- 02/24 A pretty day. Horace and Kelly broke up the garden. I went over to Dicie's a little while. Election for esquire to fill Walter Pernell's place, he having resigned. James B. Hale and A. Oliver candidates, Hale getting 18 and Oliver 59. Heard of Tom Day killing Bob Apple in Carthage this week.
- 02/27 A cloudy, rainy morning, having rained a good deal last night. Mr. Wilson drove Cottoneyed Sal for the first time in the wagon. Soon after dinner I went by for Cattie House and she and I went over to John Payne's and his little boy, Ernest, died a few minutes after we got there, having had a pitchfork stuck in his face just under his eye. Quite a number there and tonight Mr. Albert Hankins, Dave Hodges, Mr. Abe Terry, Mrs. Elijah J. Denton, Sally Hodges, Cattie House and Old Granny Reed sit up all night.
- 03/03 Cloudy this morning and rained this evening. Planted peas, onions and radishes. Mr. Wilson went to Mr. Pope's burial. Jesse went up to Mr. James Ward's and Squire Morris' to tell them about Mr. Pope's death as he was a mason. Mr. Wilson and I offered Fred and Jesse 15 cents each to sit up in the smokehouse until midnight and then Mr. Wilson gave them a nickel to come in and go to bed at eight o'clock.
- 03/15 Real cold. Horace came early and helped me get breakfast. I got ready as soon as I could and Fred and Jesse walked, Fred to bring Valley back and Wilsye and I rode Val and stopped to see Aunt Betsy who's still very sick and stopped to talk to Cattie House a few minutes. Mr. Wilson went with us as far as Mr. House's and we got to Albert's about ten o'clock and stayed until after dinner. Mrs. Owens and Mary Tom were there. After dinner Wilsye, Jesse and I went to Aunt Mandy's and stayed until four o'clock when the I.T. Ray whistled for Rome and Wilsye, Jesse and I went aboard. Not many passengers. Did not sleep any on the boat. Got to Granville at two o'clock in the morning and no one met us at the river and Mr. Bo Hargis went with us up to Pa's. Found Pa better and Alice there without any of the children. Heard of Fred and Ally's nine pound boy born last Friday, March 10. (Elenora's other brother, Fred)
- 03/26 A beautiful day. The boat lay up at West Point a part of the night. I carried the children up to the pilot house. The boat got to Rome at nine o'clock a.m. Uncle Josh met us and proposed taking us all home in his buggy. We all went up to Uncle Josh's and soon after Mr. Wilson came with the buggy for us and after that we started home. I stopped at Albert's a few minutes and we all stopped to see Aunt Betsy, who is some better. Mr. Wilson, Jesse, Wilsye, Ada and I got here. I cooked dinner and after dinner Mr. Wilson and Fred went to Plunkett's Creek to hear Reverend Estes preach and Kelly was with me. All are together at home again, so thankful and happy and Ada as happy as can be.
- 03/28 Cloudy and cool. All busy planting corn. Dicie helped me some with dinner. After dinner I went down to Aunt Betsy's. Mr. Wilson came after me and I rode home behind him on Old Val. Heard Mrs. Bransford had a girl born this morning. Callie House spent an hour or two here this morning.
- 04/02 It's a pretty day. Mr. Wilson, all the children and Ada with them went to Sunday School at Mt. Olivet. I was alone. After dinner Kelly and Fred went to Sunday School at Plunkett's and Wilsye and Ada went down to Aunt Betsy's and later Mr. Wilson went down to Aunt Betsy's. The light we all saw last night was the Rawlins' dwelling burning.

- 04/08 Another very warm day. I am not at all well, but better than I was yesterday (she is two months pregnant with my father. TWB). Kelly is a little puny. Mr. Wilson, Horace, and Jessie worked at the lower place until dinner. This evening Mr. Wilson went to Rome. I made Kelly a new saddle blanket this evening.
- 04/24 Cool this morning. I started early to Carthage and went by for Cattie House and she went with me and we got to Sally Hodge's at 9 and half o'clock. We stayed at Sally's until after dinner, when Sally went with us to Carthage and traded some at Mr. Meyer's and had Wilsye's and Ada's hats trimmed. Came back to Sally's and rested awhile and then started home and stopped and talked to Molly Brown a little while and got home at dark. I rode "Ole Val". (Carthage was about 5-6 miles away.)
- 04/28 Another pretty day. Mr. Wilson carried Ma, Alice, Webb and Ada to Uncle Josh's to await the Steamer Hart to go home and I felt real sad as Ada was so sweet while with us that we all learned to love her very dearly. About ten and half o'clock Fred Kelly came on his way from Nashville and ate dinner with us. Mr. Wilson went down to Jerdan Kenney's this evening. Marion and Horace planted my stick and butter beans this morning and are plowing corn this evening.
- 05/04 A pretty day. Horace harrowed the meadow after dinner. Marion and Horace plowed corn. Mr. Wilson delivered his wool, 98 lbs., to Mr. Oliver at 21 cents per pound. Kelly, Fred and I scoured the dining room and the little porch. Have 27 pretty young turkeys.
- 05/10 A warm day. Soon after dinner I went up to Nancy Jane's and Wilsye and I are there tonight. Heard that Mr. John Bell House accidentally shot and killed his wife in Texas and she will be buried at New Middleton today. Mr. Lillard Bass also killed himself yesterday evening and was buried today.
- 05/19 Just a lovely day. I have been sick all day. Mr. Wilson, Horace and the children set out a few potatoe slips and some cabbage in the meadow. Ms. Mary Sampson's school closed this evening. Tonight a Mr. Wright, a fruit tree agent, is here and we got from him a receipt for putting up fruit.
- 06/02 A cloudy, warm day. Brother Harper ate dinner here. Dicie ironed. And at 5:00 this evening Mr. Wilson and all the children went down to pa's to attend the Rome exhibition tonight. Later after milking and so forth was done, I went down and spent the night at Mr. House's and am there tonight.
- 06/22 All plowed until dinner and then all went to the clover except Marion who is plowing corn. Wilsye scoured the porch all by her little sweet self.
- 07/07 An awful warm day and it rained a shower late this evening. Mr. Wilson and Fred went to Carthage to district conference and ate dinner at the Fisher house. Brother Zach Moore preached. Horace Lehman and Kelly, Jack and Bill Crutchfield (Colored) are hauling oats. Aunt Mary Price (Colored) brought me four gallons of berries and Dicie and I canned them and three cans of peaches and made preserves and sweet pickles.
- 07/09 A very warm day. Mr. Wilson's still at Carthage and Mr. LaCartier and his boys and Kelly and Fred went today to district conference. All getting home late this evening and report having heard Bishop Galloway preach. And they raised \$800 to finish paying for the M.E. Church at Carthage and it was dedicated by the Bishop today. Wilsye and Jesse came home this evening also and I have been alone all day except Walter (colored) part of the day. I have been quite lonesome. It was a pleasure because I felt that Mr. Wilson and the children were enjoying the day. Heard Bart Stewart's baby was dead and also Bascom Stanton and Charlie Jordan's oldest son Barnell.

- 07/14 Still very warm. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and brought me a bolt of brown domestic and twenty yards of bleached. Kelly and Fred went this morning and gathered five gallons more of blackberries and I made jam and put up a gallon with the new preservative.
- 07/22 Quite warm. Mr. Black left early. Uncle Ed went home this evening. And Mr. Wilson went to Rock City. Late this evening, Fred Taylor stuck a nail almost through his foot and Mr. Wilson went to see Dr. Samson as we were all very much alarmed. Had a letter from Alice and also was so glad to hear from Wilsye. (A nail in the foot was especially alarming because of the danger of lock-jaw. TWB)
- 07/28 Warm, indeed. The crusher is threshing our barley this evening and how bad Fred wanted to go down to the thresher. But, we were afraid for him to go. I cooked supper for the thresher hands but no one came as they got through just at night. We made 58 bushels of barley.
- 08/01 Not so warm. Mr. Wilson went to the fairgrounds to hear Reverend Thomas Estes and Harrison Carter begin a debate and came home and ate supper and went back to Rome to church to hear Rev. Mr. Crawford preach. He's Presbyterian.
- 08/14 Mr. White and North bought two wagon loads of apples and paid \$10 for them. Mr. Wilson has been dodging the sheriff today to avoid being notified concerning the railroad. Mary Tom spent the day here and we all put up four gallons of roasting ears.
- 08/19 Quite busy drying peaches. Mr. Black, the peddler, was here this morning. Fred and Jessie went to Brother Harper's after Kelly's sow. This evening Elmer House came to stay until tomorrow evening and he and Jessie rode Morgan and went to Rome for the mail. Got a postal from Kelly, which was a pleasure to us all, for oh, how we do miss my good boy.
- 09/01 A pretty day. Mr. Wilson put up his hogs to fatten them this morning. Ned left early. Kelly came home this evening, getting here about sundown, and all was so glad--he having been gone nearly four weeks. After dark we all were quite pleasantly surprised by Thayer and Alice coming, having been to Dixon Springs to the fair and from there on here.
- 09/05 Dicie washed for her last time. I cut Mr. Wilson a pair of pants. All at work at the lower place. Fred's sick and tonight. Old Captain Flippin's farm sold today to A. Oliver for \$3137.
- 09/26 All got up about 4:00 this morning and Mr. Wilson and Bill Roberts started at about seven and a half o'clock to Lebanon with a load of apples and did not get back until after night having got \$.79 a barrel for them. Uncle Ed came this morning and this evening Mary Tom and Ned came and all are here tonight.
- 10/11 A pretty day. The little boys picked peas, and Jessie went to the schoolhouse to come home with his sister. Mr. Walter Beard ate dinner here. Fred Taylor went down to Mr. House's tonight to go to church as a protracted meeting is in progress at Plunkett's Creek. The county court clerk, Mr. Dillard, died late Monday and was buried yesterday.
- 10/27 Looks very much like rain this morning but cleared tonight. Miss Mary Sampson's school closed this evening and Jessie got the prize in arithmetic of which I was quite proud. Kattie House spent the day here today. After supper, Mr. Hugh Smith and Kelly and Deroe Armstead came from Granville and are here tonight.
- 11/13 A very pretty day. Bill and PaPa burned brush and limbs and hauled old rails for stove wood. Marian grubbed bushes and shrubs. Ed plowed at the lower place. Grandma is still here and Aunt Mary Tom Wilson is here tonight. Hattie Williams was here this evening. Thayer Smith is a dandy baby.

- 11/24 A read cold day. Ed came this morning and told us Dr. Oliver died and was buried yesterday. Greg Hale was here this morning. Mr. Albert Haley was here this evening. It is so cold Bill is getting himself wood and Ed and the boys are setting up traps.
- 11/30 A pretty cool day. It is Thanksgiving Day and also Grandma Maria's 70th birthday, so Aunt Martha killed a fat hen and baked a cake. Mr. Turner of Sumner County ate dinner here. Grandma and Wilsye went down to Aunt Betsy's this evening.
- 12/15 Mr. Wilson went to Rome with Mr. Glces and was gone all day. Aunt Martha ironed. Old Mr. Rollins was here this evening. Dr. Sam Wilson examined Mr. Wilson to see if he could get a policy on his life and pronounced his system in first rate condition. Dr. Wilson quite sick and Mr. Wilson went to see him. It's quite warm tonight.
- 12/16 Turned cold all day and real cold tonight. Mr. Wilson ate dinner at his Pa's and spent the evening in Rome. Aunt Martha Haley colored has stayed with us all week for a dollar and a quarter and Fred Taylor carried her home this evening on Old Val and Ma came back with him. Bob came this evening and both are here tonight.
- 12/20 Another lovely day. Mr. Wilson and Jessie started quite early in the wagon to Middleton Mill and got back at 3:00 P.M. My shoulder is still sore and terribly burned with linament. Heard today that Paralee Dismee died last Friday. Thayer weights 13 ½ lbs todav. The boys went over to Ed's and stayed until bedtime.
- 12/21 Still beautiful weather. Today Professor Gore, county superintendent, and Miss Mary Sampson were Married. This morning Nancy Jane and Jordan and Lizzie Haley came by and they and Mr. Wilson and the children, except Thayer, went to the Marriage. Bill Roberts went to the mill at Middleton today. I suppose today John Shirley and Miss Altie Cariver also get Married. John B. Jordan performed the ceremony for Professor Gore and Miss Mary. After the Marriage, Walter Williams and Duke Ward came by to see Thayer. And. Brother Hatcher was here awhile.
- 12/25 A pretty day. The calendar marks it as Christmas but little does it seem like Christmas to me. Fred and Jesse went down to Mr. House's, and Kelly went to take dinner with his grandma. Wilsye got the prize for prompt attendance in Sunday School, a nice gilt-edged testament.
- 12/29 A pretty day. This morning Albert Williams and Uncle Ed came and just before dinner Mr. Wilson came and we all ate dinner at Pa's. Immediately after dinner, we came home and found the little boys quite glad to see us, as they had been here all day all alone. I left Thayer with Aunt Nan and Wilsye and I went to Rock City for a few minutes.

To Be Continued

150 CLUB

WILLIAM M. (BILL) HUNTER - PATERNAL ANCESTORS

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JOHN COOPER, 1772 NC – 1844 TN, in Smith County prior to 1835
Married REBECCA _____, 1795 NC – 1863 TN
1820 Smith County Census; Smith County Wills 1803 – 1898

TIMOTHY WALTON COOPER (10th Child) 1835 – 1905
Married VIRGINIA BEESLEY 1834 – 1905
TIMOTHY WALTON COOPER was born one mile from Stonewall, TN on the homestead, died there in 1905, the home of the family for more than one hundred years.
Excerpt from Snow Creek Memorium for T. W. Cooper dated April 11, 1905.

MARY MOLLIE COOPER 1872 – 1942, born in Stonewall
Married WILLIAM SQUIRE HUNTER 1867 – 1950

GEORGE HUNTER 1898 – 1986, born near South Carthage
Married BESS WINFREE 1900 – 1970, born near South Carthage

WILLIAM MOSE (BILL) HUNTER 1921 _____, born near South Carthage
Married FRANCES LEE GWALTNEY 1923 _____, born in Gordonsville, TN

MARCIA LEE HUNTER born 1950, Nashville, TN
Married MICHAEL ANDERSON born 1944 in Michigan

MICHAEL WILLIAM ANDERSON, JR. born 1977 in Indiana

WILLIAM M. (BILL) HUNTER – MATERNAL ANCESTORS

JAMES WINFREE 1748 – 1822, GRANVILLE COUNTY, NC

Land Grant 640 acres, DAR Listing

Married _____

DAVID WINFREE 1770 NC – 1840 TN

Married ACKSAH TUCK, came to TN from NC 1822, settled on a farm on Bluff Creek, Smith County, Tennessee.

JOHN TUCK WINFREE 1804 VA, 1849/1850, Smith County, TN

Married MARY STALLINGS in 1829, Smith County, Tennessee

In Smith County before 1822 from VA/NC Line

Both buried on Watts farm near Gordonsville, TN

JAMES THOMAS WINFREE 1836 – 1913, both born in Smith County

Married MARTHA JANE PRESTON 1852 – 1917

MOSE TUCKER WINFREE 1877 – 1934, both born in Smith County

Married MARY DON PIPER 1882 – 1959, Bluff Creek Farm, buried Gordonsville Cemetery

BESSIE DON WINFREE 1900 – 1970, both born in Smith County

Married GEORGE HUNTER, 1898 – 1986, Gordonsville, Tennessee

WILLIAM M. HUNTER, 1921

MARCIA LEE HUNTER ANDERSON, 1950

MICHAEL WILLIAM ANDERSON, JR. 1977

From genealogy of Mrs. Lela B. Winfree, Warren, MI, "Smith County Winfreees – Record" and much more, and Miss Inez Stallings, and *Smith County History*, P. 569.

WILLIAM M. (BILL) HUNTER - PIPER FAMILY

ALLEN PIPER 1803 – 1889

Married REBECCA HALL 1822 – 1907

Smith County Census 1830 1850, 1880

HENRY ALLEN PIPER 1845 – 1928

Married MARTHA JANE LIGON 1847 – 1914

Both buried in Piper Cemetery in Helms Bend. Martha's father, John Ligon, born in Virginia, family in Smith County, Tennessee, 1816, died in Smith County 1839.

MARY DON PIPER 1882 – 1959

Married MOSE TUCKER WINFREE 1877 – 1934

BESSIE DON WINFREE 1900 – 1970

Married GEORGE HUNTER 1898 – 1986

WILLIAM MOSE (BILL) HUNTER 1921

MARCIA LEE HUNTER 1950

MICHAEL WILLIAM ANDERSON, JR., 1977

Genealogy from Miss Inez Stallings

The Arnett Family of Smith County Tennessee 1813-1853

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NOTE: I am collecting information on all the families that lived on or near Little Peyton Creek or who attended the Mt. Tabor Baptist Church in the 1800-1870 timeframe. As part of this research I am trying to map the exact locations of family farms. Families I am researching include: Thomas Porter, William Porter, Johnson Dellihay, John Halliburton, L. D. Ballow, Leonard Ballow, B.P. Lipscomb, Elizabeth Cartwright, George Thomason, Joseph Coker, William Herod, John Turner, Elijah Russell, William Sloan, Enoch Cartwright, John Russell, Hopkins Richardson, John G. Andersan, Harry Williams, William Dement, And'w J. Massey, James M. Taylor, William A. Taylor, William C. Taylor, Hampton Wakefield, Micajah Kittle, Robert Russell, William Russell, Charles S. Long, Thomas D. Gregory, John Nixon, Rusty Chaffin, William Chaffin, Abel Gregory, Daniel Smith, Robert Smith, Joel Gregory, Wiseman Smith, John Nixon, Stather Settle, John Shoulders, Malcom Smith, Ranol Smith, Harian Gregory, D.W. Smith, Alen Smith, Bartley Beal, Henry Morgan, Randal Smith, Johnson Dellihay, Abel Smith, L.A. Smithwick, Enoch Cartwright, Alexander Dilcha, Obediah Smith, John Edens, William C. Nixon, Huw Massa.

My great-great grandfather, William Arnett, was born in 1787 in Virginia. He arrived in Smith County Tennessee about 1813 when he was 26. His name is listed in Carthage Gazette newspaper on 23 July 1813. He was listed among people who had mail at the post office that had not been picked up. He lived in Smith County for forty years.

William Arnett's neighbors for the period 1813-1853 included: Thomas Porter, William Porter, Johnson Dellihay, John Halliburton, L. D. Ballow, Leonard Ballow, B.P. Lipscomb, Elizabeth Cartwright, George Thomason, Joseph Coker, William Herod, John Turner, Elijah Russell, William Sloan, Enoch Cartwright, John Russell, Hopkins Richardson, John G. Andersan, Harry Williams, William Dement, And'w J. Massey, James M. Taylor, William A. Taylor, William C. Taylor, Hampton Wakefield, Micajah Kittle, Robert Russell, William Russell, Charles S. Long, Thomas D. Gregory, John Nixon, Rusty Chaffin, William Chaffin, Abel Gregory

He served on jury duty a variety of times in the 1815-1818 timeframe. In May 1816, he filed a lawsuit against Americus Dixon—the son of Tilman Dixon, one of the

largest landowners in the County and a local Revolutionary War hero. His lawsuit was unsuccessful. He is listed in the Smith County census in 1820, 1830, 1840, and 1850.

In 1821, he and his wife, Rosa, had a son, William P. Arnett born January 3rd. They had another son, John, born 7 October 1826.

In August 1829, William Arnett and his wife Rosa are listed as heirs in the will of Thomas Porter. The evidence suggests that Rosa was Thomas Porter's daughter.

In 1832 William Arnett acquired a 100 acre land grant from the State of Tennessee on the "west fork of Peyton's Creek." This is in the northern central part of Smith County about 2-3 miles northwest of the town of Pleasant Shade. [Note: "The west fork of Peyton's Creek," as it is often referred to in 1800s documents, is known today as Little (Peyton's) Creek which runs along Little (Peyton's) Creek Road.]

In 1832, William and Rosa Porter had a son, James.

In 1833, William and Rosa Porter had a daughter, Susan.

In 1835, William and Rosa Porter had a daughter, Artemia.

In 1837, William and Rosa Porter had a son, Richard.

In May 1844, William Arnett is listed as a member of the Mt. Tabor Missionary Baptist Church which was located very near the location of the current church about two miles south of Pleasant Shade. William Arnett lived about three miles northwest of the church.

The members of the Mt. Tabor Church in the 1840s included: William Arnett, Daniel Smith, Robert Smith, Joel Gregory, Wiseman Smith, John Nixon, Stather Settle, John Shoulders, Malcom Smith, Ranol Smith, Harian Gregory, D.W. Smith, Alen Smith, Bartley Beal, Henry Morgan, Randal Smith, Johnson Dellihay, John Halliburton, Abel Smith, L.A. Smithwick, Enoch Cartwright, Alexander Dilcha, Obediah Smith, John Edens, William C. Nixon, Huw Massa.

On August 23rd 1845 William Eden sold William Arnett a crop of tobacco for one dollar. William Arnett is listed as a "Trustee". The crop was sold to pay a \$20 debt William Eden owes to a Wright and Hixan which was due by August 23rd 1845. William Arnett was to send the crop to New Orleans and get the best price he could to pay the debt. In the 1840 Smith County Census, there is a William Edens [age 30-40] living near William Arnett's farm.

In 1847 William Arnett acquired a 32 acre land grant on Little Peyton's Creek from the State of Tennessee.

In November 1849 James Williams sold 20 acres to William P. Arnett, the son of **William Arnett**, who at that time was 28.

On 1 December 1849, Daniel Smith deeded 37 1/2 acres to William Arnett.

The 1850 census provides a variety of information about the William Arnett family. The farm was valued at \$400. William Sr. was then 63. Although William P. Arnett purchased his own farm in November 1849, he is listed as living in the William Sr. household. This makes sense in two respects. First, William Sr. is 63 and certainly needed help in handling the farm. Second, William P. Arnett's farm is collocated and thus easy to handle. Also living at the household are William Sr.'s wife Rosa, age 46, James age 18, Susan age 17, Artemia age 15, and Richard age 13. John, age 24, is not listed in the 1850 census. He apparently moved out of the home by then.

In the 1850 Smith County Census, William P. Arnett and family are listed, just ahead of the William Arnett family. This strongly suggests that the family farms were adjacent. Also William Porter is listed as age 44 while Rosa is listed as 46—available information suggests they were brother and sister.

On 25 October 1850, eleven months after purchasing 20 acres from James Williams, William P. Arnett sold the same 20 acres plus 50 adjoining acres to John G. Andersan. John G. Andersan is a witness [twice] to this 1849 deed transfer. He is clearly a friend/neighbor to William P. Arnett. William P. Arnett's farm bordered on William Arnett's farm. His farm did not border Little Peyton's Creek. [The deed does not mention Little Peyton's Creek, but it is clearly near Little Peyton's Creek because William Arnett's farm is on "the left fork of Peyton's Creek".

Two months after selling his farm in Smith County Tennessee, William P. Arnett bought 120 acres of land from Joseph Eden in Graves County, Ky for \$380. The land was very probably near Panther Creek in eastern Graves County.

Sometime during 1852, William Arnett decided to follow his son, William P. Arnett, and he move the remaining members of the family to Graves County, Ky. A January 1st, 1853 land deed shows that William Arnett sold three plots of land-- one of 100 acres, one of 32 acres, and one of 37 1/2 acres. [Note William got a land grant in 1832 of 100 acres, a land grant of 32 acres in 1847 and in 1849 he bought 37 1/2 acres. These are the same tracts he sold in this deed.] William Arnett received \$406 for the tracts of land. In the 1850 census the value of his farm is listed as \$400.

It is interesting to note that the Arnett farm(s) were to stay in nearby relatives possession for years to come. William Arnett sold his [3] farms to Dick Oldham. Dick Oldham was married to Nancy Delia [Porter] who was William Arnett's niece. [William Arnett's wife was Rosa Porter. Her brother was William Porter. William Porter's daughter was Nancy Delia.] In 1856, Dick Oldham sold the Arnett farms to William Porter—i.e. his father-in-law and William Arnett's brother-in-law.

The move to Graves County, Kentucky was a major event in William Arnett's life. He had moved to Smith County, TN as a young man by himself—that is neither his parents nor siblings moved with him. That was a bold move striking out on his own. Now 38 years later he was moving his entire family to a completely new area about 160 miles west of Smith County, TN. If the move did occur in 1853, then William was 66, rather late in life to make such a move. If Rosa were still alive and made the move, she would have been 49. Moving also were their children, , Susan age 20, Artemia age 18 , James age 21 , and Richard age 26. Son, John age 27 was not living with the family at the time of the 1850 census, but he also moved with the family to Graves County. As noted above, eldest son William P. age 33, was already in Graves County.

William Arnett settled near Panther Creek near Pritchard in eastern Graves County. At the time, the Graves County population was 11,397

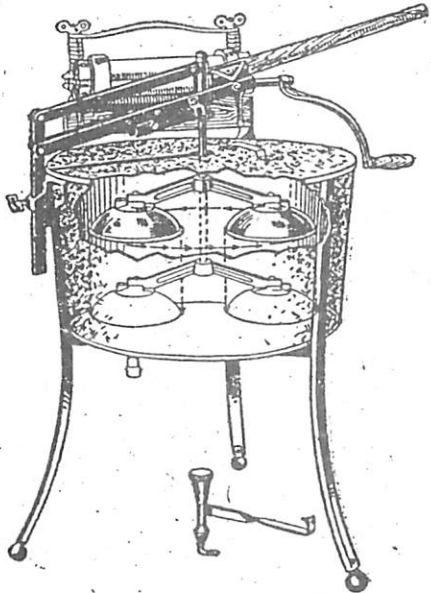
William Arnett, born 1787, died in the 1860s. It is believed that he is buried in the Arnett cemetery in Graves County Kentucky.

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DESCENDANTS OF JOHN GREGORY -- 150 CLUB

- 1 John Gregory b: Abt. 1740 in possibly Virginia d: 1794 in Chatham County, NC Burial: Chatham County, NC, probably on his land which is now covered by the Jordan Lake
 .. +Judith Morgan b: Aft. 1730 in possibly Virginia d: Aft. 1804 in Smith County, TN Burial: Smith County, TN on Frog Branch Road on the Lester Earps farm.
- ... 2 William "Little Bill" Gregory b: 1788 in probably Chatham County, NC d: November 1872 in Smith County, TN Deed: December 23, 1812 Bought land on Peytons Creek, Smith County, TN, Deed Book H, page 82
 Burial: Top of Brimm Hollow
- +Dillie Davis b: 1795 in NC d: Aft. 1880 in Smith County, TN Burial: Brim Hollow, Smith County, TN
- 3 William Jesse Gregory b: 1822 in Smith County, TN d: July 16, 1889 in Smith County, TN Burial: Nixon Hollow
- +Celia Davis b: 1827 in Smith County, TN d: 1873 in Smith County, TN Burial: Nixon Hollow, Smith County, TN
- 4 Judy Ann Gregory b: 1846 in Smith County, TN d: 1912 in Smith County, TN Burial: Nixon Hollow
- +James Campbell Nixon
- 4 William Nelson Gregory b: December 14, 1848 d: December 10, 1882 in Smith County, TN Burial: Nixon Hollow
- +Martha Gregory
- 5 Allen J. Gregory b: July 06, 1872 d: June 12, 1930 Burial: Hackett Hollow in Smith County
- +Lucy Reese
- 6 Beulah Gregory
- 6 Susie Gregory
- +a Phillips
- 6 Arlis Gregory
- 5 Arlis Gregory d: December 19, 1973 Burial: Hackett Hollow in Smith County
- +Sallie Burial: Hackett Hollow in Smith County
- 6 Ethel Mae Gregory
- 6 Lucille Gregory
- +Mitchell Jones
- 6 Brent Gregory d: September 27, 1991
- +Geraldine Shoulders
- 6 Louis Gregory
- 4 Emily Susan Gregory b: September 14, 1850 in Smith County, TN d: February 03, 1878 in Smith County, TN Burial: Nixon Hollow
- +William Campbell Earps m: October 07, 1869
- 4 Rutha Jane Gregory b: 1852 in Smith County, TN
- +William Brim m: October 30, 1871
- 5 Thomas Franklin Brim d: 1950 in Sumner County, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- +Ida Brooks d: in Sumner County, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- 5 Robert Brim
- 5 Lula Brim
- 4 Mary Margaret Gregory b: 1855 in Smith County, TN d: July 1936 in Smith County, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- +John Bell Winkler b: April 17, 1848 d: October 04, 1924 m: November 08, 1888 Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN Father: Alfred Winkler Mother: Elizabeth Bradley

- 4 Henry Beasley Gregory b: April 29, 1858 in Gregory Hollow, now Nixon Hollow, Smith County, TN d: December 21, 1948 in Gallatin, TN Burial: December 22, 1948 Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- +Laura Allen Winkler b: March 26, 1855 in Smith County, TN d: April 24, 1919 in Sumner County, TN m: October 16, 1879 in Smith County, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN Father: Alfred Winkler Mother: Elizabeth Bradley
- 5 William Bell Gregory b: May 18, 1881 in Smith County, TN d: January 19, 1970 in Gallatin, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- +Lillian Bertha Fry b: November 03, 1888 in Gallatin, TN d: March 12, 1918 in Gallatin, TN m: May 20, 1906 in Sandersville, TN - Sumner County Burial: Gallatin Cemetery, Sumner County Father: Heenan Fry Mother: Mary Elizabeth Gibson
- 6 Robert Delmas Gregory b: May 30, 1907 in Sumner County, TN d: March 08, 1979 in Smith County, TN Burial: Dixon Springs Cemetery Smith County, TN
- +Denton Bilbrey b: January 02, 1908 m: September 25, 1935 in Smith County, TN
- 7 Ladye Lou Gregory b: January 17, 1938 in Smith County, TN
- +Albert Bennett b: September 01, 1936 in Smith County, TN m: June 28, 1959
- 8 Melissa Ann Bennett b: March 10, 1965
- +William Scott Wright b: September 10, 1963 m: November 24, 1990
- 8 Philip Eric Bennett b: March 08, 1970 in Nashville, TN
- +Elizabeth High b: November 07, 1970 in Gallatin, TN
- 9 Elisha Gregory Bennett b: December 28, 2001
- 8 Myron Albert Bennett b: October 04, 1971
- 7 Emily Sue Gregory b: March 14, 1941
- +Jimmy Bedford b: January 27, 1940 m: September 26, 1964
- 8 Alice Sue Bedford b: November 03, 1969
- +Aubrey Edsel Fleming III b: October 29, 1967 m: July 23, 1994 in Lynchburg, TN
- 9 Wyatt Bedford Fleming b: August 17, 2001
- 6 Mildred Louise Gregory b: October 26, 1909 in Sumner County, TN
- +Harris Edmund Burton b: October 05, 1907 d: May 26, 1975 in Wilson County, TN m: June 27, 1930
- 7 Lillian Delle Burton b: January 13, 1932 in Wilson County, TN
- +James W. Mayes III b: May 30, 1930 m: December 20, 1953 in Wilson County, TN
- 8 William Darrell Mayes b: January 04, 1955
- +Lynn Olive b: September 22, 1955 m: July 09, 1977
- 9 Alicia Renee Mayes b: May 04, 1984
- 8 Wayne Edward Mayes b: September 14, 1956
- 8 Kevin Burton Mayes b: March 01, 1960
- +Karen McClure b: June 13, 1962
- 9 Kitlin Marie Mayes b: October 19, 1990
- 9 Samantha Elizabeth Mayes b: May 13, 1992
- 9 Matthew McClure Mayes b: September 24, 1996
- 8 Karen Denise Mayes b: September 05, 1961
- +Jeffrey Lynn Johnson b: December 07, 1961 m: May 03, 1986
- 9 Brandon Jeffrey Johnson b: June 10, 1990
- 9 Brittney Lauren Johnson b: March 18, 1994
- 7 Mildred Delores Burton b: June 28, 1933 in Wilson County, TN
- +William Howard Spencer b: June 16, 1931 d: December 30, 1997 in Davidson County, TN m: June 22, 1955

- 8 Howard Gregory Spencer b: October 28, 1957
 +Lisa Bateman
 9 Howard Gregory Spencer b: August 22, 1984
 8 Harold Anthony Spencer b: October 28, 1957
 +Kim Jenkins
 9 Rayce Austin Spencer
 7 Ann Truman Burton b: April 12, 1935
 +Tommy Edwin Craighead b: April 12, 1935
 8 Todd Edwin Craighead b: March 11, 1966
 +Heather Fannin
 9 Thomas Logan Craighead
 8 Brian Alan Craighead b: July 13, 1968
 7 Harris Durrell Burton b: September 16, 1942
 +Wilda Carol Bryant b: August 10, 1942 m: September 26, 1967
 8 Lori Ann Burton b: April 03, 1972
 +Travis Loveday m: December 08, 2001 in Athens, TN
 8 Amy Lynn Burton b: July 14, 1974
 +Christopher Garcia
 9 Alivia Nicole Garcia
 8 Kelly Renee Burton b: April 10, 1977 d: June 05, 1978
 6 Herbert Raymond "Shag" Gregory b: September 25, 1911 in Sumner County, TN d: February 03, 1994 in Gallatin, TN Burial: Crestview Memorial Cemetery
 +Nell Marler b: July 01, 1913 in Watertown, TN d: August 16, 1966 in Gallatin, TN m: September 23, 1932 in Dixon Springs, TN Burial: Crestview Memorial Cemetery, Gallatin, TN
 7 Roy Lee Gregory b: January 20, 1940 in Gallatin, Sumner County, TN at Dr. Robbins Clinic on E. Main Street in Gallatin
 +Carolyn Cecelia Miller b: July 20, 1939 in Jackson, TN - Madison County m: October 15, 1966 in Gallatin, Sumner County, TN at the First Baptist Church. Father: Horace Cecil "Monk" Miller Mother: Willie Bennett Cantrell
 8 William Glenn Gregory b: February 07, 1969 in Gallatin, Sumner County, TN
 +Lisa Dawn Clemons b: February 19, 1968 in Sumner County, TN m: October 09, 1993 in Gallatin, Sumner County, TN Father: Roger Clemons Mother: Ellen Clemons
 9 Emily Danyel Gregory b: September 16, 1994 in Madison, Davidson County, TN
 7 Mary Ann Gregory b: June 22, 1948 in Fountain Head, Sumner County, TN
 +Robert Henry Baumgartner b: September 04, 1939 in Alabama m: February 26, 1971 in Gallatin, TN
 8 Rebecca Nell Baumgartner b: May 23, 1975 in Shelby County, TN
 +Blair Gardner
 9 Colton Gardner
 8 Robert Gregory Baumgartner b: July 07, 1976 in Shelby County, TN
 +Merritt Leigh Booth
 6 Henry Leonard Gregory b: March 07, 1916 in Gallatin, TN d: July 22, 1969
 +Virginia Mae Foster b: February 24, 1923 m: February 08, 1954 in Detroit, Michigan
 7 Ruth Faye Gregory b: May 22, 1954 in Sumner County, TN
 +Darwin Berj Mamassian b: June 24, 1956 m: October 22, 1986
 8 Laura Marie Mamassian b: September 07, 1987
 8 Brian Andrew Mamassian b: February 24, 1991

- 7 Leonard Wayne Gregory b: May 16, 1958 d: October 18, 1989 in Detroit, Michigan
 +Lisa Diane VanEvery b: September 09, 1960
 8 Richard Wayne Gregory b: December 29, 1988
 7 Paula Sue Gregory b: February 28, 1961
 +Jack Franklin Marchio b: February 03, 1961
 6 Mary Allen Gregory b: March 06, 1918 in Sumner County, TN
 +Leon Ellis b: November 12, 1919 d: April 18, 2002 m: December 21, 1946 Burial: McKenzie,
 TN
 *2nd Wife of William Bell Gregory:
 +Cora Dee Reed b: December 25, 1876 d: January 19, 1957 m: June 02, 1920 in Jackson County,
 TN
 4 Lucinda Gregory b: June 19, 1862 d: 1898
 +William Campbell Holliday m: September 16, 1886
 4 Eliza Gregory b: September 24, 1868 in Smith County, TN d: April 27, 1928 in Smith County, TN
 Burial: Nixon Hollow
 +Jonathan Smith b: July 29, 1862 in Smith County, TN d: February 26, 1941 in Smith County, TN m:
 November 13, 1884 Burial: Nixon Hollow, Smith County, TN
 5 Tommy Smith
 6 Virgil Smith
 5 Johnnie Smith b: December 27, 1896 d: July 29, 1910 Burial: Nixon Hollow
 5 Mrs. Olie Smith Parkhurst
 5 Mrs. Monroe Smith Taylor
 5 Betty Smith
 +Lum Oliver
 5 Jettie Smith b: Abt. 1908 in Smith County, TN d: February 18, 1988 in Wilson County, TN Burial:
 Pleasant Shade cemetery in Smith County
 +Luther Albert Gregory b: Abt. 1907 d: December 15, 1966 in Wilson County, TN Burial: Pleasant
 Shade cemetery in Smith County
 6 Virginia Gregory
 +a Dodd
 6 Dallas Gregory
 6 Fred Gregory b: Abt. 1937 d: July 18, 1977 in Wilson County, TN Burial: Pleasant Shade
 cemetery in Smith County
 4 Bethel J. Gregory b: August 03, 1873 in Toney Hollow, Smith County, TN d: July 29, 1950 in Wilson
 County, TN Burial: Toney Hollow, Smith County, TN
 +Tennie Smith b: June 16, 1876 d: February 17, 1916 m: September 25, 1891
 5 Johnnie Gregory b: March 11, 1896
 +Clara Gregory b: May 29, 1900 m: September 15, 1922
 6 Dallas Herald Gregory b: February 01, 1924
 +Libby Jean Towns
 6 Magolene Gregory b: November 26, 1926
 +Herbert Reavis
 6 Jerry Dale Gregory b: December 02, 1934
 6 Garvis Edison Gregory b: August 18, 1939 in Smith County, TN
 +Ann Sharon Beasley b: October 21, 1941 in Smith County, TN m: December 20, 1958 Father:
 George Beasley, Jr. Mother: Sally Catherine Gregory

- 7 Rickey Edison Gregory b: November 11, 1963
 +Ledgia Susan Roark b: November 17, 1964 m: November 21, 1986
 8 Wendy Nicole Gregory b: May 23, 1987
 8 Lydia Kate Gregory b: February 04, 1995
 5 Ethel Gregory b: January 25, 1900
 +Marshall Shoulders d: July 06, 1962 m: February 28, 1928
 5 Nelson Gregory b: May 30, 1904 in Smith County, TN d: April 29, 1991 in Sumner County, TN
 Burial: Crestview Memorial Cemetery
 +Lillian Parker b: June 04, 1902 in Macon County, TN d: May 11, 1984 m: June 14, 1925
 6 Jake Bethel Gregory b: November 27, 1926 in Macon County, TN
 +Ruby Dorris Suddarth b: August 22, 1929 in Sumner County, TN m: September 05, 1948
 Father: Charles Henry Suddarth Mother: Ruth Carpenter
 7 Harward Gerald Gregory b: September 01, 1949 in Wilson County, TN
 +Pamela Faye Wix b: March 19, 1953 m: June 22, 1974 in Sumner County, TN
 8 Ashley Nicole Gregory b: July 14, 1975 in Davidson County, TN
 +William Brent Jones m: July 25, 1998
 9 Nicolas Baylor Jones b: August 13, 2000 in Williamson County, TN
 9 Callan Hunter Jones b: February 21, 2003 in Williamson County, TN
 8 Jared Brandon Gregory b: October 12, 1978 in Davidson County, TN
 +Julie Steen b: March 08, 1980 m: October 11, 2003
 7 Doris Lynn Gregory b: March 03, 1953 in Sumner County, TN
 +Dennis Edwin Crews m: July 05, 1975
 8 Jake Brian Crews b: January 11, 1977 in Davidson County, TN
 8 Bryson Edwin Crews b: August 11, 1979 in Davidson County, TN
 +Lindsey Allison Crawford m: August 05, 2000
 6 Emma Jean Gregory b: March 03, 1931 in Macon County, TN
 +John B. Wilkes b: December 07, 1918 in Sumner County, TN m: March 08, 1951 Father:
 Alonzo D. Wilkes Mother: Cordie Mai Rutledge
 7 John B. Wilkes, Jr. b: June 30, 1963 in Davidson County, TN
 +Linda Renee Lassiter b: March 18, 1964 in Sumner County, TN m: June 23, 1986
 8 Jonathan "John" B. Wilkes. III b: December 02, 1991 in Huntsville, AL
 8 Meredith Grace Wilkes. b: April 19, 1994 in Huntsville, AL
 8 Olivia Faith Wilkes. b: August 12, 1998 in Huntsville, AL
 8 Andrew Oleg Wilkes. b: May 09, 1999 in Adopted
 8 Nathanael Seth Wilkes. b: June 26, 2002 in Huntsville, AL
 6 Braddick Gregory b: June 27, 1934 d: June 27, 1934
 6 Ethel Mae Gregory b: September 20, 1935 d: September 20, 1935
 5 Dorch Leaner Gregory b: April 05, 1908 d: February 16, 1978
 +Cecil Lester Woodard b: May 11, 1906 d: April 22, 1948 m: July 31, 1933 Father: Robert Lee
 Woodard Mother: Hella Delora Massey
 6 Mary Kathleen Woodard b: July 20, 1934
 +Bobby Hugh Gregory b: December 08, 1932 m: April 09, 1960 Father: Adolphus Gregory
 Mother: Eunice Lena Butler
 7 Hughie Lester Gregory b: February 02, 1964
 +Tonia Leann Givens b: July 11, 1967 m: July 26, 1985
 8 Kindra Nicole Gregory b: December 19, 1986
 8 Daniel Aaron Gregory b: July 18, 1991

- *2nd Wife of William Jesse Gregory:
 +Virginia Law Burial: Nixon Hollow
 4 John Campbell Gregory b: 1877 d: January 03, 1958 Burial: Davidson County, TN
 +Isabella Smith Burial: Davidson County, TN
 4 Walter F. Gregory b: December 19, 1879 in Smith County, TN d: September 25, 1974 Burial:
 Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, TN
 +Sadie Hackett b: 1886 d: November 19, 1982 in Smith County, TN Burial: Ridgewood Cemetery,
 Carthage, TN
 5 Mae I. Gregory b: March 16, 1905 in Smith County, TN d: February 12, 1972 Burial: Ridgewood
 Cemetery, Carthage, TN
 +Keeton Key b: July 10, 1900 d: November 15, 1981 in Smith Co. Burial: Ridgewood Cemetery,
 Carthage, TN
 5 Ovie Lee Gregory b: March 06, 1912 in Smith County, TN d: December 16, 2001 Burial:
 Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, TN
 +Benton B. Hackett b: November 21, 1896 in Smith Co. d: February 12, 1977 Burial: Dickson
 Springs Cemetery
 6 Beverly Jane Hackett b: January 28, 1937 d: April 12, 1950 Burial: Ridgewood Cemetery,
 Carthage, TN
 6 Ann Gregory Hackett b: March 23, 1938 in Smith County, TN
 6 Betty Hackett b: February 01, 1940 in Smith County, TN
 +Paul Carson b: November 16, 1938
 6 Bobby "Bear" Hackett b: February 01, 1940 in Smith County, TN d: December 26, 2002 Burial:
 Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, TN
 *3rd Wife of William Jesse Gregory:
 +Betty Comer
 3 Henry Milton Gregory
 +Matilda Grissom
 3 Bethel Gregory, called "Gid"
 +Eliza Hall
 3 Nancy Susan Gregory b: April 09, 1830 d: October 11, 1908 Burial: Gregory Graveyard, Frog Branch,
 Smith County, TN
 +William Banks Perkins
 3 Edward B. "Ned" Gregory b: February 18, 1836 d: March 04, 1907 in Smith County, TN Burial: Gregory
 Graveyard, Frog Branch, Smith County, TN
 +Emily Jane Davis
 ... 2 Jeremiah Gregory
 +Barbara Rawls
 ... 2 Joseph Gregory
 +Jane Davis
 ... 2 Major Gregory

Submitted by Roy L Gregory
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THE OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE

(On the blank pages of an old store ledger dated from March 10, 1837, an unknown Federal officer began recording Oaths of Allegiances as administered to the population by occupying forces stationed in Carthage. The entries begin on 6 October 1863 and continue through the months of November and December of the same year. Persons residing in the counties of Putnam, Jackson, Dekalb as well as Smith are among those listed. The Oaths were first published in Volume XI, No. 3, Summer 1999, and in subsequent issues - Volume XI, No. 4, Fall 1999; Volume XII, No. 2, Spring 2000, No. 4, Fall 2000; Volume 13, No. 2, Spring 2001; Volume 14, No. 2, Spring 2002, No. 3, Summer 2002; Volume XV, No. 2, Spring 2003.)

146 John Harris Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties Wm L. Sliger
and Thomas Harris all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

147 Thomas Harris Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties John Harris and
Wm L. Sliger all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

148 Wm L. Sliger Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties John Harris and
Thomas Harris all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

149 Henry Bullington Sold
Bond \$3000
Sureties Shupley all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

150 Oly Shupley Sold
Bond \$3000
Sureties Henry Bullington
both of Putnam Co Tennessee

151 Stephen A. Mox Sold
Bond \$3000
Sureties Wm. Petty and Sept
Petty all of Smith Co
Tennessee

152 William Petty Sold
Bond \$2000
Sureties Stephen Mox
and Daniel A. Mox all of
Smith Co Tennessee

153 John M. Robinson Sold
Bond \$1,000
Sureties Daniel B. Robinson
and John M. Matthias all
of Smith Co Tenn

154 Daniel B. Robinson Sold
Bond \$1,000
Sureties John M. Robinson
and John M. Matthias all of
Smith Co Tenn

155 James Malone Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties James Carlin and
John H. Amoyett all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

156 Enoch Fisher Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties James Callaway
G. H. Amopett, all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

157 W. C. B. Jones Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. A. Bush and
John Grider all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

158 Wm. H. Brown Sold
Bond \$500
Sureties Walker Brown and
W. C. B. Jones all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

159 Anthony W. Bush dehd Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. A. Bush and
Wm. H. Bush all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

160 George A. Burns Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. A. Bush and
John Grider all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

161 Josiah B. Whitefield Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. A. Bush and
Wm. H. Bush all of
Putnam Co Tennessee

162 Robt. C. Byine Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. A. Bush and Wm.
Bush all of Putnam Co Tenn.

163 John Grider Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties
J. H. Bush & Geo. Burns
of Putnam Co Tenn
December 1845

164 Chas. W. Sadler Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties John M. Lee and
James Minnear all of
Jackson Co Tennessee

165 John M. Lee Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties James Minnear and
C. W. Sadler all of Jackson
Co Tennessee

166 James H. Minnear Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties J. M. Lee of Putnam
Co and C. W. Sadler of Jackson
Co Tennessee

167 William O. Lewis Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties C. W. Sadler and
John M. Lee all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

168 Elmore Sadler Cit
Bond \$3000
Sureties J. M. Lee and
James Minnear all of
Jackson Co Tennessee

169 Robt. S. Alcorn Cit
Bond \$3000
Sureties Ellen Minnear and
J. P. Giff all of Putnam
Co Tennessee

- 170 J. H. Co., Alcorn Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties R. S. Goodman
J. M. Lee, Hall & Palmer
Co Tennessee
- 171 William Fitzpatrick Cit
Bond \$1000
Sureties Joel Fitzpatrick
and W. C. Jones all of Smith
Co Tennessee
- 171 Joel Fitzpatrick Cit
Bond \$1000
Sureties Wm Fitzpatrick
and Wm Ballard all of Smith
Co Tennessee
- 175 Wm. C. Ballard Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties W. R. Jones & Joel
Fitzpatrick all of Smith
Co Tennessee
- 174 Wm. R. Jones, of Putnam Cit
Bond \$1000
Sureties Wm. C. Ballard
and Joel Fitzpatrick all of
Smith Co Tenn
- 175 Benjamin W. Bedford Cit
Bond \$1000
Sureties James Morfield
and Edward Carter all of Smith
Co Tennessee
- 176 George W. Burton Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties Geo. C. Burton and
L. W. Rawley all of Jackson
Co Tennessee

- 177 L. W. Rawley Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties George W. Burton and
Geo. C. Burton all of Jackson
Co Tennessee
- 178 William C. Burton Sold
Bond \$1000
Sureties L. W. Rawley and
George W. Burton all of Jackson
Co Tennessee

December 17th 1863

- 179 Chuzer Hopkins Cit
Bond \$300
Sureties J. A. Ray and
G. W. Puffer all of Putnam
Co Tennessee
- 180 John Peppin Sold
Bond \$500
Sureties William H. Peppin and
James Dyer all of Jackson
Co Tennessee
- 181 William H. Peppin Sold
Bond \$500
Sureties John Peppin and
James Dyer all of Jackson
Co Tennessee
- 182 James Dyer Sold
Bond \$500
Sureties John Peppin and
Wm H. Peppin all of Jackson
Co Tennessee

183 William R. Dyer Get Bond \$300
Sureties James Gulien and Philip W. Poffin all of Jackson Co Tennessee

184 James Gulien Get Bond \$300
Sureties Wm. J. Dur and Jesse M. Chambers all of Jackson Co Tennessee

185 Pleasant Massam Sold Bond \$300
Sureties David R. Halleberger and Elijah Massam all of Putnam Co Tennessee

186 Isaac Garrison Sold Bond \$300
Sureties David R. Halleberger and Elijah Massam all of Putnam Co Tennessee

187 Jefferson Johnson Get Bond \$300
Sureties Othmore Carrington and E. J. Kinnard all of Putnam Co Tennessee

188 David R. Halleberger Get Bond \$300
Sureties Othmore Carrington and Isaac Garrison all of Putnam Co Tennessee

189 Elijah Massam Get Bond \$300
Sureties Isaac Garrison and David Halleberger all of Putnam Co Tennessee

190 John H. Bell Sold Bond \$500
Sureties J. H. Haggart and Thos. Ray all of Smith Co Tennessee

191 Jasper McDonald Sold Bond \$300
Sureties Henry Clark and Wm. Coleman of Putnam Co Tennessee

To Be Continued

MAJOR WILLIAM AND AGNES RUSSELL

[Following is a family of Russells that resided in Smith County in its earliest period. Cal's Column references this Russell family on Smith County's Web Page. This is the William Russell that was elected Captain of the Roaring River Settlement; the Whiskey order by the Sumner County, Tennessee, court was delivered to his home on Russell Mills Creek of the Roaring River.

The Absolom Russell on the petition of either Jackson or Overton Counties of Tennessee is the same Absolom Russell of the County Clerk of Franklin County, Tennessee, and killed in the War of 1812.

The William Russell mentioned in R. V. Remini book was also this Major Russell of Smith County.

The Burleson Family of Smith County and the Spring Creek Baptist Church were also related to this Russell and the Chisum family.

I just thought I would pass this on as someone may be interested in the information. Thanks. Richard Wagner]

POLLY RUSSELL'S Siblings & Children of Major William and Agnes Russell SR 1762NC-1825 ALA

Mary Polly Russell Little B. 1780 VA	Dacey Russell Wagner 1783 NC	Absolom Russell C/1785	William Russell JR 1787 NC	Peggy Russell Sargent C/1789	Edmond Russell 1791	George Russell C/ 1793
Baptist	Baptist		Baptist	Baptist		Baptist
Married: Martin Little May 1800	Solomon Wagner Dec 1799	Unproven	Lydia Bean * About 1811	Temple Sargent Before 1810	Henrietta Sargent Before 1820	1 st Nancy Brooks 2 nd Leah Jackson Hudson
War of 1812 KY	War of 1812 TN	War of 1812 TN	War of 1812 TN	War of 1812 TN	War of 1812 TN	War of 1812 TN
D: 1857 Lawrence County Alabama	After 1860 Tennessee Census	Nov 1813	1860 Crawford County Arkansas	1820's Franklin County Alabama	1873 Merced County Calif.	1832 Franklin County Alabama
Children 1. William 2. Edmond 3. Clareborne 4. Wife of John B. Guthrie	1. Margart 2. William 3. Wiley B 4. John 5. Nancy 6. Absolom 7. Edmond R 8. George 9. Elizabeth 10. Mark 11. James 12. Andrew J	Unproven 1. Elizabeth 2. Ephein	1. Susan 2. Absolom 3. William 4. Son 5. Mary A 6. Betsy 7. Amanda	1. James 2. Aaron 3. Dolly Agnes 4. T. C. 5. Marie L married Davis 6. Ramulus 7. E J married JD Mayfield 7. Others	1. William 2. Rufus 3. Son James? 4. John CC 5. Ed JR	1. James 2 nd wife 1. George D 2. Benjamin 3. Richard 4. Nancy Caroline 5. Wife of JW Beck

*Daughter of Jesse E. [1756 VA-1839 Ark] and Elizabeth Mitchell Bean. William JR married Lydia Bean. "NOT PEAS of the SAME POD"

The early residents of the present day state of Tennessee lived under five Governments, fought victoriously defeating the British, and defended itself against four of the Greatest Native American Nations. The Tennessee Pioneers formed the first free and independent government in the present day USA. The Tennessean's published the second newspaper West of the Alleghenies and founded the first Church and College in the Southwest. Major Russell a Native of Rutherford County North Carolina was near seven years of age in Russell Bean's birth year in 1769 the beginning of the Watauga Settlement of Virginia as the events in Tennessee history transpired.

Mary "POLLY" Russell Little's birth state of Virginia in 1780 and Dacey Russell Wagner's birth state of North Carolina along with their siblings history, public records, residents and Baptist Faith reflects and mirrors Major William and Agnes Russell SR forty-six years of marriage. Tennessee Statesman and Texas Alamo Hero Davy Crockett in 1834 references George and William Russell JR, and President Andrew Jackson's letter in 1844 states Absolom Russell as sons of Major William Russell. James Wagner revealed in his Bio, his mom Dacey Russell Wagner is a daughter of Major Russell Peggy and Edmond Russell married children of James Sargent.

The three generations of Russell's benchmarks and path of 1738-48 led from Cascade Creek of Lunenburg County Virginia to Cravens County South Carolina to present day Rutherford County North Carolina and Tennessee. The Russell Siblings and their parents Major William [1762-1825] and Agnes Russell SR paper trail, led from the Boons Creek Watershed of the Watauga Settlement of Virginia of the present day state of Tennessee to The Indian Creek Watershed of the Big Barren and Green Rivers as the Kentucky Counties were formed; to Russell's Mills Creek of the Roaring River as Smith, Jackson and Overton Counties of Tennessee were constituted; to Franklin County Tennessee and Alabama as both counties were formed.

Major William Russell SR mustered with his siblings, dad and other kin to protect the home front. From his Native State Newspaper Major Russell mustered at a young age in the Virginia Military under General John Sevier in the War of Independence. General Sevier of Virginia served as Governor of the State of Franklin [existed 1784-88] and two terms as the Governor of Tennessee. Major Russell mustered with kin, neighbors and friends in the Natchez Expedition and held the rank of Captain in the Alabama Wars in the War of 1812 under General Andrew Jackson {President 1828-1836}. At the Rank of Major, William Russell SR led a Separate Battalion of Mounted Guamen and Spies of the Tennessee Volunteers and Company of Native Americans in the Mobil, Alabama Bay area and Spanish Florida Panhandle in 1814-1815.

Visit: The 1st Court House of Franklin County & Home of Major Russell in the City Park of Cowan, Tennessee [Mrs. Virginia Brock research]

Visit: Russellville, the seat of Franklin County, Alabama; named in Major Russell honor; his Military Headstone dated 16th Feb. 1825 in Russell Denton Hollow Cemetery near the town of Newburg, Alabama [to honor and enhance and compliment Mrs. Helen Johnson research]

See: Major Russell; musket rifle, imbedded in old English Scrip Maj Russell [smith by Jesse Bean for Joseph Burleson] at the Alamo Archives, San Antonio, Texas case WR-3 Long Barracks [donated by "Aaron Burleson II Family" Major Russell moms family, cousins and kin]

Reference: Pages 45-48 Andrew Jackson and his Indian Wars by Robert V Remini ISBN# 0-670-91025-2 [Bob Russell research]

The book Southern Kith and Kin Vol 4 by Jewel Davis Scarborough [George Russell's Family] [Mrs. Rena Hoffman research]

President 1828-1836 Andrew Jackson letter to Captain William Russell JR [1787-1860 Crawford County Arkansas] [O.R. Wagner research]

Find: The location of Russell Mill thought to be one of the first mills in the Cumberland Valley of Tennessee [Mr. Bob Russell research]

Interesting Reading: Legends of the West Davy Crockett's Book as Written by Himself in 1834 ISBN#1-56852-243-6

Movie: Davy Crockett "King of the Wild Frontier" & River Boat Pirates with George Russell & Walt Disney books

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CARTHAGE COURIER NOVEMBER 21, 1929

Sale of School Houses

On Monday, Dec. 2nd, the following school property will be sold.

The Sanderson building and ground on premises near Pleasant Shade at 10 o'clock a. m.

The Friendship house only on premises at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Falling Water or Stone Bridge building only on premises at 1 o'clock p. m.

All are one room buildings. The Sanderson house is nearly new.

G. W. ALLEN, Ch'm,
LESLIE J. GOLD, Sec.

Executive committee of Smith county Board of Education.

DIARY OF THOMAS FULLER
COMPANY E. 2nd TENNESSEE CAVALRY
NOVEMBER 27, 1861 - JUNE 30, 1865

Continued from Volume XV, No. 4

November 16, 1863. Rumors from reliable sources say that about 500 rebel prisoners have died since Feb. 1st. health at this time seems to be improving -- beautiful weather, got acquainted with John W. Wallace from Nashville, Tenn, a nice young man he is, has been here about twelve months.

November 17, 1863. This morning an Old Idiot that has been brought here threw two rocks at Old Curly, Curly drew his pistol but it did not alarm Gen. Jarnagin as he calls himself. Curly put him in the cell by telling him he wanted to give him his breakfast, he went willingly.

November 18, 1863. We are ordered to give up our Confed money upon promise to return it when we go out from here. Guards were placed inside, double the number there have been previous to this time; they seem apprehensive of danger.

November 19, 1863. A cold cloudy day, to night we are locked up in the Penitentiary and all other rooms that it can be done are locked and a Sentinel stationed at the doors. Sentry boxes large enough for one man have been placed inside the prison walls to protect the Gray beards from bad weather.

November 20, 1863. Snow fell last night but seems to be melting very fast today -- Lt. Markham has issued a number of Overcoats to the Confeds of a grey color, some new hats (grey). I wrote a letter to day to Jas. Washburn at Marion, Ill., formerly of Smith County, Tenn.

November 21, 1863. A very nice day although the ground wet and cold, a man was turned out last night, occasionally one is released, upon what terms is hardly ever known to but a few.

November 22, 1863. Preaching today by the regular old Parson, did not hear him, at 1 p.m. a Roman Catholic Priest, who has been appointed chaplain, gave an entertaining little talk promising to visit us again on next Sabbath, one Mr. Robertson died this eve.

November 23, 1863. Were ordered to give up our Confed money -- I deposited \$70.50 -- three 20 -- and two 5 -- and 50 cents. M.O.R.R. ticket, weather cool and pleasant, leaves have fallen from trees and the forest looks dreary, as much of it as can be viewed from the prison.

November 24, 1863. Went out into Town this evening assisted in hoisting some 2 N goods clothing Blankets and C & C did not See a great deal of the city as we were on the low grounds all of the time.

November 25, 1863. This day passed off as many others do - no change any way taking place, the scenes are visible to us - who are confined to such a narrow space of ground, at night we were ordered to be up early and prepare for inspection of quarters.

November 26, 1863. The Inspector was in and began his move of inspection at 7 a. m. There are quite a number of flags up today, it is general thanksgiving day -- Instrumental music in Town in the evening the "Brass Band" Ladies visited the prison.

November 27, 1863. Some 8 or 10 Prisoners were released this morning, J. W. Wallace of Nashville, Tenn. and M. H. Hogarty, a boy from Lexington, Ky., a considerable stir with the boys to day.

November 28, 1863. On last night about 20 prisoners came in from St. Louis and about 10 or 12 made their escape by cutting through the top of the Pen. Quite cool the ground frozen hard and very slick on top, the coldest weather since our arrival here.

November 29, 1863. Attended Sabbath school drew a Bible, Mess No. 2 and 3 were ordered out while their rooms were searched. Some suspicious having gotten up in the minds of the officers in charge of these rooms were reported by a dutch spy put in by officers in charge.

November 30, 1863. Two years ago today the writer joined the C. S. Army at Camp Jim Davis, Macon County, Tenn. this is a cool clear day the ground frozen very hard and some ice in the river.

No entries for the first week of December 1863.

December 8, 1863. The new Marshal Lieut. Millspaugh called letters to day, a dark damp dayh with occasional mist of rain - presenting indications of winter weather which is customary in the portion of country as far up North as this - Alton.

December 9, 1863. Lt. Markham announced that the express was cut off from this prison, we would have to get weak in the knees as their prisoners were.

December 10, 1863. A dark cloudy day. A Reg of Feds came in on the evening train Said to have come from Iowa, we hear news to the effect that Pres. Lincoln has issued a Proclamation offering to all from a Capt. down protection if he will take oath.

December 11, 1863. On last night the rebs were found gophering as they were about out, they were reported by the guards it has caused some excitement to day a number has visited the place over at the stable. Fed officers and others have gone up there.

December 12, 1863. early all who quarter in the Penitentiary were locked in this morning and kept till the afternoon, a fight on, subject two or three difficulties grew up after we got out.

December 13, 1863. A cool rainy day. I passed a considerable part in my quarters, towards night it began sleeting. Some considerable quantity of sickness among the rebs very many have violent colds and coughs constantly both day and night, several other complaints prevailing also.

December 14, 1863. On last night some made an effort to escape one went out at the top of the Pen. and was taken by the sentinel, a rope was missing that they went down on or were. We were all locked up in the Pen. till nearly the hour of 12 N. when the rope was delivered up and we released.

December 15, 1863. Sergt. Patterson, formally chief Sergt. of the Penitentiary died on yesterday about 1 P.M. Feds made an attempt at gophering out last night but failed, cold weather at this present time.

December 16, 1863. Snow to the depth of 7 or 8 inches fell on last night and has produced a change in the appearance of things. Some prisoners are being released this morning by giving heavy bonds - Sutlers opened to the rebs selling tobacco, paper and envelopes.

December 17, 1863. A remarkable cold day - this morning the Prison officers have been calling men into dining room to ascertain I suppose if they have a correct list of names of Regs. Tremendous bad colds among us - another disease - measles have broken out and is laying up some few.

December 18, 1863. Some more men went out today on oath and bond, cold and clear - the water in the Tank freezes so hard it is quite difficult to get water, about 125 reb prisoners came up, two of my friends, I. W. Booth and Jas. Carnes.

December 19, 1863. Went to hospital to wait on J. H. McAlister, set up nearly all night Two men died in the time quite a solemn scene to hear the groans of the dying This morning river is frozen hard enough for men to walk over the ice.

December 20, 1863. Joseph H. McAlister of Co. B, 2nd Tenn Cav., C.S.A. died this morning about the hour of 2 A.M. He was captured about 8 of June in Tippah

County, Miss. has enjoyed bad health nearly all of the time but death has released him from his suffering here below.

December 21, 1863. A nice pleasant day, moderating very fast, river froze over as yet, navigation is obstructed, one steamer lying at the wharf unable to move a wheel.

December 22, 1863. Dr. J. H. Boozer was unconditionally released to day and ordered to report at Fortress Monroe. The writer has permission to occupy his place in mess No. 5, permission from Lt. Millspaugh to move in when the Dr. leaves and makes a vacancy.

December 23, 1863. Wrote two letters one to Capt. R. H. Allen at Johnson's Island the other to Jones Fuller, Marion, Ill. An excitement got up this evening on the subject of exchange, occasioned by the old Parson telling to some of the crowd, that such was in the papers. Bully for the "Parson."

December 24, 1863. Some preparations are being made to enjoy Christmas in the way of eating, received a letter from John Washburn and answered immediately, boys in a cheerful mood.

December 25, 1863. Christmas morning. The writer went into dining room twice did not get as I thought full rations, concluded to play off a trick. The day passed away very dull no great signs of merriment about the city of Alton, every thing is again wearing its monotonous appearance.

December 26, 1863. Went around and drew a pair of pants and drawers. The former is gotten up on bad style, large as to the legs, getting very sloppy on the yard since the thaw, boys playing merrily one or two squads arrayed against another, take prisoners and cut buttons off of coats Fed style.

December 27, 1863. On last night some seven of the Feds gophered out made their escape. One from the State of Indiana has been sentenced here for licking his Col. made his escape from here.

December 28, 1863. On last night an old Idiot brought in here some weeks ago died of Small pox at the Island - some have made their escape from there recently, weather cool and damp some ice in the river as yet. Boats move out at times business in that line dull.

December 29, 1863. A nice clear day, ground dried somewhat in the day getting more agreeable on the yard. Dinner at 2 P.M. get half a loaf of bread, beef, and

hominny does very well for one meal provided we could get more for breakfast, and something a little better than Sour meat.

December 30, 1863. Cloudy morning the ground frozen, commenced sleeting after the morning news as to an exchange quite current on the yard, but resulted as usual without foundation.

December 31, 1863. Commenced snowing on last night and has continued the day through, boys crowd the stoves, fall out and fight a good old fashioned fist and skull as the saying is. Two or three during the day. Three men released this morning. Dr. McFarland was one - the year goes out in time for a cold spell - The writer now turns back and begins at the first of this book to go on recording a few of the incidents that transpire under his observation.

To be Continued.

DESCENDANTS OF DAVID SMITH, PIONEER SMITH COUNTY, HAVE FAMILY REUNION

[Article published in Carthage Courier August 10, 1939]

Ninety-three descendants of David Smith, a pioneer settler of Smith County, held a family reunion at the old home near Chestnut Mound recently, celebrating the long and fruitful life of their ancestor.

Mr. Smith, a man of Scotch-Irish descent, came to Smith County from Virginia about 1800. He was thrifty and hardy, and willing to work, and thrived. He had a family of eight children, five sons and three daughters. Four of these sons fought with the Confederacy in the War Between the States. One never returned.

Members of the family present at the reunion included:

P. H. Smith, Gainesboro; Rebekah Fisher, Rome; Hailie Williams Rush, Georgia Sue Bryant, Lera Bryant, Bowling Green; Mary Etta Smith, Carthage; Joseph D. Smith, Mrs. Joseph Smith, Ruth Smith, Carolyn Smith, David Watson Smith, J. E. Smith, Gainesboro; Mrs. U. G. Williams, Bowling Green; Mrs. James Dorris, Mrs. Stephen Dorris, Miss Vallie Smith, Gallatin; Nettie Smith, Mrs. Gertie Murphy, Gainesboro; Mrs. Elvie Smith, Carthage.

Mrs. John W. Woods, Dallas, Texas; Emogene Murphy, Gainesboro; Genevieve Woods, Dallas; M. A. Smith, Eddie Dale Smith, Mrs. M. A. Smith, Hickman; Mrs. John C. Dorris, Gallatin; Mrs. J. E. Fisher, Edwina Fisher, Rome; Virgie Woodfin, Nashville;

Mrs. Frank Jenkins, Doris Jenkins, Betty Frances Jenkins, Frank Jenkins, Hendersonville; Bobby A. Smith, Lillie M. Smith, Bobbie Jean Smith, Gainesboro; Myrtle Conditt, Carthage; Mrs. Fred Hackett, Difficult; J. D. Smith, Carthage.

Maizel Smith, Henry Ford Smith, Lusial Williams, Lon Williams, Wade Smith Williams, Maud Allie Williams, Gainesboro; W. G. Williams, Bowling Green; J. L. Smotherman, Carthage; W. H. Overstreet, Fountain Run; Erwin Smith, Jim Conditt, Carthage; Stephen Dorris, Gallatin; L. W. Murphy, Gainesboro; Aiden Smith, Mildred Smith, Harrell Smith, Carthage; U. M. Smith, Lloyd Smith, Jean Smith, Mrs. U. M. Smith, Nashville; Mrs. Reg Laycock, Chestnut Mound; Mrs. E. L. Huffine, Carthage; Robbie Lee Laycock, Chestnut Mound; Hilda F. Cooksey, Carthage; John Sam Smith, Flora Smith, Carl Smith, Jr., Gainesboro.

E. D. Robinson, R. W. Laycock, Lancaster; Leslie F. Vantrease, Josephine D. Vantrease, Leslie Vantrease, Jr., Nashville; Hazel Elrod, Lancaster; John Franklin, Zeffie B. Franklin, J. B. Franklin, Harry Lee Franklin, Bettie Sue Franklin, Gainesboro; W. L. Kemp, Eunice Kemp, Larry Kemp, Difficult; Jack Davis, Lancaster; Ted Davis, Sallie Kerr Davis, Margaret Davis, Carthage; Cornelia Ferguson, New Middleton; Joe C. Smith, James Smith, Jr., and little daughter, Carthage.

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A Prayer for Genealogists

Lord, help me dig into the past
And sift the sands of time
That I might find the roots that made
This family tree of mine.
Lord, help me trace the ancient roads
On which my fathers trod
And led them through so many lands
To find our present sod.

Lord, help me find an ancient book
Or dusty manuscript
That's safely hidden now away
In some forgotten crypt;
Lord, let it bridge the gap that haunts
My soul when I can't find
The missing link between some name
That ends the same as mine.

"150 CLUB"SEVEN GENERATIONS OF THE GARRY W. LYNCH FAMILY OF SULLIVAN'S
BEND, SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Submitted by Don Wilson and Wilma Lynch and Gail Burgess



SULLIVAN'S BEND, SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Garry W. Lynch was born in Smith County, Tennessee, 3-1825-1826-1827. He died 12-14-1904 at his home in Maggard, Smith County, Tennessee. His tombstone has his age as of about 76 years. Garry could not read or write.

Garry W. Lynch served in the Mexican War. On 5-30-1846, he enlisted at Carthage, Tennessee, in the 1st Infantry Regiment of Tennessee Volunteers. This Regiment was organized in Smith County, Tennessee, by Commander, Col. W. B. Campbell.

He was mustered in on 6-1-1846 in Nashville, Tennessee. He served as a private in Captain William B. Walton's H Company in Regiment 1 of Tennessee Volunteers. During the war he contacted malaria, diarrhea, and measles. Due to poor health he was discharged 9-9-1846 at Carmago, Mexico on a Surgeons Certificate.

On 2-11-1847 Garry gave up his claim to Bounty Land for his services in the war. On 6-25-1847 he was issued scrip for \$100.00 for his war services.

Garry W. Lynch married Parthenia B. Boze, widow of John Boze, on 3-24-1849 in Smith County, Tennessee. Partheny was born 9-3-1811 in Tennessee and died 9-2-1898 at the age of 87. She died at her home in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.

Partheny did not like her name and wanted to be called Patricia. She was deeply religious and stressed family unity.

Partheny and Garry W. had 3 children: George W., William Burr, and Margaret, who died young. They also cared for several children of relatives.

In 1856 with the threat of the Civil War approaching, Garry and Parthenia took their family and moved to Missouri. Richard and James Boze, relatives of Parthenia, had purchased some land there and needed someone to help homestead it. The government wanted homesteaders to come so they could declare Missouri a state. Everything that had wheels was used to move the family west.

Homer B. Lynch, Garry's grandson, remembers his father telling the story of how the family left Smith County with the cow tied to and walking behind an oxen cart.

They crossed the Mississippi River on a ferryboat because there was no bridge to cross on. Along the route to Missouri, the family contracted the fever and had to return home. Garry stayed there for 15 months. While there he suffered from poor weather conditions, poor soil, insects, crop failure and bandits.

Garry returned home to Smith County, Tennessee, doing farm work, saving his money to buy his own farm in District 11. During the Civil War the Union and Confederate soldiers raided his farm and stole his horses and livestock.

On 1-18-1902 Garry gave 5 acres of his land, located in Sullivan's Bend, Tennessee to the Lynch Family to be used as a family cemetery. "For the love and affection that I have for the sacred dead and the Lynch Family, I donate this piece of ground to the Lynch Family as a burying ground." The cemetery was later moved to Dixon Springs, Tennessee, when the Tennessee Valley Authority built the Cordell Hull Dam.

In 1885 Garry was cutting wood and accidentally cut his left foot causing him to be a cripple for the rest of this life.

On 12-9-1898 Garry married Sally A. Shoemaker, widow of J. M. Shoemaker, in Maggart, Tennessee. Sally could not read or write. After Garry's death she married B. H. Kemp on 8-17-1908 in Smith County, Tennessee.

WILLIAM "BILLY" BURR LYNCH

William Burr Lynch was the son of Garry W. and Partheny B. Lynch. He was born 12-12-1850 at Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee, and died, 12-23-1937 at his home in Sullivan's Bend, Tennessee. On 1-27-1866, he married Lenora Frances "Fanny" Flatt Anderson in Smith County, Tennessee. Fanny was born 8-18-1846 and died 10-2-1897. She was the widow of John P. Anderson, Sr., who died after a gunshot wound on the shoulder during the Civil War on 5-17-1865. John and Frances had 3 children, a son who died as an infant, John P. (Pat A. or "Shorty") and Martha Jane, ("Sissy")

William Burr built a log cabin for his family on Fanny's farm. Their children were:

Margaret E., Garry H., Isaac J., William D., Julia P, Abraham, Benton M., Eli, and Albert S. Daisy Lynch Massey was the daughter of Garry H. Etta Lynch and the granddaughter of William Burr Lynch. Her grandparents raised her after the death of her mother. Etta was killed by a cow whose horn "hooked" her through the stomach trying to get corn out of Etta's basket when she went to milk the cow.

William Burr was affectionately called "Paw Lynch" by his grandchildren. Like his father he was a farmer. He served as Justice of the Peace and was a strong Smith County "Yellow Dog" Democrat. He also was very religious and he said "Grace" before each meal. He was a Deacon in the Methodist church. William was one of the first residents of Sullivan's Bend to own an automobile, a Model T. Ford.

A grandson, Howard Western Lynch, recalled how "Paw Lynch" loved to talk to his friends. One day he was standing on the riverbank talking to a neighbor. His teeth were loose in his mouth and they fell from his mouth into the river. "Paw Lynch" quickly jumped into the river, retrieved them and replaced them in his mouth and continued his conversation.

"Paw Lynch" always wore a hat because he did not want anyone to see his bald head. / He was always neat in his appearance.

After Frances (Fanny) died on 10-2-1897, William married Sally V. King on 10-12-1898. Sarah "Sally" V. King was born 8-7-1869 and died 5-15-1911 at Sullivan's Bend, Tennessee. They had several children who died as infants. "Miss Sally" as she was affectionately called, cared for the Lynch family and Daisy as if they were her own children.

When Sally died, William Burr married Servetris "Vedie" Apple Dickens, widow of John S. Dickens, on 10-25-1911. Vedie was born 7-11-1880 and died 10-8-1958. Vedie and John had one son, Horace Dewey Dickens.

Vedie and William Burr had one son, Homer B. Lynch. They also had several children who died young. After her husband's death, Vedie and her son, Homer, and his family continued to live on the family farm in Sullivan's Bend until 1965 when the Cordell Hull Dam was built.

ABRAM "ABE" HENDERSON LYNCH

Abram "Abe" Henderson Lynch was the son of William Burr Lynch and his first wife, Lenora Frances (Fanny) Flatt Anderson Lynch. He was born 9-2-1877 at Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee. He died 8-1-1961 at St. Thomas Hospital in Davidson County, Nashville, Tennessee. He is buried in the Crest Lawn Cemetery, Cookeville, Tennessee.

On 9-26-1897, he married Martha Jane Wilkerson in Smith County, Tennessee. Martha was born 5-26-1881 and died 4-5-1916 in Putnam County, Tennessee of complications of child birth. She was buried at Rittenberry Hill near Buffalo Valley, Putnam County, Tennessee, where she and Abe lived. Neighbors helped dig her grave. Abe later moved her body to the Lynch Cemetery in Sullivan's Bend, Smith County,

Tennessee. (THESE GRAVES HAVE BEEN MOVED TO THE DIXON SPRINGS CEMETERY, DIXON SPRINGS, TENNESSEE).

Martha was described by her family and friends who knew her "as a joy, loved by everyone who knew her, sweet and kind to everyone she met."

The children of Abe and Martha Lynch were: William Henderson, Alfred Eligea, Sally Jane, Oliver W., Floy May, Cecil, Mary Margie, Leon W. "Dick," Eva Lillian, and Martha Ova.

Abe was a farmer. After Martha's death, Abe moved his family to Buffalo Valley, Putnam County, Tennessee. This was in August of 1928. He loved music and would "lead singing at Camp Meeting Services" in Smith and Putnam counties. Abe was a member of the Buffalo Valley, Tennessee, Church of Christ where he was their Musical Director for many years.

A strong Putnam County Democrat, he always went to Cookeville, Tennessee, to vote and to help count votes on Election Day. His grandson, Don Wilson Lynch, recalls how he would ask him if "he was a Democrat." When Don replied, "Yes," grandfather Abe would give him a quarter. This stopped when Don became 8 or 9 years old.

WILLIAM "WILLIE" HENDERSON LYNCH

William "Willie" Henderson Lynch was the son of Abe and Martha Wilkerson Lynch. He was born on 11-2-1898 in Dillard's Creek community, Smith County, Tennessee. He died 9-21-1985 at Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge located in Oak Ridge, Anderson County, Tennessee. Willie married Irma Wilson Thompson on 10-6-1921 in Gentry, Putnam County, Tennessee. Irma was born 1-9-1903 in Baxter, Putnam County, Tennessee. She died on 12-27-1995 at Methodist Medical Center, Oak Ridge, Anderson County, Tennessee.

Children of Irma and William Lynch are: Betty Willene (deceased), Robert James, Doris Jean, and Don Wilson Lynch.

William was a 1917 graduate of the old Gentry High School, located in Gentry, Putnam County, Tennessee. He was a very talented baseball and basketball player. William's coach and teacher was from Germany. He wanted William to return to Germany with him and play basketball in Germany, but his father said no. An excellent outdoorsman, William loved to hunt and go fishing with his Uncle, Homer B. Lynch. William never killed doves. He called them the "Peace Birds" and he said that no one should kill these "Creatures of God."

William worked for the Coca Cola Company in Cookeville, Tennessee for 23 years. He worked for the Packard Motor Company in Detroit, Michigan, for almost 2 years.

In 1944 and 1945, the family moved to Oak Ridge, Tennessee, where William worked for Union Carbide. He retired from the Y-12 Plant in 1963. Irma was a homemaker. She loved to work in her garden and flowers. She was famous for her "Big Red Tomatoes." For 11 years she sang with the "Sweet Adelines." An excellent seamstress, Irma was still making her own clothing at age 90.

Irma and William were members of the Highland View Church of Christ in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and Irma attended the Karns Church of Christ in Karns, Tennessee, after William's death.

DON WILSON LYNCH

Don Wilson Lynch was the son of Irma and William Henderson Lynch. He was born 9-6-1933 at Cookeville, Putnam County, Tennessee. On 10-22-1955, he married Mary Ann Lowery, born 7-13-1935, died 8-18-1972. Don married Wilma Hill Lynch on 11-2-1973. Wilma was born on 6-23-1940. Wilma and Don have no children.

Don Lynch graduated from Oak Ridge High School, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, in 1952. He was a member of the Oak Ridge High School First State Champion Track Team. (Broad Jump and the Javelin). On the final day of the State track meet, Oak Ridge needed a first place in the broad jump to win the State title. Coach Ben Martin placed a \$5.00 bill in the broad jump pit to mark the needed distance to win. Don hit that spot, upsetting the state champ from Memphis, and Coach Martin gave Don the \$5.00 bill.

Don spent 4 years in the Navy and served on the U.S.S. Willet and became an electrician. He was voted outstanding electrician apprentice in Oak Ridge. A member of the I.B.E.W., he worked at K-25 and X-10 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, and retired in 1995. An excellent baseball player and bowler, he enjoys collecting Western novels, gardening and sports.

Wilma is a retired Registered Nurse. She retired in 1995 from Methodist Medical Center, where she worked on the cardiac unit. Wilma also loves sports, gardening, reading and doing genealogy with her husband and niece, Gail Mynatt Burgess.

Children of Don and Mary Lowery Lynch are: Julie Ann and Steve Allison Lynch.

STEVE ALLISON LYNCH

Steve Allison Lynch was born 2-10-1968 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. He is the son of Don Wilson and the late Mary Ann Lowery Lynch.

Steve attended East Tennessee State University and graduated from I.T.T. in Knoxville, Tennessee. He is with the Electronic Control System of D. H. Compounding in Clinton, Tennessee. Like his father, he loves sports. He has worked with the Clinton Youth Baseball, Football, and Basketball programs, serving as a coach for many years. He is also involved in the Boy Scouts of America serving as a Scout leader. He was married to Karen Lynn Sweeten and they have one son, Andrew "Drew" Wilson Lynch. "Drew" was born 11-23-1988, in Oak Ridge, Anderson County, Tennessee. Andrew has inherited many family traits of his Lynch Ancestors. Tall, fair and handsome, he is very confident in what he wants to do and how he does it. He is in the 10th grade at Clinton High School in Clinton, Tennessee. He wants to be a pharmacist. He soon will be working on his Eagle Scout Project. His hobbies are sports, art, music and camping.

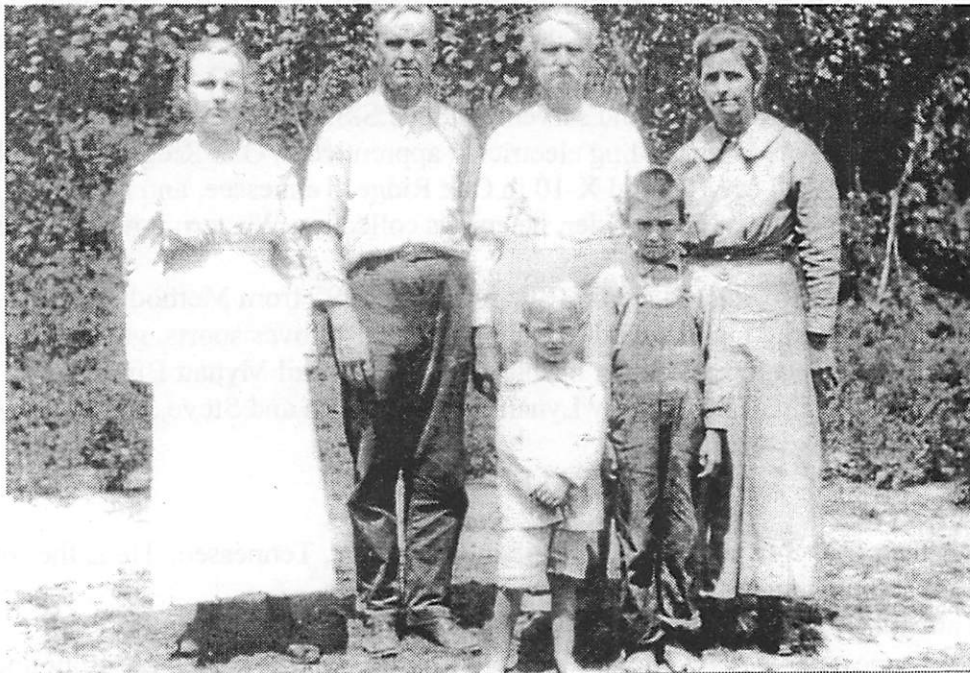
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This family history is in memory of William "Willie" E. Lynch, Howard Western Lynch, and Homer B. Lynch. Also Mrs. Betty Willene Lynch Mynatt. Photo by Gail Mynatt Burgess.

Consult Gail Mynatt Burgess.

A special thank you to all of our Lynch Family Members who helped us on this family project.

Don Wilson Lynch



L to R, Front Row: Wendell Massey, s/o Chester D. & Daisey Lynch Massey
Homer B. Lynch, s/o William B. & Vedio Lynch
L to R, Back Row: Daisey Lynch Massey, d/o G. H. Lynch; Eli Lynch, s/o William B.
Lynch; William B. Lynch; Vedio Apple Dickens Lynch, 3rd wife
of William B. Lynch

"150 CLUB"

JOHN ARMISTEAD

Submitted by Brenda Armistead Gibbs

1. John Armistead born between 1746/1750 in Westmoreland Co., Va. and died July 2, 1830 Smith County, Tennessee married Elizabeth Oslin May 28, 1769 in Virginia. Elizabeth was born 1751 in Cumberland County, Va. and died 1801 in Virginia. (Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book, October 22, 1825 and Circuit Court Enrollment, Smith County 1825-1842, Page 361 and 1828-1835, Page 359.
2. Jesse M. Armistead born about 1780 in Virginia died October 1839 in Smith County, Tennessee. He married Martha _____ born about 1790 in Virginia and died after 1870, Smith County, Tennessee (1820 Smith County Census, Tenn. Page 390 and Smith County Inventory Book 4, Page 541 and 557-60.
3. John Armistead born 1819, Virginia and died Smith County, Tennessee married Osha Ann Andrews Jan. 10, 1861 in Smith County, Tennessee. Osha was born in 1842 and died April 26, 1913 in Smith County, Tenn.
4. Jesse Franklin Armistead was born Jan. 1, 1878, Smith County and died Sept. 16, 1966 married Ella Vaden Feb. 2, 1908 in Smith County, Tennessee. Ella was born Jan. 24, 1887 and died July 30, 1968 in Smith County.
5. A.J. Armistead born July 25, 1911 and died Feb. 2, 1983 in Smith County, Tenn. married Rubye Beatrice Vaden March 29, 1935. Rubye was born August 6, 1916 and died October 14, 1974.
6. Brenda Armistead (Living) married James Thomas Gibbs (Living)

1. JOHN³ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) was born Bet. 1746 - 1750 in Westmoreland County, Va., and died July 02, 1830 in Smith County, Tenn. He married ELIZABETH OSLIN in Cumberland Co., Va., daughter of SAMUEL OSLIN and ANN MOSS. She was born Abt. 1751 in Cumberland Co., Va., and died Abt. 1801 in Cumberland County, Va...

Notes for JOHN ARMISTEAD:

John Armistead of Westmoreland, Cumberland, Va. and Smith County, Tenn.
son of John and Hannah Harrison Armistead

John Armistead, second of his name in Cumberland County, was born ca 1747 in Westmoreland County, Virginia. He removed with his parents to Cumberland County in 1755. He married Elizabeth Oslin by 17 May 1769 when Samuel Oslin made his will including a bequest to 'my daughter , Elizabeth Armistead (Cumberland Co., Va Will Book 2, PP. 12-14, 248; Order Book 1774-1778, PP 152, 245.)

John Armistead served in the American Revolution . John Armistead, private on a January, 1778 muster roll of Capt. Thomas Massie's Company of Lt. Co. Charles Simms 6th Virginia Regiment; he is then serving a three year enlistment. (Carded name index, Revolutionary Records, National Archives, Washington, D.C.)
A guide to Virginia Military Organizations in the American Revolution, 1774-1787, compiled by A.M. Sanchez-Savedra, Virginia State Library 1978, page 62: Tenth Virginia Regt:
The 10th Va. Regt. was commissioned Nov. 12, 1776....raised in Augusta, Amherst, Fairfax, Orange, Spotsylvania, Fauquier and Cumberland...the 10th company was raised in Cumberland under Capt. Clough Shelton on March 1, 1777. The regiment served at Brandywine and through the campaigns of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. On September 14, 1778 the 10th Regt. was arranged with the rest of the Virginia Continental Units at White Plains, New New York. It was renumbered the 6th Virginia Regt.

In 1789 John Armistead and his wife Elizabeth sold to Samuel Atkinson, Jr., 59 acres on Snow Quarter Creek, " being part of a tract left him by his father John Armistead". In 1791 John Armistead bought 250 acres on Snow Quarter Creek from Thaddeus and Mary Armistead, John and Elizabeth Criddle. In 1792 John and Elizabeth Armistead sold two tracts, 130 acres to Jacob L. Abraham and 20 acres to Francis Armistead. (Cumberland Co. Deed Book 6, PP 493; Deed Book 7, PP 111, 210-11, 216) . In 1812 John Armistead sold Francis Armistead 25 acres on Willis River, to which Snow Quarter is a tributary. John Armistead disappears from Cumberland County Records after September 1817 when he conveyed to Charles L. Woodson 194 3/4 acres on Snow Quarter Creek (ibid Deed Book 12, PP 22-23; Deed Book 14, page 200].

Elizabeth Armistead, wife of John Armistead of Cumberland County, died 22 September 1801 in Cumberland County, Va. [John Armistead Family Bible in possession of James Armistead, Carthage, Tennessee]

John Armistead and some of his children moved between 1817 and 1820 to Smith County, Tennessee where his younger brother Thaddeus Armistead had settled before 1810.

The Armisteads of Smith County, Tennessee derive from John Armistead and his brother Thaddeus Armistead. They are two of the four sons and seven daughters of John Armistead and Hannah Harrison Armistead of Westmoreland and Cumberland County, Virginia.

On 22 October 1825 John Armistead bought 43 1/2 acres from Benjamin Piper. The same tract of land Mary A. Stamps inherited. Presumedly this is the only land owned in Smith County by John Armistead and it is where he was living when he died.

John Armistead, died " far advanced in years" in Smith County, Tennessee 2 July 1830, over 80 years old. (Circuit Court Enrollment, Smith County, Tenn, 1825-1842, page 361 and 1828-1835, page 359).

Children of JOHN ARMISTEAD and ELIZABETH OSLIN are:

- i. JOSEPH⁴ ARMISTEAD, d. July 23, 1816, Cumberland County, Virginia . Unmarried.

Notes for JOSEPH ARMISTEAD:
Death date in family Bible of John Armistead

2.
 - ii. WILLIAM ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1788, Virginia; d. January 13, 1853, Smith County, Tenn.
 - iii. JOHN ARMISTEAD.
 - iv. THADDEUS ARMISTEAD, d. Bef. January 23, 1832, Cumberland County, Va..

Notes for THADDEUS ARMISTEAD:

Thaddeus Armistead was on and off the personal property tax rolls of Cumberland County, Virginia, between 1809 and 1820 (Cumberland Co., Va. Personal Property Tax Lists, years cited). In 1810 he was head of a household or "bachelor's hall" of 3 white males, all aged 16-45 (Cumberland Co., Va. 1810 Census, P. 129). During the War of 1812 Thaddeus Armistead served under Captains Joseph Mc Laurine, David Long and Henry Tabb in the 4th Va. Militia. On his discharge at Norfolk he received an allowance for eight days and 160 miles of travel time and distance to his home in Cumberland Co. (War of 1812, carded index of service records, National Archives, Washington, D.C.) Thaddeus Armistead died, intestate and unmarried, before 23 January 1832 when the Cumberland County Court named commissioners to examine the accounts of Ruebin T. Sims, administrator of Thaddeus Armistead, Dec. (Cumberland Co. Order Bk. 1829-1832, page 325). Sims gave a power of attorney, certified 28 November 1836 in Cumberland County, to Thomas Phillips of the State of Tennessee to collect from the administrator of Thaddeus Armistead Dec. late of the State of Tennessee all such debts and sums of money as are now due and owing to me from the estate of the said Armistead. This instrument was recorded in Smith County, Tenn. 3 Jan 1837. (Smith County, Tenn. Deed Bk N, page 283). John Armistead's will, probated in early 1835 in Smith County, left to his son Thaddeus a slave girl, Kitty. In that year in Smith County the County Court authorized James A. Taylor as administrator of Thaddeus Armistead, to sell Kitty in order to pay debts of the estate, the estate was still not settled until 1839 when James and William Armistead and Thomas Taylor (two brothers and a brother-in-law) received allotments as heirs of Thaddeus Armistead (Smith County, Tenn. Minute Book 1833-1835, PP. 410, 167-47).

3. v. JAMES ARMISTEAD, d. Bet. 1840 - 1842, Livingston Co., Ky..
4. vi. NANCY ARMISTEAD, b. January 30, 1782.
5. vii. MARY ANN ARMISTEAD.
6. viii. SAMUEL ARMISTEAD, b. Bet. 1772 - 1775, Virginia.
7. ix. JESSE M. ARMISTEAD, b. Bet. 1775 - 1780, Cumberland County, Virginia; d. October 1839, Smith County, Tenn..
8. x. GEORGE WASHINGTON ARMISTEAD, b. August 15, 1783, Cumberland County, Virginia; d. September 14, 1859, Graves County, Kentucky.
9. xi. MARTIN ARMISTEAD, b. December 09, 1795, Cumberland County, Virginia; d. June 10, 1859, Montgomery Co., Tn.
10. xii. TABITHA ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1796, Cumberland County, Va.; d. June 27, 1850, Smith County, Tenn.

2. WILLIAM⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) was born Abt. 1788 in Virginia, and died January 13, 1853 in Smith County, Tenn. He married ANGELICA THOMPSON October 13, 1813 in Cumberland County, Virginia. She was born Abt. 1796 in Virginia.

William Armistead received a bequest in his father's will of 1826 of simply a third of "some money" in son Samuel's hands in Virginia. In 1829 William and Jesse tried unsuccessfully to have John Armistead declared legally incompetent. We may presently consider as a son of John the William M. Armistead who bought a "big Bible" in 1830 from the estate (Smith Co., TN. Will Book 3, PP. 123-24; Minute Bk. 1828-1830, PP. 114-15, 261; Inventory Bk. 1, PP. 347, 380-82) William M. Armistead was married in Cumberland County, Va. on 13 Oct 1813 to Angelica Thompson. In 1814 he was included in a militia draft from Cumberland County and served in Capt. Allen Wilson's company under Col. William Trueheart. William M. Armistead applied for bounty land in Dec. 1850 from Smith County, TN. and died 13 Jan. 1853. His widow, Angelica, was still in Smith County, when she made an additional application in April 1855 (War of 1812 Records, Bounty Land Warrants 23396 and 39208, Nat. Archives, Washington D.C.). In April 1835 William M. Armistead sold a slave Gabriel to Timothy Walton. At the same time James Walton of Sumner County and Timothy Walton of Smith County conveyed to "Betsy Ann, Martha Jane, Eliza Linton, George Thompson and William Joseph Armistead, heirs of William Armistead of the other part, all of Smith County," 110 acres on Snows Creek in Smith County "including the plantation where the said William M. Armistead now lives".

Children of WILLIAM ARMISTEAD and ANGELICA THOMPSON are:

11. i. ELIZABETH BETSY ANN⁵ ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1818, Tennessee; d. Aft. 1880.
12. ii. MARTHA JANE ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1820, Tennessee.
13. iii. ELIZA LINTON ARMISTEAD, b. January 06, 1822, Smith County, Tenn; d. August 05, 1909, Macon County, Tenn..
14. iv. GEORGA THOMPSON ARMISTEAD, b. February 22, 1824, Smith County, Tenn; d. October 09, 1899, Saline Co., Ill..
15. v. WILLIAM JOSEPH ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1829, Smith County, Tenn; d. September 08, 1875, Saline Co., Ill..

3. JAMES⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) died Bet. 1840 - 1842 in Livingston Co., Ky.. He married SUSANNAH TAYLOR. She was born Abt. 1802.

Notes for JAMES ARMISTEAD:

James Armistead served from Cumberland County during the War of 1812 under Captains Nicholas Faulkner, Allen Wilson and Hudson M. Wingfield in the 4th Va. Militia, part of this service as a substitute for his brother William. About 1819 or 1820 in Smith County, Tenn., James Armistead married Susannah Taylor (born about 1802) (War of 1812 Bounty Land Warrant 91448, Nat. Archives, Washington, D.C.) Also in Capt. Wilson's Company were Francis, Harrison and William Armistead (pay and muster rolls of Va. Militia). In 1835 he received a slave "Jurdin" from his father's estate, co-signers of his refunding bond were Thomas Taylor and Nathan Stamps. James Armistead's name is not on that county's census records for 1820, 1830, or 1840; however he is on the 1837 tax list (Smith County, Tenn., Inventory Book 3, 1835, 1836, page 1; Tax Book 1837). He died between 1840 and 1842 in Livingston County, Ky. His widow, Susannah, applied for bounty land in 1851 from Moniteau County, Mo. and again applied in 1859. Children in the household of Susan Armistead" in 1850 were: Lucinda age 22, James 18, Elizabeth 12, Sarah 11, and Thomas 8;" all born in Tennessee except Thomas who was born in Kentucky. (Moniteau Co., Mo., 1850 census, page 14, family 89) Records, Bounty land warrants 23396 and 39208, Nat. Archives, Washington D.C.

Children of JAMES ARMISTEAD and SUSANNAH TAYLOR are:

- i. LUCINDA⁵ ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1828.
- ii. JAMES ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1830.
- iii. ELIZABETH ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1838.
- iv. SARAH ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1839.
- v. THOMAS ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1842.

4. NANCY⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) was born January 30, 1782. She married HENRY DOUGLAS September 19, 1799. He was born August 09, 1781.

Notes for HENRY DOUGLAS:

Nancy Armistead "intermarried with Henry Douglas" was named in her father's will of 1826. In 1802 a Henry Douglas of Cumberland Co., Va. bought 79 acres in that county from John Halley of Bedford Co. Jesse M. and Thaddeus Armistead were witnesses. In 1804 Henry and Nancy Douglas sold to William Flippen 158 acres in Cumberland Co. (Cumberland Co., Va. Deed Book 9, pages 443-446).

The Family Bible of Henry and Nancy Douglas was owned in 1983 by Ernest H. Jackson, 730 Parker Woods Drive, Rockford, Illinois 61102 and was originally owned by his grandmother.

MARRIAGES;

Henry Douglas and Nancy Armistead were married September 19, 1799.

Children of NANCY ARMISTEAD and HENRY DOUGLAS are:

- i. DAVID⁵ DOUGLAS, b. January 20, 1802.
- ii. ELIZABETH DOUGLAS, b. May 04, 1803.
- iii. ROBERT DOUGLAS, b. February 17, 1805.
- iv. NANCY DOUGLAS, b. October 25, 1806.
- v. LUCINDA DOUGLAS, b. November 18, 1811.
- vi. MANERVA DOUGLAS, b. July 01, 1813.
- vii. MARCISSA J. DOUGLAS, b. March 27, 1817.
- viii. HARRISON DOUGLAS, b. November 29, 1819.
- ix. M.A. DOUGLAS, b. January 01, 1822.

5. MARY ANN⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) She married NATHAN STAMPS.

Notes for NATHAN STAMPS:

Mary Ann Armistead married Nathan Stamps (Smith County, Tenn. Will Book 3, PP 123-24). This couple was living in Smith County in 1830, both in the 40-50 category with one child under 10 and three 5-10.

In 1837 Nathan Stamps is on the tax list of District 3 (Smith County, Tenn., Tax Book 1837, District 3)

In February 1837 he sold to Solomon Smalling 125 3/4 acres on Peytons Creek, granted him by the state of Tennessee. The following month "Nathan Stamps and Mary his wife of the County of Smith" sold Smalling 43 1/2 acres "on the North Side of the Cumberland River and West Side of Peytons Creek.. near said Stamps house", presumably a part of Mary Ann Stamps' inheritance and the same tract that John Armistead had bought in 1825 from Benjamin Piper (Smith County, Tennessee Deed Bk N, PP 378, 386-

88). Recorded 29 November 1837 are an inventory and accounting of sales by "Daniel Smith administrator of Nathan Stamps deceased" and at the same time is provided a year's support for the widow Stamps out of the estate of her deceased husband (Smith County, Tenn. Inventory Bk. 4, 1836-1840, PP 198-99). Among the children of Nathan and Mary Ann (Armistead) Stamps, from the few extant entries still remaining in the old Armistead Bible in Smith County,

1. John Armistead Stamps born 5 February. 1821.
2. George Washington Armistead born 12 October 1822.
3. Elizabeth Ann Stamps born 10 May 1824.

Mary Ann Stamps and her family may have been in Franklin Co., Tenn. in 1850.

1850 Census- Franklin County, Tennessee Family 861-129.

Mary Stamps, age 54 born Virginia, Washington Stamps age 30 born Tenn, Elizabeth A. Stamps, age 29 born Tenn., Jane Stamps, age 24 born Tenn., John Stamps age 22, born Tenn., James Stamps, age 19, born Tenn., Adaline Stamps, age 14 , born Tenn.

Not listed in Franklin Co. in 1860.

Children of MARY ARMISTEAD and NATHAN STAMPS are:

- i. JOHN ARMISTEAD⁵ STAMPS, b. February 05, 1821.
- ii. GEORGE WASHINGTON STAMPS, b. October 12, 1822.
- iii. ELIZABETH ANN STAMPS, b. May 10, 1824.
- iv. JANE STAMPS.
- v. JAMES STAMPS.
- vi. ADALINE STAMPS.

6. SAMUEL⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) was born Bet. 1772 - 1775 in Virginia. He married LUCY CANNIFAX 1822 in Campell County, Virginia. She died in Sullivan County, Tenn.

Notes for SAMUEL ARMISTEAD:

Samuel Armistead, living in Virginia in 1826, when so described in the will; presumed to be the Samuel Armistead of the Cumberland personal property tax list of 1816 [Cumberland Co., Va. personal property tax lists of 181-13, 1818-20, and 1823]. On the Buckingham land books in 1819 is listed "Armistead, Samuel M. Resident 378 1/2 acres on Joshua's Creek, later Tongue Quarter Creek.. conv. from.

Geo. E. Duiguid." He has the same acreage through 1831. In the same county 1848-50 Samuel M. Armistead holds as trustee 250 acres on Hardwicks Road eight miles northwest of the courthouse. [Buckingham Co., Va. land and property tax books for years cited}. In Campbell Co. in 1822 Samuel Armistead married Lucy Cannifax [Campbell Co. Marriages Register 1, page 4] During the War of 1812 Samuel M. Armistead was drafted at Buckingham Court House from the 100th Regt. of said County in February 1814 and served for six months in Capt. John Hays Company of Col Edward Jones 5th Va. Regt. of Militia. On 16 Oct 1850 he applied for bounty land from Buckingham and again on 22 Oct. 1855 from Sullivan Co., Tenn., giving his age as 75 and 83 respectively. In the 1850 affidavit: "My discharge was carried with my other papers to the State of Tennessee in the year of 1817 since which time I have not heard from it." [War of 1812 Bounty Land Warrant 78035-120-SS, National Archives]. In the 1820 census no Samuel Armistead is named in either Cumberland or Buckingham. In the Second, or Southern District of Buckingham in 1850 Samuel and Lucy Armistead are listed as 72 and 62 years old and natives of Campbell [created from Bedford in 1782] and Prince Edward counties respectively [Buckingham Co., Va. 1850 census 817 family 566]. In 1860 census for Sullivan County, Tennessee, Lucy Armistead is 74 years old and living in the household of her daughter, Elizabeth Jones, wife of Hiram Jones [Sullivan Co., Tenn., 1860 census, page 18, family 126]. Lucy Armistead's will, filed for record 11 April 1864, leaves her property to her daughter, Rebecca Elizabeth Jones, wife of Hiram Jones [Sullivan Co., Tenn. will Book 1, page 28].

Child of SAMUEL ARMISTEAD and LUCY CANNIFAX is:

- i. ELIZABETH⁵ ARMISTEAD.

7. JESSE M.⁴ ARMISTEAD (*JOHN³, JOHN², FRANCIS¹*) was born Bet. 1775 - 1780 in Cumberland County, Virginia, and died October 1839 in Smith County, Tenn.. He married MARTHA. She was born Abt. 1790 in Virginia, and died Bet. 1870 - 1880 in Smith County, Tenn..

Notes for JESSE M. ARMISTEAD:

Jesse M. Armistead, son of John and Elizabeth Oslin Armistead, was born ca 1775/96 in Cumberland County, Va. In 1839 commissioners "lay off and set apart provisions out of the stock on hand for the use and support of the widow and family of Jesse Armistead, decd". In October 1839 "Thomas Taylor, a citizens of Smith County" was named administrator of "Jesse M. Armistead, who had departed this life intestate". An inventory and accounting of sales were promptly conducted and credited with purchases were "widow, and S.A., J.M., J.A., and John Armistead".

In Cumberland County, Va., in 1808 Jesse M. Armistead was witness to Susannah Gaulding's consent for the marriage of her daughter Polly to William A. Burton. In 1810 a Jesse Armistead is on the Cumberland Tax rolls for one tithable, but not in 1809 or 1811. This is presumably the same Jesse who is on the Buckingham personal property and land rolls between 1811 and 1818 with 149 acres in fee on Wreck Island and joining Meshac Boaz, which land is identified as "conveyed to Thos Coleman" on the 1819 roll, when Jesse Armistead disappears from the Buckingham rolls. By the time of the 1820 census he has settled in Smith County, TN., where he is head of a family; he is in the 26-45 category, with three boys and a girl under 10 and three slaves. Although not named in the 1830 census for Smith County, he is presumably in that vicinity. In 1833 the Smith County Court refused to pay Jesse M. Armistead for "a bridge across Vaden's Spring Branch. It appearing to the court that the bridge had not been built by him according to his contract". According to Index of Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers, War of 1812, a Jess

Armistead served in the 7th Regiment of VA Militia. He did not receive a pension or bounty land as he died before applications were made.

At this time we have been unable to find Martha's maiden name or any information on her.

Sources:

The Armistead's of Cumberland County, Virginia, Nancy and Malcolm Gardner, The Virginia Genealogist, Vol 12.

Smith Co., Tenn., Inventory Book 4, PP. 541, 557-60.

Cumberland Co., Va. and Buckingham Co., Va., personal property and land tax rolls, for years cited.

Smith Co., Tenn. 1820 census, P. 390.

Family Bibles of Jesse Franklin Armistead and Samuel Alexander Armistead.

Children of JESSE ARMISTEAD and MARTHA are:

16. i. SAMUEL ALEXANDER^s ARMISTEAD, b. Bet. 1814 - 1815, Virginia; d. August 1898, Smith County, Tenn..
17. ii. JOHN ARMISTEAD, b. 1819, Virginia; d. Smith County, Tenn..
- iii. JULIA ANN ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1820, in Virginia; d. Bet. 1880 - 1899, Smith County, Tenn.

Notes for JULIA ANN ARMISTEAD:

In 1850, 1860, 1870 Smith County Census, Tennessee Julia Ann is living with her mother, Martha Armistead. By 1880 Martha had died, and Julie was living with her two unmarried brothers, Thomas and Jesse Armistead. It is assumed that Julie is buried in the cemetery next to John and Osha Armistead's home place in Helms Bend, Smith County, Tenn. Julie Ann never married.

More About JULIA ANN ARMISTEAD:

Burial: Family Cemetery, Helms Bend, Smith County, Tenn.

18. iv. JOSEPH I. ARMISTEAD, b. Bet. 1820 - 1822, in Tennessee; d. Bet. 1857 - 1858, Smith County, Tenn.
19. v. ELIZABETH ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1823, Smith County, Tenn; d. 1856, Smith County, Tenn.
- vi. JESSE M. ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1829, Smith County, Tenn; d. 1899, Smith County, Tenn.

Notes for JESSE M. ARMISTEAD:

IN THE 1850, 1860 Census, Smith County, Tennessee, Jesse M. Armistead is listed as living in household with Mother, Martha Armistead. By 1870 his Mother had died and he is listed as head of household, age 43.

1880 Smith County Census, Tennessee list Jesse Armistead, age 51, Thomas, age 46, brother, Julie Ann Armistead, sister, age 60, born in Virginia, C.W. Boulton, age 27, Nephew, Elizabeth Boulton, age 23, Niece.

Roll 52, Smith County Court Minutes, 1899-1904:

September, 1899, page 49, court appointed W.M. Meachum as guardian for Jesse M. Armistead

October 16, 1899, page 73 court appointed W.M. Meachum, Administrator for Jesse M. Armistead who had lately died. Jess never married.

20. vii. MARTHA ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1833, Smith County, Tenn; d. Abt. 1899, Smith County, Tenn.
- viii. THOMAS J. ARMISTEAD, b. Abt. 1834, Smith County, Tenn.; d. July 1899, Smith County, Tenn; m. EXIE FRAZIER, February 18, 1896, Smith County, Tenn..

Notes for THOMAS J. ARMISTEAD:

In the 1850 census of Smith County, Tennessee, Thomas J. is listed as living with his mother, Martha, and age 16. In 1860 still living in household with Mother. By 1870 his Mother had died and he is listed Thomas J. Armistead, age 37.

1880 census, Smith County, Tennessee lists Jesse Armistead, age 51, Thomas, age 46, brother Julie Ann Armistead, sister age 60, born in Virginia, C.W. Boulton, age 27 nephew, Elizabeth Boulton, age 23, Niece.

Roll 52, Smith County Court Minutes 1899-1904:

July 1899, page 34, Jesse Armistead et als vs Exie Armistead. Account against Thomas Armistead for coffin.

April 4, 1900,, page 179; Jesse Armistead et als vs Exie Armistead et als estate Thomas J. Armistead insolvent.

He and his family lived in the Helms Bend Community. It is assumed he is buried in the cemetery near the old home place of John and Osha Armistead. The cemetery is near the Dripping Rock Bluff, Helms Bend, Smith County, Tennessee. It is a very old cemetery and it is believed that several members of the Armistead Family are buried in this cemetery but no markers.

Exie Armistead married Scott Ford 23 July 1899 by Morgan Gibbs.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

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MARCH TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in Conference the case of the above Brothers Stalings called up the commity reported one of the Brothers to be guilty to wit Elijah Staling he sayed he would leave off those playes for the future the other Brother give no Satisfaction at the present also the case of Brother Taylor Rollings called for the commity reporte not to have seen him the same committee was requested to continue there duty .

Brother James Barret, Sen., Prepose to give the Church one Acre of Land joining in the same land where the new church is contemplated to be for a burying ground. Built they appointed a committee to go examine the land to see if they thought it would be suitable the committee was as follows: James Barret, Sr., James A. Davis, W. M. Mince, James Stalings, John Bate, John T. Frammer, Leroy James, James A. Ligon, James Barret, Junior,

Done in conference, March Term. J. T. Farmer, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

APRIL TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in Conference reference call for the case of Brother Taylor Rolings presented the committee report that he did not know it was against the rules of the church to play those singin play he therefore agrees to leave off the same for the future. The case of Brother Thomas Staling presented he give the committee no satisfaction Brother J. A. Ligon was added to the committee and they requested to see Brother Staling and labors with him and report at the next term. Also on the Sabbath Brother William Mince and his wife, Sarah Mince also there Daughter Martha Ann Mince joined the church by letters from the State of Georgia, Habersham County Nacoochee Church. Louis Dies, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in conference Business called for the case of Brother Thomas Stalings presented the committee reporte to have laboured with Brother Staling but could not avail anything the Church excluded him for playing contrary to the rules of the Church. Also on the Sabbath Brother William Patterson and his wife Thursey Patterson joined the church by letter from the State of Georgia, Haversham County, Nacoochee Church with the name Elanthan Davis Church clk. The church hel there communion at this meeting. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1866. Macedonia in Conference joined by letter eight to wit: D. N. Jarret an ordained minister also his wife Jane Jarret and Daughter Mary E. Jarret, also Benjamin Stonescypher, Susan Stonescypher, William Stonescypher, James F. Stonescypher, Margaret . All the above names came form the church Zion in Georgia. D. N. Jarrand is represented in his letter as an ordained minister of the Gospel and William Stonescypher there Clerk to the letter.

JULY TERM 1866. MACEDONIA Church in Conferance the church appointed the following delegates to the association to wit: James Barret (Senior), D. N. Jarrat, J. T. Farmer and also Leroy James and C. S. Samson there alternot. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in Conference the letter to the association read and adopted.

SEPTEMBER TERM 1866. No Business of record.

OCTOBER TERM 1866. Macedonia Church in Conference Charles Shoemaker and wife Polly Dismissed by letter also Louisa Smith dismissed by letter also Brother John Alison Dismissed by letter also there was nine joined by experance and Baptism to wit: Rebeckah A. Alison, Little B. Alison, James H. Snody, M. Pascal, William W. Gill, Suron S. Pascal, Nancy A. Bates. Louisa J. Hubbard, Lousia J. Harris. James Barret, Mod., Louis Dias, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

Editor's Note: P. 76, This page appears to be a partial list of members of the church. At some point it seems that the clerk skipped several pages for membership list then picked up with the minutes on the next page. At the bottom of the page is a note: The names carried up to Page 90

Rebeckah A. Alison	Little B. Alison	James U. Snoddy
John M. Pascal	William W. Gill, by letter	Suron A. Pascal,
Letter		
Nancy A. Bates, Excluded	Louisa J. Hubbard, Ded	Louisa J. Harris
B. F. Jeffreys	H. L. Jeffreys	S. Jeffreys
Elizabeth Jeffreys	Wilson Neal	Sarah Neal
Missouria Barrett, Excluded	Thomas Barrett, Excluded	Henry T. McClenahan
Robert Bradford	Harret Pascal, Dismissed	Nepolion B. Andrews
John Hale	Joseph P. Hamilton, Letter	Sarah Kitchens
Sarah Alison, Ded	Frances Hale	Henry E. Hart
Henryeta S. Calicote, Dismissed	Faney E. Alison	M. H. Barrett, Dead
Lorra A. Barrett, Dead		

NOV TERM 1866. Church in Conference the church at Bethel request our church to send her some Ministeral aid to ordain some deacons, it was granted, J. A. Ligon

DEC TERM 1866. No Meeting.

JANUARY TERM 1867. Nothing of Record. J. T. Farmer, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

FEB TERM 1867. The Church in Conference Brother David Allen charged with dancing as a rumer a committee was appointed to waite on him and inform him of the same that he mite come up and satisfy the Church at the next term. The committee was John Bates and Thomas Clark. Atro Green Evit was charged with dancing a committee was appointed to see her and reporte at the next term the committee was James A. Ligon and James Bradford. James Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MARCH TERM 1867. Macedonia Church in conference business two joined by letter to wit: Sister H. L. Jeffreys from Sandlick Church, Monroe Co. Ky with John W Howard, Clk, and James A. Register, Mod. Also Brother B. F. Jeffreys from Harmony Monroe County Kentucky, with J. W. Comly, Clk and F. C. Cheldres, Mod. Also Brother David Allen examined he failed to come up and give the Church any satisfaction he was excluded also Sister Green Evrit case call the Committy had failed to see her the committy to see her was continued. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk..

APRIL TERM 1867. No Conference Meeting.

MAY TERM 1867. Macedonia Church in Conference business called the case of Sister Green Evrit disposed of she found inosent of the charge and her restored to full fellowship. The church hell there communion at this meeting. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1867. Macedonia in Conference the building Committy of the new church house was ready to reporte to the Church of ther intrye proseading but few out it was read on Saturday and Sunday and Sunday it was defured until the next term. Bro. Soat, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM 1867. Macedonia Church in Conference the church appointed a committy to collect money to pay off a debt that they were owing upon there old meeting house the committy was John M. Barrett and Dudly More also a committee appointed to ingage a surveyor to run off the land present church house stands on to wit: J. S. Barret, J. A. Ligon, L. James. Also delegates appointed to the association to wit: James Barret, Senior, John T. Farmer and Jarred and L. James there alternate, also the building committy of the church house presented ther reporte it was received and then relested the Building not being findly compleated they saw fit to recind there action and continue the same committee to finish the work. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM 1867. The church in conference, the letter to the association rid and received. Moses Allen, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT TERM 1867. Nothing of Record.

OCTOBER TERM 1867. The Church in Conference 4 joined by letter to wit: Wilson Neal and wife Sarah Jane Neal from Wilson County Round Lick Tenn also S. Jeffreys and Elisabeth Jeffrey's from Moure County Kentucky with James M. Priffin Clerk and F. Childres Mod. Also Sister Het Jeffreys from Sandlick Morrow Co., Ky with James A. Register, Mod. And John W. Howard, Clerk. Also dismissed from the church the following names:

William Gill	Pleasant H. Tibbs	Perlina J. Tibbs
William Mence	Sara Mence	Martha A. Mince
N. D. Jarred	Jane Jarred	Mary E. Jarred
Benjamin Stonescipher	Susan Stonescipher	Wm. N. Stonesciphe
James T. Stoneschiper	Margaret Brown	

Joined by Baptism the following names:

Misourea Barrett	Thomas Barrett	Henry T. McClenahan
Robert Bradford	Harret Pascal	

NOVEMBER TERM 1867. The Church in conference Brother J. C. Flipen agrees to keep the church house and furnish it in wood for 12 months and the church agrees to give him ten dollars for the same.

DECEMBER TERM 1867. Nothing of Record.

JANUARY TERM 1868. The church in conference Brother Eastes made Moderator of the Day the Church granted Sister Elizabeth Hodges a letter of Dismission. Thomas Estes, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk

FEB TERM 1868. Nothing of Record.

MARCH TERM 1868. Nothing of Record.

APRIL TERM 1868. Nothing of Record.

MAY TERM 1868. Nothing of Record.

JUNE TERM 1868. Macedonia Church in Conference Saturday before the 3 Lord's Day in June on motion Brother L. Dies elected Mod. of the Day being no mater of reference the Church proceded to new Business. Brother Paton Sampson being charged of swareing from rumer, Brother John Bates and Banks Oliver were appointed as a commity to confer with him reporte at the next term. The commity that was appointed to collect money to pay off debt she was owing Sister James report to have on there list \$83.50 twenty-nine Dollars of the above some being collected. By motion they were ordered to pay over to the holder of said not on motion the Church proceded to elect as Deacon which resulted in the election of Br. Wilson Neal on motion the church request the Minsterel of the Bunevesta and Round Lick Church in the ordination of a deacon.

Bro. John Bates and Esters appointed to bear the letter to the above named Church. Also the commity ordered to collect all they could. L. Dies Mod., J. Barret, Clk protem

JULY TERM 1868. Macedonia Church in conference the committee to see Brother Paton Sampson reporte that he confessed to be guilty and made no amendment. By motion the Church excluded him. They also elected there Delagate to association which resulted in James Barret, Senior also James A. Barret, Junior and Wilson Neal and for alternat J. T. Farmer, J. Bates and James A. Ligon. Also ordered the clerk to prepare a letter to the association and it is to be acompaned with three Dollars for minuets. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, clerk.

AUGUST TERM 1868. The Church in conference Business called for the letter to the association read and recd. David Allen restored to membership. Nepolion Andrews joined by experience and Baptism also Brother Wilson Neal was ordained to the office of Deacan the Prisbatry was James Barret also N. P. Jarret also Brother Bass, Brother W. V. Herrel charged with having Playing at his house for witch the Church clamed that he is as guilty as if he had played himself therefore they appointed a commity to visit Brother Herrel and inform him of the Same and report to the next Term who was James A. Ligon, James Bradford and James Stalings. James Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk

SEPT TERM 1868. Macedonia in Conferance the case of Brother V. W. Herrel disposed of the commity said Brother Herrel he acnowedy that their had bin playing at his house but for the future their should be no more. Brother John Hale joined by experience and Baptism. Bro. L. Dias, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk

OCTOBER TERM 1868. The Church in Conference. Nothing of record.

NOVEMBER TERM 1868. The Church in conference the church at Round Lick request our church to send her home Ministerel aid for the purpose of ordaining a Deacon the Church granted it. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk

DECEMBER TERM 1868. Nothing of record. J. Barret, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk

Ads from *The Times*, September 17, 1896.

DISH PANS	10 cents.
Plow Lines	10 cents.
School Baskets	10 cents.
Strainers	10 cents.
Sifters	10 cents.
Lantern Globes	10 cents.
One Gallon Buckets	10 cents.
Large Coffee Pots	10 cents.
Rolling Pins	10 cents.
Oil Cans	10 cents.
Fadeless Dyes	10 cents.
Butter Dishes	10 cents.

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The stockholders of the Dixon Springs Live Stock Association will meet at Dixon Springs on Saturday, Sept. 20, to elect officers and directors for the ensuing year, and to transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

AT YOUR OWN PRICE—Lot of Pants, all grades; lot of Coats and Vests, all grades. These goods must be sold to make room for fall stock. BRIDGES & FERGUSON, New Middleton, Tenn.

PRINTS—All our Light Prints are being closed out at 3½ cents a yard. Come and get them, for they won't last long. BRIDGES & FERGUSON, New Middleton.

ALL the late styles in Dress Goods at R. B. JAMES, Stockport, Tenn.

THE CUMBERLAND GOES ON A RAMPAGE AND BREAKS RECORD

(Ed. Note: Prior to construction of the Cordell Hull and Center Hill Dams on the Cumberland and Caney Fork rivers, respectively, river and creek bottoms were subject to rampant flooding. Often homes and businesses were inundated by the raging waters. Excerpts from the January 6, 1927, issue of the *Carthage Courier* tell the story of one of the most devastating floods in the county's history.)

The rains fell and the floods came!

That is the big story of the events of the past two weeks. During this time the Cumberland river, the Caney Fork river and all the creeks and branches in Smith County have broken all records with their swollen condition and thousands upon thousands of dollars damage done.

The floods washed away houses, barns, fences and lands and rendered hundreds of people homeless. For the first time in history the backwaters backed up Defeated Creek into the Fifth district and on Peyton's Creek the waters of the stream were checked as far up as the home of Rufus Beasley, just below Graveltown. The Cumberland backed Caney Fork river and Hickman creek far above the town of Hickman and lacked only one inch getting into the Hickman depot. Several homes in the town of Hickman had to be vacated on account of the waters. The large railroad trestle at Carthage Junction was submerged to a depth of six inches and water covered the railroad tracks practically all the way from the Junction to Hickman. The village of Stonewall was also flooded, water rising into a number of residences.

Perhaps the two places most affected by the high tide in Smith County are Rome and Dixon Springs. At Rome the waters got to a depth of several feet in the bank and the stores of Fisher-Williams & Co. and Jim Beasley. A number of families at Rome were forced to leave their homes. At Dixon Springs the waters got to a depth of seven feet in the store of W. W. Chambers and also flooded the drug store of Sam Ross and the stores of Earl Meador, Louis Dias, H. B. Cox, the filling station of Gabe Beasley and the work shop of Highers Bros. The water was several feet deep in the Dixon Springs Bank and also flooded the large garage and a number of homes, among the residences being Dr. I. H. Beasley, Sam Ross, Mrs. S. C. Bridgewater, Will Jones and Earl Meador. At Rome the waters were backed up across the highway to the old Rome fair grounds. At Monoville, the old water mill which has stood all the past floods, was floated from its foundation.

The damage done by the floods at Carthage will run into the thousands of dollars. The heaviest losers here being the Whitson Lumber Company. The river completely covered the large Whitson band mill and lumber yards, doing quite a large amount of damage by washing away lumber and logs and toppling over hundreds of large stacks of lumber. The cedar mill of Whitson & Alcott located on the Carthage side, was also completely under water, and this firm suffered a very heavy loss by having lumber and timber washed away.

The Tennessee Central railroad suffered heavy losses. The water reached a depth of six feet in the Carthage depot, destroying quite a lot of freight and express, and the records of the office were greatly damaged. Five freight cars of the railroad company were completely submerged.

The Carthage Grain Co., at the west end of the Carthage bridge was forced to clear all but the top floor of their building. The building of the Naive-Spillers Produce Co., was completely covered with water and that firm lost a large amount of egg cases and other materials. The Ayer-Lord Tie Co. suffered a heavy loss on account of cross ties floating away. The boiler room of the Carthage Spoke Co. and the barns and other buildings of the Standard Oil Co., were flooded.

The waters rose to a depth of about six inches in the store building of R. A. Waggoner, and all the buildings of Read-Wooten Co., except the main building were flooded. In the residence of R. A. Waggoner the waters reached to the ceiling, and also got to a large depth in the handsome new residence of Mrs. N. G. Waggoner. The waters were backed up to the golf stick mill of N. C. Lyon. A number of families in South Carthage were forced to vacate their homes in the section called "Daddy Town."

In Carthage three houses were washed away. The first of these to go was what is called the Lawhorne residence, owned by S. S. Pettross, situated on the upper ferry road. This building with the household goods of Bob West, was last seen floating quietly down the river. The next house to float was the new residence of Ike Smith, located on the upper ferry road. It was floated to near the Whitson & Alcott cedar mill where it struck bottom and was tied. The small house of John Hodges, colored, located on the river bank at the middle ferry, left its moorings when the waters were the highest and floated something like a mile down the river where it landed in the bottoms.

The old middle ferry house, situated on the opposite side of the river from Carthage, on a small island, left its foundation during the height of the river and went on down the river. The barn on Goodall Island, just below Carthage, owned by Mrs. Josie Reynolds was filled with one thousand barrels of corn, which is a total loss. The island had a large bunch of hogs, but by the use of a boat, all but five were rescued. A few days ago word was received that the five hogs had been rescued near Gallatin. John Wade Lynch and Jim Gillespie lost several barrels of corn that had not been gathered in the Myer bottom.

The water rose to depth of several feet in the house of J. H. Young Produce Co. S. F. Ward and W. H. Flippen, who operated a grocery store on Spring St. lost their stock when the waters reached the ceiling in that building. The store of Abe King & Co., colored, on Spring Street was greatly damaged, and the water reached a height of several feet in the negro pool room on Spring street. The water reached a depth of several feet over the town spring, making the crossing to Hale hill impassable by car. Water rose in the first floor of the county jail and flooded the colored A. M. E. church.

One of the greatest inconveniences suffered was the darkness of the town at night. About midnight Sunday, Dec. 26th, the wires of the Tennessee Electric Power Co., went under water, cutting the lights off. Telephone communication to Nashville and numerous points in the county was cut off Monday Dec. 27th.

The bridge across Mulhering creek on Carthage Junction branch railroad was impassable, cutting off train connection and the floods in the highways leading into Carthage prevented any sending or receiving mail for several days. According to the reading of the government weather observer at Carthage, Chas. C. Davis, the river reached its highest mark on Thursday, Dec. 30th, when the gauge showed 59 and one tenth feet, eighteen inches higher than it went in 1847 and about four feet higher then it went in 1882, and about five feet higher than in 1891. That river sure was a whopper and during the days it was the highest numerous houses and barns were seen floating under the Carthage bridge. Hundreds of people from all sections of this and surrounding counties came through the hills on foot to Carthage that they might see the great mass of water.

This big flood started on Monday morning, Dec. 20th when a heavy rain began falling and kept up for thirty-six hours, putting all the creeks out of banks and causing a rapid rise in the river. Then on the Friday morning following the rains began to pour again and kept it up for another thirty-six hours, and the sure enough big river. On Monday night, Dec. 28th, it appeared the water had reached it highest and it was hoped the river would begin to fall, and it did fall about one inch, but the slow and steady rains of Monday and Monday night put the Cumberland to rising again and she reached her highest, 59.1 feet about noon on Thursday, Dec. 30th.

Some Highlights on the High Water

Among the household goods lost by Bill Bryant, Sr., was an organ and among the household goods of Abe King, colored, was a player piano. These instruments will be of no more value.

The high waters interfered with the mails and except for the few times M. J. Malone got a motor boat and braved the waters from here to a point from which he could reach Hickman and secure mail, Carthage was without any such communication for several days.

Chas. R. McClarin, local agent for the Nashville Banner, made arrangements whereby his paper would be sent to Brush Creek and taken in charge there by a man on horseback and brought over the Bradford Hill and from there ferried to Carthage. Carl Smith, local agent for the Tennessean, also used different methods in getting papers delivered.

All during the tide, there was a large raft of logs, with three or four men in attendance, anchored in the river near the old George Hughes home. This was a very dangerous position for those men, but they stayed with the raft all except one night and did their sleeping and eating in a small shanty on the raft. My, that looked dangerous, with the raging waters surging around that raft.

When a flood or some other disaster visits a section there are always some who are of the opinion they have seen worse conditions. Such was the case in the recent high tide. Some insisted they had seen the waters higher than on this occasion. It remained for John (Ranger) Highers to properly burlesque such claims. Ranger says he remembers very distinctly that in 1848 he and Reams Carter and John Meador got off a steamboat in Carthage and that the stage plank of the boat was placed in the door of Read Bros. Drug Store. Ranger got the pup, as that would have put that rise something like 50 feet higher than the one of last week.

A number of chickens were caught in the barn of Bud Baugh, just below the bridge. The water got to such height the chickens had to desert the barn and take to the trees outside where some of them were rescued but a number of them drowned.

News comes from Dixon Springs of the faithfulness of Mrs. Susan Haynie and daughter Miss Henrietta Haynie during the high waters. Mrs. Haynie and her daughter are in charge of the Dixon Springs exchange. The building in which the telephone office at that place is situated was entirely surrounded by the high waters and only lacked a few inches in getting up to the floor of the office. But, in spite of this, the ladies remained at their post of duty and did all they could, which was much, in relieving the distress of the situation by giving the people of that community telephone service.

The upper West Point warehouse, which has stood many a rise, washed away.

Speaking of high water situation reminds us that a time like this reveals the goodness of the people. Every section of Smith County was directly or indirectly affected by this flood and from all communities comes reports to the effect the more fortunate people in every incident took care of those unfortunate ones. All of which makes Smith County a mighty good place in which to live.

**E. L. BRADLEY BIVOUAC
RIDDLETON, TENNESSEE**

List of Officers and Soldiers from Smith County who were killed or who died during the Civil War between the States.

Submitted by John Waggoner, Jr.

NAME	COMPANY	REGIMENT	DEATH
Alexander, William. S.	G	23	Killed at Shiloh
Allison, Joseph	F	24	Died at Bowling Green, Ky
Bains. A. L. (or T. R.)	G	2	Killed at Murfreesboro
Baker, V. W.	C	4	Died Rock Island, 1864
Banks, Joseph	G	23	Killed at Perrysville, KY
Beasley, James			Killed Flynnsville, TN
Beasley, Rufus			Died 1861
Beasley, Wade	B	7	Killed at Gettysberg
Bell, John	G	4	Killed
Betty, Luther	C	4	Died in Ga. 1862
Black, Hamilton		24	Wounded at Shiloh & died
Black, Thomas	D	9	Died in prison
Black, William	D	9	Killed in Ohio
Bowen, John, Lieut.	G	2	Killed in Miss., 1863
Bradley, E. L.	G	23	Killed at Chicamauga, TN
Bridgewater, J. C., Com.		30	Died at Forsyth, GA
Brooks, Henry			Killed in GA
Burford, Benjamin	C	4	Killed at Woodburry, TN
Burford, David	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Burnett, David	B	7	Died at Camp Gregg, 1863
Burrus, Brice M., Sargt.	A	8	Died at Lynchburg, VA
Burrus, George	A	8	Killed at Franklin, TN
Burrus, Jacob, Sargt.	A	8	Killed at Franklin, TN
Burrus, John	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Burrus, William	A	8	Died at Columbia, MS
Bruce, William	H	7	Killed in Virginia, 1861
Calhoun, Sidney	G	23	Died at Camp Trousdale
Caplinger, Henry	C	4	Died at home, 1862
Carlile, Floyd	B	7	Died of wounds in VA, 1861
Cord, James	C	4	Died at Camp Myers, 1861

Corley, David	B	7	Died in VA, 1862
Corley, Nathan	A	8	Killed at Franklin, TN
Corley, William	F	24	Died at Bowling Green
Cutrell, Ephraim	G	4	Killed at Parker's Crossroad
Dabb, Richard	C	4	Died
Davis, William	F	24	Killed at Shiloh. 1862
Dawson, John	B	7	Killed at Gainsmill
Deadman, William	C	4	Killed at Aiken, SC, 1864
Denton, James	F	24	Killed at Murfreesboro
Dice, Jacob	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Dickens, Wesley	G	44	Killed at Druceys Bluff
Dickens, William	G	4	Killed at Glasgow, KY
Dillard, James			Died
Dillard, John L.	C	4	Killed at Crossardville, GA
Dirickson, Seth	B	7	Killed Manassas
Dirickson, Thomas	G	2	Died at Monterey
Duffy, Albert	G	4	Killed at Ft. Donelson, 1863
Duke, Henry	G	23	Died in Prison
Easters, Johnathan	G	4	Killed at Harrisonville, 1864
Evans, Josiah	C	4	Killed at home
Farmer, Stephen	C	4	Died at Camp Myer, 1861
Ferrell, C.	F	4	Killed at Shiloh
Gammons, Calb	A	8	Killed at Resace, GA
Gann, Can	B	7	Died in VA 1863
Garrett, Clay	F	24	Killed
Garrett, John		30	Killed at Vicksburg
Gauthey, Fred	F	24	Killed at Shiloh, 1862
Gillihan, Uriah	C	4	Killed at Home
Green, Jerry	G	2	Killed
Green, William	G	4	Killed
Griffin, Charles T.	B	7	Died in NC, 1863
Grisson, John H.	C	4	Died at Home
Haddock, Pinkney	Artillery		Killed
Hale, Thomas R.	K	7	Died in VA, 1861
Haley, John	C	4	Died at Home, 1862
Hall, John	B	7	Died in Prison, DEL.
Hankins, Richard	A	8	Killed at Franklin, TN
Harper, Thomas	G	4	Killed near Franklin, TN
Haynie, Thomas		9	Died in Prison
Haynie, William	G	23	Killed at Murfreesboro
High, J. A. Overton			
High, L. B.	Ark Reg.		Died at Ft. Smith
High, Woodson			

Hodges, Robert	G	2	Died at Cornith, MS
Holt, John	G	23	Killed at Shiloh
Hubard, Thomas J.	B	7	Killed at Gettysburg, 1863
Johnson, James	B	7	Killed at Gainsmill, VA
Jones, Bailey P.	A	8	Killed at Resaca, GA
Kirby, Andrew	A	8	Died at Stanton, VA
Kerby, Martin	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Kerby, William	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Key, Henry	G	23	Killed at Chickamauga
King, Samuel	B	7	Killed at Gettysburg
Knight, James	B	7	Killed at Gains Mill, VA
Legan, Fount	F	24	Killed at Shiloh
Mann, Mitchel	D	9	Died in Prison
Martin, Charles	G	4	Killed at Crossville, GA
Mason, Phillip	H	7	Killed at Sevenpines, VA
McClarín, Hugh			Killed at Sevenpines, VA
McDonald, William		28	Killed Corinth
McKinney, Jordan	A	8	Died
McMurry, Archie	D	23	Died in 1861
McMurry, James	A	8	Died in 1861
Miller, James	G	28	Killed at Shiloh
Mooningham, Joe	F	24	Killed at Perryville, 1863
Murphy, Andrew	A	8	Killed at Resaca, GA
Nash, George	A	8	Killed at Resaca, GA
Nickols, William	G	4	Killed at Murfreesboro
Nolen, Joe	F	24	Killed at Shiloh
Oldham, George		24	Killed at Decatur, AL
Oliver, Luther	G	9	Died in Prison
Paty, James	B	7	Killed at Gettysburg, 1863
Payne, Jordan	G	23	Killed at Murfreesboro
Perkins, David	A	8	Killed at Murfreesboro
Pervin, Fayette	B	7	Died in VA, 1864
Phillips, Samuel	G	23	Killed at Murfreesboro
Phillips, William	B	7	Died in Warm Springs, VA
Price, William	A	8	Died in Stanton, VA
Puryear, Alford	G	23	Killed at Shiloh
Puryear, Daniel, Capt.	A	8	Killed at Resaca, GA
Read, Thomas	G	23	Died in MS
Reeves, David	G	2	Killed in MS 1863
Richards, Bailey, P.	B	7	Killed at Cedar Run
Rison, Henry	B	7	Killed at Gettysberg, 1864
Robinson, William	G	2	Killed in MS, 1863
Rowland, Arch	C	4	Killed at Bentonville, NC

Sanders, John	F	24	Killed in MS
Seay, William, Agt.		24	Killed at Perryville, 1863
Sexton, Robert	B	7	Died in hospital
Shannon, William	D	7	Dead
Shoemaker, German	B	7	Killed at Petersburg, VA
Shoemaker, Pompy	B	7	Killed at Chanlersville
Smith, Marshall		28	Killed at Cornith
Stanton, S. S., Col.		25	Killed at Resaca, GA
Stowe, Apollos	H	2	Killed at Shiloh
Stewart, John	F	24	Killed at Perryville
Sullivan, Tandy	C	4	Killed at Home
Sutherland, Alex	H	2	Killed at Murfreesboro
Taylor, Peter H.	H	24	
Taylor, John	G	23	Died at Bowling Green
Thomson, Cim	G	2	Died in MS, 1864
Trousdale, Henry	G	2	Died in MS, 1862
Tunstall, George	A	8	Died Goshen, VA
Turner, William	C	4	Killed at Crossardsville, GA
Whitley, William	F	24	Died at Bowling Green
Wilson, John	D	9	Killed at Glasgow, KY
Winkler, Henry		28	Killed Chickamauga
Wright, William	D	9	Killed at Bulls Gap

Unless otherwise indicated, all soldiers were in the cavalry.

COUNTY'S LAST FEDERAL SOLDIER DIES, AGE 91

Carthage Courier, March 16, 1939

Smith County's last surviving Federal soldier, Grandson L. Bush, died at his home in the Maggart community March 15, 1939. He was born in that community August 29, 1847, making his age 91 years, 6 months, and 14 days. He was the son of Willis and Apquite Bush and the last surviving member of a large family. He was married four times, his wife, Mrs. Merce Dickens Bush, surviving. He was the father of 16 children only three of whom survive: they being Mrs. Gertie Oliver of Heydenburg, Mrs. Ola Bush and Elijah Bush of Madison. There are a number of grandchildren.

Mr. Bush, as a young man, enlisted in the Federal army during the War Between the States and received an honorable discharge at the close of the conflict. His passing away leaves only one Smith Countian who was a soldier in that war, that being John E. Gold of Gordonsville who was a Confederate soldier.

Mr. Bush was a member of the Methodist Church. He was confined to his bed for the last year of his life, but bore his illness with patience. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday by the pastor, Br. Qualls, assisted by the Rev. J. P. McDonald. Interment was in the family burial burying grounds.

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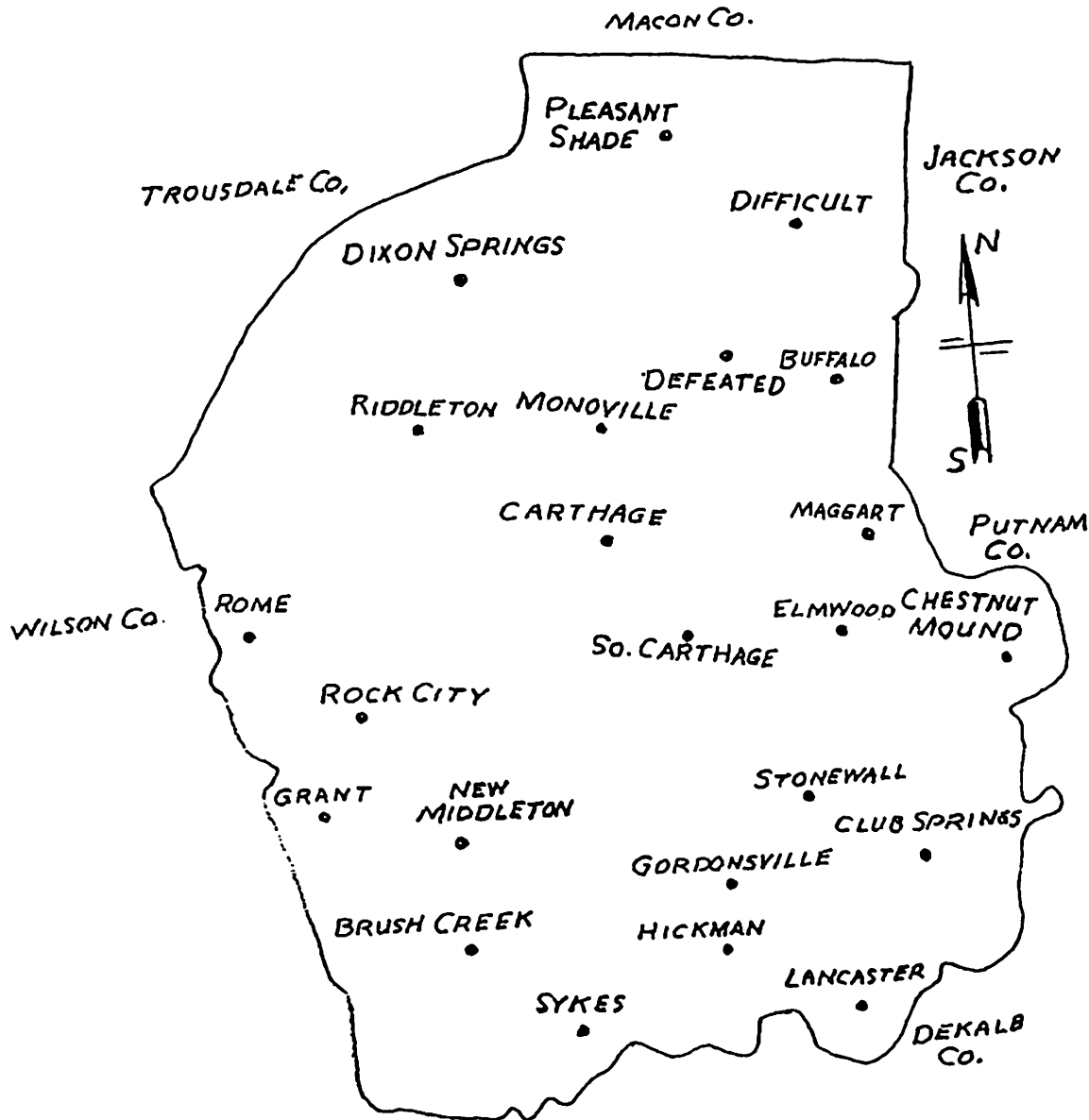
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From the Editor:

Here in sunny Smith County cheerful buttercups are blooming in profusion along the roadsides, vacant lots, and winter-brown lawns. The snow showers of recent days falling upon their golden petals, covering them with a film of white, are a sure sign that spring cannot be far behind.

This is the time of year when a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love, and the genealogist begins to feel an irresistible urge to go "cemetery stomping" or "courthouse cruising!" A soothing balm for these afflictions is offered by the National Genealogical Society whose annual conference is being sponsored by the Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society in Nashville 1 - 4 June 2005. Many interesting speakers are featured, and you are only an hour's drive from Smith County. Further information may be had by calling 800-473-0060 or email conference@ngsgenealogy.org.

It is time for membership renewal to the Smith County Heritage Museum. If you have not already done so, you are encouraged to renew, or, if not a member, please become one this year. Not only your monetary support but also your interest and input are needed to make the Museum a continued success.

Under the supervision of Steve Haskins of MTSU, the Civil War exhibit promises to be extraordinary in its scope and is scheduled for completion by Labor Day. Welcome new additions to the Board for 2005 are John Waggoner, Jr., Steve Russell, and Glenn Pettross.

We continue to solicit your contributions to the *Quarterly*. Items of historical and genealogical interest are needed, especially local family genealogies, Bibles, diaries, and interesting articles. There are surely many more of you out there eligible for the "150 Club," (ancestor in Smith County prior to 1850) so get those applications in.

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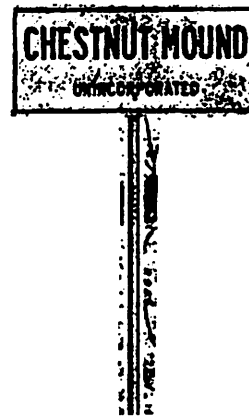
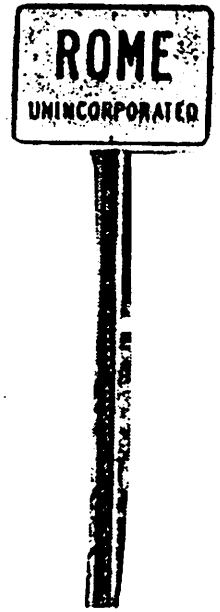
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Defeated Dixon Springs, Tennessee

Cordell Hull Bridge remains unresolved.
Built in 1936, the Cordell Hull
Bridge now meets the criteria for
listing in the National Register of
Historic Places.



Benton McMillin Home

Capt. William Walton

Lily Hill Baptist Church
Ridgleton, Tennessee

Difficult--On Old Fort Blount Trail

Difficult To Defeated

SMITH COUNTY LEGENDS AND TALES
AS COMPILED BY CLYDE WHITE

[Ed. Note: Clyde White was a long time member of the Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society and was an enthusiastic history buff. The son of Herman H. and Susie Knight White, Clyde's interest in preserving the heritage of Smith County is evidenced by his careful documentation of the traditional tales and legends handed down in his family. Clyde wrote this article about 1939. After Clyde's death in March 2004, his widow, Margaret, graciously shared his stories with our readers].

INTRODUCTION

There are many unwritten stories concerning Smith County which are vital to its history. Such are the stories and legends that are included in this pamphlet. Some are legendary but the majority of them are known to be actual occurrences. All stories have been handed down from one generation to another and it is only natural that the contents of the stories have, to some extent, changed through retelling. At any rate, the tales express the ideas intended to be brought forth. They are, in a manner, more interesting than the actual history of Smith County.

SMITH COUNTY HAS QUEER NAMES AMONG ITS HILLS

There is in the vicinity of Smith and Jackson counties, a small community called Nameless. There are many such queer named communities in Smith County.

For instance, if you go north of Carthage, the county seat, along Turkey Creek in sight of Horseshoe Bend, up Angel's Hill, through Paradise Gap. Around Devil's Elbow, you will come to a place called Ashhopper Hollow, not far from the old post office, Accident. Then you can journey through Hogg town, which is usually referred to as Defeated Creek and finally to the village of Difficult.

Carthage was named for the ancient city of Greece. There is a place eight miles west of Carthage, called Rome that was named for the ancient city of Italy.

If you go south for a few miles you will arrive in the town of Elmwood. It received its name from the large number of elm trees that grow there. Continuing on the same highway, you come to Chestnut Mound so named for the large number of chestnut trees on the mountain. Dixon Springs is named for Major Tillman Dixon. South Carthage is often referred to as Russin because business was rushing there at one time in its history.

SMITH COUNTY NAMED FOR SETTLER

Smith County was named in honor of General Daniel Smith, a native of Virginia who was appointed by Thomas Jefferson of that state to run a boundary line between Virginia and North Carolina. His duties brought him to the Cumberlands and into the Cumberland Valley where he settled in what was then Sumner, now Smith County.

The early settlers of Smith County came from Virginia, North Carolina, and East Tennessee. Most of them were given grants of land for military service rendered in the Revolutionary War.

At the time of the first settlement, this part of the state was a wilderness and an unbroken forest. The Indians claimed this section as their hunting ground until about 1801. There were no roads, only Indian trails leading everywhere. The land was well stocked with bear, deer, and turkey, and the streams abounded with fish.

Because of the popularity of General Smith, Smith County was named for him.

Taken from a history of Smith County by Sam Young of Dixon Springs.

DEFEATED IS NAMED FOR A BATTLE

Several years ago when the white people were settling this country, there were frequent battles with the Indians. Many of these took place in what is now Smith County. The whites and Indians met in a battle on the edge of a small creek ten miles north of Carthage. The whites were defeated by the Indians. Since this battle, this vicinity has been known as Defeated, Tennessee.

From my maternal grandfather as related by his father.

THE NAMING OF DIFFICULT

The postal authorities in Washington asked the people in what is now the Difficult community to send in a list of names for the purpose of deciding upon one for postal service. This was done but the list was so difficult for the authorities to pronounce that they decided to name the place "Difficult."

From my father who lived at Difficult at the time of this occurrence.

LOCATION OF COUNTY SEAT DETERMINED BY REFERENDUM

There has been some contention in the absence of more authentic evidence as to whether William Walton or Major Tillman Dixon was the first settler in Smith County. At least they were in part contemporary. Walton settled in the vicinity of Carthage while Major Dixon settled in an opposite portion of the county, that is, as it stands today.

The location of the country seat became an issue about the year 1800. Walton gave about twelve acres of land where the courthouse now stands, divided it into city blocks and lots, sold them, and turned the money into a fund for the building of a courthouse. Meantime, Major Dixon, who wished to have the county seat located back of the present Royster farm in the vicinity of Riddleton, held a referendum.

On the day of the balloting, the Dixon followers formed a circle about the polls undertaking thereby to shut out the supporters of Walton from the polls. It is said that Walton's friends hoisted their voters onto their shoulders so that they could walk over the heads of the Dixon contention, thus winning the election by a small majority of some forty votes and securing the present location at Carthage for the courthouse.

From a history of Smith County by S. Young

LOVER'S LEAP

Near Horseshoe Bend on the Cumberland River is a bluff known as Lover's Leap. The story goes that several years ago a boy and a girl were to be married in a short time. The girl's parents found it out and objected. They told her that she must not see this boy any more. The girl sent the boy word to meet her on the bluff which was near her home. They met and leaped from the bluff into the Cumberland River and were drowned.

Told me by my father

DEVIL'S ELBOW

Near the junction of the Monoville-Turkey Creek road is a place near the top of the ridge known as "Devil's Elbow." It is said that its location between Turkey Creek on the south and Hogg Town on the north is responsible for the name. The Devil probably stuck up his elbow to keep the Hogs out of the turkeys.

Told by my cousin, Gordon Petty, of Carthage

HOME OF EX-GOVERNOR MCMILLAN

The home of one time Governor of Tennessee, Benton McMillan formerly stood near the end of the new concrete bridge in Carthage (Ed. Note: The Cordell Hull Bridge). The house was torn away for the construction of the new entrance to the bridge. The place was sometimes known as the Gardenhire home.

Told by my father

PIONEER HOME

Dressed lumber, or even rough lumber, was unknown in pioneer days. The first step taken in the building of a house was to call in the neighbors, few and scattered as they were, to assist in the house-raising. They helped to cut the trees and put them in readiness. On the day set to begin, there were twelve men present; but when the time came to put the house up, there were nineteen.

The building of the house caused much excitement. The house was to have three rooms and a porch which was very unusual. This type of house was built by the well-to-do. While the men worked on the house, the women came and prepared food for them.

The completion of the house was celebrated by a corn-husking and pea-shelling which everyone enjoyed. This house was in the hands of the immediate family for more than sixty years. The better roads that came later left the house alone on a deserted hillside in the eastern part of Smith County.

Told by my father as related by his mother

BATTERY HILL

The large hill due north of Carthage is correctly named Battery Hill. It was the position of several batteries of the Union Army near the close of the war. Trenches were dug around the hill near the top and a hole was dug on the crest in which a gun was placed. Another version has it that this large pit was for the storage of ammunition. Trenches were also dug from the top of the hill to two very fine springs on the southeastern side of the hill toward Carthage. The rock works about the springs, the numerous trenches near the hill, and the hole in the top of the hill may be seen today. Even to this date, bullets from guns used in skirmishes and in target practice, may be seen. The hillside formerly had many log breastworks and buildings which have fallen into decay. The Union Army burned some of these when they gave up the position.

The town of Carthage would probably have been the scene of a major battle had the war lasted a little longer.

Told by my cousin, Gordon Petty, of Carthage

UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

Across the river from Carthage there is a large cave about twenty feet from the top of the bluff. It is said that this cave comes out again somewhere in the vicinity of New Middleton some six or seven miles away.

During the Civil war a negro slave decided to run away from his master. Hard pressed by pursuit, the negro ran into this cave to hide. Within the cave, he became lost and began to wander about. He finally found his way out at an opening somewhere near New Middleton.

Told by my paternal grandfather

DEAD WOMAN OFFERS REWARD

Two robbers went to the grave of a woman to rob her of the jewelry which had been buried with her on the day before. They opened the casket and had begun to take the jewels when the dead woman stirred. When she raised herself in the casket, the robbers ran away. The woman walked back to her house, knocked on the door, and asked to be admitted. One of the family appeared to open the door after he was finally convinced that the dead was still alive. Later the woman offered a reward for the robbers of her jewelry.

Told by James McClellan of Carthage

BLUFF NAMED "WHITE AND WHILLEY"

Boats were often used by the early settlers for purposes of commerce on the Cumberland River. Two men, a Mr. White and a Mr. Whilley, were each in charge of a boat. One boat was just in front of the other and the front boat was driven into a bank by the tide and wind. The second boat was driven into the first and the boats and their cargoes were destroyed. The bluff has since been given this name.

Told by my father (Mr. White in this incident was an uncle of my father)

HEADLESS WOMAN PLAYS ORGAN

Near Riddleton there is a Methodist church. This church is on a country road and surrounded by a number of trees. One day an old woman and her daughter started to the store. As they passed the church they thought they heard music. They walked to the window, wondering what it could be, as it was not Sunday. They saw a woman with no head playing an organ and a little bald-headed girl singing. This scared them so much that they ran home and have never passed by this church since.

Told by Mildred Royster of Riddleton

NEAL FISHER CAVE

The Neal Fisher Cave is found in Congo Bottom about a mile from Club Springs. It was found about 1906 by Neal Fisher and has still borne that name. The cave contains two departments, upper and lower. The steps which led to the upper department are now petrified. Farther back in the cave is found what has all the appearances of caskets, which are likewise petrified. It is supposed that during the Civil War corpses were put in this cave for safe keeping.

Told by my maternal grandfather

TO BE CONTINUED.

"150 CLUB"

Estella Knight Morrison establishes membership in the 150 Club with the following pioneers:

1. John and Martha Montague Knight – See Smith County, Quarterly Volume 14, No. 2, page 312 et. seq., for the narrative on their life. Estella's line is from their son, Thomas Latane Knight, father of John A. Knight, father of Sebastian K. Knight, father of Walter Franklin Knight, father of Estella. The first three generations lived in Smith County.

2. Edmund and JoAnna Dillehay – Descent is from Edmund Dillahay's oldest daughter, Sarah Hill Dillehay. She married Thomas L. Knight and their lineage is given.

3. William Ferguson and Isabell Wakefield - William Ferguson served as a private in an Infantry Company, part of the 3rd Regiment, West Tennessee Militia under Captain Elijah Haynie and Col. Roulston in the War of 1812. William served from 13 Nov 1814 to 13 May 1815 and was paid \$8 per month for this service. William was discharged at Nashville.¹

Due to the uncertainty of the survey for the state line between Kentucky and Tennessee William obtained 115 acres of Smith County, Tennessee land from the Kentucky land office. The patent was dated 1 March 1835. This land was on the banks of Salt Lick Creek, It joined land already owned by Ferguson and by Scott.²

A survey for 25 acres dated 17 Mar 1837 also on the waters of Little Salt Lick Creek became Williams on 27 Jan 1838.³

William died at his home in Macon County, Tennessee on 20 Nov 1857.⁴

Williams's son, Silas Burke Ferguson, married Elizabeth Smith and their daughter Tabitha Ferguson married Sebastian K. Knight.

4. WILLIAM SMITH is supposed to have come to Tennessee in 1809.⁵ He paid \$175 for twenty (20) acres on Dixon's Creek in Smith County, Tennessee on 20 April 1819.⁶

William Smith paid the State of Tennessee one cent per acre for fifty (50) acres of land in Smith County on the waters of the dry creek fork of Dixon's Creek. The entry was made on 2 Jan 1826 and surveyed on 10 January 1826. The land began at an Elm on his southwest corner of twenty (20) acres. William received his grant on 14 March 1829.

In July of 1834 William Smith applied for a letter of dismission from Peyton's Creek Baptist Church in Smith Co. It was granted.

William died in June 1849 after being ill for 13 months.⁷ William Leon York said that William and his wife were buried on Dixon Creek near Dixon Springs.

¹ Military Service, War of 1812, National Archives, Washington, D.C.

² Land Patent, Kentucky State Land Office, Frankfort, KY.

³ *Ibid (land)*

⁴ Widow's Bounty Land Application, National Archives, Washington, D.C.

⁵ Cal's Column, Newspaper, Layfayette, TN.

⁶ Smith County, Tennessee, Deed Book K, p. 295.

⁷ Smith County, Tennessee, Federal Census, Mortality Schedule, 1850.

William's son, Randall or Randolph Smith, was born in 1806 or 1807 in NC [probably Chatham Co.] He married Sarah Mitchell about 1825 in Smith Co., TN. Randall, eventually, moved to Fulton Co., AR. He died in Fulton Co. in 1889. He was buried in the Hutson Cemetery, approx. 3 miles from Elizabeth, AR.

5. Allen Mitchell - Enclosed are three pages on my Mitchell family of early Smith Co. Sarah Mitchel born circa 1811 in Tennessee. She married Randol Smith. Their daughter, Elizabeth, married Silas Burke Ferguson and their daughter Tabitha Ferguson married Sebastian K. Knight as given above.

6. Henry Wakefield – One of the Revolutionary War Veterans to move to Smith County about 1815. He and his wife both received pensions on his service from the state of North Carolina. Henry's daughter, Isabella, married William Ferguson. This is the couple listed third.

7. Claiborne Matthews was born circa 1810 in North Carolina. His parents moved to Warren County, Tennessee. The first mention of Claiborne found in Smith County is from Deed Book O; an 1837 tobacco mortgage. Claiborne had been married to Matilda Phillips in 1829 or 1830. The family is found on the 1840 census of Smith County. Their daughter, Elizabeth Matthews married John A. Knight in Smith County on 6 May 1860.

8. James Phillips was born in North Carolina circa 1788. He had a survey for 100 acres of land in District 2 of Smith County in the early 1830's. The name of his first wife and the mother of his children is unknown. His second wife was Christy West. They were married in September of 1845. James daughter, Matilda, was born about 1814 in Tennessee. She married Claiborne Matthews in 1829 or 1830.

MITCHELL

Calvin Gregory, in a genealogy column on families of early Smith County, gave Sarah Mitchell as the wife of Randol and her father as Allen, David or Robert Mitchell. These three men lived on the waters of Peyton's Creek.¹ Sarah Mitchell Smith's son, Dr. Daniel Smith, said his grandparents lived half way between Carthage and Dixon Springs.

The way we are able to determine Sarah's parentage is in her known relationship to Aunt Lucy Ferguson's Uncle Hampton. Guardianship papers found in the Smith County, TN Court Records show Hampton Mitchell to be the son of Allen and Polly Mitchell.

In 1820, Allen Mitchell was living in Smith County, Tennessee. He was 26 to 44 years of age. A woman of similar age was living in the household. There are four sons, three under the age of 10 and one from 10 to 15. There were three females, one under 10, 1 from 10 to 15, 1 from 16 to 25.²

On the second Monday and 14th day of May 1821, the Smith County Court ordered that Thomas Gregory be appointed foreman of the road instead of Allen Mitchell. He was to have the same hands and bounds.³

Able and Major Gregory served as chain carriers for a survey made for Allen Mitchell on 24 June 1824. The entry had been made on 31 May 1824 and was number 62. The nine and one half [9 1/2] acres of land was on the West Side of Peyton's Creek and joined J. Mitchel.⁴ This area became known as Tow Town.⁵

On the 4th of January 1826, Allen's Entry #560 for 34 and one-fourth [34 1/4] acres on the west side of Payton's Creek was surveyed. This land joined Jeremiah Gregory, Wilmore and Boston's boundary. H. Gregory & Mark Mitchell were the chain carriers.⁶

That same month, Allen had Entry #472 for a twenty-five [25] acre survey on the waters of Payton's Creek. It joined his west boundary. The chain carriers were H. Gregory and Mark Mitchell.⁷

Allen joined Pitts Gregory in obtaining fifty [50] acres of Smith County land in 1829.⁸

Allen Mitchell was listed in the 1830 census of Smith County as being 50 to 59 years of age. The older woman, surely his wife, is the same age. There are no daughters

¹ Cal's Column, Lafayette, Tennessee, Newspaper, 11 Dec 1952.

² Smith County, Tennessee, Federal Census, 1820.

³ Smith County, Tennessee, Minute Book 9, 1820-1822, p. 220.

⁴ Smith County, Tennessee, Survey Book 1825-1890, p. 36. This land is also found in the Card Index to Land Grants at the Tennessee State Archives. Number 1958, dated 1825, recorded Book 3, page. 266.

⁵ Smith County, Tennessee, Historian Carmack Key, 1975.

⁶ Op. cit., Survey Book, page 208. Tennessee State Archives No. 6842, recorded Book 8, page 498.

⁷ *Ibid.*, page 201. Tennessee State Archives, No. 6842, Book 8, p. 492.

⁸ *Ibid.*, Tennessee State Archives, No. 9066, recorded Book 11, p. 309.

at home. The three older girls, including our Sarah, had probably married. There are five males in the household. One born since 1820, would probably be Hampton, the one aged 10 to 14 may be Major, with the 15 to 19 year old being Stamford. The 20 to 30 year old male may have been Allen.

Mark Mitchell is listed as a young man on the 1830 census. He may be the man that served as a chain carrier for Allen's surveys and attended the Peyton's Creek Baptist Church. He is 20 to 29 years of age, evidently married as there is a female aged 20 to 29 with him as well as a boy and a girl under the age of five.⁹ Other men listed on the census in Mark's age bracket are Nelson and William. They also appear to be newly married with young children.

Allen must have died soon after the census was taken as Polly Mitchell appeared before the Smith County Court during the November term in 1830 and was appointed, with Samuel D. McMurry, as the administrators of Allen's estate. John McMurry and Able Gregory served as the securities. A bond of \$600 was posted and letters granted. Polly was allowed one year's provisions.¹⁰

The Smith County Court decreed at their February term in 1831 that an inventory of Allen Mitchell's estate be made. County commissioners were appointed to lay off and set apart one years provisions for the widow and family of Allen Mitchell.¹¹

The estate inventory was ordered recorded by the Smith County Court at their April term 1831.¹²

During the November 1832 term of the Smith County Court Polly Mitchell, administrator of the estate of Allen Mitchell, appeared before the court. Samuel W. McMurray, John Bradley and Thompson Mace were appointed as commissioners to settle the estate with Polly and Samuel D. McMurray.¹³ All of these men were from the Dixon Creek area.¹⁴

Minutes for the court held the following February (1833) show the case was continued.¹⁵ It was May before the commissioners rendered an account of the estate and the inventory was recorded.¹⁶

In March of 1833, the County Court appointed Pettis Gregory the guardian of Major and Hampton Mitchell, while John Hyson was appointed as the guardian of Stanford.¹⁷

⁹ *Ibid.*, Smith, 1830, #303.

¹⁰ Smith County, Tennessee, Minute Book 13, 1830-1831, p. 41.

¹¹ *Ibid.*, page 124.

¹² Smith County, Tennessee, Inventory Book 1827-1832, page 374.

¹³ Smith County, Tennessee, Minute Book 14, page 197.

¹⁴ *Op. cit.*, Key.

¹⁵ *Op. cit.*, Minute Book 14, page 281.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, page. 306

¹⁷ Smith County, Tennessee, Will Book 12, page 61.

At the June 1833 term of court, the report was made concerning the sale of Allen Mitchell's property.¹⁸

Mary Mitchell is shown owning land in the 3rd Civil District of Smith County in 1838. Living next door is her son, Stanford.¹⁹ The film was so poor it was impossible to tell the correct number of acres Mary owned. The number may have been 120 or 150 acres.

While our Allen Mitchell died in late 1830 there was another man in the county of this name. On the Friday before the third Sabbath in September of 1834 it was reported to the members of the Peyton's Creek Baptist Church that brothers Mark & Allen Mitchell had quarreled and made use of improper and profane language. Brother Greg. Smith was appointed to see them.²⁰

The following Saturday the two brethren Mitchell settled and letters of dismission were granted them and, also, to sister Mitchell.²¹

¹⁸ Error page 77 but no Book cited. David division of land on page 42. Page 89 cited but nothing written in.

¹⁹ Public Records, (Tennessee) Tax Lists, Rutherford - Sumner. Sutro Library Microfilm 480, Reel No. 61.

²⁰ Records of Peyton's Creek Baptist Church, Smith County, TN. 1834-1953. Microfilm No. 216, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, TN.

²¹ *Ibid.*

OPERATIONS IN KENTUCKY, MIDDLE AND EAST TENNESSEE, NORTH
ALABAMA, AND SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA

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Submitted by Welborn Dimmett

MARCH 8, 1863 – Capture of forage train near Carthage, Tenn.

*Report of Brig. Gen. George Crook, U. S. Army [Chap. XXXV.]**Carthage, March 15, 1863*

GENERAL: I have awaited the return of the prisoners before making my detailed report of the capture of my forage train on the 8th instant, in order that I might get at the full particulars.

The forage train, consisting of 18 wagons, was guarded by two companies of the Eleventh Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Capt. George Johnson, of the same regiment. The escort numbered 55 men, making with 18 teamsters, 73 men.

From the best information I can get, the circumstances of the capture were about these: The train was in a lane, near its destination, when the enemy's cavalry were first discovered. The captain got his men together, crossed over one of the fences into an open field, and drew them up in line. After the cavalry had surrounded him and commenced advancing, the captain gave the command to aim twice and then recover arms. The last time the enemy fired, and in return a few of his men fired without orders. The enemy then closed in and took them without further resistance.

Three of our men were slightly wounded, and 1 had his leg broken. There was a cover of woods a short distance in rear of our men, which they could have reached after they saw the enemy, and before the attack was made, from all accounts. The enemy were counted by several persons to be 140. The 3 commissioned officers and a few men were not paroled.

I have been in the habit of sending two companies as escort to my forage trains, and only two days previous one of my expeditions, from the direction of Rome and Alexandria, returned reporting no enemy. But, unfortunately, on the morning of the 8th, I was sick. Two companies from this regiment were ordered to escort this train. By some mistake two of the smallest companies in the regiment were sent, and, in addition, my quartermaster ordered the train some 1 ½ miles farther than it had been in the habit of foraging.

I would again report, for the information of the general commanding, my utter failure to accomplish any result here without cavalry. I have sent out several expeditions over this country without accomplishing anything. They could get reliable information of nothing only what they saw, and could only see a few scouts on distant hills.

All the suitable [stock] has been taken out of this country, so it is impossible to mount my men.

I have the honor to remain, your most obedient servant,

GEORGE CROOK
Brigadier-General

APRIL 1-8. EXPEDITION FROM MURFREESBOROUGH TO LEBANON ,
CARTHAGE, AND LIBERTY, TENN.

REPORTS

NO. 1

Report of Maj. Gen. William S. Rosecrans, U. S. Army

MURFREESBOROUGH, TENN.

APRIL 8, 1863 – 10 p.m.

Colonel Wilder's brigade went to Carthage; from thence returned via Snow Hill and Liberty. Chased Wharton's brigade out of Smithville. Captured his rear guard. Destroyed 5,000 bushels of wheat and a large quantity of bacon, and sends in about 350 horses and 70 or 80 prisoners. General Palmer went within 10 miles of McMinnville, and ran the rebel cavalry, bringing in a number of prisoners. Van Dorn is at Spring Hill, and, it is said, means to attack Granger at Franklin tomorrow. We hope to make it expensive to the rebels.

W. S. ROSECRANS, *Major-General*

NO. 2

Report of Col. John T. Wilder, Seventeenth Indiana Infantry, commanding expedition

Murfreesborough, April 9, 1863.

Sir: I have to report that, in obedience to orders received, I started with my command, consisting of the Seventeenth Indiana, Seventy-second Indiana, and Ninety-eighth Illinois Mounted Infantry, Lilly's battery of four 3-inch rifled guns and four mountain howitzers, Seventy-fifth Indiana, one hundred and first Indiana, and one hundred twenty-third Illinois Infantry; in all about 2,500 men.

Sent the Ninety-eighth Illinois, Colonel Funkhouser, over on to the New Middleton road, retaining the Seventeenth Indiana with myself. All instructed to arrive in town at 5 p.m. The Seventeenth Indiana going in, took two wagons laden with corn, on the road to Liberty, for the enemy.

Sent the Seventeenth Indiana, Lt. Colonel Jordan, to Rome via Jennings' Fork, and in the afternoon the command, except the Seventy-second Indiana, moved out the Rome road to the Big Spring Farm, and encamped for the night.

On the morning of the 4th instant, the command moved on to Rome. I took the Seventeenth Indiana, and went on to Carthage, where I procured supplies and turned over to the provost marshal 30 prisoners, a lot of goods taken from a contraband trader direct

from McMinnville, and three wagon-loads of manufactured tobacco, the latter being part of a lot seized by my order on the road from Big Spring to Rome. I had received information from several sources that the owners had disposed of it to the Confederate Government, and had received pay therefor; also that they were noisy and violent secessionists. This proves to have been a mistake, so far, at least, as one of the firm is concerned, Mr. Fuqua. I had distributed about one-third of the lot to the command. Mr. Fuqua's claim will doubtless be presented for adjudication.

On the morning of the 5th, the infantry and battery came up from Rome to Carthage, the ninety-eighth Illinois and Seventy-second Indiana scouting the country for stock. The next day, the 6th instant, both commands moved to New Middleton, where rations were distributed. All the animals and prisoners turned over to the infantry, which marched to Alexandria, the mounted force, with a section of Lilly's battery and two howitzers, moving up Caney Fork, over a hilly and broken country, going into camp at Smith's Fork, where we destroyed a large quantity of wheat and flour collected for the enemy, and rendered the mill unfit for further use, cutting off this source of supplies

J. T. WILDER, *Colonel, Commanding*

OCTOBER 10-14, 1863 – EXPEDITION FROM GALLATIN TO CARTHAGE,
TENN., WITH SKIRMISH (10TH) NEAR HARTSVILLE. [*Chap. XLII*]

Report of Col. Henry K. McConnell, Seventy-first Ohio Infantry.

Headquarters, United States Forces
Fort Thomas, October 14, 1863.

Sir: I have the honor to report that, in obedience to your orders, I started to Carthage on the 10th instant with three companies of infantry, three companies of mounted infantry, one company of colored troops, and one piece of the Thirteenth Indiana Battery.

At 11 a.m., and within 3 miles of Hartsville, we met the enemy in small force, who, after slight resistance, gave way. I ordered pursuit of them with part of a mounted company, which resulted in loss to the enemy 1 killed and 2 prisoners, 2 horses, and 2 revolvers. The axle of Captain Nicklin's piece having been broken by moving into position, I sent him back to Gallatin, sending with him the prisoners we had taken. Our loss in the action was 1 man killed and 1 horse and set of accouterments. I then sent the wagon train, convoyed by the footmen and one company of mounted infantry, directly to Carthage, under command of Capt. J. W. Moody, Seventy-first Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and, hearing that Major Hamilton was in the neighborhood, I took the remaining two mounted companies and went in the direction of Scottsville, where it was said he encamped. Finding that the rumor was false, I returned to Hartsville, and finding that our train had gone safely through, started for Carthage by the way of Rome.

Between Neely's Ford and Rome we found a number of persons who had not taken the oath of allegiance, and most of whom were bitter secessionists, and whose sons were engaged in irregular warfare and theft. From them we took all the serviceable stock that we could find and made prisoners of the men wherever practicable. We found a mill owned by Solomon Dice, which we burned, it being employed to grind for rebels who had refused to take the oath of allegiance, and the owner having declared he would not take the oath of allegiance.

At Rome we met scattering squads of guerrillas, with whom we had indiscriminate skirmishing, resulting to the enemy in the loss of 2 wounded, 1 horse, 1 gun, and 1 revolver captured. We found at Carthage a large quantity of commissary stores, in good condition. I respectfully suggest that the garrison may be safely left at that point for a short time, and that the stores ought, if possible, to be removed.

Of the 2 prisoners captured near Hartsville, one proved to be Lt. Petticord, and the other George Stocker, a paroled soldier; the latter having set fire to the bridge at Madden's Mill.

The time occupied in making trip was four days. All of which is respectfully submitted.
Brig. Gen. E. A. Paine, *Commanding Post, Gallatin, Tenn.*

BRICE M. BURRUS, SARGT.

Volume XVII, NO. 1, p. 23, contained a list of soldiers from E. L. Bradley Bivouac who were killed in the Civil War. Sargt Burrus who was included in this list died in Lynchburg, Va. Sarah Brunson has shared with us the following notation from List of Soldiers Buried in the Confederate Section, Old City Cemetery, Lynchburg, Va., from May 19, 1861 to September 19, 1868, copied from original books, 1994, Southern Memorial Assn., Deriguid Funeral Service, 1016 Rivermont Ave., Lynchburg, VA 24505.

collected X
B. M. Burrows of Capt. Burford's
8th Tenn Reg was Buried Nov 1861
4th Line Co. 158

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Compiled and edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Volume XVI, No. 4

Excerpts from Mrs. Wilson's Diary from January 1, 1894 - December 31, 1894

- 01/02 A cold, bright day. I weighed 120 lbs; Mr Wilson, 134; Jesse, 61; Fred, 69; Wilsye, 48; and Thayer, 15 lbs. Jesse and Wilsye walked and Thayer and I rode Val and went up to Nancy Jane's. Wilsye stopped and spent the day with Mr. Haley's little girl and this evening came over to Aunt Nancy Jane's. Jesse carried old Val back home and Thayer, Wilsye and I and a pack peddler, Mr. Wolf, are at George's tonight. Kelly got home from Granville.
- 01/07 Kelly, Thayer and I at home. I'll write and rock Thayer at the same time, and he may read this some future day and know why it is so badly written.
- 01/11 Cloudy this morning but clear and bright tonight. Fred and Kelly went up to Mr. Albert Haley's for him to see if Charm (horse) had festulla. Jesse came home early. This evening Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went down to Pa's and tonight I am alone with my four boys, all of which am so very proud. They are all quite jolly and happy, cracking nuts, popping corn and telling yarns.
- 01/14 A cloudy, warm morning. All the children went to Sunday school, Kelly riding Charm and Fred, Dandy Joe; Jesse and Wilsye, old Val. Mr. Wilson, Thayer and I at home, and I wrote to Cousin Tom Arrington of New Mexico. After the children got home, we all ate lunch and then Fred, Wilsye, Thayer and I went down to Albert's. And after supper Aunt Martha Haley (colored) came up to Albert's to stay with Thayer for me, Albert and Fred to go to Rome to church. It was raining when church was over. When I got to Albert's, Wilsye had fallen into the fire and burned her hand badly. Jenny and I set up with Wilsye until after 1:00.
- 01/21 Quite a lovely day. My 38th birthday: Another milestone along the road of life. It seems they're passing faster and faster each year and how many things for which to be grateful. My life has had it's shadows, some quite dark, but with all I feel I have been blessed beyond what I deserve. Wilsye and Jesse went to Sunday School. Kelly carried the mule old Bill and delivered him to James Gleaves at Rome. Fred went over to Mary Tom's after dinner. Wilsye and Thayer and I went down to Pa's and are there tonight.
- 01/31 Some warmer and cloudy. Mr. Wilson killed two hogs and then went to Rome after a barrel of salt. A Mr. Webb from Illinois and a Mr. Bill Estes was here to see jack stock. Kelly went last night to Mrs. Kenslow's cane thicket, rabbit hunting and we had rabbits for dinner today.

- 02/08 A cloudy, warm morning. Cattie came by about ten and a half o'clock and stayed until 3. Mary Tom and Net came this evening, and Net spent the evening here. Mary went down to Aunt Betsy's to reel some yarn. Tonight it is raining terribly and the creek is high. Uncle Ed is still here, and tonight Sam Lee, candidate for Trustee, and Mr. Horace James, candidate for Trustee, and Mr. Rufe Scruggs, candidate for Sheriff, are all here.
- 02/14 Looked early this morning like it would be a pretty day so Mr. Wilson carried Thayer on Grace and Wilsye and I rode old Val and went to Uncle Josh's early to wait for a boat. The boys carried our turkeys to Rock City and delivered to Bob Haley at 4 ½ cents, averaging 17 lbs. Fred went with us to Rome and Mr. Wilson went home. Fred stayed with us until the boat came at 3:00, at which time it was raining when the I.T. Ray whistled and Uncle Josh carried Thayer to the boat for us and Wilsye, Thayer and I went aboard for Granville. Found Mrs. Horace Hale and little girl Lucille and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis of Carthage on the boat. Thayer had a terrible spell of colic. Got to Granville at midnight and the mud was terrible, and it was snowing and no one to meet us, and Mr. Petway Maddux helped me to Pa's.
- 02/25 Woke up this morning to find it snowing fast and the snow six inches deep. Fred carried Thayer down to Pa's and Wilsye and I waded the snow. All packed to go home. All except Pa opposed our going, but when the Ray whistled, I felt like I must go. And it's snowing and so deep, but we got to the boat. Fred Kelly and Valley Holleman going to Nashville and Mrs McAllister of Nashville on the boat and quite a number of passengers. Thayer is screaming with the colic. Did not sleep much. Fred Armistead on the boat started to Texas.
- 03/01 A real pretty, pleasant day with plenty of snow on the ground. Pa was here this morning and Mr. Wilson went to Rock City and came home and ate dinner and told us that Mrs. Jim Manning was dead, and he and Wilsye went to Mt. Olivet to the burial. Heard Dr. King's little girl was accidentally shot and killed last Tuesday. Fred Taylor went home with Ed tonight.
- 03/04 Heard from the election. Dick Cornwall was elected Trustee; Clint Williams, Circuit Court Clerk; Letcher Liggon, County Court Clerk; M.J. Malone, Sheriff; D.C. Sanders, Registrar. Kelly got back about 1:00 this evening.
- 03/19 A warm day. A heavy rain last night. Jesse and Wilsye started to school this morning to Janie Wilson at Salem or Beach Grove. Mr. Wilson went this morning to help dig the grave and came home to dinner and he and Bob Wilson and Fred went with them to the burial of old Aunt Sally Skelton. Mr. Wilson began this morning to wean Alma Grace and Lady Wingham's colts, and such a noise the old mamas do make.
- 04/02 A beautiful cool day. Ed and Kelly making a cross fence in the lower field. Thayer is five months old today., weighs nearly 18 lbs, sweet as he can be, and I guess other people would call him spoiled. Pa came up here after some oats and told us there was a 10 lb. boy at Albert Williams. Fred rode his mare and went up to tell Hattie. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening. Ed and Kelly took up the carpet for me and Wilsye went home with Mr Bill Enoch's little girl tonight. Mr. Ben High, the tax assessor, is here. Bob and Sam commenced to paint George Williams' house.

- 04/05 Quite a busy day. Real windy. Found Nelly Bly with a little mule this morning. All at work at the lower place. Fred much interested in his chickens and turkeys, taking off 30 little chicks and having 30 turkey eggs.
- 04/21 Read cool and cloudy. Mr. Wilson and so forth planting corn until noon, when all quit. Kelly went to Rock City to a trial between John Enochs and Andrew Tyree concerning a mare. Jesse plowing by himself at the lower place. Fred is hunting turkey nests. Have been quite busy moving back into my own room after the painting.
- 04/30 A very warm day and it rained on Cattie House and I but did not rain any here. Fred carried Alma to the shop early and had her shod and Mary Tom came to keep Thayer. At 8:00 I started to Carthage. Went by for Cattie House and she went with me. We stopped at Sally Hodge's a few minutes and then over to Myers store, and found Betty Norris and Kate Banes there. Did our trading and came back by Sally's and got home at 5:00. Found Thayer had done fine while I was gone. A gentleman ate dinner here selling bed braces.
- 05/23 Still quite cool. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening and also this morning. Ed, Fred and Kelly sowing peas and so forth. Bob came this evening when he'd been helping build Mr. Lee Rawlins' dwelling but hurt his hand on a nail and had to quit. Jordan Williams is also here. Mr. Wilson bought 12 lbs. of nice fish. Miss Lucy Carpenter and Mr. George Stevens married this evening.
- 05/26 A cloudy, threatening day but did not rain. It is a reunion of confederate veterans at Carthage today. Mr. Wilson and Kelly went and report a large crowd, good order and plenty to eat with speaking by Honorable F.S. Wilson, Professor Wall of Franklin, Tennessee, Professor Mimms of Nashville, Col. J.J. Turner of Gallatin and General Smith.
- 06/06 Still real cool. Ma came early this morning from George's and is here tonight. Little Josh Wilson ate dinner here. Mary Tom spent the evening here and I cut out her a dress. Late this evening, Nancy Jane walked and came and is here tonight. Thayer is not well. Bob is helping plant sorghum (i.e., sugar cane) and corn in the meadow. Fred went to Mr. House's tonight from his work at the lower place where he was sowing peas. Had our first mess of beans.
- 06/28 Still very warm. Sam Patch came by early to tell us Aunt Amanda is not expected to live and Mr. Wilson went down there and came home to dinner and went back this evening and stayed until late. Later Betty Rigsby passed up and told us that Aunt Amanda had died this evening.
- 07/03 Uncle Ed is still here. Mary and the children gathering blackberries and I made jam. Bill Roberts brought a big mess of nice fish. Net was here this evening. Late this evening the artist Mr. Thack came to make arrangements to take our picture in the morning.
- 07/16 Rained this evening. Quite a busy day. Mary's sick and me with all the work except the children's help, and Wilsye fell off the back porch with Thayer. Kelly stepped on his finger and such a bad day he has had. Mr. Wilson went over to Mt. Olivet to confer with others prospective to building a new church. Uncle Ed and Bob here. The colt died this morning. Jesse went down to his grandma's to spend a week and how we do miss him.

- 07/24 A real pretty day. Ed, the children and I made a barrel full of nice kraut. Mary Tom spent the evening here. Heard that Uncle Levi Holloway was dead.
- 08/03 Still nursing the sick colt. Mr. Kline, the piano agent, ate dinner here and also Bob. Election excitement is high. Heard that Dick Cornwell was elected Trustee, W.B. Pickering, County Court Clerk; and Clint Williams, Circuit Court Clerk; M.J. Malone, Sheriff, and B.C. Sanders, Registrar. Net came this evening and got Alma to ride to Flat Rock.
- 08/24 Looks very much like rain this morning. Pa brought us all a nice watermelon. After early dinner, Edgar started with Wilsye, Thayer and I home after a little more than two weeks. As pleasant a stay no one has ever had. We stopped at Marvin Ford's a few moments and then came home. It was raining some. We got home at 6:00 and found Mr. Wilson and Kelly at home and very well, and Fred and Jesse gone to the Rome fair. After they got home, all are together once again. Edgar is with us.
- 09/10 Cool this morning but warm this evening. Just after 12 o'clock, the clover huller came and Alfred Baines and Ben Mofield and Henry Baines and Albert Williams and two Mr. Harlans ate dinner here, also two negro men. The little boys came at noon from school to help and they all hulled clover just one hour when it commenced raining and it stopped them. Wilsye is with little Ida Haley tonight. Some of these lines I know can scarcely be read but none will ever know how hurriedly many of them are written, often with Thayer in my arms, and as I write now everyone else is asleep.
- 09/19 Cool. Thayer has the thrash and Mr. Wilson carried him to old Ed Haley (colored) to blow in his mouth to cure it. Ma spent the day with us. Hattie Williams stopped a while this evening, having been to see Miss Kate Hankins who is very sick. Wilsye went home with Myrtle Enochs tonight.
- 10/13 A cool day. Mr. Wilson and Fred still gone to Granville. Kelly spent most of the day looking for his lost sow. I left Thayer with Jesse and Wilsye and went to Mt. Olivet and heard Rev. Thomas Henson preach the first sermon that was ever preached in the new Mt. Olivet church. I came home after preaching though there was a basket dinner. Net and Jordan here this evening. No one here tonight except the children and I. Mr. Wilson and Fred are still gone.
- 10/31 A cool, windy day. Mr. Wilson went to see Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tyree, both being quite sick. Ida Haley came with Wilsye and they are making molasses candy. It is now nearly 10:00. Eighteen years today since Mr. Wilson and I were married and not a single regret, only that I have not been a more faithful and devoted wife.
- 11/08 Cool and cloudy. A cakewalk and pie eating at George Williams tonight and Kelly has gone there.
- 11/20 A lovely day. Made Mr. Wilson a pair of pants. Thayer and Webb came about 1:00 and Thayer went on to Wilson county, and Webb is with us tonight. Uncle Ed came this evening and is here also.

- 11/27 A pretty day. Pa and Edgar [Elenora's father and brother] came about 11:00, having been to Lebanon to hear Robert L. Taylor's famous lecture, "Visions and Dreams", and they and Uncle Ed are here tonight. Old Dan, Pa's old buggy horse, died at Lebanon last night.
- 12/02 A dark, gloomy day. Kelly's seventeenth birthday, and surely he has been a great pleasure to his mama all those years, never yet an unkind word to her. Thayer is walking across the room, thirteen months old.
- 12/15 So tired tonight having been busy and hog killing all day. Jesse and Wilsye went to Mt. Olivet to rehearse their pieces for the Christmas exercise. Mr. Wilson went to Rome to order our Christmas books. Fred sat up late last night reading *A Girl's Journey*.
- 12/17 A bright, cool day. Fred and Sal Crutchfield (colored) ground the sausage this morning and this evening Fred went to the parsonage and borrowed some books: *Dr. River's, Young People* and *Harry's Triumph* by Dr. L.G. Smith. They commenced to enclose our burying ground [i.e., Roe Cemetery]. William Stevenson and Roe Denton are here tonight and they are having a lively time. Thayer is as jolly as any.
- 12/21 Quite a busy day. Wilsye came from Ed's before sunup. I ironed. Mary Tom and Net spent the day here, and this evening I helped them bake their Christmas cake. Tonight, Fred, Jessie and Wilsye carried popcorn and molasses and went to spend the night at Ed's to make tictac. Julia Crutchfield (colored) moved to the cabin today.
- 12/24 A warm, cloudy day. Busy cooking. Wilsye and Jesse went over to Mt. Olivet to rehearse for our Christmas exercises. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening. Kelly's gone over to Ed's tonight.
- 12/25 Well, it is a gloomy, cold Christmas Day. All the children and I went to Mt. Olivet and we had a real interesting Christmas exercise. Mr. Wilson kept Thayer. After we all got home, Fred went after Net and we made some candy and after dark awhile, Mr. Stoke Hays and Sam Thompson came with 39 head of cattle and we had to get supper for them and they are here tonight. Albert Oliver and Miss Mamie Gardenheier were married this evening.
- 12/27 Snowed nearly all day. Mr. Wilson gone to Rome all day as it is installation day at the lodge. Kelly went up to George's and Fred and Jesse went to help Mr. Hays carry his cattle to Rock City. Terrible cold tonight and snowing. Kelly went to Rome awhile this evening and was invited to James Hale's to an entertainment but so cold he did not go.
- 12/31 Very cold., Kelly came home early. Mr. Wilson went to Rome. Fred and Jesse enjoying skating as it is icy everywhere. Mr. and Mrs. House and Alma here tonight. George Beal and Harriet Oliver I suppose married tonight.

To be continued.

SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE
WWI DRAFT REGISTRATION

Submitted by Merle Stevens
CONTINUED FROM VOLUME XIV, NO. 4

Calvin Spurgeon Kinslow	Livie? Harrison Lancaster
Joe Nathan Kinslow	Mack Author Lancaster
Thomas Colman Kinslow	Marvin Lancaster
William Harden Kinslow	Mike Lancaster
Carl Eldridge Kirby	Nelson Lancaster
John Kirby	Robert Spurling Lancaster
Andrew Jackson Kittrell *	Roscoe Lancaster
Barnett C. Kittrell *	Will Bob Lancaster
Charlie Kittrell *	Albert Thomas Lankford
Charlie Lee Kittrell *	Aubrey Denton Langford
Corbit Dester Kittrell *	Billie Lankford
Crafton Asberry Kittrell *	Charlie Lankford
Hugh Carsie Kittrell *	Claude Selton Lankford
Jack B. Kittrell *	Calmon Frances Lankford
James Kittrell *	(Clinton Lankford listed under Tankford
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MEMOIRS OF COLONEL JOHN A FITE
7TH TENNESSEE INFANTRY
C. S. A.
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Four or five other fellows and I pitched out for the country. I'd been in prison once and I didn't want to try it again. We went about four or five miles, out in the country when we came to a house and a fellow came out. He looked at me and said, "I believe I know you." And asked me if I remembered giving a fellow a piece of onion the night we were standing on the pike at Bath. I told him I did. "Well," he said, "I am the fellow you gave the onion to." He invited us in and his Mother and sisters went to baking up bread for us. He said we'd all go down to the coaling grounds and that he knew they never could find us there. I told him that the best way in the world to beat a Yankee was to stay on open ground where you could see him. I declined to go with them, but they all went. I took a negro that the old lady had and we went up on a hill where we could watch, and see anybody that came near us. We saw a Yankee cavalry company pass out that way, but they didn't see us. We slept in the corner of the fence that night.

Next morning we went down to a spring in the woods, and got some water. We were not far from the house, and the old lady brought us something to eat. We stayed around there all day, didn't see anybody.

The next day, I think it was, we went across the woods and came to a creek. There was a bridge across it. I concluded the Yankees had gone. I told the negro to go to a house he said was about a half mile from there and find out whether the Yankees were still in town or not. I got over the fence, it was in a thicket and there was a great old hollow sycamore standing close to the bank of the creek. I didn't know that there was anybody near me. Not long after the negro left me four or five Yankees came riding down the road and just as they got to that bridge, about 30 feet from where I was, some fellows fired on them. They killed three of them and the others broke back. It turned out it was one of those fellows who were guarding the horses over there. They ran to them and got the horses and pitched the Yankees in the creek.

I thought that was no place for me, so I lit out back in the direction of the old lady's house were I'd been staying. I came to a railroad and there was a high tressel there. I went a hundred or two yards away from the road and I heard pretty soon a hand car come down the road, coming from out to Lincolnton. I was on the side of the road and I thought I'd get behind a tree and see who it was coming on the hand car. When it was nearly opposite where I was it pitched off of the tressel. There were several Yankees on it and about the time they struck the ground, some fellows fired on them, so I concluded that wasn't any place for me, so I lit out.

I got back to that spring I spoke of a while ago, and while I was there the old lady came out hunting for me and the negro. In the meantime, the Yankees had captured the negro, kept him for a while he said, and made him show them a road some place and then turned him loose. He came up to where me and the old lady was at the spring. He was scared mighty near to death and I wasn't very calm. There was a big field and a hill near the old lady's house. Away up on top of it was an old sedge field. The negro and I went there and spent the night and the next day in that sedge field.

About the 4th or 5th day after we'd left town the fellows that came out with me, and that had gone down to the coaling ground, came back and reported that the Yankees captured them and took them to town, but General Palmer, who was in command of the Yankee force, told them he had no use for them, they were paroled prisoners. They told him that I was out there in the country and they expected I'd like to come to town, and he told them to tell me to come in that he would not bother me, that he'd like to see me. So the next day we all went back to town. General Palmer was in command of the cavalry. I went up to see him and he treated me very nicely.

Every negro for miles around nearby, had collected in there. They had taken their master's mules, horses and ox carts and came in to go off with the Yankees. General Palmer sent for Mr. Johnson, who was the mayor of the town, and he told Johnson that he didn't intend to let those negroes go with him and when his command got out of town to drive the negroes home. Well, all the fellows got cow hides and when the Federals started to move out, the negroes commenced trying to fall in line, and go out, too. They would drive them back. As soon as the Federals got out of sight every fellow drew his cow hide and he lit into a negro wherever he found one. The negroes broke in every direction and in a few minutes you couldn't see a negro anywhere on the ground. They run off and left their mules and carts and wagons there. They were hitched about there for a day or two before they could get them all away.

During the time those Federals were there in town there was a negro belonging to a Presbyterian preacher who lived there in town. He took a Yankee soldier and went down there and made his mistress, who was a very feeble lady, cook him and the Yankee a good meal. The General heard of it. He sent and had this negro and the white man arrested. He put the white man in the guard house and told the Lieutenant there to take the negro out and give him fifty lashes on his bare back, and ordered him to go back home, and told him if he left the house without permission from his folks he's have him shot.

While I was there in Lincolnnton, I was out at the depot one day, and the train came in. Some fellow out there called my name. There was a gentleman walked up to me and asked me if my name was Fite. I told him yes. He asked me where I was from, I told him I was from Tennessee. He asked me if I knew L. B. Fite. I told him he was my brother. He said, "You've got to go home with me." He introduced himself as Major

Burton and then told me that he was in Nashville once and come out there to visit the Burtons of Murfreesboro, who were his kin, that John W. Burton was a cousin of his. He said he'd come down to Nashville from Murfreesboro and had been there three or four days, and he got out of money. Said he came there and was standing in front of L. B. Fite's store when he came out to him and said, "Young man, you seem to be in trouble." He said he was in a little trouble, said that he was there and had got out of money, said that he was expecting money from his father, but it hadn't come, that L. B. told him to come in the store there. When he got in there he asked him how much he wanted. He said \$20.00 was what he owed up there at the hotel. He said L. B. told him \$20.00 wouldn't do him any good and loaned him \$50.00. He said he made up his mind then if ever he saw any of L. B. Fite's kin he was going to do something for them. He said, "Now, just get your baggage, you've got to go home with me." I went and got it, and we went down to his house. He lived just half way from there to Charlotte. They treated me royally. I stayed there for some time. There weren't any Yankees about there at that time when I first went there.

After I'd been there a few days I concluded I'd go squirrel hunting. After I'd gone around over the woods a while, I came up with a lot of fellows. Some of these same fellows that had been taking care of those horses over there. They were sitting on a log, four or five of them. They asked me if I didn't want to see a pretty sight. One of them got up and climbed over the fence and told me to come there, he wanted to show me something. I went over there with him. It was pretty thick woods we'd got to. A little distance and we come to where three or four dead Yankees were lying, and three or four dead horses. I told him I didn't see much beauty about that. As soon as I could, I got away from there and I went back to the house.

A day or two after that we were eating dinner one day and a negro gal came down there and asked us to go up to her Master's house, said some fellows had hung a negro down there. Burton and I went up there, and there was a big yellow negro swinging up there in the sycamore tree, right close to the house. Several fellows had gathered in there in the meantime, they stated to us that it was a negro that belonged to the old fellow that lived there, and he'd been abusing the old folks and tried to go to the Yankees. Some of those cavalymen came and brought him back there and hung him. We got him down and buried him.

While I was there at Burtons, he and I went down to Charlotte and went to a gambling house. There was two or three faro tables running there. We both went to betting at it, he lost. I had to stake him two or three times. I won lots. I don't know what I did win, but as we were going on back to the train, I had my money in a haversack, and we got out the money and counted it, I had about \$15,000.00.

While I was there at his house, he told me I ought to go down and see an old Uncle I had down there, he knew he was kin to me. One day a fellow came there and stopped, his

name was Fite, too. He had moved into our country just before the war. I never seen him but a time or two. He belonged to the cavalry and had a horse. Burton had a buggy which he loaned us. We hitched his horse to the buggy and drove down to old Uncle Solomon's two or three miles off. We drove up to the fence. Uncle Solomon had a cabin out in his yard, didn't have much house either, but they was forty or fifty yards apart. There was a negro out in the yard. I told him to tell his master to come out there, there was some of his kin there from the west. He came a waddling, he was might near the biggest man I ever saw, weighed 375 pounds. I commenced to tell him who I was then he said, "Hold on young man, get out of the buggy." He hollered back up to this house and told a negro to tell Miss Becky that some of her kin were there, and to get them some dinner. He put up the horse and went up to the kitchen. The old lady soon had us dinner, she and her negro woman. She was a little bit of a woman. I don't think she could have weighed 100 pounds and as deaf as a post. After we ate dinner we went out in the yard under the sycamore tree and lit our pipes, and he commenced the Fite genealogy. He commenced on the Rhine in Germany, from there on to Penn. told who they were. When he got down to my Grandfather I said, "That was my Grandfather Leonard Fite." He said, "Hold on young man, until I get through." After telling me more about the Fite family than I ever knew, he said, "Now, who are you?" I told him I was the son of Jacob Fite, Grandson of Leonard Fite, and Great Grandson of Johannes Fite who was a son of Peter Fite. I said, "Old man, you'll have to excuse me from going any further back, this is more than I ever knew before."

He turned to this fellow and asked him who he was, and said, "I thought so." That evening he told me, "Lets you and I take a little walk." While we were going off down there about the stable, he said, "That fellow's daddy, and granddaddy were both grand scoundrels. And he didn't want me to have anything to do with him. While we were talking he went on to say that his baby boy was named Lem, and said he went off down to West Tennessee where he had a brother, and joined Forest's Cavalry, and he was killed and the hogs eat him up. I asked him why he thought the hogs eat him up. He said he'd never been heard of after the fight there, and he just knowed the hogs had eat him. I asked what sort of a looking fellow he was. He said he was a small man with black hair. I said, "Uncle Solomon, he ain't daid, a fellow of that description came to Johnson's Island not long before I left there, and had pneumonia, and like to have died. I sat up with him several nights at the hospital, but he got well before I left there. He became satisfied that it was his boy. He hollered to a negro to tell Miss Becky to come out there. When she come out there, he said, "Becky, by God, Lem ain't dead this boy saw him at Johnson's Island, and he'll be out here in a week or two." She seemed to be in a stupor. She jumped and grabbed me around the neck and the negro woman grabbed her and we had a regular camp meeting time.

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DEADLY RIFLE BALL
Danville Indiana Republican, May 30, 1895

Accidental Discharge of a Winchester Kills Two Young Girls
Submitted by John Waggoner, Jr.

NASHVILLE, MAY 27, __ News has reached this city of a frightful tragedy which occurred near Chestnut Mound, Smith County, on Friday last, as a result of which two young daughters of Samuel McKinney are dead, while his baby is slightly wounded.

Mr. McKinney had been out on his farm with a Winchester rifle and approaching the house, handed the gun to his 23-year old son, Henry, requesting him to take it in the house. Approaching the front door, Henry decided to unload the gun and thinking he had removed the loads, he let the hammer fall only to hear a report and feel the gun recoil in his hands. Through the door the bullet sped and through the bodies of the two sisters who were close together just inside the door. The elder was 8 years old, the other being a few years younger, and both were instantly killed, while a 9 months old infant was also slightly wounded.

W. M. T. TUBBS GONE TO HIS REWARD
The Hamilton Record and Rustler, Hamilton, Texas, Thursday, March 12, 1914
Submitted by Merle Stevens

A long and richly beautiful life came to a close last Friday, March 6, when W. M. Tubbs died at the home of his son, J. E. Tubbs, near Jonesboro. Death was caused indirectly by an accident suffered while he was walking in the field one day recently and stopping too watch the men pulling stumps, some part of the apparatus broke, the broken piece flying out to one side struck Mr. Tubbs breaking one of his legs. He was too old and feeble to bear the shock and pain and died from the injury a few days later.

The deceased was born in Smith County, Tennessee, January 10, 1827. His first trip to Texas was made more than seventy years ago. He served as a member of John H. Reagan's surveying corps from 1843 to '45. After these two years of land surveying in Texas, he returned to Arkansas where he was married to Miss Martha Jane Coffman, December 9, 1847. To this union five children were born, J. W., T. M., W. M., Jr., J. E. and T. T. Tubbs, all of whom survive him except J. W. Tubbs who died some two years ago.

Mr. Tubbs moved with his family to Texas in 1853 and settled in Parker County. While his sympathies were with the South during the late War, Mr. Tubbs did not take service in the army but was retained as a Texas Ranger to protect the frontier.

Mr. Tubbs was a devout Christian character, having been a member of the Methodist church for many years.

QUERIES

GREEN, DUKE, RUSSELL, HALLIBURTON and related families, origin Virginia/North Carolina. Researching these Tenn. families of Smith & Jackson Counties (prob. Macon/Overton also) and will share info I have. Contact MELBA WILKINS, 2310 N. 107th Lane, Avondale, AZ 85323; 623-931-4677; email MeIE1512@att.net

BICENTENNIAL HISTORY OF JACKSON COUNTY, TENN. for sale, \$35.00 pp.
MELBA WILKINS, 2310 N., 107th Lane, Avondale, AZ 85323

JOSEPH G. MOSS , born in 1819 Smith Co, TN. His parents were John Allen Moss born 1790 in VA and Elizabeth Scruggs born 1799 in Va. Joseph's first wife was Elizabeth (last name not known) who died between 1866 and 1870, and his second wife was Rebecca Trousdale whom he married 23 Nov 1870 in Smith Co. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has information regarding this family.
DIANE FROHNE email - dfrohne@hotmail.com

BENJAMIN BRADLEY, b 22 Mar 1806, d 6 Aug 1839, Brush Creek, Smith Co., TN, bur on family farm at what is now called Woodson Cemetery. He was marr to FRANCES LANCASTER d/o WILLIAM ALLEN LANCASTER and JUDITH LANCASTER (who were cousins) 28 Oct 1823 in Smith Co., They had 9 children, the 4th being my Great Grandfather, THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY who brought his family to Texas after the Civil War. Benjamin died at the early age of 33. Who were his parents and siblings?
MRS. O. S. COLLINS, Box 217, Bells, Texas 75414

WILLIAM LANCASTER BRADLEY, b 27 Apr 1827, Brush Creek, TN, marr 5 Jul ? to CHARITY E. CARMON in Sumner Co., TN. May have lived in Cookeville, TN in later years. He was s/o BENJAMIN & FRANCES LANCASTER BRADLEY. WILLIAM had 2 daughters, one named Mary.
MRS. O. S. COLLINS, Box 217, Bells, Texas 75414

DR. JOHN WILLIAM WATERS, b 1794, practiced medicine in Smith & Wilson counties. Marr BETSY KYLE, d/o BARTLETT (BARKELY) KYLE. Had 2 sons who were also doctors. They are buried near Tuckers Crossroads. BETSY came to Texas to be near her daughters, Mary Sampson and Sarah Margaret who marr THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY. Need info on this family.
MRS. O. S. COLLINS, Box 217, Bells, Texas 75414

HUNT, WILKERSON, HALE, ROWLAND, WHITLY, BUTLER, BALLINGER, DRIVER. Surnames being researched by:
SHIRLEY HUNT GREER, 4703 Park Ave., Nashville, TN 37209

ARMOUR, KIRBY, GOAD, BAILEY, WILSON, THOMAS. Surnames being researched by
BRENDA THOMAS, 40 Hidden Acres, Lafayette, TN 37083

ARMOUR, KIRBY, GOAD, DAY, PENN, BURTON, surnames being researched by
PATSY DAY-WARE, 835 Sable Creek Lane, Greenwood, IN 46142 email -
caware1@msn.com

HEROD, HAYNIE. Need information on the following: JAMES HEROD, born ca 1790 in VA, married first to JUDITH HAYNIE whose parents were WILLIAM & ANN BRADLEY HAYNIE. James & Judith HEROD were the parents of William A., Sarah who may have married DAVID PHILLIPS & Thomas. Judith was dead by 1826; who raised the children and what happened to them? These families lived many years in Smith Co., & some are buried at Dixon Springs. JAMES HEROD remarried Elizabeth?? & had another family; moved to Obion Co., TN then later to MO.
BARBARA HELWICK, P. O. Box 50345, Casper, WY 82605-0345

PARKHURST, BROCKETT, TUCKER. A request has been received requesting that information on these families be published in the *Quarterly*, in particular JONATHAN PARKHURST and HENRY H. TUCKER. If you have any info on these people, would you share with fellow researchers. Thank you.
Quarterly Editor, P. O. Box 112, Carthage, TN 37030

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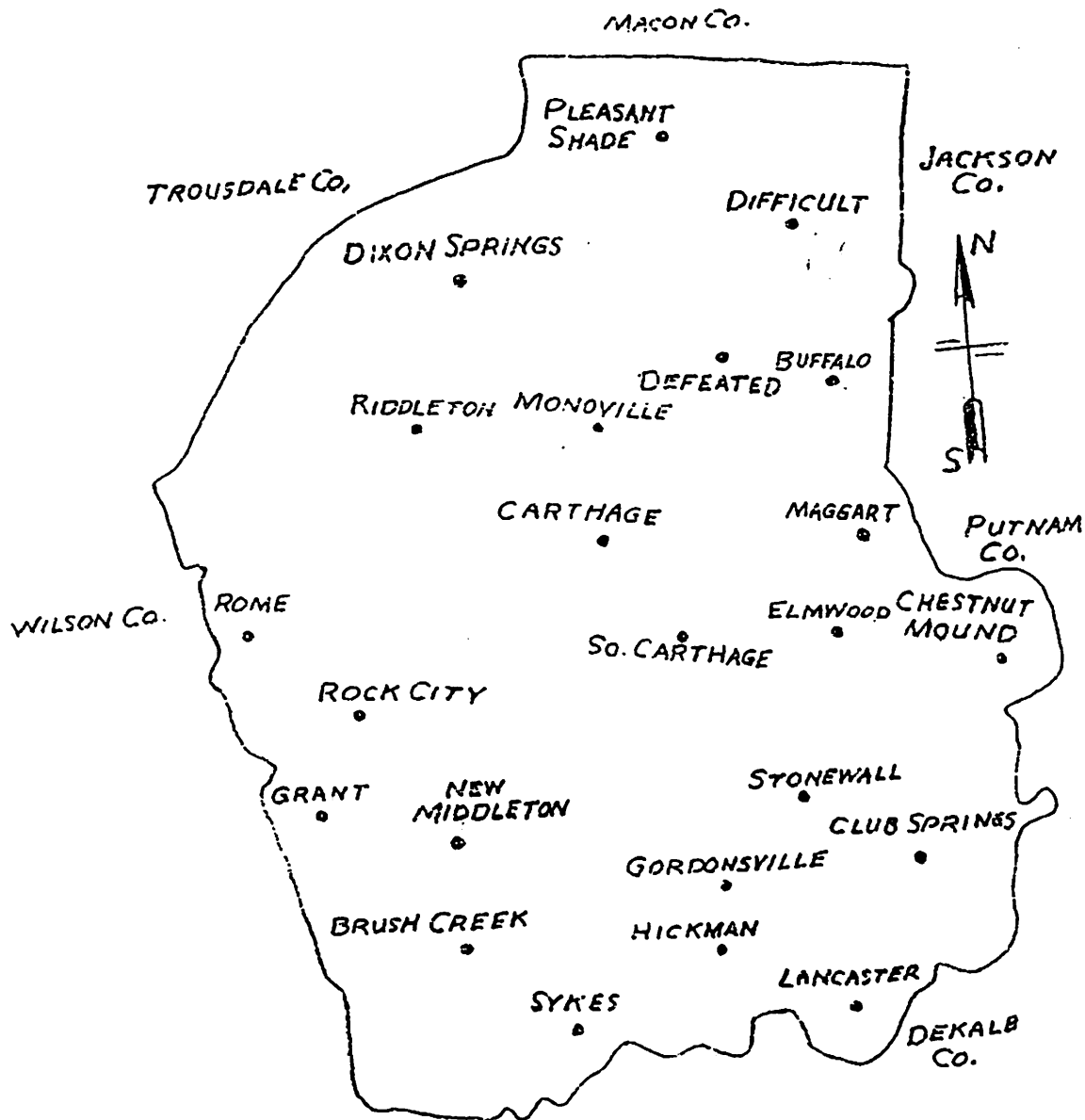
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From the Editor:

The lazy, hazy days of summer are upon us – a good time for research in the cool recesses of courthouses and libraries. The Society will be on sabbatical for July and August so this should be a good time to concentrate on those family stories and articles for the *Quarterly* that you keep putting off.

Work is progressing on the Civil War exhibit at the Smith County Heritage Museum. Loans and/or gifts of artifacts of the period are still welcome.

The “Luncheon on the Lawn” at the beautifully restored pastoral home of Barbara and Tommy Upchurch was a great success. A festive, county-fair atmosphere was enhanced by picture-perfect weather and colorfully decorated tables scattered about the manicured lawn as guests greeted old friends and new acquaintances. A nice sum of money was realized by the Museum from the occasion. Thank you, Barbara and Tommy and the sponsoring Beta Sigma Phi’s.

Thanks are also overdue to Charlie Gregory for his tireless efforts in maintaining our web site and genealogy list. Many accolades, too, to John and Retta Waggoner for “grave walking” and sharing their finds on the internet. This is a most valuable contribution to Smith County’s genealogical repository.

Have a safe, happy, and creative summer.

Sue Maggart-Petty
Quarterly Editor

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The Random Scene

Has Served Well the
Past 50 Years



The rustic old one-lane bridge, spanning Hickman Creek since 1925, is one of a very few like it left in the county. It can be found by traveling the Brush Creek-Sykes Road that runs in front of the E. N. Steele farm.

The old bridge has a dirt roadway, and while only one lane of traffic is possible, the condition of the 50-year-old bridge appears remarkably good. Attempts at times by rolling Hickman Creek to displace everything in its path, have proven futile, even although the water has cut passage by going over the roadway on both sides. The day the picture was snapped, Hickman Creek was in a more peaceful mood, slowly seeking out its path between water-worn boulders along the creek bed.

Just north of this bridge lies the Washburn / Moore property.

An 8x16 inch brass plaque inset in one railing of the bridge furnished the following information:

H. H. White, County Judge

W. K. Savage, Road Commissioner

Built by

Bell & Bell

Watertown, Tenn.

1925

Harold Haden, Designing Engineer

THE SYKES FAMILY OF SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Researched and written by James M. (Jim) Sykes

[Ed. Note: *Jim Sykes has researched and compiled a comprehensive and well-documented booklet on the Sykes Family of Smith and Dekalb counties. He has graciously shared his information and granted permission for publication in the Quarterly. This article will be limited to those descendants of the Smith County family, but the booklet will be available in the F. C. Key Genealogical Room in the Smith County Library for further research. Family Bibles, Wills, pictures and census records are also included in Mr. Sykes' extensive research.*]

**Ancestors of William Elias Sykes
of Smith County, Tennessee**

William Elias Sykes is the first known resident of Smith County, Tennessee with the surname of Sykes who lived his entire life as a resident of Smith County. He was born in Smith County on December 16, 1831 and died in Smith County on January 12, 1908. He was the son of Joshua Sykes, Jr. and Leodicia Mangum. Joshua Sykes, Jr. was born in Halifax County, North Carolina in about 1785 and it is believed that he died in Smith County in the 1850's since the 1850 Smith County census is the last time that he appeared in any known census. Leodicia Mangum was born in Isle of Wight County, Virginia in about 1788 and died in Smith County, Tennessee in about 1848. She was previously married to Elias Gwaltney.

Joshua Sykes, Jr. was the son of Joshua Sikes, Sr. and Ann Morris. Joshua Sikes, Sr. was born in Norfolk County, Virginia in about 1749 and died in Smith County, Tennessee on February 10, 1823. Ann Morris was born in Halifax County, North Carolina in about 1765 and died in Smith County, Tennessee in about 1818.

Joshua Sikes, Sr. is believed to have been the first resident of Smith County, Tennessee with the surname of Sikes (Sykes). He was the son of Joel Sikes and Unknown mother. Joel Sikes was born in Norfolk County, Virginia in about 1729. His date and place of death have not been verified but he is believed to have died in Halifax County, North Carolina in about 1794. The name, date and place of birth and date and place of death of Joshua Sikes, Sr's mother have not been located.

Note: The ancestry that follows is based on information received from other researchers and is believed to be accurate. It is based on their examination of records in Virginia and North Carolina but has not been independently verified.

Joel Sikes was the son of William Sikes and Dorothy Unknown. William Sikes was born about 1690 in Norfolk County, Virginia and died on March 8, 1771 in Norfolk County, Virginia. The maiden name, date and place of birth and date and place of death of Joel Sikes' mother have not been located.¹

William Sikes was the son of Walter Sikes, Sr. and Jeane/Jane Biggs. Walter Sikes, Sr. was born about 1645 in Norfolk County, Virginia and died on May 15, 1710 in Norfolk County, Virginia. Jeane/Jane Biggs was born about 1659 in Norfolk County, Virginia and died after December 15, 1721 in Norfolk County, Virginia.²

Walter Sikes, Sr. was the son of John Sikes and Unknown mother. John Sikes is believed to have been born in England in about 1615 and is believed to have immigrated to America in about 1637. His date and place of death have not been located. The name, date and place of birth and date and place of death of Walter Sikes, Sr's mother have not been located.

John Sikes was the son of unknown parents but it is believed that his parents were born in England in the 1590's and died there. It is believed that this John Sikes (Sykes) is the one listed as having immigrated to America in 1637. No documented information on the parents of John Sikes has been located. Additional information on some of the other children of the above individuals can be found on the Sikes/Sykes Association Web site.

Notes:

- 1 - This information was provided by Otis Sikes.
- 2 - This and all following information was obtained from the Sikes/Sykes Families Association Web site.

**The First Marriage of William Elias Sykes
WILLIAM ELIAS SYKES AND HULDAH D. BASINGER
FIRST GENERATION**

William Elias (Buck) Sykes was born in Smith County on October 16, 1831 and died in Smith County on January 12, 1908. Huldah was born on May 21, 1837 and died on March 25, 1860. Huldah is buried in an unmarked grave on property that was owned by Bettie Moore in the 1970's. Buck is buried in the Sykes Cemetery in Sykes, Tennessee. Buck and Huldah had two sons:

1. John Monroe Sykes was born on June 29, 1856, and
2. James (Jim) Hamilton Sykes was born on October 5, 1858 and died on January 7, 1919.

Jim is buried in the Sykes Cemetery.

No additional information has been located on John Monroe Sykes but it is believed that he died at a young age. After the death of Huldah, John Monroe's mother, a lawsuit was instituted to settle her father's estate and her share of the estate was distributed to William as guardian of their minor son James H. Sykes. Since John Monroe was not mentioned in this July 1869 settlement it is assumed that he was not alive. On October 28, 1860, Buck married Amanda (Mandy) Virginia Turner, Mandy was born on February 19, 1838 in Smith County and died on her 84th birthday on February 19, 1922, in Smith County. Mandy is buried in the Sykes Cemetery. Buck and Mandy had eight children and the available information on this family can be reviewed elsewhere on this web site, "Smith County Descendants of the First Family".

Comments About William's First Marriage

The writer is a descendant from the second marriage of William Elias Sykes to Amanda Virginia Turner and recognizes that the information about the marriage of William Elias Sykes to Huldah D. Basinger is very limited. The writer was not aware of this marriage until August 2003, and was not aware that their son Jim had a family until Jim's family was located in the 1900 DeKalb County Census in September 2003 while the writer was searching for descendants from Buck's second marriage. All information that is currently available to the writer on Buck's first marriage is being provided here for the purpose of assisting others with their research on these families. The writer lives near Smith and DeKalb Counties and is willing to assist any other researchers whenever possible.

The Second Marriage of William Elias Sykes
WILLIAM ELIAS SYKES AND AMANDA VIRGINIA TURNER
FIRST GENERATION

(Second Generation of Joshua Sykes, Jr and Leodicia Mangum)
(Third Generation of Joshua Sykes, Sr and Anne Morris)

Children of William Elias Sykes and Amanda Virginia Turner

William (Buck) Elias Sykes was born on October 16, 1831 in Smith County and died on January 12, 1908 in Smith County. On October 28, 1860, Buck second married Amanda (Mandy) Virginia Turner, who was born on February 19, 1838 in Smith County and died on her 84th birthday, February 19, 1922, in Smith County. Buck and Mandy are buried in the Sykes Cemetery. Buck and Mandy had eight children:

1. Sarah Minerva Sykes was born on February 5, 1862 and died on May 23, 1944. Her name is shown as Sara Manurvia in the family Bible.
2. Mary Etta Sykes was born on August 5, 1866 and died on June 30, 1947. Her middle name is shown as Etter in the family Bible.
3. Lucy Lee Sykes was born on September 5, 1869 and died on August 16, 1955.
4. Connie Frances Sykes was born on August 29, 1871 and died on December 9, 1951.
5. William Joshua Sykes was born on September 15, 1873 and died on August 26, 1951.
6. Thomas Wilson Sykes was born on September 14, 1875 and died on December 16, 1946.
7. Robert Franklin Sykes was born on October 12, 1877 and died on February 11, 1965, and
8. Jessie Edward Sykes was born on July 25, 1879 and died on August 23, 1897 after falling, or being thrown, from a horse.

SECOND GENERATION
WILLIAM ELIAS SYKES AND AMANDA VIRGINIA TURNER

(Third Generation of Joshua Sykes, Jr and Leodicia Mangum)
(Fourth Generation of Joshua Sykes, Sr and Anne Morris)

Children of Sarah Minerva Sykes and Josiah S. Prowell

Sarah Minerva Sykes married Josiah S. Prowell on September 26, 1880. Josiah was born on January 15, 1830 in Smith County and died on July 19, 1901. Sarah and Josiah Prowell had two children:

1. Walter Joshua Prowell was born March 5, 1887 and died on July 7, 1896, and
2. Jesse Weaver Prowell was born May 9, 1892 and died on September 8, 1900.

Sarah second married Pitts Hearn who was born in 1844 and died in 1928. Sarah and Pitts Hearn did not have any children. Sarah, Josiah, Walter Joshua and Jesse Weaver are buried in the Union Hill Cemetery.

Mary Etta Sykes and John B. Hall

Mary Etta Sykes married John B. Hall on September 8, 1889. John was born in October, 1866 and died on May 11, 1890. Mary and John did not have any children. Mary died on June 30, 1947 and is buried on the property formerly owned by Elmer and Lillie Washer Wills in Sykes, Tennessee.

Children of Lucy Lee Sykes and William Riley Washer

Lucy Lee Sykes married William Riley Washer on November 19, 1891. William Riley was born on March 27, 1862 and died on July 13, 1912. Lucy and William Washer had six children:

1. William Washer was born on September 15, 1892 and died on June 23, 1966.
2. Era Virginia Washer was born on June 27, 1894 and died on March 14, 1970.
3. Jennie Marcella Washer was born on October 2, 1896 and died on November 4, 1899.

4. Lillie Parlea Washer was born on November 16, 1903 and died on December 5, 1985.

5. Paul Washer was born on August 23, 1905, and

6. Melissa Washer was born on May 10, 1908.

Lucy died on August 16, 1955. William and Lucy are buried in the Sykes Cemetery.

Children of Connie Frances Sykes and Archibald D. Gwaltney

Connie Frances Sykes married Archibald D. Gwaltney on October 8, 1892. Archibald was born on December 20, 1871 and died on December 29, 1894. Connie and Archibald had one son:

1. James Campbell Gwaltney who was born on August 4, 1893 and died on April 30, 1968.

Connie died on December 9, 1951. Connie and James are buried in the Union Hill Cemetery. Archibald is buried in the Gwaltney Cemetery in Sykes, Tennessee.

Children of William Joshua Sykes and Willie Taylor

William Joshua Sykes married Willie Taylor on December 24, 1902. Willie was born on April 9, 1883 and died on February 23, 1934. William and Willie had two children:

1. Gladys Dale Sykes was born on July 25, 1907 and died on April 16, 1976 and

2. Allie Jewel Sykes was born on July 27, 1921 and died on June 14, 1949.

William died on August 26, 1951.

Children of Thomas Wilson Sykes and Martha Frances Hall

Thomas Wilson Sykes first married Martha Frances Hall on July 29, 1897. Martha was born in 1877 and died in 1926. Thomas and Martha had five children:

1. Louvie Dicey Sykes was born on February 12, 1898 and died on March 13, 1992.

2. Jessie Milton Sykes was born on November 3, 1900 and died on March 17, 1999.

3. Charles Thomas Sykes was born on May 12, 1904 and died on January 4, 1997.

4. Hoyal Johnson Sykes was born on October 14, 1911 and died on October 6, 1997, and

5. Alton Bernice Sykes was born on September 9, 1914.

Thomas second married Mrs. Ella Chapman on March 18, 1928. Ella was born on February 9, 1893 and died on January 1, 1968. Ella is buried at New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery near Alexandria, Tennessee. Thomas and Ella did not have any children. Thomas died on December 16, 1946 and is buried in the Union Hill Cemetery.

Children of Robert Franklin Sykes and Lanna Thomas Wills

Robert Franklin Sykes married Lanna Thomas Wills on February 24, 1901. Lanna was born on June 18, 1882 and died on July 7, 1964. Robert and Lanna had four children:

1. Clara Mae Sykes was born on June 23, 1903 and died on September 10, 1987.

2. Claude Albert Sykes was born on July 31, 1905 and died on January 11, 1962.

3. Walter Elias Sykes was born on August 14, 1909 and died on September 17, 2001; and

4. Grace Virginia Sykes was born on September 20, 1913 and died on April 8, 2001.

Robert died on February 11, 1965. Bob and Lanna are buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Nashville, Tennessee.

Jessie Edward Sykes

Jessie Edward Sykes was born on July 25, 1879 and died on August 23, 1897 from injuries he received from falling or being thrown from a horse. Jesse never married and is buried in the Sykes Cemetery.

THIRD GENERATION**WILLIAM ELIAS SYKES AND AMANDA VIRGINIA TURNER***(Fourth Generation of Joshua Sykes, Jr and Leodicia Mangum)**(Fifth Generation of Joshua Sykes, Sr and Anne Morris)***Children of William Washer and Clara Reese**

William Washer was born on September 15, 1892. William married Clara Reese who was born on November 15, 1893. William and Clara did not have any biological children but they adopted one son. William died on June 25, 1966.

1. Not available to the writer at this time.

Children of Era Virginia Washer and Sam Raymond Murphy

Era Virginia Washer married Sam Raymond Murphy. Sam was born on April 24, 1899 and died on March 10, 1972. Era and Sam had three children:

1. William Hoyal Murphy was born on January 23, 1919.
2. Grady Fred Murphy was born on October 30, 1921, and
3. Vergilee Gadell Murphy was born on November 26, 1923.

Era Virginia died on March 14, 1970.

Jennie Marcella Washer

Jennie Marcella Washer died at the age of three.

Children of Lillie Parlea Washer and Elmer Thomas Wills

Lillie Parlea Washer married Elmer Thomas Wills. Elmer was born on April 29, 1902 and died on September 8, 1980. Lillie and Elmer had three children:

1. Willene Estelle Wills was born on May 9, 1925.
2. Virginia Jean Wills was born on November 19, 1926, and
3. Thomas Douglas Wills was born on November 11, 1934.

Lillie died on December 5, 1985. Lillie and Elmer are buried in the Union Hill Cemetery.

Paul Washer

Paul Washer married Nonnie Warrell. Nonnie was born on July 20, 1910. Paul and Nonnie did not have any children.

Children of Melissa Jane Washer and Garland Blake Nipp

Melissa Jane Washer married Garland Blake Nipp. Garland Blake was born on September 6, 1908. Melissa and Garland had two children:

1. Joyce Jeanette Nipp was born on July 26, 1930, and
2. Nonnie Sue Nipp was born on February 25, 1933 and died on August 5, 1933.

Children of James Campbell Gwaltney and Wavey Elizabeth Reasonover

James Campbell Gwaltney married Wavey Elizabeth Reasonover on July 6, 1913. Wavey Elizabeth was born on November 27, 1897 and died on August 9, 1969. James and Elizabeth had seven children:

1. Johnnie Archibald Gwaltney was born on November 14, 1893 and died on August 11, 1917.
2. Frances Aloda Gwaltney was born on March 14, 1919.
3. George Glydale Gwaltney was born in 1922 and died on August 15, 1988.
4. Bart Cordell Gwaltney was born on November 11, 1924 and died on September 29, 1999.
5. Mary Oleda Gwaltney was born on December 1, 1926.
6. William Edward Gwaltney was born on December 29, 1933 and died on March 13, 1934, and
7. Rebecca Jean Gwaltney was born on March 6, 1935 and died on January 28, 2002.

James died on April 30, 1968. James and Elizabeth are buried in the Union Hill Cemetery.

Children of Gladys Sykes and Joe J. Vaughn

Gladys Sykes was born on July 25, 1907. On December 2, 1926 Gladys married Joe J. Vaughn who was born on March 25, 1901. Gladys and Joe had two daughters:

1. Jolene Jewel Vaughn was born on May 29, 1929, and
2. Joyce Vaughn was born on October 13, 1932.

Gladys died April 16, 1976.

Children of Allie Jewell Sykes and Helen Marie Hawks

Allie Jewell Sykes was born on July 27, 1921. He first married Helen Marie Hawks. Allie and Helen had one child.

1. Sandra Fay Sykes was born on November 11, 1942.

Children of Allie Jewell Sykes and Mary Helen Horton

Allie second married Mary Helen Horton. Allie and Mary had two children.

1. Anthony (Tony) Wayne Sykes was born on October 23, 1945, and
2. Barry Joseph Sykes was born on July 18, 1949.

After Allie Jewell's death, Mary married Robert Wright and he adopted Mary's children and their names were changed to Anthony Wayne Wright and Barry Joseph Wright.

Children of Louvie Dicey Sykes and William Dewitt Hall

Louvie Dicey Sykes was born on February 12, 1898. She married William Dewitt Hall who was born on June 30, 1896. They had two children:

1. Howard Edward Hall was born on November 30, 1918, and
2. Dorothy Dean Hall was born on October 8, 1920 and died on June 16, 1963.

Louvie died on March 13, 1992 and William died on November 4, 1957.

Children of Jessie Milton Sykes and Frankie Lawrence Granstaff

Jessie Milton Sykes was born on November 3, 1900. On September 15, 1931 he married Frankie Lawrence Granstaff who was born on December 10, 1910. Jessie and Frankie had four children:

1. Billy Milton Sykes was born on January 10, 1933 and died in October 1983.
2. Bernice Wilson Sykes was born on July 15, 1934.
3. Fantley Gene Sykes was born on January 2, 1937, and
4. Shelley Faye Sykes was born on May 25, 1940.

Jessie died on March 17, 1999 and Frankie died on December 4, 1967.

Children of Charles Thomas Sykes and Zelma Forkum

Charles Thomas Sykes was born on May 12, 1904. Charles first married Zelma Forkum who was born on March 20, 1910. They had two children. Zelma died on October 11, 1961.

1. Charles Ronald Sykes was born on May 11, 1939, and
2. Jerald Thomas Sykes was born on September 2, 1941.

Children of Charles Thomas Sykes and Helen Bernice Ezzell

On March 14, 1964 Charles second married Helen Bernice Ezzell. Charles and Helen had one son:

1. James Keith Sykes was born on June 18, 1966.

Charles died on January 4, 1997 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Children of Hoyal Johnson Sykes and Alene Hall

Hoyal Johnson Sykes was born on October 14, 1911. On December 22, 1935 he married Alene Hall who was born on October 6, 1915. Hoyal and Alene had two children:

1. David Johnson Sykes was born on December 4, 1937, and
2. Jerry Arbury Sykes was born on July 17, 1943.

Alton Bernice Sykes

Alton Bernice Sykes was born on September 9, 1914. On November 16, 1940 he married Clara Carson who was born on March 12, 1911. Alton and Clara did not have any children.

Children of Clara Mae Sykes and David Christopher Curtis, Sr

Clara Mae Sykes was born on June 23, 1903. She married David Christopher Curtis who was born on February 24, 1903. Clara and David had three children.

1. Dorothy Mae Curtis was born on June 13, 1926 in Nashville, Tennessee (twin).
2. Doris Marie Curtis was born on June 13, 1926 in Nashville, Tennessee (twin).
3. David Christopher Curtis, Jr. was born on October 12, 1931 in Nashville, Tennessee

Clara died on September 10, 1987 and is buried in Temple, Texas. Dave died on March 21, 1957 and is buried in Temple, Texas.

Claude Albert Sykes

Claude Albert Sykes was born on July 31, 1905. He married Murril Dale. Claude and Murril divorced and did not have any children. Claude died on January 11, 1962 and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery, Nashville, Tennessee.

Children of Walter Elias Sykes and Sadie Emma Edens

Walter Elias Sykes was born on August 14, 1909. He married Sadie Emma Edens who was born on August 28, 1910. Walter and Sadie had three children:

1. Robert Harvey Sykes was born on February 5, 1929 in Nashville, Tennessee and died on January 22, 2001 in Franklin, Tennessee.
2. James Murray Sykes was born on October 30, 1934 in Nashville, Tennessee.
3. Nancy Carolyn Sykes was born on June 5, 1938 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Walter died on September 17, 2001 and is entombed at Woodlawn Mausoleum, Nashville, Tennessee. Sadie died on September 17, 1992 and is entombed at Woodlawn Mausoleum, Nashville, Tennessee.

Children of Grace Virginia Sykes and Glenn Murray Mitchell

Grace Virginia Sykes was born on September 20, 1913. She married Glenn Murray Mitchell who was born on April 11, 1910. Grace and Glenn had three children:

1. Janice Elaine Mitchell was born on March 4, 1945 in Nashville, Tennessee.
2. Rebecca Jane Mitchell was born on July 27, 1948 in Nashville, Tennessee.
3. Thomas Murray Mitchell was born on September 4, 1950 in Nashville, Tennessee

Grace died on April 10, 2001 and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery, Nashville, Tennessee. Glenn died on March 28, 1998 and is buried at Woodlawn Cemetery.

At this time, information on the other descendants of this marriage remain private. Any member of the family may obtain additional information by contacting the writer.

SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE, HOME GUARD MINUTE MEN

Submitted by Sue Maggart-Petty

SMITH COUNTY COURT MINUTE BOOK 1860 – 1865, pp 200-203.

On May 6, 1861, the Tennessee General Assembly passed an act to submit to a vote of the people a measure dissolving relations with the United States of America and adopting the Provisional Government of the Confederate States of America. Among the legislation passed on May 6, 1861, was a plan for homeland defense, Section 16 that called for the county courts to appoint and organize "Home Guards of Minute Men."

On May 22, 1861, in a special called session of the Smith County Court, a resolution was passed decreeing that a Home Guard be appointed in each Civil District of Smith County. All justices present voted in the affirmative with the exception of S. F. Patterson, W. D. Agee, D. A. Tyree, John R. Jones, W. B. Whitley, C. C. Ford, Samuel Allison, D. M. Bradford, J. T. Shepherd, B. F. Atwood, E. H. Morris and John Jones. Also voted into law was a .02 cent tax on each \$100 worth of property and .05 cents on each pole for the support and assistance of the families of volunteers who fight for the cause of Southern Rights.

The following men were appointed in their respective districts to serve in the Home Guard, to wit: [*Ed. Note: Names that are capitalized were elected captain of their unit*].

District No. 1 – Andrew McClarin, Mitchell Terry, William Foster, Samuel Garrett, Joseph Pendarvis, Armistead Moore, R. A. Flippin, T. H. Williams, D. H. CAMPBELL, Joseph F. Timberlake, H. B. McDonald, William Cullum, Charles Sanders, E. T. Turner.

District No. 2 – John Franklin, Octavias Graves, Israel McClelin, Nathaniel Terry, R. R. WEST, Stephen M. Webb, Josiah Reece, Larkin Cornwell, Thomas McNeely, Isaac W. Cardwell.

District No. 3 – William J. Gregory, Thomas C. Taylor, Jas. W. Taylor, Jas. Baker, William B. Smith, W. S. Haley, Henry M. Hackett, JAMES HAYNIE, James Shoulders, John Payne.

District No. 4 – R. H. Rodgers, Charles Fulks, Orbert Duke, Joseph R. Martin, Samuel Chambers, W. G. MARTIN, John Wright, Thomas McClanahan, T. T. Stadall, R. A. Barform.

District No. 5 – Lawson Tate, Joseph H. Young, B. S. Cornwell, JOHN S. TURNER, R. H. Holland, D. A. Witt, Wiley Jones, Jefferson Dean, C. W. West, James Lemon.

District No. 6 – John Hiatt, John D. Taylor, H. W. Winkler, Jackson Curlee, Edward Tarter, Daniel A. Wilkerson, BARNETT CORNWELL, R. O. Taylor, Leonard Ballow, Diogines Ballow.

District No. 7 – H. H. Crain, William Tunstall, John H. Ligon, John D. Day, JOHN T. RICHARDSON, William Lavens, Allen Nunley, J. M. Rickman, Ben Payne, J. G. Anderson.

District No. 8 – William Stalcup, Sr., Josiah Wood, J. H. Burnly, William Marshall, William Horsley, T. M. P. Hall, Willis P. Lawson, J. Ferguson, JOHN S. JOHNSON, Thomas Woodmore.

District No. 9 – John A. Moss, A. M. Betty, JAMES HOGAN, Samuel Young, William Lancaster, E. D. Page, Jos. Smith, M. Lancaster, Benjamin Christian, J. E. Clark.

District No. 10 – James Ballard, Jonathan Dillard, LEE C. CROWELL, S. A. Smith, D. Smith, L. Ferguson, Robert Trawick, M. L. Horn, James Trousdale, Joseph A. Scruggs.

District No. 11 – William Beasley, W. A. Beasley, Rufus Perry, John Dickens, A. W. Allen, JAMES DRAPER, John C. Draper, William Womack, John McDonald, and John C. Blair.

District No. 12 – D. H. Suit, H. G. RIDDLE, J. T. Key, Stephen Stone, W. C. Denney, E. L. Harrison, W. V. R. Hallum, J. R. Hibbitt, Benj. Cooksey, G. G. Dillard, J. B. Jeffreys, Johnson Underwood.

District No. 13 – W. W. Price, Thos. P. McKinney, J. W. Grissim, James Gann, Edmon Wilson, John A. Ward, JOSHUA WILSON, John B. Birdine, William Litchford, Alex Rigsby.

District No. 14 – John Gibbs, George A. Thompson, J. B. ANDREWS, V. Thompson, Sr., Thomas Crutchford, Thomas Balinger, James Denton, Sr., H. H. Stallings, John T. Carter, G. H. Glass.

District No. 15 – IRA W. KING, H. J. Cockerham, B. A. James, G. W. McGee, J. M. King, W. R. Davis, S. W. Coffee, H. L. Patterson, Moses Preston, H.T. Dowell.

District No. 16 – B. J. Readen, C. C. Ford, B. B. UHLES, Jesse Nichols, H. J. Nickles, Hiram Liles, A. W. Winfrey, T. W. Cooper, D. Draper, J. M. Condit.

District No. 17 – John S. Gill, L. B. Cheek, JOSEPH G. BRIDGES, George Moore, W. J. Johnson, B. F. C. Smith, J. B. Smith, Samuel Allison, M. D. Mason, J. A. Johnson.

District No. 18 – James Chambers, William Manning, Henry McClanahan, John T. Gill, Elias Barbee, J. L. Pruett, John Agee, A. Griffin, A. J. Tuggle, J. L. CUNDEL.

District No. 19 – JOSIAH BAIRD, Edward Atwood, J. T. Lawrence, T. J. Simpson, E. R. Wills, J. R. Allen, T. J. Rodgers, Archibald Davis, John Jones, Jr., N. W. Phillips.

District No. 20 – Dawson Gwaltney, JESSE H. BAIRD, S. H. Wright, John D. Inman Allen Harwell, Obediah Jenkins, Charles Pigg, William Sykes, Benjamin Bradley, W. W. Wills.

THOMAS FISHER was appointed General Commander of the Home Guard Minute Men of Smith County.

DIXON SPRINGS SUFFRAGE LEAGUE

Submitted by Ted Beasley

This article appeared in the Carthage Courier in November of 1914.

Kate Alexander Beasley is president of this league.

THE DIXON SPRINGS EQUAL SUFFRAGE LEAGUE

The Dixon Springs Equal Suffrage league, composed of the following officers: Mrs. T.M. Beasley, president; Miss Laura G. Young [later married Rhea Garrett], vice-president; Mrs. S.E. Ross, corresponding secretary; Miss Nannie Beasley [Tom's sister], recording secretary; Miss Agnes Garrett [Boo Young's mother], treasurer; and Mrs. G.W. White, auditor. This league was recently organized and its officers are among the leading and most influential ladies of the county; and their activities will be significant in the cause of equal suffrage. The league meets the first Saturday in each month at the Dixon Springs Academy and their next meeting will be Saturday, November 6. Congressman Cordell Hull has been invited to be present and deliver an address on the occasion and the public is cordially invited to attend all meetings.

The Dixon Springs ladies are taking the initiative in the cause of equal suffrage in Smith County, and it is probable that leagues will be organized in other sections of the county.

MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 2, 1799 – 1804

Continued from Volume XVI, No. 3

MONDAY DECEMBER 10, 1804

P. 148. Court met at late dwelling house of William Sanders, deceased. Present: Willis Jones, Nathaniel Brittain, Godfrey Fowler and Judd Strother.

Samuel Carothers and William Stalcup exempted from serving as jurors this term.

Following drawn as grand jurors this term: James Wright, Foreman; John Piper, Wm Alexander, John Lovelady, Francis Findley, James Bradley, John Brevard, Harris Bradford, Charles McMurry, Daniel H. Burford, John Warren, Shadrick Moore, John Shelton, Willie Sullivan and Rignal Crook. Harvey Johns, constable to wait on court. Lee Sullivan's resignation as sheriff received; James Sullivan, his deputy appt. sheriff until tomorrow.

Samuel Goff/Gott? appt. constable.

John Douglas, Sr. exempted from jury service for present term.

P. 149. John Mungle, minor about 14 years of age, orphan of Danil Mungle chose John Brevard as his guardian.

Stock mark recorded for John Patterson.

Grand jury returned indictment against James Birmingham for assault and battery.

Charles F. Mobias resigned as coroner.

James Hibbit and Nathaniel Brittain settlement with Danil Alexander, Admr. of estate of Reuben Alexander, dec.

Wm. Hargis exempted from serving on jury at this term.

Vincent Ridley released as overseer; Leonard Ballow appt. in his place with same hands.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 11, 1804.

Present James Gwin, James Draper, Josiah Howell.

Lewis Wimberly vs John Kennady – Wimberly filed a brief.

P. 150. John L. Martin, late sheriff and collector of county taxes given certificate (\$1546.50) for insolvencies for yrs. 1800 and 1801 for state tax.

Deed, 640 acres John L. Martin to Jacob Harvick acknowledged.

40 acres James Gill to Mishack Bahen proven by oath of Harris Bradford.

Gay Reynolds allowed \$659.61 for materials furnished for building court house in Livingston.

Lat will of John Wallace, dec., exhibited in court – proven by John Wallace and John McCortney, witnesses.

Willis Jones allowed \$87.00 for service and expenses incurred in running lines for County of Smith.

P. 151. George Matlock was elected sheriff.

Appt. to serve on the *Venire* to the Superior Court: Joel Holland, William Walton, William Lane, Henry Tooley.

Grant Allen resigned as commissioner for fixing Public buildings. Willis Jones appt. in his place with himself, Benjamin Johns and William Cage, securities.

Grand Jury returned a bill of indictment against Elitha Smith and Sarah Goad for having unprovided for base children.

Lee Sullivan to be paid \$60.00 for his Exaficio services for 9 months.

Next court to meet at house of Tilman Dixon second Monday in March.

Appt. to serve on Grand and Petit Jury next term: John Zachary Ford, Thomas Lancaster, Joseph Shaw, Larken Bethel, Joseph Collins, Isaac Moore, John Ward, Philip Day, Elias Johns, Jeffery Sutton

P. 152. Frances Patterson, Wm Payne, Wm Roper, David Ventriss, Moses Pinkston, George Rowland, James Ballow, Thomas Draper, Andrew Greer, Randolph Wren, James Birmingham, Elijah Haynie, James Haynie, Lewis McFarland, Wm. Pendarvis, Henry Dancer, Hugh Stephenson, Sr., Wm Simpson, George McWhirters, Wm Carter, Jeremiah Taylor, Hugh Stephenson, Jr., Samuel Brittain, James Gibson, Benjamin Barton.

On Motion by John C. Hamilton, court ordered that John Deloach recover judgment against Silas Jernigan and his securities for services as constable of \$22.92 which Jernigan had collected for Deloach.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 12, 1804.

Met with Willis Jones, Godfrey Fowler, James Raulston present.

Deed, Wm H. Brandon to Wm. L. Anderson for 640 acres with the Indian Boundary proven by oath of Richard Alexander.

Deed, 50 acres Laddock Ingram to Armstreet Stubblefield proven by oath of John Warren.

P. 153. Deed 10 acres James Vance to Armstreet Stubblefield proven by oath of James Raulston.

Wm. Stephenson appt. overseer of road in place of Richard Brittain who resigned, same hands work under Stephenson; Brittain furnish list of hands.

Admr. Henry Moore returned into court an inventory acct. of estate of Benjamin Kavanaugh, dec.

Deed, 340 acres Robert Hayes to Wm. Williams proven by oath of Matthew Milton.

Deed, David Looney to Jeremiah Taylor proven by oath of John Sullivan.

Deed, 30 acres Benjamin Wooten to David Hodges proven by oath of Wm. Wooten.

Deed, Peter Lemmons to Thomas Groves proven by oath of Thomas Groves.

Deed, 40 acres Amos Freeman to Jeremiah Taylor proven by oath of John Sullivan.

Deed, 230 acres Zachariah Wilson to Christian Boston proven by oath of Jesse Wharton.

Deed, 240 acres David King to John Jones proven by oath of Wm. Turnbull.

Deed, 40 acres John Gill to Mishack ? proven by oath of Harry Bradford.

Adjourned until next day.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 13, 1804.

Met with members James Gwin, Basil Shaw, Willis Jones, Wm. Gregory, Godfrey Fowler present.

P. 154. Grand Jury returned 2 bills of indictment against Wm. Woodfork and 3 presents against John Jones, Wm. ?? and Samuel Young.

Deed, 10 acres James Saunders, exc. of Wm. Saunders, dec. to Garrott Wright.

Deed, 100 acres Richard Brittain to Robert McVeiley.

Charles F. Mobias withdrew as county coroner.

Samuel Young fined \$20 for contempt, ordered into custody of Constable David R?oren to be held in custody for 1 1/2 hours.

P. 155. Randolph Wren fined \$20 for contempt, on motion of said Wren fine was lowered to \$3.00 and costs.

Deed, 220 acres Thomas Hickman to Thomas Wilkerson proven by oath of Willis Jones.

Deed. 140 acres John Gwin to David Jennings proven by oath of James Gwin.

Deed, ? acres John Gwin to Doctor Jennings proven by oath of James Gwin.

Deed, 100 acres James Saunders, exc. And Nancy Saunders, exc. To Andrew Hibbits proven by oath of James Hibbits.

Thomas Jones appt. overseer of road where in place of Willis Jones all hands living on Fall Creek and Raccoon Branch and all heretofore liable to work thereon work under Thomas Jones.

Lewis Corder appt overseer of road where Lewis McFarland was overseer, same hands work under Corder.

Jacob Dice appt. overseer road replacing Thomas Banks, same hands work under Dice.

Sampson Williams appt. overseer to replace Michael Murphy. Archibald Sloan furnish Williams with list of hands.

Joseph Sullivan appt. overseer of road where Daniel Alexander was overseer, same hands work under Sullivan.

P. 156. Grand Jury returned bill of indictment against Andrew Anderson and one against James Cunningham. Foreman made motion to be discharged. Approved.

John L. Martin appt. surveyor to close lines of land of Maj. Thomas Donoho on Goose Creek upon petition of John Bradley.

Stock mark recorded for John Gordon.

Fine previously levied on Samuel Young for contempt reduced to \$1.25 and cost.

Road between Wm. Turnbull (overseer) and Samuel Caruthers to work (former overseer) be divided. Samuel Caruthers to work from fork near still house to ford of East fork of Goose creek near Brevard's. Wm. Turnbull work from there to Jaboz Gifford's.

Nathaniel Brittain and James Hibbits furnish list of hands.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 14, 1804.

Present were John L. Martin, Godfrey Fowler and James Cotton.

P. 156. Godfrey Fowler appt, guardian of Sally Payne.

157. Robert Rowland, admr. Estate of James Rowland filed an inventory account, received and recorded.

Willis Jones appt. to survey land in dispute between Robert Stothart and George Smith; return three just and fair plans.

DECEMBER 15, 1804 Court adjourned until 9:00.

Met according to adjournment, members present: James Hibbits, John L. Martin, Nathaniel Brittain.

Court adjourned until second Monday in March next to meet at house of Tilman Dixon.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTE - GRANT, TENNESSEE



MR. DORIS MCCLANAHAN, a cousin; Cecil Vantrease, Mr. McClanahan, Abe Lincoln, Charlie Evans, and Tom Neal. Second row, Bob Curtis, the teacher; Dora McClanahan, a sister; Willie Scudders, Edna McClanahan, a sister; Frank Neal, Gussie Lou Lincoln, Carmen Terry, Nell White, Cora House, Forrest Gill, and Ovie Neal. Third row, Novie Jenkins, _____, Nell Terry, _____, Gordon Moore, Irving Kennedy, Albert Tuggle, Joe Estes, _____, Anna Lee Shaver. Fourth row, Anna Estes, Gertie House, _____, Anna Marks, Bill Marks, Will McClanahan, a cousin; _____, Elmer Gill, Joe L. Terry, Nell McClanahan, a cousin; _____, Walter Smartt, and Howard Estes.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTE - GRANT, TENNESSEE



MR. DORIS MCCLANAHAN, first row, fourth from right, went to school with his sisters on a September day in 1897 to have his picture made with these students at the Franklin Institute in Grant. He was five years old at the time. Some of the students he can identify are front row, from left, Ida House,

a cousin; Cecil Vantrease, Mr. McClanahan, Abe Lincoln, Charlie Evans, and Tom Neal. Second row, Bob Curtis, the teacher; Dora McClanahan, a sister; Willie Scudders, Edna McClanahan, a sister; Frank Neal, _____, Gussie Lou Lincoln, Carmen Terry, Nell White, Cora House, Forrest Gill, and Ovie Neal. Third row, Novie Jenkins, _____,

_____, Nell Terry, _____, Gordon Moore, Irving Kennedy, Albert Tuggle, Joe Estes, _____, Anna Lee Shaver. Fourth row, Anna Estes, Gertie House, _____, Anna Marks, Bill Marks, Will McClanahan, a cousin; _____, Elmer Gill, Joe L. Terry, Nell McClanahan, a cousin; _____, Walter Smartt, and Howard Estes.

FRANKLIN INSTITUTE – GRANT, TENNESSEE

Smith County Archives

Property of Franklin Institute
Smith County, Tennessee 1869

In the care of W. R. Shaver, Secretary of the Board of Trustees

The following is a short history of Franklin Institute

In the year 1868 a number of citizens of the 17th and 18th Districts of Smith County, having the cause of education at heart and desiring to promote the morals and intelligence of their community therefore came together on the 22nd day of January 1868 with the desire to build a house for educational purposes.

Several places were spoken of for the location of the building, but after some discussion all were unanimous in the conclusion that Sister and Mr. W. S. Neal's meadow near the Trousdale Ferry Turnpike Road was a suitable and most convenient for a majority of the citizens manifesting an earnest interest in it.

Accordingly the following article of agreement was drawn up:

We the undersigned Subscribers hereby bind ourselves to pay the amount assessed to ourselves when called on for the purpose of building a school house in W.S. Neal's meadow near the Trousdale Ferry Turnpike Road, he the said Neal deeding to the subscribers one half an ace of land for the building and the necessary purposes. The house to be framed and weather boarded, ceiled, painted and covered with shingles, Size 22 ft. by 34 ft. The same to be used for a schoolhouse and for no other purpose and is to be for the use of the white population. The same, when finished, to be controlled by three trustees elected by the Subscribers.

Some three hundred and fifty dollars in money.

Lumber and work was subscribed in the above article of agreement. When the subscribers came together and elected a building and finance committee viz. W. S. Neal, Turner McClanahan, and Wm. ?? Building J. C. Moore, & W. R. Shaver, finance clerk.

Meeting of the Stockholders for the Election of the Trustees

On the 22nd day of June 1869 the stockholders of said schoolhouse came together for the purpose of electing a board of trustees for the government of said house. Gregory Moore, Esq. was called the chair definitely explained the object of the meeting.

The stockholders then proceeded with the election for trustees agreeing to have five in number. The result was as follows:

F. H. Gordon, Gregory Moore, W. R. Shaver, Turner McClanahan & W. S. Neal obtained a majority of the votes and were declared by the chairman duly elected
The Board then elected F. H. Gordon, President and W. S. Shaver, Secretary.

The President requested each trustee to select an appropriate name for the academy and report it at the next meeting of the board.

No further business appearing before the board adjournment to meet July 3rd 1869.
Attest, W. R. Shaver, Secretary

July 3rd 1869 The Board met pursuant to adjournment, members all present.

Minutes read and adopted.

The President then called for the names proposed for the new institution. The following names were proposed:

Turner McClanahan proposed	Green Hill Academy
W. S. Neal	I Will Try Academy
W. R. Shaver	Franklin Institute
Gregory Moore	Turner Academy
F. H. Gordon	Academy of Self Education

The name Franklin Institute was adopted.

G. C. Moore asked for and obtained permission to teach the fall session in said institute, session to commence Monday. The Board decided that the calendar year should be divided into two sessions of five months and the rates of tuition as follows:

1st Class \$8.00; 2nd \$10.00; 3rd \$12.00; 4th \$16.00

The Secretary was ordered to purchase a blank book to record the proceedings of the board, etc. He was further ordered to receive in charge the deed to the land allotted to Franklin Institute.

The Board then adjourned. W. R. Shaver, Secretary

Deed to Franklin Institute recorded in this book for convenience.

This deed conveyance is intended to show that I, Wilson Neal have bargained and sold and do hereby sell and deliver to F. H. Gordon, Gregory Moore, John C. Moore, George Moore, William K. Moore, William Shaver, D. A. McEachern, John Barbee, Turner McClanahan, John McClanahan, James McClanahan, John Rose, Jacob Tuggle, James Neal, F. Shy, A. J. House, William Oakley, Joshua Pruett, Dennis Smith, Duncan Johnson, W. N. Gill, Archibale Manning, B. F. C. Smith, David Litchford, Gregory Bradford, H. C. Jenkins, J. F. Shaver, John B. Barbee, Philip Bradford, John Atwood, T. D. Moore and their heirs the following tract or parcel of land lying in Smith County, State of Tenn. At the gap of Rollings Hill on the Southside of the Lebanon & Trousdale Ferry Turnpike and bounded on the north by John Rollings tract of land, as follows beginning in the north boundary of a tract of land at a hole drilled in a limestone rock and running thence east twenty five yards to the south thirty four yards to a standing rock thence west seventy five yards to a standing rock thence north thirty four yards to the beginning containing one half of an ace be the same more or less. The said W. S. Neal do sell and deliver this tract of land to the above named persons and their heirs who may reside in

this neighborhood for and in consideration of the building and conducting of a neighborhood schoolhouse which they and myself have built thereon and for the building and conducting of other houses and rooms of which may be erected thereon and at the same time I reserve and retain for myself and my heirs an equal and joint share in said ground, buildings so as to make me and my heirs equal owners with every and all the above named persons and their heirs. And I the said W. S. Neal do hereby make the foregoing conveyance on the following terms and conditions viz: the said land and house or any number of buildings which may be erected thereon shall be devoted to the educating and instruction of the White children and inhabitants of this neighborhood and section and thus shall never be devoted to any other use but to the education of the white people of the country.

To this end I further provide that the said owners or stockholders, myself included, shall elect from among themselves five trustees who shall hold their office for two years and until others are elected and shall fill all vacancies which may occur in the board by death or resignation. The said trustees shall contract with and select all teachers who may teach at said schoolhouse and determine the price of tuition, the mode of payment and the characters and plan of instruction. The Trustees shall require all teachers whom they may employ to be as practical as they can in their instruction of pupils and especially shall they require all teachers employed by them to deliver lectures to their pupils upon such branches of learning as can well be taught by teachers.

And all teachers if so employed shall require all students who can write to prepare and write compositions every week and read them to the whole school. The trustees shall allow any stock holders to build a small study room for the use of himself and his children and relatives. And such study room or rooms as may be thus built shall be held and used as study rooms by the builder and their heirs and relatives as long as and whenever they may be students at this school. But when any such room shall not be occupied for a session by the builder or heirs or relative, then and in that case the trustees may permit any other students to occupy the room without any charge more than enough to keep the room in good repair. And every such room as may be built shall be erected at the border of the said lot of ground where the trustees may select and determine. By a majority vote the trustees shall make all decisions in protection of the teacher and pupils.

In testimony whereof I the said Wilson Neal do hereby subscribe my name and affix my seal and acknowledge and this deed in presence of witnesses.

This the 11th of Sept. 1868.

W. S. Neal

Attest: S. Allison, J. W. Paschal

I certify that the above is a true copy

W. R. Shaver, Secretary

SMITH COUNTY HAS QUEER NAMES AMONG ITS HILLS

By Clyde White

Continued from Volume XVII, No. 2

Naming of Wildcat Hollow

About four miles from my home are about twenty-five acres of woodland surrounded by hills on all sides and known as "Wildcat Hollow." It received this name because of the fact that several years ago this hollow contained many wildcats which "hollered" at night and sometimes even came out to visit and molest the nearby settlements.

One night a Negro started through this hollow alone. He was carrying a lantern. The wild cats came very near him but would stop and howl in the presence of the light. It seemed that the light must have stopped them at a distance of some twelve to fifteen feet and held them at bay. However, the Negro could hear others rushing through the surrounding underbrush.

A white man who lived upon the nearby hill said that he could hear them squalling most any night and that one night when his child was unusually cross and was crying a wildcat came near and began to answer the child's cries. It became very angered and ran around the house several times squalling until the child ceased crying, after which it went away.

Told by Hart West of Carthage

Indians Lived in Cave

There is a cave in South Carthage in which people say that the Indians lived. Skeletons have been found lying about in the cave. There have been found tomahawks, hatchets, bows and arrows, and other objects of interest. These were found far within the cave.

Generally Known

Indians Mined Gold

Near Pleasant Shade on the Macon County line is the place where the following incident took place. The Indians had possession of this part of the country when the early settlers came. A small gold mine had been opened by the Indians. When the settlers came, they drove the Indians out, and the mine was filled with dirt to prevent the Whites from finding it, and then the Indians moved westward. Today there is a traditional clay knoll said to mark the spot of the mine's location.

Generally Known.

Bragg's Army Passes By

Bragg's army passed through Chestnut Mound during the Civil War. My grandfather was standing beside the road. One of the soldiers spoke to him, calling him by his name. It took several days for the army to pass. The soldiers' feet were bruised and bleeding. Many of them were barefooted. The weather was cold.

Told by my grandfather.

Negro Hanged Off Rome Bridge

There is a story that some Negroes in Rome, Tennessee, were at one time connected with the stealing of some money. A mob was formed which went to the home of an old Negro woman who lived near Rome and told her that if she did not tell who got this money, they would kill her. She denied any knowledge of the money. Not believing her, they carried her down to a bridge that stood within a few feet of the bridge that now spans Round Lick Creek and hanged her off the bridge.

The next morning she was found hanging off the bridge. When they cut her down she fell into the creek, and the creek being only about two feet in depth, her feet stuck in the mud leaving her standing in an upright position. It was later found that she was innocent of the crime.

The Negroes saw her standing in the creek dead and so became very superstitious to this day about passing the place at night. They claim that "Black Sally is likely to get them."

Told by Buck Beasley of Rome, Tennessee.

Carthage Boasted First Railroad in State

Carthage had the first railroad in Tennessee. It was not a long road. It was about a quarter of a mile in length and used for hauling freight from the river to town. The train made only one trip. It blew up and killed the man who owned it.

Told by my father.

Entertains King of France

Near the edge of Dixon Springs near the Hartsville highway stands the ancient home of Major Tilman Dixon. It was in this pioneer home that Louis Phillippe, later King of France, was entertained.

Major Dixon came to what is now Smith County in 1788 from North Carolina where he was born. He was a wealthy man and he built a brick home which was considered very fine for that day. He was the first postmaster, first tavern keeper, first builder of schools, the organizer of Smith County, and the first session of the county court was held at his home.

Louis Phillippe spent the night in Major Dixon's home. He had with him his two brothers and a servant. When Major Dixon accompanied his guests to their sleeping quarters, the Duke, sensing that others were to share the chamber with him, said, "Do you know whom you are entertaining? I am a prince of the blood." The Major said, "Yes, and my boys are princes of the blood; they'll be in here with you."

Told by Mildred Royster of Dixon Springs.

Early Travel Slow and Difficult

One of the first settlements in Smith County was on Hogan's Creek a little southwest of Carthage. During the pioneering days of this county it is said that two weeks were required to go from Hogan's Creek to Lancaster, a distance of some eighteen miles, and to make a return trip. Much of this time had to be spent in clearing out the underbrush and cane brakes so that a journey between these points were even possible.

Told by my father.

Walton Buried Near Cumberland River

William Walton, one of the first settlers of Smith County, is buried with his family near the Cumberland River. The place is now called the Upper Ferry. I always thought that it was an Indian graveyard with large stones or slabs which covered the Indians with their belongings. The road leading from Carthage to Cookeville is named for Walton.

Generally Known.

Salt Petre Mined in Cave

Between Monoville and Riddleton, off the main highway about a mile, a large cave is located. This cave has three large rooms or branches. It is said that soldiers during the Civil War often stayed in the cave. Others say that this is where salt petre was mined during the war.

Last summer (1939) I had the opportunity of going through this cave. It has a fairly large entrance with plenty of interior room. Signs left by the soldiers are still numerous. Troughs made from mud are now turned to stone. Firewood that was carried back into the cave has lost its weight and is almost decayed. Racks that are said to have been used for the feeding of horses are now filled with dirt. Many names are carved upon the walls of the cave, some of them dating many years back.

Told by Clyde White

Father of Cordell Hull

Several years ago a very prominent young man got into some trouble with another man and shot him. The bullet went through his head so that everyone thought that he would die, but he lived and said that if he ever met this man he would kill him.

Several years after this he was passing through a woods and came upon this other man cutting wood. He pulled out his gun. The other man begged for a chance, but the assaulted only said, " You never gave me a chance," and he killed him. The killer was the father of Cordell Hull.

Told by Mrs. Joe Midgett of Carthage.

Inn-Keeper Turns Highwayman

During the early stage coach days, a man by the name of Bobby Holley kept an inn between Gentry and Baxter on the old Walton Road. He was considered a very wealthy man, but he had acquired this wealth by very questionable means. He murdered any person who stopped at his inn whom he suspected as having money. He would put their bodies in the cellar under a back room of the inn. A young lady, whom he took to be a stranger, stopped at the inn for the night. He murdered her and robbed her but she happened to live in the neighborhood. Her people began a search and came to the inn.

Rolley was arrested, tried and sent to the penitentiary for life. He never would work, so he was placed within a constantly filling pool of water so that he would have to work at a very rapid rate in order to keep from drowning. He refused to make an effort to save himself and was thus drowned.

Told by my maternal grandfather who lived in the community at the time.

In Business With Jesse James

One of my great uncles, who died a few years ago, used to be in the wheat business. There was another man in the same business whom he like very much. As they had dealings together, they became very good friends.

My uncle said that he had never known a more perfect gentleman, a more honest man, nor a kinder man. Nor had he ever had a truer friend.

This man was killed in another part of the country a few years later. My uncle discovered that he had known him by another name since he was actually Jesse James.

Told by Houston of Carthage as related by his uncle.

The "Benton McMillan" Makes First Cruise

Many years ago when my father was just a boy, all the people in the community were frightened one day by a terrible scream that sounded like the cry of a wild cat. The horses in the barns snorted and pawed the earth in fright. A search of the woods was made to see if they might run down the object of their fright.

One man who had traveled widely as far as California said that he had never seen such tracks as were found in the woods. That afternoon, however, someone who lived on the Cumberland River reported that a steamboat, the *Benton McMillan*, was making its maiden voyage up the river and that she was carrying a wildcat whistle which was the source of all the confusion.

Told by my father.

JOHN MORRELL FROM SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

Submitted by Merle Stevens

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Some 185 years ago, in 1819, white settlers found their way to Claiborne Parish and set up homestead about six miles southwest of Homer off the Dutchtown Road. John Morrell, his wife and six children, left Carthage, Tennessee, in the winter of 1818, and headed south on a flatboat, traveling down the Cumberland, Ohio, and Mississippi rivers. They moved into a large two story home which became known as Flat Lick Plantation. All that remains of the home today is a stone fireplace and a cemetery.

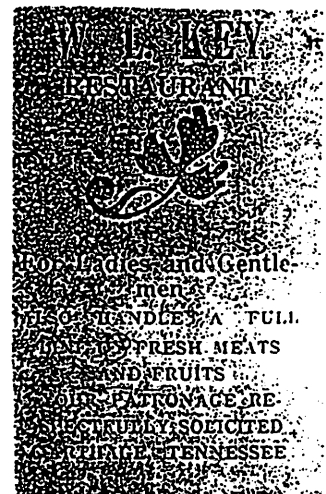
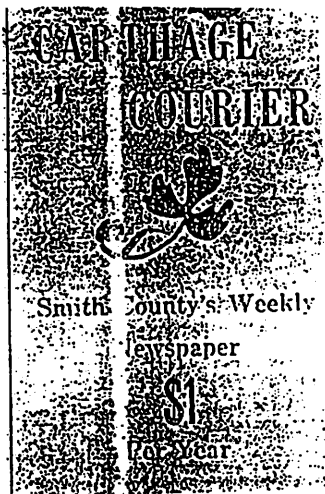
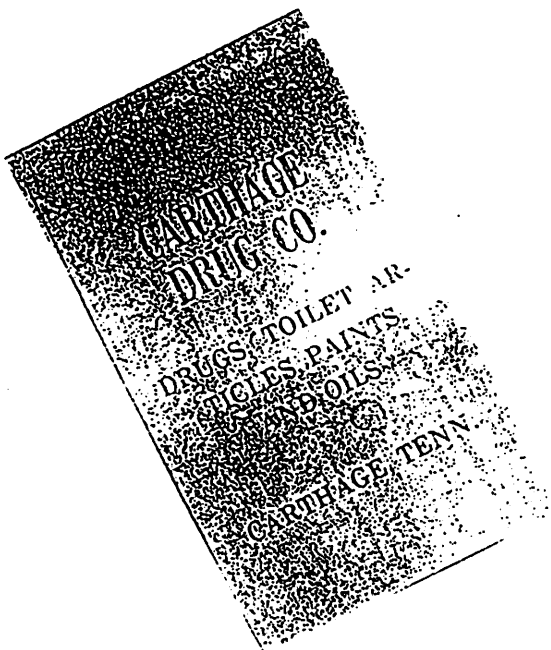
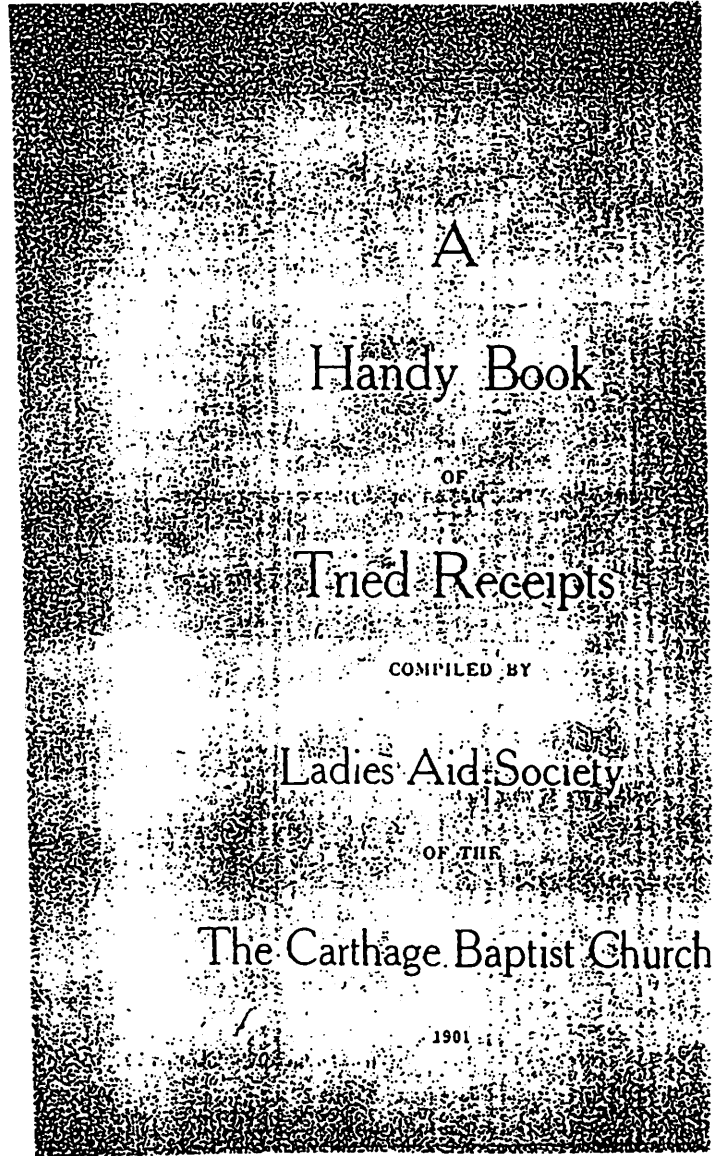
Flat Lick Plantation was once the center of all early activity in Northwest Louisiana. It served as the first church, the first courthouse, the site of the first election, the first post office, the first school, and the first non-official parish seat. Baptists began meeting there in 1822. The first court session was held at Flat Lick in 1828. John Murrell, Sr. has ever been referred to as the Father of Claiborne Parish. Just east beyond the home place was the Murrell Cemetery, John Murrell, Sr. and his wife, Margaret Sasser Murrell, were among the first white settlers buried in there. John's tombstone lists his creed as "Faith, Hope, and Charity."

A HANDY BOOK OF TRIED RECEIPTS

While on a recent tour in Virginia, The Wilburn Family Gospel Singers were contacted by a lady who was born in Carthage. She had in her possession a little cook book printed in 1901 by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Carthage Baptist Church. It was her desire that the book be returned "home," so Elaine Wilburn met with the lady and brought the priceless treasure to the Smith County Heritage Museum.

Following are a few excerpts of favorite receipts of our grandmothers from early in the last century. Imagine baking and cooking on a wood stove with no temperature control and no air conditioner to cool one down in the sweltering heat of a summer day while poking wood into the cook stove.

Merchants of the town were supportive of the ladies, purchasing ads to be included in the book.



WATERMELON CAKE

White part- Whites of 5 eggs, 2 cups white sugar, 2-3 cups butter, 2-3 cups sweet milk, 3 cups flour, 1 T. baking powder. Red part- Whites of 5 eggs, 1 cup red sugar, 1-3 cups butter, 1-3 cups sweet milk, 2 cups flour, 1 t. baking powder, ½ lb. raisins, rolled in flour. Mrs. Maud Pickering

HEART'S EASE CAKE

Whites of 10 eggs, 1 cup butter, 1 cup sweet milk, 2 1/2 cup sugar, 2 heaping teaspoons baking powder, 4 cups flour. Cream the sugar and butter until smooth, add the milk, sift flour several times, then add baking powder, then the eggs.

Mrs. John R. Aust

INDIAN PUDDING

2 quarts sweet milk, 1 pint corn meal, 1 cup molasses, t. salt, 2 eggs, 2 T. butter. Put in 1 qt. milk on the stove, let it come to a boil, mix the meal with the beaten eggs and cold milk, add to boiling milk, stir until thick, when partly cool add the molasses, salt and butter, bake slowly two hours.

Mrs. W. V. Lee

(Mrs. Lee is the mother of the lady who owned the cook book)

BEEF LOAF

Get 25 cent round steak and 5 cents of pork chopped together very fine. Season well with sage, salt and butter size of walnut. roll 2 soda crackers very fine, beat in meat, make into round ball and bake 1 hour and a quarter. Baste often. Laura Baker

FLANNEL CAKES

2 eggs, ½ t. soda, ½ t. salt, pinch sugar, buttermilk to make batter right consistency. Fry on hot griddle with out grease. Mrs. Sam Pickering

SALAD DRESSING

½ cup vinegar, 1/3 cup sugar, ½ T. mustard, 1 t. salt, ½ T. flour, ½ t. mustard, ¼ t. tumeric, celery seed, cayenne pepper, ½ cup milk or water, 1 egg, butter size of egg. Mrs. J. C. Davis

PEPPER HASH

Run through grinder 2 dozen Sweet bell peppers, seeded, boiling water over and let stand five minutes. Drain. Grind 1 dozen large onions and 3 red pepper pods. Mix and add 2 1/2 pints white vinegar and 2 cups sugar. Cook to boiling. Martha J. Turner

SOUP MIXTURE

1 pt. tomatoes, 1 cup corn, 1 cup okra, 1 cup beans, 1 cup butterbeans, 1 onion 1 sweet pepper. Cook 40 min. each day for 3 days. Mrs. Ina Day

<p>READ BROS.</p> <p>Drugs and Hardware</p> <p>Carthage, Tenn</p>	<p>E. E. TURNER</p> <p>General Merchandise</p> <p>House of Reliable —GOODS— "Quality First"</p> <p>Carthage, Tenn</p>
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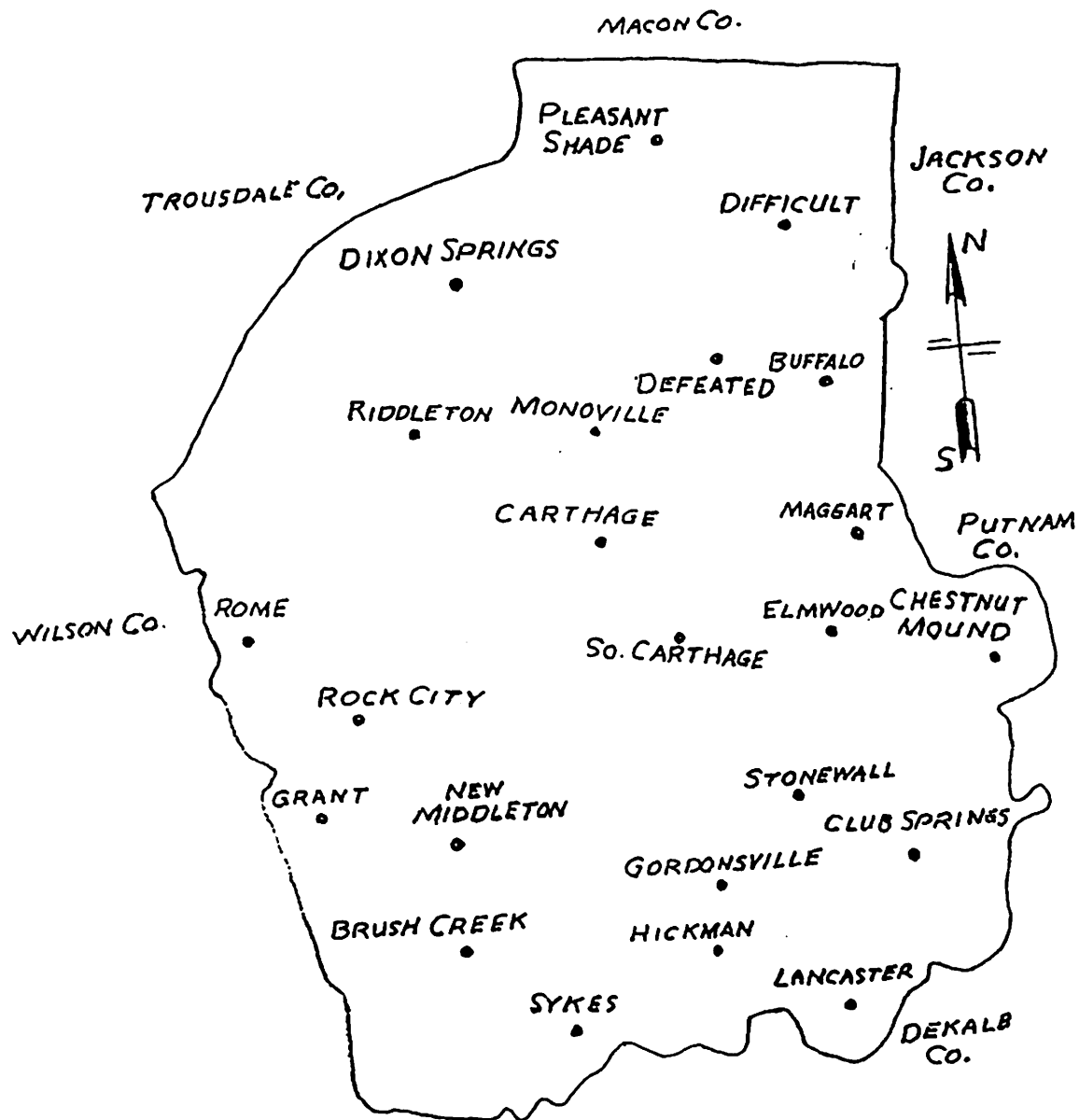
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From the Editor:

The summer has been long and hot in Middle Tennessee, and we were all glad to see September come and the resumption of our Society meetings. If you are too far away to meet with us on a regular basis on 3rd Monday evenings, we do hope you will make an effort to join us occasionally.

Projected opening for the Civil War exhibit at the Smith County Heritage Museum is set for October 1, 2005. Steve Haskins, curator, is working diligently compiling data for exhibits. The theme is "From Defeated to Difficult," (two communities in northern Smith County).

The sympathy of the Society is extended to Faith Young, our president, in the death of her husband, William Martin Young, Jr., (Billy). Mr. Young died on August 17, 2005, at his beloved home, Dixona, with grave side services and interment in the Tilman Dixon Cemetery located on the farm. Dixona was one of the first homes built in Smith County and was the site of the first county court in 1799. It has been lovingly restored and cared for by Billy and Faith. Billy was a POW in WW II, served as senator in the 79th Tennessee General Assembly, and was a founding member of the Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society. Billy was also an avid outdoorsman, hunter, fisherman and shooting enthusiast who marched to his own drumbeat.

Please continue to send your contributions to the *Quarterly*. Items of historical and genealogical interest are needed, especially family histories, Bibles, old letters and other documents. Back issues are available for \$3.50 each.

Enjoy the fall colors, a good book of history, and a warm fire,



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Most Youngsters Came Barefoot to Sanderson School in 1909



The above picture is of Sanderson School at Pleasant Shade in the year 1909. The teacher was Hugh Thomas, extreme right, second row.

Front row, from left, Ethel Gregory, Altha Smith, Bessie Gregory, Mai Brown, Carlie Goad, Tommy Parkhurst, Ervin Boston, Allen Wilmore, John Wilmore.

Second row, Alma Smith, Annie Hesson, Ethel Hesson, Charlie Hesson, Elisha Grisham, Annie Grisham, Ora Boston, Lola Boston, Hesson.

Ollie Boston, Curtis Boston, Etta Wilmore, Emily Hesson, Nannie Hesson, Hugh Thomas, teacher.

Third row, Sam Brown, Ernest Jenkins, Herman Gregory, Albert Jenkins, Eller Gregory, Thulie Wilmore, Bessie Hesson, Dewey Brown.

Fourth row, Clayton Hesson, Lloyd Jenkins, Mollie Cornwell, Sallie Gregory, Alice Cornwell, Ocia Grisham, Lessie Hesson, Edan Winkler, Bertha Kemp, Benton Winkler. The picture is the property of Allen Wilmore of Route 1, Pleasant Shade.



“MAMA HACKETT”

My mother's mother was a Sanderson. The Sanderson's came from Jones County, North Carolina in the late 1770's and settled in the northern part of Smith County, Tennessee. The first Sanderson was Jesse. He brought his wife, two sons and fourteen slaves, settled and built a home in a hollow on a hill near a big spring behind what is now Sanderson's Cemetery close to a community, which became Pleasant Shade. When the earthquake of 1812 came, forming Reelfoot lake in West Tennessee, the spring dried up. They then moved down stream about half a mile, built a log cabin and settled again. This became Sanderson's Branch and latter Sanderson's Branch Road.

One of the two sons, Edward "Ned" was born May 12, 1783 in North Carolina. He became a Commanding Officer in the War of 1812. He was discharged from Fort Armstrong, Alabama. Due to his military service, he was given a grant of several acres of land on July 8, 1814. Ned died July 27, 1858. Ned organized Sanderson's Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Sanderson's school. He became one of the Elders of the Church. The school was built with logs and latter burned down. It was rebuilt and latter destroyed. The Church building has been rebuilt one time also. The activities of the Church no longer exist, however, the building was recently renovated and a reunion held in summer of 2004.

Ned had a son, Thomas David born October 20, 1810. Thomas married Mary Francis Wilkinson September 22, 1847. They had four children, one of which was Joseph Allen "Uncle Joe" or "Pappy Sanderson". Uncle Joe was born October 18, 1849. He was Justice of Peace for a number of years.

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Uncle Joe rode a mule across Mace's Hill to attend Court in Dixon Springs. He surveyed land in both Smith and Macon Counties. It was said that he was self educated. He would pile corn stalks in the winter to burn and make a light to read and study the Bible at night.

All Sanderson's were cabinet makers by trade. They made furniture and coffins. Sanderson's were cabinet makers in North Carolina prior to coming to Tennessee. They buried all people around the Pleasant Shade area. Sometimes they would have to go back in the hollows and bring bodies out on a ground slide. When a person died, they would measure, build a casket that night and bury the next day. They would bury them close to their home. The Sanderson's would go to

Nashville on a boat to get cloth. Mary Francis "Granny" Sanderson would take the cloth and knit pads to line the bottom of the coffins. Thomas Sanderson, by building his own coffin and preparing in advance was able to secure his own burial at a cost of only \$7.25. Sanderson's Funeral Home and Cemetery were started by the early Sanderson's.

Uncle Joe married Arthena "Ellen" Gregory February 11, 1886. They had one child...Myrtle Arthena, born December 12, 1886. This was my Grandmother, who married Hugh West Hackett. She was called Mamma Hackett. They had seven children, six lived to adulthood. One of which, Dorothy Mai Hackett Kemp, my mother, who lived to be ninety one (91) and lived alone for many years on part of the original home place until her death February 24, 2005.

- submitted by Bill K. Kemp

UNCLE JOHN HACKETT'S BIBLE BOOK

[Ed. note: Bible submitted and in possession of Bill K. Kemp. Dorothy H. Kemp was the mother of Mr. Kemp].

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July 1, 1963 Johnny Hackett 81 yrs
Lucy Hackett Whitley July 24, 1971 - 81 yrs



~~uncle~~ To Beulah Whitley Turner
 Johnnie Hackett's Bible Book

Nov 6, 1935

First I give this Bible to Beulah -
 then to Dorothy H. Kemp

I got this Bible June - 1985
 from Beulah; Dorothy Kemp

1. Dorothy H. Kemp.
 2. John Hackett's
 Bible

MARRIAGES

Lloyd Shackett and Marie Bennett
were married Nov. 1. 1896.

Burgan Shackett and Ella Kittell
were married Nov. 19. 1899.

Rhoda Shackett and Ethel Sanderson
were married Oct. 12. 1902.

Sallie Shackett and Sterling Boston
were married June 3. 1906.

Lucy Shackett and Albert Whitley
were married Dec. 22. 1907.

~~Hugh & Myrtle Sanderson~~
were married Sept. 19, 1909

DEATHS

Marie Shackett died March 6. 1905

Ethel Shackett died Dec. 17. 1905

W. H. Shackett died June 22. 1906

Winnie Shackett died March 6. 1911

Elsie Shackett died Nov. 20. 1914

Figgie Shackett died June 20. 1927.

Lena Shackett died Sept. 15. 1935.

Lloyd Shackett died Oct. 21. 1946.

Myrtle Shackett died Dec. 28. 1945.

Albert Whitley died Oct. 5. 1937

Burgan W. Shackett died Feb. 26, 1954.

Hugh W. Shackett died April 8, 1959.

Sallie Shackett Boston died May 1, 1961

CHILDREN'S NAMES

Levi Hackett was born Oct 22-1844

Lizzie Hackett was born Dec 11-1847

Floyd Hackett was born Feb 25-1872

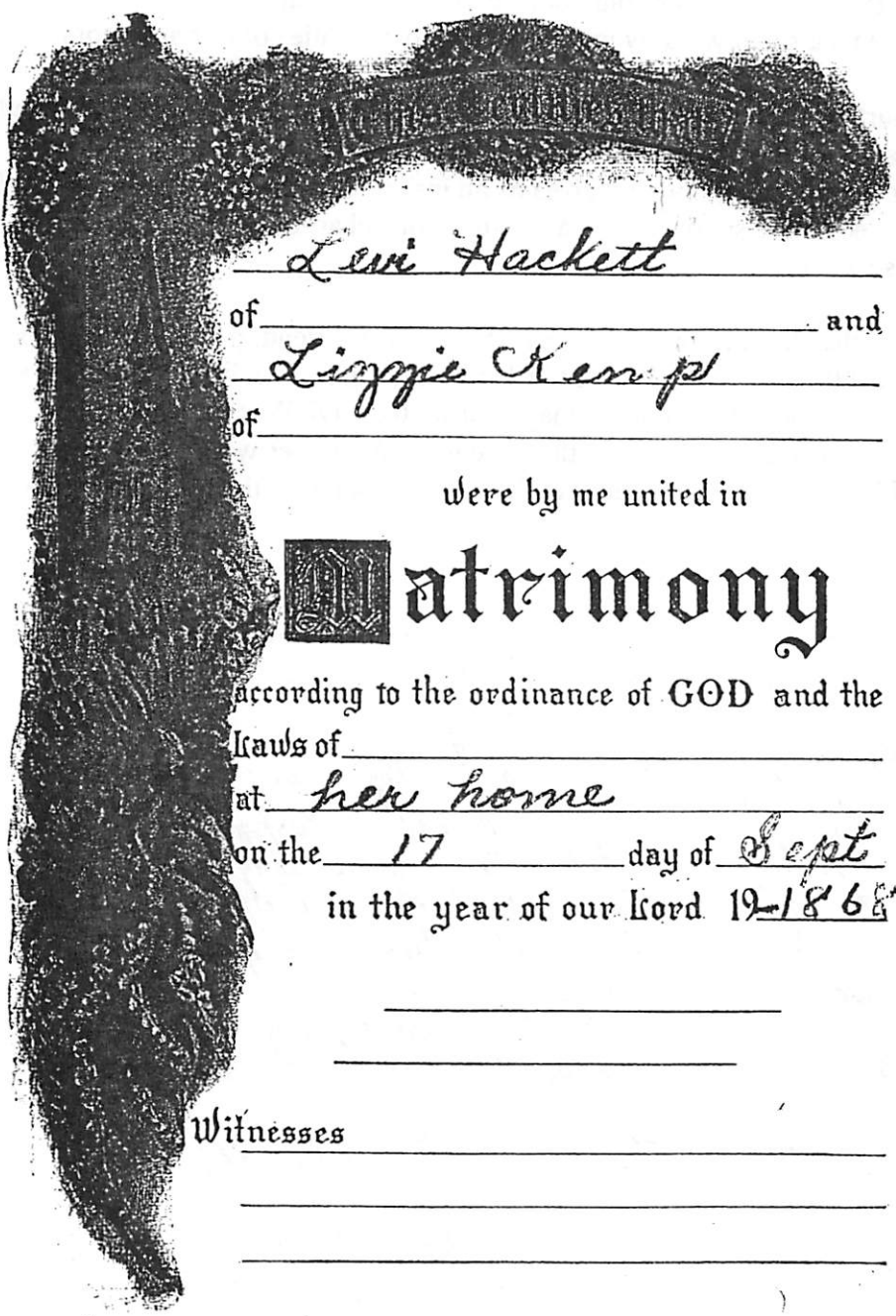
Newton B. Hackett was born Aug 3-1874

Hugh W. Hackett was born Sept 2-1875

John M. Hackett was born Aug 16-1881

Salli E. Hackett was born Apr 26-1884

Lucy K. Hackett was born Sept 27-1885



Levi Hackett

of _____ and

Lizzie Kemp

of _____

were by me united in

Matrimony

according to the ordinance of GOD and the laws of _____

at *her home*

on the *17* day of *Sept*

in the year of our Lord *19-1868*

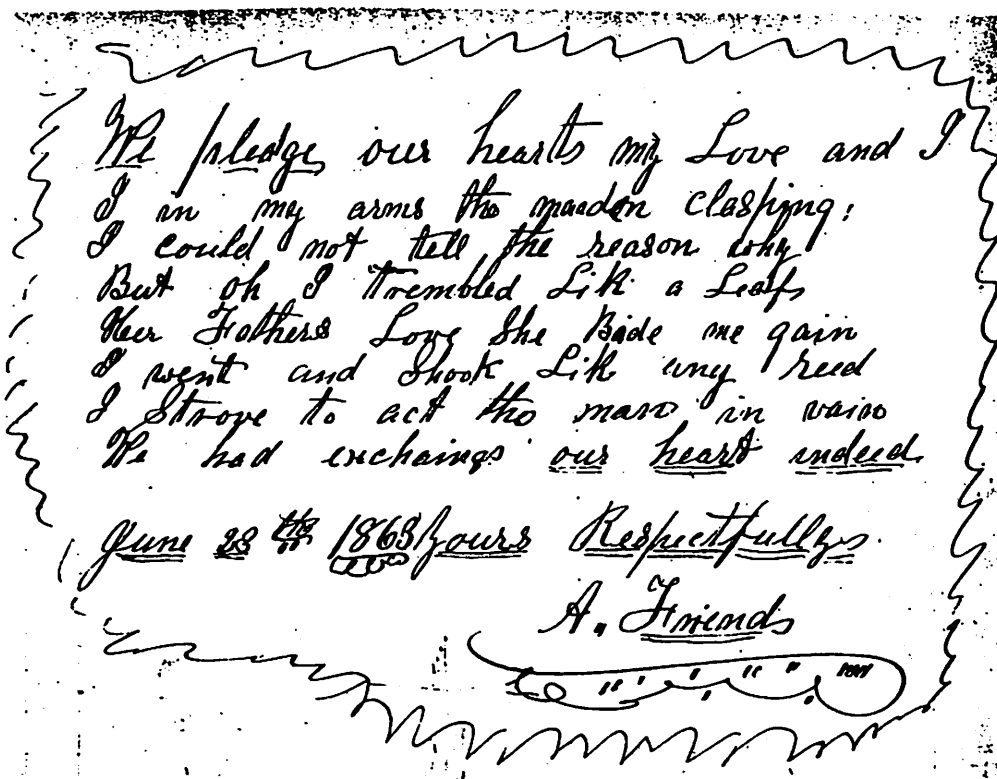
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LEDGER BOOK - SMITH COUNTY ARCHIVES

Over the years several old merchant and other miscellaneous ledgers and records have been deposited among the official court records housed in the Smith County Archives. It may be that men serving as county officials and also merchants in their respective communities left the records behind when their term of office expired. Whatever their reason for being in the Archives, these old books give us many names of people in the county and also give us a small window into the everyday activities of our ancestors.

One ledger in particular is dated 1856 and appears to be accounts of a blacksmith and repair shop. No name for the owner or location is found among its pages, but it does provide a good census for the period and gives us an insight into the everyday household items and tools carried to the smithy for repair. Numerous charges are made for "shoes," assumed to be horseshoes.

The only entry under the "A's" in the index is the name A Friend, p. 125. On this page is found a humorous little poem that is dated in 1863. This may have been written by a Union soldier during the occupation of Carthage during the Civil War for on a nearby page is the caption "List of Prisoners," but the page is blank. Paper would have been scarce, and the soldiers did use blank pages in the backs of some of the other books for official records.



 We pledge our hearts my Love and I
 I in my arms the maiden clasping;
 I could not tell the reason why
 But oh I trembled like a leaf
 Her Fathers Love she bade me gain
 I went and fought like any reed
 I strove to act the man in war
 We had exchanges our hearts indeed

 June 28th 1863 yours Respectfully
 A. Friends

Following are names of citizens who patronized the black smith shop and services received for the year 1856.

TIM GLOVER	page 1	A. H. KING	page 8
2 new shoes.....	\$.50	mending wagon hanes.....	.15
sharpening plow.....	.08	1 lynch pin.....	.10
HATT THE SHOEMAKER		HEZ TAYLOR	page 9
upsiting (?) ax.....	.25	3 new shoes & remove.....	.85
WM. R. HALLOM	page 2	A. MOORE	page 10
1 log chain hoop.....	.25	smithing.....	.1.30
4 lap rings.....	.25	1 screw & tap.....	.20
GEORGE DAVIS	page 3	SALLY HIGH	page 11
1 hoop on tub.....	.25	putting band on buggy.....	.25
F. F. HUNT		WM. CULLOM	page 12,13
mending stove kettle.....	.25	2 bridle bits.....	.75
R. A. TAPSLEY	page 4	repairing grubbing hoe.....	.10
1 screw & tap.....	.20	JAS C. SAUNDERS	page 14
JAS. B. MOORE	page 5	hook for boat.....	.25
1 iron wedge.....	.75	CLAIBORNE HALL	page 15
repairing buggy.....	.15	1 links in log chain.....	.20
JOHN BRIDGES	page 6	D. H. CAMPBELL	page 16
1 lid for stove.....	.30	repsiting 3 wedges.....	.30
1 handle for smoothing iron.....	.40	JOHN GLOVER	page 18
JOSIAH HALLOM	page 7	laying plow.....	.70
1 trust.....	1.00	WM. HACKETT	page 19
2 new shoes.....	.50	1 pare cradle irons.....	.50

R. W. MANN	page 20	JAS. BENNETT	page 35
mending bridle bit.....	.25	1 rod & cupling pin.....	.60
L. M. FITE	page 21	STEPHEN MANN	page 36
stove tongs.....	.25	mending staple.....	.25
A. FERGUSSON	page 22	ROBERT DENTON	page 37
7 large nails.....	.10	mending 1 pare tongs.....	.10
NED GREGORY	page 23	MITCHELL PERRY	page 38
4 new shoes.....	1.00	making bull tongue plow.....	.50
JOHN L. GOODALL	page 24	WM. HAILEY	page 39
6 large nails.....	.06	pointing plow.....	.35
NATHAN HALL	page 25	MRS. PORTER	page 40
2 new shoes.....	.50	mending cutting knife.....	.20
WM. ROBINSON	page 26	LOVING CARTER	page 41
4 new shoes.....	1.00	2 links in stretchers.....	.15
PETER HACKETT	page 27	RICHARD HODGES	page 42
2 new shoes.....	.50	laying one plow.....	.70
JACKSON LEMONS	page 28	ALLEN MATHEWS	page 43
1 old shoe & remove.....	.50	mending plow rod.....	.10
JOHN NESBIT	page 29	JAS. TIMBERLAKE	page 44
4 removes.....	.44	pointing plow.....	.35
WM. WILSON	page 30	WM. WOOTTEN	page 45
4 new shoes.....	1.00	1 pare stretchers.....	1.50
JOHN CARTER	page 31	1 gate latch.....	.40
putting tongue in bell.....	.20	ARCH TAYLOR	page 46
ELIZABETH DENTON	page 33	fixing saddle tree.....	.15
4 new shoes.....	1.00	WILEY MCKINNEY	page 54
JOSEPH PNDARVIS	page 34	pointing plow.....	.35
mending mill spindle.....	.25	THOS. FISHER	page 57
		1 spike for surveyors spike.....	.25

JAS. M. WILLIAMS	page 47	LUTHER LEMONS	page 56
repsiting 4 mill picks.....	.40	mending single tree.....	.10
THOMAS KEY	page 48	NAT SAUNDERS	page 58
4 new shoes.....	1.00	1 ring & staple.....	.50
L. D. KEY	page 49	E. B. HAYNIE	page 65
4 removes for station.....	1.00	2 new shoes.....	.50
THOMAS BARKSDALE		CATHARINE HUGHES	page 66
1 ring & staple.....	.15	4 new shoes.....	1.00
A. H. ROSS		WILLIAM HART	page 67
laying plow.....	.70	2 latches.....	.20
JOHN ROBERTS	page 50	JAS. GLOVER	page 68
putting steal in hanes.....	.35	pointing plow.....	.35
JOSIAH HUBBARD		SAM GARROTT	page 69
2 new shoes.....	.50	1 pair of setting irons.....	.50
TIM WILLIAMS	page 51	JOHN SIMPSON	page 71
paid by note, 1858.....	.50	putting steal in hamer.....	.35
SAMUEL ALLISON	page 52	WM. YOUNG	page 74
1 new shoe.....	.25	2 rock wedges.....	.60
JAS. GREGORY		ANDREW MCCLAIN	page 75
2 removals.....	.20	putting on ties.....	.50
J. G. PICKETT	page 53	WM. W. WARD	
welding Goodall's wagon.....	.75	1 screw & tap for buggy.....	.20
JOSEPH DICKENS	page 55	JOHN GOODALL	page 77
2 new shoes.....	.50	1 band on wagon.....	.25

NEW MIDDLETON ROLLER MILL COMPANY

Smith County Archives

Another unique item found within the treasure trove of the Smith County Archives is a small ledger containing some brief minutes of the New Middleton Roller Mill Company for the year 1889:

The board of directors of the New Middleton Mill Company met at New Middleton on January 15, 1889, J. A. Barrett presiding. Upon motion and second Jeff Rolling selected as book keeper for one month from this date. Adj to meet Jan the 19th 1889 at 1 o'clock p.m.

Feb 19th 1889. That the president see Mr. McKnight whether if he can dispose with ? doing the services in addition to the labor he now performs without additional cost. That the mill be closed at dark and opened at daybreak. That the company authorize T. A. Morris to acknowledge our signatures to the charter of incorporation of the New Middleton Mills.

Aug 16th 1889. The board of directors of New Middleton Roller Mill Co., met according to appointment. To consider the propositions of Mr. Agnew - the miller - Moved that J. A. Barrett, L. H. Rolling and T. A. Morris be a committee to make a contract with Mr. Agnew to run the mill 1 year for 1/8 of net profits, he paying 1/8 running expenses. Carried. T. J. Estes, Sec pro tem; J. A. Barrett. Adjourned to meet Mon 19th ?

Following is a list of farmers from whom wheat was purchased for the mill in 1889:

G. L. McClanahan	G. L. Carter	Harrison Dennis
Isaac Manning	Turner Wilkerson	W. N. Herald
Wm. Fuller	D. T. Barrett	Jno. Barrett
J. A. Barrett	Caleb Searcy	J. H. Baird
Wm. C. Baker	Elizabeth Oliver	Kinney & Pernell
J. M. Watts	Dos Dowell (col)	Fed Squires
Hez Squires	Johnny Squires	John C. Baker

THE TIMES, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1896

Mail Route Discontinued.

The mail route between Carthage and New Middleton was discontinued this week, Monday being the last day. Mail will now be forwarded from both ends by way of Brush Creek and the railroad.

A Successful Operation.

Last Thursday Dr. J. L. Jones, New Middleton, assisted by Drs. Blair and Cornwell, of Watertown, and Drs. Turney and Barger, of Statesville, removed a tumor from Mrs. Rufus Anderson, colored, living between Watertown and Statesville. She was doing well last Saturday, and it was thought the operation would be a success.

DIARY OF THOMAS FULLER
COMPANY E, 2ND TENNESSEE CAVALRY
NOVEMBER 27, 1861 - JUNE 30, 1865

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Prison Diary
Alton, Illinois
Begins January 1, 1864

January 1, 1864. On going out this morn snow about 10 inches deep and very cold received an express of money \$25.00, paid 75 cts. charges bought me some clothes, shirts, socks, drawers and pants. Letter and money was from Jas. M. Washburn and Jones Fuller, Gents living - Marion, Illinois.

January 2, 1864. Very cold - river frozen over, not very agreeable being out- around stoves are crowds of persons shoving, pushing and heaving and setting, fighting at intervals, clothing were issued in the evening to some of the more needy prisoners, water is scarce since turning cold.

January 3, 1864. Weather too cold for preaching where there is no church. I spent the day in reading the Bible and visiting the sick - two years ago today I left the house of my parents in Middle Tenn., Smith County, not been there since.

January 4, 1864. On last night a lot of prisoners C.S.A. were brought in from the City of Memphis, Tenn. 57 are in the squad belonging to various commands - and concentrated at the above named after capture. I bought a pair of boots from L. D. Banks a Confederate Prisoner from Ark.

January 5, 1864. Excitement on the exchange is up at the highest figures today. Some are jubilant at the prospects of leaving this prison - Weather extremely cold and snow not melting of any consequence, water is very scarce, the process of melting ice in cups and buckets is very common.

January 6, 1864. Very cold the mercury is said to be 2 degrees below zero. The coldest that has been experienced for 20 years - A Fed came up to visit some of those he got acquainted with at Camp Davies, Miss. - named Wm. Mack.

January 7, 1864. The freeze is so hard that the trains can not run regular to this place, the footmen have made a path across the ice over the river, cases of sickness and deaths are getting quiet common - the number of cases seem to increase rather than decrease.

January 8, 1864. Dr. J. H. Boozer died in the Hospital today, disease pneumonia, was a member of Wauls' Texas Legion, formerly from S. Carolina, but went to the State of Texas previous to the war, captured by the Feds and had orders to leave here at one time could not get transportation till too sick to go; peace to his memory.

January 9, 1864. Moved up into Mess No., 3 last evening - a more pleasant day than usual - Ice is being hauled from the river for summer use, persons skating on the ice also, a woman out on the ice skating.

January 10, 1864. A very pleasant Sabbath day. Sickness is yet very fatal. Dr. Williams, Surgeon in charge has men measuring to ascertain the number of cubic feet in each room and the number of men. Flag over the Pen. is at half mast a portion of day, boys are expecting to leave soon - Ft. Lookout, Md. is the point Spoken.

January 11, 1864. Weather more pleasant than usual so that persons can be out of quarters more than they could for days past - The Town people are putting up ice, worked all day on the Sabbath.

January 12, 1864. Snow has melted considerable today. The news is flattering for us to be removed from here to Pt. Lookout, the Federal Congress is said to be split up, some refuse to vote men or money for carrying on war.

January 13, 1864. Some of the Sentenced men (Co. I) were found at gophering last night from the lumber house. Have been very mildly treated by Fed officers, the excitement about leaving here is gradually dying down, some don't think that we will be out till Spring.

January 14, 1864. Two rebs, Dr. Bob Rutherford and Jo Terry took two dead men out of their coffins and got into them. Capt. Smith a Fed went up to put socks on them (the dead being Feds) discovered the trick, Bob was put back in his and taken toward the gate, he kicked out, they put him in cell.

January 15, 1864. Fifteen Commissioned Reb officers are ordered to Camp Chase O. Some of these men are sentenced for the war but are ordered away at 4 p.m. Order countermanded to await for further orders.

January 16, 1864. Pleasant day, some little thawing in some few places only - the river yet is frozen over to the island the ice serving as a bridge and a skating arena over to the hospital isl. Death still continues to do its work here in our midst, cutting down without regard to rank or Station.

January 17, 1865. The Greybeards - 37 Iowa left this afternoon, their place is supplied by 10 Kansas Reg. they have a Brass Band the old men are gone up the river to Rock Island, can be spared very agreeably, the women were admitted to prison on last night were brought from Memphis, Tenn. reside in North Miss.

January 18, 1864. Some of the new guards are mixing around with the "Rebs talking over the engagements they have been in and where they are from - Some are deserters from C.S.A. live in Ark., Texas and Mo., a kind of motley crowd - Col. Weer Commanding 10 Kansas.

January 19, 1864. Answered a letter to day that I received from John Washburn yesterday -received \$1.10 from him. Attempts at gophering were made last night from Mass No. 4 (the cellar) the new Reg. seem to be more mild than the "Old Grays" were, have some knowledge of a Soldiers life and what a prisoner ought to have.

January 20, 1864. The officers of the Kansas Reg. U.S.A. promise to bring about a change in things are having the building cleaned out and refitting up for our comfort.

January 22, 1864. Prisoners began to eat breakfast in the dining room at an early hour, eat three meals per diem, was sitting in a window of room No. 3 viewing the ice on the great Miss. dropped my pencil on the ground and could not get in side the gird without non Commissioned officer, concluded to give it up and write with pen.

January 23, 1864. Lt. Smalling (Lt. Ruth P. Prison) Marshal is requiring the Subtler (A.N. Hill) to come down on the price of some articles, preventing extortion on C.S.A. prisoners. Today it is a pleasant day, ice thawing considerable, the ground muddy, unpleasant walking over the yard.

January 24, 1864. A prisoner from Mo., Lt. Col. J. L. Lewis (a sentenced man) was released last night, this the R. Catholic Priest came and talked to Rebs. I heard the latter part of his discourse, it was deeply dyed with abolitionism - Clothing was issued to Rebs this eve.

January 25, 1864. Weather has moderated, till more pleasant days are passing over us, ice appears to be melting in the rivers though passengers continue to cross over. The question of paroling and administering "Oath of Allegiance" and "Exchanging" is going the rounds inside the prison walls to day. Military Commissioners are examining the politicians.

January 26, 1864. A beautiful clear day is a speeding its way over us, while we are spending a miserable existence in a filthy prison, body lice and bed bugs are very numerous and at this time we have a poor way of helping ourselves. -surrounded by high stone walls and armed Guards around.

January 27, 1864. The papers contain an acct. of the ice at St. Louis breaking up enough for boats to go down. They have some sketches of the Rebel Gen. J. H. Morgan's arrival in "Dixie" and his desire to be again in the Field operating.

January 28, 1864. Weather is warm and pleasant persons have quit crossing on ice. The St. Louis papers speak of three states, Viz. Arkansas and Louisiana, Tennessee are about ready to return to their allegiance to U. S. and Rebs firing on boats from "Fort Pillow" and other places on Miss. The papers say the mercury was up to seventy today.

January 29, 1864. This morning there was thunder and rain, a Steamboat came up, but did not effect a landing in consequence of ice next to the bank. I read a letter from Miss Lizzie T. Moore, Louisville, Ky. Answered instantly. Miss L. promised to write and answer my letters.

January 30, 1864. The Col Commander had all of the Rebs to get into line, march by him and tell his name. A boat in the river again to day, another came up late in the evening with some difficulty - they landed.

January 31, 1864. Last night 27 prisoners were turned in to the Alton prison. This morning some rain, the ice is running down to day in large quantity, river is rising at a rapid rate, the Reb. officers that left here on the 20 were taken to the U. S. Prison Camp Chase near Columbus, Ohio, they write back that officers from other prisons are being sent to that place.

February 1, 1864. Pres. Lincoln has ordered out 500,000 men, the draft to be run. Some rumors are that the U. S. gov. is about getting into hostilities with France. Weather is fine today, since the morning all of the sound of prisoners brought in on Saturday night are sentenced some for the war and some to wear balls and chain.

February 2, 1864. My Bunk mate D. R. Ozier, went to the Small Pox room this morning, broke out with the disease. Wind from the north some cooler than for past days, two prisoners that have been on detail on the Island represent it as being remarkably cold over there.

February 3, 1864. The mess quartered near the Dead house were detected in trying to gopher out last night, all were put in cells except one, he was sick, some of mess 3's relatives, their mothers and one of their sisters are on a visit here.

February 4, 1864. The Rebs in cells are sentenced to seven days confinement and to live on bread and water, an altercation got up in the dining room last eve, all persons disposed to take sides turned against "Vaughn" this morning. A Fed guard was placed in to protect him and his friends. Rebs tuned out this eve.

February 5, 1864. Col. Wear had all the men formed in their squads and the men searched for pocket knives. Papers report "Corinth" Miss to have been evacuated and all of the R.R. between that place and Memphis, Tenn the latter to be guarded by negroes and few whites an expedition to have gone South.

February 6, 1864. There were some Feds put in cells and locked up on account of some misconduct towards the Col. and the guard while on his post; the river is open to trade. Boats arrive and depart every day up and down the Great Miss River.

February 7, 1864. Sunday a fine clear day, every thing seems to be quiet about "Old Alton." O, that we were away from this place to enjoy air more clear of nausea, of vitiated ? filled with offensive orders. Gloom and despondency seem to be predominant over the minds of some prisoners. More especially those in ill health.

February 8, 1864. A beautiful clear day equal to a spring month, fine for farming or any kind of out door business. Federal papers report their forces in a critical condition in East Tenn. are in some doubt as to their condition in North C., are uneasy.

February 9, 1864. Two years ago the writer of this was encamped with his command in Sumner County, Tenn. The command was ordered on the L & N R.R. The evacuation of Bowling Green, KY by the Rebs began.

February 10, 1864. On last night a squad of 75 Rebel prisoners were brought in from Memphis, Tenn, they belong to various commands, one of Co. C, 2 Tenn (Cav. E. D. Thomas) was among the men, he was wounded in Ala. last fall and has been in the hospital at Memphis ever since. Some were taken in Mississippi while at a party and brought to suffer here.

February 11, 1864. Quite warm and pleasant today, resembling a Spring morning. A recruiting officer for the Feds has been on the yard today getting up what reb he could to enter their names and to join the U. S. Service. Rumors say that a considerable number have gone into the Service of "Old Abe."

February 12, 1864. There is no news of much importance afloat to day, we wait to hear the result of todays transaction at "City Point" by the Commander under a Flag of Truce. Metropolitan record speak a more southern ? than any papers we have read.

February 13, 1864. The St. Louis Republican states that some of Stokes Tenn Cav. U. S. A. attempted to rob a man named Holt near Triune, Holt refused to give up his money, they shot him and he died. Some of Holt's neighbors went in pursuit and captured two and took them to Nashville. So much for home-made Yankees in the South.

February 14, 1864. Rumors of exchange are going the rounds on the yard again today. I suppose that is only a sensation rumor, such spring up so often. This being Sunday no papers are among us, the papers say that Small pox is raging among the troops at Knoxville, Tenn. 700 cases reported.

February 15, 1864. Another attempt to gopher out from the Penitentiary and detected last night. The rebs got out about fifteen feet but was caught - this is said to surpass any thing of the kind that has been gotten up.

February 16, 1864. The wind rose last night and blew from the North turned remarkably cold. A difficulty got up on yesterday evening between a Fed and Reb the latter give the former a blow across the head bleeding him freely making him a fit subject for the hospital. The reb got looked up in the cell.

February 17, 1864. Cold again today, considerable ice is floating down the river. Today's paper repeats "Butler's" Proposition for exchange, man for man, officer for officer of equal rank, a bill for the Federal to disarm and disband all negro soldiers, use them as teamsters has been introduced at Washington.

February 18, 1864. Col. Weer and some of his staff came around to day inspecting and informed some of the prisoners that 500 rebs would leave Alton between this and 22 that the roll was already made out. Weather cool, too much ice for Steam boats to run.

February 19, 1864. The excitement with reference to prisoners leaving is up still, letters from Johnson's Island state that 400 have left there. Papers speak of Sherman's (Fed) expedition from Vicksburg, Miss had reached Meridian and the rebs had got between them and the former place taken possession of Jackson, Miss and giving some annoyance to the rear.

February 20, 1864. The news today says that Gen. Longstreet has retreated south. This and some other contradictory statements fill up the Sheet. Another disease has got into this place, "The Black Tongue," two cases have proved fatal in the hospital, some are highly elated at the prospect of leaving on the 23.

February 21, 1864. Weather has so moderated that ice had gone down enough for Boats to run up this far. The Catholic Priest gave a talk today, said not to have been so deeply dyed with the Republican doctrine.

February 22, 1864. This morning 34 guns (Cannon) were fired down near the wharf, said to be the birthday of Washington. A number of Flags are hoisted in Town. At about 5 p.m. Streamer B. M. Runyan arrived, Gen. Rosecrans and staff on board. Salutes were fired and a band on the boat played music.

February 23, 1864. This morning St. Louis paper gives an account of the Ladies Sanitary Fair, and of the Great Feds speech and several mottoes were on the wall, (to wit) one Gen. Butler, Author of new work on good manners dedicated to the Ladies of New Orleans and a number of others - Mosey left today.

February 24, 1864. Prisoners were ordered into line this afternoon and some names from every letter, I was one that did not get a chance, sent my petition together with about six hundred more, considerable excitement.

February 25, 1864. Excitement is up on the subject of leaving some are paying the Fed Sarg't. to have their names put on the list - The flag pole broke and let the flag down, names were called again this evening but my name was not, some that paid money will go. Authorities are selling privileges that just belong to prisoners of war.

February 26, 1864. The order was countermanded, many remarks are being made about leaving, some say it is a trick, a money making process, and seem to be various opinions on the subject as to their leaving and where their destiny will be cast. Mine seems to be to stay in this miserable filthy place.

February 27, 1864. Prisoners were ready to leave. In the afternoon it was rumored that they will not get off till morning.

February 28, 1864. Some little snow fell last night. Was announced today that the prisoners would not leave till Tuesday. Sergts. continue to take names at \$2.00 each and promise that they shall go. Later announcements are to leave tomorrow. These are made by Hill the Luther - made out a description at night.

February 29, 1864. The 500 prisoners or the number that was to go off, left. We took many of our Southern boys by the hand that have been enduring the suffering of an imprisonment for months that have passed and gone, Twenty nine out of Mess 3 went. I hear that they were searched at or near the Depot and dispossessed of their blankets and rings and other trinkets, No. 3 had been filled out to the number expected to room in here. Twenty four is the greatest number.

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[Ed Note: John Washburn (p. 93) was the son of Lewis Washburn who lived in the area of Brush Creek and would have been a neighbor of the Fuller family. Washburn founded Ewing College in Ewing, Illinois. He was said to be sympathetic to the Union cause but obviously bore no ill feelings toward his friend, Thomas Fuller].

CLASS HISTORY

Submitted by Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky and Joyce Cutrell Sullivan

This was written by our mother, Josephine Highers Cutrell, for her 8th grade graduation from Dixon Springs School, circa 1929-30. It is unedited.

Friends and classmates I will now read to you a few pages from the history of our class. One bright September morning we hied ourselves away to school with a greater zest and a new eagerness. We felt ourselves above certain younger ones who belonged to the fourth grade, for we were to sit in the big room.

However, the bigness had reference to the size and grades of the pupils. This was indeed an accomplishment. We had passed at least one milestone in the road to education. Ruby Law, Will T. Hines, Frank Garrett and I made up the class. Mrs. Allen was our teacher that year. We selected our places found new "parking" space for our chewing gum, nice broad backs behind which to hide and settled our selves for a good time. But alas! the bubble soon burst, we found that we must take seats in front of the larger folks and that we were expected to do some studing. Arithmetic was such a bother and took up so much of our valuable time to say nothing of English Spelling and Geography. We found out that coffee come from Brazil, that it is very hot in Chile and that there are a lot more countries in South America with cities too hard for anyone to remember . Besides we couldn't see why the world war had to come along and add a lot more countries to Europe when there were more on the old map than any class could ever remember. Everyone seemed to think there will not be another war and we certainly hoped there would not be. The idea of expecting folks to learn JugoSlavia Czechoslovakia and any such names but the teacher was very patient and kind and didn't seem to mind at all staying in at recess time to help us with things we just couldn't remember.

The next year brought us a bigger geography, that made such a good hiding place if one just couldn't wait until recess for a piece of candy or a bite of apple, and too that year brought us a new teacher Mrs. Wilson by name. She had gray hair and wore glasses and we hoped she wouldn't see any too well Along with the new teacher we acquired some new members for our class. Irene Phillips decided it would be better to come down the creek than to go up Maces Hill School. We are so glad she did too for she has been one of our faithful members- and that year brought us a new boy too. A rather tall black headed fellow he was. He signed his name James Morgan Phillips and he too has been faithful unto the end.

So much more seemed to be expected of us each year. Think of keeping up with all the parts of speech--of dividing up sentences to see how many parts they had. It just

seems so much trouble. But in spite of it all we got through with our years work with nobody left behind. The next sixth grade may take and use the thing we didn't learn. Seventh grade found us intact and no new members.

History had become one of the many things added or that we were expected to learn. I don't see why we had to have so many wars any way then there wouldn't be so much history to learn. We found that Washington was our first president that Lee was our greatest southern general and Ruby Law learned that all great men died.

Of course this was an important year but was not such an eventful one. After being worried with lessons every day harassed with tests each month and tortured with final exams we were given our promotion to eighth grade.

Then came the big year that means so much in the history of our class. We still had Mrs. Wilson to guide us in paths of deeper study all the while. James got a late start because of the drought, the tobacco crop, and various other things that turned his feet from the paths of knowledge. Things ran along in a rather even tenor for a time. The usual run of history, geography, English, with civics and constitution thrown in for good measure.

November was usured in and instead of the usual chill there came a certain brightness and warmth. A new girl had come to our group. The boys immediately christened her "Red" but to the teachers and the girls she was Mary Frances. The average daily attendance of the boys for that month showed a slight increase. The lost combs were searched out the drugstores was besieged for hairoil; overalls and jumpers were replaced with neater looking sweaters and trousers and school went along. The newcomer however soon showed us that she could set the pace for work as well as for play and in time soon took her place at the head of the class.

Next came the announcement that there would be uniform examinations this year with questions made by the superintendant. We wondered if he would be able to spring any thing new under the sun in the way of questions; but we decided that if he could think of anything Teacher hadn't already asked us he was just welcome. Well he did his work and we did our best and here we are tonight but how? The End.

Josephine Highers

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MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

Continued from Vol. XVII, No. 1

JAN TERM 1869. p. 84. The Church in conference Brother Joseph P. Hamilton joined the church by letter from Newhope with J. F. Ellis, Clerk & G.W. Hager, Mod. J. A. Ligon, Clerk, J. Barrett, Mod.

Feb Term 1869. The Church in conference. They elected Br. Philpen their house keeper for the insuing year & agreed to give him \$5.00 for the same also the church granted Brother A. S. Jefferys & wife Elizabeth letters of dismissal. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clerk.

MARCH TERM 1869. p. 85. Macedonia Church in conference one joined by letter from the Brush Creek to wit sister Sarah Alison. J. Barrett, Mod, J. A. Ligon, Clk.

APRIL TERM 1869. Macedonia Church in conference the Plunkets Creek Church request ministerial aid to ordain Brother Wooten to the ministry it was granted by the Macedonia Church. Lee James, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM 1869. The Church in conference there was one joined by letter to wit Sister Sarah Kitchings from the church at Roundlick with James Barrett, Mod. & E. D. Smith, Clk. Lee James, Mod, Jams A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1869. The church in conference. The church granted Brother William Paterson and wife Therasey Paterson letters of dismissal. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM 1869. No business of record. F. Paterson, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUG TERM 1869. The church in conference Sister Frances Hale joined by letter from Bedford County Haricane Grove with B. Pennington, Mod., & H. L. Tune, Clerk. Also delegates appointed to association to wit James Barrett, Junior & Brother Neal & the alternate J. Bradford, L. James, Thomas Moore. Also Brother Barrett ortherised to assist in the ordination of Thomas Estes at Hogins Creek.

SEPT TERM 1869. p. 86. The Church in conference. The letter to the association read & rec'd. They proceded to elect one of her members to the work of a Deacon which resulted in James Barrett, Junior they then call for Ministerel aid in the ordination of said Brother from the following churches to wit Hickman Church, Hogans Creek, Plunkets Creek, Rome, Bunavista to assist in the ordination of the said Brother on Saturday before the first Sunday in Oct next. James Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

OCT TERM 1869. The church in conference. The church of New Salem request our ministerial and in the ordination of two Deacons which was granted. Also five joined by experience and baptism to wit Henry E. Harte, Henryeta S. Calicoat, Fany E. Alison, M. H. Barrett, Lorra A. Barrett also a letter granted to our Brother Davis. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

Brother James Barrett was ordained to the Deacon the Presbeatry was as follows Henry Bass, D. M. Jarred, J. W. Bowen, Thomas Easters.

NOV TERM 1869. Nothing of record.

DEC TERM 1869. Nothing of record.

JAN TERM 1870. p. 87. Macedonia Church in conference the church accuse Brother A. Manning of being intoxicated. There was a committee appointed to wate on him to wit Brother Neal & D. Moore an inform him of the same and report at next Term. A letter granted to Brother Thomas Allen. T. Eastes, Mod.

FEB TERM 1870. The church in conference. The committee to wate on Brother Manning did not report the case was layed over till the next term. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, clk.

MARCH TERM 1870. The church in conference the case of brother Arch Manning considered and him found guilty of the charge as reported & him excluded also three letters granted to the following Brothers and Sister to wit Sister Jeffreys and Brother Jaffrey's also brother David Allen also ten brethering appointed to collect funs to liquidate a debt the church is owing to the old church that was Burnt Down to wit Thomas Moors, William Easters, James A. Ligon, Dudly Moors, James McClanahan, Jeramiah Beard, Thomas Clark, N. B. Andrews, John Barrett. J. Barrett, Mod., James A. Ligon, clk.

APR TERM 1870. No Business of Record.

MAY TERM 1870. p. 88. Macedonia Church in conference She granted letters to the following Brother & Sisters Edmon Barrett, Col., Milly Balenger, Col., Malisa Boulton, Col. Also Sister Mary Allen. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1870. Macedonia Church. Nothing of Record.

JULY TERM 1870. Nothing of Record.

AUG TERM 1870. The church in conference. Rec'd. one by letter to wit Sister Susan Haston, by letter from Plunkets Creek. Also Delagates were chosen to the association to wit James Barrett, Senior, James Barrett, Junior, John Bates and Brothers Neal and Jerry

Paschal, Thomas Moore The church sits aparte Sept for the Protracet meeting. The church also granted Sister Morris a letter of Dismission. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, clk.

SEPT TERM 1870. no business of record.

OCT TERM 1870. nothing of record.

NOV TERM 1870. p. 89. The church in conference. The church appointed a committee to exammon in to the Christian character of George Pride as he wants to be restored. The committee is as follows James A. Ligon, John Bates, Thomas Clark. The church granted Sister Martha Randal a letter of Dismission they also appointed Thursday the 8th of Dec. for a protracted meeting. James Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

DEC TERM 1870. The church in conference. The case of George Pride dismissed and left just like we found it. The Deacons requested to imploy a house keeper. Brother Moore elected Treasury. Sister Mary Oliver rec. by letter. Sister Tempy Carter restored. Reek's. by experience and Baptism 20 members. To wit Mary Elizabeth Baker, Mandy Rolings, Martha Rolings, Alice Balenger, John Barrett, Ophelia Barrett, Eler Barrett, Icyoema Aminet, James Barrett, Junior, Tennessee Stalings, Mary Baker, Mary Farmer, J. B. Taylor, J. H. Balenger, Elizabeth Balenger, Mary T. Clark, Margret Allen, T W. Moore, Martha Moore, A K. Oliver, this being a protracted meeting. J. Barrett & Others, Mod, J. A. Ligon, Clk.

Also Brother & Sister Sampson, Steven R. Sampson & Katherine his wife dismissed by letter.

JAN TERM 1871. The church in conference. One joined by letter to wit Edward Patton from the Church in Laskingburge with the clerk named to it J. D. Patton, dated December 17, 1870. J. Barrett, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

Here ends page 89. The following pages – 90 and 91 - contain a list of names, probably the church roll. The pages are not dated and appear to have been added to at different times. Penciled remarks record the status of a few of the members. Page 92 assumes the monthly minutes beginning with March 1871.

John M. Barrett	excluded	Eler Barrett	lettered
Ophelia Barrett	lettered	Icyicena Ammett	
James Barrett, Junior		Tennessee Stalngs	ded
Mary Baker		Mary Farmer	
J. B. Taylor		J. H. Ballinger	
Mary F. Clark		Margret Allen	
T. W. Moore		Martha Moore	

A. K. Oliver	joined by letter	Maryan Elizabeth Baker	dismissed by letter July 1871
Mandy Roling	dead March 1875	Martha Roling	
Alice Balinger		Tempy Carter	restored by letter
Mary Oliver		Edward Patton	rec'd. by letter 1871
Serenia McClanahan	Bunavista	Zana Nolen	
James Corder	rec'd. by letter	Lettie Dowell	Sept 1871
Malissa Hale		Charity Lee	dismissed by letter. 1874
Elizabeth Moore		Catharine Paty	dismissed by letter
Lucy Paty	dismissed by letter	Roberts Buts	
Robert Fliping	ded	Etheldred Durham	excluded
J. T. Durham		Sister Malissa Jane Durham	rec. by letter
Sarah Taylor	restored	James Webb	restored
James K. Paty	restored p. 91	Thomas Wilkerson	
Walter Wilkerson		James Hunt	excluded
William Butz		Luther M. Lee	Plunket Ck. Oct 1874
John Bray		Martha L. Wilkerson	
Elizabeth Wilkerson		Samuel Hale	excluded
John Nowelings	restored/excluded	Malisa C. Bonds	ded
Walter Herrel		Bridges Herrel	
Jent P. Tyree		James M. Allen	
Peter Wilkerson		B. F. Allen	
L. D. Wilkerson		Alis Herrel	
Judith C. Ligon		Martha Hale	
Harriet Tyre		Tennessee Wilkerson	
Nancy Allen		Dorah Wilkerson	
Mary Hale		Maltida Farmer	
Elizabeth Hale		Rebecca A. Rollings	
Iddor Rollings	dismissed by letter	Vina Minton	
Louis Allison		William A. Barrett	
Samuel Denny		William Rollings	

MARCH TERM 1871, P. 92. Macedonia Church in conference. The church request the following Sister Churches aid to assist in the ordination of Brother Edward Patton to the ministry to wit Rome, Hogan's Creek, Plunket's Creek, Round Creek. James Barrett, J. A. Ligon, Clk.

APRIL TERM 1871. Macedonia Church in conference. Business called for no business of reference no business of record at the present time. J. Barrett, Mod., J. A. Ligon, clk.

MAY TERM 1871. Macedonia Church met in conference on Friday Before the third Lord's Day in May for the purpose of ordaining Brother Edward Patton the following Brethering met according to previs request to aid in the ordination of said Brother and sending out Brother Patton to preach the gospel after examination we clothe him with the

functions of the ministry and for that purpos we cause our names to be set together as prisbatry of the united Baptist of the Salem Association to wit

The names of the Prisbatry John W. Bowen Thomas Easters Mcnab
 Henry Bass James Barrett

Also on Saturday the Church ortherise James A. Ligon to correspond with the church in Missouri to which Brother Dave Allen has joined to seak in to his Christian Caracton as we have granted him a letter some time ago it being miss layed he request another. We wish to learn something of his character before we grant another. J. Barrett, Mod., James Barrett, Junior, Protem Clk., James A Ligon Clk.

JUNE TERM 1871, p. 93. No Meeting.

JULY TERM 1871. Macedonia Church in conference no business on the minutes, other called for she granted Sister Mary E. Baker she also granted Brother William Easters a letter of dismission. She also excluded Sister Serena Alasom for joining a society of not orthodox, the church past a resolution that all letters granted to a member shall not last him longer than six months, must be put on some other church or returned. The letter of the association adopted for our form Send \$3.00 for minutes. A commity appointed to write obituary on the caractor of Sisters Alison & Garret the commity are as follows Brothers Neal Hamelon & John Barrett, also Delagate elected to the association resulted as follows to wit Brothers Neel, John Bates, John Barrett there alternate are Hamilton Dudley Moore and James Barrett, Senior. James Barrett, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

AUG TERM 1871. Macedonia Church in conference, no business of referance on our minutes only the letter to the association red and approved. The church then proceeded to next business she appointed the forth Sabeth & Saturday preceding to comence a protracted meeting. She also made it duty of the clerk to read minutes of each preceding meeting to the Successive meeting or a copy of the same. J. Barrett, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT TERM 1871, p. 94. The church in conference no reference on our minutes a letter called for for Brother Perry Shaver and it granted. On Saturday preceding 4 Sabath at the protracted meeting Brother James Corder joined by letter from Dekalb Co. Tenn 1871 with J. R. Bowman, Mod. & James R. Stevens Clerk. James Barrett, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT THE 4TH SABETH. Macedonia in session this being our protracted meeting thirteen joined relation & baptism to wit Lettie Dowel, Serenia McClanahan, Zana Nolen, Malissa Hale, Charity Lee, Elisabeth Moore, Catharine Paty, Lucy Paty, Robert Buts, Robert Fliping, Etheldrea Durham. By letter Sister Malisa Jane Durham, Restored Sister Sarah Taylor, Dismissed by letter Kilis Oliver & wife, also 2 of the Paty girls Lucy & Catherine, James Webb recd by Baptism also Jane K. Paty recd by Baptism & dismissed by letter. James Barrett & L. Dias Mod.

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QUERIES

THOMAS GILL NEAL. Son of WILLIAM ASHLEY NEAL and BELL GILL NEAL; married 1. WILLETTE THOMSON, 2 JESSIE MAE (FLOSSIE) TURNER. Tom lived in Grant, TN, died 1 Mar 1973. Does anyone know if he is the "Tom Neal" pictured in Franklin Institute photo in Summer issue of the *Quarterly*? Would like to know more of his ancestry.

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GREEN, DUKE, RUSSELL, HALLIBURTON and related families, origin Virginia/North Carolina. Researching these Tenn. families of Smith & Jackson Counties (prob.

Macon/Overton also) and will share info I have. Contact MELBA WILKINS, 2310 N. 107th Lane, Avondale, AZ 85323; 623-931-4677; email MeIE1512@att.net

BENJAMIN BRADLEY, b 22 Mar 1806, d 6 Aug 1839, Brush Creek, Smith Co., TN, bur on family farm at what is now called Woodson Cemetery. He was marr to FRANCES LANCASTER d/o WILLIAM ALLEN LANCASTER and JUDITH LANCASTER (who were cousins) 28 Oct 1823 in Smith Co., They had 9 children, the 4th being my Great Grandfather, THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY who brought his family to Texas after the Civil War. Benjamin died at the early age of 33. Who were his parents and siblings?

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WILLIAM LANCASTER BRADLEY, b 27 Apr 1827, Brush Creek, TN, marr 5 Jul ? to CHARITY E. CARMON in Sumner Co., TN. May have lived in Cookeville, TN in later years. He was s/o BENJAMIN & FRANCES LANCASTER BRADLEY. WILLIAM had 2 daughters, one named Mary.

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DR. JOHN WILLIAM WATERS, b 1794, practiced medicine in Smith & Wilson counties. Marr BETSY KYLE, d/o BARTLETT (BARKELY) KYLE. Had 2 sons who were also doctors. They are buried near Tuckers Crossroads. BETSY came to Texas to be near her daughters, Mary Sampson and Sarah Margaret who marr THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY. Need info on this family.

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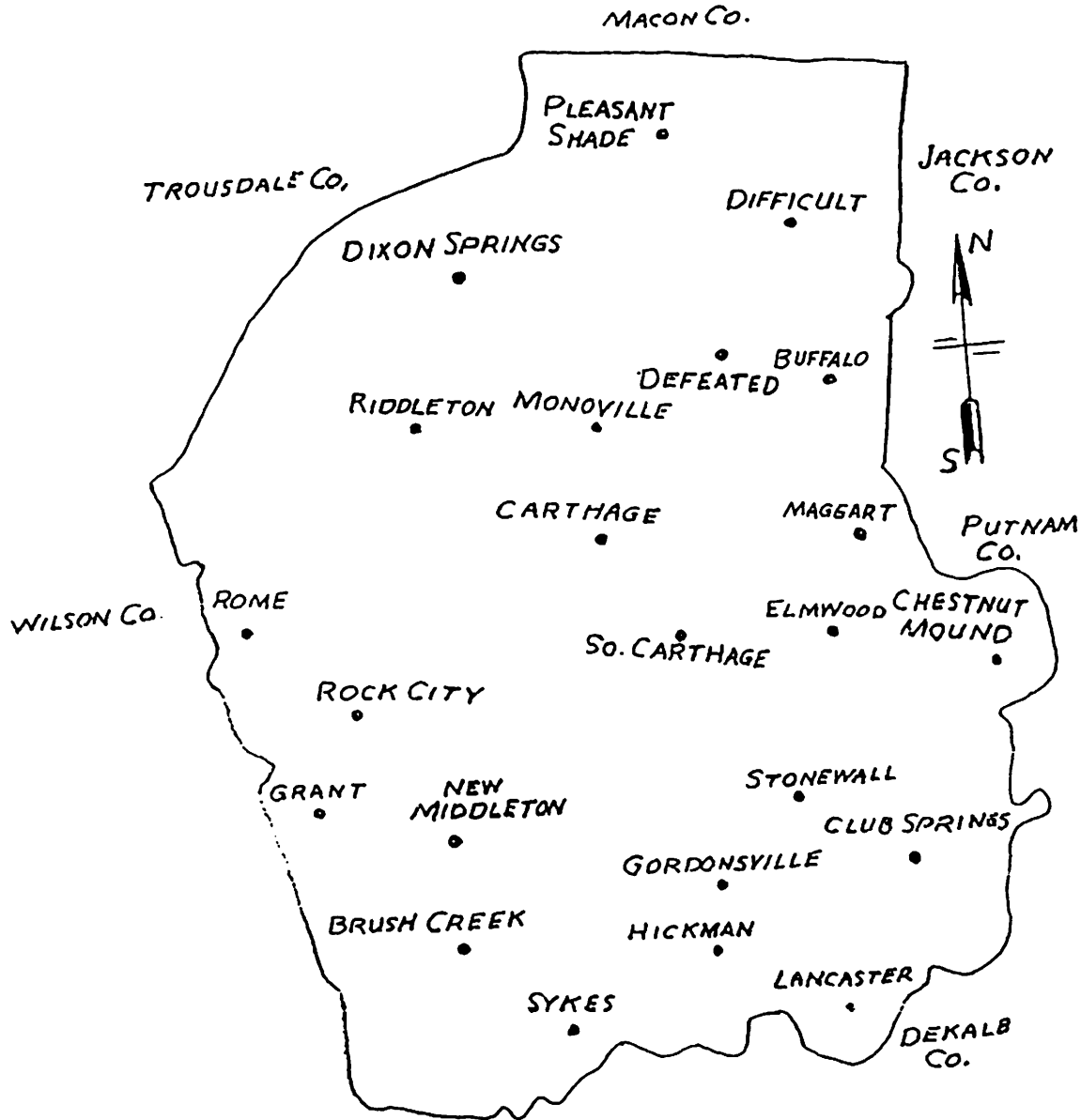
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FROM THE EDITOR:

The Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society celebrated its 40th birthday at the regular meeting on November 21, 2005. Past presidents and other officers were recognized for their service to the Society. On November 29, 1965, twenty-five persons gathered at the Smith County High School for the purpose of organizing an historical society for Smith County. The meeting was presided over by Carmack Key, County Historian. The following officers were elected to lead the infant organization: President, Elizabeth Beasley; Vice-President, Joe Anderson; Secretary & Treasurer, Evelyn Ray; Reporter, Carmack Key. Mrs. Laura Garrett and Mrs. Cassie Draper were elected advisors to the group. The first Board of Directors was Ann Winfree, William Young, Judge Clint Beasley, Reverend R. D. Brooks, and Ervin Smith.

The year 1989 was a giant step forward when the Society voted to begin publication of a *Quarterly*. Mrs. Louise Sharenberger graciously accepted editorship of the new venture. Under her expertise and guidance the *Quarterly* expanded from a small bulletin into a 25-30 page publication. As a result, the Society has increased in number from the original 25 to a membership of 285, representing most states of the Union. The Society is indebted to Carmack Key for his persistence that we "publish" and to Mrs. Sharenberger for making the vision a reality.

Many historical and genealogical projects have been accomplished by the Society: the extensive collection in the F. C. Key Genealogical Room in the Smith County Library has been largely funded by the Society through memorial gifts; home owners of structures over 100 years old have been encouraged to register, maintain and restore their residences; an old photo contest uncovered many treasures; the Hundred Fifty Club encouraged an interest in genealogy; as co-sponsor with the Smith County Chamber of Commerce, the Society assisted in establishing and maintaining the Smith County Heritage Museum – an ongoing project.

The Civil War exhibit opened in October at the Museum and has been a great success. Many interesting artifacts and "tales" have been contributed by patrons. The exhibit will remain open for an indefinite period. The 2005 Christmas ornament, "Carthage Junction at Gordonsville," by artist Bobby Vantrease, is still available as well as those of previous years. Ornaments sell for \$10.00 each.

Society dues (\$12.50) are payable with this issue. Please remit promptly as sending late notices and late mailing of issues is costly to the Society.

Wishing each of you a very prosperous and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,



Civil War Remembrances
of
Major W. W. Fergusson

William Wallace Fergusson was the son of Adam and Hester Hazzard Fergusson, being born at Carthage in 1831. The Fergusson home place was located on the Cumberland River, some two miles northwest of the town and reached by the Carthage-Gallatin Turnpike.

Adam Fergusson was a prominent attorney and pension agent of the time and oldest son William had studied at both Clarksville and at Cumberland in Lebanon and would eventually become a lawyer and prominent politician in Smith County and Middle Tennessee. There were two other Fergusson offspring, Mary Catherine (Kate), who would later marry Tom Stovall of Dixon Springs, and Charles who never married.

In the summer of 1861, W. W. and Charles enlisted in the Confederate Army and were both in the service for the duration of the conflict. W. W. was assigned to the Engineer Corps as a surveyor and map maker initially going to Virginia. In 1862 he was at the battle at Shiloh and in late summer of that year was in camp near Columbus, Mississippi where he became ill with fever and a related disabling condition for which he received an extended leave of absence from service. Rest and certain prescribed medication failed to give him the cure which he sought. Fergusson gives the account of this era of his life, and the rather treacherous and circuitous trek to Smith County Tennessee to home and family. Late in his life the aging Confederate Veteran wrote of his time in the service from which the following was extracted from the Fergusson Files in the Tennessee State Library and Archives in Nashville;

Aug. 23 : Concluded to visit Shinn Springs, some 15 miles north of Columbus as a possible help to my recovery, but the hack was very disagreeable and the road by no means smooth. There was no hotel or boarding house only as could be found among the families living nearby or people who had built huts or summer lodges for the benefit of the strangely tasted combination of sulphur and chalybeate waters evidently [coming] from a long distance below the surface of the earth. Dr. J. L. Thompson, formerly of Rome, Tenn. was there and it was as much as I could desire to have his kindly advice and society while there and also Col. Wm. B. Bate and wife - both of whom I knew beforehand were there. So I had no trouble to obtain a share of Dr. Thompson's quarters and boarded at Mr. Gardner's while I drank the water freely warm as it was and with its singular taste. One day, by invitation, we visited Mr. Troupes with Col. Bate and Lady and enjoyed it delightfully in talking of everything but mostly of Tennesseans and its belongings. Col. Bate is slowly recovering from his gun shot in the left leg which fractured one of the bones and he has saved his leg by a persistent refusal to allow amputation - in fact slept with his pistols under his head to be ready to shoot any surgeon who attempted to cut off his leg. It was fortunate for him as it resulted but proved fatal to Varner of Co. "K" who was shot almost in the same way and who refused to allow amputation at any time. Mrs. Bate, whom I met several times previously was a finely educated lady, fine form and features and so much devoted to her husband. Dr.

Thompson was our State Senator in the last legislature and we had been intimately associated in politics with Col. Bates for many years before this time and amused Mr. Troupe and wife at the amusing anecdotes we could draw from memory.

Aug. 26th: I concluded to return to Columbus on receiving a letter from my brother Charles, who had arrived at Chattanooga, stating that a detachment of our Army would pass near my father's and that he was well enough to go with the wagon train, &c. All of which excited me with a desire to catch up with him if possible and go on together and I left Columbus at 10 P.M. for Artesia on the Mobile & Ohio RR passing Meridian at 6 A.M. (27th) arriving at Mobile after dark and stopped at the Battle (?) House which was rather crowded and to sleep early. 28th: Looked around the city until I was tired out and about 2 P.M. off up the River on the Mary Wilson - one of the Bay Steamers - for 24 miles, a delightful ride - then by [rail] to Montgomery, a long rough ride at night when I preferred to be quietly resting in a good bed - and I almost regretted the journey. Through [Alabama] - at an early hour West Point [Georgia] by 2 P.M. - Atlanta by 7 and Marietta by 9 P.M.. I was really sick when I reached the hotel and worn out with my rough haul but a comfortable sleep superinduced by an opium pill - notwithstanding some horrible snoring of a gentleman in the same room and who I waked up twice during the night to request him "not to die in that way" - I felt much better next morning.

At the hotel I met many old acquaintances and during the morning of the 30th, J. B. Keeling was surprised to meet me and wanted me to go home with him in the north part of the city about a half a mile from the hotel. I was too tired and put off the walk until after dinner, and I was much rejoiced to meet my cousin Tabitha Keeling, nee Jones and her children but no fried pies! Sunday 31st: Left at 1 A.M. : Atlanta by 3 and Washington, Wilkes Co., Ga by 3 P.M. and to church with Miss A. L. Dyson.

Sept 1: Visiting some mutual friends and on next day adieu to all and back to Atlanta by 5 P.M.. On the 3rd day my leave of absence was extended 10 days and off to Marietta to supper. Rested at Keeling's on the 4th. To Dalton on the 5th by 2 P.M. and Riceville by 6:30 P.M. and visited Mr. Metcalfe & family - about 2 miles east of the RR and stayed the night. Next day returned and to Lenoir's Station [Lenoir City] by 10 P.M. about 18 miles south of Knoxville. Met John A. Fite, Col of 7th Tenn., [who was] shot in the leg at Cedar Run, Va., and Norvell A. Lapsley, brother of Miss Maggie and waiting on John Allen, son of Mrs. Lapsley by former marriage. Monday Sept 8: We obtained a wagon and with Mr. Baldwin furloughed from the 14th Regiment (Forties) who was returning home to Robertson Co. if possible, Fite and myself put out for Kingston 20 miles [west] where we met Mrs. Staley who formerly lived in Carthage and an old sweetheart of brother Charles. She was formerly Mary Ellen [?] sister of Mrs. Mulford and whose father died at Red B. Springs, Macon County in 1853 (July).

Left Kingston on a hired jersey for Sparta, Tenn. but suspected treachery from our driver. Stopped at Kinmans, Fite driving rapidly to avoid being waylaid and thereby passed out of the dangerous neighborhood where our driver lived. Next day we reached Sparta by 11 A.M., paid our driver \$20.00 and visited Mr. Marquess, who was in charge of the Academy there and through whose timely generosity we [made] use of [a] horse and a buggy of a friend of his to go to Carthage and [he] would not allow of us going elsewhere [but] to stay there with him. Told us Mrs. Lapsley and others being on the road home and possibly we could overtake them during the day. Sept. 12 : Off early. Baldwin having no money and preferring to take his own course through

the Yankee lines left yesterday. Overtook Mrs. Lapsley who had broken down. Helped them all we could to get to Mr. Knights at Chestnut Mound, their relatives, and we reached Carthage by 8 P.M., our horse breaking through the bridge near town and struggling to release his foot from the loose plank and frightened-Fite, and crippled as he was, jumped out of the buggy on the side of the bridge, saying - (with an oath) "I was too near Mollie to be killed here" but we soon recovered and passed over safely into town where our welcome was jubilant and then one mile farther where I was welcomed gloriously by all the homefolks. [*Col. Fite has a somewhat different account of this trek; see Fite Memoirs, Quarterly Vol. X111, NO. 1, pages 15 & 16.*]

Charles was there and had brought Mother the China Crepe Silk dress I had sent by him from Tupelo in my valise and which had been thrown out of the wagon shortly after leaving Chattanooga but was picked up by Fred Gibbs of near Carthage, a one armed soldier late of Fite's Co. 7th Regt. Tenn. who brought [it] on until he met Charles going back after hearing it had been thrown out of the wagon. Some other presents were brought.

All at home once more and such a happy reunion and all well enough to enjoy it except my father whose health had been failing for some time past, and who was confined to his bed most of the time I stayed. But Charles and I had so many laughable incidents to tell as well as some narrow escapes, that the entire next day, Saturday, was spent at home to the exclusion of everything outside and inquiring after all former associates.

Sunday morning Kate, Charles and I were off to Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church where we were gladly welcomed. Dr. R. A. Lapsley, teaching the Bible Class, asked me if God ruled now as formerly? I answered - "no sir". "What, have you forsaken your belief and become an infidel?" "No sir, nothing of the kind but if you had been where I was at Shiloh, you would have been indelibly impressed with the idea of looking up to the tops of the trees you would have readily seen the 'old gentleman in black' [wagging] his fingers at both sides exultantly at the frightful carnage then in progress and further that the good Lord really took no side with the contending parties but favored those who did their religious duties and that he permitted the bloody conflict to go on without interference because we had brought it on ourselves and that both sides were punished to bring us back with more gratitude to Him". The subject created a strong discussion by the class but mostly by Dr. L. and myself and it became seemingly irreconcilable.

The subject was again resumed after the school was dismissed, but we could not agree. In his sermon of that day he alluded to the discussion in the Bible Class and the difference of opinion entertained, which seemingly could not be harmonized, but that in the spirit meant by the members of the class, his position was correct.

There was a joyous reunion of the Old Choir that day. Miss Maggie Lapsley, organist and soprano, with Kate and Edna Powell, alto; Charles, bass and myself tenor. How well we sang will be long remembered and how nigh unto tears when we sang a beautiful hymn with an incidental allusion to the war, the dead and the dying and our combined voices tremendously echoed softly throughout the Church. It was very impressive.

The next two days were spent in visiting friends and receiving company at home. Charles in the meantime had an opportunity to go with another comrade to rejoin Bragg's Army in Kentucky and left on Monday 15th. He had obtained leave from Col. Bratton of 24th Regt. to visit home as his part of the army crossed the Cumberland River only about 5 miles from my fathers house (Sand Shoals) just above the Horseshoe Bend where we had hunted frequently in past years.

Wednesday, Sept. 17, I left early after bidding the folks "goodbye" and without unusual incident reached Mr. Dillard's some 14 miles from Sparta. The next day I arrived at W. H. Marquess residence at 10 A.M. and delivered over his horse and buggy and by special invitation dined with him and family.

Submitted and compiled by Bill Amonette from records on file at the Tennessee State Library & Archives.

POORHOUSE BURNS, WON'T BE REBUILT
Carthage Courier, 20 July 1958

Submitted by John Waggoner, Jr.

Smith County's Poorhouse burned to the ground early Sunday night in a fire of undetermined origin.

And it will not be recommended to County Court that the home be replaced with another structure, County Judge Clint Beasley said Wednesday.

The house, built of brick and wood, was "very old," Judge Beasley said. It was pressed into service as a poorhouse 65 years ago. Prior to that time, the County Poorhouse was in Horseshoe Bend.

For several years the County Farm had been rented to individuals who lived in the house, since its use as a Poorhouse had been discontinued because of a lack of occupants.

Lawrence Slagle and Ed Campbell were occupants of the house this year. Mr. Slagle was at home when the fire started.

The building was a total loss, and was partly insured.

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Compiled and Edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Volume XVII, No. 2, Spring 2005

[Ed. Note: Following are excerpts from Mrs. Wilson's Diary for the year 1895. Thayer, to whom she frequently refers, turned two this year, and is, of course, Dr. T. S. Wilson, beloved physician of Smith County for many, many years.]

- 01/01 A cold, bright day. We all weighed. Mr. Wilson weights 140; I, 112; Kelly, 110; Fred, 77 1/2; Jesse, 65; Wilsye, 54; and Thayer, 18. We have surely been blessed beyond what we deserve as the entire year 1894 has come and gone and there has none of us been sick enough to call a physician this year.
- 01/09 Snowing nearly all day and not very cold but no one doing anything except feed and that is quite a job. Mr. Wilson went to Rome.
- 01/14 Still cold though the snow is melting some. Kelly and Mr. Wilson dragging wood. Mary Tom spent the day here and Wilsye went home with her and is there tonight. Mr. Wilson went to Rock City this evening and got Fred's new book *The Boy in Gray* and Mr. Wilson is reading it for us tonight. Fred T. Has been in bed all day sick with a bad cold. [All these references to Fred's books show that at age thirteen he was already a great reader. He remained so all his life and became a writer, publishing three or four books. T.W.B.]
- 01/22 A beautiful, bright cold day. Kelly and Wilsye started to school at Rome this morning to Professor Haley and wife, riding Joe. Jesse went to Cundle's Mill today riding old Morgan and going alone. Fred Taylor gone to Mr. Hanley Gann's tonight. Uncle Ed still here. Kelly and Wilsye pleased with their school.
- 02/01 A cold, clear day. Ed is cutting cedar. Bill (colored) hauling wood. Fred got home late this evening. Mr. Wilson and Jesse went to Rock City. Jesse rode Topsy for the first time. Two gentlemen of Watertown, Mr. Luck and Mr. Phillips, mule buyers, are here tonight. Thayer is running from one room to the other, making all the noise he can as if it was his business to entertain them. Uncle Ed is here.
- 02/04 Cold! Cold! Snow aplenty! Mr. A. Tyree getting some logs and he and Dave Ballard came by here to warm. I am not at all well. Mr. Vince Taylor, Sam Thomas and John Pope ate dinner here. When the children came from school, they told us a raftsman killed Capt. Tim Armstrong last Saturday night.
- 02/19 Cold and plenty of snow. Kelly and Wilsye both went to school today. Mr. Wilson went up to Jim Dawson's this morning and to Rock City this evening. Aunt Betsy had a wood chopping today and Mr. Wilson sent Bill Crutchfield (colored) and Ed went so no one at work here. I received a postal with two lines on it from Alice today but it was a good one for she said all were well. Uncle Ed still here.
- 02/22 Another pretty day but cool and still snow. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this morning and bought Thayer's first shoes. (Thayer was fifteen months old. TWB)

- 03/04 A cold day. Snowed a little. Heard this evening that Dr. Hugh Waters was shot and killed near Tuckers Cross Road yesterday by a man named Russell. Quite lonesome as all children except Jesse and Thayer at school. Cora Denton's school began at Beech Grove.
- 03/25 A threatening day, cloudy and blustery. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage, he and Bill and Sam Crutchfield (colored) in the wagon driving Charm for the first time in the wagon. Rather lonely as no one here all day except Thayer, Jesse and I. Heard Miss Julia Bridges died at Nashville from an overdose of morphine.
- 03/29 Another lovely day. Mr. Wilson and all hands finished sowing oats. I have had a sick headache all day and no one except Thayer and I. Fred carried Wilsye to school this morning and this evening he went for her and they took supper at Mr. William Harris's and went to Rome to church and heard Brother Currie preach after which they came home. Kelly also went to church.
- 04/06 A terrible, windy day. Alice and I went up to the store early and came back to Pa's, and we, our children and Ma went out to Fred's to spend the day and we, Pa, Edgar, Thayer and Leo ate dinner there and this afternoon Alice and her children went home with Ma and Jesse and Thayer and I are at Fred's tonight. Just awful stormy and windy. The steamer *I.T. Ray* sunk this morning just above Brooks Landing.
- 04/10 A pretty day. Thayer and I went early to Pa's and Ma and I went to the store and out to see Mrs. Shirley and to see Maude Page. After dinner we went up to Aunt May's awhile and after we came back Allie and her children came and Allie and I carried Pruitt up to the store to weigh. Weighed 19 ½ lbs. Emma Ferrell came this evening to spend the night with me and we talked until after midnight. (This is her childhood friend, Emma McKinley, who married Layton Ferrell and who would marry John Burr Wilson after Elenora's death. TWB)
- 04/16 Kelly and Fred went to school, and Mr. Wilson intended going to Rome to meet Thayer Smith on the steamer *Heart* but it began to rain about 8:00 and such a rain and such high water. Mr. Wilson said he never knew it so high before, washing down many yards of rock fence for us and others. Mr. Wilson sent Bill Crutchfield (colored) to tell Fred for he and Kelly not to come up the creek. Fred went to his grandpa's and Kelly to Mr. Hadley Gann's.
- 04/26 Another heavy rain today. Jesse went up to Mr. Stonecipher's after seed irish potatoes and the creek got so high Mr. Wilson went to meet him and he had stopped and eaten dinner at Nancy Jane's. Uncle Ed is still here.
- 04/30 A pretty day and real warm. Made Mr. Wilson a pair of pants. When Kelly and Wilsye came from school, they told us that Mr. Andrew Tyree knocked Bob Wilson in the head in Rome yesterday evening. Had a good, long letter from Emma Farrell. Set turkeys.
- 05/18 Still cool, having been remarkably cool for a whole week. All busy planting corn at the lower place except Mr. Wilson who was at Mt. Olivet nearly all day attending a church trial. A Mr. LaCartier was tried for immorality and suspended.

- 05/23 A pleasant day and the long talked of reunion. Alice, Webb and Jesse stayed with Thayer, and Pa, Mr. Wilson, Wilsye and I went in Thayer Smith's surrey driving old Val. Kelly and Jesse horseback and such a crowd, estimated to be 2000 or 3000 and just lots of dinner for all. Before noon the address of welcome, delivered by Mrs. Cora Denton. Response by Rev. Rufus Davis, after which Elder Les Care of Nashville was introduced by John A. Fight and made a splendid speech after which all ate dinner and then a speech by Honorable Benton McMillan. Got home late, having had a pleasant day. Edgar, Mr. Dial, Pa, Alice and children here tonight.
- 06/04 All hands carried the lambs to Rock City and had them weighed and Mr. Wilson, Jesse and Bill (colored) carried them near Grant and delivered them, 43 averaging 73 lbs. At 3 ½ cents. Julia Crutchfield (colored) washed for me. Ed mashed his foot and had to quit work. Albert Williams came and borrowed a load of corn.
- 06/27 A pretty day. Our long talked of district conference began today and all of us went out and quite a crowd. Rev. W. Weakley of Lebanon preached and Professor Cochran of Wilson County led the singing. Dinner on the ground after which the children and I came home for the boys to tie oats. This evening Ma and Edgar came and tonight the Professor Webb of Bell Buckle, Brother J.L. Currie, Rev. George L. Beal and Harrison Eller are here. [I believe this was the Professor Webb who founded Webb School in Bell Buckle. T.W.B.]
- 06/30 Warm and cloudy. Brother Currie and his horse both sick this morning. Everyone of us went to Mt. Olivet and the Bishop, Brother Currie and Mr. Webb took dinner at Mr. Oliver's today as they wanted to go to Lebanon this evening. Before preaching, Bishop Duncan baptized our own dear little Thayer, also Casper Norris, Claude Squires and Lucille Paine, after which he preached an excellent sermon and dedicated to the services of God our new Mt. Olivet church. A large crowd at church and Mr. Andrew Gord and Fannie Buford, Mr. John Timberlake and Miss Karen Nichols of Snow Creek, Mr. John Jordan and his mother of Carthage, Mr. Hugh Smith, Ma and Edgar all ate dinner with us. The young folks all went to the sulphur well. John Jordan and mother stayed until nearly night. Ma and Edgar here. Horace and Dicie went home this evening. Thayer was the first baby ever baptized in the new Mt. Olivet church.
- 07/22 A warm day. The children all except Thayer started to school at Beech Grove to Miss Janie Wilson and certainly has been one of the loneliest days that I ever did spend. The word came about noon that Uncle Ed was worse and Mr. Wilson got home about night, telling us that he died this evening between three and four o'clock and how sad we all feel. [Uncle Ed seems to be John Burr's uncle or greatuncle, but we are not sure. Eleanora Davis believed he was a Wilson, probably Willis Wilson's brother, unmarried. T.W.B.]
- 07/26 A warm day. Expecting the thresher and the children did not go to school, but it did not come until dinner and Bob and John Johnson ate dinner here and part of the thresher hands here for supper. It is Louis Allison, Albert Hire's and Willie Dillie's thresher.
- 08/14 Very warm. I made preserves of pears and ironed. Nancy Jane spent the day, which is always a pleasure to me.

- 08/24 A warm day. Thayer and Puss with Wilsye, Ada and Eleanor and Leo, Kelly and Fred all went to the fair and did not get back until late and all are here tonight. Will Denton rode Downing and went to the fair today and is at George Williams tonight.
- 09/06 A warm day. Julia (colored) ironed. George Mann (colored) building a rock fence and Bill and Sam Crutchfield helping him. Kelly went very early to Mr. Wooton's to carry Miss Nan some lining for my dress, and when he came back, he told that Mug Enochs had died this morning. Ed went up to help dig the grave and he and Bob and Billy Wilson came here for dinner. About 3:00 Thayer and I went to the burying, going with Betty Rigsby, Mrs. Enochs and others to Dr. Sampson's and from there to the graveyard. After the burying, all went back to Dr. Sampson's awhile. Heard that John Bell House and Mrs. Dave Barrett married Wednesday.
- 09/27 Cool. Children all at school. Mr. Wilson went to Mt. Olivet to church and to Henry Denton's for dinner and from there back to a night meeting. Kelly also went to church tonight. Children all came home at noon and together dried peas. Net was here awhile this morning and Mary Tom spent the evening here. I began to wean Thayer. [Thayer is
- 10/06 A beautiful day. Mr. Wilson, Jesse and Wilsye went to Sunday School and after cleaning up, Fred Taylor, Thayer and I went grape and hickory hunting. Kelly at home and not very well. After we got dinner, Mr. Wilson went to see old Mrs. Emily Denton and I rode behind him and Wilsye in his lap on old Morgan to the red gate and walked from there to Mary Tom's and spent an hour or two, when we walked home. Bob was there and Professor Fowler came just as we left.
- 10/23 A lovely, cool day. Thayer and I went early to Rome and traded a little and came back to Albert Williams to see Jenny and the new boy. Mrs. Mary North was there and Bertie Paine. Mrs. Owens was also there. Alice Harris and little girls there to spend the evening. I came home early. Kelly went to the Presbyterian church tonight. Mr. Wilson and Fred reading their new book *Thunderbolts* by Sam P. Jones.
- 10/30 Still cool. Early this morning we heard Mr. John Gill was dead, and Nancy Jane and I started home and just after we had eaten dinner, Brother Webster and Kate came and ate dinner, after which we all went to the burial of Mr. Gill where there was quite a crowd.
- 11/15 A cool, cloudy day. Bill Owens at work here again today. Fred went to Rock City and came back and told us that Mr. Jimmy Grissom's little Juliette, which was burned Wednesday morning, died last night and after early dinner Kelly and I went to the funeral and quite a large crowd. Brother Webster conducted the funeral services after which the remains of little Juliette were lain to rest in the family burying ground.
- 11/21 A pleasant day. Julia (colored) helping and quite busy with the hog killing. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening. Ed and Kelly plowing. Fred is sick in bed so I am having rather a serious time as Fred is my standby.
- 11/22 Warm and pleasant. Still at work with lard and sausage. Made 37 ½ gallons of lard from the five hogs and a tub full of sausage.

- 12/14 A beautiful, cool day. Kelly and Jesse plowing in the bottom. Fred helping Ed saw wood. Julia (colored) stayed with Wilsye and Thayer and I rode Grace and went to Rome. Stopped at Mary Wilson's store and she and I went around to her house and stayed until after dinner and she trimmed Wilsye's new dress with garnet ribbon. After dinner, she was sent for to go to the store and I went to Brother Webster's to get him to order Fred Taylor's Christmas books, *Rob and his Friends* and *Tom Brown's School Days*. Mr. Jim Hale came out from Rome as I did. Kelly gone up to Nancy Jane's.
- 12/15 A real cool, cloudy day. Kelly stayed all day at Nancy Jane's. Mr. Wilson, Wilsye and I left Thayer with Fred and Jesse and went to Pa's and he went with us to Rome to hear Brother Sudeath preach an excellent sermon. As we came back, something got wrong with the buggy wheel and I went into Mr. Bill Harris's while they fixed it. We stopped at Pa's and ate dinner, as Wilsye had stayed with her grandma while we were gone. Jordan Williams came after we left and spent the day with the little boys. Mr. Wilson and Kelly have gone to Rome to church tonight.
- 12/21 A cloudy, warm day. Julia and I finished our Christmas cooking. Wilsye and I dyed a lot of socks and stockings late this evening.
- 12/23 A warm day. Mr. Wilson killed four hogs: two for Dr. Wilson, one for Cotton and one for John Harrison and delivered them and Jesse and Wilsye went with him to Rome and got Thayer a little wagon and some Christmas goodies. Mr. Wilson sold his mules Carn and Hustler to John Dick Gann for \$125. Ed and Fred sawed wood and got the wheat ready to go to the mill tomorrow. Kelly went to Mt. Olivet to help get wood for the church.
- 12/25 A constant rainy, dark Christmas Day. All at home all day. None of us went to church or anywhere or anyone came. Wilburn Tyree and his little boys are here playing with the jennets.
- 12/29 A beautiful day. W.L. Pernell preached after which we all and Nancy Jane and Jordan stopped at Mr. House's and took dinner. Cattie came home with us and Mr. House and Alma came later. Then Mr. Wilson and Mr. House put old Val in Mr. House's buggy and went to Rome to church and Kelly rode Downing and he fell down with him. Brother Fisher preached and administered the sacrament as tomorrow is quarterly meeting.
- 12/31 Clear all day but cloudy tonight and the wind whistling as if to sound the knell of the departing year. Mr. Wilson gone to Rome all day. Jesse went down to spend several days at his grandpa's and Fred came from Rome. This finishes the record for 1895 and how my heart is filled with gratitude for the many, many blessing which we have received and few sorrows to record but God only knows what we will have to record for 1896, but may He fill our hearts with love and submission, enabling us in whatever may come to say "Thy Will be Done".

To Be Continued.

DIXON SPRINGS CHURCH RECORDS, 1880 – 1906

[I am submitting the transcription I have done of the Dixon Springs Union Church records. The records were kept by my grandfather, Simon C. Highers, 1880-1906. Some of the handwriting was faded and a little hard to decipher. According to census records, Simon lived in Rome in 1880 (in his father's household) and in 1900 with his wife, Ella, and family. I don't think he built the house in Dixon Springs until around 1901. This means he had to travel by ferry and buggy to the Dixon Springs church to all the meetings. I don't know why he was part of this church rather than one in Rome or Carthage]. Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky and Joyce Cutrell Sullivan, granddaughters of Simon C. Hughes

Recorded by Simon C. Highers

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Names of Disciples who recognize their membership at Dixon's
Spring Tenn

1880 June

G. F. Rose Moved to Hartsville
 J. H. Young Letter of commendation granted Nov 13/92
 Clara V. Allen
 Pattie Burford Letter granted Oct 28 1883
 Ruth Rose Moved to Hartsville
 Bettie Bransford Letter granted Oct 25/91
 Mary Shaw
 Carrie Crain Died
 Sally Wright
 Sallie C. Kittrell
 James Cox Died
 A. H. Young
 Henry Bridgwater
 Nannie E. Young Died January 18, 1889
 Thomas Tunstall [line drawn through name]
 A. B. Haynie
 Fannie Grissom
 Cora Dillon
 Eliza Grissom
 Mattie Walker
 Sallie Duffy

1881

H. S. Crain Immersed 21 Feb. 1881 by J.M. Kidwill
 Anderson Beasley " 24 Apr 1882

1882

John Bridgwater " Oct J. M. Kidwill
 Saml Derickson removed from the vicinity

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1882

Lucy Cox Oct
 Mrs. Carter
 David Burford returned to church, Letter granted Oct 28 1883

1883

June 2 George Allen immersed by J. M. Kidwill
 " 3 Lizzie Burford " "
 July 1 Mrs. Payne " "
 Aug. 5 James Haynie " " Died in 1889
 " 26 Miss Eliza Halliburton by letter from church at Hartsville
 " 29 Miss Jane Bridgwater by immersion J. M. Kidwill
 " 26 Mrs. Matilda Haley, Immersed in Wilson Co.
 Servetime previous to date of uniting with church at
 Dixon Springs

1884

Apr 27 Jas S. Bradley immersed by J. M. Kidwill
 Aug Miss Lizzie Wright
 Sept 28 Miss Anna Moss Immersed by Bro. Shrygley in Sept 84
 Oct 26 E. H. Beasley Immersed by Bro. Shrygley and united
 with church this day

1885

Sept (Z. Vanhooser & wife Sarah Vanhooser by relation (?) Lafayette
 Thomas Vanhooser by immersion J. M. Kidwill
 Ella Allen " "
 Fannie M. Young " " Letter of
 commendation to Church at Carthage dated
 Jany 29, 1890
 Cora Lescuer immersion by J. M. Kidwill
 I. D. Thomas " "
 Hugh B. Wright [line drawn through name]
 J.W. Duffy " "
 William Cox " "
 Lee J. Shaw " " Letter of
 commendation to Kansas City
 Oct Maggie Grace Died 1890
 Sept John Cox Jr " Granville Lipscomb
 Frank Vanhooser restored

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1886

Sept. Miss Sally Vanhooser restored

James Cox by immersion by Granville Lipscomb

Nov. 1882 J. M. Moss & wife M. B. Moss by relation

1886 both from church at Bethlehem Wilson Co. Tenn.

Sept. George Evetts

1889

Sept. 29 Minnie Cox by immersion Geo Gowen ^ letter from church
Jan 19th 1902

Jany 5/90 Letter granted to Fannie Young

Mrs. Mary Alexander member of Church at Hartsville

took membership with us about 1885. Lived a faithful and devoted Christian to the end.

Died January 22, 1891.

Miss Eunice Phillips Aug 1892 Letter granted & forwarded
to her in Nashville

Martin Walker Aug 1892 letter granted & forwarded to him
in Nashville

1882 On the 14th May 1882 Lord's Day, the church met at
Dixon's Spring church to worship, and agreed that they would
meet regularly on every Lord's day at three O'clock
there being no obstacle in the way to prevent it

May 21 Rain, no meeting

" 28 A few members met

Sept 1889 The brethern have met ^in Lord's day regularly during
the last seven years. Bro. J. M. Kidwill has been our
preacher attending generally once a month.

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Additions to Church at Dixon Springs

Oct 1890 Under preaching of Bro McQuiddy

Oct ^ & Nov 1890

Miss Lizzie Ellis Baptized by Bro McQuiddy Letter granted Nov 13th 92

" Fannie Ellis " " Letter granted Nov 13th 92

Eugene Beasley " "

J. L. Alexander Jr " "

G. D. Alexander " "

John L. DeBow " "

Mrs. Nannie Allen " "

Miss Hattie Johnson " " Moved from the vicinity to
Nashville Apl 24 93 ^ Letter granted and mailed

Mrs. Nannie Wright	"	"	
Miss Alice Allen	"	"	
Mrs Nettie Vanhooser	"	"	
Miss Norma Cox	"	"	
Miss Mary Kindred	"	"	
Miss Johnie Chambers	"	"	Died January 1. 1891
Hick Cox	"	"	
Frank Cox	"	"	
L. E. Johnson	"	"	Moved from the vicinity
Miss Nannie Ellis	"	"	Letter granted Nov 13th 92
Louis Ellis	"	"	Letter granted Nov 13th 92
Mrs. Victoria Herod	"	"	
Miss Mary Jenkins	"	"	
Phillip Shaw	"	"	

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Additions to Church under preaching of Bro McQuiddy
continued

1890

Nov 10 J. D. Allen

R. J. Lynville Died in - 1891

Mrs. L. E. Johnson Moved from the vicinity to Nashville
Letter granted and mailed Apl 24/93

Miss Neal Wright

1891

Oct 25 Letter granted to J. B Moody & wife Bettie

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Additions to Church under preaching of Bro McQuiddy

1891

April Miss Fannie Chambers immersed

Mrs. John Jones "

Samuel Evetts "

1892 Under preaching of Bro E. G. Sewell

May 1892

Richard V. Murry immersed

Oct 1892 Preaching by Bro J. C. McQuiddy

Added

Jim Merriman ---with drawn from for unchristian
conduct

Restored Thomas Van Hooser

Nov 19th Joseph Cato
Immersed by Bro J. C. McQuiddy

1892

Nov 13th Letters granted to Mrs. Caroline Ellis
Misses Nannie Lizzie and Fannie Ellis & Louis Ellis

1893

Jan 29th M. C. Brown
By letter from the Church, Browns Chapel
Flyns Lick. Jackson Co. Tenn

Jan 15th Letter granted R. V. Murray
Mailed to him Jan 21st 93 to Wichita Falls Texas

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1893

Dec 17th Mamie Grigsby Cato by relation
Letter from The Church at Lebanon Tenn

1894 Added to the Church of Christ under Brother T B
Larimore's preaching. Meeting began Sept. 16th

Sept. 25th	J. R. Wright	by immersion
"	Rochie Thomas	" "
" 26	Carr Crenshaw	" "
" "	Van Bradley	" "
" "	Will Chambers	" "
" "	James Alexander	" "
" "	Katura Ballow	" "
" "	Jonas Vanhooser	restored letter Jan/99
" "	Mary Black	by immersion
" "	Eva Bradley	" "
" "	Lizzie Duffey	" "
" 30	Zack Jolly	" "
" "	Frank Cox	Restored
Oct 1st	Howell Bradley	by immersion
2nd	Miss Rena Ferguson	" "
2	" Susie Beasley	Restored
3	Mrs. O P Grace	from the Baptist
"	R C Ballow	by immersion
4	Miss Lizzie Ballow	" "
"	" Mary Read	" "
"	Lee Grace	" "

1894 Added to Church under T. B. Larimore
Oct. 4th B Westerfield by immersion
5 Mrs Tennie Ballow " "

6	J. F. Shaw	" "
"	Bernard Shaw	" "
7	J B Winkler	" "
8	A J Shiflett	Relation letter give Dec 19/96
10	Mrs Mary B Howard	by immersion
12	" Nannie Denney	" "
12	Miss Dee Chambers	" "
10	Mrs J B Winkler	from the Baptist
14	Shelley Beasley	by immersion
"	Cain McPherson	" "
"	W P Herrod	" "
"	Miss Annie Black	" "
"	Mrs Howard Young	" "
"	Richard Towns	" "
22	O P Grace	from The Baptist
23	Mrs J P Bradley	from The Baptist (immersed)
"	Miss Virginia Moss	by immersion
"	John P Bradley	" "
24	Wm W Jones	" "
28	Miss Glor Allen	" "
"	W R Denney	" "
26	Jas M Burns	" "
30	P D Shaw	restored

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1894

Oct	Added to the Church under T B Larimore	
28	H B Wright	restored
29	Mrs H B Wright	by immersion
"	H B Allen	" "
"	Charley Black	" "
"	Jas Moss	" "
"	Thos Westerfield	" "
31	M P Herrod	" "
"	John Curl	" "
Nov 4	W W Jenkins	" "
" "	Mrs W W Jenkins	" "
	Mrs Mary Vanhooser	" letter from Bowling Green
" 5	Miss Maud Allen	" immersion
" 5	L K Bradley	" "
" 4	Wm Ella Maxey	took membership from Riddleton Church
" 5	John H Cox	restored
" 5	J W Herrod	"
" 5	Miss Fannie Jenkins	(from the Baptist)
" 6	Jake Burrus	by immersion
" "	Mrs Jake Burrus	from the Baptist

Meeting closed night of November 5th 1894

1896

Sept 28 Joseph Browning Webster Co Ky (letter given
Nov 22/96) under preaching Brother Granville Lipscomb
Nov 15 W W Morton added at Brother McQuiddy's regular
monthly preaching Brother Morton is from
Hopkinsville Ky letter given Nov 23/96

(1897) Meeting begun Feb 7th in afternoon at 2 1/2 oclock
Preaching by T B Larimore. Meeting closed Feb 21st.
Brother Larimore being compelled to close on account of a
severe carbuncle on his neck.
The following members were added to the Church

Feb 11th Mrs M P Herrod from the Cumberland Presbyterians
" 18th Aurette Duffey immersed
" 18th Gabe Duffey "
" 18th Ella Lee DeBow "
" 18th Herschel Cox "
" 18th Samuel Cox "
" 19th Lena Bush "
" 20th Gertrude Haley "
" 20th Mabel Bradley "
" 21st Kate Alexander "
" 21st Topsy Thomas "
" 21st Brown Price "
" 21st Jake Burrus restored

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Brother Howard Sutton began a meeting 4th Sunday (22nd) August 1897 and closed
meeting Aug. 31st with the following added to the Church

Wm. A Jordan immersed

Brother T B Larimore began a meeting on Sunday 17th Sept 1899 and closed meeting
Sunday night Sept 24th 1899 with the following added to the Church

Miss Lizzie Cosby
" Mary Bridgwater
" Elnora Bradley

Brother T B Larimore began a meeting on Sunday 16th Sept 1900 and closed meeting
Thursday night Sept 27th with the following added to the Church

Mrs Curtis West from the Baptist
Miss Cornelia Jones " " "
J L Alexander Restored

Brother Sutton began a meeting Sunday, June 16, 1901, and closed the meeting
Sunday June 23rd No additions

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1903 Bro G. A. Dum began meeting 1st Lord's Day in April (at
night). Four added to the Church

Ap. 10th Nannie Bradley by immersion [line drawn through]
" " Nannie Young " "
" " Laura Gregory " "
" 12th Lizzie Bradley " "

1906

Brother W. F. Smith, Began a Meeting and closed Oct ,
with two added to Church
Oct Mrs Cora Morton from the Baptist
Mrs Thos Pullias by immersion [line drawn through]

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daddy can I have one

CARTHGE COURIER, January 12, 1928

MRS. ROBT. EAST ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Robt. East was hostess Thursday afternoon for the Auction Bridge Club at Dixon
Springs. There were two tables, Mrs. Jas. Garrett winning high score. A delicious salad
course was served.

Those playing were: Mesdames Alex Allen, Grady Bowman, Jas. Garrett, Rhea
Garrett, Sam Ross, Moscow Wright, Billy Martin Young, and Mrs. East.

150 YEAR CLUB

JOHN WARFORD – WAUFORD

1650 – 1699

SUBMITTED BY

OLEDA GWALTNEY BASS

GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GRAND
DAUGHTER

WARFORD-WAUFORD LINEAGE

JOHN WARFORD
B. 1650 ENGLAND
D. 1699 BALTIMORE, MD
M. 1682 MT. VERNON, N.Y

ABIGAIL PINCKEY OSBORNE
B. 1852
D. 1683

JOHN WARFORD 11
B. 1683
D. 1769

MARY ELIZABETH STOUT
B. 1691

JOB WARFORD
B. 1709
D 1757
M. 1730

SARAH DELAMETOR
B. 1712
D. 1762

JOSEPH WARFORD
B. 1741
D. 1799

MARY (UNKNOWN)
B. 1745
D. 1800

JOHN WARFORD SR.
B. 1768
D. 1847
M. 10-11-1791 ROWAN CO. N. C.

MARY BARTLEY
B. 1770
D. 1847

DAVID WARFORD
B. 1805 KENTUCKY
D. 1879 KENTUCKY

JANE FOUTCH
B. 1810 TENNESSEE
D.
2ND. JANE PUTNAM
3RD ELIZABETH HOBSON

BARTLEY MILES WARFORD
B. 9-9-1832
D. 8-21-195
M. 10-28-1874

ELIZABETH MANNERS
B. 1846

GEORGE W. REASONOVER

B 10-115-1862

D. 08-23-954

M. 12-12-1896

MARY JAMES WARFORD

B. 10-06-1875

D. 01-18-1947

JAMES CAMPBELL GWALTNEY

B. 08-04-1895

D. 04-30-1968

M. 97-06-1913

WAVY E. REASONOVER

B. 11-27-1897

D. 08-09-1969

PAUL BRIDGEFORTH BASS

B. 12-14-1917

D. 12-07-1964

M. 04-19-1955

MARY OLEDA GWALTNEY

B. 12-01-1926

WILLIAM SANFORD BASS

B. 03-22-1956

02-13-1999

JUDY REBECCA CARR

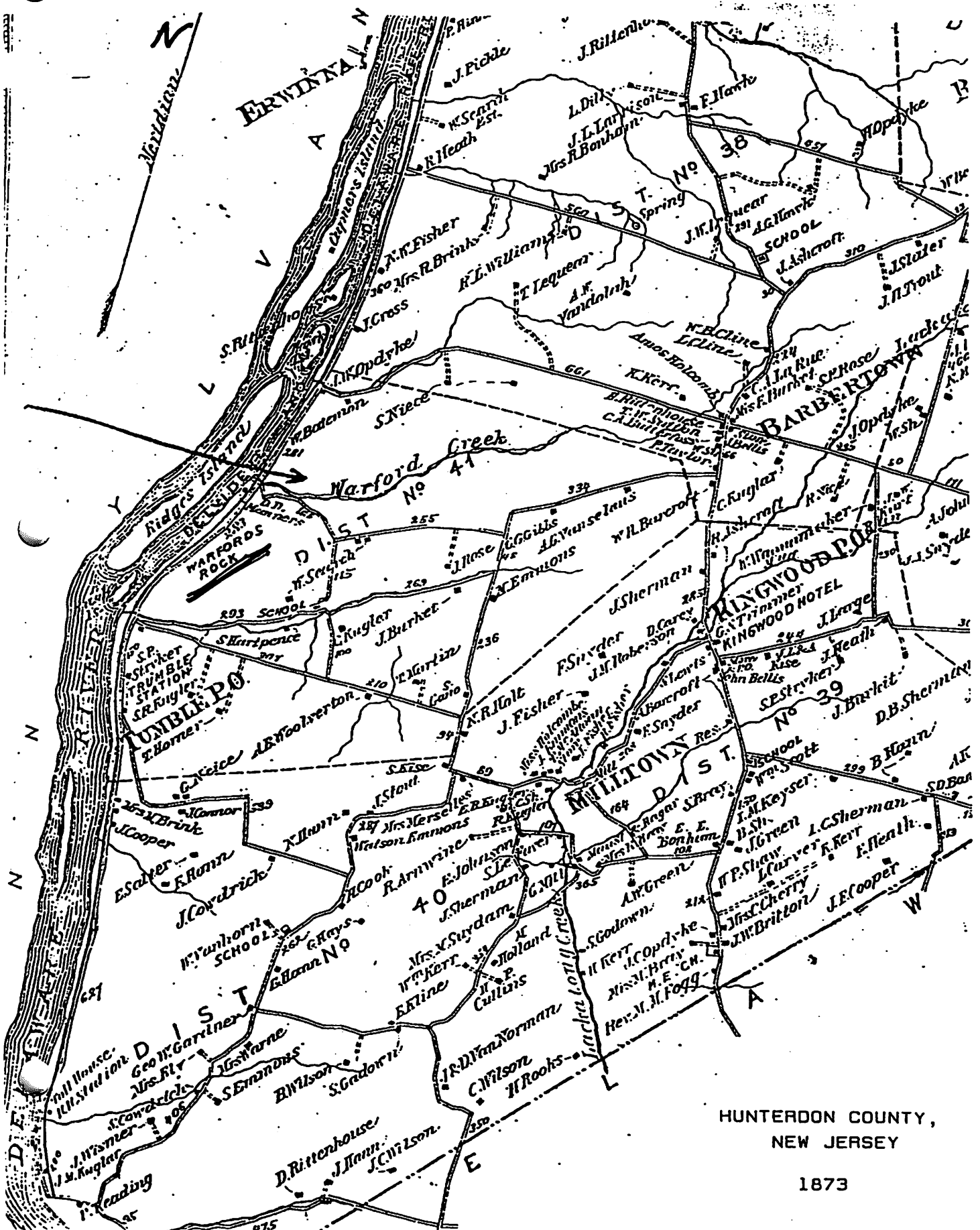
04-25-1964 JAPAN

DIVORCED 02-06-1990

2ND. AMANDA HOLLIMAN

ZACHARY DAVID PAUL BASS

B. 08-11-1987



HUNTERDON COUNTY,
NEW JERSEY

1873

WAUFORD----WARFORD LINEAGE

FIRST GENERATION

John Warford emigrated from England Circa 1680 was granted land in Eastchester, New York in November 1686, then in nearby Salisbury Plains. John was born about 1650 in England, died about 1699 in Baltimore County, Maryland. He married three times. In about 1682 in Mt. Vernon, New York he married Abigail Pinekney Osborne, born about 1652, a widow with three children; Abigail, Sarah, and Richard. Abigail died 1683. I infer it could have been in childbirth with John II. Guardians of the three Osborne children were involved in court cases with John to protect the rights of the children.

John married next Mary Soule (Veale) in 1685. They had two children; Abigail born 1686, died 1736 a spinster in the poor house; Mary born 1688 who married Joachin Van Albady; issues four. John, Mary and the children moved to Baltimore County, Maryland in 1688. Mary also apparently died, date unknown, for John married a third time to Mary Nicholson in 1696. She was the widow of John Nicholson. No issues.

SECOND GENERATION

John Warford, son of Abigail Osborne and John Warford lived 86 years 1683-1769. He was 16 years old when his father died in 1699 and he was listed as an orphan, reared by Henry Fowler. (Not sure what happen to Mary) He married Mary Elizabeth Stout (1691-) In 1706/07 he bought land in Mommoth County, New Jersey. They lived in Hunterdon County, Maryland in 1717 when he died. To this marriage was born 10 children; Job, Joseph, James, Abigail, Elizabeth, John, Rachel, Jane, Ann and Larry.

THIRD GENERATION

Job Warford born 1709, died 1757, married 1730 to Sarah Delaneter, born 1712, died 1762. Five children; Elizabeth, Abraham, Rachel, Abigail and Joseph.

FOURTH GENERATION

Joseph Warford born 1741, Huntington County, New Jersey, died 1899 Rowan County, North Carolina. Married Mary, last name unknown, born 1743m died 1800. Four children; Samuel, John Elizabeth, and Abraham.

FIFTH GENERATION

John Warford born 1768 died 1847, Married October 11, 1791 in Rowan County, North Carolina, to Mary Bartley, born 1770 died 1847. Six children; Robert, Jane, John, Issac, Benjamin and David.

SIXTH GENERATION

David Warford, born 1806 in Kentucky, died 1890 in Kentucky. Married first Jane Foutch, born 1810 in Tennessee. Dave and Jane had four children. Elijah, Mary, Marilda and Bartlett Miles.

David married second Jane Putnam on July 15, 1841. David and Jane had three children; Milla, Elizabeth and Charity.

David married third on March 13, 1850 Elizabeth Hobson.

SEVENTH GENERATION**ISSUE FROM DAVID AND JANE FOUTCH MARRIAGE**

Bartlett (Bartley) Miles Warford, born September 9, 1832, died August 21, 1895. Married October 28, 1874 to Elizabeth (Lizzie) Manners, born 1846, died March 1921, daughter of James and Hetty Manners. Three children, Mary James, born October 6, 1875, Leona (Ona) Lee, born April 15, 1879, and Hettie Jane born August 14, 1882.

EIGHTH GENERATION

Mary James Warford, born October 6, 1875, died January 18, 1947. Married December 12, 1896 to George Washington Reasonover, born October 13, 1862, died March 23, 1954, son of John Bove (Logue) and Elizabeth Frye Springfield Reasonover. Six children; Wavey Elizabeth (Lizzie), more about this family in the next generation.; Matt Nichols, born May 12, 1899, died August 9, 1899, John Bartley, born November 20, 1902, died January 15, 1965, married Edith Belle Granstaff; James Ernest, born March 4, 1907, died March 30, 1994, married Ruth Lee Kyle, two children Marion and James Robert;

Kate W. born and died January 24, 1917; Sarah Frances Lee born February 2, 1920, died July 13, 1988, married Eulas Lorange from Texas. Five children, Judy Elaine, Jerry, Patsy, Jaqueta Mingon and Charles Bartley.

NINTH GENERATION

Wavey Elizabeth, (Lizzie) Reasonover, born November 27, 1897, died August 9, 1969. Married July 16, 1913 to James Campbell (Jim, Dodd) Gwaltney, born August 4, 1895, died April 30, 1968. Both buried at Union Hill Church Cemetery. Seven children; Johnnie Arch, born September 14, 1916, died August 22, 1917;

Frances Aloda born March 14, 1919, Donelson, Tn., died September 14, 2005, Married April 17, 1938 to Ernest L. Gentry, born June 18, 1912, died February 3, 1986 both buried Union Hill Church Cemetery. Four children, Freda Frances, Stevie Andrew, James William, Juanita Faye. George Clydale, born March 2 1922, died August 15, 1988. Married April 17, 1943 to Elizabeth Ann Curtis , born November 10, 1922, died September 20, 1989, both buried at Forestlawn Cemetery. One son George Curtis.; Bart Cordell, born November 11, 1924, died September 27, 1999. Married August 2, 1949 to Lou Alice Russell, born June 26, 1927, died December 16, 1995, both buried at Jones Hill Cemetery. Two sons, George Michael and Randy Cordell; Mary Oleda, born December 1, 1926, Sykes, Smith County, Tennessee. Married April 1955 to Paul Bridgeforth Bass, born December 14, 1917, died December 7, 1964 at the Carthage Christmas Parade. Three children; William Sanford, Linda Carol, Paul Daniel; William Edward, born December 29, 1933, died March 13, 1934, buried Union Hill Cemetery; Rebecca Jean born March 6, 1935, Sykes. Died January 29, 2002, buried Baird Memorial Cemetery, Hickman. Married April 15, 1955 to Llewlyn Ivan Mc Kinney, born February 16, 1934. Six children; Marley, Ernie, Susan, Emily, Becky and Dianne

TENTH GENERATION;

Mary Oleda Gwaltney , born December 1, 1926, Sykes, Smith County, Tennessee, Married April 19, 1955 to Paul Bridgeforth Bass, born December 14, 1917, died December 7, 1964, buried Gordonsville Cemetery. son of James Lillard and Volina (Linnie) Mae Gibbs. Three children, William Sanford, Linda Carol, born April 23, 1957, married June 16, 1979 to James Micheal Finley, born March 15, 1958, son of Ralph and Mary Frances Holcomb Finley. Three children, Barry Steven, born August 19, 1983, Katie Michelle born March 30, 1987, Matthew Paul, born October 16, 1996. Paul Daniel born May 21, 1958, married March 28 , 1981 to Paula Annette Manning born October 19, 1961, daughter of Fred and Jimmie Nell Nixon Manning. Two children; Megan Hope born April 2, 1986, Kurt Daniel born April 2, 1991.

ELEVENTH GENERATION;

William Sanford (Billy) Bass, born March 22, 1956, Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. Married August 27, 1982 to Judy Rebecca Carr. Divorced February 6, 1990. Two sons Zachary David Paul, born August 11, 1987; William Jacob born December 28, 1988. William married second to Amanda Holliman on February 12, 1999, daughter of Billy and Shelbie Sutton Holliman. One daughter Sydney Danielle born October 14, 2000.

UNCLE DANIEL WHITE AND SID VADEN

Presented by Michael White
Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society
November 21, 2005

Tonight I am going to tell you a story. A story that happened a hundred years ago right here in Smith County. The story involves two men – Daniel Webster White and William Sidney Vaden – and the tragedy which occurred when their paths crossed. This story had a direct impact on my family history but it also affected Smith County. I will examine the lives of these two men leading up to their confrontation, discuss what is known about the incident, and elaborate on the aftermath.

Our story begins around the vicinity of Elmwood and Maggart here in Smith County. Both men lived near old Jonesboro in Sullivan's Bend. First, let's meet Daniel White. He was born August 15, 1849, the seventh child of Hiram Harris and Caroline Saddler White. The family moved to Sullivan's Bend around 1840. Daniel grew up working the land on this father's farm. As an adult, he was a partner with his father and some of his brothers in his family's land holdings. His name is listed on the deed to the land conveyed for the Mt. Zion Methodist Church in 1881. Uncle Daniel, as he was known, stayed on the White home place as a young adult. He was later allotted some land off the old farm for himself to tend.

Uncle Daniel was a unique individual. Based on all accounts, he was a very superstitious man. He kept horseshoes nailed over his doors and gateposts. He kept silver dollars in his churn. But he also seems to have been a bit eccentric. According to an article by Mr. Dalton Frye titled "In Days Gone By," Uncle Daniel "was thoroughly convinced that he had at one time been transformed into a horse and ridden many times. He lived in fear of an old woman whom he was convinced was a witch."

Reverend James Robert Clayton preached at Mt. Zion UMC in Sullivan's Bend in the late 1890's. He married into the White family – his second wife, Laura, was Uncle Daniel's niece. In his memoirs, the Reverend Clayton discusses his opinion of Daniel White:

"I am going to talk a while about Uncle Daniel, and then you'll be better able to judge him. I want to first tell you that I considered Uncle Daniel my friend. He was one of the most peculiar men I have ever known in my life. He was great reader of the Bible and could quote more passages to verify witchcraft than most people can for baptism. He would go to Carthage two to three times a year and lecture to a large crowd in the courthouse on witchery. They said he could really tell it off. When he would say anything about witches to me, I let him say what he pleased and never argued with him,

and made a friend out of him. I considered the first time that I met him that he was mentally unbalanced....One Sunday while I was pastor at Mount Zion, Uncle Daniel walked up to about the middle to the church with his old gummy tobacco overalls on....He leaned the bench backward against the bench behind. His brother, Uncle Bill, went to him and said, "However, Daniel, benches aren't to be set on that way." Uncle Daniel raised up and said, "By Jocks, I'll go home until I can get so I can behave myself." And he went. As far as I know, he was never in the church again. When anyone would ask him to come back, he would always say, "I don't know whether I can behave myself or not." One morning before I got to [his] house, I saw blue smoke going up to the sky. There was not a curl to it, for it was a cold windless morning. When I got there, he was up but I didn't say a word about his fire. Soon he told me that he had been up all night burning an old sow that he had killed because the witches were in her."

Uncle Daniel was indeed an interesting man. He did not marry until later in life. He was almost 45 when he married 13 year old Ledy Russell in 1894. The couple did not have any children.

Now we turn our attention to Sid Vaden. William Sidney Vaden was the second child and oldest son of James Sampson and Mary Elizabeth Grisham Vaden. Sid was born about 1884 near Elmwood. His mother died about 1895 when Sid was about 11 years old. His father soon remarried which undoubtedly placed some tension in the family. It seems that young Sid was rambunctious. According to Smith County Court records, Sid was charged several times for disorderly public conduct, disturbing the peace, and once for disturbing a church service. Did his mother's death play a role in his behavior? Possibly, but other factors surely influenced him, too. At any rate, Sid Vaden eventually settled down long enough to marry. He married Hattie Overstreet, daughter of William Brooks and Tennessee Malone Overstreet, on October 26, 1902.

It is the next year-1903-that Daniel White and Sid Vaden will clash. The big question in this is what caused these two men to become so angry with one another that one of them died as a result. Everyone I have talked with in the family did not know what exactly happened. It may have been that the incident just wasn't discussed. The Reverend J. R. Clayton does not say in his memoirs except to say that he did not want to "stir old feelings of enmity that ran high for a few years after it occurred." In his article, Mr. Dalton Frye mentions that "the crime was committed out of jealousy concerning affairs between Mr. Vaden and Mr. White's teen-aged wife."

Based on what I do know, I would suspect that the idea of an affair might hold some truth. Uncle Daniel was quite a religious man. He knew his Bible and would have strictly adhered to its teachings as evidence of his anti-witchcraft speeches would indicate. Court records show that Uncle Daniel and Ledy Russell White divorced on December 9, 1901. In the book of Matthew, Jesus says that no man shall put away, or divorce, his wife except for fornication. I would expect that if Daniel White was the

religious man that he seemed to be that the only reason he would grant a divorce to his young wife would be for adultery.

Whatever the reason, by 1903, the two men had developed quite a dislike for one another. According to reports, Sid Vaden chased Daniel White out of Elmwood by throwing rocks at him. This happened on the Saturday night before the shooting. Events on the day of the shooting conflict. According to Mr. Frye's article, Vaden was hiding with a pistol to kill Daniel White when White dismounted to open the gate leading up to his house. Witnesses warned Vaden to go home because, they said, "White would kill him." Sid Vaden remarked, "White is a coward." The Rev. Clayton says in his story that Sid went into Uncle Daniel's field where he was hoeing and threatened to shoot him with a pistol. Uncle Daniel sent a boy—probably one of two nephews, Tommy or Taylor White—up to his house to get his Winchester rifle. The boy came back, Sid was still there, and Uncle Daniel shot Sid Vaden twice killing him. A story is told how the corn planted in that field the following year was red due to the blood spilled there. Sid's friends hid his gun trying to give an excuse to lynch Daniel White. As soon as he heard the news, Reverend J. R. Clayton rushed to Elmwood. Here is his firsthand account of what followed: (pp 47-48)

The case was tried in Carthage before Judge Cordell Hull. Daniel Webster White was tried and convicted of murder. He was given a life sentence. Also charged in the case were Samuel "Uncle Bill" White, Daniel's oldest brother and head of the White family, Tommy White, Daniel's nephew and son of Jehue White, and Taylor White, Daniel's nephew and son of Claiborne White. These three were fined \$2000 each for their part in the incident. I suspect that Tommy and Taylor were in the field with Daniel when Sid confronted him and that one of them was the boy mentioned going after Uncle Daniel's rifle.

Daniel White was then sent to the Tennessee State Penitentiary in Nashville to serve his life sentence. The Warden there told Rev. Clayton, "it was a shame for Uncle Daniel to have been sent there—that he ought to have been sent to the Sanitarium where he could have been treated." The warden also never made Daniel work, but allowed him to sit all day in his cell and read his Bible if he wished. The family tried on three separate occasions to get Uncle Daniel pardoned. They argued that his health was poor. He "suffered from consumption and frequent hemorrhages of the lungs and also a bad catarrh of the head in bad form." Elbert J. A. and Louisiana White Maggart, Daniel's brother-in-law and sister, headed all three requests for pardon. Mr. Maggart even collected 220 signatures on a petition including those of J. M. Gardenhire and L. A. Ligon, lawyers in the case, Judge Hull and 11 members of the jury. Tennessee Governor Malcolm Patterson denied all three requests in 1908, 1911, and 1914. Uncle Daniel was eventually released in about 1920. He was sent to live with family in Oklahoma, where he died in 1925.

Tensions between both families were high for sometime after this all played out. Worried that another killing might take place Samuel White decided to move the White family out of Elmwood and Smith County, their home for almost 65 years, and head west. The Bryan County, Oklahoma history book says that Samuel White rented a train and moved his entire family lock, stock, and barrel to Durant, Oklahoma. The train left on Christmas Eve, 1904. The initial move included about 25-30 people. This included Samuel's immediate family, some nieces and nephews whose parents had died he was helping to raise, and several brothers and sisters. Also, several related families moved with the Whites. These included the Manners, Snellings, and the Vances. Other White family members moved to nearby counties like Putnam and Macon. By 1920, though, another 60 or so members of the White family moved to Oklahoma. Of Hiram and Caroline White's 13 children, only three remained in Smith County: Caroline White, who married Edward Dickens; Louisiana White, who married E. J. A. Maggart; and Claiborne White, my g-great-grandfather who had 18 children. Claiborne died July 25, 1903. If he had lived, my family might have moved to Oklahoma. Another White stayed in Smith County: Davy J. White of Chestnut Mound. His father, Jehue, died around 1903. He married in 1899 to Ocia Harville and had started a family.

Over the years the two White families have lost touch with one another as older members pass on and new ones do not know one another. Only recently have we begun to reconnect through different genealogy queries and research.

One last side note to mention about this story that involves me personally: my great grandfather Chester White was a nephew to Daniel Webster White. In 1899, Chester married Arra Minter Vaden, sister to one Sid Vaden. This means my great-great uncle shot and killed my great-uncle.

[Editors Note: Recently, several requests have been received asking that a brief synopsis of the monthly programs be included in the Quarterly for the benefit of those who reside too far away to attend meetings. Beginning with this issue, we will endeavor to comply with these requests. However as this was such an intriguing tale, with the permission of the author, it is published in its entirety. Thank you, Michael, for sharing such an interesting albeit tragic story.]

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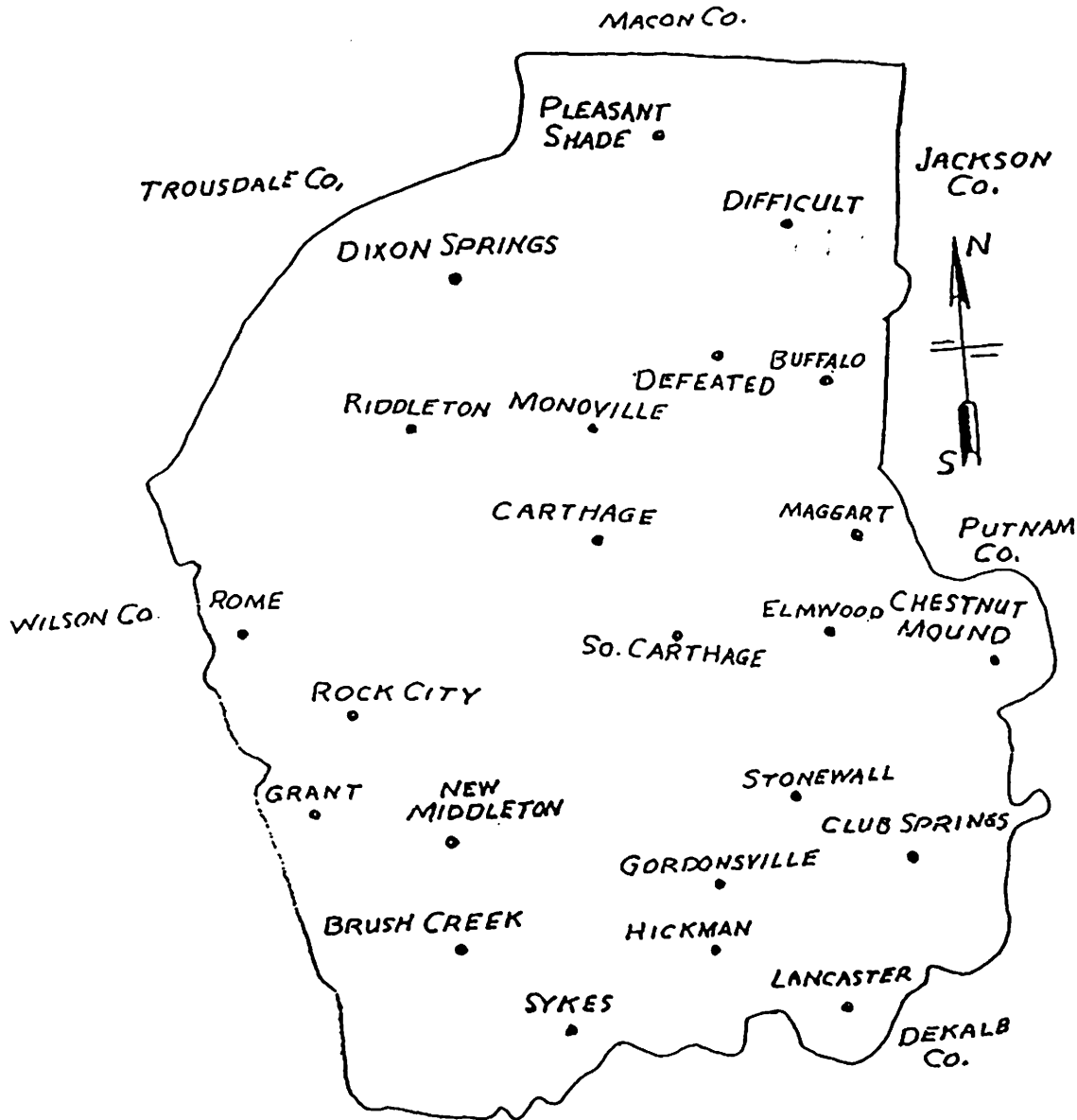
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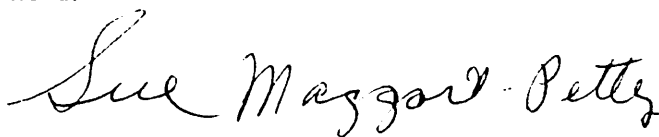
FROM THE EDITOR:

Winter has come and almost gone – don't forget those pesky locust, blackberry, and dog wood cold snaps. For those of you who didn't escape to the sunny Florida beaches, I hope you read lots of good books and had fun researching.

Santa came a little late this year, and he was wearing a FED X hat, but he delivered to my door a wonderful HP copier, scanner, fax (all of those good things) from a super generous out-of state donor. We are better equipped now to do your research and to carry on our work on old records in the Archives.

I am so enthusiastic about our Heritage Museum that I just have to keep you up-to-date each quarter. New officers were elected in January and our capable Ted Russell continues at the helm with great assistance from vice-president, Regina Brooks. Following the February Board Meeting all members were invited to come out and enjoy a movie and hot pop corn. The feature depicted the tragic Civil War battle at Shiloh.

Oh, and a reminder, memberships are now due – Individual \$25; Family \$40; Student \$5. It not only takes a county it also takes many more to maintain a museum. April 25, 2006, is the date for the big membership reception so, if at all possible, make plans to attend.



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When we think of post cards today those plain little utility ones suitable for a brief note issued by the post office or the colorful, scenic cards we dutifully write home from exotic vacation spots come to mind. However, in the past traveling photographers often snapped scenes and places of local interest thus preserving our historic past. John Waggoner, Jr. has avidly collected such cards and very generously shared them with Society members. John explained and pointed historical occurrences in places and events of the many cards he has assembled. John's collection may be viewed on Smith County's web page –www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/ under the link "Old Post Cards of Smith County." Thank you, John, not only for sharing but also for recognizing the historic value of these rare cards.

February 20, 2006

Kacee Pennycuff Harris, representative of the Upper Cumberland Tourism Association, was guest speaker at the Society's February meeting. Kacee's subject was entitled "It Pays to Play, How Jobs and Local Economy Benefit."

Enthusiastic about Smith County and our Upper Cumberland region, Kacee outlined several suggestions that may prove useful for our Society in promoting the wonderful heritage of our county.

First, start with what you've got – inventory your historical assets.

Come up with an event or tour. Things some other counties are doing: historic walking tours; ghost and cemetery walks; essay contests for school children interviewing older relatives and residents; Civil War encampments/re-enactors.

Make history come alive – pageants, story telling.

Get local people excited and involved, especially the youth.

Seek sponsors and funding.

Kacee reminds us that we have so much to offer the visitor: unique history and arts, magnificent natural beauty and features and, most importantly, friendly faces.

Go for it, Smith County!!

CLAIBORNE HALL OF HALL'S HILL IN SMITH COUNTY

Rick Allen, CGRS

North of Carthage and south of Monoville near the Tanglewood community in Smith County runs Taylor's Branch, a tributary of Peyton's Creek. There is a large hill there known to this day as Hall's Hill. The landowner whom this designation represents was Claiborne HALL who, after his purchase of that property in 1812, lived on it for over 62 years until his death in 1874.

Claiborne HALL was born about 1787 or 1788 in Virginia. Different census records later in life provide a slightly different age but his year of birth can be narrowed to one of these two years. His origins in Virginia are not proven for certain, however, it is believed he came to Smith County about 1810. Thomas HALL who received two land grants on Peytons Creek in 1815 is believed to have been his father as well the father of Nathan HALL.¹ The author believes this may be the Thomas HALL who appeared in Caroline County, Virginia in the 1787 tax list as well as court records of that county up into the 1790s. There does appear to have been a connection to the Hanover County, Virginia HALL family where an older Claiborne HALL appears. This older Claiborne HALL served in the Revolution and moved to Woodford County, Kentucky in 1806.² It is believed that the younger Claiborne and his brother Nathan (though both born in Virginia) spent a good deal of their boyhoods in the state of Georgia. Their father Thomas may have been a resident of Clarke County, Georgia in 1807 when he sued one Robert MCGOWEN for assault at the still of Eldridge HARGROVE in Jackson County, Georgia.³ This Thomas HALL was listed as a drawer in the 1805 and 1807 Georgia land lotteries.⁴ Though records are scant, research is progressing into Thomas' life. He is listed in the 1820 census of Smith County. There is some indication he may have passed away or left the area before 1822.

The first record found for Claiborne HALL in Smith County is a notice concerning a dead letter left at the Carthage post office as of 31 March 1811.⁵ The letter was addressed to both Nathan and Claiborne HALL. Carmack KEY, late historian of Smith County, stated that Nathan and Claiborne HALL were brothers.⁶ Indeed the 1850 and 1860 census places the birth of Nathan HALL around 1790 – 1792 in Virginia.⁷ Claiborne and Nathan married sisters, both daughter of Revolutionary War veteran William HEROD who removed from Spotsylvania County, Virginia and settled on Peyton's Creek in Smith County in 1808. Claiborne's wife was Elizabeth HEROD, born about 1789 or 1790 in Stafford County, Virginia. Nathan's wife was Frances HEROD who was born in the 1790s and died before 1850. Oral family tradition

¹ Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book I, page 238 and Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book L, page 299.

² Woodford County, Kentucky Tax List, 1806, Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives.

³ Robert Scott DAVIS, Records of Clarke County, Georgia, 1801 – 1892, (Greenville, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1993), p. 36. Original case file examined at Georgia Archives.

⁴ Fray ELROD, Historical Notes of Jackson County, Georgia, (Jefferson, Georgia, n.pub., 1967), pp. 211, 214.

⁵ Sheila K. EDDLEMON, Genealogical Abstracts from Tennessee Newspapers, 1803 – 1812, (Heritage Books, 1989), p. 84. From Carthage Gazette, Volume 2, No. 97.

⁶ Interview with Carmack KEY, Smith County historian, Carthage, 26 October 1989.

⁷ 1850 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, page 276, dwelling 892, family 892, lines 18 – 21, National Archives micropublication M432, Roll 896 and 1860 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, District No. 3, page 291, dwelling 283, family 283, National Archives micropublication M653, Roll 1272.

indicates William HEROD's wife to have been surnamed VALENTINE. When he sold his property in Spotsylvania County, Virginia in 1808, his wife named Sarah relinquished her right of dower.⁸

On 25 March 1812 Claiborne HALL purchased a tract of land from John WALTERS in Smith County on the waters of Taylors branch.⁹ This tract is described as 37 acres. Claiborne's land is also described as 25 acres in a deed of John WALTERS to his daughter Jean.¹⁰ The date on this second deed was 7 February 1812 so it is possible that Claiborne had intended to purchase 25 acres but when the deed was made in March of that year, the total acreage was 37 acres. The wording on the WALTERS to WALTERS deed states that 25 acres had previously been conveyed to Claiborne HALL.

The community of Tanglewood was a large valley located on the Cumberland River north of Carthage. It is described as a place of abundant streams, rolling hills, and jagged bluffs. The soil is described as the most fertile between Burnside in Kentucky and where the Cumberland River empties into the Mississippi.¹¹ It was on one of these rolling hills that Claiborne HALL settled and raised his family. The hill on which he lived reminds one of a little mountain – it goes almost straight up.

The census enumerator for Smith County in 1820 "helpfully" decided to arrange the census in semi-alphabetical order. Thus, all the "H" surnames are listed together. By doing this, of course, one loses the sense of neighborhood so crucial to genealogical research. In any case, a possible clue to parentage is found in this census. Thomas HALL is listed immediately after Claiborne HALL in the 1820 census.¹²

Nathan HALL appears to have lived in Smith County during this time as well though no entry is found for him in the 1820 census. One possibility is that he may have been the male age 26 and under 45 years in Thomas HALL's household. Nathan served in Captain Anthony H. METCALFE's Company from Smith County in the War of 1812, however, his service record is silent on an exact place of birth.¹³ Nathan was listed as a juror on 15 February 1815 in Smith County.¹⁴ An additional reference to him is found as a witness to a deed dated 28 July 1817 from Joel DYER to Daniel M. LANE (LANE was married to William HEROD's daughter Mary Ann). The land was on Peytons Creek and is said to be the plantation on "which Big Joel DYER now lives, being a tract of land granted to the heirs of John DYER."¹⁵ The name Joel DYER indicates another possible connection for the HALL family in the area. On 23 December 1802, Joel DYER was appointed guardian for Reuben HALL, age 6 years, an orphan child. Isaac JOHNS is also appointed guardian of Margaret HALL, age 9, at the same time. In addition, on the same date William WALTON is appointed administrator of the estate of one Elizabeth HALL at the same term of the Smith County court. The possible relationship of Elizabeth, Reuben, and Margaret has not been determined. It would appear likely Elizabeth was the mother of the two young orphans.

Before 1820, only two references are found to Claiborne HALL in Smith County court records. On 8 May 1815 he and others were permitted to return to the county court a list of their taxables for the year 1815.¹⁶ On 9 November 1818, he was appointed as road overseer.¹⁷ Claiborne was again appointed road overseer from Anold(?) Tanyard to a four mile post on 29 November 1824. He was to have the same hands that worked under John BAKER.¹⁸

⁸ Spotsylvania County, Virginia Deed Book R, pages 427 – 429.

⁹ Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book D, page 127.

¹⁰ Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book D, pages 105 – 106.

¹¹ *Smith County, (Tennessee) History*, (Dallas, Texas: Curtis Media Corporation, 1987), p. 318.

¹² 1820 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, page 61, line 12 and 13, dwelling 826 and 827, National Archives micropublication M33, Roll 125.

¹³ War of 1812 Service Record, Nathan HALL, National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, DC

¹⁴ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1813 – 1815, pp. 289 – 290.

¹⁵ Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book F, page 182.

¹⁶ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1813 – 1815, page 306.

¹⁷ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1813 – 1815, page 240.

¹⁸ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Volume 11, Feb. 1824 – March 1826, p. 220.

By 1820, Claiborne's family was rapidly growing. The census that year found him with one daughter of 10 and under 16 years and 5 daughters under the age of 10.¹⁹ By the 1830 enumeration, he had added three additional daughters and a son to the household.²⁰

On 4 March 1836, William HEROD died and a dispute over the contents of his will took Claiborne and Elizabeth as well as Nathan and Frances HALL and other heirs all the way to the Tennessee Supreme Court.²¹ William HEROD made out two wills – one dated 14 April 1830 and another dated 17 May 1830. The court found in favor of William HEROD, Jr. and Peter HEROD and they received all of the real estate.

In 1837 Claiborne was found in dire financial straits. A panic indeed swept the nation that year and hit farmers hard. His family at that time included his younger children and two grandchildren born to his unmarried daughter Susan HALL. On 20 October 1837 he mortgaged his farm as well as a six year old gray mare, a roan filly one year old, one bann of tobacco, and his stock of cattle to a neighbor John BAKER. The firm of GREEN & SLOAN had recovered a judgment for \$75.87 against Claiborne but the judgment was stayed by BAKER as security.²² Further financial trouble is indicated by the court minutes of Thursday, 28 December 1837 in which Elijah TONEY, James R. TONEY, and Allen G. WATKINS sue Claiborne HALL for a debt of \$31.76. Summons was issued to him and judgment was made by confession in favor of the plaintiffs. The court record states that no goods or chattels of HALL are to be found in the county and a levy was placed on his real estate.²³ Claiborne's creditors appear to have been patient, however, as a deed dated 14 June 1840 is found in which James R. TONEY conveyed the land back to him for the amount of the judgment plus the costs of the suit.²⁴ The land is described at this time as 37 ½ acres bounded by the lands of Thomas WEATHERFORD, Samuel HIGH, and the heirs of John BAKER.

The Elijah TONEY mentioned in this record is believed to have been a brother-in-law of Claiborne. Court records in Smith County indicate after the death of TONEY's first wife (Mary RUCKS, daughter of Rev. Josiah RUCKS) that he "ran off with two base women named HALL" to Alabama.²⁵ Other records indicate these women were Jane HALL and Sarah C. HALL. They moved to Jackson County, Alabama where TONEY had three children by Jane before her death. He then married Sarah C. (born about 1805 in Georgia) and had a daughter. The three children by Jane had their surname changed to TONEY by the Alabama legislature in 1851. Elijah TONEY died on 27 February 1868 in Jackson County, Alabama, leaving considerable real and personal property.

By 1840 most of Claiborne's older daughters had married and established households of their own in the county. He and Elizabeth were also boarding grandchildren. In 1850, Claiborne's household consisted of himself, age 61; Elizabeth, age 60; daughter Susan, age 33; and Susan's children William HALL, 17; John HALL, 16; Eusibius P. HALL, 12; Sarah HALL, 10; and Martha J., 8.²⁶

During the late 1850s as the older grandchildren were beginning to marry and establish their own homes, Claiborne and Elizabeth took in three other grandchildren, orphans of their daughter Roxey and her husband John BOSTON. Their household in 1860 consisted of Claiborne HALL, age 72; Betsy HALL, age 71; Sarah HALL, age 18; Archibald BOSTON, age 14; Rebecca B. BOSTON, age 12; and Betsy J.

¹⁹ 1820 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, National Archives micropublication M33, Roll 125, page 61, line 12, dwellings 826.

²⁰ 1830 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, National Archives micropublication M19, Roll 181, page 47, line 22.

²¹ Middle Tennessee Supreme Court Records, Box 56, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

²² Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book O, page 56.

²³ Smith County, Tennessee Circuit Court minute Book G, page 419.

²⁴ Smith County, Tennessee Deed Book P, page 317.

²⁵ Smith County, Tennessee Loose Court Records, Tennessee State Library and Archives, case of Elizabeth A. CORNWELL vs. Pleasant F. CORNWELL, Box 10, No. 485.

²⁶ 1850 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, page 213A, lines 16 – 23, National Archives micropublication M432, Roll 895.

BOSTON, age 10. An apparent farmhand, Wiley DAVIS, age 24, completed the picture.²⁷ His grandsons William C. HALL and John HALL and their families lived next door. Claiborne's real estate was valued at \$600 that year and his personal estate at \$1,500.

The Civil War period must have been one of the most difficult of Claiborne's life. Sometime during the 1860s, Elizabeth HEROD HALL died. She had remained by her husband's side for over 50 years and no doubt her death left a huge void in the household. Claiborne had grandsons on both sides of the civil conflict that engulfed the nation during these years. The three boys of his daughter Susan who had grown up in his household all fought in the conflict. William C. and Eusibius P. HALL had moved to Illinois and served in Company A, 120th Illinois Infantry. Their brother John was a member of the Confederate army (Company B, 7th Tennessee Calvary) and was captured at Gettysburg and taken to Fort Delaware prison where he died on 19 October 1863. Claiborne's only son Archibald W. HALL was briefly a Confederate soldier in Arkansas. His son-in-law James M. BOSTON died while fighting for the Confederacy in an Arkansas unit. His grandson William Jesse GREGORY also served the Confederacy but lived to a ripe old age.

By the time of the 1870 census, the family consisted of only Claiborne HALL, age 82; Rebecky BOSTON, age 22; and Bettie J. BOSTON, age 19. Claiborne's real estate was valued at only \$400 and his personal estate at \$500.²⁸

Throughout the latter part of his life, Claiborne's name appeared in few official records. He was listed on the county tax rolls, paying taxes on his same plot of land on Hall's Hill north of Carthage in Civil District One. In December 1870 his two BOSTON granddaughters married William E. PAYNE and Marion Mitchell PAYNE, thus leaving Claiborne to live alone for the first and only time. In 1873, he was, however, subjected to what may have been considered a final indignity. That year, he was served with a summons and named as a defendant in a lawsuit brought by the children of Roxey HALL BOSTON he had raised. Claiborne had signed as security for his son-in-law Allen PIPER as guardian for the BOSTON children after their father's death. The children were now suing PIPER and also Claiborne HALL for control of the estate of their father. No doubt Claiborne's heart sank when the sheriff's deputy climbed the hill to serve the 85 year old gentleman with the summons. There is no evidence that Claiborne actually took any part in the court proceedings.

Claiborne HALL died in late November or early December 1874. Smith County historian Carmack KEY stated he was buried in the Woodard Cemetery near his home.²⁹ The grave of Claiborne and that of Elizabeth are unmarked. This cemetery is located across Old Highway 25 from Hall's Hill.

A request for letters of administration was filed in Smith County Court by J. H. NICKSON on 7 December 1874.³⁰ The administrator on 4 January 1875 filed his inventory of the estate.³¹ Claiborne's personal items were sold at public auction. By 12 January 1875, there was a partition suit styled as Adam C. PERKINS, etal. vs. Mary ETHERIDGE etals. upon the books concerning Claiborne's estate.³² This type of suit was usually a "friendly" suit filed by the resident heirs against the non-resident heirs to settle an estate and provide for a distribution of the same. By 1 February 1875, the court was seeking to appoint a guardian for Arthula E. PAYNE, a great-grandchild of Claiborne HALL. This young infant was left motherless by the death of Rebecca E. BOSTON PAYNE. W. W. FERGUSON was appointed guardian for the minor.³³ In the minutes for the 8 February 1875 court session, the names of all participants in the case were listed. The

²⁷ 1860 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, page 270, District NO. 1, lines 23 – 29, family 96, National Archives micropublication M653, Roll 1272.

²⁸ 1870 U.S. Census, Smith County, Tennessee, page 12, Civil District No. One, lines 12 – 14, dwelling 169, family 172, National Archives micropublication M593, Roll 1564.

²⁹ Interview with Carmack KEY, Smith County historian, Carthage, 26 October 1989.

³⁰ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, Vol. 25, November 1872 – December 1874, page 482.

³¹ Smith County, Tennessee Inventory Book C, page 332.

³² Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minute Book, Jan. 1875 – October 1877, Vol. 1, page 17.

³³ Smith County, Tennessee County Court Minute Book, Jan. 1875 – October 1877, Vol. 1, page 19.

non-residents of Tennessee were Mary ETHERIDGE, Susan HALL, Martha BOSTON, Archabald HALL, J. B. GREGORY and his wife Eliza GREGORY, and Emily Jane CANIDAY. The land was eventually sold to S. M. PHELPS and the money was distributed to Claiborne's heirs. A survey of the land at that time indicated it to be slightly larger than 44 acres. Some of the receipts for the distribution are found in the Smith County, Tennessee Administrator's Receipts books. Each child (or their heirs) received about \$37.07.

Claiborne HALL lived for about 86 years. The few documents which survive today do not indicate much about his life. His origins are still being researched. His exact date of birth, marriage, and death are unknown. He lived for nearly 63 years on the top of a hill named for him north of Carthage. He did not deal in land speculations, he owned no slaves, nor did he ever serve in the military (to this author's knowledge). While others of his generation had the wanderlust and moved from place to place, he appears to have been content farming on his hill in Smith County. Though his marriage to Elizabeth HEROD produced nine daughters and one son who have descendants scattered across the United States, Claiborne HALL died alone, an old man on his hill.

Known Children of Claiborne HALL and Elizabeth ("Betsy") HEROD were:

- i. Daughter HALL, born 1810 probably in Smith County, Tennessee; died after 1830. This daughter whose name is unknown was age 10 and under 16 in the 1820 census and age 20 and under 30 in the 1830 census household of Claiborne. It is unknown if she married. She must have died and left no issue as she is not mentioned in Claiborne's estate records.
- ii. Sarah C. ("Sallie") HALL, born 3 July 1812 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 7 December 1888 in Robertson County, Tennessee. Sallie married Adam Clements PERKINS (19 October 1800 – 21 December 1884) about 1830 or 1831. They had four children. In 1875, they moved to Robertson County, Tennessee. Sarah C. HALL PERKINS is buried beside her husband in Perkins Cemetery in eastern Robertson County, Tennessee.
- iii. Emmaline HALL, born about 1815 in Smith County, Tennessee; died between 1843 and 1848 in Obion County, Tennessee. Emmaline was the second wife of David C. CANADAY (18 October 1796 – 2 November 1881) and they moved to Obion County where she had daughter Emily Jane before her death. Emily Jane is listed as a non-resident heir in Claiborne HALL's 1875 estate. She married a THOMPSON and had one daughter Melissa B. M. THOMPSON.
- iv. Mary Ann HALL, born 31 January 1816 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 26 September 1897 probably in Pope County, Illinois. She was married in the early 1830s to Joshua Burnett COX (26 December 1808 – 2 February 1863) and they were the parents of six children all born in Wayne and Pulaski Counties, Kentucky where they lived until the 1850s. In 1857, they removed to Pope County in southern Illinois. After Joshua's death, she married Union Civil War veteran Guilford ETHRIDGE (12 August 1811 – 19 April 1874) who also hailed from Smith/DeKalb County, Tennessee area. Mary Ann is buried in Cox Cemetery in Allen Springs, Pope County, Illinois. Her descendants are numerous and are scattered throughout the United States.
- v. Susan ("Matilda") HALL, born about 1817 in Smith County, Tennessee; died after 1880. Per Smith County historian Carmack KEY, Susan had five children though she never married. These children have been identified by the author. Her oldest child William Carroll HALL (the author's ancestor, 6 October 1832 – 9 October 1907) married Mollie Y. DUVALL (21 January 1835 – 7 February 1880), daughter of William D. DUVALL of Smith County, and moved to Pope County, Illinois in 1860 where he served in Company A, 120th Illinois Infantry. Susan lived in Illinois for a while and then moved with her youngest daughter Martha J. HALL (wife of William Norman GREGORY) to Randolph County, Arkansas. The last reference located for Susan was the receipt in her father Claiborne's estate when she received

her distribution on 8 January 1880. She has not been located in the 1880 census. Susan's other children were John HALL (1834 – 19 October 1863) who married Martha PHILLIPS in 1859 and had one daughter before his death; Eusibius P. HALL (1838 – 5 August 1881) who married Eliza SPRADLEY and died in Shawneetown, Illinois; and Sarah HALL (born 1840) who is believed to possibly be the Sarah HALL who married 16 April 1866 in Smith County, Tennessee to James Richard DARNELL and removed to Crittenden County, Kentucky.

- vi. Roxey HALL, born 1820 in Smith County, Tennessee; died February or March 1852 in Smith County, Tennessee. Roxey married John BOSTON (died 1858), son of Christian and Ruth BOSTON, and had three children: William Archibald B. BOSTON, Rebecca E. PAYNE, and Elizabeth Jane PAYNE. Numerous later females in various branches of the family were named Roxey and Roxilana.
- vii. Rebecca D. HALL, born 4 March 1822 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 5 March 1907 in Smith County, Tennessee. Rebecca married Allen PIPER (3 May 1803 – 24 June 1886) and they were the parents of one son: Henry Allen PIPER. Rebecca remained a lifelong Smith Countian and is buried there in Piper Cemetery.
- viii. Eliza HALL, born 5 May 1824 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 20 November 1901 in Muhlenburg County, Kentucky. Eliza was married to Bethel J. GREGORY (5 February 1824 – 5 February 1904) and was the mother of 13 children. They moved first to Logan County, Kentucky then to Muhlenburg County, Kentucky in 1878. Eliza and husband are buried in Shutt Cemetery in southern Muhlenburg County. Eliza's oldest child was William Jesse "Jabe" GREGORY who resided in Trousdale County, Tennessee until his death in 1931.
- ix. Martha J. HALL, born 26 September 1826 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 26 April 1910 in Stone County, Arkansas. Martha was married to James M. BOSTON, son of Christian and Ruth BOSTON, and moved first to Kentucky, then to Arkansas. Her husband served in Co. I, 31st Arkansas Infantry (Confederate army) and died on 19 August 1862 in Loudon, Tennessee. They had six children. Martha lived in that part of Independence County, Arkansas which became Stone County. She survived her husband by almost 48 years and never remarried.
- x. Archibald W. HALL, born about 1827 in Smith County, Tennessee; died 27 February 1896 in Stone County, Arkansas. He married Harriet EVITTS, daughter of Moses EVETTS and moved with the EVETTS family in the latter 1840s to that part of Independence County, Arkansas which became Stone County. They had eight children. Archibald left considerable property in Stone County at his death.

Possible Children of Thomas HALL of Smith County, Tennessee

This author believes the following to be some of the children of the man named Thomas HALL who came to Smith County, Tennessee about 1815. Many of the links connecting this family are based upon circumstantial evidence. Research is ongoing.

- i. Claiborne HALL (ca. 1787/1788 – November or December 1874), married Elizabeth HEROD, daughter of William HEROD and Sarah VALENTINE, before 1810.
- ii. Nathan HALL, born about 1790 – 1792 in Virginia; married Frances HEROD, daughter of William HEROD and Sarah VALENTINE. Nathan and Frances had a daughter named Louisianna HALL, born about 1812. Thomas HALL received six acres in a land grant in 1815. No record of the disposition of this land has been found, however, an 1822 Smith County delinquent tax list shows Nathan HALL as the owner of a five acre tract on Peytons Creek. There is no record of Nathan HALL purchasing or being granted this land. It is possible Thomas died between 1820 and 1822 when the land was in the possession of Nathan. Nathan died after 1860.
- iii. Jane HALL, born 1790 – 1800. Jane had a child who died young per Smith County court records. The father was suggested to have been William HAYNIE, Jr. Jane

was one of the "two base women, sisters by the name of HALL" who "ran off to Alabama" in 1834 with Elijah TONEY. She had three children by him though they did not marry. The children were: Alexander, Hugh, and Elijah, Jr. Jane died between 1840 and 1845, probably in Jackson County, Alabama. After her death, Elijah petitioned the Alabama legislature to have the children's names changed to TONEY and they were declared his legitimate heirs at his death.

- iv. Hugh HALL, born after 1793. In a militia list of Clarke County, Georgia dated 27 May 1811, Thomas HALL and son Hugh were listed as not reporting for duty. Hugh was listed as under 18 at that time.³⁴ He served in Alexander's Battalion of Riflemen in the War of 1812 from Clarke County. It is also interesting to note that the elder Claiborne HALL of Hanover/Caroline County, Virginia who removed to Woodford County, Kentucky also had a son named Hugh HALL. This may suggest an older Hugh in the family for whom these children were named.
- v. Sarah C. HALL, born about 1805, in Georgia. She also "ran off" with Elijah TONEY to Alabama in 1834. After sister Jane's death, Sarah married TONEY and had one daughter: Mary Jane who later married William McCampbell MAPLES, an Alabama legislator. Sarah C. died sometime after 1876.
- vi. Thomas H. HALL, born 1800 – 1810; married 1st to Martha A. BRIEN by 1830. He is listed as head of household in 1830 Smith County census. His second marriage was in 1832 in Jefferson County, Kentucky to Eliza SPEARS. His first wife sued him for divorce in 1836 claiming he had remarried and may have been in the Louisville area and had children. No further information has been located on the whereabouts of this Thomas H. HALL.

³⁴ Robert Scott DAVIS, Records of Clarke County, Georgia, 1801 – 1892, (Greenville, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, 1993), p. 201.

The author of this article is researching the family and descendants of Claiborne HALL and Elizabeth HEROD of Smith County for publication in a book. He has done extensive research and would love to contact any descendant or anyone with information on this family.

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MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 1808 - 1811

[Ed. Note: *Mimute Book Two for the period 1805-1807 is missing. There is a Court of Pleas... for the period that contains only civil and criminal cases tried before the county justices prior to the establishment of circuit and chancery courts. No day to day business of the court is contained in this volume.*]

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Page 5. (The first four pages are missing - no date on page 5, assumed to be 1808.)
(*Page torn*) ... Harper makes return of supplementary inventory of property of Matthew Harper, dec'd.

(*Page torn*) ... Lacy, dec'd. inventory of property.

Benjamin Cooper, dec'd inventory of property.

John Bridges, admr. of estate of James Moore, dec'd.

Robert Harper, dec'd. supplementary inventory of the sales of property returned by Matthew Harper.

(Not legible) ... Johnston, dec'd. nuncupative will.

... dec'd. produced in open court by oaths of Stanley Johnson and Thomas Johnson.

Ed. Note: *According to Will Book 1, John Johnson made nuncupative will on 21 November 1807 witnessed by Stanley and Thomas Johnson.*

Page 6. Stephen Montgomery made return of taxables in Capt. Hart's Co. for the year 1808.

James Hibets, Esq. made return of taxables in Capt. Martin's Co. for year 1808.

Martin Young, Esq. made return of list of taxables in Capt. Pipkins Co. for year 1808.

Robert W. Roberts, Constable resigned; Green Bethel appt. to take his place in Capt.

Looney's Co.

Heirs of James Bradley, dec'd. Exc. James Bradley and Thos. Bradley.

Page 7. John Moore to Sampson Moore, letter of attn. Proven by oath of Samuel Strayhorn.

Isaac Harden to John Corder, Bill of Sale, proven by oath of Henry ?? and John Baker.

John Baker to Joseph Bishop, Bill of Sale.

Robert Campbell to Sampson Moore, letter of attn. Proven by oath of Samuel Strayhorn.

Bowling Felts - sum ordered to be paid for keeping two paupers at March term 1807 reduced by court.

Page 8. James Cockron exhibits his stock mark.

Ordered that George Louthertin be exempt from paying sheriff fee on stud horse.

William Estes, Samuel Williams, John Fight, John Lee excused from jury duty.

John and Robert Allen Joshua Taylor, Moses Lawson, Richard Britton, Jacob Niell, Abram Britton, vs. Henry Dancer, land condemned to secure fine levied against defendant.

Page 9. TUESDAY MARCH 8, 1808. Present: Col. William Martin, Henry Tooley, John Sweney.

Isham Beasley vs. ?aney and Carpenter. Jury appointed: Moses Greyson, Melton Young, Stephen Anderson, William Vaden, Jesse Smith, Joel Holland, William Wooten, Jeremiah McWhorter, Martin Cooper, John Scoby, George Tomason, Jordan Stokes.

Page 10. Josiah Strange, absent juror fined 50 cents.

Grand jury fined bill of indictment against Claiborn Wright, James Wright, Andrew Metcalf, Willie Sullivan, Moses Canaday.

Moses Pinkston and William Moore, two justices appointed by the Governor, took the oath of office.

Page 11. Grand jury returns indictment against Walter Evans, John Rose, Pleasant Rose, Matthew Brewer.

Noble Osburn to Frederick Mitchel, deed, 100 acres, proven by oath of Josiah Gray and William Cobler.

Joseph Sutton to Richard Parker and Thomas Wilburn, deed, 235 acres.

Rhodes Weeks to Jesse Elston, deed, 90 acres.

Dunken Stewart to Lewis Pippkin, deed, 600 acres proven by oaths of Aron Saws and Steward Pippkin.

Page 12. Joseph Collins to Rhodes Weeks, 90 acres, proven by oaths of James Breen and William Barry.

John S. Martin to Thos. & Harris, deed Town Lot #78.

A. Dale to Robert W. Roberts, deed 8 acres.

Samuel Southerland to Michael Murphy, deed 160 acres, proven by oaths of Williby Pew and Patrick Sloane.

John Phelps and John Mellensen to John Phelps, deed 145 acres, proven by oaths of Green Bethel and John Jordan.

Adam Dale, Esq., made return of taxable in Capt. John Sweney's Co. for 1808.

A. S. Harper, Esq., made a return of the taxables in Capt. James Cockran's Co., for the year 1808.

Page 13. Leonard Fight, Esq., made return of taxables on ?? Company for year 1808.

Basil Shaw, Esq., makes returns of taxables in Capt. Jenning's Co. for year 1808.

Stephen Montgomery, Esq., made return of taxables in Capt. James Montgomery's Co.

John Patterson, Esq., made return of taxables in Capt. Davidson's Company.
Willis Jones, Esq., made return of the list of taxables in Capt. Pinkston's Company.
William Gregory, Esq., made return of list of taxables in Capt. Piper's Company.
The will of John Rhodes, dec'd., was probated by the exc. Josiah Howel and Abner Rhodes and proven by oaths of Isaac Dillon and Noah Jenkins.
John West, dec'd., amt. of sales exhibited by admr. Thos. West.

Page 14. William Hooker, dec'd., amt. Of sales returned by admr. Willis Jones.
Temperance Smith, dec'd., amt. of sales of property returned by exc.
Frances Parker, dec'd., inventory of property returned by exc.
Ordered that John Brevard be allowed settlement with county in cases of Samuel Shortgreen, Samuel Young, Key Fisher.
Ordered that Basil Shaw. Esq., be allowed account for furnishing jail with sundrys.

Page 15. Ordered that John Gordon, Sheriff, be allowed \$140 for ex officio services for year 1807.
Ordered that Charles F. Mobias, Coroner, be allowed \$25.50 for ex officio services for year 1807.
Ordered that John Gordon, Sheriff, be allowed \$15.57 for collection of poor and insolvency tax for year 1807.
Mary Slenkard, an orphan, bound to Adam Dale.
Abner Rhodes appointed Constable.
Wilson Jenkins appointed Constable.

Page 16. John Gordon, Sheriff, bill of sale to George Matlock.
Joel Holland to Willis C. Holland, deed of gift, proven by oaths of Josiah Howel and Abner Rhodes.
Thos. Stokes to Mary Robertson, deed of gift, proven by oath of John Fight.
Jesse Pipken to Stewart Pipken, bill of sale, proven by oath of Lewis Pipken.
Ordered that Joel Gunter be discharged from paying poll tax for year 1807.

Page 17. Ordered that Samuel Paskel be relieved of payment of tax on 400 acres for the year 1807.
Ordered that Richard Willis be entered as a pauper and that Josiah Strange be allowed \$4.00 per month for maintenance of said Willis.
Stephen Anderson, a juror, discharged.
William Jenkins vs. Jonathan Parkhurst - judgment against deft. - 100 acres to be sold to satisfy notes.

Page 18. County tax for year 1808 as follows: every 100 acres of land .12 ½ cents; each white poll 12 ½ cent; each black poll .25 cents; each retail store 2.50; each stud horse kept for money .50 cents; each town lot .25 cents.

The following persons appointed to the next superior court: William Sullivan, William Dillan, Steward Peppkin, James Belew, William Wooten, Brice Martin, Martin Young, Moses Pinkston, Basil Shaw, Henry Tooley, Robert Allen, Willis Jones, Arundel Moore, William Martin, John Armstrong, James Jenkins and constable J. C. Armstrong, ? Whitesides, Joseph Bishop.

Page 19. The following persons summoned to jury for June Term, 1808: Jacob Overall, William Bratten, Francis Holensbill, George Rhea, James Ewen, Henry Chandler, Charles McCellan, Charles Mundane, Philip Sutters, Edward Landerson, William Cates, William Smith, Robt. Black, Josiah Dunken, Moses Allen, James Cooper, George Rowland, William Hogan, John Hogan, Stephen Pate, Hugh McClendon, John Ferguson, George Morris, Garland McAlister, William Thompson, John Stubblefield, Thos. Wilkerson, William Walton, Richard Alexander, Wilson Cage, John Warren, Lee Sullivan, William Sullivan, James Haney, Isam Beasley, Grant Allen, Samuel Britian, David Alexander, Joel Simons; constables, Tandy Whitehead, Bethel Allen.

Page 20. WEDNESDAY MORNING MARCH 9, 1808. Present: Henry Tooley, William Martin, Basil Shaw, John Lancaster.

John Scoby as witness in State vs. David Hooks and John Richardson.

William Love vs. Joseph McCool, action delayed.

Page 21. James Douglas, dec'd., William Maxey, admr. vs. Sampson Williams, plea of administration. Tried by jury: Moses Grayson, Milton Young, Jesse Smith, Joel Holland, William Wooten, George Tomason, William Hankins, Joel Dyer, Edmund Jennings, Joseph McCool, Martin Cooper, John Ferguson. Jury finds that defendant hath not performed the covenant of said deceased estate - plaintiff to recover from defendant.

Page 22. Daniel Waggoner vs. Benjamin Wooten (plea not guilty). Jury to wit: Moses Greyson, Melton Young, Jesse Smith, Joel Holland, George Thomason, William Hankins, Edmund Jennings, Josiah McCool, Martin Cooper, John Ferguson, William Vaden, Willeby Pew. Jury finds defendant guilty of assault, trespass and battery.

Page 23. Grand Jury returns a true bill against Joseph Pritchett.

John Looney vs. Moses Pinkston, Jury: Joel Dyer, William Wooten, Richard Hinton, James Wright, John Asher, Archibald Wilkerson, John Scoby, Thomas Banks, Armsted Moore, James Gwin, Robert W. Roberts, Walter Evans. Jury could not reach a verdict.

Page 24. William Haney vs. William Piper. Parties agreed to abide by arbitration of William Walton, Wilson Cage, Brice Martin, Willoughby Pew, Joel Dyer. Harris Bradford, Esq., returned a list of taxables in Capt. Young's company.

Page 25. John Lancaster, Esq., returned a list of taxables in Capt. Turney's company.
John Benion vs. Armsted Stubblefield and Stephen Montgomery, attachment.
James Raulston vs. Armsted Stubblefield, attachment..

Page 26. William Laine, Esq., returned a list of taxables in Capt. Wallace's company.
James Belew, Esq., returns a list of taxables in Capt. Metcalf's company.
Col. William Martin, Esq., returns a list of taxables in Capt. Furlong's company.
Henry Tooley, Esq., returns a list of taxables in Capt. McFarland's company.

Page 27. Adam Dale, Esq., presented resignation as a justice of the peace.
Joshua Conger, Eli Conger vs. John Stites and J. A. Campbell, debts.
Francis Patterson vs. James Aiken, debt.

Page 28. Joel Gunter vs. John Harmen, appeal.
William Parsons vs. Lewis Johnson, debt.

Page 29. Axom Whitley vs. John Sparks. Plaintiff declares he intends to no further prosecute his suit.
Moses Allen vs. Benet Creasy. Plaintiff declares he intends to no further prosecute his suit.

Page 30. James Raulston vs. Armsted Stubblefield, attachment. Commission ordered to take deposition of Joseph Sam at the house of Henry Lyon in Carthage.
Henry Lyon vs. George Combs, attachment.

Page 31. Henry Lyon vs. Jacob Cole, defendant to recover against plaintiff the court cost of case.
Henry Lyon vs. John Baker, Lyon to pay cost of case.


To Be Continued.

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1 Oct 1925

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* RIDE THE MINTON *
* BUS *
* To Detroit and Akron *
* Get tickets at Nixon ga- *
* rage, Gordonsville; City *
* Cafe at Carthage; Nev- *
* il's restaurant at Dixon *
* Springs. Leaves every *
* Monday morning. *
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Carthage Courier
9 Aug 1928

DR. D. GARFINKLE
The old reliable optician
of Nashville



Can be seen at the Wilton Ho-
tel again 2 days, Friday and Sa-
urday, Oct. 16th and 17th. He
will be here every two weeks
from now on.

**SAVE YOUR EYES AND
YOUR MONEY.**

THE SMOTHERMAN - MCCARVER CONNECTION

Compiled from articles in the Smotherman Collection, Smith County Archives

[Thanks to Jeannie Brown who, in sorting through items in the Smotherman home, gleaned out these items that have combined to make an interesting essay on the Reverend J. L. Smotherman].

The Reverend James Lemuel Smotherman, 84, beloved Methodist minister for over 50 years, died at his home on North Main Street in Carthage at 12:15 Monday morning, August 6, 1951, after an illness of two years. (*Carthage Courier*, August 8, 1951).

Brother Smotherman descends from Thomas Smotherman whose family were early settlers in this country. The Smotherman family is probably Dutch in origin; by 1790 Thomas Smotherman appeared first in North Carolina, settling in the Piedmont section. By 1800 the family was living in Randolph County, North Carolina. From there Thomas' sons emigrated in the early 1800's to Middle Tennessee, settling in Rutherford County, principally in the 10th and 14th districts in the southwest section of the county around the Link, Barfield, Versailles, and Midland area and on into the 9th district of Bedford County. They settled near the Pinnacle Knob and family tradition reports that they had to dispossess the Indians who were there before them. John and Hugh, sons of Thomas, had several sons each, and with their younger brother, William, are the ancestors of most, perhaps all, of the Tennessee Smothermans.

Isham Green Smotherman, born 8 July 1821 – died 12 July 1891, was born in Link, Rutherford County. He was married to Charity Ann Hester, born 10 May 1826, died 4 April 1899. Isham Green Smotherman was of the Methodist faith and was one of the outstanding preachers in the area. He was the first pastor of Lebanon Methodist Church, now known simply as "Old Leb" in the Link community. Reverend Smotherman was stricken with rheumatoid arthritis in later life. Each Sunday morning his sons would carry their father on a straight chair and place him in the family spring wagon. Arriving at the church, they would hoist him, chair and all, from the wagon into the church. There he sat in his chair by the pulpit and delivered his sermon. Isham Green and his wife, Charity, were the parents of twenty-one children. Both are buried in the Haynes Cemetery, Link, Tennessee.

James Lemuel Smotherman was the nineteenth son of Isham Green and Charity Hester Smotherman. Born and reared in this Christian environment it is not surprising that he followed his father's footsteps to become one of the most loved ministers in the area. He began preaching in 1886 and was ordained by the Methodist Church in 1891. He held many pastorates throughout Middle Tennessee, and during his early ministry he often had four and five church circuits. He served as pastor of the Carthage Methodist Church from 1904 – 1906 and again 1911 – 1913. Not only was Brother Smotherman a revered

Minister he was also a much sought after and entertaining lecturer. One of his most popular lectures was entitled "Get Up and Get There" and was enthusiastically endorsed by Cordell Hull and Judge J. M. Gardenhire.

Brother Smotherman was a close friend of Uncle Dave Macon of Grand Ole Opry fame. Uncle Dave came to Carthage often to visit his friend, and on one such occasion was invited by Brother Smotherman to play his banjo in the Methodist church. Needless to say, the congregation of that day and age was not ready for a banjo in the sacred sanctuary of the hallowed Methodist Church!

James Lemuel Smotherman was married to Emily Lulah McCarver on 25 September 1899. Born 1871, died 29 August 1955, Lulah was the daughter of Logan and Mary Newson Osburn McCarver who lived on Wartrace Creek in Jackson County, Tennessee. Brother and Mrs. Smotherman and their son, Dewey, are buried in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

The children of the Reverend J. L. and Lulah McCarver Smotherman were: Mary McCarver, born 1890, marr James W. Depierrai; John Bartholomew, born 1894, marr Aileen McDermott; James Dewey, born 1799, died an untimely death in 1921; Joseph Lemuel, born 1902, marr Sara Elizabeth Burris; Jesse Florence, born 1904, marr Ernest D. King, Jr.; ELEANOR DILLARD, born 1908, never married; Lulah Margaret, born 1912, marr Robert B. McKinley; Laura Jean, born 1915, marr Fred N. Royster.

Eleanor Dillard Smotherman is fondly remembered by hundreds of children, including this writer, who passed through the elementary grades of Gordonsville and Carthage schools. Miss Smotherman brought happiness and joy to her class rooms – a cheerful canary in a cage, green plants on the window sills and a special love and tenderness for every child she taught. Her interest went far beyond the class room. During the summer she would invite students to spend the night with her and go picnicking and hiking on Battery Hill. She would exchange letters (what 3rd grader does not thrill at getting his own personal mail) and encourage interest in nature by sending seeds to be planted in one's own garden.

Following is a copy from the McCarver/Nichols Family Bible that was found among the Smotherman papers. It is not known where and in whose possession the original Bible is located.

MEMORIALS

J. S. Egan and G. Nichols
were united in the holy bond of
Marriage April 2 1854
The Son of Egan was married to
Miss Frank McEwen Dec 19 1854
J. S. Egan and Mrs. S. S. Egan
were united in the holy bond of
Marriage Feb 5 1854



MEMORIALS

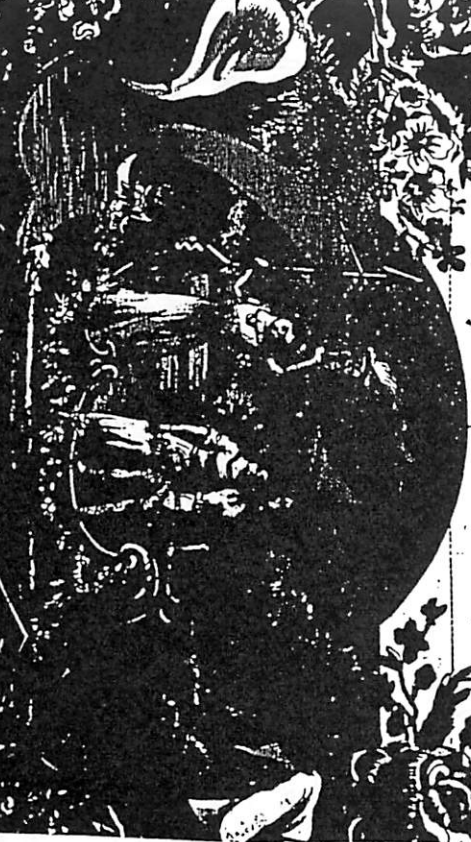
were united by me in the

Gold Bonds of Matrimony

At the residence on the _____ day of
April _____ in the year of our Lord 1854

Signed by
Pastor W. H. _____

in the presence of



DEATHS.

J. H. McCarver was Born July 4, 1873
Heir McCarver was Born Oct. 16 1886
D. M. Nichols was Born Sep. 20, 1890
Marion Nichols was Born Jan. 1, 1896
J. F. McCarver was Born Nov. 15, 1865
H. C. McCarver was Born Oct. 3, 1866

DEATHS.

J. H. McCarver Departed This
Life the twenty fifth of January 1895
Mr. M. Nichols departed this life the
Tenth day of April 1895.
Mary McCarver departed this life
The 2nd day of Nov 1910
Marion Nichols Departed This Life
Oct 2nd 1932
W. F. McCarver departed This Life
Sept 10th 1936
H. C. McCarver Departed This Life
Dec 19th 1936

REMEMORANDUM

1st Nichols was born Oct 31 " 1856
 2nd Nichols was born Oct 13 " 1861
 3rd Nichols was born Nov 8 " 1859
 4th Nichols was born Oct 31 " 1868
 5th Nichols was born Oct 18 " 1868
 6th Nichols was born Oct 10 " 1871
 7th Nichols was born May 9 " 1898
 8th Nichols was born Apr 5 " 1894
 9th Nichols was " " 4 " 1899
 10th Nichols was " " Oct 26 " 1895
 11th Nichols was " " Jan 14 " 1918
 12th Nichols was " " Dec 3/04 " 1898

"Get Up and Get There"

Rev. J. L. Smotherman is a man of exceptional ability and as a platform entertainer he can more than satisfy any audience anywhere. His lecture entitled "Get Up and Get There" is one of the best I have heard of read, and any person would be fortunate to hear him.

CORDELL HULL

Congressman 4th Congressional District.



I have known Rev. J. L. Smotherman for many years. He is a most entertaining speaker. His lectures and sermons never fail to please. He mixes logic with humor and pathos in his lectures, and I cheerfully commend, not only the man, but his wonderful lecture, "Get Up and Get There".

J. M. GARDENHIRE
 Judge 5th Judicial Circuit.

Rev. J. L. Smotherman

(Author of Van Perkin's Proverbs)

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DON'T FAIL TO HEAR HIM

Admission

A TRUE STORY OF CIVIL WAR

Submitted by Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky & Joyce Cutrell Sullivan

This story was written by our grandmother, Ella Frances Miller Highers. It is unedited for spelling and punctuation.

I remember a story told me by N.C. Pope who seen service with Forest Cavelry during the dark days of civil war. After destroying block houses and capturing quite a lot supplies along the railroad, leading through the southern part of the state of Tennessee and nearing the Ala. Line, information was recorded by scouting parties that a fleet of Yankee gun boats was ascending the Tenn. River. I regret very much that I do not remember the point of the Tenn. River. Forest hastened by forced March to reach the river at a suitable location above the place where the boats was located they reached the desired location at about sundown and planted his batteries and heavy field guns with the intention capturing or destroying the fleet.

While the preparations was going on, the unsuspecting yankee boats could be heard a considerable distance down the river, and it was thought would not reach the point where Forest had located for his attacked before daylight next morning. It was there that Clabe West then a beardless boy but one, who survived the dangers and hardships of these great conflicts and lived to a ripe old age an honored citizen of Smith county, planed an expidition on his own act, that for daring, is one of the many daring feats of those stiring times. Clabe reasoned to himself, that when these batteries opened up if the steamers was disabled, they would naturally steam across to the oposite side of the river and moor or sink as the case would be determined, by the damage done, and that the crew would escape capture. So acting on this decision he slipped out late at night, got by the sentries, and wended his way about a mile up the river as he often recited, secured an old slab and swam the Tenn. river, concealed himself on the opposite side of the river for any thing that should happen.

The fleet did arrive, at a point just opposite the concealed batteries, at just about daylight and when the batteries opened up on them they made for the other shore in a badly disabled condition. It seems that the officers and crew were at breakfast when forced to escape from the disabled boats to avoid capture and the story goes when Forest seen that the crew would escape capture, he detailed officers and men to cross the river to take possession of the disabled boats and any thing in the way of supplies, especially any arms ammunition or food stuff When these officers and men reached the Forest vessle and boarded it, they found the breakfast table all spread with endless amount of food ready to be served. And in the center of the table a 2 gal. jug of good old apple brandy and one lone guest, sitting at the table and helping himself to the best. No doubt you have already guessed that this lone guest was the same Clabe West, who had swam the Tenn. river on a slab in order to be the first rebel to sit at that table.

NOTE: John Waggoner, Jr. of Smith County, TN provided this information concerning N. C. Pope and Clabe West, the two men mention in this civil war story:

Clabe West would be Clairborne West who lived in the Difficult area of Smith Co. He and Nathan C. Pope were both members of 22nd Barteau's Cav Co. and served in the Mississippi and West Tennessee area most of the time. They were serving with Nathan Forrest when N. C. Pope was wounded at Paducah, Ky on March 25, 1864. Clabe West was wounded July 14th 1864. The book, "Hancock's Diary or a History of the Second Tennessee Cavalry CSA" mentions both these men several times and records their unit's military action.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE *CARTHAGE COURIER* FOR DIXON SPRINGS

NOVEMBER 19, 1930

Dixon Springs

OCTOBER 6, 1927

Dixon Springs

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cox on a recent date a boy. The sprightly young man has been named Thomas, Jr.

Miss Elizabeth Cox has entered Ward-Belmont school at Nashville.

Recent visitors in this community were Walter Gray and John Allen and James Garrett Stalcup of Windfield, Ala.

The Maj. John D. Allen Chapter U. D. C. held their regular meeting with Mrs. R. E. Garrett, Saturday afternoon. Dixon Springs was the first community in the County to organize a U. D. C. Chapter. Dixon Springs was the first place in the County to have a telephone, and it was also the first place in the County to own and use automobiles.

Andrew Dias, the official horse shoer and general utility man in the community, has named his youngest son Thomas Alonzo. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dias. "Red Andy," as Mr. Dias is familiarly called, is a congenial, hale fellow, well met, who takes his winter vacation in buying furs and, added to his other accomplishments, he is the best hand to feed and groom a horse hereabouts.

The littlest little child arriving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Oldham is a sister to their other two daughters. They now have three of the future bells and queens of the community. Congratulations.

Robert P. East, cashier of the Peoples Bank, has recently returned from a business trip to Birmingham. Mr. East has recently made a big deal in Alabama in which he has acquired the ownership of something like 2500 acres of land planted and set to pecan trees, some of which are coming into fruitage. Specimens of the pecans shown here were grown on this and are of the finest quality. Mr. East need not be surprised if a number of his good friends should organize a storm party and accompany him on a trip to his farm at some time while the pecans are ripe.

R. P. East sold to Joe Ross a team of young mares of the draft type with their harness and a wagon, the whole outfit gringing something over \$400.

William Sanders of Illinois is now assisting Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cox in their store.

T. E. Dillehay recently bought the Captain W. T. Hunter farm at a price of \$4750. Mr. Dillehay sold to H. B. Cox a house and lot in the Bransford addition for \$1600.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1941

Cuttrell-Highers

Mrs. Ella Highers of Dixon Springs announces the marriage of her daughter, Josephine Davis, to Homer A. Cuttrell, son of Henry Cuttrell of Cedar Bluff on Sunday, August 31 with the Rev. J. L. Smotherman of Carthage officiating.

The wedding took place at the home of the bride's brother, Banks Highers, Jr. of Dixon Springs, the attendants being the bride's sister, Mrs. Frances Beal of Hartsville and brother, Banks Highers, Jr. The bride's costume was of navy blue with a corsage of sweetheart roses. Immediately following the ceremony the couple left for a brief trip to the Smoky Mountains.

The bride for the past two years has been associated with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company at Dixon Springs. The groom is a carpenter working for a contractor in Huntsville, Alabama.

ARCHIVES RECORD

Recently while working on old records in the Smith County Archives, the following scrap of paper surfaced. What appears to be notes for a written article or speech was on the back of a paper that had been used for figuring items relative to the court case where it was found. The context of the message seems to be a rebuttal by the writer to accusations that masters mistreated their slaves and neglected their religious training. This lends credence to the avowed contention of people of the South that slaves were not as badly mistreated as led to believe by adherents of the "Uncle Tom" consensus.

...was worse than it really was. We are prone to idealize and magnify things with which we are not in immediate contact, that by far the largest number of Slaves were kindly treated by their masters and it is altogether a mistake to suppose that their religious training was neglected. In the homes and at the quarters and in their churches they had the most sympathetic services of the white people. There were many Negro churches and they had many rather capable Negro preachers. There were many White preachers who preached to them in their separate (churches) and in a large number of (white) churches and place was prepared (for them to) assemble in the White churches...the white congregations, far....

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FIELDING KITTRELL

Submitted by Retta Matthew Waggoner

Generation No. 1

1. FIELDING³ KITTRELL (*ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*)¹ was born Abt. 1813 in N.C., and died Bef. 1860 in Smith Co TN². He married MARTHA B. ALLEN³, daughter of WILLIAM ALLEN and SARAH YANCY. She was born Abt. 1825 in N.C.⁴, and died Aft. 1880 in Smith Co TN.

Children of FIELDING KITTRELL and MARTHA ALLEN are:

2. i. WILLIAM EDWARD⁴ KITTRELL, b. 12 Mar 1841, Smith Co. TN; d. 11 May 1930, Smith Co.TN.
3. ii. SARAH KITTRELL, b. 20 Apr 1843, Smith Co. TN; d. 04 Oct 1934, Smith Co.TN.
- iii. MARY F. KITTRELL, b. TN; d. Unknown.
- iv. LUCY J. KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1848, TN; d. Unknown.
- v. DAVID KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1850, TN; d. Unknown.
- vi. ELIZABETH KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1852, TN; d. Unknown.
- vii. MIRANDA KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1855, TN; d. Unknown.
- viii. MARIAN KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1864, TN; d. Unknown; m. RUTHIE THOMAS; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 2

2. WILLIAM EDWARD⁴ KITTRELL (*FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 12 Mar 1841 in Smith Co. TN, and died 11 May 1930 in Smith Co. TN. He married INDIANA MCDOWELL 26 Aug 1864 in Smith Co. TN⁵, daughter of ZEBULON MCDOWELL and JULIA LAW. She was born 04 Jun 1847 in TN⁶, and died 30 Jun 1892 in TN⁶.

Children of WILLIAM KITTRELL and INDIANA MCDOWELL are:

4. i. MOLLIE⁵ KITTRELL, b. 22 Feb 1866, TN; d. 15 Jun 1890, TN.
- ii. FELIX ZEBDEE KITTRELL, b. 01 Apr 1868, Smith Co. TN; d. 02 Jan 1929, Smith Co. TN.
- iii. BETTIE KITTRELL, b. 13 Nov 1870, TN; d. 16 Sep 1952, Smith Co. TN.
- iv. ANNIE KITTRELL, b. 05 Jan 1873, TN⁷; d. 04 Feb 1922, TN⁷; m. J.M. AYERS, 24 Jan 1903, Smith Co TN; b. Abt. 1875, KY⁸; d. Unknown.
5. v. TOMMIE KITTRELL, b. 01 May 1875, TN; d. 17 Mar 1957, TN.
- vi. ANDREW JACKSON KITTRELL, b. 23 Dec 1877, TN; d. 17 Mar 1929, Smith Co. TN.
- vii. LASSIE KITTRELL, b. 26 Nov 1880, TN; d. 1968, TN; m. LEONARD LEE MATTHEWS, 17 Apr 1898, Smith Co. Tn.⁹; b. 28 Sep 1876, TN; d. 23 May 1946, TN.
6. viii. MORRIS KITTRELL, b. 02 Jul 1882, TN; d. 02 Jan 1959, TN.
- ix. CHARLIE KITTRELL¹⁰, d. Unknown.

3. SARAH⁴ KITTRELL (*FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 20 Apr 1843 in Smith Co. TN¹¹, and died 04 Oct 1934 in Smith Co. TN¹². She married JESSE LAW JR. 17 Oct 1858 in Smith Co. Tn, son of JESSEE SR. and MARY DRAPER. He was born 25 Jun 1838 in Tn, and died 18 Apr 1914 in Smith Co Tn.

Children of SARAH KITTRELL and JESSE JR. are:

- i. LOUISA⁵ LAW, b. 1859, Smith Co Tn; d. Bef. 1870, Smith Co Tn.
- ii. WILLIAM B LAW, b. 1864, Smith Co Tn; d. 1945, Smith Co Tn.
- iii. JOHN HENRY LAW, b. 01 Mar 1865, Smith Co Tn; d. 25 Jul 1933, Smith Co Tn.
- iv. MARY E LAW, b. 01 Aug 1867, Smith Co Tn; d. 12 Jul 1944, Smith Co Tn; m. LEROY J. KEMP; b. 27 Dec 1866, Smith Co Tn; d. 07 Jul 1937, Smith Co Tn.
- v. LUTHER ASBURY LAW, b. 17 Dec 1870, Smith Co Tn; d. 18 Dec 1911.
- vi. E.F. LAW¹³, b. 01 Sep 1875, Smith Co Tn; d. 31 May 1889.
- vii. ALETHIS BERNICE LAW, b. 1878, Smith Co Tn; d. 1954.
- viii. ISHAM H. LAW, b. 1880, Smith Co Tn; d. 1955.
- ix. DAISY D LAW¹⁴, b. Mar 1886, Smith Co Tn; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 3

4. FELIX ZEBDEE⁵ KITTRELL (*WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 01 Apr 1868 in Smith Co. TN, and died 02 Jan 1929 in Smith Co. TN. He married BURNETTIE KENNEDY 28 Jul 1894 in Smith Co TN, daughter of THOPHOLIS KENNEDY and MARTHA RUSSELL. She was born 04 Jul 1877 in Smith Co. TN, and died 27 Jul 1961 in Defeated TN.

Children of FELIX KITTRELL and BURNETTIE KENNEDY are:

7. i. LOVIE MAI⁶ KITTRELL, b. 14 May 1895, Smith Co. TN; d. 27 Sep 1962, Smith Co. TN.
8. ii. CORBITT DESTER KITTRELL, b. 17 Sep 1897, Smith Co. TN; d. Oct 1964, Smith Co. TN.
9. iii. EDITH KITTRELL, b. 13 Jul 1899, Smith Co. TN; d. 31 Oct 1900, Smith Co. TN.
10. iv. BULAH VESTER KITTRELL, b. 16 Jul 1901, Smith Co. TN; d. 02 Jun 1986, Smith Co. TN.
11. v. CARSIE EBRON KITTRELL, b. 15 Jan 1904, Smith Co. TN; d. 08 Jan 1905, Smith Co. TN.
12. vi. LUSTER B KITTRELL, b. 01 Nov 1905, Smith Co. TN; d. 13 Oct 2001, Wilson Co. TN.
13. vii. DONALD LEE KITTRELL, b. 08 Jul 1908, Smith Co. TN; d. 04 Jan 1991, Smith Co. TN.
14. viii. MAJOR ELLIS KITTRELL, b. 04 Oct 1909, Smith Co. TN; d. 30 Jun 1961, Smith Co. TN.
15. ix. CORDELL KITTRELL, b. 24 Mar 1912, Smith Co. TN; d. 24 Jul 1977, Davidson Co TN; m. VERONA B, 25 Jun 1942; b. 21 Jun 1907; d. 28 Oct 1996, TN¹⁵.
16. x. ODELL KITTRELL, b. 24 Mar 1912, Smith Co. TN; d. 16 Aug 1976, Smith Co. TN.
17. xi. ANNA ADDLINE KITTRELL, b. 20 Jan 1915, Smith Co. TN; d. 13 Sep 2001, Smith Co. TN.
18. xii. ERNEST C KITTRELL, b. 10 Nov 1916, Smith Co. TN; d. 06 Jul 1951, Wilson Co, TN.

5. TOMMIE⁵ KITTRELL (*WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 01 May 1875 in TN¹⁶, and died 17 Mar 1957 in TN. He married ZEFFIE KENNEDY, daughter of THOPHOLIS KENNEDY and MARTHA RUSSELL. She was born 18 Aug 1884 in TN¹⁶, and died 01 Jan 1935 in TN.

Children of TOMMIE KITTRELL and ZEFFIE KENNEDY are:

16. i. WILLIE⁶ KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1904, TN; d. Unknown.
17. ii. WALTER KITTRELL, b. 1915, Smith Co Tennessee; d. 22 Aug 1978, Veterans Hosp. Davidson Co Tn.
18. iii. PRENTICE KITTRELL, b. Private.
19. iv. MYRTLE C KITTRELL, b. Private.

6. MORRIS⁵ KITTRELL (*WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*)¹⁷ was born 02 Jul 1882 in TN, and died 02 Jan 1959 in TN¹⁸. He married CALLIE D. MARTIN 11 Nov 1906 in Smith Co TN¹⁹. She was born 19 May 1885 in Tn, and died 26 May 1951 in TN²⁰.

Children of MORRIS KITTRELL and CALLIE MARTIN are:

- i. BURFORD⁶ KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1908; d. Unknown.
- ii. RAYMOND L. KITTRELL, b. Abt. 1910; d. Unknown.
- iii. LINIE C. KITTRELL, b. Private.
- iv. BEULAH M KITTRELL, b. Private.
- v. BUNA L KITTRELL, b. Private.
- vi. RUBY PAULINE KITTRELL, b. Private.
- vii. EDNA GERALDINE KITTRELL, b. Private.
- viii. CHESTER KITTRELL, b. Private.
- ix. WM. L KITTRELL, b. Private.

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7. LOVIE MAI⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC²,*

JONOTHAN¹) was born 14 May 1895 in Smith Co. TN, and died 27 Sep 1962 in Smith Co. TN. She married STANTON KNIGHT 29 Jun 1913 in Smith Co Tn. He was born 29 Jul 1894 in Smith Co. TN²¹, and died 10 Jul 1969 in Smith Co. TN.

Children of LOVIE KITTRELL and STANTON KNIGHT are:

- i. ETHEL⁷ KNIGHT, b. 1920, Smith Co. TN; d. 17 Apr 2005, Smith Co. TN.
- ii. VERA TOETOE KNIGHT, b. 25 Sep 1925, Smith Co. TN; d. 19 Aug 2003, Smith Co Tennessee; m. CARL THOMAS, 07 Feb 1942²²; b. 13 Jul 1919; d. 09 Jan 1994.
- iii. WYNDOLYN KNIGHT, b. Private.
- iv. CURTIS O. KNIGHT, b. Abt. 1914, Smith Co. TN; d. 20 Sep 1998, Davidson Co Tn²³; m. DELMER SUTTON, Private; b. Private.

8. CORBITT DESTER⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 17 Sep 1897 in Smith Co. TN, and died Oct 1964 in Smith Co. TN. He married DELTHIE SMITH 16 Aug 1918, daughter of ALFRED SMITH and HARRIETT BROWN. She was born 08 May 1897 in Smith Co Tennessee, and died 08 Apr 1983 in Cedars Nursing Center - Wilson Co TN²⁴.

Child of CORBITT KITTRELL and DELTHIE SMITH is:

- i. BRYANT LEE⁷ KITTRELL, b. 21 Feb 1926, Smith Co.Tn.; d. 02 Sep 1996, Smith Co Tn; m. HELEN, Private; b. Private.

9. BULAH VESTER⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 16 Jul 1901 in Smith Co. TN, and died 02 Jun 1986 in Smith Co. TN. She married CARSON BROOKS 06 Apr 1919 in Smith Co TN, son of FILMORE BROOKS and PEARL CRAIGHEAD. He was born 19 Jan 1899 in TN, and died 04 Apr 1988 in Smith Co Tn.

Child of BULAH KITTRELL and CARSON BROOKS is:

- i. DRAPER LEE⁷ BROOKS, b. 15 Mar 1924, Smith Co Tn; d. 16 Jun 1980, Veterans Hosp- Nashville Davidson Co Tn; m. JEWELL KEMP, 01 Jan 1947²⁵; b. 08 Aug 1928, Smith Co TN; d. 12 Jun 2005, Smith Co TN.

10. LUSTER B⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 01 Nov 1905 in Smith Co. TN, and died 13 Oct 2001 in Wilson Co. TN. He married OVA BELL HOLLIMAN 27 Dec 1925 in Smith Co Tn²⁶. She was born 22 Jan 1908 in Smith Co Tn, and died 23 May 1986 in Smith Co Tn.

Children of LUSTER KITTRELL and OVA HOLLIMAN are:

- i. ANNA LEE⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private; m. NETHERTON, Private; b. Private.
- ii. MARGIE KITTRELL, b. Private; m. MCGOWAN, Private; b. Private.

11. DONALD LEE⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 08 Jul 1908 in Smith Co. TN, and died 04 Jan 1991 in Smith Co. TN. He married (1) SILVIA RAY. She died 1966. He married (2) ORPHA POTEET KIRBY Private. She was born Private.

Children of DONALD KITTRELL and SILVIA RAY are:

- i. ABILENE⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private; m. Private.
- ii. SHELBY JEAN KITTRELL, b. Private.
- iii. DONALD RAY KITTRELL, b. Private.
- iv. DAVID LEE KITTRELL, b. Private.

12. MAJOR ELLIS⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 04 Oct 1909 in Smith Co. TN, and died 30 Jun 1961 in Smith Co. TN. He married GLADIS HACKETT Private. She was born Private.

Child of MAJOR KITTRELL and GLADIS HACKETT is:

- i. BILLY JAMES⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private; m. Private.

13. ODELL⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 24 Mar 1912 in Smith Co. TN, and died 16 Aug 1976 in Smith Co. TN. He married LEXIE OLEANE DONOHO, daughter of LUTHER DONOHO and AMANDA CARTER. She was born 1912 in TN, and died 30 Apr 1992 in Smith Co TN.

Child of ODELL KITTRELL and LEXIE DONOHO is:

- i. JOYCE DALE⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private; m. JOE HIETT, Private; b. Private.

14. ANNA ADDLINE⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 20 Jan 1915 in Smith Co. TN, and died 13 Sep 2001 in Smith Co. TN. She married CARSEY EUGENE MATTHEWS 30 Oct 1937 in Carthage TN²⁷, son of JOHN MATTHEWS and ALMA PETTY. He was born 04.Sep 1915 in Smith Co. TN, and died 07 Feb 2002 in Smith Co. TN.

Child of ANNA KITTRELL and CARSEY MATTHEWS is:

- i. RETTA ANN⁷ MATTHEWS, b. Private; m. JOHN CAMPBELL WAGGONER,JR., Private; b. Private.

15. ERNEST C⁶ KITTRELL (*FELIX ZEBDEE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 10 Nov 1916 in Smith Co. TN²⁸, and died 06 Jul 1951 in Wilson Co, TN²⁸. He married OTHEDA WEST 26 Dec 1935 in Smith Co TN, daughter of JAKE WEST and CARRIE. She was born 20 Feb 1920 in TN²⁸, and died 14 Sep 1946 in TN²⁸.

Children of ERNEST KITTRELL and OTHEDA WEST are:

- i. JERRY WAYNE⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private; m. VELEDA SAMPSON, Private; b. Private.
- ii. CAROLYN FAY KITTRELL, b. Private; m. HULON HOLLAND, Private; b. Private.
- iii. JAMES RONALD KITTRELL, b. Private; m. BETTY JEAN GARRETT, Private; b. 03 Jan 1935; d. 29 Dec 1995.
- iv. BOBBY KEY KITTRELL, b. 1936; d. 06 Jun 1938, Smith Co TN.

16. WILLIE⁶ KITTRELL (*TOMMIE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born Abt. 1904 in TN, and died Unknown.

Child of WILLIE KITTRELL is:

- i. CHARLIE A⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private.

17. WALTER⁶ KITTRELL (*TOMMIE⁵, WILLIAM EDWARD⁴, FIELDING³, ISAAC², JONOTHAN¹*) was born 1915 in Smith Co Tennessee, and died 22 Aug 1978 in Veterans Hosp. Davidson Co Tn²⁹. He married PAULINE HALL Private. She was born Private.

Children of WALTER KITTRELL and PAULINE HALL are:

- i. DANNY⁷ KITTRELL, b. Private.
- ii. LANNY KITTRELL, b. Private.

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FERGUSON'S FURLOUGH AT HOME IN LATE 1862

[Second in a series of three researched and compiled by Bill Amonette from records in the Tennessee State Library & Archives. Article one is in Volume XVIII, NO. 1, 2006.]

Sickness and great physical discomfort plagued William Fergusson for a great part of the Civil War and he was granted leave several times while he served the Confederacy as an engineer. He also had learned of his father's failing health and he returned again to Carthage for rest and recuperation. He writes the following account of this beginning with his trip from his headquarters in Mississippi traveling through north Alabama on the way home.

Wednesday Nov. 19 [1862] to Kelso's on the Elk River by New Market, Ala. 26 miles and raining when I arrived. Thursday to Burt's near Tullahoma 25 miles, and then early next day (Friday) to the camp of the 24th Tenn. Regt where I soon met Adolphus N. Williams, the leader of the Band and who was the first one to tell me of the death of my father and that Charles was at home -- rode 16 miles in all to Manchester. Saturday 22 : Up to this time I was attacked with a chill every day which would cause me to eat only one meal, but this day I had a very unusually severe chill and was glad enough to have company - Clay Bridges of New Middleton, 6 miles south of Carthage, and fearing a severe attack next day, concluded to ride 41 miles and [to] be home for an emergency. So we reached New Middleton by [way of] Liberty and Alexandria and then concluded to go home and I arrived about 7 P.M. by an extra fare to "Old Gabe" the ferryman. All glad to see me but sorely disappointed at seeing me so thin and weak. I went to bed immediately, eating nothing all day, in fact everything was tasteless. Monday, Nov. 24. Home again, but sick as a horse! In bed all day - horribly chilly sensations at all times when exposed or walking about the room - in fact in a worse condition than ever before and so continued until Nov. 30, [in the] meantime taking quite a lot of medicine we had about the house for agues, chills and fever but my condition had become chronic and nearly every part was stubbed up and inactive. Sent for Dr. Gleason who indicated a long course of Blue Mas iron, &C, 3 one week and 2 the next 6 weeks and nothing else would relieve me of Chronic Hepatitis.

My horse endured the long ride with wonderful spirit and preservation but pricking up his ears at the first artillery camp I passed when I reached Bragg's Army at Tullahoma and before I met with the 24th Tenn. Regt. There could be no doubt of his loneliness, for one day, he was allowed to be free, and realizing that he must make a day of it, visited Mrs. Goodall's and McClain's farms and lots, broke down all necessary fencing and for most of the day was racing and playing with the other horses all day. All attempts to secure him was useless, until late in the afternoon I walked out beyond the barn and saw him coming back alone and came right up to me seemingly thoroughly well satisfied with a days frolic and ready for his usual feed. "Name him Snip", said my old friend William Hart, and he was always called by that name. When the Yankee Scouts came through the county, I hid my horse down in the bottom, a large part of our farm, densely wooded next to the river, watching their movements from the bluff below or upstairs - a rather questionable squad came to the gate and asking some questions rode off without instituting search in the house. At the passing of one battalion of Yankee Cavalry early one morning, hardly giving me time to hide out, on this bringing letters and papers to Mrs. McClain who lives about 3/4 of a mile from us and who was Union in her sentiment, her husband being forced to leave Carthage on account of his Union feelings and expressions, she immediately sent her cook, a Negro woman, to tell me to come to her house and [that] I would be safe for they would not dare search her house &C. I sent word back that I would do so in the future but it was too dangerous then as everything, horse and person, would be easily seen from the road traveled by the command. After that I visited her often and in every way I could cheered up her loneliness as she only had her their children and sister, Miss Mattie Douglas of Sumner Co. with her and her situation rendered more unpleasant from the fact that there was only one other Union family in town and there was strained relations between the two elements socially and politically and further she was innocent and thereby in the absence of society of husband and friends. I was rejoiced to know of her sincerity in protecting me and my horse and insisted that if she was troubled with

Confederates to send for me and I would relieve her readily. It was but a short time that this actually happened and fortunately I happened to be at Mrs. McClain's at the time, having called as I walked to town that morning. A squad of Confederate Cavalry stopped on the pike and some four or five rode down the lane to the front of the house and prepared to come in as I walked out to the gate. I asked them what was wanted? "We have come to search this house for Mr. McClain" --- "He is not here but in Louisville and it is not necessary for you to enter the house at all" --- "Well, we want to see who is here". --- "That need not disturb you in the least - it is a private house and your duty does not require you to search houses and I am her to vouch for Mrs. McClain and all her family and I am a Confederate Officer and when I tell you to report it to your commanding officer, I mean it; if he is not satisfied, let him come here at once. They rode off and never returned.

Another time after a Confederate Cavalry Regiment was in town and I had heard nothing of it until I appeared on the hill just out of town and saw the streets blockaded with blue coats and blue overcoats. It was absolutely demoralizing to one poor Confederate even with the best horse in the county to attempt getting away from that party and so I made no such attempt -- though at the front entrance to the lane leading to Mrs. McClain

there was Mattie Douglas and Belle McClain motioning me to go back and others near Col. Dewitt's house doing the same farther on the opposite side of the street. I thought it best to take chances boldly even if they were Yankees relying upon good luck and Mrs. McClain's help, if necessary, I rode on, my horse enjoying the occasion immediately more than I did and passing the head of the column down to the front of McClain's where the girls were, I was more than rejoiced to learn from them [that] they expected me to turn and run my horse to get out of the way And that I was a better soldier than they thought I was. I felt easier and better but not thoroughly satisfied until I met Col. R. D. Allison formerly of the 24th Infantry and now in full command of a Cavalry Regiment and who I had known for more than 20 years. I was delighted and received more credit for more courage than I was entitled to. Only a short time before the Command had made a successful raid and captured a full outfit of blue Yankee clothing and hence their appearance in "full plumage". I requested Col. Allison not to allow Mrs. McClain to be troubled or interfered with as I was a frequent visitor at her house and would vouch for her and her family and that I knew Andrew McClain was not here but in Louisville, Ky.

On another afternoon I rode out to the second toll-gate to get a good twist of old tobacco from an old friend Wm. Woodard and he was surprised that I ventured so far --- "Just look over yonder"! I did so but the scout had disappeared down the road. The same evening I met a man who like myself was non-committal and so we quit even.

On the 1st day of Dec. I began treatment with Dr. Gleason with many objections, but finding out that he knew more about medicine and the treatment of diseases than I did, I yielded and kept up the treatment of 3 pills one week and two the next for nearly five weeks before I realized any apparent indication of a better condition for it came so slow and I was anxious to get back to Headquarters.

One morning, Dec. 6th, Saturday, I was aroused with "Boom!" "Boom!" and Mother and Kate immensely distressed at the sound of so much artillery in the neighborhood of Hartsville, 17 miles distant by road, but a straight line of 11 miles would reach it. This was Morgan's attack upon Dumont and was a very successful affair and well carried out in every particular, but it was terribly cold and for that reason, I refused to get up until after the cannonading had ceased and for this reason supposed it was a small affair but the surrender was made readily and unconditionally and therefore required but short duration. Several citizens on foot passed by and called for me but I was not able to ride and toward evening they returned saying that Morgan had captured everything and had re-crossed the river and [was] on the road to Murfreesboro. The cannonading sounded singularly in the close proximity of our house, without tents or other insignia of war but there was a latent suggestion for one to be on the lookout for the preservation of self and "Snip".

Wednesday Dec. 17th. My brother Charles left for the Army and I was regretting he could stay no longer -- it was such a source of comfort to Mother and Kate under the general loneliness caused by my father's death that his presence and mine largely compensated for the companionship of others who failed to come, though there were, once in a while, a merry household with us of girls living in town and country.

Wednesday, Dec. 24th - I rode out on the Red Springs pike nearly 4 miles and [that] was the first exercise I had taken and I met, or rather overtook, a man who had dress goods for sale and I bought a calico dress for Kate for \$3.00 but he insisted on state money instead of Confederate notes.

We had only two Negroes left on the place -- a boy to work the farm and Fannie for a cook and house girl who refused to leave us. These were sufficient for all purposes. My office in town had been sold for a debt of some \$125.00 but which I redeemed during January 1863 before the expiration of the two years and [I] had the deed made to Kate. My father's was probated [in the] February term of the County Court of Smith County, but the condition of the country around there in Smith and adjoining counties [was so] that no execution of it could then be attempted. The enforcement of the conscript law had brought about an implacable animosity among the people and there were several murdered in consequence of an old friend of our family -- Esq. James Haynie [b. 1824 d. 1861] of Peyton's Creek, about 5 miles north.

Christmas Day, 1862 was passed pleasantly at home and our well-cooked turkey was relished and thoroughly enjoyed for a day or two, being the largest of the flock, the next one being given to Dr. Gleason for his extreme kindness in visiting us and patiently discussing my ailments. During the week I visited Greenwood -- the Lapsley-Allen place and we had some music from Miss Maggie and a long discussion of the merits of Gen'l Van Dorn who I ridiculed much to their surprise and [I] tried to convince them that Gen'l Sterling Price had more nobility in him in five minutes than Gen'l Van Dorn would exhibit in a lifetime. Subsequently, I suppose they became satisfied I was right.

Thursday, January 1, 1863. A gloomy day and from recent information and reports from Murfreesboro and Nashville, a battle had been impending for several days. Heavy cannonading had been heard on several days and from unreliable sources there were rumors that the Confederates had been victorious. Early in town I met my two friends, R. D. Flippen and Van H. Allen who had been an officer of Capt. G. C. Sanders' horse company and upon the re-enlistment, they had been left out, but they were quizzing each other about returning to the Southern Army when Flippen remarked that he didn't mind soldiering at first when they had the right to run but he understood that they had adopted new tactics and were required to stand and the difference was too much for him. Allen did not answer why he failed to return to the Confederate Army. The cannonading increased in sound and became continuous while we were gathered on the south side of the Odd Fellows Hall where we remained until about 2 P.M. The distance by road to Murfreesboro was about 42 miles, by straight line it could not be more than 34, if that. We could not distinguish musketry, only by a heavy dull reverberation in the atmosphere while the artillery was easily known. J. B. Moores, Esq. went home about 11, saying he could stand it no longer and went to bed. Bill Reeves bore it for an hour more and he went off and saying he would be better satisfied if he had some sugar to go in his coffee. One by one was overcome by the influence of a great conflict going on and that the courage must be frightful if one in a thousand shots we heard was the destruction of a human life.

It was several days before we received intelligence that was at all reliable and it was disheartening to the Southern people for they had expected a different result. It also necessitated me to be more on the lookout, and if the Yankees follow up their success, to make some effort to get out from behind the Yankee lines before it was too late. And yet I was far from the restoration I desired. As Dr. Gleason indicated, I had carelessly and slowly brought about my condition and it must be eradicated as slowly to be a permanent cure. I was delighted with his success so far, but was growing restless as to the time required to complete his promised return to health. But I began making preparations for leaving.

At a later date, after returning to service, Fergusson obtained leave and attempted to return to Carthage to attend to some affairs and to visit his widowed mother and his sister Kate once more. Smith County was in Union control and a Confederate soldier was in danger if caught. He reached Rome at Round Lick Creek where he observed a large body of blue uniforms encamped near the Seay place. Hurriedly fording the creek with his horse, he went up to the Rock City area where Dr. John McCall lived and attempted to obtain a meal for himself and to get his horse fed. Dr. McCall, who had known him for many years but did not recognize him, would not accommodate him and he left still hungry. After the war when Fergusson told Dr. John of this occurrence, the Dr. was most hurt and embarrassed for not giving him a meal.

Going on up to the Rawl's Creek area, William went to Chapman Violett's to spend the night. Mrs. Violett was a distant cousin of his and he knew that he would be welcome there, which he was. He lay down on the floor in the family room and was soon fast asleep as he was very tired. Next morning while at breakfast, a neighbor came to the door and Fergusson was quickly led to another room as the visitor was a Yankee supporter and would have the Rebel arrested if he could. Fergusson hastily went out a rear window and got away fast. Even though he could almost see his home place across the river, he realized it was prudent to leave the area without seeing his mother and sister, moving on to southern Tennessee, eventually going to see service in Chattanooga and north Georgia.

While on Lookout Mountain, he stayed for a time at a boarding house on the north slope of the mountain, which from the description could have been the Craven's house, which is still there today. At a much later time, he told of being unaware of cannon fire in the city below because of the heavy fog which muffled sound from below. A good horse was a must for him to have and he greatly admired horses in general. One of the most pitiful scenes that he saw was that of the skeleton of a horse that he came across with bridle and bit still in the teeth, the reins being fastened to an elm tree. He described the bark and all the low hanging limbs were completely striped off the tree and that he surmised that a scout probably had hitched the horse there and had gone off and got captured or shot or had deserted, leaving the poor creature to die a horrible death. The thought of this was sickening to him.

LITTLE "FUNNIES"

Shake your family tree and watch the nuts fall.

How can one ancestor cause so much trouble??

I looked into my family tree and found out I was a sap.

I'm not stuck. I'm ancestrally challenged.

Isn't genealogy fun? The answer to one problem leads to two more.

A family tree can wither if nobody tends its roots.

A new cousin a day keeps the boredom away.

Every family tree produces some lemons, nuts, and a few bad apples.

I'm always late. My ancestors arrived on the JUNEflower,

Only a family researcher regards a step backwards as progress.

Heredity: Everyone believes in it until his children act like fools.

Genealogy: Tracing yourself back to better people.

Many family tree needs trimming.

I think my ancestors had several bad "heir" days.

Shhh--! Be very quiet. I'm hunting forebears.

My ancestors must be in a witness protection program.

Genealogy: Chasing your own tale.

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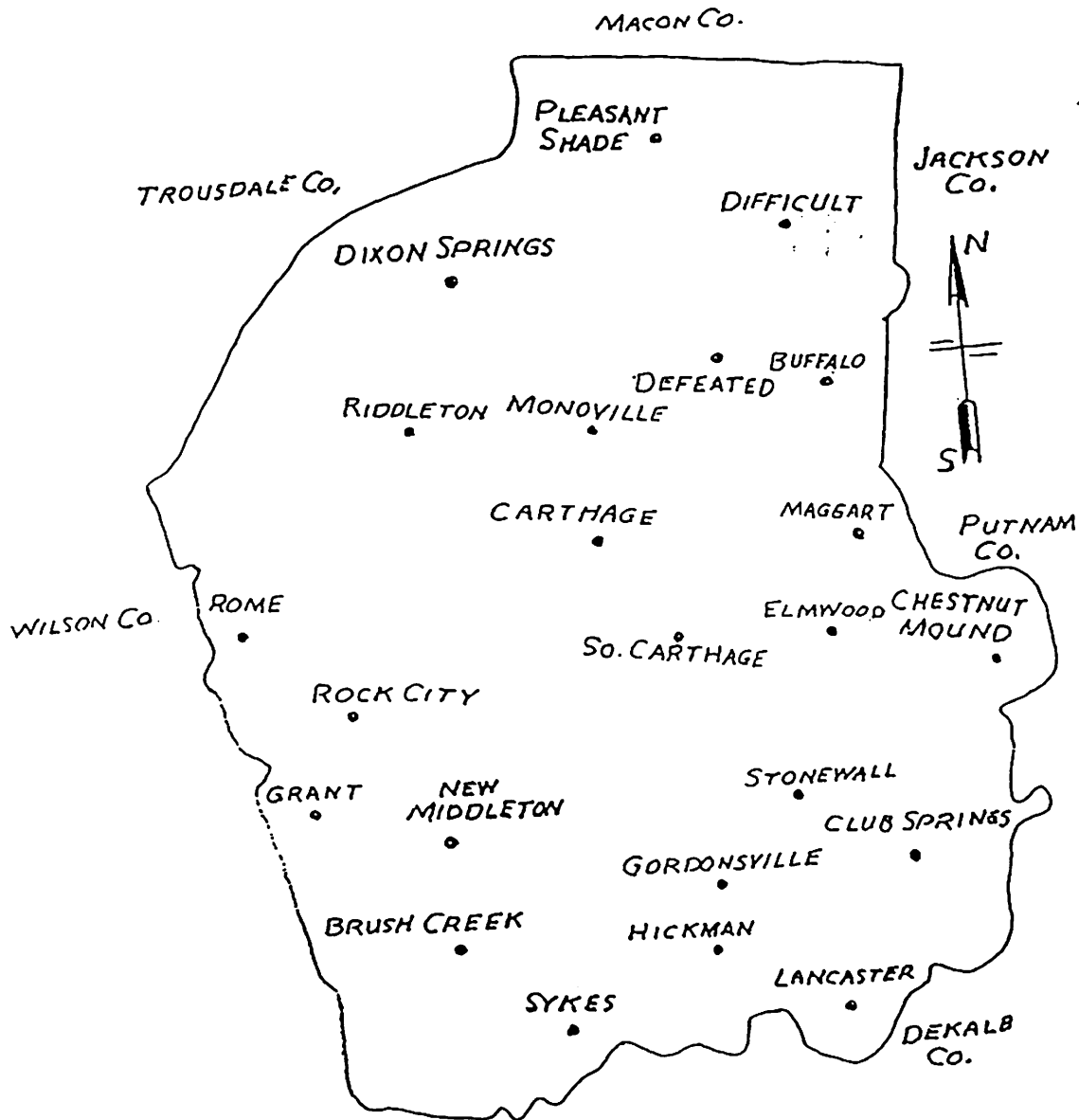
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FROM THE EDITOR:

How quickly time flies! Winter and spring are gone and here we are into another summer. A good time for researching in nice cool libraries and also a good time to compile an article for the *Quarterly*. We are always in need of new material and family information.


I have heeded my own advice and just returned from a wonderful "genealogical jaunt" to North Carolina. All of the early records are located in the State Archives at Raleigh, but the smaller county libraries have great collections of family files, printed abstracts, and microfilm. It is often exciting just to visit the county where your ancestor lived and "walk in his footsteps."

The June meeting will be the final one until September, but President Faith has left us with several projects to consider over the summer. Preservation of two historic bridges – Stonewall and Betty's Bend- is a top priority. Restoration of historic markers in the courthouse yard and photographing of older homes are also ongoing projects.

The "Archives Achievers" never take a sabbatical, working every Monday from 4 -6. Those estate settlements prior to 1950 that loose papers have been found for have been flat-folded and placed in files. Indexing is complete to 1910 and should be finished in the near future. Processing of the original wills is complete as well as marriages up to 1950. Work is continuing on the marriages from that date to 2000.

Please do not fail to notify the Society promptly of any change of address. The post office will not forward the *Quarterly*, and it is more expensive if it has to be mailed as a single issue.

Have a cool, safe, and happy summer!!

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PROGRAM REVIEWS

March 20, 2006. Sam Smith, Society member and historical archaeologist with the Tennessee Division of Archaeology gave a most interesting presentation of "Archaeology of Tennessee's Historic Period Sites." Sam is a native Smith Countian, the son of the late Marietta and Ervin Smith, former Smith County Historian. He has served in his present capacity since 1974, directing project sites across the state. Much of his research has focused on domestic topics - early settlements, plantation and farmstead sites, early manufacturing, especially potters, gun smiths, and brick and iron industries. He has also worked with military sites from the Revolutionary War era, War of 1812, Civil War, and World War II. He is author and co-author of numerous reports and publications relating to the historic archaeological period.

Monday evening's program was illustrated with slides depicting research and excavation at the Fort Blount site on the Cumberland River in Jackson County, just across the river from Smith County. The block house fort was constructed about 1792 for use by the militia whose purpose was to escort and give protection to settlers coming into the area from North Carolina and Virginia. The exact site of the old fort had been lost, but Sam and his co-workers have uncovered conclusive evidence of its original location.

April 17, 2006. Robert Chaffin, a native of Jackson County was guest speaker. As a child, Robert moved with his family to Carthage where he spent the balance of his growing up years. Mr. Chaffin reviewed his new book, *Pioneers, Preachers, and Patriots - The Chaffins of Roaring River*.

The book is a collection of regional history, religion, personal reminiscences and rumination. Mr. Chaffin applies an ample amount of humor to tales reflecting the hardiness of several generations in the Middle Tennessee region.

The book is available from the Smith County Heritage Museum, P. O. Box 73, Carthage, TN 37030, and is well worth the price of \$19.00.

May 15, 2006. Dressed in full regalia, Society member Bill McGrath, demonstrated the life and dress of "The Confederate Common Soldier." Mr. McGrath is a member of the Sons of the Confederate Veterans and has participated in several re-enactments.

The speaker's attire was of authentic reproductions of the uniform a Confederate soldier would have worn. The outfit consisted of woolen pants, a frock coat and vest and cap. Mr. McGrath also displayed other artifacts used by the soldiers - a back pack, copper lined canteen, mess kit, belt and buckle and heavy brogans.

A replica of a Springfield 58 caliber rifle and bayonet along with cartridges and caps was also on display. The soldier's diet consisted mostly of "hardtack," a cracker like substance that lived up to its name, and Mr. McGrath furnished bits of the food for the hardy among the group to sample.

THE McCLAINS OF SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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[Ed. Note: Following are excerpts from "Our Ancestors-Their Lives-Their Times," 1971, compiled by Andrea K. Hayward, great granddaughter of William McClain (1792-1865) and granddaughter of Andrew McClain (1826-1913, the youngest son of William and Elizabeth Gordon Trousdale McClain. Molly McClain states that she cannot vouch for the accuracy of the material and is unaware of the location of the original letters used to create the account. She asks, however, that if anyone finds information that is inaccurate or has additional data, to please contact her. The booklet of Andrea K. Hayward in its entirety has been placed in the F. C. Key Room of the Smith County Library.]

Early History of the McClains

Jane Scott Toney – daughter of Jane Ann McClain Toney and granddaughter of Elizabeth and William McClain – gives this information, which is not authenticated – as to persons and dates.

The McClains, spelled variously – McClean (which seems to be the old spelling), McLain, McClean and others, were of Scotch descent. They do not seem to have gone to North Ireland –Ulster region – as many other of our forebears did, and then migrated to America later. Those who came from Ulster were called "Scotch-Irish," though all were completely of Scotch ancestry, were strictly Protestant, and mostly Presbyterians. As far as can be determined, the McClains came directly from Scotland.

Says Jane Toney Scott – Angus McClain came to America from Scotland, probably before the Revolution. He was a surgeon and served in the Revolutionary War. His wife was of German or Dutch extraction. They had one son of record, our ancestor, Alexander McClain. He was born in Charlestown, S. C. and his record of baptism is in the registry of the oldest Presbyterian Church in Charlestown. This, to my knowledge has never been checked. Don't know where Jane Toney Scot got this information. Alexander married, name unknown, and had one son of record, William McClain. Now we have some information, but names and dates still lacking. This comes through Uncle Bob and Cousin Bettie Ferrell. They probably did not know the names of their paternal grandmothers. They could have found out if they had thought it important about a century ago. I am sure that Uncle Bob had no idea that anyone would be interested. They were both concentrating on Elizabeth and William McClain, whom they personally knew.

Says Uncle Bob – Alexander died fairly young and there seem to have been no other children except William. He was just barely in his teens when he crossed the mountains with his widowed mother. They came in an ox-cart and it was slow and tedious business, making their way to Tennessee, where they no doubt had heard that land was cheap and available. William's mother re-married and this boy still a youth, but a man grown in experience and responsibility, did not take easily to direction, so William and his step-father did not get along. William left home to make his own way. I cannot imagine how he accomplished it, for he seemed to be nearly penniless, but somehow he eventually purchased fine river bottom and forest land along the Caney Forks that flows into the Cumberland River. It was called "caney" because at that time it was virgin, untouched land, covered with cane breaks. He studied law, became a well respected lawyer, was elected to the state legislature, courted and married the niece of the Governor of Tennessee. He was absolutely honest, trustworthy and compassionate. He got to the very top in respect and a modicum of wealth. At least he had a fine plantation, an excellent wife, and sons of whom he could be proud. He owned forty or so slaves, which may somewhat dampen the respect of our younger generation, but that was the way of life of his times. He certainly managed to instill into his son, Andrew, a hatred of slavery that nearly cost Andrew his career and at times, his life. Andrew had a legal mind and he and his father must have had many conversations, for I know that Grandpa (Andrew McClain) had admired and loved his father dearly. If they were not like-minded on subjects, this would not have been possible.

Great Grandpa, William McClain, taught his children two things – to be honorable in all things and to be truthful.

William McClain – Born Jan. 18, 1792 in North Carolina, Died Jan. 28, 1865 at his home, Smith County, Tennessee, Buried in family plot at his home on the Caney Forks.

Elizabeth Gordon Trousdale – Born Dec. 26, 1788, Died June 1, 1863
Buried beside William on home plot.

Their Children:

- (1) John Trousdale McClain, 1813 – 1865 (died Sherman, Texas) = Susan Morgan.
- (2) James Stockard McClain, 1815 -1890 = Mahala Bradford
- (3) William Alexander McClain, 1816 – 1878 = (1) Mary C. Bransford,
(2) Elizabeth Culbertson
- (4) Jesse Stockard McClain, 1819 – 1892 = (1) Elizabeth S. Duncan
(2) Mrs. Louise Hatcher
- (5) Jane Ann McClain, 1821 – 1867 = James R. Toney

- (6) Lemuel Rucks McClain, 1823 – 1841, Buried with parents on Caney Forks farm.
- (7) Andrew McClain, 1826 – 1913 = Catherine Collier Douglas
Andrew McClain was a lawyer, a circuit court judge and then a Justice of the Supreme Court of Tennessee appointed by President Andrew Johnson

Cousin Bettie Ferrell Remembers the Old Plantation on the Caney Forks

Excerpts from a letter from Bettie Ferrell (Daughter of Jesse McClain) on the occasion of a visit to William McClain's old plantation, dated December 4, 1931. Cousin Bettie was left motherless when a small child and her grandparents, William and Elizabeth, helped raise her. Consequently, she spent considerable time with them and knew them better than most. She loved them dearly.

"We had the McClain plot enclosed and being in the country, it seemed that the plan would never materialize, as no concrete workmen wanted such a small job. Tom (her son) went up to help and watch over the work so we all went up to pass sentence and to visit once more the old place. It is undoubtedly the most time-worn picture of devastation one could imagine! It used to be called the prettiest place in the country. Not an orchard, or hedge, or flower anywhere. Vineyard gone, even the old cedar and big ash in the yard gone. Jennie, I can only thank God that we had the loved ones graves enclosed. The lot was nicely cleaned, the tombstones reset. It did speak for us that somebody cared. One grandchild, age 83, one great grandchild 63, and one great grandchild 23, that was the age of our party. Then we found a place to spread our lunch on the very spot where I had gone fishing when a child, right at the bed of the creek; the ledges of rock served for seats. I wish that you could have been with us! I am determined to close my memory on the present condition of the old home place, and roll back the wheels of time and live in the past awhile, to view the old place in its evergreen beauty, hedges, vineyards, orchards and flowers. How I loved the memory of those days! I was married in the old home! I mused on through childhood into riper years, and then through years and years, even to 85 years! I knew it was my last trip to the old grounds."

Letters Written by Robert Douglas McClain – (son of Andrew McClain, San Diego, CA

September 30, 1933 - To Douglas McClain Calvert , son of Martha McClain Calvert

William McClain was a mere boy when he and his widowed mother crossed the mountains of North Carolina to Middle Tennessee with all their earthly possessions loaded on an ox-cart. I can picture that boy, trudging along the muddy, narrow trail, guiding his oxen slowly and tediously, camping at night at some spring or stream. Off in the morning again at daybreak. Day after day for several weeks they crawl, until finally they reach the Cumberland and the Caney Forks – at the mouth of Hickman Creek which was to be their home.

Nashville, at that time, was a collection of rude log cabins. Andrew Jackson was there just starting his practice of law. Your maternal ancestors, the Douglass family, were living in log cabins a short distance away in Sumner County.

I can just remember this penniless boy, William McClain, when my father, his youngest son, Andrew, took me behind him on his horse to his father's plantation on a visit. He was a heavy set man. I can recall his kind face, his twinkling eyes, as he tossed me on his knees.

The boy had advanced to be the leading citizen of his community, with a large well-stocked farm of several hundred acres of blue grass, rich bottom land and fields and timber holdings. His modest cabin had grown into what was for that time, a comfortable dwelling. He had many slaves; for many years he had been a member of the State Legislature. He had married a niece of Governor Trousdale (her father, James Trousdale, was half brother of Gov. William Trousdale). He had reared and educated seven children of whom Andrew was the youngest. He was an extraordinary boy and a great man in the best meaning of that term.

His estate was virtually self-sustaining. He produced nearly all the products essential for comfortable living conditions. Uncle Isaac, one of the negroes, he had taught to be an expert tanner of leather. (I used to amuse myself by riding on an old blind mare, around and around the circle of the one-horse power to run the tan bark grinder. In my imagination, it was converted into a circus ring. Uncle Isaac cobbled shoes for the entire plantation. William (Grandpa) grew wool from his sheep that the Negro women wove into jeans for men's clothing, and what they called linsy-woolsy for the women. He raised cotton from which sheeting and cotton garments were made.

From a sugar cane molasses was produced. Corn, wheat and tobacco were the main crops. I well remember the smoke house, a large, high ceiling log structure where bacon was cured. Down on the creek and the Caney Forks, he had timber lands. Every fall a raft of saw logs was assembled on which was loaded farm products to be floated down to Nashville on the Cumberland. The raftsmen had a shack and cooking utensils aboard. They floated down to the city, a metropolis to them. Grandfather would go overland in his buggy and arrive several days before the raft. A mule team would go down with him to bring back to the farm the various purchases bought with cash after the raft and its cargo had been sold or bartered – mainly the latter, I imagine, as cash was then a scarce article on the frontiers. The cargo consisted mainly of tobacco and bacon. All feed stuff was fed to live stock and sold on the hoof.

Grandfather practiced law in the surrounding County seats. Judge Jo Guild, in his book describing those days, mentions William McClain (Grandfather) collecting his fees in livestock from his clients, and having his servants drive them to the farm. Now

compare the hard, grueling toil of that boy when he started to convert the wilderness into a comfortable income producing farm he eventually made of it. The land cleared was densely covered with canebrake and huge trees. I know. I have seen such land in the raw on the Cumberland and Caney Forks.

Letter of August 2, 1935

Grandpa William McClain (Uncle Billy) to his neighbors around Gordonsville, Squire Billy, as he was also called, was one of nature's noblemen. As my father was born in 1826, he was the youngest of seven children and Grandfather died at the age of 65, he must have been quite a young lad when he migrated from North Carolina and located on Hickman Creek that flows just below the family graveyard. Shortly after his arrival, his mother married again. He and his stepfather were not congenial, and the young lad, desperately poor, struck out on his own. The county of his adoption was very thinly settled – in fact, it was a wilderness, and land was very cheap and easy to obtain. The lad secured 1000 acres of timbered hill land and extremely rich river and creek bottom land, mostly coved with a dense growth of cane. He educated himself, studied law, acquired slaves (30 I have been told), cleared his farm, built a comfortable two story log house, weathered, boarded and ceiled.

No doubt, the up and coming young man, William McClain, rode over from his nearby farm on many a moonlight night and courted the daughter of the house, Elizabeth Gordon Trousdale. The old Trousdale home was somewhere near Gordonsville. William was a successful politician of the Whig party and was a contemporary of Henry Clay. He represented his district many times in the state senate and refused nomination to Congress. He was taken down the hill on the shoulders of his ex-slaves to his last resting place. I was there, a five year old kid and about all that I can recall is the moaning of the darkies – they had lost Marse Billy, their best friend on earth. The war was over and they were free. I remember my visits with Grandpa. He would take me on his foot with legs crossed, toss me up and sing some ditty. He would tell me stories, and let me ride his gentle horses. You may believe the little boy worshiped the genial old Gentleman.

He and his son, Andy, were ardent Union men. Together they made a speaking tour over the district for the Union and against secession. Grandpa announced that he spelled Nation with a large N and negro with a small n.

As to your questions – I was in my 11th year when I left Carthage and 29 when I came to California in 1888. There was no bridge over the Cumberland at Carthage. When I was there we crossed on ferry boats of which there were three landings – one on the road to Lebanon, one on the road to Gordonsville, and the upper ferry on the road to Fentress County and East Tennessee.

CHILDREN OF MICAJAH DUKE

Ed. Note: *The children of Micajah Duke were listed on both front and back of a single sheet of paper discovered among the loose records of the Smith County Archives. (See Box #1, Records Prior to 1850).*

List of Ages of the Children of Micajah Duke, November 17th 1816

Micajah Duke was born December 24th 1777
 Sally Duke was born Oct 12th 1790
 Matthew Duke was born Oct 11th 1802
 Agga Duke was born June 30th 1804
 Patsey Duke was born January 26th 1806
 John Duke was born 27th December 1807
 Polly Duke was born March 24 1810
 Charlotty Duke was born June 4th 1811
 Jonathan Green Duke was born 22nd Nov 1812
 Ann Eliza Duke was born 20th Sept 1814
 William Duke was born 19th April 1816 (A line was drawn through this entry)
 Richard Skivly Duke was born 19th April 1816
 Philip M. Duke was born December 2nd day 1817
 (Philip Duke repeated here and marked out)
 Samuel Micajah Duke was born the 28 of October 1819
 Nancy Eveline Duke was born February 6th day 1822
 Luther Micajah Duke was born June 20th day 1825
 Page 2, back of page 1 - Harvey Goad was born July 27th 1825
 Green D. Green? not legible, marked out
 Cynthia A. Duke was born Aug 8th 1807
 Felix Green Duke was born the 9th of June 1830
 Alexandria A. Duke was born July the 26th day 1832
 William L. Duke was born the 9th October 1834
 Samuel J. Duke was born 16th of May 1837
 W. H. H. Duke was born Oct 21 1840
 Elizabeth A. Duke was born the 14th day of April 1843 26 1843
 Napoleon C. Duke was born Oct 26th 1845

On another page - Richard Duke was born April the 19 1843

Letter of Margaret Duke was born June 20th day 1825

Honey found was born July 27th 1825

John 9th Duke ~~was born July 27th 1825~~

Expenses of ~~the Duke~~ was born Aug 5th 1827

John Green Duke was born the 9th of June 1830

William Duke was born July the 20th day 1832

William Duke was born the 9th October 1834

James Duke was born the 16th of May 1837

Wm Duke was born Oct 21 1840

John Duke was born the 15th of April 1841

James Duke was born the 20th of May 1841

John Duke was born the 17th of 1846

Margaret Duke was born December 24th 1847

John Duke was born Oct 16th 1848

John Duke was born Oct 16th 1849

John Duke was born Jan 20th 1850

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MEMOIRS OF COLONEL JOHN A. FITE
7TH TENNESSEE INFANTRY
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That night when I went to go to bed, they took me upstairs. There was a little room cut off, very nicely furnished.. They put me in there to sleep. There was a bed in the other part of the room and corn and wheat, and an old loon, and a bed in among it, and there was where they put the other fellow. While we were there, we went fishing down to a place called Tuckasag Ford, about a mile from where Uncle Soloman lived. Sitting on the bank there, fishing out in the river, I pretty soon discovered a dead Yankee, he'd lodged against a rock. I left there.

We went back to Major Burtons, from there to Charlotte, and I went up to Salisbury. Col. Jones and Col. Hill and myself went to Morgantown. We stayed there some time. When we got ready to go back to Salisbury, the Yankees had taken charge of the railroad, and we couldn't any longer travel on our Confederate transports, but had to pay our way. I had the only money there was in the crowd, just enough to pay two fellow's way to Salisbury. Hill and Jones insisted that I let them have the money, and I was to try and see if I couldn't beat my way, but we agreed that if I couldn't do it we'd ride as far as the money we had would take us, all three, and then would do the best we could to get to Salisbury. The railroad didn't run to Morgantown, but stopped about three miles from there. They were building it when the war commenced. We went over to the railroad and while there waiting for the train, I saw a gal. She had on a great big plaid dress. I got to talking to her and asked her if she knew the conductor. She said she did, that he lived in the same town as she did, Statesville. That was a little town on the railroad between there and Salisbury. She told me his name, and who his Mother and sisters were, and described to me, as best she could, where they lived in Statesville. Told me a good deal about the family. He was a son of a widow lady and had two sisters. Among the other things I remember she told me, that there was a big ball at his mother's a year or two before that. She told me about several parties in the town there, that the fellow had been at, the conductor. After awhile the train came and we went on down and got aboard. After we had started, the conductor came around collecting the fare. We didn't have any tickets then but when he came to me, I bounced up, shook hand with him, and called him by his name, asked him how his mother and sisters were, and after he'd got to talking to me, he said give me your fare. I said, "I don't believe you know me, or you are making out like you don't." He said, "Of course, I know you, but I can't think of your name just now to save my life." I said, "That beats the devil, that you don't know me. I have been at your home many a time, slept all night with you, gone fox hunting with you, and now you make out you don't know who I am." I said, "You don't get any money out of me

until you can tell who I am." He went off. I saw him asking several fellows on the train who I was, but they didn't tell him if they knew. He came back to me again and wanted my fare. I said, "No sirs, not a penny until you can name me." He insisted that he knew me but he couldn't remember my name. I said, "Well, I'll give you a thing by which you ought to know me." I said, "You remember the ball at your mother's house about a year ago, do you remember the fellow that danced with your sister Lizzie opposite to you in the first set. He said, "Yes, I recollect that very well." I said, "Well, who am I then?" He said, "Of course, I know you, but I can't think what your name is." I said, "Well whenever you recollect who I am come around and I'll pay you." When we got to Statesville, the gal got off there. He'd seen me talking to her. I saw him when she got off, go to her, evidently trying to find out who I was, but she'd promised me she wouldn't tell him. He never bothered me any more until we got to Salisbury. When we got off there he said, "Now who in devil are you? You must pay your fare." I said, "My friend, I never saw you before in my life, I had no money, I had to do something to get the ride." He said, "How did you know so much about me and my family?" I told him that gal got off at Statesville gave me the information. He said, "That's all right, if you'd told me you didn't have any money, I wouldn't have put you off."

Soon after that the war was all over, and I wanted to come home. There was a whole lot of Federal officers going to Richmond, and from there to Washington City, and coming to Columbus, Ohio, to a convention to nominate a candidate for Governor. They agreed to let me go with them. I knew several of them. When we got to Richmond, I borrowed \$20.00 from Colonel John Maury. When we got down to City Point, one of the officers who was along, and who I'd got very well acquainted with, came to me and said they had an order that none of the Confederates could be on that boat. He said the only way I could was to go as a prisoner, and if I was willing to go that way, he could arrange it. He went to the captain of the boat, and told him that he had me as a prisoner there, and he was directed by the President to bring me to Washington City. They then let me on the boat. The officer took me up on top of the boat, and I took a seat up there. There were a good many people on the boat. It was soon known that I was a prisoner. It got up quite an interest in the crowd. Several of them came up to me and wanted to know what the charges were against me. The officer who had me in charge wouldn't tell them, and he told me to not tell. When they would ask me what I was charged with, I'd tell I was ordered not to tell. When supper time came on, everybody went to supper but me and the officer with me. The captain of the boat came up there where we were and told the officer that every room on the boat was taken, but that he might take me down to his room, that he'd give that up to us until we got to Washington, and he'd send in our supper.

He went down to his room. He sent us a fine supper. We stayed all night in that room and had a good time, got to Washington City the next morning. I went to the Willard Hotel where I stayed about a week. Somebody stole my valise and all my clothes. Soon after I got to Washington, I bought me a suit of citizens clothes, the only thing I had left was my clothes I had on and a haversack.

I then started for home. There were a large number of Federal officers on the train going to Columbus, Ohio to the convention. Some time that night we came to where there was a wreck on the road, and thence we had to stay until way up in the day, the next day. Next morning, while we were waiting for the railroad to get fixed, a lot of the officers, there were 14 of them, proposed to go across a little meadow to a house, and see if they could get breakfast. They invited me to go with them. We all went over there, and the fellow agreed to have us breakfast. The fellow had a big tan yard. We all went out and looked at that. The old fellow found out I was a Rebel and when we went back to the house, we all took a seat out in the porch. The old fellow went in a room and just opened the door a little bit and motioned me to come in. I went in. He set out his bottle and offered a drink, which I was glad enough to get. He said he was a copper head and he wouldn't give one of them damn Yankees a drink to save his life, said the Yankees had robbed him. After we had breakfast, and came out, he charged everyone a dollar for their breakfast. I stepped up to pay my dollar, and he wouldn't pay any attention to me, he'd just take those other fellow's dollars. As they would pay they'd go on back to the train. I was the last one to pay, and when I offered the old man my dollar, he said, "I don't want your money," and give me every cent they'd paid. When I got back over to the train they asked me if the old fellow didn't call me into the room there and what he wanted, and what he was saying to me. I wouldn't tell them. Along some time that day, after we'd got the train started up, they insisted they wanted to know what the old fellow wanted, and what he called me back there for. I said if I was to tell you, you'd want to punish the old fellow for it. They said, "No, we don't care." I told them about the old fellow giving the drink to me and what he said. I said, "More than that, gentlemen, he would make me take every cent you fellows paid him," and I hauled out the \$14.00 silver dollars and showed them.

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 WILLIAM ZOLLIECOFFER MASSEY

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WILLIAM WRIGHT MASSEY

Husband William Wright MASSEY ^{1,2}		
Birth	8 Feb 1835	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	21 Feb 1915	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Burial	22 Feb 1915	Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Marriage	19 Dec 1855	Smith County, Tennessee
Father	William Hezekiah MASSEY (1811-1889)	
Mother	Harriett Bradley CROSSLIN (1810-1860)	
Other spouse	Amanda MC CRARY (1834-1917)	
Marriage	17 Mar 1881	Smith County, Tennessee
Wife Burnett BEASLEY		
Birth	17 Dec 1838	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	26 Oct 1880	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Father	Robert BEASLEY (1803-1865)	
Mother	Mary WOMACK (1815-1850)	
Children		
1 F	Eliza Bell MASSEY	
Birth	21 Oct 1856	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	22 Jan 1881	Jackson County, Tennessee
Burial		Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Spouse	Nathaniel Thomas (Tom) KENT (1853-1932)	
Marriage	12 Jan 1876	Smith County, Tennessee
2 M	William Zolliecoffer (Zollie) MASSEY³⁻⁵	
Birth	10 Aug 1859	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	17 Oct 1937	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Burial	18 Oct 1937	Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Spouse	Victoria Lee (Vick) HOPKINS (1860-1948)	
Marriage	17 Nov 1878	Smith County, Tennessee
3 M	Bailey Peyton MASSEY⁶	
Birth	7 Feb 1862	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	28 Apr 1884	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
4 F	Harriett Frances MASSEY	
Birth	12 Dec 1863	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	26 Apr 1877	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
5 F	Molcey Tennessee MASSEY	
Birth	9 Apr 1866	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	abt 1896	
Spouse	James F. ALLEN (1855-)	
Marriage	22 Dec 1881	Smith County, Tennessee
6 M	Isaac Anderson MASSEY	
Birth	22 Dec 1868	Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	bef 1910	
Burial		Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
Spouse	Amanda Callie MAGGART (1864-1947)	
Marriage	15 May 1887	Smith County, Tennessee

7	F	Mary Burnett MASSEY ⁷
	Birth	12 Jan 1871 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	12 Jan 1959 Lebanon, Wilson County, Tennessee
	Burial	14 Jan 1959 Dixon Springs Cemetery, Dixon Springs, Tennessee
	Spouse	Marion Francis MAGGART (1871-1919)
	Marriage	12 Jan 1893 Smith County, Tennessee
8	F	Sallie Freeman MASSEY
	Birth	23 Feb 1873 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
9	M	Elijah Owen MASSEY ^{8,9}
	Birth	17 Apr 1875 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	19 Dec 1927 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	20 Dec 1927 Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Cordelia HARVILLE (1877-1962)
	Marriage	1 Oct 1893 Smith County, Tennessee
10	M	James Howard MASSEY ¹⁰⁻¹²
	Birth	12 Apr 1877 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	28 Dec 1925 Gallatin, Sumner County, Tennessee
	Burial	29 Dec 1925 Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Willie Bell BUSH (1879-1966)
	Marriage	23 Oct 1898 Smith County, Tennessee
11	F	Matilda Zora MASSEY ¹³
	Birth	27 Apr 1879 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	26 Jan 1950 Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	27 Jan 1950 Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Jerry Franklin LEWIS (1875-1933)
	Marriage	18 Jun 1897 Smith County, Tennessee

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DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM ZOLLIECOFFER (ZOLLIE) MASSEY

1. **William Zolliecoffer (Zollie) MASSEY¹⁻³** was born on 10 Aug 1859 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 17 Oct 1937 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 18 Oct 1937 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. On the 1860 census he is listed as John Massey.

William Zolliecoffer (Zollie) MASSEY and Victoria Lee (Vick) HOPKINS were married on 17 Nov 1878 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Victoria Lee (Vick) HOPKINS⁴** (daughter of William James HOPKINS and Mary Polyana (Polly) WYATT) was born on 5 Mar 1860 in Chestnut Mound, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 16 Jul 1948 in Cookeville, Putman County, Tennessee. She was buried on 17 Jul 1948 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. William Zolliecoffer (Zollie) MASSEY and Victoria Lee (Vick) HOPKINS had the following children:

- +2 i. **William Alvie MASSEY** (born on 25 Aug 1879).
- +3 ii. **Alma Bernie MASSEY** (born on 18 Sep 1881).
- +4 iii. **Chester Dare MASSEY** (born on 16 Aug 1883).
- +5 iv. **Hershel Taylor MASSEY** (born on 10 Mar 1886).
- +6 v. **Wilton Horrise MASSEY** (born on 22 Dec 1888).
- 7 vi. **Benton MASSEY** died on 10 Jun 1892 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He was born in 1892 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried in 1892 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +8 vii. **Sadie Lee MASSEY** (born on 15 Mar 1893).
- +9 viii. **Virgie Tennessee MASSEY** (born on 27 Aug 1897).
- +10 ix. **Daisy Bell MASSEY** (born on 15 Jun 1900).
- +11 x. **Mary Burnett (Nettie) MASSEY** (born on 15 Jun 1905).
- 12 xi. **Anna MASSEY** was born on 6 Jun 1908 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died in 1908 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried in 1908 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.

Second Generation

2. **William Alvie MASSEY⁵⁻⁹** (William Zolliecoffer-1) was born on 25 Aug 1879 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 25 Oct 1938 in Lebanon, Wilson County, Tennessee. He was buried on 26 Oct 1938 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.

William Alvie MASSEY and Mary Evelyn HAGGARD were married on 3 Apr 1898 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Mary Evelyn HAGGARD** (daughter of John Nelson HAGGARD and Mary Elizabeth CROWELL) was born on 11 Sep 1878 in Beldsoe County, Tennessee. She died on 1 Jul 1941 in Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee. She was buried on 4 Jul 1941 in Tighfit Cemetery, Boma, Putman County, Tennessee. William Alvie MASSEY and Mary Evelyn HAGGARD had the following children:

- +13 i. **Vela Ogeal MASSEY** (born on 3 Dec 1898).
- 14 ii. **Siddie Lee MASSEY¹⁰** was born on 29 Sep 1900 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 16 Sep 1924 in Lebanon, Wilson County, Tennessee. She was buried on 17 Sep 1924 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +15 iii. **Maude Alexander MASSEY** (born on 1 Nov 1902).
- +16 iv. **Lillie Burnett MASSEY** (born on 27 Nov 1904).
- +17 v. **William James (Jim) MASSEY** (born on 7 Nov 1907).
- 18 vi. **Bonnie Mai MASSEY¹¹** was born on 3 Apr 1909 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 3 Dec 1926 in Old Hickory, Davidson County, Tennessee. She was buried on 4 Dec 1926 in Massey Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +19 vii. **Francis Carrine MASSEY** (born on 4 Feb 1911).

- +20 viii. **Woodrow Wilson MASSEY** (born on 1 Mar 1913).
- +21 ix. **Joseph Leamon MASSEY** (born on 16 Feb 1915).
- +22 x. **Doyle Ethridge MASSEY** (born on 8 Sep 1917).
- 23 xi. **Morris Haggard MASSEY**¹² was born on 20 Oct 1920 in Walter Hill, Rutherford County, Tennessee. He was buried on 16 Feb 1921 in Walter Hill Cemetery, Walter Hill, Tennessee. He died on 21 Feb 1921 in Walter Hill, Rutherford County, Tennessee.

3. **Alma Bernie MASSEY**¹³ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 18 Sep 1881 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 15 Nov 1975 in Lebanon, Wilson County, Tennessee. She was buried on 17 Nov 1975 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.

Alma Bernie MASSEY and Ezar Neal MAGGART were married on 2 Oct 1901 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Ezar Neal MAGGART**^{14,15} (son of Elbert Jason Allen MAGGART and Louisiana WHITE) was born on 2 Oct 1879 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 17 Aug 1952 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 18 Aug 1952 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. Alma Bernie MASSEY and Ezar Neal MAGGART had the following children:

- 24 i. **Tiny Tucker MAGGART**¹⁶ was born on 29 Jul 1903 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 29 Aug 1917 in Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 30 Aug 1917 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +25 ii. **Clifton F. MAGGART** (born on 27 Oct 1904).
- +26 iii. **Joesph Conner MAGGART** (born on 13 Aug 1906).
- +27 iv. **Elvia Doin MAGGART** (born on 27 Jul 1908).
- +28 v. **Edith Louise MAGGART** (born on 20 Aug 1910).
- +29 vi. **Ben Linder MAGGART** (born on 21 Jan 1913).
- +30 vii. **Earl Cranston MAGGART** (born on 3 Jan 1915).
- 31 viii. **Tina Phebie MAGGART**¹⁷ was born on 27 Oct 1917 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 8 Feb 1919 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 9 Feb 1919 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +32 ix. **Susan Emily MAGGART** (born on 19 Nov 1919).
- +33 x. **Jasper Neal MAGGART** (born on 21 Sep 1922).
- +34 xi. **Wilbur Thrikild MAGGART** (born on 26 Aug 1925).
- +35 xii. **Edsel Ford (Butch) MAGGART Sr.** (born on 7 Apr 1927).

4. **Chester Dare MASSEY**¹⁸⁻²⁰ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 16 Aug 1883 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 28 Jun 1970 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 29 Jun 1970 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

Chester Dare MASSEY and Daisy Ada LYNCH were married about 1910 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Daisy Ada LYNCH**²¹ (daughter of Gary LYNCH and Ada VADEN) was born on 28 Dec 1883 in Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 9 Jul 1968 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 11 Jul 1968 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee. Chester Dare MASSEY and Daisy Ada LYNCH had the following children:

- +36 i. **William Carl MASSEY** (born on 6 Jan 1912).
- +37 ii. **Virginia Ruth MASSEY** (born on 9 Feb 1914).
- +38 iii. **Wendell Lee MASSEY** (born in Oct 1916).
- +39 iv. **Harold Wilson MASSEY** (born in Oct 1922).
- +40 v. **Francis MASSEY** (born on 31 Oct 1924).

5. **Hershel Taylor MASSEY**²²⁻²⁴ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 10 Mar 1886 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 30 Jun 1972 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 2 Jul 1972 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

Hershel Taylor MASSEY and Nell MAGGART were married on 20 Jan 1912 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Nell MAGGART**²⁵ (daughter of Elbert Jason Allen MAGGART and Louisiana WHITE) was born on 29 Nov 1886 in Maggart, Smith County,

Tennessee. She died on 7 Feb 1983 in Red Boiling Springs, Macon County, Tennessee. She was buried on 9 Feb 1983 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee. Hershel Taylor MASSEY and Nell MAGGART had the following children:

- +41 i. **Garland MASSEY** (born on 23 Nov 1915).
- +42 ii. **Glen MASSEY** (born on 3 Jun 1921).
- 43 iii. **Lounita MASSEY**²⁶ was born on 28 Jan 1924 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 8 Oct 1925 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 9 Oct 1925 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee.
- +44 iv. **Marie MASSEY**.

6. **Wilton Horrise MASSEY**²⁷⁻²⁹ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 22 Dec 1888 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 18 May 1945 in Elmwood, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 20 May 1945 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

Wilton Horrise MASSEY and Mallie Louise MAGGART were married on 16 May 1915 in Smith County, Tennessee. **Mallie Louise MAGGART**³⁰ (daughter of Elbert Jason Allen MAGGART and Louisiana WHITE) was born on 15 Aug 1895 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 4 Dec 1922 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 5 Dec 1922 in Mc Crary Cemetery, Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. Wilton Horrise MASSEY and Mallie Louise MAGGART had the following children:

- +45 i. **Louise MASSEY**.

Wilton Horrise MASSEY and Sara Eva MC DONALD were married. **Sara Eva MC DONALD**³¹ (daughter of John Stewart MC DONALD and Rhonda FERRELL) was born on 29 Nov 1899 in Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 12 Feb 1977 in Red Boiling Springs, Macon County, Tennessee. She was buried on 13 Feb 1977 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

8. **Sadie Lee MASSEY**³² (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 15 Mar 1893 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 15 Mar 1979 in Cookeville, Putman County, Tennessee. She was buried on 17 Mar 1979 in Crest Lawn Cemetery, Cookeville, Tennessee.

Sadie Lee MASSEY and King Mc Henry FERRELL were married. **King Mc Henry FERRELL**^{33,34} (son of Issac FERRELL and Fannie UNKNOWN) was born on 10 Mar 1876 in Granville, Jackson County, Tennessee. He died on 9 Mar 1956 in Cookeville, Putman County, Tennessee. He was buried on 11 Mar 1956 in Crest Lawn Cemetery, Cookeville, Tennessee. Sadie Lee MASSEY and King Mc Henry FERRELL had the following children:

- +46 i. **Zollie Massey FERRELL Sr.** (born on 17 Sep 1928).

9. **Virgie Tennessee MASSEY**³⁵ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 27 Aug 1897 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 12 Oct 1979 in Gallatin, Sumner County, Tennessee. She was buried on 14 Oct 1979 in Crest View Cemetery, Gallatin, Tennessee.

Virgie Tennessee MASSEY and John Henry AUTREY were married on 8 Apr 1917 in Smith County, Tennessee. **John Henry AUTREY**^{36,37} (son of William Van AUTREY and Mary Susan APPLE) was born on 17 Sep 1897 in Jackson County, Tennessee. He died on 18 May 1969 in Gallatin, Sumner County, Tennessee. He was buried on 20 May 1969 in Crest View Cemetery, Gallatin, Tennessee. Virgie Tennessee MASSEY and John Henry AUTREY had the following children:

- +47 i. **Fred Talmage AUTREY Sr.** (born on 28 Aug 1918).
- +48 ii. **Mable Ophelia AUTREY** (born on 1 Apr 1920).
- +49 iii. **Mary Lee AUTREY** (born on 9 Nov 1922).
- 50 iv. **William Carroll AUTREY** was born on 1 May 1926.
- 51 v. **James AUTREY** was born about 1928.

10. **Daisy Bell MASSEY**³⁸ (William Zollicoffer-1) was born on 15 Jun 1900 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 7 Apr 1986 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. She was buried on 10 Apr 1986 in Smith County Memorial

Gardens, Carthage, Tennessee.

Daisy Bell MASSEY and Ernest Weldon GRISHAM were married on 20 Oct 1920 in Smith County, Tennessee. Ernest Weldon GRISHAM³⁹⁻⁴¹ was born on 15 Sep 1896 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 30 Jul 1986 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 1 Aug 1986 in Smith County Memorial Gardens, Carthage, Tennessee. Daisy Bell MASSEY and Ernest Weldon GRISHAM had the following children:

- +52 i. Harry GRISHAM (born about 1922).
- +53 ii. William Bradley GRISHAM (born about 1925).

11. Mary Burnett (Nettie) MASSEY⁴² (William Zolliecoffer-1) was born on 15 Jun 1905 in Maggart, Smith County, Tennessee. She died on 1 Nov 2001 in Evansville, Vanderburgh County, Indiana. She was buried on 5 Nov 2001 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee.

Mary Burnett (Nettie) MASSEY and Henry Carl MC DONALD were married on 24 Dec 1924 in Smith County, Tennessee. Henry Carl MC DONALD^{43,44} (son of John Stewart MC DONALD and Rhonda FERRELL) was born on 22 Nov 1902 in Smith County, Tennessee. He died on 12 Jan 1988 in Carthage, Smith County, Tennessee. He was buried on 14 Jan 1988 in Ridgewood Cemetery, Carthage, Tennessee. Mary Burnett (Nettie) MASSEY and Henry Carl MC DONALD had the following children:

- +54 i. Clyde MC DONALD (born on 24 May 1925).

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FERGUSSON'S RETURN TO SMITH COUNTY AFTER THE WAR

[Ed. Note: The final in a series of three submitted by Bill Amonette]

After serving in the Confederate Army for the duration of the war, Major W. W. Fergusson tells of the conditions at home, as he returned to Smith County in May of 1865. The remains of some of the Army of Tennessee traveled via wagon train from Salisbury, NC through East Tennessee south of Knoxville, crossing the Holston River at Louisville, Tennessee, through Concord, Campbell and to Kingston, for much of the time being harassed by robbers, Tories and carpetbaggers as well as incimate weather. In order to speed their progress, at least one wagon load of baggage, etc. was abandoned along the way. Fergusson was fortunate that he was able to obtain a horse for his travel home. In honor of the Rebel outlaw from the Tennessee Mountains, he named the little steed "Champ Fergusson." As the weary Confederates entered Middle Tennessee north of Murfreesboro, Fergusson tells the remainder as written by him:

Monday, May 22 [1865] moved toward Milton, breakfasting at Dr. Carson's where all of Hudgen's party separated from us and Gaines on his big white mule and I, the last remnant of the Army of Tennessee, rode sorrowfully and despondently some 6 or 7 miles until we reach the Murfreesboro and Liberty pike and we shook hands — tears in his eyes — and he turned toward Nashville by Old Jefferson and I toward Alexandria and home. Ah, how lonely! Looked back at Gaines three times and waved a parting salute before he passed out of sight. About 1 P.M. I passed a small village and was called by a man and his wife to the gate of the house, invited in and compelled to go — some brandy offered and refused — wanted to go on — no — had to eat with them anyhow! Left — overtaking three of Col. Stanton's old regiment, on foot, in route for Jackson Co. just before getting to the Lebanon-Liberty pike — two named Dudney and one Young. We consulted as to our course because we had been told to avoid Alexandria by all means and we had concluded to try a road or path through by Lancaster when one of Blackburn's men rode up and wanted us to go to Alexandria. We refused and finally [said that] we would take our own course about going home but we couldn't shake him off — if he had become troublesome we would have killed him readily, and had so determined as he rode up. So we took the road and expected to turn off beyond the first house and found it closed up, as the woman [had] told us, long ago. So with the boys in front, we rode into town, several women coming to the front doors and lamenting our capture, &C. Turning to the Yankee, [I] asked, "Where are you from?" "Hill's Valley, Ala." and "What are you doing here?" He told me a long story of the Conscript Officers wouldn't let him stay at home and [that he] had to join to keep from starving. — "So you jumped from the frying pan into the fire?" — "Yes. I reckon". — How far did you live from Col. Winston's?" — "Not far, and on his place". "On the road as you go up the mountain?" — "Yes Sir". "In a little log house about 50 feet from the road and a small enclosure around the house?" — "Yes Sir." — "And you have one girl and 2 little boys?" — "Yes Sir." — "Well I stopped there to get my pipe lit and rode up to the door where your wife was cooking breakfast and both children wanted to bring me the fire, and your wife let the little boy bring it. They are all well — she works for Mrs. Winston and they give her everything she needs for her family and all they want in the world is for you to come home and stay there. All this I learned at Winston's who told me of the fellow going off and never returning and they seemed to be a happy lot of children". I looked on the fellow on finishing and he was crying! "Stranger, he said, our boys have been treating your sort mighty bad of late, but you have told me more about my folks than I have known in a year and I intend on seeing you safe through town, which he did. waving and warning all others away and on getting to creek said, — "Boys, you'll have to look out for yourselves now and I advise you to keep away from the road." We thanked him sincerely and soon departed on another road.

I turned to the left for Carthage — alone — all alone and so lonely! But the incident that saved me from robbery was a happy one and was so unexpected! I had some valuables with me. Dismounting at the foot of Paty's hill — taking the side path of the rough pike and half way up, [I] met a Yankee Officer, Lt. "Pony" [S.B.] Whitlock [Co. G, 4th Rgt., Tenn. Mtd. Inf.] on a large black horse that was about to run over me and mine, so I stepped to the side and pulled out my pistol and put it against my horses mane while he had his hand on his hip as he rode around me and said, "Good evening — you are coming back home are you?" — "Yes" — "You are a paroled rebel, are you?" — "No sir, I am a paroled Confederate Officer"! "Well its all the same. Where are you going down this way?" — "Down about Carthage". "What is your name"? — "My name is Fergusson, Sir"! This staggered him, and seeing him grasp his pistol, I raised mine to my horse's neck and mane and we looked at each other while he

slowly said — “Not Champ, I hope”. — another silence, which I broke by saying — “No, not Champ. but a first cousin of his — I fought you at the front and he fought you in the bushes — that made him first cousin to me”! — “Well I like your way of fighting, but damn Champ’s”! With this introduction and both glad enough there was no shooting, though I would have fired had he drawn his pistol, and he knew I had the advantage, he dismounted and sat down by the road and talked about an hour, he telling me all about Mother and Kate and their moving by boat below Rome to Cedar Bluff and that as Provost Marshal he [had] furnished wagons to aid in moving the furniture & C to the steamboat. Our situation was singular and I rose up to go and he invited me to go home with him only a mile or so and that his father and mother would be glad to have me come. I told him the fact of being so late [that] enmity forbade it. “Well, if I had a squad of my men here, I would take you and make you go”. — “It’s a good thing for you and your squad of men that they are not here”. — And we parted — he telling me not to notice any [of his] drunken soldiers on the road and [that] I would have no trouble in reaching Squire Sam Allison’s about four miles distant and I rode on to New Middleton and met his drunken squad but rode rapidly and was soon at Allison’s house and they had all gone to bed. A Negro woman came out and I asked for “Squire” Sam Allison and that I wanted to stay all night. She went back and I heard her repeating my words to Sam Allison and when she came[back]and said “Marse Allison wants to know your name”. — “Tell him a gentleman wants to see him”. And finally he came to the front portico and I asked — “Sam, have you forgotten me”? — “I never would have known you in the world, Billy — and oh Lord, how I grieve to see you come back this way — I never expected to see it — I might have known it was a gentleman by your coming to the front of the house — about here the usual way is to come by the barn or the kitchen”, & C., & C. Cover was brought from the top of the house and Sam told[me that] he wouldn’t guarantee my horse to be there in the morning but it was the best he could do and I fed my brave little horse “Champ” bountifully for he had come 44 [miles] over rough roads, and worn out also. I refused supper or to sit up longer and was soon asleep.

Tuesday May 23. Off late — had to be waked 3 times before getting up: Ate breakfast and talked to Allison and Maj. Nance who gave me all the information to reach McAllister’s landing on Cedar Bluff, and I was soon on my closing ride towards Lebanon until getting to Buck Seay’s where I saw Garrett’s Command last December from Widow Clark’s house beyond and vainly trying to comprehend the change in my affairs — there by the Round Lick pike to the Lebanon pike and out to see Cousin Sallie Phillips who I met last December then back to the intersection of the Hartsville road and over a rough, badly washed road to Nathan Burdine’s where I frequently [had] visited and who told me of Mother and Kate being at Thomas Tunstall’s and pointed out the [way] which was soon passed once and who informed me that Mother and Kate were at Martha Tunstall’s, nearly one and one-half [miles] back on a parallel road and the distance was soon passed and I walked in to find Mother asleep but Aunt Martha raised the alarm and we soon had a regular jubilee— all crying and all glad once more. Kate had gone out visiting Mrs. Denny with Medora Kerby who had been sent to meet her brother Marshall who I passed on the road the second day out from Salisbury. The Negro, Fanny, was the first one to recognize me and who started to “holler” but I checked her alarm in order to surprise Mother and Kate and later she was sent for Kate at Denny’s, and meeting Miss Kerby on the way, hurried on and all three, Mrs. Denny, Kate and Fanny, rapidly returned to Mr. Kerby’s and giving Marshall a hasty welcome, Kate with Fanny nearly out of breath came through the field and I met my dear sister Kate and another flood of tears and joyful exclamations, and at 3 P.M. realized the strange meeting of Mother and Sister after years of separation and hardship on this Tuesday May 23, ‘65.

But I was restless, confused and felt unnatural — so dissimilar to all my previous occupations and surroundings were the peaceful conditions around me now, and no part which seemed to be adjustable to my qualifications or in any way adaptable to my ability. The unfortunate condition of my father’s business involved litigation if I wished to regain the land he [had] mortgaged and it was questionable whether it would bring the price stated on the deed. We had no home, but plenty of cattle, furniture & C.

Wednesday, May 24. Looking after my things, books & C at the warehouse with Kate there visiting — for I knew everybody there. After dinner crossed the Cumberland river eastward with Mother and Kate to cousin Mary Hazzard’s and there to Uncle Charles Tunstall’s.

Thursday, May 25. Crossed the river southward and walked to Violet’s to get Kate’s presents — dined and returned by Sam Haley’s where they were preparing to bury Louvinia, their beautiful daughter whose picture I [had] painted but never finished. Mrs. Haley asked me if I had finished and my answer was that they had been roughly handled in moving and never finished. Sam talked of old friends and acquaintances and Kate was delighted with the trinkets, chains and silver pieces & C. Friday [I went] with Kate to visit Gini Allen at Van’s on

the pike between Dixon Springs and Carthage and remained the night. Saturday May 27: returned to Charles Tunstall's and with Gini to whom I gave one of my staff buttons. Sunday, across the river westward to Aunt Martha's -- dined with Mr. Jones and there to Willis Davis. Monday with Kate and the girls to Cedar Bluff landing for books & C. returned -- two boats passed up -- no news. Stayed at Jones'. Tuesday May 30th. [Went] by Aunt Martha's to Taylorsville. Dined at Dr. Jennings, had my horse shod and then to Tom Morris' on the Murfreesboro pike where I had stopped in December last. Wednesday, left early and by Murfreesboro to Millersburg -- "Maj." Baugh overtaking me within 2 miles of his house, where I was gladly welcomed. The girls had read all of my letters and journals, & C and severely criticized some of my correspondence for their temper, faultfinding and general fretfulness & C and wondered that I didn't back it up at once. They were good hearted girls and all listened with close attention to my escape out of Tennessee. Thursday July 1 saw Dr. White who was the Advocate Officer, 2nd Tenn. Regt. in Va. After, [I] rode to Burrell White's and stayed the night pleasantly. Friday June 2, returned through Murfreesboro and by Prather's to Huddleston's [cross] roads, 35 miles. Saturday, through Lebanon, Big Spring to Aunt Martha's and stayed the night, 24 miles. Sunday across to Uncle Charles' where Mother and Kate were staying and visiting around both neighborhoods. One day Kate went fishing at Bradley's Landing and finding an empty house there, we agreed to rent it and moved all our plunder and stock there -- \$4 per month and several days hard work to make it thoroughly habitable.

Settled down at last, we began to feel freer and easier and glad to see our friends. In a short time I canvassed for a school at Chapel Hill with 11 pupils which soon ran up to 70. A delightful picnic was gotten up by the ladies near Mrs. Jones' and Kerby's, and another about July 25 near Bradley's and Tunstall's on the east side of the river where the dancing was kept up nearly all day. Charles returned about the 20th of July and again united we began to look out for some pleasant prospects for the future.

There were several other "Welcome" picnics in the county; two or three where the Yankees came uninvited and [were] forced to leave -- (Lon Hogg's) and another near Rome which terminated in a fight with pistols and several [were] badly wounded. There was a deep rooted animosity between the Yankee element or Union or "Loyal" people -- nearly all of whom had been Confederate before -- and the Southern or "Secesh" people and there were many personal conflicts resulting from reckless expressions on both sides. The Yankee Captain who forced himself on Hogg's party was afterwards shot for threats made about his treatment. But the main objection I had to these assemblies was caused by the prominence assumed and taken by those who had deserted the Confederate Army and who, if they had only held out, might have changed defeat into success.

In April of 1866, William Wallace Fergusson and Medora Kerby were married at the Rucks place at Cedar Bluff, on the south side of the river. The Oath of Allegiance to the Union was made in 1868, and Fergusson began his law practice at their new home on Bowman's Branch which they lovingly named "Gullychoke". Their children were, Sterling Price, Willard Hampdon, Frank Kerby, James Ruskin, Marina, Nina, Linton Stephens and Charles Marshall. In 1898 "Gullychoke" was sold and the family moved to Madison in order for W.W. to take a position on the Tennessee Supreme Court and also to afford better educational opportunity for the four youngest children. Mrs. Fergusson died in 1921 and the Major died the next year. Both are buried in Spring Hill Cemetery in Madison.

Much of the references found in latter times, William Wallace Fergusson was known as Major Fergusson. Truth to tell, he left the Confederate Army in 1865 with the rank of 2nd Lieutenant. It is possible that he received a ranking upgrade from his work in the E.L. Bradley Bivouac of Confederate Veterans. He was most active in this organization and was well respected by all his comrades.

Source for this material was taken from microfilm in the Fergusson Papers at the Tennessee State Library and Archives, 7th Avenue North, Nashville.

PLAYBILL FROM MONOVILLE, TENNESSEE

Submitted by Sally Crockett

[Ed. Note: The date for the following performance at Monoville is not known; however, judging from the age of some of the performers, it was probably in the 1920's.]

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1ST GENERATION

My G. G. Grandfather was Benjamin Bradley. Although we do not know who his parents were or whether or not he had siblings, or even where he was born, we know he married and raised a family in Smith County, Tennessee. He was born March 22, 1806, and married Frances Lancaster October 28, 1823, at New Middleton. She was the daughter of William Allen Lancaster and Judith Lancaster. She was born March 20, 1804. Benjamin and Frances bought a farm near her parents and raised their family there.

Benjamin died at the age of 33 on August 6, 1839. We know nothing about his early death. He is buried on his farm with Frances in the Woodson Cemetery north of Brush Creek.

2ND GENERATION - Children of Benjamin and Frances:

1. Elizabeth b. Aug 6, 1824 = John Allen Cothorn Mar 1, 1842, d Sept 24, 1844, died in childbirth with 2nd child.

2. Judith (Judah) b Oct. 22, 1825 = (1) Tobe Johnson Dec. 18, 1846, (2) Benjamin Davis Aug 8, 1860, died by Feb 28, 1877.

3. William Lancaster b Apr 27, 1827 = Charity E. Carmon July 5, 1865, Sumner Co., TN, died abt 1893.

4. Thomas Flowers (My G. Grandfather) b Dec 11, 1828 = Feb 4, 1847 to Sarah Margaret Waters (dau of Dr. John Waters and Betsy (Elizabeth) Kyle, dau of Barkley Kyle.

5. James b Oct 28, 1830 = Martha Crayne Mar 3, 1863, died April 18, 1908.

6. Benjamin b July 9, 1832 = Nancy Jane Kitchens Aug 24, 1854, died Feb 11, 1912.

7. Mary (Poppy) b Feb 12 1834 = Aug 25, 1852, John Davis, died Dec 27, 1905.

8. Susan Frances b July 22, 1836 = Brown R. Davis Aug 20, 1854, died not known.

9. Melinda b Sept 27, 1838 = John Woodson Jan 26, 1858, died not known

More about G. Grandfather Thomas Flowers Bradley: he joined the Confederate Army and fought with the 24th Tennessee Infantry. We have letters from both Robert D. Allison and T. C. Goodner giving him high recommendations for his military service when he served under them.

Thomas Flowers and Sarah Margaret Waters Bradley were parents to seven children. Their oldest child was John Benjamin who was my Grandfather. John Benjamin was just a boy during the Civil War but he did the work of a man in his father's absence. He helped his mother with field work, garden and wood cutting. He also helped tend the livestock. He hid canned food and letters for his Dad in a cemetery in case his Dad was in the area but could not come home. After the war Thomas F. Bradley brought his wife and children to Texas. His sister, Mary, and her husband, who was also a Confederate veteran came with them. Thomas F. and his wife are buried at Van Alstyne, Texas.

3RD GENERATION: John Benjamin Bradley, my grandfather, came to Texas when he was about 12 years old. He drove one of the three wagons along with his mother and dad. When he grew up he returned to Smith County, Tennessee, and married Harriet Jenkins. They had two daughters who died very young. The mother also died.

John Benjamin then married Dorthula Bradford, daughter of Phillip. Phillip was the son of Joseph and the grandson of Booker Byrd Bradford. The Bradford's were in Smith County by 1825. They came from Granville County, North Carolina, and originally from Charles City County, Virginia.

Benjamin and Darthula had a daughter and moved to Texas. A son was born and both mother and son died. He took his daughter back to Smith County and later married Dorthula's sister, Hollie, who is my grandmother. Benjamin and Hollie had five children, my Dad being the oldest.

4TH GENERATION: Benjamin and Hollie had 4 children and the daughter by Darthula. My Dad, Forrest Lee Bradley, was the oldest of the four... when he was about 11 years old Grandfather Benjamin decided to move back to Texas with the rest of his family. They settled in the Pilot Point area in Denton County. Benjamin and Hollie are buried there in Belew Cemetery near Pilot Point.

My Dad, Forrest Lee Bradley, was an honest, hard working man who was well respected by all who knew him. He loved his family and also his extended family in Smith County. He never got away from his Tennessee roots and went back there a few times after he got his family raised. He married Sept 7, 1912, Nannie Pearl Jones. He always said he "married the prettiest girl in Texas." They are buried in Elm Grove Cemetery, Westminister, Texas, Collin County.

5TH GENERATION: My parents raised six children. I was the 5th.

Ethylene b July 20, 1927 = Sept. 9, 1946, to Ottie Steve Collins. He is retired Air Force.

6TH GENERATION: We have two children, Lynda June b June 4, 1947 = Phillip Roy Jaynes June 4, 1965. Edward Steve b Sept 19, 1949 = Jacqueline Morris.

7TH GENERATION: Kimberley Dawn Jaynes b Mar 26, 1966 = Charlie Reed
Rhonda LeiAnn Jaynes b Apr 7, 1969 = Kyle Withrow.

John Travis Jaynes b Dec 9, 1971 = Amy Page died Feb 11, 2000.

Bradley Steve Collins b Oct 23, 1971 = Michelle Gaines

Joe Chance Collins b June 13, 1973 = April Brown

8TH GENERATION: Monica Rachele Roberts (Jaynes) b Mar 9, 1987 = Robert Robinson

Dalton Phillip Withrow b Aug 24, 1998

Victoria KyAnn Collins b Jun 28, 2002

Mallory Elizabeth Collins b March 17, 2004

Kinley Raegy Collins b April 7, 2004

Kole Travis Collins b Jan 17, 2006

Phoebe Marie Collins (to be born July 2006)

9TH GENERATION: Dakota Shane Robinson b Mar 31 2005

SUTTON - DNA

I descend from James Sutton probably born about 1747 in North Carolina and died in 1835 in Defeated Creek, Smith County, Tennessee.

James M. Sutton, born 1856, told Elder Calvin Gregory "that the first James Sutton of whom he had any knowledge was a native of Wales, coming to North Carolina about 1650. Four brothers, names unknown, came with him.. This James Sutton had a son, named James, a grandson bearing the same name, a great-grandson named James and a great-great-grandson, James, all in a direct line of descent from the first James Sutton.

I have never been able to document any of these James Suttons prior to the one who died in Defeated Creek in 1835.

A couple of years ago, I took a DNA test hoping that it would help me unravel the mystery. I was shocked to learn that it significantly deepened the mystery instead. My brother and I (so presumably James) match none of the other Suttons who have had their DNA tested so far. In fact, we belong to haplogroup E3b. Only 2% of the people who have been tested in the USA belong to this group. In England it is almost nonexistent, and no cases have been found in Wales, Ireland, and Scotland (except for the "accidentals").

Most of the E3b group still lives in East Africa, West Asia, Southeastern Europe and Italy. Percentages of the populations that have been tested are: The Calabria area of southern Italy 15.7%, primarily those of Albanian descent, 11.7% of the Askenazim Jews and 10% of the Shephardim Jews. These Jews do not descent from the original tribes of Israel. Arthur Koestler wrote a book about them called, appropriately, "The Thirteenth Tribe; Tunisia, 5.2%, Ethopia 5.1%, Sardia Italians 3.5%. It is very rare in Northern Europe, occurring overall in Europe, 1.7% of the time.

So, where did the ancestors of Smith County's James Sutton originate? If other male Suttons are interested in helping solve this mystery, they can do so by participating in this DNA study. A new Sutton DNA Group has been formed for this purpose. Joni Hudson is the administrator. Joni is very knowledgeable in this very complex subject.

The test is based on the Y chromosome, so it will only work for males with the Sutton surname. If you or someone you know would like to participate, just go to: http://www.familytreedna.com/surname_join.asp?code=Z47413&special=true First, click on the website and look around. Read the background and click on Y Results to see how they will be displayed.

It will be fascinating if we can solve this very puzzling mystery.

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QUERIES

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OVERSTREET. Informtion requested on the preceding families.
STEVE ANDREWS, 1005 Hickory Hill Lane, Hermitage, TN 37076

JOSEPH G. MOSS , born in 1819 Smith Co, TN. His parents were John Allen Moss born 1790 in VA and Elizabeth Scruggs born 1799 in Va. Joseph's first wife was Elizabeth (last name not known) who died between 1866 and 1870, and his second wife was Rebecca Trousdale whom he married 23 Nov 1870 in Smith Co. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has information regarding this family.
DIANE FROHNE email - dfrohne@hotmail.com

BENJAMIN BRADLEY, b 22 Mar 1806, d 6 Aug 1839, Brush Creek, Smith Co., TN, bur on family farm at what is now called Woodson Cemetery. He was marr to FRANCES LANCASTER d/o WILLIAM ALLEN LANCASTER and JUDITH LANCASTER (who were cousins) 28 Oct 1823 in Smith Co., They had 9 children, the 4th being my Great Grandfather, THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY who brought his family to Texas after the Civil War. Benjamin died at the early age of 33. Who were his parents and siblings?
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WILLIAM LANCASTER BRADLEY, b 27 Apr 1827, Brush Creek, TN, marr 5 Jul ? to CHARITY E. CARMON in Sumner Co., TN. May have lived in Cookeville, TN in later years. He was s/o BENJAMIN & FRANCES LANCASTER BRADLEY. WILLIAM had 2 daughters, one named Mary.
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DR. JOHN WILLIAM WATERS, b 1794, practiced medicine in Smith & Wilson counties. Marr BETSY KYLE, d/o BARTLETT (BARKELY) KYLE. Had 2 sons who were also doctors. They are buried near Tuckers Crossroads. BETSY came to Texas to be near her daughters, Mary Sampson and Sarah Margaret who marr THOMAS FLOWERS BRADLEY. Need info on this family.
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GREEN, DUKE, RUSSELL, HALLIBURTON and related families, origin Virginia/North Carolina. Researching these Tenn. families of Smith & Jackson Counties (prob. Macon/Overton also) and will share info I have. Contact MELBA WILKINS, 2310 N. 107th Lane, Avondale, AZ 85323; 623-931-4677; email MeLE1512@att.net

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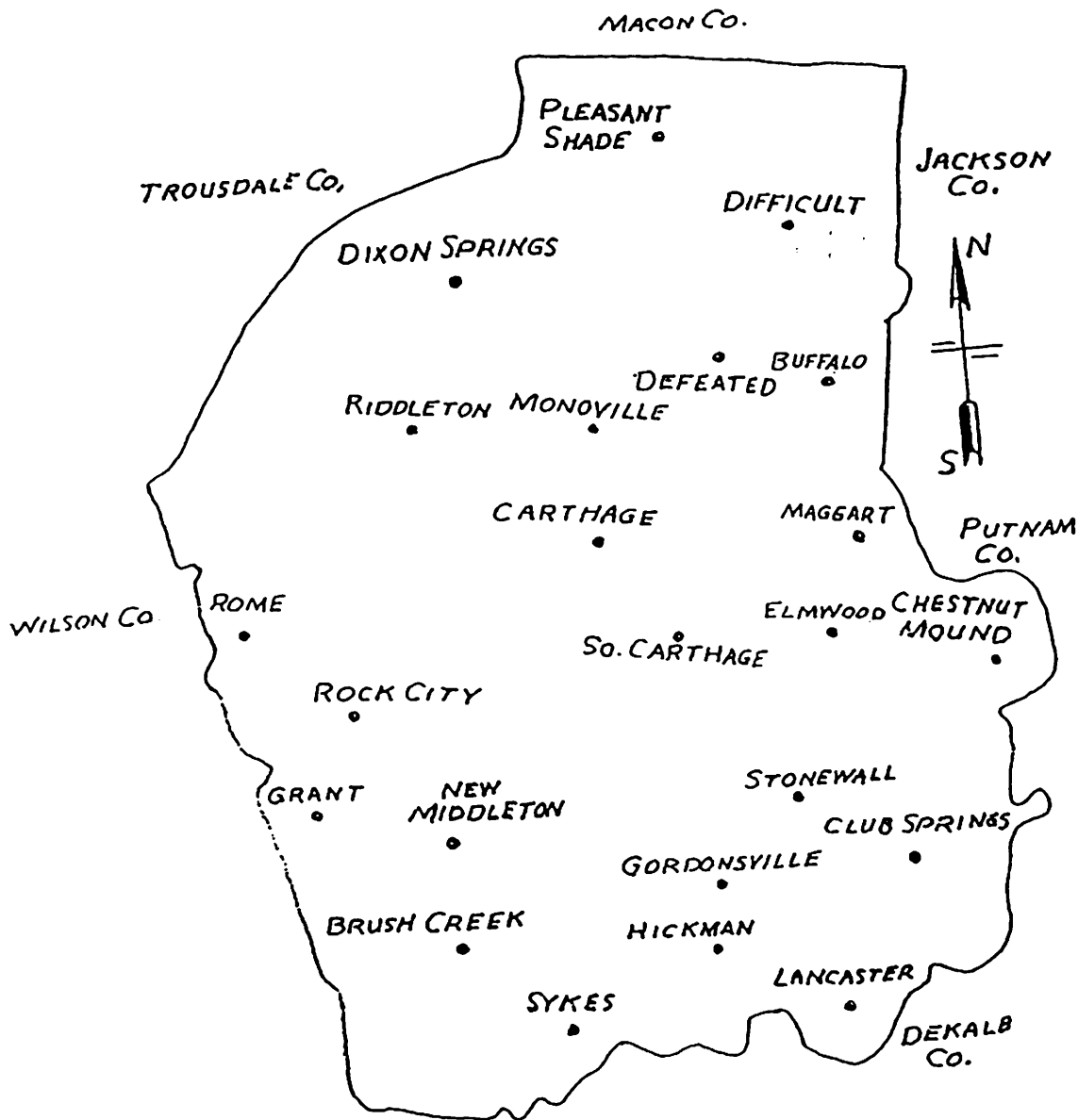
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FROM THE EDITOR:

My, what a short summer! Soon goblins and witches, pilgrims and turkeys, and Santa and Rudolph will be making an appearance at the shopping malls. And – Historical and Genealogical Society meetings will commence again in September after a summer recess. I know there are many interesting programs scheduled for the coming year so make your plans to attend meetings – 3rd Monday of every month in the lower level of the library.

The Smith County Heritage Museum has experienced a busy summer preparing for the new Century Farms in Smith County exhibit scheduled to open in October. The Civil War exhibit has been slightly condensed but is still a very important feature of the Museum display. Attractive mugs featuring a print of the historic Smith County Courthouse are now on sale. At \$10 each they make great “stocking stuffers.” Also, the fourth in a series of Christmas ornaments featuring Dixona, pioneer home of Tilman Dixon, will soon be on sale; all of the earlier ornaments in the series are also available- Smith County Courthouse, Smith County Heritage Museum, and Stonewall Bridge. Price of the ornaments is \$10.00.

As you get into the research mode in the coming cold winter months, please remember to prepare and submit material for the *Quarterly*. Your input is needed.

You will notice the absence of a “Queries” page. That is because no queries have been received. Hopefully, that will be remedied by next issue.

Have a great Fall season and a Merry Christmas!



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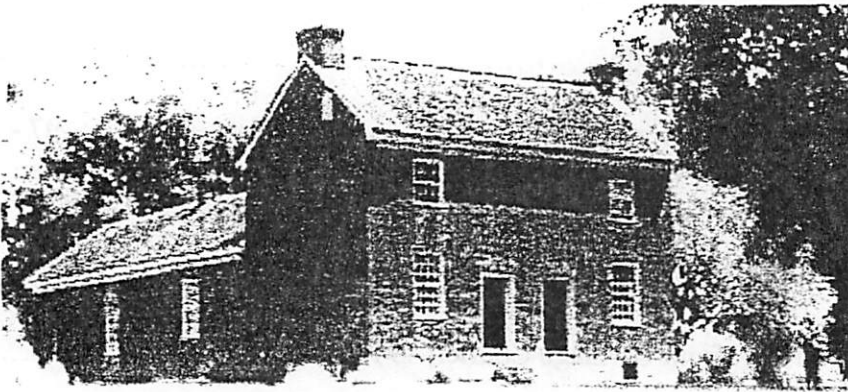
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SMITH COUNTY
IN THE SECOND SEMINOLE WAR

By Steven Denney

(Ed. Note: The first time I ever saw Steven Denney he was in the Gordonsville Library pouring over a cemetery book. The unusual thing was that he was only twelve or fourteen years old at the time. Steven's interest in history did not wane as he continued his scholastic career into college. He is a thorough and dedicated researcher, and we are grateful to him for so generously sharing his efforts with our readers).



In 1836, William Bowen Campbell was a rising young lawyer in the Carthage Bar. He saw an opportunity when President Jackson called for volunteers to fight the Seminole Indians in June of 1836. President Jackson called for 2000 men from Tennessee and supposedly 4000 responded. Campbell took the lead in organizing a company from Smith County and was elected Captain.

Campbell and the Smith Countians rendezvoused with the other Tennessee Volunteers at Camp Fort Blount near Fayetteville where they were organized into regiments. Campbell's company was included as part of the Second Tennessee Mounted Infantry. William Trousdale and Josephus Conn Guild of Sumner County were elected to the positions of Colonel and Lieutenant Colonel. Nashville Postmaster Robert Armstrong was elected Brigadier General.

The Tennessee troops were originally intended to fight the Creek Indians in lower Alabama but by the time they arrived on the scene there was no foe to fight. After this they were ordered to go to Florida, where they could support the fight against the Seminoles. When they arrived at Tallahassee, they discovered that there were no provisions waiting for them, a problem they would face again and again during the short time of their service. The men then marched to Fort Drane, where they were reinforced, and pushed on further to the Withlacoochi River. There on October 12, the first contact was made with the Indians. This time the fight went to the favor of the Americans as they surprised and captured a group of several braves. The next day Colonel Guild left on an expedition upstream with a 300 man battalion, including the Smith Countians to defeat an Indian fortification. As the troopers were crossing a small swollen stream they were ambushed by a party of Indians. Several of the American troops were wounded before the Indians retreated, but Guild felt it was prudent to withdraw his bloodied battalion in order to resupply.

During the few months that the regiment had been in service, they had traveled a great deal over rough country. The men and horses were always tired and this was compounded by the lack of forage for the horses or supplies for the men. Forage became so scarce that most of the regiment's mounts died of starvation. Being by necessity changed from mounted to foot infantry was greatly resented by the men and was a cause of great resentment among them, and they were not bashful when it came to expressing their displeasure to their superior officers. After a lengthy period of time in which the soldiers marched instead of rode, the troops became every restive.

Several of the company officers determined that drastic measures would be necessary to improve the lot of the regiment. At Camp Lane on October 24th, Captain Campbell suggested to his fellow officers that a resolution be written for all of the officers to sign in an attempt to force a solution of their problem. He accepted the task of attempting "to feel the pulse of the more nervous [officers] and ascertain what might be done."

Soon a resolution was completed which outlined the reason for unrest. The regiment had been raised with the promise that they would serve as mounted men – not infantry – but due to the "unjustifiable failure" on the part of certain Florida officials to supply the men with suitable forage, the greater number of the regimental mounts had died. Any further action involving the regiment would necessarily be on foot and "such service would be pernicious in a great degree to the health and comforts of said brigade" due to the marshy nature of the territory and poor supply situation.

The resolution further stated that the men had been "shamefully and cruelly treated in relation to provision on the Withlacoochee and other points... [even if now remounted] we will oppose and refuse to comply with any order requiring us to move from this point without a reasonable portion of provisions wherever we may be required to go." These were heady words for a group of captains and lieutenants.

The author and supporters of the resolution hoped that all the officers would sign the document in order to show unity. Campbell felt that there was little chance of everyone signing because of the possibility of repercussions, although he and a few others still supported the idea. Diarist Henry Hollingsworth recorded, "now the only Captains who seem operated upon by principle and consequently willing to go any length in defense of their rights, are Henry of Sumner, Bledsoe, Grundy and Campbell." The necessary support could not be garnered to adopt the resolution.

On September 28, several officers again met to discuss the situation. Campbell was officer of the day, so his duties kept him from attending but he sent word that he was willing to support almost anything "to prevent the men from being marched on foot." To the consternation of Campbell and his allies, nothing was accomplished at the meeting because the officers present could not agree upon a united mode of action. Some of the men wished for a continuation of activities, while some advised caution. The volunteers returned to the Withlacoochie on November 13th to continue the fight they had begun a month earlier. They found the Indian towns in the area deserted and had to settle for burning them. After this action, Captain Campbell lost his horse, and his words vividly express the plight the poor animals were in due to a lack of forage:

I lost my horse on the 15th of November 1836. I had rode him into the Cove with you when we burned the towns on the 13th of Nov. and he was thus very weak, and on the next day he was so weak that I could scarcely move him. We lay in camp that day and I turned him out in a prairie close by to feed. On the next morning I could not find him and was ordered off at the head of the footmen of the 1st Battalion of your Reg. My horse must have lain down in the high grass and could not get up or died as he could not be found.

On the 18th and 21st of November, the men again engaged the Indians. On the 18th, Indians were located at a village in the Wahoo Swamp. A three prong-attack was conducted upon a hummock near town to which the braves had retreated. The Indians fired first but were driven back. Several soldiers were lost or killed or wounded. Included among the wounded was Richard Alexander, a Sumner Countian who later moved to Smith County. On the 21st, the Indians were engaged, and this time the Tennesseans were more successful. This was to prove to be the last fighting for our company.

During the Seminole Campaign, most of the casualties suffered by the Tennesseans were due to disease rather than enemy action. The American troops were unaccustomed to the climate, water in the swamps was of poor quality, military sanitation was crude at best, medical care was poor, plus disease carrying insects were thick, while supplies were thin. Combine all these factors with the stress of the campaign and there is no wonder that disease was rampant.

In December the men marched to Tampa Bay, for the return trip home. On Christmas Day, "as warm as summer" the men coped with the difficult task of loading the ships to return home. Boarding was a dangerous and tedious process, as the transport ships could approach no closer than six miles from shore, and the men were in cramped quarters, they would be willing to endure "anything to get home." They embarked on December 26th, but did not arrive at New Orleans until January the 6th and were given a grand reception. From there the men were marched back to Tennessee.

During the seven months service which the Smith Countians endured in the Deep South, they "displayed great gallantry and won the cordial commendation of the General." In addition, Campbell "established an enviable reputation for courage and skill." This experience would lay the ground work for the classic campaigns which William Trousdale and William B. Campbell would wage against each other during the coming races for congress and governor. Also gaining invaluable experience during the Florida War was Richard Alexander, who would serve as first major of the First Tennessee Infantry during the Mexican War.

As alluded to above, William Campbell would turn his experience in the Seminole War to good political use during the subsequent years. It seems that his flirtation with mutiny did not stop his rapid rise. Resigning his seat as a member of the legislature when he joined the army in 1836, he was elected as a Whig to Congress for three successive terms, defeating Trousdale twice. In 1842 he was elected Major General of the Tennessee Militia which by this time was a largely ceremonial role. When the Mexican War started, Campbell took advantage of the fact that two Smith County companies were selected to serve in the 1st Tennessee Regiment, and parlayed his popularity with the boys into election as colonel of the regiment. He served with distinction during the war as commander of the "The Bloody 1st Tennessee" and after the war he defeated incumbent Governor William Trousdale and became Governor. He refused a second term. During the secession crisis of 1861, both sides begged him to come out in favor of their position. He finally chose to remain loyal to the Union, turning down the offer of command of the troops of the Confederate Army in Tennessee. He did accept a commission as Brigadier General in the Union Army with the understanding (per his request) that he would not serve in field command. During the war, he was promoted as the Vice-Presidential running mate of George McClellan for the 1864 campaign, but refused the nomination.

I do not have a complete list of Smith County's soldiers in the Seminole War. The following list of members for the company comes from the mess and guard book of Sergeant Paschal M. Brien, a member of the company from the southern part of the county. His home was probably later cut off into what is today Dekalb County.

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From the mess list of July 11, 1836:

Leach, John
 Gray, G. W.
 Tucker, W. G.
 Allison, William
 Pendleton, Levi
 Reed, Hugh
 Shy, J. G.
 Reasonover, J. J.
 Webster, Peter
 Coe, John
 Farmer, S. A.
 Allison, Joseph
 Ford, James G.
 Ford, William G.
 Wade, Charles
 Warren, John
 Owens, James
 Owens, H. G.
 Pugh, Francis
 Taylor, William
 Wochran, H. J.
 Baker, William
 Barrett, James
 Womack, Alfred

Penile, Willia
 Wilson, William
 Boze, Richard
 Boze, James
 Phillips, David
 Carmax, George
 Snow, Isaac
 Calhoun, Hardy
 Jones, Richard
 Haynes, Rufus
 Maney, H. G.
 Beasley, S. C.
 Dale, Thomas
 Harrel, T. G.
 Coleman, J. J.
 Debrunt, J. G.

From the guard list July 11-July 19

Alexander, J. H.
 Gray, G. G.
 Hazaard, Cyrus
 Harts, Seaborn
 Taylor, W. B.
 Parrot, Nathaniel

Ward, Sterling
 Hallum, Jonah
 Davis, E. W.
 Hallum, William
 Coggin, Daniel
 McClanahan, William
 Forrester, William
 Baker, William
 Haney, H. B.
 McFarland, John
 Claiborne, John B.
 Phillips, David
 Dougherty, William
 Hollis, Elijah
 Hayne, Robert
 Allison, Samuel
 Webster, Peter
 Heflin, H.
 Davenport, J. G.
 Warren, H. J.
 Davis, James
 Cheek, James
 Snow, P.
 Lancaster, Wm.
 Wilson, William
 Reed, Hugh

Nomination at Independence Hall, Philadelphia,

DECEMBER 9TH, 1832.

FOR PRESIDENT.

George H. Metcalf.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

William B. Campbell.

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON

1871 – 1907

Compiled and Edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Volume XVIII, No. 1, Winter 2006JANUARY 1, 1896 – DECEMBER 31, 1896

- 01/05 A bright, cold day. Kelly went to Sunday School and then to his Aunt Nancy Jane's to spend the day. Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went and spent the day at Pate Sampson's. Net stayed with us until 12:00. She and Fred were getting words from the word liberty bell. Fred, Thayer and I here all evening and lonesome.
- 01/09 Cool and cloudy. Ed and Kelly sawed wood awhile and hung some meat and killed a hog. Mr. Wilson and Jesse carried five hogs to Rock City and delivered to John Enoch at 3 cents. Kelly has gone down to spend the night with his grandpa and grandma. Commenced our carpet.
- 01/10 Cool and cloudy. Kelly came home early and got ready and Mr. Wilson and Jesse carried him to Rome to get on a boat to go to Granville to attend school for five months and while anxious for him to go, it is quite a trial to give up my treasure box. Five months. Nancy Jane and Mary Tom spent the day here and I had been sick with a headache so bad they had to get dinner. Bess found a calf. Someone broke in Oliver's store last night.
- 01/27 Cool and cloudy. Mr. Wilson went to Rome today and got our sugar and coffee for this year, 40 pounds of coffee at 20 cents a pound and 295 pounds of sugar at 6 cents a pound, which was paid for with the meat we sold to Dr. Wilson last fall. Mr. Wilson also bought of Tom Mofield a nice mare mule, paying him \$55.00. Fred and Jesse, mighty smart, have 35 lambs now.
- 02/14 Well, the last two weeks must be only a sad blank as the second instant (i.e., Feb. 2nd, TWB) Mr. Martin Dial came for me to go at once to Pa who was very sick. Of course I went at once and watched anxiously at his bedside until I thought him well enough to return to my loved ones at home. So, yesterday I came home on the little steamer *White*, a miserable, nervous, stormy, rainy day and got to Rome at 2:00 yesterday evening. Started home on Mr. Robert Cato's horse and met Jesse coming for me and was quite sick last night and had many questions to answer. Today had been trying to get things a little straightened out. Hattie and Vida Williams here awhile this evening.
- 02/25 A lovely, cool day. Mr. Wilson began to sow oats today. Ed sowing and Mr. Andrew Tyree and Jesse harrowing them in. Mary Tom spent the day here. Mr. Joe Baird, candidate for Trustee, was here tonight. Aunt Nan Deese sued Mr. Wilson today, John Pope being the officer.
- 03/13 A real cold day. Kelly came from Granville this evening and we were all so glad to see him. He has been gone for two months. Fred and Ed went to Gordonsville to the mill and were gone all day.

03/23 A terrible, bad day. Rain, sleet and snow. Net opened her school at Plunketts Creek and Mr. Wilson carried Wilsye and went to see his Pa who is still sick, though better. Jesse is a little sick today. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening. Tom Wilson was here for lard. Was so bad that Wilsye did not get home but stayed with Net.

NOTE: [Eleanora Wilson Davis speaking. T.W.B.] We interrupt the reading because of a change of handwriting and it is Fred Taylor's. The reason for grandmother's absence from home will be revealed. I'd like to make a personal comment which I am sure will be accepted and that is that Fred Taylor's handwriting at the age of 15 is just as distinctive and unique as we might expect.

04/01 Another bad day. This morning Mr. House and family went home and mama, sister and Thayer all got ready and Papa took them in the old jersey to Rome to wait for the steamer *Dunbar*, which they will board for Granville to see poor, sick Grandpa, as Thayer says. Mama asked me to write in her diary in her absence. Kelly left early for Granville, too.

04/02 A windy, blustery day. Mama and the rest did not get off yesterday. The river was so high that the boats would not be up so they came back home. Kelly had to come back, too. The ferryman would not set him across on account of the high waves. Mama and Ed made some chicken hovels. Kelly started again this morning but could not get across so he is here another night. Mama was so uneasy about him. Late tonight Hugh Hargis of Granville came. Uncle Fred had sent him to see about Kelly and said Grandpa was very low.

04/09 Another pretty day. This morning Mama, Thayer and sister went to Rome to start again to Granville. Heard they left about 5 p.m. on the *Dunbar*. Ed and Banks and Jesse and I planted corn again today in the upper field. All lonesome of course without Thayer.

04/26 It rained a little this morning and Aunt Mary and Ed left early. Also Mary Kinney (colored) went down to Julia's (colored). Jesse and I alone today. Papa came home later this evening reporting that Grandpa Kelly is dead. Yes, dead. He has gone to his final resting place. Heaven. May we all be able to meet him in that beautiful land Sala. He died last Thursday evening and was buried in Uncle Thayer's orchard near his home Friday. (Many years later he ^{was} moved to Gallatin where his son Fred's family was living. TWB) Brother John Jordan preached his funeral at home and he said sister was doing very well. Banks came this evening to stay with us provided Papa did not come home and is here tonight.

05/06 A pretty day. Ed and Banks plowed corn today. Heard the steamer *White* blow this morning and believed Mama was on it so Jesse took the jersey to Rome after her and about 1:00 Mama and Thayer and sister all got home once more and of course all glad to see them. Thayer brought his pup, a pretty one, too. Aunt Mary helped me get dinner.

05/24 A sad, sad day. Just one month since my own dear good Pa was laid away forever, and oh I can't attempt to record my heartaches. Surely time will bring relief. We all went to Mt. Olivet to church except Fred who was at home alone and Rev. Cochran of Wilson County preached. Tonight Mr. Wilson and I left the children alone and rode Morgan and went to Rome to attend song service, conducted by Rev. Cochran, which was very entertaining. Got home at 11:00.

- 06/12 A beautiful, pleasant day. Kelly went very early this morning and brought Wilsye home. She had been with grandma since Monday. Mr. Wilson and I went to Brother Harper's funeral which was preached to a large crowd at his residence by Rev. Thomas Estes, assisted by Rev. Sam Fitzpatrick, after which his remains were brought to his last resting place, though I did not stop but came home. This evening I put in Fred Taylor's quilt. Mrs. Laura Pernel's little girl was born this morning. All quite busy tying up the oats.
- 06/25 I have been real sick all day. Kelly and Fred each have been gone all day to Carthage to attend the institute. Fred ate dinner at Brother Jordan's and Kelly at Sam Patch's. Mr. Wilson and Thayer went and spent the evening at Ma's. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this morning and carried a keg of vinegar and brought my bonnet and a dozen fruit cans.
- 07/17 A pretty, pleasant day. Kelly came home early and told us that Alfred Baines and Ethel Baines were married by Brother Webster at the parsonage yesterday evening. I went early up to George's and Nancy Jane went to Jim Ward, Jr., and I went to Jim Ward, Sr., to spend the day and Mr. Ward and Mrs. Duke had gone to Grant and Henry Ward went for them and they returned soon after noon. Ida Webster and Nancy Jane came over to Mr. Ward's and all spend a pleasant afternoon. Duke Ward's horse ran away with his cart, giving all quite a scare just before we got there, though he was too much hurt. Got home quite late this evening and found Mr. Wilson had gone again to see the sick: Mr. Martin Towland, Walter Sampson and Jordan Harper.
- 07/27 A terrible hot day. Wilsye went to school, Kelly carrying her on Morgan, after which Mr. Wilson and all the boys except Thayer went to Carthage to hear Bob Taylor speak, so Thayer and I have been alone all day. Late this evening, all got home and Mr. Horton Buchanan came with them to spend the night. All report a very large crowd and speaking by Robert L. Taylor, Electra Woodward and Honorable Benton McMillan.
- 08/14 Another warm day. Heard this morning that Jordan Harper died last night at 10:00. Mr. Wilson was gone over to the grave all morning and Walter Williams and Bob Wilson ate dinner here. This evening Mr. Wilson and the boys went to the burying but I was not able to go.
- 08/25 Kelly went to do his first day's road working. As Mr. Wilson went to George Kinslow's sale, I went to Molly Harper's to spend the day. Mary Tom was there and Lucy went after Ma and she came and we all spent the day with Molly very pleasantly. Annie Harper brought Mary Tom home and came with me and got some quinine as Tommy and Hamilton are chilling.
- 09/05 Had a good little rain last night and it is a pleasant day. Quarterly meeting is today at Mt. Olivet and Mr. Wilson and I went and carried dinner so we had a basket dinner on the ground. Brother Fisher preached an interesting sermon from Daniel to a nice, small crowd. As soon as we had eaten dinner, Mr. Wilson went to the lodge and I came home. Late this evening Dave Hodge and Sally with their children D.P. and Sally came and are here tonight. Kelly also came home having been to Lebanon after a horse, Prince, for his Uncle Fred and he is with us tonight also.

- 09/15 A very warm day. About 7:00 Jesse, Thayer and I started to Granville, driving Val in Mr. House's buggy. We forded the river and stopped at the spring at Elmwood to eat dinner. After we had eaten, we drove up to Marvin Ford's and spent an hour or two and then went to Granville, getting there about sundown. Found all well and Alice and Fanny and Webb there and as Allie had gone to her Papa's Fred Kelly. Hugh Hargis and Burley, the negro, are boarding at Ma's.
- 09/28 A steady rain all day so the children could not go to school. Mr. Wilson went to Rome to attend a trial. The little boys hulled walnuts for me to dye my yarn.
- 10/09 Jesse is not very well so he did not go to school and he and I have been quite busy all day cleaning up the grinding of our tomatoes for sweet chowchow. Col. A.E. Garrett came late this evening and took supper and he and Mr. Wilson and Fred and Jesse went to Rock City to the schoolhouse where Col. Garrett addressed the William J. Bryant Free Silver Club, after which Col. Garrett returned and spent the night with us. Wilsye, Thayer and I alone until late bedtime.
- 10/30 Cloudy. Mrs. Cora Denton's school at Beech Grove closed today and the children got home a little after noon. Fred gathered peas this evening. Tonight, the Free Silver Club met at Plunketts Creek and Mr. Wilson, Fred and Jesse went. Wilsye, Thayer and I were alone until bedtime.
- 11/05 Fred Taylor started to Granville early this morning after Kelly as school there had closed. Ed broke the garden. Mr. Wilson sold his cattle today to Dutch Oldham of Grant for 2 ½ cents. All blue over election news as we hear today McKinley is elected President of the United States though we are glad to hear that Robert L. Taylor is elected Governor. Julia (colored) and Mary Kinney (colored) washed and scoured today.
- 11/17 A lovely day. About 10:00 Jesse came from there and said Grandpa was so bad that I went down there and found him just living. I stayed until after 3:00. Came home, leaving a number there. When I got home, I found Thayer and Ada here and they are here tonight and Mrs. Rachel Baines came and stayed until bedtime. Kelly went home with her. Mr. Wilson came from his Ma's and told us that Pa had died at seven and a half o'clock tonight and words cannot express our sorrow.
- 11/24 A lovely day. Kelly has been real sick all day. Dr. Sampson came to see him this evening. Mr. Wilson was at Rock City this evening and heard that Mr. Blake Thaxton fell from the window of the lodge room on Snow Creek last Saturday night and killed himself.
- 11/30 Just a very cold day and a busy one. Mr. Wilson killed six large hogs, John Williams six large ones, George Baines two large ones and Mr. Wilson two small ones. Julia (colored) attended to ours. Ed is sick. Sam Barnett and John Johnson (colored) and Turner Grissom (colored) also helped. I've been sick all day but managed to get dinner and supper. Ada and Wilsye have been quite busy and Kelly is still confined to room mostly.
- 12/07 A warm day, looking like rain. Fred, Wilsye and I put up sausage, made souse and scoured the storeroom and so forth. Wash Burris' house burned yesterday morning. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening and went this morning to see the sick at George Williams.

- 12/09 A lovely day. Mrs. Denton left early this morning. Ann Grissom here all day and finished the rag carpet at 2:00 this evening and then ironed. Mr. Wilson went very early and rode old Val and put her in Ma's buggy and carried Ma up to George's and they spent the day there. Kelly went to Rome after the brick to build the flue for the boys and when he came back, he told of their having found Wilts Manning at Lafayette with Molly Harper and Joe High's horses, which were stolen last week, and he has been brought to Carthage, tried for stealing them and failed to give bond, was put in jail. Considerable excitement over it. Wilsye has been in bed all day with such a cold. Fred and Jesse went to Plunketts to prayer meeting tonight. Heard Molly Harper had a little boy born this morning.
- 12/21 Cool this morning. Mr. Wilson, Ed and Mr. George Baines and the boys killed three hogs for Alfred Baines and two for Aunt Betsy and one for Ed and one for Allan Baines and one for us and one for Brother Carden and delivered them at four and a half cents per pound. Julia (colored) attended to the lard. I am not at all well. After supper tonight Fred and Jesse went up to see John Violet who has pneumonia.
- 12/25 A beautiful, cold day. Fred gone to Granville. Jesse to his grandma's and Rome. Kelly to Rome to hear Brother Carden preach. Mr. Wilson went to George Baines this morning and this evening he went to spend the night with his Mama. Jordan Williams is here tonight and he and the children except Fred and I are alone. Thus was spent Christmas of 1896, the saddest Christmas of my life so far.
- 12/30 A real spring-like day. Kelly stayed with Bryce Baines last night and did not get home until after 9:00 and Jesse did not get home from Nancy Jane's until late so Mr. Wilson had to milk and feed by himself, after which he went to Albert Williams and spent most of the day, taking dinner there. Tonight Kelly has gone to Mr. Cog Denton's to a party and Jesse has gone to stay with his grandma for Bob to go to a party down below Rome. Mr. George Baines is here tonight until bedtime. Old Mrs. Holmes was buried at Mt. Olivet today.
- 12/31 Another lovely day. Mag Baines, Alda Estes and Edna were here this morning. Kelly is plowing and Ed is helping Mr. House move. Fred Taylor got home from Granville at three and a half o'clock this evening, having been gone just a week. All glad to see him. Kelly is gone tonight to a party at Mr. Vince Taylor's. This ends the record for 1896 and surely the saddest record I have ever made. So great have been the trials of 1896 that the pen is powerless to record the heartaches and sorrows, and we struggle so hard to say, Thy will be done and the spirit is willing but the flesh is so weak. We close this book with an earnest prayer that we may be prepared for all coming trials and battles of life and this book is to belong to Thayer Smith Wilson and Mama earnestly hopes that it may be a pleasure to him in years to come.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

Cotinued from Volume XVII, No. 3
Unedited for spelling grammar.

OCTOBER TERM 1871. The Church request Brother Fliping to git some panes of glass and replace the window & call on the tresure for Pay. Brother Bank to git some wood & call on the tresure for pay.

James Barrett, Mod.

NOV TERM 1871. No business of record. Our Brother Patton preached for us. J. Barrett, Mod., J. Ligon, Clk.

DEC TERM 1871. Macedonia Church in conference their being no reference new business called for the church request Brother Fliping to make a lader for the benefit of going on top of the church house & they would pay him for the same. J. A. Barrett, protem

JANUARY TERM 1872. The church in conference no references on docket Business called for the church to Murfreesboro to aid Brother Patton in support & others hoo are trying to gain information to preach gospel they are requested to git up means to defray expenses of our church. The church elected Banks Oliver & James A. Ligon to get up money . Mod. James A. Ligon.

The church dispensed of meeting on the Sabath for lack of minister.

FEB TERM 1872. No Conference.

MARCH TERM 1872. The Macedonia Church met in conference on the 18th Business called their being no references new business call The church of Bunavesta request ministerial aid of ur church to assist in the ordinatin of J. T. Oakley. The church granted the request.

APRIL TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference on Saturday the 20 instant, there being no reference new business called the church thought proper to appoint a commity to examine into the title of the land to see whither it was legally authenticated according to law & pay the nessary expenses for same. The commity are as follows, Banks Oliver, J. A. Barrett, Bro. Neel. Brak. Smith, Mod., J. A. Ligon, clk.

MAY TERM 1872. Macedonia Church met in conference Saturday before the 3rd Lord's Day in May 1872. On motion Br. L. Dias made Mod. Business called the commity to arrange the title of the church was not ready to report. They were continued, by motion a commity was appointed to see what it would cost to have the church inclosed with a fence & report at the next meeting, namely John M. Barrett, J. P. Hameltom, W. N. Neel, Br. E.

Odums. Barrett offered his resignation to the church as pastor on the account of his health the church refused to receive it, hoping his health would improve. The church appointed a committee to see if they could get Ministerial aid for a time, to wit, Leroy James & Br. W. N. Neel.

Louis Dias, Mod, J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference before the 3rd Lord's Day in June. By motion Br. McNab made the Mod. Business called the committee to arrange the title of the church was not ready to report they were continued until they were ready. The committee to enclose the church was continued with one more added to their numbers to wit Bro. James Barrett, Senior. The entire committee are as follows: James Barrett, Senior, John Barrett, J. P. Hamilton, & W. N. Neel. The committee to supply the church with ministerial aid was continued also to wit Br Leroy James & W. N. Neel. Bro. McNab, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference. No business on minutes. The church then delegated to the Association to wit, Leroy James, Wilson Neel, & D. T. Moore, Alternate James Barrett, Senior, James Barrett, Junior.

AUGUST TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference. Business called the letter to the association read and received. Bro. Barrett offered his resignation again by letter, the church thought best to take no steps at the present Term & defer until the next term. Sister Carter was excluded for rudeness. Our next meeting on Thursday before the 3rd Sabbath on the account of the association. A committee appointed to collect money for our pastor are as follows, Bro. Neel, Leroy James, T. Moore & Bro. Corder. L. Dies, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT 1ST 1872. Macedonia church in conference on Diers Branch. A meeting held by Br Wooten, eight joined by relation and baptism to wit, Thomas Wilkerson, Walter Wilkerson, James P. Hunt, William Butts, Luther M. Lee, John Bray, Samuel Hale, Martha Wilkerson, Elisabeth Wilkerson. One restored, to wit John Nowlen. Bro. Wooten, Mod.

SEPTEMBER TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference on Thursday preceding The 3rd Sabbath Business called the committee to collect money for our former Pastor Bro. Barrett reported that our beloved pastor request that they should not collect money for him, But if any of the Brethering wish to give him anything he would receive it if they wish him, the committee was discharged. Our beloved Brother's resignation was received. By motion the following committee appointed to see Br McNab & inform him they would give him \$100.00 for the next twelve months as pastor. The committee are as follows, Leroy James, W. Neel, Thomas Moore, John Barrett. Brother Johy Barrett was added to the delegation to go to the association. The committee in regard to the fence are requested to collect money & build the fence & when they could get no money Stop.

Brother L. James added to the building committee. The following members agree to apy the amounts against their names for services for Br. McNab. John Barrett, \$10.00; N. b. Andrews \$10.00; Bank Oliver \$10.00; J. A. Ligon \$5.00. Those that voted to pay \$100.00 are as follows: James A. Barrett, Thomas Moores, Leroy James, James Bradford, W. Neel, J. O. Stalling, William Hale, M. Pope, John bates, Thomas Barrett, Sam Hale. Louis Dies, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

OCTOBER TERM 1872. The United Baptist Church of Christ at Macedonia in conference the commity to see Broth McNab & engage him as pastor for the incoming year report to have complied with the request. Brother McNabb agree to give the church an answer at the next term. The commity to build was continued the church granted Brother C. S. Sampson a letter of dismissal, also they granted Sister Victoria Wilson a letter of Dismissin. A commity appointed to drafte some resolutions with regard to Brother Barrett resignation, the commity are as follows, to wit, Brothers Neele, Thomas, Moore and Bro Corder. Our protrated to be held in Nov Term. Broth McNabb, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

NOVEMBER TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference. The commity to draft resolutions with regard to Brother Barrett resignation then ordered to spread on the church Book and published in some Baptist paper and the commity dismissed. Bro. McNabb, Mod.

DECEMBER TERM 1872. Macedonia Church in conference. Brother John Nollen charged with intoxication, a commity was appointed to wate on him to wit Brothers John Bates & Brother John Barrett & report at the next term. Brother McNab, Mod.

JANUARY TERM 1873. No Conference.

FEBRUARY TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in Conference on the Sabbath the church granted Sister Rebecca Alison a letter of Dismission the case of Brother continued till next term. Bro McNabb, Mod.

MARCH TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in Conference, the commity to see Brother ? Reports that they saw him and he acknowledged the charge to be true & promised to come to the church but he did not come & the church excluded him & the commity was discharged. Other business called for the restitution part of the association as a constitution was taken up to ratify or reject all the constitution, ratified except for the following articles to wit: the 2nd and 4th so much as relates to individual church privileges, also rejected the 17th and 19th Articles of the Constitution. Brother Oliver and Brother James Barrett, Junior added to commity of building fund. Brother McNabb to spend some time in preaching in our neighborhood ,at April Term a committee appointed to select the time and place the commity are as follows, Brother L. James, Brother James Barrett, Brother Neel. The commity to build the fence are authorized to borrow money to pay for

the building of the front of the fence next to the road. Br. McNabb, Mod. James A. Ligon, clk.

APRIL TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference, the commity to build the rock fence reports the fence to be done. Commity discharged. Brother James Barrett, Junior donated to the church an additional portion of lands to the church for the purpose of hicking ground for which the church respectably receive & return to him there most sincere thanks. Bro McNab, Mod, James A. Ligon, clk.

MAY TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference, there being no reference new business called. A commity was appointed to set up a cornerstone or rock at the diferent corners of the church land who was Banks Oliver & James Barrett, Junior. Brother James Hunt was charged with being intoxicated & carde playing. A commity was elected to wait on him & inform him of the charges & reporte at the next term who was James Farmer & James A. Ligon. Bro. McNab, Mod., James A. Ligon, clk.

JUNE TERM 1873. NO CONFERENCE.

JULY TERM 1873. The committee to set up the cornerstone at the Church site complied with the request & then discharged. The case of Bro. Hunt taken up he did not appear, another one added to the commity to wit James Stallings & they requested to see him again and report at the next term. Brother Hamilton was granted a letter of Dismission. 8/22/06I The church elected there delegates to the association who are as follows, Bro. W. Neel, James A. Barrett, Junior, Bro. Thomas Moore, there alternates are Leroy James, Banks Oliver & Bro. James Stallings. Bro. McNabb, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference. Minutes read, the case of Bro. James Hunt taken up the commity to report that they saw him, the church examined his case and had him excluded. The letter read & approved to the association an order drawn on the Treasuer for ten dollars to be payed over to the association for home and foren mission & also to pledge ten dollars for year 1874. The protracted to commence Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in Sept next. John Oakley, Mod, J. A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPTEMBER TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference, the minutes read & approved, then business called. There was a charge preferred against Bro. Dock Stallings as a rumor that he had been guilty of swearing & carde playing. A commity was appointed to see him and inform him of the same & answer to the charge the commity was as follows, James A. Ligon, N. B. Andrews. Br. McNabb, Mod., J. A. Ligon, Clk.

OCTOBER TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference, business called, the case of Brother Dock Stallings came up the commity reported & the case deferred until the next term with James Barrett added to the committee to labor with Brother Dock Stallings. A

letter granted to Bro. Leroy James, also letter granted to Brother Edward Patton, also five joined of experience and Baptism to wit, Mary M. Rollings, Mary B. Buts, Martha Buts, Elizabeth Buts, Elizabeth Barrett, also Brother McNabb agrees to serve the church the next year for which they the church agree to pay him sume of \$100.00. Bro. McNabb, Mod., James A. Ligon, clk.

NOVEMBER TERM 1873. Macedonia Church conference. The case of Brother Stalling deferred until the next term.

DECEMBER TERM 1873. Macedonia Church in conference. Business called, the case of Brother Dock Stallings called and the case examined him & returned him to full fellowship & the commity discharged. On the account of the Death of our beloved Brother & former Pastor James Barrett it became nessary to pass some resolutions, therefore the church appoints the following brethern to draft some resolutions to wit, W. Neel, Brother Corder & James A. Ligon & read the same at the next Term, also read at the next term the History of the Church gotten up by Bro. James Barrett & others it being the last work that he was ever able to do while he lived. Bro. McNab, Mod., Jas. A. Ligon, Clk.

Ed. Note: Unfortunately, the resolutions drafted by the "commity" appointed at the December Term 1873 eulogizing the Reverend James Barrett are no longer extant. However, J. H. Grime, writing in his HISTORY OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE BAPTISTS in 1902 may have had access to them. He speaks of Elder James Barrett in glowing, reverent terms stating that "no one ever wielded a more wholesome influence in their ministry than he." Elder Barrett was baptized into the fellowship of Macedonia Church in 1848 by Elder Louis Dies. He was ordained into the ministry in March 1850 and served Macedonia Church as pastor for nineteen years. Elder Barrett never recovered from a fall from his horse, and, on December 3, 1873, "his spirit loosed from its earthly moorings and went home to be with God."

*Victor of the Cross, well done,
Life's battle fought, the victory won.*

SEALY JOHNSTON DEED, 1821

Ed. Note: When working in the Smith County Archives, you just never know what the next, faded, brittle, yellow old document will disclose when unfolded. Recently, while working with the few original deeds in the collection, Nina Sutton discovered this interesting old deed wherewith Sealy Johnston of Bedford County deeds to her three-year old granddaughter, Sealy Johnston of Smith County, a potpourri of articles. Sealy makes it quite clear that she wants no "meddling, interfering, misuse, or selling of any of the items!"

Tennessee State 30 I know all ^{by these presents} ~~the~~ ^{of} Smith County that I Sealy Johnston of Bedford County hath and for consideration of the love that I have for my Grandchild Sealy Johnston daughter of my youngest son Steven Johnston at this time about three years old. of Smith County hath for and the love for my Grandchild hath granted given and bequeathed to the said Sealy Johnston the following property now in possession of my youngest son Steven Johnston Viz one cotton wheel, one bed and furniture steds and cord, one churn, half dozen plates, one basin, one set of knives and forks, three chairs, parcel of tools, nine hogs, two bee stands. ~~that~~ ^{and} the said Sealy Johnston of Bedford County doth warrant and forever defend the above mention property to my Grandchild the above mentioned Sealy Johnston of Smith County and I Sealy Johnston of Bedford County doth forever warn all person or persons whatever from meddling interfering, selling, or misusing any part or parcel of the above mentioned property. Signed Sealed, and Delivered by Sealy Johnston in the presence of Notary Public James Peter Warren, Junr. August 8th 1821

RECORDS OF DEATHS, 1881 – 1882
SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

The reporting of birth and death records was not mandatory in Tennessee before 1914. For some unexplained reason there are books in the Smith County Archives that document these records for the years 1881 and 1882 only. The birth records were published in the *Quarterly* beginning with Volume XIII, NO. 2, Spring 2001. In the case of the death records, the data is recorded by Civil Districts and includes entries under the following headings: Date of Death, Name of Deceased, Sex, Color, Martial Status, Age, Place of Death, Cause of Death, Nativity, Occupation, and Residence of Parents, Relationship of Parents if any, and Date Recorded. Only selected information was extracted for this publication. Birth places are in Tennessee (T) unless otherwise indicated. F = Female; FW = Female White; FB = Female Black; M = Male; MW = Male White; MB = Male Black; M = married; S = Single.

NAME (Sex/Color/Nativity)	DEATH	M or S	AGE	DIST .	PARENTS
Caroline White (FW)Am.	4/20/1881	M	63	20	William & -- Saddler (Both Dead)
Francis Tenn. Tibb (FW)	4/26/1881	S	23	Poor H	Elijah & Eliaza Jane Tibb "
Celie Smith (FW)	5/7/1881	M	56	"	Littleton & Lydia Darnell Smith
Lovinya Hopkins (FW) T	6/3/1881	S	48	"	John & Mary Hopkins (Both Dead)
Monsie Trawick (FW)	4/26/1881	S	9	10	Benton & Mary Trawick
William R. Green (MW)	5/31/1881	M	30	2	Bailey & Martha F. Green
Mary Antonett Askew (FW)	4/5/1881	M	30	7	W. W. & Betsy Jones
Luella Bell Hogin (FB)	5/10/1881	S	2	15	Jackson & Mary Hogin
Benjamin Tyree (MW)	9/10/1881	S	86	13	Blank
Edgar Enoch (MW)	5/16/1881	S	9	13	William & Mary Enoch
William C. Norris (MW)	6/20/1881	M	69	13	James & Nancy Norris (Both Dead)
Mary Johnson (FB)	6/1/1881	M	35	16	Isaac & Louisa Lyles
Anna Bell Ferrell (FB)	6/10/1881	S	3	12	Scot B. & Charlie Ferrell
Mary Myer (FB)	8/9/1881	S	27	20	Cambrie & Letha Myer
Martha Caroline Henry(FW)	8/13/1881	S	9	20	Taylor & Margaret J. Henry
Albert Berwell (MB)	7/7/1881	S	1	12	George & Fannie Berwell
-----Oliver (FW)	7/23/1881	S	8	13	Andy & Fannie Oliver
Kate McClellan (FB)	9/2/1881	S	14	20	Blank
Sarah F. Haynes (FW)	6/10/1881	S	18	8	Blank
-----Herring (FW)	5/5/1881	S	---	8	Ellis & Mary A. Herring
Margaret G. Hadock (FW)	5/18/1881	M	44	1	Labon & -- Philips (Dead)
Elizabeth Early (FW)	7/12/1881	S	19	1	--- & Martha Bennett
May Richards (FW)	7/28/1881	S	2	1	Ship & Sarah Richards
Minnie Thompson (FB)	7/28/1881	S	6	1	Stor. & Jane Thompson
Thomas Baker (MW)	7/28/1881	S	13	1	F. G. & -- Baker (Both Dead)
Bettie Fite (FW)	7/28/1881	S	---	1	John A. & Mollie Fite
Alice Cason (FB)	7/28/1881	S	18 da.	1	Henry & Martha Cason
--- McDonald (FB)	7/28/1881	S	4 "	1	Tobe & Priscilla McDonald
Manerva Norris (FB)	9/28/1881	S	11 "	3	Berry & Mary Norris
Thomas C. Taylor (WM)	9/16/1881	M	63	3	Thomas & -- Taylor (Both Dead)
Maggie Colbun (FW)	10/7/1881	S	10 mo.	14	Leonard & Ann Colbun

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Sallie Bradley (FW)	9/10/1881	M	22	14	Jordan & Sarah Williams
David Franklin Bradley(MW)	9/20/1881	S	1 Mo	14	Thomas & Sarah Bradley
Josie Minton (FW)	10/17/1881	S	2	14	William & Martha Minton
James G. Wyatt (MW)	10/18/1881	M	58	8	Both Dead
Ransom Brinlee (MW)	10/21/1881	S	21 Da	8	George & Mary A. Brinlee
Maggie M. Hunter (FW)	10/28/1881	S	10 Mo	8	Jesse & Paralee Hunter
Eliza Petty (FW)SC	11/17/1881	S	56	8	Both Dead
Annie Eliza Hall (FW)	10/25/1881	S	1	13	Wm. & Ann Eliza Hall
John W. Hall (MW)	11/3/1881	S	7 Mo	13	John & Emma Haley
Lucy Jane Violet(FW)	10/15-1882	S	4 Mo	13	Jamed C. & Karrie Volett
Ava Reece Eastes(FW)	10/15/1882	S	1 Mo	14	Frank M. & Mary Eastes
Elizabeth Crutchfield (FW)	10/14/1882	M	51	14	Daniel & = Robinson ,Both Dead
William B. Hall (MW)	9/26/1882	S	4	13	Wm. & Ann Eliza Hall
Sarah Jane Brigg (FW)NC	9/29/1882	M	47	16	Robert & Jane Blackwell, Dead
-Law (MW)	12/12/1882	S	-	2	Thadius S. & Fannie Law
Docia Maxey (FW)	4/12/1882	S	25	21	Thos. & Mary Maxey
Mattie Smith (FW)	7/28/1882	S	2	6	James & Maria Smith
Hallie Smith (FW)	7/30/1882	S	2	6	David J. & Mary Smith
Senna M. Hill (FW)	9/4/1882	S	2 Mo	6	James E. & Aldora Hill
Willie Hill (WM)	8/28/1882	S	-	6	John M. & Mary F. Hill
Nancy Jenkins (FW)	— 1882	M	21	6	George & Matilda Boston
Minnie Nee Yeaman (FW)	7/16/1882	S	5 Da	2	P. C. & E. E. Yeaman
Lydia Darnell (FW)NC	9/26 1882	S	95	10	John & Mary Bush, Dead
Fannie Agnis Hughes (FB)	7/15/1882	S	5 Da	16	Henry & Cherry Hughes
—Draper (MW)	8/24/1882	S	3 Mo	5	James T. & Edie Draper
Nettie Nichols (FB)	11/20/1882	S	23	8	-----
Maggie Boulton (FB)	11/21/1882	S	2	8	Harvey Boulton
Susan Marsh (FW)NC	12/6/1882	S	59	8	-----
Mary Apple (FW)	— 1882	S	80	8	-----
Fannie Law (FW)	12/12/1882	M	20	2	John & Frances Badcom
Minnie C. Bush (FW)	12/2/1882	S	7	16	G. N. & F. A. Bush
Mary A. Craighead (FW)	10/18/1882	S	8 Mo	2	M. Y. & M. A. Craighead
Alice May Kirby (FW)	10/21/1882	S	10 Mo	2	S. C. & M. H. Kirby
John McCormick, Sr. (MW)	5/25/1882	M	76	5	Unknown & dead
George Kemp (MW)	12/2/1882	M	32	3	William & Nancy Kemp
Josephine Parker(FW)	12/29/1882	S	21	19	William & Nancy Parker
W. N. Gregory (MW)	12/10/1882	M	33	3	W. J. & Celie Gregory
Elizabeth House (FW)	4/6/1882	S	81	14	Unknown
Elizabeth Frances Baker (FW)	4/14/1882	M	64	14	Duke & Elizabeth Skelton
Elizabeth Brown (FB)	7/9/1882	M	60	14	-----
Polly Bush (FW)	5/24/1882	S	71	14	-----
Ellnora Russell (FW)	6/11/1882	S	-	5	J. F. & Sarah Russell
Sina Emma M. Reignalds (FW)	7/3/1882	S	2	5	Samuel P. & Rose L. McReignalds
Martha L. Lemons (FW)	7/3/1882	M	22	2	Miles & Letha Shoemake
Della B. Martin (FW)	7/10/1882	S	1	2	Henry & Martha Martin
Elvin Cassetty (FW)	8/4/1882	S	5	2	Hary & Letha A. Cassetty (3 rd cousins)
Phillip Wesley Payne (MB)	8/15/1882	S	6 Da	-	Robert & Martha Payne
Claiborn Herod (MB)	2/5/1882	M	55		-----
Henderson Wolf (MW)	4/4/882	M	64		George & Elizabeth Wolf
Mary A. Warren (FW)	9/8/1882	S	8 Mo		Dutch & Amanda Warren
Charley Brinley (MW)	9/12/1882	S	8		George & Mary A. Brinley
----- (FW)	110/24/1882	S	17 Da		Richard & Nancy C. Givens

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Andrew Dyre (MW)	10/29/1882	M	45		William & Elizabeth Dyer
James B. Rus (MW)	11/13/1882	S	2	10	Joseph Rus, Mother Dead
Magan Preston (FW)	9/17/1882	M	37	9	Mike & Sarah Manners
Salena M. Fisher (FW)	10/24/1882	M	29	7	Edman & Eliza Newball
George Brinley (MW)	10/28/1882	M	38	8	-----
William Floyd Hackett (MW)	11/30/1882	S	1	3	Wm. T. & Louisa C. Hackett
Elizabeth Harsh (FW)	12/14/1882	M	43	10	John Harsh and ---
Jessie D. Gentry (MW)	11/15/1882	S	83	16	Bartley & Elizabeth Gentry
Sarah S. Gentry (FW)VA	4/1/1882	M	83	16	John & Rebecca White
Cyrannie S. Godford (MW)	12/16/1882	M	53	9	-----
Martha Duke (FB)	1/18/1882	S	2	16	Monroe & Leah Duke
Mary Ann Vance (FW)	2/2/1882	M	54	16	-----
Dos Parker (MW)	1/10/1882	S	16	19	William & Nancy Parker
Christian Austin (MW)	3/16/1882	M	74	6	Levi & Annie Austin (Dead)
--- Kinsey (MW)	1/13/1882	S	-	3	D. E. & M. E. Kinsey
Mariah F. Gardenhire (FB)	3/17/1882	S	5	16	Jasper & S. D. Gardenhire
Nancy Gregory (FW)	3/7/1882	S	72	3	Norman & Mary Matherson (Dead)
John Coggins (MW)	3/12/1882	S	56		-----
A. D. West (FW)	2/18/1882	S	7 Mo	5	John R. & Mary West
David Clay (MB)	3/16/1882	S	26	5	-----
Polly Kemp (FW)	3/8/1882	M	-	5	James & Millie Williams
James S. King (MW)	5/8/1882	S	11 Mo	8	H. H. & A. King
John Dilly (MW)	5/8/1882	M	23	8	A. H. & Jane Dilly
Hettie Boulton (FB)	6/24/1882	S	50	8	-----
Mary A. Baird (FB)	2/14/1882	S	14	15	-----
James L. Kemp (MW)	4/20/1882	S	1	3	G. W. & M. S. Kemp
Henry Harlen Smith (MW)	4/9/1882	S	3 Mo	3	H. & M. A. Smith
Alice A. Beasley (FW)	12/20/1881	S	27	4	H. L. & N. J. Beasley
Mary McCormack (FW)VA	1/21/1882	W	77	2	Unknown, Both Dead
Tennessee Haley (FW)	1/23/1882	M	32	2	J. & L. Kemp
Wm S. McClellan (MW)	2/22/1882	M	61	2	S. & S. McClellan (Both Dead)
Mat Young (MB)	3/5/1882	M	37	2	Not Known

DIXON SPRINGS NEWS ITEMS FROM THE *CARTHAGE COURIER*, 1914

Submitted by Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky

DIXON SPRINGS

W. W. Morton is in Nashville.

Fanny Lou Highers has returned from Carthage.

Walter Denney and James Hall of Gallatin were here last week.

J. T. Ross and wife, Sallie Ross, have returned from Defeated Creek.

Monroe Riggsby and Miss Carrie Taylor were married here Sunday. Justice G. W. Allen officiating.

Mrs. Josie Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bradford and Lum Matthews of Carthage were here Sunday.

Hon. S. M. Young, Billie Young, W. W. Garrett, Albert Wilburn, W. Y. Clay, Wirt Clay, Paul Clay, W. A.

Jordan, Webb Allen, Simon Highers, Jim Alexander, Jim Deering, George Lester and Earl Meador were among those of our citizens having business at the county seat the past week.

SMITH COUNTY CENTURY FARMS

Scheduled for an October opening, the Smith County Heritage Museum is planning a Smith County Century Farms exhibit. The Century Farm Program recognizes the contribution of Tennessee residents who continuously owned and kept in production, family land for at least 100 years. The program was begun by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture in 1976 as part of the nation's bicentennial celebration.

To be eligible a farm must be owned by the same family for at least one hundred years, must produce \$1000 revenue annually, must have at least 10 acres of the original land, and one owner must be a resident of Tennessee. There are 41 certified Century Farms in Smith County.

In 1989 and 1990 the *Carthage Courier* published a series of articles featuring Century Farms of Smith county. Some of these articles will be published in subsequent issues of the Quarterly.

Inspired by the upcoming Museum exhibit, two Smith County farms have recently qualified for recognition - the Young Farm and the Stonewall Heritage Farm.

THE YOUNG FARM

In 1878 Lewis Hartford Young founded the Young farm of Stonewall. A Civil War veteran, Lewis was in Company K of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry. A man of many talents, Young was a steamboat captain on the Caney Fork River, running from Carthage to Sligo, and also served as a deputy sheriff in Smith County.

Married to Frances Elizabeth Armistead, the couple had one son, Lewis Joshua Young. The Young family produced corn, hay and tobacco and raised cattle, hogs and sheep. In 1904, Lewis Joshua Young acquired the farm. Along with his wife, Evelyn Jane Smith, the couple reared three children - Ossye Sue Young Nixon, Thelma Elizabeth Young Manning and Loyd Donald Young.

In 1956 Loyd and his spouse, Mary Sue Young, bought out his sisters' share of the property. From 1963 to 1992, the family worked and lived elsewhere, but Loyd continued to supervise the farm. During this time, a tenant lived on the land and cared for livestock and raised a variety of crops.

In 1996 Mary Sue and Loyd's son, Donald, built a house on the farm and is clearing fields and fence rows with plans for part-time farming after retirement. Another son,

Kevin Scott, is currently making plans to also build a house on the land.

Today the farm maintains a zinc lease with the Mossy Creek Mining Company and participates in the tobacco buy-out program. In 2001 Loyd passed away and Mary Sue became the sole owner of the farm. With the return to the farm of their sons, the family will continue ownership and agricultural production for a fourth generation.

STONEWALL HERITAGE FARM

James Hargrove Smith, Jr. founded the Stonewall Heritage farm in 1896. On 50 acres, he raised hay, corn, tobacco and cattle and in 1898 he donated land for Stonewall Methodist Church. While managing the farm, James and his brother owned and operated Smith Brothers General Store in the community, a popular marketplace for local produce that also was one of the first places in the county to sell mechanized farming equipment.

James was married to Carrie Dossett Brimm and they had five children. James' son-in-law, Will Orange, married Mae Smith and acquired the farm in 1939. As the parents of four children, the Orange family cultivated corn, tobacco, hay, and raised cattle.

In 1946, Robin Bellar and Era Orange Bellar, granddaughter of the founders and daughter of Will and Mae, became the third owners of the property. During the Bellar's ownership, the farm produced cattle, hay and tobacco. Robin and Era had four children and their daughter, Shirley Bellar Jones, became the owner in 1993.

Today, Shirley Jones leases the farm to her brother, Jacky Bellar, who raises cattle on the property. Shirley also reports that the farmhouse is being remodeled by the fifth generation of the family, her daughter, Janice, and husband ,Bob Givens.

For more information about the Century Farms Program visit its Web site at <http://histpres.mtsu.edu/histpres>.

THE OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE

Continued from Volume XVI, No. 4

(Ed. Note: On the blank pages of an old store ledger dated from March 10, 1837, an unknown Federal officer began recording Oaths of Allegiances as administered to the population by occupying forces stationed in Carthage. The entries begin on October 6, 1863 and continue through the months of November and December of the same year. Persons residing in Putnam, Jackson, Dekalb as well as Smith are among those listed).

- | Name of Person who has taken the Oath | County |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Frank L. Allen of | Smith Co |
| 2. Major Bradford of | Smith Co |
| 3. Coleman Samson of | Smith Co |
| 4. Mrs. J. Burnett of | Smith Co |
| 5. J. & P. Perkins of | Smith Co |
| 6. Mary Davis of | Putnam Co |
| 7. Robert A. Smith of | Smith County |
| 8. Nancy Holman of | Smith Jackson Co |
| 9. Jacob Case of | Jackson Co |
| 10. John D. Ballard of | Putnam Co |
| 11. Wm. J. Young of | Putnam Co |
| 12. Joseph Young of | Putnam Co |
| 13. Samuel Young of | Putnam Co |
| 14. Wm. A. Nichols of | Smith Co |
| 15. J. A. Nichols of | Smith Co |
| 16. Eliza Ellison of | Putnam Co |
| 17. Wm. A. Allen of | Smith Co |
| 18. James D. Rotenberg of | Smith Co |
| 19. James L. Leigon of | Smith Co |
| 20. Isaac D. Whitlock of | Warren Co |

- 21st Jane Shoulds of Smith Co
- 22 Esther Rolin of Putnam Co
- 23 Elizabeth Ellrad of Putnam Co
- 24 Mrs W Massiey of Smith Co
Always loyal or so regarded
- 25 Chesander Shapton of Smith Co Always loyal or so regarded
- 26 Nancy Williams of Wilcox Co
- 28 Sarah Rollin of Putnam Co
- 29 Elizabeth Montgomery of Putnam Co Tenn
Nov 23rd 1863
- 30 Jane Chapman of Smith Co Tenn
- 31 Cynthia Hyatt of Smith Co Tenn
- 32 Evaline Long of Smith Co Tenn
- 33 John Mc Minnis of Smith Co Tenn
- 34 John C Farmer of Smith Co Tenn
- 35 David Perkins of Smith Co Tenn
- 36 Hugh Mc Minnis of Smith Co Tenn
- 37 Margaret Blair of Smith Co Tenn
Nov. 24th 1863
- 38 Josiah P Cole of Putnam Co Tenn
Always loyal or so regarded
- 39 Washington Lewis of Putnam Co Tenn Always loyal or so regarded
- 39 Givsey A Reice of Jackson Co Tenn
Nov 25th 1863
- 40 John G. G. G. of De Kalb Co Tenn
Always loyal or so regarded
- 41 Mary Burton of Jackson County Tennessee
- 42 Mary G. Piper of Smith Co Tennessee
Nov 26th 1863
- 43 Jackson Burton of Jackson Co Tennessee
Always loyal or so regarded
- 44 Elizabeth Blankenship of Smith Co Tenn
- 45 John M. Orsath of Smith Co Tenn
Always loyal or so regarded

- 46 J. J. Highers of
Smith Co Tenn
Always loyal or so
regarded
- 47 James S. Thompson of
Smith Co Tennessee
Nov 30th 1863
- 48 Tennessee Montgomery of
Putnam Co Tennessee
- 49 Artemissa Montgomery of
Putnam Co Tennessee
- 50 Margaret S. Gray of
Putnam County Tennessee
- 51 Martha Mictah of
Jackson Co Tennessee
- 52 Mary Shierly of
Smith Co Tennessee
- 53 Doehel Kyle of
Smith Co Tennessee
- 54 Thomas King of
Jackson Co Tennessee Always
loyal So regarded
- 55 Mrs H. King of Jackson
Co Tennessee Always
loyal So regarded
- 56 John B. Grogan of
Putnam Co Tennessee
Always loyal So regarded
- 57 Andrew Grogan of
Putnam Co Tenn
Always ^{loyal} so regarded
- 58 Thomas A. Scudder of
Smith Co Tennessee
Always loyal So regarded
- 59 Elizabeth Carrington of
Putnam Co Tennessee
Always loyal So regarded
Nov 28 / 1863
- 60 Wm H. Gregory of Smith
Co Tenn Always loyal
So regarded
November 30th 1863
- 60 Nancy Ivette of Smith
Co Tennessee
- 61 Artemitus Duper of Smith
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- 62 ~~Elizabeth~~ of
63 Lucia Shoulds of Smith
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- 64 Mahala Bell of Smith
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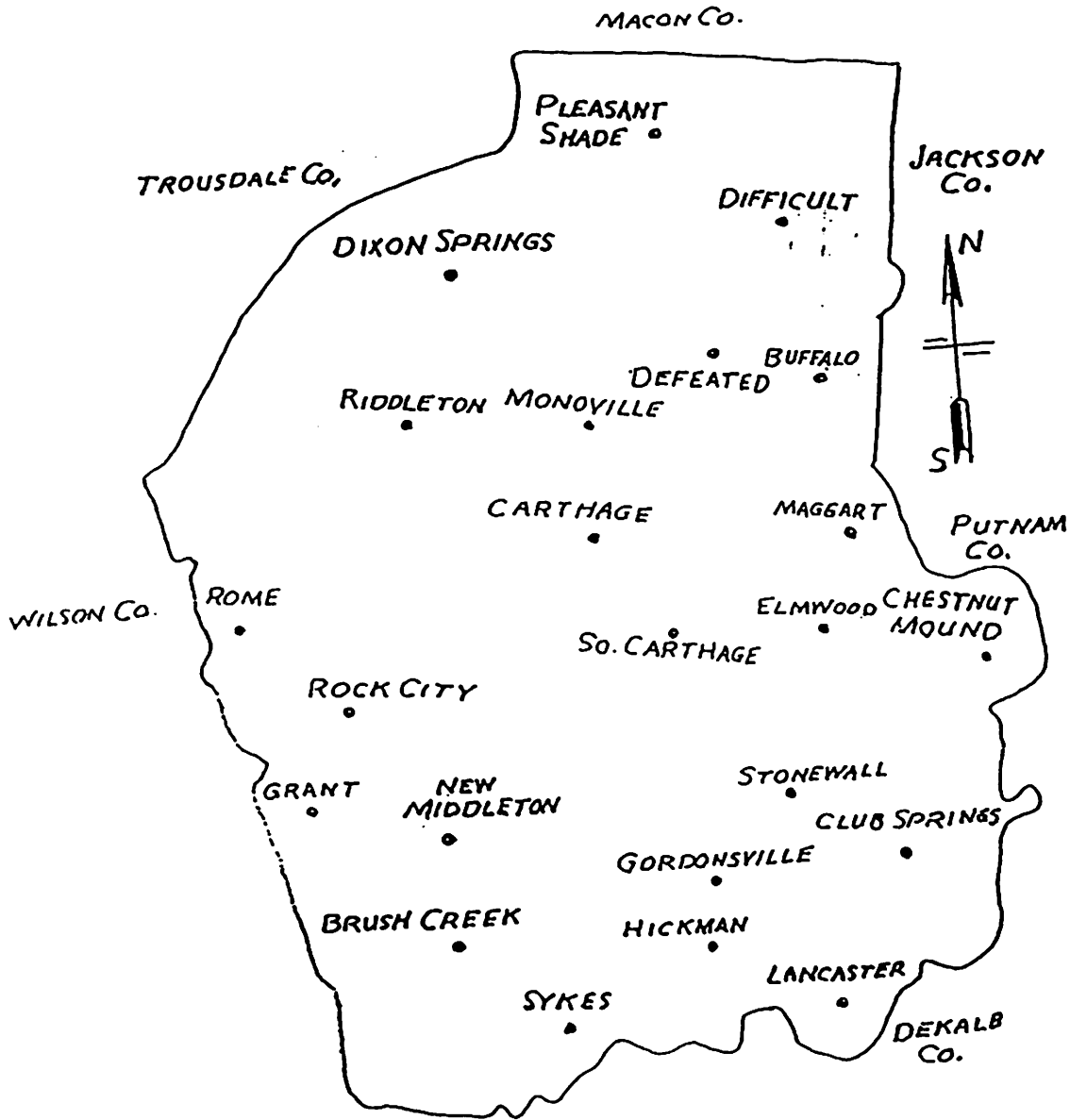
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FROM THE EDITOR:

How quickly time flies! Here we are embarking upon another year which means "dues" time again. You will find in this issue of the *Quarterly* a form for submitting 2007 dues. Please remit promptly; my bookkeeping is much easier without having to send second notices, and issues mailed late and separately are more costly. Be sure to notify us of any change of address. The post office does not forward media mail.

The Smith County Century Farm exhibit that opened at the Museum in October is outstanding both in content and presentation. Opening day was enhanced with renditions by local musical artists and Barbara Upchurch's yarn spinning demonstration. Board Chairman Ted and assistant, Trina, brought it all together, but special recognition goes to Tommy Upchurch for construction of the "barn" and John Waggoner, Jr. for digital pictures. Mr. Pelham Norris of Dallas, TX, generously shared pictures from his collection of Smith County bonnet barn photographs.

Wishing for each of you a prosperous, healthy, and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,



Sue Maggart-Petty

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PROGRAM REVIEWS

September 18, 2006. Carthage native and Society member William E. "Buddy" Hughes presented an interesting program on growing up in Smith County during World War II.

Buddy emphasized the role of Smith County in war games and maneuvers during the 1940's. Middle Tennessee was chosen as a site for the maneuvers because of a terrain similar to that of Germany. Teams actually went into battle combat with planes flying missions, dropping "flour sack" bombs. Buddy's talk was enhanced by map and photographs of the "war zone."

October 16, 2006. Elder Charles Allen Gentry, pastor of the North Carthage Baptist Church, was guest speaker. Elder Gentry began preaching at the age of fifteen and was ordained as minister at the age of seventeen. He has served as pastor to five churches and now ministers to North Carthage's 275 members. Elder Gentry related stories of the strangest, biggest, saddest, happiest and most outrageous experiences of his lengthy ministry. He has preached 1997 funerals and conducted 1227 weddings.

November 20, 2006. Jack Masters, Bill Puryear, and Doug Drake, Sumner County historians, spoke and presented fascinating slides on "Long Lost Traces and Trails of Early Settlers." The trio has performed extensive archival research of deeds, court minutes, surveys, and maps. In addition, they have walked and inspected first hand the sites of old settlements and roads and gathered and followed up on local legends and oral history of local historians.

The trio expects to complete in the next few years a book on the history of early land grants, roads and people of the Cumberland Valley even as these now ancient sites and trails fade into obscurity.

A HISTORY OF CARTHAGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
1870 - 1985

Submitted by Houston McGinness

[On April 8, 2006, a Carthage landmark, the picturesque little brick church building on the corner of Main and Ward Avenue, was destroyed by a raging holocaust which claimed the life of Fire Chief Ed Stallings. The building was occupied at the time by the Church of Christ on Main but was constructed and served as home to the Carthage Christian Church until it was disbanded due to declining membership in 1995. The property was sold and a trust established with scholarships from the proceeds awarded annually to deserving students. We are most grateful to Houston McGinness for sharing with us a history of the Christian Church, 1870 – 1985, compiled by David A. Shirey with the assistance of A. C. Read, Jr., Frances Sue McGinness Robinson, and Margaret Westmoreland. In his preface to the history, Pastor Shirey states that he is writing the brief account of the church so he will remember his pastorate in Carthage. "But more than anything," he states, "I've sought to write down this history because I don't ever want Carthage Christian Church to be forgotten."

Following are excerpts from The Reverend Shirey's account. Thanks to him the memories of Carthage Christian Church will live on.]

BEGINNINGS

In August of 1796 a young Presbyterian evangelist by the name of Barton Warren Stone found himself in the capital city of the Union's newest state—Knoxville, Tennessee. Stone had journeyed to Tennessee from his native North Carolina where he had been licensed to preach by the Orange Presbytery. On Sunday, August 14, 1796, Stone was prepared to undertake the arduous two hundred mile trek through the wilderness of East Tennessee which would eventually lead him to a Middle Tennessee settlement called Nashville. Records of Stone's journey indicate that he followed the Cumberland river on his way to Nashville. Hence, the young pioneer of the Christian Church may well have passed through present day Smith County and perhaps Carthage. Little did Stone know it at the time, but within 75 years a small group of Christians influenced by his teachings would begin a Christian Church in Carthage on the Cumberland.

Persons in Smith County had most certainly been made aware of the rising Christian Church in the early years of the 19th century—Barton Stone had traveled through their midst, Alexander Campbell had visited nearby Nashville on several occasions, and young ambassadors for the movement had brought the message to their doorstep. It would not be until 1870, however, that Carthage Christian church would be founded on the north bank of the Cumberland River in Smith County, Tennessee.

THE CARTHAGE CHRISTIANS

A man by the name of Thomas B. Read arrived in Carthage, Tennessee, with his wife and two children in 1869, ready to begin his new-found job on the Carthage newspaper. More importantly, Thomas B. Read arrived in Carthage with a background in the Christian Church. Mr. Read's mother made her home in Bethany, W. Virginia, where she had become close friends with Alexander Campbell and a dedicated follower of the Restoration Movement. Her son, Thomas, was thus raised in the Christian Church and when his first son was born, he paid tribute to his mother's close friend in Bethany, by naming the boy Alexander Campbell Read. So, in 1869, Thomas B. Read arrived in Carthage with his wife, Alice, his six-month-old son, Alexander Campbell, and his lifelong devotion to the Christian Church. Within a year, the Reads along with eight other persons were worshipping together regularly. They were the Carthage Christian Church.

From 1870 until 1875 the small but loyal congregation met at an old Presbyterian Church which stood where the Mid-South Bank and Trust Company (Smith County Bank, 2006) now stands on Main Street in Carthage. The charter members of the Carthage Christian Church were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Read, Mrs. Neeley Hale, Mrs. Eliza Gardenhire, Mrs. Savage, Miss Willette McMillin and her brother, Benton McMillin (representative in Congress from the 4th District 1878-1898 and Governor of Tennessee from 1898-1900), Mrs. Razilee Cullom, and Robert and John King. An interesting memory from those days of the Church was passed on to Alexander Campbell Read, Jr. by Joe Davis. Mr. Davis recalled that he got interested in the Carthage Christian Church by watching Mr. and Mrs. Read carrying a basket with the communion elements in it down to the Presbyterian Church every Sunday morning followed closely behind by all the children. Mr. Davis held membership in the Methodist Church at that time but was so enthralled by the sight of the Read family parading down the sidewalk with the communion basket each Sunday that he began to attend worship services. Not long thereafter, Joe Davis became a member of Carthage Christian Church.

By 1875 the young congregation had their own building. The King Brothers deeded the land where the Church now stands to the Carthage Christian Church along with the sum of \$1000 to go towards the construction of the building. In 1875 the original structure of the church was completed and the congregation had their first meeting in the new church in February of 1876. About 1923 the first Sunday School fellowship rooms were constructed in the rear of the sanctuary, the Church was wired for electricity, the wooden-frame structure was bricked and a baptistery was added.

The young church grew quickly, mainly due to the growth of its founding families. As A. C. Read, Jr. put it, "Grandfather Read had nine children, 8 boys and 1 girl. The eight boys were all members of the Church, all of them—so that's how the Church began to grow, I reckon, by families multiplying." He was right, families did begin to multiply and the new generation would contribute much to the Christian Church in Carthage.

INTO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

Alexander Campbell Read was six months old when he arrived in Carthage. At the turn of the century he was 31, a dedicated member of the Christian Church, and about to be married. In 1900 A. C. Read married Lettie Crouch and over the course of time had four children, one of whom, born in 1903, was named Alexander Campbell Read, Jr. Like his father, A. C. Read, Jr. would be a committed and beloved member of the Carthage Church throughout his lifetime. In those early years of the twentieth century, A. C. Read, Jr. recalls coming to Sunday School class with Homer Huffines, Louise Robinson Delay, and other children. They were taught by Lettie Crouch Read, and, as Mr. Read recalls: "the literature we had was a Sunday School card with a picture of Moses or Jesus or David on it and they'd write a story about them on that card and we'd study it."

While Mr. Read was studying his Sunday School cards, a couple became engaged over in Livingston, Tennessee, who would in time become vital members of the Carthage church. In 1908-1909 Sydney Bilbrey and Roscoe McGinness were engaged to be married. Mr. McGinness, like Joe Davis, was raised in the Methodist church but eventually joined the Christian Church. Sydney Bilbrey's mother, Kate, was a charter member of the Livingston Christian Church and her daughter was raised there, so when the time came for her to be married, the Livingston Christian Church was chosen as the site for the wedding. By 1915, the couple had settled in Carthage and with their arrival, the Christian Church had gained two outstanding members.

During the early 1900's the Church grew to a membership of roughly 100-125 members. Church leaders in those days included Roscoe McGinness, A. C. Read, Sr., Joe Davis, Herman White, Ted Arnold, L. S. Huffines, and Clint Beasley. The Carthage Christian Church was guided through the early years by conservative preachers whose allegiance was to that stream of the Campbell-Stone movement which would eventually be called the Church of Christ. Although the Carthage congregation would call themselves Carthage Christian Church throughout all the years of their existence, it was not until 1944 that they formally aligned themselves with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). In that year the Christian Church would be split in two and with that split, a new era would begin.

THE SPLIT

The record of a church meeting dated December 10, 1939, reads: "At a meeting of the church members Bro. Harwell was unanimously elected pastor." Within a few years, James H. Harwell would be unanimously asked to resign and when he did, he left behind many hurt feelings, much unresolved anger, and a divided church. "The Split," as it is remembered by the older members of the Church, is a painful memory—a wound that was slow, very slow in healing. As was noted earlier, the Carthage Christian Church had long been under the influence of conservative preachers. All were affiliated with the Church of Christ. Those who eventually associated themselves with the Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ) stood under the banner of inclusiveness, the heart-felt conviction that all persons are God's children, regardless of their denominational affiliation. Those who opted to align themselves formally with the Church of Christ maintained a more exclusive viewpoint.

The issue of inclusiveness versus exclusiveness came to a head during one of the annual revival services held at the Christian Church during 1943. The Baptist and Methodist ministers of the town were frequent attendees of the revivals and oft-times were invited to lead the congregation in prayer. As was customary the Baptist and Methodist ministers joined the members of the Church for worship, and as was the case in years past, they were expected to lead the prayer. However, when the time came for the prayer, the evangelist leading the revival refused to call on the visiting pastors. Christian Church members were incredulous and insisted that these brothers be invited to lead prayer, but the guest evangelist flatly refused.

The implications of the refusal to allow the visiting ministers to pray were clear to the members of the Christian Church: the neighboring Baptists and Methodists were effectively declared to be outside of the household of faith. Such an assertion was an outrage to many members of the congregation. As Mr. Read recalls, "That's when it all blew up and we had the split in the church." In the wake of that tragic event, families were divided, Sunday School classes were split in to, and the members of the Carthage Christian Church were left to pick up the pieces. "The Split" brought much heartache to the Church, but the event brought out the courageous faith of a people who insisted upon keeping their minds, hearts, and house of worship open to all of God's children.

A TIME FOR HEALING

The officers for the Carthage Christian Church for the year 1944 as listed in the Sunday School Record were: Elders – A. C. Read, Sr., Roscoe McGinness, Joe Davis, Ted Arnold, and Herman White. Deacons – Clint Beasley, A. C. Read, Jr., Jack Read, W. W. Chambers, Fred Evans, Walter Birdwell, L. S. Huffines, Ray Petty, Gordon Petty, and Carl Kirby. The superintendent of the Sunday School – Fred Evans, Secretary – Jack Read, Treasurer – A. C. Read, Jr.; Men's Bible Class was taught by Clint Beasley, Ladies' Bible Class, Edith Ligon with Sydney McGinness assisting, Class # 3- Bill Read, Class #4, Jack Read, Class #5, Billie Ruth Read. The Church had their officers and teachers. Now all they needed was a preacher and a sense of direction. Those in attendance at that meeting agreed then and there that they were members of the Christian Church. During the ministry of Jimmy Gupton, first pastor after the split, more than forty members were added to the Church.

In October of 1948, another landmark decision was made and carried out by the Carthage Christian Church—a piano was purchased and placed in the sanctuary. The Church had decided long ago that they wanted an instrument, for their desire was to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" and they had perceived rightly that a piano could

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MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 1808 - 1811

P 32. THURSDAY MARCH 10, 1808. Present: Col. William Martin, Henry Tooley, Archibald Sloan.

William Hankins fined one dollar and dismissed from serving as a juror.

James Roulston vs. A. Stubblefield. The plaintiff to assume cost of Joseph Swann, a witness.

Wm. Honey vs. Wm. Piper. Arbitrators assigned to case find for the Plaintiff and assess damage to five dollars.

P. 33. State vs. Clabourn Wright. Jury: Moses Greson, Melton Young, Jesse Smith, Joel Holland, Joel Dyer, Adam, Dale, Willoughby Pew, John Lyon, Thos. Wilkerson, Arch'd. Wilkerson, Edw'd. Jennings, David Rowland find the defendant guilty and fine him five dollars and cost.

P. 34. Thomas Banks, Brice Martin, Thos Jones allowed two dollars each for attendance as commissioners to settle with John Brevard, Trustee for the year 1807.

35. State vs. Daniel McKinis, defendant fined two dollars and cost.

State vs. Daniel McKinis and Arch. Wilkison, case set aside on defendants paying cost.

P. 36. State vs. William Walton, defendant fined 6 ¼ cents and cost.

State vs. Walter Evans, Indictment, plea guilty, fined two dollars and cost.

P. 37. State vs. John Ross, Pleasant Ross and Matthew Brewer, indictment, plea guilty, court fines John and Pleasant Ross five dollars each, Matthew Brewer two dollars and fifty cents.

State vs. James Wright, Andrew Metcalf, Willie Sullivan, indictment. Defendants fined one dollar each and costs.

P. 38. Jno Strother, Esq. made return of taxable property in Capt. Vaden's Company.

Rhoderick Jenkins vs. Jonathan Parkhurst, deed - 100 acres.

William Baker vs. William Baird. William Baker recover against William Baird twenty five dollars as security for Baird.

P. 39. FRIDAY MARCH 11, 1808. Present: Basel Shaw, Henry Tooley, William Martin.

State vs. Joseph Pritchett, indictment for petit larceny, plea in abatement. Pritchett led to the bar in custody of the keeper of the jail, pleaded not guilty and was tried before jury to

To wit: Joel Dyer, Melton Young, Jesse Smith, George Tomason, Moses Grissom, Arch Wilkison, William Smith, Willoughby Pew, Charles Mundine, Richard Henton, Solomon Belou, Wm. Allen. (p. 40) Defendant found guilty and remanded to Prison).

State vs. Isaac Reed, Attny. For the state reported that defendant is not to be found.

P. 41. Ordered that Jacob Kennedy, Sr. act in behalf of Jesse Kennedy (who is within age) as his next friend against Claiborne Wright, James Wright, Andrew Metcalf, Wily Sullivan in a plea of trespass and assault and battery.

Melton Young discharged as juror.

State vs. Moses Kannaday, indictment, defendant led to bar in custody of sheriff pleads not guilty and therefore came a jury to wit: John Ferguson, Wm. Vaden, William McGee, John Piper, Hugh McClemon, Jefry Sitten, Andrew Greer, Richard Henton, Charles Mundine, Isam Beesley, Wm. Walton, Joel Dyer who find the defendant not guilty.

P. 42. State vs. James Coyle, indictment, plea not guilty. Trial before jury to wit: John Ferguson, Wm. Vaden, William McGee, John Piper, Jeffrey Sitten. Richard Henton, Thos. Walker, Joel Dyer, Isam Beesley, Jonathan B. Robeson, Moses Grissom, John Lyon, finds the defendant not guilty.

P. 43. State vs. Moses Kenedy, plea not guilty, found not guilty by jury

P. 44. Isham Beasley vs. James Davidson, Debt. Jury to wit: John Ferguson, William Vaden, William McGee, John Piper, Jeffry Sutton, Robt. Huston, Thos. Walker, Joel Dyer, Jonathan B. Roberson, Moses Grisom, John Lyon, James Wright. Both parties assessed sums.

P. 45. Jesse Beasley vs. Daniel Hylton, new trial granted by court.

John L. Martin vs. Thos. McNutt and Thos. K. Harris, plaintiff declares he does not intend to prosecute the case.

P. 46. John L. Martin resigns his deputation id the clerk's office.

John Young vs. Wm. Young, admr. Petition. Plaintiff declares he no longer wishes to prosecute the case.

John L. Martin vs. Thos. K. Harris, Slander, plaintiff agrees to no longer prosecute the case.

P. 47. Michael Murphy vs. Samuel Louterlen, Slander, plaintiff came not, suit dismissed. Thos. Walker vs. Griffith Rutherford, plaintiff declares he no longer intends to prosecute the case.

P. 48. Henry Lyon granted permission to keep an ordinary in Carthage, Wm. Walton, security.

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Commissioners settlement with county for year 1807.

Edward Little vs. Joseph Morgon, plaintiff declares he no longer intends to prosecute the case.

Court Adjourns.

P. 49. MARCH 12, 1808. Present: Henry Tooley, Basel Shaw, John L. Martin, John Patterson.

William Low vs. Joseph McCool, plaintiff's motion to recover money as security upheld by court.

P. 50. John Irvin vs. Samuel Evitts. Case reinstated on docket.

State vs. Joseph Pritchett, indictment, Joseph Pritchett, prisoner, led to bar and ordered to receive ten lashes on the bare back at the public?.

P. 51. Andrew Hamilton vs. Lewis Cordes and Edward Fares, Jury to wit: William Vaden, Joel Dyer, William Wooten, Moses Grisom, Jesse Smith, Randolph Wren, Arch'd. Wilkison, J.B. Robertson, Wm. P. Lawrence, Austin Carter, John Asher, Jesse Johns, defendant ordered to pay debt to plaintiff.

P. 52. Thomas Roper vs. Armsted Stubblefield, Debt. Plaintiff declares he no longer intends to prosecute the case.

John Ferguson vs. Joseph McCool, ordered that deposition of Abram Thomas McCool be taken.

P. 53. William Casey vs. Moses Allen. John Gordon who stands on appearance bond of defendant delivers body of same to court and discharges himself. Joseph Taylor acknowledges himself security for said Allen.

John Irvin vs. James Hanie, debt, plea in abatement.

P. 54. John Wright vs. Daniel Allen, debt, plaintiff to collect of defendant \$96.00.

John Patterson vs. David Abots, debt, plaintiff to collect of defendant \$124.00

P. 55. John Patterson vs. David Abots, debt, Plaintiff to collect of defendant \$129.75.

Thos. K. Harris and Thos. McNutt security for defendant.

P. 56. Willoughby Pew vs. John Lyon, debt, plea of abatement denied.

Joel Dyer vs. Henry Lyon, debt, plea of abatement denied.

John Mackin, assign. vs. Zacharich Tate, debt, plea of abatement denied.

Champion Farris vs. Edward Harper, William Hanie and others, plaintiff granted permission to amend the writ.

P. 57. John Gordon vs. Francis Parmer, case, plaintiff declares he no longer intends to

prosecute the case.

John Buscon vs. Armsted Stubblefield, demurer by defendant rejected by court.

P. 58. James Raulston vs. Armsted Stubblefield, demurer by defendant rejected by court.

P. 59. Josiah S. Barger, a juror, released from fine.

John Benion vs. Armsted Stubblefield, defendant came not - to offer a writ of inquiry by next court.

James Raulston vs. Armsted Stubblefield, defendant came not, plaintiff receives judgment.

P. 60. James Raulston vs. Armsted Stubblefield, defendant came not - plaintiff receives judgment.

William South vs. William Southerlin, Slander. Defendant came not - plaintiff granted judgment.

P. 61. Judgment awarded against following lands reported and advertised by sheriff: December Term, 1807, for unpaid taxes; Thomas Williams, 180 acres, \$291; John Thompson, 640 acres, \$435; John Martin, 640 acres, \$435; William Markland, 274 acres, \$320; Nathaniel Thaxton, 640 acres, \$435; Thos. Rhea, 640 acres, \$435; Gabriel Enochs, 100 acres, \$266; Alexander Auquard, 274 acres, \$320; Archibald McMillan, 640 acres, \$435; John Gray Blount, 3588 acres, \$1356; Sterling Brewer, 640 acres, \$435; Solomon Massengale reported 640 acres subject to double tax for the year 1807, ordered to be sold.

P 62. William A. Trigg vs. Oliver Badger, plaintiff declares they no longer intend to prosecute case.

P. 63. Basel Shaw, chairman vs. Benjamin Johns, Debt. Defendant came not, ordered that plaintiff recover judgment, \$275.50.

P. 64. David Looney vs. John Maken, debt. Plaintiff came not to answer defendants plea of abatement.

David Looney vs. Richard I. Laven, debt. Plaintiff came not to answer defendants plea of abatement.

P. 65. John Ervin vs. Samuel Evitts, Ejectment. Plaintiff came not to answer defendants plea of abatement.

Lewis Johnson vs. Sterling Cale and John Lewis, ordered that 2/3 of lot No. 66 in town of Carthage be condemned for sale.

P. 66. Ordered that Basel Shaw, chairman request, of Thomas Jones the money received from the sheriff and trustee for the purpose of purchasing a standard of weights and measures for use by the county.

Court adjourns.

WALTON/ALLEN FERRY

Reference is made to Walton's Ferry at the confluence of the Cumberland and Caney Fork rivers by the earliest travelers passing through what was to become Carthage. By at least the year 1834 and perhaps earlier, Robert Allen had established a ferry a short distance upstream on the Cumberland in what is now Horseshoe/Sullivan's Bend area of Smith County. An original deed located in the Smith County Archives, registered in Book R, p. 180 and noted in Index Book A, p.43, dated the 2nd April 1844, attests to the merger of the two ferries into one:

Know all men by their presents that this agreement made between Timothy Walton and Robert Allen both of Smith County in the State of Tennessee witnesseth that whereas they each of them are the owners of a ferry on Cumberland River leading from Carthage to Sparta that is the said Timothy Walton is the owner of both banks of the ferry at the mouth of Caney Fork and the owner also of one acre of land on the right hand bank including the ferry landing of Allens ferry on the Cumberland River and the said Robert Allen is the owner of the land on the left hand bank of the river including the ferry landing and whereas the parties believing it will be more conducive to their interest and harmony to consolidate the two ferrys into one have agreed to do so on the following terms that is to say the said Timothy Walton agrees and obligates himself that no ferry shall be hereafter kept up at the place called Walton's ferry or any place between it and Allens ferry in consideration of which the said Robert Allen on his part agrees and obliges himself that the said Timothy Walton and his heirs shall forever have a mutual and equal interest with the said Robert Allen in the ferry that is now called Allens ferry that is including one acre of land as well on Allens side of the river as the one acre on the right hand side belonging to said T. Walton which is included to be a part of the common ferry stock between the parties forever each of the parties or their assigns are to enjoy and possess an equal share and interest in the profits of the said ferry subject to such agreement and conditions in relation to keeping or running (?) the said ferry as the said parties may from time to time agree upon in testimony whereof each have this 2nd day of April 1844 set their hand and affixed their seal in presence

T. Allen S. Watkins (Signed)
Landy Shoemake " "

Timothy Walton (Seal)
Robert Allen (Seal)

State of Tennessee
Smith County
Myself of said County do hereby certify that the within
article of agreement and the above probate is
duly registered in my office in Book R
page 180 and noted in Index Book A
page 43 on 2nd April 1844 at 1/2
past 2 P.M.
Allen S. Watkins My
Smith County

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Timothy Walton
 Robert Allen
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SMITH COUNTY WAR EFFORT

By J. H. Ligon

Carthage, Tenn. Dec. 21- Special. As Carthage faces this 1942 Christmas season in a world at war, the people of Carthage and Smith County are meeting their responsibilities in a manner in which the world would expect a true Carthaginian to meet them. Being the home of Cordell Hull, Benton McMillan and Albert Gore, you could not expect us to do other than our part, and meet the sacrificial needs of the hour.

Carthage, located in the Upper Cumberland section of the State is one of the most progressive county seat towns in the area, because it is blessed with a heritage...and surrounded by a world of nature that is indicative of the blessings of the Almighty; for no one can ride through the hills of Smith County and down the Cumberland River without seeing the footprints of God, and any people blessed with such natural resources and such a heritage could not fail to meet the calls that are coming to the people of a nation at war.

Smith County has responded to every call from the national government, state government and local government in this struggle for victory and ultimate peace. Our people have been unselfish and sacrificial, in that Carthage has met its quota from time to time on War Bonds and Stamps, and under the brilliant leadership of E. G. Rogers, principal of the high school here, who is the County Coordinator of the Citizens Service Corps, and with the assistance of Mrs. Nathan Lowe, County Chairman for the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, we are confident that the county will continue to do its part in this respect.

Smith County has also met its quota in the scrap metal drive, this time under the leadership of Judge W. H. (Peck) Turner. The people of the county, through various organizations, have responded beautifully to this drive, and we shall always be grateful to County Superintendent Katherine (Mrs. J. B.) Gore, who took over this position when her husband entered the Armed Forces, and to all the teachers and students of the schools of the county for their great contribution to the Smith County Scrap Metal Drive. Especial recognition should also go the Mixon-Nollner Oil Company, who not only donated the use of its trucks in collecting the scrap, but offered prizes to the child in each school bringing in the most scrap, and a War Bond to the school collecting the most scrap per capita of its enrollment. Clark Meadows, Vocational Agriculture teacher at Carthage High School, and his Future Farmers used their truck constantly in both the scrap rubber and scrap metal drives, and have been untiring in their efforts to collect all items wanted by our government.

Our county is one of the few in the state that came near its USO quota. We did reach the Navy Relief quota, but lacked a very little on that for the USO.

Besides all of this, during the Second Army Maneuvers in the Upper Cumberland section, Carthage, according to the authorities of the United Service Organizations, Works Progress Administration, and Federal Security Administration, had the outstanding Soldier Center in the entire area. Credit for this goes largely to Henry Atkins, pastor of the Carthage Methodist Church who almost single-handedly organized the Carthage USO and devoted much time to the entertainment and spiritual comfort of the soldiers. During the maneuvers, which lasted eight weeks, Carthage entertained an average of 2,000 soldiers each weekend. They were entertained at the Soldier Center, in the homes of Carthage, and the churches made a valuable contribution to the spiritual life of the boys.....

Smith County has already sent to the armed forces many young men. We have men in practically every combat zone of the war, in which American troops are participating, namely: Australia, Guadalcanal, Johnston Island, the Hawaiian Islands, North Africa and India. With all these fine men scattered all over the world in our armed forces, it is with a feeling of reverent thanksgiving that we tell the people of the state that so far only one war casualty has been reported from our county, and that came back in the early summer when Virgil Meroney of the Merchant Marine lost his life in the line of duty when his ship was struck by a Nazi torpedo. The civic clubs of Carthage, together with other organizations of the county, are in the process of preparing a service roll, naming all the boys who have gone from the county, to be displayed in an attractive way in the courthouse at Carthage. At the dedication of this service roll, a devotional program will be conducted for all the boys of our county, together with all the boys in the armed forces of America, and for the mothers and fathers who are giving their sons to this great cause.

The women of Smith County have also made their contributions and continue to make invaluable contributions to the world at war, which is visibly expressed in the great work that is being done by the Red Cross Chapter here, led by Mrs. W. H. Turner and Mrs. Carmack Bradley, who have as their co-workers all the women and women's organizations of the county, meeting the demands of the Red Cross in sewing and knitting for the boys in service. Mrs. Bradley is executive secretary of the Smith County Chapter, and Mrs. Turner is vice-chairman for the county. In addition to this, she is Women's Co-coordinator for the Citizens Service Corps for this county, and during World War No. 1, she served for five months in Southern France as a canteen worker for the Y.M.C.A. Her fiancé, who is now her husband, was at the same time serving his country on the battle front as a second lieutenant in the army. Mrs. T. J. Fisher, who has three sons in the army, one in India, and a daughter in the WAAC's, has charge of the knitting program, and in addition to the many duties incident to this job, has knit numerous sweaters herself, and has conducted a junior knitting class here in Carthage, teaching many of the youngsters to knit, and these have, in turn, contributed to the program.

The women also have done a marvelous piece of work in the sponsoring of the sale of war bonds and stamps. During the Women at War Week, of which Mrs. Albert Gore had charge, the various clubs of the county established sale centers in the different business houses, and their work has proven to be invaluable to the people of the county as they face their bond and stamp quotas from month to month.

Our draft board and ration boards have done yeoman service. The original draft board was composed of Col. J. H. Allen, F. M. Myers, and W. H. Turner. At the death of Colonel Allen in December of 1940, H. B. McGinness was appointed and his place was later taken by W. E. Wright. After that Mr. Myers resigned, and was succeeded by Sam Pickering, and then G. A. Drake took Judge Turner's place and last, G. W. Allen was appointed to the place resigned by Mr. Wright. These three, Mr. Pickering, Mr. Drake, and Mr. Allen, are now, and have been serving efficiently and well, although Mr. Pickering, who has been on the board some 13 or 14 months, has tendered his resignation.

In this connection, too much cannot be said of the service rendered by Miss Katherine Reynolds, the very efficient and conscientious chief clerk of the board, who has held this place since its origin, and has worked early and late, week-days and many Sundays. Her able assistant, Miss Mildred McDonald, has not been with the board as long as Miss Reynolds, but has done the same type and quality of work, and these two young ladies have handled unbelievable quantities of correspondence, records, and other work.

T. D. Sanderson, Roscoe McGinness and Buck Massey compose the ration board, and without taking any credit from the other two, much praise must be given to Mr. Sanderson who has labored tirelessly in this cause, giving almost his entire time to it. Here again credit must be given to two very efficient stenographers, Misses Frances Ford and Justine Maggart, who have worked long hours, many nights and Sundays, with, of course, no extra compensation. A special panel has been set up in connection with the gas rationing, composed of D. A. Duke, F. W. Yeaman and Tim Shoulders. One of the particular duties of these men is to pass on the requests for extra gasoline allotments.

Reggie Gore is commander of the Protective Services for the county, and under his supervision the test blackouts in Smith County have been highly successful.

All in all, the people of Carthage and Smith County have been doing their part and can be depended upon to continue to do their part, for we cannot fail men like Cordell Hull, Albert Gore and the memory of Benton McMillin. We can take it! We can do without! We can sacrifice! We can do the job... The people of Smith County can do it if they take a notion, and we want the world to know that by the help of the Eternal we've got the notion. We are in this fight to the last man, looking forward to the time when this world will come to embrace the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of Man.

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In 1942 an "Old Man" registration for men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897 was conducted by the U. S. Government. Following are some records of some men residing in Texas in 1942 giving their place of birth as Smith County, Tennessee. Submitted by Merle Stevens.

Holladay, Herman T., #1378, Date of Birth 11 - 21 - 1879, Waco McLennan, Texas

Brown, Morris, Jr., #2461, " " " 06-20 - 1882, Spiro, Okla.

Armistead, Oathes Charlie, #921, Date of Birth 04 - 23- 1886, Olin Texas

Armistead, David Wilson, #255, " " " 12 - 18 -1879, Itasca, Texas

Armistead, Dero Fred, #2012, " " " 04 - 28 - 1878, Denison, Texas

MEMOIRS OF COLONEL JOHN A FITE
7TH TENNESSEE INFANTRY
C. S. A.
FEBRUARY 10, 1832 – AUGUST 23, 1923

Beginning with Volume VIII, No. 3, and in subsequent issues, the memoirs of Colonel John A. Fite have been published in the Quarterly. This is the final installment in the series. The diary in its entirety may be seen at the Smith County Library. Colonel John A. Fite was born in 1832 in Dekalb County, Tennessee, a son of Jacob and Matilda (Baird) Fite. He graduated from the law department of Cumberland University in 1855. In 1861 he enlisted in Company A, 7th TN Reg. After serving in many campaigns, he was captured and retained as a prisoner of war for nineteen months in Johnson's Island. After the war he practiced law in Carthage, served as chancery court clerk and in the State Legislature. In 1866 he married Mary M. Mitchell. He was a Master Mason and a member of the Methodist Church. Colonel Fite died on August 23, 1923, at the home of his daughter in Lebanon, Tennessee; he is buried in the old City Cemetery in Carthage.

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When we got opposite Bellair in Ohio, all of the officers kept on the road on this side of the river, but I had to cross the river. All of us who were going toward Cincinnati would cross on the steam boat. The train was waiting for us up on the bank. A little Yankee Lieutenant, one-armed fellow, walked deliberately up, and the train pulled out and left us. We went to a little old hotel kept by an old dutchman, and stopped with him. We drank a good deal of lager beer that day, and then left for Cincinnati. We got to Cincinnati later the next evening, and went down to the river, and got on a boat to go to Louisville. There was an immense crowd on the boat. My Yankee friend went up and registered us. They said they could give him a room, but they couldn't give me one. He came back to me and told me and said, "Now I am going to take you up to my room." It was a double decked steam boat. He said, "I will get a place to sleep." They danced nearly all that night going to Louisville. We got there about sun up the next morning. I parted there with my Yankee friend. He lived somewhere in Kentucky. I went to the Louisville Hotel. I wanted a drink and I went in the bar room and met old Tull Graig there from Gallatin. I knew him before the war. He proposed to be very glad to see me and offered to let me have any amount of money I wanted, said he had plenty of it. I told him I didn't need it. I had enough to do me.

I left there that night for Nashville and got to Nashville next morning and went to the Sewanee Hotel. When I registered the clerk told me that Bill Benson had been there and told him if I came there to tell me to come up to his store. After breakfast I walked up there and inquired for Mr. Benson, I didn't know him. It happened that the man I addressed was Benson himself. I told him who I was, and that I heard he wanted to see me. He said, "Yes, my brother Leonard had been there, and had left \$20.00 for me." He

got it and gave it to me. Next day I took the mail sack for Lebanon, got to Lebanon, and went out home.

I stayed there a day or two and started for Carthage. Went by the way of Hartsville. I stayed all night at Hartsville and the next day went up to Brother Sam's below Carthage, and in a day or two I walked into town. I stayed at Brother Sam's for a week or two before I moved into Carthage.

As soon as I saw Mollie (Mary Micheau Mitchell) I forgot all about my North Carolina woman. When I got back, I had nothing. Every fellow that owed me before I left was in the same fix as I was, so I had to go to work. I went to practicing law.

When I first got home there was a company of negro soldiers there. They remained there for several months before they were ordered away. There were a few white soldiers there, but they were soon disbanded. Nothing of very special interest happened.

Captain John Allen married Marrietta Cullum, I think it was in April 1866. Mollie and I waited on him and Marrietta, and that night after the wedding we agreed we'd get married, but fixed no time. The fact is I didn't have anything to marry on. Some time that fall, or early in the Spring we fixed the date of our wedding, the 27th of December 1866. I asked her Uncle, Old Uncle Abraham King, and his wife Aunt Mary, and they gave their consent to our marriage. Mollie suggested that I ought to ask her grandmother, old Mrs. Howard. When I asked her she didn't understand me, she was very deaf, she said No. I was satisfied she didn't understand what I said, and I repeated it. She said, "O, yes, I'd rather you had her than anybody in the world.

So the 27th of December we were married. Dr. King had asked people to the wedding until the house could not hold them. We stayed at Dr. King's until some time in May or June, then we moved out to Captain John Allen's and stayed until the last of August or the first of September. Came back to Dr. King's and Bettie was born there on the 29th of September. We stayed there until after Christmas. In the meantime I'd bought my place and we moved into it directly after Christmas. Our bridal trip was all the way from Carthage to my Daddy's.

The next summer we were down there (Lebanon, Tennessee). Bettie was a little bit of a fellow. I called my friend Foster Bork up to the buggy and showed him my wife and baby. His only comment was "Well, ever crow thinks her youngin is the blackest."

I had just \$700.00 even when I was married, that was every cent I was worth. Mollie had \$1800.00 and I invested that in our home.

I was appointed clerk and master of the Chancery Court in 1871 and held office for several years. In 1880 I was elected to the legislature. I was not a candidate and had

been off to Reel Foot Lake on a fishing excursion. The election came off the day I got back to Lebanon. Cass Alexander and some other fellows at Dixon's Spring got out some tickets and sent them to eight districts in the county. There were twenty districts in the county. I was voted for in only eight districts and still got enough votes to be elected.

While I was in the legislature nine other members and I were appointed a committee to go to New York and confer with the landholders of the State and see what sort of a compromise we could make. (Maj. Hilliet of 145th Conn. to whom Col. Fite surrendered at Gettysburg heard of Col Fite's visit to New York, later contacted him, and returned his saber, which his grandson has now). We agreed upon a compromise of 60 cents on the dollar and the legislature approved it. They passed a law endorsing the compromise that was made. I told the legislature when we were in Washington that I didn't believe the people would stand for it, and sure enough the bill we filed and the whole thing was set aside by the courts.

In 1878 I made the race for Circuit Judge. There were two other candidates. I was not elected. In 1866 there was an election for circuit judge. I was not a candidate, but there were four fellows running. The convention was called to meet at Bloomington Springs. I went there in the interest of Colonel Garrett, but the convention refused to nominate anyone. They balloted all day and until about eleven o'clock that night. Three or four other fellows were put in nomination, but they failed to agree upon them. A fellow from Overton county put my name in nomination and I was nominated on the first ballot. This convention was only a few days before the election. I didn't want the office and my first thought was that I wouldn't accept it but, knowing if I didn't, that a republican would be elected, I accepted the nomination and was elected. Had no opposition. I held the office for six years and a half, when my wife died, and I resigned.

Conclusion of series

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TOLE RATES LOWERED ON CARTHAGE TOLE BRIDGE

Carthage Courier, July 8, 1913

Cattle, horses, mules in droves, not drawing, from 5 to 3 cents

Two-horse hack from 40 to 25 cents

Two-horse drummer wagon, 40 to 25 cents

Two-horse surrey, 30 to 25 cents

Two-horse spring wagon, 30 to 25 cents

DEATHS AT THE SMITH COUNTY POORHOUSE

Submitted by John Waggoner, Jr.

Located two and one-half miles west of Carthage at #78 County House Circle is the former location of the Smith County Poorhouse which was called asylum in County Court Minutes. The poorhouse was built about 1885 and discontinued in 1952. The building burned in 1958 and the property sold. In a pasture on the privately owned farm is located the cemetery for poorhouse inmates. It is recorded on Map 046 Parcel 099 on tax records of the county. There are no marked tombstones and the fieldstone grave markers are almost gone. Depressions in the soil are visible and are an indication of a large number of graves. As death certificates were not available until 1908 the county court minutes were searched for names of those buried there. We found that the report of the Superintendent was usually made in October which often listed names of those who had died that year or the previous year since the report was made. The practice of listing names ceased in later years of operation. There are many references to invoices for coffins and digging graves in court minutes. Older residents of the community can remember when coffins were stacked in an out building available for use. A search of the cemetery books of Smith Co. does not show a listing for any of the inmates in other cemeteries in the county. Photographs of this cemetery can be seen on the internet at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/cempics/smithpoorcem.htm>

1890

In 1890 Supt. John Stallings resigned and James Mofield was appointed to the job. Mofield died on 10 Sep 1890 and his son Charles Mofield succeeded his father as Supt.

Tilda Manning
Nancy Pettie
Matt Smith
Mary Whitman
Mary Rittenberry

1891 (4 deaths names not listed)

1892

Shallit Baker (Col) 27 Jun 1891
James Hemm 18 Mar 1891

1894

Shallett Newbell (Col)

1895

Serena Pate
Lorese Sloan
Mary Gordon
J.H. Pope

1896

Eliza Douglas
Delila Gomer
Ann Mullins

1897

Evaline Reeves Jun 3 1897
Ellick Nolen Jul 2 1897

1898

Nancy Owen Feb 18 1897
 Mary Williams Oct 18 1897
 Marie Allen (Col) Jun 25 1897
 Nellie Baird Aug 18 1897

1899

Zendmon Hicks
 Easter Reeves
 Mr. Hudson
 Joe Owens (Col)

1900

Betty Shoulders Oct 14 1899
 Elizabeth Bonds Jan 2 1900

1901

J.A. Pettie
 James Owens

1902

Mary Blount May 18 1902
 William Andrews Jun 14 1902

1903

W T Skelton Nov 11 1902
 Kate Taylor (Col) Dec 26 1902
 Lillie Bush Feb 5 1903
 Elmo Hogg (Col) May 10 1903

1904 no deaths

1906

Caroline Garner

1907

Six died names not listed.

1911

J. J. Boulton
 Cyrus Duncan
 Sarah Owens
 Cassie Garner
 A. J. Pope
 Dock Allen

1912

Jordan Hackett (Col)
 A.H. Smith
 Mary Summers
 Drury McDonald (Col)

1914

Marie Jenkins Nov 11 1914

1915

Frances Beasley
 Grundy Meachum Apr 17 1915
 Erma Baker Apr 26 1915
 Pete Petross Mar 31 1915

1916

James Burras Oct 30 1915

1917

Mar 24 paid to W W Litchford for
 burying inmate.
 Apr. 5 for burying baby.

1918

Oct 18 paid to W.W. Litchford for
 digging two graves.

SMITH COUNTY CENTURY FARMS

{Two additional farms have recently qualified for acceptance in the Smith County Century Farms program by the state board. These farms have been added to the Century Farms Exhibit at the Smith County Heritage Museum.}

THE MOORE FARM

As Tennessee was recovering from the Civil War, Joel B. Moore purchased 300 acres that would come to be known as Moore Farm. At its founding, this property, located in the Brush Creek area was the John Moore plantation and as the only son, he bought his six sisters' interest in the land. Married to Mary Elizabeth Agee Moore, the couple had four sons who all went by initials – J. H., J. M., R. H. and J. B. Largely self-sustaining, the family raised corn, hay, cows, chickens, hogs, and had a vegetable garden.

Each of the family's four sons held an interest in the farm until 1910. J. B. and R. H. then purchased the acreage and owned it together until 1919 when J. B. became the sole owner. J. B., who built a house in 1908 that stands today, was married first to Laura Agee and after her death to Edna Allmon. He fathered six children, though two died. During his long ownership, the farm supported tobacco, corn, hay, cattle, hogs and sheep. Mules were the primary source of working power on the farm. Like most neighboring farms in the area, soldiers practiced maneuvers on the land during the 1940's.

Edna Allmon Moore became the farm's owner in 1956. Under her ownership, she raised hay, tobacco, cattle and garden vegetables. Edna and J. B. had two sons, Roy and Cordell, and they became the next owners. Roy married Doris Bradley Moore and they had four children, while Cordell wed Christine Nixon Moore and they had three children.

In 1999, Roy, grandson of the founders, became the sole owner of the farm. Today, the land is leased to Jason Hall whose property adjoins the Moore Farm. Currently, the farm produces sorghum, sweet corn, beans, tomatoes, greens, onions and lettuce.

Only three generations have owned this farm that is now almost 140 years old.

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THE WRIGHT FARM

Located just north of Carthage in the Turkey Creek community is the Wright Farm, established in 1894 by brothers James Henry and W. D. Wright. On 585 acres, the Wrights produced corn, tobacco, pasture, beef cattle, swine, sheep and mules. James Henry was married to Bettie Gwaltney Wright and they had 10 children. This couple is the great-grandparents of the current owners.

William Elonzo Wright, son of James Henry and Bettie, and his brothers-in-law, R. C., A. H., and C. E. Hackett, became the next owners of the land in 1903 and added more acreage to the farm.

William, married first to Pearl Hackett and after her death to Minnie Hackett, fathered five children. The third owner of the property was Charles Edward "C. E.," Wright who married Ruth Cornwell Wright. Their two children are Julia Wright Goodlett and Roger Edward Wright. The family reports that U. S. Army training maneuvers were conducted on this farm during World War II.

Under C. E.'s ownership, the farm progressed with modern machinery such as using tractors for cultivating the crops. In 1965, 119 acres were sold to the U. S. Corp of Engineers for the Cordell Hull Dam, reducing the farm's river bottom acreage by a third.

While they managed the farm, the Wright family was also very active in the community. All of the family served as members of the Smith County Farm Bureau. In addition, C. E. was a director for the Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Cooperative. During the 1930's, Ruth Wright organized the Turkey Creek Home Demonstration Club, and served as its president for more than 30 years. Roger was an active member of the Future Farmers of America and he exhibited his calves and beef cattle at county fairs in Carthage and in Nashville. Julia was an active member in 4-H club work and in 1955 she won a trip to National 4-H Congress in Chicago as a state bread-baking winner.

In 2001, Julia Wright Goodlett and Roger E. Wright inherited the farm and actively manage and operate the property. Julia is married to Frank Goodlett and Roger is wed to Janet Mott Wright.

Today, the farm produces beef cattle and pasture. The family has recorded many stories of the farm and Smith County history. For example, a racetrack was part of the farm in the late 19th century and people would travel by boat to attend the horse races. People from Turkey Creek community and Carthage came to picnics and outings at "Mint Springs" on the farm. The area had large shade trees near a spring that formed a small swimming hole enjoyed by children of all ages. And today, flocks of wild turkeys, for which the creek and community were named, have returned.

For more information about the Century Farms Program, please visit its Web site at <http://histpres.mtsu.edu/histpres>. The Center for Historic Preservation also may be contacted via mail at Box 80, MTSU, Murfreesboro TN, 37132 or be telephone at 615-898-2947.

INFORMATION ON THOMAS FARRIS

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Thomas Ferris is a proved (documented) son of Champion Farris. Champion Farris is a direct ancestor of mine (proved to my satisfaction several years ago and proved recently by DNA). Champion and son Thomas came to Smith County, Tennessee, from Russell County, Virginia ca 1802, later moving to and petitioning to form Warren County, TN.

Although I no longer need data on Thomas Farris to prove his kinship to me, I still would like answers to questions about him. For example:

1. What was his relationship to the Payne family?

Thomas witnessed the will of John Payne ca 1802. Proved by Peter Turney and Peter Hudspeth in Smith Co., Edward Farris was an executor of this will. Paynes were neighbors of Farris for several decades in central and southwest Virginia.

2. When was Thomas born? When and where did he die?

From census and other records, it appears that Thomas was born ca 1780 – 85 and died between 1830 – 1840.

3. What was his wife Frankie's maiden name?

Ah, there is a question!! I have thought it likely that Thomas perhaps married a daughter of Peter Turney. On one document, Thomas Farris is named a legatee of Peter Turney's estate. (Also see #1 above— Peter Turney says he saw Thomas Farris witness the Payne will). We know the Turneys and Farris were acquainted. Peter Turney's wife was named Frances; Thomas Farris's wife was named Frankie (a diminutive of Frances, so she could have been named for her mother); Thomas Farris bought several things at the estate sale of Peter Turney. None of the above proves Frankie was a daughter of Peter Turney, but loose records of Chancery Court of Smith Co., (file No 2558, a killer to read on microfilm) has a note that says Thomas Farris wants \$100 of Sampson Williams, executor of Peter Turney's Estate for his (Thomas's) wife's services to the estate of the deceased. The request was granted with the stipulation that Thomas gives up claim to interest in land. In 1834 Frankie (Franky) signed with an X a memo that she got her part of a judgment of Sampson Williams, executor of Peter Turney's estate.

Wonder what "service" Frankie could have rendered to the estate that would be worth \$100 if not as an heir? I realize she is not mentioned as an heir on any document I have seen but then there are some children that are mentioned on one "document" but not on another.

Unfortunately, I did not read carefully frames 000712-13 and 722 of the microfilm of Turney's papers. Also, I do not have exact wording on Thomas's being a "legatee."

However, the families continued to be close because Samuel Turney (a son of Peter) and Thomas Farris bought land together in Warren Co., in 1825 and 1827.

4. Thomas and Frankie had two daughters and one son, according to census. I know that daughter Eliza Louise (Lisey) Farris married Peter Countess IV (Countiss), stayed in Warren County, TN and had several children. Lizey was born to Thomas and Frankie Farris about 1808 (according to census). Another daughter was born before that and a son was born about 1810. I have nothing proved on them. Frankie's will was probated 1847.

(Peter Turney's will was probated June 1804. On the back of the envelope that the original was placed in many years later, someone had penciled "Later Farris" obviously suggesting that Peter's widow, Frances, had married a Farris. Mrs. Glover offers a couple of Pros and Cons regarding this theory.)

PRO:

1. The association of these families in this time frame and location would make this marriage possible.
2. Franky is older than Thomas per census (impossible to tell if it is only 1 year or several). I would assume that Frances Turney was older than Thomas Farris, best I can tell of Thomas's age.
3. Then, of course, there is the note on this will packet.
4. See last sentences of CON number 4.

CON:

1. Thomas Farris' wife is consistently named Franky (Frankie, Frankey) on many documents (never Frances). For instance, Franky Farris was a member of Dixon Creek church in Dixon Springs 1812. Franky Farris is a member of Collins River Church 1834 (this after they moved to Warren Co.).
2. Franky and Thomas had their first child by 1804 (census) so is this long enough after Peter Turney died for Thomas and the widow to have married and had this child?
3. James and Elizabeth, son and daughter of Peter and Frances Turney are listed on an 1806 receipt for clothing. Unfortunately, I do not recall if Frances' last name at this time was listed but surely if it had been "Farris," bells would have rung.
4. In Franky Farris's will, she mentions her daughter Lizey by name and mentions "other children" of her late husband, Thomas Farris, but no mention of Turney children. She does mention Thomas Farris as her "last" husband. Does this mean "late" husband or does it mean she had a husband before Thomas?

BANKS SAMUEL HIGHERS, APPLICATION FOR INSURANCE POLICY

Submitted by Fran Cutrell Rutkovsky

Banks Samuel Highers
 (b. Nov. 28, 1868 d. March 22, 1933)
 Smith County, Tennessee

To the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, St. Louis, Missouri

I hereby apply for a policy on my life for \$5000.00 on the Ordinary Life Economic Protection Non-Participating plan at an annual premium of \$176.65. The policy is to be for the benefit of Farmers Implement Co. of Dixon Springs, Tenn., a firm.

My full name is Banks S. Highers (member of firm). My occupation is Dealer in Farm Implements, Vehicles, & work in Carriage Shop.
 I was born at Smith County, Tenn. on the 28th day of Nov. 1868. My age nearest birthday is 50 years. My place of business is Dixon Springs, Smith County, Tenn. Send premium notices to residence. I have resided at above address 15 years. During the past two years I have also resided at same. I hereby request alternate 5000 Ordinary Life Non- Participating With Disability Rider 1779. The amount of insurance now in force on my life is \$500.00.
 Name of company--Equity of N.Y.
 Kind--Govmt Bond When taken--1918 Amount \$500.00
 I have no application pending in any other company except \$5000.00 with
 _ Life of Iowa. First premium C.O.D.

Dated at Dixon Springs, Tenn. this 14 day of April 1919.

signature Banks Samuel Highers

Witnesses --W. B. Wooten, A.B. Timberlake

Application Part II--Statements to Medical Examiner

1. A. Date of Birth - Nov. 28, 1868
 - B. Are you a Caucasian? (If not, what race) - Yes
 - C. Married, Single, or Widowed? - Married
2. A. What is the amount of insurance now in force on your life?
 - \$500.00
 - B. Has any life insurance organization ever declined or failed to issue a policy on your life, or offered one different than applied for? - No
3. A. What is your present occupation? - Merchant
 - B. Have you any other occupation? - No
 - C. What have been your occupations in the past? - Same & work in Carriage Shop
 - D. Have you ever been engaged in any way in the manufacture or sale of any alcoholic beverage? - No
 - E. What, if any, change in occupation or residence do you contemplate? - None
 - F. Have you ever changed residence or traveled to improve your health? - No
4. A. Family Record
 {questions asked are: age if living, health good or bad, age at death, cause of death, how long ill, and year of death}

Father (d) 76 congestion of lungs 2 days 1905
 Mother (d) 66 Bronchitis Chronic 6 months 1902

Brothers 5 - (1) 60 good
 (1) 48 good
 (d) 58 killed in coal mine 2 days 1919
 (d) 27 acute consumption 4 mos. 1891
 (d) 8 Dysentery acute 2 wks. 1878

Sisters 4 - (1) 56 good
 (d) 30 Bronchitis acute 1 mo. 1892
 (d) 2 months Infant 3 days 1875
 (d) 3 years 1862

B. Age attained by father's father? - 80 father's mother? - 92
 mother's father? - 66 mother's mother? - 50

C. Have any of your grandparents, parents, brothers or sisters had
 cancer, tuberculosis, or been insane? - Only as stated above 5. What illness,
 disease, accidents or injuries have you had since
 childhood?

(questions asked are: Affliction, Date/yr/mo, Duration, Complications, Results, Name of
 medical attendant)

Whooping cough	1891	June	3 wks.	none	good	none
Measles	1879	Feb.	2 wks.	none	good	Dr. Robt. Johnson
Fistula	1901	Jan.	5 wks.	none	good	Dr. Charles Briggs, Nashville, Tenn.

6. A. Have you ever had a surgical operation? - Yes, for Fistula
 B. Have you ever coughed or spit up blood? - No
 C. Have you any disease of impairment of eyes or ears? - No
 D. Are you now in good health? If not what is the cause? - Yes 7. A. Have you in the
 last year gained or lost weight? - No, same
 B. Has any person in your home suffered from or died of consumption
 in the past year? - No
 C. Has any physician ever expressed an opinion that your urine
 contained sugar, or albumin, or casts? - No 8. A. Have you state in answering
 questions 5, 6, and 7, all
 illnesses, diseases, accidents, injuries, and surgical
 operations you have had since childhood? - Yes 9. A. To what extent do you use
 alcoholic drinks? - Very little.
 B. Have you been intoxicated in the last five years? - No
 C. Have you ever taken treatment for the alcoholic or any
 drug habit? - No

Dated at Dixon Springs, Tenn. the 14th day of April, 1919

Signature - Banks Samuel Highers Witness - I. H. Beasley,

M.D.

 NOTE: I transcribed this from a handwritten copy that my father, Homer Cutrell, made from
 the original policy belonging to Lula Ross Highers, widow of Banks S. Highers. From the
 "Family Record" part of this application, I believe that the 'living' brothers were:
 Henry, age 60, and Simon, age 48 (my grandfather). The 'living' sister was Pherbia
 Armpster Highers Warman. The "father" was Jacob Highers, and the "mother"
 was Eleanor Wilson Highers. "Father's father" was Henry Highers; "father's mother" was
 Celia Williams Highers. I do not know the names of Eleanor
 Wilson's father and mother. FCR

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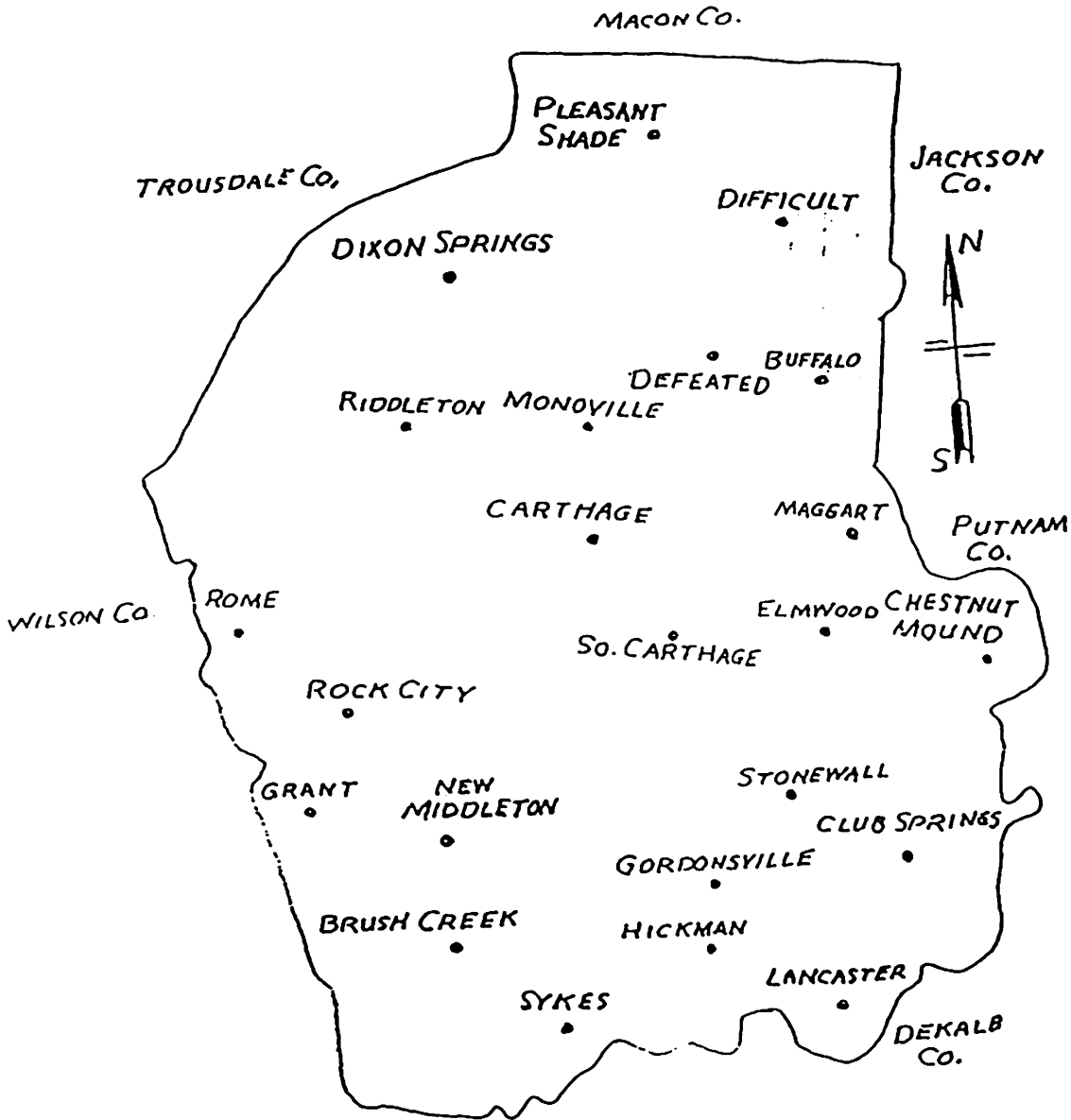
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FROM THE EDITOR:

HELP! HELP! HELP! The time has come for a new editor to take the helm of the *Quarterly*. This is my nineteenth year as co-editor and editor, so new energy and a fresh approach is needed to herald in the third decade in 2008.

The first complimentary issue of the *Quarterly* was mailed to less than one hundred people in January 1989 with a competent (no mistakes tolerated) Louise Sharenberger as editor. The issues were printed on an ancient copier, manually turning the pages over to do both sides. As subscriptions grew we came up in the world with a "Cadillac" copier that both printed and sorted; we even acquired an electric stapler and put the mailing list on computer. When membership soared to three hundred, it was time to engage a commercial printer.

Health problems forced Louise's retirement, so, by default, I struggled (and continue to do so) to assume her role and frequently sought her advice. Thanks to Mrs. Sharenberger for getting us off to a great start and you, our readers, who have been so supportive. The *Quarterly* is a vital asset to the Society and needs new leadership to keep the presses rolling.

So, please, one of you young, energetic, computer gurus step forward and pick up the editing pencil – this is your opportunity to be editor, publisher and author – there is no salary but the challenge is fun!!!

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**L to R: MATTIE LOU BRANSFORD TERRY, K. C. TERRY,
ALMA BRANSFORD BARRETT**

JOURNALS OF K. C. TERRY

The originals are in the possession of Sue Maggart-Petty

Very meticulously Mr. K. C. (Clyde) Terry noted in his Journal or Day Book births, deaths, business transactions, and weather conditions for his community. He even made note of the egg production of his prize Orpinghimer hens! The diaries begin in 1903 and continue until the 1950's. Records are missing for most of the 1920's. Physicians "Memorandum Books," probably given to Mr. Terry by local doctors, were perfect for documenting his daily records.

Clyde Terry was born on April 9, 1873, in Smith County near the community of Grant. He was the son of Dooly Peyton Terry, a merchant and undertaker in Grant, and his first wife. He spent his entire life in New Middleton a few miles from his birthplace. He died on March 15, 1959. K. C. Terry and Mattie Lou Bransford, daughter of W. G. Bransford, prominent merchant and business man of the New Middleton area, were married on June 7, 1896. Mattie Lou was born March 22, 1878, and died February 11, 1963. She and her husband are buried in the Brush Creek Cemetery. Mattie Lou and Clyde were the parents of one child, Gladys, who married Herlin Nixon.

When the old free-standing kitchen cabinets began to be modernized by "built-ins," just about every kitchen on the south side of the river boasted of cabinets crafted by Mr. Terry. In addition to his master carpentry work, Mr. Terry was a home telephone representative, a farmer, a merchant, and a talented repairman. As evidenced by his journals, he was a Mason, church member and conscientious civic-minded citizen. His reflections are a delight to read and will be published periodically in the Quarterly.

Handwriting, spelling and punctuation are transcribed as written.

Monday, Jan 1, 1920. Clear and cool and --

Wednesday, Jan 7. Cold and sunny.

Thursday, Jan 8. Cloudy and warm. Put telephone to work and my line changed. Dr. Crocketts 100 Dr Crockett moved. Fixed glass on babe smith watch.

Friday, Jan 9. warm and cloudy. Went to middleton Got Telephone reports. Soldered cup for Muncy. Ordered buttons for Gladys (*his daughter*) cost 12 cents. Went to agee tonight to get lecture.

Saturday, Jan 10. cloudy and cool. Went to Gordonsville to meet Floyd, got Bill's land ringer, then went to lodge and gave lecture then went to Hicks and fixed Ashleys telephone, going to lodge tonight.

Sunday Jan 11. Clear and cool. Went to Double Springs today to see bob (*his brother*) found him very low. Gradually worse until which time at 1 of nine to 12 tonight died perfectly Satisfied and easy.

Monday Jan 12. Cloudy and rainy. W. G. (*Bransford, his father-in-law*) came home. Dr. Crockett here tonight to see Gladys.

Tuesday, Jan 13. Snowed to beat the band, worked on watch.

Wednesday, Jan 14. Cool and clear. Paid my taxes. Williams paid rest of note for this year.

Thursday, Jan 15. Clear and warm. In store all day W. G. Gone to Carthage.

Friday, Jan 16. Clear and warm. Went to Grant Middleton Gordonsville Hickman collecting and moved Telephone to James and Askew. Paid for shoes and slippers.

Saturday, Jan 17. Clear and pleasant. Sick at my stomach. Went to burying at Leslie Baird at Laguardo. Mattie Lou (*his wife*) and Rhoda (*hired hand*) cooking.

Sunday, Jan 18. Cloudy and showers. All at home very quiet.

Monday, Jan 19. Cloudy and cooler. Worked in shop, wrote to Laura and ordered barrel catch 2.8 cts. Sold three needles 10 cts. Billie Swan came to Ollies.

Tuesday, Jan 20. Clear and cooler went to Sister,s today made doll dressers this eve. One ripe strawberry. (*This entry was made under date of Jan 20, but obviously Mr. Terry skipped over a few months. Nripe strawberrie in January!*)

Wednesday, Jan 21. Clear and warm. Planted beans 3 rows of corn cucumbers and squash. 45 cabbages 40 tomatoes okra. (*Again, discrepancies in dates*).

Thursday, Jan. 22. Clear and hot planted 7 rows of potatoes. Baird and I put tin on house. (Pages in book are missing from this date until April 13).

Monday, April 13. Sold omy? wheel to Tapp Lancaster for 1.50 cash. 4.50 May 1st. Glad to get rid of it. Clear and fair. W.G.B. (Bransford) went to Aunt Hallie.

Saturday, April 18. Fair and warmer. Put in Tom Askew telephone. Strung wire and put in telephone at "Y."

Monday, April 20. Fair and pleasant moved telephone from store to house.

Saturday, April 25. Cool and cloudy. Went to preaching Ryves. Preacher Eastes was elected pastor. Church made a mistake I think.

Tuesday, April 28. Ordered bicycle repairs from Montgomery Ward and Co. this morn. Worked on watches and went to Hickman this eve. Mattie and Gladys went to Alma's. (*Mattie's sister, married to Sam Barrett. The two couples are constant companions*)

Thursday, April 30. Planted potatoes, corn, peas, beans, onions, beets, radishes, rained after 12 o'clock.

Saturday, May 2. Went to Hickman, Gordonsville and Y fixed telephone at Bank and one at "Y."

Sunday, May 3. Stayed at home all day. W.G.B. went to Aunt Hallie. Sam & Sis was here. Tap Lancaster paid me 2.00 Jim Bob got his watch Dock Carmack got his watch Allie Swan brought one to have fixed. Weather fair and pleasant. Rossie here this eve.

Monday, May 4. Worked on watch for Ollie Swann.

Tuesday, May 5. Went to Gordonsville stayed all day waiting for Hewitt. Fair and warm. Put in Joe Bridges call bell at last.

Wednesday, May 6. Collected telephone here. Cloudy and warm.

Thursday, May 7. Went to Middleton this even bought my straw hat, 40 cts. Warm and threatening rain. Planted 2 rows butter beans and they wasn't worth a cent.

Saturday, May 9. Warm and clear. Helped Mattie make feather ticks went to Gordonsville bought prunes 3 for 25 cts. Wrote Mr. Hume this morn and ordered scissors for Gladys today.

Sunday, May 10. Mattie and self here alone W.G.B. and Gladys gone to Sams and Almas. Went to Aunt Prudies (Hallum) this eve. Fixed Bob Bridges and Taps wheel this morn. Fair and pleasant.

Monday, May 11. Put call bell in kitchen. Hattie Lou Parker with Gladys. Feeling bad. Aunt Prudie and Miss Minnie here to night.

Tuesday, May 12. Fixed fences to field this morn. Helped Mattie with beds. Went to Richardson's and had Buggy Wheel fixed this eve new tire put on cost 20 cts. Worked on wheel this eve. Cool and cloudy and mighty dry.

Wednesday, May 13. Rained all day worked on wheel. Went to Middleton got my new saw cost 1.40 delivered. Mattie made Gladys dress.

Friday, May 15. Set out cabbage and tomatoes. Hot and fair.

Saturday, May 16. Painted dining room. Sick in evening, hot and fair.

Sunday, May 17. At home all day. Sam and Alma came stayed all day W.G.B. went to Aunt Hallies spent the day. Fair and pleasant. "topic," Going to Nashville.

Monday, May 18. Wrote to Mr. Hume and Geo. Mc.

Tuesday, May 19. Mattie and Gladys went to Gordonsville. Got their hats. I made frames around trees. awful lonesome. Hot and cloudy. Got letter from Hume. No good. Maud had calf done well. (*Appears that Mr. Terry is seeking work in Nashville*).

Wednesday, May 20. Helped Wm. Baird put tin roof on Jim Turners house. Hot this morn rained at 4 o'clock this eve. Had strawberries for supper.

Thursday, May 21. Worked at Jim Turners with Baird. Hot, hot.

Friday, May 22. Made screen doors for Wm. Baird and panels for Dooley Pate (*Terry-Clyde's father*). Set out potatoes 5.00. hot and sultry. Heard from Hume again more favorable than B.4.

Saturday, May 23. Planted beans in garden, stuck peas. Very hot. Mattie making waist Gladys got scissors. Planted corn in potato patch. Got ? from Richardson.

Sunday, May 24. Daisy had calf. We went to Sams and Almas. Spent the day. Very hot.

Monday, May 25. Planned garden and planted 2 rows beans and radishes, replanted cabbage. Went to see Chuck Smith. Bought typewriter Paid 2.50

Tuesday, May 26. Worked on Jim Hales gun this morn, Sis here today. Got a letter from G.W.Mc today and favorable.

Wednesday, May 27. Went to Shaver town this eve. Sold burnisher and frames to Hearn for 2.50. Glad to get rid of them. Wrote to Mr. Hume.

Thursday, May 28. Worked on typewriter put it in first class shape. Proud of it. Hot and raining.

Friday, May 29. raining today. Got letter from Ed, Wrote to Geo. Mc this morn. fix accordion for Joe Bradford. Charges 15 cts. Writing to Ed on typewriter.

Saturday, May 30. Raining today. Worked on wheel. Collected money from Frazier Moore. Ora and Abb hired buggy to Victor Bradford 1.00, made gate to graveyard and changed tap on washstand.

Sunday, May 31. At home all day. Rained.

Monday, June 1. Went to Nashville to see Hume. Got suit of clothes, cost 7.50. Went to E and N Got no job. Offered a job with telephone co. Raining.

Tuesday, June 2. Roaming over city doing no good at all. Raining.

Wednesday, June 3. Came from Nashville, got home 1:00, feeling bad. Rained this eve.
Thursday, June 4. At home rained all day. Made tap and dasher for Morgan Wallace.
Friday, June 5. Threatening rain. Fixed place for chickens. Stuck butterbeans.
Saturday, June 6. Made 2 rings finished panels for hearse. Threatening rain all day.
Sunday, June 7. Fair and pleasant. Sam and Alma here had ice cream. Robbie Lee with Gladys this morn. Mannie Hunt (*Barrett, sister to Sam*) this eve.
Monday, June 8. Fair and pleasant. Worked on watch. With Sam Hewitt collecting. Worked some in shop. Wrote to W. T. Edwards.
Tuesday, June 9. Worked on watches. Pa and Ma here. Lena Scudders died last night about 12, funeral this eve, bury tomorrow at 10. Gladys went to see her and come home sick. Mattie sick. I got the piles. Rained this eve. Collected telephone tolls today.
Wednesday, June 10. Put battery in Stevens telephone. Fixed umbrella Joe Frank Bradford. Gladys better. Threatening rain but no rain today.
Thursday, June 11. fixed 2 watches. Worked in garden cleared out everything. Pleasant today. Planted squash, cucumbers. Gladys planted garden.
Friday, June 12. Cold as thunder. Heard from Edwards, favorable. Worked on watch. Done nothing much. Wish I could do something. Yes.
Saturday, June 13. Went to Hickman an 54 cross. Fair and cool.
Sunday, June 14. Bob Johnson & wife here. Fair and cool. Ed Baird's baby sick.
Monday, June 15. Fair and cool. Nothing doing. Mattie made me a shirt.
Tuesday, June 16. fixed handles in hoes. Mattie and I went to set up with Mrs. Cheek. Billie and Gladys went to same and spent the night, got home at 11 tonight. Warm.
Wednesday, June 17. Mowed thistles in lot. Gladys at Almas. Hot and kinder cloudy. Dull as the dickens. Mattie made my shirt.
Thursday, June 18. Fixed garden fence, fixed pistol 10 cts. Mattie made dressing sache.
Friday, June 19. half soled shoes. Went to law suit-put off. Went to see Gladys, she wouldn't come home. Got my cloth for drawers. Rained this eve. Mattie not well.
Saturday June 20. Mattie made waist and corset cover. I done nothing. Hot and fair.
Sunday, June 21. We all went to preaching, dinner with Sam Barrett. Rain late in eve.
Monday, June 22. Warm, rainy, cloudy. Sold the Tom Johnson watch to Grimmitt for 3.60, 2.80 cash, 80cts on time. Made 2.00 clear. Doing nothing.
Tuesday, June 23. Hoed sweet potatoes. Rhoda made soap for us. Fair and pleasant.
Wednesday, June 24. Fixed watch for Tom Hughes at Grant, 60. Went to Lower Middleton. Mattie set hen in old smoke house. Canned first can of black berries. ½ gal.
Thursday, June 25. Finished working potatoes. Nothing doing. Went to New Middleton this eve. to trim coffin for Ed McDonald wife. Hot and cloudy.
Friday, June 26. Mattie ironed. Went to lodge tonight. Officers elected. Rained.
Saturday, June 27. Went to Grant, trouble with Shaver telephone. Delivered Tom Hughes watch, fixed Ma's machine (*K. C.'s step-mother*) Gladys went with me. Society met at Denney's Mill this eve. Rainey and cloudy.
Sunday, June 28. Sam & Alma here all day. Rossie eat dinner here. Showers.
Monday, June 29. To Lebanon, got 5 shirts for Mattie, didn't a doggone one suit her.
Tuesday, June 30. We picked and canned 8 gal. blackberries. Rattler had bull calf.

TO BE CONTINUED.

ANDREW JOHNSON CAMPAIGNS IN SMITH COUNTY

In the more than two centuries following its creation, Smith County has hosted many notable political speakers and candidates. Edward Ward Carmack (1858-1908) powerful political figure and leader in the state's temperance movement; William Bowen Campbell (1807-1867) governor of Tennessee, 1851-1853; "Lean Jimmy" Jones (1809-1859) two-term governor of Tennessee 1841-1845; and not the least among these, Senator Albert Gore, Sr. and Vice-President Al Gore, Jr., native sons, and Bill Clinton during his bid for the presidency.

We may add Andrew Johnson (1808-1875) to the list of dignitaries who have addressed the populace on the historic Carthage town square. A recent document offered for sale on E-Bay purports to be a letter of acceptance signed by Andrew Johnson, ex-president, dated June 26, 1869, in response to a committee requesting his presence at a speaking engagement in Smith County.

Knoxville Tenn
June 26th 1869

Gentlemen.

In compliance with
your request I will address
the people of Smith County at
Carthage on Sunday 27th
of July if agreeable to the
Committee. If that day is
not suitable they will please
advise me as soon as con-
-venient - Since I had the pleasure
of an intimate visit to you
at Gettysburg I feel well satis-
-fied that there is a great
change going on, the public
-mind and this is a reason-
-able effort made the State can
be redeemed -

I accept your views of
my position as
Andrew Johnson

Andrew Johnson (1808-1875), 17th President of the U.S (1865-1869). Autograph Letter Signed as ex-President, one page, 5 x 8, Greenville, Tenn., June 26, 1869. To representatives of Smith County, Tenn., in full:

"Gentlemen. In compliance with your request I will address the people of Smith County at Carthage on Tuesday 20th of July if it is agreeable to the committee. If that day is not suitable they will please advise me as soon as convenient. Since I had the pleasure of an interview with you at Gallitin I feel well satisfied that there is a great change going on in the public mind and if their [sic] is a reasonable effort made the state can be redeemed. Accept assurances of my esteem &c. Andrew Johnson"

On verso Johnson has penned the names *"John W. Bowen, W.W. Wade, James W McHenry, D.N. Campbell, W.H. Witt. Committee"*.

Andrew Johnson was born in North Carolina in 1808 and eventually settled in Greenville, Tennessee. As a United States Senator from his state, he fought against the rising tide of secession, in vain urging his fellow Tennesseans to remain in the Union. In 1862 President Lincoln appointed Johnson military governor of Tennessee for the purpose of restoring civil government and bringing the state back into the Union. Johnson's ruthless, dictatorial tactics made him very unpopular. Recruited by Lincoln as his vice-presidential running mate in the election of 1864, Johnson returned to Washington and, following Lincoln's assassination, assumed the presidency. He failed to win the nomination of his party for president in the next election so he returned home to Tennessee after his term of office expired in March 1869. Soon afterwards he began a campaign to line up support for election to the United State Senate. This was the probable purpose for his visit to Carthage in July. No local newspaper is extant for this period to report the event but it may be assumed that Johnson made his bid for the support of Smith County citizens on July 20, 1869.

Records of the committee members that Johnson met with in "Gallitin," with the exception of John W. Bowen, are not found in Smith County, so they probably were representative of other Middle Tennessee counties. Dr. John W. Bowen was a prominent citizen and Baptist minister of Gordonsville, Tennessee, and an ardent Unionist and, no doubt, became acquainted with Andrew Johnson during his term as military governor.

In 1875, after failing to secure the needed vote of the legislature who elected senators at that time, Johnson finally won his bid for election to the Senate seat. Four months later he suffered a stroke and died on July 31, 1875.

(Thanks to the "eagle eye" of John Waggoner, Jr. who spotted this unique document on E-Bay).

DIARY OF THOMAS FULLER
COMPANY E, 2ND TENNESSEE CAVALRY
NOVEMBER 27, 1861 – JUNE 30, 1865

Continued from Volume XVII, No. 4

Prison Diary, Alton, Illinois

March 1, 1864. A nice clear day, news papers are prohibited two Flags are flying in Town at half mast; a Federal officer was buried; a general cleaning up seems to be going on in the prison those what left are missed very much, all unoccupied bunks are ordered to be taken down, not so many prisoners are to be allowed inside hereafter.

March 2. A beautiful clear day. At letter call it was announced by a Sergt. that no more Sutlet tickets would be issued, the Sutlet will give a receipt for all money and pay goods for the receipts it will be less convenient to the prisoner and to Sublet also. (Col. Wier gives receipts)

March 3. Today every body was ordered on the yard and formed according to letter, and all that wished to go South for exchange, had their names registered and then went before the Surgeon for an examination, my name on list.

March 4. The "Col." And his clerk are taking some names to day, turning cold and raining in the afternoon then snow enough to almost cover the ground making the air quite cool; there is another change in the prison, the upper Story of the large Stone building is being prepared for a hospital and removal of the few that are sick there.

March 5. The Col. Quit taking names when he got all of N. today the Sergts are taking the names of those prisoners who say they do not wish to rejoin the Southern Army some men that I thought was more devoted to the South have given their names to take oath and go home; A. H. Ozier got in from Island today.

March 6.

The officers are taking names according to letter this evening a Cherokee Indian, a prisoner of war, his name was taken and he examined by the Surgeon in charge great anxiety is being manifested by those that are going to be off.

March 7. Every thing is quiet to day, boys are jubilant at the prospect of leaving, a letter from Capt. Shackelford at Camp Chase represents all quiet there having good quarters. Rumors from Miss. say that the Federal Gen. Sherman has gone to Jackson "Alias" Vicksburg with a loss of Fifteen thousand.

March 8. An altercation took place in Mess No. 3 this afternoon between Capt. Sigler, chief of the mess and Jo Ennis. The latter got his head pecked with a piece of Stone – coal and lost some little blood, the former is sentenced for the war.

March 9. Received a letter from Miss Lizzie L. Moore dated March 5. She says that she will send me a box on Monday last containing some articles of clothing. Some rain in the evening making the ground muddy.

March 10. A Federal Soldier refusing to enlist at the expiration of his term of service (a member of 10 Kansas) was drummed out of Town today. Rumors say of those prisoners that left here last week, Sixteen made their escape before reaching “Fort Delaware” some say the above named Fed went to sleep on post.

March 11. On last night Holsey and Henderson that went out through the top of the Penitentiary on the night of 27 Nov. were brought back to prison again the former tells of his adventures and exploits in Ill. Says that he was captured 16 miles from Alton; Officers are preparing to send another squad of prisoners away.

March 12. There was a difficulty said to have been between the Col and Maj. of 10 Kansas the last named and the Orderlies have been arrested, charged with confiscating money and other articles of Reb prisoners and not making any report of the same. Col. Weir is gone to St. Louis today relative to it.

March 13. No news to day of any note till after we had retired at night, were aroused and ordered to report in the Col.’s room and preparations being made for us to leave this place set up all night boys jubilant over the prospects of leaving the city of Alton, have not recd my express yet.

March 14. They began calling the prisoners into the Col.’s office and underwent a search taking some clothes and all blankets – we were turned out and stayed till night, a cool day to be without fire, at night we were marched to the Train and seated within, hard crackers, the train did not move during the night.

March 15. This morning we thought we would soon be off; Col. Wier became offended at some of the guards and threatened to change the whole concern, which he did soon by ordering us out and back to the Prison – cold. The Col. was intoxicated, so said.

March 16. After being marched to the prison on yesterday morning it began snowing and the Col. not having come, no officer knew whether to return us to the inside of the miserable den or for some time, finally we were admitted again to our old quarters, today we were taken out and ordered to wash and what few blankets that remains behind and our persons, a singular order for a man standing.

March 17. I received a letter from Jones Fuller stating the high prices of produce in Ill. Corn \$1.00 and 1.25 a bushel, bacon worth 12 cts. per lb. His letter informs me of the death of Harris Fuller on the 6 of Feb also I received one from Thos. A. Anderson a Fed Soldier 81st Ill. Reg. Co. H. at Vicksburg, Miss. Wrote to Kent today.

March 18. A nice clear day, a little cool, it is said that we prisoners will have today here a little time longer; news comes from Fort Delaware speaks of good health among the boys, one came today from W. K. Belsher to J. W. Booth, W. K. B. is well, pleased with the change, 13 or 14 Federal prisoners were admitted last night.

March 19. Beautiful weather clear, cool, and dry. Letters from Ft. Delaware says some succeeded in making their escape between Alton and the former place during their move 3 weeks ago. Some from mess No. 3 Jackson and Tedford some have gone to the hospital since last Tuesday having been exposed to the cold bringing on "pneumonia."

March 20. The Sisters of Charity have been visiting the hospital in the prison, bringing in articles of a nutritious nature, for the sick. A. P. Ozier went to the Hospital this afternoon, he writes (T) went down with him, some bad looking cases of sickness among the Rebs some are really the objects of pity.

March 21. Cool and clear to day, news of the Federals defeat on the Yazoo river in Miss. Has been going the rounds. Col. Ross C.S.A. opposing – the former acknowledge considerable loss, killed and wounded and missing.

March 22. Nothing of much interest going on in this place. There is some white washing of walls with lines, improving the looks for a time and perhaps beneficial for health. Rafts and cargoes are going down the river daily, business seems tolerably brisk on the river for some times past, a considerable number sick of the 10 Kansas Reg., Sick they are staying in tents at present.

March 23. Beautiful weather, clear, cool and pleasant for some days past. Dull and monotonous times here but few letters were called today money letters have not been called for several days, owing to Col. Weir being on a bender, having taken all moneys and express matters into his own hands.

March 24. Today C. A. Smith a prisoner of war from Miss. and an inmate of Room No. 3 died, having gone to hospital with measles on 15. The deceased was a fine Scholar and a gentleman having left a wife and one child, together with other numerous friends.

March 25. Jas. A. Carnes moved into Mess No. 3 yesterday eve. A letter was on yesterday received written by Mrs. W. M. Belser, Baldwin, Miss. Health good, W.M.B. has been transferred to Ft. Delaware. Another call to go on the year this afternoon and were formed into squads of near 100 each. Some little rain last night, whitewashed our room to day.

March 26. Last night the Citizen Prisoners were caught gophering, they had made their Tunnel near 25 feet past the outside wall, and one on getting up above the ground, the sentinel fired, shooting a hole through his hat (today) the prisoners were formed into squads of about 100 each a Fed calls the roll of each.

March 27. News is today that Union City, Tenn situated near the Ky line and not far from Columbus, Ky was captured, together with most of the garrison about 400 men, by the Rebels, the latter left in a North east direction, Feds estimate the strengths of the southern Army at 275,000.

March 28. Very fierce winds are passing today, visited the Hospital in evening, some of the sick are doing well others are in a bad condition. News is that Paducah, Ky has been attacked by the Rebs and they being fired on by the enemies gunboats, the town was set on fire and partially burned up. 3000 citizens escaped to Ill. shore in wharf boats.

March 29. Some snow falling today wind from the North; papers say that the Rebels at Paducah were commanded by Gen. Forrest his loss being heavy, theirs light, he retired to Mayfield Ky some uneasiness about Columbus, Ky for fear of an attack there by the Rebs.

March 30. Today one of our number, C. A. Logan died, he had been in the hospital previous to us going out as we thought to go East, came back was returned to hospital where he remained till he died, was a resident of Miss, came here about the 9 of Feb, he died in hopes of rest.

March 31. An inspector accompanied by Col. Wier, the Medical Surg.'s and Catholic Priest visited the Prison today. Two sentenced men Capt. Cushman and Lt. Weathers escaped from the Small Fox Island last night it is said they took bunks out and made a raft. "Chicago Times" speaks of 1100 of the Southern prisoners were sent to City Point about the 29 and the Feds expected as many of their own in return. Papers also give something of a fight on the 28 in Charleston, Ill by soldiers of the 54 Ill on the one hand and the Copperheads the other some were killed and wounded on both sides, the latter retiring from Town. It is further stated that the late raid made by Gen. Forrest was planned in the North and that clothing was shipped to Paducah for him to capture and clothe his men.

TO BE CONTINUED

The following letter addressed to her sister Mrs. Margaret Watts, Iredell County, North Carolina, Statesville from Prudence Stewart was found in a New Hampshire antique document dealer's inventory. The letter is hand written on one large sheet of paper and folded with the address on the outside. This is called a stampless cover as the amount of postage (10 cents) is written on the letter along with a postal handstamp "Carthage, Te. July 5". The folded letter had a wax seal. Transcribed from the original by John & Phyllis Parsons, Clayton, IN.. Endnotes by John Waggoner Jr.

Tennessee Smith County July 2 1848

Dear Sister, I wanst (once) more take my pen in hand to wright (write) you a line to inform you that thru (through) the mercys (mercies) of God, I am still alive and in tolerable health at present. Hoping these few lines may find you all injoying (enjoying) good health. I received your letter Dated March 17 wich (which) was directed to me but was rote (wrote) to your brother in the west. We expect that Gorge (George?)¹ made a mistake when he back his letters and sent the rong (wrong) letter here. I never new (knew) that Filding² had left that part of the country before. Your letter give us some satisfaction to hear from you all but not as much as if I had got the right letter. Gorge (George) rote (wrote) about so many strange people we knew nothing of. I want to know who fielding married and where abouts in the west he lives. I wish to hear from all the friends. Sister Anders family and sister Mary locks family whar all the children is and how many of the friends is dead. I have hird (heard) nothing about your children in a long time. My children is all well at present as far as I know. Elizabeth McKee³ was to see us last week.

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She lives eight miles from us with her son in law Petty. Her daughter, Amanda Petty has got a son⁴ five or six weeks old. They were all well when she was here. She is going to the Mississippi country this fall to stay with Eliza Knox. She lives there. She married Whitten and he died and she came back up here to see her Mother and Mr. Knox from that county came and married her and took her right back again. Margaret Dunlap⁵ was to see us two weeks ago. Her family was all well. She lives in Dekalb county thirty miles from us. Alonzo⁶ is married and living in Smithville following the tailoring business four miles from his Mother. James Stewart family was well a few days ago that lives eight miles from

us on the Caney Fork River in the sickly place in the world. We heard from Nancy Hicks⁷ a few weeks back that were all that live in the western district one mile from Huntingdon. Crops look well here considering the dry weather. We had no rain for some time but we have plenty now. Corn is worth one dollar and twenty five cents per barrel. Bacon is worth five cents a pound, wheat fifty cents a bushel. There was a great deal of corn destroyed with the wheat last winter.

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Hundreds of barrels was destroyed on the river. I have nothing more of importance to write. Give my respects to all your children and to all of the friends. Ross and George Albert McClelland . I would be overjoyed to see you all but that is what I never expect to see. Write to me as soon as you receive this line and let know how you all are. Direct your letters to Smith County current post office Snow Creek. No more at present but remain your affectionate sister until death.

Prudence Stewart⁸

Margaret Watts⁹

Dear friends, I once more write you a line to inform you we are all well but my little crippled son Rufous King can't walk (ed) now only on his crutches for nearly three years with a rising in his right hip¹⁰. It was nine months rising. It has run almost two years. It broke in the thick part of his thigh and then in his back. I have but one child with me and that is my little boy. Adeline was married last winter. She married a man by the name of James Shumack¹¹ and lives better than a half mile from us. They was raised children together, her and Rufous is all the children I got. Amanda did not live but eighteen months after she married. She died with the bleeding at the lungs. She went to Kentucky to live and never had no more health. Mr. Do--- comes to see us twice a year ever since she died. Tell all connections all to write to us. Mother is living with me. Isabell Crown (?)¹²

A great many volunteers have gone from here to Mexico.

- ¹ George Watts is listed in 1840 Census of Iredell Co. NC
- ² Fielding Watts is listed in 1840 Census of Iredell Co. NC Born NC abt. 1800
- ³ Elizabeth is living in the household of Balaam Petty, her son in law, in 1850 Census-North of the Cumberland and East of the Caney Fork River. Smith Co. TN
- ⁴ This child is John H. Petty age 3 in the 1850 Census of Smith Co. TN
- ⁵ Margaret Dunlap 1850 Dekalb Co Census age 51 born SC. In her household lives William Petty who married Elizabeth Dunlap her daughter. William is brother to Balaam previously mentioned.
- ⁶ Alonzo is William A. Dunlap listed in 1850 Dekalb Co. census living in Smithville – occupation tailor. Born 1822 in SC
- ⁷ Nancy Hicks 1850 Census Carroll Co. TN. Age 37 Born SC.
- ⁸ Writer of this letter is thought to be the Prudence Sturard age 76 in the 1850 Smith Co. TN Census. Born NC
- ⁹ The sister to whom Prudence is writing in Iredell Co. is not definitely determined as there are more than one person with that name listed in 1850 Census.
- ¹⁰ Medical opinion is that Rufous had tuberculosis which settled in the bone of his hip.
- ¹¹ James Shoemake and Adeline are enumerated in the 1850 Smith Co. TN Census North of the Cumberland River and East of the Caney Fork. They had two children Mary age 1 and Amanda J. age one month.
- ¹² The second part of the letter is in same handwriting as the first part and appears that Prudence has written an additional note from Isabella. Isabella's last name is difficult to read and we have not identified her.

LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW – DANIEL BURFORD, 1859

Burford
 State of Tennessee County Court
 Smith County } Feb Term 1859
 on motion and it appearing to the
 satisfaction of the Court that Daniel
 Burford is a young man of good
 moral character & twenty one years of
 age, it is ordered by the Court that
 these facts be certified by the Clerk of
 this Court preparatory to *admitting*
 to practice law

SMITH COUNTY ARCHIVES

SCHOLASTIC REPORTS ON COUNTY DISTRICTS, 1856-1868

The miscellaneous records of the Smith County Archives contain a book entitled "Scholastic Reports on County Districts, 1856-1868." Page 1 enumerates the total school population and amount of funds appropriated for each district. The grand total for 1856 was 4546 children; total amount distributed \$3182.20. The record continues then to list by district the head of each household and the number of children enrolled in school. The report does not indicate the number of schools per district or the length of the terms per year. It is amazing, however, that over 4000 students in this time period did receive some rudiment of education. It is not surprising that the enumeration ends with the year 1860 and does not pick up again until 1866. This is the final year recorded although the title page indicates the ending date of 1868.

Report District No. 1

No. School	Name Person	No. ch.	Name Person	No. ch.
	Quadrup Smith	4	A Moon	1
	Miriam Dodel	1	John M. Bralige	6
	John & Mary	3	A. Sturgison	1
	Peter Hackett	4	J. A. Long	2
	Wm. Hackett	3	J. B. Sampson	3
	Alvin Matthews	5	J. B. Mowry	1
	John V. Polutz	1	J. A. Hunt	1
	Dr. Lapsley	2	J. W. Hainy	2
	John Richards	5	Abraham Scott	5
	Wm. D. Lanning	1	G. W. Davis	3
	C. J. Lanning	4	H. B. McDonald	4
	L. D. Key	3	A. C. King	3
	J. Key	3	J. C. Smith	2
	A. Kibbey	1	Judge Goodale	1
	Sarah Key			

W. H. d'Arce	4	Wm. Cullum	3
W. Dwyer	5	Granger	1
Clinton Hall	2	H. C. Sanders	2
J. A. Baker	1	Conroy	2
Simon Glous	3	Donner	2
R. L. Merrick	2	Wm. Cronk	2
F. Sampson	4	J. P. McKee	1
C. C. Robertson	7	Ed. Mills	162
Alfred Robertson	4	H. P. Sampson	1
William Darty	2	O. J. Leonard	1
John Webster	1	J. Hays	1
Joshua Moody	1		
Francis Hoag	5		
Thomas Fisher	3		
L. A. Sweeney	2		
James M. Williams	3		
J. P. Howard	3		
J. J. Bennett	1		
W. J. Baskin	1		

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Census

Report District No. 2, 1856

No. of 2	Name	No. of 2	Name	No. of 2
	James Mann		Patrick Mann	
	C. W. Wood	3	John D. Burt	3
	Elyabeth Knapp	3	William Price	3
	Joseph Price	6	Henry Price	1
	W. J. Caldwell	3	William Price	4
	James Wood	5	John Price	3

William Lang	4	Galathea Richardson	1
Sarah A. King	3	Phoebe M. Lester	1
John Hartung	2	Fredrick West	1
Matthew Carter	3	Walter Meader	1
Thursday A. Misp.	1	Frank Peace	4
Debra Mather	4	Wesley Jones	2
H. L. Peasly	3	William Stoddard	1
Demerand M. W.	4	Dorman M. Cornack	1
Edmund F. F. S.	3	Eloa Davis	2
Charles F. F.	3	William M. M.	3
George F. F.	2	James O. D.	1
A. P. Cardall	2	Joseph Meador	4
G. J. Cardall	3	Walter Dean	3
G. H. Cardall	4	Matthew Day	3
Dryane Mathew	2	James W. Thomas	3
Edw. Mathew	6	Mahaly Perry	6
William Smith	6	Wm. M. C. C.	2
James White	2	Wm. P. Roberts	2
John Lang	4	Wm. King	1
Larkin Cornick	1	McCoy's Wife	4
John M. M.	2	Margaret King	1
David L. West	1	Hannah King	3
Wm. J. Hartung	4	Matilda Rice	1
Samuel B. Hartung	1	Larkin M. M.	4
Ellis E. Pringet	1	Leroy M. Cornack	2
Alexander M. M.	3	Ellis Rice	1
John H. H.	2	Peter Linn	2
Erasmus H. H.	3	Samuel Rice	6
Samuel L. L.	1	How P. Bellamy	6
Ind. M. M.	6	Wm. J. C. C.	4
Ind. J. J.	1	Ch. A. S. S.	5

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Matthew Dwyer
C. W. West
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Report District No. 3. 1836

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3	William McKim	6	Samuel Shultz	2
	Shirley Wilby	5	J. M. Daig	3
	Samuel Broughton	5	Calvin Beards	3
	James Peiper	5	Elizabeth Smith	4
	John Payne	2	May McKim	1
	A. C. Livingston	7	H. M. Gray	2
	J. H. Gray	1	Bro. Shultz	3
	William J. Gray	3	Harriet Gray	3
	Wood Reed	7	Priscilla Keiper	3
	Hardy Culhoun	5	G. W. Reed	2
	James Cherry	3	James Epps	2
	J. M. Day	4	W. W. Shultz	3
	Thos. C. Taylor	2	Elizabeth Gray	1
	Peter Hackett	4	John Gray	5
	Thomas King	4	Wood Gray	4
	Alcatorpe McKim	8	John H. Peiper	1
	Samuel Phillips	2	Wm. Anderson	1
	Clarke Phillips	2	Calvin McKim	1
	George Reed	4	Alex. C. Smith	1
	Margaret Peiper	4	Joseph Peiper	1
	W. P. Smith	3	J. J. May	1
	Abner Smith	4	David W. Cook	5
	Jordan Peiper	8	Wm. Porter	2
	Charlotte Smith	4	May Porter	1
	Mary Smith	4	Elizabeth Peiper	2

Wm A Sweethe	3	Wm R Hayden	1
Wm C. Tracy	3	Leighton Phelps	1
Wm Shedd	3	Wm Doughty	1
John H. Dwight	2	J. H. Key	1
Edw. W. Hale	1	Mary A. G. Davis	1
Wm W. Haeslett	1	Wm S. Kelsey	2
Wm Channing	3	G. W. Rogers	2
Wm Hayden	3	Total number	20

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Report District Nov 1836

Child No.	Name	Parent	no. child.	Name	Parent	no. child.
1	Alexander	Wm S.	3	Payson	Wm	3
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4	Styl	Elyabeth	4	Lucy	Wm	1
5	Winnifred	J. P.	3	Bradley	H. H.	8
6	Wm	Thomas	2	Brady	E. S.	3
7	Almy	Perkins	3	Henry	H.	2
8	Jay	Hennick	1	George	Henry	1
9	Wm	Henry	2	Wm	David	1
10	Perkins	E. S.	3	Black	Al	3
11	Wm	J. H.	2	Black	J.	4
12	Wm	H. S.	4	Getterson	D.	3
13	Wm	Samy	6	Wm	G. S.	5

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Costy J O	2	Dato Charly	7
Kut S W	2	Bowce	6
Chamberlain	3	Rose W J	4
Blundell R C	2	Cullinath J	7
Davis Benjamin	2	Ston E	2
Duffy Chas	6	Guyton W	3
Wheeler W L	2	Spencer J D	1
Stewart Thomas	1	Wickham E	5
McCabe Wm	1	Walt J	5
Ballou Leonard	3	Cates R H	4
Dillon Arthur	1	Anderson W W	4
McGee Wm	2	Parry W A	2
Cage M G	1	Parry W P	2
Whitford E L	2	Donahay J	4
Mutgens W	3	Hills C	1
Perkins J	4	Page Wm	3
McKee C J	3	Killam Wm	2
O'Meara W	2	Reed Lucy	3
Kearney William	1	Deputy Mayo	6
Durford D C			3
Mustate Thomas			2
Parry Collin			2
Costy William A			1
King Sarah A			1
Huntley Thomas			3
King James			3
Hale William			3
Canning William			5

Haris Patsy	5
Burtop J. H.	5
Keale Thomas	0
Rev. Randall J.	3
Crack Wm.	4
Jilmy James	4
Buckley Henry	8
Armstrong John	6
Mahony A.	1
Quinn Henry James	1
Rev. John	4
Henry William	5
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FERGUSON'S LAST FURLOUGH
MID DECEMBER - 1864

Submitted by Bill Amonette

This account was taken from a reconstruction of a Civil War diary kept during the war and afterwards which is on microfilm in the Tennessee State Library and Archives. The final draft was made about 1908 in Madison by Mr. Fergusson. In early December, 1864, the Battle of Franklin having been fought, Gen. Hood with the Confederate Army was moving toward Nashville. Lt. William Wallace Fergusson of the Engineering Division had been assigned to map the south side of the Duck River in preparation to installing a defense there in the event "we should be compelled to retire from Nashville". The survey report was completed by Tuesday the 13th and Fergusson made application for a 4 day leave of absence to travel to Carthage "on the score that I had not been home in two years & wished to know how or in what condition or situation my mother & sister had been placed." His widowed mother, Hester Hazzard Fergusson, and his sister, Mary Catherine (Kate), lived about 2 miles northwest of town on the Hartsville Pike. He was granted leave at Nashville and he began his trek eastward through a heavily guarded Union held area going by the Chicken Road [Elm Hill Pike], fording Stone's River and crossing the Sparta pike about five miles south of Lebanon at the Greenwood Seminary [currently Greenwood subdivision] and then down Spring Creek to the Trousdale Ferry pike to Tuckers Cross Roads and through cornfields and woods to near the Rome and Round Lick Creek Pike, very near the W.W. Seay place, at the Smith and Wilson county line, where he asked a Negro man who lived near there;

Are there any any soldiers about, and to get me a coal from the kitchen to light my pipe - he quit cutting wood and pointed to Buck Seay's and said;

" Yes Sir - just look over yonder - there's plenty of them". Seay's house on an elevated place was indubitably blue with about 500 men evidently preparing to camp there as it was nearly night but in plain view and less than 3/4 of a mile distant. And so lighting my pipe & thanking the negro man said I would go over & and see them - which was intended to mislead him for I had no desire to be seen and passing from the rear of the house to the gate to the front, rode down to the pike & to the creek (Round Lick) and felt a wonderful degree of relief when I crossed over to the east side without interruption. I subsequently learned the command was the 1st Regiment of Tennessee, Mounted Infantry under Col. A. E. Garrett. Continuing slowly down the creek & guarding myself from any passing posse along the pike parallel to the creek to the creek road went on until dark & and rode up to Dr. John McCall's [#137 Flat Rock Road] and ask for supper and horse feed. He asked if I was armed and after talking a while [he] said - " I can't feed you or your horse but as you have the right to "press" such things, I will show you the barn & let him feed at the door where there is plenty of corn & oats & and I will leave it to your sense of security whether you will have the negros prepare you a supper or feed yourself rather than trust to them who might report on you." He was living alone about five miles up the creek from Rome & and had known me well all my life but he could not locate me & I refused to give my name. However, I accepted his excuse & and would not allow him to have supper served on my authority, which he regretted very much and [he] set in place a large bowl of apples, to which I did justice while my horse was filling up at the barn door. It was unfortunate that he failed to recognize me for I was just as cautious to protect him from the vengeance of the tories who lived near him & who would readily have him arrested for failing to comply with the oath which all citizens had taken as I was to prevent any intimation whatever of my being in that part of the county where it was known all around about there of my being in the Confederate Army. So I interested him as best I could not withstanding his intense curiosity to know my name & he remarked [that] he would give fifty dollars to know it but which I promised to make known hereafter. It was singular that he failed to recognize me after inquiring of all my friends in that part of the county & all of them well known to him & even asking what had become of his nephew who had shot at him (Dr. McCall) one day in Rome & after firing all the loads, then now before Dr. John McCall could unfasten the buckle straps of his saddle bags & get out his pistols ready to defend himself. This was merriment to him for he was the most courageous man in that section. Leaving him intensely curious & much excited, I rode on & crossed the dividing ridge between Round Lick & [Rawl's] Creek by a rough pathway & then down that creek to the intersection of the upper Rome road & then to it's junction with Plunkett's Creek & further down the lower road & pike to the church carefully looking

out & listening for everything indicating an interruption, passed by the Baptist [church that] I had attended for many years to the woods & hills & by a well-known path out to the highest gap near the river and looked over towards home - rather despondently for although I was not seen or noticed, the country was dangerous and sometimes Confederate soldiers were easily found out, located & called out & killed - one a sad case only a short time before there the three Grissom boys, near where I passed, were called out to come on & go with understanding [that] they were going with them to the Confederate Army, when in fact they were Yankee Tories & thieves who shot them down without a moments warning. Several occurrences of this kind happened.

About midnight, after vainly looking over towards "the Dearest Spot" - so quietly resting in the Valley of the Cumberland & now so beautifully flooded with the clear moonlight, softened in the distance, the outlines of the hills [were] distinctly visible & even the house almost discernible. [*From the south side of the Cumberland, Fergusson viewed his home which was located very near the current Carthage city limits on old highway 25, the new 25 running through the lower part of the hundred acre farm along the river. Meteorological records of this date indicate that the moon was full*]. Lingered there in sight of my boyhood home [Stoney Point], many a sweet & cherished recollection crowded upon my mind & the thought that I might not realize all that I had ardently desired and for which so many dangers [I had] braved], embittered the first fond homeward gaze for two years & I turned with depressed feelings to a relatives nearby situated in rear of the hill sloping to the river but entirely shut out from any public roadway, except the approach through the fields on the west by the branch from his spring. I was sure of my safety there for they were secluded from all outside observation save from the range of hills almost surrounding their house. Chapman Violet & family were all at home, rarely went abroad & had but little connection with the outside world. His wife was a cousin of my mother and I had expected some communication from Mother or Kate as this house seemed the most reasonable place & freed from interruption & safest from interference or publicity if proper steps were taken previously. [*The Violets lived on Law's (or Lost) Creek, north of Rock City*].

Rousing the folks who were greatly alarmed by the intrusion, I told them my purpose in few words & put up my horse & asked for all the news they could give me of Mother & Kate. Almost nothing - had not heard of them in three months - the river being the great obstacle & they were all afraid to cross it. Despite the objections to such an intrusion, I spread down my blanket on the floor & went to sleep, deep, sweet, refreshing sleep while she said 'Poor thing, what would Hester (my mother) say if I allowed William to be without dinner or supper & go to sleep on the floor.' My rest was delicious.

Saturday, Dec. 17. Raining hard & indoors & passed with annoying vexations. There was no canoe for miles & the only intelligence learned was that Yankee picket stations encircled my mother's house & two or three officers boarding there & rendering it impossible to get there. Horrible! [*Although the Fergussons were all staunchly Confederate, the Union occupation of Carthage afforded much needed cash income, sometimes earning as much as 5 dollars a day from the sale of farm produce. These blessings made a bad situation somewhat bearable.*] No prospects of even communicating with home folks & I must return, as I came, in the night and the rain falling in torrents.

Cannonading had been incessant for two days but I supposed it was simply skirmishing to develop positions along the line on both sides of the city [Nashville], but I was mistaken.

Late in the afternoon while Mrs. Violet and I were sitting in the loom room, a Miss Petty - one of the neighbors living on the branch below [Lost Creek] came unexpectedly and meeting her at the door, which she resented by saying, "Who have you got in there that you don't want me to see?" At that time I was scrambling out the small back window because I knew her father intimately & he was a Union man & I was afraid for her to see me there.

Sunday, Dec. 18. Leaving some presents for Kate, I fed my horse & self by 3 A.M. and off by same route I came for some 4 miles & passing the same church saw what I supposed to be a mounted soldier - the horse nickering as if for company, so I prepared to challenge & shoot at the same time but to my great delight the horse passed out of a position between me & a stump of a beech tree about 10 feet high & I rode on the lower road up Rawls Creek & by Ganns & Grissoms (where the boys were killed) & on to the ford on Round Lick Creek below Norris Mill avoiding the lower ford because [it was] too dangerous, and the first plunge was over my knees on horseback & through an immense volume of water over a sloping, rough, rocky cataracts at Eatherly's bluff about one mile from Rome. (This horrible venture was necessitated after there was such active, fearful waters and increase flow of the creek over the cataracts.) On this route I expected to meet [my brother] Charles at Wm. Ganns but the location

was too public near the church & so many roads entering there that I acted with too much caution for he was there in the house & I didn't know it, so I rode on to the first place of meeting designated - arriving at day light --- "Why Cousin Will, where did you spring from?" - 'Out of the ground to be sure' -- But she had heard nothing of [my brother] Charles - he had failed to stop at two points agreed upon before starting and I prepared to leave without breakfast & avoiding the main pike to Lebanon stopped at Harris for breakfast - 9 miles of Lebanon. He was glad to meet me but had forgotten me - even though for years we had attended dances in Rome & he had often played for us & a good fiddler & all around good fellow generally. Carefully avoiding all public highways, I reached Tucker's house on the hill 6 miles from Lebanon on the Trousdale Ferry Pike & finding no obstacles passed rapidly to the school house near Spring Creek & across & up to Greenwood Seminary & through the front field to the Alexandria Pike & across & through the big hill 2 miles south of Lebanon where I met Mr. Billingsly who told me of the retreat of our army but he supposed it would only be to some fortified base of defense and I supposed from his statement the line I had specifically surveyed would be adapted --- Duck River.

"Hood had originally intended to make a stand when he got across the Duck River, but when he saw the shattered condition of his army he quickly realized the futility of that. Accordingly he moved on from Columbia with the main body of his troops on the morning of December 20th, determined to get them south of the Tennessee River before stopping". (from "Tennessee's War" by Stanley F. Horn, University of Tennessee Press)

JAMES RUSKIN FERGUSSON

The following verse was written by James Ruskin Fergusson, son of W. W. and Medora Kirby Fergusson of Bovmans Branch in northwest Smith County. James was the fourth son and was born in 1876 at their old homestead known as "Gullychoke." Rus, as he was known most of his life, was a most gifted letter writer and also adept at writing poetry. In his younger years he was wont to run afoul of the law on a few occasions. There was never anything of any great consequence, but at a young adult he and his family concluded it best if he left Smith to find fame and fortune in other places. He went to Alabama, Georgia, New Orleans, Texas and finally landed in San Francisco, becoming a most successful business man there. This is an untitled and undated work which was found in the Fergusson Files and the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

Into mischief I always went,
My heart was full of devilment.
I could not bear to stay at home,
While other boys the hills did roam.
But after mirth, there's time to grieve,
Remorse did come, you may believe.

Once in an orchard I was caught,
But quickly then to justice brought.
A boy after a switch was sent,
and I received due punishment.
Pleasure still exceeded pain,
And I would fain do so again.

Into a melon patch I crept,
When I did think the owner slept.
About this scrape I'd like to tell,
But some unconquerable spell
forbids my aching tongue to say
one thing about that awful day.

" Oh for the days of buoyant youth"
The bard doth say in words uncouth.
He has forgot that when a boy,
He did not feel poetic joy.
His hopes, his joys, his very thoughts,
Was then forage - manhood he sought.

What man of sense would wish to part
With man's wisdom for a boy's heart?
Far and near every boy would fain,
Swap twice and thrice and once again
His greenish years for years mature,
All this I know - I would I'm sure.

All this I say, and still more too,
But there's not one who'd read me through
and the foregoing lines review!
I am afraid that you'll rebel
At this long piece, but now farewell.

Yours very sincerely,
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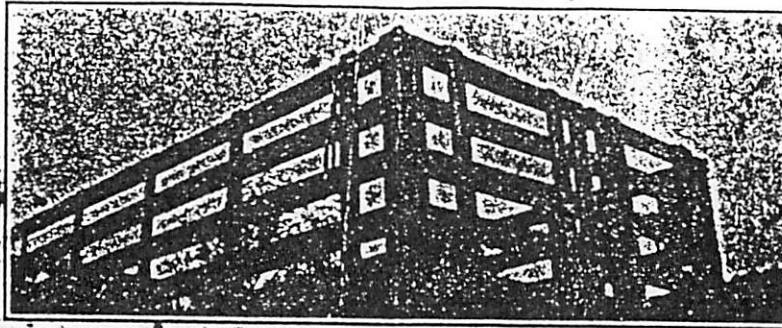
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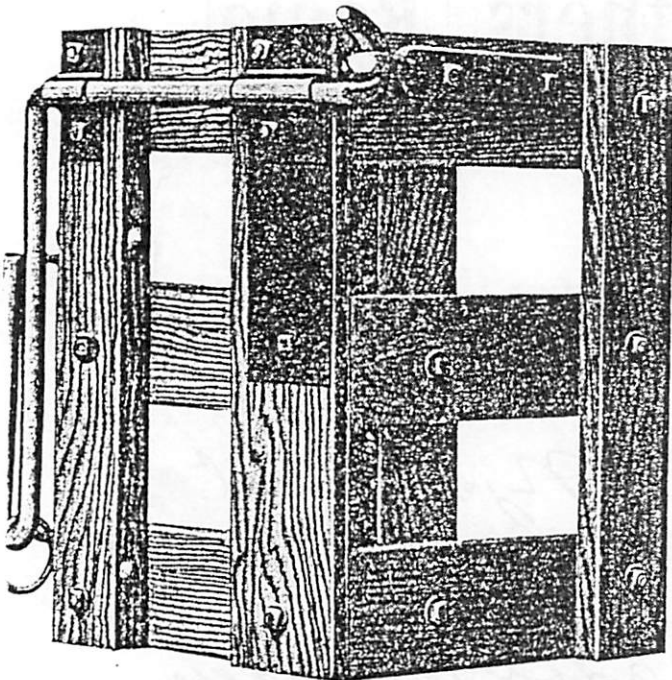
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chief agricultural commodities.

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In 1898, Leslie Kittrell and David and Mary's other children inherited a farm of approximately

50 acres.

Together with his wife Maggie and his six children, Leslie grew corn and tobacco and raised cattle and swine.

Kirk Kittrell, the founder's great grandson, received title to 35 acres of the farm in 1964.

Twelve years later, he cultivated corn, hay and tobacco and lived at the farm with his wife and his daughter's family, Mr. and Mrs James Kemp.

PROGRAM REVIEWS

JANUARY. The Society met on January 15, 2007. Guest speaker was Ms Debby Spencer, business/tourism development specialist. Ms Spencer presented a delightful slide program highlighting points of interest in Smith County. Featured were interesting architectural and natural attractions often overlooked by local residents. Particular attention was focused on the interesting buildings around the court house square in Carthage, many dating back to the late nineteenth century. Ms Spencer urged the Society to take a leadership role in promoting tourism employing the rich cultural heritage of Smith County.

FEBRUARY. Dr. Sam Barnes, retired orthopedic surgeon, historian, and underclassman at Tennessee Tech as a history major, 'told all' as he spoke on "The Shootout in Buffalo Valley on May 30, 1912." The audience was enthralled by Dr. Barnes' tale of the shooting of the "other woman" by his grandmother who was five months pregnant at the time. Employing both wit and humor along with vivid word descriptions, Dr. Barnes brought to life the events of almost a century ago. Incidentally, his grandmother was exonerated of the crime!

COMMENTS AND QUERIES

Elizabeth Hickey writes: I have enjoyed reading Bill Amonette's articles on W. W. Fergusson. My family has had a long-running friendship with the Fergusson family. 2412 McGinnis Dr., Nashville, TN 37216

Thanks for a No. 1 Quarterly. I enjoy this more than I could tell you – look forward to the next issue. Mrs. Edgar M. Waller

The article on "Smith County's War Effort" in your recent publication reminded me of how we bought stamps which were then converted to "War Bonds." I still have four War Bonds bought during the War (WW II) years when I was a student at New Middleton School (the old one). I also remember the scrap metal drives. James Parris and I searched farms in our area for scrap metal. James Parris is the same person that the "Crump Paris" Park is named for. I assume everyone knows how he came to have the nickname "Crump." Sam Perkins

Send us the story, Sam. I am not sure I know.

Seeking parents of Jefferson Jeffrey, b 1812 in TN, m Miriam Helen Ferrell 1832 in Smith County. Could his parents have been John Osburn Jeffrey and Karrenhappack Jones?

Janice Eddleman, 1807 Sunshine Mine Rd, Hackett, AR 72937.

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Wanted information on the following: William HEROD, Sr born 1748 Stafford Co Va died 1836 Smith Co Tn. May have married Sarah VALENTINE. They were the parents of: William Jr born @ 1785 in Stafford Co Va; married Sarah Elizabeth SETTLE. Peter born @ 1787 Spotsylvania Co Va married Rebecca KEY. Charity married William FAGG; no dates. James born @ 1790 Spotsylvania C Va married first Judith HAYNIE; they were the parents of William A, Sarah who married David PHILLIPS & Thomas; no dates. Married second Elizabeth ???(she supposedly was Cherokee) they were the parents of: Carroll Henderson born @ 1827, Elijah born @ 1828, James W born @ 1830, Malinda born @ 1833, John born @ 1836, Eliza born @ 1838, George born @ 1842, Mary born @ 1844. Frances HEROD (daughter of Wm Sr.) married Nathaniel HALL. Mary Ann married Daniel LANE; no dates. Elizabeth born @ 1789 married Claiborne HALL & Valentine.

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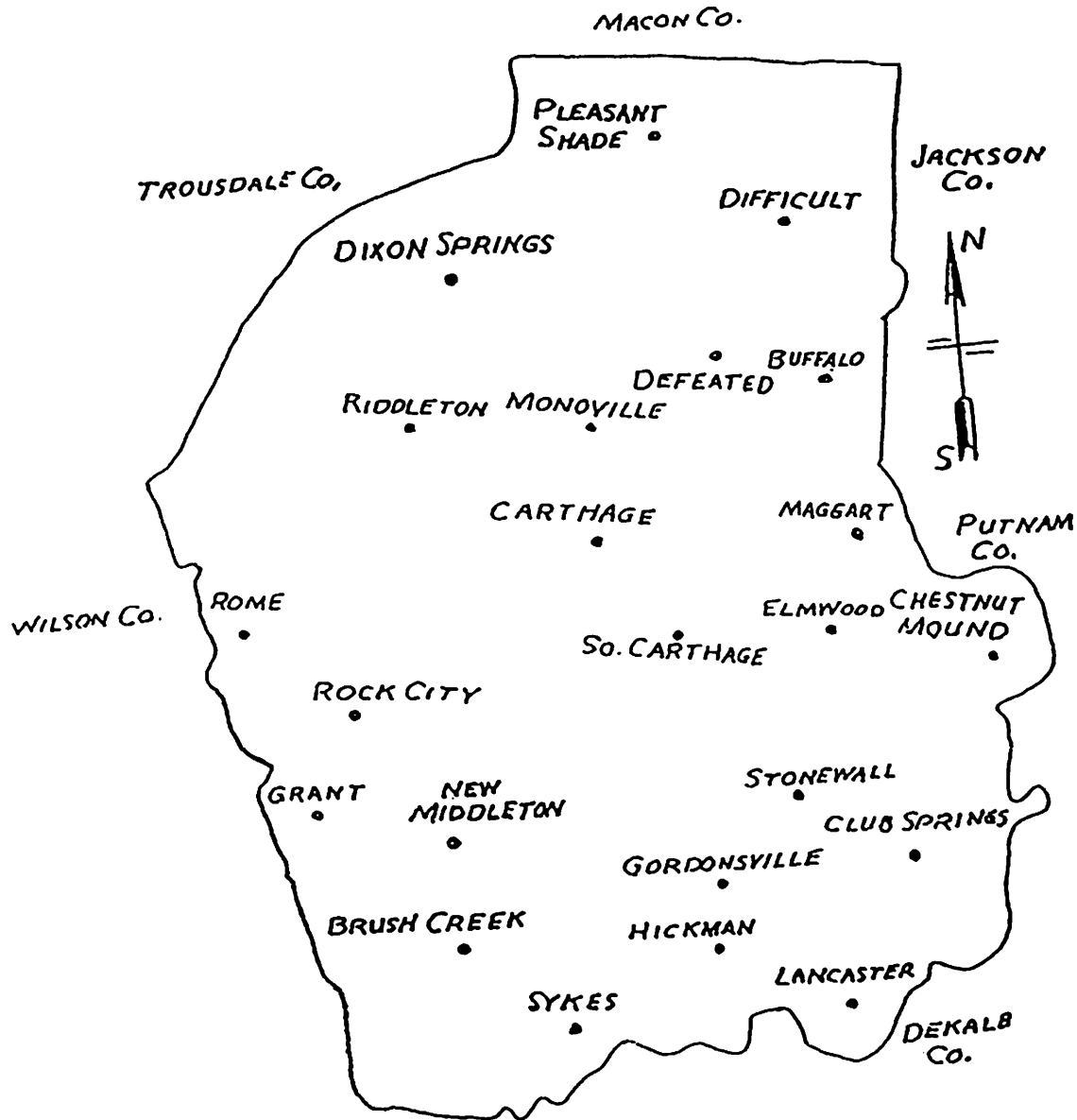
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FROM THE EDITOR;

Hope you are having a great summer and enjoying research in the cool recesses of courthouses and libraries. Time enough when the fall cool-down comes to explore cemeteries!

The Society lost one of its oldest and most dedicated members with the death of Ray Leftwich on May 13, 2007. Mr. Leftwich was born February 24, 1915, in a log house on Little Indian Creek in the Enigma community, the son of the late Henrietta McDonald and William Roscoe Leftwich. Ray served in the U. S., Army during WWII; upon his return he worked for the Veterans Affairs Admr. in Nashville. When he retired in 1972 he moved to Carthage and served in the same capacity for Smith County until his retirement in 2005. Ray and his wife, Mary, who survives, seldom missed a meeting of the Society until ill health prevented their attendance. They are missed by the Society.

Stay cool!



Sue Maggart-Petty
Editor

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PROGRAM REVIEWS

March 2007. Mr. Terence (Terry) Guyton, a former British citizen, spoke on the difficulties he discovered as an immigrant to this country in tracing ancestors, his youth in war-torn London, his service in the British RAF and Home Guard, his work in a munitions factory and the similarities and differences he sees in our cultures. Mr. Guyton has been a U.S. citizen for many years but only recently chose Smith County as his retirement home.

April 2007. Professor W. Calvin Dickinson was guest speaker of the Society. His presentation was on his new book tracing the origin and history of the Walton Trail that crossed the Cumberland Plateau and terminated in Carthage. The book is to be released in the near future. Before his retirement in 2000, Professor Dickinson was history instructor at Tennessee Tech University and was the author of numerous essays and books.

May 2007. Peggy Parkhurst Hudson spoke on and demonstrated the art of preserving documents, valuable papers, photos and family histories. She emphasized the importance of organizing and documenting items in proper albums and containers.

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In the above photo Minnie Redditt is on the left with an unidentified woman on the right. Minnie's shoes are beside her and both women are fishing.



MINNIE C. [REDDITT] ANDREWS
Wife of
BOYD KELLEY ANDREWS
and Daughter of
ANDREW J. REDDITT and ELIZA JANE [SMITH]
of
Smith County, Tennessee

by Francie Lane, May 10, 2007

Minnie C. Redditt was born on September 2, 1886, in probably Riddleton, Smith Co., TN, the daughter of Andrew J. Redditt, and his second wife, Eliza Jane [Smith]. (Please see the end of the article for Eliza J. Smith's family history.)

Andrew J. Redditt was born October 1, 1847, in Sumner County, TN, the son of Marmaduke D. and Sarah Redditt. Marmaduke D. Redditt was purportedly born January 21, 1793.¹ the son of Theophilus & Rachel Redditt and grandson of Josiah Redditt (1744-1811) and Sarah [Williams]. The Redditts were long residents of Bertie Co., NC, and there are family records, dating back to 1721, Chowan Precinct, NC.

Early Sumner Co., TN shows the existence of Aquilla Redditt, who from census tracking, would seem to have moved after 1820 from Sumner Co. to Shelby Co., TN. The 1830 US census for Sumner Co., TN is the first to reflect the family of Marmaduke, showing the oldest male, age 30-40; 2 males under 5; oldest female, age 20-30; and 1 female 5-10.

1840 US Census – Sumner Co., TN, p. 6 / 356 <12/162²>
REDDIT, M. D. 2020101-120111

1850 US Census – Sumner Co., TN – Dist. #2, p. 278 <8/15>³

RIDET, Marmaduk D.	56	NC	\$600
, Sarah	46	TN	
, William L.		20	"
, Margaret		17	
, Rachel		15	
, Peter		12	
, Ann		8	
, James P.		6	
, Andrew J.		2	

Marmaduke D. Redditt wrote his LWT on August 18, 1857, and it was recorded in Sumner Co., TN in December court, 1857. His estate was to go to his wife Sarah for her life or during her widowhood, then to be equally divided among his children. His Will was witnessed by David Padgitt and T. Horsely.⁴

Note: Between the census taker's poor spelling and the indexing by Ancestry.com, the Redditts are a difficult task to track; i.e., "RIDET" is the 1850 census taker's spelling –

¹ Brian Jacobs' research: <http://www.brianjacobs.org/genealogy/laster/html/d0045/g0000039.html#112373>

² Ancestry.com – Digitalized Census Images

³ Ibid

⁴ *Sumner County Tennessee Will Abstracts 1788 - 1882* by Shirley Wilson

yet the name is indexed by Ancestry.com as "REDEL", so Soundex searches do not work. As you'll see, the situation gets worse:

1860 US Census – Sumner Co., TN – Enon College, p. 70 <7/16>⁵

RIDDELL, Sarah 56 TN Farmer \$1,000 / \$365
 , Ann 18 "
 , James K. P. 16
 , Andrew J. 12
 Thompson, Marth A. 17

By 1870, all the children had left home and Widow Sarah Redditt was living alone:

1870 US Census – Sumner Co., TN – 2nd Civil Dist. p. 17 <17/22>⁶

REDISH, Sarah 65 TN \$1,500

Andrew J. Redditt first appears in Smith County on the 1870 census as a 22 year-old student, living on a farm with the Thomas family in District 17, New Middleton, Smith Co., TN.

A. J. first married in Smith Co., TN on May 12, 1872⁷, to Augusta E. [Garrett], born February 28, 1853; died December 17, 1878⁸, Smith Co. and she is buried in the #108 Old Carthage Cemetery. Their children were:

Xena Redditt, born April 18, 1873; died April 8, 1876⁹
 Lena Redditt, born October, 1876, d. c1905, Trousdale Co., TN
 m. John Cothron c1903¹⁰
 Sallie Louisa Redditt, born June 1878¹¹
 m. Herbert L. Mynatte – March 6, 1901¹²

Widower A. J. Redditt remarried on June 7, 1879, in Smith Co., TN to Eliza Jane [Smith]¹³ and their children were:

Annie J. Redditt, born April 15, 1880; died November 12, 1881.¹⁴
 Andrew J. Redditt, b. October 8, 1882; died September 8, 1883.¹⁵
 Mary P. "Mamie" Redditt, born March 1884
 m. James H. Freeman, c1913, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN¹⁶
 Minnie C. Redditt, born September 2, 1886, Smith Co., TN; died
 October 21, 1907, Wallace, Shoshone Co., Idaho.
 m. August 1, 1907, Davidson Co., TN to
 Boyd Kelley Andrews, born July 3, 1885, West,

⁵ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Census Images

⁶ Ibid

⁷ Smith County Marriages - by Catherine and Philip Trumm - transcribed from the Original Microfilm
http://www.rootsweb.com/%7Etnsmith/marriages/marraiges_index.htm

⁸ "Smith Co. Cemeteries North of the Cumberland River" #108 Old Carthage Cemetery
http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/hg/cems_north/oldcarthage.htm

⁹ Ibid

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¹⁵ Ibid

¹⁶ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

**Holmes Co., MS; died May 27, 1958, Wallace,
Shoshone Co., ID. Boyd was the son of Alexander
Samuel Andrews and Hattie Cornelia [Boulton]¹⁷**

James M. Redditt, born November 1890¹⁸

Willie N. Redditt (son), born December, 1892¹⁹

1880 US Census – District 1, Smith Co., TN – SD2:ED114;p.17²⁰

REDDITT, A. J.	33	School Teacher	TN	NC	TN		
, Eliza J.	27	wife	TN		TN	TN	
, Sara P.	77	Mother (Paralysis)	TN		SC	IRE.	
, Lena	4	Dau	TN		TN	TN	
, Louisa	2	Dau		TN	TN	TN	
, A. J.	1/12	Dau (Apr)		TN	TN	TN	

The Riddleton Church of Christ²¹ was established by land deed Nov. 29th, 1887. The church's property line adjoined **A. J. Redditt, M. L. Bradley & W. D. Pope**, located at the NE corner of the Academy lot in Riddleton town.

The original enrollment, dated August 17, 1888, of the Church of Christ members included:

"Elder - A. J. Redditt", with notation he was "Removed December, 1889"

Eliza J. Redditt - Removed 1889

Lena Redditt - Removed 1888

From the "Smith County History" book²² article T15, page 48-49, it's learned that the Smith Co. Teachers Institute certified teachers, and for the year ending June 30, 1892, mailed certificates to the following teachers at their Carthage Post Office address: "**A. J. Redditt, R. H. Lankford, J. L. West, Harrison Highers, Hughes Jordan, H. B. Geubelt, Lena Redditt, Bettie Dillard and Lavinia Burton**".

In 1900, my Grandfather, Boyd K. Andrews and his sister Mary Otheldra Andrews were living with their maternal aunt, Julia A. [Boulton] Gibbs. Julia [Boulton] Gibbs was the sister of Boyd & Mary Andrews' mother, Hattie Cornelia [Boulton] Andrews, the daughters of Napoleon B. Boulton and his wife Lucy J. [Williams]. Both the Boultons and Williams were early settlers in Smith Co. Boyd Andrews remained friends with his 1st cousin, Gertie L. [Gibbs] Scruggs throughout his life. Gertie was born April 23, 1888, and died July 22, 1979, and is buried in the Gordonsville Cemetery, Smith Co., TN. Below is a photograph of Boyd K. Andrews and Gertie [Gibbs] Scruggs as children in 1890:

¹⁷ Andrews Family records in the possession of Francie Lane.

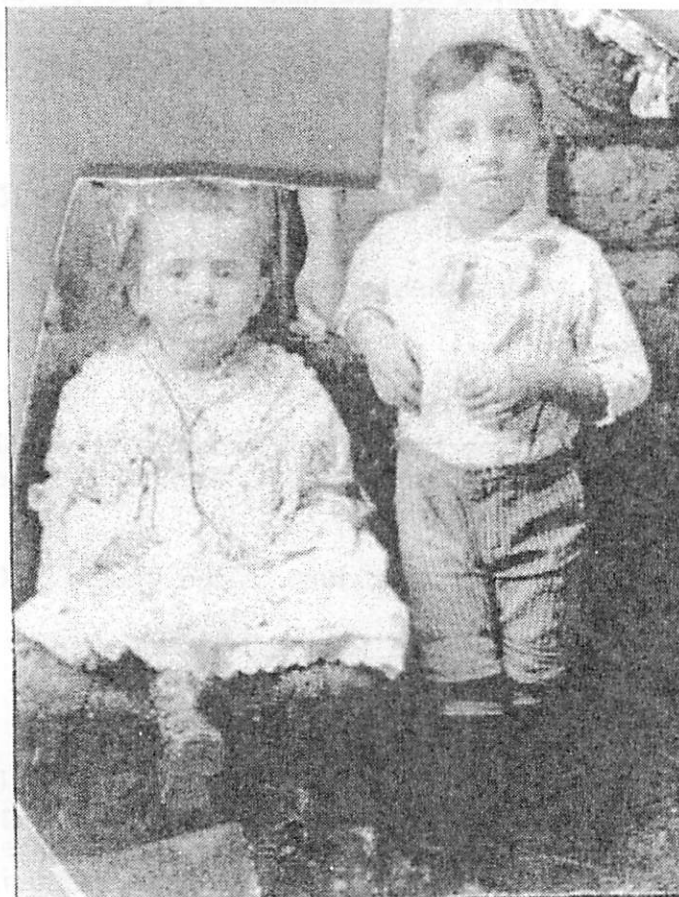
¹⁸ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

¹⁹ Ibid

²⁰ Ibid

²¹ http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/churchpics/riddleton_churchofchrist.htm

²² "History of Smith County, Tn", Curtis Media Corporation & Smith Co. Homecoming '86 Heritage Committee, 1987. ISBN:0-88107-079-3



1900 US Census - Smith County, Tennessee - Civil District 22 - ED 108, Sheet 1²³ <1/11>

Morgan Gibbs was a "Boatman" for all but 2 months of the year; he owned his house free of a mortgage. Morgan & Julia had been married for 12 years; Julia had 4 children – all living. Gertie, Lillia, Willie Gibbs and Boyd Andrews were attending school. Morgan & Julia could read & write. All of the Gibbs were born in TN; Mary & Boyd Andrews were born in MS; their father b. MS and mother, b. TN.

GIBBS, Morgan	38	May, 1862
, Julia A. [Boulton]	28	July, 1872
, Girtie L.	12	April, 1888
, Lillie M.	9	November, 1890
, Willie M. (m)	6	October, 1893
, Ella L.	3	January, 1907
ANDREWS, Mary O.	16 (niece)	August, 1883
, Boyd K.	14 (nephew)	July, 1885

It's not known how Boyd K. Andrews met Minnie C. Redditt. Certainly, they were not close neighbors. A. J. Redditt was a school teacher in Smith Co. as Boyd's father, A. S. Andrews had been prior to 1890. Perhaps their fathers had been friends or perhaps Miss Lena Redditt was Boyd's teacher. Sometime between 1892 and 1900, Andrew J. Redditt became employed in the Smith County Circuit Court:

²³ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

1900 US Census – Smith Co., TN - Civil Dist. 1, SD 4; ED 90, Sheet 9²⁴: <17/24>

REDDITT, Andrew J.	53	Oct, 1846	Married for 20 y. Deputy Circuit Clerk
, Eliza J.	41	Dec, 1858	
, Lena	23	Oct., 1876	School Teacher
, Sallie L.	21	June, 1878	
, Mary T.	16	March, 1884	At school
, Minnie C.	13	Sept., 1886	"
, James M.	9	Nov., 1890	"
, Willie N.	7	Dec., 1892	"

[Note: Next door neighbor was Newton Kemp, employed as "County Register", so perhaps A. J. Redditt was living in Carthage, the county seat.]

On March 6, 1901, Sallie Lou Redditt married Herbert L. Mynatte in Smith Co., TN²⁵. I've not been able to find any further record of her.

Sometime between the 1900 census and 1903, Lena [Redditt] married a widower farmer, John Cothron, b. 1862, of Dog Branch Rd., Trousdale Co., TN. Lena had one daughter, Frances "Augusta" Cothron, born c1904. Augusta was undoubtedly named for Lena's mother, Augusta [Garrett] Redditt. Lena died shortly after Augusta's birth, because the 1910 census shows Cothron and his new wife Mary had been married for 4 years. From the 1930 US Census of Trousdale Co., Lena's daughter Augusta had married at age 21 to Floyd Carman "of Lock Six Road" and had two children: Charlie J., age 2y 5 m and Margaret V., age 11 months.

In 1902, my Grandfather, Boyd K. Andrews, left Smith Co., promising to return to marry his childhood sweetheart, Minnie C. Redditt. He took her beautiful photograph with him:

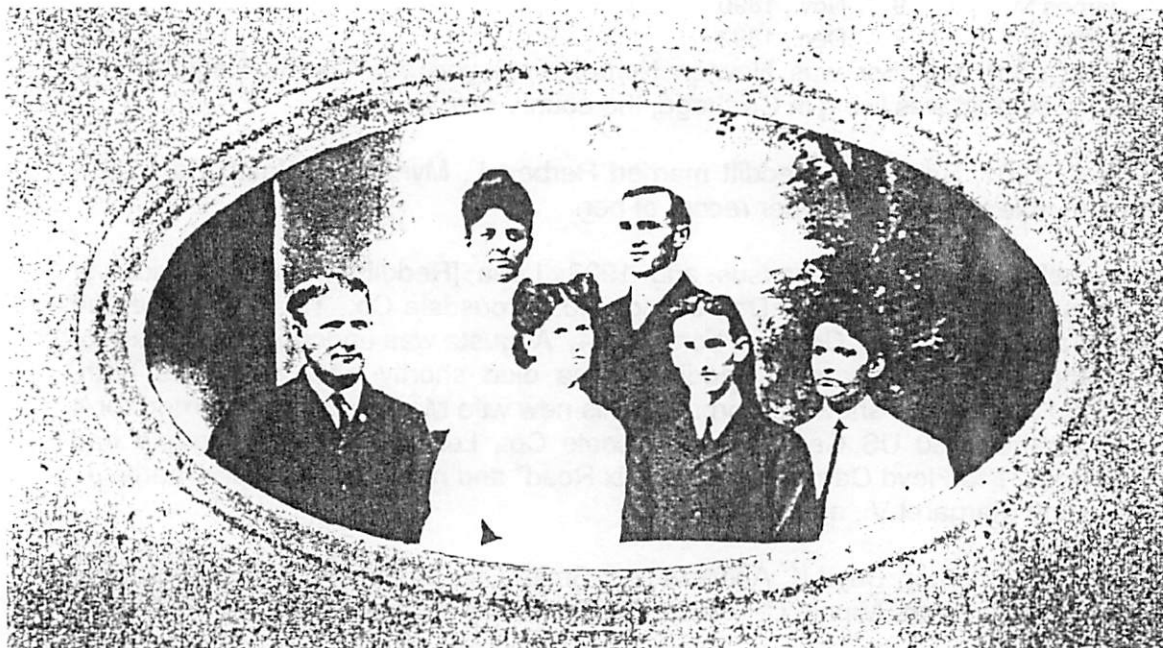
Boyd Andrews moved to Denver, Colorado, taking odd sales jobs, while working his way through business college, learning accounting, shorthand, typing and telegraphy. He took a job as a telegrapher for the Northern Pacific Railway, winding up in 1906 in Wallace, Shoshone County, Idaho. Boyd and Minnie continued to write to each other, planning their future life together and setting a wedding date for 1907, but during this time, Minnie moved with her parents to Nashville. After saving enough money for a diamond ring, travel expenses and a wedding, Boyd returned to Tennessee in 1907, to marry and take his bride back to the new home he had made for them in Idaho. Upon his arrival, he was shocked to see her in the last stages of tuberculosis. Boyd had promised to marry her, and so he did. The marriage license was issued on August 1,

²⁴ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

²⁵ Smith County Marriages - by Catherine and Philip Trumm - transcribed from the Original Microfilm
http://www.rootsweb.com/%7Etnsmith/marriages/marraiges_index.htm

1907, by the Davidson Co., TN County Clerk, and the marriage was performed by George Livingston Beale, Minister of the Gospel of the Methodist Church in Nashville.

The wedding party photograph is below. Boyd Andrews is in the front row, second from the right; Minnie Redditt is in the front row, far right side. The other women are presumed to be her sisters with their husbands, but cannot be specifically identified.



As terminally ill as Minnie was, Boyd took his bride back to Idaho. During the warm summer months, he kept the fires burning because Minnie was so cold. Finally after a few months, she died on October 21, 1907, without ever consummating the marriage.

Boyd brought Minnie's body back to Smith Co., TN by train for burial at the "Old Carthage Cemetery", also known as the Methodist Cemetery, located at West 3rd Avenue, Carthage, Smith Co., TN.

Boyd returned to Wallace, and on 5 Dec 1907, wrote a poignant letter to his sister Mary Otheldra "Thellie" [Andrews] Smith, wife of Arthur T. Smith of Smith Co., telling of his return trip: [Note: "Boyd A." was Boyd Andrews Smith, born 1903, son of Thellie & A. T. Smith. The mention of the Hartsville Pike may have been traveled for a visit to Minnie Redditt's sister Lena in Trousdale Co., TN]

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Wallace, Idaho<sup>26</sup>  
December 5, 1907

Dear Sis:

*Your letter came a few days ago – was highly appreciated for it's the first letter I've had from you since I came back.*

*I enjoyed the journey very much as it was all new to me – and then the trip through Mohave Desert (Mojave it is spelled) was all new and interesting. Equally as*

<sup>26</sup> Transcription by Francie Lane of an original letter from Boyd K. Andrews to his sister, Mary Otheldra [Andrews] Smith, residing in Smith Co., TN, dated December 5, 1907.

*enjoyable was the trip on the ocean and if I travel near the waters again, I shall make it a point to take a ship – for the ride is grand. I didn't get sick but some of the others did and I can imagine how one feels. The ship was running on the right side awhile then it would turn to the left side – then make an awful dive. We saw several sea lions, whales, sharks and etc., in fact we were highly entertained all the way. Saw five or six ships that were sunk recently – and they made a fellow feel rather curious – not knowing whether your voyage would be completed or not. We were fog bound from 2:30 p.m. to 10 a.m. in Eureka Bay and had a delightful time visiting on board the ship.*

*The journey was grand – yet I missed my darling very much. I can't see why I should care to strive for anything now since I've lost her – but then maybe I won't miss her so much after awhile.*

*I didn't stay at home as long as I intended to, for it seemed as though I wanted to come back and tell her about my journey.*

*Mr. & Mrs. Redditt insisted on my staying with them longer, but I cried all the time I was there – and I believe I would have died had I remained there for a week.*

*Mr. Redditt bought my ticket & Minnie's to Carthage and paid the expenses of digging the grave and hearse hire. I asked if I might pay them, but he said he would settle them. I still owe \$288.00 for her casket & etc., but I can soon pay for that as I make good money here. I spent over \$700.00 on Minnie while she was with me and I am not sorry in the least. I've felt as though I did everything I could for her. I wish she could have lived so that our little home we had planned would have been a reality instead of a fanciful dream.*

*I didn't send you any of Minnie's clothes, as I had intended doing. I gave Mamma a few of them and took the rest to Mrs. Redditt for it seemed like casting lots for her garments and then I knew she would not want her clothes scattered around. When I come back again I'm going to have more money than at any time yet and I'll take you and Boyd A. down to Mississippi to see our old homestead. Wouldn't that be grand – yes, as grand as our ride down the Hartsville Pike last summer. I had a nice time, though, didn't you? Sometimes I think I will come back and stay at home for I don't think it hardly fair for me to stay away so long. Do you?*

*Will try to arrange my visit so I can get two gallons of chestnuts and walk from Gordonsville to Bluff Creek to take Poot Eye one Gallon and have a little romp with him. Wish I could see him now.*

*Shall close now for it's 11 p.m.*

*Love and best wishes to all  
Your devoted bud,  
Boyd K. Andrews*

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**1910 US Census – Davidson Co., TN – Civil Dist #11 – SD279; ED108; Sh3B
#57 on Porter Pike²⁷**

²⁷ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

REDDITT, Andrew J.	62	2 nd marriage – 30 yr	Farmer
, Eliza J.	51	1 st marriage – 30 yr	6 children/ 3 living
, Mary P.	25	single	
, James	19	single	
, William B.	17	single	

Andrew J. Redditt died on March 3, 1918²⁸, in Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, but was brought back to Smith Co. to be buried in the old Carthage Cemetery. Widow Eliza Jane [Smith] Redditt lived with her married daughter Mary [Redditt] Freeman. Mary P. [Redditt] married c1913 to James H. Freeman, born c1877 in Arkansas and had at least 2 children: James H. Freeman, Jr., b. c1916; and Edna K., born 1919. The family lived on Greenwood Ave / Porter Rd., Nashville.

1920 US Census – Davidson Co., TN – Civil Dist #11 (N.E. Eastland); Greenwood Avenue & Porter Road – SD320;ED125;Sh30b²⁹:

FREEMAN, James H.	42	Commercial Trav. Portrait Co.	AR	TN	TN
, Mamie	35		TN	TN	TN
, James H.	3 6/12		TN	AR	TN
, Edna K.	10/12		TN	AR	TN
REDDITT, Eliza J.	61	Widow "Mother-in-law"	TN	TN	TN

Eliza Jane [Smith] Redditt died in Nashville, Davidson Co., TN on June 16, 1922³⁰, and was buried in the old Carthage cemetery beside her husband, and along with her deceased children: Infants Annie J. and Andrew J. Redditt, Jr. and Minnie C. [Redditt] (Mrs. Boyd K.) Andrews.

In the 1920 census, there is a James M. Redditt, born c1890, TN, living in Perrysburg Village, Wood Co., Ohio, employed as a bookkeeper, married to a Clara B., age 25, born Ohio and daughter Arlene C. Redditt, age 4. In 1930, this same James M. Redditt was living in Monclova, Lucas Co., Ohio, stating he had married at age 24, and still employed as a bookkeeper. He stated he and his parents were all born in TN³¹. This could well be the son of A. J. & Eliza J. [Smith] Redditt.

I've not found any further record of Minnie Redditt's brother William B. Redditt.

For further detailed information regarding the family of James Hargrove Smith (1823-1900) and the Lewis Joshua Young family, please refer to articles, authored by Loyd D. Young, a James Hargrove Smith descendent, published in the "History of Smith County"³²: [Smith: F717, p. 702-703] and [Young: F838, p. 772-773]

Below is a compilation of data / records held by Francie Lane <franielane@comcast.net>, derived from census research, Smith County's web page for on-line cemetery and marriage records, and letters from "cousin" Carlene [Smith] Hayes, dated November 7, 1978, on a research trip to Smith County, TN. Mrs. Carlene

²⁸ "Smith Co. Cemeteries North of the Cumberland River" #108 Old Carthage Cemetery
http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/hg/cems_north/oldcarthage.htm

²⁹ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Images

³⁰ Ibid

³¹ Ancestry.com – Digitalized Census Images

³² "History of Smith County, Tn", Curtis Media Corporation & Smith Co. Homecoming '86 Heritage Committee, 1987.
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Hayes was the daughter of Mary Otheldra [Andrews] and Arthur Thomas Smith, son of James Hargrove Smith and Harriet Jane [Tucker].

The mother of Minnie C. [Redditt] Andrews was **Eliza Jane [Smith] Redditt**, born December 6, 1858, the daughter of James Hargrove Smith (b. July 25, 1823; d. January 14, 1900) and his wife Harriet Jane [Tucker] (b. May 16, 1828; d. July 25, 1914), the daughter of W. Reid & Henrietta Tucker. W. Reid Tucker, b. c1800, was living in White Co., TN in 1860 with his wife, born c1800, but after her death, was taken into James H. Smith's household by the 1880 census [shown as 80 year old father-in-law].

James Hargrove Smith's parents, shown in his 1870 census household, were William Smith, b. 1800, NC, a blacksmith and his wife Harriet, b. 1800, TN.

James Hargrove & Harriet Jane [Tucker] Smith married at her family home in White Co., TN on September 13, 1845. The children of James H. Smith and Harriet Jane [Tucker] were:

1. John "William" Smith, born August 17, 1849; died March 15, 1929
married October 12, 1872, Smith Co., TN to:
Susan Frances Trousdale, b. July 7, 1851; d. April 7, 1926,
daughter of James Trousdale [1860 census "of Dixon Springs, TN"].
Their children:
Arthur Thomas "A.T." Smith, b. April 7, 1875, Smith Co., TN; died
January 13, 1953, Wallace, Shoshone Co., Idaho
m. c 1901 to **Mary Otheldra "Thellie" Andrews**, b. August 3,
1883, West, Holmes Co., MS; died April 24, 1941, Wallace,
Shoshone Co., Idaho.
Evelyn Jane "Evie" Smith, born July 12, 1878; died June 24, 1956
m. Lewis Joshua "Josh" Young on November 3, 1895
Betty Ellen Smith, born December 8, 1882
m. Lee Robinson on October 28, 1913
2. Samuel V. Smith, b. February 4, 1851; d. August 17, 1890
married May 16, 1880, Smith Co., TN, to Sarah M. Turner
1880 Census, Dist. #17, age 29, stated occupation: Wool Carder
3. Harriet Unicy Smith, b. January 2, 1853; d. March 19, 1954.
4. James Hargrove Smith, Jr., b. April 6, 1854; d. November 5, 1937
married May 14, 1889: Carrie D. Brim, b. Jan. 1, 1864; d Aug. 28, 1934
5. Hetta Katherine Smith, b. December 7, 1856; d. May 3, 1915
married on January 29, 1902, to Riley C. Richardson
[Note: Marriage transcription gives her name as "Kittie K. Smith"]
6. **Eliza Jane Smith**, born December 6, 1858; died June 16, 1922
married **Andrew J. "A. J." Redditt** in Smith Co., TN on June 8, 1879.
Their children were:
Annie J. Redditt, born April 15, 1880; died November 12, 1881.
Andrew J. Redditt, b. October 8, 1882; died September 8, 1883.
Mary P. Redditt, born March 1884

m. James H. Freeman, c1913, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN
Minnie C. Redditt, born September 2, 1886, Smith Co., TN; died
 October 21, 1907, Wallace, Shoshone Co., Idaho.

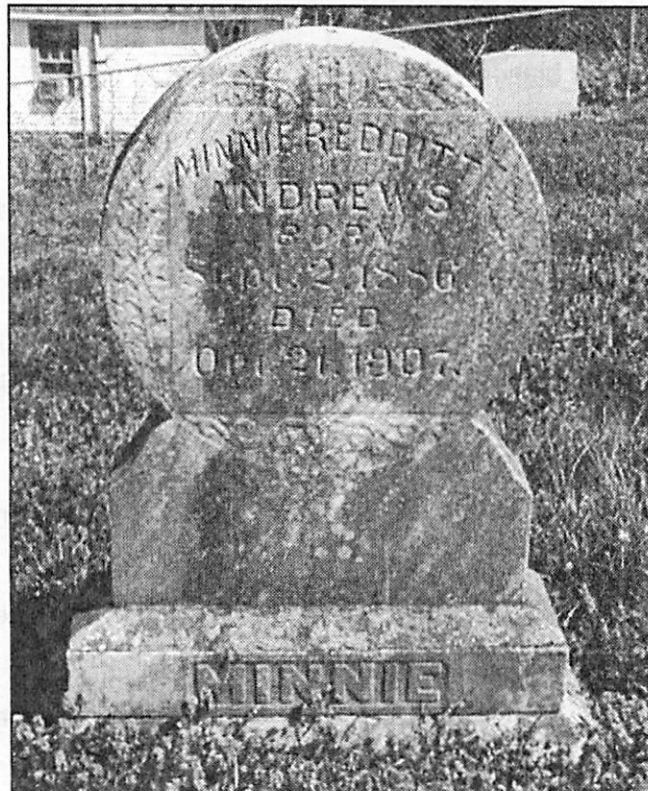
m. August 1, 1907, Davidson Co., TN to:

Boyd Kelley Andrews, born July 3, 1885, West, Holmes Co., MS;
 died May 27, 1958, Wallace, Shoshone Co., ID

James M. Redditt, born November 1890

Willie N. Redditt (son), born December, 1892

7. Jefferson D. Smith, b. June 13, 1861; died March 31, 1883.
8. Joel F. Smith, b. March 26, 1863; died November 4, 1886.
9. Robert P. Smith, b. January 18, 1865; died March 7, 1920 and buried with his wife in Ridgewood Cemetery, Section III
 married December 15, 1901 to Callie Richardson, b. May 3, 1874; d. Oct. 31, 1964. [Note Marriage transcription gives his name as "Robert R. Smith"]
10. Daniel F. Smith, b. January 26, 1867
 married #1 L. E. Porter – October 16, 1890, Smith Co., TN [Note: Marriage transcription gives her name as "S. E. Porter"]
 #2 Docia A. Richardson – September 18, 1901, Smith Co., TN
11. Crockett W. Smith, b. February 17, 1870
 married on January 1, 1899 to Eva B. Perkins [Note: Marriage transcription gives names as: "C. W. Smith and "Bettie Perkins"]



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JOURNALS OF K. C. TERRY

Continued from Vol. XIX, No. 2

Wednesday, July 1, 1920. Went to Middleton, carried skirts to be sent back. Made screen door and window for Jim Bridges. Wrote assessment notices, hot, mercury up to 92 in shade. "Clear."

Thursday, July 2. Stuck beans this morn. Very hot, 93 in shade.

Friday, July 3. Mattie picked berries this morn, 3 ½ gal, made jam. WGB went to Nashville this eve. Me in store, rained a good rain here today, very hot before rain.

Saturday, July 4. hung screen for Dr. Jim Bridges, in store rest of day. Very hot.

Sunday, July 5. not feeling very well, looking for WGB in from city. He came about dinner.

Monday, July 6. not able to get up today. Very sick with stomache and bowels, had a tough day of it, very hot.

Tuesday, July 7. Still sick but some better. Sis (Alma Barrett) come and went with Mattie to pick berries both got 8 ½ gal and canned this eve. Very hot 90 in shade. Sprinkled rain.

Wednesday, July 8. Made pear preserves, canned apples and beans with acid, 8 ½ gals. Sent old Daisy to Baird Bull. Very hot and dull, feeling some better.

Thursday, July 9. Hot and sultry. Alma here to pick berries. Mattie picked 3 gal. sold to WGB for sister. Went to Grant with Frank Hewitt to collect. Hot. Feel better.

Friday, July 10. Plowed corn in garden, went to bury Bill Fuller child for Cheek(Undertaker). Got \$1.00, hot and sultry.

Saturday, July 11. Varnished beds this morning, filled straw beds this eve at Thresher, hot and threatening rain. Rhoda here.

Sunday, July 12. Cooler and cloudy, some rain. All at home, Sam & Alma came and stayed all night. "Topic" want to leave.

Monday, July 13. Cooler and cloudy. Sis and Mattie going to pick berries.

Tuesday, July 14. Fixed clock at store. Will Wilkerson cutting oats, clear and cool. Parker and Williams girls with Gladys today.

Wednesday, July 15. Cooler and cloudy. Made 9 gal. cider, putting up apples for Aunt Lucy. Weighed shoats. Gain in 30 days 130#.

Thursday, July 16. Cool and rain, fixed scoop for Gray Turner, dull as the dickens, Mattie ironed.

Friday, July 17. Gladys, Mattie and me went to Lower town this morning. Gladys got 2 dresses, Mattie got slippers. I got overalls and goods to made jumper. Fixed wheel this eve. Put glass in Lincoln's watch.

Saturday, July 18. Went to Middleton after bricks and cement. Planted 5 rows potatoes and some corn, some peas. Sold cider to Elmer Smith. Mattie went to Thomas this eve. Wind and rain.

Sunday, July 19. At home all day, WG went to preaching then home with Sam, rest remained at home, rained about dark. Pleasant.

Monday, July 20. Went to Grant, to Cross Roads and then to Gordonsville and Hickman.

Mattie went with me. Got Gladys trunk cost 3.00. I put in Bank 10.00. Gladys started to school first day, didn't like at all, hot and sultry, cloudy.

Tuesday, July 21. Made place for milk, didn't finish. Gladys gone to school again to day, liked better, rain this morn, hot and clear this eve. Heard from Ed. again want me to come to Nashville to work in shop.

Wednesday, July 22. Sow had 10 pigs doing fine. Picked up apples to make cider. Mary and Rossie Thomas, Miss Fannie Barrett here this eve. Elmer Smith's baby buried, cloudy and cool.

Thursday, July 23. Made 15 gal cider, went to John Thomerson with Wm. Baird to solder Vallay, 50 cts. Mattie made apple preserves and ironed some, hot and cloudy, Gladys got new spelling book.

Friday, July 24. Fixed umbrella for Mrs. Baird, 20 cts. Finished milk box, went to lodge tonight and was elected K of R & S to fill unexpired time of L. Ferguson.

Saturday, July 25. Put up cabbage and kraut this morn. Fixed shot gun for H. B. Ballinger, charge 25 cts., done nothing this eve. Society did not meet.

Sunday, July 26. At home all day, Sam and Sis came spent day had first roasting ears. W. G. went to Aunt Hallie, hot and cloudy.

Monday, July 27. Went to Stevens, put glass in show case. Got goods for Gladys satchel, got leather for harness. Sold 4 shoats to Brad Hallum at 5 cts. Weighed 330, Guessed total 16.50.

Tuesday, July 28. Bought 1 barrel of corn from WGB, cost 3.00. Wrote notices for Hunter, got 20 cts., dug onions about 1 bu. Worked on watches, hot and cloudy.

Wednesday, July 29. Hot and cloudy. Nothing doing.

Thursday, July 30. Went to Gerwigs to see about telephone. Carried Mattie to Almas. Hot and sultry. Rained in afternoon.

Friday, July 31. Went to Middleton. Collected 3.00 from Williams, 2.50 from J. N. Bridges, Went to lodge at night and was installed K of R and S. Rained very good rain.

Saturday, August 1. Gladys and I went to Grant on trouble, went back to Christians in 'Eve found the trouble and cleared it. Hot and sultry, made out report to Grand Lodge.

Sunday, August 2. WGB went to church meeting protracted. Hot and sprinkled rain, at home all day. Posted minutes K. P.

Monday, August 3. Gathered and canned grapes, made 8 qts., worked on wheel for Dock Carmack, 55 cts, heard from Gainesboro Telephone Co. and answered favorable - hot and cloudy, Mattie unwell, canned 2 cans of tomatoes, rained a good rain. Got telephone Bills. Tom Hogans barn burned.

Tuesday, August 4. Fixed watch, 50 cts., fixed wheel, 30 cts. Went to Middleton & Grant collecting & took out Christian telephone, rained a good one.

Wednesday, August 5. Fixed watch this morning, 1.10. Going to Gordonsville & Hickman on this Eve. Bought me some shoes, Mattie went with me, raining some tonight.

Thursday, August 6. Went to Middleton to fix Bridges and Ferguson Battery, hot and sultry, turned pulley for Lee Whitley 10 cts, hot hot. WGB went to church at night.

Friday, August 7. Fixed gun for Joe Johnson, 35 cts. Ground blade for Lon Johnson, 20. Went to Lodge but not a corum. Got letter from Jas (?) Gathered and peeled peaches.

Saturday, August 8. Tinkered on watches, stuck beans. Cloudy. Mattie made peach preserves and now sewing on dress. Gladys studying her lessons. Telephoned to Cox tonight, 10 o'clock.

Sunday, August 9, We went to preaching, Will Hallum come up. Joe Willie & McKey here for dinner. Hot and cloudy.

Monday, August 10. Cooler and threatening rain. Gladys at school. Sowed turnips in garden. Plowed corn. Rained at night.

Tuesday, August 11. Raining, half soled my shoes. Fixed watch, 85 cts. Paid Sam for carrying me to Christians, 15 cts. Cooler tonight, Jim Rucks came to Hallums.

Wednesday, August 12. heard from Cox, said to meet him at Algood, Tennessee, sad old time.

Thursday, August 13. Went to Algood, saw Cox. Traded with Cox to work on trouble at Cookeville at 1.00 a day. Came back to Cookeville this eve. Very blue.

Friday, August 14. Went to Algood on trouble, rained at noon, got wet. Bought umbrella from Rickman Epersant Co.

Saturday, August 15. Went to Algood and Brotherton on trouble, cleared up, every thing very hot.

Sunday, August 16. Went to depot to see Excursion Train to Monteray, wrote to Mattie, very dull, hot and sultry.

Monday, August 17. Work on trouble. Hot and sultry.

Tuesday, August 18. Work on trouble. Still hot.

Wednesday, August 19. Still on trouble. Hot too.

Thursday, August 20. Hot on trouble. Cox and Anderson here, took out armatieries, cards, ringer, etc. to send in. Overton Telephone Co. Sold to Jere Whitson for 1706.00 make Cox a proposition of 40.00 and everything furnished.

Friday, August 21. Still on trouble and very much so. Hot and sultry.

Saturday, August 22. Floyd and me went out on trouble, everything quiet. Hot, hot. Don't think I will trade nor don't want to. Bought letter file from Floyd Robinson, cost 15 cts.

Sunday, August 23. Went to depot to see train to Nashville and to Monterey, heard from Cox, could not trade, he wants me now to build line from Cookeville to Carthage but don't guess I will, came home Sunday night and glad to get here.

Monday, August 24. Worked on road here, very hot, with 3 other hands.

Tuesday, August 25. Worked on road here with 1 other hand, very hot indeed. Fixed watch for RMB, 15 cents.

Wednesday, August 26. Finished work on road and taxes 28 cents, all paid amt. Very hot and looks like rain. Alma here. Sam swapped buggy, my buggy hired out, got 1.00.

Thursday, August 27. Worked on buggy, cut tire, tightened tires, 20 cts. Worked on umbrella for Ed Baird, 15 cts., fix grip for Mitchell, 15 cts. Very hot. Alma and Sam here for dinner.

Friday, August 28. Bought 1 Bu. Corn, 3.00. Sold watch 75 cents. Gladys spoke at school today. Mattie went. Rained some tonight. Very pleasant in shade, cool breeze. Mattie skirt came but not satisfactory. May return.

Saturday, August 29. Went to Hickman on trouble. Put 20.30 in bank, fixed watch for Lee Whitley, 35 cents, cooler today.

Sunday, August 30. Cool and pleasant. W. G., Gladys and me went to Baptisting Pearl Baird, Alen Gill and Harel girl then to preaching at Baptist Church. Estes preached. Home rest of day. Fix watch ring for Sam.

Monday, August 31. Bought 3 Bu corn from W.G. Cost (2.25) 6.75. Mattie Baird here today, fix table for typewriter. Got telephone from Jere Whitson wants me to work for him, fixed knife for Bob Barrett, 5.

Tuesday, September 1. Cool and Cloudy. Wrote to Whitson. Sent check to Sykes \$2.50. Nothing doing. Mattie making underskirt. Uncle Robt. came today. "Eyes" give out on him.

Wednesday, September 2. Fixed fence in orchard, turned in calves. Heard from Floyd, he had my telephone Gooch, will send same by Hewitt. Pleasant, no sign of rain.

Thursday, September 3. Put main spring in watch for Sam Barrett, .75 cents. Bought Mattie a pocket book, 34 cents. Shockney wants me to work on telephone line, Defeated.

Friday, September 4. Went to Gordonsville "by" Hickman collecting, done fine. Cloudy.

Saturday, September 5. Went to Grant collecting. Gladys and Uncle Robt. went to Alma's. Mattie & me went to Richardson last night. Paid for the horse \$50.00. Hot and dry.

Sunday, September 6. Sam & Alma here, W. G. and Uncle Robt. went to Aunt Hollas. Gladys went to baptism. Hot and dry.

Monday, September 7. Fixed Martin's umbrella, 25 cents. Sold my sow and pigs to Bill Johnson for \$26.50. Hot and dry.

Tuesday, September 8. Mailed telephone money to Carthage. Johnson came after sow and pigs, paid 26.50.

Wednesday, September 9. Uncle Robert went home. I bought horse from Geo. W. Lynch, paid \$75.00. Went to Carthage, got telephone for Neal Smith Co. and one for me to be wired over. Like horse fine. Put in Neal telephone.

Thursday, September 10. Wired telephone for self. Fix pistol for Bob Vantrease, 1.25. Mattie ironed.

Friday, September 11. Cemented grate and hearth. Put cider in vinegar barrel, carried "Maud" to Bull. No lodge last night. Began to wean calves. Mattie went to negro meeting at Dicktown.

Saturday, September 12. Everybody going to fair today. Pleasant. I shucked corn, pulled weeds, hot and dry.

Sunday, September 13. Went to preaching, Br. Long preached. All came home, went to Sam dinner. Came back went to Negro meeting at night. No rain but dusty.

Monday, September 14. Clear & cool but soon got hot. Worked on loft at barn, went to Grant on trouble this eve. Looks some like rain tonight. Mattie got her hand bag.

Tuesday, September 15. WGB went to Nashville this morning. Me in store, rained all day. Sent Rattler to Baird's bull. Willie Stevens with Gladys. Put my telephone in tip top shape.

TO BE CONTINUED.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

Continued from Volume XVIII, No. 4 (Unedited)

JANUARY TERM, 1874. (Page 104) Macedonia Church in conference. Business the committee to draft resolutions with regard to Bro. Barrett present the same and then read & received the same order to be spread on the church Book & have them published in the Baptist paper & history of the church to spread on the Church Book also a committee appointed to help the Clerk to spread the same on the Book to wit Thomas Moore & James A. Barrett also Bro. Moore to get a new Church Book. Jas. A. Ligon, Clk.

FEBRUARY TERM, 1874. (Page 105) Macedonia Church in conference. Nothing worthy of recording.

MARCH TERM, 1874. (Page 105) Macedonia Church in conference, business called no reference. Other business came up. Brother James A. Barrett charged Brother Ethelred Durham of forging a order on James Bridges to draw money out of the bank at Lebanon also of getting some money of Mr. Beard's of Alexandry under fals pretents claiming to be Samuel Allison & Son. His case was investigated & him excluded, also Brother Thomas Barrett & Samuel Hale it is said that they claim to have no religion & are walking Disorderly a committee was appointed to investigate the matter & report at next term to wit Thomas Clark & Wilson Neel. Bro. McNabb, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

APRIL TERM, 1874.(Page 105) Macedonia Church in conference. Business called the committee to see the above named Brothers, reported to having seen them & they confess to have no religion for which they were excluded & the committee discharged. James A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM 1874. (Page 106) Macedonia Church in conference Business called the minutes of the preceeding meeting read & adopted no other business on Saturday. On the Sabath there was two letters called for to wit for Sister Susan Pascal & Sister Harret Pascal which was granted. Jas. A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM, 1874. (Page 106) Macedonia Church in conference, business called the minutes of the preceeding meeting read & adopted in other business called and joined by letter to wit Malissa C. Bonds From New Hope. Also, the committee that was to write some resolutions in regard to our Belove Brother James Barrett Deceased was requested to commune with Brother Graves to know the reason why he did not publish the resolutions as requested. James Barrett requested to write for the committee. Jas. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM, 1874 (Page 106) The church in conference business called the preceeding minutes read & received. A letter granted to Sister Saterfield, A committee appointed to get up some scrubry to put in our church yard are as follows, Brother Neel & Brother James Barrett & Bob Oliver. The church requests the commissioners & trustees of the church lot and grave yard to have no pasturing on same. Jas. A. Ligon, Clk.

(July Term, Continued, Page 107) Delegates elected to the association to wit Brother Neel & Brother J. Moore & Bro. J. A. Barrett & William Denny & N. B. Anders the alternates & to send contribution to the amount of \$8.00 for minutes. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM, 1874. (Page 107) Macedonia Church in conference Business called the preceeding minutes read & received & committee appointed to collect some money to pay our preacher & other things are as follows James Barrett & W. Neel & W. V. Harrell & B. Oliver. A protracted meeting appointed for October Term, our next regular meeting to be held in Sept. 2nd. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1874. (Page 107) Macedonia Church in conference having no pastor Brother Lee James elected moderator. Business called the preceeding minutes read & adopted other business called the Church proceeded to call a pastor for the ensuing year. They called Bro. McNabb & made up almost \$600-70 dollars with the intention of making more & order our delegates to the association to inform Brother McNabb of the same & report to the church the next term. James A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPT 4, SABATH. (Page 107) The church met in conference and held a protracted meeting on Dyers Branch & received 17 members by baptism and confession in the church. There names are as follows on the other page (turn over)

Brought up from other side (Page 108)

Walter Herrel	Bridges Herrel (dead)	Jent P. Tyery
James M. Allen	Peter Wilkerson (dead)	B. F. Allen
L. D. Wilkerson	Alis Herrell (died Mar 13 '07)	Judith C. Ligon
Martha Hale	Harriet Tyre	Tennessee Wilkerson
Nancy Allen	Dorah Wilkerson	Mary Hale
Matilda Farmer (dead)	Elizabeth Hale	

These names received at Dyer's Branch and carried to page 91.

Lewis Dies & Brother Wooten, Mod., James A. Ligon, Clk.

This is a portion of the business of Sept. term. Brother J. Taylor was charged with drinking & swaring also Brother J. Bray was charged with the same crime. There was a committee appointed to see them and report back at the next term. The committee was as follows , Brother Banks Oliver & T. Moore.

OCTOBER TERM 1874. (Page 109) Macedonia Church in conference. Business called the preceeding minutes read & adopted. The committee to see Brother Bray & Brother Taylor report to have seen Bro. Taylor & he said he has no religion and was excluded. The committee continued to see Brother Bray and reports the next term, the above committee was B. Oliver & T. Moore. Brother Luther Lee and Sister Charity Lee was granted letters of dismission. The church granted the liberty to hold a conference at Dyer's Branch as well as at the original church house & also legalized the business they had done at Dyer's Branch also seven joined the church by experience & Baptism, there names are as follows, Rebecca A. Rollings, Idor Rollings, Vina Minton, Louis Alerson, William Barrett, Samuel Denny, William Rollings. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

NOVEMBER TERM, 1874. (Page 109) No conference meeting.

DECEMBER TERM, 1874. (Page 109) Macedonia Church in conference, the preceeding minutes read & adopted. The committee report not have seen Brother Bray, the committee continued till next term. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JANUARY TERM, 1875. (Page 110) Macedonia in conference. The preceeding minutes read & adopted. The committee to see Brother Bray reported to have seen him, he confess to be guilty as charged, the church considered his cause and excluded him. No other business. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

FEBRUARY TERM 1875. (Page 110) No conference hell in this term.

MARCH TERM, 1875. (Page 110) No conference.

APRIL TERM, 1875. (Page 110) Macedonia Church in conference, the preceeding minutes read & adopted no other business of record. Sister Mandy Rollings dead March 1875, also Sister Coffee dead 1875, Sister Maston granted a letter of dismission on Sunday. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

MAY TERM, 1875. (Page 110) Macedonia Church in conference, Business called the preceeding minutes adopted, other business calls the church preferred a charge against Brother Elijah Stalings for mistreatment to his wife & children sending them or driving them off from home without a justifiable cause. So says rumor, there for the church appointed a committee to vote on him and see into the matter & report at the next term. The committee are as follows, James A. Barrett, W. Neel, James A. Ligon. James A. Ligon, Clk.

JUNE TERM, 1875. (Page 111) No conference on Saturday. Conference hell on Sunday. A releafe committee was appointed to get up means to assist Brother Banks Oliver on account fire burning his house and other possessions. The committee as follows, W. Neel, James A. Barrett, J. H. Beard, James A. Ligon & Bro. Corder. A committee appointed to examine into Brother John T. Farmer case, he Brother Farmer having absented himself from the church for some years and then moving off & leaving his wife under the doctor, the above committee are as follows, J. A. Barrett, W. Neel & T. Moore. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

JULY TERM, 1875. (Page 111) The church in conference. The committee to waite on Bro. Elijah Stalings report that he has gone to living with his wife, he said he is sorry for the past and will try to do better in future. He was restored to fellowship. The committee that was called to examine in on Brother Farmer asks for an indefinite time & then they will report. The following delegates elected to association, to wit James Staling, M. Pope, W. P. Herrell, & W. Neel, James A. Ligon & J. A. Barrett alternates. Contribution for minutes \$3.00. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

AUGUST TERM, 1875. (Page 111) Macedonia Church in conference, by motion a committee to git up money to pay our pastor for the ensuing year & giting up the money to make the call, the committee are as follows, W. Neel, James Barrett, W. V. Harrell, & James A. Ligon. Also a committee to see Brother Jonathan Clark in regard to a fiting scrape, the committee are as follows, J. A. Ligon, James Staling, The releaf committee to report at next term. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1875. (Page 112) Macedonia Baptist Church in conference. The committee to see Brother Clark redy to report. He not being present they suspended the resolutions to him being present. The case continued. & him restored. The commity to seek a pastor is continued. Sister Laura Almon being afflicted, the church agrees to give her the amount of ten dollars and James A. Barrett to attend to getting her such things as she needs. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

OCTOBER TERM, 1875. (Page 112) The church in conference. The committee to seek a preacher be continued. The committee of Sister Almon be continued. The relief committee to be continued. The committee to inquire into Brother Farmer case saying they are very well satisfied that all the rumer is all false in regards to leaving his wife. Brother Farmer being present he gave the church full satisfaction in regards to rumer about him and his wife, also in regards to his absenting himself from the church he give full satisfaction. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

NOVEMBER TERM, 1875. (Page 112) Macedonia Church in conference, the commity to seek a preacher reported to have seen Br. Dies & Brother Dies being present the committee was discharged. Bro. Dies agrees to take the oversite of the church for twelve months or less. The church agrees to give him \$75 or in proper form to it. The Sister Almon committee reports to have give her \$12. They were discharged. The relief committee continued. The committee to revise or transcribe the church book to report at the next term. The church requested to select someone of their body to be ordained for the office of Deacon against their next term. A committee to get up a Bible Society are as follows, J. Barrett, W. V. Harrell & W. Neel. J. A. Ligon, Clk.

DECEMBER TERM, 1875. (Page 113) Macedonia Church in conference. The preceeding minutes read & adopted. The relief committee continued. The committee to revise the church book continued. The business for selecting one of her body for Deacon continued until next term. The committee to get up a Bible Class continued. J. F. Farmer made Moderater for the day. James A. Ligon, Clk.

JANUARY TERM, 1876. (Page 113) The preceeding minutes are adopted. The relief committee reported to received 10 or 12 dollars, they are discharged. The Committee to revise the church book continued & report at next term. The committee to get up a Bible Class reported that the class would meet at the church next Thursday night early candle light to organize a class. Committee discharged. On motion of Bro. Moore the church went in to the elections of two deacons in sted of one which motion prevailed in elections of Brother John Bates and Bro. W. V. Harrell. On motion of Bro. J. Barrett we defer cutting presbytery until the next term. J. A. Ligon, clk.

FEBRUARY TERM, 1876. (Page 114) Macedonia Church in conference. The committee to revise the Church Book given until March term. L. Dies, Mod.

MARCH TERM 1876. (Page 114) Macedonia Church in conference. The preceeding read and adopted. The committee to revise the church book ask for more time it was granted until April term. Also the deacons elected came forward & accepted the call of the church & agreed to submit to ordination at next term. Also ministerial aid requested of the following churches, to wit, Rome, Brush Creek, Plunkett's Creek, Round Lick, New Hope, Bunevista, to assist in ordination of the deacons. Also, Bro. D. T. Barrett elected to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Brother Oliver as commissioner or trustee to superintend & control the grave yard on the part of the church. An obituary on the death of Bro. Banks Oliver was read & accepted by the Church & ordered spread on the minutes his sisters furnished with a copy. Louis Dies, Mod., James A. Barrett Clk, protem.

This concludes the Minutes of the Macedonia Baptist Church recorded in this book. It may be assumed that the Committee appointed to revise the Church Book finally accomplished their task.. [SMP]

The next page in the book is undated and unnumbered and contains a listing of names of some who, presumably, are no longer members of the church, having died or moved away.

Joe Agey, in KY	Nancy Allen, unknown	Tar ceny Wallace, Humphries Co.
Ocia Barrett	Harriett Baker	Harrison Denny
Jane - Dennis	Rachel Denny	Martha James Denny, Flat Rock
Margie --Goore	Martha Gibbs	Tom House
Alice Harrell	Mary Harison	Martha Pairis
Bessie Rollins	Lon Rollins	Lula Rusell
Elizabeth Tuggle	Mary Ben Baker	E. E. Turner & Wife
Bessie Turner	Dock Wilkerson	Walter Wilkerson

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THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON

1871 - 1907

Compiled and Edited by Thayer Wilson Beach

Continued from Vol. XVIII, NO. 3

January 1, 1897 - December 31, 1897

- 01/01 A cloudy, blustery day. We can hardly realize it is a new year ushered in. With this day we begin a new record in a new book and God only knows what may be recorded within these lids, but may we be prepared for what may come. Kelly and Ed are plowing. Jesse gone tonight over to Mr. Dave Reeve's after a puppy for his grandma.
- 01/08 Cloudy this morning, but a beautiful bright evening. When Ed came this morning he told us that cousin Ira Pernel died yesterday evening and Mr. Wilson went out there early and was gone all day. Bother Carden preached the funeral and the Masons buried him over in Paine's ^{BEACH} ~~Bank~~. Ed and Kelly plowed all day. Fred and Jesse shucking corn and cutting stove wood.
- 01/15 Cloudy and quite cool. Mr. Meezler and Mr. Malone were here until 10:00 and Mr. Wilson took a fire insurance policy in the Continental Fire Insurance for five years, beginning the 19th day of next March. After they had left, Jesse had brought Ma's buggy and Mr. Wilson and I went to Rome to Squire Hibbits to acknowledge a deed after which we came to Cato's store to wait for the coming of the steamer *Dunbar* as Mr. Wilson wanted to see a gentleman on the same. We got home at 3:00. Kelly went tonight to Tinney Kinslow's to an entertainment but came home early.
- 01/27 Ground white with snow and very cold. Fred and Wilsye started to school and Grace was afraid of the ice and they came back, but Mr. Wilson went and led Grace across the ice and they went to school and back to grandma's tonight. It is too cold for any kind of work.
- 02/10 A pleasant day but cloudy most of the day. Fred and Wilsye went to school. Mr. Wilson and Jesse started early and have been gone all day to Middleton to the mill. Ed is at work at the lower place so no one here all day except Kelly, Thayer and I. Tonight all the children except Thayer walked and went to Plunketts to prayer meeting and came by Ed's, as Mary Gann and Hattie Williams were there and they did not get back until after 10:00.
- 02/15 A cloudy, threatening day, but no rain. Ed and Kelly hauled three loads of corn from Alfred Baines. Mr. Wilson sold 4 mules to John Dick Gann for \$250 and sold to Mr. John Cato 24 shoats at \$2.75 per hundred. Mr. Jack Smith from Carthage came down and did some tin work and ate dinner here. Mr. Wilson and Jesse have gone to Mr. Baines until bedtime and Kelly has gone to Pate Sampson's to a singing. Betty Tyree was here to get some sewing.
- 02/17 Another beautiful, pleasant day. Julia (colored) ironed. Mary (colored) scoured everything upstairs and cleaned up. Mr. Wilson and Kelly have gone to Rome nearly all day as the piano came on the steamer *Dunbar* this evening and they got back with it about sundown. Mr. Baines helped get it out of the wagon and to its place and the children are delighted. Mr. Klein sent Thayer some fine candy in the piano box.

- 02/21 Warm, windy and threatening all day but no rain and warm like real summer tonight. Kelly carried Grace for Net to ride and they went to Mr. Vince Taylor's today. After hearing the sanctified preacher, a Rev. Mr. Brewster, preach at Plunketts Creek and tonight they went to Rome to hear Brother Carden. Jordan Williams were here all day. Mr. Wilson and Thayer went down to Aunt Betsy's awhile.
- 03/02 Cloudy, windy and rained just a little. Mr. Wilson, Ed and the boys sowed turnips, peas and planted onions and Irish potatoes and put down the meat. Mary Tom spent the evening here. Albert Williams was here.
- 03/08 A cloudy day and sprinkled rain. Wilsye and Fred at school and Mr. Wilson and Jesse went to Hickman to the mill and did not get back until 8:00 tonight. Today has been a long lonesome day for Kelly, Thayer and I.
- 03/11 Cloudy and rainy this morning, but not raining this evening. Mrs. Dr. Sam Wilson was here awhile this evening. Going to spend tonight at Nancy Jane's. Wilbur Tyree is quite sick and Fred and Jesse went over to see him after supper and it rained and there was a considerable storm so they did not get back until after 10:00. Kelly went to Rome to prayer meeting and did not get back. The artist took a picture of Rome's school today.
- 03/15 Real cool and cloudy this morning. Sleeting and warmer and raining. The backwater is over the bridge and Mr. Wilson went and carried Wilsye and Fred and saw them across the water where they will stay around until the water falls. (The backwater was across the bridge that connected Rome and Rock City. The children went to school on the other side. TWB)
- 03/21 Quite warm all day. Mr. George Baines came soon after daylight and told us that Wilbur Tyree died last night and Jesse went up to George's to tell them to dig the grave. Kelly stayed at Tom Rigsby's and got home about 9:00 and he and Wilsye went over to Mr. Tyree's and Ed came back with them for dinner. Jesse and Fred went to the burying. Wilsye and Thayer went down to Aunt Betsy's
- 03/27 A bright, cool day. The teachers meeting was held at Salem today and Kelly, Fred and Wilsye were gone all day and Matt (colored) rode Val and carried their basket of dinner. Fred and Jesse gone over to Mr. Williams to see Willie again tonight. Jesse had Rena Donald shod for the first time this evening. Kelly has not come home.
- 03/30 Cloudy this morning but clear this evening. Mr. Wilson, Kelly and Jesse plowing the orchard. Nancy Jane spent the evening here. Mr Toliver, a blind piano tuner, is here tonight and Mr. George Baines, Mag and Edna Butler were here until bedtime to hear the blind man play the piano.
- 04/05 A pleasant day. Mr. Wilson, Kelly and Ed at work at the ditch on lower place. Mr. Wilson came home to dinner. Matt (colored) making soap. Thayer went back with his Papa and was gone all evening and how I did miss him. When the children came from school this evening they told us that the steamer *Heart* had burned up and Jim Holleman was dead. Died suddenly in Nashville, but I don't know whether it's true or not.
- 04/09 Rained last night and turned real cold. Kelly's tooth is hurting so he rode behind Mr. Wilson on Morgan and went to Rome and Dr. Sam Wilson pulled the tooth. Jesse is not well. Dr. Jones and others took up the body of Mrs. Willie Fessie today to find if there was poison in her stomach and they found that there was.

- 04/18 Another lovely day. Kelly, Jesse and Wilsye went to Mt. Olivet to Sunday School and back to Plunketts Creek to hear Turner Harper preach for the first time and Jesse, Wilsye and Jordan went to Ma's and ate dinner and came home early to dye Easter eggs. Mr. George Baines spent the evening here.
- 04/29 All at work at the lower place. Jesse took their dinner. Showers of rain this evening. Our girl was born this evening at 2:00. Weighed eight pounds. Dr. Wilson, Mrs. Rachel Baines and Aunt Nanny have been here all the evening and Nancy Jane is here tonight. Call our girl Fanny Ophelia and signed Wilsye.
- 05/01 A cold, cloudy day. Brother Kelly started to Granville soon this morning to see if grandma could come to see Mama. Miss Rachel left this evening. Mrs. Katie Baines spent the evening here. Hattie Williams came by this morning to see little sister. Papa went to the lodge. Today the Great Tennessee Centennial was open to the public at Nashville. Old Mr. Calvin Pope was struck with paralysis. Signed Wilsye.
- 05/19 Well my diary has been a failure for several days but nothing of much importance. Ma has been with me for nearly two weeks but Jim Carter came for her yesterday evening and she started home this morning and of course I am blue. Thayer Smith ate dinner here yesterday and went home, having been to Nashville. Mr. Wilson sold his lambs and delivered them at Rock City to D. Johnson, 28 lambs at 4 3/4 cents per pound and they averaged 71 pounds.
- 05/22 A lovely day. Fanny O. cried all morning so I am very much worried. Wilsye hunted grounding and made her tea and she is better this evening and Kelly went to Rome awhile this evening and Fred T. went over to Henry Denton's to spend the night and Mr. Wilson and Jesse went to Rock City.
- 05/24 Cloudy and cool. Alice and Allie and their children here and of course all pleasant. I have neuralgia so bad tonight but all are making music and having a grand time. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and when he came home he told me that John Marks had died today and that Felix Woodward was shot in an ambush.
- 05/30 A beautiful day. Fred Taylor went to Knob Springs to a Baptist Association and heard John T. Oakley preach and ate dinner at Mr. John Snoddy's. Mr. Wilson, Kelly, Wilsye, Webb and Jesse all went to Sunday School and all came back to dinner except Kelly. Thayer Smith and Ada came this evening after Alice and the children.
- 06/04 Rain this morning until after 12:00. Fred and Wilsye went out to the schoolroom and did not come back until 2:00 this evening when all were busy getting ready for the long talked of exhibition and I had quite a busy time to get all hands ready. Matt (colored) made Wilsye's white slippers and Ada, Wilsye, Fred and Jesse all went with Mr. Wilson in the jersey and Mary Tom came to stay with me, Matt (colored), Thayer and Fanny while all were gone. Much cooler since the rain.
- 06/09 A pleasant day. Mr. Wilson came down here quite early and went to Rome and then back by Ma's for us and we all came home. Soon after we got here, the gentlemen from Warren County, Mr. White and Clark, were here with a patent churn and churned for us tonight.
- 06/11 Very warm. Mr. Wilson and Thayer went to Rome in the jersey early and came back by Ma's as she is sick and did not get home until dinner. This is bad writing because Fanny O is a bad girl and I have to write and rock all at once.

- 06/15 Still very warm. Mr. Wilson's in bed all day. Wilsye and Ada went to Rock City after thread and calico to put a quilt together on the machine. This evening they went down to Mary Tom's awhile. Mr. Calvin Pope died this evening at 4:00.
- 06/25 Still warm. All busy in the oats. Late this evening Jesse went to the depot in Carthage after Kelly who has been gone to Nashville since Monday and they got back just at night. Kelly busy telling what he saw at the great Centennial. Billy Pope is here tonight also.
- 06/29 Oh so hot. Allan Baines threshing wheat and Ed helping him. Our boys Kelly and Fred hauling in oats. Jesse's suffering dreadful on account of the chiggers which he got into yesterday. Mrs. Rachel Baines was here this evening for vegetables for the thresher. Heard this evening that Harry Flippin died this morning.
- 07/07 Still so very warm and rain so much needed. Kelly intended starting to Granville this evening after Wilsye and Jesse went to Rome after Simon Hires' buggy and Henry Hires had gone below Rome to the funeral, as there was a most terrible accident there yesterday when a thresher bursted and killed Mr. William Allen and three sons, a Mr. Berry. Matt T. Unstill and three negros were killed and several wounded. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this evening and Ed and the boys finished cutting and tying oats. Jesse went up to Burr's after some apples.
- 07/11 A gloomy, cloudy day. Mr. Wilson, Thayer and Fred went to Sunday School and Jesse is with me. Heard this morning tht Mrs. Daniel Stonecipher died yesterday evening of blood poisoning. This evening Mr. Wilson, Thayer and Fred attended the funeral sermon preached by Rev. J.W. Watson and the burial of Mrs. Stonecipher. Jesse, Fanny and I alone all evening. Kelly and Wilsye got back from Granville about dark, Wilsye having been gone three weeks and we are all so glad.
- 07/14 A pleasant day. Matt gathered berries this morning. Ed finished plowing the sorghum in the meadow and plowed for turnips. I drove Liga in the cart and went to Rome, only gone 1 ½ hours. Mr. Wilson kept Fanny O. And after I came back he went to Rome in the interest of the music class. Mr. Wilson bought a bill of fruit trees from Mr. Baines of Smithville.
- 07/25 Heavy rain this morning after which Mr. Wilson, Kelly, Wilsye and Thayer went for the first time in the new buggy to Mt. Olivet to church. Fred and Jesse cooked dinner as I am sick with a cold and Fanny O. is real sick. Brother Carden came home with them and took dinner and went from here to Cedar Point. Fred and Jesse drove Lige in the cart and went to Rome this evening.
- 08/09 A pleasant day, but rainy and dark this evening. Nancy Jane came and spent the day and went to Albert's tonight. Mary and Net spent the evening here. Mr. Wilson went to Rome to see Mrs. Ona Waters concerning Wilsye's music. Today Mrs. Baines' children and grandchildren are all with her. Tonight Wilsye has gone down to George Baines to wade the creek with a lot of little girls and to spend the night.
- 08/27 Jast awful warm. I am still not at all well. Kelly did not go to school and neither did Wilsye. This evening Kelly, cousin Lizzie and Wilsye drove out to the sulphur well. Thayer went early this morning to the Dickson Springs fair and did not get back until tonight after dark. Cousin Lizzie plays so sweetly and we are having a lot of good music Mr. Wilson killed a lamb.

- 09/01 Very warm. Mag Baines cutting apples to dry. Billy Pope ate dinner here and Mr. Wilson bought my new Singer sewing machine. .
- 09/07 Mr. George Baines at work down at Ed's and up here this evening sapping boards. Kelly at home not well at all. Mr. Wilson went to Dr. Sampson's after Kelly some medicine and Mr. Smith from Lexington, KY here tonight prospecting for oil.
- 09/10 Another warm day. Jesse carried Fred T. to the depot at Carthage as he received a postal from cousin Lizzie Kelly yesterday to meet her and Edgar at the train to go to the Centennial. I am glad for him to go but so anxious about him. George Baines and George Duke (colored) at work on the buggy house. Jesse carried Wilsye to Rome this evening to take her music lesson. Kelly is still sick.
- 09/13 Very warm. Fanny Johnson (colored) washed for me and as Jesse had a sore foot, he stayed at home with her and we all went to church. Mr. Wilson and Wilsye rode Downing and Kelly, Thayer, Fanny and I went in the buggy. Brother Carden preached and Mr. John Henry assisted in the service and had dinner on the ground. Kelly was not well and we came home after dinner but there was preaching this evening and Mr. Wilson and Wilsye remained for the evening services. Came back by Mr Oliver's and got Wilsye a dress and Nanny Baines came home with me and helped me and we made it this evening. After dark Mr White and Clark, the churn men, came and are here tonight. Bonnie Kate jennett found a nice jack colt tonight.
- 09/20 Real cool. Mrs. Rachel Baines here this morning. George Baines and Ed are covering Ed's house. Fanny Johnson (colored) washed. Salmonella, the jenny, found both a jack and jennet colt but the jennet died. Mr. Wilson went over to Mr. McClellan's to buy corn. Meeting still at Mt. Olivet but none went today, but Kelly, Jesse and Wilsye went tonight. Mr. Wilson went and got a course of medicine for Fred.
- 09/24 A pretty, pleasant day. At eight and a half o'clock, Jesse, Thayer, Fanny and I started to Granville driving Val. Felt happy over going and sad over leaving home. We got to Sally Hodge's about 10:00 and took dinner with her and stayed until 2:00 when we left and went on to Elmwood and stopped at Marvin Ford's to spend the night. Marvin, Mauvreen and Jesse went to a little show tonight.
- 10/02 At Alice's today. A lovely day. Early this morning Allie and her children came and Jesse carried Val and the buggy and brought Ma. The Mason's conducted services over Mr. Hugh Smith's grave. Quite a crowd. Ma and Alice and her children and Allie and her children and Jesse went to the graveyard and did not get back to Alice's until about 2:00, Jesse having fainted there. Late this evening Mr. and Mrs. Red McDonald came by Alice's and Jesse went to town in the buggy with them and Ma, Thayer, Fanny and I went to town and I came back to Alice's after Allie and her children. At Ma's tonight and Thayer has a high fever.
- 10/05 A lovely da. Ma, Edgar and I watched Thayer all night with a high fever, but so anxious to get him to his Papa that with a heavy heart we started home, Thayer Smith carrying little Thayer in his arms on a pillow and Jesse to drive some jennets and we made it home. Much better than I had hoped for with Thayer with a high fever and quite sick. Found Wilsye had been chilling. My trials are surely many.

- 10/16 Another pretty day. Fanny (colored) ironed. About noon, Mr. Wilson and Jordan Williams got back from the Centennial. Cousin Lizzie Arrington came up to Pate Sampson's in the buggy with Mr. Wilson so Jesse remained over in Lebanon to come up this evening with the mail carrier and as it was late he did not come home but went out to his grandma's. Mr. Wilson went back to Rome and spent the evening. Fred is gone to Plunketts Creek and Wilsye went down to Mr. George Baines late this evening and went with them to church and to spend the night. Kelly is still laid up with his feet. Kelly delivered hogs to different ones this morning.
- 10/20 A warm, cloudy day. This morning I went to see Miss Polly Hale who is quite sick. The doctors and several were there. Mr. Wilson went and came with me. After dinner Kelly, Fanny O. and I started to Lebanon driving Val and got to Lebanon sometime before night and drove around to Tommy Arrington's and found no one at home but went in and after awhile Tommy came and later Maude came and later Anna Dolly and after supper Tommy telephoned for Billy Wilson and he came and he and Kelly went to the prayer meeting at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Kelly then went to spend the ight with Billy and Fanny and I are at Tommy Arrington's.
- 10/24 A lovely day. Mr. Wilson went to help dig the grave and was gone until 12:00. The boys all went to Rome to the baptizing and Fred went by Ma's for Wilsye and they came back for Ma and she came and she and Carson Snoddy and Roy Upton ate dinner here and Wilsye and Mr. Wilson went in the cart and Ma went in the buggy with Thayer, Fanny and I and we went up to Mr. James Hale's where Brother Suddeath preached Mrs. Hale's funeral to a very large crowd after which she was buried in the garden.
- 11/02 Cloudy all day. Raining a little but not enough to keep Ed and Kelly from plowing. Wilsye went to Rome this evening to take her music. Mr. Bill Owens put in the new window today and ate dinner here. It was Thayer's birthday. He was four years old and thinks he is grown. His sister fixed him peaches and cake for dinner
- 11/09 A cool, cloudy day. Mr. Wilson stayed with his Mama last night and Kelly set up at Tom Wilson's. Mr. Wilson, Fred and Wilsye went to the burial of Tom Wilson's baby. Brother Watson preached the funeral. Kelly helped dig the grave and came home. Ed and Jesse went to Gordonsville to mill today and got back about dark. John Goodner and family moved in our cabin today. (They had at least one cabin, and perhaps two, on the farm for colored families who worked for them. TWB)
- 11/12 Mr. Wilson went over the government works at Lock 7 to assist in valuing some ground over there and got back after 1:00 and he and Fred and John Goodner (colored) killed a hog. Mary Tom spent the evening here. Kelly, Ed and Jesse gathering corn. Tonight Mr John Henry is here on his way to New Middleton to a Sunday School convention which meets tomorrow.
- 11/20 A real pretty day. Mr. Wilson and Kelly set out some fruit trees, after which Mr. Wilson went to Carthage and Kelly and Fred went to Rome to church. Wild Bill Rev. Evans began his meeting at Rome today and Mr. Wilson and Kelly went back to Rome tonight. Wilsye and I up alone until 9:00.
- 11/21 Beautiful, pleasant day, something very unusual. All of us went to Rome today to hear Wild Bill. Quite a large crowd and services being very novel and lengthy. We did not get home until about 4:00 when we ate supper. The boys fed, after which Mr. Wilson, Kelly and Jesse went back to hear Wild Bill again tonight.

- 11/24 Clear and cool. I left Fanny with Wilsye and Emily (colored) cooked dinner and Mr. Wilson, Thayer, Kelly and I went to Rome to hear Wild Bill, the most perfect combination of the sublime and ridiculous I have ever heard and with all excelled anything I ever heard or ever expect to hear. Kelly has gone to hear him again tonight. Joe Kinslow and Nanny Collie married this noon.
- 12/04 A gloomy day and raining all evening. Mr. Wilson went to see old Mr. Tyree this morning and to the lodge this evening. Kelly, Thayer and Wilsye went to Rome to hear Wild Bill at 11:00 and Wilsye and Thayer ate dinner at Brother Carden's and stayed for the children's service this evening but it was so rainy, services were postponed until tomorrow. Heard Mr. Brittle died this evening.
- 12/12 A pleasant day. Mr. Wilson and Thayer rode Morgan and Wilsye and Marie Paine rode Val and Fred went with them. All went to hear Wild Bill again. Kelly drove Mag to the buggy and carried Nellie Haley. Jesse, Fanny and I are at home. Fred took dinner at Mr. Cooksey's. Wilsye went home with Carrie Grissom and back to the children's service and came by her grandma's and got Bob to come home with her after dark. Kelly ate dinner at Matthew Wilson's. Mr. Wilson came home and he and John (colored) and Jesse fed and Mr. Wilson went back tonight to hear Wild Bill's farewell and Wilsye and Jesse and Thayer and Fanny and I are alone. Certainly tonight closes the most wonderful meeting I ever attended as Rev. Wild Bill Evans is the grandest preacher I ever heard and I fear I shall never hear his like again. Sixty-five sermons, 41 joined the M.E. Church South and 13 infants baptized and very many helped in the right way.
- 12/21 John Williams came over early to kill hogs as it has turned so much colder and we only killed three and he two but tonight it is snowing. Billy Pope and a Mr. Roby, general agent for Singer Sewing machine, are here tonight and hog killing all on hand.
- 12/23 Still busy in the hog killing. Fred ground sausage all day, making two tubs full. Mr. Moore the soap man here a little while.
- 12/25 A cold, gloomy Christmas day. Thayer up early, so happy over old Kris coming last night and shot himself in the face with a firecracker, burning his lip considerably. Mr. Wilson, Mr. Lawson, Thayer and Kelly went to Mt. Olivet to hear Brother Carden preach. The other children and I at home all day. Fred has gone down to Ed's tonight. Kelly ate dinner at George Baines but has not come home.
- 12/29 A pretty, pleasant day. Jenny came by for Ma and she went home. Jesse and Thayer came from Mr. House's and Thayer thinks he had a great time. Fred Taylor went to Brother Carden's tonight to spend the night as he was so anxious to see Tom's new typewriter. Wilsye and Thayer went down to Mr. George Baines awhile this evening. Mr. Wilson went to Rock City this evening. Halley Hailey shot Lee Conatser at Rome this evening. Kelly and Wilsye gone to Ed's until bedtime.
- 12/31 Just turned real cold fast tonight or rather this morning and has snowed most of the day. Kelly left this morning with Greg Hale who was here an hour or so. Jesse and Wilsye went to Rome today and Wilsye ate dinner at Brother Carden's. Mr. Wilson went to Rock City. Tonight Kelly has not come home and Fred has gone over to Tom Rigsby's. Thus ends 1897. The years glide so swiftly by now and each day some cloud in the sky but for no special sorrow in 1897 and we truly have much for which to be thankful and may we be able to do better and be better in 1898.

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SMITH COUNTY CENTURY FARMS

Carthage Courier, June 7, 2007

ALLEN DAIRY FARM 116-YEARS-OLD

The Allen Dairy Farm in Smith County recently was designated as a Tennessee Century Farm.

While Tennessee once had many dairies, only a few remain in operation across the state now, stated Caneta S. Hankins, director of the Century Farms Program located on the MTSU campus. Hankins observed that the Allen Dairy Farm located near Dixon Springs continues the tradition.

According to the Center for Historic Preservation records, the family farm was founded in 1891 when William Henry Cox purchased 40 acres. Married to Elizabeth Derrickson Cox, the couple had three sons, William Hershel, Sam Wilson, and Edgar, and raised corn, tobacco, cattle and other small livestock on the acreage. Over the years William purchased additional land from surrounding neighbors.

In addition to managing the farm, William was a salesman for 36 years for Phillips and Buttorff Manufacturing Company. In his 1919 obituary, the following was noted: "It would be hard to find a man having more and stauncher friends and fewer enemies."

The next owners of the land were the founding couple's sons, William Hershel and Sam Wilson Cox. Sam wed Lois Estelle Rickles, and they had two children, William Henry and Elizabeth Lois. During World War II, the farm was used for training maneuvers for United States soldiers. Ironically, William Henry Cox, a sergeant in the U. S. Air Force, died in Germany in 1943.

In 1960, Elizabeth Lois Cox Allen, the granddaughter of William Henry Cox, acquired the farm. Elizabeth married Wyatt Wilson Allen; they had two sons, Wyatt Wilson Allen Jr. and Sam Wilson Allen. During her ownership, Wyatt and his son, Sam, managed the farm and raised beef and dairy cattle, hogs, corn and tobacco. Sam was named "American Farmer" in 1960 for his FFA work. In 1962, Sam started the Allen Dairy. In the 1970's, TVA acquired 10 acres of the farm for a nuclear power plant.

In 1983, the great-grandson of the founder, Sam Allen, became the owner of the property. Today, he and his wife, Gwen, live on the farm, along with their sons, William "Bill" Wilson Allen and Sam Robert Allen and their families. The three generations include Bill, wife Teresa and their children, Amber and Andrew, and Sam Robert and his wife, Michelle, and their children, Kristen and Ryan. The children and grandchildren have raised registered cattle and sheep for 4-H projects and shows.

Sam W. and son Bill operate a Grade-A Dairy and raise hay and sheep. The farm contains a large spring that is beside Dixon Creek that runs into Cumberland River. Many people have enjoyed camping, hunting, and fishing on the farm and the hospitality of the Cox and Allen families for 116 years.

The Allen Dairy Farm is one of a select number of Tennessee dairy farms certified as a Century Farm.

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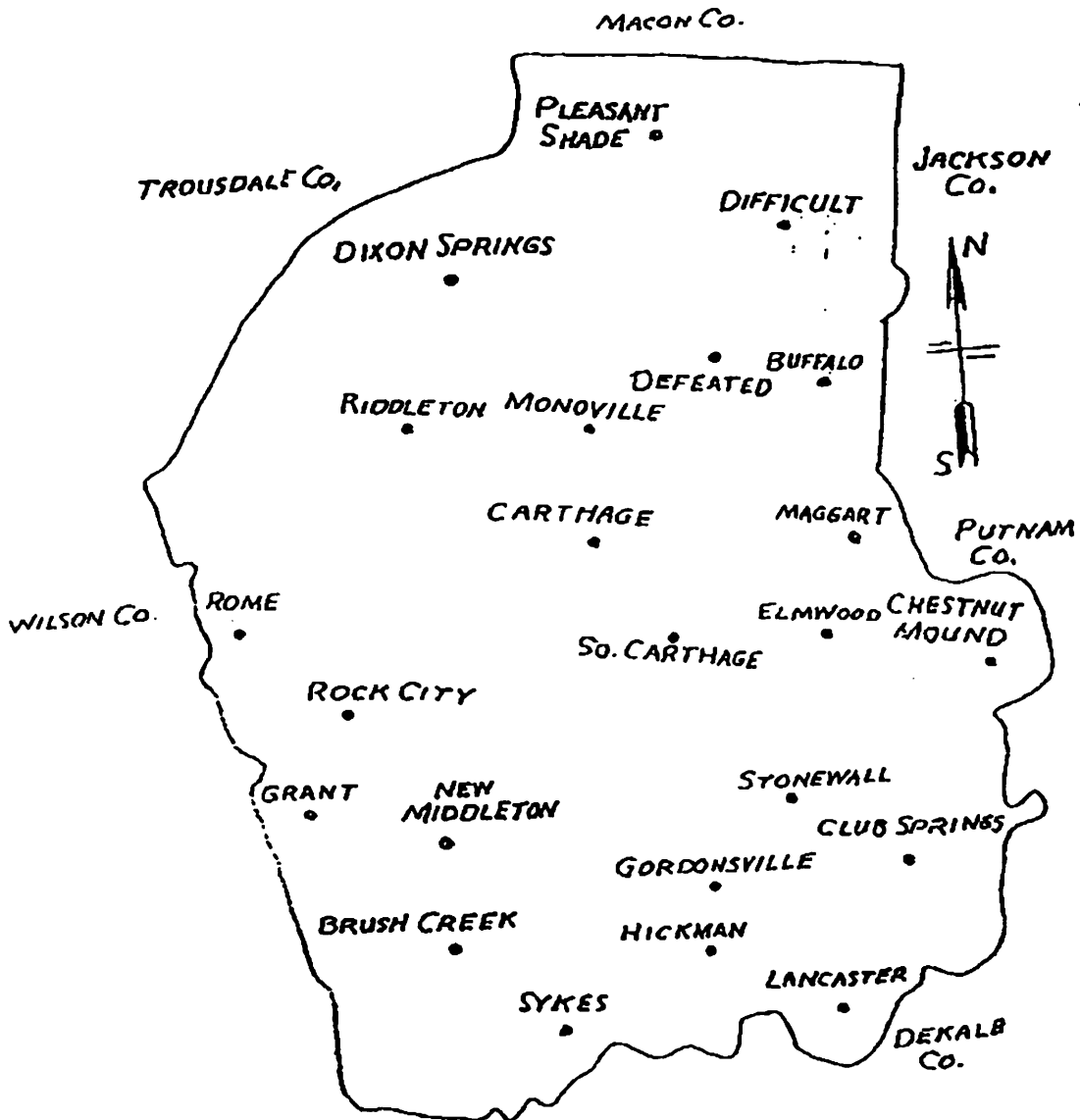
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From the Editor:

It has been "a long, long way from May to September" in Tennessee. Cooler days and, hopefully rain, will soon provide welcome relief from record-breaking temperatures and severe drought. Perhaps the unpleasant summer weather has provided an incentive for many of you to visit libraries and archives. Only the hardiest souls would have dared to brave the heat, ticks and chiggers for cemetery stumping! Thanks to John and Retta Waggoner, the Smith County Web site provides an indexed listing with pictures of most cemeteries in the county. This is a wonderful research tool for those of you who live in distant areas and even for those of us who prefer the comfort of the computer chair to climbing hills and fences in unfriendly elements.

The Smith County Heritage Museum has almost doubled its display area and is preparing to open the new "World War II" exhibit on October 6, 2007. The Christmas ornament this year features the Rome Ferry. Tradition says this historic ferry dates back to the early 1800's. In 1862 General John Hunt Morgan lost his famous horse, "Black Bess," as he fled across the ferry following an encounter with Union forces in Wilson County. The ferry was one of the last in Tennessee to cease operations.

This is the final issue for 2007, so have a Happy Halloween, a Thankful Thanksgiving, and a Merry Christmas. (I continue to entertain great expectations that someone will step forward in response to my plea to assume the duties as editor of the *Quarterly*).



Sue Maggart-Petty
Editor



The Prichard Cemetery is located at Lancaster. After crossing the bridge over Smith Fork Creek on Lancaster Hwy. turn on Smith Fork Road and immediately turn up the hill to the left to white house. Cemetery is located 100 yards east of house. The cemetery covers a large area most of which cannot be reached because of briars and brush. One source states that there are 100 unmarked graves. Outside of the fenced area are 50 graves of blacks.

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REMINISCES OF J. C. PRITCHARD, CIVIL WAR VETERAN

[The Major John D. Allen Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, was located in Dixon Springs, Tennessee. No dates for organization of the chapter are known, but in the early 1930's the chapter solicited from living veterans of the Civil War sketches or accounts of their war experiences. Following are the first 15 of the 30 page document submitted by J. C. Pritchard. Some revisions of spelling and punctuation have been. J. C. Pritchard was born 19 June 1840, died 25 March 1936. He was married to Mellissa Lankaster (Lancaster) on 20 February 1867. Mellissa was born 25 February 1848, died 21 June 1921. Both are buried in the Prichard Cemetery, Lancaster, Tennessee. Four small stones adjacent to that of their parents, 2 infant sons and 2 infant daughters, relate a sad story - "Infants of J. C. and Mellissa Prichard, Born and Died, 1869, 1870, 1875, and 1877."]

On July 18th, 1861, a Co. from the counties of Dekalb and Smith met at Alexandria and organized a company with R. D. Allison as Capt., John F. Lucky 1st Lt., W. C. Paty 2nd Lt., W. C. Fielding 3rd Lt., J. A. Barrett, sergeant, Fred Gwaltney 2nd sergeant, Mat Braswell 3rd, L. E. Simpson 4th, W. T. Jones corp., A. T. Steward, corp. I have forgotten the other corporals.

Ate dinner and got into wagons and started to Camp Anderson near Murfreesboro. The good people on the road took us in and fed us the first night, then we went on the 19th to Camp Anderson and were sworn in as state troops to defend the State of Tennessee, and commenced drilling. There the 23rd Regiment organized with Robert Cantrell as Colonel. Next day we elected R. D. Allison Col of the 24th Tennessee Reg. There being 12 companies at that place all wanted to be in the regiment and Col Allison took them all in with Captains as I recollect them now: 1st Company John Jackson, other co's. H. P. Dowell, --Wilson, Huberd, Seay, Beasley, Tom Peoples, Shannon, Goodner and Hance. Capt. Peoples was elected Lt. Colonel and Capt. Shannon was elected Major.

Then we drilled hard for about six weeks then were transferred to the Confederate States Army and were paid for our time as state troops, paid in South Carolina money about \$17.00 each. We were then sent to Camp Trousdale, commenced drilling again and in a short time the measles broke out in camp and quite a lot of us were sent home for ten or fifteen days, I for one. While at home the army was ordered to Bowling Green, Ky. Worked on breast works a short time. Then was sent to Cave City to protect a southern company until they could organize and get away. Then we were sent to Camp Joe Underwood to break up a Union Company. The pickets fired on us from the window of a two story house and ran for a thicket back of the house. The cavalry went for them, killed one, captured one and one got to the thicket. The most of them had gone home to tell their folks good bye. We caught a few who claimed to be citizens and turned them loose. We returned to Cave City from there to Bowling Green and went into winter quarters about the 25th of December.

Wiley Whitley, my cousin and another man of our regiment died. I have forgotten the man's name.

We remained there until the 19th of Jan. when we were ordered to cook two day rations and be in Bowling Green four miles distant, next morning at day light. We made it in a down pour of rain. There we heard Zollicoffer had been killed and Crittenden's army defeated. Ordered back to camp until Feb 14th 1862. With one battery of artillery and our regiment of cavalry, we then left Bowling Green for Nashville, Tenn. A warm sunshiny day and we made thirty miles. Sun went down behind a cloud, wind rose and blew our tents down then calmed down and snowed twenty two inches deep. We loaded and started on but the snow was so deep we couldn't pull thru it. Col. Alison told the Captains to get the men out of the road and he would put the cavalry and artillery in front then we got along a little better. Later that day, the wind rose and it turned cold and we camped in an old peach orchard. The Col. said, "There is no possible chance to get wood here so burn these rails and don't burn too many at a time."

Next day we got to Camp Trousdale, the winter quarters of the 44th Tenn. which they had just left. Started soon the next morning for Nashville. Got there about midnight, stayed in the courthouse the remainder of the night.

Left Nashville about the 20th of Feb for Shiloh. Walked most of the way, crossed the Tennessee river on a train, reached Corinth, Miss. early in March, remained there until April 3rd, then started for Shiloh 8 miles down the river, thence a few miles and camped the third night, then on a little farther and the Federals drove our pickets in, and the 23rd (Cantrell) regiment killed one man and horse there and buried them and we camped there the 4th of April, putting out pickets.

Capt. Fielding said to me, "Jim, I want you to go on guard tonight." I said, "I just came off guard yesterday morning." "They want me to pick the best men we have and I want you and Bill Preston. Damn you, you don't sleep any way and I'll have you released twice when we get back."

"All right, Captain, I'll bet I'll have to stand guard where that man and horse were killed." Sure enough, we stopped there with orders to halt anyone who approached and demand the countersign, and if they refused, or showed any sign of fight to fire on them and fall back to the second line. This would be about ten steps behind me and the regiment – about ten steps behind that, sleeping on their arms and ready to come to our relief. First and second line must hold at all hazards until the regiment can get to us. No serious trouble that night.

April 5th we started early going slowly just a short distance and camped on our arms ready for the conflict next day. Rose early and started, went a few hundred yards and the enemy was lying behind trees, logs and whatever they could hide behind. They fired on

us and killed four men. The first volley to wit: Fred Gwaltney, Fount Lyson, Joe Nolen, and Bill Curtis. Then the Colonel hollered at the top of his voice, Lie down they commence it, we went down at the first command as tho we had been drilled. For two hours and thirty minutes fought them, by Dr. J. M. Bridges' time. Then the Colonel called at the top of his voice, "To your feet men and charge them Yanks and give them the bayonet!"

They did not wait to see what we would do. When we reached the top of the hill, they were going into the woods on the far side of an opening. We supplied our boxes with ammunition and followed them to the woods, where they stopped and fired on us again. We gave them a few shots and charged them. Got one Yankee lying on his back, one under a little corn crib and one under some bush against the fence. We started again and stopped at a little ridge that the enemy was shelling heavy. There Gen. Claiborne called for four men from a company to volunteer and go to shoot military horses. I, J. C. Prichard, Cuthbert Ferrell and Bill Ferrell volunteered from our company. Gen. Claiborne's order was to shoot the artillery horses down so he could take the battery. We got one shot at the horses and they ran them out of sight. Then we fired at the artillery and that drew the fire from the ridge onto us. Gen. Claiborne moved over the ridge, came on the line with us, halted a few minutes and gave them a few shots. Our color bearer fell there and Pleas Hall was shot in the mouth. Then the command charge was given and we started and Gen. Prentice surrendered and then we heard our commanding General A. D. Johnson was killed and the command fell on Gen. G. T. Beauregard, and he ordered the troops called off to bivouac for the night. We were ordered to the right to the Shiloh Church. On the way we passed a Captain with sixteen men dead and laid out in a circle around him. Capt. Donnell asked him, "Capt., have you suffered much?" He answered, "No, comparatively little until after the last charge when the boys got together talking over the charge when a bomb shell from their gun boats fell among them and killed sixteen of them. I am waiting for the boys to come back to bury them." We went on to the Shiloh church. There was the worst slaughter of men I saw any where during the war.

We got the battery and lots of provisions and supper was the first meal we ate that day. Crackers, boiled ham and hot coffee with sugar, potatoes and other good things that we were not used to. Then A. T. Stewart, W. C. Preston and I went for ammunition. When we got back, the boys had all laid down to rest. They said for me to go to a tent and get as many blankets as I wanted and make my bed with them. I went to a tent, got hold of a blanket, pulling it. I found it heavy, gave it a jerk and a Yankee hollered "Oh!" I said, "What are you doing here? We will send you to the rear in the morning if you are able to walk." He said, "Our officers said you killed all you captured." I said, "Your officers are liars. Get you a blanket and come with me." He got a blanket and came out with me. I said, "You sleep right here by me, don't you leave." So we slept side by side but he on his own blanket.

April 7th, I got up soon as I usually did, went to get some water to make coffee. I didn't find any that was clear of blood. Another boy took the canteens, he said he would

go to the head of the river. In a few minutes we were ordered forward a few hundred yards and found Gen. Buell, he fired on us and we fell back to the church again, waited for them and when they came in reach of us we received them cheerfully and entertained them until sundown when we fell back to Corinth.

April 8th, Corinth, Miss. All worn out, rest and talk over the past with the sick. A regiment captured a man who had run away from them and joined the Federals. He was court marshaled and sentenced to be shot. On the day set the army assembled and formed in a square. Twelve men from his own company marched down to our regiment, took twelve of our guns, went out and loaded them and brought them back to us and went off. Twelve other men came, took our loaded guns and marched up to the grave. The man was blindfolded, the death warrant was read to him and he knelt down facing his coffin. The command was given, "Ready – aim – fire" and he fell over dead. His name was Jim Rowland. While we remained at Corinth and Tupelo, I was sent to the hospital at Enterprise, Miss and while I was there the army moved to Chattanooga. I rejoined my regiment there. Dr. J. N. Bridges, our surgeon, came to see me, he said, "Jim, you are not doing any good." I said, "Oh, yes, Doctor, I am better." "No, you are not doing any good, I was trying to discharge you but had to send you off before I could get the papers through. A man has to be dead now, three days before he can get a discharge." I did not know you were trying to discharge me. I did not want a discharge in Mississippi, and if that is the chance I care less now. Late in August 1862 we started crossing the Tennessee River at Chattanooga, then on the 28th of August we started across Walden's Ridge and over the Cumberland Mountains for Middle Tennessee. On to Gainesboro, crossed Cumberland River there, was there one night, lots of the Tennesseans came to see us there, and slept with us on the ground. Luke Simpson and I went that evening and bought a little side of bacon for supper, and gave our friends and fathers a little tuff bread and broiled bacon for supper and river water for breakfast and bid them good bye.

Thence to Glasgow, Ky and on to Murfreesboro and got the garrison their arms and ammunition and Gen. Forist (sic) turned over a train of provisions and other eatables. Went to Bacon Creek, stopped and washed some and rested. Thence on through Perryville to Harrodsburg and cooked two rations. Thence back to Perryville Oct 8th and fought them there and drove the enemy from the battlefield. Left quite a lot of our boys dead and wounded there. And many more of the enemy were killed there, then we fell back to camp Dick Robinson, drew two days rations, or four days half rations and started for Cumberland Gap. There our regiment was left to support the cavalry in the gap should they need help. With out anything to eat for the fifth day.

Next day we reached our wagons and got a square meal and rested. Thence to Knoxville, from there to Chattanooga, then to Waldens Ridge and Cumberland Mountains. Here I must tell a little anie dote. There was a big spring came out of the mountain and formed a stream across the road and no way to get around it. Colonel Venoble was field officer of the day, he wore a red sash and rode a red flebitten race horse, he had charge of the guard for the day and night and gave the countersign for that

time and early in the night I was on guard at that time and place. My captain was captain of the guard that night and early in the night the colonel came by. I hated to make him wade the branch and let him give me the countersign on his horse, he went on to the guards rendezvous and reported me for letting him give me the countersign on his horse. That raised sand with the captain and here he came cursing about it and said the colonel had reported me, and the captain said, "I don't know what the result will be." I said I know what it is. I'll stand guard till he comes back and when he comes he will dismount and come to me. If he don't you will hear Old Betsy belch, and if you do you may bet your bottom dollar I've got him. Just at that moment the captain said, "I believe he is coming now!" I heard horses feet rolling. "Said I, "Here take my cap and give me your hat and you will see what will happen." The captain gave me his old flop hat and took my cap and went up in the bushes. The colonel rode up. I said, "Halt who comes there." He said, "Field officer of the day." Said I, "Dismount, advance and give the countersign." He said, "But I gave the countersign on my horse a little while ago." I made no reply. Said he, "How deep is it?" I said, "I don't know, I haven't tried it." And I pulled my gun around and faced him. I pulled the hammer back, click-click. He said, "Hold up, I'll come." And did. He said it went quite over my cavalry boots. I wanted to tell him I wished it was, but I was afraid to say much. I thought we were about even and best to drop the joke, and leave the mountain for Murfreesboro. Got there about the Middle of December 1862 and Gen. Cheatham issued an order to furlough ten men from a company for five days, the ones that could get home from there. Every one wanted to go home. The officers cut a little strip of paper for every man and wrote "GO" on ten of them and put all in a hat, and we came to the hat and drew our ticket. I drew "go." We went home. We left Murfreesboro late in the day and walked all night and got home a little after sunrise next morning. Stayed at home three nights, started back to camp on the fifth morning. My father carried me back in a buggy. We stopped at Bill Bates still house and had my canteen filled with brandy for the boys. Found them cooking rations for the battle field next morning.

Just at that time Gen. Cheatham furloughed ten more men for five days and they went home. I think my father brought Gus Ferrel and another as far as he went. The same road was one they both had to go over as far as Alexandria about 12 or 14 miles from home. Gus came back to us on the battle field. Gave me his canteen full of brandy and said you shall not be any better to mess mates than I am. He took my canteen and went to the colors just a few steps from us. Next day he brought his color guards and gave them a drink but refused to drink himself. He never drank any at any time. If they gave us whisky, Gus gave his to somebody. The next day we went to the front and was placed as reserve for Cheatham's division to watch and defend weak places. In a few moments a Southern regiment was shot down at a stone fence. The enemy was laying behind the stone fence until our boys got as close as they wanted then they fired from the fence and two thirds of them fell dead or more did. Then our Col. H. W. L. Bratton said, "Forward, March" until we get in front of the stone fence. We passed over the dead and wounded begging for water, but we made no halt. Then the colonel ordered us over the fence. I was anxious to get to the fence but not so keen to get over.

MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 1808 - 1811

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P. 67. JUNE 6, 1808. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions convenes in Town of Carthage, members present: A. S. Hogan, Zachariah Ford, Arch'b. Sloan, Henry Tooley. Following persons elected as Grand Jurors: Grant Allen, Garland Mc--, Moses Allen, John Hogan, Robert Black, Francis --, Josiah Duncan, Wilson Cage, Thos. Wilkinson, Richard Alexander, George Cleveland, Charles Mundine, Jacob --, John Warran, Samuel Brittan.

P. 68. Joseph Beshorn to attend Grand Jury.

Lee Sullivan discharged as juror.

William Christy vs Joseph Lock, defendant surrendered to court, compl. Prays that he be taken in custody.

State vs Mathew Davis. Davis acknowledges himself bound to the State in sum of \$100 to be secured by his goods and chattels, lands and tenants. Joel Dyer, Sr. and John Gaven, securities.

Bill of indictment against Samuel Rose by Grand Jury.

P. 69. Polly Thompson bound as apprentice to Benjamin Payne for 8 years and that he teach her to read and write and cipher to the rule of three.

William Hall to Lewis McFarland, transfer of Plat and certificate with warrant 4354.

William Hargis vs Frederick Deboe, parties of the suit consent to abide by the determination of the following: Wm. Martin, Brice Martin, John Patterson, Frances Patterson, Jeremiah Taylor, James Bradley, John Brevard, James Hibets, George McWhorter, Tilman Dixon, Robert Allen, James Gibson who are to meet at home of Frederick Deboe on 9 July.

P. 70. James Moore, deceased, John Bridges, admr. Return of inventory of estate.

Will of William Owens, proven by oaths of John Barkley and Thomas Nash, exc. And executrix, Mary Owens and Samuel Owens.

Will of Isaac King, deceased, proven by oaths of Charles F. Mabies and John Suttan, exc. And executrix Lyddia King, Jacob Burris, William Martin.

P. 71. William Watkins, deceased, admr. Silvey Watkins and Mason Wood, their security Isham Wood and Charles F. Mabies, returned inventory of estate.

John Renfro and Stephen Renfro, orphans, being of age for that purpose came into court and choice of John Looney as their gdn., securities David Duncan and Moses Allen.

William Coats discharged from jury duty.

John Pigg elected Constable, securities John Lancaster, Richard Bayles.

P. 72. Ordered that Jud Strather, James Beleu and Lee Sullivan settle with Marmaduke Williams and Morgan Williams exc. of estate of Joseph Williams, deceased.
Order to summon twelve free holders to allot and set off to Patsy Harper, widow of Matthew Harper, deceased, her share of personal property of deceased, being the eleventh part of estate.

TUESDAY JUNE 7, 1808. Court met, members present: John Lancaster, John L. Martin, Henry Tooley, Basil Shaw.

P. 73. Ordered that at Sept. Term all county business be transacted on first day of court and that all justices be required to attend.

John Looney vs Moses Pinkston, Jury towit: Jacob Overall, George Ray, Charles McClan, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, James Cooper, James Oglesby, Thos. Gaff, Leonard Jones, David Witcher, Jesse Beasley, John Stubblefield, defendant fined \$368.

P. 74. Bills of indictment by Grand Jury against Thomas Nash and Mather Davis.
John Looney vs Moses Pinkston, John Looney, Jr. excused from making bond for plaintiff. Jacob Duncan and Henry Robertson new securities.

P. 75. James Haynie dismissed as juror.

Jacob Dice, Willis Jones, Moses Pinkston, Daniel Burford appt. to hear testimony of John Payton.

On commission from the governor Elias Elston took oath as justice.

John Burford elected by court as county trustee with securities James Hart and Andrew Greer.

P. 76. Charles Conway fined for contempt and committed to jail.

William Phelps, Jesse Hord, Solomon Blair, Drury Bridges came into court to give testimony on behalf of Charles Conway.

James Oglesby vs Wilson Yandle and Carter Stevenson, admr., jury towit: George Norris, Armstead Stubblefield, George Forester, Moses Evitts, Daniel Burford, Sampson Williams, Henry Hass, William Chamberlin, William Walton, Archibald W. Overton, Thomas Bourks, Henry Lyon rule that the defendants (p. 77) hath not properly performed their job as admr. of William Stevenson, deceased. Also mentions Hetty Stevenson.

P. 78. Ordered that commissioners settle with Sampson Williams, exc. Of Peter Turney, deceased.

William Chapman produced in court a (?) of his left ear having been bit of (sic).

P. 79. Abigal Gnat vs John Miles, Petition on motion to obtain writs.

William Vick, Milly Vick, Lewis Vick, Pelgram Vick, Aquestion Vick, Joshua Vick, Littlebury Vick, minors, being of full age for that purpose, chose John Lancaster their gdn. Securities Thomas Smith and Leonard Fight.

Ordered that Josiah Strange be paid \$8 for money paid Dr. Wm. P. Laurence for attending Richard Willis on poor list.

Ordered that Charles Boulton be authorized to purchase six stone hamers and six crow bars for use of the county.

Ordered that A. S. Hogan, Jonathan B. Roberson, Basil Shaw commissioned to let to lowest bidder contract to build a bridge across Hogan's Creek near the mouth.

P. 80. Ordered that Hardy Bose be allowed \$40 for keeping Sally Brooks, a poor girl, for one year.

Wilson Yandle, exc. made return of supplementary inventory of William Stevenson, deceased.

Ordered that John E. Beck, solicitor for the county, be allowed \$50.

Ordered that Josiah Strange be allowed \$18 for maintenance of Richard Willis, a pauper.

P. 81. Charles F. Mobias resigned as coroner.

Ordered that the following tax be laid for the payment of jurors: 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents on each 100 acres land; each white poll; each black poll; each town lot; each studhorse. Court adjourns.

JUNE 8, 1808. Court meets with following justices present: Henry Tooley, John S. Martin, Willis Jones, Henry Moore.

P. 82. James Hood vs William Turnbull, Debt. Abram Brittain, security for defendant, is released. Plaintiff to recover \$130 from defendant.

P. 83. James Cotton vs Charles Sullivan. Suit dismissed.

Thos Walker vs John Patterson, parties agree to settle case at determination of the following: James Hart, William Walton, Andrew Greer, William Martin, Grant Allen.

P. 84. Andrew Buckam vs Edwd. Irving, Debt. Plaintiff to recover.

Samuel Caruthers vs John Gayle, Debt. Suit dismissed.

P. 85. William Martin vs John Scoby, Debt, Suit dismissed.

John Calaway vs Josiah Moses, suit dismissed.

P. 86. Wilson Cage vs Richard Parker, suit dismissed.

Giles Bowers vs John Baker, suit dismissed.

P. 87. Thomas Jones vs John Baker, suit dismissed.

Moses Pinkston vs Joseph Bishop. Parties agree to abide by determination of the following: Hezekiah Woodward, Willis Jones, John Ward, Armsted Moore, George Bradley.

P. 88. Thos. Walker vs John Patterson, plaintiff to recover \$18 against defendant.

P. 89. State vs Charles Conway. Released from confinement upon giving as security James Paty.

Jesse Beasley vs Daniel Hylton, Debt. Jury towit: William Smith, Hugh McClellan, William Sullivan, William Chamberlin, Daniel H. Burford, Mathew Harper, James Bruse, Robert McClebury, William McGee, William Owens (P. 90) John Sellars, Lincoln Harper find for the plaintiff to recover against defendant.
John Rhoads, deceased, Inventroy returned by executor.

P. 91. William Southerlin vs William Smith, jury towit: William Smith, Hugh McClellan, William Southerlin, William Chamberlin, David H. Burford, Matthew Harper, James Brice, William McGee, William Owens, John Sellors, Nathan Harper, Claibourne Wright, who find for the defendant.

P. 92. Jesse Sarte by his next friend vs William Wooten, jury towit: George Roy, Charles McClellan, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, James Cooper, John Stubblefield, William Smith, Abram Brittian, John Ferguson, James Walton, Robert McClury, Jones Kennedy, plaintiff to recover against defendant \$65.50.

P. 93. Following persons appointed a venure: James Chambers, John Barkley, William Thompson, William Stalkup, Jr., Champion Maden, Joel Maden, Thos. W. Corby, Henry McWhorter, James Hood, William Porter, James Lyon, John Strange, Benjamin Johns, Josiah Moser, William Pendarvis, Isaac Johns, John Pate, Solomon Blair, John Piper, Joel Dyer, Jr., Elijah Hance, Milton Young, Henry Huddleston, Burrel Kemp, Jacob Dice, John Ward, John Gill, James Jinkins, William Wooten, William Moore, (brother of Squire Moore), James Cockran, Randolph Wren, Jonas Bishop., Thos. Hart, Charles Dyer, William Payne, Lodwick Vaden, James Wright, William Lancaster, James Varner, and attending constables Isaac Scuder and Jacob Fight.

P. 94. Griffith W. Rutherford vs Thos. Walker, suit dismissed. Court adjourned.

JUNE 9, 1808. P. 95. Robt. W. Clark vs Samuel Hogg, jury towit: William Smith, George Roy, Charles McClain, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, James Cooper, John Stubblefield, Hugh McClellan, William Sullivan, Elijah Haynie, William Owens, John Ferguson, finds for the plaintiff.

P. 96. State vs Thos. Nash, Indictment –plea of guilty –defendant fined \$1, Dudley Haile security.

HUGHES' MILL

William Powell Hughes was born in Prince Edward County, Virginia, on Sept. 23, 1799, and came with his father, Little Berry Hughes, to Smith County in 1810. On June 19, 1822, he married Jane Allen. William Powell became a very prominent man in Smith County. He was engaged in farming and business enterprises. He built a large and costly water mill on Hickman' Creek opposite the mouth of Pigg's Branch and about a mile above the town of Hickman. He engaged in the manufacture of stoneware and crockery, and was extensively engaged in the building of bridges. *The Hughes Family and Connections*, W. J. L. Hughes, 1911.

The following deed relating to the mill of William Hughes is in the Smith County Archives:

We Avin Ward and Nancy Upton & Barclay Kyle have this day bargained & sold and do hereby transfer & convey to William P. Hughes and his heirs forever for the consideration of ten dollars to me Avin Ward paid & for the consideration of five dollars to me Nancy Upton paid & for the consideration of thirty dollars to me Barclay Kyle paid, certain tracts of land in the State of Tennessee, Smith County, on Hickmans Creek towit: I Avin Ward sell & convey as above named a tract of land containing one acre & eight pole & bounded as follows beginning at the center of the creek as at a sycamore standing on the bank south of said creek then south 1 degree W 28 P to a stake then south 46 degrees to 6 poles to a hickory, thence north 3 degrees 32 poles to center of the creek thence with the creek to beginning, and I Nancy Upton sell & convey as above named a tract of land bounded as follows towit, beginning at Upton's beginning where the mill race crosses Upton's line thence south 22 degrees W 5 P to a stake thence South 46 degrees W 25 P to Kyle's line thence crosses the race 2 pole to the north side & down the race with reverse course to the beginning containing 60 square pole, and I Barclay Kyle sell & convey as above named, and also with the mill pond for the considerations & as above named bounded as follows beginning at a stake in Upton's & my own line one pole from the center of the mill race on the south side of crossing the creek to the end of the butment of Hughes mill dam thence crossing the same courses & down the race on the north side two pole from the other line so as to cover the race dam & to the beginning 166 poles included therein, all of which lands and bargained premises we have sold & do hereby convey to said William P. Hughes & his heirs forever for the special purpose of his mills, mill race, dam etc., to have & to hold the same to him & his heirs forever. We do covenant with the said William P. Hughes that we are lawfully seized of said land, have a good right to convey it, & that the same is unincumbered, (sic) we do further covenant and bind ourselves our heirs & representatives to warrant and forever defend the title to the said respective parcels or tracts of land by us hereby sold and conveyed to the said William P. Hughes.....this 24th day of July 1839.

Witness
J. G. Jones ||
Sturton J. J. J. ||

Nancy Upton
Barclay Kyle
Wm. P. Hughes

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH MINUTES

Continued from Volume XIX, No. 3

The Minutes of the Macedonia Baptist Church have been serialized in the Quarterly beginning with Volume XII, No. 2, Spring 2000. This article concludes the series. The original minute book may be seen on microfilm at the Tennessee State Archives or the Smith County Public Library. The final entry in the book is on an unnumbered page with the heading:

NAMES SCATTERED

Elizabeth Snody	Dead	Mary Carter	
Susan Sampson	Defeated Creek	J. D. Allen	Missouri
Biddy Farmer	Dekalb County	G. W. Colguet	
Sary Allen Bates	Dismissed	Mary Denny	Wilson Co.
Franky Ellison	Excluded	Cathern Colguet	
Andrew Shaver		Magret Colquet	
John T. Farmer	Dekalb County	Malinda Denny	Unknown
Stephen R. Sampson	Unknown	Johnson Sampson	Texas
William Snody		Elizabeth Regan	Dismissed
Manerva Snody	Knob Spring	J. M. Mercer	Dis
Manerva Helmantaller		Martha Stallings	Snow Creek
Willy Bray	Warren County	Jane Farmer	Dekalb Co.
Elizabeth Carter	Info Wanted	John T. Farmer	?
Kandis Denny	Putnam County	Joel Regan	Unknown
Sarah Hubbard	Texas	John H. Allison	
Selena Whitley	Snow Creek	Victory Ligon	Unknown
Frances Manning	Info Wanted	Mary Wright	Dis
Tempy Manning	Dekalb	George Satterfield	
		William Satterfield	Unknown

Penciled in on the last page of the book is : Oct 1849 Mother joined church, p. 17. This may have been written by J. A. Ligon, church clerk for many years, because it is recorded on p. 17 that a Mary Ligon united with the church.

Also penciled in – p. 23, Aunt Sallie B. – Uncle Frank Mc.

Preserved in the back of the book are a few old letters and minutes written on loose, lined note paper.

Undated letter from James W. McClanahan who joined the church in October 1849:

Home Smith County Tenn

Dear Bretherin, My health is giving down cant tell how long I may last in this condition. I have been a member with you for over forty years have been with the church in many of its troubles and difficulties have tried to share my part of its responsibilities in all matters

of conference ready and willing to share with my Brethin in its financial responsibilities, etc. My hearing has been deficient for several years, cant hear much consequently have not been with you as regular on conference days as I would wish. Passed through the war as a member with you while many of us differed on war points there was never any charge preferred against me.

Until recent date a young member to witt Bro Tom Denny has publicly charged me of taking all sorts of advantages to steal some land from him or his Father and many other unbrotherly charges and accusations. Now Bretherin in my feeble health not being able to come before you in person I think it but justice to you that the cause the matter may not suffer on my acct that I throw myself before you for investigation and ask for a committee to investigate if these things be true, if true cast me out and be no longer responsible for my conduct but if untrue I simply ask a Brotherly Christian vindication. I don't feel like I will live long I don't want it said that I lived an unworthy member with you for over forty years, I think this Justice to myself as well as you.

Take the matter in hand Bretherin and do no more than a Christian duty or Church duty if I am unreasonable please excuse me & convince me of my unreasonable demand and I will try to yield to your wishes in the matter with a Christian fortitude.

J. W. McClanahan

Response of the Church Committee:

We the committee went on the line between Bro J. W. McClanahan and Matt Denny after looking at the lands and getting all the information obtainable- say that the charge that Bro J. W. McClanahan was trying to steal land of Matt Denny or his son Tom is untrue and to the contrary he is willing to do anything that is reasonable and right to adjust the trouble and settle the line between them. G. C. Moore, J. T. Wilkerson, B. F. Allen.

August Term 1887. Macedonia Church in conference minuets of proceeding meeting read and approved the church to protract this which continued through the week as the result of the meeting we had 6 additions by experience & baptism towitt: Sister Adella Allen, Sister Martha M. Allen, Lorcenia Baker, Mildred Agee, Johnathan Deny, Osgar Moore. After the ordenance of Baptism rejoined to the church where we had preaching after which conference adjourned in order. J. R. Hearn, J. A. Barrett

Macedonia Church in conference Dec Term 1887 minuets of proceeding meeting read and approved. Bro J. O. Stallings & wife granted letter of dismissal, Bro Jeffers & wife request was deferred till communication came he had with request church to him as his Christian character since he left the state the question of electing a Pastor was deferred till next meeting.

January Term 1888. Minnets of proceeding read & approved opportunity offered for membership. Bro J. M. Wilkerson & wife joined by letter from Hogan's Creek. Election of Pastor was taken up, resulting in no election. On motion the election was deferred till next meeting on motion consultation meeting called at one o'clock Saturday before 1st

Sunday February. R. H. Barrett was granted letter of dismission showing he is licensed preacher adjourned in order. T. J. Eastes, Mod., L. A. Barrett, Clk.

OBITUARY. Sister Elizabeth Haile, the subject of this sketch your comitte on obiturers would report was born in 1811 was Babtized in to the fellowship of Knob Spring Church in 1830 by Elder Wm Flowers was married to Elder E. W. Hail in 1828, was the mother of 13 children, 7 of whom survive her as a wife she was faithful & true and doubtless enabled her husband who espoused the cause of the Master in the same year that she did and soon was set apart by his church to the ministry and was a bold and fearless expounder of Gods truth up to his death having Baptized 18 or 20 the 1st Sabbath in March before his death on the 13th.

Sister Haile bore the burdens of home with Christian fortitude and enabled her husband by cooperation with him in the masters cause who we are informed was an illiterate man and often lay upon his pallet at night with head towards the fire to study his Bible not being able to procure a better light. Sister Haile was about 77 years old at her death had been a faithful member of the church for 59 years the result of that 57 years of Christian warfare as a minister wife will not be known this side of the day of final account. May her memory be long cherished by us and may we not ferget that the loss of a mothers prayers fer her children but increases the responsibility of the church as the executive body of the Risen Christ. This June Term 1888. J. A. Barrett, Char. of Committee

August Term 1888. Minuets of proceeding meeting read and approved by pastor being absent Bro Lewis Allen was called the chair moved to see that the committee on repairs have further time till our next meeting. Proceeded to elect messengers to the association, T. J. Eastes, W. A. Neal & W. C. Baker, alternate. J. A. Barrett, B. F. Allen & John Webb.

Dear Bretherin, Your committee on obituaries make the following report that since our last regular convocation Bro Jesse Sampson has passed away. Bro Sampson was born in 18—and departed this life the 28th day of May 1887, aged about – years united with church about 35 years ago. Bro Sampson for a time in consequence of the evil influences that surrounded him give way to intoxication and not being able to see his fault severed this fellowship with his church fer a time. But by a providential hand was brought to the light, confessed his fault and was restored to full fellowship with his church and fer more than ten years had been living a consistent Christian life. But has passed over the river of death in full expectation of immortal Bliss in the Brighter world beyond. Bro Sampson leaves a lone wife and many friends and connection to mourn his loss but how pleasing is the thought that Blessed are they that die in the Lord how thankful we should be fer such a hope.

NANNIE G. [JOHNSON] ANDREWS
Wife of
ALEXANDER SAMUEL "SAM" ANDREWS

Condensed from information submitted by Francie Lane

Nannie G. Johnson was born January 15, 1856, Smith Co., TN, the eldest child of Shadrack Robert Johnson and his wife Mary Don [Bradford], both born in Smith Co., TN.

S. R. Johnson was born c1834, and died March 17, 1897, at the age of 63. He was the son of John & Nancy Johnson. John Johnson was born November 29, 1798, VA; died 1880, Smith Co., TN; his wife, Nancy, was born December 17, 1803, NC; died October 10, 1870. S. R. Johnson married Mary Don [Bradford] c1855, undoubtedly in Smith Co., TN; however, a marriage record has not been found.

Mary Don [Bradford] was born August 10, 1839, and died August 3, 1917. She was the daughter of David Mann Bradford. David Mann Bradford was born March 5, 1805; died March 8, 1873. David's father was James Bradford, purportedly born in 1788, Granville Co., NC,¹ and married Elizabeth [Rust] on July 2, 1803, Wake Co., NC. Bondsman: Charles Taylor. Wit: S. Turner². James Bradford was purportedly the son of David Bradford and wife Elizabeth Mann.³ James died in Smith Co., TN in c1813. According to Smith Co. court records, James Bradford's 1813 estate, names his 3 children: David M. Bradford, Vincent Rust Bradford and Ann R. [Bradford] Thompson.

Amanda "Manda" Bradford married Alexander A. Squires in Smith Co., TN on November 3, 1853; had one child Mary G. Squires; and was widowed by 1860.

About 1855, Mary Don Bradford married Shadrack Robert / Robberson "S. R." Johnson.

Sometime around 1872, Nannie [Johnson] became engaged to Alexander Samuel "Sam" Andrews of West Station, Holmes Co., MS. There was no kinship between the Johnson and the Andrews families, so the only possible explanation is that they met through attending school. Sam Andrews became a school teacher, and he had the financial means to "go away to school" for his education. Could he have attended the Teachers College in Carthage? Perhaps he had taken a job as a teacher at the New Middleton College in 1872, where Nannie was enrolled as a student. Difficult to say, but their engagement is evidenced by a letter, written by Nannie, age 19 in 1875, in which she speaks of their engagement for many years.

Alexander Samuel "Sam" Andrews was born on February 17, 1851, in West Station, Holmes County, Mississippi, son of Calvin J. Andrews and Mary Sharp [Martin] Andrews. Sam's mother, Mary, inherited a great deal of real estate from her father, Alexander S. Martin in 1864; however, Mary died shortly thereafter, and A.S. Martin's estate fell directly to her two children, Sam and daughter Margaret. Widower Calvin J. Andrews, was appointed Guardian over his two minor children and was ordered by the court in 1867 to sell two parcels on behalf of the two children, which brought \$675.00, and presumably a portion was used for Sam's higher education. Sam's father died in c1869.

In 1870, Sam Andrews was present in Holmes Co. during the taking of the census. No further record has been found for him until 1874, when he began selling off various parcels of Holmes Co., MS land, which he had inherited. His real estate sales continued until early 1875, bringing him a total of \$1,435.

Nannie's letter to her fiancé "Sammy", was written from her home in New Middleton, Smith Co. It seems from the contents of her letter that mail took about two weeks for delivery to and from Holmes Co., MS. Her letter, in beautiful penmanship, illustrates that she was well educated and able to "vacation" in Putnam Co., TN.

July 28, 1875
New Middleton

Mr Sammie Andrews

Dear Sammie,

How you do scold when you cannot get letters from me every time you expect them. How is it with me, do you suppose, when I wait six or eight weeks before I hear from you? What do you think of the law of retaliation? Ah! I can hear your reply to that now: "Quite pleasant - but I pretend to you I am terribly grieved". Am I right, Sam, or am I cruel? Cruel of course. I am always cruel. But it is not retaliation altogether. I have been gone from home for sometime, started immediately after writing my last letter to you. I received yours of June 25th, while at Bloomington and would have answered then, but you said you would write again soon, so I concluded to wait - as it was often hard to get letters mailed. I did not receive yours of July 12th until I came home. I am at home now looking better than I have in several months. My health has improved considerably. I think I will spend a portion of August up there. I enjoyed the trip thoroughly. Lodged with the best, kindest people in the world: had splendid water, an abundance of company, played croquet, took buggy rides and evening walks. Oh! I enjoyed myself exceedingly. Bloomington is in Putnam Co., Tenn. about thirty miles east from here. Why did you ask if it was in Indiana?

I was very sorry to learn that you had been sick - at least I suppose you were sick as you had been out of the house only twice in ten days. Now Sam, are you not ashamed of yourself for treating me that way? Will not even tell me when you are sick. If I would not sympathize with you - pray who would? You should not be so cross with me, Sam, even if I am a little incredulous at times. Have I not a right to disbelieve you in some things? If you could deceive me in one instance, could you not deceive me again? If I have caused you any pain, I regret it and humbly ask your pardon, but I cannot believe that you would be pained very much on account of receiving no letters from me, and when you offer to release me from the engagement - something whispers: "He is tired." I firmly believe you are tired of our engagement, and I offer you your freedom just as kindly as you offered me mine. But unless you are tired, Sam, you wrong me to offer to release me - for who has been faithful these many years? I am not a fickle, heartless coquette (though by many I am accused) yet, you have sufficient proof to the contrary. No! not a coquette, but - when my affection is so slighted, when for many days and weeks I am neglected - yea, almost forgotten, I then regret that any engagement existed, for it's unpleasant to you to be bound to me for when you care so little, and bitter indeed, to me to be neglected - so unloved by the man to whom I am engaged. You sav you

love me - how to prove it? Let me ask you one question and then if you love me, you will know how to prove it. Have you proved by constant and affectionate letters that I am tenderly loved and remembered by you? Have you fulfilled all your promises with me? Do you love no one else as you do me? If I did, would I remain engaged to you? I ask you the same question. Answer me truly. Goodbye Sam. I am not tired myself, but if you are, I release you.

Yours,
Nannie

Nannie certainly knew how to "push his buttons", because Sam soon made arrangements to move out of Mississippi, applied for a marriage license in Smith Co., TN on November 29th and their wedding took place the following day:

A marriage license granted in Smith Co., TN, shows:

A. S. Andrews to Nannie G. Johnson - issued: Nov. 29, 1875; executed: Nov. 30, 1875, by B. M. Stevens, Minister of the Gospel.

Sam and Nannie [Johnson] Andrews had one son, who died at birth on March 17, 1877. He was named "Allie S. Andrews", and they buried him near her Grandfather David M. Bradford's grave. David M. Bradford had died March 8, 1873. Tragically, Nannie died less than three weeks later, on April 3, 1877, and was buried beside their infant child in the "Bradford Cemetery" on Mulherrin Creek, New Middleton, Smith Co., TN. Photographs of the cemetery by John Waggoner have been published on the Smith Co., TN web page, with the descriptive location as "Dyer Branch on Paul Wade farm north of New Middleton".⁴

Widower Sam Andrews was employed as a school teacher in Smith Co., TN, and in the 1880 Census was boarding with the Anderson family. Sam was mistakenly listed as "Andrews Anderson":

Sam courted and married Hattie Cornelia [Boulton]. A license for their marriage was issued in Smith Co. on July 30, 1882, by H. J. Perkins, Justice of the Peace. Hattie was the daughter of Napoleon B. Boulton and his wife, Lucy Jane [Williams], whose ancestries date back to the pre-1810 Smith Co. settlers. Whether coincidental to Sam's meeting Hattie or not, Hattie's Grandfather, Evan J. Williams, was living two doors away from David M. Bradford in the 1870 Census. In the 1880 census, Hattie's maternal Great Aunt, Temperance [Whitley] Rowland, and maternal Great Grandmother, Mahala Whitley were living two doors away from S. R. Johnson.

In 1880, Mary Bradford, widow of David Mann Bradford, Sr., is shown in the Census living with David M. Bradford, Jr., his wife Mildred and children. Mary Bradford, age 82, was born in NC and stated her parents were born in NC. In the household were also daughter Rebecca A. Bradford, age 40; and son James R. Bradford, age 55. Their next-door neighbors were Edward Upton, Sr. (age 60 - b. TN Ireland NC), his wife Elizabeth, 60; and at the next house was Edward B. Upton, Jr., age 28, wife Mary G. [Squires] and mother-in-law Amanda [Bradford] Squires, age 50.

Also in District 17, 1880 was John Johnson, age 84, widower, born in VA and both parents were born in VA, living with his son John A. Johnson, age 47 and wife Fannie, 34, a teacher.

To summarize the ancestry of Nannie G. [Johnson] Andrews:

John Johnson: Born in Virginia. Although, the gravestone transcription gives his birth as November 29, 1798, and his death as 1890, the photograph taken of the gravestone by John Waggoner, clearly shows his birth as November 26, 1796; and his death date as December 9, 1880.

Wife Nancy [] Johnson, born in NC on December 17, 1803; d. October 10, 1870. Both are buried in the Johnson Cemetery #623, Dry Fork Road⁸

Their children were all born in TN:

F. H. Johnson, b. 1826; d. 1851-1860 m. Juda []

Mary Elizabeth Johnson, b. 1848

Nancy G. Johnson, b. 1849

Amanda F. Johnson, b. 1851 [Gdau lived with John & Nancy in 1870]

Mary Johnson, b. c1829

John A. Johnson, b. c1832. Occupation: Trader / Farmer

Shadrack Robert / Robberson Johnson, b. 1834; d. March 17, 1897
m. c 1855 to Mary Don [Bradford]

Selana A. "Sallie" Johnson, b. February 12, 1837; d. February 18, 1910
m. c1856 to William C. Bradford, b. July 16, 1827; d. April 13, 1914

Samuel G. Johnson, b. c1841

Ophelia Ann Johnson, b. November 2, 1846; d. December 23, 1884
m. December 23, 1874, to William H. "Buck" Moore, b. 1843

David Mann Bradford, b. March 5, 1805; d. March 8, 1873
m. (wife #1 or #2?) **Mary [] Bradford, b. February 25, 1797; d. July 27, 1890**
at age 92y, 5m, 2d. Both are buried in the Bradford Cemetery #628, Mulherrin Creek, New Middleton, Smith Co., TN.⁹

****Note:** When tracking David M. Bradford, Sr.'s children through the census years, I noticed that Amanda (1829), David, Jr. (1831) and Mary D. (1839) indicated their Mother had been born in Virginia. Mrs. Mary [] Bradford consistently stated in census years 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880 that she had been born in North Carolina. This discrepancy is particularly striking in 1880, when widow Mary Bradford is living in the household of David, Jr. and Mary is shown born in NC – yet, David's information stated his mother was born in VA. It would seem, therefore, that whoever was giving the family's information to the census taker knew that David's biological mother was not Mary.

David Mann Bradford's children were all born TN:

James R. Bradford, b. September 7, 1824; d. September 10, 1882

William C. Bradford, b. July 16, 1827; d. April 13, 1914
 m. c1856 to Selena A. "Sallie" Johnson, b. February 12, 1837;
 d. February 18, 1910
 John D. Bradford, b. March 13, 1857; d. October 7, 1922
 (?Manerva / Nancy G.?) Bradford, b. c1859
 Margi Ann Bradford, b. c1862
 James A. Bradford, b. c1866
 George R. Bradford, b. c1868
 Mary A. Bradford, b. c1871
 Lafayette Bradford, b. c1873
 Alice / Mattie Bradford, b. 1876
 Fannie Bradford, b. June, 1879
 Jennie Bradford, b. June, 1883

Amanda Bradford, b. 1829 / 1832
 m. Alexander A. Squires
 Mary Green [Squires], b. July 30, 1856; d. August 11, 1881
 m. Edward B. Upton, Jr.

David M. Bradford, b. May 1, 1831; d. May 16, 1893
 m. Mildred [], b. June 24, 1840; d. March 18, 1917

Rebecca A. Bradford, b. January 16, 1836; d. June 1, 1904

Mary Don Bradford, b. August 10, 1839; d. August 3, 1917

Shadrack Robert/Robberson "S. R." Johnson, b. 1834; d. March 17, 1897. Married c1855 to:

Mary Don [Bradford] Johnson, b. August 10, 1839; d. August 3, 1917

Both are buried in the Bradford-Johnson Cemetery #636, Bradford Hill Rd., New Middleton, Smith Co., TN¹⁰.

Their children were all born in TN:

Nancy G. "Nannie" Johnson, b. April 15, 1856; d. April 3, 1877
 m. November 30, 1875 to Alexander Samuel Andrews, born
 February 17, 1851; d. [unknown]
 Allie S. Andrews, b. March 17, 1877; d. March 17, 1877

Mary E. "Bettie" Johnson, b. 1858; d. September 23, 1888
 m. J. H. Ballinger

Robert H. Johnson, b. November 11, 1859; d. June 3, 1938
m.¹¹ "R. H. Johnson & Ella Gordon, December 24, 1882. H. J. Perkins,
J.P. Johnson, 23, a farmer, was born and lives in Smith Co., TN. Gordon,
21, was born in Leek (sic Leake), Co., Mississippi; lives in Stonewall,
Smith Co., TN. Witnesses: James Johnson and Green Shepherd of Stonewall,
TN."

m. c1905 #2 Sallie [], b. August 14, 1870; d. May 21, 1953

James Samuel Johnson, b. 1862

Mildred Mary Johnson, b. 1864

Joseph L. Johnson, b. 1866

Drucilla "Lency" Johnson, b. 1868

David Mann Johnson, b. 1870

Alexis S. Johnson, b. 1872

Leonidas T. "Lon" Johnson, b. June 1, 1876; d. December 19, 1931
m. Fannie [Baird], b. October 29, 1878; d. March 24, 1959,
daughter of William M. & Mary E. [James] Baird.

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JOURNALS OF K. C. TERRY

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Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1920. Cloudy and cooler, no rain, nothing doing. Sold my calf to Rankin & Oldham for 8.00. W.G.B. still in Nashville today.

Thursday, Sept. 17. Fixed Stevens transmitter got gasoline .25cents a gal. Fixed glasses of Mrs. Bridges, 15 cents, went to put on rubber tire for Neal Smith tonight. WGB still in city, cooler & cloudy.

Friday, Sept. 18. Went to Neal Smith Co. to braze tire, fixed 2 wheels, in store rest of day. Fixed Belt .20, accordion 05. Went to lodge at night.

Saturday, Sept. 19. Went to Neal Smith Co. fixed 2 wheels got 1.00 for all. Joe Bridges killed first beef today. WGB come home today. Cool & Clear.

Sunday, Sept. 20. Went to church today. Eastes preached. Clear & cool.

Monday, Sept. 21. Mattie and I went to Alexandria, I bought a new Buggy S & S. Give old buggy and harness for new Buggy and Harness & extra Breast & Strap and give 47.50 in 6 months time. Mattie got skirts goods, Gladys Pocket Book, clear & pleasant. Got what money I had in bank.

Tuesday, Sept. 22. Went to school house to see about work. Fixed watches this morn, went to Middleton to see about lumber to make black boards, carried Mattie & Aunt Prudie to see Mrs. Bridges & Roberts. Clear & pleasant.

Wednesday, Sept. 23. Worked on old smoke house to make a buggy house out of it, done nothing this eve. Willie Stevens here tonight. Clear & dusty, hot & dry.

Thursday, Sept. 24. Worked on buggy house this morn, went to fix machinery this eve, clear & pleasant. Contract to fix school house, 18.00 for complete job.

Friday, Sept. 25. Went to Gordonsville on 59 case. Put 10.30 in bank, Bal. 44.00, met Sam Hewitt, got telephone, put in Stevens Transmitter. Neal Smith Co. had telephone soldered. Buckets at home.

Saturday, Sept. 26. Put floor in shed loft and buggy house. Dug Irish potatoes, 2 ½ bushels. Fix window & well bucket for Frank Bradford, 15 cents. Gladys got second reader. Lee Whitley used new buggy first time went to Alexandria. I got 1.50 for it.

Sunday, Sept. 27. At home in morn. Went to Sam's after noon. Cool & rain in morn, cool & cloudy noon, nothing new. Things Dull.

Monday, Sept. 28. Went to Wm Baird's after lumber, didn't get it. Went to Middleton, bought buggy robe paid 6.00. Got bolts for Black Boards. Mattie got dress. I came home worked on Blackboard & fixed watch for Ernest Smith, 10 cents. Gladys went in second reader today. Clear and cool.

Tuesday, Sept. 29. Clear & cool. Worked on Boards, made 2 today. Mattie & Miss Minnie H. making skirt Aunt Prudy eat dinner here. Mosses Preston of Gordonsville died to day fell dead. Bought 8.00 worth of flour from Alexandria, cost 17.60, delivered, Best.

Wednesday, Sept. 30. Worked on Boards, sold trowel 25 cts. Moses Preston buried today. Mrs Hallum & Mattie still work on skirt. Sprinkled rain, warmer. Oliver Staunton used buggy went to Gordonsville, cost 40 cents, paid.

Thursday, Oct. 1. Worked on door for school house, went to Middleton, got plank, clear & pleasant. Association going on at Brush Creek yesterday, today & tomorrow.

Friday, Oct 2. Looks like rain. I went to Gordonsville, Hickman, Middleton & Grant collecting, done fine. Mattie ironed. Got me three collars at Hickman-25 cents.

Saturday, Oct. 3. Telephone from Watertown, Mrs. Mollie Jones died at 4 o'clock this morn. Went to help dig grave, all went to burial at 4:30 this eve, hot, sultry, dusty. No sign of rain.

Sunday, Oct. 4. Clear & warm. Nothing stirring except a little wind.

Monday, Oct. 5. Painted Black Boards, worked on watch for Tom Hughes, 75 cents, fixed watch for watch from Ed, rained some at 4 o'clock. Fix gun for Will Wright, charges 25. Willie Stevens here tonight.

Tuesday, Oct. 6. Raining. Made trowel for self. Went to Middleton, bought one pencil, back and worked on wheel for Tom Jones, 10 cents, raining, Alma and Mannie Hunt & Bill Barrett went to Nashville. Got watch from Marshal Wilkerson for fixing pistol and 25 cents to boot.

Wednesday, Oct. 7. Went to Middleton ordered Needles & a Spring. Got watch to fix, come home and fixed it, 45 cents. Bought my gloves, cost 1.10. Fixed pistol, got a watch & 25 cents. Went to Gordonsville on 65 case, bought sifter, 15 ct. Rained a good shower this eve.

Thursday, Oct. 8. Fair & cooler. Fix lamp for Jennie Whitley, 15 cts. Went out on trouble 59-58-65. Went clear to Carthage on 65. Cooler & kinder cloudy to night.

Friday, Oct. 9. Went to Gordonsville on 59 back at noon. Aunt Millie here to day. Put rubbers on wheels for Neal Smith Cry. Co. Clear & cool.

Saturday, Oct. 10. Went to Alexandria, paid for my Buggy 47.50. Carried Tubbs telephone back. Measured distance from Brush Creek to Stevens Store. Measured 4 1/3 miles from railroad to front at Stevens. Clear & cloudy. Killed my calf today weighed 5.20, sold hide for 1.50.

Sunday, Oct. 11. Got up late. Ollie Swann wife and 2 babies, Sam & Alma, Bart Cloud, Swann & Mr. Johnson all here to dinner. Clear & cool, nothing doing. Mr. W. R. Shaver very sick at Lebanon. Bob Smith & Wife at Richardsons.

Monday, Oct. 12. Painted Black Boards again, filed saw for Fate Bradford, .35. Cleaned watch for Joe Moore, .50. D. P. & wife went to Bob's, Rossie here this morn. Col. W. R. Shaver died this morn at Lebanon, buried tomorrow at Grant. Dug sweet potatoes this eve., 3 bu. Mattie went to Callie Baird's, needles come, cost 1.30.

Tuesday, Oct. 13. Went to Grant to W. R. Shaver's funeral, Mattie went with me. A very crowd, fair & clear, got home at 2 p.m. Bob Gill carried W. G.

Wednesday, Oct. 14. Cut some sugar cane this morn. Carried W. G. to Brush Creek, he going to Nash to show. In store rest of day-cloudy & hot. Worked on Rossie Thomas watch tonight.

Thursday, Oct. 15. Went to Grant this morn to move telephone pole-back at 12. Cut sugar cane after dinner, Mattie in store, cloudy but no rain. W. G. in Nash.

Friday, Oct. 16. Worked on gun and window in shop this morn. Cut corn afternoon. Mattie in store, cloudy.

Saturday, Oct. 17. Went to Gordonsville to fix Oliver telephone .75. Carried Mattie to church, W.G.B. came in at 1:30. I hung doors at school house, fixed watch for Grant Whitley and for Monroe Denny.25. Cool & windy. Buggy hired out to go to Gordonsville, Elmer Smith got it, .60.

Sunday, Oct 17. W. G. and I went to church Bro. Eastes, Sam & Alma came home with us. Elmer Smith got buggy this eve, .75. I carried Alma home and got 5 planks of siding 1-12-4-10 long. Fair & cool.

Monday, Oct. 18. Put locks on school house, fixed truss for Sam, carried Blk. Bd. To school, fixed watch for A. Fowler 1.25. Mattie gone to Mrs. Buck Bradford's. Soldered can for Richardson .05.

Tuesday, Oct. 19. Went to Gordonsville & Hickman took out Gibbs telephone, fixed bank telephone and changed receiver at W. J. Oliver. Mattie & Alma got a hat each cost 1.87 ½. Mattie got jacket at Hogans 4.25. Got shoes for Gladys at Ashleys 1.00. Clear & pleasant. Bought 14 Bu corn.

Wednesday, Oct. 20. Fixed other black board, fixed receiver. Got a very bad headache "cold." Mattie washed and made sweet pickles. Clear & warmer.

Thursday, Oct 21. Cut sugar cane, fixed hatchet for Louis Rucks .10-Put tube in gun for Pete Bailey .20, Agnew came after flour. I went to Gordonsville put in telephone at Depot then to Bluff Creek and cut change, home at dark, fixed Rossie Thomas watch tonight. W. Neal telephone me to come by Watertown to work on church but I can't come. Mattie unwell.

Friday, Oct. 22. Fixed Neal Smith Co, telephone and went to Reeves and Ferguson barn, put on roof. Born to Tom Gill a girl. Cool, clear, windy.

Saturday, Oct. 23. Finished at school house, fixed pistol for Tom Baker .25. Fixed locks at house. Carried Gladys to Hickman to exchange shoes, back and to Middleton, bought gloves for Sam Hewitt, collected 1.25 from L. Ferguson for work yesterday. Cool & clear. Fixed Pastor Slates watch tonight. Mattie making Gladys a dress.

Sunday, Oct. 24. At home all day. Got head ache very bad. Got to go to Carthage tomorrow. Fowler got his watch 1.25, Paster Slate got his, 1.65. Swapped Ed's watch to Paster Slate for Illinoise movement & gold case even. Every thing very dull, Ross & Charlie, Bob & Janie went Hickory hunting and some others went chestnut.

Monday, Oct. 26. Went to Carthage to work, strung wire, put in Fisher telephone, stayed at Redditts, helped Sam get out Directory. Cool & clear.

Tuesday, Oct. 27. Went to Punch to build new line. Marked locating. Stopped at Jno. S. Carter's. Fair and pleasant. Sam went home. Stuck thorn in my foot.

Wednesday, Oct. 28. Still work on line. Sam did not come back, left it to me. Clear & pleasant. Foot sore.

Thursday, Oct. 29. At work on line dong very well. Foot awful sore. Clear & pleasant.

Friday, Oct. 30. Still at work on line. Foot so sore I can hardly walk. Clear & pleasant.

Saturday, Oct. 31. Worked on line, doing fine. Foot some better. Clear & cool.

Sunday, Nov. 1. Rained all morn. Cloudy & gloomy rest of day. Doing nothing sad and lonesome boys all went in last night.

Monday, Nov. 2. Raining this morn, worked this eve. Doing very well. Cloudy & muddy.

Tuesday, Nov. 3. Cloudy & threatening rain. We worked all day, rained some at 3, stayed all night with Sam Ward.

Wednesday, Nov. 4. Raining to beat the band. I gathered up the tools and came to Carthage got telephone & bills, come to Bluff Creek col. then home-cloudy all day. Elme Smith came after me. I got 1 load of coal.

Thursday, Nov. 5. Fixed Neal Smith Co. telephone, collected, went to Grant changed Shaver Bros. telephone and collected. Paid Pa the freight on flour, cloudy & pleasant. Mattie went to Grant. Fixed clock tonight for Carter. Rainey now. Got 1 load coal, Fate Bradford.

Friday, Nov. 6. Went to Gordonsville, Junction, Hickman collecting. Mattie bought jacket 6.50. fixed watch for Sam Feagins .50. Mattie & Alma to Gordonsville with me. Clear & cloudy. Had Old Charlie shod.

Saturday, Nov. 7. Fixed watch for Monroe Denny .50. Fixed gun for John Paris 1.25. Got load of corn from Pete Hardcastle 7.20. Got watch to fix for Richardson 1.00. Clear & cool.

Sunday, Nov. 8. Clear & cool. Sam & Alma here, W. G. gone to church, nothing doing. Buggy gone to Gordonsville, Elmer Smith .60 paid. Got to go to Punch tomorrow. Sent check to Hawks 17.60, ordered repairs for R.C.R.

Monday, Nov. 9. Went to Punch to work. Walked most all way. Clear & cool. Carried Carter's check.

Tuesday, Nov. 10. Worked on line, warmer & cloudy. Heard from Uncle Robt. very bad.

Wednesday, Nov. 11. Come from Punch this morn in 1 ¾ hours. W. G. gone to Nashville, cloud and rain, cooler after noon. Fix bucket for Flippen .25, in store all day.

Thursday, Nov. 12. Mattie ordered papers this morn, in store all day. Prof. Pierce Ford was buried today. Clear and cool.

Friday, Nov. 13. Warmer & cloudy. Made key for Bob Gill .10. Got nails out of gun .25. cleaned watch for Jacob .50. Out watch together for RBR 1.00. In store all day. Heard form W.G. Henry Moore, cut wood for me today .25.

Saturday, Nov. 14. Warm & Cloudy. Bob Carpenter & Will Whitley cut wood here today. W. G. still in Nashville, me in store. W.G. telephoned tonight, Uncle Robt. worse.

Sunday, Nov. 15. We all went to church and then to Sam's. W.G. still in Nash. Cloudy and looks like rain. By ourselves tonight. Gladys studying her lesson.

Monday, Nov. 16. Cloudy & windy, rain in afternoon in store, fixed watch for Cline Smith .30, went to Hickman on Trouble, got meal. Heard from Nash-sick no better. W.G. don't know when he will come home. Gladys studying her lesson. School will be out in 4 days. Mattie not well.

Tuesday, Nov. 17. Cold, cloudy and raining. Went to Gordonsville, Junction, Bluff Creek & Carthage all, all lines out but 20. Gone all day. Mattie in store. Wrote to Abernathy today.

Wednesday, Nov. 18. Fixed Jim Bridges telephone, put up turnips, cold & windy, 20 in shade, Uncle Robt. no better.

To Be Continued

SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE, WWI DRAFT REGISTRATION

Submitted by Merle Stevens
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William Albert McDonald
William Howard McDonald
Cager Waters McDuffee
George Sterlin McDuffee
Homer Vernon McEachern
Roscoe McGinness
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Houston Bradley McGinniss
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Thomas Read McKee (signed Tom)
Ragan Allen McKinley
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Benton McKinney
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Charles McKinney
Charlie McKinney
Garvin McKinney
George McKinney
Gradie McKinney
Herchell L. McKinney
James Myrtle McKinney
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Willie Franklin Maddox
Ellis Neal Maggart
Esra Neal Maggart

Herbert Maggart
Orville Mathew Maggart
Roscoe Maggart *
Vernon O. Maggart
Cecil Martin Malone
Edward Stanton Malone
Jesse Alton Malone
Monroe Johnson Malone Jr.
Ova May Malone
Robert Malone
Samuel Monroe Malone
Samuel Reynolds Malone
W.Y. Malone
Chas Marion
Francis Manners
Albert Manning
Carnroy? Manning
Davie Manning
David Frank Manning
Duke Manning
Frank C. Manning
George Dewey Manning
Henry S. Manning
Isaac Newton Manning
John L. Manning
Leslie Manning
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Robert Manning "Col"
Shalia Manning
Thomas Henry Manning "Negro"
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Walter C. Manning
Fayette Marerum
Alfred Hamilton Marks
Henry Bridges Marks
Thomas Bedford Marks
William Crutchfield Marks
Wilson Marks

Charlie Hobert Massey
 Chester Dare Massey
 Clessie Clemmon Massey
 David Clarence Massey
 Elbert Winston Massey
 Eliga Owen Massey
 George Verdie Massey
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 Curvie Dixon Matthews *
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 John Bransford Mathieus
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 William Hamilton Mofield
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FENCE FOR COURTHOUSE - 1859
SMITH COUNTY ARCHIVES

To the Worshipful County Court of Smith
County.

The undersigned Commissioners appointed
by your worshipful body at the Term 1858
of the County Court of Smith County to have a fence
built around the Courthouse &c.

In discharge of their duties as Commissioners they
proceeded by advertising that they would at the
Courthouse door in Carthage let out said Con-
tract to the lowest bidder. When and where
Hugh McClain son, became the lowest bidder at
the price of Two hundred and Eight dollars (\$208.)

The said Hugh McClain son, has completed
said fence and the said Commission having
received the same in according to the contract
and request your worships to vote the order
the payment of the said amount to the said
Hugh McClain son. and your Commissioners
would further ask to be discharged.

Respectively Submitted Jan. 3rd 1859

Thomas Fisher

J. B. Perry

Mitchell Perry

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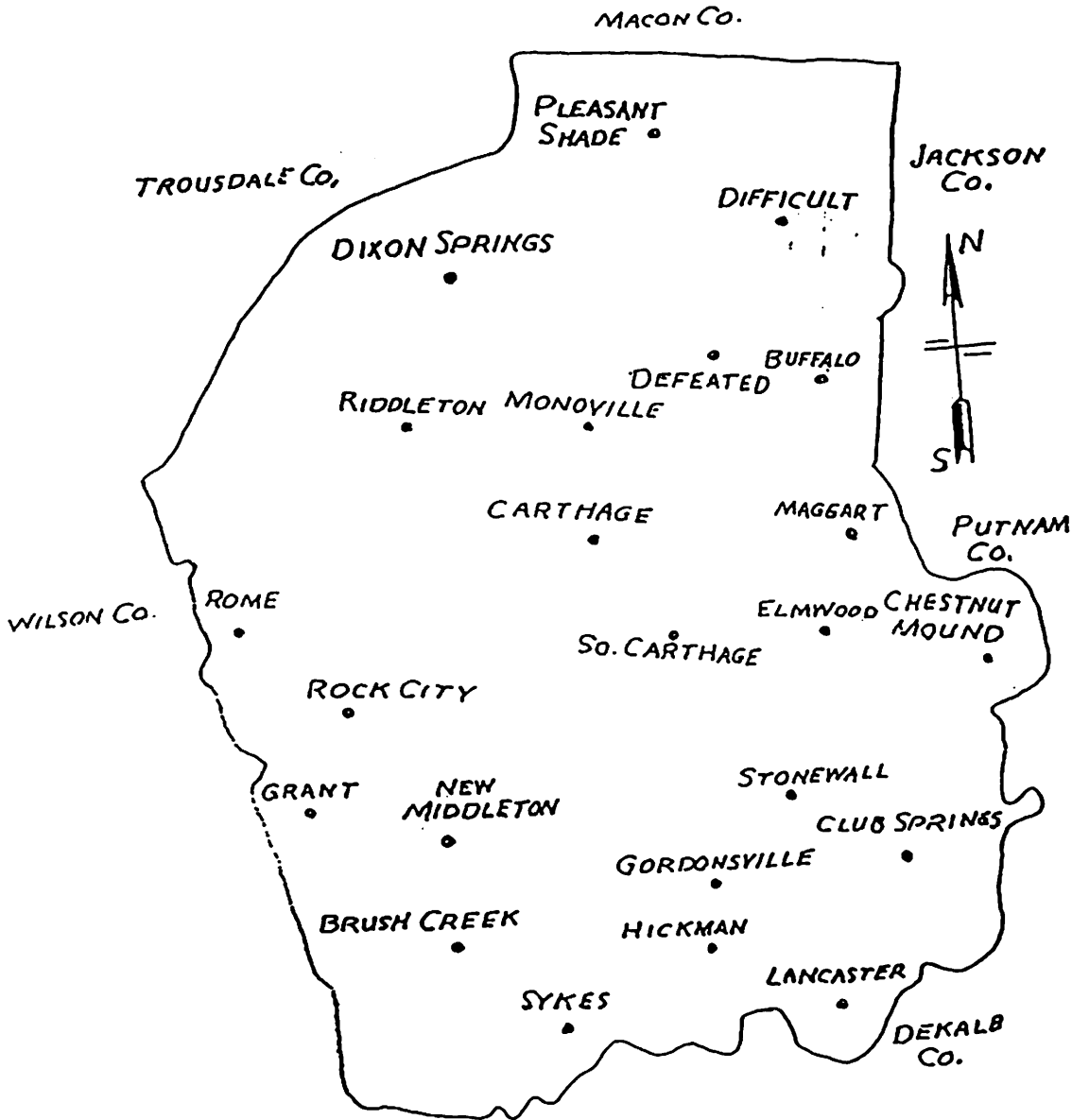
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From the Editor:

It hardly seems possible that we are going into another year. 2007 was a good but fleeting year. The Society enjoyed excellent programs and attendance. The year was also a landmark one for Carthage/Smith County. What other small community in the country can boast of having two Nobel Peace Laureates – Cordell Hull in 1945 and Al Gore in 2007.

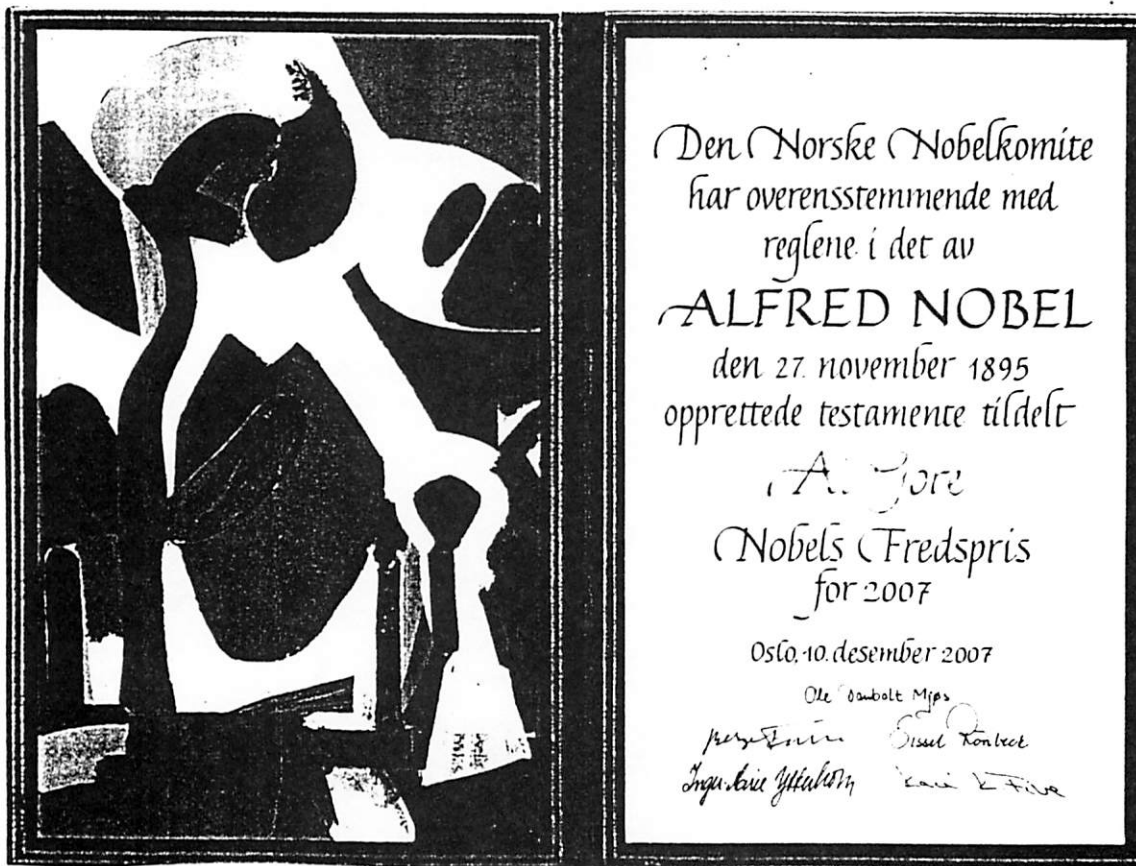
Dr Calvin Dickinson gave a detailed account of his research on the location of the old Walton Road that closely followed the route of the present Highway 70 N from Kingston to Carthage. Dr Dickinson has compiled this information in a book that may be ordered from: -

CDickinson@tntech.edu. It is certainly worth the modest price of \$12.

In November guest speakers Jack Masters, Bill Puryear, and Doug Drake presented a slide show and commentary documenting their intensive research on locations of Revolutionary land grants in Smith and now Trousdale Counties. The three continue work on this project and are working on a book that, hopefully, will soon be forthcoming.

John and Retta Waggoner continue to update cemeteries and post pictures on the web. If you are not aware of this wonderful genealogical contribution, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/tngen/cem_pics.htm or “google” Smith County, TN Cemeteries.



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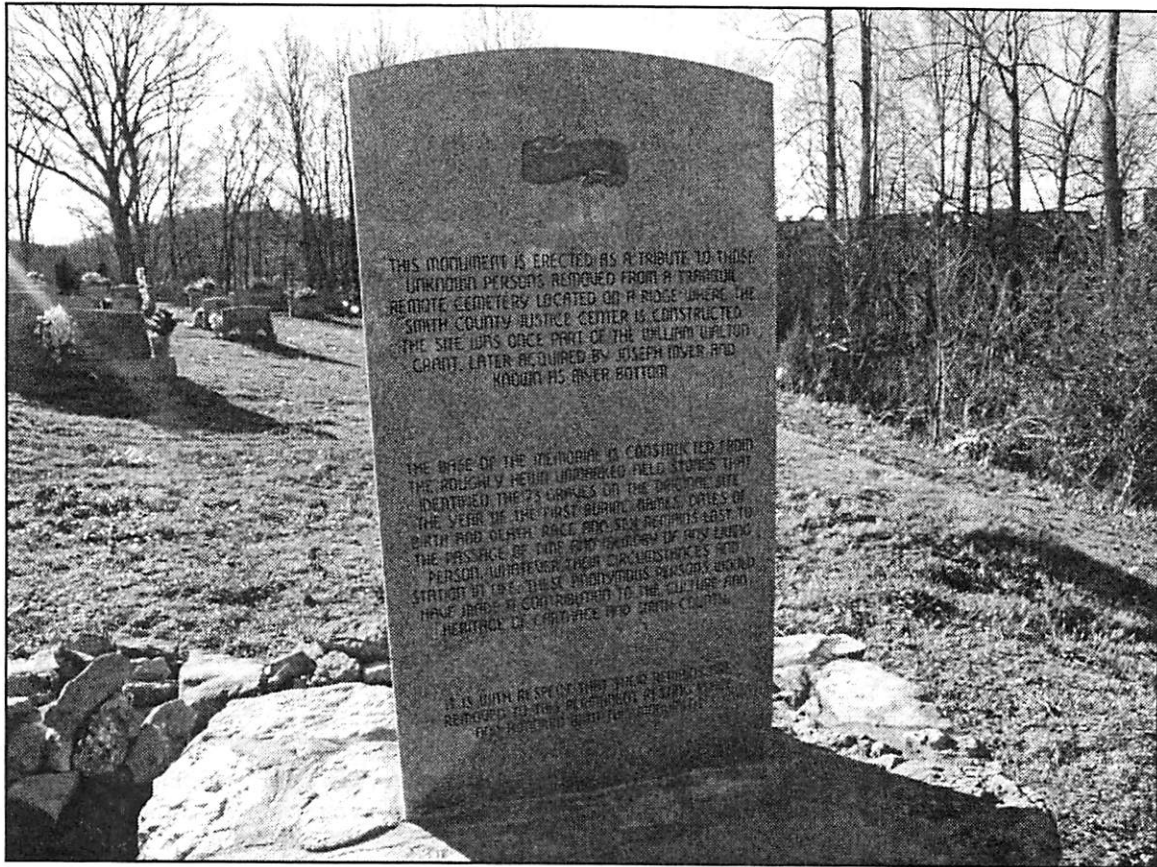
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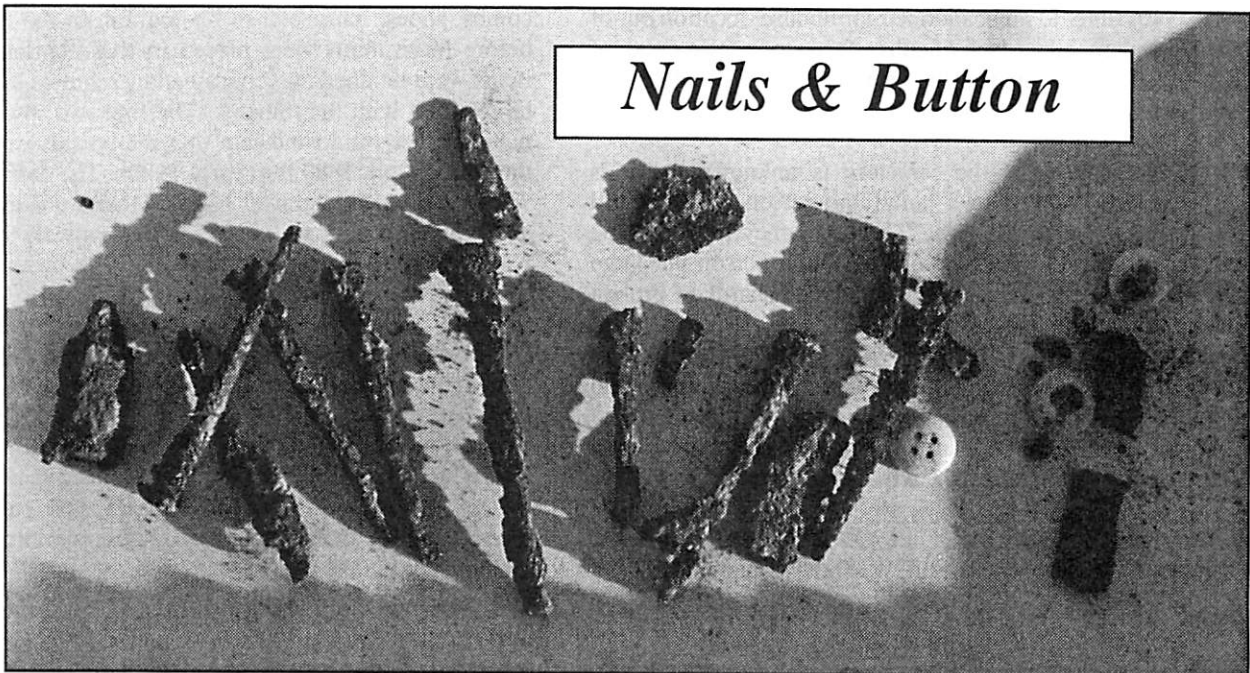
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*Monument placed at reinterment in the
 Ridgewood Cemetery*



NOTES ON THE RELOCATION OF AN EARLY CEMETERY IN SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

John C. Waggoner, Jr.

ABSTRACT. This paper briefly documents the relocation of a small cemetery in Smith County, (north-central) Tennessee, prior to the construction of a new jail. Due to the circumstances under which the graves were hurriedly exhumed, detailed observations and analysis of associated coffin hardware and grave goods were not possible.

Smith County, Tennessee, had been searching for a location for a new jail for several months and decided in December 2006 to acquire an option on 18 acres of land located on the Highway 25 bypass in Carthage. In 2007, the option was exercised and the property purchased. Located on this property was a desolate and long abandoned cemetery containing an unknown number of burials. Construction plans for this facility required the relocation of the cemetery. In September 2007, the Chancery Court gave permission for relocation according to applicable Tennessee cemetery law. Bids for the relocation were taken October 2007 with Bass Funeral Home and Sanderson Funeral Home jointly submitting the low bid. The Tennessee Department of Public Health issued a permit two weeks later to begin work.

Measuring 100 ft. x 75 ft., the cemetery was located on a ridge in the north end of an area called Myer Bottom at GPS 36-15-560N, 85-55-946W. The cemetery was overgrown with bushes, briars, and an assortment of trees. Several graves were found beneath two large oak trees of considerable age in the center of the cemetery. The entire area was covered with a growth of periwinkle which is found in most of the old family cemeteries in the area. Close proximity to an abandoned farmhouse, location out of the floodplain, and a lack of subsurface stone for a depth of over 25 ft. contributed to the establishment of cemetery at this place.

The beginning of the cemetery is unknown but it is thought to be related to a home site set on a nearby hill about 200 yards to the west. The occupancy of this home was not within the memory of any living person but large foundation stones were found along with shards of broken dishes to indicate former habitation.

The location of the cemetery was in the original land grant of William Walton and in the late 1800s some 850 acres of it came under the ownership of Joseph Myer, a prosperous businessman of Carthage, Tennessee. The Myer

land was partitioned in 1915 among three heirs and this portion went to Josie Myer Reynolds. It was later inherited by Edward Reynolds II and Edward Reynolds III. The property was purchased from Barbara Cross, the widow of Edward Reynolds, III.

There were no marked tombstones but many of the graves were marked by fieldstones. Over 80 fieldstones were removed which will be used in a memorial at the reburial site at Ridgewood Cemetery in Smith County. The actual excavation began on October 29, 2007, with Samuel Smith and Ben Nance of the Tennessee Division of Archeology arriving later in the morning to observe. Corner posts had been established earlier to mark the perimeters of the burials. The fieldstones were removed and four ft. of topsoil in the first two rows of the estimated five rows was stripped. The area was then probed for grave shafts which will be much softer than the undisturbed soil. The workers immediately detected graves and began to remove remains to place in separate burial boxes. The work was completed on November 6, 2007.

As a representative of the Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society, I recovered coffin hardware, buttons, combs, shoes, nails, etc. to photograph in the limited time before these items were placed in the reburial boxes. No items were retained as Tennessee law requires everything to be reburied with the remains. The first two rows contained material that would indicate that the burials were made in the period from 1880 thru early 1900s. The coffin hardware was ornate with engraved handles that were nickel plated and fancy screw-down closers with openwork design. The wooden coffins were put together with cut or square nails in several instances. There was very little wood remaining from the coffins but some graves contained over 20 nails. Due to deterioration, it was not possible to determine the type of wood but in one instances it appeared to be cedar. Four coffins were located that had glass viewing windows. Typically during this time period wooden coffins were built locally and then fitted with mass produced factory fittings, in fact, some hardware was observed with part numbers. There were no metal caskets, which came into use in the 1930s, found in the cemetery.

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The work shifted to the back (east) two rows with the center left for last. These graves were much older since there was very little coffin hardware and the skeletal material was in a much poorer state of preservation. The graves in the first two rows had rectangular grave shafts and these were of the older "heel squeezer" coffin shape. An interesting discovery was five graves side by side and four ft. apart of the "heel squeezer" type that contained brass military type eagle buttons. This type button was used in the civil war by both Union and Confederate soldiers but it is thought that these were Union troops since the cemetery was near their camp during the civil war when they occupied Carthage. A small leather pouch was found in one of those graves which contained percussion caps of the type used to fire a cap and ball muskets of the civil war era.

Lastly, the two large oak trees were removed from the center rows of the cemetery and that area was excavated. The graves here appeared even older than the ones in the back rows with skeletal material mostly all gone except for an occasional tooth. The dark soil along with a few buttons and nails were the only indication that a burial had been found.

The work continued until November 6, 2007, when the entire area was removed to a depth of 7 ft. to be certain that no graves had been missed. The area was then released to the contractors who will remove an additional 16 ft. from the area for construction of the jail. Twenty-nine adult and 44 infant or children graves were found for a total of 73 interments. Each day as the graves were excavated, they were reburied at Ridgewood Cemetery. The reburial location is 0.8 mile west of the original site.

Although there were no marked tombstones, we have found information that indicates several names of the individuals who may have been interred here. *Smith County Tennessee Cemeteries-North of the Cumberland River* (1983) page 47 lists Emma Hensley 18 Nov 1898-27 Jan 1919 as the only known burial. It is stated in her obituary in the January 30, 1919 issue of the *Carthage Courier* that she was buried in the T. B. Wills graveyard, which is unknown to present historians. Emma was the daughter of Nathan Burdine Massey and Minnie Gertrude Allen and born in the Maggart community of Smith County. She was survived by her husband John Hensley and two sons, Roy Clyde Hensley and Clarence Alford Hensley.

FamilySearch International Genealogical Index sponsored by the LDS Church reports that David Lynch 1841-26 Oct 1871 was buried on the Edd Reynolds Farm in Myer Bottom. The *Carthage Courier* stated in an article in 1915, "David Lynch, whose body rests in Smith County's soil, was wounded four or five times very seriously, and left on the battlefield of Gettysburg - after Gen. Lee's army had retreated - with hundreds of others, suffering and bleeding

from his wounds in an enemy's country. Among many going over the battleground after the battle, there was one who drove up to where Comrade Lynch was lying and said: 'I will carry you home with me and have you cared for until you get well, if you will agree to take the oath of allegiance to the United States government.' His reply was 'I will not.'"

The *Carthage Courier*, January 29, 1914, has the obituary of Mrs. Oshia Gillispie who died January 23 at her home in Myer's Bottom. The remains were buried at the J. R. Wills graveyard one mile east of Carthage. She was the wife of Will Gillispie.

As recorded in the *Carthage Courier* for February 26, 1914, "Ulysses A. Lynch, age 12 years, died of tuberculosis Saturday February 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orin Lynch with whom he had been living for the past few years". Death records indicate he was buried in a cemetery one mile east of Carthage. The Orin Lynch family was listed in census as living in the Myer Bottom area.

In the *Smith County Historical & Genealogical Society Newsletter* (Vol. 9, No. 2, Spring 1997) is a copy of a letter written March 27, 1863, by Elam Dye, a Union soldier from the 92nd Ohio Infantry stationed in Carthage. The letter states, "The 92nd is not in very good health at present. There are some few cases of measles. We have lost two boys out of our company. Thomas Reeves from Antioch and David Piatt, Jacob Piatt's son, took measles and were sick about ten days. They died in the hospital at Carthage and they were buried in a nice graveyard at Carthage. They were buried very decently for I saw them buried and helped to dig Piatt's grave." The writer of this letter died on April 30, 1863, and may have been buried here also.

In 1866, Union soldiers who died in Carthage were disinterred and loaded on a steamboat to be carried to Nashville to the National Cemetery on Gallatin Pike. If for some reason these soldiers were not moved to Nashville, they could be among those buried in this cemetery.

Tennessee cemetery law requires that the removal and reinterment of all remains will be done with due care and decency, and that suitable memorial or memorials will be erected at the place of reinterment. Danny Bass of Bass Funeral Home, Jacky Carver, Sr., of Sanderson Funeral Home, and all their employees were tenacious in their quest to find every grave and to insure that the entire contents of that grave were recovered. The entire operation was handled with decency and respect for those buried here.

The Smith Co Historical & Genealogical Society prepared the following text for a monument to be erected at the reinterment site:

"November 2007

"This monument is erected as a tribute to those unknown persons removed from a tranquil, remote cemetery located on a ridge where the Smith County Justice Center is constructed. The site was once part of the William Walton grant, later acquired by Joseph Myer and known as Myer Bottom.

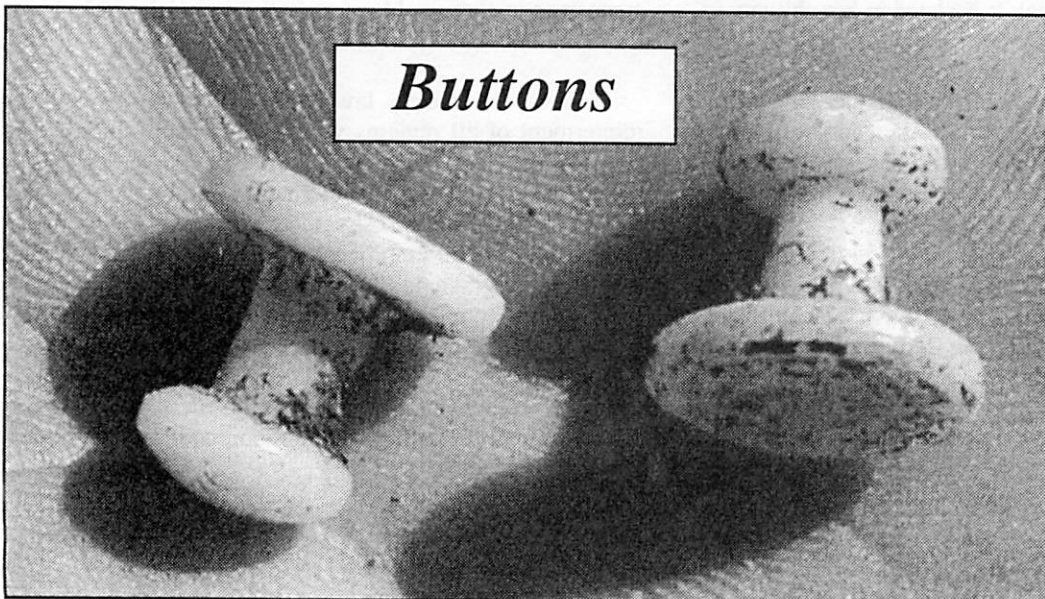
"The base of the memorial is constructed from the roughly hewn unmarked field stones that identified the 73 graves on the original site. The year of the first burial, names, dates of birth and death, race and sex remains lost to the passage of time and memory of any living person. Whatever their circumstances and station in life, these anonymous persons would have made a contribution to the culture and heritage of Carthage and Smith County.

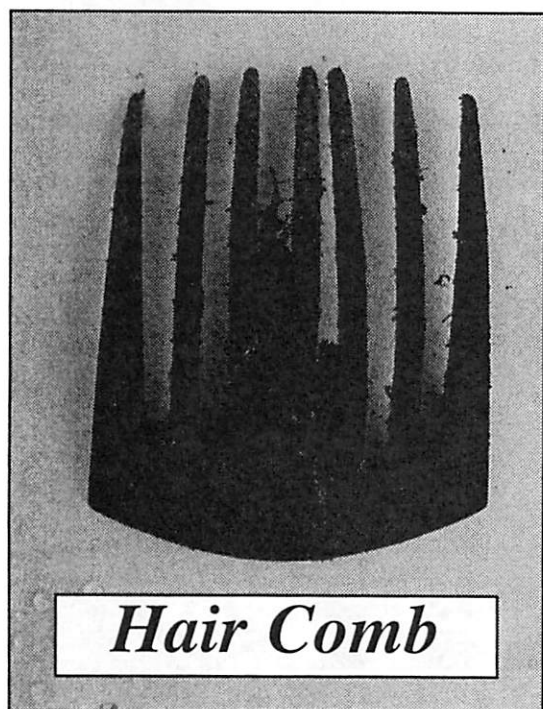
"It is with respect that their remains are removed to this permanent resting place and honored with this monument."

Plans are also being made to add an additional marker at the original site during construction of the new jail building.

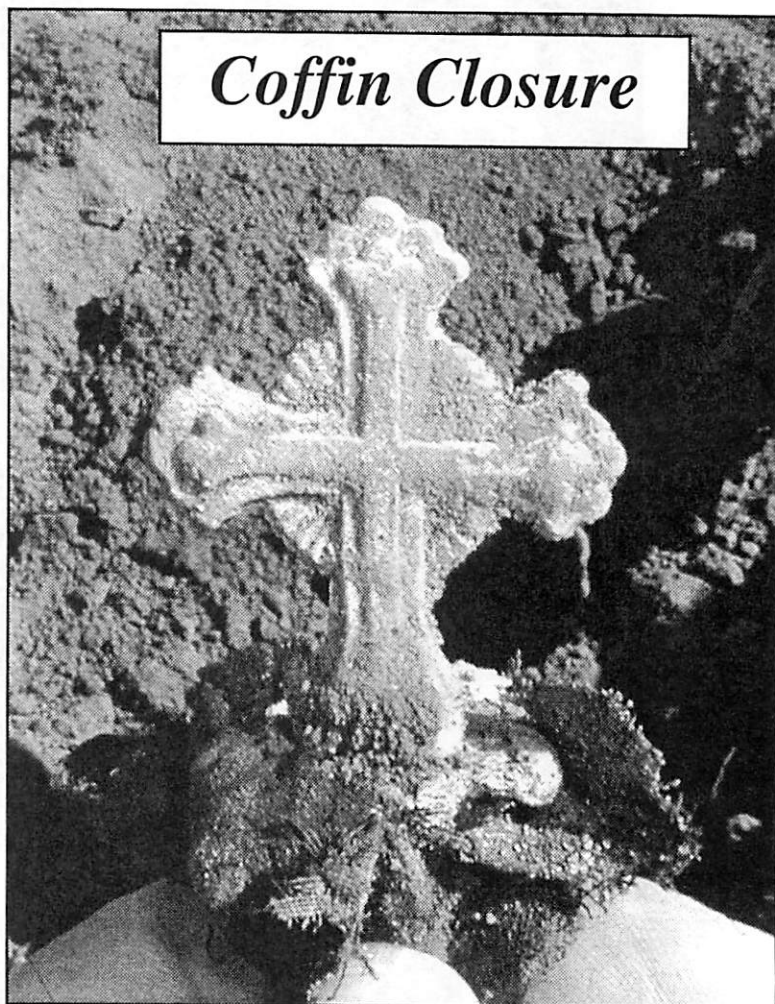
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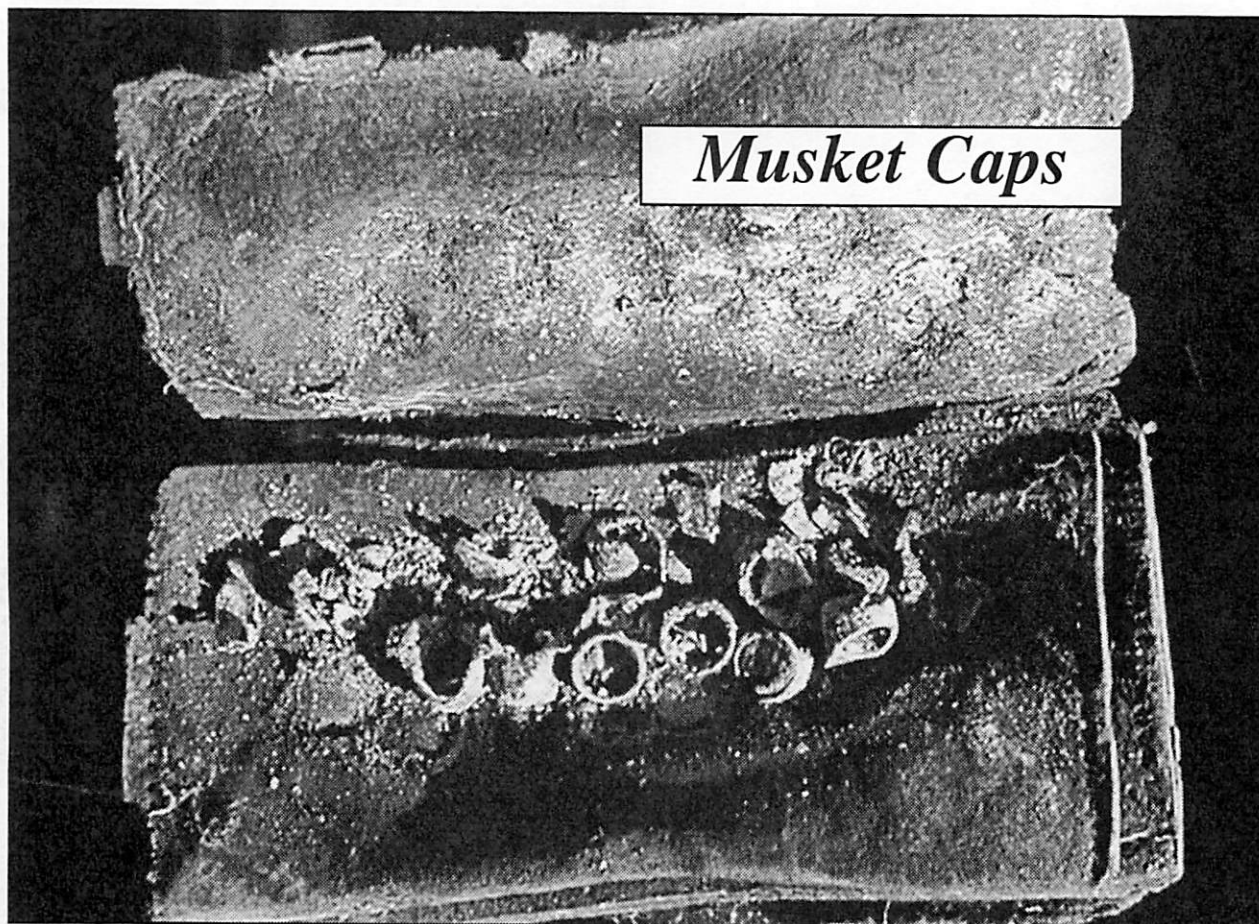
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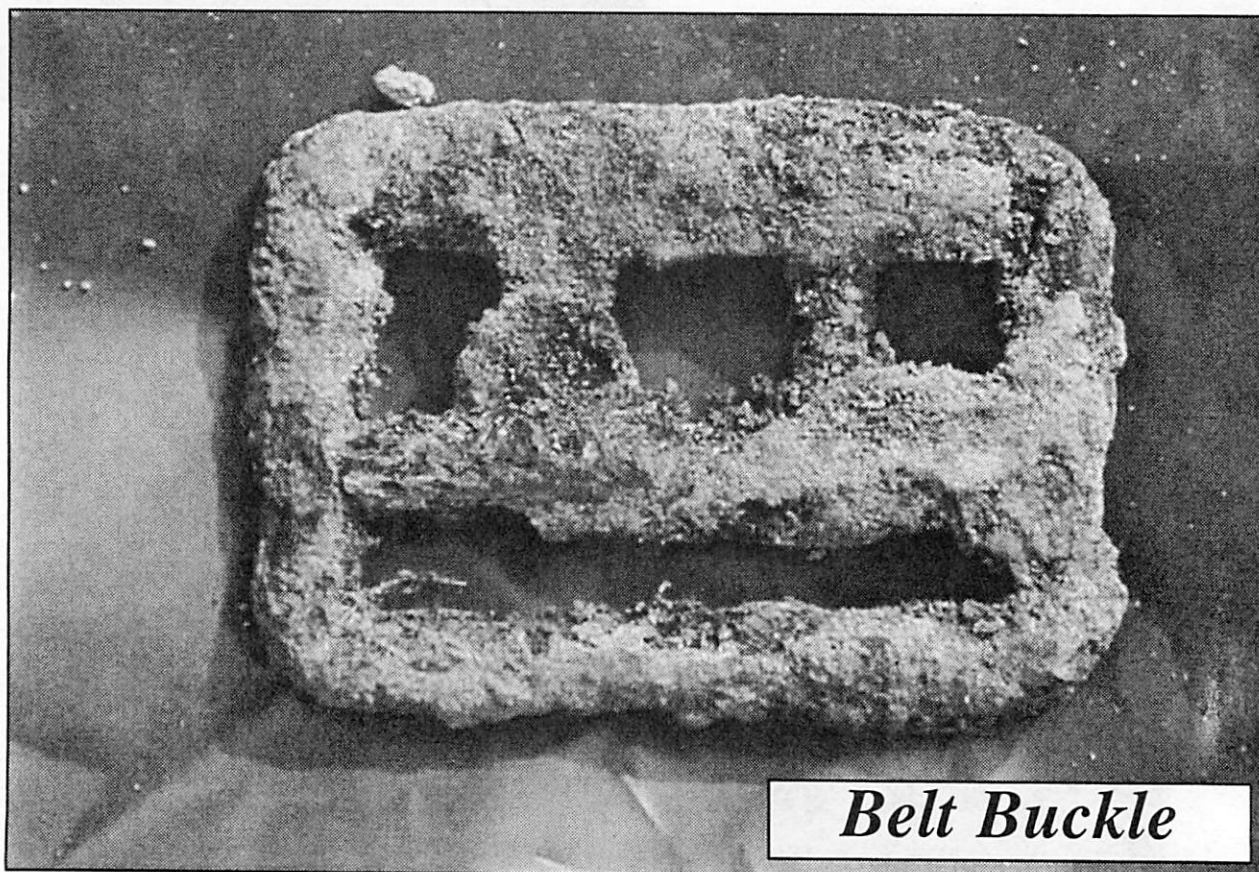
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Coffin Handle



Musket Caps



Belt Buckle

ISHAM BEASLEY, REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIER

Husband Isham BEASLEY^{1,2}		
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Death	20 May 1855	Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Beasley Cemetery, Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
Marriage	9 Nov 1782	Wake County, North Carolina
Father		
Mother		
Wife Mary Polly ANDREWS		
Birth	19 May 1767	Orange County, North Carolina
Death	26 Mar 1851	Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Beasley Cemetery, Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
Father		
Mother		
Children		
1	F	Clarkey BEASLEY³
	Birth	9 Sep 1785 North Carolina
	Death	25 Feb 1872 Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	Haynie Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Major Elijah HAYNIE (1777-1846)
	Marriage	5 Aug 1801 Smith County, Tennessee
2	M	James Ellis BEASLEY^{4,5}
	Birth	1788 North Carolina
	Death	Mar 1863 Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Nancy DE BOW (-)
	Marriage	abt 1813 Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Nancy Cole HUNTER (1805-1880)
	Marriage	abt 1828 Smith County, Tennessee
3	M	Henry BEASLEY⁶
	Birth	6 Mar 1789 North Carolina
	Death	27 Apr 1858 Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	Henry Beasley Cemetery, Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Mary Polly JOHNS (1788-1839)
	Marriage	abt 1811
	Spouse	Catherine STOOT (1805-)
	Marriage	19 Jan 1847 Smith County, Tennessee
4	F	Polly BEASLEY
	Birth	1790 North Carolina
	Spouse	Unknown GIZZARD (-)
	Marriage	
5	F	Matilda Bragg BEASLEY⁷
	Birth	24 Feb 1792 North Carolina
	Death	30 Jun 1882 Sandia, Particio County, Texas
	Spouse	Anthony Hogan METCALF (1782-1852)
	Marriage	15 Dec 1815 Smith County, Tennessee
6	F	Debora BEASLEY⁸
	Birth	19 May 1793 North Carolina
	Death	15 Oct 1872 Obion County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Robert Tillman CORUM Sr. (1792-1862)
	Marriage	Nov 1811 Smith County, Tennessee
7	M	Braddock BEASLEY⁹
	Birth	1794 North Carolina
	Death	bef 1860
	Spouse	Sarah Sally FERGUSON (1792-1875)
	Marriage	abt 1814

Husband Isham BEASLEY		
Wife Mary Polly ANDREWS		
Children		
8	M Major A. BEASLEY¹⁰	
	Birth	1796 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	7 Jun 1883 Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	Polly Hill Cemetery, Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Betty C. NIXON (1799-1878)
	Marriage	19 Dec 1815 Smith County, Tennessee
9	M Johnson BEASLEY	
	Birth	1799 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	1847 Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Margaret (Peggy) GREEN (1792-)
	Marriage	
10	F Mahala BEASLEY	
	Birth	1800 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	8 Apr 1849 Hopkins County, Texas
	Burial	Aiguier Cemetery, Hopkins County, Texas
	Spouse	William VADEN (1806-1865)
	Marriage	
11	F Susanna BEASLEY	
	Birth	1801 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	1843 Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	James Henry (Cockle Burr Jim) BRADLEY (1796-1879)
	Marriage	
12	F Elizabeth (Betsy) BEASLEY	
	Birth	2 Feb 1802 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	9 Sep 1829 Wilson County, Tennessee
	Burial	Sugg's Creek Cemetery, Wilson County, Tennessee
	Spouse	John Elliott BAKER (1781-1866)
	Marriage	
13	M Robert BEASLEY¹¹⁻¹³	
	Birth	30 Aug 1803 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	14 Oct 1865 Eldorado, Saline County, Illinois
	Burial	Wolf Creek Cemetery, Eldorado, Saline County, Illinois
	Spouse	Sarah CUNNINGHAM (-)
	Marriage	2 Jul 1829 Wilson County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Mary WOMACK (1815-1850)
	Marriage	abt 1836
	Spouse	Mary GREEN (1830-)
	Marriage	18 Aug 1851 Smith County, Tennessee
14	F Joanna M. BEASLEY¹⁴	
	Birth	27 Jul 1805 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	31 Mar 1898 Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beasley Cemetery, Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Spouse	James Asa BEASLEY (-)
	Marriage	
	Spouse	William Johnson BOMER (1776-1854)
	Marriage	27 Dec 1841
15	M Gabriel Dillard BEASLEY¹⁵	
	Birth	11 Mar 1807 Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
	Death	5 May 1876 Smith County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beasley Cemetery, Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Sally M. PERRY (1813-1887)
	Marriage	

Husband Isham BEASLEY		
Wife Mary Polly ANDREWS		
Children		
18 M	William BEASLEY	
Birth	1 Mar 1815	Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
Death	8 May 1880	Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Beasley Cemetery, Sullivan's Bend, Smith County, Tennessee
Spouse	Harriett WEBB (1826-1875)	
Marriage	27 Aug 1868	Smith County, Tennessee
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CHILD NOTES: James Ellis BEASLEY

General: On May 10, 1976 his remains were removed from the Hartsville Nuclear Plant area and reburied at Dixon Springs Cemetery, Dixon Springs, Tennessee.

CHILD NOTES: Matilda Bragg BEASLEY

General: 1880 census living with daughter Matilda Garner in San Patrcio County, Texas

CHILD NOTES: Mahala BEASLEY

General: Died during childbirth.

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CHILDREN OF ISHAM BEASLEY WHO LEFT SMITH COUNTY

Husband Robert Tillman CORUM Sr.^{1,2}		
Birth	Dec 1792	North Carolina
Death	11 Oct 1862	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Marriage	Nov 1811	Smith County, Tennessee
Father	William CORUM (-)	
Mother	Abigail CARMAN (-)	
Wife Debora BEASLEY³		
Birth	19 May 1793	North Carolina
Death	15 Oct 1872	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Father	Isham BEASLEY (1760-1855)	
Mother	Mary Polly ANDREWS (1767-1851)	
Children		
1 M	Tillman Dixon CORUM Sr.	
Birth	5 Oct 1812	Smith County, Tennessee
Death	31 May 1903	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Spouse	Matilda Ann MAXWELL (1821-1876)	
Marriage	19 Nov 1847	Obion County, Tennessee
2 F	Matilda CORUM⁴	
Birth	17 Oct 1814	Sumner County, Tennessee
Death	18 Jul 1906	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Spouse	William Raleigh FISHER Sr. (1810-1880)	
Marriage		Obion County, Tennessee
3 M	Archibald Overton CORUM⁵	
Birth	1815	Smith County, Tennessee
Death	1 Dec 1857	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Spouse	Elizabeth WHITE (1824-1849)	
Marriage	13 Feb 1839	Obion County, Tennessee
Spouse	Mary T. STAFFORD (1825-)	
Marriage	11 Dec 1849	Obion County, Tennessee
4 M	Alexander Max CORUM⁶	
Birth	5 May 1818	Sumner County, Tennessee
Death	2 Dec 1876	Obion County, Tennessee
Spouse	Sara E. BROWN (1821-)	
Marriage	5 May 1840	Hickman County, Kentucky
5 M	John Brown CORUM	
Birth	20 Dec 1820	Sumner County, Tennessee
Death	15 Apr 1904	Obion County, Tennessee
Burial		Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
Spouse	Harriet HALE (1825-1857)	
Marriage	4 Jan 1844	Obion County, Tennessee
Spouse	Linda Catharine HUBERT (-)	
Marriage	22 Mar 1857	Obion County, Tennessee
6 F	Angeline CORUM	
Birth	abt 1823	Cario, Sumner County, Tennessee
Spouse	Benjamin J. PULLIAM (1813-)	
Marriage	27 Sep 1842	Obion County, Tennessee
7 M	Stephen Robert CORUM^{7,8}	
Birth	10 Oct 1824	Cario, Sumner County, Tennessee
Death	12 Mar 1916	Smith County, Tennessee
Burial		Polly Hill Cemetery, Beasley's Bend, Smith County, Tenn.
Spouse	Lucindy BEASLEY (1835-1910)	
Marriage	9 Mar 1853	Smith County, Tennessee

Husband Robert Tillman CORUM Sr.		
Wife Debora BEASLEY		
Children		
8	M	Marcus W (Mark) CORUM⁹⁻¹¹
	Birth	15 Oct 1825 Cario, Sumner County, Tennessee
	Death	2 Dec 1907 Obion County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Mary Catherine HALE (1833-1908)
	Marriage	18 Feb 1851 Obion County, Tennessee
9	F	Isabella (Bell) CORUM
	Birth	13 Aug 1826 Cario, Sumner County, Tennessee
	Death	18 Apr 1871 Obion County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
	Spouse	James R. HALE (1819-1872)
	Marriage	18 Nov 1845 Obion County, Tennessee
10	F	Margaret A. CORUM
	Birth	1830 Tennessee
	Spouse	John B. ROUTON (1832-)
	Marriage	19 Jan 1859 Obion County, Tennessee
11	F	Mary Deborah CORUM
	Birth	12 Dec 1834 Obion County, Tennessee
	Death	25 Sep 1907 Obion County, Tennessee
	Spouse	John B. HALE (1827-1906)
	Marriage	18 Nov 1845 Obion County, Tennessee
12	M	Robert Tilliman CORUM Jr.^{12,13}
	Birth	11 Feb 1835 Obion County, Tennessee
	Death	31 May 1881 Obion County, Tennessee
	Burial	Beulah Cemetery, Union City, Obion County, Tenn.
	Spouse	Amanda Jane HUDDLESTON (1839-1867)
	Marriage	13 Nov 1863 Obion County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Aletthea Jane (Jennie) WARREN (1834-)
	Marriage	15 Jan 1868 Obion County, Tennessee
13	M	Don Carlos CORUM
	Birth	1840 Obion County, Tennessee
	Death	1905
	Burial	Cobbs Chapel, Obion County, Tennessee
	Spouse	Martha Jane FUZZELL (1849-1927)
	Marriage	13 Oct 1868 Obion County, Tennessee
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CHILD NOTES: Matilda CORUM

General: 1880 Census living with her son Richard in Union City, Tenn., 1900 Census she state she had 10 children with 4 living.

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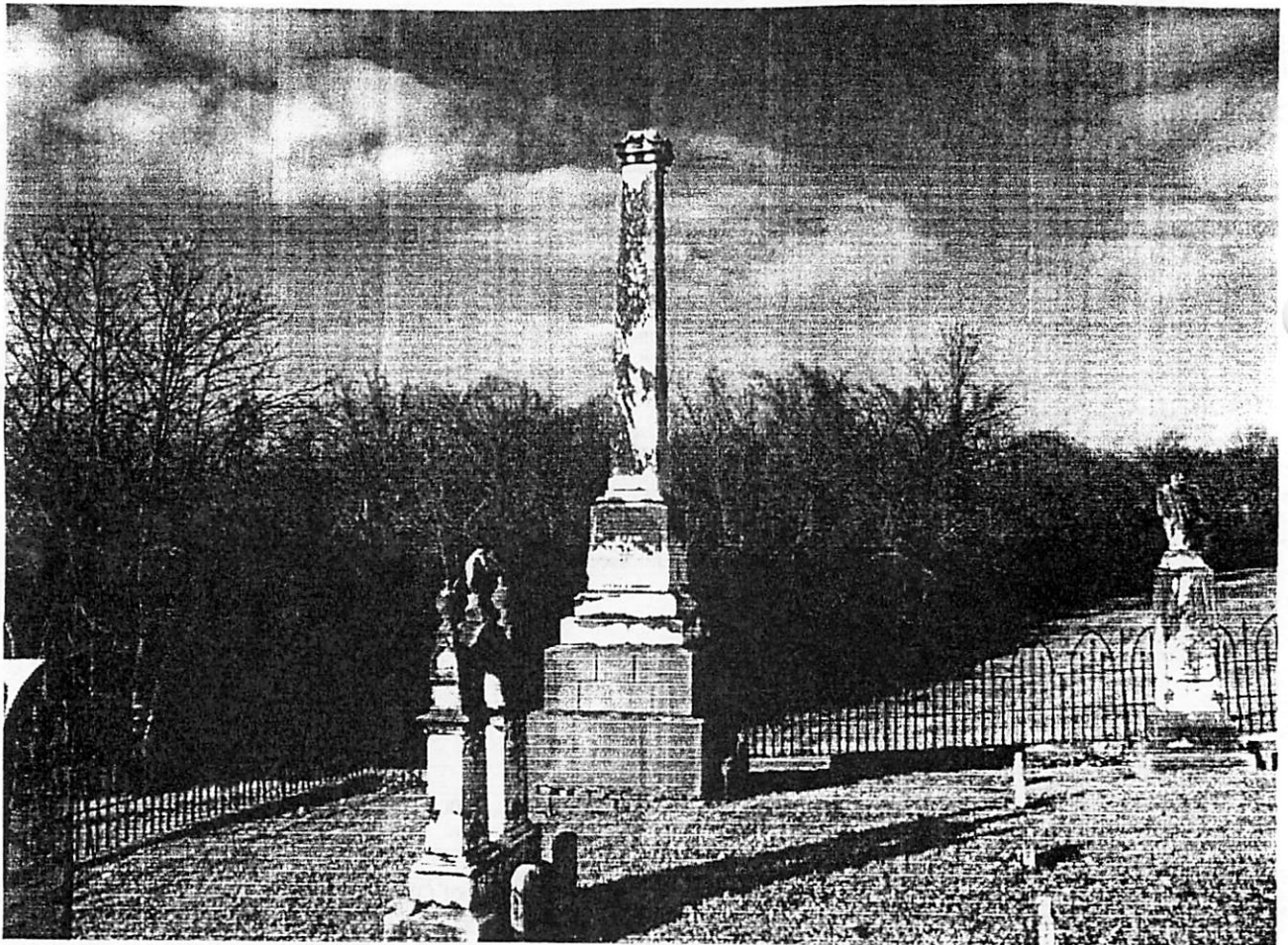
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Beasley Cemetery

Located in Sullivan's Bend on Bill Jellicorse Farm

Isham Beasley served as a private from Chatham County North Carolina during the American Revolutionary. He was granted a pension under S.1943 while living in Smith County Tennessee. He served in Capt. Patterson's company and fought at Lundley's Mill, Roft Swamp and was discharged after guarding prisoners at Hillsboro. Served from Nov. 1779 until discharge. He is buried in Smith County Tennessee at Carthage.

Husband Anthony Hogan METCALF¹		
Birth	11 Apr 1782	
Death	21 Jan 1852	Hillsboro, Scott County, Mississippi
Marriage	15 Dec 1815	Smith County, Tennessee
Father	Anthony METCALF (-)	
Mother	Mary Polly HOGAN (-)	
Wife Matilda Bragg BEASLEY²		
Birth	24 Feb 1792	North Carolina
Death	30 Jun 1882	Sandia, Particio County, Texas
Father	Isham BEASLEY (1760-1855)	
Mother	Mary Polly ANDREWS (1767-1851)	
Children		
1	F	Mary S. METCALF
	Birth	15 Aug 1816 Alabama
2	F	Christian Hogan METCALF
	Birth	abt 1817 Alabama
	Death	8 Jan 1855 Burns Station, Dewitt County, Texas
	Spouse	Moses Berry RANKIN (1817-1895)
	Marriage	22 Nov 1843
3	F	Sarah B. METCALF
	Birth	abt 1819 Alabama
	Death	17 Jan 1886 Burns Station, Dewitt County, Texas
	Spouse	Moses Berry RANKIN (1817-1895)
	Marriage	1856
4	F	Matilda Shephers METCALF³
	Birth	10 Oct 1820 Madison County, Alabama
	Death	12 Jun 1909 Mineral, Bee County, Texas
	Spouse	James Thomas GARNER (1817-1880)
	Marriage	22 Nov 1843
5	F	Infant Female METCALF
	Birth	19 Jan 1824 Alabama
	Death	19 Jan 1824 Alabama
6	M	Anthony Wayne Hanson METCALF⁴
	Birth	21 Feb 1826 Alabama
	Death	1863
	Spouse	Ann H. LIVEMAN (1834-)
	Marriage	
7	F	Margaret E. METCALF
	Birth	11 Dec 1828 Alabama
8	M	Isham Morrow METCALF
	Birth	8 Mar 1830 Alabama
9	M	Jasper Newton METCALF
	Birth	11 Dec 1832 Alabama
10	F	Abio Rebecca METCALF
	Birth	22 Apr 1834 Alabama
11	F	F. Louisa METCALF
	Birth	abt 1836 Alabama
12	M	Edward A. METCALF⁵
	Birth	abt 1838 Alabama
	Spouse	T.O. UNKNOWN (1842-)
	Marriage	abt 1860
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WIFE NOTES: Matilda Bragg BEASLEY

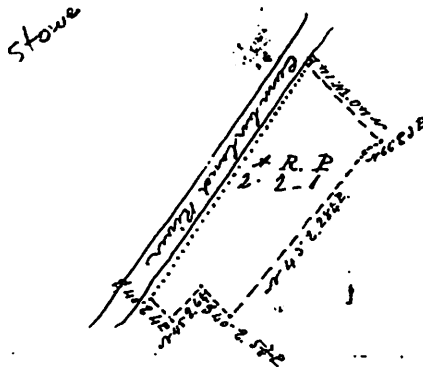
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SURVEY FOR E. STOWE, 1859



State of Tennessee
 Smith County } We have this day surveyed for E Stowe
 the following described lot, being the same on which
 his Steam Mill stands in said county on the south
 side of Cumberland River Dist. No 18. and bounded
 as follows. Beginning at the N. E. corner of a lot
 belonging to Joseph Payne running thence N. 40° E. 2 3/4 P
 to a stake thence N 66° E. 3 poles to a Rock, with a
 Lynn Painter thence N 40° W. 14 P to the River at low
 water mark, thence down the River 3 1/2 P. to a stake
 thence S 40° E. 4 P. to a stake the S. W. corner of Joseph
 Payne's lot. thence N 45° E 6 1/4 P. to the N. W. corner of
 said lot, thence S. 40° E. 5 1/2 P. to the Beginning
 containing two Acres 2 Rods and 1 pole
 Surveyed 10th May 1859
 Ad. Baing, Surveyor

REMINISCES OF J. C. PRITCHARD, CIVIL WAR VETERAN

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They had fallen back we went over and on until we over taken them I fell as ded I don't know how long I lay ther when the litter came saw I wasn't ded the sergeant said boys put Jim on the strecher and take him to the hospital when they came up with me I rolled off the strecher the sargent caught me kept me from falling said what do you want Jim. I said gun. I'll get your gun boys take him by the arms two of you & felers you can walk him to the hospital the Drs examened my hedd and said I would be all right to reckly or in a moment or so Bill Preston was shot in the mouth and a canon ball struck a cedar tree and a slab from the tree got Dave Alen hat brim and a peace of skin over his eye and knocked him down and a canon ball streck Bob Night's head taken it from his shoulders and in a few steps and a few moments later Guss Ferrel was killed and coperel H. W. L. Bratten and horse was killed and Bratten was shot in the thy with a grape shot and died in a few hours. All of this tuck place in less time than I can write it. All of this was the same company.

In a few hours later I went to the general hospeal at court house there I saw all sorts of ded men and all sorts of wound Drs all busy amputating lims of all sorts pitch legs and arms in a pile. Every body was busy and they kept coming that was the afelist sight I ever saw in life then I went to my tent a short distance and het a camp kettle of water and washed the blood out of my hare then I tried to eat something but could not get my mouth open only wide enough to talk I had a sack of mellow appels I slit some of one of them and sucked that to peaces and ate it. Next morning I brownd some bred crust right brown and made some coffee out of it an soaked crumbs in the coffee ate some for breakfast. Stayed in camp the second night and went back to the battle field found advanced a little. L. E. Simpson one of my mess mates said let me see your hedd Jim, he looked and said I god Jim they liked to got you. I said Luke they liked to missed me he had on too hats said he here a hat of yours well wore. I saw yours was tore all to pieces. I tuck the hat. We lay there all day. At night the pickets had a few minutes about dark I went on picket that night. Captain Tom officer of the gard told me to go down to a tree between the two armies and ? for them and a few minutes was called off and went off and left me there. I stood at my tree until after three o'clock in the morning would of bin exposed to both armies if the confederates had not retreated. I worked my way out through cavalry an never got hurt. The clock struck four before I got to Murfreesboro. I didn't know which road to take so I taken the Shelbyville road an overtaken the regiment near Greys Gap remained there about three months to protect the pickets. Stayed about three months then went to Chattanooga staid there a while until the company came to the river then Bragg moved out South and let the enemy cross the Tennessee river an come out to chickamoga then Bragg turned on them an drove them back to Chattanooga with a heavy loss on both sides. Our 8th regiment was ordered to follow General Forist close to him to Chattanooga. Forist worked his way to the top of missionary ridge. We came to a little opening where there was a cabin and an old lady run out and said the yankeys was

rite up there and the creter company come and tore down her ashhoper and yard fence and formed a streak of fight and the yankeys run. We went a little further an slept looked at the ename crossing the tenesse river on pontoons and the cavalry fording the river this fight was the 19 and 20 of September 1862 (sic). Then we moved down to the foot of missionary ridge in the Chattanooga valley and remained until the 23rd of November the fedrals took Lookout mountain that night then we were ordered to the top of missionary ridge and placed in line for the battle the 24th of November 1863 and we fought until our amunition gave out and the enemy gained the top of the ridge on each side of us and sent an ? fire on us. We came out of our place and the colonel ordered us back to our place without any ammuniton then the enemy renewed there fire on us. Our Captain W. H. Lincorn said boys I am not going to let you all be shot down like dogs, I am going to surrender. He run up a white rag and that was late the 24th of November 1863 then the fedrals marched us to an old car shed for the night the 25 they marched us to Bridgeport put us on an island gravel bar, surrounded with water and no fire. Next day we took the train for Nashville marched to the zolicoffer house staid ther two nights. Then at the Maxwell house now at that time lower floor and upper floor was laid and covered all the inside was just a skeleton with winding step laders to the top. Next night after we left there one of the step laders gave way and killed several prisoners. From Nashville we went to Rockisland Illinois a military prison late in December sixty three it was very cold we hadnt any cole had to cut wood for fire we suffered very much that night. Next day they hauled cole for us there we fared very well as to fire.

They fed us very well for six months then they cut our rations short. My father sent me ten dollars they didn't allow over one dollar to come in side the prison but allowed us to check on them by the sutler so I ordered the sutler to bring me a slate an rithmetic and I studied the rithmetic for past time and I made good of my time until the smallpox broke out. My bunk mate broke out with smallpox and they sent him Sam Rigway to the hospitel and when he came back to the prison they had to strip there close and take such as the fedrals would give them and Sam slipt a fine white over coat on his arm and he and I slept with our head on that coat and the ninth night I broke out with smallpox. They sent me to the hospital. Sam my bunkmate told me how to do and would not have to stay long so I acted as he said after striping and redressing they told us where to go an I walked on by to the convelesent ward and walked in. A man told me to take that cot so I did and a sick boy said one died on that cot last night. You think you are not dangersly sick I thought I was in no danger when they sent me here (now 10 o clock) but it is going run me mighty close to get well before night. He was ded next morning. I was detailed to go to the dedd house to load the ded there were four on the ded house four of us ones there and a dark colard thick large man drove a team and wagon to the place and we put a box which contained the dead on the wagon tenderly and brought out second tenderly and was slipping it in the wagon the driver tuck hold of the box gave it a shove an turned the box over face down and said pick em in and bring them face foremost and let em go on to hell where they ought to be. We picked up the rest of them an shoved them in the wagon. (O what feelings I had you can imagine) I soon went back to my place in

prison. In a few days there was a notice tacked on a tree a venamus serpent (21/1/2 foot long can be seen at a cirten barrack. It was a tape worm supposed it was starved on account short rations after the birth of the worm the solder fatened up healthy after this gave the mother of the worm ten dollars for the worm? The state of Ill offered a bounty of five hundred dollars to any prisoner that would join the frontier or navy the officers of the prison nailed a pound meat a loaf of bread a hundred dollar bill on tree every time one joined the navy or frontiers. The officers got four hundred. Several prisoners joined them then we got up a secret conspiracy known as the seven confedrats nights pledgin our selves never to join any thing as long as there was a confedracy. I had a shell badge made of mussel shell with seven points to it. I wore it to the reunion at Nashville and lost it there. We remained at Rock Island until March the sixth 1865 and then left for exchange the 6th of March got on train they made us ride backwards so we could not see any thing until passed it. Got to Baltamore there we slept a while. I got a gard to go with me to a little stand where they had some cheese and crackers. I bought what he had only about a half of a small chees and few crackers and returned to the train with my purchis.

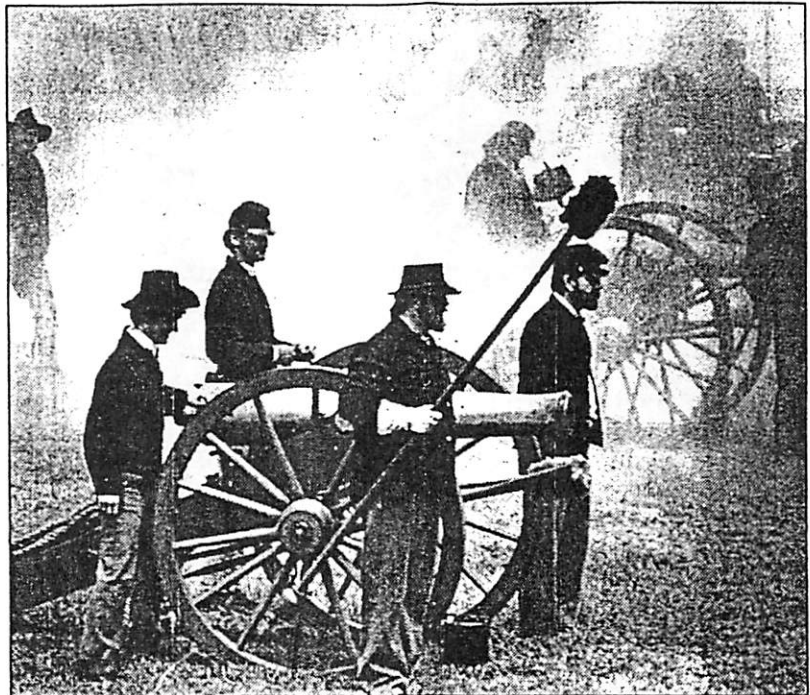
About the time I got my seat an in stept a fedrel with a basket of brandy peaches in quart bottles. My friend Sam Rigway bought one handed it over to me the man went on threw the coach an sold twelve bottles in our coach an on the next coach then an officer came on with a gard and said open up those knapsacks it wont do for you to drink all of that brandy we could not run this train if you was to drink all that brandy. I had the bottle when he examed Sam and turned to exam a man on the other side. I slipt the bottle to Sam when he examined me I didnt have it. They got all but one, Sams. In a few moments they pulled out. The fifth day we reached Chesepeak bay and ankerd out in the bay for the night. Next morning the 12 twelfth of March 1865 General Grant had us parolled an sent ashore. We went to a parole camp and was ferloined for thirty day we wer paid off up to that time. We called everything we had then went to a hotel. I went in and ask if we could get a square meal at the table once more. Yes Sir. What will it cost forty dollars each, I said who pee I wont give it and walked out then we went back to a stand where a lady had an old poor hen an a pone of corn bred said I what is that hen and bred worth, forty dollar said she. I said haven't you got anything worth less than forty dollars. Next we found some little half moon green apple pies what are those pies worth, one dollar apiece said I boys I am in for a half dozen and five of us ate thirty pies and left Rickmon and I haven't bin there since March the 16th 1865. We started for Chester South Carolina on a frait train run a little pece an stop was five days getting to Chester. At Chester we bought some fishing tackles and left the railroad to go to a little river gauchs fery 18 or 20 miles. We came out of Chester about one mile next morning. We started soon came to little cabin side the road said I boys I'm going to see if we can git something to eate hear five of us the reply yis sir if you can put up with such as I have and wate til I can cook it. She soon had it cooked an ask us in to the table the lady began to make appoliges I said no appoliges is nessary we are very thankful for any thing to eate we are on payrole and nowhere to go to get any to eate or any where to stay we cant go home I ask the bill, nothing. I cannot afford to charg a solger for a meal or turn one

away as long as I have anything to eat. I gave her 2 dollars and walked. The boys done like wise. Two of them ask if they could stay with her a few days she excepted them. They was Lon Hudson and Gabe Mosier. I was going to the river where I had started. B. C. Winfrey and J. P. Gold said they going with me we marched out a peace and stopt to talk a little and say good bye and two citizen rode up and ask where are you from said from a payoll camp at Rickman and furloughed to go to the country and we cant get home. Where is your home. In Tennessee and said one of them you cant get home No sir said I we are in a fix if there is any such a thing as a fix we are subject to a call to arms anytime after thirty days from the date of our furlough one of them said where are you we are joined to Gauchs fery on a little river. They say it ant worthwhile to go there they haven't got any thing to eat out there we have to feed them Shermans army has just passed from there and taken everything they had an burnt all of there houses except dwellings and churches and we have to feed them then an said I'll tak two of you and my brother in law will take some of you. I excepted at once they were Mr. John Hood and Mr. Leray Miller. Then Mr. Hood handed me a haver sac full of rations and tole us how to go to his house. We traveled slowly a long didn't want to get there before middle of evening et our dinner an rested along the road wandering what sort of folks we would find, we found the place we thought to be Mr. Hoods I walked down to the gate a young lady met at the gate I ask if there was where Mr Hood lived said she here is where one of them lives the other lives a mile out that road I met him out this side of town said the lady they both left here together to go to town well Mr Hood give me this haver sac full of rations this is the ? I filled that this morning. I suppose you are his daughter yes the bar come down to the gate I interduced Mr. Winfrey and Mr. Gold to Miss Hood she never corrected we went on the porch where the ladies and the old lady introduced me to Miss Webster all the other boys an Mrs. Hood her mother. We was all seated. Now to give you an idea of that evenings talk would be like too...? In a few moments one of them said to me you needent be casting your eye at Sallie she is a marred Lady then said Sallie you needent be casting your eye at either of them they are both old school marms. Then I got a little out or order said I devil the fit I care what you are so I get a place to stay and something to eat until we are called to action. We staid with Mr. Hood until Johnson surrendered we was treated well in ever respect offered to work for Mr. Hood he would not have it. Me an Mr. Gold went to town once a week nine mile walked for a paper for Mr. Hood. Mr. Hood had nine boys and two daughters six sons went to the army four of them killed or died and two got home after General Lee surrendered at Apomatx court house April the ninth 1865. Then Willie and Harry Hood came home neither one of them grown they were just boys oh what a sad time that was for Mr. Hood. Out of six boys soldiers only too returned home and all of his property gone. Me and J. P. Gold staid with them until Johns surrendered about the last of April 1865. In North Caroline we, J. P. Gold, B. Winfrey and my self J. C. Prichard left Mr. Hoods near Chester South Carolina about the tenth of May 1865 walked to Chattanooga we brought our rations from Mr. Hood to Chattanooga the fedrels fed us one night and morning we boarded a train at Chattanooga for Murfreesboro got to Murfreesboro May the 15 and walked home May the 20th 1865. My mother died about ten days before I got home. My father bought

me a too year old horse in the spring of sixty five they would not ride him about ten days before I got home some one stold him I got hold of a two year old mule to ride and work My father had his meet in his wagon in the bend of the river where the bank had fallen in and the weeds were high when he wanted a piece of meet he would slip down and get a piece one at a time and sometimes hide part of that. I cleaned the stalks off about five acres of land and swopt work with my father and got it planted and made corn enough to make a crop on the next year. In 1866 I made corn enough to bring me \$355 and then ride my own horse.

I wish to say right here that J. C. Prichard, C. Ferrell and Bill Prestons gratest and close friend ships and love for each other started when we volunteered to go to the front and shoot artitery horse. The result was that General Pat Claborn moved up with our brigade an charged and captured General Printis and his troopes. That love lasted to death. Mr. J. P. Gold went to the army with our company in July 1861 and staid with us twelve months and was releast under age went home and got hors and joined General George Morgan and was with him in Ohio when Morgan was killed. Gold and another or two got away and made there escape got a cross the Ohio river an got home then he came back to the army and joined his first company with his brother John E. Gold who lives at Gordonsville now. P. Gold was living in Santo Texas or was last March. I'll close this message by asking to excus my bad writing correct where you see I've left out or missed a letter or spelt the word rong take what of this like. I cant see only when the sunshines brighte.

J. C. Prichard Lancaster
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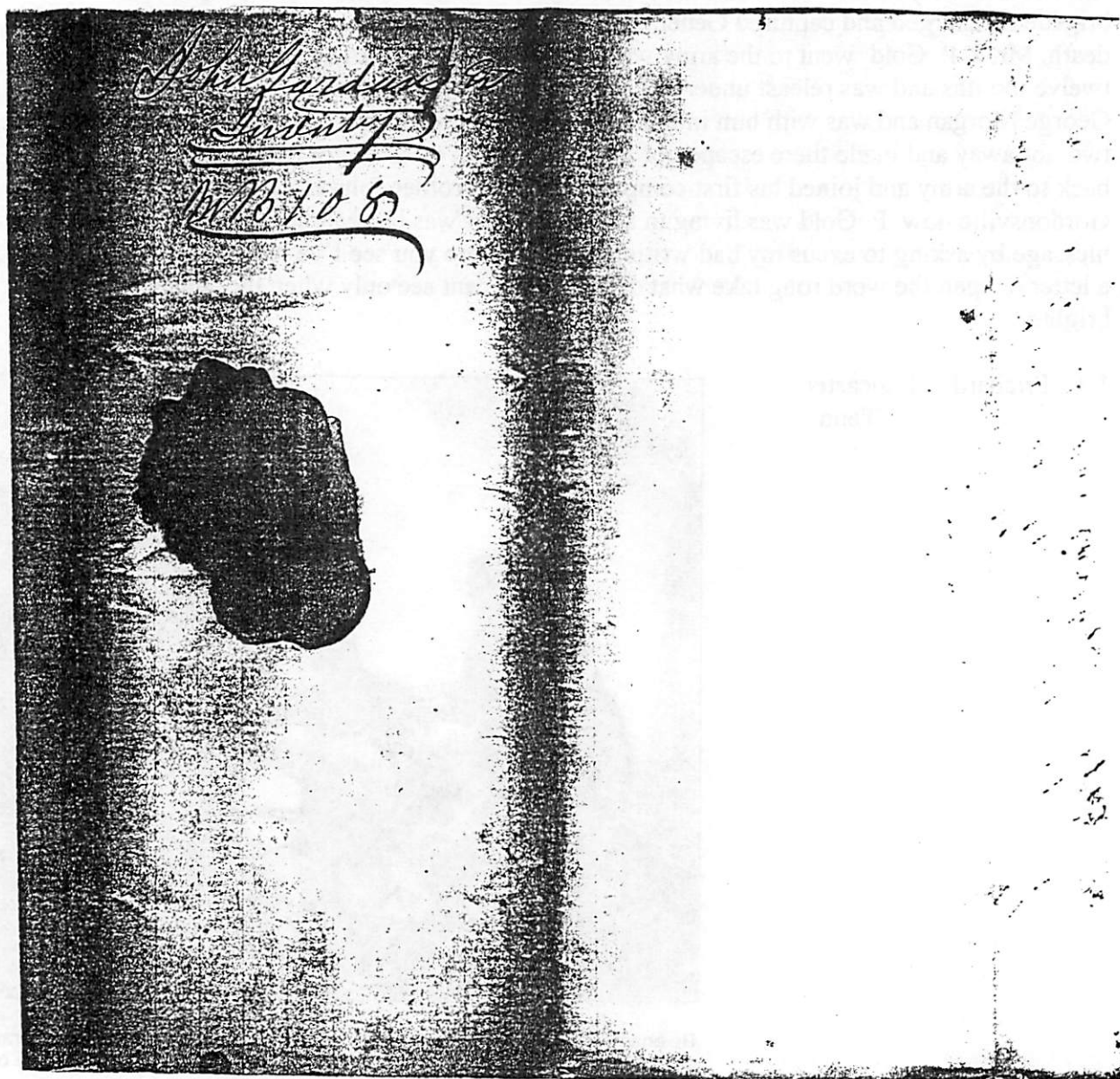


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Re-enactors perform the bloody three-day showdown between Confederate and Union forces that began at Stones River Battlefield in Murfreesboro on New Year's Eve, 1862.

JOHN GORDON, ESTATE

Smith County Archives, Estate Settlements

John Gordon settled in Smith County in 1801 and established the town of Gordonsville. He became a very prominent citizen: he was a large land owner, Justice of the Peace, a member of both branches of the Tennessee General Assembly and first post master of Gordonsville. He died on January 24, 1860. Following is a portion of the inventory of his estate, including the enumeration of his slave holdings as filed by Francis H. Gordon, Executor of the Estate.



November 2007

This monument is erected as a tribute to those unknown persons removed from a tranquil, remote cemetery located on a ridge where the Smith County Justice Center is constructed. The site was once part of the William Walton grant, later acquired by Joseph Myer and known as Myer Bottom.

The base of the memorial is constructed from the roughly hewn unmarked field stones that identified the _____ graves on the original site. The year of the first burial, names, dates of birth and death, race and sex remains lost to the passage of time and memory of any living person. Whatever their circumstances and station in life, these anonymous persons would have made a contribution to the culture and heritage of Carthage and Smith County.

It is with respect that their remains are removed to this permanent resting place and honored with this monument.

Inventory of the Estate of John Gordon deceased.
Negroes

Males	Females
John Forty, Thomas,	Charity Figs, Betty Sarah Jane
Parnep, Harrison,	Patsy, Mary Williams, Larina,
Lewis, Jim Chace bond,	Mary Ann, Virginia, Leanna,
Liffersap, Robert, Philip,	Polly Ann, Laura, Mariah Williams,
Emanuel, Edwin, Wesley,	Hester, Phelu, Ann, Malvina,
Andrew, Sam, Alfred,	Eliza, Jane, Rhoda, Wm. C. C. C.
William, George, Alfred Lewis,	Harriet, Selina, Malinda,
Jerry, Moses, John Brown,	Hannah, Emily, Fanny Hill,
Ben Wilson, Park, Austin	Amanda, Charity Johnson,
Gilbert, Paul, Peter Cooper,	
Mortimer. Jim Blacksmith.	

Jim Blacksmith died 2^d of July 1860 leaving 57 negroes.

Property yet unsold

110 Sheep, 40 Hogs, 3 Horses, 3 Mares, 1 colt, 1 Mule, 5 Cows
& calves, 2 pair Oxen, 1 Wagon, 1 Cart, 1 Baranet, 5 Plovers
& Geese, 5 Hens, all the House hold & Kitchen furniture, 2
Watches 5 Guns, 1 set Blacksmith tools, 4 Stock kettles, 1
Wheat Fan, 1 Reapers mower, 2 Crush mills, 1 Mill Saw,
1 Log chain, a ^{small} lot of Iron, remnant Black Sea, lead, zinc,
Remnants of Medicines, Remnants of 4 nail bags, bolts, buckles,
knives, coffers, Rosin, Lead, Powder, 4 iron blaps, 1 doz Augers,
1 dozen Cotton Cards, 5 Axes, 16 Turnbells, 1 kin Band, 250 lbs Bacon,
60 bushels Wheat, 75 Barrels Corn,

Land Estate.

The home tract in District No 15 contains between 600 & 700
acres. Land in District No 10 about 710 acres in the tract.

Sworn to before me
The 6th of July 1860

Executor of John Gordon deceased

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Compiled and Edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Vol. XIX, No. 3

January 1, 1898 - December 31, 1898

- 01/03 A lovely, bright, cool day. Mr. Wilson's gone to Carthage all day and Kelly got home this morning a little after 8:00, having stayed at Mr. Tom Conatser's last night. The boys hauled in several loads of sorghum and cut wood and shucked corn and so forth. Late this evening Frank Armistead and Alfred Jones came and are here tonight. They went with Kelly and Fred over to Alfred Baines to an entertainment but did not stay long.
- 01/07 A real cold morning with quite a heavy frost. Mr. Wilson had two large hogs killed so we are again busy in grease. Emily (colored) helping me. Mr. Wilson, Ed and John (colored) at work at the lower place blasting out some large rocks. Kelly and Wilsye still gone and I miss Wilsye so much.
- 01/12 Warm and cloudy all day. Jesse went to school. Mr. Lawson dressing stone steps. Kelly and Wilsye got home from Granville at 4:00 this evening, having been at Marvin Ford's since Monday evening until this morning when they came to Carthage and could not cross the river until this evening so they took dinner at Tom Wooton's. Kelly went up to see Lizzie Haley tonight. It's raining tonight.
- 01/13 Clear and cool today. Marshall Haley and Lizzie started to Texas this morning. Arthur Carter carried Lizzie to Lebanon. Mr. Lawson finished putting the stone steps at the front door. Wilsye started to school at Rome to Professor Gold today. Mrs. Chambers came to see Mr. Wilson in interest of her music class. I have had a bad headache today.
- 01/30 Ground is white this morning and cloudy and gloomy all day. This is Mr. Wilson's 49th birthday and Ma, Bob and Mary Tom and Jordan ate dinner with him. Bob and Jesse went to Rome to church and back to dinner. Kelly drove old Dan and went to Rome to church. Jesse carried Mr. Lawson to Rome this evening and he will not be here any longer. Simon Hires and Ella Mille were married at church at Rome today by Brother Carden.
- 02/12 A beautiful day. Mr. Wilson's gone to Rome nearly all day. The boys Kelly and Jesse at work at lower place until dinner. This evening Kelly went to Rome and he has gone to spend the night at Burr Williams. Jesse went up to Mr. Ward's to get a Latin Grammar from Duke. Today was a sale at the late home of old Tom Price.
- 03/02 A cold, cloudy day. Emily (colored) came and she and Fred helped me to get ready and Fred and Thayer went with us to the lower place where Mr. Wilson got everybody in the buggy and carried Fanny and me to Dr. Wilson's. We stayed there until 2:00 p.m. when the steamer *J.W. Thomas* whistled and Miss Mary and Dr. Sam helped us to the river and Fanny O. and I started to Granville and had a pleasant trip. Mrs. Cleo Burton got on at Westpoint and we arrived at Granville at midnight. No one came to the river. Mrs. Burton, Mr. Wade Ferrell and a Dr. Williamson went up together and Mr. Ferrell went with us to Ma's to spend the night at Ma's, finding all asleep.

- 03/05 Still a pretty day. I had been at Ma's all day. Today was the Primary election in Smith County and Edgar says tonight that John Henry was elected County Court Clerk; John Farley, Circuit Court Clerk; and Roe Jarrod, Trustee; R.L. Scuggs, Sheriff; and M.S. Kemp, Registrar. Mrs. Margaret Montgomery and Aunt Mag were here today. Thayer ate supper here.
- 03/11 Still pretty weather. I went out and spent the morning with Allie and about 10 and a half o'clock the steamer *Dudley* came and Edgar went to the river with us. After the boat stayed at Granville awhile, we started home and the boat came slowly and we got to the mouth of Taylor's Branch a little after dark and stayed there until the moon rose near midnight when it came on to Rome and we got there at nearly 2:00 this morning. Lane Gann and the porter went with us to Dr. Wilson's and we spent the remainder of the night.
- 03/21 A cloudy, springlike day. The boys cut two bushels of turnip greens and Jesse sold it to the commissary at the government works for forty cents per bushel. Mr. Wilson, Thad, Fannie and I went down to Mary Tom's this evening and all rode Morgan. Kelly has been in bed most of the day I suppose from the effects of working on his teeth.
- 04/01 A pleasant day. Made another kettle of soap. Kelly went to Lebanon and drove Ray McDonald in the cart. Been gone all day and had Mr. Claywell finish the work on his teeth. All of which amounted to \$21.00.
- 04/10 A real showery spring day. Mr. Wilson, Thayer and Wilsye went to Mt. Olivet to Sunday School. And Mr. Wilson, Thayer, Fred, and Kelly to Plunkett's to church. And Wilsye came home from Sunday School. Jesse stayed with Fannie and I, Lik Conatser, Nat Denton, Jack Jarrod, Cage Halley, and Sam Martin ate dinner here. Nannie Baines, Edna Butler, Mag Baines, and Henry here this evening. Fred went to the poor house this evening.
- 04/20 A real cool day. Kelly and Ed pruning the orchard and fixing the fence. Fred cleaned out the spring. Jesse carried his milk in the cart and the girls went to school in the buggy. This evening Wilsye drove Val home in the cart and Jesse came in the buggy. (Note: Children frequently rode a horse or drove a buggy to school. The horses' saddles were removed and the horses tied up for the day. TWB) Mr. Black the peddler ate dinner here and had a letter from ma in which she said Tom Maddox was dead.
- 04/26 Much surprised to find it raining this morning. And it has been a cool, damp day. Mary Tom came to spend the day. Emily kept Fannie and about 12 o'clock I drove Lige and Nancy Jane went with me and we went to Ms. Cattie Gills where there was quite a crowd. And Brother Henson preached Ms. Lizzie Hale's funeral. After which she was buried in the family burying ground. I got home at 5 o'clock and Emily cooked supper.
- 04/30 A warm, bright day. All at work at lower place until noon. After which Kelly went to Hogan's Creek to a teacher's meeting. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and Fred's at lower place burning brush. Thayer concluded that he would take breakfast in bed this morning and begged me to give it to him. I did not and he waited for his papa to come to the house and when Mr. Wilson got the waiter and fixed his breakfast and he ate in bed after which he got up and went to play.
- 05/13 A real pretty day. Kelly, Ed and Marcellas Litchfield planted corn down at Ed's today and Fred carried their dinner. Fred's working the garden. Mr. Roe Gerald and John Paine ate dinner here and Mr. Wilson sold them his lambs at four and one half cents to be

- delivered the thirtieth of this month and his shoats at three and one fourth cents delivered tomorrow. Mr. John Estes died yesterday evening and Mr. Wilson has gone to the burial today.
- 05/21 A pretty day. I finished Wilsye's muslin dress and made her a blue duck skirt. Kelly and Jesse and Fred worked at lower place until noon. This evening Kelly went to Plunket's to a singing. Fred went to Rome. Mr. Wilson went to Mt. Olivet to church. Tonight Fred is at his grandma's. Wilsye and Thayer have gone to spent the night at Mary Tom's.
- 05/29 A lovely day. Kelly and Fred went to Brush Creek to a memorial service. Took dinner at Will Mark's and got home tonight and nine and ten o'clock. Mr. Wilson went early to Sunday School and then to Rome to hear Brother Henson preach and back to his Ma's for dinner and spent the evening with her. Wilsye, Jesse, Thayer, Fannie and I at home and had our first fried chicken. Jordan and Willie Steward, Sam and Hamilton Harper, Oscar Baines and Willie Williams with Jesse.
- 06/11 A warm, dry day. Mr. Cothran left this morning. Fred Taylor went to Rome early and bought beans and Irish potatoes and roasting corn for dinner as Mr. George, Marcellas Litchfield, and Henry Nubel and John Goodner (colored) are helping Ed and our boys cut wheat. And they almost finished today. Mr. Wilson's gone all day to Dixon Springs to the funeral of Mr. John P. Seay who died yesterday evening.
- 06/15 Still warm and looking like rain all day and it is raining tonight. Kelly went to Carthage today to the Institute and came back late this evening and told us that Gabe (Timberlake) died very sudden like at Bob Turner's house in Carthage today.
- 06/19 A bright morning but it rained this evening. This hill was left alone today for the first time in quite awhile as Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went to Sunday School and to Ma's the rest of the day. And Jesse, Fannie, Thayer, and I spent the day so very pleasantly at Alfred Baines's with Dr. and Ms. Samford, Allen, and Katie Baines, George and Rachel Baines. Kelly and Fred went to Salem to church and Fred ate dinner at Matha Wilson and Kelly at young Jim Boyd's.
- 07/05 Quite warm. Heard this morning that Glen Gann died at 6:00 this morning. And Kelly plowed in the peas until noon. Wilsye and I went soon after dinner to Mr. Hadley Gann's and were there until they started with the corpse. When we went in the procession to the church at Rome where quite a large crowd was gathered and Brother Southent preached Glen's funeral after which we came home and a crowd went to the burial. Jesse, Wilsye, Webb, Thayer, and Fannie stayed by themselves as Emily was gathering berries.
- 07/15 Quite warm and rainy again. The well machine is still here and went down 25 feet. Thirty-five feet have gone through solid rock. Mag Baines brought Ethel Baines' baby, Bryce, for me to let him nurse as Ethel has gone to Lebanon.
- 07/20 A warm morning. About 8:00 Wilsye, Thayer, Fannie and I started to Granville driving Val. And Kelly went horseback with me across the river. We all stopped awhile at Sallie Hodger's and stopped and ate dinner at Thompson's school house at the spring near there. When we got to Mr. Burford's spring it looked so much like rain we went over to Mr. Burford's and it continued to rain so we are spending the night at his home. Steve Petty and wife are here also.

- 07/24 Another warm day. Thayer went with Wilsye to school as Jesse is still sick. Quite early I went over to Ms. Dede Kinslow's for Edith and we all went and stayed until after dinner at Mr. Steve Pate's. And then came over to Mr. J. J. Whitefield and spent the evening very pleasantly indeed. Mr. Wilson met us at Rock City and carried Edith over to Ms. Tinnie Kinslow's and took supper over there and came home after dark. Emily kept Fannie for me today.
- 09/05 A very warm day. Mr. Wilson went early to Lebanon and was gone all day. Wilsye is gone to school and Jesse is still at Grandma's. Came home with his Papa this evening. Kelly at home all day. Ed is sick. Mr. Wilson sold to Laura Hailey the Albert Williams' place for \$1000.00 cash and 100 barrels of corn. Wrote to Fred Taylor after all were asleep. Wilsye is at Burr's tonight.
- 09/28 A very warm day. Today the Baptist Association began at Plunkett's Creek and Wilsye went to school and Ed and John cut sorghum after killing two shoats this morning. Kelly made cider and did other odd jobs and Mr. Wilson and Thayer carried a basket and went to the Association. And when they came home Mr. Walker and Mr. Bailey, delegates from Alexandria who were assigned here came home with them and after early supper they, Mr. Wilson and Kelly went back to church tonight.
- 10/11 Rained hard this morning but cleared away this evening. Jesse went for Wilsye this evening and carried a horse and Ms. Minnie Cox, the teacher, came home with Wilsye and is here tonight. Today was fourth quarterly conference held at Rome and Mr. Wilson went. This evening Brother Fisher and Brother Carden came and spent awhile and Brother Fisher baptized our Fannie Ophelia for us which to us was a very solemn service. While she was thus solemnly dedicated to God, our earnest prayer was that He would enable us to train up in the way she should go and when she was old she would not depart from it.
- 10/27 A beautiful, cold day with lots of ice. Mr. Wilson and I went to Lebanon today and stopped at Mr. Laconnia's gate. Did a little shopping and bought Wilsye a cape and hat and went to a restaurant and ate an excellent dinner. After which we went to Dr. Claywell's office and he extracted 15 of my lower teeth. Quite a painful process but all my teeth out except 1 and I could not have it today. We got home about dark.
- 11/08 A cloudy, warm day. Mary Tom's went home early and I walked out to Oliver's with her and traded some and back to Ma's and Fannie and I stayed there until late this evening when Mr. Wilson and Thayer came for us. Tis election day. Benton McMillan for governor, Dave Johnson representative, and J.R. Chambers for senator. Thaller is a republican candidate for governor. Ms. Albert Hailey came this evening while I was gone.
- 11/24 Still real cold. Creek full of ice. I left Fannie all day with Emily and Wilsye and Thayer and I spent the day at Burr Williams. Very pleasantly. John Goodner and Kelly breaking up corn ground. Mr. John Jellicourse here tonight.
- 12/07 Still cold. Mr. Wilson went to Rome. Jesse and John went over the river and brought the last of the 100 bushels of corn that Mr. Wilson had bought of Ms. Laura Hailey. Kelly and Wilsye ground sausage and Emily and I finished the lard having at least 50 gallons from five hogs.

- 12/09 A cold day. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and carried 50 pounds of sausage and sold at 7 and one half cents a pound. Kelly still gone to Granville. We were all very pleasantly surprised by Fred Taylor coming late this evening having come down on the steamer "Harley" today. All talked until late tonight. Fred Taylor brought Thayer a toy pistol which Edgar had set and he is delighted.
- 12/20 Still warm and cloudy. I spent most of the day mending Kelly's buggy where the mules tore it a short time ago. Wilsye and I baked two Christmas cakes.
- 12/21 A lovely day. Quite early Mag Baines, Wilsye and I went to Carthage and had a good trip seeing all the Christmas goodies and so forth. Dr. Drake extracted the last tooth I had and that without pain. I went up to see Alton McClaren and baby Will and ate dinner.
- 12/16 Quite a cold morning. Heavy frost but warmer this evening. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage and was gone all day and bought a new stove for our room and Thayer a new suit of clothes. Ed came by tonight and he and Jesse went up to Frank Figgins (colored) to have Nat's shoes mended. Kelly and John (colored) hauled manure into the garden.
- 12/24 Another clear, cold day. Heard that Aunt Nan Derrickson died yesterday and will be brought down to Rome this evening. Kelly went to help dig the grave and this evening I went to the burying. Brother Henson preached the funeral at Rome. Kelly's gone to Middleton to a Christmas tree but home by 9:00. Jesse, Wilsye and I arranging for all the friends to come see Thayer.
- 12/25 A beautiful, bright, calm, cold Christmas day. Mr. Wilson, Fannie, Kelly and I went to Mt. Olivet and heard Brother Henson preach a good sermon. Came home and found Marie Paine and she is here tonight. Haddy brought Ma down here this evening and she is here also. Kelly took dinner at Ms. Haines. Thayer happy over what Old Chris brought him.
- 12/26 A pretty, pleasant day. Jesse carried Ma home in the buggy about 11:00 and he went on to Rome and spent most of the day. Wilsye went with Marie Paine as far as Oliver and out to her Grandma's awhile. Mr. Wilson busy visiting all day. Late this evening Fred walked from Rome out home as he came on the steamer "Dudley" from Granville today and so he is with us tonight. Kelly's gone over to Colonel Gill's until late tonight. Heard the Methodist church Zion across the river burned down yesterday evening.
- 12/12 A beautiful, calm, bright, cold day. Mr. Wilson and Thayer went to Rome to hear Brother Henson preach and Wilsye, Fannie and I are at home. Mr. Jim Hale stopped with them for dinner and Wilsye and I cooked dinner after they got here. Mag Baines and Edna Butner here awhile this evening. Jesse got home late this evening having stayed at Mr. John Darwin's last night. Kelly is still gone.
- 12/30 A warm, cloudy day. Rained a little. Mary Tom went home early. Mr. Wilson got home from Nashville about 10:00 this morning having come up on the steamer Dunbar. Ms. Minnie Cox and Mr. Susie Hankins were here a short while this evening in interest of a school for Ms. Hankins. Wilsye and Thayer have gone to Tom Wigsby tonight. So now we begin a new year, 1899.

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DISTRICT NO. 6, 1856

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<i>William Foster</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Charles Long</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Matthew Abbott</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Joseph Perry</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>B. J. Deane</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>L. D. Balling</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Am. Balling</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>William Ripple</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Robert W. Ripple</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>William Bennett</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Bucky Gray</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Andrew Carter</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>John Kelly</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>George Buckley</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>George Smith</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Richard Wilkinson</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Daniel Wilkinson</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>David Patten</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Jefferson Jackson</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Henry Jackson</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>James Jackson</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>11</i>

District No. 6 Continued 1836

Robert Quinby	12
Colbert Porter	12
Henry Chaffin	12
Abel Smith	12
John Wetmore	12
Thomas Sanders	12
John S. Stapp	12
Oriskany Stewart	12
Ernest Sanderson	12
John C. Knight	12
Joshua W. Smith	12
John W. Hanson	12
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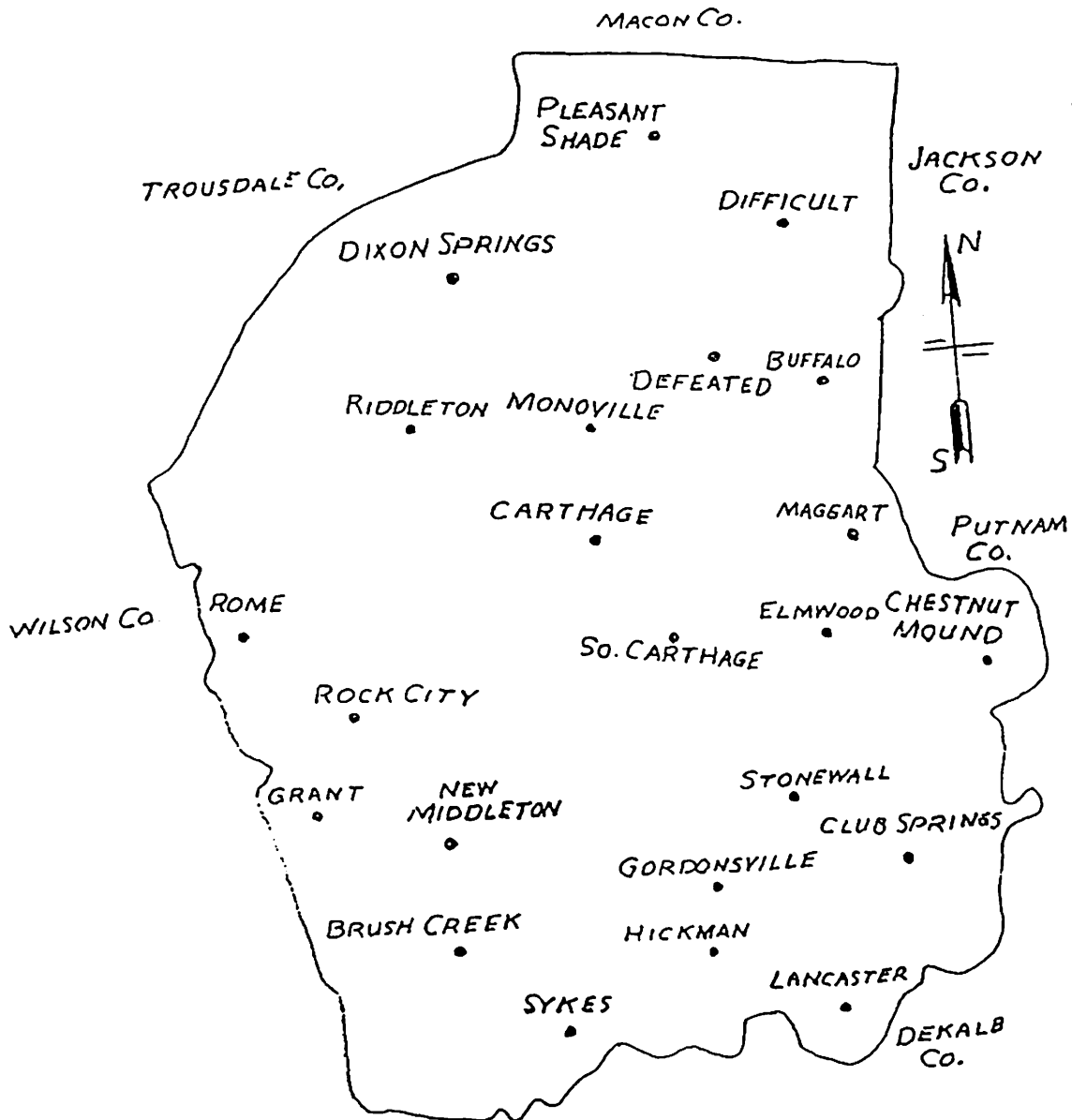
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FROM THE EDITOR:

If I continue to commit so many careless errors, surely someone will step forward and assume the thankless task as editor of this publication. The "mis-arrangement" of the pages in the winter issue was not the fault of the printer – I inadvertently inserted the membership renewal sheet, throwing everything out of kilter!

At the January 2008 meeting Society member and former president, James Fletcher, presented an interesting program on the history of the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps). The Corps was established in the early 1930's by President Roosevelt in an effort to relieve economic suffering from the depression, especially in rural areas. The young men lived in barracks army style and were paid \$30 monthly, \$25 of which was sent home to their families. The Corps built roads, strung telephone lines and planted trees. Smith County did not have a camp but one was located in neighboring Putnam County. The project ended with the advent of WWII when jobs became more plentiful.

Former Gordonsville librarian and contributor to the *Quarterly*, Katheryn Dickens, gave a delightful review of the book Milbry by Mildred Prewitt Bowen Ingram, writing under the pen name Bowen Ingram. The book is a nostalgic tale of growing up in Gordonsville in the early 1900's where the author spent her youth and offers a personal insight of many people and places and culture of a small town in that era.

The Society was host to author and musician, John Bridges, at the March 17 meeting. Mr. Bridges has authored many novels based on the lives and experiences in the Civil War era. He presented an interesting review of his latest book, Three Cousins from Mechanicsville, that follows the lives of Thomas Benton Smith, Dewitt S. Jobe, and Dee Smith through the "uncivil war" and its aftermath.

You are encouraged to send articles and queries for publication in the *Quarterly*.


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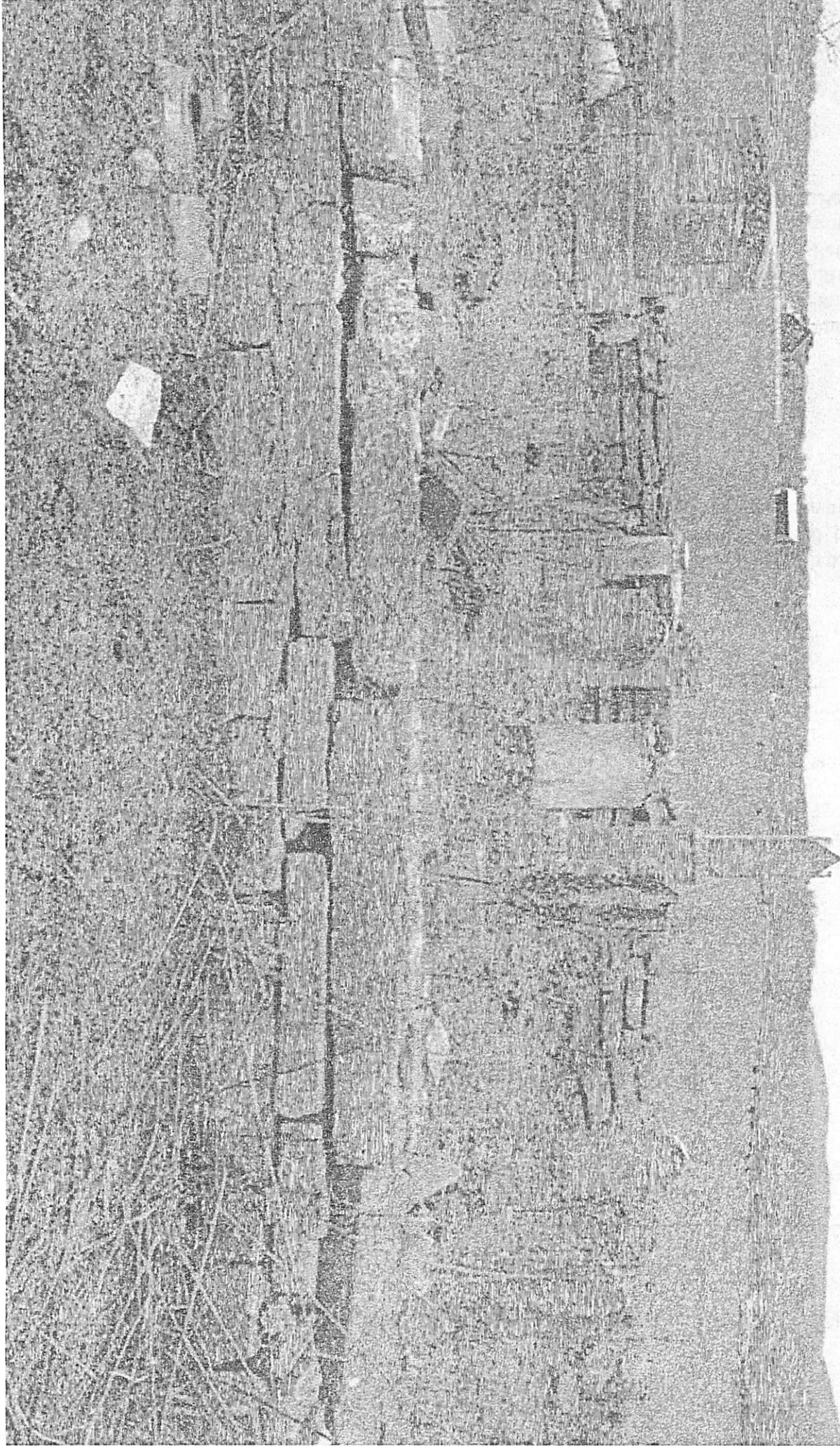
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GRISSUM FAMILY CEMETERY AT ROME

STONE CEMETERY WALLS IN SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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As life's experiences often teach, few things are as simple as they may appear at first glance. So it is with better understanding and appreciating the use of stone walls constructed to safeguard and decorate various family cemeteries in Smith County. In the process, this story will take us hundreds of years and thousands of miles away from the quiet cemeteries nestled in the hillsides lying beside the Cumberland River.

HISTORY AND ORIGIN OF STONE FENCES

To students of regional material culture, it will come as little surprise to remark that of recent an inordinate amount of well deserved and long overdue attention has been directed toward the study and preservation of stone fences in the fabled Bluegrass region of central Kentucky (cf. Ball 2004; Glassie 1968:99-101; Murray-Wooley and Raitz 1992; Raitz 1994; Rehder 2004:139-141; Tufnell 1995; Williamson 1967) and its periphery (cf. Ball and Kessler 2004). Extensive research undertaken by Murray-Wooley and Raitz (1992) has established strong ties to their construction in the heart of the Bluegrass by skilled Irish stoneworkers who labored to build them for the area's landed gentry. For this class of property owner, such fences admirably served as both practical land division markers and symbolic reflections of their social status. Taken at face value, the case built by Murray-Wooley and Raitz (*ibid.*) presents minimal evidence to support the contention that few of these fences were actually built by those who owned the property being enclosed. In this regard, these examples of finely crafted – and expensive – stone construction may legitimately be termed “traditional” but by no means can they be classified as “folk” (cf. Glassie 1968:5). However, despite the level of attention directed toward such fences in central Kentucky, Glassie (1968:100) has observed that, “Walls exactly like this ...can be found not only in Kentucky and southern Indiana, but also in upstate New York and the northeastern neck of West Virginia.” Fences stylistically similar to those found in the Bluegrass region of Kentucky have been reported in the Ozarks of Arkansas (Sizemore 1994:131, 162-163) and others are known in western Missouri (Hoard and Prawl 1998). A limited number of stone fences has also been reported in the Normandy Reservoir area of Coffee County, (middle) Tennessee (Riedl et al. 1976:148) and elsewhere in or near Tennessee's Central Basin area (Raitz 1995). It is entirely reasonable to suggest that comparable walls and fences exist in other areas which have simply not yet been documented by students of traditional material culture. One of those lesser known areas is Smith County, Tennessee.

As abundantly documented by Murray-Wooley and Raitz (1992) in their detailed study of stone fences in the Bluegrass region of central Kentucky, the best fences in that area were not only built of freshly quarried, unweathered, limestone but also, as clearly demonstrated by solid historical evidence, constructed by skilled Irish craftsman. In a subsequent study, Raitz (1995) transposed this same cadre of skilled workmen to Tennessee's Central Basin and likewise attributed the construction of some of the finer fences near Nashville and in Maury County to Irish hands. Raitz (1995:55) provides a brief but informative description of the most frequently encountered type of “Irish-built, dry-laid rock fences” which emphasizes: (1) the use of quarried stone; (2) excavation and preparation of a “builder's trench”; (3) the subsequent laying of two opposing and inwardly canting “faces” of stone composed of horizontally lain blocks; (4) the practice of filling the resultant void between the interior of the opposing “faces” with stone rubble; (5) placing a “top” or “cap” course of stone across the width of the uppermost surface of each opposing “face”; and (6) surmounting the resultant wall with “a coping course of large rectangular or triangular rocks set on edge and leaning downhill at a slight angle.” Not infrequently, elongated “through rocks” placed within the faces during construction would extend completely across the short axis of the wall to give it increased stability. Upon completion, the fence would measure about 30

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inches from side to side at the base, about 18 inches across at the uppermost course, and stand about four feet high. It is important to note that the profile of the resultant fence basically resembled a steeply sided, truncated pyramid. Stone masons charged by the rod (16.5 feet) of fence and a team of up to six workmen were required: two laborers to quarry the stone; two men to haul and off-load the rock; and two skilled masons simultaneously working on the opposing faces of the fence. In a day and age before pneumatic tools and motorized transportation, the construction of one rod of fence per day was considered a good day's work.

Taken at face value, these comments might be interpreted as suggesting that all so-called Irish fences were constructed in a similar painstaking manner. In actuality, this is far from the truth. This contention is placed into clearer focus by bearing in mind the wise adage that "a picture is worth a thousand words." A series of photographs of Irish scenes and places appearing in Gorham (1971) and Nutting (1925) clearly indicate that such construction methods have little to nothing to do with the realities of "commonplace" fence building practices across the Irish countryside. Although some Irish fences and walls display high standards of workmanship, many were obviously constructed of stacked field rock and display no indication of inwardly sloping faces, the use of through stones for stabilization, or the upright coping stones placed atop many Bluegrass fences. While any number of solidly made fences may well have been constructed in Ireland to please the discriminating tastes of wealthy English landlords, there is no evidence to support the contention that these exacting methods were routinely employed by the "plain folk" of that island. Accordingly, there is no valid reason for interpreting examples of such construction methods on plantations in either the Bluegrass or Central Basin areas as representing the transplanted continuation of a long standing folk building tradition regardless of their picturesque qualities and the idealized romanticism associated with them.

STONE CONSTRUCTION IN MIDDLE TENNESSEE

In general terms, it may be stated that substantial stone construction was not a part of either the folk or traditional building practices of the Upland South culture region (cf. Sizemore 1994:161-162). Discounting a limited number of imposing early Middle Tennessee structures (e.g., Rock Castle built ca. 1790 near Hendersonville and Cragfont built ca. 1798-1802 near Castalian Springs, both in Sumner County; cf. Garrett, ed. 1900 and Allen 1964, respectively) and stone fences erected for the well-to-do (cf. Raitz 1995), the use of shaped stone typically appears in but three broad architectural contexts exclusive of fence construction: (1) grave markers (sandstone, shale, or limestone; cf. Ball 1997; 1999; 2005a; Cantrell 1981; Finch 1982; 2004); (2) occasional structural foundations (typically limestone); and (3) chimneys or the lower portion thereof (sandstone or limestone; cf. Riedl et al. 1976:Plate 43). These applications obviously exclude the 19th century commercial production of millstones (Ball and Hockensmith 2005) and grindstones (Ball 2005b) within the state as well as post-Civil War era marble quarrying largely intended for out-of-state sales (Ball 2005c).

In marked contrast to the careful workmanship exhibited by some of these fences in many portions of the Bluegrass, the stone fences occasionally encountered in stray corners of Middle Tennessee's rural landscape far removed from the plantations and estates near present day Nashville give all appearances of having been constructed by the property owners themselves. The fences and walls of the region typically appear in three distinct contexts: (1) as a means of delineating land boundaries and separating fields; (2) as retaining walls built along the banks of streams; and (3) as walls erected to protect family cemeteries from wandering livestock. Whereas many of the Bluegrass fences were constructed of fresh quarried stone, the construction of workaday fences on many less pretentious Tennessee farmsteads simultaneously allowed for disposing of large amounts of unwanted field stone while using it for a productive purpose. Although cursory observations indicate that the fences built around cemeteries generally exhibited a greater level of workmanship and attention to detail than those erected along property and field boundaries or stream banks, in many instances the shaping of the rock was rudimentary at best.

Time has taken its toll on these early structures and most are in far from pristine condition. The causes of the deterioration of these dry lain fences and walls are many and varied but may generally be attributed to three factors. As any good farmer knows, fence rows must be routinely cleaned of miscellaneous vegetation. When neglected, trees growing immediately adjacent to a stone fence will slowly displace its alignment and ultimately cause its collapse. Aside from the ongoing encroachment of secondary growth forest, a principle means of trees

noted elsewhere in the county. Such fences were clearly the inspiration for cemetery enclosures.

Those interested in the cemetery stone fences of the region owe a great debt of gratitude to the combined labors of Key et al. (1984) and Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society and Caney Fork Chapter, DAR (1981) for recording the gravestone inscriptions at approximately 1,000 cemeteries in Smith County and – significantly – the efforts of John and Retta Waggoner of Carthage for photographing many of these cemeteries and making their pictures so readily available. These combined studies have resulted in the creation of an exemplary and invaluable documentary and photographic record of the wide variety of mortuary hardware associated with the history of this county (Table 1). In all fairness, it should be noted that historians and genealogists in a number of other counties in the region have labored long and hard to compile transcriptions of gravestones in their respective areas of interest. However, few of these projects have been graphically documented in such detail (see website entitled “Smith Co Cemetery Pictures” accessible at: <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/tngen/cempics.htm>> (accessed March 19, 2008).

As it relates to the present study, what has been learned from this Herculean effort? Of the ca. 1,000 recorded cemeteries within the county, only 25 (a mere 2.5%) were enclosed by a stone fence or associated with a similar boundary marker or retaining wall. This type of expensive and labor intensive construction was atypical of the funerary practices of the county and as suggested by a review of the available photo-documentation it is reasonable to conclude that in most instances such fences were ordered constructed by financially well-to-do families as demonstrated by the quality of the resultant workmanship (Figures 2-6). In other cases, however, it is entirely possible that the families of the deceased pooled their labor to construct a fence around a given small cemetery (Figures 7-8). Whatever the particulars of the circumstances surrounding the construction effort, the fences were reflective of a combination of sentimentality and social status which transcended the requirements of more mundane enclosures and boundary markers. Unlike stone fences associated with more utilitarian functions, the walls surrounding cemeteries may be at least indirectly dated and there is little doubt that the peak era of their construction was during the mid- to late-19th century with a few being constructed after 1900.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Available information is insufficient to offer any meaningful comments on the distribution of stone fence and cemetery wall construction in the Middle Tennessee area although nowhere do they appear to be particularly commonplace. Further, it should be recognized that in all likelihood some examples have been demolished due to a number of causes such as road improvement projects, modern urban expansion, and changing concepts of what is attractive and what is not. Beyond stating the obvious that most (but certainly not all) “plain folk” stone fences and walls were constructed in areas where surface rock was readily obtainable, it is not unlikely that some were built in places where the soil was too shallow to permit the use of alternate types of fences requiring the excavation of post holes. This was less likely to be the case with more carefully selected cemetery sites. Certainly the deteriorated condition of many of the stone walls observed during the course of this brief study serves to verify that they have received little or no maintenance for many years.

Despite the arguments advanced by Raitz (1995) regarding the concept of cultural preadaptation and his compelling argument regarding the correlation of Irish stonemasons and stone fence and wall construction in both the Bluegrass region of Kentucky and selected portions of Tennessee’s Central Basin, the nature of the stone walls recorded herein does not universally support this “explanation” for their appearance. The minimal to non-existent shaping of the obviously weathered field rock used in some walls, in concert with their construction on small family farms, fails to support the general contention that they were built by skilled craftsmen at the behest of prosperous landowners. To the contrary, it is just as reasonable to suggest that one or both of two alternate hypotheses are potentially applicable.

In light of the long standing movement of Celtic residents of the British Isles to the southern colonies (cf. McWhiney 1988; Meyer 1963), it would be ill-advised to unquestionably believe that by the time of their arrival in Middle Tennessee these early settlers had completely lost all knowledge of how to construct stone or rock fences vaguely similar to those built by their ancestors in the Old World (cf. Evans 1957:100-112, Plate 8-2). Accordingly, it may be suggested that some rudimentary knowledge of stone fence construction remained a viable component of their folk cultural heritage. A second – and equally reasonable – hypothesis is that faced with a

taking root results from seeds in avian fecal matter dropped by birds alighting on the fence. In other instances, the precarious stacking of the poorly shaped rock was likely subject to displacement by cattle, horses, or mules brushing against a weak point in the fence. Lastly, it may reasonably be speculated that portions of some fences were simply pushed over by vandals hard pressed for amusement and with far too much time on their hands. Whatever the specific cause, the inevitable result would be reducing a reasonably neat fence into an irregular line of rubble.

Likely one of the earliest extant documentary references to stone fence construction in the region appears in an 1808 letter from Solomon Clark to John Overton of Nashville in which Clark apologizes for being unable to begin work on a "stone fence" and remarks that he was in the process of hiring a Negro laborer (Murdock Collection of John Overton Papers, Accession Number THS 4, Box 1, item 25, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville). Although the referenced fence is not described in detail, this letter serves to provide incontestable evidence of the early 19th century construction of these enclosures within the Central Basin. There is no reliable information available regarding the year in which stone cemetery walls were first constructed within the region but it is not unreasonable to contend that they dated to about the same time (i.e., ca. 1800).

SMITH COUNTY STONE CEMETERY WALLS

The above remarks having been made, how do they relate to the subject at hand? In straightforward terms, the construction of stone fences as both property boundaries and protective devices for family cemeteries represents neither more nor less than the continuation of a long standing building tradition which may be traced back in time for hundreds of years to the British Isles. In a recent study (Ball et al.: n.d.), the greatest number of stone fences observed in various counties in Middle Tennessee was located in Smith County. Several miles of these fences were noted along the highway near the settlement of Grant in the southwestern corner of the county. One example (**Figure 1**) with (for the area) atypical coping stones was photographed along Flat Rock Road south of Highway 24 in the southwestern portion of the county. A number of additional examples of these sturdy fences were



Figure 1. Stone fence adjacent to Flat Rock Road, northwestern Smith County, Tennessee (photograph by Marcia E. Hemming).

Table 1. Smith County, Tennessee, cemetery stone fences.

Cemetery	Location/notes	Description of stone fence
Allgier Cemetery	In Elmwood on hill behind Post Office; turn at Becky Lane; 13 marked graves (1900-1961).	Surrounded by ca. 3 ft. fence composed of neatly coursed, well hewn substantial limestone blocks.
Beasley Cemetery	Off Beasley's Bend Road on the Charles Draper farm; turn at the old Beasley's Bend School building; 27 marked graves (1862-1912); 36-17-71 N, 86-04-04 W.	Surrounded by ca. 3 ft. fence composed of neatly coursed, substantial cut limestone blocks.
Bell Cemetery	Located in Rome at #803 Lebanon Rd. (Hwy 70N), west of P & K Market on the Taylor farm; 6 marked graves (1892-1917); 36-15-61 N, 86-05-19 W.	Surrounded by low (ca. 1 ft.) wall composed of neatly coursed and cut substantial limestone blocks.
Bowen Cemetery	Located on Main Street in Gordonsville behind and east of Bass Funeral Home; at least 3 burials (1892-1898); 36-10-39 N, 85-56-10 W.	Surrounded by low (ca. 2 ft.) wall of neatly coursed and hewn substantial limestone blocks.
Caplenor (Cato) Cemetery	Located at the end of Beasleys Bend next to the Caplenor home.(between barn & house); approx. 45 graves (1845-1955).	Surrounded by ca. 3 ft. wall composed of substantial but rough hewn limestone blocks; Figure 2 .
Captain James Bradley Cemetery	Located off Hwy 25 near Dixon Springs at 24 Lovers Lane on top of hill behind and 0.4 mile NW of the Long residence; at least 7 marked graves within wall (1830-1886); other burials nearby.	Surrounded by ca. 3 ft. wall composed of substantial, expertly hewn limestone blocks; wall was damaged by the fall of a 5 ft. diameter tree; Figure 3 .
Clark Cemetery	Located off Dyer Branch Road at #3 Crawford Lane; 13+ graves (1907-1957); 36-12-51 N, 86-00-24 W.	Ca. 3 ft. wall composed of neatly coursed but roughly hewn substantial limestone blocks runs along one side of cemetery boundary.
Confederate Soldiers Graves	Located approx. 3 miles south of Chestnut Mound in the Tom Hollow off St. Mary's Hollow Road; cemetery located in a very narrow hollow that can be entered at 197 St. Mary's Hollow Road; there is a very rough road accessible by four wheel drive for one-half mile and then a walk of 3/10 mile; 2 graves (1865).	Graves are enclosed by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall fashioned from rough hewn, irregularly laid limestone blocks.
Cornwell Cemetery	In Kempville; turn left onto Gladdice Rd; after passing Martin Hollow Road, cemetery is about a quarter mile beyond on the left side of road beside house (earlier known as the Gid Forkum farm); 3 graves (1825-1865).	Surrounded by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall composed of neatly coursed but rough hewn substantial limestone blocks.
Davis Cemetery (Academy Lane #2)	Located in the yard of the abandoned Davis-Jenkins house on top of hill on the south side of Academy Lane 2/10 miles from Brush Creek Circle intersection; 8 burials (1900-1956); 36-08-04 N, 86-01-54 W.	Surrounded by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall composed of substantial limestone blocks.
Grissum Cemetery	Located at Rome; turn at Rome bridge on Whitefield Road approx ½ mile to Jenkins farm; cemetery is 250 yards from the old Grissum home; 12 known graves (1861-1939).	Surrounded by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall composed of roughly coursed and hewn but substantial hewn limestone blocks.
Harrison-Denney Cemetery	Located on Highway 141 between New Middleton and I-40 exit; 15 burials (1906-1935).	Cemetery fronted along road by low (ca. 1 ft.) stone wall made of substantial hewn limestone blocks; much deteriorated.
Huffines Cemetery	Located on Highway 141 in Grant next to the old Church of Christ building across the road from the Shaver Cemetery (most burials post-1950).	Cemetery fronted by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall composed of neatly coursed, well hewn substantial limestone blocks.
Kittrell Cemetery	Located about 200 yards from Martin Hollow	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft. wall made of irregularly

	Road between and behind the residences at #43 & #45; 7 known graves (1892-1950s); 36-22-34 N, 85-51-27 W.	laid, minimally worked limestone field rock.
Moore Cemetery	Located on the old Carmack Wright farm at the southeast corner of intersection of Lebanon Road (Hwy 70N) and Flat Rock Road; it is on the hill to west of house; 4 known graves and likely others unmarked (1843-1875); 36-15-02 N, 86-05-79 W.	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft. wall composed of substantial, evenly coursed, finely fitted hewn limestone blocks; called "the finest hand hewn stone wall of any cemetery in Smith County"; Figure 4.
Owen Cemetery	Located on the Owen land grant property at the end of Hogan Road in Gordonsville on the farm of Clyde Bennett; this cemetery contains the oldest marked graves observed in Smith County; at least 9 graves (1824-1861); 36-11-69 N, 85-55-65 W.	Surrounded by a low (ca. 2 ft) wall composed of evenly coursed, substantial hewn limestone blocks; wall now much deteriorated.
Paris Cemetery	Located one mile south from New Middleton Road (Hwy 141) on west side of Pigg Branch Road; approx 150 yards from road; 14 marked graves and some unmarked (1873-1918); 36-09-90 N, 85-58-37 W.	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft wall made of substantial hewn limestone blocks; wall now much deteriorated.
Seay Cemetery	Located north of Hwy 141 a few yards east of Smith-Wilson County line on the property of Outback Ranch owned by Dale Klenke; it is a few hundred feet east of the Seay house built ca. 1835 listed on National Register of Historic Places; contains at least 10 graves (1884-1934).	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft wall made of finely fitted, substantial hewn limestone blocks; no gateway in wall; Figure 5.
Sexton Cemetery	Located one-half mile from Highway 70N on west side of Horseshoe Bend Road. Turn left off Horseshoe Bend Road on Woods Lane and in a short distance there is a gate and street sign reading Begood Ct.. The cemetery is 300 feet up the hill in a walled enclosure. Six marked gravestones (1911-1953) and several unmarked fieldstones. GPS 36-14-357N 85-53-396W	Surrounded by a ca. 3 wall of closely fitted but rough hewn limestone blocks; Figure 6. An antique hand operated water pump is located about 20 feet outside the cemetery wall indicating there once was a house nearby.
Shepard-Tuggle Cemetery	Located Northwest of Grant, Tennessee, 1 mile off Grant Hwy on Tribble Lane; 11 known graves (1887-1951); 36-12-83 N, 86-04-90 W.	Downhill boundary of cemetery marked by low (ca. 1 ft.) retaining wall made of substantial, neatly hewn limestone blocks.
Suite Cemetery	Located at the intersection of Hwy 70 and Hiwassee Road west of Rome; 9 marked graves, likely some not marked (1869-1952); 36-15-52 N, 86-05-53 W.	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft. wall made of evenly coursed and substantial, well made hewn limestone blocks.
Taylor Cemetery	Located at end of Taylor Hollow off Hwy 80 between Monoville and Pleasant Shade on property of Mr. Glen Adams; 7 marked graves, some unmarked (1880-1934).	Surrounded by a low (ca. 2 ft.) wall made of roughly shaped and coursed limestone blocks.
Tilman Dixon Cemetery	Located near the late 18 th century Tilman Dixon homeplace known as "Dixona" in Dixon Springs; at least 15 graves (1806-1917); 36-21-75 N, 86-03-56W.	Cemetery fronted by a solidly constructed (and restored) 3 ft. wall made of substantial limestone blocks.
West Cemetery	Located behind house at 373 Defeated Creek Hwy. (Hwy. 85) across the road from entrance to Defeated Creek Park on Cordell Hull Lake; 9 known graves, others likely unmarked (1890-1940); 36-19-30 N, 85-54-50 W.	Surrounded by ca. 3 ft. wall made of roughly shaped and coursed limestone blocks; Figure 7.
Young Cemetery	Located near the Jackson-Smith County line at the intersection with Dean Hill Road and Gladdic Road about 1/10 miles in woods behind the old log	Surrounded by a ca. 3 ft wall made of neatly coursed but roughly hewn substantial limestone blocks; wall now much deteriorated; Figure 8.

	home of the James Young family; 8 marked graves, some likely unmarked (1847-1878); 36-22-56 N, 85-49-77 W.	
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Notes: (1) list does *not* include a limited number of cemeteries surrounded by poured concrete or cement block walls;

(2) specific longitude/latitude locational information not presented in all cemetery descriptions.

Sources: See website entitled "Smith Co Cemetery Pictures" accessible at: <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnsmith/tngen/cempics.htm>> (accessed August 5, 2006). For additional information on these cemeteries, see Key et al. (1984) and Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society and Caney Fork Chapter, DAR (1981).

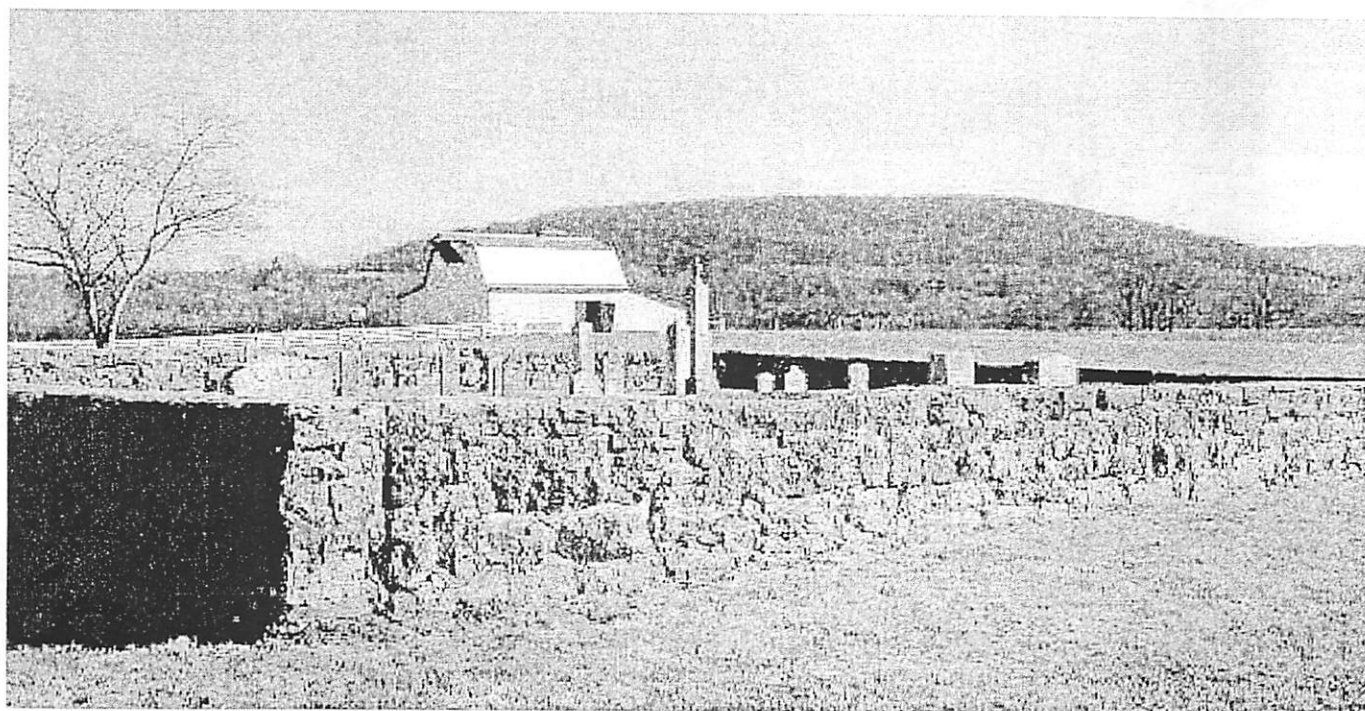


Figure 2. Caplenor (Cato) Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee
(photograph by John C. Waggoner, Jr.).

need to clear fields and establish land boundaries or protect their cemeteries, the "plain folk" farmers of the region simply purloined a good idea from the wealthier farmers of the region and duplicated as best they could within the limitations of the skill, tools, and manpower available to them the fences constructed by more skillful (and much better paid) craftsmen. More detailed studies of these little heralded examples of folk construction are both warranted and greatly needed to better understand and appreciate their role and contribution to the built environment of a bygone era.

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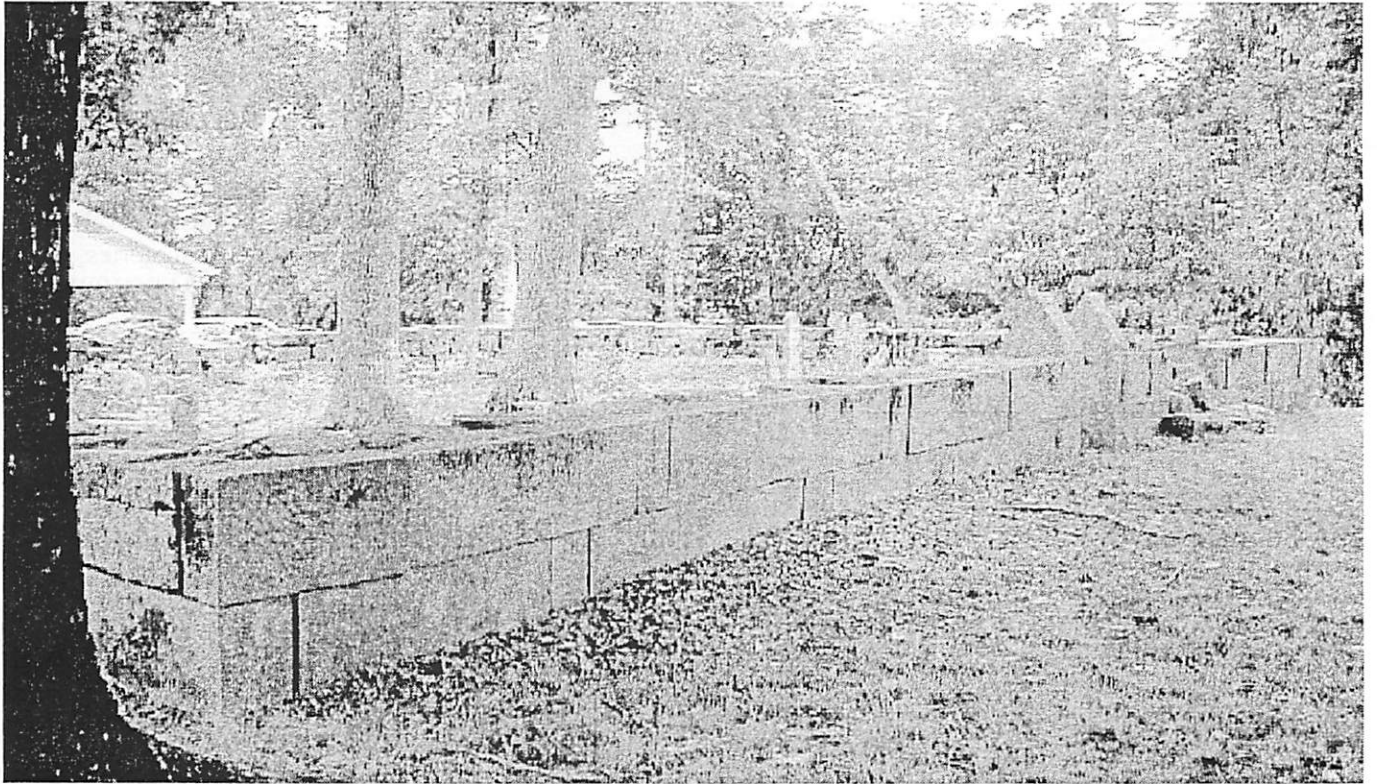


Figure 3. Captain James Bradley Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee
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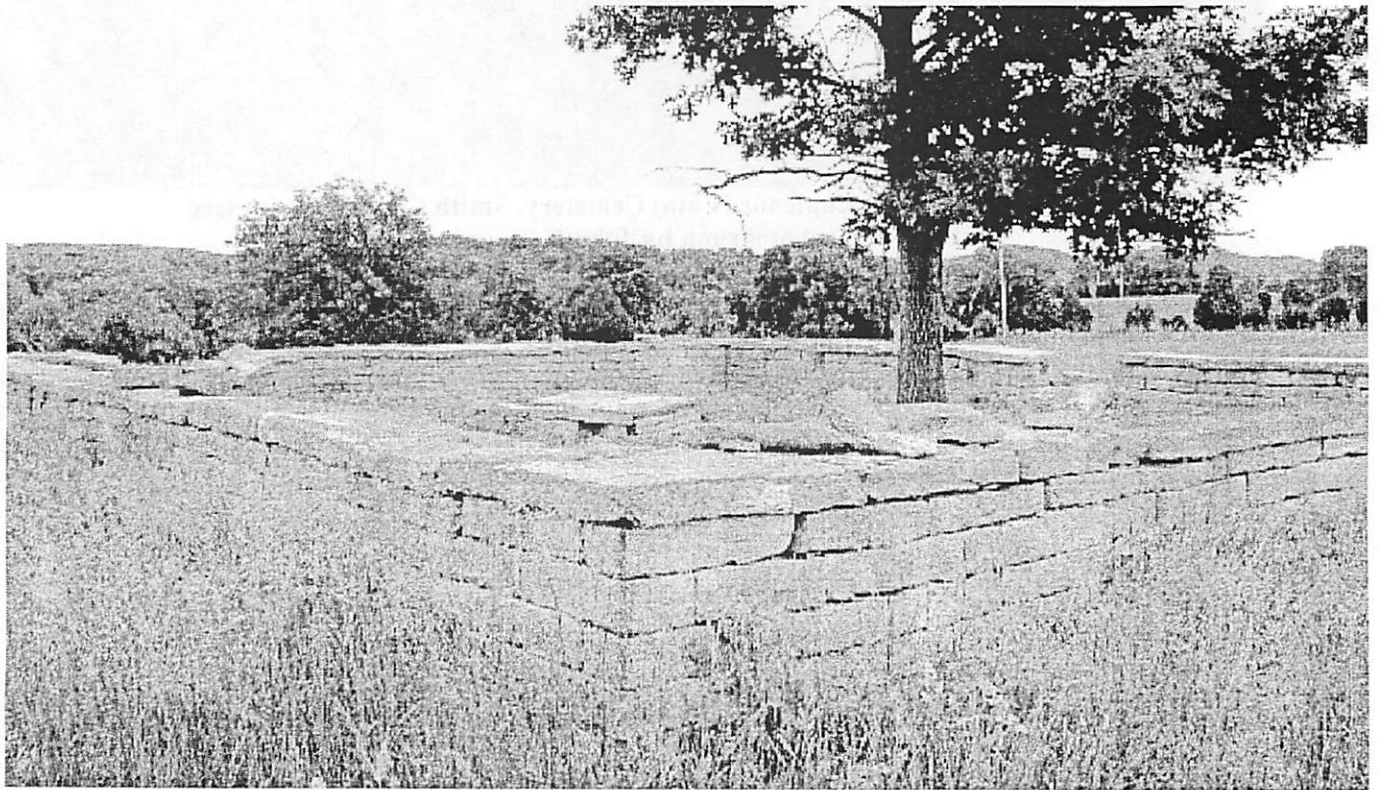


Figure 4. Moore Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee (photograph by John C. Waggoner, Jr.).

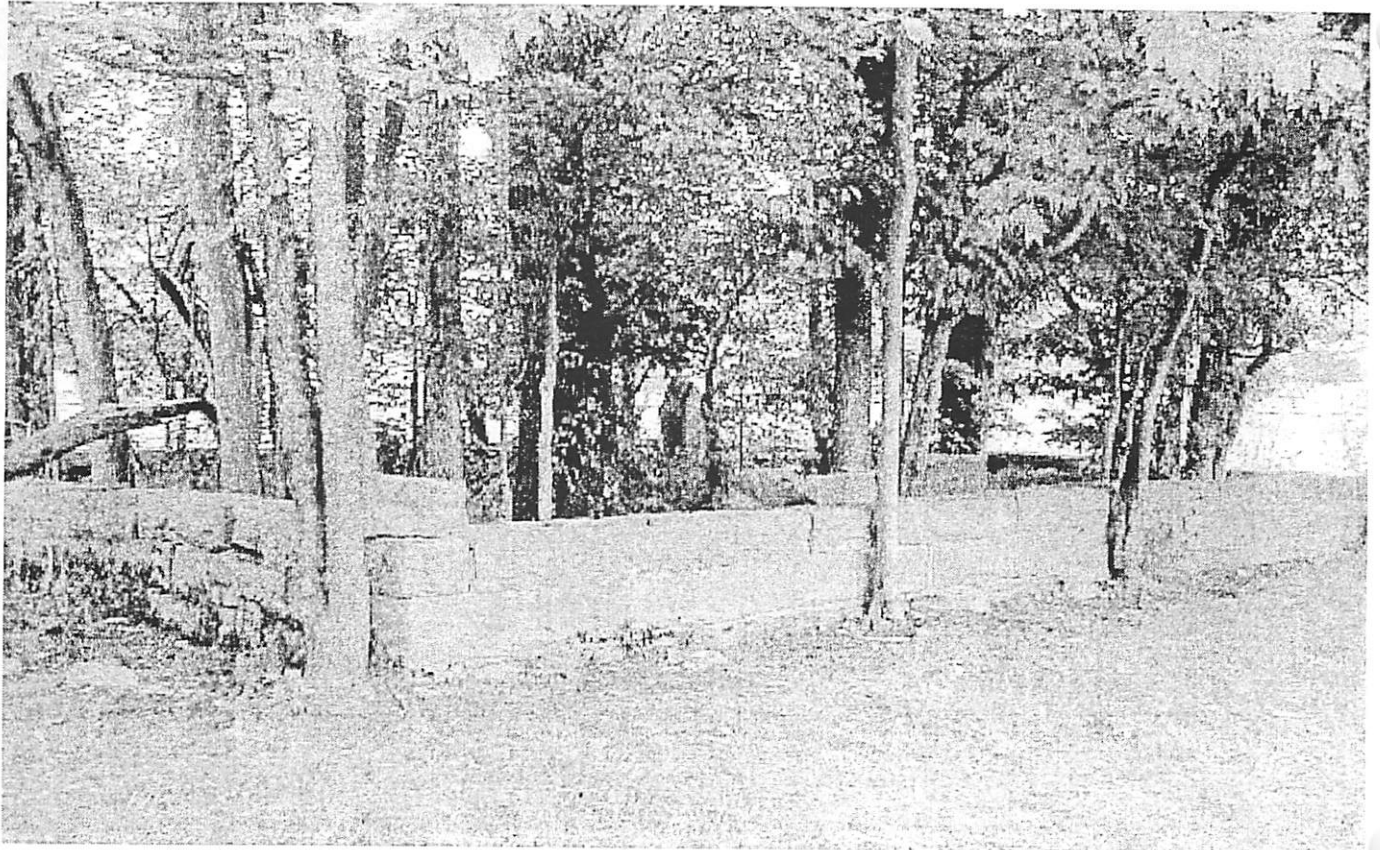


Figure 5. Seay Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee (photograph by John C. Waggoner, Jr.).

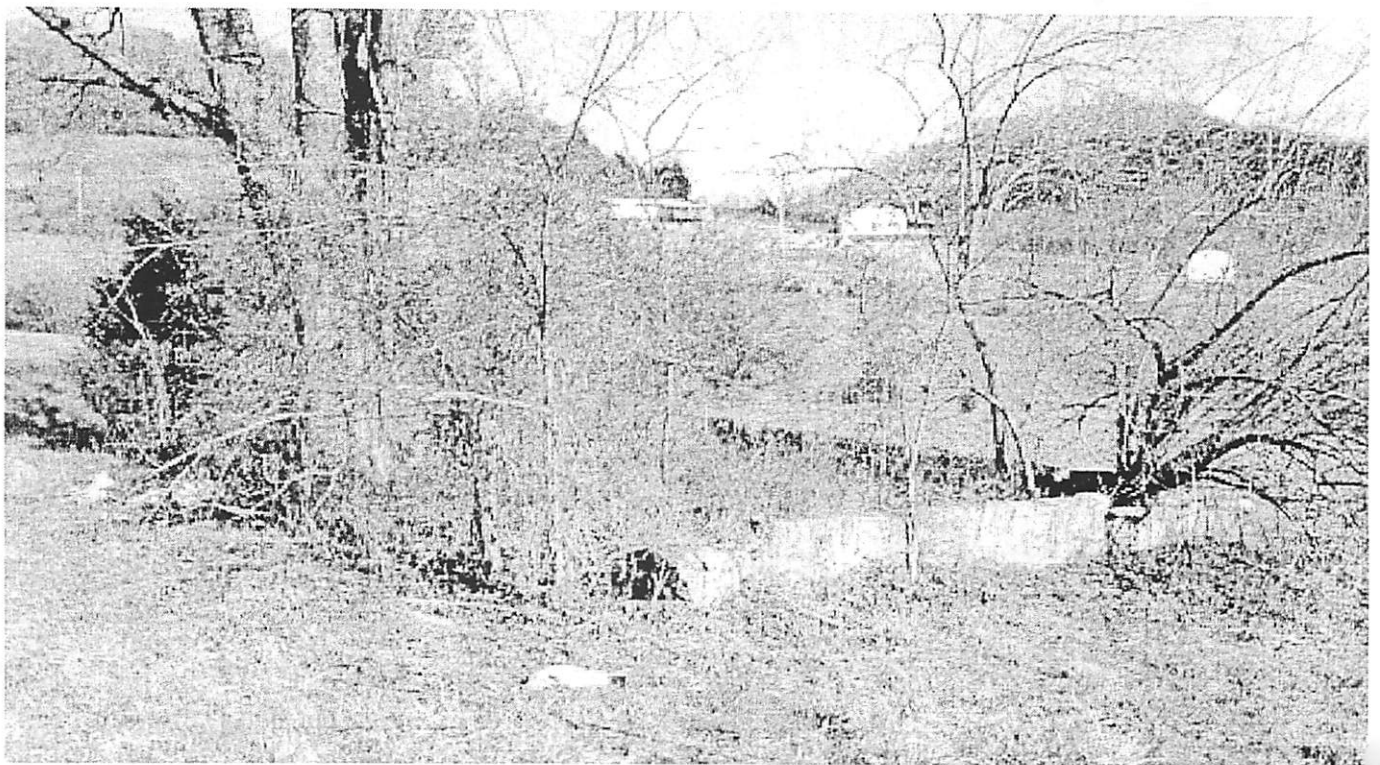


Figure 6. Sexton Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee (photograph by John C. Waggoner, Jr.).



Figure 7. West Cemetery, Smith County, Tennessee (photograph by John C. Waggoner, Jr.).

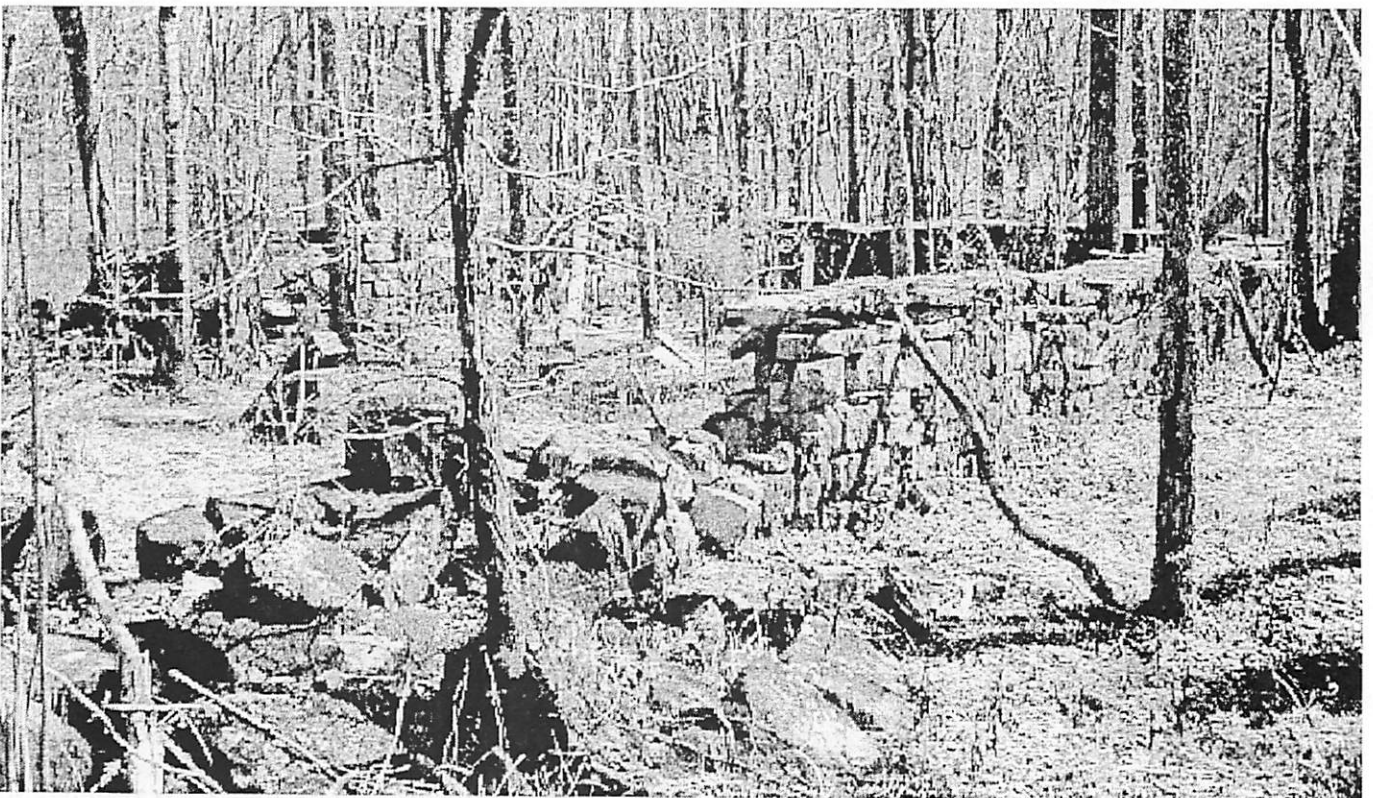
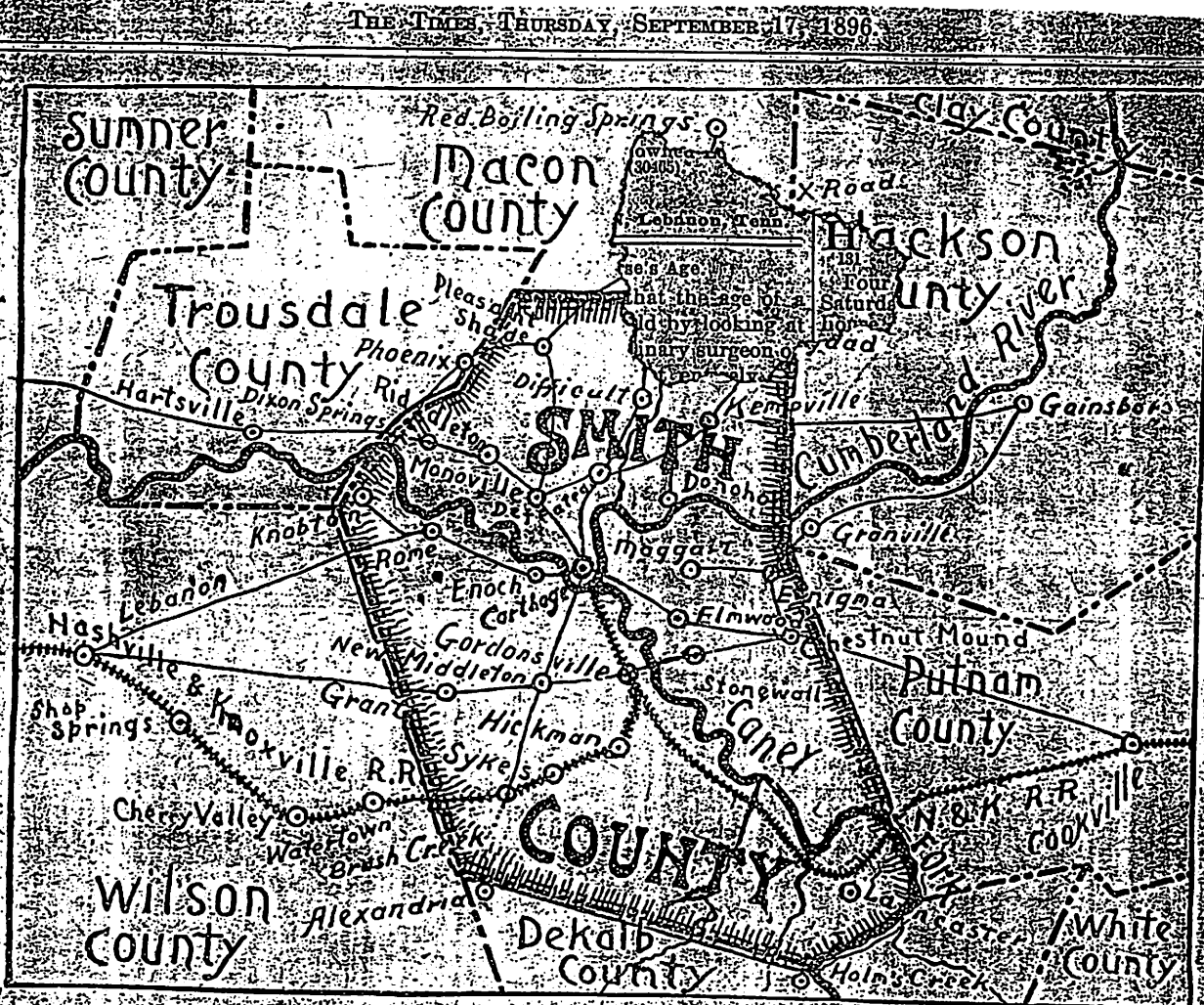


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CRISIS ON THE CANEY FORK - 1830

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The greatest natural assets of Smith County are its two rivers, the Cumberland and the Caney Fork. The Cumberland flows through the center dividing the county in half. The Caney Fork heads up above Sparta and flows northwesterly emptying into the Cumberland at Carthage. It divides the southern portion of the county into two sections. The majestic vista of the confluence of the two rivers is best envisioned through the words of Francis Bailey, a young Englishman touring America in 1797-1798: "The river here (Carthage) is one hundred seventy yards wide; and a ...stream called 'The Caney Fork' so called from the quantity of cane brakes on its banks...comes in....The prospect from the middle of the stream was delightful; you appeared in the centre of three grand rivers whose banks were everywhere formed of lofty eminences, towering over each other with a kind of majestic pride, and covered with verdure to their very summits."

Once the pioneer cleared his tract of land, built a home and began to enjoy some degree of prosperity, he began to seek a method of getting his surplus goods to market. The so-called "roads" and trails were far from adequate for simple travel much less for transporting produce so the rivers became the life-line of the area. Flat boats, keel boats and log rafts could easily float down the Caney Fork and Cumberland to Nashville, thence to distant markets.

This mode of transport also created industries in the county – it was easier to ship a keg of whiskey than a bulk of corn; salt pork and hides rather than an animal on the hoof, or molasses opposed to sugar cane. Hogsheads of tobacco was one of the farmer's chief money crops and exports.

On its long meander to the Cumberland, the picturesque little Caney Fork flowed through miles of remote, steep, rugged terrain. The inhabitants of the area were even more dependent on the stream for travel and transport than those along the Cumberland. The river was navigable for about sixty miles above its mouth when the water was high, but during the summer and periods of drought travel along the river was severely curtailed. Consequently, farmers had no method of getting their produce to market and the economy of the area suffered greatly.

By 1829, due to erosion and build-up of silt and debris, the Caney Fork had become virtually impassable for shipping goods. In an attempt to remedy the situation, on December 28, 1829, the Tennessee State Legislature issued the following Preamble prior

to passing "An Act to Authorize the Opening (sic) the Navigation of the Caney Fork of Cumberland River: Whereas it is of much importance to the welfare and prosperity of this state, that the Caney Fork of Cumberland river, should be rendered navigable, and thereby open a convenient and easy means of conveying the surplus produce of the country to market, and whereas the obstructions in said Caney Fork, render the navigation of the same difficult and unsafe, wherefore, and for the purpose of removing said obstructions, and in order to excite the industry and enterprise of the people residing in this state on the waters of said river.... (Chapter 150, Private Acts of Tennessee, 1829)

A board of managers to superintend the removal of obstruction was appointed by the legislature. Turner Lane, Richard Crowder, William C. Smartt, Haral Byars, William Allen, John Gordon, John B. Perkins, and Abner Lack composed the board and were empowered to make contracts for the purpose of opening the shoals and obstructions on the river. Both Abner Lack and John Gordon appear on the 1840 census for Smith County. John Gordon founded the town of Gordonsville about 1800 and much of his extensive land holdings lay on the Caney Fork in that area. Nothing more is known of the other board members.

The company contracted by the board to dredge the Caney Fork began work in mid-summer of 1830, commencing at the mouth of the river. As dredging of the stream bed progressed and organic wastes, rotting vegetation and decaying fish and animals were exposed to the blistering sun, inhabitants began to suffer from symptoms of "the fevers." The epidemic seemed to follow the course of the dredging so that those on either side of the river felt the effects of the illness that was confined mostly to areas south of the Cumberland.

Dr. William Brown Moores, born about 1806, practiced medicine in Smith County and studied under Dr. Sydney Smith for several years before completing a medical degree. He became a member of the Tennessee State Medical Society in 1831. Dr. Moores was the son of William and Elizabeth Hawkins Moores. He was married to Nancy Gordon in 1832. (*Nashville Banner & Nashville Daily Advertiser*, 5 Jan 1832) She was a daughter of John Gordon who was on the Management Board of the Caney Fork Navigation project. He was a brother-in-law to Dr. Francis H. Gordon, prominent Smith County educator, agriculturist and physician who married Rhoda Moores. Another sister, Amelia, married Dr. Samuel C. Bridgewater and yet another married Dr. John W. Bowen, noted historian of Smith County. (Smith County Chancery Court, Box 51, No. 2636). Dr. Moores' father owned considerable acreage along Mulherrin Creek, a major tributary of the Caney Fork. The Moores' homestead and most of the family resided in the affected area so Dr. Moores would certainly have had a personal as well as a professional interest in the epidemic.

Dr. Moores spent much time and effort studying the cause of the epidemic. In 1831 he presented to the faculty of the Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky, a 41-page doctoral dissertation entitled "An Inaugural Dissertation on a Remittent Fever which

Prevailed Epidemically in Smith County, Tennessee, in the Autumn of 1830.” As summed up by Dr. Corgan, in his presentation Dr. Moores suggested that rotting vegetation was the primary source of the toxins. Moores went on to explain how this illness impacted the organs of the body. He felt that the skin was the organ system most directly exposed to the pollutants. As toxins penetrate the skin, they react with the vital organs. His inference was that the human influences of a specific legislative act and river channel improvement impacted public health and is the heart of his dissertation. Dr. Moores was one of Tennessee’s early outspoken environmentalists.

In his paper, Dr. Moores lists the symptoms of complex fevers and suggest treatments, but like all physicians of the era, knowledge of medical drugs was limited. Dr. Moores’ basic medication included mercury and other metals mixed with organic compounds that contained aloe and rhubarb. However, the majority of the people probably had no access to any scientific medication and resorted to superstition and folk remedies.

Sometime after this period Dr. Moores and his wife, Nancy, left Smith County. In 1848 they were in Marengo County, Alabama. They later moved to Fairfield, Texas, where they owned a large cotton plantation. Their two children were a daughter, Alice, who married Dr. Ruben Adams of Fairfield and a son, William who married Julia Adams. Nancy Gordon Moores died in Fairfield in 1864. Dr. William Brown Moores died in Paducah, Kentucky, in 1867.

Little has changed in the almost two centuries since Dr. Moores sought relief from and explanation of the Caney Fork epidemic of 1830 – only the perspective! Medical science continues the research for remedies for incurable diseases. Although their importance as “highways” to foreign markets is outmoded, the Cumberland and Caney Fork rivers remain major assets of the county. Construction of the Cordell Hull and Center Hill dams, respectively, on the two streams, generate electric power with their giant turbines. Fishermen and water sport enthusiasts enjoy the beautiful lakes created by the dams. The reservoir of Center Hill lies in what is now Dekalb County, but the little river serenely meanders through Smith County on its flow to the Cumberland and is a peaceful haven for trout fishing, camping, and canoeing.

Unfortunately, there is to this day a “crisis on the Caney Fork – 2008.” Crumbling foundations and fissures in the base of Center Hill have given cause for alarm over the stability of the structure. Just as Dr. Moores applied all of his expertise to solving the problems of the crisis of 1830, so the experts and engineers of the Corps of Engineers will, hopefully, determine a remedy for the ills of Center Hill on the Caney Fork.

BLACKSMITH LEDGER
SMITH COUNTY, 1848

This faded old, neatly kept ledger is not identified by name, but, as exemplified by the entries, is obviously that of a black smith enterprise. Most of the entries are for shoes (horse shoes), and for sharpening and repair of tools and equipment that would have been used in a farm operation. A similar ledger, dated 1856, was published in Volume XVII, No. 4. Names familiar to the Smith County area are repeated and the same "smithy" may have been in business then, also. It is interesting that in some instances women were doing business in their own right. Presented here are representative entries from the 1848 ledger. The original is in the Smith County Archives.

SAMUEL PARROT	page 1	THOMAS SNODDY	page 14
1 new shoe.....	\$.25	1 stone hammer....	1.50
1 bull tong plow...	1.00		
Pointing plow.....	.32	CLABRON HALL	page .15
		1 bullet ladle.....	.25
A. G. PICKETT	page 2	HENRY VADEN	page 16
Mending stove pipe.....	.25	1 pair pot hooks.....	
1 hook for lantern.....	12 ½		
1 remove, 1 old shoe...	.15	HENRY GLOVER	page 21
Putting spoke bands		4 new shoes.....	1.00
on buggy.	1.50		
2 handles for flat iron.....	.50	SWAN THOMPSON	page 22
		Putting eye to grinding hoe...	.25
H. B. MCDONALD	page 3	WM. DUVALL	page 23
2 bands for cart.....	.50	2 brine hoops.....	1.75
Mending coffee mill....	.15	2 sets Sything irons.....	1.50
6 weeding hoes @.70...	4.20		
WINSTON PERRY	page 4	STEPHEN MANN	page 25 1
2 new links and mending		1 Basher plow.....	2.66 2/3
Hook for log chain.....	.30	Ax staple.....	.50
RUFUS PERRY	page 5	A. FERGUSON	page 26
1 wheel spindle..	.37 ½	Pointing plow with steal....	.62
1 pair gate hinges....	.75	1 Hoop on can.....	.37
ROBERT MANN	page 6	JOHN MINTON	page 28
1 turning shovel.....	.50	1 pipe for bellows.....	.50
20 bolts & taps.....	.26		
Cutting strap for mill..	.40	JOHN GLOVER	page 29
A. MOORE	page 9	Mending rib for cutting knife..	.12
1 hammer for shop..	3.55		

ALLEN & DOWDY	page 36	Making 2 hooks & spike for boat...	1.02
Fixing 6 bars for Windows			
HARDY SMITH	page 43	WILLY MCKINNEY	page 92
Putting clapper in bell.....	.23	Pointing plow.....	.32
W. STROTHER	page 50	ALETHA ALLEN	page 96
1 stone hammer.....	1.50	Mending crank for wheat fan..	.15
		1 band for buggy.....	.37
		Mending spring for buggy...	.50
JAMES WILLIAMS	page 52	JACOB WAGGONER	page 98
1 fishing gig.....	.20	2 legs on pot.....	.50
		2 links in log chain.....	.08
CHARLES BOLTON	page 55	JOHN VADEN	page 112
Putting bowl to bucket ladle...	.20	1 hook & spike.....	.62
JOHN CARTER	page 57	BETSEY STROTHER	page 121
Putting steal on mill pick.....	.75	4 new shoes.....	1.00
12 ½ doz. Nails.....	.12	GEORGE WAGGONER	page 122
LOGAN D. KEY	page 60	2 new shoes.....	.50
Making bull tong plow.....	.70	JEFFERSON BROWN	page 128
G. C. ALLEN	page 62	Feather spring for gun lock...	.25
1 lid for stove.....	1.00	W. B. CAMPBELL	page 154
ORVILLE GREEN	page 64	Ironing off wagon bed...	16.00
1 cutting knife.....	4.00	LEVI SQUIRES	page 167
THOMAS OVERSTREET	page 66	4 new shoes.....	1.00
Elbow for carryall.....	.45	JOHN HIGH	page 31
WM. H. HUBBARD	page 72	Mending 2 pot hooks.....	.15
1 fine shovel	.50	Putting steal in ax.....	.75
HARIOT GOODALL	page 77	TIMOTHEY WALTON	page 33
Putting leg in pot.....	.25	1 spike for boat.....	.50
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REMINISCES OF WILLIAM JESSE GREGORY

[Ed. Note: In the early 1930's the Major John D. Allen Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, Dixon Springs, sent letters to all living Confederate veterans requesting reminisces of their service during the Civil War. (See Volume XIX, No. 4, Volume XX, No. 1, for reminisces of J. C. Pritchard) In this article William Jesse Gregory relates in his own unedited words not only his experiences during the war but also genealogical data regarding his parents and his children. The original is on file in the Smith County Archives].

The Major John D. Allen Chapter, Dixon Springs

Dear Friends

I will write you a sketch of what happened when I was a Confederate soldier.

I was born Dec 25th 1842.

I enlisted on Peytons Creek in the spring of 1861. I enlisted under Capt. Hart and was sworn in at Nashville, then I was sent to Virginia. We took the measles and stayed at Milburn? Virginia and then to Bowling Green, Ky and joined the 24th Tenn Regiment. The regiment was ordered back to Nashville where I developed yellow jaundice and was sent to a hospital in Atlanta for two or three weeks before battle of Shiloh. My regiment was ordered to Corinth, Miss where I joined them as soon as able and found them as I got off the train cooking up rations for the battle Shiloh. I'd have missed this battle if had just stayed in the hospital a few days longer. For a while we was in tents just outside the town of Corinth, in Leonidas Polk's corps.

I saw Wm. Bates when he led his men in. He was riding a black horse. We were high. There was a little ravine. He came around to help us out. Our line wasn't so long as we envisaged and they were backfiring on us. Capt. Hart was our captain. He was there then. After that we had Capt. Erasters S. Hance of Defeated Creek.

We got to Shiloh Sunday morning April 6th, 1862. Went into battle and drove the enemy back under the bank of the Tenn. River, and then lost our general, Albert Sidney Johnson; and then Beauregard succeeded to the command and stopped everything until next morning. That night Buell came with more men and ran us back. I helped to carry the wounded into the tent hospital. It is true that amputated arms and legs were stacked up like cordwood, for I saw them. We went back to Corinth and from there to Tupelo, Miss.

I will give you the battles I was in: Franklin, Nashville, Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Marietta, Ga., Jonesboro at the night Atlanta, Georgia, Perryville, Ky. and Shiloh.

Bill Burford's company had in it Jacob and George Burrows, both killed at Franklin in the 8th Tenn. Regiment. They were in Cleborne Division. I was in Cheatham's. At the battle of Franklin I saw Cleborne fall from where I was.

We had an awful fight at Chickamauga around an old out house, a kind of old cabin.

At Murfreesboro there was a Lt. by my left side, a captain slightly to the left in front and a private soldier right in front of me. (Private Ed. Martin, Capt. Gwin from somewhere near Castalian Springs & Lt. Arnold). I was loading my gun. Ed Martin had got his gun loaded and walked by me to shoot. They all three fell quick as you can snap your fingers. I was left standing alone of the four of us charging then in a field and thicket with Ras Hance as our captain.

I surrendered at Greensboro, N. C. about the 6th of April, I think it was. Came afoot across the Blue Ridge to (I thought) Haynesville, Tenn on the railroad. Came by that to Murfreesboro. Had no money, of course, railroad brought us free. Capt. Bill Burford was with me. We got right off train at Murfreesboro and walked toward home. It rained hard. Cumberland River was all out of bounds. Joe Burrows was ferryman. His wife told us to wait till after dinner before Joe set us across. On this side, Bill Burford and I divided, he went down the river and I came up to get around the back water. I got home on the 22nd of May and went to work the 1st day of June and was married on the 13th of July 1865, to Martha Shoulders daughter of _____ (*Ed. Note: John Shoulders, 1850, Smith County Census*) Shoulders and Katie Boston. I bought the place I have lived on for something like forty years and raised 9 children.

Names of W. J. Gregory's children as given by him same day—

Orrie Jane md. Elijah Earps; John Bethel, dead; Eliza md. Henry Richmond (dead); Jim md. Janie Oldham; Howard md. Maud Kemp; Herschel md. Matilda Turner; Alice md. John Richmond; Altas md. --- Gregory.

My father was Bethel J. Gregory. My mother was Eliza Hall Gregory. Bethel Gregory's father was (Little) Bill Gregory, son of John Gregory who died in N. C. (family was from Chatham Co. N.C.) and Dilly Davis related to Bro. Rufus Davis. Her brother was Alford Davis.

Eliza Hall was daughter of Claiborne Hall from Virginia and Betsey Herod, sister to Dr. Peter Herod and daughter of Wm. Herod from Va. I have heard that Wm. Herod, Dr. Peter's father, was born on George Washington's place in Va.

Reminisces of Wm. Jesse Gregory "Uncle Jack"

JOURNALS OF K. C. TERRY

Continued from Volume XIX, No. 4

(Publication of Mr. Terry's diaries began with Volume XIX, No. 2, and continued in issues 3 and 4. The year for the first entry was incorrectly printed as 1920. That one and subsequent issues should read 1903.)

Thursday, Nov. 19, 1903. Cold and clear. Bridges, Flippen, Hallum killed hogs today. I stayed in store and fixed gun- \$2.15. 30 in shade.

Friday, Nov. 20. Cloudy and warmer. Nothing doing in store all day. Heard from Uncle Robt. doing no good. No idea when W. G. (W. G. Bransford, Mr. Terry's father-in-law) will come home. Mitchell paid for work today.

Sat. Nov. 21. In store. Went to Hickman fix Ashley telephone. Joe, Willie, Nell and Carmine are here tonight. Clear and warmer. Filed saw Bransford .25. Got scarf and shoes for Mattie but she don't like them of course.

Sunday, Nov. 22. Cloudy and warmer. Nell, Carmine and Dick gone home. Sam & Sis here this evening. Denton was buried yesterday. Ordered bobbins at .10 cts.

Monday, Nov. 23. Cloudy and smokey. Mattie and Gladys gone to Middleton. I bought 4 bbl. corn from Willie Wilkerson. Gave watch and 5.00. Everything very quiet. Wm. Baird fell off Dr. Crockets' house. Fixed watch for Robert Bradford, .25 cts.

Tuesday, Nov. 24. Clear and pleasant. Fix pistol for Fowler, 75 cts. Sam here tonight. Lon Johnson killed hogs.

Wednesday, Nov. 25. Snowed last night, first snow, ½ inch deep. Killed 3 hogs this morn, made keys to Sam Barrett's locks, 20 cts. Paid John Bridges .20, Will Whitley .20, Lucy Douglas .30 for help kill hogs. Sam Thomas off the track for trustee.

Thursday, Nov. 26. Cold and clear, ther. 23. Salted and trimmed my meat. Worked on watch tonight for self. Heard from Nash. Worse and worse, writing B?? tonight. Sent check to insurance for WGB for 8.00.

Friday, Nov. 27. Clear and cold, ther. 17 at sunup. Mattie and Rhoda at work on lard and sausage, me in store, fixed watch tonight for Jim D. Thomas, .50. Sam B. was here awhile tonight. Got his locks, Pd .20. Everything is election talk. So long.

Saturday, Nov. 28. Cloudy and warmer. Election day. Town full of people. Jim Cheek paid me 2.50 for band. Fowler got pistol .75. fixed Curtis' watch .50. Malone elected trustee, Dean elected sheriff.

Sunday, Nov. 29. Cool and cloudy. Sam and Alma here. I went to Brush Creek after WGB, back at noon. Swapped watches with Sam, got 1.75 to boot. Everything moving on very well. Jim Thomas paid 25 cts, Bro. Cliff preached at Baptist church today and night. 6 o'clock and a raining.

Monday, Nov. 30. Worked for Crockett, 1.25. Got Bobbins for Lucy Douglas cost .15, got .55. Cold and cloudy.

Tuesday, Dec. 1. Cloudy and warmer threatening snow. Worked on Crockett house, 1.25. Went to Masonic lecture tonight. Enjoyed it very much.

Wednesday, Dec. 2. Worked at Crockett's. Warmer and cloudy, rain expected.

Thursday, Dec. 3. Clear and warmer. Worked at Crockett's this morn, went to Grant col. this eve. Brought 1 bbl. Flour from Grant.

Friday, Dec. 4. Cloudy and cool, 32. Mattie, Gladys and I went to Gordonsville, Hickman collecting. Mattie and Gladys got shoes, 1.75 and 1.25. Home at night. Gladys wore furs first time today.

Saturday, Dec. 5. Clear and cool, 32. We all three went to Carthage. I got gloves cost 1.25, got tools, etc. home tonight. Opened first barrel of flour.

Sunday, Dec. 6. Clear and cooler, 22. We all went to Preaching, Bro. Vaden preached, back home rest of day.

Monday, Dec. 7. Clear and warmer, 32. Worked on our telephone. Got tools in shape to go to Grant. Mason came after his watch, 1.00. Sold saw clamp to Marshal Denney for .75.

Tuesday, Dec. 8. Cloudy and cool. Went to Grant to work on hearse bed, 1.50. Brought back 1 barrel flour. Hanett wanted me to work on Gainesboro lines.

Wednesday, Dec. 9. Worked at Grant. Cool and cloudy. Brought back 1 barrel of flour.

Thursday, Dec. 10. Cold and snow. Went to Grant to work.

Friday, Dec. 11. Cold. Up late didn't go to Grant. Went to Charlie Rollins and bought 80 telephone poles 20 ft. long hired him to put on road from Brush Creek to New Middleton at .50 cts. each. Went to Gordonsville on trouble this eve. .65 and .20.

Saturday, Dec. 12. Warmer and cloudy. Worked at Grant, rain tonight. Heard from Victor Bradford last night, died 4 or 5 days ago. Ordered spooler rubbers.

Sunday, Dec. 13. Cold and snow, 22. At home. WGB went to church. Sam sent watch to have fixed. Everything very quiet, no one here today.

Monday, Dec. 14. Killed 2 hogs this morn, cost to kill 30 cents. Fixed watch for Babe Smith .50 cts, fixed watch for Sam Barrett,.50 cts. Cold and clear, 20 this morn. Victor Bradford was buried this eve.

Tuesday, Dec. 15. Worked at Grant today. WGB salted my meat, Aunt Mandy made lard, charged 45 cents. Fixed watch tonight. Coldest morn yet, 16.

Wednesday, Dec. 16. Worked at Grant today. Finished bed all but painting. Clear and warmer. Worked on watch tonight.

Thursday, Dec. 17. Clear and warmer. Began my telephone line, dug 11 holes today, fixed watch at dinner, Bill Johnson eat dinner here.

Friday, Dec. 18. Ordered transmitters and receivers from Elkhart, Ind. Dug holes on telephone line, dug 9 holes. At Lodge tonight. Elected K. R. S. Mose Atwood of Grant buried today.

Saturday, Dec. 19. Rained all day long without ceasing. I worked in shop, fixed gun for John Paris, gun for Jess Taylor, ruffler for Will Scudder .20.

Sunday, Dec. 20. Cold, cloudy, snowing and raining. At home. Richardson sick. Mattie and W. G. not here. Posted books, wrote letters, etc. W.G. at Sam Thomas rest at hme. Clear and warm.

Monday, Dec. 21. Up early, went to Gordonsville after tools. Will Whitley and me worked on line. Clear and pleasant. Sent checks to insurance co. orders to Barbee, dug 20 holes today.

Tuesday, Dec. 22. Dug holes and set 45 poles. Will Mc, Will Whitley and Joe Serm. helped me. Leslie Gill, Will and Tom came home.

Wednesday, Dec. 23. Warmer and clear. Went to Middleton, got meal, .30 and lumber .10 back and made Pike Pole and buggy fixed. 2 watches 1.00-50.

Thursday, Dec. 24. Cloudy and raining. Bought 2 pigs from Hord Kitchens, cost 3.00. In store all day. Sam and Alma here tonight. (Barrett, Alma is Mattie's sister) I worked on watch tonight. Gladys carried away over Santa Claus.

Friday, Dec. 25. Raining this morn. I went to Carthage got telephone things. Everything drunk there. Sis went home sick. A very pretty day after all and a dull Xmas. Got telephone from Bud. Pa very sick. (*K. C.'s father, Dooly Pate Terry*).

Saturday, Dec. 26. Went to Grant. Pa very low. Telephoned Bob and Ed, can't live long. Cold and cloudy ther 9 at sunrise. With Pa all day, very low.

Sunday, Dec. 27. Cool and clear. Pa died this morn at 12:30, very easy and ready to go. Bob to sick to come. Ed and Sis got here 1 hour after he died. Was buried at 4 o'clock this eve. Bro John T. Oakley made a few pointed remarks. Mr. Jim Seagroves of Lebanon Funeral Director. All children at burying but Bob.

Monday, Dec. 28. Warmer and clear. Nothing doing.

Tuesday, Dec. 29. Worked on line, 3 hands helping me. Dug 22 holes, set 21 poles. Clear and cool.

Wednesday, Dec. 30. Clear and cool. Worked on line 3 other hands. Got all holes but 2 and all poles in but 4, clear fine day.

Thursday, Dec. 31. Clear and warm. Worked on line, trimmed nailed on brockets, shot 2 holes set 2 poles, 1 hand with me. All poles set but 2. Mattie, Gladys and Rossie spent the day at Sis's. Monroe Denney got his watch.

BEGINS NEW YEAR, 1904.

Friday, Jan 1, 1904. Stretched wire today, my line. Got to Carthage. Will Whitley and Frank Kirby helped me. Cloudy and some rain, rain tonight.

Saturday, Jan. 2. Raining and turning very cold. Went to Brush Creek, got transmitters and receivers, wired up telephones. Bought ground rods, cost .20.

Sunday, Jan 3. Clear and cold, 10. At home all day. John Parker and R. C. Richardson was here this eve. Worked on semiannual report. Talked to Sam Hewitt over my new telephone.

Monday, Jan 4. Cloudy and cold. Put in telephone here and at Stevens and Carpenters, fixed watch for Hunt 1.00. Sold pump to Shine for 35. Ordered repairs for watches. Wrote to Bud.

Tuesday, Jan. 5. Clear and cold. Filed saw for Joe Alison 25. Worked on line put in telephone at Brush Creek. Bob Johnson moved from Nashville today. Mattie went to see Mrs. Kitchens.

Wednesday, Jan 6. Cool and cloudy. Finished stringing wire to Brush Creek. Will Whitley helped me. Rain tonight and sleet.

Thursday, Jan. 7. Cloudy and warmer. Put telephones to work on my line. Changed Dr. Crockett's telephone, 1.00. Fixed glass on Babe Smith watch.

Friday, Jan. 8. Clear and cool. Went to Gor., Hickman and Grant collecting.

Saturday, Jan. 9. Clear and warmer. Carried W. G. to Brush Creek to go to Nashville. Back in store, fixed clock .25, watch .45, serving on a chime 50.

Sunday, Jan 10. Clear and warmer. Sam Hewitt here for dinner. Everything settled. Sam and Sis come this eve. Gladys not very well.

Monday, Jan 11. Cloudy and threatening rain. In store all day, very dull. Order things from E&J, wrote to Frank Bradford, wrote to Western Electric Co. Gladys some better

Tuesday, Jan 12. Cloudy and raining. W. G. come home. Dr. Crockett here tonight to see Gladys.

Wednesday, Jan. 13. Snowing to beat the band. Worked on watch for Jim Jacobs 1.50. 1 for Clarence Neal 1.50. Gladys still sick.

Thursday, Jan 14. Cold and clear. I paid my taxes, 5.75. Williams paid rent note for last year and signed 1 for this year. Bought carpet for buggy, fixed watch for Jim Thomas, 1.25. Hung meat. Sold shot gun to Griff Crockett for 6.50 cash.

Friday, Jan 15. Clear and warmer. In store all day. WGB gone to Carthage. Done some work in shop. Frank Jeffries carrier on R.F.D. no. 1 made first trip today. At lodge tonight, officers installed.

Saturday, Jan. 16. Cloudy and warmer and rain.

Sunday, Jan. 17. Clear and cool. All went to preaching, Eastes last day. To Sam & Alma's for dinner. Dr. Jim Wilson of Rome buried today.

Monday, Jan. 18. Clear and cool. Worked on watches most all day. Mattie and Gladys went to Lower Town.

Tuesday, Jan. 19. Clear and warmer. Went to Grant, worked on hearse. Cloudy and threatening rain tonight. Mattie put in quilt.

Wednesday, Jan. 20. Warm and cloudy. Mattie had a quilting. Got out her quilt. 10 girls here. I fixed glasses for Dock Allen 25 cts. Filed saw for Ma 5 cts.

Thursday, Jan. 21. Cloudy, windy and raining. Went to Grant, painting hearse, sec. coat.

Friday, Jan. 22. Cloudy, windy and warmer. Cleaned watch for Geo. Courtney, .50 cts. Went and repaired central line, heavy wind last night blowed down houses, trees, etc. Rain tonight and colder.

Saturday, Jan. 23. Cold and cloudy. Varnished telephone, worked on watches. Rossie here. Watch repairs come. Ordered Guitar for 4.25, Sears, Roebuck Co.

Sunday, Jan. 24. Clear and cloudy. At home all day. Sam and Alma here. Very little doing.

Monday, Jan. 25. Clear and windy. Went to Grant worked on hearse. Jim Cato of Rome was buried today. Bob sick.

Tuesday, Jan. 26. Cold and windy, 10. Fixed in oak telephone, fixed watch and glasses telephoned to Bob, doing no good.

Wednesday, Jan 27. Cold and clear. Went to Double Springs to see Bob, found him very low but better than I expected.

Thursday, Jan. 28. Warmer and snowing. Spent the day with Bob, some little better today. Came home this eve. Got here at 6:30. Got bill from telephone, talking 10 cts.

DIARY OF THOMAS FULLER
COMPANY E, 2nd TENNESSEE CAVALRY
NOVEMBER 27, 1861 – JUNE 30, 1865

Continued from Volume XIX, No. 2

(Thomas Fuller was born 21 April 1830, died 1 July 1917, married to Elizabeth Gill. He was captured in April 1864 and spent several months in the Union prison at Fort Delaware. After his return home in 1865, he spent the remainder of his life in the Fuller Hollow near Brush Creek, Tennessee. This series began with Volume X, No. 3).

April 1, 1864. Orders for all men to go on the yard this eve the roll that was made preparatory to us leaving some three weeks since, was called and other names substituted for those who have died and who are sick, the Prison Provost and Clerk superintendent, the Medical Surgeon examining some so anxious to leave that they got up and came out of Hospital to answer to their names.

April 2, 1864. Everything calm about here to day rumors are that we leave on 5 for the East. Boys in high spirits and anxious for the trip a large amount of commissaries have been hauled in this eve supposed to be for use of those who are gong to leave, bacon and hard bread will be the fare.

April 3, 1864. The Butler's store has been opened to day, notice given to be ready to leave tomorrow at an early hour-wrote a letter to Bettie Kent letters were called in evening late.

April 4, 1864. On last night the bars across one of the windows of the Pen. were cut out and Henderson escaped for about the 8th time after roll call we were ordered to fall into line we went out and were searched and seated in the cars – near 1 P.M. the train moved from Alton and one of the guards fell off and was killed dead.

April 5, 1864. We got to Terre Haute, Ind before day this morning and lay over a few hours – reached the Capital near the middle of the day – changed Cars and left near sundown – fine country around here. Population 40,000, this is about 75 miles from Terre Haute one man escaped last night.

April 6, 1864. Got into Ohio late night at 12, passed over some rough road passed through Quincy, Sidney, Bellfontaine, Marion, nice as to the country, Caledonia and Gallion, Crestline, changed cars at the latter, left 3 P, M. run rapidly, Mansfield.

April 7, 1864. Reached Pittsburg before day passed through Town and changed cars, saw the Iron works, got sight of the mountain, passed through a number of Tunnels, poor

looking country. "The Switzerland of America," Allegany Mts. On one side, river on the other of the road. Snow – the Juniator river rocks, delightful scenery. Harrisburg.

April 8, 1864. Enter Phil. At an early hour, city 12 miles by 10, strange looking women, Veteran Yankee Soldiers look fancy as to their dress, saw the first sail boats, the waters edge were lined there, about 2 P. M. we went aboard a Boat and left in a Southern direction for "Fort Delaware," not out of sight of land at any time.

April 9, 1864. Have sound acquaintances that I made at Alton, a large fort on this Island – a number of Guns are mounted a low flat place every states troops are quartered to themselves but all eat together or in the same dining Hall, a continual sea breeze on Delaware Bay.

April 10, 1864. Some four thousand & rise, the number of prisoners eat two meals per day, rain fell last night & wind blew cold, this morning three Prisoners were shot by the Sentinel for very slight violation of an order – found an old Schoolmate today, Davis, belonging to 4 Tenn Cav. Had an interesting time with him, more news of exchange agoing today.

April 11, 1864. The Fort on this Island is said to have been built 12 years a levy thrown up to keep from overflowing, a ditch is dug on the inside & it filled with water, the whole island can be overflowed in a short time. Some C.S. officers here but they are separate from the privates. Wrote a letter to Miss L.T.M. Several Schooners in Bay.

April 12, 1864. The city of Philadelphia is said to be 1100 miles from Alton, Ill – a beautiful day this – weather very much given to change, every other day we have rain, vessels are sailing on the water in the Bay – beautiful scenery – Brigs – Schooners.

April 13, 1864. A rainy day this, wind from the North, no fires to warm us blankets are scares; only eat twice per day, have soup, Irish potatoes, and hard crackers, composed the dinner without plates, knives or forks, a tin cup is the only table furniture or ware we have, they look if they had been lost for half a year. Some 200 or 300 stay in a room.

April 14, 1864. This morning a Yankee was found dead, said to have drowned, the tide had floated him out on land at the edge of the Bay – a number of Confed prisoners have applied to take the oath – the Feds cause them to work – pull a large cart – hawl rocks, building a walkway- these men go by the name – galvanized.

April 15, 1864. In consequence of some disorderly persons eating twice, we all had to stay in rear of the dining room on a little spot of land called Hell's half acre, till all get through eating which fills up about 3 hours or near that time. Today pleasant – cool.

April 16, 1864. Today I wrote a letter home directing to Carthage in care of Davy Sanders – wind blows cool this afternoon- news of Gen. Forrest's capturing Fort Pillow

on the Miss. River with the negro garrison has been received. The Feds put it up as a most inhuman butchery; they neither respected nor rank slew some 400.

April 17, 1864. A beautiful clear day till in the evening some little rain – Inspectors came round to the quarters this morning. The Reg's that are guarding are from the States of MD and Penn. Lt. W. O. Wolf, P. Provost, Gen Scheoph coming, he is said to be a german and to have a great number of the same nation about him.

April 18, 1864. Nothing of any importance took place to day, all hands are anxiously awaiting to be exchanged, in order to get out of prison and to get off from this cold island and get where they can enjoy life and some of the comforts thereof and not be subject to Yankee rule.

April 19, 1864. Everything quiet all about sundown one prisoner without any just provocation, stabbed another in the back and give him a severe cut in the wrist, considerable excitement, it took place in 3 Division. The papers are making heavy complaints against Forrest's men for their treatment of negro troops at Fort Pillow.

April 20, 1864. An excitement got up this evening about the sick and wounded prisoners leaving. The names of such have been taken, some are very much elated at the prospect of an early exchange – I wrote a letter today to Tenn. Directed to my brother, found an old acquaintance (to wit) Mr. Averitt from Hartsville, Tenn. Was captured in June last in Wilson cty. Tenn.

April 21, 1864. News is today that the Feds have been defeated near Shreveport, La. They acknowledge a loss of 2000 and of a fine Battery from Chicago, Ill. Their Cav. was completely routed, a nice clear day this, it being the writers birth day.

April 22, 1864. Went out to the Boat landing this evening, took another view of the Fort, saw a beautiful place, residence, men at work around the fort building an outside wall some 20 feet from the main building, water between the wall and fort, building of gray looking rock, dress parade, 2 Regs guards are numerous.

April 23, 1864. A very pleasant day, boys are gay and cheerful this evening wrote a note to Col. W. W. Ward, a prisoner here but in other Barricks, left the note at the P. P. Marshal's office. Col. W. is from Smith Cty., Tenn was with Morgan on the expedition into O. when captured, remained in the Pen, Columbus, Ohio.

April 24, 1864. This morning Saml. Harrison, a Tennessean fell when coming off his Bunk, striking his arm against a plank set up edge wise, broke it and his arm. Saw Col. Ward at the Marshal's office today had an interesting time, talking over times that have past and other subjects also.

April 25, 1864. Today some rain fell, making it quite wet and plenty of water on the yard, some news today of the capture of Plymouth, N. Carolina by our forces, the Roanoke River being open to our forces, the Feds making some threats against the Rebel ram that has proved so disastrous to their arms or Gun boats on the coast.

April 26, 1864. Have been suffering some today with a rising inside my mouth my jaw swollen pains me to eat feel quite unwell. News states that about 2500 men were surrendered to our forces at Plymouth, active preparations going on in Virginia between Gens. Lee and Grant for a grand move, and perhaps some hard fighting.

April 27, 1864. Quite warm till evening then turned cool after a shower of rain this morning the Prisoners were marched out and their quarters scoured by some left back for that purpose – we went down near hospital – grassy.

April 28, 1864. Cool all last night and today also. The wind is very high the water is quite rough – have been out of fix as to my teeth for some days past with great difficulty that I labor as to my eating food, is quite a slow process, have no money to buy little nourishments at this particular time – hope things may result different.

April 29, 1864. All prisoners were ordered out today on the greensward to remain while our quarters were being whitewashed this is the warmest day we have had this spring but remarkably cool nights and near the hour for dinner we came inside our guards are the ones that keep us from transcending certain lists.

April 30, 1864. Today I wrote a letter to Jas. Gill and Lady in Tenn directing to Gallatin in care of Geo. Dillard some news in circulation relative to an exchange of prisoners, but we have rumors among us so often that we have cause to disbelieve almost anything we hear.

May 1, 1864. The day has passed away very monotonous, quite cool and cloudy very unlike the weather we are accustomed to in the “Sunny South,” this place a great deal further to the northeast than any I was ever at before, seems to be very cold and quite changeable as to the weather. Sail boats are very numerous to day in the bay – can be seen at any time.

May 2, 1864. This morning the good Sergeant “Hackout” as he is called had us to go out on the green grass again and stay several hours, returned in time for dinner at the regular time many remarks are always made as to the motive of taking us out and the work hands generally work in the quarters when we are out from the whereabouts of the same.

May 3, 1864. On last night there was some lightning and heavy Thunder and rain today the wind has blown remarkably cool, cloudy also – I remained in my quarters a greater portion of the time through day, wrote a letter to Miss A. M. Louisville, Ky, wrote for two men to day they not being scribes.

May 4, 1864. Very pleasant today, sunshines bright – no news of any importance, the Yanks still speak in the most bitter terms against the Rebel Gen. Forrest on account of the Fort Pillow massacre as they term it and speak of retaliating by not taking any prisoners from F's command, when met on the field of Battle.

May 5, 1864. We had remarkable late breakfast today, after that we were ordered out on the arena, a nice warm day fine growing weather; saw some females, some looks as if they were young; and others more advanced in years, they look finely dressed and as if they were quite pleasant.

May 6, 1864. News of an expected fight in Va. The eyes of the whole world seems to be directed to this place to learn the moves of the two armies, hard fighting will perhaps come off soon.

May 7, 1864. There are two Divisions of prisoners 1 and 2 called ""Calvanized"" 1 is for the oath 2 is the work hands that clean off the yard – whitewash and do all the dirty work to get three meals per day they pull a large cart – hawl rock for pavement and are hooted at and called a variety of names. These poor fellows have to bear for no other reason than they can't help it.

May 8, 1864. News has reached us that Col. C. R. Barteau is dead – intelligence came to Hartsville, Tenn then the same written to James Averitt – Prisoner at Fort Delaware – through him I received the sad news of the loss of a Gallant Commander, one that was highly respected by his officers and privates and the communities that had made his acquaintance.

May 9, 1864. Philadelphia Inquiror of today gives some conflicting statements of the battles, Gens. Lee and Grant on the 4 and 5, it seems to know nothing definite, asserts strongly that Grant is the hero and then gives it as doubtful.

May 10, 1864. Papers say the fight in Va. Has been going on as late as Friday the Yanks are looking a little down cast today, doubled the guard in the Prison – they claim a victory and acknowledge the loss of great many officers and men. Gen. Seymour among the captured they copy Gen. Lee's report. Gen. L says his men have repulsed the enemy at various points.

May 11, 1864. Went out all of the prisoners on the ground where they are in the habit of taking us, and when turned back were searched and some had nearly all of their wearing clothes taken from them. Rumors are in circulation that a different paper from that we've had states that the yanks are badly beaten fighting up to the 9th – great loss.

May 12, 1864. Today's paper the yanks acknowledge a loss of 40,000 and the following Gens. Killed – Sedgwick, Wadsworth, Hays and Rice – wounded Bartlett, Getty, Morris,

Robinson, Baxter, missing Seymore, Shaler they report 4,000 prisoners in their possession and have ? all the time Rebs retreating.

May 13, 1864. Gen. Jones C.S.A. is reported killed. Feds say the guerillas are so numerous in their rear they can not leave their wounded to make an advance. Gen Sedwick's body being sent back under flag of Truce, all their dispatches have been dated at or near Spottsylvania Court House, which is said to be 60 miles from Richmond. They say these lack confirmation.

May 14, 1864. The most reliable papers say the last fighting was very destructive of life but if any advantage in position Gen. Lee had it, the Federals are still near the same place, matter in the Trans Miss Department are working to the favor of the C.S. Soldiers. The authorities here would not let us have papers till near the close of the day. Prisoners are hopeful.

May 15, 1864. Today being Sunday and a very wet time from the recent rains, we have no late news from the recent fights, are taking things in as mild a mood as possible, preparations are being made to receive more prisoners we are not apprised as from what point they will come.

May 16, 1864. Today's Phil Enquiror has conflicting rumors from Correspondents it contains Gen. Mead's report of May 13 that he had taken 18 guns, 22 colors, 8000 prisoners including two Gen officers; the paper speaks of an attack on A. P. Hill C.S. by Burnside US. and of the latter's terrible heavy loss, in killed wounded and prisoners.

May 17, 1864. Some prisoners were admitted to the island today seven privates ? officers and one private from the 7 Tenn Cav. Brings encouraging news from the battlefields, previous to his capture and since then also reports the "C S army in a good condition as respects food and clothing, Confed money standing fair, food at a tolerable rate.

May 18, 1864. Received a letter and Ten dollars today, was from home, news is today that Gen Grant has fallen back to Stafford Heights, north of the Rappahanock river, Gen. Seigel has been badly used up by Gen. Breckinridge, correspondents are confessing their error or their sins for lying.

May 19, 1864. Gen Grant is said to be receiving heavy reinforcements, it is said in the Fed papers (we get no others) that Maj. Gen. J.E.B. Stuart C.S.A. was killed when Gen Sheridan made his raid towards Richmond. Grant is calling on the U.S. to sustain him, to furnish him men and rations to complete his bloody invasion, seems not to regard his loss.

TO BE CONTINUED.

QUERIES

GIVENS, MARTIN, MARMON. LAMUEL "BROCKETT" MARTIN was born 7 Apr 1875, in Smith County, TN. He died 6 Nov 1910 in Pleasant Hill, Cumberland County, TN. He is listed on the 1880 Smith County Census as LEMUEL B. GIVENS, living in household of MOSES GIVENS 22 and his wife MARTHA E. (MARTIN) GIVENS 25, LEMUEL B. 5 and LEONA 2. Also in the household is MARY MARTIN 46, mother of MARTHA E. and the widow of JESSE S. MARTIN, and MARY'S son, WILLIAM E. 15. There is also in this household ELLEN KEMP 45 widowed and her daughter ELLA KEMP 16.

MOSES GIVENS and MARTHA E. MARTIN married 1 Jul 1877 (over two years after LEMUEL was born). Was LEMUEL BROCKETT MARTIN the son of MARTHA or MARY MARTIN, widow of JESSE S. MARTIN?

The same LEMUEL BROCKETT MARTIN married BELLE MARMON of Dixon Springs, Smith County, 14 Sept 1894, and both are listed in 1900 Macon County Census along with their dau ALTA MAE MARTIN 2. Would appreciate any help with this family. PEGGY MARTIN BLUE, 934 SCHAEFERS LANE, GRANTS PASS, OR 97526. EMAIL: TRUBLUE1155@BUDGET.NET

BRENT, JOHN. B in VA, Revolutionary soldier, went to NC the TN, died in Smith Co 21 Jul 1833. Need information on parent's of JOHN and where in VA he was born. JOHN and JANE had 6 children: SAMUEL b 1799, Stokes Co NC marr BERSHABY, NANCY, FRANKY, ELIZABETH marr THOMAS HALL, SUSANNAH marr Unknown HALL, and POLLY. Samuel and his family lived near Smithville, Tn. Can't find a death record for him and BERSHABY. Appreciate any help.
LORETTA MCDONALD, 1007 BROADMOOR DR., NAPA, CA 94558

BRADLEY, BENJAMIN, lived 17TH District, Smith Co., died intestate at age 33. B 22 Mar 1806, D 6 Aug 1839, marr FRANCES LANCASTER, d/o WILLIAM ALLEN LANCASTER, both buried in Woodson Cem. On land belonging to son-in-law JOHN WOODSON. MRS. O. S. COLLINS, BOX 217, BELLS, TEXAS 75414

MCCRARY/MCCREARY; MASSEY; DICKENS; BUSH. Not sure which family marr into McCrary/McCreary by marrying JAMES A. MCCREARY.
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GARRISON, JAMES, (b ca 1799) and BENJAMIN GARRISON (b ca 1790), according to census both born in VA. 11 August 1817, they purchased land from JAMES COATS on Hickman Ck in Smith Co. Were they brothers and who were their parents?
JOYCE SHEPHERD, 33 Madison St., Bedford, IN 47421
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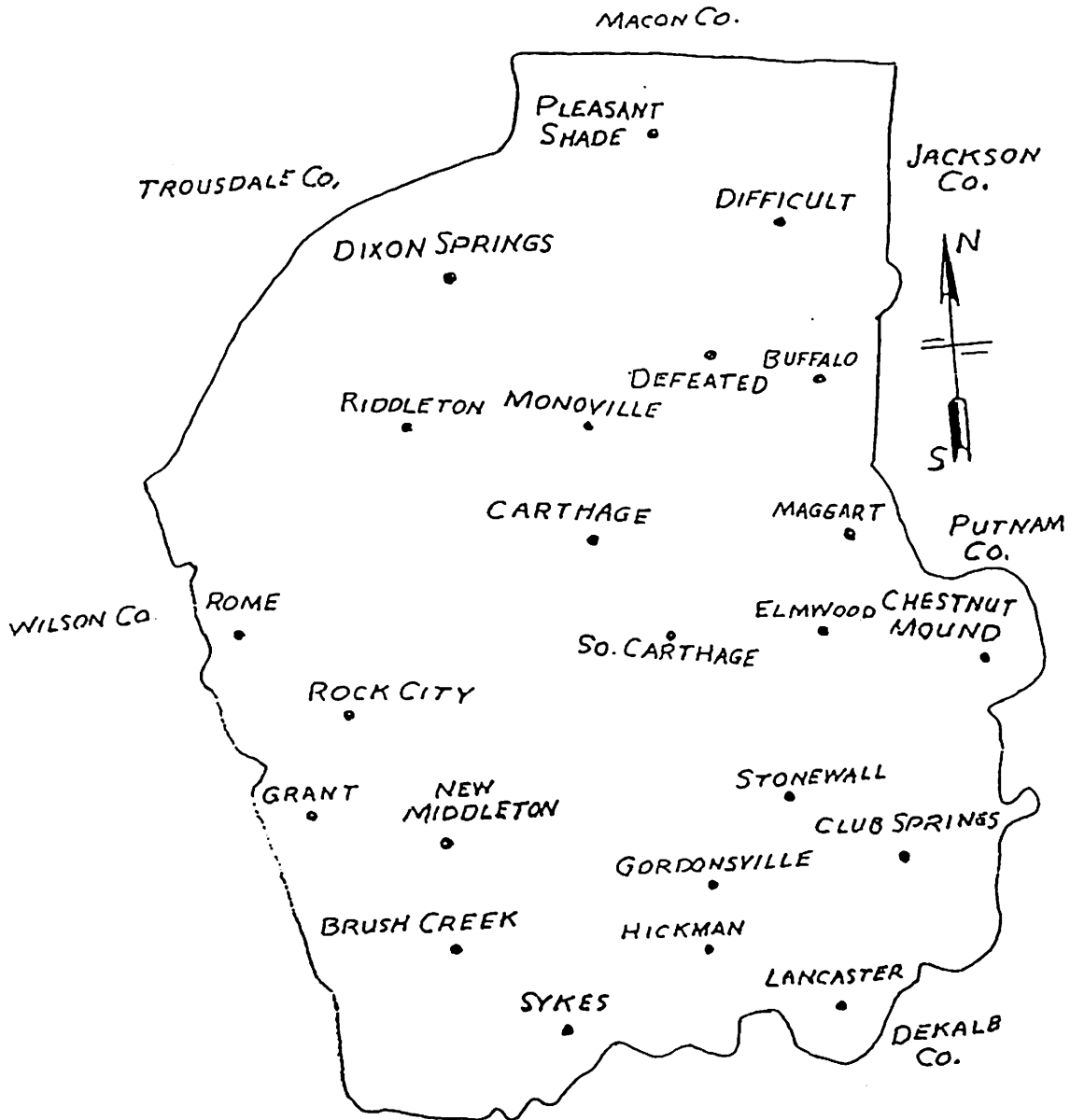
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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

This has been a good year for the Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society, but we are looking forward to a summer of leisure. The cool recesses of libraries and museums beckon us to explore new ancestor records and artifacts.

Interesting programs for this year include a presentation given in April by Dr. Kevin Smith. Dr. Smith, speaking before a record attendance, spoke on his archaeological exploration in the Dixon Springs area on an intriguing Indian site of the Mississippian era. Many items from the site are now housed in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C.

At the May and June meetings members and guests were invited to participate in oral history tapings of memories of the past.

Have a good summer.



Sue Maggart-Petty
Editor

PAPERMAKING: AN EARLY INDUSTRY IN SMITH COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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ABSTRACT. Despite being one of the earliest industrial facilities of its kind in the state of Tennessee, the paper mill constructed by William Moore in 1811 to furnish the paper needed for the publication of the *Carthage Gazette*, the town's first newspaper, has remained virtually unknown. This article briefly examines the life of William Moore and the newspaper and mill he established. Available information suggests (but does not confirm) that the paper mill was located along Mulherrin Creek in the southern portion of Smith County and was in operation no later than 1825.

Papermaking remains one of the least known of the indispensable early trades developed in Tennessee in the years immediately following statehood. In the era prior to the introduction of automated papermaking equipment in the 1830s (using a large and complex machine called a *Fordrinier* – a device invented in France and later perfected in England) the art and craft of making paper in the early years of the nineteenth century was little changed from the techniques practiced in Europe since at least as early as the sixteenth century (Figures 1, 2, and 3). In general terms, this process involved washing the rags, thoroughly shredding the cloth, suspending the resultant fibers in water, adding various chemicals to the mixture to better bind the cloth fibers and produce a brighter paper, and painstakingly dipping the mixture and draining the excess water in a device called a *deckle* – a wooden frame with a fine wire mesh bottom – to form one sheet at a time. After being formed, it was necessary to press the sheets between layers of felt and individually hang them to dry. Not infrequently, women were hired to remove the buttons and initially cut the rags into smaller pieces prior to mechanical shredding (Figure 4). This slow – up to three weeks from start to finish – and labor intensive process is described in greater detail in sources such as Diderot (1763:Plates 359-368), Hunter (1978), Stockham (1807:54-60), and Sutermeister (1954).

Dependent upon the size of the sheets produced (ranging from book and letter sized to newsprint) and the experience of the workman, a good day's production was about 500 sheets of paper. It is little wonder that paper was both scarce and dear in light of the time and effort it took to produce it. A vestige of these early paper making methods is preserved in the modern manufacture of so-called rag (cotton) content paper noted for its archival longevity. In marked contrast to modern paper routinely manufactured from chemically treated wood pulp, rag content paper remained the industry standard in the United States until the early 1860s.

Smith County, Tennessee, has the distinction of being the site of one of the earliest known paper mills in the state.¹ As noted by paper historian Dard Hunter (1978:535-536):

The date of the establishment of the first paper mill in Tennessee has not been definitely determined, but the following enlightening advertisement appeared in the March 11, 1811 issue of the *Carthage Gazette*: "The subscriber informs his fellow citizens that his paper-mill is now in operation. He will give three cents per pound for linen and cotton rags, delivered at his printing office or at the paper mill." The owner of the mill was probably William Moore², publisher of the

¹ Historically, the first paper mill in America was constructed by William Rittinghuysen (Rittenhouse; 1644-1708), a Mennonite and native of Germany, near Germantown, Pennsylvania, in 1690 (Myers, ed. 1912:303). The production methods he used would have been little different from those employed at the Smith County mill.

² William Moore was the subscriber for this announcement leaving no doubt that he was the owner of the paper mill.

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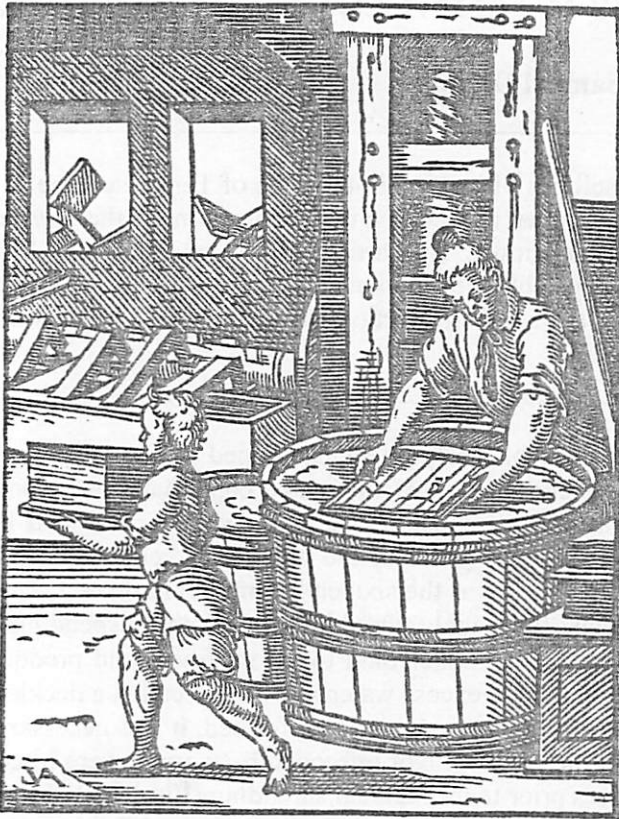


Figure 1. “The paper maker” (reproduced from Amman and Sachs 1568:26). Note the water wheels used to power the machines used to wash rags, the screw press to flatten the finished sheets of paper, and the deckle used to collect the suspended fibers. Shaped wires in the deckle created a watermark.

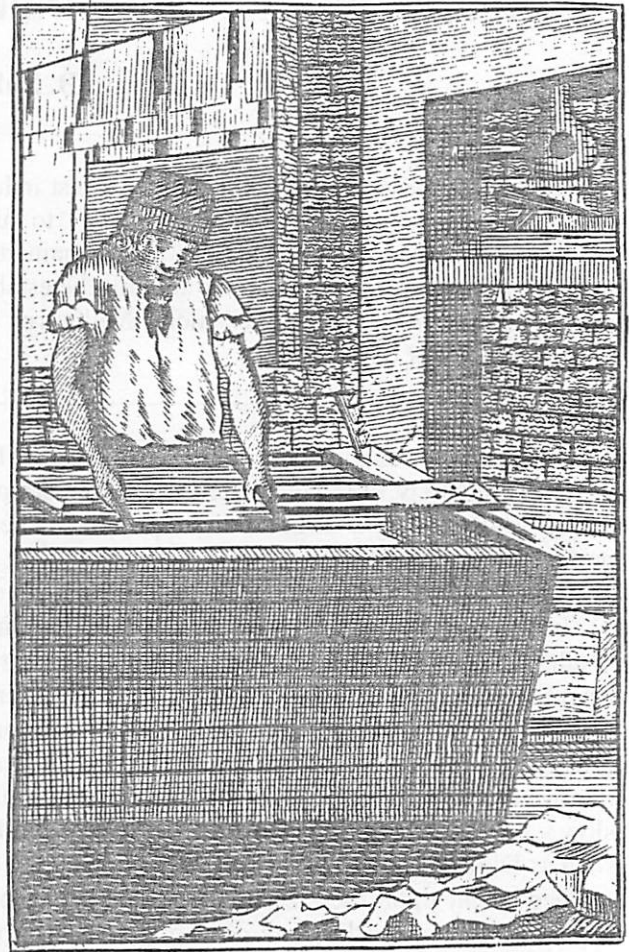


Figure 2. “Paper maker” (reproduced from Stockham 1807:figure facing pg. 54).

Gazette. If the files of the *Carthage Gazette*³ [page 536] can be relied upon, this mill was built by funds collected through a lottery, as the “Paper Mill Lottery” was first mentioned in Moore’s newspaper in the issue of May 25, 1809. The last drawing of the lottery was announced in the *Gazette* for June 8, 1810. From the above rag advertisement and an appeal for “a good, sober Papermaker capable of carrying on the business...” we may assume that this paper mill actually existed.

The founding of this fledgling newspaper – and the paper mill it spawned – is an interesting story in its own right and its roots may be traced back to November 5, 1791, when George Roulstone⁴ (born 1767), a native of Boston, Massachusetts, began publication of the *Knoxville Gazette*, the first newspaper published in Tennessee.⁵

³ A similarly named newspaper was later published in Carthage, Illinois. There is no historical connection between these publications.

⁴ Roulstone had the distinction of serving as Knoxville’s first postmaster, one of the new city’s first commissioners, the first public printer in Tennessee, a trustee of Blount College, and clerk to the Senate of the Tennessee General Assembly (cf. <<http://www.cci.utk.edu/~jem/TNHF/Roulstone.html>>).

⁵ As an interesting historical aside, the *Knoxville Gazette* was founded and first published in Rogersville, Tennessee, and was not relocated to Knoxville until October 1792 when that town was first laid out prompting Himebaugh (1998:754) to remark, “It may well have been that the *Gazette* became the first newspaper in the United States named for a town not yet in existence at the time of the newspaper’s founding.”

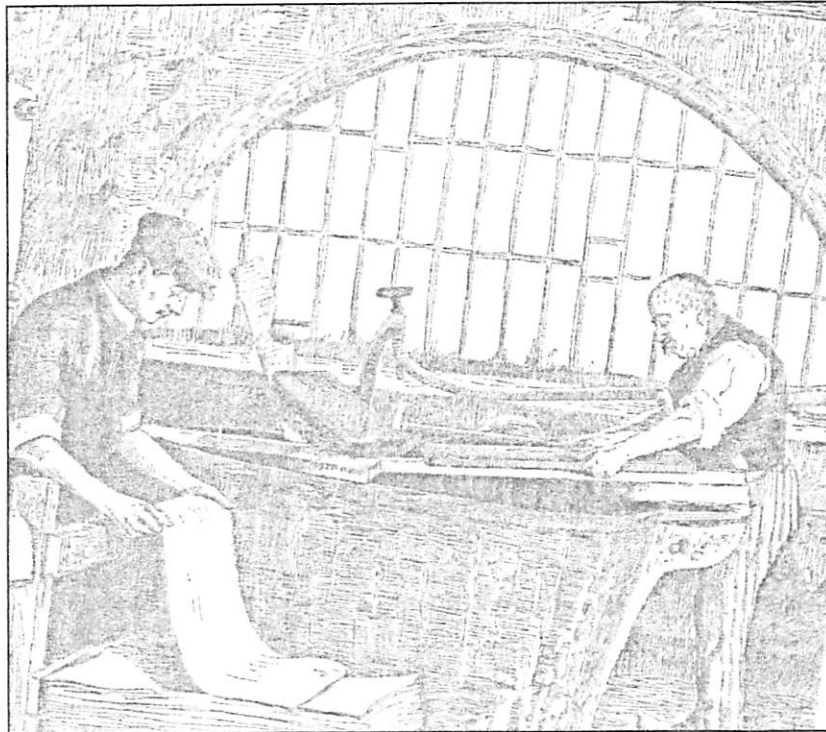


Figure 3. Paper making. Note workman at left stacking the newly formed sheets of paper. A layer of felt was placed between each sheet. The size of the deckle used by the workman on the right suggests the production of newsprint (reproduced from Grafton 1990:128).



Figure 4. Removing buttons and initial shredding of rags for making paper. Note large upright blades mounted on work bench. The inhalation of cloth fibers was a serious health-related hazard associated with this work (reproduced from Grafton 1990:128).

Roulstone continued publishing the *Knoxville Gazette* until his death at the age of 36 on August 10, 1804, leaving behind a wife and six children (notably including a son, James G. Roulstone, further discussed below). Thereafter, his widow, the former Elizabeth Gilliam of Nashville, retained ownership of the newspaper and coincidentally ran a boarding house in Knoxville to supplement her income. In 1806 or 1807, Elizabeth married William Moore, a lodger in her boarding house who was a representative to the state legislature that then convened in Knoxville.

Likely the most authoritative biography of William Moore is that appearing in the *Biographical Directory of the Tennessee General Assembly* (McBride and Robison 1975:529-530). According to this source, Moore was born in North Carolina in 1751 (the exact date and place are unknown) and is known to have represented Caswell County, North Carolina, in the North Carolina legislature. He served as a Lieutenant Colonel in a North Carolina regiment during the Revolutionary War⁶ and was lame for the remainder of his life as a result of a wound received during that conflict. After moving to Tennessee, he established his residence in Smith County and subsequently served in the Tennessee General Assembly (member of the House) representing Smith, Jackson, Sumner, and Wilson counties from 1805 to 1807. Moore operated a hotel in Carthage prior to his marriage to Elizabeth Roulstone. William and Elizabeth Moore would subsequently have one daughter, Jane.

For his Revolutionary War service, William Moore received a North Carolina grant of 1,280 acres in Smith County “on Jennings Creek and the waters of Big Barren including the Grassy Pond and a large spring marked EA.” This was grant No. 3364 dated November 14, 1800, and registered in 1801 (Smith County Deeds, Book B, page 19). This tract may have been situated in what is now part of Jackson County. He apparently sold some of this land in 1802 but in 1806 he purchased 168 acres on “Mulherrins’s Creek, Waters of Caney Fork” (Smith County Deeds, Book B, page 531). There are several subsequent deeds that relate to property on Mulherrin Creek. An 1813 entry in Smith County Deed Book E (page 55) refers to a mill and the mill tract but does not say what kind of mill.⁷ At one point, Moore jointly owned 480 acres on Mulherrin Creek with Robert Moore (a son or brother?) and William Patton. Mulherrin Creek still carries this name. It enters the southwestern (left) bank of the

⁶ The name “William Moore” is by no means rare and but a cursory examination of Internet accessible resources shows no particular lack of individuals (including several who served during the Revolutionary War) with this given name and surname combination living in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. That being the case, readers should exert a degree of skepticism regarding any historical statements concerning the early life of the William Moore who established the *Carthage Gazette* and associated paper mill. Documentation exists that shows that on November 7, 1832, one William Slade “a resident of the Said County of Caswell and State of North Carolina aged 74 years” applied for a pension relating to Revolutionary War service in 1781 “under the Command of a Captain Oldham as well as this Declarant now recollects in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel William Moore, was with General Greene’s Army and under General [John] Butler...” (website accessible at: < <http://ncccha.blogspot.com/2007/12/william-b-slade-revolutionary-war.html>>). While suggesting that the referenced Colonel William Moore and the newspaper publisher who established himself in Smith County *might* be one and the same person as indicated by McBride and Robison (1975:529-530), this is by no means conclusive.

⁷ As it relates to determining the location of William Moore’s property along the reaches of Mulherrin Creek, it is of note that the boundary description for a 137 acre tract “upon the waters of Mulherrins Creek” purchased for \$90.00 by John Denny from Arthur S. Hogan on January 5, 1814, remarks “Beginning at a white oak and ash on a small branch near William Moores line, running North 90 poles to a sugar tree thence so [south] 78 % [sic] w 30 poles to a sugar tree and hickory thence North 100 poles to a white oak and hackberry then west 54 poles to a hickory thence so [south] 6 poles to an ash then west 177 poles to an ash and walnut then so [south] 137 poles to an ash and sugar tree on the branch and then down the branch with its several meanders to the beginning containing one hundred and thirty seven acres of land” (Smith County Deeds, Book F, page 15). This description indicates that the parcel purchased by John Denny was upstream and west of the property owned by William Moore. If (and this remains conjectural) the Denny ownership of this tract is commemorated by modern place names, both Denny Branch (a tributary to Mulherrin Creek) and Denny Branch Road (cf. DeLorme 1997:55) are located in dissected upland topography approximately 4.6 miles west-southwest of the confluence of Mulherrin Creek and the Caney Fork River. If this is the case and – importantly – the Moore paper mill was situated in this area, the elevation of the mill was well above the Caney Fork floodplain. Denny Branch and Mulherrin Creek are

Caney Fork River about three miles south of the Cumberland River near the northern edge of what is now Gordonsville.

Following the marriage of William Moore and Elizabeth Roulstone, the *Knoxville Gazette* was sold preparatory to their move to Carthage. For whatever reason, the new owner of the newspaper failed to make any payments toward its purchase, the equipment was repossessed, and the press was moved to Carthage in the summer of 1808. Using this asset to best advantage, on August 13, 1808, Moore inaugurated the *Carthage Gazette and Friend of the People* (this name was shortened to *Carthage Gazette* beginning with the March 16, 1810, issue). As a newspaper already existed in Nashville (the *Clarion* began publication in 1808 and the *Nashville Examiner*, published by Benjamin Bradford, was later established in 1812), it may be presumed that Carthage was viewed as a town with potential⁸ in need of a locally published weekly newspaper (cf. Bowen n.d.; Lloyd n.d.; Sears 1945:9-10). Starting a newspaper – a major challenge in its own right – was one thing but securing a dependable supply of the paper upon which it was so vitally dependent was an entirely different matter, and it is easy to understand Moore's motivation for subsequently undertaking the bold construction of a paper mill.

Although there are no surviving Smith County tax records for the William Moore era, he is mentioned a number of times in the county court records of that era. A brief examination of these court records (including a few of the documents relating to Moore in about 85 reels of microfilm of "Loose Records" of the Chancery Court, filed at the Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville) revealed that over a period of several years Moore frequently served as a juror and was often a plaintiff or defendant in court cases. By 1815, Moore was having financial difficulties and he began deeding various properties to his stepson, James G. Roulstone. The first deed relating to these property transfers (Smith County Deeds, Book F, page 69) states that Moore lived on Lot 57 in the plan of Carthage. A little later (October 8, 1815; Smith County Deeds, Book F, page 75) William and Elizabeth sold or released to James G. Roulstone "one half of the establishment and materials of the office known by the name of the *Carthage Gazette* and at this time carrying on in the name of Moore and Roulstone." Moore was subsequently forced to sell "one house & Lot no 57 in Carthage whereon the said Moore now lives," plus an adjoining lot, and two slaves (Smith County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, May 12, 1817, page 298) but was later allowed to "keep a tavern at his house in Carthage" (Smith County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August 13, 1819, page 43).

While McBride and Robison (1975:530) state that William Moore died in Smith County in March of 1823, the March 10, 1824, issue of the *Carthage Gazette* (reprinted in Scott 2006) announced that "The Funeral Sermon of Col. William Moore will be preached at his late residence on Sunday the 28th Instant" (and names three ministers) suggesting that he died a year later. By the end of the year, the November 8, 1824, issue of the *Tennessee Republican* (discussed below) published an obituary for Mrs. Elizabeth Moore "relict of the late Col. William Moore" and the mother "of one of the Editors." This notice recounted her former marriage to George Roulstone, her continuance of the printing business, and notes that in 1805 the Tennessee General Assembly appointed her "public printer." The burial places of William and Elizabeth Moore are unknown (cf. Key et al. 1984; Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society and Caney Fork Chapter, DAR 1981).

The paper mill established by William Moore was not the first such enterprise in the state. In his informative history of papermaking, Hunter (1978:536) observed, "Isaiah Thomas stated that there were four paper mills in Tennessee as early as 1810, but this assertion cannot be authenticated." Although Hunter did not clearly identify his source for this statement, he was likely referring to Thomas (1810). For further information on early Tennessee paper mills – most notably the William Whiteman mill in Knoxville that had been in operation since shortly after 1800 – see Ball (2002) and Halley (1904). It is certainly reasonable to suggest that both William Moore and his new bride were both familiar with the operation of the Whiteman paper mill and readily recognized

depicted on the US Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5' "New Middleton" and "Gordonsville" quadrangles, respectively.

⁸ Situated near the confluence of the Cumberland and Caney Fork rivers, Carthage was later "destined to become one of the most important towns in Middle Tennessee during the steamboat era" (Maggart 1998:856). Of immediate interest, it is worthy of note that the town had only been laid out in 1805 and was but three years old at the time William Moore made the decision to establish a newspaper there.

that proximity to such a facility was an absolute necessity in an area served by primitive roads and a river that may or may not have been cooperative in transporting a heavy commodity such as bulk newsprint. Clearly, the solution to the problem was building one's own paper mill. James G. Roulstone, Moore's stepson, assumed full control of the *Carthage Gazette* in 1824 and in partnership with Robert C. Carruther changed the name of the paper to the *Tennessee Republican*. The place of publication remained in Carthage. The *Tennessee Republican* remained in operation until about 1825 when it was sold to John W. Ford and the press moved to Sparta and later to McMinnville (cf. Bowen n.d.). It is unlikely that the paper mill was in operation any later than that year.

There is no record of any identifying watermark associated with the paper produced by this mill. The routine business operations of Moore's paper mill are not presently known and the extent to which he was able to sell paper in excess of his printing needs to the residents of Carthage and the surrounding area is conjectural. A not uncommon problem accounting for the failure or limited production of many early small paper mills was not a lack of market for their product but rather an incessant scarcity of the humble rags so necessary to produce the paper. Available information suggests – by but no means confirms – that the Moore paper mill was located along Mulherrin Creek in southern Smith County. Nonetheless, it is entirely reasonable to speculate that the mill was situated immediately adjacent to a stream capable of providing a dependable source of clean water to wash the rags prior to shredding, power the equipment that actually washed and shredded the rags, and replenish the tank holding the suspended cloth fibers. This water was likely impounded by a rock filled brush or timber crib dam (cf. Ball 2000; 2001; James Leffel and Company 1881) and diverted to the mill. Of particular interest, one of the archaeological hallmarks for identifying early rag based paper mills is the sizable accumulation of broken and discarded buttons removed from the rags prior to their being washed and shredded. In light of its historical significance as one of the earliest industrial facilities of its kind in the state, this mill would be a worthy subject for further historical investigations.

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MINUTES, SMITH COUNTY COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS
BOOK 1808 – 1811

Continued from Volume XIX, No. 4

JUNE 9, 1808. P. 97. State vs Mathew Davis, John Moore appointed prosecutor. Joel Dyer, Sr. and Edward Farris, Security. Andrew Matcalf and Moses Ferguson to appear at next term in testimony against Mathew Davis.

P. 98. State vs Samuel Row, Indictment , pleas of guilty. Fined \$10.
State vs Thos Stafford, recognizance for Basterdy – defendant appeared not.

P. 99. Joseph Anthony vs William Bartlett – Debt. Jury to wit: Wm. Smith, George Roy, Charles McClelan, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, James Cooper, John Stubblefield, Hugh McClelan, William Sullivan, Elijah Haney, William Owens, John Ferguson, Defendant guilty.

P. 100. Grand Jury presented a bill of indictment against Charles Conway for assault and battery.
State vs Charles Conway, defendant fined, Ambrose Wheeler, Security.

P. 101. Charles F. Mabies vs Frederick Uhles, arbitrators appt. Dec Term, 1807 find that Mabies did not sustain any damage.

P. 102. In suit Uhles vs Mabies, arbitrators award plaintiff \$6 damage.

P. 103. Grand jury dismissed by court.
Sampson Williams, exc. Wm. Martin, James Hood and Henry Tooley report on settlement with Williams, exc. of Estate of Peter Turney.
George Ray, Charles McClain, Hugh McClain absent jurors fined .50 each.
John Sims and William Bartlett, Jury to wit: William Smith, George Ray, Charles McClain, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, James Cooper, John Stubblefield, Hugh McClain, William Sullivan, John Ferguson, William Owens, Jacob Overal, defendant assessed \$47.

P. 104. John B. Prewitt vs James Aikers, debt, plaintiff failed to appear.

P. 105. Jacob Adams vs William English, plaintiff dismisses suit.
Abram Piper vs Joseph Flemin, plaintiff dismisses suit.

P. 106. John Macken vs Zachariah Taite, debt, plaintiff dismissed suit. William Smith vs William Southerlon, Jury to wit: George Norris, Wm. Owens, Thomas Farris, John

Shepherd, Lincoln Harper, John Cardwell, Jacob Ingram, Henry Has, Armisted Stubblefield, Joseph Fleming, George Rowland, Samuel Row. Jacob Ingram prevented jury from rendering a verdict, jury dismissed.

P. 107. State vs Sally Songest and Moore Hylton, Basterdy – defendants not appearing. Andrew Buckam, assignee vs William Turnbull and Richard Brittain, debt, defendant to pay plaintiff \$75.

P. 108. William Choresly vs Joseph Lock, defendant being in prison, is released with Henry Lyon and William Lock, sec. Court adjourned.
June 10, 1808. Members present – William Martin, Basil Shaw, Henry Tooley.

P. 109. Charles Donoho allowed \$100 against estate of Edward Donoho, dec'd., for keeping Charles Donoho, orphan of said dec'd.
John Den, solicitor of John Irvine vs James Haney, William Gaston and Hanah Gaston. Jury to wit: William Sullivan, George Ray, John Stubblefield, James Cooper, William Hogan, Isham Beasley, Charles McClain, Hugh McClain, John Ferguson, Richard Hinton, Jacob Overal, John Sellar. John Ferguson keeps others from rendering a verdict. Jury discharged.

P. 110. Joel Childress vs Joel Dyer. Defendant admitted to replevey property attached and Joseph Fleming and Willoughby Pugh are to have property so attached.
Jacob Overal vs Charles Kavanaugh. Plaintiff to recover.

P. 111. John Chapman fined for contempt \$1 and ordered to prison until fine paid.
Thos. Jackson vs William McGee, Jury to wit: Robert Barkley, Willoughby Pew, John Binnion, John Lee, Clairbourn Wright, William Smith, James Wright, James Lyon, Wiley Sullivan, Anthony Metcalf, Edmond Jennings, James Roulstone, Defendant found guilty and fined.

P. 112. Thos. Hickman vs James Cole Montflorenc. Defendant fails to appear. Plaintiff to recover \$107.
Thomas Jackson vs William McGee, rule to show cause for a new trial.

P. 113. Redmond Dillon Barry vs John Murphy, Judicial attachment, defendant fails to appear, jury to be appointed at next court to assess damages.
Randolph McGavock vs William McGee, debt. Plaintiff to recover from defendant. Court adjourned.

P. 114. June 11, 1808. Members present, John L. Martin, Basel Shaw, Henry Tooley. Thomas Hickman vs James C. Montflorenc, plaintiff enters motion that judgment be entered against garnisher, George Matlock, motion overruled. Plaintiff appeals to Superior Court of the District, Benet H. Henderson & N. W. Williams, Sec.

P. 115. Allen Hill vs Griffith Rutherford – debt. Jury to wit: William Sullivan, Charles McClelan, Hugh McClelan, William Smith, John Stubblefield, George Ray, James Cooper, Isham Beasley, William McGee, Richard Brittan, John Ferguson, Samuel Evetts which rules that the defendant owes the plaintiff \$75.

P. 116. Isaac Harper vs Jesse Kennedy and William Kennedy – debt. Defendant given leave to plead at next court.

Allen Hill vs Griffith Rutherford – motion to rule for new trial discharged.

P. 117. Isham Beasley vs Redmond D. Barry – debt. Plaintiff to recover \$110 from defendant.

David Stewart vs Stephen Montgomery, defendant failed to appear.

P. 118. Charles Cavanaugh vs Moses Pinkston, defendant failed to appear.

P. 119. John Nickles vs Thomas Catral, debt. Plaintiff to recover \$100 from defendant.

Thos. Jackson vs William McGee, motion for new trial discharged.

Isham Beasley vs Redmond D. Barry, debt, appeal granted to defendant, John C. Hamilton, Sec.

P. 120. John and Robert Allen vs John Harris, defendant failed to appear.

Thos. Jackson vs William McGee, appeal to Superior Court granted to defendant, Matthew Brewer & George Rowland, Sec.

P. 121. Sarah Elam vs William Gibbens, plaintiff failed to appear.

John Seveen vs Robt. W. Roberts, plaintiff failed to appear.

P. 122. Elisabeth Trusty vs Joseph McCavanaugh & John Vines. Vines failed to appear, plaintiff to recover from defendant.

P. 123. John Gordon, Sheriff, came into court with George Matlock, Isham Beasley, Rich'd Burton, Sec. for bond for taxes for year 1808.

John Kennedy vs John Harman, motion to dismiss.

Court adjourns till 1st Monday in Sept. Robt. Allen, Clerk; John L. Martin, J.P.; Willis Jones, J.P.; Henry Moores, J.P.

COURT OF PLEAS & QUARTER SESSIONS AT THE COURTHOUSE, TOWN OF
CARTHAGE, 1ST MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 1808

P. 124. Members present: A. S. Hogan, James Belevu, Jud Strother, Henry Tooley, John L. Martin.

Following elected to Grand Jury: Jones Bishop, William Porter, Wm. Moore, Benjamin Johns, Wm. Stalcup. William Payne, Thomas Haile, Josiah Strange, John Gill, John

Andrew Lowe, dec'd, Mathew Lowe, admr, Stephen Montgomery & Samuel McFarris, Sec.

p. 132. Duncan Ferguson, dec'd. Isabel Ferguson and Alexander Ferguson, admr., Stephen Montgomery & William Carter, Sec.

John Newman, dec'd., Catharin Newman and Thomas Sloane, admrs., William Brandon, Sec.

Abram Ellis, dec'd. Jeremiah Taylor and Jesse Lowrence, admr., David Looney & James Hibets, Sec.

Court Adjourns.

P. 133. 6 September 1808. Members present: Basil Shaw, Henry Tooley, A. S. Hogan Thos. Slecks vs William McGee, jury to wit: John Pate, John Piper, Solomon Blair, Ludwick Vaden, Isaac Johns, Elijah Haynie, Wm. Wooten, John Ward, Champion Maden, Jacob Dice, James Varner, James Wright. Plaintiff to collect \$1 of the defendant.

P. 134. Ordered that Charles Dyer, James Hood, William Tomason, James Jenkins, jurors, be fined for non-attendance.

William Pendarvis excused as juror.

Thos. Stokes vs Wm. McGee. Thos. Jackson & Benjamin Row give testimony.

P. 135. Williams Turnbull vs Jesse Johns. Jury: Charles Dyer, Josiah Moses, Randolph Wren, George Crutchfield, John See, Jacob Faning, Joseph Taylor, Wm. Harper, Henry Hoss, Leonard Belev, Richard Taylor, Charles McClelan, finds for the defendant, appeal discharged.

P. 136. William Turnbull vs Jesse Johns, Richard Brittan and Abram Brittan failed to appear as witnesses.

John Lee & John Irvine vs James Haney, Wm. Gaston, Hannah Gaston. Jury: John Pate, John Piper, Solomon Blair, Ludwick Vaden, Isaac Johns, John Warran, William Wooten, John Ward, Champion Vaden, Jacob Dice, James Varner, James Wright.

P. 137. Defendant found not guilty of trespass and ejectment; plaintiff appeal to superior court with William Walton and Andrew Greer as Sec.

Jesse Elston exhibits his stock mark.

P. 138. Grand jury returned indictment against Thomas K. Harris.

Davis McMicken fine \$1 contempt of court.

McNut, Finley & Co. vs Stephen Montgomery and Joel Holland, same as first case.

TO BE CONTINUED

REMINISCING...PICTURESQUE LAYCOCK BRIDGE RISES ABOVE CANEY FORK

(This article first appeared in the September 28, 1972, edition of the Courier and again in the July 30, 1998, issue. Despite efforts of preservationists and historical groups to save the bridge as an historical landmark and pedestrian walkway, it is now (2008) being dismantled and a new generic, dull grey concrete slab is being built to span Betty's Bend Ford).

Picturesque Laycock Bridge, built across the Caney Fork River and connecting Buffalo Valley Road and Betty's Bend Road, has had an eventful life.

In fact, the original bridge built on the site was never used and never completed. Furthermore, it was called Laycock Bridge but was named Betty's Ford Bridge so named because of a ford in the Caney Fork where wagons and vehicles could pass through during periods of low flow, connecting the Betty's Bend Road and the Buffalo Valley Road. This bridge was first begun in 1928 with an appropriation made by Tennessee Electric Power Company, operators of Rock Island Dam, near the headwaters of the Caney Fork.

The fact that Tennessee Electric Power Company would operate their hydro electric power dam during the night caused endless worry to residents of the Betty's Bend section and other fording points along the river. The waters of Caney Fork would swell from releases made during the night at Rock Island Dam, making all fords impassable, and area residents would have to wait until the tide dropped. It is reliably reported that on many instances vehicles and wagons were swept downstream by persons attempting to cross during periods of high flow.

According to old records, the county finally became so infuriated at the Tennessee Electric Power Company that a law suit was filed, charging the power company with cutting off county road travel. It is also listed that a settlement was arrived at between Smith County and the power company whereby Tennessee Electric Power Company would pay damages in the amount of \$40,000 to the county, with said money to be earmarked for construction of a bridge to be used for passage over the Caney Fork River.

Work was begun in 1928 on the Betty's Ford Bridge with Steel and Leby Bridge Company being awarded the contract.

Betty's Ford Bridge was a little more than half complete when we had one of the greatest floods the Caney Fork has ever experienced.

Torrential rains started falling Friday, March 22 and by Sunday the river had jumped from its banks, flooded all low-lying sections and entered the nearby town of Lancaster. Drift along the swollen Caney Fork appeared greater than any resident had ever witnessed before. The drift jammed up against the butments of the Betty's Ford Bridge, which stood around 50 feet apart, forming one huge pile that stretched nearly 200 feet across. It was the press of water on this huge mass of drift that finally spelled the doom of the new bridge, toppling the abutments, roadway and steel structure into the boiling muddy water below. Remnants of the original bridge can be seen today during periods of low water.

A special meeting of county court was called, following the destruction of the bridge, and it was decided that the flood had cost the county \$20,000. The county empowered the Steel and Lebbly Bridge Company to re-evaluate the situation and, if necessary, select a new site for another bridge and bring the cost of completion of another bridge to the attention of the magistrates. Five days later the bridge company brought their findings to the attention of the court at another special called session to report that they, Steel and Lebbly Bridge Company, would erect another bridge at the same site for the remaining \$20,000.

They also recommended that bridge abutments, instead of being 50 feet apart, be spaced at least 175 feet apart, to avert another possible destruction by drift during floods. They said that with the spans placed wide apart the drift although hitting the abutments, would swing around and go on down stream without forming a continuous line of drift across the face of the bridge.

Work was begun almost immediately on the new bridge, but this time the bridge assumed the name Laycock Bridge because of the close proximity to a farm owned by Reggie Laycock.

During the ensuing 44 years the Laycock Bridge has served the people of the Buffalo Valley and Lancaster areas, many floods have swept down the Caney Fork, each carrying huge masses of drift. Many have watched as the drift would hit and swing around, just as the construction engineers predicted.

Today (1972) Laycock Bridge is still being used. Its roadbed from time to time receives new flooring and it's steel structure is rusted to a deep brown color. Many have come to walk across and look down into the sometimes clear water of Caney Fork to watch the catfish, carp and other species of fish swim around. Many go just for the thrill of crossing the old bridge.

There is a sign on the northern approach to the Laycock Bridge that reads: "Caution Proceed at Own Risk." Many believe the bridge to be sound and of good strength but there are many who would ask you to consider strongly the words of the approach sign before venturing across.



*LAYCOCK BRIDGE, CANEY FORK RIVER
BETTY'S BEND ROAD
PRIOR TO DEMOLITION OF BRIDGE IN 2008*

TENNESSEE STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

The following is a list of the names of Smith County doctors listed in the history of the Medical Society for the thirty-one years of its existence before the Civil War. The date following the members name indicates the time at which he was elected to membership. Records of the election of new members have not been found for the years 1834, 1837, and 1847-49. The society's secretary did not always give the complete name and sometimes did not give the place of residence of a newly elected member.

CHARTER MEMBERS:

Smith County – John H. Ray, James A. White, ____Dobson, Don C. Dixon

(Sumner County – Elmore Douglass, name found often in early Smith County records)

MEMBERSHIP ROLL:

H. B. Brooks, Smith County, 1831

____Debow, Smith County, 1831

H. Doherty, Smith County, 1831

J. W. Hardwick, Smith County, 1831

F. H. Gordon (No date or place of residence given but lived in Smith County)

Abraham H. King (No date or place of residence given but lived in Carthage)

____Martin, Smith County, 1831

Thomas J. Martin, Smith County, 1831

William P. Moores, Smith County, 1831

Benjamin R. Owen, Carthage, 1836

Thomas J. Walton, Smith county, 1831

T. F. Waters, Smith County, 1850

L. Wright, Smith County, 1831

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Compiled and edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
Continued from Volume XX, No. 1

January 1, 1899 - December 31, 1899

- 01/01 A cold, sad, gloomy new year. Kelly is still sick. Jesse is gone to Grandma's. Fannie had croupe all night last night so I slept but little. Mr. Baines ate dinner here.
- 01/02 A cold, gloomy day. God only knows how my poor heart aches as my dear Kelly said goodbye and goes to call another place home. Surely it is the saddest day of my life and no pen can record all connected with this day. (Apparently Kelly has gone to live with his grandmother, Harriet Wilson, as a permanent boarder. Elenora probably did not want this. TWB)
- 01/09 Not so cold but cloudy. Jesse and Wilsye started to school at Rome. Professor Curtis, Mr. House and Caddie came early this morning and Mr. House went on to Grant and Caddie was here all day and Mr. House came back for her after dark. And he and Caddie are here tonight. Had a letter from A. B. Neal of Marshall County representative and W.J. Mathews from Overton County concerning Fred's late race at Nashville, Tuesday.
- 01/15 A bright, beautiful morning and Mr. Wilson, Thayer, Fannie and I went to Rome and heard Brother Estes preach on baptism. After which we went out to Nathan Wilson's and took dinner and spent the evening. Tonight Mr. Wilson and all except Maggie, Thayer, Fannie and I went to church at Rome to hear Billie Wilson preach. After church Mr. Wilson remained at Nathan's until 10:00 when he thought best to go home as Jesse and Wilsye were there alone except Emily (colored). At 11:00 the steamer Harley came and Nathan went with me to the river and we got aboard the Harley for Granville. It began to rain soon after we started.
- 01/26 A lovely winter day. It has been quite a tiresome day to me as the steamer Thomas whistled at 2:00 this morning and I got up quite hurriedly and got nearly ready to start home and Fred Taylor went to the river and found the boat had passed on. Just at day the steamer Harley whistled very unexpectedly so we were very much rushed and Fred Taylor, Ada and Willie (colored) came with me to the river when the children boarded the Harley for home. A pleasant trip home getting to Rome a little after 4:00 P.M. and Wilsye met me at the river and I was very much surprised when she told me Mr. Wilson had gone to Nashville to the Grand Lodge and I was at a loss what to do when I met Alfred Baines in his buggy and he started to carry us home when we met Kelly with Val and our buggy and we went out to Ma's and thought we would spend the night but felt we could not spend the night so near home especially when all the family away except our dear Jesse boy there with no one except Mr. Lawson who commenced this week to make us a stone stile. We got here Wilsye, Thayer, Fannie and I coming in our buggy driving Val about dark and all so glad to be home but lonely without Mr. Wilson.

- 02/01 Very cold this morning but warmer this evening. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and ate dinner at his Ma's. Mr. Lawson is here. So cold we cook and eat in my room. Thermometer standing 8 degrees below 0 this morning.
- 02/13 Weather simply dreadful. Thermometer 18 degrees below 0 and we can scarcely keep warm over the fire. Too cold for school so Jesse and Wilsye at home. Mr. Lawson went hunting and killed three rabbits. Weather really the coldest I have ever known all over the country.
- 02/20 A pretty, cool day. A little past 8:00 Mr. Wilson, Thayer, and I started to Lebanon driving old Lige. Got to Lebanon about noon and I stopped at Dr. Claywell's office and Thayer and Mr. Wilson went and put Lige in the stable. Quite a number of ladies in Dr. Claywell's office. He took the impression for making my lower teeth. We traded a little and got home about sundown. A pleasant trip especially for Thayer as it was his first trip to Lebanon.
- 02/27 A lovely day. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this morning. Ed and John (colored) are sawing wood. Mag Baines spent the day here and made me a shirtwaist. Mr. J. T. Simpson came and got Bob Taylor the jack and carried to Bush Creek. Jesse came home from school this evening with the colic badly. Wilsye did not come. Kelly is here tonight. The first night he has spent with us since he left the first of January.
- 03/06 Very much surprised this morning to find the ground white and snowing most all day and very cold tonight. So cold the children did not go to school. Mr. Wilson and I intended going to Lebanon for my teeth but it is entirely too bad for anything.
- 03/13 Thought this morning we could at least go to work and Mr. Wilson stopped Jesse from school and took plows and so forth up to the upper place and plowed until dinner. After which Mr. Wilson carried Wilsye to stay at her Grandma's and go to school. He brought his Ma back with him and she is here tonight. Jesse and I sowed some turnips and planted a few onions and Mr. Wilson got the Irish potato seed but ground was so wet we had to quit without planting. It is raining tonight.
- 04/02 A beautiful, cool day. Early Wilsye, Thayer, Fannie and I walked and spent the day at Mary Tom's and Bea and Benton Wilson, Jordan Williams, Stanley were there this evening. Jesse went to Rome to hear Brother Southert preach and ate dinner at his Grandma's. There was to be a speaking in interest of Sunday School at Mt. Olivet today by Professor Crouch and others but backwater so high they did not come.
- 04/22 Cloudy this morning but cleared away and pretty this evening. Mag Baines here and made me a pretty white bonnet. The long discussed and awe provoking road question was I hope settled today with Dr. Austin as road commissioner and Mr. Henry Denton and Mr. Taylor Bradley laid off the Plunkett's Creek road and Mr. E. B. Upton surveyed the same and marked it off. Thayer carried Mr. Upton's chain through the creek. Mr. Bradley, Mr. Denton, Dr. Austin and Kelly ate dinner here. John, Ed and Jesse are planting corn.
- 04/24 Raining early this morning. Mr. Wilson did not carry Wilsye to school until late and he attended Mr. Parker's sale which closed today. No work today. Heard Dewitt Fisher died this evening. Have 83 little chickens and 12 hens sitting. That is Jesse's work.
- 04/25 A lovely day. Mr. Wilson's gone to Carthage all day to attend Dewitt Fisher's funeral. And when he came home this evening he told us that John Pope died this evening

- 05/02 A real pretty day. Cattie House spent the day here having come for cornfield bean seeds. The boat whistled and Jesse went to Rome and Fred Taylor, Ma and Emma Ferrell were there and Jesse came home and got the buggy and went down to Rome. And Sister too. So Fred Taylor, Ma and Emma are here tonight.
- 05/08 A lovely day. Jesse carried Wilsye to school this morning. John is getting his seed corn ready. Ed and Mr. Wilson fixing the fence. Jesse went to Mollie Harper's after tomato plants. Ms. Mattie Crissom's brother drowned at Rome today.
- 05/14 It has been a lovely day. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage to hear Reverend J. B. Irwin preach the commencement sermon for Joseph Allen College and did not get back until nearly dark. The children and I are all at home. Kelly went to Rome to hear Brother Henson preach and came up here and ate dinner and spent the evening with us.
- 06/04 A warm day. Mr. Wilson did not get home until 2:00 this morning. Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went to Center Hill to quarterly meeting and took dinner at Mr. Tom Conatser's and were gone all day. Alice and little Edgar, Jesse, Thayer, Fannie, and I here all day and had our first fried chicken.
- 06/28 All at work in the oats. This evening Mag Baines and Fannie and I started down to Ma's as I heard Kelly was not well. The mules got after Val's little mule and had a time with it. Stopped at Allen Baines a while and went to see John Grissom (colored) who was quite sick at his shop. Mag, Fannie and I at Ma's tonight.
- 07/06 Quite warm. Emily and I cooked dinner for the thrasher but it did not come until evening and late they sent us word to get supper so Mr. Roe Jarrold and Willis White, Jack Jarrold, Jesse, Rest, Charley Cothram and a Mr. Woodward were here for supper. Mr. Jarrold went home after supper. Mr. Wilson made a 104 bushels of old winter oats and 54 bushels of wheat.
- 07/17 A warm day and distressingly dry. Walter Williams told us Mattie Johnson died at 10:00 last night and this evening Mr. Wilson and I went up to Albert Hailey's and John Jordan preached the funeral there. After which she was buried near her mother on the hill back of Mr. Hailey's. Came by Mr. Baines awhile and Ms. Judy Flippin was there. Jesse and Wilsye went down to Grandma's tonight as Kelly is still at Granville. So Mr. Wilson, Thayer, Fannie and I are alone.
- 07/25 Very warm and wet and some rain today. Kelly and I went to Grant to hear Ms. Esther Frame, the lady evangelist, preach to a very large crowd and then took dinner at Mr. Johnson's and spent the evening pleasantly and came home late this evening.
- 07-28 Hot and cloudy and rained tonight. I was real sick this morning but Mr. Wilson and I for some time had intended to go to Lebanon today. We started about 7:00 and stopped at Rome and got a dose of medicine and Mr. Wilson telephoned to Fred Kelly and then we went to Lebanon getting to the Arrington's at 10:00. And Mr. Wilson went down in town and I put on Cousin Lizzie's Mother Hubbard (a loose fitting hgarment TWB) and rested until after dinner. Then Cousin Lizzie, Maude, Mr. Wilson and I went out to Cedar Grove Cemetery where there was the largest assemblies ever seen gathered to witness the unveiling of the monument to Confederate soldies buried there. Earl Lester, Governor McMillan, Honorable W.J. Stone of Kentucky were the orators. Got home at 8:00 having spent a never to be forgotten day.

- 08-12 Rain this morning. Kelly went with Fannie and I to Fred Kelly's and then Kelly went up and took dinner with his Aunt Alice and I took dinner at Fred Kelly's. Kelly, Fannie and I left Granville a little before 5:00 this evening. A hot, bad drive as the flies were awful. Got to Mr. Burford's about dusk and are there tonight.
- 08-21 A pretty day. All at work on the road. Mr. Wilson sowed turnips early this morning and went to Rome and was gone until late. I made Wilsye a stripe pique skirt. Mag Baines was here this evening making her a white waist. Dr. Austin came up from the road to see Wilsye's feet which are sore. He says they are poisoned from wearing black hose.
- 08-26 Hot and sultry this morning with a good rain about noon. Mr. Wilson and Thayer came home this morning having spent last night at George Paines as John Newton was very sick. Kelly has gone to Dickson Springs Fair and Mr. Wilson and Thayer have gone to spend the night at Ma's. A big darkey Picnic under the big elm. Tonight Dicey (colored) and Horace are here. A busy day as Wilsye's feet are so very sore.
- 09-02 A quite warm. Fred Taylor came from Ma's early and he, Allie and Jesse went to the Rome fair and all is calm and quiet all day. All came from the fair late this evening and report a large crowd and a good time. Fred Taylor, Vallie, Nan Denton, Kate Wilson and Leo Wilson are here tonight.
- 09-29 A cool, pretty day. Expected Nan Denton last night but she did not come. But early this morning Ms. Sue brought her out here and we were soon ready to start out to Granville. So Nan, Thayer and I left Fannie O. for the first time and went to Sally Hodges and stayed until 2:00 P.M. when we left and crossed the mouth of Caney Fork in a skiff and the ferry man forded Val and the buggy and we then went to Thomas Gann and there a little while before sundown and are there tonight. Truly had a jolly enjoyable time.
- 10-03 Just an ideal October morning. As soon as we could, we started home. Nan and Thayer made stops and gathered wild flowers and leaves and chestnuts and rocks and so forth. We came through Carthage and stopped often to chat with friends by the way and spend an hour with Julian Flippin. We got home about dark and found all had gone well during our absence and my baby had been so sweet and good. All so thankful for God's goodness to us and ours.
- 10-28 Cloudy this morning and a nice rain this evening. Kelly and quite a crowd of young folk went to the Mound for chestnuts. Jessie and Ed finished gathering corn and Jessie and Thayer went up to Harry Hires with the wagon for some wheat. Emily and John (colored) went to Lebanon today.
- 11-02 Our dear little Thayer's 6th birthday and surely has been as much pleasure as a good, sweet, bright boy could be within 6 short years. Sorghum green and crabgrass pretty and the stocks doing very well on the pasture. Ed came early and told us that Ms. Cattie House had died late yesterday evening. Mr. Wilson went up to Mr. House's early and stayed until they started to Grant with the corpse. Wilsye came home as Kelly came early this morning with Wilsye and he and Jesse plowed until about 10 and a half o'clock when it began to rain and it has rained all evening.
- 11-06 Bright and cool. Our Jesse's 16th birthday. Nan Denton and I left all at home and we went to Dave Hodges's this evening and are there tonight.

- 11-07 A little cloudy this morning but cleared away. Early Nan Denton, Sallie Hodges and I crossed the river (to Carthage TWB) and went up to Myer's store and he sent for Mr. John F. Henry who came and accompanied us to Joseph W. Allen College and we spent 2 or 3 hours there very pleasantly. Then we came out to the M.E. church and saw and admired the new memorial window which Leslie Cullum had put up to the memory of his mother Mrs. Virginia Cullum and then called to see Mrs. W.D. Gold and to the post office and I went to see old Mrs. McDonald and then we went to the jail and saw Mrs. Scruggs's twin girls just four weeks old and then through the cemetery back to Sallie Hodges and I am so tired, so tired. Mag Gray gave me a nice, hot cup of coffee and I came home alone leaving Nan Denton at Sallie Hodges. Got home at sundown and found the children at Mr. Baines and Wilsye had had a chill. We came home and cooked supper. Mr. Jacobs, the pack peddler, is here tonight.
- 12-18 A cloudy, bad day. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage to make some inquiries about board for school and so forth. Kelly came and got the cart to drive Joe. Julia is washing and Ed and Wilsye are grinding sausage. Leo Smith came this evening for Ada's dress which I made. Mr. T.B. Flippin, Mr. Kelen Bradley, and Henry Stallings were buried today.
- 12-20 A pretty, cool day. Wilsye and I made a coconut and a chocolate cake for Christmas. Mary Tom spent the day here. Mr. Wilson is gone until late bedtime to Bob Pope's to a Masonic meeting of some kind.
- 12-25 Ground white with snow this morning and real cold. Thayer and Fannie were up early and found their little Christmas tree well laden for them and they have been really happy all day having a jolly Christmas eating goodies and so forth. Wilsye went to Rome to a Christmas party. She and Edna taking dinner at Sam Pernel's. Jesse still gone and Mr. Wilson having quite a busy time. Wilsye came back late.
- 12-28 Still very cold. Robert Henry and Nat, Kelly and Ma, and Tom Carden all took dinner with us and such a pleasure to have all the children at home once again. Nat and Robert left late this evening. Kelly and Fred went to James Wards, Sr. to an entertainment and Ma and Tom Carden are still here. Fred got home at midnight and Kelly remained at Mr. Wards all night. I heard Jim Norris lost his finger Christmas Eve with a large firecracker and Elmer Paine caught fire acting old Kris.
- 12-31 Another really cold day. Mr. Wilson, Tom Carden, Fred and Jesse all went to Rome to hear Brother Haggert preach and Tom remained in Rome and the rest came home. After eating dinner Jesse carried Fred to Rome to get on the steamer Harley to go to Carthage to enter Joseph Allen College and board with Mrs. Sallie Hard. Jesse brought Wilsye back home from Ma's when he came home.

Thus ends the record for 1899. Farewell old year with joys and sorrows. God has wonderfully pleased us during the past year for which we are truly thankful.

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- 73 Susan A Taylor of
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Smith Co Tennessee
Always loyal
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Always loyal So regarded
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- 77 Ann Louie of Smith
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- 78 William Vanderpool of Smith
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So regarded
- 79 Sarah Bryant of
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- 80 Benjamin Julian of
Putnam Co Tennessee
Always loyal So regarded
- 81 Joseph Redman of Smith
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So regarded
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Always loyal So regarded
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Always loyal So regarded
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Always loyal So regarded
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Always loyal So regarded
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So regarded
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Always loyal So regarded

DEED OF GIFT - POLLY STAFFORD TO MARTHA J. STAFFORD, 1840

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Smith County

Know all Men by these
Present that for the love and affection
Entertain for Martha J. Stafford and for
the love and kindness that Martha J.
Stafford has for me and the help and attend
ance she is to me in my declining age
I do here by line transfer and convey to
the said Martha J. Stafford one bay mare
and one sorrel horse two cows twelve head
of hogs & there increase seven head of sheep
and there increase two head and furniture
all of the house hold and kitchen furniture
and one loom to have and to hold
to the said Martha J. Stafford for ever

I. Covenant and agree for myself and
heirs to warrant & defend the right and
title to the said property above stated

I am to have my life time estate
in the above named property
this 18th day of December 1839
Signed and Sealed in our presence

Witness
Charles M. Murray Polly J. Stafford
John B. Murray 18th day 1840

I solemnly appeared before
 Mr. John M. Darnell clerk of Smith County Court
 Charles McCreary one of the subscribing witnesses
 to the within Bill of Sale who being first sworn
 deposes and says that he is acquainted with Polly
 Stafford the Defendant and that she acknowledged
 the same in his presence to be her act and
 deed upon the day it bears date having been
 heretofore on the 8th of January 1841 sworn to
 the Oath of John McCreary the other subscribing
 witness & being my hand at office the 5th day
 1841.

John M. Darnell clerk
 of Smith County Court

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State of Tennessee Register Office Carthage July 19th 1841 I hereby Certify
 Smith County that the within Bill of Sale for Polly Stafford to Matthew Stafford
 together with the above Probate is duly Registered in my office in Book 2 page 8
 Allen D. Watkins Reg^r
 of Smith County

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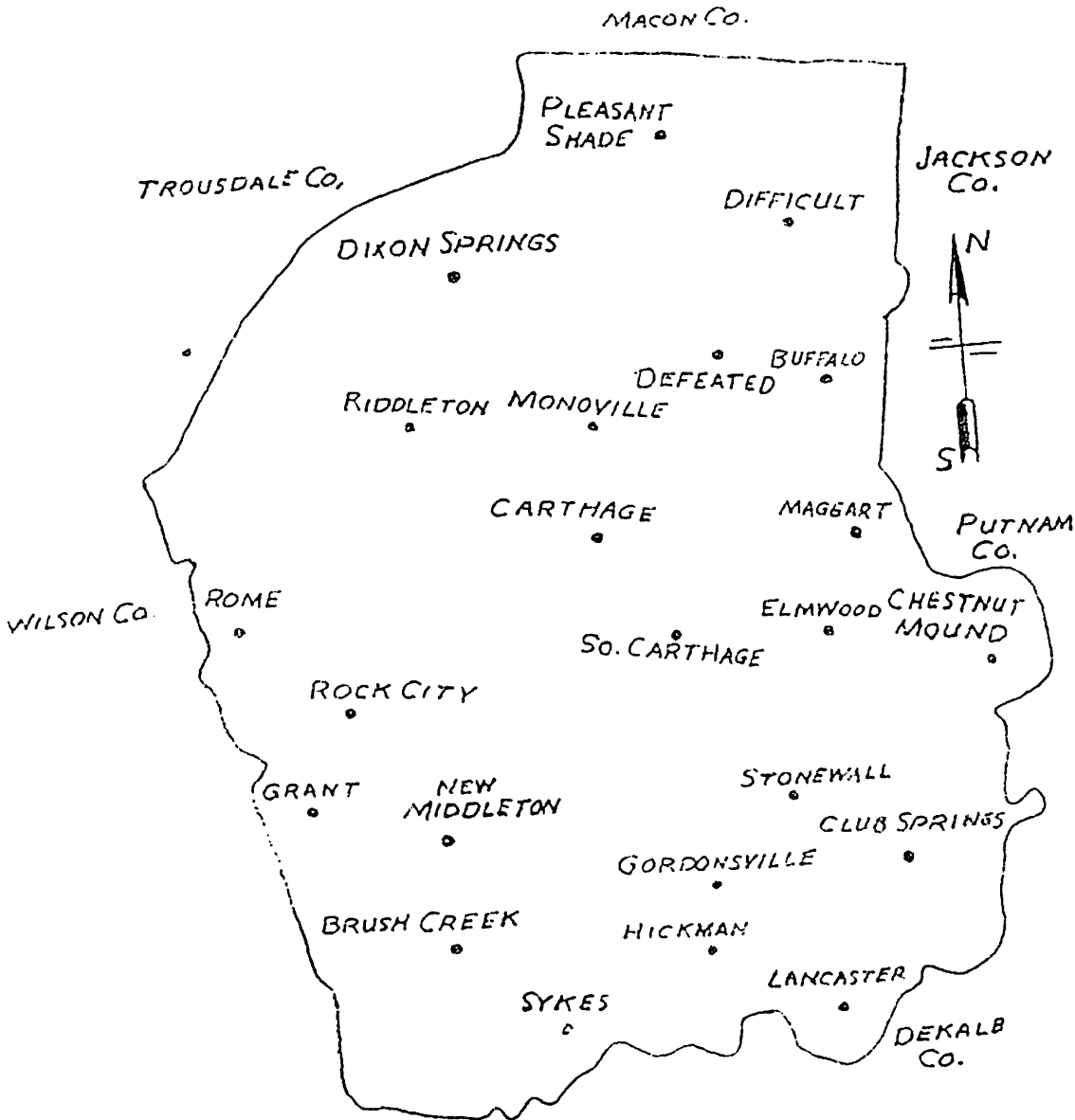
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FROM THE EDITOR:

Summer ends and autumn begins – a time of colorful leaves and crisp cool days, perfect for cemetery “stomping.”

An enthusiastic group assembled after the summer respite for the September 15 meeting of the Society. Guest speaker was Western author, Allen Russell. Russell's writing style is often compared with that of Zane Grey. He tells of Indians, outlaws, rustlers, buffalo stampedes and often patterns his characters from individuals in Smith County and settings from the area.

The Society is grieved over the loss of two of its oldest and most revered members. Following a lengthy illness, Elizabeth Wilson Beasley died on Saturday September 6, 2008, at her home in Dixon Springs. Mrs. Beasley was born June 20, 1914, the daughter of the late Curry Matthew and Alma Norris Wilson. She was married to Lewis Cass Beasley May 24, 1933. Mr. Beasley preceded her in death on November 6, 1982. They were the parents of four children. Mrs. Beasley was a beloved educator, having taught school in both Smith and Trousdale counties. She was elected first president of the Smith County Historical Society at its organizational meeting on November 29, 1965. She was a past Regent of the Caney Fork Chapter, DAR, the first woman to be elected Smith County Trustee in 1960, and a faithful member of the Carthage United Methodist Church. As long as her health permitted, Elizabeth remained a vibrant, inspirational leader in church, school, community and civic organizations. Burial was in the Dixon Springs Cemetery.

Roberta Conditt Neal of Neal Hollow, Elmwood, Tennessee, died peacefully at her home on August 29, 2008, following a brief illness. The daughter of the late Electa Allgier and Robert Hatton Conditt, Roberta was born July 17, 1914, in the house where she died. She was married to Samuel Kenyon Neal on August 21, 1933. They were the parents of two children. Mr. Neal preceded Roberta in death on December 17, 1969. For many years Roberta and her husband were owners and publishers of the *Carthage Courier*. Mrs. Neal was a member of the Carthage United Methodist Church, served many hours as a volunteer at the Smith County Memorial Hospital, was member of the Caney Fork Chapter DAR, and the Smith County Heritage Museum. To her many friends, Roberta's lively spirit and concern for others were an inspiration. She loved life and was affectionally known as “Roberta-Go.” The eulogist at her funeral remarked that in June 2007 she was dancing at a wedding in California and in December 2007 she was attending the Nobel Peace Prize Presentation in Oslo, Norway –a distance of some 10,000 miles! Burial was in the Smith County Memorial Gardens.

These indomitable ladies will be fondly remembered by family, friends and community.



Sue Maggart-Petty, Editor

TWO SOCIETY MEMBERS HONORED BY SMITH COUNTY ROAD DEDICATIONS

Two Society members were recently recognized by having highways named in their honor for meritorious military service. Both men were born and reared in Smith County and both graduated from Gordonsville High School.

On September 9, 2007, a segment of State Route 53/141 in Smith County between New Middleton and Gordonsville was dedicated as the "Colonel Bernie Bass Highway." Colonel Bass was born at New Middleton, the son of J. L. and Linnie Gibbs Bass. He was a graduate of Gordonsville High School (1937) and Cumberland University. In 1941 he volunteered for aviation cadet training in the U. S. Air Force, receiving his pilot's wings in 1942. Colonel Bass' distinguished service career included two combat tours during WW II. In 1951 he was called from reserve officer status and held various flying positions as squadron commander, flying single-engine jet aircraft and as Base Commander of Cam Ranh Bay Air Base, Republic of South Vietnam.

Awards and decorations earned by colonel Bass include the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster (OLC), Distinguished Flying Cross with one OLC, the Air Medal with twelve OLC, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one OLC, and the Meritorious Service Medal. Colonel Bass retired in 1976; he and his wife, Mary Helen, reside in Lebanon, Tennessee.

A dedication ceremony designating Highway 53 from Gordonsville to the Veteran's Memorial Bridge as the "Lt. Colonel Linden Lee Gill Highway" was held on August 16, 2008. "Lindy" Gill was born in Gordonsville and graduated from Gordonsville High School in 1946. Prior to graduation Gill was accepted into the U. S. Navy College Training program and assigned to the University of Tennessee. In 1951 he joined the U. S. Air Force and was assigned to pilot training as an Aviation Cadet and earned his wings in 1953.

Lt. Colonel Gill served a tour of duty during the Vietnam War, flying 122 combat missions in a single-engine propeller driven dive bomber. He was awarded two Distinguished Flying Crosses, the Bronze Star Medal with two OLC, the Air Medal with two OLC and other service medals. Gill and his wife, Betty, live in Knoxville, Tennessee.

The Smith County Historical and Genealogical Society salute the courage and dedication of these two honored members. As one honoree stated, "These dedications are really in honor of and representative of those hundreds of men and women from Smith County who have served their country over the years."

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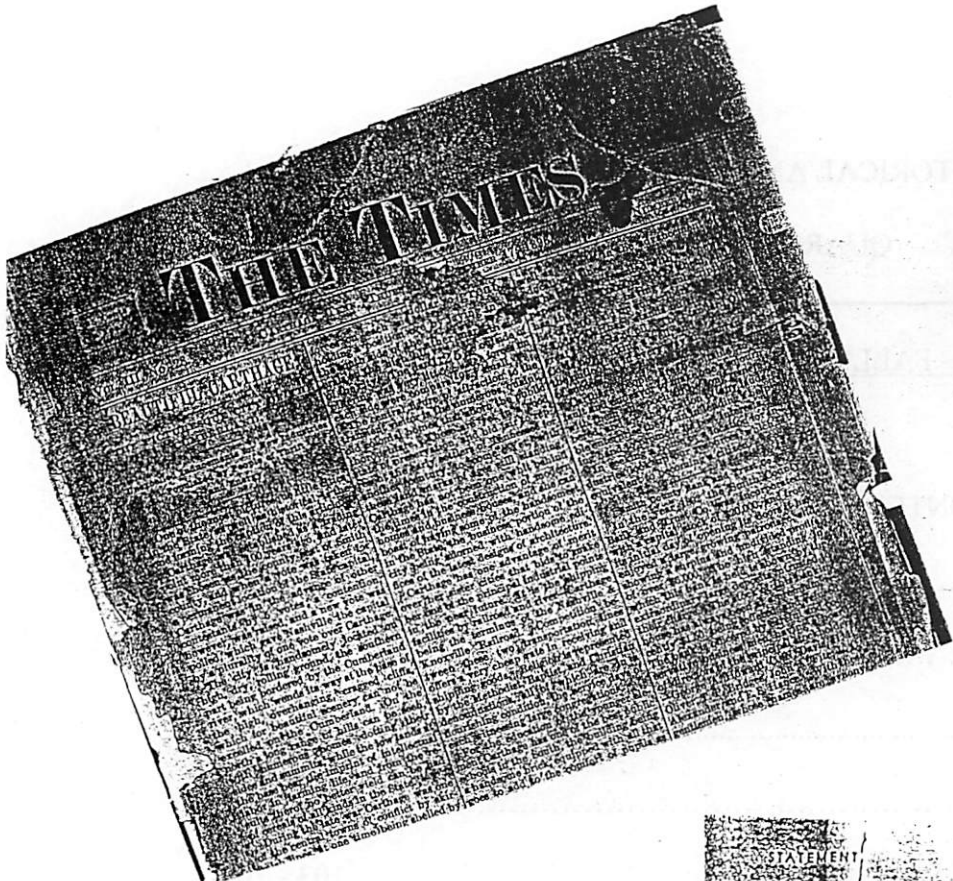
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Carthage Committee Chain of Progress

Today many questions are being asked regarding the advisability of pushing such technical achievements as nuclear power with such concern, should also be some questioning of the activity of breaking the scientific and technical

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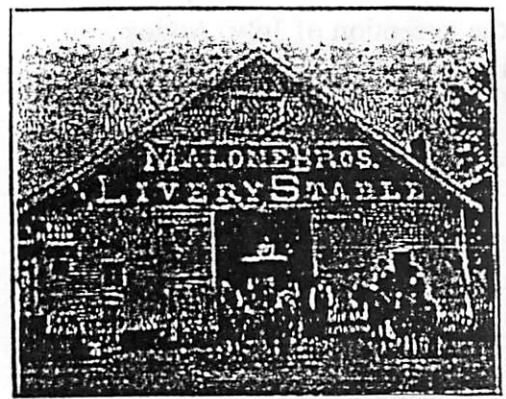
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LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY COURT LAND SALE

By virtue of a decree of the County Court of Smith County, Tenn., in the case of J. H. Kemp et al. vs. Matilda Kemp et al.,

Abstracted by Sue Maggart-Petty

NEWS OF YESTERYEAR

THE HERALD
VOLUME 1 SATURDAY JANUARY 9 1836

[Ed. Note: Old Smith County newspapers may be viewed on microfilm at the Smith County Library or the Tennessee State Library & Archives].

Elections:

Elections for Justices of the Peace and Constables will be held on the first Saturday in March, next. Polls will open at 10 o'clock and close at 4 p.m.

We are authorized to announce Mr. Harvey Hogg as a candidate for register.

Legal Notices:

Those indebted to the estate of George Rison, dec'd. are requested to come forward and make payment.

Chancery Sale ordered at July Term at Carthage in the case of John Fite and Thomas Smith, complaints and William Sweeney, Abner Lack, John Kelly and Daniel Kelly, defendants, I shall proceed to sell at public auction on 9 January next a tract of land lying on the waters of Smith Fork in Smith County containing about 204 acres.
John G. Park, Clk & Master, 23 Nov 1835.

Sherriff's (sic) Sale as ordered by Circuit Court, I will sell on 20 Feb next, at the courthouse door in Carthage all the title and claim Elijah Durham has on 250 acres lying on Hickman's Creek, formerly owned by Thomas Durham, dec'd. Also one other tract containing 250 acres adjoining the above tract on Durham's old line to Samuel Casey's line. Samuel P. Howard, Sheriff, 6 January.

By virtue of a Deed of Trust, I shall sell on 3 April 1836, a tract of land containing 375 acres, it being the plantation where Wm. Harvey now lives, adjoining the lands of H. B. McDonald, Wm. Dillard, Benj. Andrews, Don C. Finley and John Trousdale.
H. B. McDonald, Trustee.

Advertisements:

The partnership of William T. Williams and Don C. Finley is dissolved. William T. Williams will continue the business at the Carthage Hotel.

BELL TAVERN. W. E. Jones has leased the large and commodious brick building lately occupied by Hurt and Baker on the North East corner of the public square under the sign of the BELL. He is prepared to accommodate travelers and boarders. The table shall be supplied with the best the market affords, the bar well furnished with the best of Liquors.

Trials:

The lengthy address by Samuel Yerger, Esq., Attn. General, delivered at the trial of James Fentis who was indicted for the murder of William Walker at the October term 1835 of the Smith County Circuit Court was printed in full.

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SMITH COUNTY RECORD
CARTHAGE, TENNESSEE, FRIDAY JULY 18, 1884

Announcements:

For the Senate: Shaver, W. R. of New Middleton, Smith & Wilson County.

For the Legislature: Hon. W. J. Hale of Hartsville representing Sumner, Trousdale, Smith, and Macon counties.

For Attorney-General: A. F. Hurnley, Hartsville, 5th Judicial Circuit
T. J. Fisher, Smith County 5th Judicial Circuit
G. B. Murray, Jackson County, 5th Judicial Circuit
T. W. Wade, Dekalb County, 5th Judicial Circuit

For Sheriff: A. J. Dawson of Carthage, August 1884
J. T. Ferrell of Snow Creek, August Election

For Trustee: J. B. Duke of Riddleton, August Election
W. V. Hareld of New Middleton, August Election

Advertisements:

R. M. King, M.D., Carthage, Physician & Surgeon, diseases of the eye, ear, nose & throat
John Allen, Main Street, Carthage, Tonsorial Artist, shampooing & artistic hair-cutting

Gallatin and Carthage Stage, Day & Allen. The stage will leave daily except Sunday. Carthage 5 a.m.; Riddleton 6:30 a.m.; Dixon Springs 7:30 a.m. arriving in Gallatin in time to connect with the 2:10 p.m. train to Nashville.

Mrs. Mattie Allison will accommodate transient travelers and court attendants during the coming term of the Circuit Court.

James & Gold Bros., Gordonsville, General Merchandise & Druggists.

R. L. Duvall, Hartsville, Surgeon, Dentist, will practice in Carthage every 60 days.

Educational:

The Carthage School; The following is a correct report of the school at this place for the year ending June 27, 1884 – total number male students 49, total number female students 32, subjects studied, reading, writing, grammar, orthography, history; also Latin, algebra, trigonometry, philosophy.

T. M. Lawrence College, est. 1880, Alexandria, Tn. A school for girls and young ladies. Alexandria is a pleasant, healthy town located on the best turnpike in the State, 18 miles east of Lebanon which connects by daily stage and good telephone. Mrs. F. S. Gold, Principal.

The Gordonsville Academy, Gordonsville, Tennessee, for males and females. Tuition per term \$16.00; Board per month \$5 - \$10. J. T. Williams, Principal, N. L. Gold, Assist. Principal

Attorneys-at Law:

A. A. Swope; A. E. Garrett; Charles Swope; C. W. Garrett; John A. Fite; H. M. Hale; Letcher A. Ligon, office in Masonic Bldg.; T. J. Fisher; W. V. Lee

Local News Items:

“Wheat Rumpus” between brothers Thomas and Michael Lancaster during threshing of crop on land owned by Michael but rented by Thomas. Henry, son of Thomas, twice restrained his father from striking Michael, incurring the wrath of the father who began striking his son in the face. Henry did not retract, and grabbing a wagon standard, knocked his father down, warning him that death would be the penalty if the fight continued. This warning had the desired effect and the fight closed!

William Moore, son of Armistead Moore, was in our town last Saturday.

The steamer T. D. Fite passed up to Granville last Saturday and down on Sunday.

Presiding Elder B. G. Ferrell passed through our town on Thursday, the 10th inst.

Ira B. Purnell of the vicinity of Rock City was in Carthage on business last Thursday.

C. P. Cullum shipped on the steamer *Thomas B. Fite* last Sunday about 1,200 bushels of wheat.

Dr. Fite and wife of Lebanon spent one night in Carthage last week visiting Colonel John A. Fite and family.

News from Alexandria:

Mrs. Kate Robinson, wife of William Robinson, was found dead in bed this morning, having retired in usual health. It is supposed that a heart attack was the cause of death.

The grand wedding of R. B. Floid and Miss Ella Wheeler took place at the Methodist Church on the 26th of June, without doubt the most splendid wedding our town has ever seen. The bride was attired in a most beautiful traveling costume of tan cashmere and cut velvet. The groom wore an elegant dress suit. The groomsmen wore tan-colored gloves and cravats to match the bride's dress. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party started for Lebanon, there to take the train for an extended tour. There was a most splendid dinner served in a beautiful grove before reaching Lebanon.

Elmwood News:

The terrific storm which passed through this section Saturday, between sunset and dark, did great damage to the corn crop. Tobacco was not hurt.

Rome News:

Mrs. Walter Purnell is improving. Martial Hailey lost a fine mare last week by falling in a sink-hole. Dr. J. G. Bridges and his daughter, Miss Juliet, on their way to Red Sulpher Springs, stopped here Monday night at the home of T. P. Bridges and wife.

Headlines:

Smoldering Ruins, The Business Portion of Carthage in Ashes.

(Ed. Note: This story has been printed in full in Volume X, No. 1 of the *Quarterly*).

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RECORD – DEMOCRAT

R. Ed. Jones & Jno. S. Sanders, Publishers & Proprietors. NO. 534, 1894

(Ed. Note: Excerpts from Mr. Picket's "Letter to the Editor" were quoted in articles on "Carthage" and "Smith County Newspapers" in the *History of Smith County*. However, the letter in its entirety is worth repeating and is as follows.

ANCIENT CARTHAGE
How the Place Looked and How the People Did Fifty Years Ago
A Retrospect from a Former Carthaginian

Imagine a white haired old man, stooped shouldered, toothless, nearly blind and hampered with a mournful cough set to the melody of "Hark from the Tomb," and you have before you a faint presentiment of your correspondent, whom none would recognize who knew him fifty years ago as a gay cavalier of hilarious spirits, roaming the streets of dear old Carthage, the village of his nativity.

I was born in Carthage seventy years ago, and after drifting across the continent and roaming a while in foreign lands, I find that I have never for a day forgotten my native place or ceased to love it with all the fidelity and devotion a child should feel for its mother.

"How dear to me is the school-day spot, I never can forget tho there I am forgot."

I have another claim upon your generosity and forbearance. About fifty years ago I was the ostensible editor of the "Carthage Casket," of which John R. Bransford was owner, printer, typesetter and devil. I hardly suppose a single copy is now in existence. If there is, my septuagenarian friends would read it with smiles as they would read one of their own love letters.

Editors, like other cattle, like to herd together, though they bore each other occasionally, they love each other too well to let any one else do it.

I have just learned that there is a paper published in Carthage, and I want it said when a man wants a news-paper, that is just the thing he wants. You will send me a roll of your papers, dates being of no consideration; any where within five years will suit me, as I have not heard a single word of the people during that time. I have just received a letter from a woman in Nashville in which I am told of the death of Charlie Smith, Mrs. Mary King and Mollie Fite (nee) Mitchell. It went through me like a dagger of ice and I do not now realize the sad truth. They were types and memories of a long life.

I lived with dear old Sam Howard and went to school to him when Mary was a little girl. Charlie was a poor orphan boy when I took him unto my family and cared for him, and Mollie Mitchell I have dandled on my lap when an infant.

If there then three better people in Carthage, or a trio I loved more fondly, I never knew them.

I learn that Susan Perry is now alive. She was a slender, delicate girl, the pattern of her mother, but she had the nerve and pluck of old Billy Hart, a man of great energy and

industrious habits. Nan Jordan is still living, she was born in Sullivan's Bend and we went to school to Guilford Jones. Mrs. Calhoun and Mrs. McDonald complete the list of the old friends left to join me in the "funeral march to the grave."

My dear, sweet, Mrs. R. M. Brien writes, "I still love old Carthage and it makes me mad to hear any body speak one word against it."

Put me in the front ranks of the squad, I will enter the ring and go to a finish in the defense – mark you in defense of OLD Carthage of half a century ago.

Then we had five brick houses; the court house was also brick. We had three taverns with great painted signs swinging up in front of them. General Jackson was on one and piles of cannon balls and bayoneted muskets around him. The other has an immense gold bell, and the third one I have forgotten.

I like to have forgotten the old Beckwith tavern which had a bell on top, the first in town. The last house up town was the old meeting house, too big for its sparse population, except on grand days when the Elder came and held a "two days meeting," or when Maffit paid us a visit.

I have now the outline of a legend in my mind about a market house, which I think adorned the square and I think we had a sifter factory.

Then we had only one road into town; all others centered there led to Goodall's, Cockran's or Allen's ferry. But that one road was well worthy of mention and memory. It went out of town in a northerly direction of its own accord, and wound and wound and meandered among the rocks right by the tanyard smack up to the top of Hall's Hill and went by itself all alone by day and by the darkest nights of the year. No other road could have been a respectable rival. Why sir, a horseman with good spurs and a good new beech limb could make four hours to the mile twice a day over the road. It was a wonderful route, it was the Apian way of the demigods of the Romans and the Golgotha of the tribe of the oz; it was the Coleus of Rhodes and King of highways. It was black and social – it stuck to you like a poor relation. Its rocks were beautiful and so plentiful and they were profligate and strowed themselves along its way with the same carelessness that a rich man's son scatters his ancestral shekels! And yet I loved that road, it went out to Haynie's meeting house, it went to the tanyard, and a few years later it went down to where my sweetheart lived and it prospered and ripened into a smooth, beautiful turnpike with a gentle grade and encircled the mountain brow with a fillet of silver as bright as the band about the hair of a dark eyed beauty. Over that very same road Bill Dilles sent his stage every day with a single pair of gray horses, who made the trip to Gallatin without a change. Then Carthage was the center of the universe, the grandest on earth.

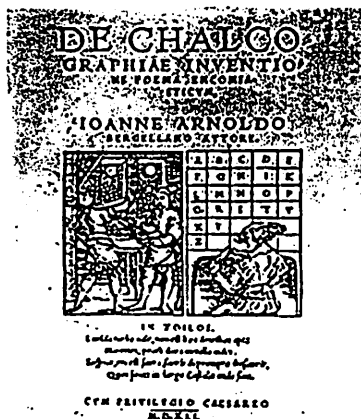
At that early time I was a tourist and a traveler. I had been through Dixon Springs even unto Damascus and to Hartsville, to Rome, to Alexandria, and to Statesville away over in Wilson county, and unto Lancaster, which was famous as the birthplace of Ariel, the "Lancaster filly." Carthage was right in the center or these pretentious suburbs; it reached from Walton's ferry to Hall's Hill and lay all around loose and open to immigration. We had a wool-carding factory from which I saw my first man hung for the murder of Ballenger. There was a circus down by Goodall's ferry. A keel boat was landed at the town by Capt. Lot Hazzard, "Old Spike," after a weary journey of nearly a year. Its cargo was of brown sugar, molasses, coffee, and a thousand tropical smells to the square inch, the first ever imported. Soon T. Williams brought in the first "percussion cap" shot gun, and soon after on Amy McNeil was complimented with a load of shot from its muzzle up at a duck pond at Walton's. The next treccusion gun was a brace of pistols brought in by Joe Allen. Leather matches showed up about 1830 and the first five cent silver coin came with them.

Every neighborhood had its bully, a champion whose prowess was the discussion of all classes. The first steamboat was the "Valley Forge;" she tied up at Goodall's ferry and I took a tumble from her gangway into the river. I saw Lern Tilestub and Orville Greece skate across the river and back in my young days. I hope my character for truth will not suffer from this bold statement, for I hope some records or legends may be found to verify the fact.

Frank Bolton, aged 105 years, caught two cat fish with a dog in a hollow log half a mile from the river each of which weighed exactly 105 pounds. Lastly, it was proved in court that Jonathan Scriveer had his nose chewed off in a public fight in the town in midday. This is legendary; I know Scriveer had his nose chewed off, but I don't know of my own knowledge who did it.

Some day we may sit down and rattle off some threads of discourse about Irvin Dixon, John Morris and others. For the present goodbye. Sing the doxology, "God bless our native land."

F. Burke Pickett
 St. Louis, Mo. Feb. 24, 1894



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EARLY CHARTERS AND CONVEYANCES

A perusal of early Smith County deeds exemplifies the priorities of the early pioneers. Clearing land, planting crops, and erecting shelters took precedence over the more cultural aspects of life. This is not to say that the settlers failed to honor church and school – religious services were often held in private homes and tutors might be hired to school neighborhood children in private homes. However, by the beginning of the second decade of the nineteenth century, records reflect an increased interest in religion and education as churches and schools were established in many communities in the county.

As to be expected, there was little activity in establishment of schools and churches during the decade of the 1860's. Once the war was over and life returned to normal, interest was revived, especially in chartering of schools and academies. Aid for education was extended by the state to those communities who agreed to furnish land and some funding. By the 1880's most communities had schools, albeit, more often than not, one-room, one teacher, drafty little buildings.

1810, Geneva Academy. William Walton deeds one acre adjoining the town of Carthage to the trustees. Deed Book D, p. 240.

1812, Peyton's Creek Baptist Church. Abraham Piper to Abraham Piper, Sr., one acre on Peyton's Creek. Book D., p. 218.

1813, Bethel Meeting House. Moses Lawson deeds to John Brevard and other trustees, one acre. Book D, p. 188.

1819, Brush Creek Baptist Church of Christ. Amos Ellison to Wm. Parker and Jesse Ellison, trustees, a tract of land. Book G, pp. 365-366.

1820, Carthage Methodist Episcopal Church. Nathaniel Williams & wife Sarah Walton Williams to John Owen and other trustees, 10,000 square feet in the town of Carthage. Book H, pp. 93-94.

1820, Lancaster Camp Ground. William and Richard Lancaster, tract of land near the town of Lancaster known by the name Camp Ground, land to be used for publick preaching. Book G, p. 342.

1821, Methodist Episcopal Church. Mark Dixon to Flippen and others, one acre for church. Book H, p. 30.

1822, Methodist Episcopal Church Southside of Cumberland River. David Hodges deeds a tract of land to trustees. Book H, pp. 261-262.

1822, Baptist Church at Hogan's Creek. Arthur S. Hogan to John Stallings, trustee, 2 and 1/4 acres. Book H, pp. 251-252.

1825, Hickman's Creek Baptist Church of Jesus Christ. Bartlett James, Sr., to the church, one and one half acres. Book I, p. 366.

1829, Poor House. John Carpenter to John Chambers and other commissioners, a tract on Peyton's Creek. Book K, p. 148.

1830, Allen's Ferry. William Owen to Elijah Toney, the ferry on the Cumberland River above Carthage known as Allen's Ferry. Book K, p. 269.

1831, Defeated Creek Meeting House and School. William Young to William Harris and Silas C. Cornwell, a tract of land for purpose of a meeting house and school. Book K, pp. 478-480.

1831, Forrest Meeting House. James B. Crowder to John Trousdale and other trustees, tract of land. Book K, pp. 442-443.

1832, Methodist Episcopal Church on Hickman Creek. John P. Williams to Samuel Hall, William Dennis, Bartlett James, Jr., Bartlett James, Sr., Hardy Jones, trustees, one acre for purpose of building a house of worship, bounded on west by Williams on road leading up Hickman Creek and Col. Durham's fence for use of present meeting house by name of Salem until new house can be built. Book L, p. 209

1833, Dry Creek Methodist Church. Lewis McFarland to other trustees, tract of land on Dry Creek. Book L, pp. 287-288.

1834, Beech Grove Meeting House. Josiah Marshall to Robert Marshall and other trustees, tract of land on Goose Creek. Book M, pp. 117-118.

1835, Dixon's Creek Baptist Meeting House. William Martin to Chesley Bridgewater and other trustees, two acres. Book M, pp. 501-502.

1835, United Baptist Church of Knob Springs. Elijah W. Haile to William Ferrell and other trustees. Book M. pp. 529-530.

1835, Oakland Academy. Richard Alexander to trustees, tract near Dixon's Springs. Book M, pp. 365-366.

1839, Salem Cumberland Presbyterian Church. James Barnett to John B. Gullick and other commissioners, tract of land known as Barnett's Campground. Book P, pp. 236-237.

- 1840, Carthage Methodist Church. John Cockran to John J. Burnett and other trustees, for the building of a church in Carthage. Book P, pp. 341-342.
- 1843, Meeting House on Caney Fork. John Beckman to Henry V. Nichols, John B. Nichols, James Trousdale, Wm. C. Trousdale, John Trousdale, trustees, District 16, one acre to build a place of worship. Book R, 25.
- 1844, Methodist Episcopal Church. Michael Shoemake to Benjamin Arundell and other trustees, one acre on Hurricane Creek. Book R, p. 264.
- 1844, Hurricane Creek Campground. Michael Shoemake to Benjamin Arundell, 32 acres excluding one half acre for the Campground. Book R, p. 306.
- 1845, Carthage Cumberland Presbyterian Church. H. B. McDonald, a town lot. Book V, p. 450.
- 1848, Methodist Church on Snow Creek. Warren Nichols to Stephen Mann, Benjamin Arundell and other trustees, tract on Snow Creek. Book T, p. 132.
- 1849, Carthage Female Academy. Samuel P. Howard to trustees, tract of land. Book T, p. 250.
- 1849, Meeting House, 2nd District. Elijah Cornwell to William Belcher and other trustees, tract for building a meeting house. Book T, p. 668.
- 1850, Phillipe Schoolhouse. John House, a tract on Mulherrin's Creek. Book T, p. 619.
- 1851, School, 15th District. J. B. Jones, Daniel Jones, John Stewart to Samuel L. Bailiff, tract for a school building. Book U, p. 90
- 1852, District 18. Daniel Seay to citizens, a tract of land to build a church. Book V, p. 57.
- 1854, Bunna Vista. James Gill to citizens of the 18th District for the meeting house, part of said land given by Daniel Seay. Book X, p. 141.
- 1854, 12th District School. Drury Clardy to William M. Price and other commissioners $\frac{3}{4}$ acre. Book W, p. 454.
- 1856, Methodist Episcopal Meeting House South. Lewis Franklin to S. W. Moreland (Jackson Co.), Samuel F. Franklin, Robert Holiday, Armstrong W. Allen, John Dickens, William Massey, Sr., Jeremiah Belk, William Hall, (all of Smith County), trustees, shall erect or cause to be erected a building for use of members. Book X, pp. 121-122.

1856, Methodist Church on Snow Creek. Mentioned as boundary on tract sold by J. B. Allison to D. K. Timberlake. Book X, p. 297.

1857, Smith County Agricultural Society. William M. Price to Society. Book Y, p. 314.

1859, New Middleton Academy. James A. and M. F. Thomas to trustees. Book Z, pp. 452-453.

1866, Indian Creek School/Family Graveyard. H. W. Sadler sells to Elijah B. Holloman 150 acres, excluding the school and family graveyard. Book 1, pp. 774-775.

1866, New Middleton Free Church. Thomas Gill, T. Kitchens, John P. Yelton, J. R. Smith, to the trustees, tract located on old Bethel lot. Book BB, pp. 542-544.

1867, Chapel Hill Meeting House and Cemetery. John and Felix McFarland, executors of Lewis McFarland, sell tract in 4th district excluding family graveyard and meeting house. Book 1, pp. 62-63.

1868, Franklin Institute. Erected on Trousdale Ferry Pike in Grant. (See copy of minutes in Smith County Archives).

1868, Rural Academy. John A. Smartt to trustees of 17th district property for school and church purposes for the white population, it being the land where Rural Academy is now being erected. Book 2, p. 479.

1869, District 14 School. J. C. Sanders to Walker C. Wilkerson and other directors, tract of land for a public school.

1869, Peyton's Creek Presbyterian Church. Thomas Sanderson to D. A. Wilkerson, 1 acre. Book 1, p. 563.

1869, Rollings Hill School. Wilson Neal to F. H. Gordon, Jacob Tuggle and others, tract for building school to go for educating white children and no other use. Book 1, pp. 243-244.

1869, Rome Drug Store. Purchased by D. V. Seay. Book 1, p. 571.

1870, Snow Creek Academy and Masonic Lodge. Jesse Nichols to Mitchell Perry and other trustees, tract for an academy and Masonic lodge. Book 1, pp. 536-537.

1872, United Baptist Church and Burying Ground. James Barrett deeds one acre to trustees Samuel Allison, John P. Yelton, B. Oliver, at Macedonia Meeting House for a burying ground The colored citizens of Tennessee are to have a part of said land in the

upper end for a burying ground. Both places situated on land deeded to Barrett by John R. Moores. Book L, pp.736-737.

1872, Dry Creek Methodist Episcopal Church. John H. Burnett tract in 4th district. Book 1, pp. 710-711.

1872, African Methodist Church. Thomas Sanderson, tract in 6th district. Book 1, p. 711.

1872, Turkey Creek School. John W. and James E. Glover to trustees, tract of land. Book 1, pp. 665-666.

873, Campbell Institute. See *Carthage Courier* 19 Feb 1931.

1875, Carthage Free Church. Thomas Waters to Americus Allen and other trustees, town lot in Carthage. Book 2, p. 547.

1877, Flat Rock Academy. Charter of incorporation. Book 3, pp. 380-381.

1877, Geneva Academy/Carthage Female Academy. William Walton a tract in 1810; Geneva Academy being a male school, Carthage Female Academy being a female school, Geneva Academy is to be sold and funds given to the female academy. Book 3, p. 371-372.

1877, Rawls Creek School. Reece Enoch and wife, Martha, gift to 17th district, tract for educational and religious services. Book 3, pp. 205-206.

1877, District 12 Trustees. W. B. Cundall to trustees, one acre near Rome to be used for secular and sundry and for public worship of God, but not shows. Book 4, p. 307.

1878, Chestnut Mound Academy. Charter of incorporation, E. H. Knight, Henry Petty, Jesse N. Ford, A. H. Ditty, Wm. Fitzpatrick, James W. Draper, James Haynes. Book 4, p. 24.

1878, Union Church, Dixon Springs. J. D. Allen and wife, Clarisa, to trustees. Book 4, p. 305-306.

1879, Oakwood Academy. Charter of incorporation, 2nd district. Book 4, p. 57.

1879, Bluff Creek School. Turner L. Wilkerson to trustees, 14th district. Book 4, p. 101.

Entire copies of the deeds may be seen on microfilm at the Smith County Library or the county register's office. Compiled by Sue Maggart-Petty.

DIARY OF THOMAS FULLER
COMPANY E, 2ND TENNESSEE CAVALRY
NOVEMBER 27, 1861 – JUNE 30, 1865

Continued from Volume XX, NO. 2

May 20, 1864. Late this evening it was rumored that prisoners were at the landing, they came in after night to the number of 1900 – was captured on the 12 inst. Say that the army was in good spirits, say Maj. Gen. J. H. Morgan will take command in Va. (vice) Gen Stuart. Confeds have been successful in repulsing the forces under Butler.

May 21, 1864. The prisoners spoken of above are quite hearty looking and stout men carry some of the signs of having endured a good portion of soldiering, say that the army in Va. (C.S.) have been well clothed and fed during the past winter.

May 22, 1864. Today being Sunday and a beautiful day, men are now on the yard. Considerable news today, wild rumors in today was said in yesterday's that the Feds supply train had been captured and recaptured again, it is difficult to get anything definite from the papers we get mostly in here.

May 23, 1864. Rumors are to the effect that Gens. Johnston and Sherman have had a severe engagement, the latter being repulsed, loosing quite a number of prisoners and had fallen back in the direction of Chattanooga, Tenn. Received a letter from Ill. today, no news of interest from the Sucker state.

May 24, 1864. Today's Enquirer report Gen. Lee retreating. This paper has advocated this doctrine ever since the fight began. The New York News states things in quite a different light, the raid of Gen Sheridan a failure. Gen. Butler is not fit to command a Reg.

May 25, 1864. Some rain last night, getting warm for some days past, the water we drink is not good, it is said to be river water conveyed over from N. Jersey shore in a boat and then run to us in hose. Received a letter from Miss. L.T.M. this evening, a nice well written letter it is, some gratifying news contained in this epistle.

May 26, 1864. This have been a close rainy day hardly at any time has the sun made its appearance quite muddy and disagreeable in getting around. News are at an exaggerated point, the most prominent feature in the papers is "lies" although the Yankees admit that the entire The River country is given up to the southerners.

May 27, 1864. Received a letter to day from B. K. Marion, Ill. states that Henry T. Anderson and Billy have volunteered to do service for old "Abe" three brothers all nephews of mine are members of Co. H, 81 Ill. Abolitionist Reg.

May 28, 1864. Gen. Grant is said to have evacuated Fredericksburg and gone to Fort Royal about 21 miles from the latter place and ten miles from the Chesapeake Bay being only a few miles further toward the Confederate capital than he has been fighting but slow progress he is making.

May 29, 1864. On last evening some 50 citizens were brought to Fort Del. And assigned lodging, there are some very old men among the number, taken up near the late battlefields. Rumors are that Johnston is holding Sherman quite uneasy in all probability the latter will be compelled to change his base of operations.

May 30, 1864. Prisoners were all hacked out to day and remained several hours on the green grass - some were taken on our return, quarters were washed out and some light improvements made during the absence.

May 31, 1864. Went out again today and remained for several hours and came in - dinner, bread and two small Irish potatoes to each man, a cup of water as a substitute for soup, some got a few beans in theirs.

Feds are allowing prisoners to go bathing in Delaware Bay, about 200 go in at once, a strong guard is stationed on the bank - an officer or two are lookers on.

On the 4 of June I understood from Jas. Averett (he having recd. a letter of late) that Col C. R. Barteau was not dead which information we of his reg. that are here, are very much gratified to hear, we were unable to learn any of the particulars.

E. D. Thomas was admitted to the hospital June 4, 1864.
(The last two entries were evidently placed at the bottom of an unfilled page which accounts for the fact they do not fit in sequence.)

June 1, 1864. Was ordered out again today, remained only a short time, inspectors are inspecting quarters, late this eve some more prisoners were taken to the "Bay" the 3 Division went out, the writer was one of the number, it was quite amusing to be in water, boys quite lively while bathing.

June 2, 1864. It turned cool today, and some changes in the way of eating. The writer got no coffee nor meat, five hard crackers was all I got in the dining room at dinner, bread and soup, one Irish potato composed the bill of fare. Fed papers speak of their forces accomplishing mighty deeds of valor and heroism in the different fields of action.

June 3, 1864. Getting to be quite hard as to the food we are getting - everyone more or less is speaking of not getting as much as they ought to get by, a general hunger seems to exist among the men, and that without ceasing.

June 4, 1864. Our quarters were whitewashed again today nearly an every day occurrence for us to be put out for some light job of work to be fitted up inside the Barracks – was informed this evening of the death of Major William Parrish 2 Tenn Cav. Was unable to hear any of the particulars.

June 5, 1864. Not feeling very well today and the ground being muddy from the rain last night I remained in my bunk a good portion of the day and indulged in pleasant slumber, the first day I have been engaged in a like thing for a time.

June 6, 1864. Still a little unwell but so as to keep on foot. Dis Ray one of our mates received a box today containing a pair of boots and some eatables, a ham, butter, honey, sweetbread, tastes quite palatable to us who have not eat any of that kind for months.

June 7, 1864. Still unwell but able to keep on foot a portion of my time, 1 Reg. new guards are on duty now said to be militia from Ohio (57) the former guards are said to have guns to the front rumors say that some of them “wept bitterly” when leaving Fort Delaware. Their condition will be different.

June 8, 1864. After sick call this morning I went to the Dispensary was examined and had a prescription filled Vis a dose of quinine pills, the salts were almost as much as I could bear without vomiting, pills were not so nauseating, am in fair condition to get better.

June 9, 1864. Received a letter from my brother Henry of date May 22; do not feel any improvement on hand today as to my health. Today's paper does not speak so well of the Feds operations. Morgan is said to be in Ky. Some cavalry in Sherman's rear.

June 10, 1864. Went to the hospital to receive medical aid to restore my health, was admitted into Ward 10. The regulation is for a patient to bath before putting on hospital clothing to send the clothing worn to be sent to a room for safe keeping when the patient recovers; having attended to this was conducted in and a bed assigned, received no medicines, 50 beds in each ward, 12 wards, one for the Feds, small-pox hospital off a distance. Dr. Stovall has charge of ward 10.

June 11, 1864. Dr. Stovall has charge of Ward 10, came in last night but gave nothing, prescribed quinine to be taken 3 times a day, nurse scoured the floor for inspection tomorrow. One man died late in the afternoon in Ward 10. My disease is remittent fever, considerable number of cases, chronic diarrhea, there is a ward master, a head nurse and 4 other nurses in a ward.

June 12, 1864. Inspection today by some of the medical board who passed through to see that neatness is observed through out the sick room. E. D. Thomas came to see me he has been confined for some days with diarrhea, is not on the improve we have rain water in tanks that we drink.

June 13, 1864. Another Dr took charge of 10 this morning, did not prescribe for me. I still have fever and not much of appetite for food, patients get diet as near suitable to their condition as can be prepared, Vis corn starch, it is called, water and flour cooked a little, then sweetened with sugar, a half pint of boiled milk or a pint of coffee, an egg half raw this is called extra diet.

June 14, 1864. Am at or near the same, fever still continues unabated, have been taking quinine pills. E. D. Thomas is now discharged, another diet or dish for sick is boiled rice, a little milk and bread is given to everyone, the patients who are convalescent get meat occasionally – beef and hash, soup, scurvy cases get cabbage and onions, a variety in smells.

June 15, 1864. My fever is not so high this morn. Cod fish hash for breakfast, no appetite for any thing. I feel giddy about my head – effects of quinine, my head was never so affected before from use of medicine.

June 16, 1864. Tolerable clear of fever in the morning, toward evening it rises, though I am improving a little, an unnatural feeling still exists in my head; considerable formality is practiced here as is the case whenever the Feds have authority, roll call twice per day, ward masters, nurses, policemen, cooks all Rebs employed in hospital attend this call.

June 17, 1864. Fever very light today, I have a better taste in my mouth, appetite getting some better, eat an egg today and other fixups for dinner; a giddiness still remains in my head, affecting my eye, can't read only a few lines at a time, some reading matter is brought in from the Hosp. library once every week and religious papers from C. C.

June 18, 1864. Walked to the "rear" twice today, some little fever this evening, times are very dull in Hosp. some pass time off in reading, others at chess, the scenes by which a person is surrounded are quite melancholy, where so many are so wasted away by the disease that is praying on them.

June 19, 1864. Sunday – inspection again this morning as usual, saw two of my acquaintances Jo. White and R. B. Goodloe, both are patients – fever rose again this evening, got a piece of ice and some lemonade, I am improving slowly. The chief nurse in this ward is a regular graduate from a medical school, "Charleston" S. Carolina, name A. S. Walker, is a very practitioner as well as nurse.

June 20, 1864. B. R. Goodloe came in and stated he was going to his quarters, sent a verbal message by him as to state of my health. Workmen put up window curtains today, protects us from sunshine in morning and evening, had fever again this evening at which about it comes of late altogether. We have no reliable war news of late, papers are rather scattering, but few reaches us.

June 21, 1864. A patient died at 10 this morn, others have been discharged and admitted, among the latter is S. D. Smith, Guntown, MS. We failed to get coffee for supper consequently a light super for those that have a good appetite and they of that class are numerous.

June 22, 1864. Weather is a little cool this morning for the season, visited Mr. Gates, a Tennessean, is ward master in ward 9; saw A. R. Osier, he has been in ward 2 ever since April 11, has chronic diarrhea and is looking badly, we get coffee as here to fore. I am improving very rapidly at this time, feel like if no backset overtakes, I will be well soon, desirable.

June 23, 1864. This ward room is a place of a continual scene of suffering and death – another dead man was taken out today from 10. I have not felt so well today, think that I had a chill. Eight women visited hosp. four of them girls, appear to be from 12 to 14 years of age; the weeds of mourning were visible among the fair sex, another death in 10 late this afternoon.

June 24, 1864. Fever still high, the pills I have been taking have been pronounced worthless, and powders (quinine) prescribed in their stead. I hope they may succeed in breaking up the fever that keeps me confined to the sick room a change for the better is a desirable object.

June 25, 1864. Fever not so high as on some days past, we are furnished with a little ice water which is very cooling to a person with hot fever preying on them. My head is some what affected by the use of quinine. Medicines are reported as being scarce, not a great variety of drugs on hand, a fresh supply is expected to be in soon and patients will be distributed.

June 26, 1864. Waked up this morning and found my clothes and bed clothing next me well saturated with perspiration it being the morning for changing linen, I got a good outfit and felt much better in consequence of the change, have rested very well today considering everything by which I am surrounded, the disease and the hot weather.

June 27, 1864. After having suffered very severely on last night with my head, fever being high, but a wet cloth being applied to my forehead, gave me relief, today thanks to an All Wise Providence who watches over the destiny of men, I am tolerable clear of fever and feel much better.

June 28, 1864. Have not had fever today, have not had medicine sufficient for the disease. I have Erysipelas, come on my left cheek. The chief nurse was tardy in doing anything for my relief at length he went to painting with tincture of iron and or something near the same name; iodine is most commonly used for this disease, and with a good physician, successfully.

June 29, 1864. My face is very much swollen, left eye entirely closed, a dullness or stupor seems to affect my entire person, a burning sensation on my face, fever high, have a continual thirst for water, am approaching very near blindness, received a letter from Levi J. Fuller in Ill. It came just in time for me to be able to read it. O God be merciful.

June 30, 1864. Was blind all day, a gloomy feeling is hovering over me, unable to do anything much for myself, scarcely able to eat any food, have to eat by guess, cannot see, some of the nurses are very negligent, care not whether they do much for a patient or they would rather be off.

July 1, 1864. My eyes came open enough for me to see things around me, they are sore – failed to get any oil to put on my face to give the old skin a moisture so as to be easily removed. A young woman came in ward 10 this evening accompanied by a Fed. I have taken medicines for Erysipelas neglecting the fever altogether two diseases are heavy at once, all I am able to bear.

July 2, 1864. The chief nurse affirms that I am improving and doing very well, although I have not been able to discover any material change, my ears are very sore, are giving me some trouble, have to lie on my back for the most part. H. F. King, Co. A, Tenn Cav., was stabbed by R. G. Kyrich in six places. The former was brought to ward 9.

July 3, 1864. Am some better today and hope that my disease is leaving me and my appetite is getting much better – formerly have had little or no relish for food, water also tastes bad, it being rain water caught in tanks and kept for use.

July 4, 1864. Have no fever this morning, the old skin is coming off rapidly. I have not washed my face for several days past. Feds have been firing some Salutes up near or at the Fort, they seem to make the whole island shake when the match is applied. A very dull place here in Hosp, a patient has to make the best he can of his situation.

July 5, 1864. Gen Sehoph walked through Ward 10 this morning, he is apparently near six feet high, of a complexion some forty years of age, and of German descent, is in command of Fort Del. I have been taking quinine again for slight fevers that come occasionally, rations very good in hospital this particular time.

July 6, 1864. Have felt sleepy today more so than on former occasions. Feds are trying to get up an excitement about a small rebel force in Maryland, getting their men to organize against the invaders as they call the Rebs. When approaching their lines, Feds fear the loss of property.

July 7, 1864. Orders are for the Rebs not to have papers to read, something is brewing that they wish to keep dark from Rebs. I am improving in health, not much to cheer and animate those who have become melancholy. For my part I am conscious of having discharged my duty as much as lay in my power, am in fine spirits.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MRS. CATHERINE BOWEN CAMPBELL, WIFE OF DAVID CAMPBELL, TO THEIR SON, WILIAM BOWEN CAMPBELL, WHO WAS AT THAT TIME ATTENDING THE LAW SCHOOL AT WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA

Submitted by Evie Moore

[Ed. Note: *William Bowen Campbell was born in Sumner County, Tennessee, 1 February 1807, the son of David and Catherine Bowen Campbell. He came to Carthage with his parents at the age of eight. He was sent to Virginia to study law and began his practice in Carthage in 1829. In 1835 he was married to Frances Isabella Owen, daughter of Dr. John and Mary A. Goodwin Owen. Campbell served three terms in the United States House of Representatives (1837-1843), served in both the Seminole and Mexican wars, and was governor of Tennessee (1851-1855). In 1853 he moved to Lebanon; Frances Campbell died in 1864 and William Bowen Campbell in 1867. Both are buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Lebanon, Tennessee.*

The following letter was written to her son, William, by Catherine Bowen Campbell in 1828 during his term at law school. What a festive, exciting Fourth of July in Carthage that must have been with bands playing, dignitaries marching in the parade, and hundreds of people mingling along the streets.]

ROUND LICK, NEAR CARTHAGE, TENN.

July 7, 1828

My Dear Son:

I have delayed answering yours of the 13th of June which I received about two weeks ago, that I might give you some account of the parade that was agitating us.

The inhabitants of Lebanon and Wilson County sent an invitation to Gen. Andrew Jackson to partake of a dinner, and supper, on the second of July on his way to Carthage. A committee of ten men were sent to conduct him. They were to start from your grandfather Campbell's to town. Gen. John Campbell, your uncle, was one of the committee. The next day there were ten more sent to bring him to this county line, which is at Mr. James Shelton's. There your father was commissioned to receive him, as he belonged to the Smith County committee. The General said it was his wish that day to take a family dinner with your Aunt and Uncle Armistead Moore, and return and stay all night with us. About ten o'clock in the morning they arrived here, stopped and had their horses put up and fed. They all then walked to your Uncle Moore's. Your uncle, General John, and your Aunt Emeline Campbell walked with them; also your little sister and brother, Virginia and David. They were the only children at home at the time, John, Mary, and Margaret having gone up to Carthage early that morning, as later there would be trouble in crossing the river, when the crowd assembled for the great parade.

The General took a great fancy to little Virginia, led her by the hand, and at the table, when I wished her to wait, he took her and seated her by himself, and attended to her.

She was quite delighted, although she looked rather abashed at his politeness. I wish I could describe to you the meeting; indeed, I did not think it would have had the effect that it did upon my feelings when the company rode up and dismounted at my door.

I looked out and saw General Jackson advancing with that same gallant air that I had so often seen in days that are now departed. I involuntarily stepped from the house to meet him, and was received in the kindest manner by the old warrior. A mixture of feelings crowded upon me, in reflecting on the toils, difficulties, and many weary steps that the old hero had taken, since I had last seen him; nearly twenty-three years had elapsed since that time. The next morning before his departure, he stationed himself near me to have a serious chat before parting, although the house and yard was full of men waiting to see him and hear him talk. I have promised to let the girls go to the Hermitage on a visit to him, but do not know how it will be yet. The Governor (*would have been Sam Houston, 1827-1829, Ed.*) was here also, but I could not attend much to him when the General was near, for I did not know him in the days of yore.

John and your sisters returned from town yesterday. They were much pleased with their trip, and more with seeing the 'Old Hickory.' He was very kind and attentive to them when introduced in Carthage, which was, of course, very gratifying indeed to me, who had been an old friend and neighbor of the old hero's so many years gone by. I have given you enough of the Fourth of July parade. Will write soon of other things.

Adieu, my son; you have always your mother's blessings.

Catherine B. Campbell

(Copied from Historical Sketches by Margaret Pilcher, pp. 140-141).



WILLIAM BOWEN CAMPBELL



CEDAR GROVE CEMETERY

THE DIARIES OF ELENORA KELLY WILSON
1871 - 1907

Edited by Thayer Wilson Beach
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January 1, 1900 - December 31, 1900

- 01-01 Terrible cold. Mr. Wilson went to Carthage and nothing done but cut wood and feed. Kelly was here this evening. Professor Hibbid of Sumner County here tonight in the interest of Rome school.
- 01-12 Cooler today but unfavorable so no one at work. Kelly came from Granville getting here a little after dark. We expected Fred T. with him but he did not come as the excitement in Carthage over smallpox is so high he was afraid he could not get back.
- 01-24 A lovely day. We are Ma's until Jesse came for us this evening. Kelly went over to Colonel Gill's today to see a horse. Jesse is suffering terribly from vaccination (apparently a smallpox vaccination. TWB). I set up with him till 10:00 when he got easy by taking morphine.
- 01-30 A real cold day. Mr. Wilson's 51st birthday and Kelly and his Grandma came early to eat dinner with him. My Ma is here and Mary Tom is here also. This evening Kelly carried his Grandma up to Nancy Jane's.
- 02-09 Cleared off last night and it is pretty and cool today. Mr. Carey the agent brought Fred Kelly's picture which I had painted for Allie. Mr. Wilson carried Ma to Uncle Josh's and late this evening the steamer Thomas came and Mr. Wilson went with her to the boat and
- 02-18 Cold, cold, ground covered still with snow. All shut in. Mr. Wilson went down to George Baines awhile this morning but too cold to do anything comfortable except hover around the fire.
- 02-28 Warmer. Last night was one of those terrible windy nights. Jesse came downstairs because he could not sleep for the wind under the tin roof. Raining tonight. Mr. Wilson and Thayer went to Rock City this evening. The weather continues so bad tis enough to give farmers the blues.
- 03-09 A pretty day. All quite busy. Dave Reeds sent for the jack. Mr. Wilson is gone tonight to Carthage to the mid-term debate at Joseph Allen College so no one here tonight except the children and I. Broke the potato patch. First plowing this year.
- 03-12 A beautiful day. I went to Rock City a little while this morning. Mr. Gasp Denton was here for grease to make soap this evening. Thayer, Fannie and I went in the buggy to Ma's and found Ma and Nancy Jane had gone over to Mollie Harper's and did not come back until late so Nancy Jane and the children and I are spending the night at Ma's. Robert Hainey died this morning at 10:00.
- 03-28 A beautiful day. Early Thayer, Fannie, Mary Tom and I went in the buggy and spent the day very pleasantly at Mrs. John Henry's. Ms. Sue and Uncle Josh were also there. (John Burr's uncle and aunt. TWB) Came home late and found Emma Ferrell and Pearl here and they are here tonight. All of our forces are gone today to help Kelly sow his oats and clover.

- 03-30 It had the appearance this morning of being a real pretty day. Emma and Pearl started home and Mr. Wilson and the hands went to the lower place to work but it soon began to cloud up and rain a little bit and turned real cool and windy so no work was done this afternoon. Mr. Wilson received a telephone call while we were at supper from Thayer Smith to send him Bob Taylor, the jack. (I believe a telephone message was sent from somewhere in Rome; I don't believe there were telephones in the home yet. TWB)
- 04-07 A lovely day. Horace set out my persimmon tree in the yard. Walter broke up the orchard. This evening all hands gone to Nathan Flippin's sale at Rock City. Wilsye came from Mr. Grissom's late this evening.
- 04-14 A lovely day. Early I rode Alma and stopped and talked to Docia Flippin a while and stopped and talked to Ms. Sacres and at Mary Wilson's store and on to Laura Pernell's to spend the day. Betty Norris came out later and in the evening Ms. Hattie Etherly and Ms. Jim Grissom came and spent a while and Ms. Kennie was there. So we all had quite a pleasant day. Came home late this evening and John Paine took supper here and he and Mr. Wilson went to the club and Mr. Wilson gone till nearly midnight. Today was Mr. Ed Harrison's sale.
- 04-25 A lovely, warm morning. Wilsye, Thayer, Fannie and I went to Uncle Josh's driving Val and Wilsye went to school until noon when she came back to Uncle Josh's. After dinner, we all with Ms. Sue went down to Albert Williams and Ma and Nancy Jane were there. And this evening there was a heavy rain. About 6:00 after Ma and Wilsye had gone to Ma's the steamer Dunbar came and Nancy Jane went to the river with us and Thayer and Fannie and I started to Granville. We met John Gann's wife, a Mrs. Brown from McMinnville, and others on the boat. Fred Taylor came to the boat at Carthage to see us and spend some time with us as the boat stayed there for about two hours.
- 05-05 A pretty day. About 9:00 the steamer Dunbar came and we started home on the same. Thayer Smith also going to Nashville with some hogs so he is with us. The boat stopped for a long time at Westpoint to take in lumber. Ben Armstead came on the boat. Thayer Smith, children and I walked out in Mr. West's beautiful Beachgrove and the children enjoyed the stroll so much. Tonight the boat is lying all night at Taylor's Branch taking on lumber.
- 05-06 A pretty morning. Boat started early and we ate breakfast on the boat after it landed at Rome. And Thayer Smith went off with us and Simon Howells went up to Albert Williams. The children and I are there and Jesse came and took Thayer home and got the buggy and came back for Fannie and I. So we are again at home and truly no place like home. Found all had gone well while we were away.
- 05-28 Not very well this morning yet Mary Tom and I drove Val and Mary went to see Ms. Amy Hodges and I to spend the day with Ms. Julian Ann Flippin and Lillia Hodges and her children were there. After dinner we all went out to Dick Hodges and spent the evening. Tom Fisher gave us a piece of smoked glass to observe the sun which was in partial eclipse this morning. Making a very solemn scene. We got home late this evening. The peddlars, the Walmarks, are here again tonight.

- 06-04 Rainy, rainy. Mr. Wilson went to Rome and bought a new McCormack binder and rake from B. D. Cooksey. I rode behind Mr. Wilson and spent the evening with Ms. Rachel Baines who is sick. Mr. John Reasonover, candidate for representative and Mr. Winfred House are here tonight. Mr. Wilson sold today 29 lambs and 1 old ewe to D. Johnson and Walter and Jesse carried them to Grant.
- 06-14 Rained a little again today. Kelly and Ed began cutting upper field of wheat. Cutting with cradle where could not use the new binder. Horace and Jesse cutting Robert Moore's wheat with the binder. Mr. George S. Hunt and John H. Apple candidate for representative ate dinner here.
- 06-16 This morning Brother Haggart went to Centerhill and Mr. Wilson and Brother Jordan went to Mt. Olivet. Brother Jordan to preach the funeral of old Ms. Tilman Flippin who died yesterday and buried at Mt. Olivet. Fred Taylor, Fannie and I went to Centerhill where Brother Haggart preached a good sermon and had dinner in the church. A terrible rain could hardly keep dry in the church.
- 06-24 Fred Taylor and Edgar left early for Dickson Springs. Jesse, May, and Wilsye went in the buggy to Mt. Olivet to hear Brother Henson preach and quite a heavy rain while they were gone. Mr. Wilson came home but Jesse and the girls went to Ma's for dinner and came home late this evening. Uncle Josh, Ms. Sue, Edgar and May Denton here tonight.
- 07-02 A warm day. This evening Wilsye, Thayer, Fannie, Webb and I went and spent the evening at Ms. Dede Kinslow's. Wilsye, Webb, and Thayer went to Oliver in the buggy. Jesse went to Carthage today to the Democratic Mass Meeting. Fred Taylor and May Denton went to Grant yesterday evening in the interest of May a school and spent last night at Clay Bridges and Fred brought May to Rome this morning and he went to Carthage and he and Jesse got home late this evening. May Denton went home from Rome with Hattie Williams and they stopped at here an hour or two out of the rain.
- 07-19 Warm and it rained this evening. May and Fred Taylor started early to Carthage for the examination of teachers and are there tonight. Early Mr. Wilson carried me down to Ed's as Mary Tom is quite sick with bucks and I spent all day there.
- 07-25 A very pleasant day. The thrasher got to the gate at a little past 11. We had dinner ready and Seth Colley, Bart Stuart, and son Jordan, and Mr. Hatcher ate dinner here and immediately after dinner they carried thrasher to the field and thrashed 113 bushels of wheat and Bart Stuart and boy are here tonight. It is raining. Mag and Wilsye came quite early. Dicey is sick and sent Niva and Mag Baines and May Denton helped Wilsye and I get dinner and May, Wilsye and I cooked supper.
- 08-03 Still warm. Kelly brought May Denton from his home up here quite early and later Uncle Josh came for her and she went home with him. I went to Rock City this morning. Late this evening, Fred and Jesse came from Granville and Marvin Denton is here tonight. Will A. Jordan and Baige Johnson candidates for Senate and Johnson was elected. John Reasonover, John H. Apple, John Brim and Squire Griggs for representative and Reasonover was elected. Hackett was elected Trustee and R. L. Scruggs, Sheriff. A. Oliver and Alfred Baines elected J.P's. Minlow Hatcher, Constable, Tom Rigsby, Tax Assessor.

- 08-16. This morning early as Fred and Wilsye went to school Fannie and I went to Ma's and have been there all day. Kelly is at work on the road and this evening Fred and Wilsye came out there so we are all there tonight and the heat is dreadful.
- 09-01 A cloudy, pleasant day. Early Fred Taylor left to bring a young lady from Dickson Springs to the fair. Jesse went horseback and Thayer Smith, Tom Carden and Ada and Tom Ferrell and Wilsye went in Thayer's surrey to the fair. Alice with her two children, little Fannie and little Alice, me, Thayer and my Fannie were here all day. Mr. Wilson went to Rome to the lodge this evening and all came back here tonight. A rain late this evening so Fred Taylor did not get home but stopped at Mrs Deddie Kinslow's to spend the night. Herman Shepherd came home with Jesse and is here tonight also.
- 09-02 Warm and cloudy. Fred Taylor came home early and later Edgar came and Kelly. Thayer Smith and I left all the rest here and went to Rome to church and heard Reverend Stevens preach a good sermon from the 11th chapter of Hebrews. We left all the rest of the company at home. This evening Horace (colored) rode Thayer's surrey and Jesse, Wilsye and Ada went to the county house porch and ~~so~~^{SULPHUR} well. Edgar went home this evening. Carl Ferrell also went home. Thayer, Alice and their children are still here and also Tom Carden.
- 09-09 A lovely day. Mr. Wilson went quite early to Albert Hailey's and Nell died a few minutes after he got there and he helped about the grave and came home and this evening he, Fannie and I went up there where Brother Henson preached her funeral as she was buried by the side of her mother.
- 09-22 A rainy, gloomy day. Tis quarterly meeting and Mr. Wilson and Thayer went horseback and Wilsye, Fannie and I went in the buggy. Had a basket dinner at Mt. Olivet and Brother Henson preached a good sermon. Brother Haggard could not be there as he was at the bedside of a sick brother.
- 10-08 Mr. Wilson gone all day to Dickson Springs after a new wagon which he bought from Mr. Gregory. Children all except Fannie at school. Dicey cooked dinner. Walter cut sorghum all day. And Kelly, Ed and Bill Grissom cutting this afternoon. I commenced Wilsye a red calico dress. Mary Tom gone to Mr. Hodges and Ed is here tonight.
- 10-15 Another pretty day. Jesse rode William to Captain Harpers and was gone all day. Wilsye and Jesse at school. Fannie and I went down to George Baines this evening and Ms. Rachel helped me fit the waist of my percale dress. I suppose Rettie Kelly and Mr. William Gardner were married today. (Rettie Kelly is Elenora's first cousin in Granville. TWB)
- 10-27 A pleasant, cloudy day. At 8 and a half o'clock this morning, Jesse, Thayer, Fannie and I started to Granville driving Lige. And we went to Oliver and bought Thayer a pair of shoes and then on to Granville having quite a pleasant trip. Forded at the Caney Fork and ate our lunch on the far bank and Henry Burton passed while we were eating. Jesse and Thayer gathered chestnuts on the ridge. Arrived at Granville at 4:00 and found all well. My boy Fred Taylor fat and rosy.
- 11-02 A pretty, cool day. Our dear little Thayer's 7th birthday. There was an entertainment given the children at the school house tonight and Puss and I went with the children.

- 11-10 Cold and cloudy. At 9:00 we all started home after a delightful visit of two weeks. All got real cold but walked some and got home all right at 3:00. Found all well. It is our Fred Taylor's 19th birthday. Tonight Lee Conatser and Arthur Gann were here were here awhile wanting us to agree for them to have a party here next Monday night.
- 11-19 Cloudy and warm. So we do not need a fire. Rained a little. Heard this morning that Mr. James Ward was dead and after an early dinner Mr. Wilson and I started up there and met the hearse at Matthew Wilson's and turned back and went to Mt. Olivet where Billy Wilson sang and prayed and the Masons buried him beside his first wife. Tis now late and all asleep. I wrote Fred Taylor a long letter.
- 11-28 A pleasant day. All busy salting down our meat, rendering up lard and so forth. Wilsye did not go to school as we needed her so much. Robert Moore and Blanch Denton married this evening.
- 12-03 A dark, cloudy day. Mr. Wilson and Wilsye went to Carthage and were gone all day. They took dinner at Mr. Tom Wooten's. Mr. Wilson bought Wilsye glasses for \$7.00. Niva (colored) and I tied and sacked sausage.
- 12-14 A clear, cold day. About 10:00 Jesse, Thayer, Fannie and I started to Carthage and left the buggy and Val on this side and walked up in town and had Thayer and Fannie's picture made. And Jesse also had some made. Carried Thayer and Fannie to see the large assortment of Christmas goods at Ed Meyers. It has been a big day for Thayer and Fannie.
- 12-17 Cloudy this morning but clear this evening and warm the thermometer standing at 60. Mr. Wilson and Thayer carried 18 shoalts to Rock City and delivered to Hoot Buchanan. Averaged 52 pounds at 2 and a half cents per pound. Jesse and Walter are sawing Christmas wood.
- 12-23 A cloudy, warm day. Jesse went down early and hired Sam Pernell's surrey and drove Mr. Wilson's mules Lige and Kate and he and Fred Baten, Wilsye and Pearl Ferrell started to Granville at 10 and a half o'clock. Kelly and May Denton and Mr. Wilson went to Mt. Olivet to hear Brother Henson and all came back for dinner. Tonight no one here except Mr. Wilson, Thayer, Fannie, May and I.
- 12-25 A lovely day. Thayer and Fannie so happy over what Kris brought them. May Denton, Jesse, Thayer, Fannie and I here all day. Mr. Wilson went down and took dinner with his Mama and she and Kelly came home with him this evening. Kelly went back to Mr. Ben Dick Cooksy's to a party but Ma and May are here tonight.
- 12-29 Another cool, cloudy day. Mr. Wilson went to Rome this morning and came by his Ma's and Thayer came home with him so he and Fannie are with us tonight. Rick Hale was here to invite May to an entertainment at his home tonight and Kelly came late this evening and ate supper and he and May have gone to Mr. Hail's to an entertainment. Heard today that Patty Sales and Tom Bridges were married--a run away and Julie Shift and a Mr. Martin were also married. How we do miss Wilsye and Jesse. May and I made float this evening.

NOVEMBER 12TH, 1935

To the Membership of Smith County Mutual Burial Association:

Since making our report on December 7th, 1934, we have had 52 deaths in our Association.

<p>Mrs. Margaret Angel, -----Carthage, Tenn. Mrs. B. M. Bridgewater,----Riddleton, Tenn. Mrs. Martha Brooks,----R. 1, Carthage, Tenn. Rufus P. Beasley,----Chestnut Mound, Tenn. Henry Ballard, -----Chestnut Mound, Tenn. Vestle Clark, -----Red Boiling Spgs., Tenn. Bob Chaffin, -----R. 1, Carthage, Tenn. Jerome Dillehay,-----R. 1, Difficult, Tenn. Eugene Ellis,-----Elmwood, Tenn., Rte. W. W. Ford,-----Granville, Tenn. Luther Gregory, R. 1, Red Boiling Spgs, Tenn. Mrs. John Givins -----R. 1, Carthage, Tenn. William T. Glover, -----Silver Point, Tenn. Mrs. Bell Gaines, ----R. 1, Gainesboro, Tenn. Billy Lawrence Gunn, Chestnut Mound, Tenn. Alvin Green, -----Granville, Tenn. Mrs. Lue Gammons,----Riddleton, Tenn., Rte. R. F. Henry, -----Difficult, Tenn. Felix Huddleston, -----Gallatin, Tenn. J. T. Huddleston, -----Silver Point, Tenn. Manis Johnson, -----R. 1, Liberty, Tenn. Mrs. Bell Jones, -----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. S. S. Jarred, -----Baxter, Tenn., Rte. Henry Kilzer, -----Watertown, Tenn., Rte. Mrs. Payton Kennedy, Red Boiling Spgs. Tenn. Amelia Lankford,-----Carthage, Tenn., Rte.</p>	<p>Mrs. Ruth Litchford,----Baxter, Tenn., Rte. Albert Meador, -----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. Catherine McCormick,----Baxter, Tenn., Rte. Mrs. Mandy McGhee, Brush Creek, Tenn., Rte. Martha Frances Matthews, Carthage, Tenn., R. Willard McKinney, ----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. J. D. McCrary-----Chestnut Mound, Tenn. S. O. Moore,-----Red Boiling Spgs., Tenn. Mrs. Brunett Maggart, ----Silver Point, Tenn. Edna Puckett, -----Silver Point, Tenn. Nancy B. Parkhurst --Red Boiling Spgs., Tenn. Vada L. Reeves,----Red Boiling Spgs., Tenn. B. Russell -----Buffalo Valley, Tenn. Denward Rittenberry, --Buffalo Valley, Tenn. Hugh B. Russell, -----R. 1, Difficult, Tenn., Mrs. Joe Ramsey,-----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. -----Silcox -----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. Mrs. Nannie Silcox,----Carthage, Tenn., Rte. Jim Stout, -----Granville, Tenn. Mrs. J. E. Sircy,-----Riddleton, Tenn. Julia Frances Vinson, Bloomington, S., Tenn. Bates Woodard, -----Gainesboro, Tenn., Rte. John Wyatt, ----Chestnut Mound, Tenn., Rte. Tom Whitehead, --Buffalo Valley, Tenn., Rte. Mrs. Vernon White --Red Boiling Spgs., Tenn. Mrs. Henrietta Young, Chestnut M., Tenn., Rte.</p>
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The above makes a total of 141 deaths in Association No. 1 since it was organized in October, 1932.

Yours very truly,

SMITH COUNTY BURIAL ASS'N

T. D. SANDERSON, Carthage, Tenn.

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QUERIES

Wanted: Information on James Herod b 1790 possibly in Spotsylvania Co., VA, lived in Smith Co, TN, died between 1861/70 in Dent Co., MO. His parents were William Herod 1748/1836 & Sarah Valentine Herod. James marr first Judith Haynie who died before 1826; her parents were William & Anne Bradley Haynie. James & Judith Haynie Herod were the parents of William A., Thomas & Sarah Herod Phillips. James Herod later marr Elizabeth ??? (she is known to have been Cherokee). They were the parents of Carroll Henderson Lee, Elijah, James W., Malinda Harriett, John, Eliza, George & Mary Elizabeth. This family moved from Smith Co to Obion Co., Tn then to Mo by 1860. Barbara Helwick, P. O. Box 50345, Casper, WY 82605-0345

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