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"Proofs of Heirship" in Travis County Deed Books

By Lucie C. Price and Marguerite Warren

Proofs of Heirship, as evidenced by affidavits or statements of persons living and/or by descendants of persons deceased, yield valuable and interesting genealogical information.

Usually there was some property in Travis County involved which was to be divided between the heirs or sold. The deeds do not always follow the affidavit but can probably be found elsewhere. Sometimes, however, the reason for the statement or affidavit is unclear, but something prompted the declaration.

The Proofs have not been copied in full, except in a few cases, but the vital information has been given. The marriages shown at the end of some "Heirships" do not extend past 1882, so anyone seeking further information regarding Travis Co. marriages should consult the Marriage Index books.

Heirs of Nancy Puckett

Deed Book R, pages 77 & 78

Douglass Co., Illinois

Caleb Garrett and Irene Garrett, his wife, are planning to move. An agreement between Thomas Puckett and a portion of other heirs of Nancy Puckett who died 6 April 1859 in Travis Co., Texas, to divide property of Nancy Puckett and her surviving husband, Thomas Puckett. We appoint Chauncey R. Puckett and Cyrus Puckett of Travis Co., Texas as our attorneys.

11 March 1867

Caleb Garrett
Irene Garrett

Travis Co., Texas

Thomas Puckett, Caleb Garrett and Irene Garrett (formerly Irene Puckett) of Douglas Co., Illinois, by their attorneys in fact Chauncey R. Puckett and Cyrus Puckett; Wm. S. Hotchkiss, heir of Daniel W. and guardian of Corelia T. Hotchkiss, Martha E. Bostick, formerly Hotchkiss, John Champion and Mary E. his wife, formerly Mary E. Hotchkiss, heirs at law of Hannah B. Hotchkiss, formerly Hannah B. Puckett, Lorery (?) D. Puckett of Karnes Co., Texas by his attorney in fact, Cyrus Puckett, Miranda Puckett, Nathaniel Moore and Eucibia his wife, formerly Eucebia Puckett, all of county and state afsd, except Caleb and Irene Garrett and L.D. Puckett, all heirs at law of Nancy Puckett who died 6 April 1859, leaving the community property belonging to herself and her surviving husband Thomas Puckett undivided and in the hands of said Thomas Puckett and it being the wish of all the interested parties that it should be divided that each one may receive his or her share.

[List of real property follows-and portions to each heir described]

Signed 8 April 1867.

Miranda Puckett

L.D. Puckett by his atty. Cyrus Puckett

Chauncey R. Puckett

Cyrus Puckett

Thomas Puckett

Caleb Garrett

Irene Garrett by Attys.
W. S. Hotchkiss
John Champion
Mary E. Champion

Corelia T. Hotchkiss by
her father, W. S. Hotchkiss
Martha E. Bostick
Nathaniel Moore
Useba x Moore

John Champion and Mary E. Champion of Williamson Co. Round Rock, Texas
11 April 1867

Travis Co. Marriages

Caleb Garrett & Irenia Puckett 22 Dec. 1840
Wm. S. Hotchkiss & Hannah B. Puckett, 8 Sept. 1841
Chauncey R. Puckett & Nancy E. Williams, 28 June 1853
Wm. S. Hotchkiss & Mary E. Wolfe, 11 April 1854
Nathaniel Moore & Euceba Puckett, 12 Jan. 1854
John Champion & Mary E. Hotchkiss, 29 April 1865
Cyrus Puckett & Marinda Moore, 6 March 1867
Joseph L. Puckett & Harriet L. Bonner, 20 April 1871
J. L. Puckett & Mary L. Moore, 6 Dec. 1877
J. A. Puckett & S. E. Pressler, 4 July 1882
Lorenzo D. Puckett & Sarah Forbes 8 Nov. 1854
Nathaniel Puckett & Susan Williamson 7 Dec. 1854
Wm. W. Puckett & Mollie E. Wilson 5 May 1875

Book 136, page 562 Affidavit of Mrs. M. E. Hotchkiss

Mrs. Mary E. Hotchkiss, wife of Wm. S. Hotchkiss. Name of first wife of Wm. S. Hotchkiss was Hannah Hotchkiss; that Hannah Hotchkiss died about 1852, that Hannah and Wm. S. Hotchkiss had the following children: Daniel Hotchkiss, Mary E., Corelia T. and Martha F. Hotchkiss. That Daniel Hotchkiss died about 1864 without issue. Mary E. Hotchkiss m. John Champion, Corelia T. Hotchkiss m. Jas. L. Brown, Martha F. Hotchkiss m. Thos. Bostick. That the above mentioned were all the children of said Wm. S. Hotchkiss and said Hannah Hotchkiss.

13 Jan. 1896

Mrs. M. E. Hotchkiss

Book 105, page 15. Affidavit of W. C. Phillips

W. C. Phillips was a resident of Travis County from the year 1854 to the year 1887 - since 31 August 1887 has been a resident of City of Kansas, of Jackson Co. the State of Missouri.

- - - - bought 160 acres land in Travis Co. in Dec. 1868, survey of Julius J. Bayard, etc. - partition of the community property of affiant and his deceased wife - among their several children set apart and allotted to: Florida Philips (Now Florida Philips Sumerwell, wife of Edw. K. Sumerwell of Kansas City Mo.) that after such allotment Florida Philips became owner of said tract.

9 April, 1892

W. C. Philips

Florida Philips Sumerwell, Jackson Co., Mo.

Before me, Thomas D. Windiate, a Notary Public, appeared Mrs. Florida Philips Sumerwell, wife of Edw. K. Sumerwell. --- previous to her marriage her name was Florida Philips, daughter of W. C. Philips and Penelope Philips his wife. She was born in Travis Co. and resided there until the death of her mother in 1882 - continued to live with her father until about 28 Aug. 1887 when she moved with father to Kansas City, Mo. After death of her mother, community estate of the latter was partitioned and a tract of 160 acres in Travis Co. allotted to her. On 22 Jan. 1891 affiant and husband sold the land to M. H. Crawford of Cincinnati, Ohio.

5 April 1892

Florida P. Sumerwell

Affidavit of Sarah J. Lee, widow of Joseph Lee

Deed Book 106, pp. 628 & 629.

Sarah J. Lee, widow of Joseph Lee, states that Joseph Lee Jr. died Dec. 11, 1889, and at time of death was an unmarried man. The following children of Joseph Lee and myself living, sole surviving heirs are:

Grooms Lee, unmarried - Travis Co., Texas
Samuel M. Lee, unmarried - San Francisco Co., Calif.
George R. Lee, unmarried - Pecos Co., Texas
Clara Lee Hagerlund md. James A. Hagerlund
Alice Lee Hagerlund md. John W. Hagerlund
Ruth A. (Lee) Huber md. Gatholdt Huber
all of whom live in Sutton Co., Texas

All of said children are of full and legal age.

5 July, 1893.

F. M. Covert, Notary Public

Travis Co. Marriages

John W. Hagerlund & Alice Lee 14 June 1876

Joseph Lee & Sarah Grooms, 4 Oct., 1846

Joseph Lee & Sarah Ogle, 5 Jan. 1852

Joseph Lee died in Austin 25 Feb. 1891. He was Chief Justice of Travis Co. in 1841.

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Deed Book 119, page 516

Commissioners Partition - Estate of Sophia Richardson, Decd. Aug. 2, 1893.

All legatees under the will --- set aside to:

A. W. Richardson - certain lots
Mrs. Florence Teasley
Mrs. Ruth Davenport
Mrs. Kittie Rayburn
John A. Mounts
Sophia Donaldson, formerly Sophia Mounts

6 Aug. 1891 F. M. Covert and John B. Headspeth

It is further ordered that all the right, title and interest that Florence Teasley and Thos. M. Teasley, her husband, Ruth Davenport and James Davenport, her husband, Kittie Rayburn and Sam'l. Rayburn, her husband, Sophia Donaldson and J. W. Donaldson, her husband, and John A. Mounts has or had in and to Lots 5 & 6, Blk. 1 of Outlot 11, Div. F, Austin, be divested out of them and each of them and vested in Alex. W. Robertson, etc. Other terms.

Refers to Book G, p. 33, Minutes of Probate Court, Estate of John and Sophia Richardson, dec'd.

Deed Book 128, page 30. Affidavit of Frances E. Lloyd

Shelby Co., Texas.

Frances E. Lloyd of Shelby Co., Texas, makes affidavit that she is a daughter of B. F. Hooper dec'd. of Panola Co., Texas and he was a son of Richard and Isabella Hooper, dec'd. of Shelby Co., Texas. Columbus C. Hooper dec'd. was also an own brother to said B. F. Hooper. dec'd.

Caroline Wiseman, dec'd. of Shelby Co. was an own sister to B. F. and C. C. Hooper, dec'd. and she was the mother of Mrs. E. A. Dean McCallister, now of Austin, Texas, and of her brother Polk Wiseman, dec'd. of Shelby Co., Texas.

Affiant is 53 years of age. She knows at death of C. C. Hooper he had no wife or child. At time of his death, he and the said E. A. Dean McCallister and Polk Wiseman, as orphans of their mother (and father D. M. Wiseman) being dead, they were making their home with their uncle C. C. Hooper at their Grandmother's Isabella Hooper, dec'd. of Shelby Co. about the year 1860. C. C. Hooper, prior to his death about 1855 made a will and conveyed to said niece and nephew, E. A. Wiseman and Polk Wiseman, all of the estate, real and personal and all of his inheritance in his father and mother's, Ricd. and Isabella Hooper's estate as a legal heir, should be theirs by inheritance in addition to that inherited by their mother aforesaid. Polk Wiseman died in youth and never had a wife or children.

26 May 1894. Francis E. Lloyd

(To Be Continued)

NEW HOPE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

This church was constituted at Leander, Williamson County, Texas, on 22 October 1868, by Thomas H. Bacon, William Steele, J. Enochs, James M. Trammel, Elizabeth Trammel, Jesse R. Hicks, W.J. Hicks, S.J. Tylor, and Isaac D. Barefoot.

In our previous issue, Vol. XIII No. 4 pp. 77-80, appeared the beginning of the index to members mentioned in the minutes of New Hope. This index was made by AGS member Mrs. Dan Moody Swenson, who Xeroxed the entire set of minutes for 1868-1934. Those wishing to learn details of the members who are listed here may contact Mrs. Swenson at Route 3, Box 38-T, Leander, TX 78641.

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| McFARLAND, Hubart | REEVES, Wesley | TRAMMELL, Beatrice |
| McFARLAND, Lula (Lillian) | RINGSTAFF, Bessie May (Lee) | TRAMMELL, Elsie |
| McFARLAND, Louisa J. | RINGSTAFF, Jess | TRAMMELL, _____ Mrs. |
| McFARLAND, Marie | ROBERTS, Claude | TRAMMELL, Paul |
| McFARLAND, Ruth (Rutha) | ROBERTS, Frank | TRAMMELL, Talita |
| McFARLAND, Signa Opel | ROBERTS, Hattie | (Talitha) |
| McFARLAND, T. O. | ROBERTS, Lottie | TUBB, Bro. & Sister |
| McFARLAND, Vera | ROBERTS, Rosa | TUBB, Mrs. Elizabeth |
| MILAM, Elder Ed | ROBERTSON, Lila | TUBB, Elton |
| MILAM, Elder J. (James) B. | ROLLAND, Johnie | TUBB, Erline |
| MILLIGAN, Mrs. Jim | ROSS, Elder, W. H. | TUBB, Frankie |
| MINNICK, Alice Lucinda Jones | ROWLAND, Fannie | TUBB, Francis E. |
| MINNICK, Jasper Trudo | SIMMONS, Elgene | TUBB, J. C. |
| MINNICK, John Michael | SIMMONS, Enola | TUBB, Mrs. J. C. |
| MINNICK, Mrs. Louisa | SIMMONS, Floyd | TUBB, L. (Lucy) |
| Elizabeth Turner | SIMMONS, _____ | TUBB, Mary |
| MINNICK, Moses Richey (Roy) | SIMMONS, Grandma | TUBB, Tempie |
| MINNICK, James Nimrod "Nim" | SIMMONS, Susan | TUMLINSON, B. S. |
| MINNICK, Reba Elizabeth | SIMPSON, Elvie | WADE, Mrs. Jessie |
| MINNICK, Sadie Lou Ida | SIMPSON, Rev. Elvin | WADE, Julia |
| MOORE, Lee | SIMPSON, Bessie Lee | WADE, Maggie |
| MOORE, Mamie Cox | SIMPSON, Loy | WADE, Mamie |
| MORGAN, Phronie | SIMPSON, Mamie Wade | WADE, Willie |
| NELMS, Beatrice | SIMPSON, Nona | WAGNER, _____ |
| NELMS, Johnnie | SIMPSON, Mrs. Shadrich | WARREN, Irvin |
| NELMS, Verda | Jackson, Eunavista | WATSON, J. L. |
| NELMS, Willie | "Euna" Minnick | WATTS, Sam |
| NOBLE, Daisy | SMITH, A. N. | WEST, Bessie |
| NOBLE, Frona | SPARKS, Rev. E. L. | WEST, Charlie |
| NOBLE, Vincy | SPEED, Tom | WEST, Henry |
| NORTH, Allie | STEWART, Annie | WEST, Jim |
| OWENS, Alic | STEWART, G. W. | WHITT, Alpha |
| OWENS, E. L. | STOCKMAN, _____ | (Married Pearson) |
| OWENS, C. W. | STRICKLEN, (STRICKLAND), Rev. | WHITT, Dan |
| OWENS, Lee (L. A.) | SULIVAN, Elsy | WHITT, Eva |
| OWENS, Lucretia | SYLVESTER, Mrs. Avice | WHITT, Lula |
| PATERSON, Mrs. Alva | SYLVESTER, Chris | WHITT, Viola |
| PEARSON, Alva (Annie) | SYLVESTER, Connie | WILBURN, Rev. |
| PEARSON, Rev. Andrew | SYLVESTER, Jane | WILLIAMSON, Hale ? |
| PEARSON, Johnnie | SYLVESTER, Ruby | WILLIAMSON, Ruby |
| PREECE, Sherman | SYLVESTER, Tom P. | YOUNG, Earl |
| PURYEAR, (PRUYEAR), Rev. Ben | TRAMMELL, Annie | YOUNG, Two Sisters |
| REEVES, Margaret | TRAMMELL, Mrs. A. J. | YOUNG, Mrs. Earl |
| | | YOUNG, Mrs. |

TEXANS AT LARGE

In The Treeseacher, Vol. XIV #4, of Kansas Genealogical Society, on pp. 118-19, appear Bible records which should be of interest to some Texans. John James Dix (b. Michigan Territory 1826) and Cynthia Jemima McNeil (b. Florida Territory 1840) were married in 1856 at Fort Merrill, Live Oak Co. (county seat: George West), Texas. Their children were born in DeWitt, Nueces, Live Oak and Bexar counties. The oldest, Frances Victoria, married A. H. Sutherland 1873 at Corpus Christi; the second child, John Archibald, was killed by a locomotive at Denver, CO. the mother died in Duval Co., TX. These records may be seen at Texas State Library or by contacting your editor.

A man in AZ and a lady in CA compiled the family history of William Burress and wife, Emily Parkman. Among the descendants of the latter appear the names Cannon, Crowder, Pollock and Twitty in McLennan Co., TX. For details see the book review and query sections in this number of AGS Quarterly.

In Louisiana Genealogical Register, Vol. XIX #4, appear (on page 373) some valuable and down-to-earth reminiscences about some Southeast Texas families: O'BRIEN, NETTLES, ROWLEY, INGALLS, et al. This is continued from the September 1972 issue, wherein apparently the JOHN family was sketched, as that name is in the title but not in this number.

In Ark-La-Tex Genie, Vol. VI #4, Edna S. Miller of 2529 S. Lamar, Austin, TX 78704, has a query about Bellevue, Belleux, Bell. If any AGS members know this lady, why not try to round her up and put our brand on her? We'd like to have all Austin genealogists in our corral!

Another Texan, D. S. Skelley, 2505 Swift, Houston 77025, is reorganizing the Morse Family Society and preparing a new edition of the Morse Genealogy. Let's all of us descendants contact him and help him on this commendable project. His notice appeared in Southwestern Genealogist (of El Paso), Vol. 11, Issue VI.

WRITE YOUR LEGISLATORS!

For years countless genealogical researchers have bemoaned the fact that the eight-to-five weekday hours of Texas State Library and Archives have denied them access to our rich source of information. Now Austin Genealogical Society is trying to do something about it.

Mrs. Pauline B. Cooney is chairman of a committee to attempt to get those agencies to open up a few evenings a week and Saturday and/or Sunday. Mrs. Cooney has contacted Senator Jack Hightower, Senator A. M. Aikin, and Representative Don Cavness, and has received gratifying response. All our readers are urged to write to these gentlemen and others in the Legislature to ask them to react favorably to the question. DON'T PROCRASTINATE--DO IT TODAY.

Mrs. J. B. Golden, who recently retired from her position as Genealogical Librarian at Texas State Library, has just returned from a trip through the South. She reports that the State Library of South Carolina is open 9 to 9, plus Saturdays; Georgia 8 to 5, plus 10 to 3:30 Saturdays; Alabama 8:30 to 5, plus Saturdays. It is suggested that Texas could set up a similar policy by staggering the hours of employees, as we genealogists do not need a large staff on hand, having open stacks of genealogical books.

If you are among those who would like to come to Austin to enjoy a weekend of research, or an Austinite whose workday program precludes you from getting to the library and archives on weekdays, write to your senator and representatives at the Capitol Building and ask them to work for a change in policy.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has released a letter-writing guide which gives the following tips:

Write on your personal or business letterhead, or be sure your address is on the letter, not just the envelope. Sign your name over your typed signature.

Identify your subject clearly. Be concise but not so brief that your reader will not understand your objective. Explain how the issue would affect you and the whole community of genealogists.

Be reasonable--don't threaten not to vote for him if he does not comply with your request. Ask him to state his position in his reply.

Thank him, if he pleases you with his stand on the issue. Many legislators are not even aware of the problem, so if we put on a good campaign, we have a good chance of winning.

Alleged That Horses Are Watered at Saloons.

The W. C. T. U. of Austin claims that on account of the city failing to furnish water to public watering troughs citizens are forced to water their horses at saloons. A petition presented to the city council last night by the W. C. T. U.

Your petitioners would respectfully represent that the water troughs on East Sixth street, opposite the old oil mill, has not been supplied with water for some time, and that the only watering troughs on East Sixth street are at the saloons. We, therefore, ---- request that water again be furnished in the trough above mentioned. We do not think that the respectable citizens of our Capital City should be compelled to go to saloons to water their horses, and in special consideration of ladies and children, we think the city water trough should be as far removed from saloons as possible.

The petition was referred to the water and light commission.

Austin Daily Tribune, Feb. 4, 1902, Vol. 4, No. 256

1868 DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF GEORGETOWN (TEXAS)

Now that she has (regrettably) retired from the Genealogical Section, Mrs. J. B. Golden is taking a busman's holiday in the Archives Division of Texas State Library. From time to time we will be printing some of the interesting things she has found and graciously sent us, such as that which follows.

No. 1

Sept. 3rd

John T. Coffee c.
Sam Houston L.C.
John W. Posey con.
Monroe Barnhart T.
Levi Pennington sec.
John H. Turner
M. A. Robbins
Sam. Mankins
J. J. Stubblefield
J. H. Johnston
J. J. Dimmitt

John H. Connell
Wm. T. Dalrymple
Wm. B. Berry
S. J. Mankins
A. J. Berry
M. E. Steele
Ch. W. Lewis
A. J. Clark
John H. Shaffer
Jas. H. Williams

Reported to No. 2 & No. 3

Oct. 2

Wm. H. Warnick
Thos. B. Gehagin
Arch Hart
John Mellan
Hal Montgomery
J. M. Busby
Henry Mankins
Evan Mankins
R. N. Calhoun
R. V. C. Sims
S. W. Donnell
Jeff. M. Anderson
Joseph T. Mileham
J. M. Dawson
W. J. Peace
Oscar Brown
A. Walker
J. F. Northington
J. W. Willis
Dr. J. A. Dawson
M. W. Northington Sr.
A. G. Hamilton
Aaron Seymore
S. H. Donnell
Sam D. Carothers
W. M. Faubion
E. A. Walker
Lewis Riddle
M. N. Chapman
John Berry
Elihu C. Allison
Dr. John E. Walker
M. T. Hawkins

Dan J. Whitley
W. A. Clopton
Frank Jones
Stephen Alexander
Albert Hogan
Hon Bass
A. F. Robins
Daniel M. Baker
Col. Wm. Dalrymple
C. M. Rhea
W. J. Donnell
J. H. Kiser
J. M. Smith
Allen Clark
A. R. Robbins
B. J. Hinds
W. G. Winters
A. V. Hulse
L. W. Winters
T. H. Lee
B. F. Clark
John B. White
B. S. Bybee
J. L. Hutchison
Calvin Bell
Elisha Allen
Jasper Mankins
John C. Compton
Daniel Harrison
Isaac M. Williams
Ab. Anderson
Wm. E. Bouchille
Spencer Finch

Enoch S. Johnson
James Elliott
Wm. S. Ogle
Joseph Ake
W. M. Sparlin
Jas. H. Burris
W. M. Burris

Joseph Inman
Jas. W. Branch
T. A. Upshaw
Wm. Sapp
M. M. Ferguson
W. J. Bybee
David Waller

Florence Democratic Club No.3

Oct. 5

John W. Mullen
Joseph Ratliff
B. Dillingham c.
Thomas Potts L.C.
W. P. Wolf con.
A. G. Gannaway Sec.
S. B. McClain Tr.
H. B. Dillingham
R. W. McClain
W. Surginer
L. T. Lawler
W. C. Shaw
George Wolf
J. W. Atkinson
W. R. Swinney
D. T. Standifer
D. Taylor
J. N. Adkins
A. J. Hoover
Thomas Hoover
W. A. Smith
Sam Strayhorn
H. B. Hoover
Arch Ratliff
A. J. Ashton

James Hoover
McCoy Redding
J. W. Smart
S. W. Atkinson
John W. Hoover
R. Stewart
Wm. Yett
G. L. Whittenburg
Dud Swinney
J. W. Casey
John Potts
A. M. Glazener
Peter Hall
W. B. Henry
A. G. Suttles
J. P. Moore
John T. Moore
I. J. Thompson
T. W. Marrs
Big Jim Ratliff
J. L. Stobaugh
A. F. M. Shaw
W. G. Cox
John Glazener
Lewellen Moore Jr.
J. H. Ratliff

Round Rock No. 2

Sept. 3

I. W. Graham C.
J. B. Davis L.C.
R. B. Walker con.
C. Tompkins S.
L. Bott T.
Thos. Snyder
H. B. Shepperd
G. W. Davis

G. D. Blair
N. Merrel
W. S. Tilford
N. S. Tisdale
G. M. Hickman
Wm. Stinnett
Ed. Kendal
Jesse Hughes

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F. (?) McMordie

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J. J. Harris
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Austin Daily Tribune - November 9, 1902 - vol. 5, #189

Old Pioneers Are Passing Away

The following interesting story of old pioneers was furnished to the Tribune by an old settler who attended the funeral of Captain John B. Stone last Thursday.

In 1839 Sam Stone, a veteran soldier who fought in the battle of New Orleans, and his family, consisting of his wife and four children, three sons and a daughter, with James Boyce and Nicholas Boyce and their families, and Jas. Triplett, a son-in-law of Nicholas Boyce, and his wife and one child, left Hannibal, Mo. to come to Texas. They traveled together and stopped first at Bastrop, some of them only for a short time, then moved up to Travis County, where they settled and built homes. Sam Stone made the first ferry on the Colorado River at Austin, his sons, John B., Thomas and Doc assisting their father to run the ferry boat. The two Boyce brothers settled on Gilleland's Creek. Nicholas Boyce had four sons, of whom only one, R. A. Boyce, better known by all as Uncle Dick, survives. James Boyce had a wife and two children, a son and a daughter. The son, J. O. Boyce had three children by a former marriage. One of them, Mrs. Mary E. Barnhart, is the only survivor, she having lived in Travis County since the fall of 1839.

.... Before closing it is proper to state that Captain John B. Stone and Doc Stone, now living in South Austin, when boys, more than once, when the Colorado River was bank full, in the dead of night, at the imminent risk of their lives, ferried across the river couriers and rangers bearing important dispatches.

The Daily Sun Austin, Texas - Monday, February 16, 1885 - vol. 1, #40

p. 4, col. 4 "Personal Mention"

... The family of Mr. W. J. Morley has returned to the city after a week's sojourn at Liberty Hill, visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Senator Pfeuffer has gone East, in company with her daughter, for the benefit of the latter's health.

... Dr. C. E. Fisher and Mrs. Fisher left for San Antonio yesterday. The doctor returns this evening, but Mrs. Fisher will remain several days with friends in the Alamo City.

Mrs. Judge Fulmore is considerably improved in health today, and the Sun is pleased to record the intelligence.

Maj. Harwood, a prominent lawyer of Gonzales, is in town.

Major Purnell returned today from Dallas whither he went to attend his daughter's funeral.

BOOK REVIEWS

Anyone who has a genealogy-related book which he would like reviewed here may send a copy directly to Mrs. H.H. Rugeley, 2202 W. 10, Austin 78703, not to the address of the Society. After being reviewed, books are donated to the Genealogical Collection of Texas State Library, and thus are tax-deductible for the author. No books will be reviewed from advertising literature alone. AGS members are invited to volunteer to participate in book reviewing.

GEORGIA ARCHIVE--Edited by David B. Gracy II. Published by the Society of Georgia Archivists semiannually. Volume I No. 1, Fall 1972, 32 pages. Membership \$5 annually. Single issues \$2.50 for non-members. Address Box 261, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 30303.

This neat little publication is excellently edited by the son of AGS charter member, Mrs. David C. Gracy. It is eminently readable and contains articles of interest to both professional and lay users of archives anywhere.

On the white cover is a very clever device: the blue perspective representation of a manuscript box such as is used in archives, extending onto the back. A great convenience to the reader who is pressed for time (and who isn't?) is a synopsis of the contents simulating the label of the box.

Inside is the listing of both the editorial board and the officers of the Society of Georgia Archivists, followed by the full contents page. This issue opens with an invitation to "everyone concerned to promote the knowledge, understanding, and use of our documentary heritage" to join in that endeavor.

The first article is a survey of the holdings of Atlanta Historical Society. Its Research Library contains 3,500 volumes, concentrating on the history of Atlanta. Its Archives are divided into these categories: Official Records of Atlanta; Private Collections; Organizations, Clubs and Societies; Newspapers and Periodicals; Maps, Plats and Property Files; Visual Arts; Subject Files; Personality Files; and Genealogy. Some private collections have been inventoried. It is stated that "Genealogy of Atlanta families is represented by 76 bound volumes and 245 manuscripts."

The Library and Archives in the headquarters of Atlanta Historical Society at 3099 Andrews Drive, NW, is open to researchers Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except holidays. It is advised that anyone wishing to use the facilities write before arrival to the Archives, Box 12423, Atlanta 30305.

The second article is a report on the Seventh International Congress on Archives, held in Moscow, which is of interest to professional archivists, primarily.

In the third article, Dr. Gracy gives an in-depth exposition of how to set up archives. He sets forth in fascinating detail the steps involved in procuring, classifying, storing and retrieving archival materials. It is heartening to read: "To the greatest extent possible, a repository should open its holdings for research"--subject, of course, to restrictions necessary for the preservation of its records. This publication, Georgia Archive, is itself a giant stride in the direction of making known to the public what materials are available in Georgia, and it is to be hoped that other states will follow this laudable example.

The last section, Archive Notes, consists of reports from seven agencies in the state describing some of their new acquisitions and noteworthy older holdings. Presumably, this will be a continuing feature which will keep readers up to date on what is available in various libraries and archives.

Georgia Archive may be beamed at archivists, but it sheds a lot of welcome light for genealogists as well. Long may it shine!

U. S. FAMILY DISTRIBUTION 1619-1880 HOUGH & HUFF. c 1971 by Granville W. Hough. 259 pages, 8 1/2 x 11, Ditto, soft cover, \$12 from author at 1026 N. Richman Ave., Fullerton, CA 92635.

Since 1959 Mr. Hough has been compiling data on the Hough and Huff families found on the 1880 Census SOUNDDEX, comprising about 15,000 names, plus a chapter on family founders. The short version sent to AGS for review consists of 75 pages: 20-odd pages of census data on the name Hough and 40-odd on Huff. There is a chapter on Immigrants and Family Founders, a section on Family Heads Not Traced to Immigrants, and a tabulation by State and Family Name.

This version gives data on heads of families only; presumably the full books sets forth all census data on the respective families. Mr. Hough also offers extracts of the chapter on Hough and Huff family founders for \$2. Details of the different versions offered will be found in the review copy placed in Texas State Library.

Due to its statistical nature, the book's interest is limited principally to Hough/Huff researchers, but for them it would save countless hours of work. The narrative sections are well done, with interest added by giving the pronunciation used (when known) by each branch.

Because of the process used, the type is not as clear as might be desired, but the compilation is well worth possible eye strain for members of this nation-wide family. The author is to be commended for making all his arduous work available to the public.

THE FAMILY OF WILLIAM BURRESS (ca 1799-1850?) OF TENNESSEE. By Charles G. Burress, 8115 W. Mulberry Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85033, and Pamela (Anderson) Jensen, 295 Haskell St., Gridley, CA 95948. iii+ 27 pages, including index. 1971. \$3.00 from authors.

Mr. Burress and Mrs. Jensen are to be commended for a very neat, readable, and informative Xeroxed booklet. The Foreword sets out their objective and invites correspondence. The introduction gives a good survey of the variant spellings of the name Burroughs, their locations in England, and migration patterns into Tennessee.

There are eight pages of reproductions of Bible records and marriage licenses, and two and a fourth pages of full-name index. Where known, the descendants (consistently spelled with all e's!) of William and Emily (Parkman) Burress are carried down through the birth of the authors' generation, covering four generations.

The ancestral couple married in Davidson Co., TN, in 1827.

Four pages treat the allied families of Butram, Easterwood, Graham, and Roberson. Other names having many page references in the index include Davis, Lee, and Willet.

A handy device for the researcher is a chart on the first page which shows the seven children of William and Emily Burress.

We thank Mr. Burress for sending us a copy (which will be placed in Texas State Library), and refer our readers to his query about Texas descendants, which appears in this issue's Happy Hunting Ground.

Readers who are interested in the name Burress (or a variant spelling) might like to see what data Dorothy Ford Wulfeck has printed about it in her column in Virginia Gazette, issues dated 29 Sep 1972, 24 Nov 1972, and 26 Jan 1973.

HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Queries are free, and may pertain to any area. The editor reserves the right to edit them to a reasonable length. Be sure to include at least one date and place for each family. Put all surnames mentioned in capital letters in alphabetical order to begin your query, and end with your name and address. Use 2-letter state abbreviations (see "Little Mnemo Says" in this issue). It is advisable to type dates "3 Dec 1821" for "3-12-21" could be interpreted several ways. Type or write clearly to avoid errors, and proof-read your copy before sending it to 2202 W. 10, Austin, TX 78703. Happy hunting!

COLDER HOLDER STILES WHITMAN/WITTMAN(N). John Wittman(n), who used the surname of his stepfather, Joseph Stiles, in his youth, was born in 1873 in New Orleans, LA. John's twin brother William died in infancy. John married Maude Colder or Holder; left New Orleans 8 Nov 1899. His family never heard from him again, but he may have gone to Sweetwater, TX, and died there in 1959. Any information welcome.--John Wittman, 2700 Nueces, Austin, TX 78705.

ALLEN COLLINS LaFAVOR LUCKEY MALOY MERCER MODESET(T)(E) etc. The 1827 Georgia Land Lottery lists Isabell Modiset of Monroe Co, GA, as widow of a Revolutionary soldier. Her grant was dated 29 Aug 1828. National Archives has no record of any Revolutionary soldier with surname Modiset (by any spelling). Whose widow was Isabell? Samuel and John Modesett of Jones Co, GA, are listed in 1827 Lottery. The 1832 Lottery lists Alexander and James Modesett of Jones Co. How (if at all) are these people related? Is Modesette a Huguenot family?

The 1840 Heard Co, GA, Census shows John, Alex, and Sam Moddisett. Samuel Modisett was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives from Heard

Co in 1842. John Modisett was Justice of the Inferior Court of Heard Co from 15 Jan 1845 to 9 Jly 1849. The 1850 Census of Heard Co shows Samuel Modesette (age 44, b. SC) & family, and A.M. Modesette (age 40, b. SC) & family. The 1860 Burke Co., GA, Census shows Alexander Modesette (age 50, b. GA), with same family as A.M. Modesette of Heard Co in 1850.

Alexander M. Modesette and wife Sarah (Was she Sarah Jane Collins?) had daughter Sarah Jane Frances who m. Marcus Aurelius Luckey 10 June 1868, Burke Co, GA. They moved to Milam Co, TX, in 1869. M.A. Luckey was son of Samuel Luckey (b. 1814) and Flora Ann Mercer (b. 26 Oct 1821). Samiel was son of William Luckey and Nancy LaFavor of Columbia and Jefferson Cos, GA. Flora Ann was daughter of John Mercer and Ann Montgomery Allen of Columbia Co. John was son of William Mercer and Isabella Maloy. Wm. Mercer was a Revolutionary soldier in VA, b. 1750; d. 6 Sep 1814 in Richmond Co, GA. Was Wm. Mercer a brother of the Rev. Silas Mercer? Will welcome an exchange of data on these families.--Mrs. Herbert R. Gentry, 3511 Clearview Dr, Austin, TX 78703.

ANDERSON DANIEL JOHNSON LOVE POOL ROSS. Searching for ancestors of William Daniel, b. ca 1800 NC, and m. there to Mary _____ also b. 1800 NC. She is reported to be half Cherokee. They were in the Western District of Madison Co, TN, by 1830. He received land grant in 1848 and d. ca 1848, Madison Co. Mary died after 1870 Census. Children: Greenberry Benjamin (b. ca 1817 NC, m. Nancy Pool); Mahalia (b. ca 1823 NC, m. William Johnson); James William (b. ca 1826 NC, m. Helen Ross); Freeling (b. ca 1828 NC, m. Josephine Love); Ralph Whitfield (b. 1830 NC, m. America Tabitha Anderson). Will exchange information on descendants of William and Mary Daniel.--Mrs. Lewis Spears, 2205 Hopi Tr, Austin, TX 78703.

PRICE. Bible of Martin Price shows son Pleasant Henderson Price b. 17 Oct 1839, d. 20 (month blotted) 1863; Pleasant Martin Price b. 22 Oct 1863--no other data on either one. Mother of P.H.P was Jane _____, b. 8 June 1815, m. 11 Mch 1834, d. 20 Sep 1841. She was the second and last wife of Martin Price who shows in Marion Co, TN, 1840 Census. He moved to Lamar Co, TX, ca 1845. Where and whom did P.H.P. marry, and where did he die? What became of Pleasant Martin Price?--Mrs. P.B. Price, 2527 Harris Blvd, Austin, TX 78703.

COLEY DONNINGTON GUNN HOSKINS IRION JONES McNATT RAGUET TOWERS WALTER WARREN. Wish any information about the following: Robert M. Walter, b. ca 1800 NC; m. 2nd Mariah Sevier Warren; resided Farmington, Marshall Co, TN. His father's given name may have been Niland; three Walter brothers reputed to have come from England right after the Revolution.

John Gunn (farmer), b. ca 1782 Onslow Co, NC; m. Susana (Susann) b. ca 1788 Cumberland Co, NC. John's parents may have been Alexander and Elizabeth (b. ca 1770 in Scotland).

James McNatt, b. 3 Sep 1758 near Neuse River, NC; m. 1 Jan 1782 to Fereby (Coley) Jones. James was son of John (b. 23 Oct 1734 in Scotland?) and Mary McNatt.

Marcia/Mercy Ann Towers, b. 27 Mch 1792 Philadelphia, PA; m. Henry Wynkoop Raguet; d. 26 Aug 1879, Marshall, TX. Children: Anna, James Condy (later spelled Conde), Henry Wynkoop, Augusta Amelia, Mary Helen, Charles (Mansfield?). Daughter Anna Raguet was courted by Sam Houston but married Dr. Robert Anderson Irion.

Sarah Carter Donnington, b. 1 Jly 1816, Newark (?) NJ; d. 23 Dec 1879, Terrell, TX; m. Newark, NJ, Charles Worth Hoskins 23 Nov 1833.--Miss Marcia Hoskins, 1406 Northwood Rd., Austin, TX 78703.

BOND MARTIN. Need maiden name of Sarah, wife of Jesse Martin and mother of Holden, Mark, John, Rosanna, Rebecca, Joannah, and Catherine Martin. She was born 1780, a resident of Blount Co, TN, in 1815, at which time she was a widow. One census gives birthplace of daughter Joannah as SC. Also need parents and birthplace of Jesse Martin.

Who were parents of Peter Bond who died in Blount Co, TN in 1829? His wife Joannah Martin, and their children were Rosanna, Rachel, Elizabeth, Amon, Benjamin, and Henry.--Mrs. Virginia Cate Jahn, 1400 Northwood Rd, Austin, TX 78703.

BURRESS CANNON CROWDER POLLOCK TWITTY. William Twitty (1827-1884) m. Nancy M. Burress (b. 1836, TN) in Memphis, TN, 19 Aug 1851. They settled in Waco, TX, ca 1853-54, and owned several properties there. A deed at McLennan Co courthouse dated 8 Apr 1884 divided their 48-acre farm among the six lawful heirs of Wm. Twitty, deceased. Since no other record of the family has been found there, it is presumed that the family moved away and abandoned this farm. The children were: William A. Twitty (b. 1852, TN; m. M.F. Pollock in 1877, McLennan Co, TX); Ann Twitty (b. 1855, TX; m. W.E. Cannon); Mary E. Twitty (b. 1857, TX; m. H.B. Crowder); J.G. (or L.) Twitty; and Sallie Twitty. I am anxious to correspond with descendants or anyone knowing their whereabouts.--Charles G. Burress, 461 SW 42nd Ave, Miami, FL 33134.

DOYLE MCKINNEY PRATHER. James P. McKinney (d. between Federal census of 1860 and 1870) m. Elvira Prather 9 Jly 1838 in Brazoria Co., TX. Their daughter Mary Ann m. Michael James Doyle 16 June 1862 in Austin. Seeking death dates and burial places of James P. McKinney, Elvira (Prather) McKinney, and Mary Ann (McKinney) Doyle. Also, when and where in Louisiana was Elvira born? Any data on these people would be appreciated.--Mrs. Ira E. Manning, 1115 N.W. 34th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73118

DARNALL LIGHTFOOT MORRIS NUTT. Need information on ancestors of Martha "Patsy" Darnall and Henry Lightfoot who married 9 Mch 1800, Wake Co, NC, with David Darnall (relationship?) as witness. Henry was not on 1800 Census of Wake Co, and no further trace of him has been found. Martha's will was probated ca 1818, and left her plantation to her 3 children: Rutha/Ruth (m. Marchant Morris 29 Sep 1813, Wake Co); William Taylor (b. 24 Feb 1802; m. (2nd) Eleanor Nutt 6 Jan 1826. She was b. 1804--who were her parents?); Delilah/Delia (b. ca 1804; m. 11 Aug 1819 Wiley Morris with Russel Morris as witness--what relationship?). Will exchange information on Wm. Taylor Lightfoot's descendants. Mrs. Lewis Spears, 2205 Hopi Tr, Austin 78703.

DODD SPEARS. Elizabeth "Betsy" Dodd m. Mercer/Messer Spears 19 Apr 1810, Elbert Co, GA. 1820 & 1830 Censuses show they were living in Elbert Co, GA. 1850 Census of Randolph Co, AL, shows they were there when he applied for Bounty Land Grant. Later he received pension for service in War of 1812. Mercer Spears was born 1790, SC; Elizabeth Dodd born 1785, SC. Where? Will exchange information on their descendants.--Mrs. Lewis Spears, 2205 Hopi Tr, Austin, TX 78703

CLIPS AND QUIPS

In this section are reported items of interest "clipped" from exchange quarterlies, and quips (defined as "odd or fantastic things or actions") which your editor hopes will amuse, amaze or advise the reader. Contributions are invited.

The Bulletin of the Genealogical Society of the "Original" Wilkes County, NC, Vol. 6 #4, records 350 graves in the cemetery of New Hope Baptist Church, which was constituted in 1830. One wonders if they have complete minutes like those of our neighboring church, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Leander, Texas. Mention is made of the inventory of the county archives of New Castle, Delaware, made by WPA, and of a book, Passenger Lists from Ireland, by Hackett and Early.

Montgomery County (TN) Genealogical Journal, Vol. II #1, contains 1880 Mortality Schedule, some abstracts from Minute Book 1 (ca 1806), Index to Deed Book A 1788-1796 (continued), some soldiers of the American Revolution and the War of 1812, and Marriage Book 1 (continued). A "reeeeally" good issue!

The South Plains Genealogical Society Bulletin (of Lubbock, TX), for Fall 1972, has a most attractive cover: the reproduction of the petition of the Pilgrims to live in Leyden, 1609. Inside is an article on the Pilgrims, especially William Brewster, and an article on the Irish in New England (principally Scottish names).

Footprints, the outstanding publication of Fort Worth Genealogical Society, in Vol. 15 #4, gives marriages from the earliest extant book in Tarrant County. This society has rendered a marvelous service in publishing 1824-46 marriages of 25 early counties of Texas.

Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol. IV, #3, has a list of Library of Congress publications in print which are available from Library of Congress, Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540. Also in this issue is a splendid article by Milton Rubincam on Migrations to Illinois, 1673-1860, with an excellent bibliography.

From Iroquois Stalker, Vol. 2, #3, we clip this cogent statement: "The man who has not anything to boast of but his illustrious ancestors is like a potato--the only good belonging to him is underground."--Sir Thomas Overbury.

In Southwestern Genealogist, Vol. 11, Issue VI, can be found a once-over-lightly but helpful survey of Sources of Material for Genealogical Research by Mrs. Eleanor L. Duke.

Vol. XIX, #4 of Louisiana Genealogical Register contains a tempting review of The General Society of the War of 1812 Register for 1972, which in 650 pages covers over 1100 proven lines, with ca 14,000 surnames in the index.

We are torn between pride and regret when we read the excellent quarterly of Hays County Historical and Genealogical Society. That society is a sort of "spin-off" from AGS, and we hated to lose our members from San Marcos, but are proud of their growth. Vol. VI, #4 of their quarterly contains a droll account of Civil War days from the diary of D.P. Hopkins, among the many items of interest to Central Texans.

Celeste Varnell Dodd of Austin informs us that she has copied the 1856-1940 inscriptions from the Old Cemetery at Hillsboro, where her grandfather was the first person buried, in 1856. A copy has been placed in the Texas State Archives where it may be seen.

A "Don't miss" publication is Vol XIV, #4, of The Treesearcher of Kansas Genealogical Society. Dorothy DeWitt Wilkinson of Oklahoma City has a comprehensive review of the basics in genealogical research which is the best this reviewer has ever seen. Every beginner and most experienced researchers would profit by a careful study of this feature...Then there is the interesting 1886 diary of a Vermonter who toured Kansas and the West, which is a pot of gold for those connected with that area...The National Society of U.S. Daughters of 1812 News-Letter Vol. 47, Jly 1972, includes an 1881 letter and photographs of a monument marking the burial place of men killed in Valparaiso Bay, Chile, on the original Essex, 28 Mch 1814... James D. Walker, genealogy and local history specialist at National Archives, will edit Genealogy Notes in the next Prologue....The query section has an appropriate name: "The Trading Post" (Dodge City, KS).

Florida Genealogical Journal (Tampa) Vol. VIII, #2, has a valuable article entitled "Revolutionary War Pension Certificates Paid in Florida." This gives excerpts from records of men who had served in or subsequently lived in NC, GA, SC, FL, TN, NH, CT, AL, and MD.

As part of a continuing effort to assist those with Irish ancestors, Mrs. Alice D. Forsyth, Archivist, has copied pertinent records from the 1841-43 Funeral Register of St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans. Found on pp. 395-403 of Louisiana Genealogical Register, Vol. XIX, #4, these fascinating entries give name, date, place of interment, occupation, location of death, age, place of birth, names of parents, etc. For lagniappe, there is a clear map of the municipalities and wards of New Orleans in 1836.

Two items especially worth clipping for genealogists from the January 1973 issue of Southwestern Historical Quarterly: On pp. 315-20 there is a list of Unionists in Texas in 1867, arranged alphabetically by counties that they resided in...Readers with Czech ancestry might like to look up The Texas Historian for November 1972. An article therein by Cathy Jean Kubes narrates some of the experiences of early Czech immigrants in Texas.

ADVERTISING--AGS Quarterly has never accepted advertising, partly because it is too much trouble. Your present editor has no head for finance, and no one else seems to want to take charge of it. But we have been asked to exchange advertising, which is fine, except that, having only one exchange ad at present, there is no particular place to put it, so here goes:

Pennsylvania Genealogy Magazine published 4 times a year at \$7.00. Each issue indexed, hard cover, and Table of Contents. Queries free to subscribers. Mary Lontz, 608 Broadway, Milton, PA 17847.

On page 96 of AGS Quarterly Vol. XII #4 we announced that Copper State Bulletin of Tucson, AZ, will publish 50-word queries free. We should have stipulated that queries must pertain to Arizona.

At the November meeting of AGS Prof. Philip White, professor of American History at UT-Austin, presented an interesting account of his research on the historic Beekman family of New York. Professor White achieved a most enviable situation, that of being paid to do research in fascinating family papers, which netted him not only financial remuneration but a Ph.D. degree.

Union Reading Room
Establishes a Library
For Its Members

..... The Austin Leades Council has fitted up a reading room in one of the anti-rooms in Labor Hall in the Krohn building, corner of Congress Avenue and Tenth Street. Many members of the various unions which will meet in the hall have contributed books and magazines to the library which the Leades Council contemplates building up.

Austin Daily Tribune, Feb. 16, 1902, Vol. 4, No. 266

LITTLE MNEMO SAYS--

You won't find him in any printed mythology, but in my book Little Mnemo is the puckish son of Zeus and Mnemosyne, the goddess of memory. He is a benevolent little godlet, a Boy Scout with a sense of humor who performs his daily good deed of helping us to remember by making a joke of the problem.

For instance, now that we more mature genealogists are faced with the task of learning new abbreviations for the names of states and finding it hard to "unlearn" those we have used so long, Little Mnemo offers these suggestions.

Divide the abbreviations into four categories: Column 1, those that use the first two letters; Column 2, those that are two words; Column 3, those that use outstanding letters; and Column 4, the last column, those made up of the first and last letters.

If you have a photographic memory, you may be able to visualize which column the desired abbreviation is in. Or, if rote memorizing is "your thing," you might make words that resemble Indian names and memorize them. Thus in Column 1, AL AR CA CO DE may be pronounced Alarcaꝑody; FL ID IL IN MA (Flidilinma); MI OH OK OR (Myohockor); UT WA WI WY (Utwawywee).

Column 2 presents no problems as the abbreviations stand for the two words of the state name.

Column 3: AK AZ MN (Ackazmin); MS MO MT NB (Missmomitnib); NV TN TX (Nivtintix).

Column 4: CT GA HI IA (Kitgahiya); KS KY LA ME (Kisskilamee); MD PA VT VA (midpavitva)....On second thought, forget it!

Here are some strings to tie the "outstanding letters" to their state names:

AK--In Alaska, the Eskimo canoe is called a Kayak.

AZ--Little Mnemo apologizes to our beautiful Western state for this, but says we could think of AZ as standing for "Arid Zone."

HI--How many words do you know that contain a double i?

MN--Minnesota has many n's. (Pardon the Southern pronunciation "minny.")

MS--Mississippi has no more s's than Massachusetts, but it has them closer together.

MO--Calling o an outstanding letter in Missouri may be questioned, but you will notice that it is the first letter that distinguishes the name of that state from Mississippi in alphabetizing, and the battleship (carrier?) is fondly known as "The Mighty MO."

MT is the abbreviation for mountain, and Montana is the Spanish word for it.

NB--N.B.=Nota bene--Note well this state!

NV--Associate this with Numerous Valleys, Nevada being such a mountainous state.

TN--Tennessee has almost ten letters.

TX--Texas is the only state name with x in it. I tried to refrain from saying "X marks the spot," but Little Mnemo says my state pride is pardonable.

It will be noted that California, Colorado, and Delaware fit into the last column as well as the first. Your placement of them depends on how far ahead you look.

| Col. 1 <u>First</u> 2 Letters | Col. 2 <u>Two</u> Words | Col. 3 Outstanding Letters | Col. 4 <u>First</u> and <u>Last</u> Letters |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Alabama.....AL | Dist. Columbia..DC | Alaska.....AK | Connecticut.....CT |
| Arkansas.....AR | New Hampshire...NH | Arizona.....AZ | Georgia.....GA |
| California.....CA | New Jersey.....NJ | Minnesota.....MN | Hawaii.....HI |
| Colorado.....CO | New Mexico.....NM | Mississippi....MS | Iowa.....IA |
| Delaware.....DE | New York.....NY | Missouri.....MO | Kansas.....KS |
| Florida.....FL | North Carolina..NC | Montana.....MT | Kentucky.....KY |
| Idaho.....ID | North Dakota....ND | Nebraska.....NB | Louisiana.....LA |
| Illinois.....IL | Rhode Island....RI | Nevada.....NV | Maine.....ME |
| Indiana.....IN | South Carolina..SC | Tennessee.....TN | Maryland.....MD |
| Massachusetts...MA | South Dakota....SD | Texas.....TX | Pennsylvania....PA |
| Michigan.....MI | West Virginia...WV | | Vermont.....VT |
| Ohio.....OH | | | Virginia.....VA |
| Oklahoma.....OK | | | |
| Oregon.....OR | | | |
| Utah.....UT | | | |
| Washington.....WA | | | |
| Wisconsin.....WI | | | |
| Wyoming.....WY | | | |