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Each year since 1974 the Texas Department of Agriculture has recognized families who have operated a farm or a ranch on the same land continuously for a hundred years. Brief histories of the award-winning families, naming successive land owners and their children and grouped under the respective county name, are published annually.

Since the attractive volumes (which include many heirloom pictures) have the names of only current land owners in their indexes, AGS Quarterly is attempting to remedy that deficiency as space permits. Instead of page numbers, we group the names by their counties (which cover only a few pages), assuming that the researcher will want to read about all his ancestor's neighboring relatives and friends.

Apologies are offered if some surnames are wrong - sometimes the narratives are hard to interpret as to generations - whether Tom, Dick and Mary are children of the founder or his daughter.

Married names are in parentheses in the book, but the genealogical form (maiden names in parentheses) is used herein. If a name is unknown, we put three dots in parentheses; nicknames are in quotation marks; editorial suggestions in brackets; "pic" indicates that there is a picture of family members or buildings on the given page.

Final installment of Volume 5 (1979)

TEXAS FAMILY LAND HERITAGE REGISTRY

HIDALGO COUNTY

Balli, Joaquina (Vega)
 Cardenas, Adela (Mora)
 Champion, Alex [pic p. 22] - Isabel (Mora) - Tomasita (Mora) [pic p. 22]
 Chapa, Josefina - Mercedes - Silveria
 de Garza, Estela Vela [pic p. 20]
 Dominguez, Genoveva (Mora)
 Kidder, Rosaura (Mora)
 Mora, Adela - Angelica (Rodriguez) - Carmen - Eloisa - Genoveva - Isabel - Isabel (...) - Jesus Maria - Jose Maria - Josefa - Juan - Juan Manuel - Juana - Melchor [4 daughters pic p. 21] - Relampago Ranch [pic p. 3] - Rosaura - Tomasa (Valdez) - Tomasita
 Rhodes, Carmen (Mora)
 Rodriguez, Angelica - Tiburcio
 Valdez, Tomasa
 Vela, Alberto - Carlota [pix pp. 19 & 21] - Delfina - Eloisa - Estela - Jesus Maria - Joaquina - Joaquina (Vega) Balli - Josefina (Chapa) Cardenas - Lauro - Macedonio - Maria - Mercedes (Chapa) - Ramon - Ramon Reynaldo - Raquel - Raul - Reynaldo - Roberto - Rodolfo - Rodolpho Eduardo - Rudy

HILL COUNTY

Adler, Alvin Dean

Brown, Dale

Rogers, Albert Thomas - Dawson - Eunice Corrine (...) - Floyd - Haw - Hettie - Lee -
Lillie - Major - Nat - Ollie - Ora - Sam - Sarah Eugenia (...) - W.M.

HOUSTON COUNTY

Adams, Minnie (Gardner)

Appleton, Ida (Gardner)

Gardner, B.F. [pic p. 24] - Ben - Chester - Doris - Eldon M. - Fred T. - Jeff - Leslie - Morris N. - Nancy Jane (...) [pic p. 24] - Norris W. - Ura L. (...) [pic p. 24] - Wilmer C.

Gimon, Maggie (Gardner)

Hill, Nancy Crain

Little, Irene (Gardner)

Robinson, Rellie (Gardner)

Stanton, Ellen B. - Evelyn (...) - John G. - Joseph Brown - Josephine Bernard - M. Catherine - Mary P. - Sara A. - William - William H.

Strong, Wilbur

KERR COUNTY

Becker, Catharina

Golightly, Thomas

Hoerner, Tony

Jones, Chuck - Nancy Elaine (Lich)

Lich, Balthasar - Elizabeth - Elmer Elgin - Elvira Annette - Emilie - Emma - Ernst - Ernst Perry - Henry - Ida - Irma Pearl - Louis - Otto - Thelma Olive (...) - William

Nuernberger, Bertha (Karger) - Ernst - Lena - Louis - Margaret - Otto - Philipp [pic p. 25] - Rudolph

Rusch, Leroy - Margaret (Nuernberger)

Schellhase, Sophie

Schmidt, Edward

Scholl, Elisabeth

LEE COUNTY

Brade, Lena

Richter, Emil G. - Franz - Reichardt R. - Reinhold - Rogena

MASON COUNTY

Bailey, Kenneth D. - Sherline (Schuessler)

Grote, Alma - Rev. Charles

Helmcamp, Mary Beth (Bailey)

Leifeste, Wilhelmina

Schuessler, Alfred - Alvin D. - Daniel/Dan - Emil F. - Harry - Herman - Jacob - John - John H. - Max

Urbantke, Sara

McLENNAN COUNTY

Alexander, Emma Elizabeth - Floyd Wilson - Garnet - Hazel - James Patterson - John Mayfield - John N. [wife & 2 children pic p. 26; log cabin & 2nd home p. 27] - Mecie (...) [pic p. 26] - Minta Ann - Noah Melvin - Paul Wesley [pic p. 26] - Ramsey Hamilton - Rebecca Missouri - Ruth Mary - Tena [pic p. 26] - (continued)

Alexander (cont), Thomas Newton
Gribble, Mecie (Murphy)
Patterson, Mary Elizabeth
Sebastian, Dora

MONTAGUE COUNTY

Dansby, Melvin
Hudspeth, Vida
Lay, Ollie
Threadgill, Dave Thomas - Davis A. - Joe T. - Roxie Virginia - Thomas Edwin - Tom
[dugout home pic p. 29; portrait with wife p. 39]
Walton, Virginia

NAVARRO COUNTY

Allen, Verna G.
Baker, Anna - James A.
Bankston, Alice Arlene - W.B.
Bennett, Bettye - Glenn
Blakely, Levisa
Bolware, J.D.
Bonham, Susan
Boyd, Rosa M.
Burge, Gladys - Preston
Burleson, Addie Margaret - Augustus Lawhorn - Benjamin Franklin - Charles Albertis - David - Edward - Edward C. - Elizabeth - Emma Leona - Harry McClure - Herbert Millege - James - James David - James Marsh - Joe Thomas - John - Jonathan - Joseph [cattle pic p. 33] - Joseph S. - Larry Lee - Laura Belle - Margaret - Margaret Augustus - Malachi - Mary - Mary Belle - Minnie - Mozelle Elizabeth - Richard C. - Richard Earl - Robert - Robert C. - Sam Houston - Sarah L. - Solon Aaron - Solon Haze - Stella Lois - Thomas - Van Gordon - Virginia - Whit George
Burrows, Edna - Fannie Victoria
Carroll, John W.
Carruthers/Caruthers, Chatman - Douglas - Ethel - Hozie - Jewell
Carter, Sallie
Clements, Beanna - Claude
Cook, Tom
Davenport, Ruth Ann - W.P.
Dunn, Hubbard L. - Kathryn L.
Durham, Lucy
Eliot, Cora Lucille - Edgar Allison - G.W. [pic p. 30] - George Washington - James Richard - Lucile - Minnie - Oscar - Stella Anne - Sue Allie
Flynn, Charlie - Margie Fay
Fouty, (Capt.) Clinton - David M. - Hugh B. - Thomas M. - William C.
French, Addie - Allie - Alyne - Bedford - Bernice A. - Bessie - Bettye - Billy M. - Carrol - Charlotta Alabama - Edna - Edwin - Elmore Ann - Etta - Eva Eunice - Fannie - Francis - Fred Wesley - George - George C. - H.F. - J.M. - James Mack - Jim Mack - Joseph Benton - Kennie - Lewis Matt - Lewis P. - Lonnie Ray - Lou - Manilla C. - Margaret Jane - Monnie F. - Moses Wesley - Nellie - Opal - Ottie - Richard D. - Roy D. - Ruth - Samuel - Sarah Caroline - Tillman - Troy - Vivian - William T.
Fuller, Bertha - Frank
Gober, Allie - Delmer
Graham, Bertha L. - Tom

Hackler, Elinor White
Hatfield, Esther Ann
Haynes, Carl - Eva
Henry, Burnel - Charlotte - E.H. - Lullean - Luther - Rebecca - Suzie May
Highnote, Abraham - Belle - Charlie - Cyrus - Eliza - Emma - Emma Nancy - Ernest J. -
Flora B. - Genevia - Gilbert - Hubert W. - James C. - James Carroll - James
Claude - James Henderson - Jasper - John Alexander - John Sadler - Joseph Al-
exander - Leslie Guin - Lillian (...) - Lucy - Luther - Madge - Maretta Agnes -
Napoleon Bonapart - Permelia - Peter - Philip - Rachel - Sally Ann - Sarah Lu-
cety - Shorlotty - Siles - Vesta - W.R.
Ingham, Charlie Kinsy - Jonathan D. - Richard Earl - Sam Houston
Johnson, J.P. - Leila Ruth
Jordan, Cora
Lavender, Lucile (Eliot) - R.M.
Lawrence, Mary
Lee, Joe
Marsh, Stella A.
Martin, Belle
McMillan, J.A. - LaVerne
Meadow, Claressa Ann
Middlebrooks, Hattie
Moles, Hazel
Moreland, Eddie - Irene
O'Dell, Bonnie - Daniel
Orange, Lottie
Pace, Albert - Hazel
Pugh, Cleo - Mary Etta Highnote
Ribers, Ella
Seymour, Mamie
Simmons, Denora
Simpson, Armentra - Clifton
Smith, Eunice - Lelon - Viola A.
Tanner, Beulah
Taylor, Mildred - Minnie - Robert - Willard
Thomas, J.B. - Johnnie Lee
Turner, Ben Wade - Minnie
Wantland, Ruth Jane
Warren, Mary
Watson, Ethel
Watts, Adrian - Betty
White, Eliza Ann
Wilson, Margaret Adeline

PARKER COUNTY

Collins, Tressie
Gillis, Kate
Mann, Elizabeth
Riddle, Holton - JoAnn (Sisk)
Sisk, Albert - Cary N. - D.H. - Daniel - Fannie - George William - JoAnn - Laura -
Maggie - Mathew - Minnie - Nina - Roa Clifton - Ruby

SABINE COUNTY

Bowie, Mattie (Canton)
Canton, Alfred (slave) - James - Joyce - Judy - Leachie E. (...) - Luke - Mattie -
(continued)

Canton (cont), Q.C. - R.D. - Randle - Richard - Robert T. - Stella - Vestie
Thomas, Vestie (Canton)

SAN JACINTO COUNTY

Blythe, Col. William J. - William Jackson
Harwood, Ruby Lee
McClanahan, Ora Lee
McGowen, Mary L.
Robinson, Aubrey - Charles - Cornelius - Eli - Fannie Rose - Gilbert - Harry -
Henry W. - Hill - Hugh - James - Kitty - Lee - Martha - Mary - Robert Tod
[pic p. 35] - Ruby Lee - Tod [pic p. 39] - Major William
Tyson, Bess Lee - Thomas Brown
Ware, Eliza Jane

STEPHENS COUNTY

Ackers, Jack - Will
Black, Amanda Belle - Fannie - George - Harrison - Henry - Jack - John - John
Henry Samuel - Kathryn Adalia - Lizzie - Lula Adalie - Mary Catherine - Min-
nie - Nancy - Roy - Sybil - William
Braley, Sarah Adalia
Dodd, Jack - Lizzie (Black)
Dodds, Sarah (Black)
Echols, Lisa (Swanson)
Martin, Fannie (Black) - Jim
Sayle, Ella
Swanson, Howard A. - Lisa - May - Patricia (Trammell)
Trammell, B.H. - Sybil (Black)
Whitten, Jan

TARRANT COUNTY

Chesier, Friendsina
Haney, Ann
Loyd, Alice - Carlotta - Cordie (...) - F. Marion - Harold N. - John - Laura -
Leatrice Joy - Lucretia - Marion [house pic p. 37] - Robert S. - William

TRAVIS COUNTY

Burch, Ailine
Davis, Daisy (Gilbert)
Gilbert, Ann - Daisy - Elizabeth - Elliot - Etta - George - George Horace - Is -
Jarietta C. - Dr. Joe - Joe Burch - Joe Thorne - Linda - Linney - Lucy -
Maline - Mark - Meda - Nancy - Roy - W.H. - William - Woody
Hornsby, Mandana Eldora
Marley, Etta (Gilbert) - James
Pfennig, Dora - Edmund C. - Elizabeth T. - Fred - John - Lydia Marie - Paul Peter -
Rudolph - Rev. William [pix p. 39]
Pfluger, Dora (Pfennig)
Schwander, Marie [pic p. 39]
Schwenke, Lydia Marie (Pfennig)
Smith, Sylvia
Thorne, Daisy

WASHINGTON COUNTY

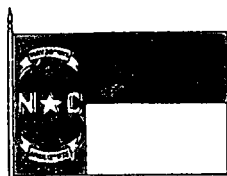
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Grebe, Minnie
Lebmann, Johanna
Moench, Allen - Karen (Rust) - Ross Allen
Muegge, Juliana
Quebe, Hilda (Rust)
Rust, Annie - Barry W. - Bernhard - Bertha - Charles - Charley - Edna - Emma - Hermann -
Hilda - Lydia (...) - Martha - Minnie - Robert - Willie
Steinkamp, Edna (Rust)

WOOD COUNTY

Buchanan, Alfred Patten - Ann Patten - Emmet Leander - John Creighton - Laura Creigh-
ton - Rosa (Patten) - Rosalie
Dixon, John M.
Evans, Ira H. - Ola
Patten, Dr. A.L. - Alfred - Elijah L. - Emeline Eliza (Trout) - Jessie E. - Mary E. -
Minna Wesley - Nancy E. - Sarah Rosalie
Reitch, Ethel Eudora
Trout, Wesley Stewart

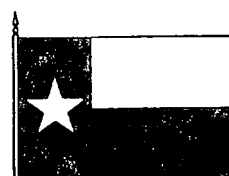
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NORTH CAROLINA

SESQUICENTENNIAL WORKSHOP



TEXAS

As is only fitting, the 1986 Workshop of Austin Genealogical Society was the most elaborate and perhaps financially profitable ever. Over 225 people attended, some from as far away as Amarillo. Sixty-five or more from outside Austin were pre-registered in time to get their surnames included in the list made available.

The Workshop Chairman, Betty Kaiser, attributes the success of the event to the unanimous cooperation of the membership, but there is no doubt that Betty's innovative ideas and her gracious manner inspired that cooperation.

Contributing to the advance publicity under the leadership of Martha Askew were television and radio appearances by Mr. Clarence F. Niebuhr, Dr. and Mrs. James B. Carter, Mrs. Frank G. Bryant, Mrs. Gray Golden, and Mrs. Edith Williams.

The main speaker, the workshop chairman, and all the committee chairladies were quaintly dressed in the fashion of their long-ago ancestors, which, with the display of Texas flags, set the scene appropriately.

To emphasize the patriotic nature of this gathering, members of Patrick Henry Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution formed an honor guard and (in the uniform of our first Army) presented the colors and led the pledges of allegiance in a thrilling ceremony. A vote of thanks is due these gentlemen for making the effort to do this, although not members of Austin Genealogical Society.

After the invocation by Dr. James B. Carter (1st vice-president) and words of welcome by AGS President Andrea Nagel and the workshop chairman, Texas State Archivist Chris LaPlante was introduced. To everyone's surprise, he announced that his

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HOPKINS FAMILY BIBLE DATA

These records were submitted by R.T. Hopkins (1830 South Valentine Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80228) who calls it the Berry Hopkins Family Bible. They resided in Travis County, Texas in 1880+, then in Caldwell County. Tom noted: "Grandmother Elnora probably started the Bible after 1884. Berry was a son of Willis Hopkins of Travis County."

In neat Spencerian handwriting on a flyleaf appears "Mrs. E.A. Hopkins, Family Bible." Many of the entries are so dim that they are barely legible, so they have been abstracted rather than reproduced below.

The Bible was published in New York by American Bible Society, "Instituted in the year MDCCCXVI" [1816], and printed in 1884.

## MARRIAGES

Allie McElroy and B.F. Hopkins, Sept. 5, 1877.  
W.A. Hopkins and Martha Haentschel. [no date given]  
Annie Hopkins and Willie Hanke, Dec. 22, 1915, in San Marcos, Texas.

## BIRTHS

B.F. Hopkins, Jan. 10, 1852.  
Allie McElroy, Sep. 9, 1861. [Elnora Allie?]  
Walter Hopkins, July 31, 1881.  
Ruby Hopkins, Oct. 5, 1883.  
William Hopkins, April 3, 1885.  
Roy Hopkins, March 22, 1888.  
Charlie Hopkins, Nov. 27, 1890.  
Annie Hopkins, Aug. 26, 1894.

## DEATHS

Ruby W. Hopkins, March 30, 1911.  
Mrs. B.F. Hopkins, Oct. 9, 1911.

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From the records in another Bible and notes, we glean additional data pertaining to the Hopkins family, but your editor admits some are not clear to her.

Willis Hopkins, a Civil War veteran, was born Nov. 30, 1821, and died in Austin, Texas March 1, 1904. His wife, Margaret Jackson, was born March 21, 1824, and died Aug. 31, 1880.

Emma J. Hopkins was born May 3, 1861 in Georgia [some family members say in Tennessee]. On Jan. 17, 1882, in Travis Co, TX, she married George W. Rountree (born Jan. 11, 1862 in Travis County). On Oct. 25, 1946 he died at Johnson City, Texas. She passed away there March 15, 1947.

A daughter of George W. and Emma J. (Hopkins) Rountree was named Novella Addie. On Aug. 26, 1908, at Johnson City, Texas, she married Charles Calvin Galloway. At Christmas 1912, "Mama and Papa" presented them with a Family Bible, complete with the Temperance Pledge, which they signed.

[No connection shown between Charles Calvin and E.M. Galloway; perhaps C.C. was the son of the following couple.]

E.M. Galloway and A.C. Hopkins were married Feb. 13, 1876 at Palmetto Ga. by J.P. Smith.

Mother and Father Galloway passed away at Johnson City, Texas.

Father: E.M. Galloway died in Barnwell's Sanatorium from operation Jan. 8, 1937 at 2 a.m. Funeral at 4 p.m. by Rev. M.P. Burton. E.M. Galloway "borned"

Oct. 27, 1852, Greenville, Ala.

Mother: A.C. Galloway [must mean Hopkins] borned Dec. 10, 1851 Georgia. Died July 27, 1943, 1:35 p.m. Johnson City.

E.M. Galloway's Parents: Robt. N. Galloway Sr. b. Sept. 7, 1822, Alabama; d. Feb. 27, 1906, Round Mountain [Blanco Co?], Texas.

d. Sept. 2, 1863, Alabama. Eliza Galloway [maiden name?] b. Oct. 12, 1825, Alabama;

Mother Galloway's Parents: Wm. Hopkins b. ?1824 Georgia; Killed in Civil War in 1863 at "Pittsburg" [Pittsburgh PA?].

Caroline Hopkins [maiden name?] b. April 27, 1835; d. in 1922, Georgia.

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[Editor's Note: Perhaps applications for Confederate Pensions in Texas State Archives would shed some light on William and Willis Hopkins.]

## SESQUICENTENNIAL WORKSHOP (continued from page 124)

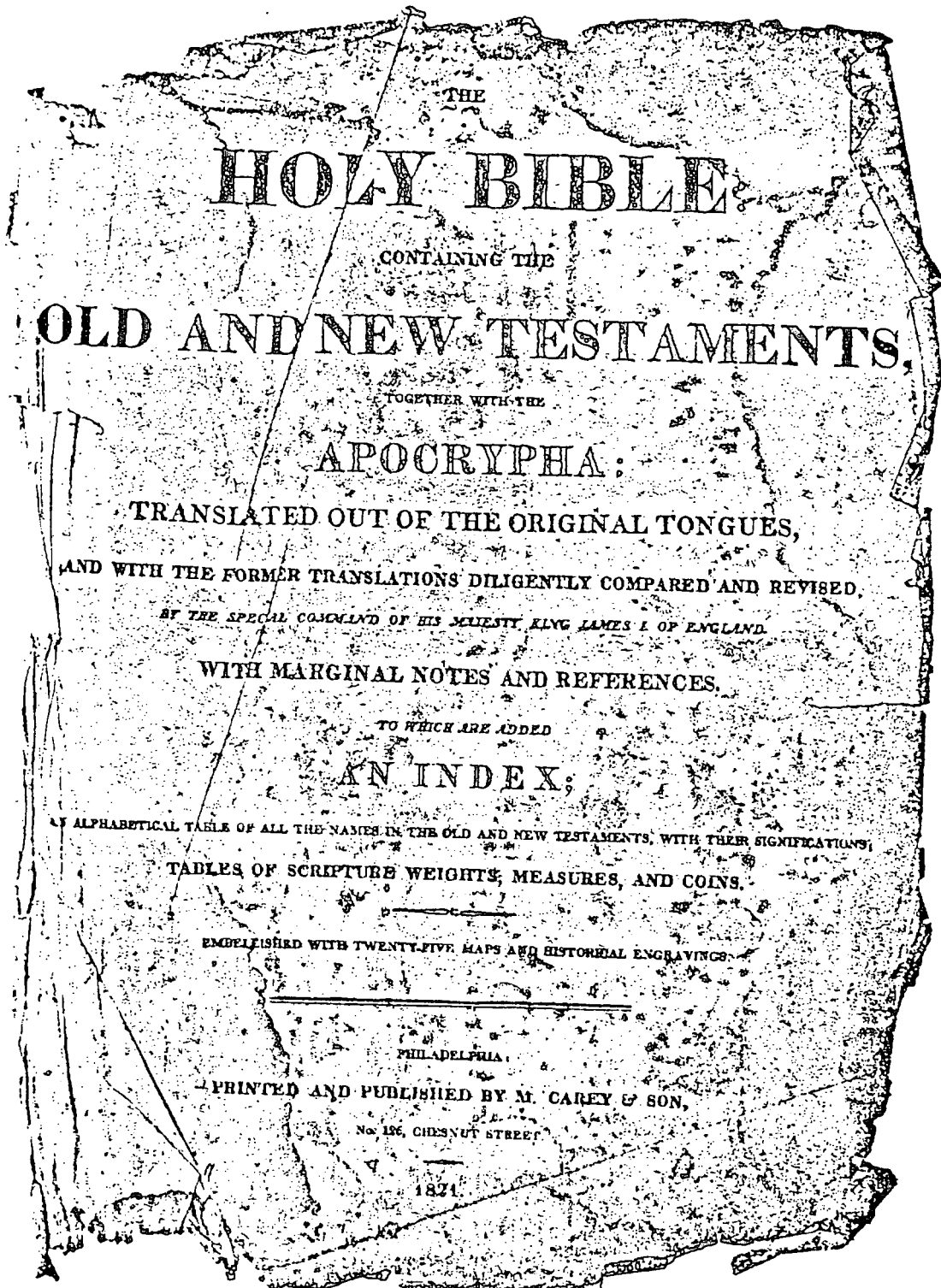
subject was not "The Importance of Archives to Genealogists" but "The Importance of Genealogists to Archives." Historians, archivists, statisticians and other social scientists have long looked down on genealogists, but Mr. LaPlante stated that they have now awakened to the importance of the family unit, which is documented so avidly by family tree tracers. Realizing that there is more to history than battles, presidents and politics, scholars now appreciate what genealogists have ferreted out about why "the common man" migrated as he did, or why the majority voted as they did, and so on. Mr. LaPlante delighted the audience by admitting that genealogists have as much right in the Archives as any other patron!

Next on the program, Donaly E. Brice, Reference Specialist in Texas State Archives, reviewed its holdings in depth and impressively pointed out the many specific sources therein which will aid the person searching for his Texas roots.

The principal speaker, Mrs. Stahle Linn of Salisbury, North Carolina, is the author of 16 books which have won awards of excellence. Jo (White) Linn treated the enthralled audience to a world of information about researching in North Carolina records, and regaled them with humorous anecdotes about life in that state. Nearly four-fifths of those present had North Carolina ancestors, and were inspired to search them out more diligently because of Jo Linn's gracious-southern-lady manner and common-sense attitude toward life in the Tarheel State.

A number of vendors presented books for sale and other materials of interest to the attendees, as well as contributing books to swell the generous number of door prizes which were awarded at intervals during the eventful day.

In Twenty Thirty-six they'll be "hard put" to cap this celebration!



This is to certify that these are Xerox photostat copies of four (4) pages from the Family Bible belonging to FREDERICK HILSABECK and wife ELIZABETH THOMAS ANDERSON now in possession of CARTER LAVELLE HILSABECK, great-great-grandson, of Austin, Texas.

Carter L. Hilsabeck  
 CARTER LAVELLE HILSABECK

Sworn before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 1977 this is a true copy.

JIMMY GUY HILSABECK, Notary  
 Public, \_\_\_\_\_, Texas

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

BIRTHS.

Mary Thomas Willabeck  
Died Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 1810.

Elizabeth Jones Willabeck  
Died July 18<sup>th</sup> 1822.

Frederick Willabeck  
Died July 6<sup>th</sup> 1829  
aged 77 years 7 months 25 day

Josua White.  
Died Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1873.

B. J. Willabeck  
Died Feb. 18. 1874.

Elizabeth. v. Willabeck  
Died April 9<sup>th</sup> 1877  
aged 85 years 5 months  
45 days

Elizabeth v. Willabeck  
Died March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1894  
aged 72 years 2 months  
and 21 days

of Frederick Willabeck  
was born Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1785

and his wife  
Elizabeth J Anderson  
was born Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1791

## FAMILY RECORD.

## BIRTHS.

Oliver Antoinette Hilabeck  
was born June 1811.

Mary Thomas Hilabeck  
was born April 7<sup>th</sup> 1813.

William Franklin Hilabeck  
was born Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1815.

James Anderson Hilabeck  
was born June 26<sup>th</sup> 1817.

Augustus Claiborn Hilabeck  
was born March 31<sup>st</sup> 1819.

Elizabeth Louisa Hilabeck  
was born June 7<sup>th</sup> 1821.

Sarah Ann Hilabeck  
born December the 10<sup>th</sup> 1822.

## BIRTHS.

Fredrick Lawrence  
Hilabeck was born  
August the 16<sup>th</sup> 1824.

Emily Hilabeck  
was born January the 31<sup>st</sup>  
1827.

Cleatus Shelby  
Hilabeck was born  
October the 7<sup>th</sup> 1828.

John Clinton  
Hilabeck was  
born March the  
10<sup>th</sup> 1830.

Lucia Holmes Hilabeck  
was born June 10<sup>th</sup> 1833.

## FAMILY RECORD.

## MARRIAGES.

## MARRIAGES.

*Friedrich*

*Hilsabeck*

*Friedrich Hilsabeck*

*Elizabeth T. Anderson*

*were married on the*  
*9th of Sept. AD 1810*



The preceding Bible record was furnished by Col. Carter L. Hilsabeck of 1606 Elmhurst Drive, Austin TX 78741. He and his wife are long-time members of Austin Genealogical Society, and we thank them for sharing with us.

Colonel Carter also sent the following interesting letter from one of his ancestors, William Durham, who had gone west to Montana to buy horses for the Government and stayed to prospect for gold. He wrote from Downieville, California, to his wife Nancy in Scotland County, Missouri, in 1860. Nancy (Fryrear) Durham never had a chance to join him in his new life, for he was murdered by his gold-mining partner shortly after this letter was written. Durham's body was found two years later in a mining cabin near his claim. His head had been split open with an axe. A miners' court hanged his partner and notified Nancy Durham.

[A small part of the letter has fallen away along a fold, mutilating all four pages slightly.]



January the 24 1860

Der wife and Children I wontes [once] more take my Pen in hand to let you know that I am well at this time hoping when those few lines comes to hand the[y] will fin[d] all injoying the same blessin[g] Recived a leter from you November the 17 which g[ave] grate sadesfaction to Reed it it give mee to undrstand that you was all well that maid my hart Rejoys in my Brest

Nancy I want you to git Charles or J.L. Crow to Rent the Plase to some Body that the[y] think will tend it I want the sid[e] next to matsons Put in small grane [grain] it is [?] the olds [oldest?] grane Rent to some Body that will Dliver the grane in som[e] plase handy for you to use let the farme Bee to some body that has tame [time or team?] to tend it I Dother [I'd rather] that it was some Body that wod [would] not want to live there for the[y] wold Cut two much timber that was good for Rales [rails] you must not have the gren timber cut Down for [hole in paper] let me know whether [torn] mill is Runing of [If?] Mores [torn] george Abernethy [?] wantes the [hou or hor?]se let him have it let me [k]now how you and Cadwalender Dun [done; i.e., did] about the grond [ground?] when he Did not Bild the Rume [room? barn?] if he Pad [paid] the Rent to you or not I will let you know what I am Doing I Do eny thing that comes former [for me?] I Rented a Caben in Downville [Colonel Hilsabeck's Note: Downieville, Sierra County, California, an old mining town. 1970 population: 350] I git work all most every Day I will stay her[e] all winter the snow is so Deep ther[e] is not much work going on in the mines I am going to Wasco [Note: Wasco, Kern County, old mining area near Bakersfield. 1970 population: 8319] valey in the spring to the new Digings that is 100 hundred Milles [100 miles] from her[e] I will tri my luck thare ther[e] is Rich Digins thare gold and silver Both ther[e] will Bee thosanes of Pepel thare ther [They are?] all most all goin from her[e] the mines is all Dug out her[e] onely a fue [few] Rich men one [own?] the [torn: lot?] Pore men has no shoe [share?] e[very?] thin[g] is hy [high] here I will giv[e you?] Pries [price] of floure 9 Dollers Pork [and?] Beef 25 Dollers hundred [per hundred pounds?] Other thin[gs] in Perpotion [proportion] I think I will make some money next summer Rite Often it gives me grat sadisfaction to Reed your leters tell Melvy that Harron is three Milles from her[e] with hiliary hendrson and Wm Hendrson working in the mines the[y] hant [haven't] got much Gold yet the[y] are on the ceek [creek] and may strak [strike] it beter tell ther familey they are well my Best Respects to all of the Requirning [inquiring] frends

I will let you know how this Contery Agres with me I am in Beter helth then I have bin for 20 yers this is the helthes [healthiest] Countery in the world ther[e] is 3 thosan Bersons [persons] [in?] Downevill ther[e] was one old man Died ther[e] ther is no sich thing as sickness here I way [weigh] more then I ever did I am a Buster I way 100 hundred and 40 Pound if I make money her[e] I will move here tell William Obrion I wish him and Jane much joy tell Stepen to Right to me tell Charles to Right to me and I will send you a gold Ring that A irish lady give me so no more at Presant But Remanes your Der husban untel Deth

Durham



# LIST OF TEXAS CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS

Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Elmira, New York

Mrs. Lawrence Watts (Box 52, Bonners Ferry ID 83805) is a new member of AGS and has graciously contributed part of a publication of the Chemung County Historical Society, Elmira, New York.

In 1861 Elmira was a training center for Union soldiers. When they were assigned to various units, the facility was turned into a prison camp through which some 12,000 Confederate soldiers passed. Of these, about 2950 died and were buried in 2½ acres set aside for that purpose within Woodlawn Cemetery.

Fortunately, the sexton was an escaped slave who "kept a meticulous record of each Confederate burial so that when, in 1907, the Federal Government erected a small marble marker at each grave, it was possible to mark each stone with the soldier's name, company, regiment, date of death, and grave number."

By amazing coincidence, among the men whom the sexton, John Jones, buried was one from the household in which he had lived as a slave in Virginia. Further details about the prison are available from AGS editor.

THE FOLLOWING LIST CONTAINS ONLY THE EXTRACTED NAMES OF CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS WHO SERVED IN MILITARY UNITS FROM THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ARE BURIED IN THE WOODLAWN CEMETERY, ELMIRA, NEW YORK.

| NAME               | COMPANY | REGIMENT        | DATE OF DEATH | GRAVE NUMBER |
|--------------------|---------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| CHAMBERS, James M. | E       | 7th Texas       | 22 Feb 1865   | 2253         |
| COLLINS, W. S.     | E       | 13th Tex. Cav.  | 22 Mar 1865   | 1521         |
| DAVIDSON, Oscar    | G       | 34th Tex. Cav.  | 12 Dec 1864   | 1145         |
| DOUGLASS, John F.  | G       | 2nd Tex. Cav.   | 11 Dec 1864   | 1149         |
| FELTON, J.L., Cor. | H       | 35th Tex. Cav.  | 22 Apr 1865   | 1395         |
| HOFFMAN, Waldemar  |         | Ged. Tex. Regt. | 29 Dec 1864   | 1304         |
| HOLDEN, N. B.      | C       | 7th Texas       | 01 Mar 1865   | 2107         |
| KENT, Richard      | B       | 3rd Texas       | 04 Feb 1865   | 1739         |
| LINBECKER, C. M.   | E       | 12th Tex. Cav.  | 02 Jan 1865   | 1338         |
| MARTIN, Alfred     | K       | 4th Texas       | 30 Sep 1864   | 401          |
| NAYLOR, Columbus   | K       | 1st Tex. Cav.   | 19 Dec 1864   | 1070         |
| SCOGGINS, J.L.     | I       | 23rd Tex. Cav.  | 09 Mar 1865   | 2360         |
| TAYLOR, W. C.      | H       | 34th Tex. Cav.  | 26 Feb 1865   | 2295         |
| TINDALL, Roderick  | A       | 1st Tex. Cav.   | 05 Dec 1864   | 1015         |

[For other Texas Confederate soldiers who were buried outside the state, check Raymond W. Watkins's card file Collection in Texas State Archives.]





## BOOK REVIEWS



AGLL CATALOG, Volumes I & II, 1st Edition, American Genealogical Lending Library, Box 244, Bountiful UT 84010. \$12.50 per volume to non-members. Card cover, 8½ x 11"; intermittent pagination; partial index.

This is an inventory of microfilm available for rent or sale to institutions or Association members. To become a member of American Genealogical Lending Library an individual pays \$30 for the first year, with \$15 annual renewal fee. Membership includes a copy of this AGLL Catalog, order forms, and individual identification number. Thus, a person who has a microfilm reader can examine the film at home and then purchase it if he so desires.

American Genealogical Lending Library guarantees its copies to be first rate quality, but of course legibility depends on the quality of the original microfilm or material. It claims prompt service - "backorders are few," it advertises.

The AGLL inventory is mind-boggling. Volume I covers the Federal Decennial Census Records, listing the counties contained on each numbered reel of the census from 1790 through 1910, as well as reel numbers for the Soundex (Index) of 1880, 1900 and 1910. The book has a Guide to the Soundex and Miracode systems. (Miracode gives volume number, enumeration district number, and visitation number. A researcher usually selects by county name rather than volume number.)

A table of "Enumeration Districts Within Cities Having Populations of 50,000 or More" covers two pages in Volume I of this catalog.

Volume II consists of four sections and an appendix. Section I, "Early Military Records," contains records from ca 80,000 pension and bounty-land warrant application files based on service in the American Revolutionary War. These were filmed alphabetically; e.g., Roll One includes Aaron, William through Abbott, William. "Former Widow" cross-reference cards are arranged according to the surname which the woman acquired on remarriage.

The catalog describes each series of films in minute detail: some set forth numerical designations of troops, others identify the leaders, as Lee's Legion, Morgan's Rifle Regiment, Captain Samuel Scott's Company of Georgia. Another rather lengthy category is entitled "Virginia Half Pay," with cross-references. A thorough study of all these descriptive lists (some categorized by state) could save hours of random microfilm search.

For the War of 1812 Pension Application Files, the alphabetization is sketchy, ("A-Alld," "Wu-Z,"), as it is for "Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers." There are five rolls of the latter from North Carolina alone.

With "General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934" we gratefully return to the complete spelling of surnames. After the "Civil War Series" is listed the "Consolidated Index to Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers." If you have previously obtained a file from the National Archives it might be worth your time to examine this film to see if they sent you everything on file about your particular soldier!

There are troops identified by numerical and surname designations, Indian troops, Confederates from Texas and Virginia, Union soldiers from certain states - the headings seem to cover every situation.

Soldiers who served from 1784 to 1811 may be found by dates and by states (under name of county or commanding officer), with type of service such as Militia, Volunteers, Spies & Guides, Mounted Riflemen, Cavalry, etc.

"Register of Enlistments in U.S. Army" includes dates, initial letter of serviceman, Mexican War, Indian scouts, and many more.

For a historian or a genealogist, this catalog is fascinating reading. I never dreamed there were so many places where one could look for a man in a given era. There are records of the Battle of Tippecanoe, Indian Wars & Disturbances, the Patriot War (1837-39), the Florida War, the Creek War . . . . There are ledgers of payments, 1818-72, payments to U.S. Pensioners, and finally, pensions and service records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served During the Mexican War in Organizations from Texas, which we ran serially in AGS Quarterly for years, until our abstracter departed and they were compiled into a book whose title refers to these men on active duty as Veterans instead of Volunteers!

Section II, "Ship Passenger Lists," does not give much more than the National Archives description we have long had. Some of the films are listed by abbreviations of surnames, some full surnames, some arrival ports, some by comprehensive dates of arrivals - chaotic! The only Texas port shown is Galveston, 1869-1906, 1896-1948, and 1906-1951.

Section III contains Mortality Schedules from the Census Bureau (1850-80 for Texas), State Census Records (1855 & later; none for Texas), and Indian Records. These four pages cover census rolls made up in 1835, 1852, 1880, 1890, 1893, 1896, 1908-10, etc.; six tribal names and "the Five Civilized Tribes"; plus "Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940" (not yet completed).

Next comes an 88-page catalog of Books and Rare Manuscripts. These range from a 9-page Potter genealogy to the four-volume Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England by James Savage. Many, many of the ancient classics of genealogy are available here on film, which is especially fine for persons who do not have access to a large library.

But finding them in the catalog without a line-by-line search is another matter. There is an index to them, but instead of referring to the numbered page that a book is on, it gives you something like 222H. The book descriptions end on page 88, so I assumed they had printed one 2 too many. One has to figure out for oneself that the descriptions are divided into sections and that SW 16-0222\* contains book titles preceded by E, F, H, I, and J. To add to my exasperation, several sections are inexplicably marked "Deleted." Why print those titles if they are no longer available?

In spite of mentioning my personal, petty objections, I hope I have whetted, not sated, your appetite to feast on the bountiful fare set before you in this tremendous catalog!

\* They use that tacky character for zero. I understand that computers have to differentiate between the letter o and zero, but couldn't they put a bar on top of the o (ø) instead of that diagonal line that makes it look like an 8?

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#### DOMESDAY BOOK

Sooner or later every genealogical researcher is bound to hear of the "Doomsday" Book and wonder (as I did) if it lists men in Merrie Olde Englande who were doomed to be executed. Although the name is pronounced "Doomsday," it is spelled Domesday. I have read (but can't put my finger on the source at the moment) that the reason is that the book was formerly kept in a House of God, Domus Dei in Latin.

The time has come when we can learn all about this venerable volume in a fascinating article in the July 1986 issue of Smithsonian magazine. Entitled "The British are making book on Great and Little Domesday" by Sue Arnold, it sets forth the history of perhaps the earliest census of England (1086), which was taken by edict of William of Normandy to assess the value of the land he had conquered, and to identify all liable taxpayers.

In the Domesday Book, land was measured in hides (ca 120 acres), the amount an ox could plow in a year, the area that would support a household of freemen.

Besides such informative tidbits, the article is profusely illustrated with graphics: e.g., pictures of the books themselves and of a page hand-printed in Latin showing lists of tenants-in-chief and of manors owned by William (taken from the Anglo-Saxons and given to his warrior barons). There is also a translation (from the abbreviation-studded Latin into modern English) of a typical entry. If Ranulf Flambard was your ancestor, lucky you!

Domesday Book does not include land in present-day Northumberland, Cumberland, Durham or Westmorland. But if you have traced some of your families to other areas of England, you might want to tackle facsimiles of the books which were published in 1861 and 1865 and grace some of the best libraries in the world. Or now, you may want to purchase an 800-page copy published in honor of its 900th anniversary, at prices ranging from \$3,900 for the Library Edition to \$7,800 for a fancier set.

This reviewer recommends that you peruse the Smithsonian article and learn why this hallowed book, as the final arbiter in disputes about land or property, "was held in universal respect bordering on terror, as a record solid enough with which to confront doomsday."

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SETTLEMENT PATTERNS IN MISSOURI by Russel L. Gerlach; © 1986 by University of Missouri Press, 200 Lewis Hall, Columbia MO 65211. 8½ x 11"; 88 + vii pp.; "Permanent Paper"; index; bibliography; cover photograph; many maps, graphs and tables; separate, colored wall map ca 22 x 33".

Settlement Patterns in Missouri: A Study of Population Origins, with a Wall Map is a comprehensive study of the ethnic origins of the early settlements in that state. It is the product of 15 years of research and travel in Missouri, the text written to aid the reader in interpreting the huge map, which in turn is the visual interpretation of the statistics presented in the book.

For the genealogist it will provide valuable clues for deducing from whence and why his Missouri ancestor was there. For example, the French from colonies in Canada came down the Mississippi and Missouri rivers as hunters, fur traders, missionaries, etc. The text gives the dates and names of the earliest French settlements in present-day Missouri. That should help with your Frenchmen.

The extension of the railroad to the southwest corner of the state in 1875 spurred an influx of population to that area at that period. Various religious groups brought in colonizers who built their homes close together for protection and companionship, thus forming towns with mainly Germanic inhabitants. (Surprisingly, most of the Amish and Mennonite settlement has been in the 20th Century, much of it since World War II!)

If you know your ancestor's ethnic classification, his occupation (miner, fur trader, farmer?), his religion, or what his name may have been originally, this book gives you some leads to follow. [Perhaps his name was Carpenter, translated from the German Zimmerman, or Goodrow, anglicized from French Goudreau.]

Appendix A consists of a county-by-county survey based on origins given in the 1860 census. The five or six states most frequently listed as birthplaces of the citizens of a given county on its census are shown, plus the location of any ethnic settlement in that county, and the percentages of foreign ancestry as revealed by the 1980 census.

An interesting bit of information noted by Mr. Gerlach is that while most "Germans" identified themselves with subnational regions such as Baden, Hesse, Darmstadt and Hannover, having migrated before the unification of Germany in 1871, census-takers (usually non-Germanic) tended to list their birthplaces as "Germany."

This book is beautifully legible and error-free. Its double-column format accommodates the numerous small maps, graphs and tables. The three-column index presents no problem for tired eyes and is remarkably comprehensive. It contains both place names and subjects, such as Cotton acreage, Lead mining, Scotch-Irish, Slaves, and Germans (in Adair County, at Altenburg, from Illinois ...), etc.

To those who delight in precise figures this book will be as welcome as a brass ring on the carousel; for those who are inclined to skip over statistics, there is enough history, geography, and probably unique information in it to reward a thorough reading, even if done in roller-coaster style.

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THE DALES OF EASTERN SHORE MARYLAND AND TENNESSEE compiled by Clarice Neal. Privately published - © 1986. 8½ x 11"; 278 + iv pp.; photocopy of computer print-out; acid-free paper; perfect binding; 32-page full-name index; photographs and maps. Price \$15; order from Mrs. Joe West Neal, 2209 Shoal Creek Blvd., Austin TX 78705.

The Dales of Eastern Shore Maryland and Tennessee is a splendid compilation of thoroughly researched genealogical data. Mrs. Neal has done a fine job of tying together several accounts of family history researched and written by Margaret Dale, Harry Wright Newman, and herself, as well as portions contributed by many others who are named in the Acknowledgments.

The book concerns the descendants of (1) John Dale (d. 1708) and wife Katherine Fletcher into the 10th generation; (2) William Dale (d. 1715/16) and wife Dinah Herbert; (3) James Dale (d. 1778) and wife Elizabeth McKnight, et al.

Allied families treated in varying amounts of detail include Bratten, Duncan, Evans, Givan, Hall, McKnight, Milbourne, Warren, West, and Wharton.

This neat volume is enriched by many wills (some quoted in full, some well abstracted), inventories, deeds, census records, etc. Oral tradition always adds color to a family history, and Mrs. Neal has wisely included some fanciful tales. But she has meticulously labeled each unproven statement as such, and has pointed out some errors that have been circulated in the past - a valuable contribution.

The source of each bit of information is given at the foot of the page, which is an ever-welcome device made so much easier to achieve by using a computer.

In addition to whatever personal details and first-person narratives she was able to find pertaining to family members, Mrs. Neal has included twenty-odd portraits, pictures of old homes, gravestones, and Bibles. Some early-day maps also contribute to the interest factor of the book.

The Dales of Eastern Shore Maryland and Tennessee is very legible, being neatly typed and well spaced. As usually happens in a book composed over a period of years and by various writers, the style is not always consistent. I found it startling to suddenly encounter a book title in huge all-capital letters. The spelling sometimes suggests that the compiler skimped on proof-reading, but fortunately that writers' bugaboo "Isaac" seems to have made it into the Index with his proper complement of a's and s's!

Be sure to read the note on the last page of the Index - computer foul-up!

Austin Genealogical Society is proud to claim Clarice Neal as a pillar of the Society, not only as a dedicated worker who ferrets out the most desirable books for us to buy and donate to Texas State Library, but as the author and producer of this fine book, a welcome addition to our genealogical treasure house.



AMERICAN LOYALIST CLAIMS, Volume I, by Peter Wilson Coldham, F.A.S.G. Washington DC: National Genealogical Society Special Publication No. 45, © 1980. Cloth-bound; 6¼ x 9¼"; 615 + xiii pp.; full-name index (people, places, battles, etc.).

American Loyalist Claims was compiled by one of England's eminent genealogical writers, who abstracted the data from the Public Record Office, found in Audit Office Series 13, Bundles 1-35 and 37. These abstracts cover only a fraction of the documents currently held at the Public Record Office in Kew, Surrey, England; further volumes are in preparation.

A counterpart of National Genealogical Society's Index of Revolutionary War Pension Applications (revision published in 1976), this monumental volume is no mere guide to original records. What the former work did for American patriots who participated in the Revolutionary War, this opus does for the Loyalists who were residing in the Colonies.

As Mr. Coldham states in the Introduction, "Almost all earlier research into American loyalist claims has used the 56-volume collection under AO 12" [Audit Office 12] because that series is clearly written and arranged. But he nobly chose the rockier path, tackling the 141 boxes and bundles of poorly arranged and often badly written papers of the AO 13 series, covering about a fourth of them in the volume under review here.

The original papers supporting claims made by Loyalists to the American Claims Commission set up by the British Government in 1783 "include memorials [petitions] by the claimant or his representatives; affidavits, certificates, and depositions as to his conduct during the war; originals or copies of property deeds, family wills, and administrations; descriptions and valuations of real and personal property; copies of proceedings taken by American Revolutionary Committees against the claimant; personal correspondence; and reams of miscellaneous material, from sketch maps and plans of estates to ledgers and trading accounts."

Hence it becomes apparent that many American Patriots will be mentioned, as neighbors, judges, vigilance committee members, Army officers, and so on.

The files were set up to group claims by name of colony with claimants' surnames lumped under the initial letter [but completely alphabetized in the book]. Claimants had escaped from each of the 13 original States, Vermont, "East Florida" and "West Florida." In this volume the majority appear to have been from New York. Many of the Loyalists (called Tories by the Revolutionists) had been exiled to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, the West Indies, and England - where they were unwelcome unless they were financially self-sufficient, which few were.

The format used (whenever possible) in American Loyalist Claims is: Name of person who sustained loss [in all caps]; residence at time of loss; claimant [an heir of deceased Loyalist, etc.]; description of circumstances; date memorial[s] were signed or sworn to; where; loss claimed; further substantiation of claim. The last item sometimes runs into dozens of pages which had to be summarized. This Mr. Coldham has done admirably, not sacrificing clarity for brevity. Where the wording was especially poignant or amusing he has quoted in full.

And as a further aid, he included a typical example of a "Record of Proceedings" and an "Inquisition" in full.

The Foreword and Introduction give satisfactory background information, but the 64-page Index deserves to be marked summa cum laude. Although it has three columns to the page, the type is perfectly legible. Surnames are in all caps (distinguishing them from place names and topics), and slightly variant spellings are separated by slash marks with the most common spelling first: BAILEY/BAIL(L)IE/BAYLEY; ROBISON/ROBESON; ROWE/ROE/ROW; but Reed and Reid are separated, as are Reily and Riley.

Especially helpful topics seen in the Index are Battles, Congress, Counties, Courts, District ---, Fort ---, Indian(s), Military [7 columns], Negro/Black, Parishes, Plantations/Estates, Prisons, Quakers, Records, Rivers, Royalty [including Lady --- and Lord ---], Schools, Ships [almost 4 columns], Streets/Roads/Lanes [3 columns], Towns, etc. As for place names, they are not limited to towns, rivers, and states - the indexer, Margo (Elliott) Higgins even included Canada, Britain, and United States/America/North America!

The only error this old retired proofreader spotted was BRITTON/BRITTON for BRITAIN/BRITTON. And I can't refrain from mentioning what a shock it is to see the apostrophe and quotation marks halfway between the top of a capital letter and the bottom of a descending letter! I thought I had seen every typeface used in the 19th and 20th centuries. Other than that, the one used in this book is quite pleasing, a welcome relief from some sans serif computer typefaces, especially the dot matrix that is so hard on the eyes.

Final verdict: American Loyalist Claims should be granted the highest award the law allows!

APPROPRIATE ANCESTORS/DESCENDANTS

I wonder how many of us know young people who are following in the footsteps of a remote ancestor, "career-wise". Recently when I learned that a skilled young photographer, John Lawrence, was descended from Daguerre, I involuntarily exclaimed, "How appropriate!" For, in 1839, Louis Jacques Mandé Daguerre (1789-1851) perfected the first photographic invention, called the daguerreotype, you know.

Seeing the word in print incites me to pick up my épée and challenge those who say "daguerry-o-type." The second e is part of the man's name and is silent, not a separate syllable.

Also, I can't resist growling whenever I hear "zoo-o-logical society" mentioned by supposedly educated TV announcers. It takes two o's to make the sound "zoo", right? Then if you pronounce a separate o after that, you have three o's in a row, which is not natural in English (unless hyphenated). You may be zoo-oriented and own zoo-occupied land, but in the name of the animal kingdom, please say you majored in zo-ol-o-gy! "Zoo" is just a nickname for a zo-o-log-i-cal garden or park.

Directory of Texas Historical and Genealogical Organizations

We do not endorse publications we have not seen but as a gesture of public service we pass on an announcement that has come across our desk. This directory is said to include preservation and archeological societies as well as ethnic, religious and general heritage organizations. For details, write to Bee Tree Press, Box 135, Lake Jackson TX 77566.

MOORE BIBLE

The Holy Bible, / containing the / Old and New Testaments, / Translated out of the Original Tongues, / together with the / Psalms of David, in metre, / and with the former translations diligently compared and revised. / The text conformable to the original edition of the year of our Lord 1610, / & the American Bible Society's original standard edition of 1816. / Philadelphia: / William W. Harding, / No. 326 Chestnut Street. / 1868.

MARRIAGES

Married on the 15th of Dec 69 at Concrete [DeWitt Co, TX] W.E. Moore to Miss Mary C. Swift by the Rev. Allen Walker

Married on the 15th of June 1881 at Indianola W.E. Moore to Kate A. Moore [widow of his brother] by Judge W.H. Hogan

R.G. Kuykendall & Maggie M. Moore were married Aug 21st 1890 at Ashby Tex, Rev. L.T. Davis

R.H. Whaley and Inez M. Moore were married Nov 29th 1898 at Ashby Tex. Rev. J.J. Calloway

Marion Kuykendall oldest daughter of M.M. & R.G. Kuykendall to Dr. Lester Taylor at Washington DC on July 6 1918

Dorothy Kuykendall to Laurence Hoskins in M.E. Church at Kyle June 22nd 1921 High noon

BIRTHS

W.E. Moore was born in New jersey on the 26th October 1837

Mary C. Swift was born in Concret Tex. on 3th [sic] of July 1846

St. Leger Moore was born on 29th September 1870 in Matagorda Co, Tx.

Maggie M. Moore was born on October 7th 1879 at Indianola [Calhoun Co, TX] Tex. [N.B.: Should be 1871, per data on loose paper in this Bible.]

Mary S[wift] Moore was born May 18th 1874 at the Oaks, Matagorda Co. Texas

Ella Moore was born at the Oaks June 14th 1877 in Matagorda Co. Texas

Cecil H. Moore was born April 7th 1882 at the Oaks in Matagorda Co. Texas

Vera Moore was born December 9th 1884

William Ashby Moore was born May 28th 1887

Winifred Moore was born Dec 29th 1890

Gladys Moore was born April 3rd 1893

[These records were copied by Helen H. Rugeley at 101 Ranch, Buda, Texas, from Bibles then in the possession of her stepmother, Dorothy (Kuykendall) Hoskins, 1895-1986.]

H A P P Y H U N T I N G G R O U N D

Send queries to Mrs. H.H. Rugeley, 2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703, NOT to AGS post-office box. Include at least one date, place & first name per query. Proofread your query carefully for accuracy & clarity; it may be edited to our format. Use name or abbreviation of months, NOT figures. Use 2 capital letters for states, as prescribed by Post Office Department--no periods. Queries are free.

BAZE_BLY_BRANTLEY_CHANGLER_COON_DUNN_JOULIN_KIZER_LANDROUTH_PACKTAN_PAEKEL_PINKLEY_ROSS_SHULTS_WILLIAMS. Printed on an old letterhead: "D.P. BAZE & SONS / proprietors of / Champion Blacksmith Shop / Chelsea, I.T. _____ 1900." [Chelsea, Indian Territory, is now in Rogers Co, OK. -- Editor]

The following BAZE marriages were written on the paper: Wm. Lee Baze m. Georgia Pinkley; Arsan m. Mary Shults; Nancy m. Harl Dunn; Hiram m. Minice Bly; John m. Ann Landrouth; Jeff m. Delila Joulin; Salley m. Bat Brantley; Cholota m. Jamey Ross; Betsy m. Dick Changler; Mary m. K. Joulin; D.P. m. Elibth [Elizabeth?] Williams; L.J. m. Emaline Packtan; A. m. Jane Coon; J.L. m. Mary Coon; Wm. m. Jane Kizer [great-grandparents of the querist]; Henry m. Jancey Paekel.

In 1837 in Tennessee Wm. & Jane Baze's first child was born; in 1839 Jeff & Delia [? It was Delila in list of marriages] had their first, and D.P. & Elibth. had their first in 1843, also in TN. Seeking dates, places, and issue of the other marriages.

Baze family first found in Virginia before 1776; has been traced from TN to MO to TX, OK & NM, 1800 through 1875. Would like to correspond with descendants of any of the above couples. -- Albert E. Baze, 3532 Socorro Rd, Fort Worth TX 76116.

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COONFIELD STEPHENSON. Seeking children of Benjamin Wiley & Samantha (Stephenson) Coonfield who moved to Waco TX ca 1907. When Wiley died in 1914 they were living at 625 LaSalle Street. What became of the family after that? Children: Charles Ruben and Ruth b. 1901 AR; Emmer Gertrude b. 1905 OK; Ruby (son) b. 1899 AR; & Cloe Stephenson Coonfield. Would appreciate any information. -- Dorline Teegardin.
1223 N. Elm, Eureka KS 67045

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A. LAWLESS. Looking for father of Jacob Lawless born ca 1802 in Georgia. Jacob on 1830 & 1840 censuses of Oglethorpe Co, GA; head of household on 1850 census of Chattooga Co, GA. Need names of his siblings and maiden name of his first wife. I would like to correspond with researchers of this line.

B. EMMONS_KENNEDY_SAVILLE. Need parents of Jonas Emmons and Rebecca Saville in Mississippi. Jonas & Rebecca married in Lawrence Co, MS in 1819, the marriage bond being signed by her brother James. Census indexes of Mississippi show many Emmonses and Savilles in Lawrence, Neshoba, Hinds & other counties. Jonas's son, Hiram Runnels Emmons, came to Texas & married Missouri Tibatha [Tabitha?] Kennedy. Seeking fellow researchers of these lines.

C. BELL_LAWLESS. George Washington Bell (b. ca 1816) is enumerated on the 1840 & 1850 censuses of Chattooga Co, GA. On 1 May 1851 he m. Sarah Lawless, then sold his land, and moved family to Texas. Was in Wood County in 1860. Searching for the names of his parents and siblings. Also for maiden name of first wife, Winney. Please write to Eunice D. Watson, 4301 Far West, Austin TX 78731.

re PURCHASE OF CENSUS INDEXES . . .

In light of the need for immediate help in purchasing already-ordered census indexes which has been expressed by Texas State Library's Genealogy Collection Supervisor Jan Carter (See AGS Quarterly, March 1986, page 34), the following action has been taken by our Society:

A fund called FRIENDS OF THE TEXAS STATE LIBRARY GENEALOGY COLLECTION BY AGS has been established in accordance with AGS's continuing policy of Genealogy Collection support. This fund was set up to hold donated money toward a specific need seen by the Society. In future, the Board of Directors will have the power to establish the need(s) for which the money may be spent. The permanent Account Standing Committee will be appointed by the President of Austin Genealogical Society in accordance with the procedure governing this account.

This policy was adopted on 28 April 1986 by the Board of Directors. Details of the procedure for handling the account will be forthcoming from the Account Standing Committee, chairman of which is Dr. James B. Carter; vice-chairman is Homer Taylor. This information will be published over the next several months.

If YOU can help alleviate this desperate need, please fill out the form below, clearly indicating on your check that it is for "F.O.T.T.S.L.G.C. by A.G.S." and mail them to our Treasurer, Julia M. Vinson, 3106 Skylark Dr, Austin TX 78757.



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PRE-PUBLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

REPUBLIC OF TEXAS PENSION APPLICATIONS

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All of the approximately 1900 applications for a pension for services rendered to the Republic of Texas are preserved in the Archives Division of Texas State Library. These records, which consist of affidavits of service by the veteran and others who could swear to their validity, have been abstracted by the above members of Austin Genealogical Society. In addition to proof of military service, the files contain valuable genealogical data such as birth, death, marriage, and immigration.

Proven descent from one of these veterans should qualify a person for membership in the Sons or Daughters of the Republic of Texas. These hitherto almost inaccessible records will be eagerly sought by genealogists, historians, and others involved in the social sciences. Certainly no Texas library can afford to be without this book!

The book (a Sesquicentennial Project of Austin Genealogical Society) will be released on Texas Independence Day, March 2nd, 1987. It will be on archival paper, in cloth binding, and will contain about 400 pages of text plus a full-name index.

A pre-publication price of \$30 is offered until 30 NOVEMBER 1986. Orders postmarked after that will require payment of \$40. This includes postage, handling and tax. A check or money order payable to AGS PUBLICATIONS must accompany order.

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