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# FIRST SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, AUSTIN, TEXAS

#### ROLL OF MEMBERS

Twenty years ago, in Volume VIII Number 4, <u>AGS Quarterly</u> Editor Evelyn Morris published abstracts of the 1875-93 records of Baptisms in the abovenamed church, which she had so skillfully researched and prepared. Following those valuable records she presented (pp. 94-102) abstracts of the Minutes of the Session for the years 1875-78.

Remaining in the present editor's inherited files are many photocopied pages pertaining to the First Southern Presbyterian Church. Since they contain dates of arrival in Austin and departure therefrom, death dates, and relationships of families, it is felt that they will be of interest to many, especially when compared with the previously published records.

The following "Roll of Members," handwritten on "Minutes of Session" pages, is rather hard to read. There are so many names scratched out, so many words superimposed over ditto marks, and so many remarks or comments entered later but placed before the data about joining the church that it is very difficult to interpret all the data correctly.

There are no column headings or even alignment. The comments refer to (a) how the person was received into membership (by letter from previous church, on profession/confession of faith, or on examination); (b) what had become of the member since then (Dismissed to another Presbyterian church, Dropped to join another denomination, Died, Placed on Retired Roll, or Placed on New Roll).

In the minutes of the Session dated 1 Jan 1877 it appears that the Clerk was instructed to revise the membership roll and place "R.R." after the names of members who moved away without obtaining letters of dismission to the church where they moved to. Such members were to be regarded as "constituting a Resolved Roll," but a note on the membership roll below says "R.R. means retired roll." [This editor does not understand the connotation of "Resolved" in this connection - they had not resolved the problem of learning where their former members had scattered to!]

In the heading of the "Roll of Members" which starts on the next page there is a reference to the "old Roll, pages 280-288." This roll is infinitely neater than the one on pages 240-256 of the book, each page of which has "Minutes of Session" printed at the top. The "old" roll is written in a small but consistent hand. The e's are so tightly closed that they are distinguishable from the i's only by the fact that the latter are definitely dotted without fail. Thus the name formerly interpreted as Gravis becomes (in my opinion) Graves; Jinkins becomes Jenkins; Harris turns out to be Hawes.  $W^{\rm m}$  is easily confused with  $M^{\rm r}$  and

even M<sup>rs</sup>, but by checking both rolls I was able to reach a decision.

The old Roll gives information on how (and sometimes when) the person became a member, and how and/or when membership in this congregation was terminated. Entries from 20 Nov 1876 - 27 Mch 1881 are dated. For consistency, I have modernized the form of dates and abbreviations of months.

In order to present as much information as possible, data from the two rolls have been combined, and the names have been alphabetized for readers' convenience.

At the top of this old roll (pp. 280-88 in the Minutes Book) is a list of "Members when the late civil war began and terminated" - viz. COOK, Abner H. & Mrs. Eliza; HUTCHINS, James H. & Mrs. Frances A.; WALKER, Mrs. Ann; "Wallace Maxwell deceased 1871" [I think Maxwell was the surname - Ed.]; MAXWELL, Mrs. Wallace

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deceased 1871 [may mean deceased by 1871, not in 1871 - Ed.]; REDD, Mrs.; TOWN-SEND, Mrs. Leah deceased; SMITH, Mrs. Eliza Jane; LAURENCE, Mrs. Ann dismissed to Round Rock Ch.; RAYFORD, Mrs. Fanny J. dismissed to church in Georgia. On page 281 several are marked "original member": WILSON, Mrs. Augusta; WAD-DELL, D. & Mrs. H.A.; and CARR, Mrs. N.J. "ROLL OF MEMBERS, exclusive of such as are on the Retired Roll for which see old Roll, pages 280-288 & names marked R.R." ADAMS, Mr. James C. - 16 Oct 1892 - on letter - Transferred to new Roll AIKIN, Miss Lizzie - on profession of faith 19 Dec 1881 - R.R. - Dismissed ALLEN, Mr. A. - on letter 17 Nov 1878 - dead 1891 ", Mrs. C.C. " " \*\* - dead 1886 ", Miss Georgia - on letter from 1st Presb. Ch. Shelbyville KY. - on new Roll ", Capt. J.W. - on letter - dismissed to M.E. [Methodist Episcopal?] Ch., Huntsville ", Mrs. Mary J. - on letter from 1st Presb. Ch. Shelbyville Ky. - 26 Jly 1885 -Transferred to new Roll ", Mrs. Walker B. - same as above ARMSTRONG, J.W. - on letter from Palestine Presb. Ch. Texas 25 June 1883 - Dismissed to San Antonio P. Ch. 191 [sic] ", Mrs. Maria - on letter from Presb. Ch. McMinnville Tenn. 18 June 1882 ARTHUR, Miss Helen Arrison - on prefession of faith 18 Apl 1886 - R.R. - Resides at Uvalde 1 Jan 1894 ATKINSON, Mr. Jno. J. - on confession of faith 23 Sep 1883 - Dismissed B [Barker? Brown? badly smudged], Mrs. Kate - died 12 Sep 1890. This is written over a series of ditto marks. The entry above is for Mrs. F.J. Hicklin who joined by letter from Sherman P. Ch. 31 Aug 1884. [p. 247] BACON, Mrs. Tennie [?] M. - on profession 8 Feb 1885 - on new Roll BADGER, Mrs. M.D. - on letter -Tr to new Roll - dead BANKS, Miss Julia N. - on letter 22 Jan 1880 - dismissed ", Mrs. Kate V. - same ", Prof. W.A. - same BARROW, Mrs. Carrie - on examination 17 Nov 1878 ", Mrs. Catharine - Transferred to new Roll BARTON, Mrs. Mary - on profession 22 Jan 1882 - dead BEAUMONT, Dr. G. Nace - on letter 1 Jan 1874 - R.R. ", Miss Katie Laura - on profession 4 May 1890 - on new Roll , Miss Louisa Forney - on profession 25 Oct 1885 - on new Roll ", Mrs. Mary E. - on letter 1 Jan 1874 - R.R. BENEDICT, Mrs. Elizabeth - on letter - deceased June 1883 BENNER, Mrs. N.L. - on letter - R.R. BERTRAM, Miss Jennie - on Certificate at Bertram 18 May 1890 BISHOP, Miss Fanny - on examination 20 Jan 1884 [?] - Dismissed - dead [This may apply to the name below: WONHAM] BLACK, A.A. - on letter - dismissed to Belton Ch. [probably Texas] ", Mr. E.M. - [letter?] 13 Mch 1882 from Green Hill P. Ch. Titus Co. Tex. dismissed to Westminster Presb. Ch. San Antonio 25 Mch 1890 , John A. - on examination - R.R. - Georgetown 11 , Dr. Jno. A. - R.R. - Resides at Round Rock 1 Jan 1874 11 , John Augustus - on profession 14 Sep 1893 - on new Roll ", Mrs. M.A. [?] - [letter?] 13 Mch 1882 from Green Hill P. Ch. Titus Co. Tex dismissed to Westminster Presb. Ch. San Antonio 25 Mch 1890 ", Mrs. Margaret - on letter - dismissed to Belton Ch.

BLAIN, Miss Annie G. - on letter 2 Sep 1888 - on new Roll " , Miss Ella \*\* ... ", Mr. Jno. L. ... 11 \*\* 11 11 .. ", Mrs. Mary G. ... 11 ... ", Miss Maude BOROUGHS, Miss Mary Ellen - on profession 9 Feb 1890 - on new Roll ", Mrs. M.E.G. - on letter from 2nd P. Ch. Richmond Va. - on new Roll BOSCHE, Mrs. Cornelia L. - on letter 22 Oct 1893 from 1st Congregational Church, Cortland [?] Ky. ", Philip - same BOUTON, Mr. Geo. F. - on profession 25 May 1884 - R.R. BROWN, Miss Aurelia - on letter 1 Jan 1883 - died June 1884 ", Bessie Baumann - on profession 7 Apl 1889 - on new Roll ", Mrs. Caroline C. - on letter from Presb. Ch. Bryan Tex. 13 Aug 1882 - deceased 1884 ", Mrs. Emma S./G. - 17 Jly 1881 [1884?] on letter from Bryan Presb. Ch. -Transferred to new Roll - Also their children Joseph\*Alluno, Wm. Garland, & Bessie Baumann Brown, transferred to the care of this church - Transferred to new Roll \*Allcine? , John M. - same ", Joseph Allcine - on profession 7 Sep 1884 - on new Roll , O.N. - on profession 2 Dec 1892 - on new Roll ", Wm. Garland - on profession 7 Apl 1889 - on new Roll BRUSH, Mrs. Sally - Transferred to New Roll BRYAN, Miss Louella - on profession 31 Oct 1886 - lives at Columbia Jan 1877 BURCHARD, Charles A. - On letter from Gonzales Ch. 2 Jan 1881 - Lives at Gonzales 1 Jan 1894 BURT, Mrs. Eugene Adele - on profession 25 Sep 1892 - on new Roll ", Horace Roscoe - on profession 25 Jly 1886 - on new Roll ", Dr. J.W. 0 on letter ", Dr. J.W.J. - died 10 Jly 1886 , Mrs. Malinda - on letter - transferred to new Roll ", Silas Montrose - on profession 1 Aug 1886 - on new Roll ", William Eugene - same CALLAHAN, Miss Iris [?] Ivie [?] - Dismissed ", Miss Josie - on profession 2 Jan 1881 CAMPBELL, Miss Martha Rebecca - on profession - Dismissed CANEY [?] CUNEY [?], Mrs. Sallie - on letter 3 Jan 1886 - dismissed to Giddings Presb. Ch. 9 Oct 1891 CANFIELD, Miss Selina - on exam. 1 Dec 1878 - R.R. CARR, Mrs. N.J. - original member - dismissed to Round Rock Ch. Tex. CARTER, Dr. John L. - on profession 25 Feb 1878 - dismissed to Dallas Ch. ", Mrs. Lucy - on letter 15 Jly 1877 - dismissed to Dallas Ch. CAVETT, Mr. W.B. - on profession 30 Dec 1877 - dismissed to Gonzales Ch. Tex. CHAMBERLAIN, Mrs. E.G. - on profession 25 Aug 1889 - on new Roll CHAPMAN, Miss Emma - on letter 2 June 1889 - on new Roll ", Mrs. Stella A. - on profession 4 Sep 1887 - on new Roll CHURCHILL, Mrs. J.S. - dismissed to Burnet Ch. CLARK, Jno. W. - on profession 16 Jan 1878 - dismissed to Navasota Presb. Ch. 29 Aug 1883 CLINTOCK, Miss Mattie Olivia - on exam. - dismissed to Huntsville Ch. CLOUD, Mrs. Laura - on letter 10Jan 1886 - dismissed ", Mr. Kobt. A. - same. Also their children Eddie, Annie & Sarah

CLUFF, Miss Mattie - on exam. - dismissed 27 Mch 1882 to Galveston Presb. Ch. ", Dr. P.P. - on letter - dismissed to Galveston Church COLLINS, Mrs. Rebecca D. - on letter 29 Aug 1880 - Dismissed CONNELL, Eli B. - on profession 6 June 1877 - Dismissed COOK, Abner H. - (died 22 Feb 1884) ", Mrs. Eliza - (died 11 Nov 1888) ", Mrs. Sue E. - on profession - on new Roll CRAWFORD, Miss Martha J. - on letter - dismissed to San Antonio P. Ch. 15 May 1880 CROCHON/CRUCHON, Mrs. Emma Josephine - on letter 7 Sep 1879 - R.R. CROSS, W. Brownlee - on letter - R.R. - gone CROW, Mrs. Cordelia A. - on letter - on new Roll ", Miss Dennie - on profession 27 Dec 1891 - on new Roll (Mrs. Howard) ", Miss Louisa - on profession 3 Dec 1892 - on new Roll CULLEY, Miss Ima S. - on letter 12 Mch 1893 - on new Roll DABNEY, Mrs. Lavinia - 25 May 1884 - Dismissed to Highland Ch. 15 May 1893 ", Mr. Lewis Meriwether - on letter from College Ch., Prince Edward County, Va. Dismissed to Dallas Presb. Ch. 13 May 1890 DALTON, Miss Lettie - on profession 6 Mch 1877 - Dismissed to Burnet Ch. DANIEL, Mrs. Clara M. - on letter 13 Sep 1885 - dismissed DANIELS, Miss Augusta - Dismissed 24 Dec 1882 ", Mr. Chas B. - on letter 3 Jan 1886 - dismissed DAVIES, Mr. J.B. - on letter 6 Feb 1887 - Dismissed to Fort Worth ", Mrs. J.B. - on letter 18 Aug 1887 - " ... DAVIS, Mr. Hugh L. - on letter 9 Oct 1891 - on new Roll ", Mrs. L. McG. - on letter 9 Oct 1891 ", Miss Nannie Cathaleen - on profession 18 Apl 1886 - Dismissed to Bowie Presb. Ch. 29 Aug 1887 ", Mr. W. Tryon - on exam. 7 Oct 1878 - died 2 June 1884 DEFFENBAUGH, Mrs. - R.R. - dead DeLASHMUT, Mrs. Anna Belle - on profession 4 May 1890 - on new Roll DEWEY, Miss Minnie C. - on exam. - R.R. - dismissed ", Mrs. Sallie K. - on letter - Deceased 1876 DILL, Miss Minnie - on letter from Edna P. Ch. Texas 15 Apl 1888 - on new Roll ", Mrs. N. - 10 Aug 1884 'on letter from Goliad P. Church - Mrs. Seiker on new Roll. ", Miss N.L. - same [Not clear which one became Mrs. Seiker] DOBYNS, Mr. J.R. - on letter 11 Ap1 1877 - R.R. ", Mrs. Lillie - on letter 30 Sep 1878 - R.R. , W.R. - dismissed to 1st Presb. Ch. Austin, 5 Mch 1882 ", Mr. Wm. R. - on profession 7 Sep 1879 DOWNS, Mrs. Sophia C. - on letter 9 Aug 1885 - on new Roll - lives at Hornsby bend ", Mr. Thomas J. - on letter 9 Aug 1885 - deceased 25 Aug 1886 DRANE, Mrs. Pauline - on letter 12 Mch 1893 - on new Roll DUNN, Mr. D.C. - on letter 11 Nov 1880 - on new Roll DURFEE, Mr. Alvin A. - on profession 13 Sep 1891 - died 15 Sep 1891 EDGAR, Mrs. E.S. - 15 Apl 1888 on letter from Waco Presb. Ch. - dismissed ", Mr. E.W. - on letter - R.R. - Dismissed , Mrs. N.R. - R.R. - dismissed ", Miss Robbie - on letter 15 Apl 1888 - from Waco Presb. Ch. - Dismissed ELAM, Mrs. Ann - 31 Oct 1886 - to San Angelo Presb. Ch. 19 Jan 1891 [See also Walker, Mrs. Sallie Elam] ELSON, Miss Eudora - on letter - Dismissed to Round Rock Ch.

", Mrs. M.A. - same

ERWIN, Mrs. E.E. - on letter - R.R. - dead ", F.W. - deceased 1884 ", Mrs. Fanny Long - on profession 14 Mch 1886 - dismissed to Ballenger Pr. Ch. 1889 ", Mr. J.J. - on profession 13 Feb 1881 , J. Jeff - dismissed to Ballenger P.C. 1889 ", J. W. - on letter ", Miss Kitty - on profession 6 Oct 1880 - dismissed to \_\_\_\_\_ 1883 ... , Miss Lillie - on profession 23 Jan 1880 ", Miss Lizzie P. - on exam. - dismissed to a Kansas Presby. Ch. ESTES, Miss Athol A. - on profession 21 Sep 1884 - Mrs. Porter on new Roll [mother of William Sydney Porter, "O. Henry"] - dead EVANS, Charles J. - on letter - R.R. - gone ", Mrs. Sue D. - same FAY, Professor Edwin W. - on letter 20 Nov 1892 - dismissed to Lexington Va. 18 Oct 1893 FERGUSON, Mr. Robt. G. - on profession 2 Jan 1881 - dismissed ", Mrs. Lucy W. - same FISHER, Miss Della - 7 May 1893 on letter from San Angelo Presb. Ch. Tex. ", Mrs. Priscilla - same FORD, Col. John S. - on profession 23 Nov 1884 - dismissed [The famous "Rip" Ford died in San Antonio in 1897 - Ed.] FRIERSON, S.M. - on letter from Du Pre Presb. Ch. 7 Dec 1884 - on new Roll [Dupree, South Dakota, is nearest found in U.S. Postal Guide] FULLMORE, Mrs. Luella - on letter 8 Jly 1878 - on new Roll ", Z.T. - on new Roll ", Zach. T. - on letter GAINES, Mr. Beauregard Pendleton - on profession of faith November 1879 dismissed to Georgetown Ch. GAITHER, Mrs. Annie D. - on letter 21 Jly 1889 - on new Roll GALLAGHER, Mrs. Nannie - on letter 16 Oct 1892 - on new Roll GARTRILL, Mrs. Mary Gregg - on letter GEORGE, Jno. W. - 15 Oct 1884 on letter from M. E. Ch. South - Dismissed ", Miss Lucille - on profession 18 May 1890 - dismissed GILBERT, Mrs. Lou - on profession 16 May 1886 - dismissed ", Miss Stella - on letter 14 Sep 1884 from Charlestown Presb. Ch. in Indiana - Dismissed GILCHRIST, Catherine - 21 Apl 1884 on letter from Houston P. Ch. - gone to the Episcopal Ch. GILL, Miss Allie - on letter 2 Apl 1893 from Highland Ch. Austin - new Roll GILLILAND, Miss Kate - on profession 12 1882 - dismissed to Dr. Neglees Ch. San Antonio 24 May 1886 GLENN, Mrs. Amelia H. - on profession 2 Sep 1877 - dismissed to Presb. Ch. San Antonio ", Mrs. Amelia J. - on letter 11 Mch 1888 - on new Roll ", Eva - on examination - R.R. - gone GLOVER, Jno. M. - on letter 5 Aug 1888 - on new Roll GORDON, Miss Maggie Bell - on profession 14 Mch 1877 - Dismissed to 1st P. Ch. N.O. [New **O**rleans?] GOULD, Miss Minnie L. - on profession 25 Jan 1885 - dismissed ", Mr. R.S. - 9 Jly 1893 on letter from Bryan Tex. ", Hon. Robt. S. - on letter 25 Feb 1883 - on new Roll GOVIER, Miss E.A. - on letter 10 Jan 1878 - Dismissed

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GRAHAM, Mr. Asher W. - 1 Apl 1888 on letter from Bowling Green, Ky. P. Ch. - on
               new Roll - Dismissed to B. Green 16 1893
    , Miss Chessie - same
    , Mrs. Kate Fieldin - same
  ", Mr. L.A. - same
  ", Miss Lena (Mrs. Galen Crow jr.) - same except Dismissed ...
    , Mr. Lucien - same
    , Miss Maggie - on profession 18 May 1890 - on new Roll
GRANT, Albert Sidney - on profession 29 Aug 1886 - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. Ann L. - by letter - on new Roll
    , Miss Emma A.L. - on profession 29 Aug 1886 - on new Roll (Mrs. West)
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    , Dr. James H. - Dismissed to Palestine Presb. Ch. 29 Aug 1883
  ", Mr. James H. - on examination 27 Nov 1878
    , Dr. Robert - by letter
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    , Dr. Robert E. - died 17 Jly 1888
  ", Miss Sally - on examination
GRAVES, Mrs. Caroline - dismissed [date illegible] - received back 17 Mch 1883
  ", Mrs. Caroline T. - on profession 9 Sep 1877
  **
    , Miss Fanny C. - on profession 7 Jan 1877 - Dismissed [NOTE: There is a Mrs.
               Fanny Carrington Graves on p. 100 of AGS Quarterly Vol. VIII.]
  ", Mrs. Fanny C. - on profession 23 Sep 1877 - R.R.
    , Mrs. Martha E. - on profession 7 Jan 1877 - died 18 Oct 1885
  ", Dr. R.S. - on profession 9 Sep 1877 - dismissed [date illegible] - received
               back 17 Mch 1883
  ", Mr. Wm. E. - on profession 23 Sep 1877 - deceased
      [NOTE: In formerly published records (AGSQ VIII:4) this name is interpreted
      Graves on p. 89 and Gravis on p. 100. The clerk clearly dotted his i's and
      closed up the e's completely and consistently. There is no dot over the name
      here - it is clearly Graves and not Gravis.]
GRAY, Mrs. Harriet A. - on letter - died 10 Mch 1889
  ", Mr. W.A. - 22 June 1884 on letter from San Antonio P. Ch. - deceased
GREEN, Mr. Albert N. - on letter 10 Jan 1878 - Dismissed
  ", Miss C.L. - same
    , Miss Eliza - same
  ", Mr. Frank X. - on letter 3 Feb 1878 - R.R. - Out - Dropped from Roll - Dead
  ", Mr. George A. - on letter 10 Jan 1878 - Dismissed
  ", Mrs. Sophia - on letter 3 Feb 1878 - died 23 May 1890
  ", Mr. Thomas - on letter 10 Jan 1878 - Dismissed
GREGORY, Mr. J.W. - 25 Jan 1885 on letter from Clarksville, Tenn. P. Ch. - on new
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  ", Mrs. M.C. - on letter - dismissed to Highland Ch. 30 Jan 1890 - on new Roll
GRIBBLE, Miss Lucy - on profession 22 Nov 1891 - on new Roll
  ", Mr. Robt. - 5 Oct 1884 (on letter from Waco Ch.) - on new Roll
GRIFFIN, Miss Florence Nightingale - on profession 21 Sep 1884 - Dismissed to
               Cisco Presb. Ch. 11 Jan 1885
  ", [or GIFFIN], Mrs. Laura J. - on letter
    , Miss Sallie T. - 21 Oct 1883 on letter from Houston P. Ch. - Dismissed
    , Mrs. Susan T. - same
  ", Mr. Thomas W. - on profession 18 Apl 1886 - Dismissed
GROVES, Mr. R.A. - on profession 23 Sep 1888 - on new Roll
GUNNELL, Mrs. Martha - dismissed to Waco Church
HACKER, Miss Mary A.S. - on profession 27 Nov 1881 - deceased 1882
HAGY, Jno. F. - on letter 1 Ap1 1877 - dismissed to Abingdon Va. Ch.
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HALL. Miss Amanda P. - on examination - R.R. - moved to Fort Worth ", Andrew C. - same ". Miss Ann Ophelia - same ", Mrs. Betty Hughy - on profession 30 Mch 1890 - on new Roll HAMILTON, Miss Mary L. - on profession 6 June 1886 - Dismissed to Presb. Ch. at [sic] Ill. 21 Nov 1887 ", Mrs. P.B. - on letter 27 Oct 1878 ", Mrs. P.P. - on new Roll HAWES [possibly HARRIS], Martha L. - on letter - Dismissed HEISTAND, Mr. W.H. - on letter 12 Sep 1886 - Dismissed to Calafornia HENSON, John Wesley - on examination ", Ophelia A. - same HERNDON, Prof J. R. - on letter 4 Dec 1892 - Returned to Mississippi ", Mrs. M.J. - same ", Miss Maud - same HEUBERICH, Mrs. F. - on examination 6 Oct 1878 - Deceased HICKLIN, Mrs. F.J. - 31 Aug 1884 on letter from Sherman P. Ch. - on new Roll HICKS, Mr. E.M. - on letter 29 Jan 1888 from 1st P. Ch. Shreveport La. Dism'd HILL, Miss Ella M. - on examination - R.R. ", Mr. W.L. - 19 Sep 1886 on letter from Georgetown Presb. Ch. - new Roll HOFFAN [?], Mrs. Fanny - 12 June 1887 on profession (in Claude Presb. Ch. Tex.) ", Mr. John - 15 May 1885 on profession (in Claude Presb. Ch., Texas) HOLDEN, Mrs. Fanny N. - on letter 16 Mch 1879 - dec'd 1880 HOLMAN, Seth Baker - on profession 4 Dec 1892 - on new Roll HOLT, Constant W. - on profession 7 Mch 1884 - Dismissed to Buffalo Gap [Taylor County, Texas] ", Col. Joseph H. - 19 Jan 1880 on profession (Gillespie Co.) - dismissed to 1st Presb. Ch., Austin, 5 Mch 1882 HOPKINS, Mrs. Anna 0.[?] - on profession 7 Feb 1886 - dismissed ", Mr. C.W. - same HOPPING, Saml M. - on examination - Dismissed to Tyler Ch. HUMPHREYS, Mrs. L.G. ) and their baptized children Louisa Garland, Annie Ful-", Prof. Milton W.) ton & Mary Meredith - from Moore Mont. [?] Presb. Ch. 23 Dec 1883. Dismissed to Presb. Ch. at Charlottesville Va. 5 Oct 1887 HUTCHINS, Mrs. Frances A. - on new Roll ", James H. - died 24 Jly 1893 ", Miss Susie B. - Mrs. [illegible] - dismissed 14 Aug 1888 to Presb. Ch., Oxford Miss. JACKSON, Miss Florence - on profession 12 1882 - Dismissed 13 Jan 1883 - 1st San Antonio P. Ch. JAMES, Mrs. Eliza M. - on letter - R.R. - dead ", Mrs. Isabella May - Dropped - joined Episcopal Ch. JAMISON, Miss Hallie - on letter 26 Sep 1890 - Dismissed JENKINS, Mrs. Charity - on letter - R.R. - reported to Presby. Sept 1883 [?] -", Philip Penn - same ", Wm. Henly [Hanby?] S. - same JENNINGS, Miss Sarah S. - on profession 1 May 1881 - R.R. JOHNS, Mrs. Amanda F. - on letter - on new Roll ", Miss Bonnie Lee - on profession 26 Dec 1877 - Dismissed ", Mr. J.P. - on profession 19 Sep 1886 - on new Roll (Continued)

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JOHNS (cont.), Mrs. Mary M. - on letter 2 Sep 1877 - Dismissed
     ", Thomas - died 20 Aug 1888
", Mr. Thomas B. - on examination 1 Dec 1878
JOHNSON, Miss Anna Lou - on letter 1 Jan 1882 - Dismissed to Sardis Ch. Mis. 23
               Ap1 1883
  ", Mrs. Betty - on examination - on new Roll
    , Mrs. Dallas - on profession 23 Dec 1877 - Dismissed to Highland Ch. 3 Jan 1892
    , Miss Fanny - on profession - Dismissed to Highland Presb. Ch. 30 Jan 1892
  ", Miss Grace - on profession 25 May 1889 - on new Roll
    , Mr. J. Orgain - on letter 26 Feb 1893
    , J.T. - on profession 31 Jan 1892
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    , Mrs. James H. - on letter 1 Jan 1882 - Dismissed to Saltillo P. Ch. Tenn.
    , John Edwin - on profession 5 Nov 1893 - "Reconsidered & was not Baptized"
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    , Jno. R. - on profession 31 Jan 1892
    , Miss Josie - on profession 31 Jan 1892
  ", Mrs. Kate - on letter 8 Dec 1878 - dismissed to Highland P. Ch. 6 Feb 1892
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   , Miss Lenore - on profession 16 Aug 1891
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   , Mrs. M. - on letter 7 Nov 1880
    , M.M. - Dismissed to Highland Pres. Ch. 6 Feb 1892
   , Mr. M.M. - on letter 30 Dec 1877
  ", Mrs. Mary - on letter 1 Jan 1882 - Deceased
   , Miss Mary Emma - on profession 22 Aug 1886 - dismissed to Highland Church
               30 Jan 1892
  ", Miss Nellie Mattie - on profession 14 Feb 1892 - on new Roll
JOHNSTON, Mrs. M. - on letter 9 June 1889 - on new Roll - Dismissed to Texarkana
               Presb. Ch. 4 Apl 1882
JONES, Miss Alma Shelby - on profession 6 Mch 1892 - dismissed
  ", Mrs. Lois G. - on letter 27 June 1886 - on new Roll
  ", Miss Maud - on profession 6 Mch 1892 - Dismissed
JORDAN, Miss Julia E. - R.R.
  ", Miss Julia Elizabeth - on examination
KEACH, Miss Clara - on letter 17 Oct 1886 from Dallas Presb. Ch. - Dismissed to
               Presb. Ch. "S. Angeles Cal." 27 Jly 1888 [?]
    , Mr. E. - on letter 13 Sep 1885
  ", Mrs. Mary M. - by letter 3 Jan 1886
KELLEY, Mrs. Adelaide - on letter 18 Feb 1877 - Dismissed to Houston Ch.
  ", Mrs. M.E. - on letter 11 Jan 1885 from Kyle P.C. - on new Roll - Dismissed
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  ", Miss Nannie Lou - same
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KETCHAM, James - on letter 20 Nov 1876 from Sylvania Ch., Ark. - Dismissed to
               Presb. Ch. N.Y.
  " , Miss Mary - same
  ", Mrs. Mary - same
KING, Mrs. Florence B. - on profession 8 Feb 1891 - on new Roll
  ", Logan - on profession 22 Oct 1893 - on new Roll
KINNEY, Miss Luetta A. - on profession 3 Oct 1886 - Dismissed to Cong [regational?]
               Ch. Columbus 0. 5 Oct 1887
  ", Mrs. R.H. - on letter 17 Sep 1882 from Iowa City Cong. Ch. - R.R.
   , Prof. R.H. - on letter 1 Jan 1882 - dec'd 1886
  ", Smith - (dismissed to Presb. Ch. Columbus Ohio 28 Mch 1890)
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KIRK, Miss Lydia - on letter 3 Feb 1878 - R.R. - dead - Dropped from Roll KISSEE, Miss Willie Eleanor - on profession 16 June 1889 - R.R. (Mrs. J. Folts) Dismissed KREISLE, Arthur M.E. - on profession 12 Oct 1890 - on new Roll ", Miss Emily - on profession 21 Jan 1880 - on new Roll - R.R. , Mr. Louis H. - on profession 19 1882 - on new Roll ", Miss Louisa Minnie - on profession 21 Jan 1880 - Mrs. Meyer on new Roll - R.R. ", M. - on letter - Deceased •• , Mrs. Sophia - on profession 21 Jan 1880 - on new Roll - R.R. •• , Miss Sophie J.E. - on profession 19 1882 - on new Roll ", Mr. Wm. C. - on profession 19 1882 - on new Roll KYLE, Miss Sallie Elsie - on profession 19 Jan 1890 - Dismissed LaBAUVE, Mrs. Alice A. - on letter 4 Nov 1887 from Morgan City P. Ch. La. -Dismissed ", Mr. Robert A. - on profession 4 Nov 1887 - Dismissed LACKEY, Mr. Frank M. - on profession 1 Apl 1888 - R.R. LANHAM, Mr. McCall - on letter 16 Oct 1892 - on new Roll LATHAM, Miss Jennie - on letter 1 Dec 1878 - Transferred to new Roll LEADER, Mr. W.Y. - on letter 22 Ap1 1877 - Dismissed LEDBETTER, Miss Lizzie Street - on profession 14 Feb 1892 - on new Roll LEFEVRE, Prof. Walter - on letter 23 Nov 1890 - on new Roll LEWIS, Mr. John M. - on letter 23 Nov 1890 - on new Roll LINGENFELTER, E.P. - dismissed to Fort W[orth?] Presb. Ch. 13 Mch 1882 ", Mr. E.P. - on letter 17 Nov 1878 LINTZ, Robt. E. - on letter 3 Oct 1886 from Mooresville P. Ch. N.C. - Became a minister 1890 LOCKRIDGE, Mr. William - on profession 1 Ap1 1885 - on new Roll LOVING, R.J. - (dismissed to Austin Cumb. P. 10 Jan 1882) [sic] ", Robt. J. - on letter LOWRY, Dr. Charles - on letter 16 Dec 1888 from Washington P. Ch. Ohio - on new Roll ", Mrs. Charles - on letter 10 Dec 1888 from 2 Presb. Ch. Cincinnati Oh. on new Roll LUBBOCK, Gov. Frank R. - on profession 21 Dec 1884 - on new Roll LYLE, Mrs. C.A. - on letter 7 Mch 1877 - Dismissed to San-Antonio- [sic] Round Rock Ch. ", Catharine J. - on profession - moved away - R.R. , Daniel W. - same ", John N. - on letter - Dismissed to San-Antonio- Round Rock Ch. McCLEERY, Mr. Harry D. - on profession 11 Mch 1888 - on new Roll McCLUNG, Mrs. Mary E. - on letter 27 Mch 1881 - R.R. - Reported to Presbytery in 1881 ", Col. Rufus M. - on letter 27 Mch 1881 - Dismissed McCORKLE, Mr. Calvin - on letter 8 Dec 1878 - Suspended from the Com.[munion?] 25 Dec 1881. While under suspension & they knowing it, the Northern Presb. Ch. of Austin 25 Mch 1882, received him into their Communion. ", Mrs. Mary - on letter 8 Dec 1878 - dismissed to 1st Presb. Ch. Austin, 5 Mch 1882 ", Master Saml - on profession 21 Jan 1880 - R.R. - Dismissed to 1st Presb. Ch. Austin, 5 Mch 1882 McCORMICK, Mrs. Minnie P. - on letter 5 Oct 1890 - Dismissed

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McCOY, Mrs. Judith - on profession 4 Mch 1877 - Dismissed
McDANIEL, Mrs. Mary - on examination - R.R. - dec'd
McEWEN, Mrs. Emily G. - on letter - R.R.
  ", J. Stewart - same
McFALL [see also McPHALL], Miss Isabella - on profession 15 May 1887 - new Roll
  ", Polk - on profession 26 Mch 1893 - on new Roll
McINNIS [McGINNIS in our Volume VIII] - Mrs. Mary R. - on examination 19 Nov 1882
               - on new Roll
  ", Mr. Miles N.- on profession 25 Nov 1877 - on new Roll
McJUNKIN, Dr. Saml. W. - on profession 9 Nov 1884 - Dismissed to Dallas Presb. Ch.
               30 Jly 1890
McNAIR, Mrs. Paulina - on letter 26 Jly 1885 from 1st P. Ch. Shelbyville Ky. - on
               new Roll
McPHALL [see also McFALL], David Alexander - on profession 11 Apl 1886 - new Roll
  ", Mr. J.K.P. - on letter 10 Mch 1878 - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. Mary P. - same
McSHAFFER, Mrs. Mary A. - on letter - dismissed to Waco Ch.
McSWAIN, M.J. - on examination - Dismissed to Burnet Ch.
MABIE, Mr. Charles A. - on examination 12 Jan 1879 - Dismissed to Ennis Presb. Ch.
MAGUIRE, Mrs. Elizabeth H. - on profession 27 Apl 1890 - dismissed to Galveston
               Presb. Ch. 1890
MANGUM, Miss Bertha - on letter 2 Apl 1893 from 1st P. C. Galveston - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. Jane T. - same
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    , Mr. John - same
MANNING, Dr. T.D. - on letter 18 Feb 1877 - deceased
MARTIN, Miss Lizzie Dupree - on profession 28 Oct 1877 - Dismissed to Galveston Ch.
               [or, on another roll] on letter from Galv. Ch. - Dismissed-to-Gal-
              -veston-Presb.-6h.-14-Aug-1883- [sic]
    , Mrs. Maggie R. - on profession 11 Dec 1881 - R.R. - Dismissed
MAXWELL, Mrs. Cynthia Ann - on letter - "member during the time Dr. Porter was
               pastor" - on new Roll August 1871
  ", Mrs. Ella W.K. - on letter 9 June 1889 - on new Roll
    , F. Pope - on letter - member under Dr. Porter - dismissed to Highland P. Ch.
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    , Frank A. - on examination - member under Dr. Porter - on new Roll 3 Jly 1882
  ", H. Louisa - on letter - member under Dr. Porter
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    , J. Ellen - on examination - member under Dr. Porter - on new Roll 3 Jly 1882
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    , Mr. J.H. - on profession 3 June 1886 - on new roll
  ..
    , Miss Janie/Janis - on profession 4 May 1884 - on new Roll
  ", Jesse W. - on profession 21 Mch 1886 - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. Margaret M. - 25 May 1884 - on letter from Hugh Wilson Ch. [several
               words illegible]
  ". Thomas - deceased 1875
  ", Thomas Owen - on letter - member under Dr. Porter - on new Roll August 1871
  ", Virginia F. - on letter - member under Dr. Porter - as Mrs. Virginia F. Lov-
               ing, dismissed to Austin C.[umberland] P. Ch. 3 Jly 1882
  ", Wm. Worth - on letter - member under Dr. Porter
MERIWETHER, Miss Carrie D. - on profession 3 Jan 1892 - on new Roll
METZ, Mrs. M.L. - on letter
MILES, Miss Lizzie - on letter 10 Jan 1878 - dismissed
MILLER, Mrs. Ellen D. - on profession 22 Nov 1885 - R.R.
  ", Mr. Joel H.B. - same
MILLETT, Emory E. - on examination - died April 1887
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MILTON, Mrs. Ada - on letter - Dismissed to Houston Ch.
  ", N.A. - same
MINTER, Mrs. Eveline A. - on profession 30 Aug 1891 - on new Roll
MITCHELL, Edward B. - on letter - R.R.
MONROE, Jno. Adair - on profession 26 Mch 1893 (University student - on new Roll
MONTGOMERY, Miss Mable - on letter from Highland Ch. Austin 2 Apl 1893
MOORE, Mrs. Mary C. - on letter 11 Jan 1885 - R.R. - Dismissed to Highland
  ", Mr. W.R. - on letter 17 Nay 1891 - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. W.R. - same
  ", William E. - on profession 10 Jan 1892 - on new Roll
MORLEY, Mrs. Cora E. - on letter 1 Apl 1888 from Sherman P. Ch. - on new Roll
MORRIS, Mrs. Margaret - on profession 18 Dec 1876 - Dismissed to Round Rock Ch.
  ", Milton - on examination 29 Nov 1882 - on new Roll
  ", Mrs. Sally - same
MORRISON, Miss Mary E. - on profession 15 Mch 1877 - dismissed to Lockhart Ch.
MORSE, Dr. Charles S. - on profession 20 Nov 1886 - on new Roll
MORTON, Mr. Jno. S. - on letter - dismissed 14 Feb 1884 to Presb. Church at
               Zacatecas Mex.
  ", Mrs. Lucy V. - same
MURCHISON, Duncan J. - on profession 25 Jan 1891
  ", Miss Eula - on profession 16 Feb 1890 - dismissed
  ", Mrs. Virginia - on profession 24 Jly 1892 - on new Roll
MUSSELWHITE, Steven T. - on profession 10 Jan 1892 - Dismissed
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(To Be Continued)

NOTE: It is sometimes difficult to tell which event a date applies to. It seems to mean when the person affiliated with the First Southern Presbyterian Church in Austin, but his/her profession may have occurred prior to that, in another church.

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LATE QUERY. Although this reached us <u>long</u> after the February 10th deadline, we deleted a filler from this space for the Texas-related query.

COOLEY McCARTY McLAUGHLIN SCOTT. Seeking information on parents & descendants of Thomas Scott (b. 7 Jan 1831, Clark Co, IN) who m. Darcus Damorous [Dorcas Damarius?] Cooley (b. 14 Oct 1832, Jackson Co, IN). His parents Louis Scott (b. 1804 IN) & Fannie (... d. 1838 IN?) The Thomas Scotts had 10 sons & 1 daughter, the first 10 b. IN & a son b. 1878, Grayson Co, TX. - Also, Hiram Cooley (b. 2 Aug 1800 NY; d. 2 Aug 1854 IN?) and Olivia (?) Cooley (b. 1802 NY; d. 1860 IN). [Ed. Note: Does question mark in parentheses mean you're not sure of her first name or you do not know her maiden name? If the latter, dots or hyphens in parens would be clearer.] Louis Green Scott (b. 26 Oct 1878, Grayson Co, TX) m. Willie Alma McLaughlin (b. 12 Mch 1886, Parker Co, TX), dau of John Wesley & Charity (McCarty) McLaughlin - he born 9 Jly 1854, she in 1867. Would appreciate help on these families. - Sandra Scott Spires, 411 Magnolia, Garden City KS 67846.

#### FAMILY LAND HERITAGE PROGRAM

Each year since 1974 the Texas Department of Agriculture has recognized families who have operated a farm or ranch on the same land continuously for at least a hundred years. Brief histories of the award-winning families, naming the 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 the <u>current</u> land owners in their indexes, <u>AGS Quarterly</u> 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 each, and are in alphabetical order), assuming that researchers will want to read all about their ancestors' 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.

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> It is indeed a desirable thing to be well descended, But the glory belongs to our ancestors.

> > Plutarch (A.D. 46-120)

(AGS member Belle Cook sent us the above, so aptly quoted from Plutarch's "Of the Training of Children" on the cover of <u>Confederate Veteran</u> magazine, to both of whom we are indebted. It seems appropriate to add lines that Alexander Pope (A.D. 1688-1744) wrote in his "Essay on Man", Epistle iv:)

Honour and shame from no condition rise; Act well your part - there all the honour lies. AGS Quarterly



BOOK REVIEWS



THE GRACY FAMILY OF NEW YORK AND TEXAS by Alice Duggan Gracy; maps by Watt Harris Jr.; (c) 1986; cloth-bound; printer's type; 6 x 9+; 195 + x pages; over 30 illustrations; full-name index; appendix; notes; \$24.50 from Mrs. David C. Gracy, 2425 Ashdale Drive, # 76, Austin TX 78758.

This really splendid book is a joy to connoisseurs of family histories and a joy-filled revelation to members of the families involved. <u>The Gracy Family of</u> <u>New York and Texas</u> embraces not only families named Gracey, Gracie, Gracy, the French Gras(s)et, and Greasie, but members of families named Messenger, Caldwell, Bergen, Valentine, Haynie, Pratt, Washington, et al.

As a tribute to her father-in-law, Mr. D.B. Gracy, Alice (Duggan) Gracy has revealed his background by putting together the results of her own research and that of Charles Alfred Gracy Jr. The corpus of the work in enhanced by documents preserved by Harriet Valentine Gracy; by the research conducted by Thomas J. Caldwell Jr.; and by the legal expertise of John A. Gracy. The book is further embellished by the attractive and authentic maps drawn by Watt Harris Jr. and by personal details elicited from New York relatives by Jane Gracy Bedichek.

The satisfyingly logical format of <u>The Gracy Family</u> begins with a Chart of Relationships of Sarah (7th generation) Messenger who married Daniel (1) Gracy; then covers the historical and geggraphical backgrounds of each family treated, each section being followed by a pertinent bibliography. Locales: Massachusetts Bay Colony, New Haven (Connecticut) Colony, Jamaica (Queens County) New York, and central Texas.

Excerpts of census returns, wills, and other public records re-inforce the biographical accounts. The source of each item is given either in the text or in a footnote on the same page, in most cases. Besides the three major families studied, there are several pages of expanded "Notes on the Bergen Family" and on the Valentine family.

"The Gracy Family" section occupies over fifty pages, supplemented in the Appendix by research notes, charts, a bibliography, wills, personal details, Bible records, and so on.

The full-name Index includes a number of topics (Huguenots, Indians, Newspapers, Runaway Scrape, Ships, etc.) and place names (Bastrop, Rutersville College, Scotland, e.g.). The index is optimally legible, but space-wasteful - for example, the name Gracy is repeated some 95 times, and Smith about 30.

The reader is advised to study the Explanatory Notes that precede the text. Your reviewer passed them over with merely a glance and therefore was puzzled by the appearance of a plus sign before some names and had to go back. Mrs. Gracy has hit upon a long-needed device: placing an asterisk before the "m." to indicate that the marriage was terminated by divorce.

The sheer beauty of this little book was achieved by using real printer's type on lovely ecru vellum paper, with wide margins and clear, uncrowded photographs inserted at appropriate points. The two-color maps are delightful to browse on - nutritious as well as delicious fodder. They are printed on the end papers, which is a great convenience for the reader.

The only criticism this reviewer can make regarding the physical appearance of the book is the near invisibility of the superior numerals designating the

person's generation. This flaw, of course, is the fault of the printer, who should have warned the author. Readers are hereby forewarned to keep a magnifying glass handy. This little obstacle is especially annoying in lists of descendants, such as on pages 71-72, in which the birth dates are aligned. When they run 1948, 1979, 1950, it is startling, but microscopic examination of the superior figures brings the realization that three generations are encompassed in the list, and offspring are neither indented under their parents nor preceded by a numeral or letter to differentiate them.

This book is not light reading, merely anecdotal, but it gives one the satis faction of feeling that really thorough research has been conducted. This reader did not get the feeling that she should go there in person and double check the statements set forth herein. The historical highlights of the pertinent colonies will be of interest to anyone whose ancestors were in the same regions as the Gracy family and their collaterals.

One unusual feature of the book that should be appreciated by older generation readers: Instead of a Dedication Page per se, Mrs. Gracy has reproduced an appropriate poem written by her then-twelve-year-old granddaughter, Mary Beth.

Alice Duggan Gracy instructed me to "pull no punches" in reviewing this work (the latest of several fine family histories and source books she has compiled), but I find it hard to find something to complain about! However, rather than besmirch my reputation as a merciless book reviewer, I list the following flaws I have laboriously found - most of them so minor I hate to mention them:

Front endpapers: The word "relevant" is misspelled.

In one bibliography, Encyclopedia Britannica should be pae.

Page 59 - Accent on the wrong e of nee, which is the feminine form of ne, meaning "born".

Page 70 - St. Johns' Church - no doubt the misplaced apostrophe was the newspaper's error.

Page 81 - Omission of a syllable in dividing the word produced the amusing typo "diving rod" for "divining rod".

Page 85 - "a fieri faicas" should be fieri facias.

Page 105 - superfluous apostrophe in "her's". Also on that page it is stated that if the Colorado River was in flood, cotton was taken to Bastrop and placed on barges, then towed down the river to the docks in Galveston. The Colorado does not empty into Galveston or West Bay, nor do the Galveston docks extend to the mouth of any river, as far as I can tell from maps consulted.

Page 106 (and others) - It looks as if occasional interpolations in parentheses should have been in square brackets, as they seem unlikely to have been in the original quotation.

Page 121 - This is a quibble or question, not a correction. Footnote reads: "Noorman was interchangeable with Norway, meaning the North Country." Wouldn't it be a variant of Norman or Norseman, a man of the North Country?

Alice Duggan Gracy was one of the principal founders of Austin Genealogical Society in 1960, and I'm sure I speak for the entire membership when I congratulate and compliment her on producing such a superior book as <u>The Gracy Family of</u> <u>New York and Texas</u>. It can be seen in the Genealogy Collection of Texas State Library in Austin. It serves as a fine role model for aspiring genealogical writers.



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MUSTER ROLLS OF THE TEXAS REVOLUTION published by Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Inc. (c) 1986. Hardbound,  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11+"$ ; 318 pp.; full-name index.

This handsome book is a sesquicentennial project of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and the copy in Texas State Library Genealogy Collection is the gift of the Martin Wells Chapter at Round Rock. It is uniquely valuable in that this is the first time the Muster Rolls have been fully indexed.

In addition to the Muster Rolls themselves there are letters from the Quartermaster General's office, and interesting appendices. These contain such prized items as a hitherto little-known muster roll discovered in the courthouse at San Augustine; Militia Lists of "Beats" (men who perhaps participated in no battles but protected their own communities as an organized unit); a list of men who received Donation Certificates for capturing Bexar 5-10 December 1835; men whose names were to be to the Honor Roll at San Jacinto Museum of History; and a receipt pertaining to the division of the spoils taken at the Battle of San Jacinto by Capt. Wm. M. Logan's company.

The two-column index is eminently legible, as the surnames are in boldface capitals and the given names in Roman caps and lower case, verbatim. Variant spellings are separate entries in alphabetical order.

Provenance of the records used is given in the Preface: Texas State Archives, General Land Office, Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center, D.R.T. Library and similar repositories.

The chairman of the committee responsible for preparing this fine work, Mrs. Robert O. Simpson, modestly refrained from putting her name at the foot of the Acknowledgments page. She and they are to be commended for including the page number of the book of Muster Rolls on which each of the rolls may be found. Therefore an interested person can easily consult the manuscript and better interpret doubtful spelling when a veteran is well known to him.

A two-page list of abbreviations and definitions will be very helpful to the reader ... but why they abbreviated Cavalry "Cal." is beyond me. Too many people already mispronounce cavalry as if it were Calvary, the Crucifixion site near Jerusalem! The editors may retort that it occurs that way in some original records, but I daresay that some soldiers misspelled Lieutenant too, yet "Leiut." is not shown as an abbreviation. Have they edited out misspellings that are most likely to have occurred? (batallion, sarjint, seige, court marshall ....)

The letters from the Office of the Quartermaster General are dated 1 May to 3 August 1839 and, though a little on the tedious side, will reward the persistent reader with important information.

The Muster Rolls themselves list (by companies) the veterans of military engagements 1835-1846, such as the Alamo, Col. Fannin's Command at Goliad, the Siege of Bexar, San Jacinto, and units remaining in the army thereafter. There are lists of killed and wounded for some engagements, and very interesting "Remarks" on many of the rolls.

As might be expected on handwritten rolls, the forms and information vary from roll to roll, but most give name, rank, when and where enlisted, term of enlisted, and remarks. In the Remarks column may be found dates of promotions, misdemeanors, illnesses, wounds, death, when transferred to another company, etc.

Those interested in Company E, 1st Regiment Texas Infantry, Permanent Volunteers have a bonanza in store. Some 65 men in that company are described as to rank, age, height, skin, hair, eyes, occupation, birthplace, arrival in the country, enrolled where and by whom, enlistment period, etc.

Muster Rolls of the Texas Revolution will be the perfect companion for

Republic of Texas Pension Applications Abstracts, soon to be released by the Sesquicentennial Committee of Austin Genealogical Society. In fact, the chairman of the Book Publications subcommittee, John C. Barron, expressed regret that they did not have the DRT book to help them decipher puzzling names while preparing the AGS project. He and this reviewer suggest that, in the second edition, charts be inserted to show the Table of Organization of the Texas Army at a glance - which captains were in which battalion, battalions in regiments, etc.

Also, a more detailed table of contents would have been helpful; something like "Alamo, pages -- to --; Bexar, Siege of, pages -- to --; Fannin/Goliad, same; San Jacinto, same; Standing Army, same."

All Texas history buffs owe a debt of gratitude to the patriotic Daughters for publishing this splendid source book, a tremendous task well done.



#### LETTING THE SKELETON OUT OF THE CLOSET!

When writing our family histories we sometimes have to decide whether to omit or admit certain facts that have been revealed by our search of public records. It seems to me that this age of frankness about sexual relations and private weaknesses is an appropriate time to bring such things out into the open. Revelation now may prevent embarrassment and disappointment in the future.

If an illegitimacy or an adoption is concealed, some of our descendants might be refused membership in a patriotic society which insists on direct descent and unquestionable bloodlines. An expert examination of the applicant's lineage charts could reveal flaws that she/he was unaware of.

An example of such a case: A certain father refused to permit his daughter to marry her suitor until he could support her "in the manner to which she was accustomed." But young love will have its way, so after a while the young girl faced up to the painful necessity of telling her father (her mother had been dead six years) that he'd be sorry if he didn't let them marry right away!

He made the best of the situation: helped the young man get a job in another state, and sent out handsomely engraved invitations to a home wedding.

The child was born five months after the marriage, perfectly legitimate in the eyes of the law, which officially imputes paternity to the husband.

As you've probably guessed by now, I was that child. My maternal grandfather's Bible entry gives my birth date as 6 November 1911, and my parents' wedding date as 12 February 1911.

I used that birth date on all official records - after all, I had always received birthday gifts on that day, so why should I doubt it? But when I was in training for the Red Cross Volunteer Motor Corps during World War II, a birth certificate was one of the requirements.

To my amazement, the State of Missouri sent me one dated 19 June 1911 - too far from November to be a twin and too near to be a sibling! Both my Christian names are on the certificate, and all data about my parents seemed correct. I had to face it; or, I should have, but I concealed the fact that my idolized, idealized mother (who had died when I was nine) had slipped from the straight and narrow, and I was a

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bastard, more or less. I must confess, this discovery cast me into an emotional maelstrom from which I could not escape for many years.

When I confronted my father with the evidence, he was crushed with remorse, and told me the whole story. A few months after I was born, my mother padded herself out to fit her maternity clothes and went back home on a visit, to carry out the charade they had planned. Fortunately, I was always small for my age, so when they moved back to their home town, apparently no one "counted on her fingers."

One bit of this tale is still puzzling. When I finally got around to ordering a copy of my parents' marriage license, I discovered that it was dated 25 January 1911, not 12 February 1911 as entered in Grandfather's Bible. Of course, licenses are often secured well ahead of the wedding date, but this copy indicates that the Rev. Charles Dobbs performed the ceremony on the 25th. Could there have been a private service before the one with invited guests? It seems more likely that when the clerk registered the returned license in the book, he put the wrong date beside the minister's signature. My father told me that the wedding had to be postponed because he had an acutely infected arm - "almost lost it".

So - at last I have overcome the embarrassment, and can talk about it, now that my grandchildren are grown. I believe I have satisfactorily accounted for the discrepancies in dates, and my descendants can face the ruthless scrutiny of DAR, DRT, UDC, Daughters of 1812, and so on.

But it's just too much trouble to change the dates on driver's license, passport, voter's registration and everything, since I never claimed to be older than I really am. I didn't cheat on claiming Social Security benefits, as I retired at the end of December.

Now I'll see if "Truth is the highest thing that man may keep," as Chaucer claimed, or if "whispering tongues can poison truth" (Coleridge, <u>Christabel</u> part ii). Will I be ostracized as a wood's colt?

--Helen H. Rugeley

After I started writing this I received a most persuasive mailing piece from Heritage Quest. It describes what they have accomplished in a short time and makes membership sound very attractive. They offer for rent or sale many audio and video tapes, including the one shownbelow. [Although it is against our policy to accept advertising, we make this exception because it is so amazingly appropriate to the above article!]



# 007V Dusting off the Family Skeletons. Learn how to use all your family skeletons -Illegitimacy, Adoption, Divorce, Vagrancy, Desertion, Bigamy, Insanity, even Prostitution to extend your pedigree lines.

#### HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Send queries to Mrs. H.H. Rugeley, 2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703, NOT to AGS postoffice 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 U.S. Post Office Department--no periods. Queries are free.

A. CASEY HOPKINS JACKSON ROUNDTREE. Will exchange information re Willis H. Hopkins (b. 1821 NC; d. 1904 Travis Co, TX) who m. 1846 Campbell Co, GA Margaret Jackson (b. 1824 GA; d. 1880 Travis Co, TX). Listed on 1880 Census Travis Co. They lived at St. Elmo near Austin, Travis Co, ca 1870 till death 1904. Children: William Jackson. Sarah E., Berry Farley (my grandfather), Jane, charles, Julia (m. C.H. Casey), & Emma Josephine (m. G.W. Roundtree).

B. HOPKINS MAYFIELD MCELROY. Will exchange information on Allen McElroy (b. 1828 TN; d. 1880+ Travis Co, TX) m. 1849 Lincoln Co, TN Lutecia Mayfield (b. 1832 TN; d. 1880+ Travis Co, TX). Listed on 1880 Census Travis Co. Children: Thomas, Allie Elnora (my grandmother), Annie, Charles & W.N. One T.E. McElroy of Hays Co, TX sold land to Berry & Allie (McElroy) Hopkins of Caldwell Co, TX. Was that her brother? --R. Tom Hopkins, 1830 So. Valentine St., Lakewood CO 80228

BURT DIEBEL KING KIRBY SCOTT STERNBERG. Looking for the following and will exchange information: James Ross Burt who was in Bastrop Co, TX in 1880 with son James Macken Burt. - John Diebel who had a cotton gin in Pflugerville, Travis Co, TX in 1890. - Lucy King who m. --- Kirby & died 1888 in Travis Co. - Josephus Scott & father Abner J. who res. Bastrop Co, TX early 1850s. - Ludwig Jacob Sternberg who arrived in Texas from Germany in 1855. - Nelda V. Griffin, Rt. 1 Box 716A, Cedar Creek TX 78612 (512) 247-7087

BRANNON\_SCRUGGS. Looking for my grandparents, whose son Kinmon Lee Brannon was born 1888 in LA & died 1922 in Oklahoma City OK. - Also SCRUGGS, any time, any place. Will answer all letters. - Mrs. Estelle Brannon Duke, Box 526, Anna TX 75003

McCARTY\_ROBERTS. Wish to learn more about Chandler Roberts, b. ca 1820 in Alabama; m. Martha Jane McCarty. They res. Anderson Co, TX 1845-46; later in Duffau, Erath Co, TX; no trace after 1866. Chandler was a frontiersman or Ranger - mentioned in "Buck Barry" TEXAS RANGER, edited by James K. Greer. Chandler had sons Jacob Zachariah & Samuel F. Roberts who have descendants in Mills Co, TX. Martha Jane's father [? query not clear] was James Madison McCarty. "Would love to exchange information." - Darwin & Ila Smith, Rt. 1 Box 18, Hico TX 76457

CARRIFEE DAVIS HEATH PETTYPOOL P.POOL POOL. Isham Dixon Pool (b. 1830 TN) was in Grimes Co, TX in 1850 with Christopher Davis. Isham & family res. 1870-80 in Robertson & Leon Cos, TX. He died 1904 in Confederate Home in Austin & wife Martha died in the home in 1935.

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In 1851, Grimes County marriages included Belinda Pool to Lewis Carrifee and Elizabeth Pool to William Heath. (Wife of Christopher Davis also appears to be related to my Pettypool family who lived NC, GA, TN, and then MO ca 1833. The name was shortened to P.Pool [also P'Pool - Editor] and then to Pool.

In 1848 one Isham P.Pool, County Clerk of Wright Co, MO, was charged with forgery and seems to have left the state, for the 1850 census [state?] indicates a son and two daughters missing - were they Isham Dixon, Belinda & Elizabeth?

Confederate records of Isham Dixon Pool state that he entered Texas in 1848. [Have you studied pension application of Martha Pool #11278, Book 1, Travis Co in Texas State Archives? - Editor]

Son of Isham Dixon and Martha ( ? ) POOL:

William Christo [abbreviation of Christopher?] (b. 1856; d. Travis Co, TX 16 Feb 1939) and wife Orineda (d. Travis Co 3 Oct 1935) on 1900 Travis Co Census had 9 children: Alfred (b. 1879), George (b. 1881), Annie L. (b. 1885), Hill (b. 1888), Della & Dilly (twins b. 1891), Martha J. (b. 1894), Eugene (b. 1897) and Andrew (b. 1899). Any information welcome. - Russell Pool, Rt. 2 Box 210, Fair Grove MO 65648

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CANTRELL COX\_FREITAG/FRIDAY HUTSON LEVERING MAPLES ROBERTS TEAGUE WHISTLER. I am searching for parents of the following people: Joseph Almar Roberts (b. Jan 1840 MO; d. 15 Mch 1925, Austin TX) m. (4 May 1867) Henrietta Freitag/Friday (b. 20 Mch 1849; d. 1 Jly 1936, Austin TX). Both are buried at the Roberts Cemetery, Bee Cave TX. [officially Bee Caves, Travis Co]

In same cemetery: William Hutson (b. 14 Jly 1840; d. 17 Dec 1916) and Elizabeth Teague (b. 15 Feb 1845; d. 20 Feb 1929).

Also seeking Benjamin Franklin Maples (b. ca 1850 - death & burial place unknown) who m. Shirrilda Jane Cox (b. ca 1851 Fannin Co, TX). After his death she m. Robert Ross Whistler.

Joshua Cox (b. ca 1833 MO; d. 1 Apl 1931, Camp Wood, Real Co, TX; buried at Barksdale, Edwards Co, TX) m. Nancy Cantrell (b. ca 1830 MO).

Hugh Cox (b. 10 Jan 1847, Fannin Co, TX; d. 22 Apl 1928; buried Fiskville Cemetery, Travis Co, TX) m. Mary Elizabeth Levering (b. 25 Dec 1850; d. 26 Mch 1926, bur. Fiskville Cem.). All letters will be answered. - Kathy Hardin, Box 173, Walnut Springs TX 76690.

#### SOME KEENE - COX RECORDS

AGS member Kathy Hardin of Bosque County (address above) sent in some interesting family records given her by her Aunt Ola Roberts of Cedar Creek, Bastrop Co, TX. Hugh and Mary (Levering) Cox were the grandparents of Kathy's mother and aunt.

The paper seems to be headed "What I have gathered on the Keene family" by Willard L. Keene, and states that he didn't know the names of his great-grandparents, but knew they had four sons: Dick, Edward, William and Josh. Willard's grandfather, William P. Keene, came to Texas about 1870.

On 25 June 1877 William Keene married Sarah Jane Warren and had 10 children:

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KEENE:				
Lewis Andrew	(b. 30 Jly 1878; d. 1962; m. 16 June 1903) Mattie Cox - See below for children and her siblings.			
Callie M.	(b. 17 Aug 1879) m. Sam Becket/Beckett			
Birdie	(b. 7 Sep 1881) m. Silas Carter			
Dollie Vinnie	(b. 21 Oct 1883) m. Bill Carter			
Daisie	(b. 5 Apl 1885; d. 1885)			
May Cealia	(b. 15 May 1888) m. Josh Cox			
William P.	(b. 24 Apl 1890) m. Annie Cox			
Sadie Pinkie	(b. 28 Jly 1892) m. William Englkee [Engelke?]			
Maggie	(b. 16 Aug 1894) m. Mike Roach			
John Benjamin	(b. 12 Apl 1896; d. 1896)			
To Lewis	and Mattie (Cox) Keene were born 7 children:			
	7 (b. April 1905) m. Maudie Mills			
Nellie	(died young)			
	(b. 23 Aug 1908) "Never made that mistake" [marrying!]			
	(b. 16 Apl 1910) m. Frank Anderson .n (b. 3 Aug 1914)			
Leo & Cleo	(twins born in January 1917. Cleo dies at five weeks.)			
TEO & CIEO	(LWINS DOIN IN Sandary 1917. Sies dies de live weeks.)			
	Cox) Keene died in 1917. In 1918 Lewis Keene married Mary Smith and			
had one daughter who died very young. Lewis and Mary were divorced in January 1920.				
	lie Cook the same year and had six or seven children: Irene in 1921,			
Maderine, Orale, Hazel, Cora, <u>?</u> , and Marvin.				
1	Cox) Keene was the daughter of Hugh and Mary Elizabeth (Levering) Cox			
who had 11 chi	ldren.			
COX				
Harmon	(b. 30 Dec 1872) m. Betty			
Omie (b. 16 Dec 1874) m Mayfield				
Ruthe (b. 30 Dec 1876) m. John Pehl/Pehle				
Mattie (b. 9 Dec 1878; d. 1917) m. Lewis Keene				
Josh Milor	(b. 9 Jan 1880) m. May Cealia Keene (b. 11 Mch 1882) never married			
Angie	(b. 6 June 1884) m. William "Bill" Franklin Maples			
Frank	(b. 20 Apl 1886) m. Rachel (Pruitt) Reeves			
Shrilda	(b. 17 Feb 1888) m/l Dick Boatrite; m/2 Burdell			
[Shirrilda?]				
Alex	(b. 24 Dec 1890) m. Leta Law			
Ed	(b. 13 Mch 1892) m. Ludie Cantrell			
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YOU ARE THE FRUIT OF YOUR FAMILY TREE.

WILL THIS YEAR'S CROP BE BETTER THAN PREVIOUS ONES?

-- Anonymous

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#### CLASSICAL NAMES CUT DOWN TO SIZE

Knowingly or not, parents tend to "make a statement" when they name their children. They show where their interests lie when they honor someone, relative or hero, whom they consider a worthy role model. In the past few centuries, when knowledge of ancient history and mythology was perhaps the first criterion of culture, they frequently gave their offspring classical names, making them the namesakes of Greek lawmakers, Roman rulers, foreign places, and even pagan gods and goddesses, no matter how Christian they might profess to be.

The same statement may be applied to the names of slaves in America, but perhaps a satiric sense of humor prompted this practice. The owners did not expect or even hope that the recipient would live up to such lofty names as Erastus (a Swiss theologian of the 16th Century) or Aeneas Africanus orEpaminondas (Theban statesman and general ca 418-362 B.C.). Incidentally, perhaps Erastus Smith was glad to trade his given name for the descriptive nickname Deaf ["Deef"] Smith rather than the usual Rastus!

On the other hand, proud parents no doubt hoped their children would grow up to display the finest traits that had been exemplified by the famous bearer of the name they had chosen.

(Not included in this premise are biblical names. Thousands of parents who could barely sign their names were familiar with the Bible and, perhaps feeling that there was little else they could bestow on a child, gave him or her a grandsounding biblical name - even if they couldn't spell it properly or if it represented a less-than-ideal character like Delilah!)

But human beings cannot exist on Parnassus: polysyllabic Greek and Latin names don't fit comfortably on chubby, lovable babes or grubby, freckled schoolmates, so, naturally, those lofty classical names were whittled down to lowly nicknames.

Glancing back through the pages of this issue of our Quarterly we see such examples as:

Araminta from Aminta (Greek, meaning "protect") with variant Amynta and such nicknames as Mindy.

Aspasia (from Greek word for "welcome"), who was the consort of Pericles, an Athenian statesman who died 429 B.C. [I shudder to think what her nickname may have been - perhaps she'd get Spacey today!]

Caroline is a feminine name derived from Carolus Magnus (Charlemagne). "Lo, how are the mighty fallen!" when a girl with this name allows herself to be called Carrie.

The name Cassandra (for Trojan King Priam's daughter with whom Apollo fell in love, then doomed to a total lack of credibility) has dwindled to Cassie and Sandy, then acquired the status of a proper name - Sandra.

Roman Diana, goddess of the moon and the chase, was the same as the Greek Cynthia, Phoebe, and Artemis - Di, Cyndi, Artie ....

Elfrida is an Anglo-Saxon word meaning "elf-peace". (Frieda is Germanic "peace") Euclid was a Greek geometrician of around 300 B.C. (Did you think Ukie got his moniker by playing the ukulele?)

Eugene comes from the Greek via Latin and means "Well-born". Eugenics is a cousin of genealogy.

Eursule probably is a misspelling of Ursula (Latin, "little she-bear"), a 5th Century saint of Cornish birth.

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Felix (Latin, "fortunate, blessed") was the name of four popes and several saints. It seems to have survived intact. How could you shorten it - Flix?

Florence, the city in Italy now known as Firenze, is a name that has been bestowed on men as well as women. Nicknames: Flo, Flossie, Flonsie, Phonsie

Frank X. no doubt harks back to St. Francis Xavier. The latter word comes from the Arabic word for "splendid" which was adopted from the Moors by the Spanish and became synonymous with "Saviour".

Glamorous Helen of Troy has been toned down to "nice Nellie", a dull comedown indeed!

Jennie is usually from Jane, but is also a nickname for Jennifer, which is the same as Guinevere, wife of legendary King Arthur.

Lydia, an ancient country in Asia Minor once ruled by fabulously wealthy Croesus, looks rather poor as Liddie.

Madaline (French Madeleine) descends from the Hebrew Magdalen, "woman of Magdala." Although most theological scholars now agree that Mary Magdaline was not a prostitute, it still has a bad connotation in some cultures. Bearers of this name are often called Maddy or Mattie, but the latter more often refers to Martha.

Regina and Rex (Latin for queen and king) represent an almost unattainable ambition, but in recent years some commoners have achieved it!

Selina (Selena, Greek meaning "fair as the moon") is a risky choice for a baby who might develop a face that "would break a camera," as the saying goes.

Seraphine (Hebrew, "an angel") also may fall short of living up to her name. She could change it to Sarah ("princess) and still be called Sary.

Sophia (Greekm "wisdom"), alas, often sags down to a comfortable Sofy.

Shifting to the unfathomable world of television, I call your attention to the series "Dallas." Probably because of its connotation (if someone informed them of it), the sagacious powers that be have assigned the name Darius to a racehorse. Darius (long i), whose Latin name means "possessing wealth," was a Persian king who lived five to four hundred years B.C. The TV actors call his namesake Darry-us to rhyme with Carry-us!

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The SPRING SEMINAR of Harris County Genealogical Society on March 14th will feature Dr. JAMES D. WALKER who will be speaking about federal military and related records. Retired after 35 years of service in the National Archives, Dr. Walker is sure to give valuable advice about the genealogical use of Federal Military Benefit Records.

The cost is \$15 including lunch; the place: Park Place United Methodist Church, 3827 Broadway, Houston, Texas.

In hopes that this will reach you in time, here is the address for registration: Margaret S. Henson, 6723 Richwood, Houston TX 77087 (713) 645-8361.



#### SPECIFICATIONS FOR JUNE "ANCESTOR LISTING" ISSUE

Since the subject of our Society's annual seminar in August will be German immigrants and German records, it is hoped that all our members who are blessed with German ancestors will flaunt them in our June Quarterly! Even if you have previously published their records in <u>AGS Quarterly</u>, you probably have added some interesting bits to your charts, and it would be A Good Thing to bring them to the attention of possible cousins at this time.

Those who have no ties to the Vaterland may send in whatever they choose. Our president has expressed a wish that all Board members submit at least a basic lineage chart with themselves as No. 1.

To review the guidelines for the Ancestor Listings pages: If yours is a \$12 membership you may send in two pages; \$14 gets you four pages, whether a single or a couple membership. Your pages will face each other, so allow extra space for hole punching and stapling on the inner margins (i.e., left-hand pages will have more margin on the right-hand side, and vice versa).

If your charts run the ll" direction, the editor will <u>try</u> to place them so that nothing will be obliterated in the binding margin.

Your pages must be "camera-ready" -- black (not pale photocopies), legible (not handwritten), have plenty of margin, and no ambiguous dates like 3/11/22. Your name and address should be on each page to help the reader to find you and the editor to avoid mixing your entry with someone else's [not someones else!].

You may use lineage or pedigree charts, family group sheets, charts of your own design (if it is understandable to a stranger), Ahnentafel (Ancestor Table), Biography (if not lifted from a copyrighted book), Anecdotes, census records, a group of queries, Bible records - or a combination of formats. See former June issues of the Quarterly for examples. Last year we had some fine charts made on a computer with ample footnotes giving sources, etc.

DEADLINE: May 10th 1987 at 2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703. If you send your entries to the AGS postoffice box it is unlikely that they will reach the editor in time. She will be too busy preparing the June issue to run down to the Library to check the Society's mailbox every other whipstitch.

If you have questions, don't hesitate to call the editor at 477-7313 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. We really do want your entries, but we (speaking for the Society, not just the editorial "we") don't want to depreciate the quality of our publication by printing illegible charts or smudged pages.



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# MISCELLANY

ORPHAN TRAIN FOLLOW-UP..... In November 1986 we published a one-page summary of an article in the <u>Smithsonian</u> magazine about children being taken west on orphan trains. (AGSQ XXVII p. 152). The query quoted below appeared in the December 1986 issue of <u>The Hoosier Genealogist</u> and is so pertinent that we venture to quote it in full, trusting that ye editor will have no objection to our publicizing the request further.

"Would like to contact descendants of waifs who came to Indiana on the "Orphan Trains": 3 possible orphanages were NY Children's Aid Society, NYC; New England Home of the Little Wanderers, Boston MA; Children's Home, Cincinnati OH. -- Phyllis Leedom, Chairman, Search Committee, Madison County Historical Society, Inc., P.O. Box 523, Anderson IN 46015."

TEXANA Magazine..... Have you any copies that you would be willing to part with? If so, contact our dedicated member and ex-treasurer Julia Vinson (Mrs. Stanley L.) at 3106 Skylark Drive, Austin TX 78757 (512) 453-4324.

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<u>A NEW GIMMICK......</u> In an effort to impute authenticity to her work, one of the authors of alleged "family histories" uses <u>your</u> surname as her middle name in her solicitation now. Don't be taken in by the attempt to make you think you are "kissing cousins" with the compiler of "your" family history, unless you enjoy paying over \$25 for a book worth (in my opinion) under 25¢.

It is to be hoped that this little subterfuge will backfire on her, as his did on a soldier who defied the Army's order that he should not tell his parents where he was stationed in World War II. He had told them that he would name the place by using a different middle initial on each successive letter home, so in the return address area he carefully wrote Bill O. Smith, Bill R. Smith, Bill A. Smith and Bill N. Smith. But the letters reached home out of order, so his parents spent weeks poring over world maps, looking for "Nora."

A TIP TO THOSE RESEARCHING BLACK GENEALOGY..... In 1875, Texas Attorney General George Clark pronounced his decision: "... the fact that the applicant was a slave at the time of [military] service did not disqualify him from receiving a pension, provided he met the other conditions." (Republic of Texas Pension Application Abstracts - on page 315 when noted on proofs, but repagination may have occurred subsequently.) So - don't neglect to search pension records of all kinds.

LIBRARY LOSSES..... According to The Alcalde, it costs about \$50 to replace, catalogue and reshelve a stolen book, and \$11 to replace a torn-out magazine article. "To raise students' awareness of the problem the University has exhibited the mangled remains of some books that students had slit, ripped apart or otherwise ... damaged."

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#### WIVES AND DAUGHTERS OF MASONS

We are indebted to Mary Beth Lozo of Canyon Lake, Texas for still another generous gesture. She sent us a copy of a most interesting and informative article that appeared in The Texas Freemason, Fall 1986 issue.

The photograph that accompanies the article portrays the gravestone of Elizabeth Miller who, in 1875, was buried in the "Old Spiller Graveyard" in southeastern McCulloch County, Texas. In two concentric circles under her name, the letters FNDOZ, BTKC surround the letters AMRY arranged almost like a star. Below that is engraved "Wife of Joseph Miller Born [illegible in this copy - perhaps November something 1818], then what seems to be a ribbon bearing the date July 17th [?] 1875. The ribbon appears to be woven in and out of the word DIED in very large capital letters.

The puzzling emblem was brought to the attention of Mr. Wayne Spiller, Past Master, Camp San Saba Lodge No. 555, and county historian of McCulloch County (directly west of San Saba County). For many years, Mr. Spiller eagerly sought the explanation; now, while of course he could not reveal the secret significance of the letters to the uninitiated, he has at last solved the mystery.

A letter from Mrs. A.C. White of Fort Worth, a great-granddaughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Conner) Miller, revealed that she had written to the Masonic Service Association in Silver Spring, Maryland to ask about the strange emblem. In his reply, the Executive Secretary informed her that the emblem signified "a Mason's Daughter."

Coil's <u>Masonic Encyclopedia</u> states: "Denslow . . . Mason's Daughter and Mason's Wife, the former of which he states was founded upon a legend connecting Mary, sister of Lazarus, with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It had certain modes of recognition, and a signet bearing the letters AMRY (Mary) encircled by the letters FNDOZ, BTKC." [Ed. Note: The Z looks more like an S in the picture of Elizabeth Miller's gravestone.]

Another authority, Mackey's <u>Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry</u> has this defination: "Mason's Wife and Daughter - a Degree frequently conferred in the United States on wives, daughters and mothers of Freemasons to secure to them, by investing them with a peculiar mode of recognition, the aid and assistance by any Master Mason, and the requirement is that the recipient shall be the wife, unmarried daughter, unmarried sister or widowed mother of a Master Mason."

Mr. Spiller concludes his article: "We may only surmise the original source of Elizabeth's eligibility, not knowing the date of her membership. There were other Conners [her maiden name] with Masonic affiliations in McCulloch, Llano and Burnet counties - perhaps one may been entitled to confer her Degree."

If any of our readers can shed some light on this question we hope you will write to the Editor of AGS Quarterly at 2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703.

This article provides a valuable clue to anyone who notices such an emblem in a cemetery. A search of Masonic records in the vicinity may identify the woman's husband, son, father or brother.



#### TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR GENEALOGISTS

Reprinted with the permission of *Rabbi Malcolm H. Stern* from his lecture "THE ETHICS OF GENERLOGY" at the FGS Meeting in Orlando, FL September 1986.

- I. I am a genealogist dedicated to true knowledge about the families I am researching.
- II. Thou shalt use family traditions with caution and only as clues.
- III. Thou shalt not accept as gospel every written record or printed word.
- IV. Thou shalt not hang nobility or royalty on your family tree without verifying with experts.
- V. Thou shalt dearly label the questionable and the fairy tale.
- VI. Thou shalt handle all records in such a way that the next users will find them in the same condition you did.
- VII. Thou shalt credit those who help you and ask permission of those whose work you use.
- VIII. Thou shalt not query any source of information without supplying postage.
- IX. Thou shalt respect the sensitivities of the living in whatever you record but tell the truth about the dead.
- X. Thou shalt not become a genealogical teacher or authority without appropriate training and certification.

[Thanks to The Hoosier Genealogist, December 1986, for propagating these important ethical precepts.]



# FRIENDS OF THE TEXAS STATE LIBRARY

# GENEALOGY COLLECTION, BY AGS

Miss Jan Carter, Supervisor of the Texas State Library's Genealogy Collection, informed the Society of the impending deficit (See <u>AGS Quarterly</u> for March 1986 p. 34) and sought our assistance, since State agencies cannot solicit funds. The Friends Association was formed in response to this call. The Friends will help the Genealogy Collection acquire census indexes which become available during these lean budget years.

That's what the "by" in the lengthy title means. AGS was the organizer or sponsor of the "Friends" and will make every effort to bring this worthy cause to the attention of those who enjoy the use of the Genealogy Collection. All who contribute become equal members of the "Friends," a volunteer association with no officers, no dues, no meetings and no rules! Even a small donation entitles you to call yourself a Friend of the State Library, Genealogy Collection.

A jar to receive contributions has been placed on top of the microfilm cases and will, it is hoped, catch your eye (and your coins) whenever you enter the room. Is there a family researcher in Texas who has not at some time used the microfilm censuses and their printed indexes? Why not express your gratitude by helping to fill the jar rapidly and frequently, or by sending a check with the blank form printed below?

Remember how, not many years ago, one had to examine every page of a county census when you knew your family had lived there? And if you didn't know which county, the task of running the whole state was too formidable to undertake. Now, with statewide printed indexes, you can find your people in a fraction of the time, even if the name was misspelled in the book. We have learned to look for every possible spelling - and even some we'd have thought impossible!

Thanks to two generous souls, a couple of desired indexes have already been purchased: Tennessee 1870 and Georgia 1860. Our treasurer, Lee Kinard, reports a number of other checks have been received, aggregating well over \$200.

But we are still far from our goal. Some of the forthcoming books have wellnigh astronomical price tags!



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# REPUBLIC OF TEXAS PENSION APPLICATION ABSTRACTS

#### Compiled by

John C. Barron, Nan Polk Brady, Emma Gene Seale Gentry, Barbara Langham Goudreau, and Iris Higgins Zimmerman

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. An example of the valuable content and excellent format of the book:

Pryor Bryan, Liberty Co., 30 Jun 1871, approved 17 Sep 1872. Age 60. Enlisted in Capt. Fannin's company at Gonzales 8 Oct 1835 then under Capt. Briscoe until the fall of the Alamo. Boarded the steamer Cayuga under Col. Morgan for service from Galveston in the battle of San Jacinto, but the battle was over before their arrival. He was discharged Jun 1836.

F. A. Hardin, P. S. Watts, and Jos. Richardson all knew Bryan and his children and the date of his death. Frank A. Hardin and Thomas (X) Dever affirmed his service.

Bryan died 19 Apr 1873 and left two children: John K. Bryan and Jessie L. Williams, wife of D. W. Williams. All resided in Liberty Co. and were the only heirs. While in the service, Bryan visited his old home in Louisiana.

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, like so many others in that category, has taken longer than expected to complete. It will be released in the near future and promptly mailed to those who have placed an order. It will be on archival paper, in cloth binding, and will contain about 400 pages with surname index. Dr. David B. Gracy II has given it his stamp of approval by writing the Introduction.

The price of \$40 includes postage, handling and tax. A check or money order made to AGS PUBLICATIONS must accompany each order, with the exception of those from libraries, which may be invoiced.

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