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JAMES CAMPBELL AND HIS HEIRS

Surnamed Applewhite, Boykin, Campbell, Cox, Freeman, Keese, Kerr, Loftin, McCasland, Moore, Patterson, Richardson, Roberts, Thornberry, Word, et al.

PART II - GENEALOGY

In our November 1987 issue your editor promised to present the Campbell-Keese family tree in this issue, but diligent research and study have left me with almost as many questions as answers. Readers who have these names on their lineage charts may send in queries about them and we will try to find which branch they should be hanging from. ["That's a joke, Son."]

Basic information comes from the family data given in letters preserved by attorney Thomas Moore Harwood of Gonzales [See AGS Quarterly XXVIII:4:160-70]; the family group sheets compiled by Mr. and Mrs. Winston Morris and his article about James Campbell on page 241 of The History of Gonzales County, Texas (c) 1986; Keese data in Dr. Francis W. Wilson's The Hardeman Impact on Early Texas History, and records of Caldwell County, Texas, principally those published in Plum Creek Almanac by the Genealogical and Historical Society of Caldwell County.

For better identification of the direct heirs, Alexander Campbell (father of James) has been assigned the number 1. His oldest child, Elliott William, is #2; the next child, Eleanor, #3; the next, Matilda, #4; the last, James, #5.

In the next generation, the oldest child of Elliott William is #6; after all his children have been numbered, the oldest child of Elliott's sister Eleanor, and so on. Only blood descendants are numbered. Surnames of husbands are in all caps the first time they appear and above a listing of their children.

The vital statistics of a couple will be followed by a numbered listing of their children with spouses, if the line is to be continued. But if very little is known about a child, that little will follow his name in the family group rather than make a separate paragraph about him later. Any relevant data that has been found about the parent couple will conclude that sketch before proceeding to the next known numbered principal.

NOTE: Children are not numbered strictly in order of birth [We do not always know that.] but of the sequence of their parents. The oldest brother might marry late and thus his children be younger than their first cousins but still have lower numbers. (This scheme does not work when you get down to viviparous families.)

- (1) Alexander CAMPBELL married Isabella CAMPBELL children:
- 2. Elliott William m. ...
- 3. Eleanor m. Thomas Jefferson KEESE
- 4. Matilda (b. ca 1804 TN? died young?)
- 5. James (13 Feb 1808 18 June 1840; unmarried)
- (2) Elliott William CAMPBELL [sometimes referred to as W.E.] (b. 14 Aug 1801, TN; d. 8 Nov 1874, Guadalupe Cty, TX) m. ... CAMPBELL children:
- 6. Aurora m/1 John THORNBERRY; m/2 Sion BOYKIN
- 7. Alexander
- 8. Elizabeth "Bettie" (b. 1839; d. pre 1895 unmarried) lived with brother Alex

- 9. Adaline m. John S. ROBERTS
- 10. Matilda m. William H. FREEMAN
- 11. Lewis H. m. Emma R. Harris
- 12. Jane m. ... THOMPSON

The will of E.W. Campbell was signed in Guadalupe Cty, TX, on 31 Jan 1874 and named son Alexander as Executor without bond. Elliott willed to Alexander the 112-acre homeplace and his stock of horses, cattle, hogs, farming implements and tools, except two head of cows and calves or yearlings of her own choosing to his daughter Elisabeth Campbell. Then he bequeathed to daughter Aurola [Aurora] Boykin, to son Alexander, to daughter Elisabeth, to deceased daughter Adline Roberts's four children (Abigal M., William, Lewis and John Roberts) to have one share jointly, to daughter Matilda Freeman, to son Lewis H., to daughter Jane Thompson, and to grandson William W. Thornsberry equally the following property: one half of a third of an undivided third of a league of land lying in Llano County, Texas, it being the Headright of James Campbell, deceased. Also 271 & a third acres in Coryell Cty, TX, about 3 [13 in some documents] miles above the town of Gatesville, it being an undivided two thirds interest in 487 acres of land. Also all his interest in "any lands that I may have an interest too, in the State of Texas." [All names spelled as in will]

It will be noted that Elliott had no living wife in 1874, nor was one shown on the 1860 census of Guadalupe County. His nearest post office was Prairie Lea, now in Caldwell County. He was listed as E.W. Campbell, 58, born in Tennessee; followed by Alexr (26, TN), Eliz (20, IL), Matilda (17, MS), Lewis (15, MS), and William THORNBERRY (10, MS). The birthplaces show E.W. Campbell's former places of residence. In a letter dated 10 Jun 1889, one of his relatives stated that only two of his children were still living. Another stated that he came to Texas after 1845.

- (3) Eleanor CAMPBELL [sometimes referred to as Eleandar or Ellen] (b. 5 Aug 1803, TN?; d. 25 June 1843, Gonzales Cty, TX) married 15 Jly 1824, Thomas Jefferson KEESE. Six of the following KEESE children outlived her:
- 13. Oliver Hazard Perry m. Nancy J. Holcomb
- 14. Matilda Marian m. William Henry KERR
- 15. James Elijah m. Eleanor Lavina Lewis
- 16. William W.B. (died unmarried in 1847)
- 17. Eliza Tennessee m. John William COX
- 18. Thomas Harrison m. Angelina Tabitha Lewis

The father of Thomas Jefferson Keese is said to have been Thomas Keese (b. ca 1781 in South Carolina) who moved to Lawrenceburg, Lawrence County, Tennessee about 1819. He is said to have been buried in the Prairie Lea Cemetery, Caldwell Cty, TX (date not given). T.J.'s mother, nee Mary Brooks or Brooke, apparently was killed by Indians near the old Plum Creek bridge shortly before their wagon train reached Lockhart, and was subsequently buried in Prairie Lea Cemetery (History of Gonzales County, p. 377).

Their children were: Thomas Jefferson (see below); Nancy (b. 1804); John Allen (1807-1902; m. Elizabeth E. Higgs); Eliza Tennessee (b. 1810); Elijah W. (b. 1813; m. Sarah Cabiness); William R. (b. 1816); Amanda Elizabeth (1818-1859; m. James Holland HUDSON); Benjamin Franklin (b. 1821); George Washington (b. 1824; m. Jane ...); Elias Tidwell (1828-1886; m/l Drusiller Gilmore; m/2 Martha Jane Campbell).

Thomas Jefferson Keese, husband of Eleanor Campbell, was born 19 Oct 1802 in Pendleton District [not County until 1868], South Carolina. He and Eleanor were married in Tennessee, presumably in Lawrence County, in 1824. They moved to Marengo

County, Alabama in 1837, and he was teaching school in a community called Shiloh when word of the death of Eleanor's brother James Campbell reached them.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Morris state that T.J. died in 1889 in Menard Cty, TX and that he was affiliated with the Methodist Church. By occupation a miller and a farmer, he held various political positions, such as Postmaster at Plum Creek in 1848; Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Caldwell County in 1849, 1850, 1852, 1854; Chief Justice, Brown County 1860; J.P. and Judge, Menard County 1866.

Among the Caldwell County records published in Plum Creek Almanac we find the name of Thomas J. Keese on the 1847 petition to create Plum Creek County out of parts of Gonzales, Bastrop and Travis counties, and on the 1848 Tax List of Caldwell County, as the region actually was officially named.

On 21 Aug 1848, Thomas J. Keese was appointed to review and mark out a road "to intersect on the San Marcos River near William Butler's", along with David P. Dawson, Ross Byers and William Butler. The next month, William Butler et al reported on the road from Lockhart toward the San Marcos River, and Keese was ordered to furnish one hand to work on it, alongside James Hudson [his brother-in-law?] and 14 others who lived in that area.

On the 1850 census of Caldwell County (as shown in $\underline{\text{The Hardeman Impact}}$) the family appears thus:

Name	Occupation	Age	Born When	Born Where
Keese, Thomas J.	Farmer	47	1803	SC
" Oliver	Soldier	25	1825	TN
" James [Elijah]		18	1832	TN
" Eliza T.		13	1837	
" Thomas H.		10	1840	AL
Weldon, Isaac		53	1797	
Keese, Thomas	Farmer	69	1781	SC

Thomas Jefferson Keese's second wife was Mrs. Jane H. McKenzie, whom he married 28 Aug 1846. In 1865 he married Mrs. Mary Parker, by whom he had a son, Elias Grant, who was buried at Fort McKavitt, Menard County, in 1866-7 (Winston Morris chart).

[NOTE: I presumed that Keese rhymed with Geese or Reese, but discovered that some people pronounced it "Keys". The originals of printed records pertaining to Reese in Caldwell County should be examined to make sure that it was an R and not a K. Also, considering the prevalence of phonetic spelling in the past century, it might be wise to double-check anything printed about a Keyes family.]

- (4) Matilda Campbell and (5) James Campbell Nothing known beyond that which appeared in our last issue.
- (6) Aurora [misspelled Aurola by the clerk who copied the will of her father, Elliott W. Campbell, into the will book of Guadalupe County] CAMPBELL probably was born early in the 1830s, for her son William Thornberry was born in 1850. Her brother Alex (b. ca 1834) in the summer of 1889 [internal evidence letter is not dated] wrote to attorneys Harwood & Harwood that she was the oldest child and he was the next. He said she "left two Boykin children living," so presumably she had died when he wrote.

Aurora married first John THORNBERRY [sometimes Thornsberry] at an unknown date, but their son William W. was listed as 10 on the 1860 census of Guadalupe

County. By January 1874 Aurora was married to Sion BOYKIN - nothing known about him.

- 19. William W. THORNBERRY m. ...
- 20. Catherine/Katherine/Kate THORNBERRY
- 21. Sion A. BOYKIN
- 22. Robert E. BOYKIN

(also a daughter Eliza, deceased by 1889)

(7) Alexander "Ellick" CAMPBELL was born about 1834 in Tennessee; no record of his death or mention of a wife known to this compiler. He was living in Young County, Texas 1889-96, but the nearest post office was Finis in Jack County (See p. 156 in our last issue).

After writing his attorneys about his sister Aurora and her children in 1889, he stated, "I am the next oldest heir," next coming Elizabeth, Adaline, Matilda, and finally Lewis H., "my youngest brother."

Although Alex and his siblings had inherited James Campbell's land in Llano and Coryell counties from their father in 1874, fifteen to twenty years later they were trying to get clear title to and possession of it. Some documents pertaining to the matter in the files of Harwood & Harwood are undated, but others are dated in July, August, September, October and December 1889; January 1890; May 1891; and December 1895. Most of these are first drafts or office copies: depositions and interrogatories (to identify James Campbell's heirs), letters from heirs, powers of attorney, appointment of Harwood & Harwood to act in the matter, bills of court costs, petitions and statements of the purpose of the respective suit - e.g., recovery of the land (full description) in Llano County from one Percy Franklin. However, defendant appealed (13 May 1891) and the suits dragged on several years.

The suit filed in Coryell County was #1568 - Alexander Campbell et al. vs J.A.G. Weaver et al. This was in January 1890.

A preliminary list of those who joined in these suits with Alexander Campbell (numbered as they appear in this genealogy) consisted of:

- (8) Elizabeth Campbell, Emma Campbell [widow of (11) Lewis H. Campbell], (28) Owen, (29) William and (30) Erwin Campbell, all of Young County.
- (27) Claudia McCasland joined by her husband J.A.F., then of Rockwall County. John S. Roberts of Bastrop County [widower of (9) Adaline Campbell] and children (24) W.J., (25) Lewis C., (26) John S. Roberts Jr. and (23) Margaret Abigail Loftin joined by her husband B.F.
- (20) Kate Thornberry of Guadalupe County, aunt and "next friend" of (53) Alice G., (54) Lewis E. and (55) Elizabeth Thornberry.
 - (21) Sion and (22) Robert Boykin, Wharton County.
 - (32) Henry C. and (36) G.W. Keese of Kimble County.
 - (15) J.E. and (18) T.H. Keese of Bandera County.
 - Elizabeth Keese [unable to identify]
 - (31) Laura Moore joined by husband J.T.
 - William H. Kerr [widower of (14) Matilda M. Keese]
 - (40) E.L. Applewhite and husband T.B. of Frio County.
 - (17) Eliza T. Cox and husband John William of Bosque County.
 - (42) William M. Kerr of Bexar County.

The only clues I have to the final outcome of the suits are a few receipts signed by some of the heirs. Each child of (3) Eleanor (Campbell) Keese and (presumably) of (2) Elliott W. Campbell was allotted \$192.30, judging from the sur-

viving receipts, which read: "... being my prorata [or distributive] share of the sales of lands belonging to the Estate of James Campbell recovered by said Harwood and Harwood, attorneys, [land] situated in Llano and Coryell counties, Texas."

EXISTING RECEIPTS

13 Feb 1896	(18)	Thomas H. Keese	\$192.30	Medina, Bandera Cty
15 Feb 1896	(35)	Mary I. Patterson	27.47	Eagle Pass, Maverick Cty
March 1896	(32)	H.C. Keese	27.47	Junction, Kimble Cty
6 Mch 1896	(31)	Laura E. Moore	27.47	Voca, McCulloch Cty
20 Apr 1896	(38)	John Keese	27.47	-
20 Apr 1896	(36)	George Keese	27.47	

Since one son of Thomas J. and Eleanor (Campbell) Keese received \$192.30, and it appears that in 1896 four of his siblings (or their heirs) were living, and that five of Elliott W. Campbell's children (or their heirs) were involved, I calculate that the total amount to be distributed must have been \$1923.00. (By contract, Harwood & Harwood were to retain one half of the proceeds of the sale of any lands they recovered for the heirs of James Campbell.)

Oliver H.P. Keese's children each received one seventh of his share, so we deduce that (33) Matilda Elizabeth Word and (37) Julia Ida Richardson (or their heirs) also received \$27.47 each, although no receipts from them have been found.

- (8) Elizabeth "Bettie" CAMPBELL was born ca 1839/40, and died prior to 5 Oct 1895, presumably in Guadalupe County. Her father evidently expected her to remain on the homeplace near Prairie Lea which he bequeathed to her brother Alexander, as he willed her a couple of head of cattle to call her own. As far as we know, she continued to live with her brother until her death, sometime between 1889 and the October 1895 letter written by Claudia McCasland.
- (9) Adaline CAMPBELL's birthdate is unknown to this compiler, but in 1853 she married John S. ROBERTS (b. ca 1820). On 27 Sep 1889 her older brother Alexander wrote to Harwood & Harwood that he thought he had written them that "Mrs. Roberts of Bastrop Co was dead. ... She died in caldwell Co and left four children [three of them minors] and their Office is Coxville, Bastrop Co."

Children of John S. and Adaline (Campbell) ROBERTS:

- 23. Margaret Abigail m. Benjamin F. LOFTIN/LOFTON
- 24. William J. m. Allice M. ...
- 25. Lewis C.
- 26. John S. Jr.

John S. Roberts Sr. was one of the signers of the 1847 petition to create Plum Creek County out of parts of Gonzales and other counties. In 1889 he wrote to Harwood & Harwood that he knew little of "the Keyes children" [meaning Keese]. He stated that James Campbell's headright in Llano County was near Packsaddle Mountain and was sold for taxes 8 or 10 years ago. He remarked that only two of the children of his father-in-law "W.E." Campbell were still living [(7) Alexander whom he called Ellick and (11) Lewis H., I believe]. The next year, J.S. Roberts wrote that he was 70 years old and blind, so he hoped Harwood & Harwood "would worke the thing through for me as soon as you can."

On 14 Sep 1889 the Roberts family signed a joint power of attorney author-

izing Harwood & Harwood to recover for them "any lands in Texas that belonged to James Campbell." It was expressly stipulated that the heirs were "not to be at any expense whatever in the litigation" and H&H was to have one half of the proceeds of the sale of any lands recovered. This P/A was signed at Bastrop by B.F. Loftin and wife Margaret A. Loftin, J.S. Roberts Sr. and Jr., W.J. Roberts and wife Allice M., and J.C. Roberts.

(10) Matilda CAMPBELL was born in Mississippi in 1843 - she was 17 on the 1860 census of Guadalupe County, when she was in her father's house. She married William H. FREEMAN and had only one child. Neither Matilda nor her husband is named among the living heirs in the early 1890s.

Only child of William H. and Matilda (Campbell) FREEMAN:

- 27. Claudia m. J.A.F. McCASLAND
- (11) Lewis/Louis H. CAMPBELL was born ca 1845 in Mississippi and died about 1879-80. He married Emma R. Harris, sister of S.E. and L.H. Harris. The former made a deposition to Harwood & Harwood, giving the above death date for Lewis, and naming the minor CAMPBELL children thus:
- 28. Owen
- 29. Willie
- 30. Erwin
- (12) Jane CAMPBELL is only a name in her father's will to this compiler. In 1874 the phrase "my daughter Jane THOMPSON" follows "my [son] Lewis H. Campbell" in Elliott W. Campbell's will, and since the other children seem to be listed in order of birth, it is presumed that Jane was the youngest and was then alive. However, she must have died childless before Harwood & Harwood began collecting the names of the Campbell heirs ca 1889.
- (13) Oliver Hazard Perry KEESE [named for an American naval hero of the War of 1812] was born in Tennessee on 4 Aug 1825 (per letter dated 17 June 1891 from J.E. and Thomas H. Keese citing their father's family Bible) and died 5 Dec 1884 at Junction, Kimble Cty, TX. Between 1850 and 1854 he married Nancy J. Holcomb (also seen as Halcum), who was born 13 Feb 1833 in North Carolina and died 7 Jan 1886. Both are buried in the Junction Cemetery.

Seven KEESE children (starred) were still living 17 June 1891:

- 31. *Laura E. m. J.T. MOORE
- 32. *Henry C. m. E.L. Means
- 33. *Matilda Elizabeth m. C.C. WORD
- 34. Thomas J. (21 Sep 1860 TX 9 Aug 1880, Junction TX)
- 35. *Mary I. or J.m. W.J. PATTERSON
- 36. *George W. m. Martha James Bradley
- 37. *Julia Ida. m. S.F. "Bud" RICHARDSON
- 38. *John James m. Annie Margaret Wilson

Oliver H.P. Keese was listed as a soldier in his father's household on the 1850 census of Caldwell County. He was found on the 1860 census of Brown County (as Tax Collector), 1870 Atascosa County Census, and 1880 Kimble County Census by the Winston Morrises.

- (14) Matilda Marian KEESE (b. 10 Sep 1830 in Tennessee; d. 5 Apr 1868, San Antonio, Texas) married 4 Nov 1847 in Caldwell County, William Henry KERR, who was a Methodist. KERR children:
- 39. Infant son born 1848; buried at Mission San Juan, San Antonio
- 40. Eliza Lucinda m. Thomas B. APPLEWHITE
- 41. Laura Ella (b. 11 Jly 1860; buried 1862 in Kerr-Applewhite Cemetery, San Antonio)
- 42. William Marion "Willie"

On 19 June 1889 W.H. Kerr answered a letter from Harwood & Harwood, saying he had been informed that James "Campbell had 3 tracts of land one on the Cibolo & one in galaspa [Gillespie] Co & one north of the Colorado and you can find property in Saguine of his he was the proper owner to the Saguine tract of land if you will Examing the records you can see for your self". Then he gave the names and addresses of his children, Eliza Lucinda Applewhite and W.M. Kerr, adding that letters to him could be sent to "San Antonio Kerrs Hill Sanfornando street".

(15) James Elijah KEESE (b. 21 Aug 1832 at Lawrenceburg, Lawrence Cty, TN; d. 5 Mch 1916 at Medina, Bandera Cty, TX) married Eleanor Lavina Lewis on 16 Nov 1854 in San Antonio. She was born 19 Jan 1838, Springfield, Sangamon Cty, IL, and died 20 Jan 1896. Both were buried in Goodman Cemetery at Medina.

KEESE children:

- 43. Blanche Eliza m. George W. BENTON
- 44. Clara Augusta m. W.R. FINNEY
- 45. Thomas Lewis m. Frances M. Means
- 46. Sarah Abigail m. Wilson BANTA
- 47. Laura Matilda m/l L.W. JACQUES; m/2 Dave WATSON
- 48. Lucy Bay m. David Barkley SEALE
- 49. Orville Denny m. Alma Banta
- 50. Leanord [Leonard?] Brantley (b. 31 Jan 1872, Bandera Cty; d. 6 Dec 1958; buried Oak Rest Cemetery, Medina, Bandera Cty, TX. Never married)
- 51. Walter Gainor m. Lutie Mickle
- 52. James Bayard (died young)

James Elijah Keese was described as 5 feet $10\frac{1}{2}$ inches tall with hazel eyes and black hair. He was a member of the Church of Christ and the Masonic order. A farmer and stockman, he was at one time a bugler in the Texas Mounted Volunteer Frontier State Troops. He lived in Caldwell, Atascosa, Bandera, Coryell and Brown counties.

In 1891, James Elijah and (18) Thomas Harrison Keese signed a letter to attorney T.M. Harwood at Gonzales, suggesting that he might question some of James Campbell's former friends in Seguin, such as Henly G. Henderson, French Smith, P.D. [Paris] Smith, a Mr. Boyd, Milford Day, and Gen. Henry E. McCullough [McCulloch]. Four of these had been among the original shareholders of the townlots of Seguin [then in Gonzales County].

The Keese brothers remembered that their Uncle James had been "over six feet high." In this letter (evidencing that the writer was well educated) James E. Keese gave many birth, death and marriage dates from "our Father's family Bible which we now have in our possession."

[We are fortunate to have so many interesting details about this man because he was the direct ancestor of Mr. Winston Morris of San Antonio.]

(17) Eliza Tennessee KEESE (b. 2 June 1837 in Tennessee or Alabama; d. 11 Oct 1919, Caldwell Cty, TX; buried in Prairie Lea Cemetery) married John William COX on 13 May 1858 in San Saba Cty, TX.

No. children known to this compiler.

In June 1889 T.B. Applewhite wrote from Pearsall, Frio Cty, TX, that his wife (40) Eliza Lucinda, had an aunt, Mrs. Eliza "Cocks", who lived in Bosque County when last heard from. On 17 June 1891 J.E. and Thos. H. Keese confirmed that their only living sister "now married to Jno. W. Cox" was living in Bosque County. No other reference found, but it looks as if she should have received \$192.30 of the proceeds of the land sales in 1896.

(18) Thomas Harrison KEESE (b. 18 May 1840, Marengo Cty, AL; d. 18 Nov 1915; buried in Goodman Cemetery, Medina, Bandera Cty, TX) married Angelina Tabitha Lewis on 30 Jan 1861 in San Saba County.

I have no information on their children. He and his brother James Elijah (15) died less than a year apart and are buried in the same cemetery. Their wives were sisters.

In 1891 Thomas H. Keese responded to some 14 "interrogatories" posed by Harwood and Harwood relative to the matter of James Campbell's heirs. He was living in Bandera County and was 51 years old. He gave many facts based on family history and dates from his father's Bible which (15) J.E. Keese then had. Later he mentioned "my mother's family bible," but that might refer to the same one.

The answers are written in the first person but it is not certain that they are in his own hand, as there is no signature to compare with. His mother's name is spelled "Eleandar" throughout, and I would judge T.H. Keese able to spell Eleanor.

The affiant stated that "our family moved from that section of the Country [i.e., around Gonzales County] in 1855."

In the first "cross interrogatory" he stated again that he was 51, and had been in Texas 49 years [hence, about two years old when they came]. He had lived in Gonzales, Caldwell, Coryell, McCulloch, Brown, San Saba, Kimble and Bandera counties.

(19) William W. THORNBERRY (often spelled Thornsberry), born about 1850 in Mississippi, was dead by 1889. Name of wife unknown - perhaps it could be found in Caldwell County marriage records, as he lived with his grandfather near Prairie Lea in 1860.

THORNBERRY children:

- 53. Alice Gertrude
- 54. Lewis Elliott
- 55. Elizabeth Ann all living with (20) "Aunt Kate" in Caldwell County in 1889.

On the 1860 census of Guadalupe County, William was age 10 in the household of his grandfather (2) Elliott W. Campbell. Perhaps his mother had remarried by then and he didn't get along with his stepfather. His grandfather's partiality to him is evidenced by the fact that in the 1874 will, William was given as much as were his mother and most of her siblings.

(20) Katherine/Catherine "Kate" THORNBERRY is presumed younger than her brother, but no statistics are available to me. Apparently she never married but seems

to have taken charge of her deceased brother's children.

On 3 Jly 1889 she signed (with X) her power of attorney authorizing Harwood & Harwood to recover the lands of her great-uncle James Campbell. She joined in the litigation against Percy Franklin for herself and "as next friend for the children of Wm. Thornberry, deceased, our mother being daughter of Elliott W. Campbell, deceased." J.N. Stagner, JP of Caldwell County, certified that "Miss Kate Thornsberry" was the aunt of Alice Gertrude, Lewis Elliott and Elizabeth Ann.

- (21) Sion A. BOYKIN (called "Bud Boyakin" in some references) must have been born prior to 1866, as both he and his brother were of age in 1889. In August of that year he wrote to Harwood & Harwood from Beeville (Bee Cty, TX) to say that he had no objection to their undertaking to recover James Campbell's land for his heirs, and would sign the contract. He could give no permanent address because, as a carpenter "on the Beeville extension" [railroad?], he was liable to be moved at any time, but he would be in Harwood [Gonzales County] at the end of September. Or, he added, papers could be sent to R.E. Boykin in Wharton and he could forward them to Sion.
- (22) Robert E. BOYKIN, living in Wharton in 1889, apparently was of age to transact legal business, so must have been born no later than 1868. His uncle (7) Alexander Campbell once wrote that the Boykins' post office was "Horton Co Hortonsville" when he last heard. There is no such place in the U.S. Postal Directory so it was a relief to find the above reference to Wharton in Wharton County.

On an early list of Campbell heirs these brothers appear as "Sion & Robert Bostick children of said Mrs. Aurora by her second husband who was Sion Boyakin." Bostick must have been a slip of the pen.

(23) Margaret Abigail (or Abigail M.) ROBERTS (born after 1853) married Ben-jamin Franklin LOFTIN/LOFTON. Between 1889 and 1895, she died, leaving "some small children," according to a letter from her first cousin (27) Claudia (Freeman) Mc-Casland.

On 14 Sep 1889 Margaret and her husband gave power of attorney to Harwood and Harwood, he signing B.F. Loftin and she M.A. (X) Loftin.

On 5 Oct 1895 when Claudia wrote T.M. Harwood that Margaret was dead, she said that B.F. Loftin's post office was Red Rock, Bastrop County. In a history of that county it may be seen that a Frank Loftin was in Terry's Texas Rangers and was killed 17 Dec 1861; relationship unknown.

- (24) William J. ROBERTS married Allice M. ... They signed the family joint power of attorney in 1889 at Bastrop as W.J. and A.M. Roberts. No more known.
- (25) Lewis C. ROBERTS signed the power of attorney as L.C. Roberts. He used the same signature to witness a receipt in May 1896 see below. No details of his birth, death or marriage known to this compiler.

In June 1889 Lewis received a letter from attorneys Harwood & Harwood which he turned over to his father to answer. They wrote from Coxville, Bastrop County, telling what they knew about James Campbell's heirs, admitting that they knew very little about the "Keyes" family.

John S. Roberts Sr. explained that "W.E." Campbell was his father-in-law and had only two children yet living. He stated that a granddaughter of Elliott lived near "Lulen" but he supposed her uncle had so informed the lawyers.

On 4 Feb 1896, L.C. Roberts wrote from Red Rock in Bastrop County that he felt Major Harwood had "done well" in the Campbell matter and thought he and his brother would give the firm "some more worke to doo my father left A lot of land that I think we can gain it with eas and the town of Segin belong to the Camle hears [Campbell heirs] ... excuse bad Speling for I never got to go to Scool very much good by L.C. Roberts".

(26) John S. ROBERTS Jr. signed the joint power of attorney in 1889 with an X, but may have affixed his signature to a receipt later. It is impossible to be sure whether it was signed by father or son, but since L.C. wrote of their father's leaving a lot of land, it is presumable that J.S. Roberts Sr. had died since his 1890 letter telling Harwood & Harwood that he was now 70 years of age and blind. This would make the designation "Jr." for the son unnecessary.

The receipt referred to really baffles me. Signed 23 May 1896, it reads like some signed by Keese heirs: "being my distributive share of the proceeds of land recovered in Counties of Llano & Coryell for the heirs of James Campbell deceased." It was signed John S. Roberts, witnessed by L.C. Roberts, H.C. White and B.F. Loftin. BUT - the amount is \$40.06. That won't go evenly into \$192.30, the amount that was received by Eleanor (Campbell) Keese's son, Thomas Harrison Keese. Her share was divided evenly among five of her children or their heirs.

Of Elliott Campbell's children, Elizabeth died without heirs, and presumably Jane did also, as her name is on no list of heirs. That leaves five children of Elliott also, so one would expect the same amounts. Dividing (9) Adaline (Campbell) Roberts's share (\$192.30) by her four children gives \$48.07, not \$40.06. Can someone show me where my figuring went astray?

(27) Claudia FREEMAN (no dates known) married J.F. or J.A.F. McCASLAND. They lived at one time in Rockwall County, Texas, then moved to Young County in September 1889, her uncle, Alexander Campbell, wrote.

On 7 Oct 1889 J.F. McCasland and wife Claudia assigned to Harwood & Harwood a power of attorney which was recorded in Llano County 13 May 1891. Claudia wrote a pretty fair hand and reported on family relationships in several letters. The last (in the collection) was dated 17 Feb 1896 at Finis, Jack County.

No vital statistics or children known to this compiler.

- (28) Owen CAMPBELL was born about 1873, for in October 1889 his uncle, Alexander Campbell, stated that he was 16 and living in Young County.
 - (29) William CAMPBELL was born about 1875, according to same source.
- (30) Erwin CAMPBELL was said to be 11 in 1889; on 30 Aug 1898 he wrote to T.M. Harwood in Gonzales announcing that he was now of age and would like to have his portion of the money from the sale of the Campbell lands. The letter was actually written by his maternal uncle, L.H. Harris, and datelined Finis, Jack County.

- (31) Laura E. KEESE was born 30 Jan 1854 in Texas and married J.T. MOORE in June 1872. They were living at Voca, McCulloch Cty, TX, on 6 Mch 1896 when she received \$27.47 as her share of the James Campbell estate.
- (32) Henry C. KEESE was born in December 1857 in Texas and married E. L. Means 15 Feb 1889 in Bandera County. He was residing at Junction, Kimble County, in March 1896 when he signed a receipt for \$27.47.
- (33) Matilda Elizabeth KEESE was born 18 Mch 1859 in Texas and married C.C. WORD on 27 June 1875. On 24 Oct 1889 she wrote to Harwood & Harwood from Junction saying: "You wanted to know if we were iney of us married I was married the 27 of June in 1875 as ever youres oblige M.E. Word".

Then on 9 Nov 1889 she apparently dictated a letter to someone who wrote a "copybook hand", giving some of the birth, death and marriage dates of her parents and living siblings (numbers 13, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37 and 38 herein). She made no mention of her children, if any.

- (34) Thomas J. KEESE [named for his grandfather?] was born 21 Sep 1860 in Texas and died 9 Aug 1880, with burial in the Junction City Cemetery. Apparently he left no children, as they are not named in lists of heirs, and O.H.P. Keese's share of the proceeds was divided into seven parts.
- (35) Mary I. [It looks like J. in some handwritings, but I. in her own.] KEESE was born 8 Mch 1863 and married W.J. PATTERSON 18 Jan 1878. It appears that he died leaving six children, for on 14 Feb 1896, Mary wrote a touching letter from Eagle Pass, Maverick County, to Miller & Sayers [another law firm in Gonzales] reading as follows: "Pleas to turn this recept over to Harwood and Harwood when they turn the money [\$27.47] over to you and pleas fired [forward] the same to my adress. ... Sind it as quick as you can for I surly need it I haft to make alivin for six children by washin Mary I. Patterson".

Therefore we reserve numbers (56) through (61) for PATTERSON children.

- (36) George Washington KEESE was born in August 1866 in Brownwood, Brown Cty, TX, and on 2 Nov 1898 married Martha James Bradley in Kimble County. On 20 Apr 1896 (no place shown) he signed "George Keese" to the receipt for his \$27.47.
- (37) Julia Ida KEESE was born 7 Jun 1869 (her sister said she was 20 in her 9 Nov 1889 letter) in Atascosa County. She died in 1946 and was buried in Fairmount Cemetery at San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas.

On 22 Feb 1891 at Junction in Kimble County she married S.F. "Bud" RICHARDSON.

- (38) John James KEESE (b. 10 Mch 1872 in Texas) married Annie Margaret Wilson on 7 May 1893 in Kimble County. He was the only one not yet of age when (33) Matilda Word wrote about her siblings in 1889. No place of residence shown on the receipt John signed in 1896.
 - (40) Eliza Lucinda KERR (b. 3 Jly 1856 in Texas; d. 10 May 1941 in San Antonio

and was buried in the Kerr-Applewhite Cemetery there) married 29 Feb 1876 at Oak Island [on Medina River south of San Antonio] in Bexar County, Thomas B. APPLEWHITE.

In June 1889, from Pearsall, Frio County, T.B. Applewhite wrote Harwood & Harwood that his wife and her brother would sign a contract with them. The brother, William Marion, died later that year, according to the Morris records. Applewhite also said he had heard that James Campbell had several tracts of land, some on or near Cibillo [Cibolo] Creek. This 90-mile stream forms part of the boundary lines between Bexar and Comal, Bexar and Guadalupe, and Guadalupe and Wilson counties, so it would be hard to locate such a tract.

No data on children.

- (42) William Marion "Willie" KEESE was born 27 Jly 1862 in Texas and died in March 1890. His father wrote on 19 Jun 1889 that his post office was Earl [Earle, then 12 miles south of San Antonio].
- (43) Blanche Eliza "Molly" KEESE (b. 17 Oct 1855 in Texas) married George W. BENTON on 14 Jan 1874 in Bandera County. They moved to Arizona, and she is thought to be buried at McNeal, Cochise Cty, AZ.
- (44) Clara Augusta "Gus" KEESE (b. 27 Apr 1858, Atascosa Cty, TX; d. 19 Jan 1942, buried in Oak Rest Cemetery, Medina, Bandera County) married W.R. FINNEY on 10 Sep 1884/5 in McCulloch County.
- (45) Thomas Lewis KEESE (b. 21 Apr 1860; died in Alpine, Brewster Cty, TX) married Frances M. Means 13 Aug 1885 in Bandera County.
- (46) Sarah Abigail "Sweet" KEESE (b. 20 Feb 1864, Brown County; d. 15 Sep 1900; buried Goodman Cemetery, Medina TX) married Wilson BANTA.
- (47) Laura Matilda KEESE (b. 28 Aug 1866, Brownwood, Brown Cty; d. 23 May 1926 Fort Lyon, Bent County, Colorado) married first L.W. JACQUES and second Dave WATSON.
- (48) Lucy Bay KEESE (b. 23 Jan 1868, Brown Cty; d. 23 Feb 1951, Bandera Cty; buried Oak Rest Cemetery, Medina) married David Barkley SEALE 26 Jly 1888, Bandera County. They and their oldest child, James Brantley Seale, moved to Tacoma, Washington in 1890. [See <u>History of Gonzales</u>, pp. 468-69.]
- (49) Orville Denny KEESE (b. 7 Apr 1870, Atascosa County; d. 26 Apr 1939 and buried in Oak Rest Cemetery, Medina) married 18 Feb 1899, Alma Banta.
- (50) Leonard Brantley KEESE (b. 31 Jan 1872, Bandera County; d. 6 Dec 1958; buried in Oak Rest Cemetery, Medina) never married.
- (51) Walter Gainor KEESE (b. 11 Oct 1877, Bandera County; d. 11 Sep 1967 and buried in Oak Rest) married Lutie Mickle in September 1902.

Lucy Bay Keese and David Barkley Seale were the great-grandparents of Winston Morris, who (with his wife) collected and kindly furnished most of the above data on the Keese family, especially that of James Elijah Keese. Readers are invited to send additions/corrections to the editor (Mrs. H.H. Rugeley, 2202 West 10th St, Austin TX 78703), who has some random bits of data about Keeses not included in the foregoing outline, which she would be glad to pass on.





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 the children of the founder or of his daughter.

Married names are in parentheses in the book, but the genealogical form (maiden names in parentheses) is followed 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 page.

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        anna - Luther Howard [pic p. 35] - Mary Lucy (Rickey) - Minnie Ann - Patsy -
        Ralph Edward - Reuben - Sarah (Parker) - Virginia Telitha - William Arland -
Burke, M.E.
Butler, Hattie
Coggin, Lettie Belle
Conner, Birdie Houston - Britton Frederick "Bee" - George P. - Hannah Elizabeth (Mc-
        Kinney) - Hannah F. - James Alexander - John Frederick [log cabin pic p. 40] -
        Juriah "Jue" - Katie A. - Lula O. - Margaret - Margaret E. - Mary Catherine -
        Mary M. - Paige Lonzo - Peggy - Robert Alec - Robert Patton - Ruby (...) -
        Sarah Frances (Vaughan) - Stephen Lee - William - William Lee - William P.
Corley, Evelyn (Rice)
Cox, Maudie
Cunningham, Ellen
Currie, Charles - James - John Matthew - Mary Lawson (Payne)
Curry, Lula (Harrison) [pic p. 39] - Milburn [pic p. 39]
Dear, Willie
Dickey, Mary Lucy
Douglas, Della
Duren, Johnnie Alma
Fowler, Nancy
Freeland, Cora Effie (Morgan)
Gardner, Julia [pic p. 46]
Grounds, Dora (Ratcliff) - Henry Harvey - Louisa Ann (Norred) - William John
Hager, Margaret Texana
Hale, "Babe" - Caroline "Carrie" - Cornelia (Platt) - Drury - Ernest - Estelle Brown -
        Eugenia - George - Grover - Hubbard - Ida - John - Josephine - Julia (Smith) -
        Malissa (Smith) - Peter - Robert - Robert Edgar - William Page - William T.
Hall, Delma Irene (Morgan) - James - Minnie Ruth (Morgan)
Hanna, Eva
Hardeman, Florence (Oneil)
Harrison, Amanda Catherine - Benjamin - Clara [pic p. 39] - Eliza - Ellen Ann -
        Hattie Butler (Harrison?) - Jack A. - Johnathan [pic p. 39] - Lizzie - Lucindy
       Jane (Patton) - Lula [pic p.39] - Margaret (West) [pic p. 39] - Martha -
       Mar tha Jane - Mary - Mary (...) - Sallie - W.H. - William Daugherty - Wil-
        liam F. [pic p. 39] - William Henry - William Thomas
Hollingsworth, Arthur Eli - Barbara Jean - Deidra Lynn - Fannie (Long) - Henry Levi -
       Horace Lee - Maudie (Cox) - Randal - Rhonda Kay - Robbie (...) - Virginia Fern
Hoover, Deidra Lynn (Hollingsworth) - Jamie
Hurtt, Ruby Elmira (Morgan)
Julian, Esther Louise (Morgan)
Larker, Mary Ann (Manning)
Lockey, Kathleen (Pennington)
Long, Effie Mae - Ellen Ann (Harrison) - Fannie - Levi [pix p. 36] - Lillie Belle -
        Spivey
Maddin, Florinda G.
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HOUSTON COUNTY (continued)

Masters, Jacob Jr. - Willie

McClain, Cora - G.D. - Gertrude - J.A. - Margaret Texana (Hager) - Rhoda (Watson) - W.R. - W.Z.

McKenzie, Emily Jane [pic p. 35]

McKinney, Hannah Elizabeth

Millwee, Lou Ellen (Morgan)

Monk, Amanda Elizabeth (Rice) - Beulah - Claud - Della - Ellen (Cunningham) Eva (Hanna) - Florinda G. (Maddin) - Francis - James - John - Joseph Rice Lela Lou - Lillie - Mary - Richard - Sarah - Thomas Balis - Thomas John Tom - Willie

Moore, J.W.

Morgan, Albertine (Thompson) - Alexander - Alma Ethel - Cora Effie - Daniel Franklin - Delma Irene - Easter - Easter (...) - Edgar Lee - Elizabeth Jane Esther Louise - Evan - Georgia Permelia - Henry Grady - Herbert Lester James Evan - John Walter - Johnny Daniel - Judith - Lettie Belle (Coggin) Lewis Thomas - Lou Ella - Martha Jane (Harrison) - Marvin Hood (Julian) Minnie Ruth - Nancy Jane (Schott) - Reba - Robert Granson - Ruby Elmira Samuel - Sandra - Sarah - Susan - William Franklin - William Luther

Murchison, Izziebelle Caroline

Nelms, thomas H.

Newcomb, Willie (Masters) Rice

Nichols, Minnie Ruth (Morgan) Hall

Norred, Louisa Ann

Oneil, Alfred - Ann (...) - Belle - Emma (...) - Ezra - Florence - Jessie - John [slave] - Minnie Ola (Wiley) - Norvella (Smith) - William

Parker, Cynthia Ann - Daniel - Sarah

Patton, Lucindy Jane

Payne, Annie Pearl - Birdie Lee - Henry Warren - M.E. (Burke) - Mary Ann (Manning) Larker - Mary Lawson - Porter Lawson - Willie (Dear)

Pennington, Addie - Berniece - Berta - Cheryl (...) - Daniel Boone - Dorothy (...) Earl - Edmund Gaines [pic p. 42] - Emily - Flora (Brown) - Florence Harden - Henry A. [& family pic p. 43] - Henry Clifford - Ida - J.R. James H. - James Richard [pic p. 43] - Jeremy - John - Kathleen - Loyce Lucy - Mary - Mary Anna Lena - Mary Lena (Beeson) - Nancy Jane (Renfro) Pattie - Polly (Walling) - Rhonda - Richard Clyde - Sam Henry - Susan Vadney Lou - Walter - Wayne - Wayne Brown

Platt, Cornelia

Ratcliff, Dora

Renfro, Nancy Jane

Rice, Amanda Elizabeth - Evelyn - Francis - Georgia - Henry - Jacob - John Mc-Connell - Johnnie Lois - Joseph Redmond - Nancy (Fowler) - Opal - Sara -Willie (Masters) - Willie Louise

Roberson, Bill - E. - Ernestine - Ethel - Gertrude (McClain) - Grace - Julia - Nita - Ren - Tex - Vivian - Woodrow

Schott, Nancy Jane

Skidmore, Carrie (Brown)

Smith, Bessie - Bevin O. - David Millard - Della Augusta - Edna - Fannie - George Washington - Henry Carlton - John Bunyan - Julia - Leroy Jefferson - Lucy Belle - Malissa - Mary Emma (Stuckey) - Matthew Castle Pinckney - Minnie - Minnie Ophelia - N.A. - Newton Alexander - Norvella - Nunnie - Ollie Mae - Overby Lee - Peoria Cordelia - Pinckney Ellsworth - Pinkney Alton - Robert Kirby - Susan - Vandorn B. - Vandorn Barto - Viola Rox-

HOUSTON COUNTY (continued)

Smith (continued) ie Jane - William David Spivey, Ella Jane - Ellen Ann (Harrison) - John W. - Rellie Strong, Albert - Alfred [slave] - Charles Henry - Earl - Gertrude - Gracie (...) -Havne - Henrietta - Henry - Ida B. - Julia - Linus - Mansion - Minerva (...) -Pricilla - Richard - Rosie B. - Vernon - William Stuckey, Ellen Cedella - Mary Emma - Sarah (Winstead) Taylor, Cherry - Chester M. - Johnnie Alma (Duren) Thetford, Amanda Belle Thomas, Annie (Blue) - John A. Thompson, Albertine Todd, Alvin Julian - Andy [slave] - Baker [pic p. 46] - Bennie May - Clara - Idell (...) -Jarushia (Blake) - Jewell - Jonnie Lou - Julia (Gardner) - Martha - Melvin -Osceola - Port Arthur - Sylvia Dean - Wilsie May Vaughan, Sarah Frances Vickers, Jack - Johnnie Lois (Rice) Walling, Polly Watson, Rhoda Webb, Benjamin Winstead - David Blalock - David Clark - Eliza Ann - Hattie Belle -James Allen - John Hyram - Letty Lou - Narcissa Frances - Richard - Sarah (Winstead) Stuckey West, Elizabeth Jane (Morgan) - Margaret [pic p. 39] Wilev. Minnie Ola Wilkins, Rhonda (Pennington) [To Be Continued]

NOTE: Your editor is very sorry about the mixup in our last issue. At the top of page 144, "GUADALUPE COUNTY continued" was my error - should have been Lampasas County. I looked back to the previous issue for style and copied the words too!

But failing to print page 144 on the back of 143 was the printer's error. Every issue in the typed instructions that I deliver to them, I specify "Print both sides. Right-hand pages are odd numbers; left-hand pages are even numbers." Their carelessness made that issue have two blank pages, but I made sure they did not charge us for the extra paper! It's bad enough that readers will think we don't know any better than to have even-numbered pages on the right.

FILLERS - Thanks to active member Emma Gene Gentry, who transcribed many informative items from microfilmed Austin newspapers at Barker Texas History Center, we have some interesting fillers for this number of our Quarterly. Oddly enough, the 2 January 1912 issue of the Austin Daily Statesman (from which we quote first) appears on the microfilm before the January 1st issue, Mrs. Gentry warns us.

page 3, col. 7 - ... a blaze ... broke out in the general merchandise store of C.A. Beckwith, 1815 East 6th Street at 3:15 o'clock yesterday morning [resulting in] ... collapse of roof and serious damage to the merchandise stock...

Mrs. Homer Morrow of Harlingen and Miss Fannie Drockett of Manor, Paul Hill, Claude E. Hill of Galveston, and John E. Hill Jr. of Pittsburg Pa. took New Year's dinner with Dr. J.E. Hill at 1904 Pearl Street yesterday.

FAYETTE COUNTY REMEMBERS

Jean Byerly Hufnall, long-time member of Austin Genealogical Society, for six and a half years wrote a popular feature column called "Genealogy Notes" which was carried in The La Grange Journal. But, alas! After more than 100 years of faithful publication, the Journal succumbed to financial pressure and set "30" at the bottom of its columns on 5 November 1986.

Jean is hoping to place her "Genealogy Notes" in another paper before long, when she has fully recovered from an illness. Meanwhile, she is graciously offering to look back in her files of published columns for those of you who wish to write her (Rt. 1 Box 600, La Grange TX 78945) to see if she has data on some of your families.

For example, if you are seeking a Fayette Countian who was a veteran of any war, send her his name and the battles you think he may have been in. She will also check in the courthouse where "the names of all Fayette Countians who served so bravely are publicly displayed."

On Veterans' Day 1987, veterans of World War I unveiled a handsome stone Armed Forces Memorial on the courthouse lawn in La Grange. The monument faces the venerable Muster Oak where Fayette County men have assembled and marched off to war so many times in the county's 150-year history.

A trip to La Grange should prove very meaningful to those of our readers who have roots in Fayette County, and a letter to Ms Hufnall beforehand just might enable you to locate the places where your ancestors lived. It's sharing people like Jean who make ancestor-hunting so pleasant!



MOVING?

Don't forget to send your new address to AGS well in advance so we won't have to pay for another undeliverable <u>Quarterly</u> or <u>Newsletter</u>. The more we are forced to spend on such unnecessary expense (and it really mounts up!), the less we will have to spend on splendid seminars, beautiful books, prestigious book-publishing, neighborly newsletters, and quibbling quarterlies!

P L E A S E send your new address as soon as you know what it will be (with your moving date) to AGS, Box 1507, Austin TX 78767-1507.

IDENTIFICATION WANTED

Miss M.C. Forister (of 6701 Boleynwood Dr, Austin TX 78745-4833) has sent in these two interesting pictures in hopes that our readers will be able to identify some or all of the people and buildings. Her only clue to the church is that the picture was given to her by the late Mrs. Frank V. (Grady Ward) Coopwood of Lytton Springs in Caldwell County, Texas.

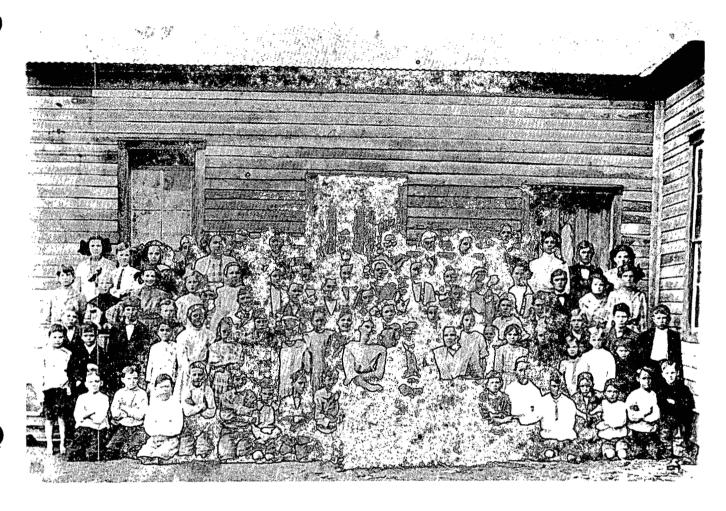
[Ed. Note: Since no crosses are visible, it probably was not a Roman Catholic or Episcopal church. If you have some dated pictures, can you suggest the decade in which these groups were photographed - by the ladies' hats, perhaps?]

The second group seems to be posed in front of a school - where and when? The negative was found in an envelope inscribed "Mr. Caperton". It was one of the collection from the late Mr. Harry F. Annas who had a photographic studio in Lockhart for many years. (The collection is now in the archives of the Eugene C. Barker Texas History Center at the University of Texas at Austin.)

M.C. Forister is especially eager to identify that "Mr. Caperton" because her great-great-grandmother (nee Mary Ann Caperton) belonged to one of several families of that name who came to Texas from Mississippi in the 1850s. Mary Ann Caperton married William Franklin Robertson and died at Lytton Springs on 19 June 1918.

Readers are urged to get out old albums and boxes of pictures to see if they can match up these buildings and groups of people.







SOUNDS IN A PIONEER CABIN



Early this morning as I was washing dishes (by hand), my refrigerator went into its resting mode, the central heating and air-conditioning blower was off, as were the radio and television, and the only sound I heard was the slow tunk, tunk of the quartz clock on the kitchen wall. No cars went by, all the neighbors' lawn mowers, chain saws and motorcycles were awaiting their arisal, the garbage truck had not yet reached my block. The silence was eerie, almost frightening, until the cheerful sounds of birds penetrated the window pane.

Idly I began to speculate on the sounds that my great-great-grandmother might have heard as she washed dishes in her log cabin north of Hemphill's Prairie in Bastrop County in 1840. (First settlers still called it Mina sometimes.)

Jane Frances (McNeal) Brown would be washing her best white dishes (because she didn't trust them to Mammy or Senelaca, the half-Indian slave girl whom Dr. Brown's father had rescued in 1814) while they swept the floor and tended to the barnyard animals. She would be vaguely aware of the voices of her children, perhaps the thump and swish of a churn in the dogtrot of the porch, against the

normal background of dogs barking, chickens squawking or clucking, and other animals making their familiar sounds.

Depending on the direction of the wind, the sounds of chopping and sawing might be heard as David Franklin Brown and some of his four field hands felled trees somewhere on his nearly four and a half thousand acres. Nearer at hand, the mellow voice of another strong man reverberated in the clear air as he called directions to the ox or mule pulling the plow.

Grandmother Brown's black marble mantelpiece clock would solemnly tick-tock, and her kettle would be hissing on the stove as she heated more water to scald the dishes. At her feet, while eight-year-old Mary Armour tried to teach the two's table to six-year-old Cordelia, four-year-old Clara played with two-year-old James Franklin. The other red-headed son, Albert Polk, slept quietly in his cradle, his dreams untroubled by premonitions of the deadly battle sounds at Gaines Mill that would put him to sleep for the last time.

Jane tried to stifle her longing for the sounds of civilization -- Oh, to enjoy once more the music of a ball in Tennessee! [Later she was to dream of dancing in the White House where her first cousin James was President] - or at least to have the excitement of shopping in a town with more than one store and more genteel carriages like her own than clumsy farm wagons on the dusty street!

But, with a sigh, she gave thanks that the Indians had not made one of their frequent raids the night before, and that she would have the privilege of hearing Parson John Haynie preach the next day, even if it had to be in the back room or warehouse of a store building.

NOTES

This bit of nostalgia is partly factual, partly fanciful. I have documented proof that David Franklin Brown and Jane Frances McNeal were married 14 October 1829 at Bolivar, Hardeman County, Tennessee, where their first five children were born. (The firstborn, Thomas McNeal Brown, was buried there 4 August 1831.)

In 1837 Dr. Brown visited Texas on horseback and purchased land three miles above Bastrop on the Colorado River [Brown, William and Margaret (Peggy Fleming), Descendants of, Volume II page 200 - written by your editor]. He brought his family to their new home late in the next year, traveling in a party of some 40 families (ibid.).

Margaret Belle Jones's "Bastrop" (found in Texas State Archives) locates the Browns' home "north of Hemphill's Prairie." I have not found that prairie on a map but there is a Hemphill's Bend in the Colorado near the village of Utley which "experienced Indian raids into the late 1850's" (The Handbook of Texas). It seems likely that the prairie was within that bend.

An 1839 deed confirms that D.F. Brown bought a league for \$1666.50 from Joseph Burleson, land near the headwaters of Walnut Creek in southwestern Bastrop County, but in my fantasy, the Browns had not moved onto that land by late fall 1840.

As daughter Cordelia related in the 1920's (Brown, William ..., Volume II page 201), her mother had shipped a set of highly prized white china to Indianola before they left Tennessee, but most of it came to an untimely end at the hands of "one of the negro women." The incredible saga of the loss of some of the Browns' slaves and their recovery (with accrued offspring) from the Indians some 25 years later may be found in the Brown family history referred to above. I have no proof that Col. Joseph Brown gave one or more of them to his son Franklin, but Senelaca, only a year old in 1814-15, would have been a grown woman in 1840.

The 1840 tax rolls (Gifford White's 1840 Citizens of Texas) reveal that D.F. Brown had six slaves (no description), one carriage, and title to 4428 acres in Bastrop County.

In our family archives is a picture that confirms my memory of the rather monumental black clock that graced the brown marble mantelshelf in my Great-grandmother Cordelia's sitting room (called "The Chamber" by her Virginia-born husband). From the top of the clock emerged a dainty, long-stemmed brass urn, as incongruous as a ballerina pirouetting atop the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem. I have no knowledge that it had belonged to her mother; a study of clocks might reveal that it was made later, but this is my fantasy, so I can pretend that it did!

The ages of the Brown children come from a family Bible as well as several census returns, and the death of Albert Polk Brown is recorded in various accounts of Hood's Brigade and Civil War battles.

On 30 May 1843 (letter in Tennessee Archives at Nashville), Dr. Brown wrote his father that his latest son had black hair, whereas the other two boys were redheaded. He also mentioned that he and Jane were teaching the children at home.

James Knox Polk. Thus Jane was the first cousin of the eleventh President of the United States (1845-49). Perhaps it was this that made her somewhat supercilious. In Barker Archives is a diary kept 1849-59 by R.K. Campbell, including his trip from Maury County, Tennessee, to Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays and Travis counties in Texas. He noted that he dropped in at the home of Dr. Brown, but "he is not at home his lady is a very affected haughty old lady but treated me very kindly but I was dissatisfied in her company and did not wait long for the Dr." [That was after the Browns had moved to Prairie Lea.]

Although this family group never suffered real tragedy at the hands of the marauding Indians, Dr. Brown did risk his life by participating in the Battle of Plum Creek (The Great Comanche Raid by Donaly E. Brice, pp. 45 & 69; Brown, William ... as cited above, and other accounts of that event).

On 12 Feb 1840, D.F. Brown wrote to this father that "Parson Hainey" of Alabama, a Methodist, preached in Bastrop often, and Parson Roark, "a Cumberland [Presbyterian, as was Colonel Brown] who was elected Chaplain to the Senate," visited them occasionally.

That church services were held in store buildings is mentioned in <u>Bastrop</u> County 1691-1900 (revised edition by Bill Moore copyright 1977) on pages 101, 102 and 109.

The line drawings at the head of this piece represent my mind's-eye pictures of Jane's parental home in Tennessee and one or more of the pioneer log cabins in which she lived after coming to Texas.

The American Daily Statesman, Tuesday, 2 January 1912, page 3: W.H. Poole and Miss Juanita Russell of Liberty Hill were married in the parlors of the Driskill Hotel at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The Rev. J.W. Kerns, pastor of Central Christian Church of this city officiated. The young couple will make their future home in Bisbee, Arizona.

page 5, "Austin Social News": Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club meets with Mrs. B. Montgomery.

Mrs. Hugh McDonald returned yesterday from an enjoyable holiday visit with relatives and friends in McKinney.

ALBANY, LINN COUNTY, OREGON TERRITORY

June the 20th., 1854

Dear Brother and Sister

Your letter came to hand on yesterday and and sincerely wish that may meet you all in good health and prosperity. Your letter came to us as one from the dead, as well fully understood and was under some time past that you had gone to try the realities of another world.

We had the misfortune to loose our eldest daughter Charlotte Elizabeth who married gentleman by the name of Davis Layton, who is left with two children, a son and a daughter to lament her untimely death.

My children are all but one living in sight of me except Raymond S., my oldest son, who lives seven miles east of me. Coriolanus D. - Leander C. - Calvin P. - and Catherine I. White and myself. We all hold in one body of land six hundred and forty acres each which amounts in all thirty hundred acres - all but the two last lies within three miles of Albany and our County Seat and shortly expected will be the seat or Capitol of the Territory. We have yet∥This country is naturally adapted to wheat no rail roads in the Territory, but the last legislature passed a charter for a railroad from this to Francisco. San California, tho not yet begun.

Yet we have the broad Pacific Ocean, as it were at our door, that wants no reparation, the un-perishing Ocean spread before us by the almighty hand of a great and good God where we can at all time and at all seasons transport all our commodities to the four corners of the earth and in return receive all and every commodity and luxury that a consuming nation may require.

Besides this we have innumerable rivers and l streams that are daily navigated far, far, into the interior, with steam and other ||quite insipped, two kinds of Salmonberries,

water crafts and at the same time Barreling and storing away thousands of barrels of Salmon and other choice fish. Clams, and Crabs. Thus far we Oysters, are far ahead of all inland improvements such as Railroads and Plank Roads.

found us all enjoying good health for which You well no that where you and myself was we are thankful to the giver, all blessing, brought up we might expect we seen much. But let me tell you, I must acknowledge, I never knew or seen anything comparitively I crossed the Rocky speaking until the Mountains. My children know and have seen impression that you had passed into that∥more at 12 years of age than I knew or seen world where no traveller ever returns. We∥at thirty. I need not go on to enumerate learned from a letter from Sister Magdaline∥as this sheet and four more would not contain even the outline.

> The stupendous mountains timely capped with snow. Seven mountains in full view. One rest, a volcano, the among the ascending it was far, far, beyond as conception, those things are sublime. To those who have never seen the like, our grand prairies, our lofty Fir and Pine and the many evergreen trees and shrubs.

> Many of our farmers hold as many as fifteen hundred head of Cattle. Its not uncommon to see as many as two thousand head of Mules in a band and as many Indian Horses. You may see as much as three hundred acres in one field of wheat and that often as thick as it can stand.

> growing. Corn does not do so well, the nights are too cool, all summer you may lie under two quilts all summer.

> Vines of all kinds and potatoes, turnips and all kinds of garden vegetables do well but sweet potatoes do not do well. kinds of berries, so many kinds that I cannot enumerate them all. We have five kinds Currents, four of different of Hortleberries, four kinds of Gooseberries, three kinds of Raspberries, three kinds of Blackberries, three kinds of Sarvesberries, two kinds of Cranberries, two kinds of Thimbleberries and the prairies at this time are red with strawberries, four kinds of wild cherries, some very good others

Red and yellow. A number of others that I cannot think of.

Our market excels any, perhaps in America. Butter 75 cents, Eggs 75 cents per dozen, Fowls 12 dollars per dozen, Wheat at present only three dollars per bushel. Potatoes one dollar and fifty cents per bushel, Radishes 75 cents per dozen, Cabbage 25 cents a heat, Gold Dust 17 dollars per ounce. American Horses from one to two hundred dollars, Cows, American, 100 dollars, Spanish 40 dollars.

Labor by the day three dollars, Mechanics from seven to ten dollars per day, lumber at present quite reasonable at 30 dollars per thousand. Thus far I have given you a short and explicit account.

My family are at present quite small. L. Matilda 19 years old, John Baltzell 17 years, Rebeca Ann 14 years, George Washington 9 years old, my wife 55 years old and my self 67. We have 18 grandchildren, eight sons and ten daughters and in a country so prolific as this I expect my family will in a half century will be very large.

At the receipt of this please write soon. I received a letter some time since from your son - quite a fine boy.

Yours in heart.

John Burkhart

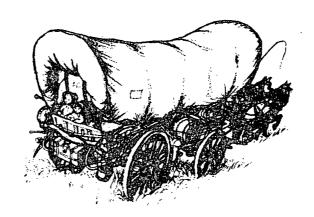
Mr. Peter Burkhart

BURKHART LETTER

The foregoing interesting letter was kindly furnished to AGS Quarterly by our former President, Andrea (Burkhart) Nagel. It was published last fall in The Heritage at Scio, Oregon.

Andrea promises to submit charts or other data that will show her relationship to Peter and John Burkhart for our June "Ancestor Listing Section."

This letter not only gives us a peek at prices in those days, but shows that bragging about their new homes was not limited to Texans!





TEXAS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BESTOWS

TWO AWARDS ON AUSTIN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY ::

The Annual Conference of Texas State Genealogical Society was held in Austin November 6-8, 1987. An excellent program of outstanding speakers was presented, and many interesting exhibits were available for examination. At the banquet Saturday night, Austin Genealogical Society was honored with two top awards:

First Place Texas Quarterly - AGS Quarterly was described in Stirpes (the publication of TSGS) thus: "... the material is excellent and well presented." However, that review stated that we were in our 18th year! Fortunately for posterity, they got it right on the certificate: "Founded 1960."

On behalf of Austin Genealogical Society as a whole, your editor wishes to express thanks to all who have contributed "excellent material" to $\overline{\text{AGS Quarterly}}$ over the years. This is the first time we have entered TSGS's annual competition.

First Place for Publication of Records was awarded to our Society for Republic of Texas Pension Application Abstracts, John C. Barron, chairman. It was "Beautifully done!", exclaimed the reviewing editor of Stirpes.

In case you didn't know, John Barron not only devoted his Saturdays and most of his free time at home to the tedious job of abstracting and editing these hard-to-read records, but formatted and committed it all to his computer as well. It is no small job to organize the notes of several people into a consistent style. John also made the index and arranged for the use of a laser printer which produced such a beautiful effect in the final product.

The committee who also worked long and hard in the production of this valued addition to the field of Texana included Nan Polk Brady, Emma Gene Seale Gentry, Barbara Langham Goudreau, and the late Iris Higgins Zimmerman. A few others helped in one way or another, and we are grateful to them all. We are happy to report that the book is now "in the black" and sales are still brisk.

Work is going forward slowly but steadily on the next project planned by AGS Publications. This consists of abstracting papers in the "Audited Military Claims - Republic" collection in the Texas State Archives. Such claims were submitted by individuals for services or goods they had provided to the Republic of Texas between 1835 and 1846.

The committee working on this project is headed by Dr. Johnie Reeves, who will be assisted in editing by John C. Barron. Abstracters include Belle Cook, Caroline Bass, Bettye Rathbone, Olan Caffey, Helen Rugeley, and perhaps others unknown to me.

There are some 9,500 files in this group of records as compared to 2,000 in the pension papers, so our second book may be in several volumes. A file may contain from one to 161 [known example] separate items, and from one to perhaps hundreds of names, all of which will be published.

Just to show what interesting information may be discovered in these files, we have cut and pasted up one document to whet your anticipation of this publication. Try to read all the names, then turn to page 35 to see how your deciphering agrees with ours. However, we have the advantage: the Archives' own alphabetized list of the names in this collection.

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GENEALOGY IN THE NEWS

Articles pertaining to genealogy have appeared in unexpected publications recently, and our readers have kindly called them to the attention of your editor, for which we are grateful. Undoubtedly the most thought-provoking one was sent by one of the founders of AGS, Mrs. David C. Gracy, who continues to hold the welfare of the Society in high priority.

In <u>U.S.</u> News & World Report, dated 11 January 1988, Erica E. Goode presented her thesis that "surnames are more than just entries on the family tree - they plot the movements of cultures."

She cited a study conducted by Stanford University geneticists who have used surname analysis to plot human migration patterns in Italy. Employing a computerized list of more than 10 million entries from Italian phone books and the records of first-cousin marriages kept by the Roman Catholic Church, they postulated that certain genetic diseases seem to have "originated in localized populations and were spread as these peoples moved across the globe."

For example, one form of the inherited disease thalassemia is found primarily on Mediterranean islands originally colonized by the ancient Greeks, while another type has been traced to residents of land first colonized by Phoenicians. Therefore, their respective surnames would be etymologically distinguishable. Appearance of the opposite strain of thalassemia can be linked to the arrival of certain surnames in a locality.

The researchers can treat a surname "as if it were a gene on the male's Y chromosome - inherited like traits such as eye color." These "genes" (surnames) can be followed when they appear in new towns or countries "to mingle with the natives or die off when a female marries and changes her name."

As far back as 1875, George Darwin (son of biologist Charles) published a paper showing that 4½ percent of marriages were between first cousins. He calculated the rate of inbreeding in the British aristocracy by studying names in Burke's Peerage and the Pall Mall social register.

It is estimated that there are more than a million surnames in the United States, where it is more difficult to trace them than in Europe because our society is more mobile and more women tend to keep their names after marriage.

In Japan, there are over 100,000 surnames, but most of them are recent, only adopted because an 1875 decree made it obligatory. China retains her tradition of using only a few hundred surnames, some being nearly 2,000 years old.

An anthropologist scrutinized the tax and marriage records kept in Deerfield, Massachusetts in conjunction with a computerized version of an 1895 genealogy of some 14 prominent families of the town. He observed that in 1718 those families made up 40% of the population and controlled 54% of the town's wealth. By 1820, the same surnames comprised only 7% of the population but still controlled more than half of the financial resources. The researcher reached a cynical conclusion: "The motive for matrimony among the well-to-do ... may have had less to do with affection than the desire to keep their money in their social set"!

I'm ashamed to admit that I have lost the paper-clipped note telling who sent in the next article, but I am nonetheless grateful. In the November 30, 1987 issue of Business Week, Suzanne Woolley authored a light-hearted article titled

"So You Want To Climb Your Family Tree". The amusing illustration shows a man with a ladder and magnifying glass at the base of a tree labeled "Arbor familiae" - now we have a synonym for the well-worn "family tree"!

A scroll hanging down the tree's trunk reads upward from 1700 to 1300, but I submit that the roots should be the earliest date and the outermost leaves the most recent.

Ms. Woolley's opening gambit is the surprising information that Gerald Ford and "Princess Di" have an ancestor in common - England's King Edward III.

The body of the article is a once-over-lightly survey of how much an aspiring tree-climber could spend on genealogical research. After the usual advice to the beginner, such as interviewing relatives, searching for family Bibles, letters, diaries, newspapers, courthouse records and so on, the writer states that one can pay up to \$25,000 to a professional genealogist for a couple of years' research.

Addresses of some institutions that will furnish lists of professionals are given, but the neophyte genealogist is clearly warned not to expect too much. Neither a 30-dollar book nor a \$300-investment is likely to trace a family back to medieval times, unless it clearly ties in to established lines in short order.

Among the many helpful addresses given in this article is that of a firm that arranges for a group of 20 to 100 relatives to tour their common ancestral villages in England --- now, that is tempting!

Finally, the names, prices, and manufacturers (with phone numbers) of genealogical software programs may be just what you've been looking for!



Mrs. H.R. Gentry brought over the January 1988 issue of <u>The Episcopalian</u> which Dr. David B. Gracy had turned over to her for assessment. Most of us are inclined to believe that a church publication would not accept false advertising, and trust anything appearing therein at face value. But there's always a chance someone in its advertising department was hoodwinked!

This skeptical attitude on my part was, regrettably, built up by repeated reports of the publication of yet another costly book, spuriously described as family histories. But I hope I am wrong and that the \$30 family histories advertised in The Episcopalian Professional Pages are worth the money. The claims made therein are less extravagant than those made by Beatrice Bayley, Elizabeth (Your Surname) Ross and others.

"Each manuscript is a genealogical and historical study of the family from earliest times" seems generalized enough, but the ad does stress "its place among the gentry," "its achievements and leading representatives," and so on. I suspect anyone could duplicate these "histories" by casual search of encyclopedias, Dictionary of American Biography, and such routine sourcebooks. But at least they don't claim that the book was researched and written especially for YOU.

This "Roots Research Bureau, Ltd." of New York offers a bonus for prompt orders: "The Romance of Coats of Arms" and an 8-generation Ancestry Chart. With over twenty 12-inch columns of surnames, I daresay every reader could find one or more surnames worth a \$30 investment [gamble?]. I found 161 of my ancestral names, but don't think I'll order that many! They do offer "a refund" [amount not specified] if customer is not satisfied, so it sounds safe.

AGS members may call me (your editor) between the hours of 8 and 12 or 2 and 6:30 for addresses and specific details. (477-7313)

[Troutz, Christopher]

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ROSTER OF MEN RECRUITED IN 1838

(See page 30)

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The Austin Daily Statesman, Monday, 1 January 1912, page 5:

"Austin Social News - Today's Events" A party for bachelors of the University
Faculty to-might at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Haney.

Mrs. J.T. Canales of Brownsville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Martyn Elliott.

Miss Ima Culley & her guest, Miss Philpott, have returned to their school in Weatherford.

Miss Myrtle Taylor is expected home Wednesday from a visit with friends and relatives in Decatur.

Miss Hallie McPherson of Fort Worth who has been the guest of Miss Taliaferro left Saturday for San Antonio.

Mrs. Stacy-Williams will be the honor guest at a musical arranged by members the Amateur Musical Club for tomorrow evening at the studio.

Miss Maydelle Campbell has returned from Palestine and will be the guest of Mrs. J.W. Morris until the University opens.

Prof. & Mrs. George Begg entertained informally the last of the week in honor of Rev. Mr. Joplin, the new pastor of University Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. H.L. Cook of Marshall who has been visiting her parents, Mr. & Mrs. G.A. Sullivan, was called home the last of the week by the illness of Mr. Cook.

GENEALOGY OF THE CLARKE FAMILY

John		f Beverl	y, MA & Sarah	Smith	
	b.		l. ca 1727		
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	Sarah		Joseph	1695 1698	
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			Elizabeth	1702	
	Mary	1693		3. 1	
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	Ebenezer			1717	
	Jean	1712	Mary	1720	
	Sara	1714	Mary	1722	
William Clarke of Rochester, & Martha Rider					
	b. 11 Nov	1717	d. ca 1755		
	m. 03 Sep	1741			
#	171h	17112	Mary	1751	
	John	1743	Martha	1753	
	Joshua	1746	Zerviah	1744	
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Ebenezer Clarke I of Rochester & Elizabeth Dexter					
	ъ. 30 May	1742	d. 13 Apr 179	6	
	m. 05 Jan	1764			
	William	1265	Seth	1778	
	Ebenezer	1768 *	Ebenezer	1781	
	Elizabeth	1770	Thomas	1784	
	Mary	1772	Sarah	1784	
	Johanna	1774	Elisha	1786	
	Hanna	1776	Martha	1789	
Ebenezer Clarke II of Conway, & Sally Griffeth					
b. 28 May 1781 d. 28 Oct 1832					
	m. 13 Apr				
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E. Lincoln Clarke of Dubuque, IA & Sarah Roxie Walker
      b. 02 Nov 1822
                       d. 06 oct 1903
      m. 03 Jan 1865
   * Frederick Marshall
                          1865
Frederick Marshall Clarke of Dubuque, IA &
                Margaret Elizabeth Hutchinson
      b. 17 Dec 1866
                       d. 25 Dec 1954
      m. 12 Nov 1895
    * Walker Hutchinson
                          1897
     Margaret Dorothy
                          1902
     Frederick Lincoln
                          1907
Walker Hutchinson Clarke of Mason City, IA &
                Mildred Lorraine Killen
     b. 01 Feb 1897
                       d. 14 Mar 1979
     m. 21 Feb 1916
     Elizabeth Jeannette 1916
   * Constance Lorraine 1921
Constance Lorraine Clarke of Austin, TX &
                Joseph Marion Myers
     b. 14 Jan 1921
     m. 28 Nov 1944
     Joseph Michael
                     1947
     Caroline Jill
                     1952
     Christopher Clarke 1953
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AGS member Connie Clarke Myers (Mrs. Joseph M. Myers) contributed the following quaint biography of her great-great-grandfather, the second Ebenezer Clarke. It was written by his son Albert in the grandiloquent style of the ninteenth century.

Connie notes that Albert was a lawyer who dealt in real estate, as did his brother Asa who was a druggist. Rodolphus was first a farmer, then a dentist, and her direct ancestor, E. Lincoln, was also a dentist. Both of the daughters died young after brief marriages.

To the family of him whose character is here but imperfectly Sketched, This Biography

designed for their exclusive use, is most respectfully inscribed

BIOGRAPHY OF EBENEZER CLARKE

Society in every enlightened community is formed of individuals engaged in various pursuits and professions.

Each class moves in its appropriate sphere of action - holds an influence of its own and retains its relative importance. But the welfare of society is most concerned in the character of the Agricultural portion of a community. Not only do those who obtain their subsistence by the cultivation of the soil hold the precedence in point of numbers, but they furnish food and the raw material for clothing to all the other professions.

Although all are ready to admit their importance, yet very few are long remembered as examples of virtue and industry. To obtain a name - a celebrated name, it sometimes matters little how a man serves his country. Whether, like Bonaparte, he sacrifices thousands to the altar of ambition, or like Washington, is governed by principles of the purest patriotism. In either case, his name lives, and the history of his life is transmitted to distant ages.

Public men are not favorably situated to become remarkable in their domestic relations. Their attention is generally so much absorbed in public affairs that little opportunity is afforded them for attending to their own families. If learned and influential, private interests must be sacrificed to public good. They appear conspicuous in public stations and leave to others the humble and happy work of promoting virtue and religion in smaller circles.

To private man, then, is left the undisturbed enjoyment of friendship - to them must be ascribed the honor of producing a large majority of distinguished public men and through them the great causes of Benevolence and Religion are supported and sustained. They are to their friends living examples of morality and piety, - men firm in purpose, and of strict integrity, worthy the imitation of many whose names are inscribed high in living characters upon the register of fame.

Mr. Ebenezer Clarke possessed some traits of character worthy of being imitated by his family. In a public capacity he seldom acted, as he was altogether unaspiring in his deportment. Not that he took no interest in public affairs, for many of them lay near his heart, but because he thought others more competent than himself to attend to their immediate management.

He was born in Rochester in the County of Plymouth, Mass. on the 28th of May, 1781, and was the seventh of a family of eleven children. Deacon Ebenezer Clarke, his father, married Miss Elizabeth Dexter, with whom he lived many years in the enjoyment of domestic happiness. By industry and prudent management they supported and educated in a very respectable manner all the members of their numerous family; and in a good old age departed this life in the triumphs of Christian hope. We know but little of the early history of their son, of whose character this is but an imperfect sketch, except that he was an industrious, sober and obedient boy. When about ten years of age an accident was the cause of making a deep and serious impression upon his mind. While bathing in a pond in Rochester (inserted here is someone's word, "mistake" near the residence of his father, in company with two lads rather older than himself, he ventured into the water for some distance beyond his depth, and after struggling for some time, was fortunately discovered and with great difficulty was brought to the shore. This narrow escape from a watery grave led him seriously to reflect whether he was prepared for death. He enjoyed the advantages of no conference meetings nor did he disclose his feelings to any except his God. His serious impressions continued until he was able to cherish the hope that his sins were forgiven. His delightful seasons of prayer and glorious views of the character of God, at this time were ever reviewed by him with peculiar satisfaction.

Two or three years after this occurrence his father purchased a farm in Conway, Franklin County, Mass. where he removed with his family. With his Father and brothers he was here engaged in the healthful pursuit of Agriculture. They did not long however enjoy the advice and assistance of their excellent parent, who a few years after his removal was taken from them by death. The whole management of the farm now devolved upon Mr. Clarke and a brother but little older than himself and both yet in their minority. The family was large and of course but a small portion of their father's estate fell to them, yet influenced by a sense of duty and the advice of a neighboring Deacon, they resolved to attempt to keep the family together and pay to the heirs their allotted portion. They laboured hard and incessantly and favoured by the smiles of Providence, succeeded according to their wishes. It was at this time, no doubt, that he acquired those habits of rigid industry and that love of attending personally to his affairs which were his characteristics through life.

His advantages for acquiring an education were no greater than ordinary. He attended the public schools in winter and completed his education with a quarter at Deerfield Academy. His literary attainments were respectable for men in his condition and of the common branches of English education with which he was well acquainted; arithmetic was his favorite study.

After his education was completed he spent seven winters in succession in school teaching. He was very partial to this employment and it is believed always gave general satisfaction to his scholars.

At the age of twenty-seven he married Miss Sally Griffeth of Ashfield, Mass. who was living at his death.

A short time after this the partnership between his brother and himself was by mutual consent dissolved. He now had the exclusive management of a farm and at length saw himself surrounded by a family of children. He

exhibited a good degree of prudence and judgment in husbandry. "Let there be a place for every thing and every thing in its place" was his motto, and great neatness was exhibited in all his affairs. In some branches of farming he excelled and for several years in succession obtained premiums from the Hampshire, Franklin, and Hampden Agricultural Society.

He had a strong aversion to becoming embarrassed with debt. For this reason he never entered into any extensive speculation and always knew where and how much he owed. Although he sometimes indulged himself in a trip to different parts of his own and the neighboring states, yet he labored hard and very constantly to the close of life. Labor had become one of his fixed habits and no inconsiderable source of his enjoyment. His motions were not rapid; but through the day "rain or shine" he was always doing something. Indeed, he thought idleness highly criminal and never was satisfied without labouring for himself or others. Not satisfied with being industrious himself, he endeavored both by precept and example to instil this virtue into the minds of all the members of his family.

Perhaps in early life he sometimes pushed his diligence too far, for his labours not unfrequently encroached upon the night, but this practice was abandoned long before his death.

In his intercourse with his family, he was exemplary and kind - in government firm and inflexible. He was never known to exhibit violent passions or administer punishment when undeserved. He was slow to anger, but when roused, was firm and inflexible.

His mind could not be easy when any of his affairs were in disorder and was restless until they were properly disposed. In his dealings he was strictly honest. It was his wish that a bargain should be beneficial to the person with whom he traded as well as himself and indeed this was almost always the fact. But two or three instances are remembered in which he very sensibly got the best end of the bargain and these seemed to give him more anxiety than if he had been the loser. He was slow to promise, but punctual in performance. At the time of his death he was not aware that he had an enemy. His heart was sincerely honest and sincerity was evident in his general appearance. Although he delighted in the conversation of his friends he never intermeddled with the affairs of others, and was rather backward in addressing strangers.

When in the society of those in whom he confided, he was unguarded in expression and fluent in conversation. In the society of those more intelligent than himself he experienced the greatest delight. His conversation upon subjects with which he was acquainted was instructive, but he never had a thorough knowledge of History and Geography, although he knew something of the situation of different places.

The now come to speak of his religious character. (sic). The time now comes to speak of his religious character. His hopeful conversion in early life has already been mentioned, but he did not for several years disclose the changes which then took place in his feelings. His conduct was sober and exemplary although in after life he was known to express some regret that he thought but little of God for one or two years when about the age of twenty. At this time he performed religious duties in his schools but made no public profession of love to the cause of God. Uncommon modesty together with the different customs which then prevailed, will perhaps justify him in so long neglecting publicly to profess his hope in Christ. Whether excusable or not

in the sight of God, no doubt can be contained that he was conscientious in the course he took, although he never afterwards recommended it to others. After becoming the responsible head of a family, he felt more sensibly the weight of his religious obligations and united himself to the Congregational Church in Conway then under the pastoral charge of the Rev. John Emerson. During his connexion with this church, it received two or three special outpourings of the Holy Spirit. During one (of) those revivals, twelve or fifteen years before his death, Sabbath Evening Conference meetings were established in his neighborhood. He felt in them a deep interest, and was generally a punctual attendant upon their exercises, but did not take a very active part in their management until a powerful revival in the spring of 1831 under the ministry of the Rev. Daniel Crosby. This seemed to inspire him with fresh Christian life and energy and he no longer hesitated openly to encourage the brethren and warn the impenitent. Only a week or two before his death he went a mile & a half to attend one of these meetings and found there but one Christian brother, with whom he spent the evening in prayer. He was punctual in the performance of family worship, never permitting business to encroach upon time which he considered sacred. It was his practice to have each of his children read a chapter in the Bible on Saturday evening and join with him in reading the Scriptures on the Sabbath, when after services at the Church, it was expected that they should give the divisions of the Sermons for the day, with suitable explanations.

In giving religious instructions to his family, his remarks were not usually personal, but always indicative of tender feelings of regard.

So scrupulous was his respecting the performance of his private devotions that his most intimate friends say he was never known to omit them, and that whatever his business, or wherever he might be, twice each day he knelt in secret prayer before his God. When upon his death bed, speaking of his religious experience to one of his friends, he said, "Ever since my boyhood, when I thought that I experienced religion I have spent two seasons each day in secret prayer, sometimes with too little interest but God can forgive". He was a regular attendant at Church on the Sabbath and was the faithful friend of his minister. He contributed liberally to promote the interests of Benevolence & Learning & gave all that his means would allow.

There were two or three periods in his life in which he suffered somewhat for a few months from depression of spirits. One cause of this state of mind was apparently impaired health, frustration of plans or fears that his Christian hopes were not based upon a good foundation. He always appeared to struggle hard against these unwelcome feelings and they only made him more fervent in his supplications at the throne of Grace.

These periods were only a few weeks or months in contuance and never interrupted his customary avocations.

In September, 1832, he made a pleasant journey through the eastern part of Mass(achusetts), Rhode Island, and Connecticut. After his return he was engaged, as usual, in the business of his farm. On the 23 of October he went early in the morning to shake from the trees the last of his apples for the season. A rain had fallen the night previous making the trees slippery and unusually difficult to climb. He was ascending the limb of a large apple tree, when both the limb which supported his feet and the small twigs which he had grasped with his hands broke, and he fell backwards, without any obstruction, above twenty feet to the ground. The fall probably separated his spinal marrow, and ruptured a blood vessel within the stomach. He was not struck senseless by the shock but afterwards related his feelings at the time. He said that as soon as he touched the

ground he stretched out his hands and touched one of his limbs and it felt like the limb of another man. His body below the breast was entirely destitute of feeling until his death. Having been conveyed by his friends with some difficulty to his house, he languished nearly five days, when his sufferings were terminated by death. During his illness, he received all the attentions which his family, his kind neighbors and able physician could bestow. During the first and last two days of his illness he suffered extremely with pain in the head and stomach. The two intervening days were comparatively free from suffering, and as he was sensible from the beginning that the injury would prove fatal, he improved this time in closing up his business with the world. He made his last will and testament, and gave all possible directions respecting the future management of his business. Except at intervals when distracted with pain, his mind was perfectly calm & tranquil.

When first from busy labours and full strength he was thus suddenly called to lay upon the bed of death, some clouds seemed to obscure his views of God; but after a few hours they vanished and left him in bright and cheering anticipation of that country whose borders he now had nearly reached. His train of thought naturally led him first to inquire: What have I been doing in the world? "When I look upon my past life", said he, "I find nothing which I have done that can save me. I have no hope except in the mercy of God". He was enraptured when speaking of the love of God and exclaimed, "The atonement procured by the blood of Christ is exactly adapted to me, a poor sinner".

He seemed reconciled to his situation saying, "I have probably lived in the world as long as I can be useful to it. I have nearly attained to the age of my father, and I thought at the time of his death that he was an aged man. Some years since I was brought by sickness apparently near to death, I then had but one wish to live. It was that I might attend to the education of my family. My children have now arrived so near to manhood that I can with hope and confidence leave them in the world under the care of their Heavenly Father." In the commencement of his illness he conversed separately with each member of his family, giving them salutary advice respecting their future conduct in the world, most solemnly & affectionately warning them to prepare for the bed of death. Most of his friends and relations called to see him & he spoke to all of their spiritual welfare. To a friend whom he esteemed but whom he feared did not possess vital piety he said at the commencement of an affecting exhortation: "You see me suddenly brought to my present condition & know that I can live but a short time. I speak to you then in the language of a dying man, and will not (sic)(as) one upon the bed of death be honest". Be faithful, was the solemn admonition he gave his Christian Brethren.

It was remarked by one who called to see him that his room seemed to be half in heaven and half on earth. It was indeed a solemn and instructive place, rendered particularly so by the peculiar situation of its weak and dying occupant, who, while the lower part of his body might have been hacked to atoms without giving him pain, possessed perfectly his powers of speech and mind clear and vigorous. Lamenting the inactivity of the Church in Conway to the Rev. Daniel Crosby, his beloved minister, he said, "Ah, Sir, you have seen your church & myself dull and stupid, while I have seen you active and striving to rouse us to our duty". To one of the Deacons of the church, who visited him in company with others of the brethren, he expressed a strong desire that a revival of religion might take place in the town and spoke with joy of the happy world which he hoped soon to enter. Mr. Clarke was quite fond of music and possessed a strong and pleasant voice for singing. There was an old fashioned piece, called the Judgment Hymn which he particularly liked and said years before that he wished to have this tune sung when dying. He united his weak and trembling

voice with his friends in this and other tunes on the day before his death. While singing he seemed to be in a transport of joy, and while a bright smile lighted up his countenance, exclaimed, "Eternity will be too short to sing His praises". On the Saturday before his death his pain increased in the head and stomach and became intense. It was evident to all that he could survive but a few hours. Of this he was himself fully sensible, and spoke of the solemnity of his feelings when now about to "take his departure for another world". He sank away rapidly through the night, sometimes almost distracted with pain, and then smiling in view of the near approach of death. Towards morning his pulse had become almost extinct, and his words nearly inarticulate, when after a violent spasm of pain, he became calm and exclaimed with a firm voice. "O death where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory?". These are the last words which he is remembered to have uttered aloud with distinction. About an hour afterwards he had another struggle when his eyes became fixed and appearing as if wishing to communicate something, one of his family inclined his ear to him and heard him faintly whisper, "I am going now. Farewell! ---Praise Him, Praise Him". His breath then grew shorter and he expired at daybreak, Sabbath morning, October 28, 1832, aged 51 years and five months.

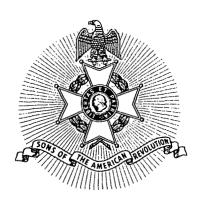
On Monday following, his funeral was attended at his residence by a large concourse of people from Conway and the neighboring towns, and an appropriate discourse delivered by the Rev. Daniel Crosby from Number 23:10, "Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his".

His remains now slumber in the burying ground in the southern part of Conway, there to lie till the archangels' trumpet shall summon them to judgment.

He left a widow and six children, the eldest 22 years of age, then a member of the Junior Class in Amherst College, and the youngest aged only 10 years.

Mr. Clarke was about five feet and nine inches in height, large boned, and possessed of more than ordinary muscular powers. He had black hair, gray eyes, an aquiline nose and a countenance very mild and pleasant.





SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION ENCOURAGE STUDY OF GENEALOGY AND PATRIOTISM

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution invite all Scouts who are awarded the Eagle Rank between September 1st and August 31 of the following year to apply for a \$4000 scholarship. The Scouts are required to submit a resume of their achievements in scouting, a four generation ancestor chart, and theme of 500 words or less on a patriotic subject.

The local Chapter of the SAR, The Patrick Henry Chapter, received 15 applications from the Capitol Area Council Eagle Scouts this year. The best application was received from Eagle Scout Brandon K. Winkenwerder of Troop 231, Shiner, Texas.

On January 16, 1988 the Patrick Henry Chapter awarded Brandon a SAR Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and a check for \$100 to be used by Troop 231 for the purchase of troop equipment.

All of the applicants turned in well-prepared four-generation ancestor charts. A number of them had received the Genealogy Merit Badge, a relatively new award for Scouts. Several of the applicants wrote about their ancestors activities during the Revolutionary War and others researched and wrote about the accomplishments of noted Revolutionary War patriots or soldiers.

One of the Eagle Scouts, Harry Jay Knowles of Troop 238 in Austin, submitted an application with a 13-generation ancestor chart and an exceptional theme covering the patriotic achievements of some of his ancestors whose names appear on his chart. Eagle Scout Knowles' ancestor chart and theme were forwarded to us with his permission by Frank Crain Schleicher, Scholarship Chairman of the Patrick Henry Chapter of the SAR.

It is gratifying to know that the Sons of the American Revolution are encouraging our youth to study both genealogy and the history of the patriotic achievements of our forefathers.

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8 Louis Winford KNOWLES
  FOUR GENERATION ANCESTOR CHART
                                              b. Nov 1889 (Father of No.4)
   Sons of the American Revolution
                                              p.b.Goldthwait
                                              ma. 4 Nov 1915
                                              p.m.Knowles, NM
                  Jay Will KNOWLES *
                    17 Jul 1915
                                              d. Sep. 1961
              b.
                                              p.d.Beaumont, TX.
              p.b.
                    Beaumont, TX
                    5 Feb 1943
              m.
                                             Naomi Madeline IROWBRIDGEJul 1896 (Mother of No.4)
                    Beaumont, TX
              p.m.
              d.
                                              p.b. Thurber, TX
              p.d.
                                              d. Jan 1971
                                              p.d. Beaumont, TX
     2 Jarrell Jay KNOWLES
     b.
           27 Jan 1945
     p.b. St. Theresa Hosp. Beumont, TX
                                              10 Fred Dewey CAIRFII
           19 Sep 1970
                                              b. Mar 1889 (Father of No.5)
     p.m.
                                              p.b. Beaumont, TX
     d.
                                              B. 8 Nov 1920
     p.d.
                                              p.m. Beaumont, TX
               5 Mildred Lucille CATRETT
                                             d. Oct 1925
               b. 31 Oct 1924
                                              p.d. Beaumont, TX
               p.b. Beaumont, TX
               d.
                                              11 Iva WARD
               p.c.
                                              \mathbf{b} \cdot 22 Aug 1897 (Mother of No.5)
                                              p.b. Paris, TX
                                              d.
                                              p.d.
 1 Harry Jav KNOWLES
b. 11 Dec 1971
p.b. St. David's Hosp., Austin, TX
                                              12 Jack Fred HARRISON
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                                                             (Father of No.6)
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               6 Jack Fred HARRISON, Jr.
                                              d.
               b. 13 Dec 1932
                                              p.d.
               p.b. Archer City, TX
               a. Apr. 1950
                                              13 Timothy Jane ANDREWS
               p.m. Henrietta, TX
                                                             (Mother of No.6)
                                              b.
               d.
                                              p.b.
               p.d.
                                              d.
      3 Helen Jane HARRISON
                                              p.d.
      b. 31 May 1950
      P.b. Wichita Falls, TX
                                              14 Harry Halsell PORTWOOD
      ď.
                                              b. 3 Apr 1902 (Father of No.7)
      p.d.
                                              p.b.Decatur, TX
                                              ■. 7 Sep 1928
               7 Paula Ann PORTWOOD
                                              P. □. Channing, TX
               b. 11 Dec 1935
                                              d.
               p.b. Wichita Falls, TX
                                              p.d.
               d.
                                              15 Mary Helen PAGE
               p.d.
                                              b. 28 Oct 1912 (Mother of No.7)
                                              p.b.Umberger, TX
                                              d • 1986
      * Mentioned in theme
                                              p.d.Wiehita Falls, TX
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HARRY JAY KNOWLES - ANCESTER CHART - CONT.

5th Generation:

- 15. Ruben Benjamin KNOWLES
 - b.10 Oct 1864, Mills Co., TX
 - d. Oct 1965, Austin, TX
- 17. Mary Elizabeth SCRIVNER
 - b. 10 Jan 1857
 - d. 7 Aug 1921

18. Marcus George Lafayette TROWBRIDGE

- b. Wiltshire, England
- d. Panama
- 19. Willie Pearl HOUX
 - b. 14 Feb 1876, Palo Pinto, TX
 - d. 21 May 1943. Beaumont, TX
- 20. Thomas Edward CATRETT
 - b. Oct 1857
 - d. Jun 1945, Beaumont, TX
- 21. Florida STANLEY
 - b. Sep 1865
- 22. Stacker Taylor WARD
 - b. Aug 1877, Henry Co., TN
 - d. Sep 1970, Beaumont, TX
- 23. Eula May ALEXANDER
 - b. Jan 1876
 - d. Oct 1949, Beaumont, TX
- 26. Ben ANDREWS
- 28. William Harledge PORTWOOD
 - b. 1861, Hopkins Co.,TX
 - d. 1948, Baylor Co.,TX
- 29. Dottie Sunday CARPENTER
 - b. 1875, Decatur, TX
 - d. 1952, Baylor Co., TX
- 30. Eliza Allan PAGE
 - b. Ewing, IL
- 31. Ester O'BRIEN
 - b. St. Charles, MO

6th Generation:

- 32. Benjamin Lewis KNOWLES
 - b. 20 Oct 1833, Mississippi
 - d. 9 Nov 1925, Weir, TX
- 38. Robert S. HOUX
 - b. 1825, Missouri
- 39. Margret Ann BARTLETT
 - b. 1842
- 44. Thomas Robert WARD
 - b. April 1855
 - d. Nov 1929
- 45. Mary Alice YOWL (yow)
 - b. Dec 1864
 - d. Feb 1936
- 46. M. B. ALEXANDER
 - b. Jan 1840

continue 6th Generation:

- 52. Robert Donnell AMDREWS
 - d. 27 Jul 1922, Glen Rose, TX
- 53. Nancy Elizabeth CLARK
 - b. 24 Mar 1844
 - d. 5 Jan 1928, Archer Co., TX
- 56. W. H. PORTWOOD
 - b. 1830
 - d. 1865, Hopkins Co., TX
- 57. Flizabeth LINDLEY
 - b. Feb 1841
- 58. Jesse CARPENTER
 - b. Jan 1841
 - d. Aug 1893
- 59. Mary STEWART
- 60. John D. PAGE
- 61. Alice MABREY
- 62. James A. O'BRIELEAHY
- 63. Mary Ellen LEAHY

7th Generation:

- 64. Benjamin G. KNOWLES
 - b. 1808, Rhode Island
 - d. 1866, Monroe Co., MS
- 65. Anna
 - b. 1818
 - d. 1869
- 76. Jacob HOUX
 - b. Mar 1782
- 77. Dorothy SIMONS
- 90. Henry YOWL
- 114. Eli LINDLEY
 - b. 1812
 - d. 1867, Kentucky
- 115. Sarah CRISP
 - 5. 1821
 - d. 1898, Missouri
- 118. (Dr.) Thomas A. STEWART
 - b. Sep 1822
 - d. 1899
- 119. Julia A. BRADY
 - b. Jun 1823
- 120. Matthew PAGE
- 121. Mathilde GATES
- 122. George MABREY
- 123. Oma LUTEL
- 124. James J. D'BRIEN
- 125. Mary O'CONNER
- 126. James Patrick LAHEY
- 127. Catherine DELANEY

HARRY JAY KNOWLES - ANCESTOR CHART - CONT.

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8th Generation:	continue 9th Generation:
128. Benjamin S. Knowles	306. Johannes Engelbert MORGANSTERN
b. 26 Jun 1770, S. Kingston, RI	b. Rotterdam, Netherlands
129. Hannah	d. Fredrick Co., MD
b. 1773	362. Washington Davis MEDEARIS
a. 25 Jul 1820	b. 20 Sep 1783
152. Mathias HOUX	d. 2 Sep 1838
b. 10 Mar 1759, Fredrick Co., MD	363. Elizabeth WOODWARD
d. 28 Oct 1831, Lafayette Co.,MO	456. John C. LINDLEY
153. Susannah MORNINGSTAR	b. 1747
b. Oct 1759	d. 1800
d. 24 Sep 1848	457. Sarah PYLE
180. William Russell YOWL	476. James BRADY
181. Mary S. MEDEARIS	b. 1743, Cumberland Co., PA
228. Jacob LINDLEY	d. 1818
b. 1781	477. Rebecca YOUNG
d. 1850	
229. Alcy GIBSON	10th Generation:
b. 1785	512. Henry KNOWLES
d. 1850	b. 20 Nov 1708, S. Kingston, RI
230. Redden CRISP	724. John MEDEARIS
238. James Y. BRADY	b. 22 Feb 1744, Essex Co., VA
b. 1784	d. 31 Mar 1834, Nashville, TN
d. 1869	725. Sarah Hicks BELL
239. Sarah RICKETTS	912. Thomas LINDLEY
240. Jefferson PAGE	b. 1706
248. John O'BRIEN	d. 1781, In Battle of Lindley's
b. Ireland	Mill
249. Ester LINDSTROM	913. Ruth HADLEY
b. Ireland	b. 1712
250. Mark O'CONNER	d. 1785
b. Ireland	914. John PYLE
251. Eileen PENHRYN	714. Julii Fill
b. Ireland	11th Generation:
252. Patrick LAHEY	1024 Henry KNOWLES
	b. 29 Sep 1675 S. Kingston, RI
b. Ireland 253. Lady Ann Carder	d. 1 May 1740
b. Ireland	1025 Mary CASE
254. Rene DELANEY	b. 1682
b. Ireland	d. 1709, S. Kingston, RI
	1824 James H. LINDLEY, Jr.
255. Margaret SEATON	b. 1681, Ballinelash, Treland
b. Ireland	
Dit Committee	d. 1726, Pennsylvania
9th Generation:	1825 Elender PARKE
256. Edward KNOWLES	b. 1684
b. 1739, Providence, RI	d. 1776

d. 3 Oct 1829

d. 17 Dec. 1821

b. 1743

257. Molly

1826 Simon HADLEY

d. 1756

12th Generation:

2048 William KNOWLES

b. 1645, Warwick, RI

d. 1727

2049 Alice FISH

d. 1734

3648 James H. LINDLEY

b. 1641, Ireland

3649 Alice WALSMITH

b. 1656, Ireland

13th Generation:

4096 Henry KNOWLES

b. 1609, London, England

d. Jan 1670, Portsmouth, RI

4098 Thomas FISH

7296 John LINDLEY

b. 1620, Ireland

7298 Thomas WALSMITH

p. Ireland

Names in BOLDFACE are mentioned in theme.

ANSWERING FREEDOM'S CALL

A few nights ago I was watching young Scouts fold the flag in a ceremony fulfilling requirements for the Citizenship Skill Award and my head filled with thoughts of America — the past, the present, the future. The stripes reminded me of the original thirteen colonies, the stars of our present states, and the boys, of the men who will lead tomorrow. I thought of the colors of Old Glory and what they mean. The red for blood shed gaining our liberty, the white for purity of American ideals and the blue for the valor of our fighting men. Light from the four candles reminded me of the Four Freedoms — Freedom of Religion, Freedom of Speech, Freedom from Fear, and Freedom from Want.

Suddenly I found myself remembering the men of my family who had been there to gain and preserve those fundamental freedoms. July 29, 1669, William Knowles signed a petition to the King of England, praying that he would "put an end to these differences about the government which hath been so fatal to the prosperity". I thought of Mathias Houx, who hearing freedom's call, enlisted July 19, 1776 in Major Hardmann's Maryland troops, of John Medearis who enlisted that same year in the 1st North Carolina Infantry, and of James Brady who joined the Cumberland County Pennsylvania Volunteers.

My head spun as I thought of $Benjamin\ S$. Knowles enlisting at age 46 in the 1st South Kingstown Company of Rhode Island Volunteers to put down Indian uprising in 1816.

Time shot by and I saw dark clouds threatening our freedoms as the Civil War approached and I thought of my relatives who entered the war for southern independence. There was M. B. Alexander who enlisted May 20, 1861 in the 5th Tennessee Infantry and was wounded July B, 1864 and again September 25, 1864. W. H. Portwood enlisted in the Texas Mounted Volunteer Guard August 17, 1861. Henry Yowl joined Company L of the 8th Tennessee Cavalry and Benjamin Lewis Knowles signed on with the 2nd Mississippi State Cavalry.

On May 24, 1867 Ben Knowles wrote Governor Clark of Texas; "We citizens of Coryell County respectfully request you to authorize us to raise a mounted ranging company....The Indians are now down on the frontier and our boys are anxious to drive them away".

Then there was Marcus George Lafayette Trowbridge who fought with the first Volunteer Cavalry under Teddy Roosevelt and went on to help build the Panama Canal.

Mostly, however, I thought of my grandfather, Jay W. Knowles, who served his country in the Navy, Army, and Airforce and who, as a register scout of 58 years, has molded America's young men for decades.

I realized it has been men such as these who, in a world of potential cold and darkness, of rule by a few, have held America up for all to see that the Four Freedoms do exist and stand as a beacon of warmth and light for all mankind.

"MANY WELL KNOWN AUSTIN CITIZENS DIED DURING 1911"

The Austin Daily Statesman thus headlined a long article on page 3 on 1 January 1912, from which AGS member Emma Gene Gentry has graciously transcribed the pertinent facts for our Quarterly.

... Prominent on the list was Walter Tips, head of the Tips Hardware House, who died April 20 at the age of 69; native of Germany. ... Joseph Nalle ... died only the month before ... had served the city as Mayor ... was a Virginian by birth. ... John P. Kirk, ex-tax collector and secretary of the Texas Sheriffs' Assn. ... died at the age of 72, August 13. Capt. Kirk's birthplace was Philadelphia. ... Dr. Cyrus O. Weller, one of the city's best known & oldest physicians, passed away November 1 and was followed only 5 days later by his wife. ... He was born in Tennessee 70 years ago and Mrs. Weller was a native Texan, 59 years of age. ... Another well known physician was Dr. W.J. Matthews, for years President of the Austin School Board, who died on June 6. He was a native of Ireland.

Eugene Bremond and John H. Houghton were two retired business men whose passing away did not fall within the year but antedated it by only a short time in each case. A partial list of other old and well known residents of Austin who answered the last summons during the year is as follows:

Dennis Corwin, Jan. 3, aged 76; civil engineer; born in Canada. Henry Hirschfeld, Jan. 5, aged 76; retired merchant & banker; born in Germany. Bernard Melasky, Jan. 23, aged ?85; retired merchant; native of Poland. Joel H.B. Miller, Jan. 26, aged 77; former editor of Statesman; born Kentucky. Mrs. Anna M. Moore, Jan. 27, aged 82; born in Alabama. Jacob Hornberger, Sr., Jan. 28, aged 83; born in Germany.

C.N. Voss, Jan 8 [28?], aged 85; born in Germany.

Lucy M. Sullivan, Feb. 5, aged 96 yrs. 9 mos. 12 days; born in Alabama.

Mrs. A. Rydell, Feb. 9, aged 78; born in Sweden.

Samuel Rhoads Fisher, Feb. 11, aged 62; lawyer; born in Texas.

Mrs. Amelia E. Younger, Feb. 16, aged 84; born in Virginia.

Mrs. Fannie A. Stewart, Feb. 18, aged 83; native of South Carolina.

J.M. Wolf, Mar. 3, aged 68; merchant; born in Arkansas.

W.J.R. Patterson, Mar. 4, aged 58; asst. sec. Texas Bankers Assn.; Scotland.

S.K. Morley, Mar. 8, aged 66; druggist; born in Indiana.

Mrs. William Sarepta Roberdeau, Apr. 10, aged 66; born in Virginia.

J. Woods Smith, Apr. 28, aged 74; wealthy farmer; b. Tenn.; died at Bluff Springs. Florence S. Houghton, May 5, aged 42; born in Indianola, Texas.

Anna Moore Ireland, May 28, aged 78; widow of former Gov. Ireland; born Virginia. James Waters, July 23, aged 75; minister; born in Tennessee.

Wade M. Smith, Aug. 16, aged 58?; produce merchant; born in Texas.

J.B. Fischer, Sept. 15, aged 51; ex-County Commissioner & merchant; born Germany. Henry Ribbeck, Nov. 18, aged 70; born in Germany.

William Earnest, Nov. 17, aged 87; born in Alabama.

J.M. Earnest (son), Nov. 20, aged 62; real estate dealer; born in Tennessee. Mrs. Laura Wilson, Nov. 19, aged 83; born in Sweden.

One man whose demise occurred during the year, a humble Mexican stranger named Antonio Garcia, was said to be 121 years old. He died at the City Hospital where he had been a charge of the community for some time.



HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

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Note to South Carolina Researchers:

According to Everton's <u>Handy Book for Genealogists</u>, the following regions in South Carolina were called Districts until the 1868 Constitution decreed that they become Counties (except those marked with an asterisk which were discontinued before 1868). Present-day Berkeley County is not same area as Berkeley District.

Abbeville, Anderson, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Camden, Carteret, Charleston, Cheraws, Chester, Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Craven, Darlington, Edgefield, Fairfield, Georgetown, Granvill, Greenville, Horry, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Lexington, Marlboro, Newberry, Ninety-Six, Orangeburg, Pendleton, Pickens, Pickney [Pinckney?], Richland, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, Washington, Williamsburg, and York



- A) HOWELL_MORTIMER_PIKE. Seeking identity of Lewis Pike who recd 174-acre state land grant on waters of Edisto R. in South Carolina in 1792. His will (probated 19 Jun 1819, Greenville District) mentions only wife Mary (probably nee Mortimer) and dau Mary (believed to have married Levi Howell later).
- B) ALLEN_GAINES_HOWELL_MORTIMER_PIKE_ROBISON. Seeking identity of Levi Howell (566-acre state land grant in Greenville Dist, SC dated 3 Jan 1820) who probably married Mary, dau of Lewis & Mary (Mortimer?) Pike. Levi Howell on 1830 Census, Greenville District, and 1840 Census Benton Cty, AL. Children: Liza, Polly (m. ... Allen), Frank, Adeline (m. ... Robison), Dorotha Ann (b. 4 Oct 1817, Greenville District; m. Edmund Pendleton Gaines), & Lewis Pike (m. Adeline Gaines, Benton Cty, AL).
- C) BROADDUS GAINES HILL HOWELL. To which Hill family in Abbeville District, SC did Temperance (Tempy) Hill belong in early 1800s? Born ca 1798, she married Robert Hugh Gaines [son of Rev. Richard George & Frances (Broaddus) Gaines], probin Abbeville Dist. ca 1816. Temperance appears on 1830 Abbeville District Census and (as a widow) on 1840 Talladega Cty, AL Census, living near Rev. Josiah Hill (thought to be her brother). Children: Adeline Gaines (m. Lewis Pike Howell) and Edmund Pendleton Gaines (b. 16 Jan 1818, Abbeville; m. Dorotha Ann Howell).
- D) HUX WHITE. Early Inhabitants of Natchez, Mississippi, District 1816 lists Andrew White & Robert White (believed to be brothers) as heads of families. The 1820 Census Wilkinson Cty, MS lists same names as white males over 45. Robert died there 1828; wife prob. Mary Hux; children: John, Sarah, Robert, Benjamin, William, Ailsey, Martha, Thomas, Anne, Elizabeth, Margaret & Eliza.

Andrew White died Wilkinson Cty in 1832; wife Mary D. ...; children: Andrew Jackson, Lydia, Nancy, Elizabeth and John.

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A Pendleton District, SC, deed dated 29 Mar 1806 shows Andrew White made indenture re "100 acres where White now lives ... on Cain Creek ... and 282 acres on Little Generostee ... granted Andrew White, Sr., conveyed to Andrew White, now in possession of William and Robert White ...". Are these men, Robert and Andrew White, the same as those seen later in Wilkinson County, Mississippi? -- William Eldon Tinsley, Box 430, Pflugerville TX 78660

- A) GILLILAND KUYKENDALL. Need info on Capt. R.H. (Bob) Kuykendall (1788-1830) of Austin's Colony and his wife Sarah Ann Gilliland. Her father was William G. of Tennessee. Her brother Daniel came to Texas with them in 1821. Need Gilliland data.
- B) KUYKENDALL_SHANNON. Seeking family of Electra (Lectra) Shannon who m. R.H. (Gill) Kuykendall ca 1835, prob. in Ft. Bend Cty, TX. She died shortly after having sons R.H.K. (III) in 1837 and Wylie Martin K. in 1839. Who were her parents?
- C) MARTIN. Need help in finding more about Capt. Wylie Martin's Company of Texas Volunteers who attempted to defend Thompson's Ferry on Brazos R. 11 Apr 1836. NO muster roll in Texas State Archives or Ft. Bend County History. Have located 17 members so far. Any assistance appreciated.
- D) KUYKENDALL MOORE. I am writing a biography of Will E. Moore who died in 1902 at Ashby (Matagorda Cty) TX. Eager to hear from his descendants. Also rewriting bio of Capt. R.H. Kuykendall who died at Matagorda ca 1830, and need data on descendants of Benjamin and Thomas where buried, etc. Any help gratefully received. --Marshall E. Kuykendall, Box 3543, Austin TX 78764.

EVETTS JOHNSON MOORHEAD SHORT WILLIAMS. Henry Williams (b. ca 1814 VA) came to Texas by Aug 1836 serving in Texas Army. His dau Lucinda (b. ca 1843 TX) married Milton Evetts. Who was her mother?

Henry m/2 in Washington Cty, TX on 18 May 1848 Sarah A. Johnson (b. ca 1824 IL). Need her death, burial, parents. WILLIAMS children:

- 1. Johnson (b. ca 1848 TX) possibly m. Betty M.... & had dau Ella Pink (b. 20 Jly 1874, Brazos Cty, TX)
 - 2. John K. (b. ca 1850 TX)
- 3. Thomas Walter (b. 12 May 1851, Washginton Cty, TX) m. Mahala Jane Short Moorhead 1 Oct 1871, Coryell Cty, TX
 - 4. Josephine (b. ca 1854 TX) m. William M. Evetts
 - 5. Frances Ann (b. ca 1856 TX)
 - 6. Milton Bradley (b. ca 1858 TX)
 - 7. William Calvin (b. ca 1860 TX)

Henry was in Washington Cty 1840 & 1850; at Lexington, Lee Cty 1860; Coryell Cty 1870 (no wife). In 1878 according to pension application he was living in Mc-Mullen Cty, TX. 1880 census of Hamilton Cty shows him living with son John K. I would like additional information, especially parents, death and burial of Henry Williams. -- Mrs. J.E. Williams, Rt.2 Box 104, Kress [Swisher Cty] TX 79052.

[Ed. Note: Have you seen page 355 of Republic of Texas Pension Application Abstracts? It shows a Henry Williams in McMullen Cty whose pension was approved on 20 Jan 1875. You might write Texas State Archives, Box 12927, Capitol Station, Austin TX 78711 and ask about having that folder photocopied.]

ARREGUIN GOMEZ SAIS. Searching for data on second marriage of my aunt, and her descendants, if any. Catalina Gomez (dau of Benigno Gomez & Magdalena Sais) was born 15 Nov 1911 at San Antonio TX; baptized 1931 in St. John's Church at Ennis, Ellis Cty, TX. In Feb 1928 at Ennis she married Guadalupe G. Arreguin; they separated within a few months, but no divorce decree has been located. She more than likely remarried using name Catalina G. Arreguin - when? where? whom?

Her sister never heard from her after she married & moved from home. She (my mother), Benita Gomez, was born 24 Jul 1924 in Bosque Cty, TX; baptized in 1925 in St. Francis Chapel, Waco, McLennan Cty, TX. I also am seeking death dates and places of my grandparents (see above). -- Pedro G. Zuniga, 2326 Hiawatha St., San Antonio TX 78210-5318

- A) CASEY_HOPKINS_JACKSON_ROUNDTREE. Will exchange information on Willis H. Hopkins (b. 1821 NC; d. 1904 Travis Cty, TX) who m. 1846 Campbell Cty, GA, Margaret Jackson (b. 1824 GA; d. 1880+ Travis Cty, TX). Listed on 1880 Travis Cty census; lived at St. Elmo near Austin 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 Cty, TX) who m. 1849 Lincoln Cty, TN Lutecia Mayfield (b. 1832 TN; d. 1880+ Travis Cty, TX) On 1880 Travis Cty census. Children: Thomas, Allie Elnora (my grandmother) Annie, Charles & W.N. One T.E. McElroy of Hays Cty, TX sold land to Berry & Allie (McElroy) Hopkins of Caldwell Cty, TX in 1895. Was that her brother? -- R. Tom Hopkins, 1830 So. Valentine St., Lakewood CO 80228

THE AUSTIN DAILY STATESMAN, 2 Jan 1912 (Barker Newspaper Collection)

Miss Claude Bell of Denton and Miss Furey of Paris [TX] are guests of Miss Mary Colquitt at the Mansion. Miss Furey is Miss Colquitt's roommate at Belcourt this year. [Oscar Branch Colquitt was Governor of Texas 1910-1915.]

Mrs. Annie Doom Pickrell has gone to Waco to attend the marriage of her cousin, Miss Van Donnell, to Will Edmonds. Mrs. Pickrell will spend about 10 days there.



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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

Thanks to Ms Jean Carefoot at Texas State Archives we learn that on 13 Aug 1870 the Texas Legislature passed an act allowing pension benefits of \$250 per year to all surviving veterans of "the revolution which separated Texas and Mexico, including the Mier prisoners". The amount was doubled for those who were wounded in any engagement or whilst a prisoner of war.

The Pension Act of 1874 reduced the annual amount to \$150 but increased the categories of eligibility. Widows who had not remarried were included later. However, the applicant was required to prove inability to support himself. Reductions were necessitated by the strain on the state treasury, which became so depleted that no new pensioners could be added to the rolls between 1879 and 1883. By 1885, applicants had to prove not only their military eligibility but also that they owned no more than \$1,000 worth of property.

So, <u>unless</u> your Texas Revolutionary ancestor applied for a pension between 1870 and 1874, if you do not find him in this book you can be thankful that he was financially independent!

Approximately 1900 applications for a pension for military service rendered to the fledgling 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.

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