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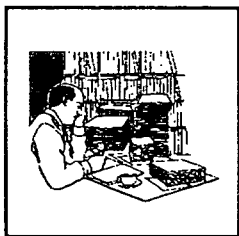
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## *Entrée*

The Editor feels very good about this particular issue of the Quarterly because it is somewhat unique. He has not looked back into any former issues, but from his limited personal experience knows that there are usually at least one or two bits of material--articles, whatever--whose source is extraneous to the Society. Well, not so for this one! Every one of the submissions, including the two books which are reviewed, has been written, assembled or otherwise collected by an AGS member. This is great. It indicates that we are doing things genealogically, and, more important, getting somewhere. We sincerely hope and trust that the authors who have entrusted us with the publishing (or review) of their works can derive a lot of satisfaction from seeing the fruition of their labors. We are glad to offer them to the membership and to the world of genealogy. Many thanks to these fine people; may what they have done be an encouragement to the rest of us. We warrant there are not a few other members who also have material deserving and waiting to be printed; the Editor will continue to welcome your submissions.

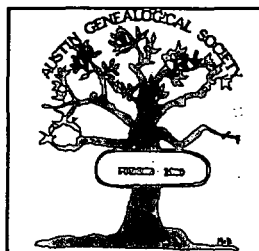
Our major work is contributed by AGS member John Holman. He and family members R. Henry Holman and Nanetta Burkholder recently completed a history-genealogy of their forbear Hiel Orton Campbell, who came to Texas in 1827 with his father and family, settling on the San Marcos River in Green DeWitt's Colony. This is a wonderful discussion of Hiel's life; he served in the Texas Revolution and was prominent in Republic, state and local governments until his death in 1851. We have included only the text and the family portrait of T.E. Campbell (Hiel's son) and family from the publication which contains other portraits and eleven pages of family genealogy plus an index. If you suspect any genealogical connections to the Campbells, addresses and phone numbers of the authors are on Page 4. Our thanks to John for permission to print this extraction.

Our two book reviews, beginning on Page 12, cover works just published by AGS members Betty Huff Bryant and Helen R. Rugeley. Both of them can feel justifiably proud of their accomplishments. The books reflect great credit on their diligence and inspiration. The Society compliments them on these achievements and hopes to see more of their work soon.

A reminder: our next issue (June) is our members' Ancestor Listing issue; where each member can utilize 2 pages if an individual member or 4 pages if family for publishing whatever you wish to share with the genealogical public. Please note and follow the detailed instructions at the bottom of the inside back cover of this issue. We must have your contributions no later than **10 May 1994** and please mail to **4500 Hyridge, Austin 78759**. Thanks for your cooperation.

*The Editor*

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1994 SEMINAR

SATURDAY  
6 AUGUST 1994  
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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Pre-registration by July 29, 1994 is \$25.00, including lunch. After July 29 and at the door the fee will be \$28.00. Registration forms may be requested by writing Austin Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1507, Austin TX 78767-1507. Additional information may be obtained from Josephine Ross, (512)-459-6121 or Tamara Baldwin, (512)-474-8428.

HIEL ORTON CAMPBELL (1807-1851)  
SOLDIER OF THE TEXAS REVOLUTION

And

HIS DESCENDANTS

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### A Note to Readers

Many members of the Campbell Family Association have contributed to the information in this brief biography and genealogical summary, especially members of the Association's research committee.

The biographical data available to us are sketchy, and our list of descendants is still incomplete. Readers who have additional information about Hiel Orton Campbell or his family are urged to communicate with one of us.

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HIEL ORTON CAMPBELL (1807-1851) AND HIS DESCENDANTS

Hiel Orton Campbell was born September 8, 1807 in Rowan County, North Carolina. He was the eldest son and second child of Joseph Campbell and Rachel Orton. According to tradition, the Campbell ancestors of Hiel were Scotch-Irish. He was born less than three miles from the home of his grand father, Joseph Campbell Sr.; and about the same distance from the family homes of James Orton and John Bryan, his maternal great grandparents. These men settled in this frontier community in the mid-seventeen hundreds.

When Hiel Campbell was about five years of age, his family moved from North Carolina to New Madrid County, Missouri Territory and acquired property on Spring River, in an area that subsequently became Lawrence County Arkansas. At the time of this move, Hiel had an older sister named Jane and a baby brother named Cyrus. In about 1820, Joseph moved to Hempstead County in southwest Arkansas and settled in an area that later became Lafayette County. Prior to this move, three more sons had been born to Joseph and Rachel. They were: Joseph, Rufus and John. Another child, Rachel, was born ca. 1819/1820 in Hempstead County. During this period, Hiel's mother died. His father remarried between 1821 and 1826. His second wife was Elizabeth Thompson, the widow of Wiley Thompson. A daughter was born to Joseph and Elizabeth probably between 1824 and 1827. This child was named Elizabeth.

In 1827, Joseph Campbell traveled to Texas and arrived in Green DeWitt's colony on March 22, 1827. He is thought to have located a tract of land on the San Marcos River, but died before receiving the certification required to obtain title to the property. In April 1830, a certificate was issued by Green De Witt, which verified: the date of Joseph's arrival in the colony; that he was married and his family consisting of seven persons; and that Joseph had taken the oath which was required before he could acquire a title to his property. In August 1831, Cyrus Campbell received the title to this property, after having proved that he and his five siblings had resided on it since 1827. Cyrus, Hiel, Joseph, Rufus, John and Rachel Campbell were named as the owners.

After Joseph Campbell's death, his estate was settled in Lafayette County, Arkansas. Apparently Hiel returned to Arkansas and represented his siblings. When his father's property was sold at auction on 9 June 1828, he bought two horses; Elizabeth Campbell, his step-mother, bought two horses; and his brother-in-law, John Waggoner, bought a horse, a wagon, two cows and two calves. The rest of the estate was purchased by persons who were not family members. Probate records listed the following heirs: John Waggoner (husband of Jane Campbell) and Rachel Campbell, both residing in Arkansas Territory; and Hiel, Cyrus, Joseph, Rufus, John and Elizabeth Campbell, all residing in Texas. The younger Elizabeth Campbell was not listed as an heir of Joseph Campbell. This may have been an omission on the part of the clerk who made the entries in the county record.

From this record of the heirs, we can conclude that Rachel had not gone to Texas with her father and brothers but had stayed in Arkansas with her sister, Jane Waggoner. Other records show that Elizabeth, Joseph's second wife, also did not go with him to DeWitt's colony but in 1828, moved to Austin's colony. She was accompanied by: Elizabeth Campbell, her youngest child; the children of her first marriage; and

her son-in-law, Elisha Hall who was married to Jemima, Elizabeth's daughter. Elisha was the son of Joseph and Hannah Hall (Hannah was Joseph Campbell's sister). At a later date, Rachel Campbell left the Arkansas household of John Waggoner and traveled to Texas to join her stepmother, Elizabeth Campbell. The Brazoria County records show that Rachel Campbell married John Foster, January 4, 1836.

Hiel Campbell and his brothers left De Witt's Colony and moved to Austin's Colony, probably, in 1833 or 1834. This move was most likely motivated, in part, by the threat of hostile Indians in a very sparsely settled area. It is presumed that they joined Elizabeth Campbell in what would become Matagorda County after Texas gained its independence from Mexico. In September 1835, Hiel and Cyrus applied for land in Austin's Colony, for themselves and for the heirs of Joseph Campbell. The application record shows that Hiel's wife was named Lucinda and Cyrus's wife was named Rebecca. Lucinda and Rebecca were sisters. Their father, William Robbins, was one of the earliest settlers in Austin's colony, having arrived with his family in December 1821. He had previously lived at Pecan Point, on the south bank of the Red River, in the northeast corner of Texas. He had settled there in 1818 but constant Indian raids upon his livestock made that location virtually untenable. Other members of William Robbin's family followed him south and settled in Burnet's Colony. William's brother, Nathaniel Robbins operated a ferry crossing, known as "Robbin's Crossing", over the Trinity River from about 1828 until his death in 1836.

Hiel Orton Campbell and his four brothers were active participants in the Texas Revolution. Joseph was the only one of the brothers who took part in the decisive defeat of Santa Anna's army at San Jacinto. Hiel and two of his brothers were members of Company E, 1st. Regiment, which was one of the companies given the mission of providing a rear guard for the attacking force while guarding the sick and the baggage.

We know that Hiel Campbell and Lucinda Robbins were married prior to September 1835; but there seems to be no record of this marriage. Their first child was named William Orton. According to the census, his fifteenth birthday occurred prior to October 7, 1850; and according to Austin County probate records, William was under twenty one on August 11, 1856. Assuming that these records are correct, we can conclude that he was born between August 11 and October 7, 1835. Based on this conclusion, we can make the assumption that Hiel and Lucinda were probably married in 1834.

Austin's charter from the Mexican government required that legal marriages be performed by Catholic priests. Since the visits by priests were infrequent, most marriages were by bond. They were recognized to be valid until a legal ceremony could be performed by a priest. Very likely, the marriage of Hiel and Lucinda was by bond. They were granted a marriage license in Austin County, September 4, 1837; and were married by a justice of the peace October 6, 1837. During the turbulent period of the revolution, the visits by the priests were most likely nonexistent. After Texas became an independent nation, there would have been no immediate agencies for handling such matters as marriage licenses and marriages. Hence the delay on the part of Hiel and Lucinda to be legally married.

After Texas had gained its independence, boards of traveling land commissioners were created to determine the legality of headright land grants. In each county, three special commissioners were designated to work with the traveling commissioners. Hiel Campbell was selected to



head this group in Austin County. Hiel Campbell died May 27, 1851 after inhaling the fumes of burning sulfur. He had been using a newly invented sulfur burning device to rid his premises of ants. An account of Hiel's accidental death appeared in the Texas State Gazette, August 2, 1851. The newspaper account described the events leading up to the accident and stated that the sulphur burning device was called an "Ant Killer". After Hiel Campbell's death, his widow hired Orlando F. Sinclair as the supervisor on the farm. In about 1858, the widow, Lucinda Campbell, was married to this Orlando Sinclair.

Hiel and Lucinda Campbell had seven children; presumably all were born at the same homeplace. William Orton was born in Austin's Colony, while Texas was under the control of the Mexican government. John Robbins, Joseph Hiel and Cyrus Charles were all born in the Republic of Texas. Rufus A., Lucinda Rebecca Elizabeth and Thomas Early were all born in the State of Texas.

William Orton Campbell was born in Austin's Colony between August 11 and October 7, 1835. He married Sallie Bell, daughter of William Dan Tucker Bell. Apparently, William and Sallie had only two children: Hiel Orton, born in 1860; and another child, who died in infancy and was buried October 28, 1860. These dates suggest that these children were probably twins. William Orton Campbell died in Hamlin, Jones County April 9, 1909.

John Robbins Campbell was born ca. 1838 in Austin County, Texas. He married Sarah Jane Swearingen, January 11, 1866; and they separated on March 7, 1866. They may have been divorced, but since Sarah resumed her maiden name, their marriage was probably annulled. In 1865, John R. Campbell held the position of Clerk of the County Court of Austin County, Texas. The evidence of this is the fact that in December of that year, he witnessed a document issued by that court and signed it as the clerk of the County Court.

Joseph Hiel Campbell was born about 1840 in Austin County, Texas. He died of chills and fever on September 10 1863, while serving the Confederate cause.

Cyrus Charles Campbell was born about 1844 in Austin County. He married Susan C. Hall on December 26, 1869; and died in Austin, Travis County, Texas, May 8, 1904.

Rufus A. Campbell was born October 16, 1846 in Austin County and died September 8, 1863. On the sixth of September he was suddenly taken with a severe pain in his side; developed a high fever and died two days later, at the age of seventeen.

Lucinda Rebecca Elizabeth "Sis" Campbell was born about 1848 in Austin County. She married John Lester on January 10, 1861. They had seven children and were living in Hempstead, Waller County, Texas in 1869.

Thomas Early "Tom" Campbell was born in Austin County on June 5, 1850. He was one year old when his father died; and was twelve when he went to live with his eldest brother, William Orton Campbell. There were fifteen years difference in their ages, so William treated Tom more like a son than a brother. William Orton's son, Hiel Orton, was more like a brother to Tom than a nephew. During the Civil War, Tom drove a wagon hauling provisions to be used by the Confederate troops. At the end of the war he was fifteen years of age and probably considered himself to be an adult. During the post war period, Tom participated in cattle drives to

Kansas and according to his nephew, Hiel Orton, had at least one serious confrontation with a group of foraging Union soldiers.

He grew to maturity during a very turbulent period and acquired a number of skills that were not very marketable in a civilized environment. One of his accomplishments was his proficiency in the use of a "Six-Shooter". As a young man, Thomas was a deputy constable in Bremond, Robertson County, where he met Mary Susan Whitmore. They were married on July 18, 1872. She was the daughter of the constable, George Solomon Whitmore and Nancy Duty Cagle Whitmore. Mary Susan was born in Arkansas, but at the outbreak of the Civil War, her family was living in Louisiana. After the war, her family moved to Texas.

During the Civil War, the construction of railroads in Texas had been suspended. Among the legacies of the early postwar period, were massive state subsidies to stimulate railroads construction within the state. It was probably during this period, that Thomas began his experience in railroad construction. His first two children, Orton George and Thomas Robbins, were born in Bremond. His next two children, Isaac Whitmore "Ike" and Ellis, were born in Gatesville. It seems that Tom had worked on the railroad from Bremond to Gatesville, via Waco. It appears that Tom's next stretch of railroad construction, was a link between Waco and Cisco. His first daughter, Isola Lucinda, was born in Cisco. After leaving Cisco, Thomas apparently worked on a stretch of railroad that would connect Fort Worth and Sweetwater via Brownwood. Mary Susan, the sixth child in this family, was born in Bangs, a few miles west of Brownwood. Like her mother, for whom she was named, Mary was called "Mollie". The next move, that Tom would make, was to Santa Anna in Coleman County, about twenty two miles west of Brownwood. Thomas Campbell lived in Santa Anna longer than any other locality, during his adult life. There were to be four more children in this family, all of whom were born in Santa Anna. They were: Effie Pearl, born August 10, 1888; Hiel, called "HX", born December 1890; Travis, born March 14, 1893; and Edwin "EZ", born March 13, 1899.

When Tom first settled in Santa Anna, he was the section foreman for the railroad. He subsequently left the railroad to embark on a new career, that of publishing small town newspapers. His first paper was The Santa Anna News. In the early nineteen hundreds, he left Santa Anna and sought greener pastures. He published papers in Big Sandy, Hamlin, Corsicana, Canton, Nevada and other Texas towns. In his later years, some of the newspapers were actually owned by his son, Ellis.

Thomas Early Campbell and his wife, Mary Susan raised seven sons and three daughters. Mary died November 13, 1922 of dengue fever at Palestine, Anderson County, Texas. Thomas died of heart failure, June 14, 1924 at Wills Point, Van Zant County, Texas. Both were buried in Santa Anna, Coleman County, Texas. At the time of Thomas' death, all of his children were still living and he had about thirty five living grandchildren.

Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Campbell

July 18, 1922, Palestine, Texas

Front row, left to right:

Thomas Early Campbell

Mary Susan "Mollie" Whitmore Campbell

Children:

Back row, left to right:

Edwin "EZ" Campbell

Ellis Campbell

Isola Lucinda Campbell Allison

Isaac Whitmore "Ike" "IW" Campbell

Thomas Robbins "Tom" Campbell

Hiel "HX" Campbell

Effie Pearl Campbell (Roberts) Livelar

Travis Campbell

Children not present:

Orton George Campbell

Mary Susan "Mollie" Campbell Holman



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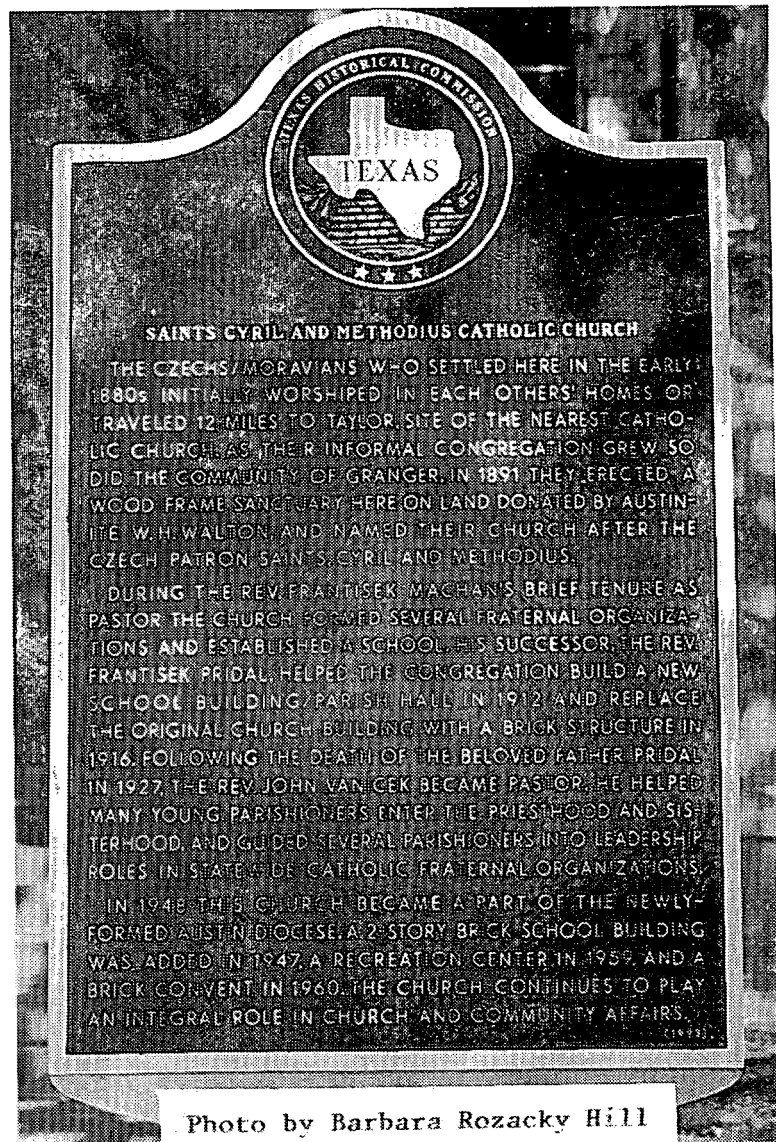
## TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION ERECTS A HISTORICAL MARKER

The S.S. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in Granger, Texas in Williamson County was a recipient of a Historical Marker on Sunday, 31 October 1993, presented by the Texas Historical Commission. The Church is a member of the Austin Catholic Diocese. It was founded by a few Czech/Moravians who migrated to Texas in the late 1800's from Czechoslovakia. The first Church was established in 1890, and construction of the building began in 1891. The first Mass in the Church was offered on 20 August 1893.

The Czech/Moravians who settled in the Granger Community and who organized the building of the first church, began arriving in 1891. Some of the early settlers were with such Czech/Moravian names as Neusser(Naizer), Martinka, Cervenka, Tobolka, Bohac, Zrubek, Janak, David, Bartos, Kopecky, Pecka, Jurecka, Nemec, Rychlik, Struhál, Prikryl, Kaderka, Mazac, Karkoska and Kalinec.

The Czech/Moravian emigrants brought with them a work ethic, a proud heritage and an abiding faith in God. They came seeking a better life. Most came penniless with no understanding of the English language. In Central Texas they entered a harsh land of endless prairie criss-crossed by mud ruts. But they survived as their religion helped them survive.

*Submitted by  
Dorothy Bohac, Ph.D.*



## Book Reviews

JACKSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE CHANCERY COURT MINUTES, 1840-1861, Abstracted, Transcribed, Annotated, and Indexed by Betty Huff Bryant. Soft cover, spiral-bound, 222+ pages, 8½x11"; includes Table of Contents; 38-page index of full names; list of abbreviations; opening remarks; \$18.50, including mailing and tax. Order from author at 1100-B Mission Ridge, Austin TX 78704.

This is a labor of love for AGS member Betty Bryant, who has painstakingly abstracted and assembled these minutes from the Chancery Court of Jackson County, Tennessee for the period beginning on 4 November 1840 and continuing through 14 August 1861. The author notes on the concluding page that on that day "--Chancellor Guild adjourned the court without any -- suggestion of the horrors that were to come." The minutes take up again on Monday, 14 August 1865, but further abstraction beyond this point is a task someone (hopefully Betty) must yet take on.

The author opens the volume with "A Letter to Friends:", which clarifies the fact that a prior (1988) publication, *Tennessee Tidbits 1778-1914*, Vol II by Marjorie Hood Fischer and Ruth Blake Burns, contains abstracted court minutes for several Tennessee counties including Jackson. She recognizes that book is "admirable and monumental" but details several instances where *Tidbits* omits key information from the court records that can be invaluable to genealogists and family historians. While she makes no claim for the complete accuracy of her own transcription, she has endeavored to be at least as complete as possible concerning all minutes. But as she herself admonishes "Check things out for yourself so you can be sure you are right. I merely try to help you find things."

The transcription covers Vols. A, B, C, and part of Vol. D of the records. The records are on microfilm at Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, and many area libraries. The author cautions that extant indices to the original minutes are inadequate because 1) some names are illegible, and 2) these were prepared for the convenience of court personnel, not the general public.

A page-by-page review of the minutes by this reviewer impressed him with the plethora of names recorded. It would seem that everyone in Jackson County was mentioned at least once! Most entries are routine, even dry, but some provide interesting insights into time and locale. There are occasional references, for example, to attachment of slaves (personal property) in settlement of debts. For descendants and historians the information surrounding specific names (suits, land transfers, divorce proceedings, etc.) may prove to be a gold mine. Every so often the author adds parenthetical remarks of her own to make a point. For example, on p. 75, after a particularly long minute covering a number of Wil-

sons, she states "Wilsons can have a field day with this one." While these remarks are always set off by parentheses and a "BBH Note:", the reviewer has the impression that some of the interpretive and explanatory language in the various minutes is also by the author; hence her admonition about checking the original minutes in all cases so that one may derive their own interpretation of the original documentation as written.

This is Betty Bryant's second recent publication. Her *Building Neighborhoods: Jackson County, TN Prior to 1820* was reviewed in the September 1992 Quarterly. While the material covered in the present volume is of a different nature, it continues to reflect the care and devotion with which she treats Tennessee history. If you have the slightest feeling that an ancestor or family member may have been in ante-bellum Jackson County even briefly, you should certainly look through this book. You could be in for a big surprise. As in all such cases, the reviewed volume will be donated to the Texas State Library for public access.

Bill Koehler



**THE ROANE-HARWOOD CONNECTION**, by Helen H. Rugeley. Copyright ©1994 by author. Hard-bound simulated leather cover, gold-embossed; 8½x11½"; 116 pages. List of Illustrations, Table of Contents; 14-Page Full Name Index (incl. slaves); Rationale (Foreword); Bibliography. Price \$25. plus \$5. for packaging and handling; order from author at 2202 West Tenth Street, Austin TX 78703-3843.

For so many years, AGS has been indebted to Mrs. Helen Rugeley for providing in her own unique and inimitable manner the reviews for this journal. Her insights, her style and her comments have always made her reviews at least as interesting to read as the source material itself; in fact, sometimes much better! It is now a pleasure and an honor for this reviewer to comment on a work that Helen has just published. But this is not done without certain reservations, recognizing that, for at least this once, a review will not measure up to its source.

*The Roane-Harwood Connection* was written to show the author's descendants (and certainly other relatives) how the two families were linked by blood, and, materially, by a plantation in King and Queen County, Virginia. In colonial times this plantation (Newington) was owned by men of some prominence, from whom it was purchased. It should be mentioned at this point, as the author observes, that the word "connection" is used here in an original meaning, as in the sentence, "There was a large Harwood connection in King and Queen County."

Over 30-odd years, the author has collected references to these and related families from a wide range of published works, including a complete run (1956-1993) of *The Bulletin of the King and Queen County Historical Society of Virginia*. In the present work, she reveals which of many discrepant statements are, in her opinion, more likely to be accurate.

Many interesting anecdotes about Roanes are related, and the will of Col. Thomas Roane is abstracted. A bit of the tangled tradition of early Harwoods is tentatively presented, with proof of service in the American Revolution. The first 20 pages are devoted to the ancestors of the above-mentioned ARH; the following ten, to him : his military, political and agricultural pursuits. Quotations from a delightful farm journal (owned by ARH's great-great-granddaughter Margie (Harwood) Kreisle) covering the years 1819-1837 shed light on his character, personality, and industry.

Of his eleven children, one died in infancy and one moved to Texas in 1850. The latter, Thomas Moore Harwood, is the one-or-more-great-grandfather of many living Texans. The author has a great deal of material pertaining to him, and will incorporate it into a biography in the near future, as she says: "*Deo volente*." The reviewer bravely rejoins "*HE dare not otherwise!*"

The present volume contains a sketch of each of the other nine children, based principally on remarks made by his or her siblings in the many personal letters remaining in the Harwood Papers, plus a number of other sources.

The introduction (with the unconventional but very charming title *Rationale*) explains the source of the Harwood Papers and why and how this book was composed. Its informal, conversational style may offend the purist and the serious historian, but makes for fascinating and engrossing reading. There are many compensating features, including this thoughtful touch: Nearly every cited document or letter opens a paragraph with the date in boldface type, in chronological order -- with few exceptions.

Among the genealogical data in *The Roane-Harwood Connection* are several lineage charts showing relationships of the Harwood, Fauntleroy, Winston, Pollard, Fleet, Hoskins and other families. Brief notes immediately follow references made to Civil War battles and officers that are mentioned in letters, as well as to relatives and friends.

Every genealogist lives in mortal fear of finding a horse thief hanging from his family tree, but the author can breathe more easily now: he was a husband, not a direct ancestor!

The 12-page index is followed by an index of slaves, which may be of interest to some researchers. Each source that is cited in the text may be found in the bibliography. There are about 18 illustrations, but unfortunately most of the pertinent family photographs were not in condition to be reproduced very well.



Albeit, the quality of those used is quite acceptable and complements favorably the written material.

The typeface of this 122-page hard-bound book is a well-chosen 10-point Times Roman, black and very legible, flush left and right. This book should naturally have great appeal for Roane-Harwood descendants. But the liberal use/extraction of extant written materials in the author's possession, be it letters, appraisal orders, powers of attorney or otherwise, make it a valuable reference for any genealogist/historian interested in the Virginia-Texas connection or even the 1786-1994 connection. And through it all she offers comments, interpretations and explanations in that unique manner which is so her own. If there is a cell of genealogy or history in any person's blood they should thoroughly enjoy and admire Helen's remarkable achievement. The book's closing sentence reads, "It is my earnest hope that I may be able to continue the chronicle of this family in another volume via the personal papers of Thomas Moore Harwood (the sixth child of Archibald Roane Harwood) who moved to Texas in 1850." And most assuredly ours, too.

The review copy of this volume is being donated to the Texas State Library in the author's name.

**The second house  
at Newington**  
(copied from  
*The Roane-Harwood  
Connection*)



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## GENEALOGY COLLECTION NEWS AND NOTES

Since the winter has been (as is normal for us) a fairly quiet season, one of my tasks has been to update our collection development policy. Since news is equally slow, I thought I'd share a little of that philosophy with you all. The following is quoted directly from the Collection Development Policy.

The materials contained in the Genealogy Collection are non-circulating. Materials on Texas will be purchased first, with the secondary emphasis being on areas which were historical sources of immigrants to Texas. Types of materials which will be purchased include:

1. Basic genealogical tools including how-to guides, indexes to major collections, general research guides which are area specific, and atlases.
2. Texas county histories, when the information contained in the work is primarily genealogical in nature.
3. Indexes to, or transcripts of, local records of use to genealogists (cemetery records, wills, marriages, deeds, etc.)
4. County histories from other states which contain genealogical information. Southern states will be purchased first.
5. Microfilm of United States Census and indexes to these enumerations.
6. Heraldry books with emphasis on heraldry as subject.
7. Periodicals published by major American genealogical societies. Periodicals other than national in scope will be purchased only when exchange through the Austin Genealogical Society is not available.
8. Microfiche copies of materials will be considered for purchase. Expected usage, cost, and availability of hard copy will be the determining factors in a microfiche purchase.
9. CD-ROMs with information of interest to genealogists will be considered for purchase based on importance of the material and cost.
10. Vertical File materials which are free or inexpensive will be gathered to complement the collection. Donations of copies of family research files for the vertical file will be encouraged. Unbound manuscripts of less than 75 pages will be accepted, but will be placed in the Vertical File.
11. Consideration will be given to the completion of sets when funds are available.

### Criteria for Material Selection

1. The importance of the subject matter to genealogical research.
2. Scarcity of material on the subject; amount of material already in the collection on that subject.
3. Appearance of the title in genealogical bibliographies.
4. Price.
5. Informational value.
6. Available funds and space.

These principles are applied both to books purchased with state funds, and those selected to be purchased with donated funds, including AGS donations. Clarice and I have a "gentlewoman's agreement" that AGS funds are used to purchase books from other states, while state funds are used to purchase Texas materials (as well as those for other areas as funds are available). She and I work together to select books within those parameters which we feel will be of interest to as many society members as possible.

Incidentally, for those of you who are not familiar with AGS's program of donations to the state library, I'd like to express my appreciation once again for those donations. Over the course of a year, AGS donates in the neighborhood of \$1000 worth of books to the State Library between your individual donations at the meetings, and the funds allocated by the

Board for the Library. This represents a large proportion of the new book acquisitions we receive in a year, since my state funded collection development budget has ranged from \$1000-1500 since I have been here. You all really are a **tremendous** asset to the Library!

### NEW CD'S

I am often asked if we are going to buy any new CD's, or which CD's are new. Of course what is new is relative, depending on how long it's been since you've been in to use them, but Robert Casey and I put our heads together to come up with the following list of CD's which we believe are new since I wrote my last column about the phone disks.

Marriage Records--Early thru 1850  
IL & IN--CD#228  
KY,NC,TN, VA & WV--CD#229

Pedigrees & Histories  
Linked #3 (750,000 names)--CD#102

Census Index  
1870 KY, NC, VA & WV--CD#34

Chester County PA Excerpts from Newspapers & Literary Magazines

All of these run on the Automated Archives software with which you have become familiar except the Chester County PA material which is from Accessible Archives and has its own software. You will find its software listed as #4 on the initial menu.

The marriage records come from a different source than our earlier marriage disks, so you may find some overlap with them.

Basically you will find that we have almost all of the CD's put out by Automated Archives, and so far, we have been able to purchase them pretty much as they have come out. For those of you who may not be familiar with the project, I am using the term "we" rather liberally. Actually, all the CD's have been purchased with donated funds which have been collected as a joint project between AGS and the Genealogy SIG of the Central Texas PC Users Group. Robert Casey, who is a member of both groups, has taken a leadership role in collecting the funds and taking care of the purchasing of the CDs, as well as installing the software, and setting up menu options as needed. Other SIG members have helped train people on the use of the software, and have taken care of collecting the copy money and purchasing supplies for the printer. This has been a wonderful example of how volunteerism has added a whole new facet to our library services, without unduly stressing our already busy staff. Thanks to everyone involved!

By the way, as you have probably gathered, this is an ongoing project, so if you would like to contribute to the purchase of more CD's, or if you know of some other CD's we haven't heard about which sound useful for genealogists, please contact Robert Casey.

On a personal note, if any of you have wondered why you haven't seen me at the meetings lately, I am taking a class on legal research with the UT Library School which meets on Tuesday nights. I'll be back with you all when the semester is over.

*Judy Duer*

## OUR FOUR-BAIRS

"In the 1820's, four brothers, John, Jacob, Abraham, and Samuel Bare/Bear/Bear [there are at least 24 variations of the spelling] came to Seneca and Wyandot Co's, Ohio. They were born in Rockingham County, Virginia, and lived for a while in Fairfield County, Ohio". This is a quotation from the "Baer Newsletter," Volume I, No. 1, of January 9, 1979, which was given me at a family reunion last summer, after I had been trying for nearly a year to locate the publication. Its purpose is to be a clearing house and reference source for those interested in the Bear family, regardless of the spelling. Since Jacob was my Great-greatgrandfather, I was profoundly interested.

It still took several letters to obtain the current address, pay my \$10.00 yearly subscription (a bi-monthly publication) and find out how to order the back copies, and what they cost (\$2.00 per issue). I am now in the process of accumulating all the back issues, but it is a gradual thing, not only because of the money (I'll have to invest at least \$100.00 to obtain those I don't yet have), but because it takes awhile each time I get another batch to read through and absorb new information into my records.

I now have all the issues from Volume I, No. 1, January 1979, through May-June, 1984 (Volume VI, No. 3); and May 1992, Volume 14, No. 3, through January, 1994 (Volume 16, No. 1). Every month or so, I'll be sending another check so as to acquire the rest. There is one issue, Volume 13, No. 1, presumably January 1991, which stands alone, so to speak.

The point is, I will be glad to share these with others who are working on the name Bear with all its variations, if you are local members. If you want to subscribe, the current address is: The Bear Family Newsletter, Beth Horton, Editor, P. O. Box 5775, Woodland Park, Colorado 80866; phone (719) 687-6167. For back issues, the current address is: Connie Petersen, 3-978 SR 18 R 2 Deshler, Ohio 43516. They are collecting family charts on the Bear Families, and would welcome those, as well as anything of interest to be published in the newsletter.

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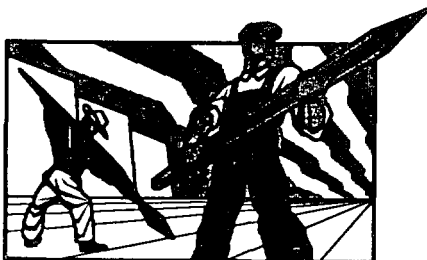
## Movers for National Archives blaze paper trail to new home

Those of us making any plans to travel to Washington, D.C. anytime soon, and particularly those intending to use the National Archives should be aware that many of the Archives files are being moved to their new facility building in College Park, MD. The Sunday, 16 Jan. 1994 issue of the Austin American Statesman carried an article (copied at right) about this move, which is already under way.

We don't know just which genealogical resources will be involved. If you plan to do any on-site research, we suggest you contact the Archives beforehand and make your plans accordingly.

—The Editor

PS: Here's a reason to attend our August 6 Seminar (see page 2). Our speaker, Dr. Colletta, is associated with the Archives and should have very timely information on this move.



Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hate moving? Be thankful you're not the National Archives.

It is carting thousands of boxes and crates of precious historical items — from rare Civil War photographs to Watergate scandal tapes — to a \$250 million research building in suburban College Park, Md.

The move, which began this month, will take three years, will require at least 1,300 truck loads and will cost \$6.8 million, said Susan Cooper, spokeswoman for the National Archives and Records Administration.

Much of the 765,934 cubic feet of material will be placed in 2.3 million small, specially designed and cushioned containers so that the contents are protected from temperature fluctuations and humidity.

The items range from documents so old and fragile they can't be exposed to sunlight, to the cracked windshield of the limousine President Kennedy rode in when he was assassinated.

The windshield will be wrapped in plastic foam, put in a specially designed crate and be transported along a special route to avoid potholes. The Watergate tapes will be transported in armored cars.

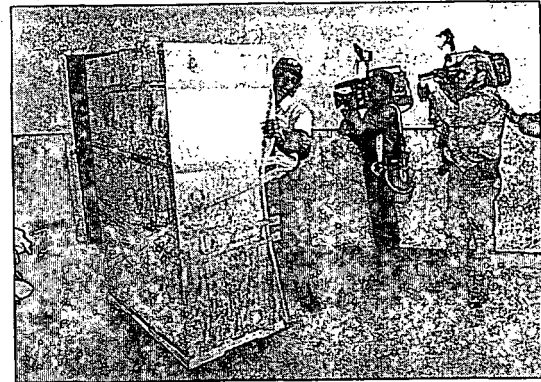
Unlike many people facing a move, the National Archives didn't wait until the last minute to pack.

"We have people who have already been working on this move for five years, full time," Cooper said. "And they will continue to work on this for another three years."

The movers will transport 7 million still pictures, 11 million charts, maps and aerial photographs, 112,274 reels of motion pictures and 200,122 sound and video recordings, according to archivists.

The still picture collection includes photographs taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, work by Ansel Adams and hundreds of thousands of photographs taken during World War II.

Among the items that will be on display at the new, modern research facility will be many of President Nixon's presidential records, documents on the Kennedy



AP  
National Archives movers this month carted the first of thousands of boxes of historical items out the door on their way to a new center in Maryland.

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National Archives and  
Records Administration

assassination, and audio tapes from the Supreme Court.

The building in College Park — known as Archives II — features advanced pollution and environmental controls and state-of-the-art preservation technology. Nine laboratories will allow archivists to use the latest document preservation and storage methods and even develop new ones, Cooper said.

Paper records will be stored on mobile shelves that can be shifted electronically at a push of a button for easy access. Laid end to end,

the 520 miles of shelves would reach from the agency's downtown office to Ann Arbor, Mich.

The building can hold up to 2 million cubic feet of records, enough space to accommodate the acquisition of materials into the next century, officials said.

Nevertheless, more than a quarter-million cubic feet of material and documents — including the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights — remain at the Archives' main building in downtown Washington.

The Archives since the 1960s has been leasing storage space at various locations in and near the capital. "One thing this move is going to achieve is a consolidation of all of those facilities," Cooper said, adding that the consolidation is expected to save about \$5 million a year in rental costs.

The National Archives oversees more than 30 facilities across the country, including nine presidential libraries, 14 federal records centers and 12 regional archives.

## HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Queries are free. Send your proofread information to Carolyn L. Fonken, 6612 Lost Horizon Drive, Austin TX 78759 (258-4432). Cutoff date is the 10th of the month preceding the month of publication. Include at least one first name, date and place per query. Please use names of months and the two capital letters for states. Letters may be edited to our format.



**BRYAN-HUGHES-PINKERTON-THOMPSON-WILES-WEBB** Seeking descendants of Samuel **BRYAN**, died 1832 in Davidson County, TN. Children include: William Park, born 1790's (sons Washington Carroll born 1824 and Harbert Alexander born 1833, lived in Bell and Falls Co., TX); Henry Morrow, died 1850 Davidson Co., TN; James Thomas, born 1799 (daughter Virginia married James H. **HUGHES**, and her son Samuel born 1800, my ancestor (son Finus Ewing born 1840 lived in Hill Co., TX); John M. born 1805 died 1860, Davidson Co., TN; Margaret Ann born 1790's, married Samuel W. **THOMPSON** 1828 Davidson Co., TN; Rebecca born 1807, married Joel P. **WILES**, moved to Lafayette Co., MO; Jane married David **PINKERTON**; Sarah; and Mary (one married John **WEBB** and the other married Samuel W. **PINKERTON**.)

*Robert Casey, 4705 Fred Eby, Jr. Lane, Austin TX 78731; 512-371-0539.*



**BULLARD-CAMP** My great grandfather, Nathan **BULLARD**, was born in TN in 1822 and moved to IL, then to TX in 1859. He lived in Parker Co. TX until after 1880. He was in Erath Co. TX for the 1900 census and died there in 1912. He was married to Polly Matilda **CAMP**. Does anyone know who his father was? His son, Wright R. **BULLARD** born 1846 in IL, is shown on one child's delayed birth certificate as having been in law enforcement as a Texas Ranger but I can find nothing on this. He died in March 1919 in Parker Co., TX. Any help out there?

*U.J. (Bullard) McCormick, 5608 Andover, Fort Worth TX 76114.*



**COOK** Need family information on Henry **COOK** born 1851 AL. Listed on 1870 Millertown, Milam Co. TX census with wife, Emily, 16 years old, born TX, and daughter Janie, 1 year old, born TX. Need parents of Henry and Emily. Have been unable to locate this family in later census. Any help appreciated.

*LaVerne Good Parsons, 6 Chameleon Court, Austin TX 78738-1323.*



**HOPKINS** Will exchange information on Willis H. **HOPKINS** born 1821 NC, married 1846 Campbell Co. GA to Margaret **JACKSON** born 1824 GA. Living in St. Elmo, Austin, Travis Co. TX 1872 till death 1904. Children: William Jackson, Sarah E. Wallace, Berry (my grandfather), Jane Rountree, Charles, Julia Casey and Emma Josephine Roundtree.

*R. T. Hopkins, 1830 South Valentine St., Lakewood CO 80228.*



**JACKSON-HARRIS-BRUCE** Need family information on Andrew **JACKSON** born 1831 Green Co. IL. Married Emily J. **HARRIS** December 1853 Bell Co. TX. Listed 1860 Milam Co. TX census with children Mary, Samuel, Elizabeth and Martha. Emily was living in household of Willis H. **BRUCE** 1850 Milam Co.

TX. Need parents of Andrew and Emily. Any help appreciated on this family.

**LaVerne Good Parsons, 6 Chameleon Court, Austin TX 78738-1323**



**JACKSON** Need information on Marzie Ann **JACKSON**, born 1856 Cameron, Milam Co. TX, daughter of Steven **JACKSON**. Lived at home 1860-1870 Cameron TX. Have not been able to locate Marzie Ann or any information on her after 1870 census. Appreciate any help.

**LaVerne Good Parsons, 6 Chameleon Court, Austin TX 78738-1323**



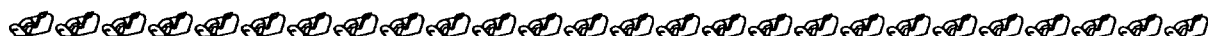
**McELROY-MAYFIELD-HOPKINS** Will exchange information on Allen **McELROY** born 1828 TN, married 1849 Lincoln Co., TN to Lutecia **MAYFIELD** born 1832 TN. Living in Austin, Travis Co., TX 1877. Probably died in Caldwell Co., TX after 1900. Children: Thomas, Allie Elnora (my grandmother), Annie, Charlie and W.N. There was a T.E. **McELROY** of Hays Co., TX who sold land to Berry and Allie (**McELROY**) **HOPKINS** of Caldsell Co., TX in 1895. Was this her brother?

**R.T. Hopkins, 1830 South Valentine Street, Lakewood CO 80228**



**POLING-STEMEN-BLACK-McGINNIS-WRIGHT** Seeking information on Samuel **POLING** born 1 May 1793 in MD or VA, died 15 April 1866. Samuel was married to Elizabeth **STEMEN** and had 13 children: Peter, Benjamin, John, Martha, Rachel, Samuel, Noah, Elizabeth, Margaret, Nancy, Mary, Ezra and Louisa. Also seeking information on Rodger (or Roger) **POLING** born VA and married to Margaret **BLACK**. Their children were Polly (or Peggy), John, Martin B., Daniel, Benjamin and Samuel. Also need information on Richard **POLING** born in Germany who came to the US in 1750 to Hampshire Co., VA. His children were William, Samuel, Johnathan, Rodger (or Roger), Sarah and Elizabeth. Lastly, seeking information on Bartlett **McGINNIS** who was born 1842-43 in Ada OK. He married Louisa Elizabeth **POLING** born 9 July 1836, died 15 August 1925. Their children were Emerson Wadsworth, Ida May, Elizabeth, Charles Wright, Winfield McCoy, Daisy Belle, Della B. and Myrtle. **BARTLETT's** maternal grandparents surname may have been **WRIGHT**.

**Meredith Nunnis, 4117 Paint Rock Dr., Austin TX 78731. (512) 345-1889.**



**ROGERS-BURLESON-McGEHEE** Seeking descendants and want to share/exchange data on James (1805-1902) and Rachel **BURLESON** (1843-1887) **ROGERS** and Joseph **BURLESON** (1840-1902) and Mary A. **McGEHEE** (1843-1887) **ROGERS**. Lived in Bastrop and Travis Counties from 1830.

**Mary Ann Fitzgerald, P.O. Box 55, Rosanky, TX 78953. (512) 237-2821.**



## From the LDS Library and Family History Center

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### PRESIDENTIAL PARDONS APPLICATIONS

One day while researching at the Family History Center, I noticed an interesting record relating to some Civil War records. This collection of files is entitled *CASE FILES ON APPLICATIONS FROM FORMER CONFEDERATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL PARDONS*. There are 73 rolls of microfilm in this collection. The good news is that there is a name index. I have this index on loan at the Rutherford Lane Family History Center. It is film number 1578739. When you locate a person in the index, then you order a roll of microfilm based on the surname and the state. The applications are divided into three groups--- the South, the North and the West, and those for whom no state or territory was given.

According to the descriptive information supplied with this collection, these presidential pardons were exceptions to the pardon given by President Andrew Johnson in his amnesty proclamation of 29 May 1865. The nearly 14,000 files contain oaths of allegiance signed by petitioners. There may also be letters from friends, family and prominent people asking for pardons for the petitioners. Nearly half of these applicants did not qualify for the 29 May 1865 pardon because they owned property valued at more than \$20,000. Other petitioners were former federal employees or Confederate officers.

This record is located in the *LOCALITY CATALOG* microfiche under *UNITED STATES-MILITARY HISTORY*. This *UNITED STATES-MILITARY* section of the *LOCALITY CATALOG* contains many interesting but seldom used records relating to the military history, records and pensions of this country.

Glenda Knipstein

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# The Austin Genealogical Society

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**MEMBERSHIP** is open to all upon payment of annual dues; \$15 per individual, or family membership at \$17 for two in the same household, entitling them to one copy of each Quarterly and monthly Newsletter, as well as two pages apiece (a total of four pages for \$17 whether one or two people submit listings) in the Ancestor Listing issue (June). **After 1 July**, dues are \$7.50 for the balance of the year, but you will only receive the publications produced after the date you join.

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