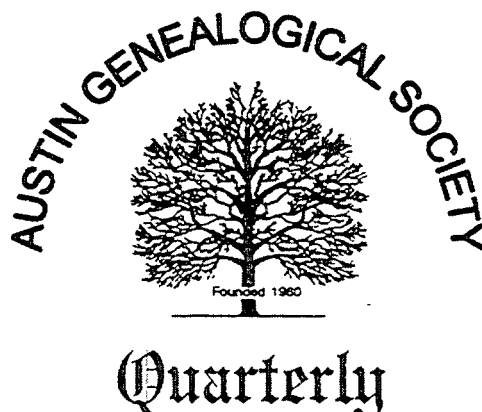


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through their blood in our veins and their voice in our heart.
—Unknown

Comments

OUR WEB PAGE GOES UPSCALE

You may have noticed our web address has changed; it is now www.AustinTxGenSoc.org (the address is not case-sensitive; you can type it all in lowercase letters if you prefer). If you call up the old address it will carry (link) you to our new address automatically, at least for a while. This new page is our very own, registered, reserved and paid for by the Society to whomever administers this enormous beast; whereas the previous page was a gratis arrangement with the organization having the page rights. This step gives us some security and freedom in porting our Society to the outside world.

Our page is growing nicely under the devoted attention of Webmistress Yvonne Beever. It will probably never be all that helpful to local members, but we hope and expect it will be of increasing interest and value to genresearchers anywhere in need of Travis County material. A purpose of our Society is to be helpful to any and all in this category and this is certainly a key way to do this. We will be alert to any additional links and associations in this rapidly developing field which can aid in this accomplishment. Thanks, Yvonne.

AUGUST SEMINAR APPROACHES

Pay attention to the Annual Seminar announcement at the back of this issue. We are having it once again at the Red Lion Hotel, 135 at US 290, Saturday 18 August, 2001, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are glad to say that noted professional genealogist and book publisher Henry Z. "Hank" Jones, Jr. will be our speaker. He has not lectured in this area previously and he brings a sterling reputation and intriguing subjects to the meeting. You will hear someone new, with new subjects to hear about. We'll have exhibitors and lunch also. See details about his subjects and the seminar in the flyer, and please tear out/copy and use the separate registration form following.

Y'all come, heah!

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THIS IS MEMBERS' ISSUE

Sooner than we might have wished, the June Members' issue is upon us and we are glad that a good baker's dozen members elected to submit material. Their presentations begin on Page 84. There is lots of good material here, both hard genealogy and substantial, *interesting* family history. We earnestly thank each and every contributor for their interest and diligence, particularly those offering material for the first time.

FROM THE TSGS

Have a suggestion for future conference titles? Send any to Yvonne S. Perkins, 2107 54th St., Lubbock TX 79412-2610, yperkins@juno.com.

Applications are still being accepted for *Gone To Texas*; *West Texas Pioneer* and *Texas First Families*. Send a SASE with 55 cents postage to Wanda L. Donaldson, 3219 Meadow Oaks Drive, Temple TX 76502-1752.

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This Quarterly invites genealogically associated material for publication. For your guidance we include on the inside back cover a publication policy applicable to contributed material; this policy will be reprinted each second quarter. Many of our most interesting and valuable articles have been received from non-members and we invite all readers, not just members, to keep this in mind.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE QUITE ACTIVE

With the return of spring the outdoors becomes enticing; this is a good time for data-gathering on the Travis County Cemetery project. It welcomes any and all assistance. Contact chair Jean Shroyer, 512-288-4131, txjean@aol.com. The Simpson Family Cemetery is registered in this issue.

HELEN

Her name says it all; why distract from it by adding more lead-in. In summer 1960 (yes, that's 41 years ago) the Austin Genealogical Society was founded by a group of some 190 charter members, among whom was Helen Hoskins Rugeley. That's a longevity accomplishment in itself but her imprint on Austin genealogy is immense; among other responsibilities she edited this Quarterly for 20 years from March 1972 through November 1991 when she relinquished the task to this Editor. Under her supervision the Quarterly improved in quality to a level which this Editor tries to achieve but never does. She did, however, agree at that time to continue as Book Review Editor, a capability for which she is uniquely fitted. She has always reviewed them as she found them, warts and roses all mixed, and never mind any ruffled feathers. Yet it was done in the best of good taste and good will, and all to the benefit of the intended reader.

You will find a review she has done for us on the book *Descendants of Captain John Wiggins*----- "on the second following page. Sadly for us, she has now asked to step down from that responsibility also. So, everyone please read that review and recognize the stamp of excellence within its words not often found elsewhere and likely not to be found within these pages again. Helen, our thanks must exceed our regrets; and remember, you have agreed that every now and then you may have a topical comment about genealogy or life to give us to pull these pages up from a banal mediocrity. *Salud!*

The Editor

Austin Genealogical Society By-Law Changes Adopted 24 April 2001*

Section 2: President

Previous:

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors. He/she shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Society, appoint all committees except the Nominating Committee, and be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

New (changes in Bold Italic):

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, Executive Committee, and the Board of Directors. He/she shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Society, appoint all committees except the Nominating Committee, and be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. *He/she shall also be responsible for getting the Society's mail from the Post Office once a week and distributing it to the appropriate Board members.*

Section 6: Corresponding Secretary

Previous:

The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for retrieving the Society's mail from the Post Office once a week and examining it for subject matter, distribution to the appropriate Board member, and executing such correspondence as may be requested by the President, Executive Committee, or Board of Directors of the society. He/she shall maintain custody of all such letters.

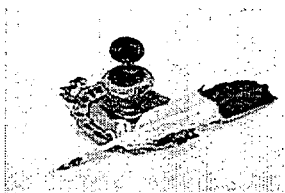
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Section 6: Corresponding Secretary

The Corresponding Secretary shall execute such correspondence as may be requested by the President, Executive Committee, or Board of Directors of the Society. He/she shall maintain custody of all such letters. She/he shall reply to mail inquiries related to Austin or Travis County that do not require in-depth searches and may refer those inquiries to other resources.

The Corresponding Secretary also serves as the editor of the "Happy Hunting Ground" column in the AGS Quarterly. The "HHG" editor writes abstracts of selected inquiries and submits them to the Quarterly Editor.

*By Membership Vote at Regular Meeting.



Book Review

Descendants of Captain John Wiggins of Martin County, North Carolina by Agness Wiggins Gunter, 6833 Wade Drive, Apex, NC 27502. Abstracted and compiled by author; copyrighted 2000. Library of Congress Control No. 00-110116. Hardbound, gold-embossed, 6" x 9", 771 pages. Photographs; maps; 62-page Index. Price \$36.00 (including postage). Order from author.

Descendants of Captain John Wiggins of Martin County, North Carolina is one of the seldom-seen, superb genealogies of the day. It excels in careful organization, format, readability and accuracy. The format is a bit off-putting at first sight, but each generation named reveals date of birth and death, name of spouse, date of marriage, and data on children with their successive offspring.

The Alphabetical Index is unique in its thoroughness, in this writer's opinion. Every surname is set forth in boldface capital letters (such as HOSKINS) followed by every spelling such as Elizabeth; Elizabeth Ann (Lawrence) showing maiden name; Elizabeth B. (Blount); Elizabeth Bell; Elizabeth (Blount); Elizabeth Blount; Elizabeth (Hocutt); Elizabeth (Howcutt); etc.

One of the delightful features in this welcome arrangement of the descendants from Captain John Wiggins: statistics through a given generation, followed by pertinent history of that area.

Counties that were settled by Wiggins descendants include Martin Co, NC; Halifax Co, NC; Montgomery Co, TN; Henry Co, TN; Marengo Co, AL; Washington Co, GA; Madison Co, AL; Marion District, SC; Copiah Co, MS; Ashley Co, AR; Bolivar Co, MS; Halifax Co, NC; Madison & Hinds Co, MS; Matagorda Co, TX; New Hanover Co, NC; Fairfield & Kershaw Districts, SC; Washington Co, GA; Bowie & Case Cos, TX; Chowan Co, NC; Lowndes Co, MS; Edgecombe Co, NC; Clarke & Monroe Cos, AL; Mobile Co, AL; Gibson Co, TN; Lauderdale Co, MS; Smith Co, TX; Noxubee & Kemper Cos, MS; Leon Co, FL; Dooly Co, GA; Manatee Co, FL.

Mrs. Gunter was extremely diligent and successful in obtaining excellent pictures for almost all of these areas. Many family portraits, homes, pertinent maps, important documents and handwritten letters enriched these pages.

Thankfully, Footnotes appear below the line at the bottom of the page, saving the reader from a tedious search.

Valuable topics such as the Revolutionary War, Bible Records, Wills, Death Dates, Census Records, Diaries, and priceless Memories enhance the book.

Do not fail to consult page 280 early in your reading of this complicated family. Since Mrs. Gunter began her interest in research about 1955, the arrival of the computer persuaded her to convert her findings to the more compact form. Compare page One with page 281 and rejoice!

May each of you readers be as fortunate as your reviewer! Through this book I have been able to establish my line straight back to Captain John Wiggins via his daughter Winnifred's marriage to Richard Hoskins. And my children and I were amazed to discover that their father was the **fifth** generation of Rowland Rugeley (1706-1781) of Bedfordshire, whose son Henry immigrated to South Carolina. These lines met in Matagorda, Texas.

Blest be the tie that binds us!

Helen (Hoskins) Rugeley

Ed. Note: Blest indeed be the tie that binds Helen to AGS. With this review she retires as Book Review Editor.



TO HELEN RUGELEY

The members of the Board of Directors of the Austin Genealogical Society
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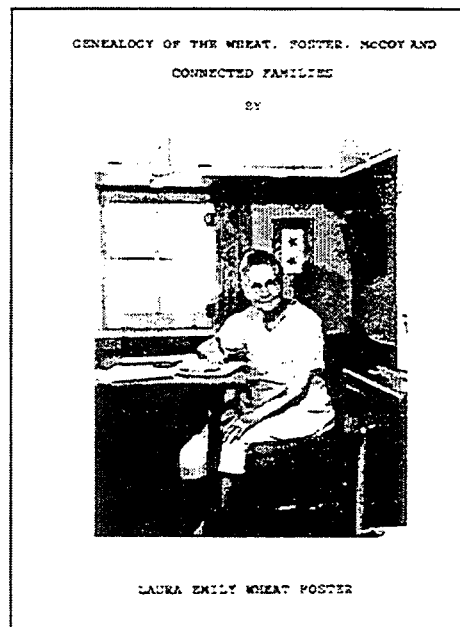
Book Review

Genealogy of the Wheat, Foster, McCoy and Connected Families by Laura Emily Wheat Foster; 1941; assembled, indexed, annotated and copied by daughter Lorrie Foster Henderson, 5722 Highland Hills Drive, Austin TX 78731. Loose leaf format, 8 1/2 x 11", 157 pages plus name index. Contact assembler.

AGS Corresponding Secretary Lorrie Henderson comes by her genealogical qualifications naturally. One only has to glance at this very interesting and in many ways unique volume which was prepared way back in 1941, when genealogy mostly applied to royalty, to realize that her mother knew and applied her genealogy very well to the task. This book explores the genealogies of the Wheat, Foster, McCoy and connected families in substantial detail and includes a seriatim of charts and discussions on the persons and families involved.

It is broadly divided into sections Wheat Genealogy, Patterson Genealogy, Pioneer Episodes, Travels, McCoy Genealogy, and Foster Genealogy. Emphasis is on the Wheat family originating in England, although some argument persists about site specifics in that country. This McCoy line originated with Alexander McCoy, b. 1752 on the estate of the Earl of Angus in Sutherlandshire, Scotland.

Part of the book's uniqueness is the fact that it is photocopied from the original document which was prepared and painstakingly typewritten by her mother in 1941. That was a huge job but Mrs. Foster continued to update various entries through the years in her own handwriting. For some readers these details might be distractful; this reviewer feels they give the collection a reality and sense of veracity often missing from formally printed and bound books. All those handwritten notes just have to be correct!



The book would have been valuable as assembled by Mrs. Foster but the value is much enhanced by the name index which Lorrie has added, along with some commentaries on the origin of the Wheat name. A glance at the index of likely over 600 names indicates there are quite a few Albertsons, Gillits, Herrons, Pattersons and Shaws in addition to the subtitled families. The various discussion sections give thumbnail sketches of the life of the charted individual, many of which are quite interesting on their own.

Lorrie can feel, justifiably, quite proud of her mother for the legacies in blood and paper which her mother left with her. It was families like these which, during the nineteenth century particularly, helped build this country into the worthy nation it is today.

WMK



History of St. Elmo PTA

Manuscript from files of the Austin History Center

Written by Mrs. C.R. Toungeate, ca 1962

Edited by Mr. Charles Boyd

The original St. Elmo community of Travis County, Texas, was located at a point near the present site of Pleasant Hill, but when Mr. Henry Radam established his store at a native rock building on the corner of what is now Austin's St. Elmo Road and the San Antonio Highway, he retained the name St. Elmo. A Mr. MacArthur, son of the widow Doyle who gave the land for St. Edwards University in Austin, first suggested the name when he read a book, a bestseller entitled *St. Elmo* by August Evans.

Mr. Radam was one among a group of men who started a movement to get a school in the community. The first school was located at the present site of the 4700 block of South First Street. Mr. Radam's daughter, Annie Birkner, places the date of this first school as 1889, while Mr. Frank Casey thinks it may have been in the 1870s. They recall that this building was a one-room, unpainted, frame building. Mrs. Birkner has in her possession at the present time the bell which called the first St. Elmo pupils to class.

Mr. Casey reports that he took his lunch -- usually a biscuit with molasses inside it -- in a tin bucket. The grade system had not been introduced at that time, but studies started in the primer and blue back speller and advanced to history and geography. The one teacher taught 50 or 60 pupils ranging in age from 7 to 24 years. Miss Nannie Barner was one of the early teachers at St. Elmo, and many were impressed with her ability. Mr. Casey says she influenced his whole life and still recalls her vividly after more than 70 years.

Surrounding the school was a wooded area and the few houses were far apart. The Stanleys, Tumeys, Hartkopfs, Radams and Caseys owned farms in the community.

Mrs. Louise Fisher, Mrs. Mary Beckett, Mr. J.E. Ponton and Mrs. Elizabeth Miller are teachers remembered by early students. In 1906 the building had no window panes and is described by those who attended as a shack. The Austin Public Library has a letter dated 1906 by Mrs. Elizabeth Miller requesting the county school superintendent to tend to the much needed repairs. It is also noted that she did obtain repairs.

By the turn of the century new families had moved into the community. Mr. W.W. Stewart rode a donkey to school and recalls that discipline was rather strict in those days. Mrs. Miller rode from Austin to the School each day in a horse-drawn buggy.

The St. Elmo School District was established in 1914; a two-acre tract was purchased from the Caseys for \$300, and plans were laid for the erection of a two-room frame building. This building was located on South First Street near the railroad track. The school district encompassed a 40-mile area and it took in two other schools, extending from the Colorado River on the north to Williamson Creek on the south and extended as far west as the present Brodie Lane.

During the period 1915 to 1920 enrollment was between 50 and 75. Mrs. Lucy Kelley, a teacher during this time, says that the benches were disposed of and desks purchased while she was teaching. The grade system was introduced. Many recall the

spelling bees that were conducted both at school and as a form of entertainment at night.

The Baptist Church set up a brush arbor on Casey Street and named the congregation Bethel Baptist Church. Their preachers often helped out with school functions. By 1920 the school had become a community center. Box suppers, picnics, and an occasional square dance were popular.

The first PTA meeting at St. Elmo was held in September 1922. The first PTA in the United States was organized in 1897 in Washington DC by Alice McClellan Birney and Phoebe Hurst. Mrs. Ella Carruthers of Dallas was named in 1909 to organize the PTA in Texas. This movement was called the National Congress of Mothers and was devoted to child study.

The afternoon of May 4, 1922, was like any other afternoon except for the extreme heat. School was dismissed as usual, but as the children started home they noticed a menacing dark blue cloud. Most of them got home before disaster struck.

The William Holden children usually walked about 2 or 3 miles home. On this afternoon they were overtaken by their father in a buggy. He had taken Mrs. Holden and the baby to shop at Radam's store, had seen the cloud and whipped his horse mercilessly to pick up the children at school. By the time they reached home the tornado had struck Pennfield Airport (later site of Woodward Manufacturing Company). He took his family, including 11 children outside; Mama went back to cover up the milk -- it might get dust in it she thought. Mr. Holden went back inside to get her. He ordered each big child to sit on a little one and they all got behind a pile of dirt. When the storm hit it blew both the house and barn away, but the family was safe.

The Hartkopf house, along with others in the community blew away. Most of the people survived by lying on the ground and holding to bushes. Allan Hartkopf also remembers his father sitting on him to keep him from blowing away. Many were injured and eight lost their lives. Only two people -- the teacher, Mrs. Elsie Broadback, and her little sister -- were in the schoolhouse when the tornado struck it, lifted it off the foundations, and turned it around. The two huddled behind the piano and were unhurt. Damage to the school building amounted to \$1,000, according to Mrs. Felter. Lenora Jones recalls that Mrs. Broadback handed out report cards on the school steps the day after the storm.

Shortly after this disaster, the school board took out an insurance policy on the building. Thus, St. Elmo became the first school in the county to have insurance. This later proved to be a wise step.

About 1925 Mrs. Lula May Moehring and Miss Lila Mae Benson came to teach at St. Elmo. They both taught five years or more.

On Sept. 18, 1928, the American Statesman reported that a tall, denuded chimney tower and a mass of hot ashes were all that remained of the St. Elmo school building after a fire at 1:55 a.m. St. Elmo was four miles outside the city limits at that time, but the fire department sent a courtesy wagon to the fire.

There was much speculation about the origin of the fire. Mrs. Georgia Felter reported to the paper that the locks had been tampered with. A dairyman reported that he saw an automobile on the school grounds about midnight, but even though the sheriff's department investigated, nothing was ever proven. Damage to the school came to \$6,000. Mrs. Felter said the school was particularly unfortunate as it had lost \$100 worth

of books and supplies earlier the same year by theft. Plans were hurriedly made to replace the building. The insurance paid \$3,000 and bonds were voted to cover the additional cost.

Mr. J.B. Loveless on Cardinal Lane allowed the school to meet temporarily in one of his houses, located north of the Q.C. Boatman dairy. The house still stands, but has since been remodeled. Seventy students were taught in this four-room house for the remainder of the school year. By the next September another two-room building had been constructed. In 1920 a third room was added.

In 1930, Mrs. Elizabeth Miller returned to teach at St. Elmo -- she had taught there previously around the turn of the century -- and continued until retirement. Miss Audrey Swank and Miss Poole joined the faculty during the later '20s.

Even though the depression was felt in the 30s, they seem to be a decade of considerable improvement in the school and facilities. Much of this progress is attributed to the hard working Parent-Teacher Organization. It was through their efforts that money was raised to put electricity in the school building. Shrubs were planted, playground equipment bought, and the library improved. Another room was added to the building in 1934, making it L-shaped.

Water, or lack of it, was one of the big problems during these school days. Mr. John Reed said that he hauled water and poured it into the cistern in front of the school building; the boys then had to pump it out. The water did not always stay clean (occasionally boys would throw in a few snakes), and the pupils had to bring their own water in jars.

Every child had chores to do at school. The children kept the building, carried in coal and wood, and even cleaned the outdoor toilets. Chores were rotated by the teachers so that the same people did not always have to do the same thing. When water was first piped out to this district, the pressure was so bad that many people did not attempt to get water through the day, but waited until night to fill their horse troughs, etc.

School was not all work. On one occasion a whisper campaign was carried on, and when it came time to eat lunch every child walked off the school ground, took his lunch down to the creek and played hooky for the rest of the day. There was a slight complication, however. The students had to have a note from home to get back in school. The next day they were back in class but they sat very, very lightly.

Mrs. Elsie Hartkopf bought the first coffee urn for the PTA. For several years she had the somewhat distasteful job of coffee making. After that, Mr. John Reed took it over for seven years. It was estimated that Mr. Raymond Hawkins made approximately 1,500 cups of coffee during his PTA career. Still later, Mrs. John Murray acted in this capacity. Mrs. Q.C. Boatman and Mrs. S.E. Dahlstrom were PTA presidents during the '30s. In 1932 Mrs. John Reed wrote the first PTA by-laws; this task took 2 or 3 weeks.

At this period there was much competition between rural schools and perhaps the biggest thing in the county was the county meets -- with contests in every academic subject, and athletics being held. First, second, and third place winners were awarded in every division, and St. Elmo brought much honor to their school in these events.

When Austin decided to extend the city limits in 1937 to include the St. Elmo community, steps had to be taken to make St. Elmo a part of the city school system, since the City of Austin and the Public School system were still under the same tax system. A

petition circulated by Mr. M. Burchard and H.H. Dickhutt was signed by 94 people in the district -- almost 2/3 of the registered voters -- and the City Council approved it on July 12, 1937.

Some of the teachers of this period were Mrs. Angeline West, Mrs. Nell Hampe, Miss Minnie Lovett, and Mrs. S. Miller. Mrs. Josephine Houston was the first principal after St. Elmo became a member of the city school system. Other principals were Harvey Williams, Frank Lamb, Frank Wilson, Miss Willie Long, and Mrs. Roy Canon. By now some of the older St. Elmo families had members of the third generation in St. Elmo -- the Dahlstroms and Cullens, for example. In 1960 St. Elmo had enrolled third generation students Ann Wise and Anita Kay Yount, presently enrolled.

In 1939-40 Mrs. Dickhutt became PTA president. She was followed in 1941 by Mrs. H.C. Lucksinger. Mrs. Henry Harrison acted as vice president for 8 years. The teachers of this time praised the cooperation of the parents. Mrs. Jane Langford came to St. Elmo in 1939 as a primary teacher. She taught this grade eight years and then became principal. Others who joined the faculty in those years were Miss Minnie Lovett and Julia Yancey and Mrs. Bennie J. Davis (who is teaching here at the present time).

During this time the PTA had bought a large number of tin cups. Mrs. Langford and other teachers cooked meals in the cloakroom for their pupils and served them in cups. The Federal government, interested in disposing of the surplus butter and other products, furnished part of the food for the lunches. The faculty prepared food on a hot plate in the cloakroom for 100 students. Finally a little cubicle was built off the back of the building to serve as the first kitchen. The children were served outside and the girls took turns washing dishes.

The school operattas, plays, and May fetes of the time are described by Mrs. Langford as completely fabulous. The PTA helped register the people of the community for rationing during the second World War.

In 1942 a quonset hut was set up on the school ground to serve as a kitchen. Mrs. Langford still planned the meals and hired the cook. She also did the census taking in those days. In May of 1952 Mrs. Langford was presented with the only lifetime PTA membership ever awarded by the St. Elmo chapter.

The community saw many former students go to war during World War II. The classes in school each had their victory gardens on the school grounds. In the 40's the school was honored by such speakers as Jerry Joslin -- "the kid's cop" -- Dr. Irby B. Carruth, and Judge Charles O. Betts.

Other PTA presidents who served the school diligently were Mrs. A.M. Fleming, Mrs. Earl Hestilow, Mrs. O.S. Miles, Mrs. H.C. Lucksinger, Mrs. B.R. Wiggins, Mrs. Paul Wagoner, Mrs. Raymond McElroy, Mrs. Ray Callan, Mrs. J.D. Seals, and Mrs. Roger Billy.

Mrs. Ellen Seals got the first safety patrol program underway and became St. Elmo's first patrol lady. Mrs. R.M. Franklin, Mrs. Billy Evans, and Mrs. S.E. Downs were to follow in this service.

During the '50's St. Elmo school, like many others, became over-crowded. Mrs. Paul Wagoner, PTA president, put on a vigorous campaign for two new schools to relieve the situation. It was mainly through her efforts that Joslin and Dawson were built. After the new schools opened, old St. Elmo was closed. Two rooms were torn off the building and moved to Joslin. To celebrate the opening of the new schools, the PTA gave a

"Hallelujah Party." St. Elmo PTA gave the Dawson and Joslin PTA's \$50 each.

St. Elmo was closed for one year only. The school was reopened with three grades and three teachers in the fall of 1956. Mrs. Margaret Edwards and Mrs. Velma Downs went from door to door to reorganize a parents' organization. Because of the small number, it was at first called a PTO. Some of the books that had been given to the new schools were returned to our library along with the piano and a gift of \$50 from the Dawson and Joslin PTAs. Miss Jessie Jeffrey, Mrs. Betty Smith and Mrs. Betty Jones taught here in the old building, under Mr. T.R. Huey. Later Mrs. Peggy Kennedy took Mrs. Jones' place.

In the fall of 1960 St. Elmo opened with one of the most modern buildings in the city of Austin. Additional land had been purchased giving room for parking, playground, park and the spacious building. Greenwood Forest had been occupied, bringing to our community a touch of many lands since it was occupied by Bergstrom Air Force Base personnel. Contact with these people who have traveled has broadened the minds of the students. Mrs. Roger Billy became the first PTA president for the new school. Mr. Huey was again our principal. Mrs. Jewel Hage was our first assistant principal but was named principal Jan. 29, 1962.

By looking at the long struggle of the past we gain insight into the future. We are also made humble by the sacrifices of those who brought us to the place we now stand.

Filling in the Blanks

With the help of a cousin, I have my father's family traced back a number of generations in Norway. But there are a lot of blank spaces. There is an awful lot I don't know about my dad. He died at the age of 61. I didn't have enough sense to ask a lot of questions as I was growing up. And he was never in a Writing Your Family Memoirs class to let us know some of his stories.

I have been on a "scavenger hunt" over the last year to fill in some of the blanks. I knew the basics: the youngest of eight living children, graduated from St Olaf College in 1916, was in the service in WWI, was in Washington DC after the war, worked for the federal government, transferred to Texas in early twenties, met my mother on a blind date, married in 1924, my sister born in 1925, and two years later I was born.

In trying to account for some of the early years I decided to try to get his college transcripts. He was the only sibling in his family to attend college. I had heard him talk about Gale Academy and College at Galesville, Wisconsin, but knew very little more. I tried the Internet with little success. In the meantime I ordered and received his transcript from St Olaf. There I met a real surprise! The transcript said he had transferred from Park Region Luther College in 1914. I had never heard of Park Region Luther College. I emailed an ex-housemate of mine from my St Olaf days who is a retired



Art Hansen and Richard Robertson - Gale College 1912

Lutheran Minister. He gave me the name of the Archivist of the Lutheran Church for the Minnesota/Wisconsin area. I wrote for information about my father at both Gale College and Park Region Luther College. The reply included a xerox picture from the 1913 Gale annual and two more pages including his name and class. The Archivist also said that Park Region College had been taken over by Concordia College at Moorhead and they might be able to help. I called the Archivist there and she indicated that Park Region had been at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, and merged with Concordia in 1917. Two days later she called and said she had his transcript for the school year 1913-1914.

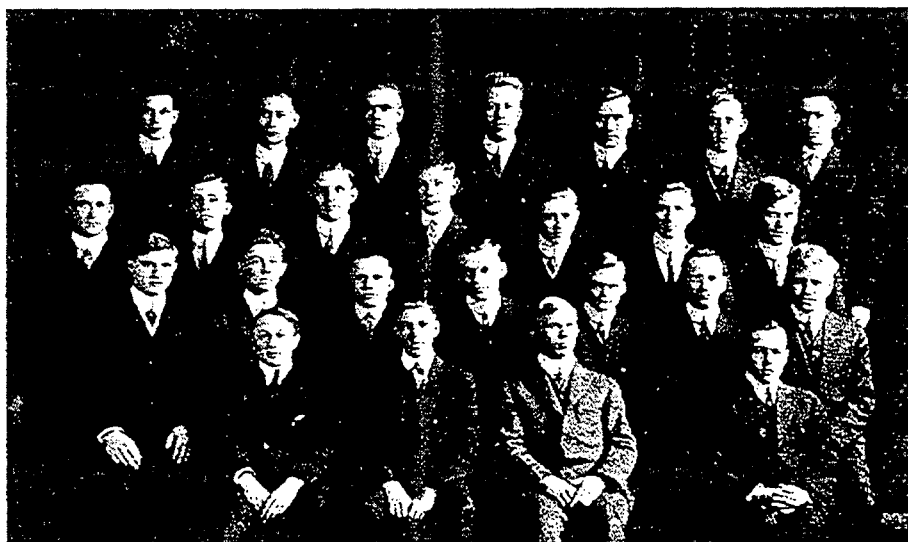


**Band at Park Region Lutheran College circa 1913
Clarinetist Richard Robertson 2nd Row Far Right**

Knowing that he was graduated from the night law school at the YMCA in Dallas and that he never practiced law, I began trying to find out about that law school. The Internet got me into the Dallas Public Library and I was able to post a query but nothing materialized from that effort. But a copy of the newspaper clipping announcing his death in 1953 said he had attended law school at the University of Wisconsin and at George

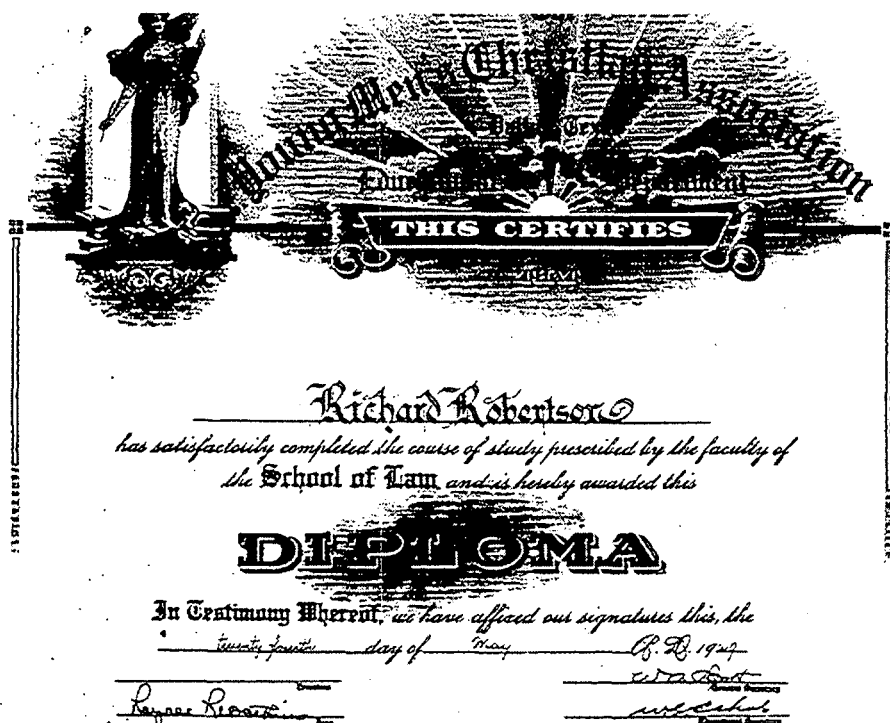
Washington University in Washington, D.C. I wrote the University of Wisconsin and received his transcript for the school year 1916-17 and had many conversations with the Registrar at George Washington University. Finally, last week, I received all the papers she had on my father which revealed that he had taken some courses over the period 1919-21 while working full-time during the day.. One document also indicated that he left Wisconsin Law School on December 8, 1917, presumably to go into military service, although I am still waiting for a copy of his service record. This still left one blank --the YMCA Law School. Then another break-- in my sister's cedar chest we found my mother's family papers and my dad's diploma from the YMCA Law School.

So the end of this part of the scavenger hunt has enabled me to verify the years he went to the academy, college, WWI, Washington, D.C. and his transfer to Texas.



**1916 Men's Literary Society - St Olaf College
Richard Robertson 2nd Row Far Right**

All of this does not give me the stories, however, but it does give me dates and places upon which to hang any stories I might get.



This past May we decided it was time to go see all my Norwegian relatives in Minnesota and Wisconsin. One cousin was 95, others in their late eighties, and others around my age. In our ten day trip we saw ten first cousins, ten first cousins once removed, and three cousins twice removed. It was a wonderful trip. With my tape recorder, I taped the oldest cousin's recollections of my grandfather who died in 1912. One cousin took me to the little nearby farming community and Lutheran Church where he was told that my father taught Norwegian at the parochial school. And two other cousins had picture post cards their

mothers had saved that were written to or from my father. The pictures were actual photographs of familiar people or places. Putting the cards with pictures and dates together with the transcripts has fleshed out my time line and given me some stories I did not have.

One of the more amusing incidents on the trip was my visit to Pee Wee Jevne, my cousin whose mother was the older sister who helped rear my dad and who was his closest contact after his mother died in 1916. As I walked through the door, Pee Wee handed me a post card with my father's name that said: "Certificate of Birth Registration", dated 1921 from the Wisconsin State Board of Health. The card verified the registration of his birth. The interesting paragraph on the other side said: "Parents should be at least as much interested in providing an enduring, permanent record to safeguard the civil and property rights of their innocent, helpless children as they are in the careful registration of their pure bred cattle, horses, dogs and angora cats..."

The trip was full of bonuses, not the least of which was to see so many relatives who live far away. I'm not sure what the professional genealogists would think of my approach to filling in the blanks, but in my case, combining old post cards and college transcripts has paid off in my "scavenger hunt."

By Richard Robertson

Private Researchers List Posted at Texas State Library

The following private researchers have requested that their names be given to persons desiring more extensive research than can be carried out as a regular service of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC). The researchers provided information about themselves. Inclusion on the list does not imply endorsement by the TSLAC, and the TSLAC assumes no responsibility for arrangements with these researchers. The TSLAC staff will not intervene in cases of disagreement between client and researcher. It is the responsibility of the parties involved to resolve any difficulties.

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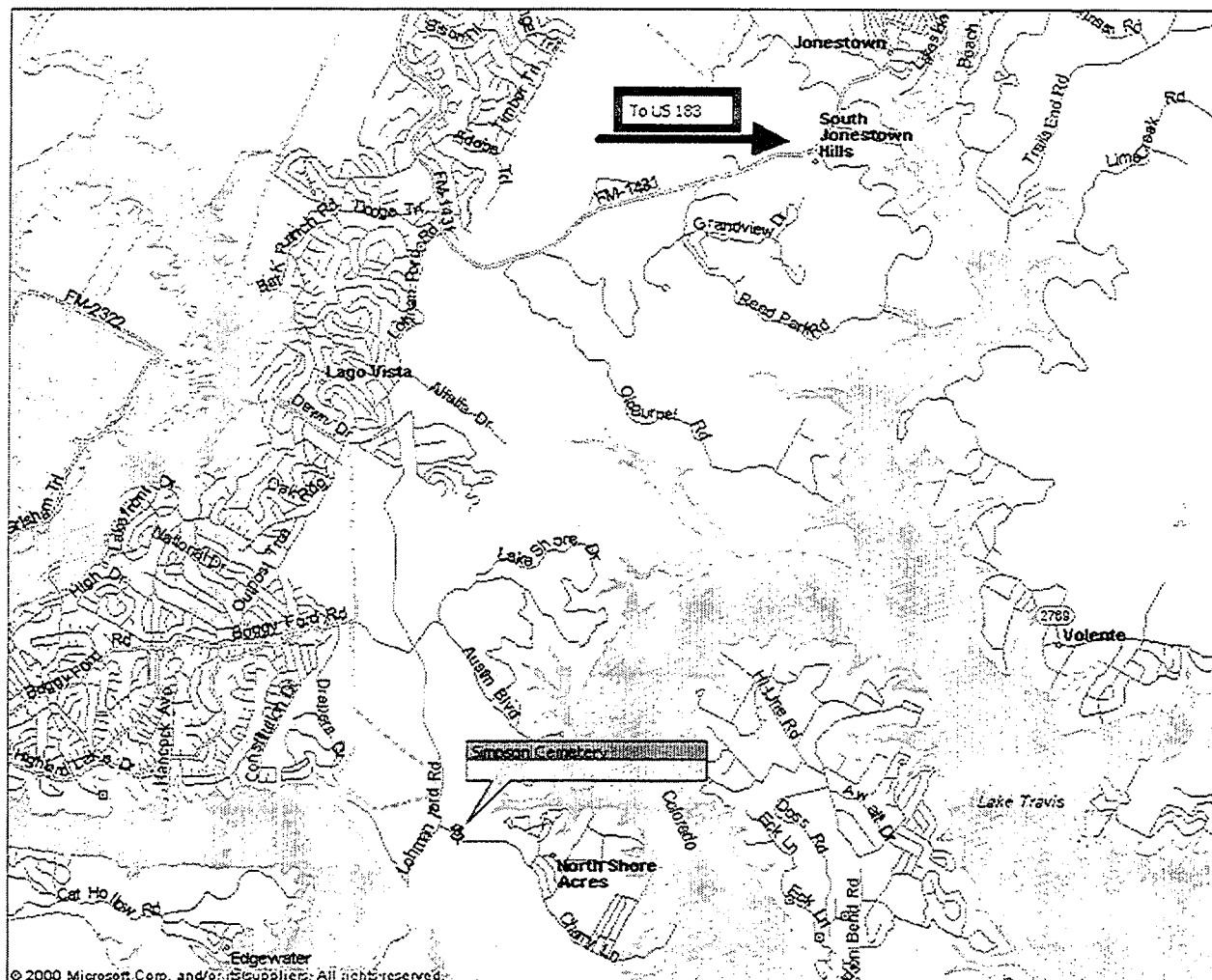
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Simpson

SIMPSON CEMETERY



NAME OF CEMETERY: Simpson Family Cemetery

DIRECTIONS: (USGS Quad: Mansfield Dam, Latitude 30.413 Degrees North,
Longitude 97.969 West)

Take US 183 north in Cedar Park, Texas to FM 1431. Go west on FM 1431 11.2 miles, then south on Lohman's Ford Road 4.3 miles. Take Sylvester Ford Road east three tenths miles. Simpson Cemetery will be located on the south side of the road in a grove of trees. The cemetery is maintained by the Simpson family descendants and owned by the Simpson Family Association listed on the Travis County, Texas tax rolls. Small pink granite markers on future plots have been placed "to mark their spot". Annual Cleanup Day occurs late in October each year on a Saturday.

Simpson Cemetery was compiled and prepared by Mrs. Anna Price, AGS cemetery committee member (512) 231-0640, Mrs. Dorothea Sedgwick (210) 661-2588, Mrs. Linda Woodworth (830) 935-4590 and Mrs. Ann Sedgwick Billings (830) 868-2122. Mrs. Dorothea Sedgwick is caretaker of the cemetery.

Acknowledgements: The Austin Genealogical Society wishes to thank Mrs. Ann Sedgwick Billings, Mrs. Dorothea Sedgwick, Mrs. Linda Woodworth and Mrs. Anna Price for their participation with the Travis County Cemetery Project. (Mrs. Jean Shroyer, Travis County Cemetery Project Chairperson; Mrs. Ginger Goetze Co-chairperson)

HISTORY OF SIMPSON CEMETERY;

Levi SIMPSON is the son of Joseph C. SIMPSON and Susan Hogan. Levi & Emily (Lamascus) SIMPSON owned the land where the SIMPSON Cemetery is located. SIMPSON Cemetery is located off Sylvester Ford Road on the Robert Wallace original land grant. The family story handed down as to how the **SIMPSON Cemetery** was started: "There was a family passing through and their child became sick and died. Levi **SIMPSON** said they could bury their child where the now present Cemetery is located. The unknown child is located to the side of Levi SIMPSON. The second child buried in the cemetery is their grandchild at Levi's feet. Levi & Emily's daughter, Lou SIMPSON married Joe Moore in July 1902. Their baby died about 1903".

Levi, Emily and family were living at Bee Cave area before moving to that land up on the Colorado River around 1897. Levi and Emily once owned 794 acres. Levi donated some land on the corner of Lohman Ford Road and Sylvester Ford Road for a schoolhouse. The schoolhouse has been moved. The children nicknamed the schoolhouse Bug Tussie.

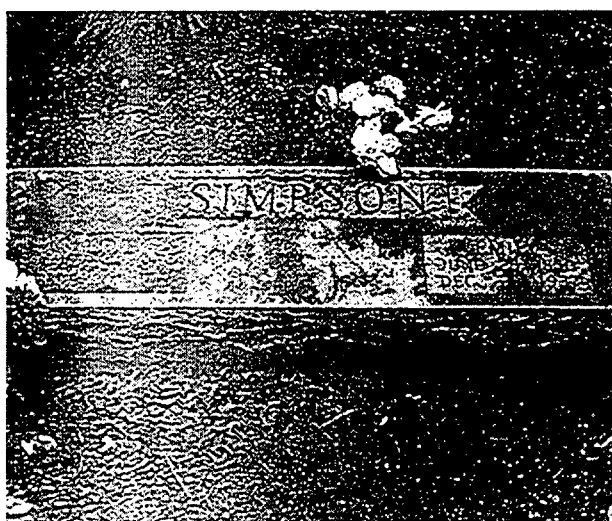
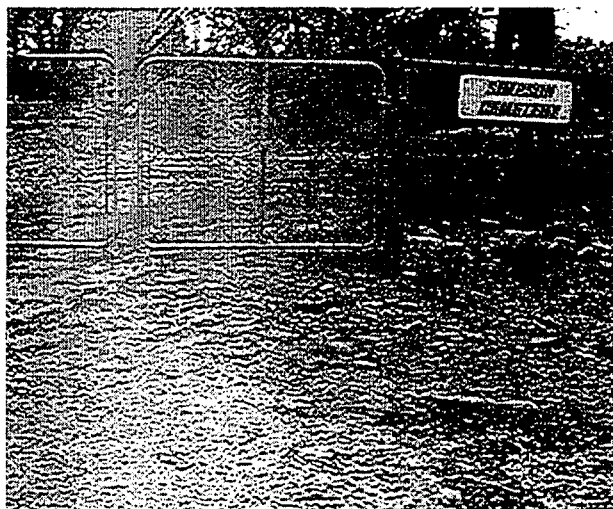
Levi and Emily built a new house closer to the Lohman Ford and Sylvester Ford Road intersection. The new house burned sometime later. In 1930 their son James "Jim" SIMPSON lived in their old house that is still standing and is located close to the SIMPSON Cemetery. Jim SIMPSON married Bertha James, daughter of Luther Martin James and Fannie Lindsey. Jim SIMPSON had a dance at the old house for everyone who helped to dig a cellar. Some man got drunk and they locked him in the cellar. This was told to Dortha Cantwell Sedgwick and Ann Sedgwick Billings by Jim's son, Luke SIMPSON. Luke was four years old at that time and his brother Kenneth was born there. Luke also told us they used China Berry for snuff brush.

Emily SIMPSON later sold the land after Levi died and moved to Cedar Park on Brushy Creek to live with her daughter, Sis Cook.'

I asked Mom about the shells on the graves. We are not sure who started putting the shells on the graves. Probably one of the daughters of Levi and Emily's. Mom did say it was mussel shells from the river they started with. And we added the newer shells from the oceans.

Narrative submitted by Ann Sedgwick Billings, 966 Pedernales Oaks Drive, Johnson City, TX 78636, Phone # 830868-2122. Her mother is mentioned above: Dortha Cantwell Sedgwick, caretaker of the cemetery.





SIMPSON CEMETERY VIEWS

West		Sylvester Ford Road (runs east/west)				East
FLOWER BED		GATE	2	14		FLOWER BED
			1	13		
			3			
				TREE		
			4			
	7		5	15		
	8		6	16		
			9	17		
			11	18		
			10			
			12	19		

FIELD

LEGEND:

- Obtain a drawing of the cemetery showing the sections and lot numbers. If it is unavailable, sketch the cemetery and assign the numbers.

o.	Name of Deceased (cont.)	Sec Lot	Date of Birth	Date of Death	Type and Material of Marker	Orient ation N, S,	Repair needed Y or N	Comments (cont. & on back)
1.	Sadie B SIMPSON		1 Jan 1915	21 Mar 1986	Double flat slab (with LT) grey granite - Picture of couple -	E	N	
2.	L T SIMPSON		13 FEB 1906	28 Mar 1997	Double flat slab (with Sadie) grey granite - Picture of couple Footstone 'DAD'	E	N	
3.	Clarence CRUMLEY		26 Jan 1899	25 Jul 1971	flat slab grey granite with carved flowers	E	N	
4.	Beckie SIMPSON CRUMLEY		2 Mar 1886	24 May 1971	flat slab grey granite with carved flowers	E	N	
5.	Robert LEE SIMPSON		6 Mar 1872	20 Apr 1934	2 markers -- 1 st very old eroded Simple tablet Marble with carved star 2 nd -- newer grey granite flat slab carved with flowers	E	N	
6.	Ethel SIMPSON		No dates		Small pink granite slant faced Footstone with lamb	E	N	child
7.	Virgil A SEDGWICK WWII veteran -- Seaman 1 st class ~ 'Married 19 Feb 1940'		23 Jan 1919	29 Dec 1996	Double flat slab with Dortha Grey Granite has Picture of couple	E	N	
8.	Dortha E SEDGWICK 'Married 19 Feb 1940'		28 Jan 1924	NA	Double flat slab with Virgil Grey Granite has Picture of couple	E	N	Maiden name CANTWELL
9.	Arrion SIMPSON		No dates		Small pink granite slab Footstone with lamb	E	N	child
0.	Levi SIMPSON		5 Feb 1848	20 Sep 1911	Double slant-faced with Emily Grey Granite	E	N	
1.	Emily LAMASCUS SIMPSON		25 Jun 1850	2 Dec 1937	Double slant-faced with Levi	E	N	Wrong DOB on headstone

				Grey Granite			Maiden name JAMES
				Footstone with initials			
2.	Unknown infant	No dates		Small flat slab pink granite	E	N	Child died before 1903 – family
				Footstone with lamb			Passing thru area and Levi gave
							Permission to bury on farm
3.	Gene SHANNON	6 AUG 1935	1 AUG 1999	Double modern standup on	E	N	
	'Devoted to family'			Base - with Joan			
				Grey Granite -- couple picture			
				Footstone 'Gringo'			
4.	Joan E SHANNON	21 Apr 1940	NA	Double modern standup on	E	N	
				Base - with Gene			
				Grey Granite -- couple picture			
				Footstone 'Yankee'			
5.	Sarah Bertha JAMES	11 Jan 1898	27 Nov 1982	Double slanted slab with James	E	N	
	SIMPSON			Grey Granite			
				Footstone 'SBS'			
6.	James Franklin SIMPSON	25 Apr 1892	3 Jan 1981	Double slanted slab with Sarah	E	N	
				Grey Granite			
				Footstone 'JFS'			
7.	James F SIMPSON	3 Dec 1915	6 Dec 1915	Small Flat slab carved with lamb	E	N	Baby
				And flowers ~ Grey Granite			
				Footstone 'JS'			
8.	Vivian SIMPSON	No dates		Small Flat slab carved with lamb	E	N	baby
				And flowers ~ Grey Granite			
				Footstone 'VS'			
	Baby	No dates		Small pink granite flat slab	E	N	Infant of Joe & Lou SIMPSON
				-- cement base			MOORE
				Footstone with lamb			

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General Fund:	\$5,094.64
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Seminar Fund:	3,812.77
Tote Bag Fund:	(479.00)
 Total:	 \$9,284.37
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> Date: March 26, 2001

> I have examined the bank account, expenditures, revenues, minutes of the Board, and Treasurer's Reports of 2000 for the Austin Genealogical Society. In my opinion they represent fairly the operations of the Society for the year 2000, and have no material misrepresentations of fact.

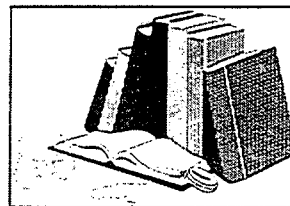
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> James L. Cooper
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HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Send your proofread information to Lorrie F. Henderson, 5722 Highland Hills Drive, Austin TX 78731-4244, (512-451-2312).. 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. Queries are free but if a reply is desired, we would appreciate your including a SASE. We would also request receiving 10c/page plus postage or a modest donation upon receipt of a reply.

Note: Editorial comments, if any, are in *italics*.



RAMSEY(RAMSAY?) Would like to know all I can about **HARRY RAMSEY**, probably b. Austin, TX, 1859, a rancher, cowboy before going to NV where he became famous & rich in the Goldfield, Tonopah, NV goldfields in the early 1900s; later d. Berkeley, CA in 1917. Possibly had a brother named **TOM RAMSEY**. Would like to know who his parents were; also any info on a **MR. R.A. RAMSEY**. Jim Ramsey, P. O. Box 0820, Maud, Okla. 74854-0820.



MASON/BROCKMAN/BRADY Need information on parents and siblings of **JOHN PERRY MASON** b. 24 June 1837; d. 24 Feb 1870 Spartanburg, SC; m. **LUCY ANN BROCKMAN** 20 Dec 1860 Spartanburg SC **LUCY BROCKMAN MASON** came to Georgetown, TX with son **WILL B. MASON** in 1802 after husband's death. Family legend: John Perry Mason got sick with measles during the Civil War and had a kind of lingering illness until his death. Other children of John Perry and Lucy Brockman Mason are **FANNIE MASON** and **JOHN VANDIVER MASON**. Alana Moehring Mallard, 3310 Hancock Drive, Austin, TX 78731; alanasuzm@cs.com. ***

***[Reminder to Austin Genealogical Society members: you do not have to live out of Austin, Texas to place an inquiry in the AGS Happy Hunting Ground column, although local members will not receive a research reply from LFH. Send (or give) written info for the column to be edited by Lorrie Foster Henderson before the first of the month prior to the next quarterly to be published; ie, 1 August for the September issue.]



PEARSON/PIERSON/PERSON/PARSON Requesting research on **SARAH WOOD PEARSON (PIERSON)** and her two youngest children, **LEONARD PEARSON**, b.1841, and **ISAAC PEARSON**, b. 1843. Sarah was b. 1800 [1804 by Federal Census 1860 record], widow of **BENINI (sp?) PEARSON**, had 9 children listed on 1850 census, Perry Twp, Johnson Co., AR. Thought to have moved to Travis Co., TX after 1850. [Found with another son as head of household, **W. S. PIERSON** in 1860 Federal Census in Travis County; inquirer confirms this son as **WILLIAM S. PIERSON**, 23 yr.] When and where did Sarah die and detail of burial place and date? Winifred L. Rothermel, 2159 Via Mariposa East, Unit #C, Laguna Woods, CA 92653; ph (949)837-8181.

Lorrie Foster Henderson

SPECIAL FEATURE FOR "HAPPY HUNTING GROUND" COLUMN

TRUE WOMEN, A NOVEL OF TEXAS

Janice Woods Windle

The copy of the book loaned me by a friend who is a Civil War reenactor is a \$6.99 paperback, Ivy Books, published by Ballantine Books, Copyright 1993; 417 pages; also contains a picture/map of the Texas area of action and maternal and paternal genograms of Seguin 1831-1946 and San Marcos 1754-1946 respectively (possibly the date of birth of the author).

The title of the book is taken from the "Committee minority report against woman suffrage" Austin, Texas, December 7, 1868, quoted a page prior to the story text: "We are opposed to it, further, because we believe that the good sense of every **TRUE WOMAN** in the land teaches her that granting them the power to vote is a direct open insult to their sex by the implication that they are so unwomanly as to desire the privilege." (Emphasis is as printed in the novel.)

Although described as a novel, it is certainly a very historical novel, as it is based on Janice Woods Windle's research of her family, stories of the experiences of various members, and numerous resources acknowledged on the final pages. These sources vary from family letters in collections at many libraries, including the Texas State Archives; Baker Texas History Center; UT Austin; Seguin Public Library Genealogy Section; Sterling Memorial Library at Yale University; Daughters of the Republic of Texas, etc, etc.

I would assume that the events and participants in this adventure story are true; at least they seemed more than plausible, especially in view of the cited research. Naturally, the dialogue is mostly invented, although much of it could certainly be based on quotations from the many papers and letters used in the research.

One of the most hair-raising events of the plot, the "Runaway Scrape" is led by the author's woman ancestor, and is dramatically shown in the two-part TV movie I recently watched, made, surprisingly faithfully from the book. This title refers to the escape of five thousand women and children "who escaped Santa Anna and arrived at San Jacinto [and] the hundreds who died along the way." These numbers include siblings of the author's direct female ancestors. There are numerous other tragic happenings, with many deaths, as would be expected in an epic of the times and places described. She does not dwell on these, but moves on to the next adventure, or description of the area, the other people, etc. One of the losses in the movie is this type of background knowledge, which ties the book so strongly to our Central Texas location. In fact, the main loss in the book itself, is the absence of an index to the many families and names I recognized as a 57-year Central Texan!

Of course the whole point of the title and the book is that in addition to the three main characters being very strong, they still were "True Women!"



LFH

Ed. Note: Lorrie included the following riddle/rhyme in last Quarterly's HHG, but your Editor failed to provide the answers:

Once a pigboliceman
Saw a bittlum
Sitting on the sturbcone
Chewing gubberum.
Said the pigboliceman
To the bittlum,
"Simmegum!"
"Ninny on your tintype!"
Said the bittlum.

Answers:

pigboliceman = big policeman
bittlum = little bum
sturbcone = curbstone
simmegum = gimme some.

Ancestor Listing Pages

Each June issue of the Austin Genealogical Quarterly is specifically devoted to presentation of the genealogical and family history materials submitted by Society members, in line with a longstanding custom of the organization. The Editor heartily thanks each and every contributor who took the time and pains to prepare the material you will find in the pages ahead. We hope these generous people will be rewarded for their efforts by a lot of contacts regarding names found within their material.

Our normal policy is to limit material received to two pages for individual memberships or four pages for family memberships or higher and we normally enforce that policy so as to avoid oversizing the issue if we get a large amount of material. The amount received this year was somewhat below average and so all material received is included. No changes have been made except for size adjustments to fit printing requirements.

Listed below are the names of the contributors, with their addresses and the page on which their material begins.

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GEORGE MARCHBANKS OF SCOTLAND AND AMELIA COUNTY, VIRGINIA

George Marchbanks. Who was he? Just a man with a distinctive last name....or something more?

Definitely something more. But what? And from where?

Read on.....and remember.....and you will know.

George was the first Marchbanks to set foot in what were then called "The American Colonies."

Boling Feltz Marchbanks wrote the following paragraphs in his 1920 account of the Marchbanks Family History:

"In the colonial days, there are no dates available, George Marchbanks (a derivation of the Scottish Majoribanks) and his two sons - George, Jr. and William - came to Amelia County, Virginia from Scotland.

"George, Jr., according to family history, returned to Scotland and is lost to history and tradition with nothing certain known of him to this day.

"Family history makes no mention of the wife and mother of these Marchbanks men. There is the possibility that my great-great-grandfather was a widower who, broken hearted, left his wife sleeping the long sleep in the land from which they came - entering this then wild country of America to seek solace.

"Whatever the reasons for crossing the seas to this then new frontier called America, the opportunities offered these Marchbanks men were numerous. The spirit of adventure was in the very air they breathed."

The above paragraphs, while a romantic and beautifully written example of the use of the English language, are not completely accurate as later family research has shown.

"George the Jacobite, as he is now known in the family, did not willingly come to the colonies. He fought with the Scottish forces against the English at the Battle of Preston during the 1715 Jacobite rebellion.....an unsuccessful attempt to restore exiled King James III (the 'Old Pretender') to the throne of England and Scotland.

"George was captured. He was taken to Liverpool where he was put aboard the ship Elizabeth and Anne on 29 June 1716, and transported to York in Virginia. (More data re ship Elizabeth and Anne is included elsewhere in this essay - Jim McDonald).

"Extensive research in Britain has failed to uncover his family origins. It seems likely that, on becoming a prisoner, he deliberately hid his family connections to avoid more severe punishment. The best theory is that George the Jacobite may have been the son of George Majoribanks of the family of Majoribanks of Balbardie.

"In 1717, the British Parliament passed an Act of Grace and Free Pardon to George Majoribanks and other participants in the Battle of Preston.

"George the Jacobite, after settling in Amelia County, spelled his name as Marchbanks either as a convenience or to conform with society." (SOURCE of the above 5 paragraphs: The Majoribanks Journal No. 2 dated January 1994, page 12).

An additional smattering of information about George's early years in Scotland are the following comments from current family historian Roger Marjoribanks - who lives in England - in response to my inquiry about George's birth date re a April 13, 2001 e mail I (Jim McDonald) received from Cousin Bill Hesser in Palo Alto, California giving George's birth date as about 1695.

"We have no authentic information about George's birth date. The only tiny clue we have is that he is described as "servant" in the list of prisoners kept at Wigan after the 1715 rebellion. This might just suggest that he was at the time on the young side, maybe too young to be an active combatant. However, that is far from conclusive.

"I would also guess that he was unlikely to be much, if at all, younger than his wife - again, purely a surmise. (Jim McDonald comment. George's wife, Ann Echols, was born about 1700 in King and Queen County, Virginia re family data).

"I guess it would be reasonable to put his date of birth within the range of about 1685-1697. This would make him - say 55 down to 43 at death. It's a great pity that his will only says that he is sick and gives no indication of age.

"So - as a working hypothesis - the date of 1695 is pretty fair, but I suggest at the later end of the range of possibilities. Considering how many documents of record name him, it seems odd that they are so reticent about this point.

Source of the above 4 paragraphs is Roger Marjoribanks April 14, 2001 e mail to Jim McDonald.

It seems likely that George was not married at the time he fought in the Battle of Preston and was deported to the American Colonies aboard the ship Elizabeth and Anne.

"The ship Elizabeth and Anne was being used in the slave trade at the time of the 1715 Jacobite rebellion. It's merchant owners thought they might be more highly rewarded by handling the transport of prisoners for the King. The arrangement was to take the prisoners on consignment and receive payment when a receipt for their delivery was presented to His Majesty's Court in London.

"George Marjoribanks was included on the list of 112 rebel prisoners imported by Capt. Edwd Trafford in the Elizabeth & Anne from Liverpool. George was identified on this list as 'not indented'.

"The official document reads: 'Liverpool, England to Yorktown, Virginia - 14 January 1716. Virginia - By his Majestys' Lieutenant Governor & Commander in Cheif (sic) of this dominion. These are to certify that the list of one hundred & Twelve Rebel Prisoners, Imported into this Colony in the ship Elizabeth and Ann, of Liverpool, Edward Trafford Master, was taken (by my order) upon the arrival of the faid (sic) ship in York River by the office of the Customs there, and contains the Names of all the Prifoners (sic) Imported in the sd (sic) ship & that besides the said one hundres and twelve prsons, the Mafter (sic) did Report that one other Prisoner died at sea -
Given under my hand at Williamsburgh this 14th day of January 1716.

"These prisoners were probably some of the followers of the Pretender captured at Preson, and condemned to be transported to the Colony in Virginia, after having been carried to London for trial.

"The record of the trial for the rebels captured at Preston is at the Public Record Office, Kew, London identified as KB8/66 and is filed in 2 boxes containing several folders each bearing the heading 'A List of ye Rebell Prisoners' at (place), showing their Christian Names and surnames, the Parish and county they dwelled in.

Source of the above 5 paragraphs is the Immigrant Ships Transcribers Guild Volume 2 - Ship Elizabeth and Ann, acquired by Jim McDonald in July 2000.

Roger Marjoribanks, family historian, examined KB8/66 and discovered in Box 1 "Geo. Margerybanks" listed among a group of "Scotch servants" held at Wigan and apparently a native of Teviotdale (Roxburghshire). Source: July 9, 2000 e mail from Roger Marjoribanks to Jim McDonald.

George the Jacobite married Ann Echols before 1723. Ann was born about 1700 in King and Queen County, Virginia. She died in 1746 in Amelia County, Virginia. (SOURCE: Ancestors Ira Wall Ellis and Lena Jewel Ellis beginning with son Wendell Phillips Ellis re www/family tree maker dated 2 October 1998. Ann's parents, brothers and sisters are listed in this source).

Ann and George had the following children:

JOHN b. 16 March 1722 or 1723. d. 26 January 1724 or 1725 in New Kent Parish, VA

WILLIAM b. about 1740. d. after 1810 in Pendleton District, SC.

GEORGE b. 28 September 1725.

JOSEPH b. 4 October 1732. d. 10 March 1733.

LUCY b. about 1720. Married a Prisher. 2nd marriage to Joseph Collins of Halifax County, VA. Lucy d. between 1794 and 1798 in Woodford Co., KY (SOURCE: Collins Mess page 12 dated 2 October 1998 and Corie Madeline Collins home page dated 2 October 1998).

MARY ANN b. about 1735. d. 5 November 1817 in Amelia Co., VA.

URSULA b. about 1734. d. about 1830 in Spartanburg Co., SC. m. Charles Dean, Sr. (SOURCE: Terri Dean Degenaaers e mail about Ursula Marchbanks dated 7 July 1999).

SARAH birth and death dates unknown.

(SOURCE: Essay dedicated to George Marchbanks www.geocities.com/Heartland/Acres etc. dated 13 November 1998).

George the Jacobite was a large landowner in Amelia County, having about 1225 acres at the time he wrote his will.

George's will indicates that he lived out his life in the Parish of Raleigh, Amelia Co., VA.

George d. November 1740. The date may have been 21 November.

Colonial Virginia, to have some idea about it during George's lifetime, was first settled in 1607. George's death in 1740 was (1) 35 years before the start of the American Revolutionary Period....and (2) 48 years before Virginia's ratification of the U.S. Constitution.

It is interesting to speculate about George the Jacobite as a person. He obviously had strong feelings about the political situation between his Scottish homeland and England. This is shown in his participation in the Jacobite uprising that resulted in his deportation to Colonial Virginia.

George apparently felt a sense of duty toward his family members remaining in Scotland as there is some thought that one reason for being unable to accurately trace his ancestors with absolute certainty may PERHAPS have resulted from his desire to not reveal their names in order to help protect them and/or himself from English authority.

George was obviously successful after his arrival in Amelia County. Proof of this is that his plantation contained more than 1200 acres at his death. While it's not known what kind of crops were grown on this plantation, a reasonable assumption is that plants like cotton and tobacco were raised as cash crops, and that vegetables of all kinds were grown as food for George and his family.

George was probably not very tall....as pictures of later generations of Marchbanks men appear to be small in stature.

George was, however, probably physically strong with good endurance based on his experience in the Battle of Preston and his success as a farmer in Colonial Virginia....as carving a 1200 plus acre plantation out of the land must have called for a huge amount of physical work and stamina in clearing and planting the land.

This much is certain....George and Ann are two folks to be recognized and respected as the persons who fostered the generations of Marchbanks in America that remain until this day. They are indeed two people "for the ages" to all Marchbanks family members that now spread from the Atlantic Ocean all across these United States to the Pacific Ocean.

Jim McDonald
Descendent of George Marchbanks
May 3, 2001
Austin, Texas

Lost Ancestors of Elbert DeVore Holland Berry

DEVOREs of Greenwood County, South Carolina:

My g-g-grandfather was Jonathon DEVORE

His son was Elbert DEVORE (1810-?.)

Elbert's daughter, my g-grandmother, was Francis Joyce DEVORE

(31 December 1837-27 May 1918). She married my g-grandfather, Fredrick

Wister ANDREWS.

I have visited DEVOREs in Greenwood, but I can't tie their line to mine. I need more information about Elbert and Jonathon. And where did the DEVOREs come from?

HOLLANDs of Edgecombe County, North Carolina:

The parents and siblings of my great-grandfather, Berry HOLLAND, "went west" from Edgecombe County, NC, leaving no trace that Berry's descendents can find.

Berry (04 June 1840-August 1924) and Martha Ann DEAL SHELTON (1838-1900), had 7 children, all accounted for.

Where are the rest of the HOLLANDs and where did they come from?

BERRYs of Maryland:

1. Ferdinand V. BERRY, b. November 1850 in MD

m. Emma, b. September 1853 in DC

2. George Augustus BERRY, b. 16 March 1879 d. 13 December 1946

2. Charles A. BERRY, September 1880-?

All of above lived in DC at 1253 G Street, SE, near BERRY relatives widow Nannette at 1221 and widow Henrietta L. at 1223. George was my step-father.

Where in MD did Ferdinand and the two neighbors come from?

BUMGARNERs of Wilkes County, North Carolina:

1. Amon BUMGARNER came from Germany in 1775 to the Dutch settlements of PA. He and/or his heirs migrated southward to present-day Ashe County, NC.

2. Amon's son Michael bought land on the South Fork of the New River in 1794.

3. Michael's son, Leonard (b. 1755, d. 1818 in Wilkes County), married

Catherine Miller (1764-1844) in 1779.

4. Their daughter Lydia BUMGARNER (b. 1794 in Wilkes County) never married, but is said to have borne three children, including my g-g-grandfather Stephen BUMGARNER. Stephen's father was thought to be Simeon MILLER.

5. Stephen and Rebecca NICHOLS had 10 Children.

I need to confirm Stephen's heritage and to trace Amon back to the old country.

KINDLERs of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania:

Brothers John C. and Charles A. KINDLER were bakers together in Harrisburg from 1882 to the 1910s, when Charles A. carried on alone until the 1920s.

Lost Ancestors of Elbert DeVore Holland Berry

John C. was born in January 1858, married Annie McNaughton in 1880. They had two children:

1. Frank L. was born July 1881.
2. Frederick L. was born abt. July 1891.

Charles A., my wife's grandfather, was born in Harrisburg in October 1863, married Joanna KISSINGER about 1887, and died in the 1920s. They had three children:

1. Ross H., born July 1887, died about 1909.
2. Pearl C., born March 1889.
3. Ira Christian, my wife's father, born 7 November 1891, married Trema Mae STRAYER on 2 October 1929, died 25 July 1933.

Who were John C.'s and Charles A.'s parents? Where did these KINDLERs come from?

HOSLERs of York County, Pennsylvania:

1. Michael HOSLER (8 July 1808-18 March 1888)
m. Catherine Aker (1812-1889)
2. George R. HOSLER (6 June 1845-22 November 1933
m. Elizabeth Martin HUNTSBERGER (6 December 1849)
3. Gilbert Roy HOSLER (19 June 1880-1 March 1958)
m. Bess Lucilla White
3. Bertha G. HOSLER-my wife's grandmother (4 March 1875-4 November 1963)
m. Charles William STRAYER

Where did these HOSLERs come from?

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Family of JAMES DUNLAP

May, 2001

Husband: James Dunlap

Born: 6 Dec 1759 in: County Cork, Ireland
 Died: 1844 in: Eutaw, Greene Co. AL.(Mesopotamia Cem)
 Father: David Dunlap
 Mother: Janet Roberts

Wife: Mary

Born: Abt. 1768
 Died: 10 Sep 1843 in: Eutaw, Greene Co. AL.(Mesopotamia Cem)

CHILDREN

1	Name: Joseph Marion Dunlap Born: 28 Mar 1789 M Married: Abt. 1809 Died: May 1877 Spouse: Sarah (Sally) Roden Pettigrew	in: Abbeville, SC in: Abbeville?, SC in: Caldwell Co.TX(Lytton Cemetery)
2	Name: Robert Dunlap Born: Aft. 1790 M Died: Aft. 1841	in: SC
3	Name: Sarah (Sallie) E. Dunlap Born: 13 Dec 1795 F Died: 10 Aug 1852 Spouse: James W. Roden	in: SC. in: Eutaw, Greene Co. AL.(Mesopotamia Cem)
4	Name: Samuel Merriweather Dunlap Born: 11 Jan 1798 M Married: 23 Jul 1825 Died: 8 Feb 1872 Spouses: Martha Bonds, Eliza Tannehill	in: Abbeville, SC in: Greene Co., AL in: Waxahachie, Ellis Co., TX
5	Name: John Dunlap Born: Nov 1799 M Married: Abt. 1822 Died: May 1856 Spouse: Elizabeth B.	in: SC in: Clinton, Greene Co. AL(Eb.Pres. Cemetery)
6	Name: William Dunlap Born: 1801 M Married: 20 Sep 1828 Died: Aft. 1850 Spouse: Huldah Martin	in: SC in: Bibb Co. AL.
7	Name: James Riley Dunlap Born: 25 Mar 1803 M Married: 28 Jul 1830 Died: 21 Mar 1867 Spouse: Mary Bond	in: Abbeville, S.C. in: Greene Co., AL. in: Greene Co., AL.(Mesopotamia Cem)
8	Name: Mary S. Dunlap Born: Abt. 1807 F Married: 29 Oct 1827 Died: Aft. 1841 Spouses: Matthew Clinton, Gray Washington	in: Abbeville, SC. in: Greene Co., AL
9	Name: Elizabeth(Eliza) K. Dunlap Born: Abt. 1810 F Married: 20 Jul 1830 Spouses: Junius Canfield Bonnell, Jefferson Gordon	in: Greene Co., AL.

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Family of Andrew Barnwell Miley

May, 2001

Husband: Andrew Barnwell "A.B." Miley

Born: 20 Jan 1818 in: Barnwell Co., SC
 Married: 10 Apr 1847 in: Colleton Dist., SC
 Died: 12 Nov 1896 in: Bastrop Co., TX
 Father: Robert Miley
 Mother: Mrs. Elizabeth Smoke(Smoak)
 Other Spouses: Marthey Caroline McKinney, Avarilla Dollahite Ray

Wife: Marey A. McKinney

Born: 10 Apr 1822 in: SC
 Died: 27 Jun 1875 in: Bastrop Co., TX (Fairview Cemetery)

CHILDREN

1	Name: Margaret Deliah Miley Born: 28 Nov 1847 Married: 5 Jul 1876 Died: Aft. 1886 Spouse: Lewis Russell	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX in: TX (Alum Creek Cemetery)
F		
2	Name: Andrew Barnwell "Barney" Miley, Jr. Born: 6 Oct 1849 Married: 1875 Died: Bef. 1900 Spouse: Rebecca Greg Reid	in: AL in: TX
M		
3	Name: Anna Caroline Miley Born: 6 Oct 1849 Married: 4 Aug 1868 Died: 30 Jan 1872 Spouse: F. H. Perkins	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX
F		
4	Name: Nancy Catherine Miley Born: 16 Jun 1852 Married: 15 Oct 1872 Died: 14 Sep 1936 Spouse: James Ashall Reid	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX
F		
5	Name: Mandy Adaline Miley Born: 5 Jan 1854 Died: 16 Feb 1854	in: AL in: AL
F		
6	Name: Frances Ursula Miley Born: 13 Jan 1855 Married: 14 Dec 1875 Died: 28 Mar 1921 Spouse: James Pruett Jeffrey	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX in: Caldwell Co., TX(Jeffrey Cemetery)
F		
7	Name: Lucinda Ellen Miley Born: 12 Jan 1857 Died: Aft. 1921 Spouse: George Brandon	in: Covington Co., AL
F		
8	Name: Malissa Abigail Miley Born: 19 Sep 1859 Married: 12 Aug 1885 Died: 30 Nov 1897 Spouse: J. C. Woods	in: AL in: Bastrop Co.,TX in: Bastrop Co., TX(Fairview Cemetery)
F		
9	Name: William Jefferson Miley Born: 5 Jul 1861 Married: 9 Sep 1896 Died: 8 Mar 1927 Spouse: Frances Marietta Green	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX in: Bastrop Co., TX (Fairview Cemetery)
M		
10	Name: Emma Lee Miley Born: 26 Feb 1865 Married: 28 Dec 1887 Died: 16 Jun 1894 Spouse: George W. Davis	in: Covington Co., AL in: Bastrop Co., TX in: Bastrop Co., TX(Fairview Cemetery)
F		

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Who Were the Parents of Christopher Roberson Rowland?

For the past few years, a beautifully framed old photograph has hung in the home of my parents, Eudora Virginia Williams and the late Rev. Reuben L. Leslie, Sr. For as long as I can remember before that, it hung in the front bedroom of the home of my grandparents, William Samuel Leslie and Margaret Gertrude Ramage Leslie, where the ancient couple in the photograph were probably identified to me many times before I understood by my aunt, Eva Leslie Hosey, who cared for my grandparents. These two serene faces belong to my great-great-grandparents, **Christopher Roberson Rowland and Isabella Blakely Rowland.**

Family Bible records of Aunt Eva provided a wealth of detail about the couple and their descendants, and much has been discovered about their lives and female side ancestors. C.R. was born 14 Sept. 1813 and died 2 December 1887. Isabella was born 8 October 1811 and died 7 December 1881. The couple married in 1836, and they had nine children: Elizabeth Catherine (b. 1837), Nancy Mary (b. 1839), Aurelia Jane (b. 1840), Margaret Isabella (b. 2 May 1842, d. 8 June 1920), William Lowers (b. 1844), Rosanna Florella (b. 1846), Melissa Ophelia (b. 1848), Robert Thomas (b. 1850), and Elbert Calhoun (b. 1853). Isabella Blakely was daughter of William Blakeley, Sr., (b. 12 May 1760, d. 1845 in Laurens, SC) and Nancy Boyd (b. 12 February 1881, d. 12 May 1844). Isabella's father William was son of John Blakeley (1718-1798) and his wife (m. 1742) Rachel Orr (1725-1814). Isabella's father's will named nine children including Isabella. C.R. Rowland left many documents with details about his life. He was born, lived (entirely as far as I can tell) and died in South Carolina, apparently residing only in Laurens County where he is buried. Some time before 1858 he was made an elder in the Rocky Springs Presbyterian Church near Laurens, where his wife's father and brothers were among the first elders, and he and his wife are buried in the churchyard. He is named in US Census for Laurens County from 1840 (as Roberson) to 1880, and his estate settlement in 1889 was occasion for a return from "exile" in Arkansas by daughter, Isabella (*see more below*).

But where did Christopher Roberson Rowland come from? Who were his parents? Was C.R. Rowland's mother the 65-year-old Elizabeth who lived in his household in 1850? Was C.R. Rowland's mother's maiden name Roberson/Robertson/Robison)? Was C.R. known by his initials because his father's name was also Christopher Roberson Rowland? Was C.R. the grandson of the Christopher Rowland (1-1-4-0-0 in 1790 US Census, Laurens Co., SC) whose

will was probated in 1806 in Livingston County, KY (wife: Anna, children Lewis, John B., Henry, Reuben Jr., Micajah, Mary Bush and Lydia)? Was he the grandson of or otherwise related to either Reuben Rowland (3-3-7-0-4 in 1790 US Census, Laurens Co., SC) or John Rowland, preacher candidates at nearby Lower Duncan's Creek Church in 1792 (Pope, p. 87)? How was he kin, if at all, to the Rowland/Roland/Rolin households in US Census, Laurens Co., SC: in 1800, Ezekiel, Henry B., Rev. John, Lewis, and Mary; in 1810, E.S., Mary and Henry; in 1820, Robert, Matthew and Ezekiel; in 1830, James, Doc. E.L., Henry B., Robert, and John B.; and in 1840, James, Joseph, Harriett, Ezekiel, Lettison, and William? Did C.R. Rowland have siblings, and if so, who were they? Was Martha Rowland, wife of George F. Wolff, the founder of Bingen, AR, C.R.'s sister? How did C.R. and his wife Isabella cope with the turbulent times of Reconstruction and "Redemption" in Laurens County that saw the new husband of their daughter Margaret Isabella, John Washington Watts Ramage, flee for his life in 1872 to near Bingen, Arkansas (later sending for his family *pictured below* in about 1890 with Margaret Gertrude Ramage, at back left and her brother John Roland in front of her), when falsely accused of and hunted by federal troops for murder in the infamous Laurens Riot of 1870 (Bell, p. 38)? Corrections, questions, clues *and answers (!)* are eagerly awaited.

Some Sources: Bell, William Watts. 1932. *The State That Forgot: South Carolina's Surrender to Democracy*. Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill. *** Jones, F.D. and W.H. Mills, ed. 1926. *History of the Presbyterian Church in South Carolina Since 1850*. Columbia, SC. *** Pope, Thomas H. 1973. *The History of Newberry County, South Carolina, Volume I, 1749-1860*. Columbia, SC.: University of South Carolina Press. *** US Census (1790-1880), probate and property records for Laurens Co., SC, and Livingston Co., KY. *** W.S. and Gertrude Leslie Family Bible records. *** Interviews, letters and emails with dozens of cousins and other kin.



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Census records from microfilm read at the Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, London, England, June 1995, by Gloria Sue Downe

1881. Parish of Sixpenny Handley, Village of Handley, Rural Sanitary District of Wimborne & Cranborne, Ecclesiastical Parish or District of Saint Mary's Handley, microfilm roll RG 11/2091, B f.60, pp 23-24

No.	ROAD, STREET Etc., and No. or Name of HOUSE	NAME and Surname of each Person	REL- ATION DI- to Head	CON- Marr.	AGE last birth or day	Rank, Pro- fession, or OCCUPA- TION	WHERE BORN
113	Roebuck Inn	Joseph Downe	Head	Mar.	46m	Inn Keeper	Dorset Handley
113	Roebuck	Mary A. Downe	Wife	Mar.	31f		London Islington
		Leonard do	Son		6m	Scholar	Dorset Handley
		John do	Father	Widr	75m	Retired Shoemaker	Stafford Burslem

1871. Civil Parish or Township of Sixpenny Handley, Ecclesiastical Dist. of Sixpenny Handley, mf. roll page 3/16

No.	ROAD, STREET Etc., and No. or Name of HOUSE	NAME and Surname of each Person	REL- ATION DI- to Head	CON- Marr.	AGE last birth or day	Rank, Pro- fession, or OCCUPA- TION	WHERE BORN
15	High Street	John Down	Head	Mar.	65m	Cordwinder	Stafford Burslem
		Susanah	Wife	Mar.	66f		Dorset Tarrant Monkton
		Joseph do	Son	Unm.	37m	Wood dealer	Dorset Handley

1861. Parish or Township of Sixpenny Handley, microfilm roll RG 9/1336, page 14

No.	ROAD, STREET Etc., and No. or Name of HOUSE	NAME and Surname of each Person	REL- ATION DI- to Head	CON- Marr.	AGE last birth or day	Rank, Pro- fession, or OCCUPA- TION	WHERE BORN
69		John Downe	Head	Mar.	55m	Cordwinder	Stafford Burslem
		Susanah do	Wife	Mar.	55f		Dorset Monkton
		Joseph do	Son	Un.	28m	Woodman	Do Handley
		Matilda do	Niece		4f		Somerset Taunton

1851. Parish or Township of Sixpenny Handley, microfilm roll HO 107/1854, page 13

No. of Etc., Sche- dule	ROAD, STREET and No. or Name of HOUSE	NAME and Surname of each Person	REL- ATION to Head	CON- DI- TION Marr.	AGE last birth day	Rank, Pro- fession, or OCCUPA- TION	WHERE BORN
59	Handley	John Downe	Head	Mar.	45m	Cordwinder	Burston Staffordshire
		Susanah Do	Wife	Mar.	46f	Shoemaker's Wife	Dorset Tarrant Monkton
		George Do	Son	U.	23m	Woodman Laborer	Do Do
		William Do	Son	U.	20m	Do	Throson Dorset
		Joseph Do	Son	U.	18m	Do	Dorset Handley
		Cordelia Do	Dau	U.	16f	Scholar	Do Do
		Sarah Do	Do		9f	Do	Do Do
		James Do	Son	Mar.	22m	Woodman	Do Tarrant Monkton

1841. Parish or Township of Sixpenny Handley, microfilm roll HO 107/288/14, page 21

No. of Occ./ Unocc. House	PLACE	NAMES of each Person who abode the preceeding Night	AGE and sex	Profession, Trade, Employment or of Independent Means	WHERE BORN Whether born in this county
16/1	Deanland	John Downe	35m	CordGainer	No *
		[*Column "Whether born in Scotland, Ireland, or foreign parts" not entered]			
		Susanah Do	35f		Y
		George Do	14m		Y
		Samuel Do	17m		Y
		William Do	10m		Y
		Joseph Do	8m		Y
		Cordelia Do	5f		Y

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GENERATION NO. 2

FAMILY GROUP No. 116 Husband's Full Name Benjamin Patterson WHEAT (2328.1)

This Information Obtained From: Birth Date Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Marital

"Genealogy of the Birth 4 July 1811 Addison, Steuben County, New York Treated several

Wheat, Foster, McCoy (Chr'd) 4 July 1833 Little Flats, Steuben County, New York and last

and Connected Fam- Mar. 4 July 1833 Little Flats, Steuben County, New York licenced as a

ilies" by Laura Emily Death 30 Sept 1862 Tonia, LaSalle County, Illinois to minister

Wheat Foster, 1941. Burial Tonia, LaSalle County, Illinois Died while son

Manuscript found in Places of Residence New York; Maryland; Indiana; Illinois; Ohio Joseph in

George Guy Wheat's Occupation Minister Church Affiliation Methodist Military Rec.

effects by his son, Other wives, if any, No. 101, 102, etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

Thomas Guy Wheat, His Father Thomas WHEAT Mother's Maiden Name Hannah Benham PATTERSON

probably written by Wife's Full Maiden Name Lucy Hunt GILLIT (234.8)

Joseph G. Wheat; a Birth Date Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife

copy typed by Tommy Birth 18 July 1813 Little Flats, Steuben County, New York

was given to William Birth 18 July 1813 Little Flats, Steuben County, New York

Floyd Foster, DMin, (Chr'd) Death 16 June 1871 North of Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri

and a photocopy to Death 16 June 1871 North of Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri

the compiler. Burial Cemetery, Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri

Compiler Lorrie Foster Henderson Places of Residence New York; Ohio; Indiana; Illinois; Missouri

Address 5122 Highland Hills Drive Occupation if other than Housewife Seamstress Church Affiliation Methodist

City, State Austin, Texas 78731 Other husbands, if any, No. 101, 102, etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date Her Father Joseph GILLET Mother's Maiden Name Katherine HUNT

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Child
1	Emily A Full Name of Spouse	Birth	27 April	1834		Steuben County, New York			Graduated Academy
	Thomas W Forshee	Mar.	16 May	1854		Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio			Female College just before
		Death	8 Oct	1866		Kinmundy, Marion County, Illinois			Married to Thomas, with children, 2
		Burial							
2	Franklin Full Name of Spouse	Birth	25 Nov	1835					
	N/A	Mar.							
		Death	25 Nov	1835					
		Burial							
3	Laura Emmeline Full Name of Spouse	Birth	16 May	1837		Steuben County, New York			Attended Academy
	Kenody C Cooley	Mar.	3 March	1857		Manchester, Adams County, Ohio			Female College just before
		Death	18 July	1887		Marshalltown, Marshall County, Iowa			Teacher Education
		Burial							
4	Thomas Nebuchadnezzar Full Name of Spouse	Birth	27 Feb	1839					
	N/A	Mar.							
		Death	27 Feb	1839					
		Burial							
5	Joseph Gillit Full Name of Spouse	Birth	29 Aug	1840		Portland, Jay County, Indiana			Retired from medical practice
	Mary Eleanor McCoy	Mar.	3 Aug	1865		Tonia, LaSalle County, Illinois			to Mr. Vernon Tonia 1865-1912
		Death	20 Jan	1916		Soldier's Home, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota			one to health, cancer, 1912
		Burial				Lakeview National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota			War, 1860-1870 9 children
6	Henry A Full Name of Spouse	Birth	22 Dec	1841					
	N/A	Mar.							
		Death	9 months						
		Burial							
7	Jane E. Full Name of Spouse	Birth	23 July	1844					
	N/A	Mar.							
		Death	23 July	1844					
		Burial							
8	Benjamin Patterson Full Name of Spouse	Birth	About June	1845					
	N/A	Mar.							
		Death	About Nov	1846					
		Burial							
9	George Walker Full Name of Spouse	Birth	19 March	1849		Near Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio			Methodist
	Susannah Elizabeth Messenger	Mar.	2 May	1877		Storm Lake, Buena Vista County, Iowa			Minister
		Death	8 Sept	1905		West Union, Adams County, Ohio			
		Burial				West Union, Adams County, Ohio			6 children
10		Birth							
		Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

GENERATION NO. 3

FAMILY GROUP No. 116.1 Husband's Full Name Thomas W FORSHEE ("Doc")

This Information Obtained From: Husband's Data Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Husband

"Genealogy of the Wheat, Foster, McCoy and Connected Families" by Laura Emily Wheat Foster, 1941. Birth Mar. 16 May 1858 Near Georgetown Brown County, Ohio Death Burial

Civil War Letters of Joseph Gillit Wheat Occupation Doctor Church Affiliation Military Rec. Civil War and family, 1858 - (A) died: 2 children 1867. "Genealogy of the Patterson, Wheat and Hearn Families" by Rowena Emmeline Hearn Randle, Richmond, Indiana, 1926. Wife's Full Maiden Name Emily A WHEAT

Birth Date Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife

Birth 27 April 1834 Steuben County, New York

Death 8 Oct 1866 Kimmunity, Marion County, Illinois

Burial

Computer Lorvite Foster Henderson Places of Residence Ohio; Illinois; New York

Address 5722 Highland Hills Drive Occupation if other than Housewife Teacher Church Affiliation Methodist

City, State Austin, Texas 78731 (Enter husbands' & wife's No. 12, 61, etc. (Add separate sheet for each wife.)

Date July 1992 Her Father Benjamin Patterson WHEAT Mother's Maiden Name Lucy Hunt GILLIT

Sex	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day Month Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Laura M Full Name of Spouse* N/A	Birth Mar. Death Burial	9 March 1855 — 13 June 1865	Yellow Springs, Greene County, Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	Died tragically in a child's hands Ohio Civil War
2	Mary Emma Full Name of Spouse* William L Miller	Birth Mar. Death Burial	22 Aug 1858 18 March 1880	Amity, Knox County, Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	1 son Methodist
3	Jennie Bidwell Full Name of Spouse* (A) Jack Racer (B) Felix Repell	Birth Mar. Death Burial	14 Sept 1860 Sept 1880	Hilliard, Franklin County, Ohio	Ohio	Ohio	1 daughter (2nd husband) Jack R. from Denver, Colorado. Married Feb. 12, 1903 1893, D. 5:11 AM 1893, D. 5:11 AM 1893, D. 5:11 AM
4	Lucy Ellen Full Name of Spouse* Victor Hugo Fritz	Birth Mar. Death Burial	5 July 1863 14 Feb 1905	Amity, Knox County, Ohio Seattle, King County, Washington	Ohio Washington	Ohio	No issue noted. Victor Fritz died in 1908.
5	Ida May Full Name of Spouse* N/A	Birth Mar. Death Burial	18 May 1866 — 5 Oct 1867	Kimmunity, Marion County, Illinois	Illinois	Illinois	(?) Kimmunity, Marion County, Illinois
6	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
7	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
8	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
9	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					
10	Full Name of Spouse*	Birth Mar. Death Burial					

GENERATION NO. 3

FAMILY GROUP No. 116.3 Husband's Full Name Kenody C COOLEY

This Information Obtained From: Wheat, Foster, McCov (Child) Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Marriage

"Genealogy of the Birth

Wheat, Foster, McCov (Child)

and Connected Fam- Mar. 3 March 1857 Manchester Adams County, Ohio

ilies" by Laura Emily Wheat Death 17 Nov 1904 Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado

Wheat Foster, 1941. Burial

Letters of Joseph G. Places of Residence Ohio; Colorado; Iowa

Wheat, friends and Occupation Steamship Church Affiliation Military Rec.

family, 1858-1867, (Other wives, if any, No. 1, 2, etc. (Place separate sheet for each mar.)

including his Civil His Father COOLEY Mother's Maiden Name

War service. "Geneal-

ogy of the Patterson, Wife's Full Maiden Name Laura Emmaline WHEAT

Wheat and Hearn Family Birth Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Wife

ies" by Rowena Emmeline Birth 16 May 1837 Steuben County, New York Attended

Hearn Randle, Richmond Child Female College

Indiana, 1926. Death 16 July 1887 Marshalltown, Marshall County, Iowa Poet

Burial

Compiler: Lovie Foster Henderson Places of Residence New York; Ohio; Iowa

Address 5722 Highland Hills Drive Occupation if other than Housewife Teacher Church Affiliation Methodist

City, State Austin, Texas 78731 (Other residences, if any, No. 1, 2, etc. (Place separate sheet for each mar.)

Date July 1992 Her Father: Berran Patterson WHEAT Mother's Maiden Name: Lucy Hunt GILLIT

Sax	Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Data	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1	Cora Alice Full Name of Spouse	Birth	6	Dec	1857	Pleasant Valley (? County)	Ohio	4 children	He was a banker
	William Little Graham	Mar.	14	April	1886	Pueblo, Pueblo County,	Colorado	He was a banker	He was a banker
		Death							He was a banker
		Burial							
2	Charles Calvin Full Name of Spouse	Birth	28	March	1856	Spring Valley, Greene Co.,	Ohio	7 children	
	Clara A Gilliam	Mar.	6	June	1880	Rockwell, Calhoun County,	Iowa	Teamster	
		Death	2	Sept	1904	Gilman, Marshall County,	Iowa	Methodist	
		Burial							
3	Olive May Full Name of Spouse	Birth	29	Sept	1861	Tonica, LaSalle County,	Illinois	4 children	Francis Hearn was a lumberman
	Francis William Harris	Mar.	15	Jan	1882	Marshalltown, Marshall County,	Iowa	Methodist	
		Death							
		Burial							
4	Edgar Welton Full Name of Spouse	Birth	13	Dec	1865	Tonica, LaSalle County,	Illinois	2 children	
	Maud Bass	Mar.	26	March	1898	Marshalltown, Marshall County,	Iowa	Poet, Editor	
		Death							
		Burial							Baptist
5	Lucy Edna Full Name of Spouse	Birth	11	April	1870	Dubuque, Dubuque County,	Iowa	1 son	
	Charles M Keefer	Mar.	8	June	1889			Methodist	
		Death	10	May	1906				
		Burial							
6		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
7		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
8		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
9		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							
10		Birth							
	Full Name of Spouse	Mar.							
		Death							
		Burial							

GENERATION NO. 3

FAMILY GROUP No. 58 Husband's Full Name Joseph Gillit WHEAT, M.D.*

This Information Obtained From: Birth 29 Aug 1840 Portland, Jay County, Indiana

"Genealogy of the Wheat, Foster, McCoy and Connected Families" by Laura Emily Wheat Foster, 1941, with information added by her and by Edward Joseph Wheat, deceased, of Boerne, Texas. Letters from Kay Reiste Wheat, widow of Joseph Gillit Wheat, II. Medical and Surgical Director of the United States, Polk, 1886. Comptroller Lewis Foster Henderson. Address 5722 Highland Hills Drive, City, State Austin, Texas 78731

Wife's Full Maiden Name Mary Eleanor McCoy ("Nellie")

Birth 24 Jan 1842 Family Farm, Brown County, Ohio

Places of Residence Indiana; Illinois; Missouri; Iowa; Minnesota

Occupation Physician Church Affiliation Methodist Military Rec. Civil War

Other wives, if any, No. (in order):

His Father Benjamin Patterson WHEAT Mother's Maiden Name Lucy Hunt GILLIT

Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth)

Children's Data

Day Month Year City, Town or Place County or Province, etc. State or Country Add. Info. on Children

1 Eva May Birth 21 May 1866 Kinman, Marion County, Illinois 4 children
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 23 Sept 1895 Jewell Junction, Hamilton County, Iowa
**Bartley Hardy Foster Death 16 Dec 1940 (Graveside home) Seattle, King County, Washington
Burial: Cremation, double burial, cemetery, Seattle, King County, Washington

2 Laura Emily Birth 4 June 1868 Near Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri 3 children
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 27 Dec 1893 Inwood, Lyon County, Iowa
**William Henry Foster Death 25 Nov 1946 (Graveside home) Hunt, Kerr County, Texas
Burial: Cremation, double burial, Park, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas 1917

3 Fred Caldwell Birth 12 Sept 1869 Near Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri 2 sons
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 4 Sept 1900 Ida Grove, Ida County, Iowa
William Morehead Woodworth Death 17 Aug 1941 (Graveside home) Utopia, Val Verde County, Texas
Burial: Cremation, Ashes at cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin County, MN

4 Benjamin Patterson Birth 21 Sept 1871 Near Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri 3 children
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 16 June 1898 Mount Vernon, Linn County, Iowa
Maye Emmeline Baker Death 19 July 1933 in the mountains near Denver, ? County, Colorado
Burial: Cemetery, Saratoga Springs, Saratoga County, New York 1895, Mine spec. mining whistles.

5 Albert Joseph Birth 13 Sept 1873 Farley, Dubuque County, Iowa 3 children
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 15 April 1919 Monona, Clayton County, Iowa
Hazel Grace Cunningham Death 21 April 1944 Humboldt, Humboldt County, Iowa
Burial: Cremation

6 George Guy Birth 17 Aug 1875 Farley, Dubuque County, Iowa 12 sons, one died in infancy.
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 20 Jan 1913 Forest City, Winnebago County, Iowa
Ida Field Death 25 Feb 1951 Home, Brooklyn, Kings County, New York
Burial: Cremation

7 Leroy Haven Birth 20 Oct 1878 Callanan, Hamilton County, Iowa 3 children (1)
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 4 Jan 1919 Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan
(A) Alice Beth Chellis Death 1 April 1936 Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan
(B) Elisabeth Veronica Talme Burial: College, Ames, D. of Agric. Exh.

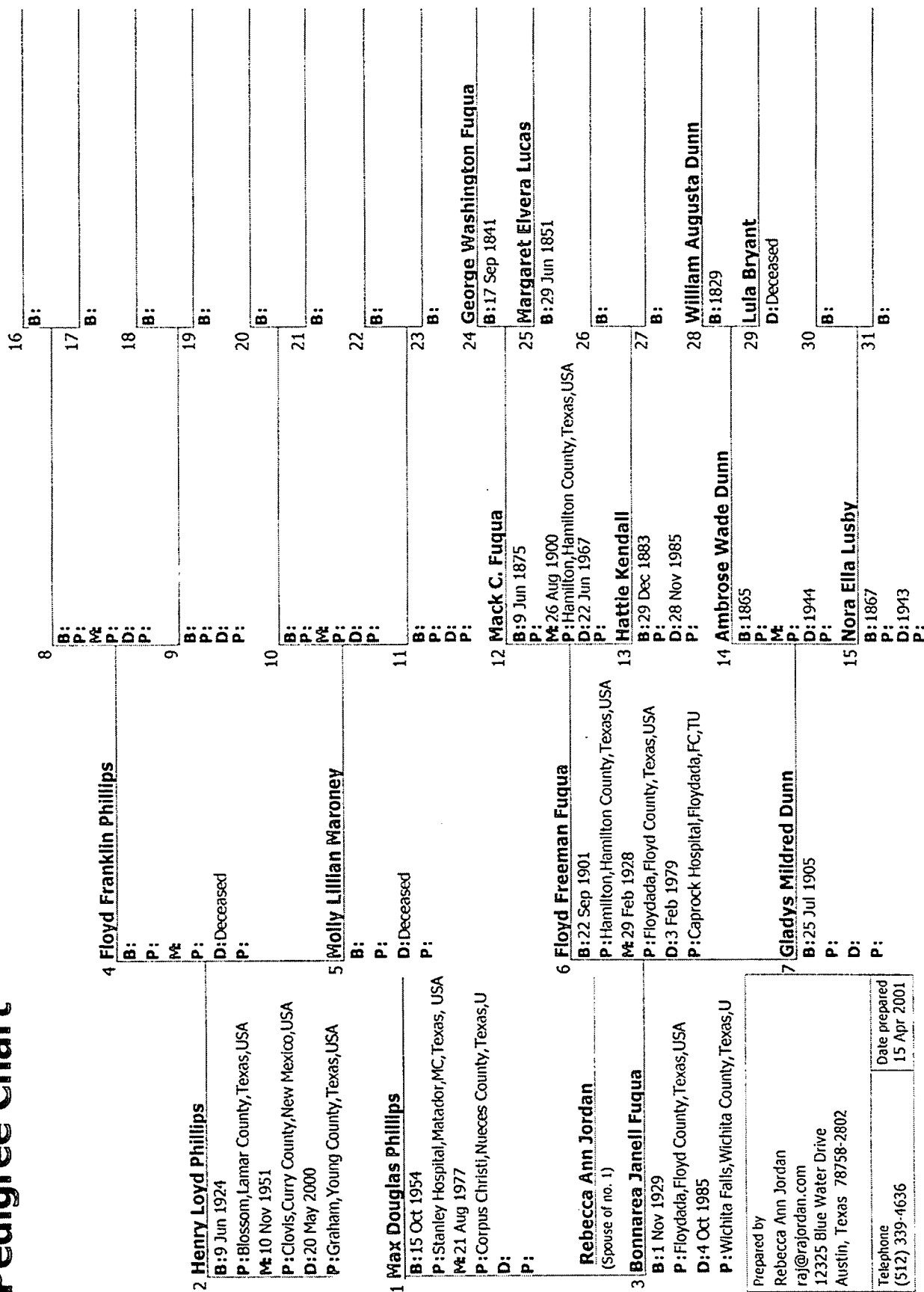
8 John Robert Birth 20 Dec 1881 Jewell Junction, Hamilton County, Iowa 2 sons
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 23 Nov 1916 Lorette, Manitoba Province, Canada
Florence Alphonse Phaneuf Death 17 Nov 1940 Seattle, King County, Washington
Burial: Cremation, Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Seattle, King County, Washington

9 Bessie Eleanor Birth 30 July 1883 Jewell Junction, Hamilton County, Iowa 3 children
Full Name of Spouse: Mar. 26 June 1907 Emmetsburg, Palo Alto County, Iowa
(A) Harry Elsworth Shaw Death 31 Aug 1965 Turlock, Stanislaus County, California
(B) Maurice Goding Burial: College, Ames, D. of Agric. Exh.

10 *Licensed in Iowa, 1886
Full Name of Spouse: **Brothers

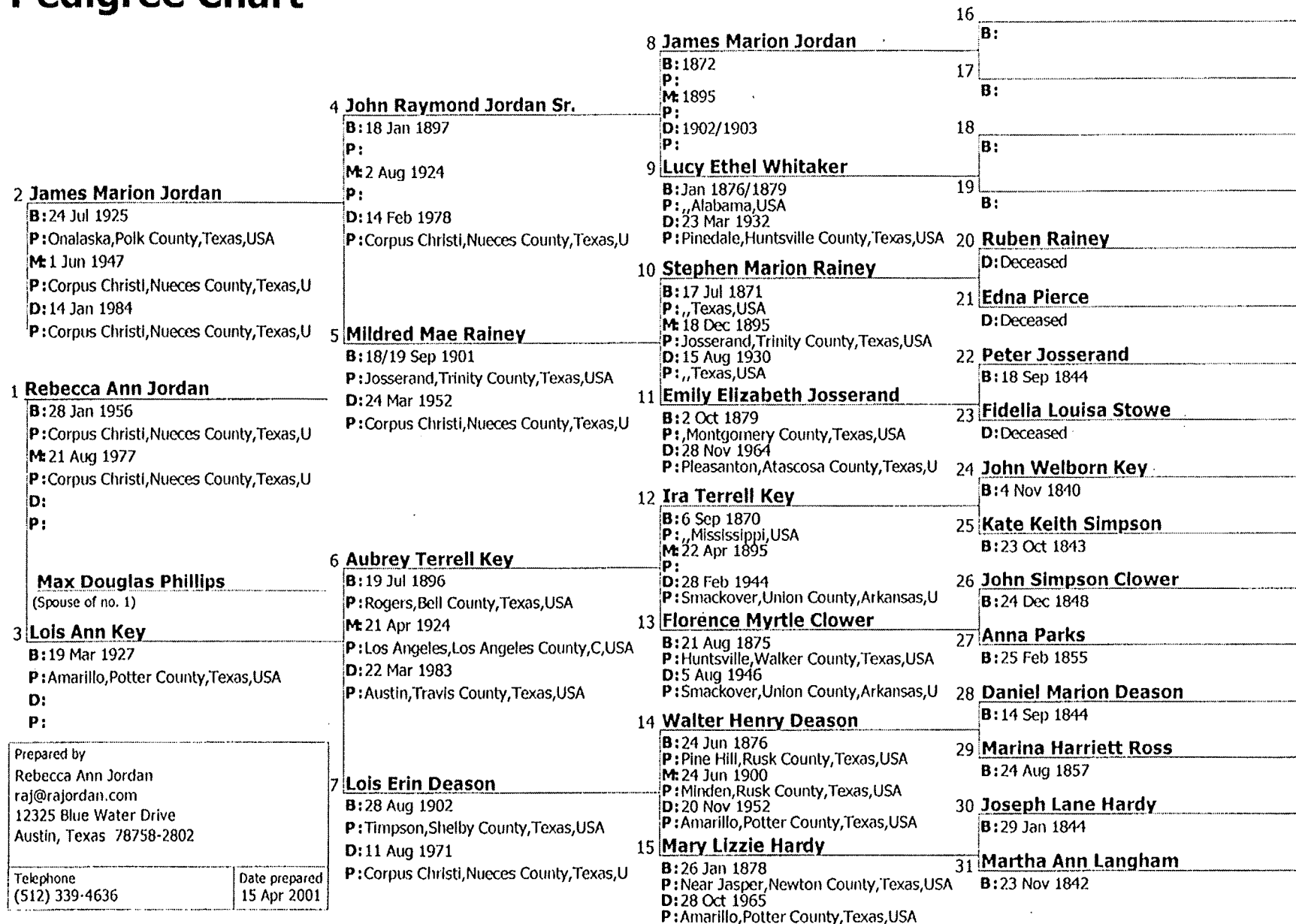
Pedigree Chart

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Descendants of Henly H. Wallace (immediate)

- 1 Henly H. Wallace b: 1828 in Monroe County, W Virginia
 +Mary Jane Slusser b: 1828 in Monroe County, W Virginia
 2 Sarah Elizabeth Wallace b: 1852 in W Virginia
 +William Anthony Lawrence (see descendants of Matterson Lawrence)
 2 James Wallace b: 1854 in Texas
 +Lois E. Livergood m: September 04, 1873 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 William H. Wallace b: 1856 in Texas
 +Rosuner McLean m: February 18, 1880 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 Mary Wallace b: 1859
 2 Jefferson Wallace b: 1861
 +Mollie
 2 Virginia C. Wallace b: 1864
 +John H. Ezzel m: July 06, 1881 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 Jesse D Wallace b: 1866
 2 May Wallace b: 1868
 +Unk Garner

Descendants of James M. Wallace (immediate)

- 1 James M. Wallace b: 1837 in TN per 1870 census; SC per 1880 census Burial: Kyle, Texas
 +Rosealie Livingston b: July 05, 1842 in TN per 1870 census; SC per 1880 census
 d: September 08, 1907 Burial: Kyle, Texas
 2 James Wallace b: 1862 Burial: Kyle, Texas
 2 Mary Wallace b: 1867 Burial: Kyle, Texas
 2 Ruth Wallace b: 1869 in Tennessee d: Abt. 1895 in Texas Burial: Unknown
 +James Arthur Lawrence (see his descendant outline tree previous page)
 2 Charles Wallace b: 1872
 2 John Wallace b: 1874
 2 Floyd Wallace b: October 15, 1876 d: October 11, 1894 Burial: Kyle, Texas
 2 Martha Wallace b: 1865
 +Charles Seal

Descendants of Joseph Lawrence (immediate)

- 1 Joseph Lawrence b: June 15, 1800 in Buncombe County, NC d: October 09, 1897 in Lavaca County, Texas
 Burial: Andrews Chapel Cemetery
 +Mary Eleanor McGary m: March 22, 1839 in Washington-on-the-Brazos
 2 Bettie Lawrence b: Bef. 1840 d: in Yoakum, Texas
 +S. G. McCown
 2 William Lawrence b: December 12, 1839 in Washington County, Texas
 d: 1916 in Hackberry, Lavaca County, Texas
 +Henrietta Josephine Coffee m: May 11, 1864
 2 E. Cameron Lawrence b: 1844 in Texas
 +M. E. b: 1858 in Texas
 2 Margaret Lawrence b: 1847
 +Wallace Chrisman m: May 11, 1873 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 Mary Lawrence b: 1849 d: in Floresville, Texas
 +Henry Smith m: December 23, 1869 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 Ellen Lawrence b: 1851
 +James A. Jameson m: in Yoakum, Texas
 2 Susan Lawrence b: 1853 d: in Lavaca County, Texas
 +Elijah Sewell
 2 Martha Lawrence b: 1855
 +James Brown
 2 Joseph L. Lawrence b: 1858 d: Bef. 1916
 +Nancy A. Alford m: July 19, 1877 in Lavaca County, Texas
 2 Jackson Lawrence b: July 21, 1861 d: March 04, 1906 in Marlin, Texas
 Burial: Yoakum, Lavaca County, Texas, Live Oak Cemetery
 +Minnie Edward Crawford b: September 09, 1868 in Hochheim, Lavaca County, Texas
 m: November 11, 1893 in Shiner, Lavaca County, Texas

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Descendants of James Arthur Lawrence_(selected)

- 1 Lawrence b: In North Carolina per 1900 census
+ "Mollie" Agnes b: In Alabama per 1900 census
- 2 James Arthur Lawrence b: August 25, 1865 in Tennessee
d: February 02, 1918 in Inez, Texas, Victoria County Burial: Edna, Texas
+ Ruth Wallace b: 1869 in Tennessee d: Abt. 1895 in Texas
m: December 06, 1893 in San Marcos, TX
- 3 Dorman Floyd Lawrence b: October 06, 1894 near San Marcos, Texas, Hays County
d: September 24, 1976 in San Antonio, Texas, Bexar County
Burial: San Antonio, Texas, Bexar County
+ Estelle Elizabeth Green b: November 21, 1903 in Devine, Texas, Medina County
d: May 04, 1964 in San Antonio, TX
m: June 18, 1919 in Riviera, Kleberg County, TX
Burial: San Antonio, Texas, Bexar County
- 4 Floyd Lee Lawrence b: Living
- 5 Donald Floyd Lawrence b: Living
- 3 Infant Lawrence b: 1895
- *2nd Wife of James Arthur Lawrence:
+ Zillie Smith m: August 13, 1898 in JP, Precinct #2, Hays County, TX
- *3rd Wife of James Arthur Lawrence:
+ Mary Elizabeth Green b: December 18, 1871 in Hays County, Texas
d: February 18, 1949 in Kingsville, Texas, Kleberg County m: October 03, 1900 in Travis County, TX
- 3 Bessie Lee Lawrence b: June 10, 1901 in Blanco County, Texas d: August 15, 1959 in Port Lavaca, TX
+ William H. Ellis b: February 07, 1898 in Hudson Bend, Hays County Texas
d: August 15, 1959 in Victoria County, Texas m: December 15, 1915
- 3 Richard Robert Lawrence b: August 17, 1903 in Henly, Texas, Hays County
d: February 18, 1976 in Houston, Texas, Harris County
+ Dorothy May Kornegay b: May 31, 1910 in Comanche County, Texas
d: April 20, 1990 in Conroe, Texas, Montgomery County
m: June 07, 1926 in Winnie, Texas, Chambers County
- 3 Tennessee Irene Lawrence b: May 21, 1906 in Henly, Texas, Hays County
d: February 24, 1994 in Corpus Christi, Texas, Nueces County
+ Roy C. Harmon d: 1976
- 3 Agnes Maude Lawrence b: December 24, 1907 in Blanco County, Texas d: May 20, 1981 in Houston, Texas
+ Edward Watkins
- 3 Thelma May Lawrence b: April 18, 1911 in Blanco County, Texas
d: July 25, 1983 in Corpus Christi, Texas, Nueces County
+ Gene Fanchier
- 3 Johnny Arthur Lawrence b: July 24, 1912 in Blanco County, Texas
d: May 01, 1973 in Edna, Texas, Jackson County
+ Dora Lee Parker m: August 29, 1943 in Mexico

Descendants of Matterson Lawrence_(immediate)

- 1 Matterson Lawrence b: January 01, 1819 d: in Texas Burial: Texas
+ Unk first wife of Matterson d: in Monroe County, W Virginia m: Bef. 1852
- 2 Henry Overton Lawrence b: November 24, 1844 d: September 16, 1911 in Henly, Texas, Hays County
Burial: Abt. September 18, 1911 Henly, Texas
+ Eva Smith
- 2 William Anthony Lawrence b: January 01, 1843 in Monroe County, W Virginia
d: March 30, 1931 in Travis county, Texas Burial: March 31, 1931 Texas State Cemetery, Austin, Texas
+ Sarah Elizabeth Wallace b: 1852 in W Virginia m: September 22, 1870 in Lavaca County, Texas
- *2nd Wife of William Anthony Lawrence:
+ Emma R. Stroman b: March 03, 1866 d: April 30, 1929 in Travis county, Texas
m: May 26, 1881 in Lavaca County, Texas Burial: May 01, 1929 Texas State Cemetery, Austin, Texas
- 2 Nancy A Lawrence b: 1850
+ W. A. Tanner m: in Austin, Texas
- *2nd Wife of Matterson Lawrence:
+ Malinda Wallace b: 1830 in Monroe County, W Virginia d: Abt. 1853
m: Abt. 1852 in Monroe County, W Virginia Burial: Ohio
- 2 Lewis Henly Lawrence b: 1852 in Ohio
+ Hanna Elizabeth Elnora Livergood b: September 29, 1860 in Jackson County, Texas m: July 27, 1875

One of the sons of Henly Wallace and Mary Jane, James (1854-) married Lois Livergood, daughter of John Himes Livergood (translated from german Liebengut) who fought at San Jacinto, and the first County judge of Lavaca County. Wm Anthony's half brother, Henly Louis Lawrence, born on the boat trip in Ohio, married a Livergood also, Betty (1860-), on 19 July 1875 in Jackson County, TX. "

It is not known what attracted Dr. Lawrence to Lavaca County other than his wife's cousins, the Wallaces. When his wife, Malinda Wallace died in Ohio, it might have made sense for him to settle there or return to WV with the newborn. Why continue to Texas? I offer the following two articles from The Handbook of Texas Online with no known connection: (<http://www.tsha.utexas.edu/handbook/online/index.new.html>)

"Joseph Lawrence (1800-1897), soldier, was born on June 15, 1800, in Buncombe County, North Carolina, and moved to Texas in 1835. He was at Washington-on-the-Brazos when William B. Travis sent his messengers calling for volunteers to relieve the Alamo and joined a group who left for Gonzales on March 1, 1836. [He fought at San Jacinto.] In 1848 he moved to Lavaca County, where he opened a large plantation near the Old Pine Tree Crossings on Rocky Creek. Lawrence lived on his plantation in Lavaca County for almost forty years. When he died on October 9, 1897, he was ninety-eight and the oldest surviving veteran of the Texas Revolution.

John William Blount Lawrence (1815-1909), lawyer and soldier, the son of Peter Payne and Ann Blount Lawrence, was born in Edenton, North Carolina, on August 8, 1815. In 1837 he moved with members of his family to Marianna, Florida, where he lost his fortune speculating in cotton. In June 1841 he left on a visit to Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi and in October arrived in Houston, Texas. In March 1842, at the time of the Rafael Vasquez invasion, he joined a company of volunteers from Milam County and marched to Columbus. He subsequently studied law [in NC], was admitted to the bar, and left the state, serving for a time before 1844 as a deputy clerk at an Alabama County court. He came back to Texas in time to vote for annexation in 1845 and practiced law in Matagorda until 1847, when he moved to Houston and entered the employ of land agent Jacob de Cordova. Lawrence married Mrs. Louisa J. Tryon, the widow of William Milton Tryon, of Houston in 1857; they had one child. During the Civil War in 1862 he twice ran the federal blockade en route to British Honduras, and in 1864 he was captain of a company of Harris County home guards. In 1866 Lawrence was commissioned assistant assessor of internal revenue for Harris County but resigned when the "Iron Clad" oath was required, and resumed his land business. He died in Houston in March 1909. [This article ends in error. In fact, as noted in his obituary in the Austin Statesman on 25 March, 1908, John William Blount Lawrence lived in Austin for many years until his death and is buried in Oakwood Cemetery with his son, John R.]"

The man buried as H. O. Lawrence in Henly, Texas is Henry Overton Lawrence, son of Dr. Madison Lawrence. I speculate, but have yet to prove that the person buried next to him is Dr. Lawrence, with his first name correctly spelled as Matterson, vice Madison. Whether Dr. Madison/Matterson Lawrence was related to Joseph Lawrence, the Texas hero, has yet to be established, but I think there must have been something to draw the good doctor all the way from WV to Lavaca County, in particular. They were clearly prominent contemporaries in that County for many years. I speculate that in his elder years Dr. Lawrence left his youngest son by Malinda Wallace, Henly Louis Lawrence, in Lavaca County with wife and children, and went to spend his last days in the milder Hill Country air with his older sons Henry Overton and William Anthony in Henly, Texas. The doctor was ten years dead when my ggrandfather James Arthur Lawrence(2) married Ruth Wallace in Hays County, but I'm confident my ggrandfather James Arthur Lawrence(2) plowed a field just across the fence from Henry Overton Lawrence.

When they needed assistance with a land deal, they might have gone to John William Lawrence in Austin. He was from NC and had a brother named James. Lawrence(1) my gggrandfather was from NC, and family tradition has it that he was named James Arthur, like his son. Joseph Lawrence in Lavaca County was from NC. Perhaps Dr. Lawrence was from NC before WV. It is not yet known where he was educated. They might have all been cousins. My grandfather Dorman was married in Kleberg County, Texas, next door to Lavaca. My ggrandfather moved from Henly to the Lavaca County area and was buried in Edna, TX, a victim of the 1918 flu epidemic. I can only guess that he moved there because of Lawrence family connections.

The challenge to the genealogist, of course, and the fun, is to prove or disprove the possibilities. Help, corrections, and, of course, contact from unknown cousins are appreciated. Charts and gedcoms are available on request. Don Lawrence can be reached at lawdon99@hotmail.com or (512) 917-7709 or PO Box 17623, Austin, TX 78760 or through the Austin Genealogical Society.

The Lawrences, Wallaces, and Greens in Hays, Lavaca, and Nearby Counties of Texas

James Arthur Lawrence(2), b. 25 Feb 1865 in Tennessee, d. 2 Feb 1918, Inez, Victoria County, Texas owned property in the 1890's in Hays County near Dripping Springs at Henly, Texas, some 30 miles west of Austin on US 290. His son Dorman Floyd Lawrence(3) was raised on a farm there and had 10 children in Austin and Creedmoor, the eldest of whom is my father Floyd Lee Lawrence(4), now 80, and I am Donald Floyd Lawrence(5), born in Austin in 1944. [My notes are in brackets throughout].

James Arthur Lawrence(2) stated on two censuses that he was from TN. On one he says that his father, Lawrence(1), was from NC and his mother Mollie Agnes(1) was from AL. We have no further facts about the origins of Lawrence(1) or James Arthur(2) or Mollie Agnes(1). They are the immediate objects of our search because our family history stops there. But, there were several Lawrence families in Henly and Austin contemporary with James Arthur(2) that I speculate were related, and there is an apparent link to Lawrences in Lavaca County, Texas. Some of those Lawrences from Lavaca originally came from West Virginia and settled Henly and were contemporary with my grandfather and intermarried with Wallaces as did my lineage.

A history of Hays County TX, "Clear Springs and Limestone Ledges" says that some early settlers of Henly were "General Darnell from TN and Henry Lawrence". Henly now has a very small population, a volunteer fire dept and a church. Buried in the now inactive Henly Community Cemetery, about 200 yards north of US 290 at the Hays and Blanco County line, are Matterson and H.O. Lawrence. Their tombstones read only 1-1-1819 to 9-16-1882, and 11-24-1844 to 9-16-1911, respectively. (According to Hays County records, H. O. Lawrence was an original grantee of 160 acres from the State of Texas on 25 Sept 1876.) We haven't been able to establish their relation, if any, to James Arthur Lawrence(2) my ggrandfather, but Dorman(3), b. 6 Oct 1894 "near San Marcos" was raised in Henly by James Arthur until old enough to go away to WWI, so they were both clearly contemporary with H. O. Lawrence for 15 years. H. O. was Henry Overton, as will be seen below. He lost his property to the County for taxes once, but Hays County records show that it was redeemed by Lauren Smith and gifted to her daughter Eva and son-in-law H.O. Lawrence.

James Arthur(2) married Ruth Wallace(2) in San Marcos in 1893 and Dorman(3) was born in 1894 the same week that her youngest brother Floyd died. The namesake for the next three generations of Lawrences, Floyd Wallace is buried in the Kyle, Texas cemetery with my ggpapents James M. Wallace(1) and Rosalie Livingston(1) and other family members. Ruth Wallace died, probably in childbirth, two years after my grandfather Dorman was born. Her place of death and burial are unknown to me.

James Arthur(2) remarried in 1908 to Zillie Smith about whom we know nothing. In 1900 he married again to Mary Elizabeth "Lizzie" Green(2) daughter of Benjamin Franklin Green(1), a longtime Blanco County resident, and had 7 more children in Henly. Benjamin had a brother, Lafayette Green(1), whose daughter Estelle Green(2), Lizzie's cousin 30 years junior, would later marry Lizzie's stepson Dorman Lawrence(3) and become my grandmother. Lizzie Green had been previously married to a Neal, some of whom are buried in Henly. She brought to the marriage a son named Henry Overton Neal, presumably named for Henry Overton Lawrence. Who was this H. O. Lawrence?

I digress to note that although I was born and attended the university in Austin, I knew it only through infrequent visits to relatives, having been raised in San Antonio. Upon accepting employment here in 2000, I renewed my acquaintance with my "Aunt Inez", who is not my aunt, but in the late 1930's ran barefoot in feedsack dresses with my aunts and uncles on the dirt roads near Hill's Dairy where present day Ben White Boulevard intersects with US 183. She held Estelle's(2) hand during 12 days of crippling labor with the youngest of my 10 aunts and uncles and carried my cousins home from the hospital as proud as though they were her own. Astonishingly, the Reverend Inez Matthews Brown was ordained by the Church of God in the 1920's and has been a fervent evangelist in Austin and across the South and Southwest many years since. A formidable genealogist, she has typewritten enough family pages to stack waist high. Much of it documents the relationship of her extended family to John Himes Livergood, a figure in the Texas Revolution. "Aunt Inez" had some Lawrences in her family not known to be related to my line. She gave me the following material.

"Madison Lawrence, a doctor and farmer, arrived in Port Lavaca, TX in Jackson County in 1854. He had come by boat down the Ohio River. His wife had died in Monroe County, WV and he married a Malinda Wallace [not yet known to be related to the Wallaces of TN and Kyle, Texas that James Arthur Lawrence(2) married into]. On the trip, Malinda died giving birth to Henly Louis Lawrence named for her cousin Henly Wallace [perhaps the namesake of Henly, Texas]. She was buried in Ohio. Accompanying Dr. Madison Lawrence were three of his children by his first marriage, Henry, Wm Anthony, and Nancy.

Henly Wallace and Mary Jane Slusser had their first child, Sara Elizabeth Wallace, in WV. They later had 7 more in Lavaca County, TX, the last in 1868. Wm Anthony Lawrence married his deceased mother's cousin's daughter Sara Elizabeth Wallace in 1870. They had three children before Sara died. Henly Madison Lawrence (1872-), Delbert C (1874-), and Jeff (1876-). Wm Anthony later married Emma Stromann and they had 18 [!] children. Husband and wife are buried in the Confederate section of the Texas State Cemetery.

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World War II Fly Boy: Robert Moehring in flying school and North Africa, 1942–1945

By Alana Moehring Mallard, Austin, Texas

I almost couldn't believe it when my Daddy told me several years ago that his being an officer in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II was all a big mistake. He got in the wrong line when he signed up to be a pilot. Robert Moehring's goal was to be a sergeant pilot.

In late 1941, Daddy's soon-to-be father-in-law, Roy Ross, of Round Rock, Texas, told him about a newspaper article he read. The U.S. Army Air Corps was taking sergeant pilot candidates for flying school. Sign-up was in San Antonio, Texas, about 100 miles south of Round Rock.

The enlisted pilot program allowed men to enter flying school without the two years of college required of officers. Daddy, who graduated from Round Rock High School in 1941, admired a friend's brother who had become a sergeant.

So 18-year-old Robert Moehring went to San Antonio and signed up to be a sergeant pilot. But he got in the wrong line and wound up a lieutenant instead of a sergeant.

The short-lived enlisted pilot program began in 1941 as Congress rushed to enable more young men to become pilots for World War II. The program ended in late 1942 when flight cadets were no longer required to have college hours. Even if he had gotten in the right line in San Antonio, Daddy would have soon become an officer as all sergeant pilots were promoted to officers in November 1942.

World War II pilot training included three nine-week schools: primary, basic and advanced. In 1942, Daddy went to Primary Flying School in Uvalde, Texas, and to Basic and Advanced Flying School at Kelly Field in

San Antonio, Texas.

Primary flying schools were operated by civilian companies under contract and basic and advanced flying schools were operated by the U.S. Army Air Forces.

It was in Advanced Flying School in 1942 that aviation cadet Robert Moehring had a bit of hot-pilot show-off trouble that got him sent back a class. Flying with fellow cadets from San Antonio to Dallas, Daddy couldn't resist letting his sweetie, Jonnie Ross, know that he was coming through Round Rock, about 20 miles north of Austin.

When Daddy tells the story, he always mentions that it was 4 o'clock in the afternoon and the shadow of the Round Rock water tower fell across his plane as he buzzed down U.S. 81 in front of Roy and Eunice Ross' house in downtown Round Rock.

Of course, flying that low showed his tail number to anyone who was looking and at least one Round Rock citizen felt it was his duty to report the illegally low flight.

Instead of graduating from flight school as an 18-year-old as Daddy was on track to do, he was dropped from Class 42-I.

"He was sent home to Round Rock on leave to stew about it," Jonnie Ross Moehring said. "One reason he wasn't washed out was that he was the youngest cadet in the Gulf Coast Training Command."

Right after his 19th birthday on Sept. 2, 1942, Daddy got the call that said he could come back to Kelly Field. He was allowed to join Class 42-J and graduate. Sergeant wannabe Robert Moehring would be a lieutenant.

From January 1941 through August 1945, the U.S. Army Air Forces awarded pilot

wings to 191,654 cadets; 132,993 cadets failed to complete flight training.

Robert Moehring retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1964 at the rank of Major. He and Jonnie live in Fort Worth, Robert at a downtown Alzheimer's care facility and Jonnie at their home on the west side.

The Air Force Advanced Flying School
Kelly Field, Texas

of
the United States Army
announces the graduation of
Class 42-J
on Tuesday morning, November the
tenth
nineteen hundred and forty-two
at nine thirty o'clock
Post Theater

Robert H. Moehring
Lieutenant Army Air Forces
United States Army

Genealogy nightmare narrowly averted

Robert and Jonnie Ross Moehring were born in Round Rock, Texas, in 1923 and 1924.

They graduated from Round Rock High School in 1941.

They were married in Round Rock's Baptist church in 1943.

But their marriage is recorded in Dallas County, not Williamson County, because Robert picked up the license while he was stationed at Love Field in Dallas just before he and Jonnie married.

Thank goodness my mother gave me a copy of the marriage certificate before I had to go hunting it up on my own.

-- Alana Moehring Mallard

During World War II, Robert Moehring was in North Africa and Europe from December 1943 to August 1945. The date of this story from an unidentified newspaper is about June 1945.

ATC Air Base, Oran, Algeria — First Lieut. Robert H. Moehring, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Moehring, Rt. 3, Georgetown, Texas, is an airplane pilot at La Senia Air Base, Oran, Algeria, in the North African Division of the Air Transport Command.

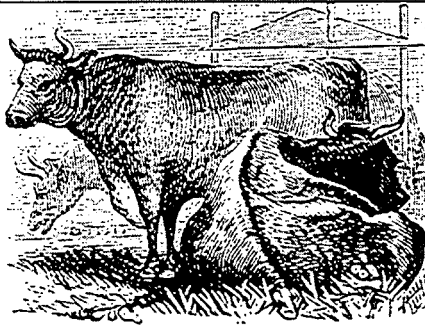
La Senia Air Base, commanded by Lieut. Col. Edgar B. Franklin, is one of the fastest growing bases in the NAFD. Here, pilots, radio operators, aerial engineers, and flight clerks are trained as crew members to operate the C-54 Skymaster on the 25-hour Sky Rocket run from Casablanca, French Morocco, to Karachi, India.

Lt. Moehring pilots the huge transports whose speedy movement of personnel and freight plays such a large part in our war effort. In accumulating 850 hours of overseas flying time, he has visited most of the larger cities in Central Africa, and just about all of North Africa, including Tunis, Tripoli, Algiers, Casablanca and Cairo.

He was stationed at Love Field in Dallas, Texas, as a ferry pilot before coming overseas seventeen months ago. He entered the service in January 1942. His wife, Mrs. Jonnie Moehring, lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ross, at Round Rock, Texas.

Lieut. Moehring's brother, Seaman Second Class Charles Moehring, who is serving with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific theater of operations, was in on the invasion of Okinawa, and has written his parents that he is well and safe, but is "pretty busy" at the present time.

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Assorted Ancestors

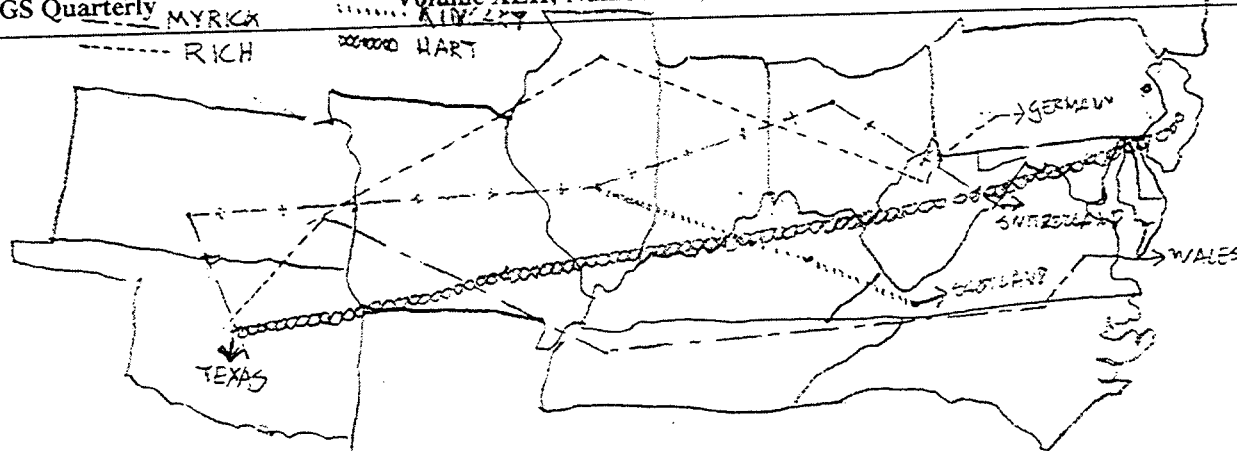
Peter Flagg Maxson

I have been fortunate in finding credible, published genealogies on a great many forbears, Flagg and DeGolyer particularly. Many other lines do not appear to be so well documented, or the male line family connection was a century or longer ago. For a great many years, in my role as family historian I collected material from published sources, encouraged others to write and on occasion even published their findings. But then I reached enough dead ends that I had to face the inevitable: doing the research myself.

As always, I am grateful to the *Austin Genealogical Society Quarterly* June issue as an opportunity to publish my genealogical meanderings. In past years I have followed the male lines of my four grandparents back through the centuries in the *Quarterly*, and careened in other directions as well: descent from William the Conqueror, studies of ancestral homes, New York associations, distaff research and the like. As the Austin connection becomes more tenuous, common sense tells me to stop. But I've been surprised that on several occasions, *Quarterly* readers are revealed as distant kinspersons. And, more importantly, as more and more material is computerized, perhaps my findings will be of use to others mining the same information.

The information presented herein documents lines of three of my four grandparents, the fourth being predictable New Englanders who never strayed. While these lines are somewhat diverse in their ethnic origins (English, Welsh, Swiss and German), they conform to a great degree to typical American migratory patterns. Eighteenth century immigrant ancestors settled mostly in the Middle Atlantic area – Virginia in most cases, or Pennsylvania. After the American Revolution they continued through Ohio, Tennessee or Kentucky to Illinois, Missouri and Kansas after 1830. It was common to stop for a generation or two along the way. Curiously, lines converge in the Oklahoma City area at the turn of the last century. Most were farmers, all were Protestant and the expectation of improved circumstances likely prompted their westward peregrinations. Maxsons arrived in Galveston just in time for the Great Storm of 1900, thence briefly to Beaumont and finally to Dallas in 1915. DeGolyers bucked the trend, moving from Norman to a New York City suburb, but ultimately settled in Dallas in 1936.

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The Myricks

Thomas Merrick, of Surry County, Va.
 ?I?
 Owen Myrick
 I
 Francis Myrick
 I
 Francis Myrick of Brunswick Co., Va.
 I
 Moses Myrick (b. 1723) of Warren Co., N.C.
 Served in N.C. militia in 1750s
 m. 1744 Susannah Ellison
 I
 Mathew Myrick of Henry Co., Tenn.
 Served in N.C. militia in American
 Revolution
 I
 William Myrick (1801-1873)
 of Mapleton, Bourbon Co., Kansas
 m. Nancy Gross (or Cross?)
 I
 Louisa Emmeline Myrick (1838-1900), of
 Toronto & Coyville, Kansas
 m. 1860 Daniel W. Maxson, M.D. later of
 Galveston
 I

The Reichs/Riches

Johannes Reich (Jan de Reich), of
 Rheindurkheim, Hesse, Germany
 m. 1695 Anna Ursula Bastian
 I
 Johannes Reich (1701-1785)
 m. 1st Anna Elisabetha ____
 I
 Jacob Rich (1732-1795) of Fayette Co, Penn.
 Capt., Monongalia Co. militia in the
 Revolutionary War
 m. ca. 1763 Anna Craft
 I
 Daniel Rich (1790-1840) of Monongalia
 County, (West) Virginia
 Private, Capt. Ice's Company, Monongalia
 Co. militia, War of 1812
 m. 1811 Hannah Ammons
 I
 Henry Lorenzo Dow Rich (1813-ca. 1890) of
 Bureau Co., Ill. & Neosho Co., Kansas
 Justice of the Peace, Assessor Lone Tree, Ill.
 m. 1839 Sarah, dau. Col. Levi & Mary Brown
 Anderson of Green Co. Pa & Bureau Co. Ill.
 I

Willis Edward Maxson (1864-1952) of Galveston married 1st 1883 Isadora Rich (1857-1910)

I
 Harry Irl Maxson (1885-1967) of Dallas & Koon Kreek, Athens, Texas
 m. 1909 Marion Flagg, dau. Charles Noël & Ellen Earle Flagg

I
 John Sherman Maxson (1912-1989) of Dallas & Little Hoss Ranch, Godley, Texas
 m. 1937 Virginia DeGolyer, dau. Everett & Nell Goodrich DeGolyer (see following page)

I
 Peter Flagg Maxson (b. 1947), of Austin & Duxbury, Mass.
 life partner since 1975: John Charles Randolph Taylor, V

~~Hottel~~/Huddle

John (Johannes) Hottel (ca.1700-1760)
of Bucks Co. Pa. & Shenandoah Co., Va
a native of Switzerland
m. Margaret _____
I

Charles (Carl) Hottel (1722-1814?)
of Toms Brook, Shenandoah Co., Virginia
m. Barbara _____
I

Daniel Hottel (1763-1823)
of Bremen, Fairfield Co., Ohio
m. Mary Beidler
I

Benjamin (Hottel) Huddle (1803-1860)
of Bloom Township, Seneca Co., Ohio
m. Anna Seitz
I

Benjamin Huddle (1829-1918),
of Iuka, Marion Co., Illinois
m.1854 Rachel Kagy
I

Narcissus Kagy Huddle (1863-1939)
of Norman, Okla. & Pompton Plains, N.J.
m.1883 John William DeGolyer (right)
I

Everette Lee DeGolyer (1886-1956)
of Montclair, New Jersey and Dallas, Texas

William D. Huddle, *History of the
Descendants of John Hottel*. Strasburg, Va:
Shenandoah Publishing House, 1930

~~Kagy~~

Rudolph Kägy (d. 1793)
of Boiling Spring, Shenandoah County, Va.
Came to America 1763
m. Frances Bargebaugh
I

Rudolph Kägy, Jr. (1773-1871)
of Fairfield Co., Ohio
m. 1796 Hannah Simple
I

John Kägy (1797-1885)
of Iuka, Ill.
m. 1820 Catherine Hite
I

Rachel Kagy (b. 1834)
m. 1854 Benjamin Huddle, above

Franklin Keagy, *A History of the Kagy
Relationship in America, 1715-1900*.
Harrisburg: Harisburg Publishing Co, 1899

~~Kincart~~

Samuel Kincart
of Washington Co., Va.
a native of Scotland
m. Isabelle _____
I

James Kincart (b. 1782)
of Nicholas Co., Ky.
m. 1802 Margaret Foster
I

James Kincart, Jr. (1805-1882)
of Miami Co., Kansas
m. 1831 Mary (Polly) Parker
I

Sarah Elizabeth Kincart (1838-192_)
of Ripley Co. Ind.
m. 1857 Jacob DeGolyer
I

John William DeGolyer (1859-1936)
of Pompton Plains, N.J.
m. Narcissus Kagy Huddle (left)

*Information from files of Linda L.
Hovermale, Lexington, Ky.*

~~Hart~~

John (or Edward?) Hart
I

John Hart (1713-1779)
of Hopewell, N.J.
Signer of the Declaration of Independence
m. Deborah Scudder
I

Daniel Hart (1763-1848)
of Randolph Co., (W.)Va.
m.1778 Margaret Bund
I

Hugh Hart (1799-1851)
of Danville, Montgomery Co., Mo.
m.1821 Elizabeth See
I

Margaret Elizabeth Hart (1834-1929)
of Norman, Okla.
m. Robert Gideon Goodrich
I

Hugh Gideon Goodrich, DDS (1852-1932)
of New Florence, Mo. & Norman, Okla.
m. 1884 Emma Virginia Hatton
I

Nell Virginia Goodrich (1886-1972)
m.1910 Montclair NJ & Dallas
m. Everett Lee DeGolyer (left)

*Nell Goodrich DeGolyer Nat'l Society of
Colonial Dames application*

Help!

Some ancestors seem to be in hiding. *Any* information on the following would be greatly appreciated:

Bergert, Sarah of Hampshire County, Va. married ca. 1800 **David Hatton**.

Catherine Deerwester (also Dearweghster), born about 1797 in Pennsylvania, lived near Cincinnati, Ohio and Ripley Co., Indiana, married and divorced **James DeGolyer** (born 1793).

Maxson, Daniel W. M.D. (1836-1920), born Allegheny Co., N.Y., orphaned at an early age, moved to Kansas and later Texas. Of my 32 great-great-great grandparents, Daniel's parents are the only ones I can't identify.

Foster, Margaret married 1802 **James Kincart** of Nicholas Co., Ky.

Franklin, Mary (Molly), died 1875 aged 93, married **Nimrod Canterbury** of Catletsburg, Ky and Monroe Co., Missouri.

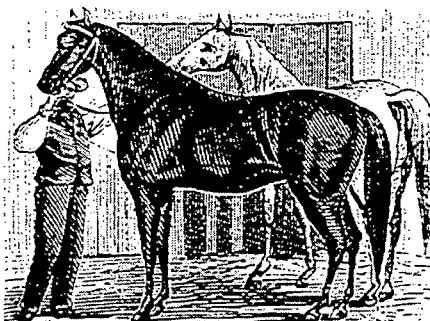
Franklin, Nancy m. Jedithan (or Gideon?) **Canterbury** (b. 1710) of Wilkes Co., N.C.

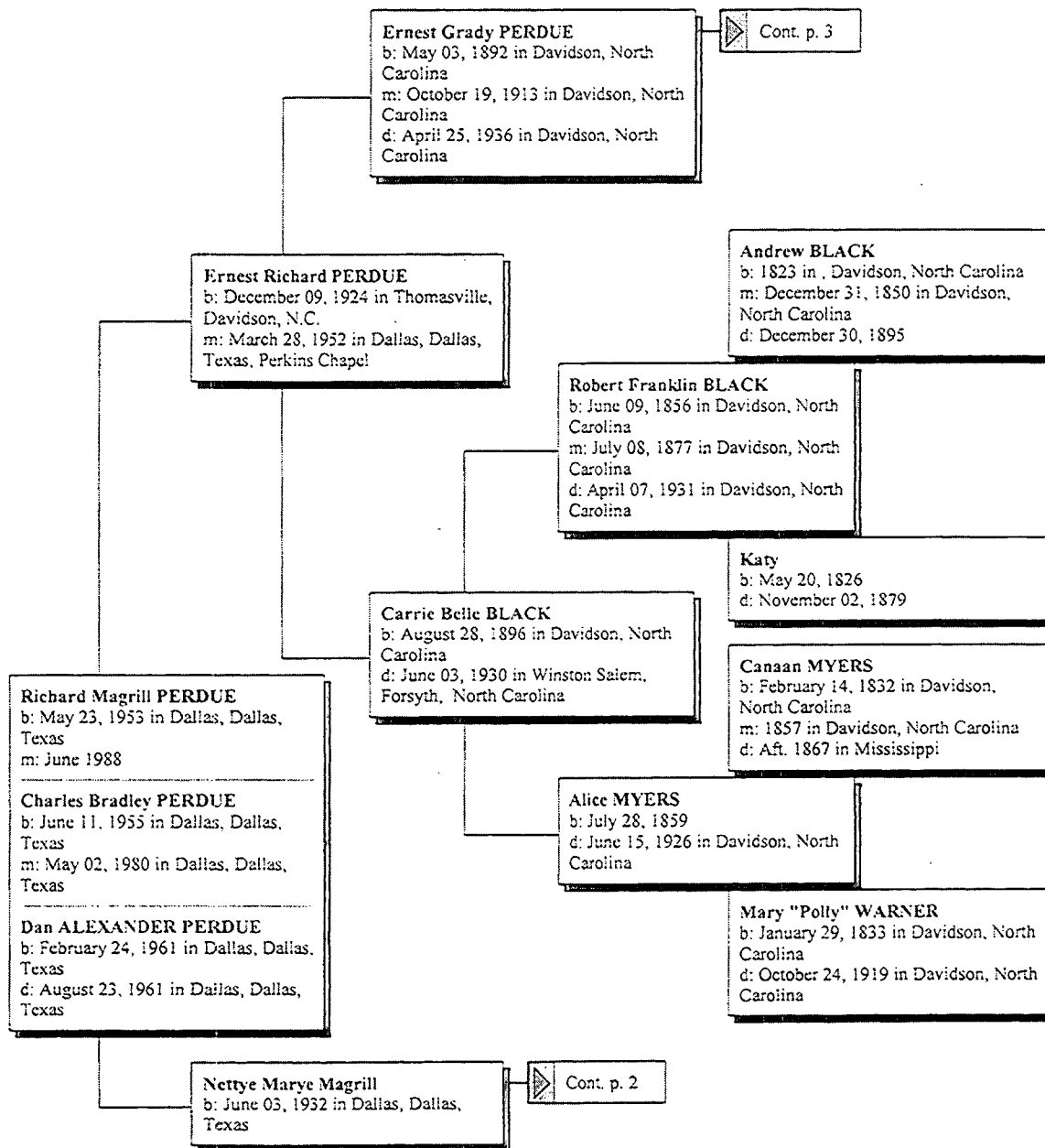
Gross (or Cross?), **Nancy** (1807-1887) was born in Kentucky, married **William Myrick** of Paris, Henry Co., Tenn. and moved to Mapleton, Bourbon Co., Kansas about 1855.

Parker, Margaret married **James Kincart** (1805-1882) of Hillsdale, Miami Co., Kansas

Pinto, Martha, born in New Haven 1780, married **William Earle** (1775-1849) of Hartford, Conn. The Earle genealogy notes she was "A descendant of the old [Sephardic Jewish] Pinto family of Revolutionary War fame."

Preston, Grace married in 1812 **Daniel Anderson** (1792-1864), presumably of Greene Co. Penn. Grace was said to be the granddaughter of Thomas & Elizabeth Harrison Preston.



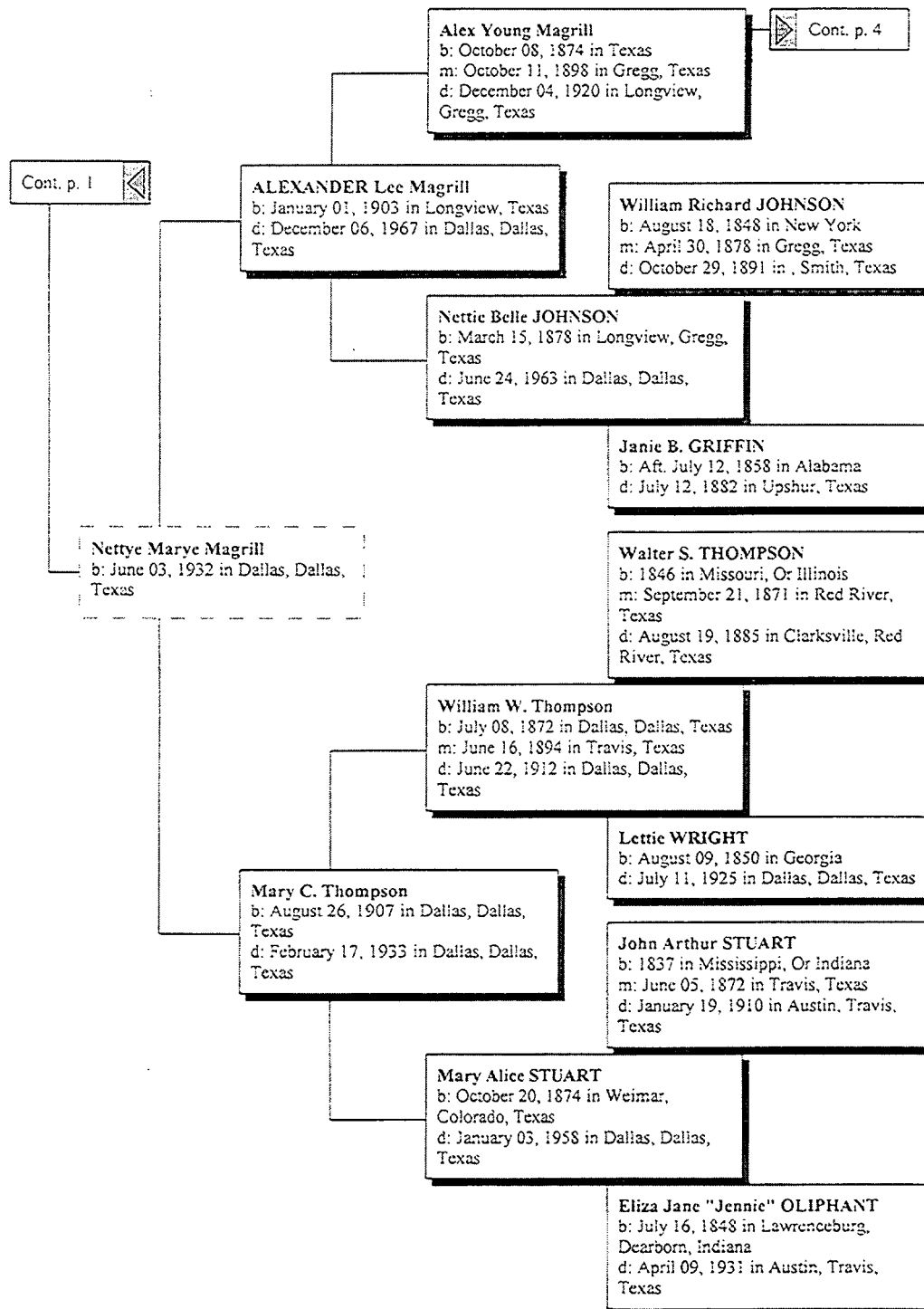
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Ancestors of Charles Bradley PERDUE (2 of 4)



Ancestors of Charles Bradley PERDUE (3 of 4)

Henry H. PERDUE

b: April 16, 1843 in Davidson, North Carolina
m: November 08, 1860 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: October 19, 1896 in Davidson, North Carolina

Henry Cicero PERDUE

b: February 18, 1863 in Davidson, North Carolina
m: January 19, 1886 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: October 22, 1918 in Davidson, North Carolina

Elizabeth Margaret PLUMMER

b: October 10, 1844 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: July 12, 1916 in Davidson, North Carolina

Ernest Grady PERDUE

b: May 03, 1892 in Davidson, North Carolina
m: October 19, 1913 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: April 25, 1936 in Davidson, North Carolina

Rudolph YOUNTS

b: October 14, 1818 in , Rowan , North Carolina
m: April 17, 1845 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: 1880

Laura YOUNTS

b: September 14, 1862 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: April 22, 1918 in Davidson, North Carolina

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Narcissus Watson

b: 1826 in Davidson, North Carolina
d: July 16, 1918 in Davidson, North Carolina

Ancestors of Charles Bradley PERDUE (4 of 4)

Alexander R. Magrill

b: October 04, 1848 in Gregg, Texas

m: February 04, 1872 in Rusk, Texas

d: July 07, 1933 in San Antonio, Bexar,
Texas

Alex Young Magrill

b: October 08, 1874 in Texas

m: October 11, 1898 in Gregg, Texas

d: December 04, 1920 in Longview,
Gregg, Texas

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Margaret C. RUCKER

b: August 1854 in Upshur, Texas

d: 1913 in Texas

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Name	Travis Nash Sage	
Birth	13 Jan 1801	Maury Co., TN
Death	15 Oct 1855	Waterford MS
Father	John Sage (1747-1827)	
Mother	Mary Nash (1768-1852)	
Marriage	30 Sep 1822	Williamson Co, TN
Spouse	Rachel Potts	
Birth	1801	Lebanon, TN
Death	1853	Holly Springs, MS
Father	William Potts	
Mother	Elizabeth Lamb	
Children		
1 F	Elizabeth Rich Sage	
Birth	Jul 1823	TN
Spouse	Rueben Russel Ricketts	
Marriage	18 Dec 1841	Marshall Co., MS (p.328)
2 F	Mary Amanda Sage	
Birth	30 Nov 1824	TN
Death	19 Jan 1903	Cockrum, MS
Spouse	Nathan Ingram	
Marriage	6 Nov 1867	De Soto Co., MS
3 F	Mary Jane Sage	
Birth	1835	
Spouse	Richard Davidson Smith	
Marriage	6 Aug 1853	Marshall Co., MS (p.224)
4 F	Lucy A. Sage	
Birth	1842	
5 F	Martha M. Sage	
Birth	1833	
Death	19 Jan 1903	
6 M	Abner Potts Sage	
Birth	19 Nov 1827	MS
Death	21 Mar 1908	MS
Spouse	Sallie Shearer	
Spouse	Sarah E. Simpson	
Marriage	11 Oct 1855	Coahoma, MS
Spouse	Emma J. Cotton	
Marriage	28 Sep 1865	De Soto Co., MS
Spouse	Elizabeth Jane (Lizzie) Burgin	
Marriage	18 Feb 1890	Lowndes Co, MS
7 M	Thomas Jefferson Sage	
Birth	13 Aug 1831	Holly Springs, MS
Death	2 Dec 1882	Emmet, AR
Spouse	Madella Ann Rossel	
Marriage	27 Apr 1847	Holly Springs, MS (p.190)
Spouse	Mary Henrietta Benton	
Marriage	9 Feb 1860	Marshall Co., MS (p.73)
Spouse	Susan Snow	
Marriage	1 Nov 1866	Oak Grove, LA
8 M	William Wallace Sage	
Birth	15 Dec 1838	Waterford, MS
Death	24 May 1907	Cockrum, DeSoto, MS
Spouse	Catherine Flanagan	
Marriage	20 Jan 1869	
9 M	James Madison Sage	
Birth	1837	MS
Spouse	Lucy ???	

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Name	John Sage	
Birth	6 Nov 1747	Rockingham Co., VA
Death	12 Aug 1827	Rutherford Co., TN
Occupation	Farmer	
Father	Henry Sage (~1714--1796)	
Mother	Bridget ???	
Marriage	9 Apr 1790	Mercer Co., KY
Spouse	Mary Nash	
Birth	1768	KY
Death	12 Mar 1852	Marshall Co., MS
Father	John Nash (1729-1802)	
Mother	Mary Cloyd (~1820)	
Children		
1 F	Margaret Sage	
Birth	6 Nov 1791	Madison Co, KY
Spouse	Jacob Brown	
Marriage	2 Nov 1815	TX ?
2 M	William Sage	
Birth	25 Dec 1793	Madison, Mercer Co., KY
Spouse	Sarah Harbison	
Marriage	17 Jan 1812	Mercer Co, KY
3 M	Jesse Sage	
Birth	28 Feb 1795	Madison, KY
Death	aft 1860	
Spouse	Eleanor Wright	
Marriage	4 Jun 1827	Rutherford Co., TN
4 M	Thomas Nash Sage	
Birth	28 Jan 1797	Madison Co., KY
Spouse	Nancy Wright	
Marriage	21 Jan 1823	Rutherford Co., TN
5 M	Travis Nash Sage	
Birth	13 Jan 1801	Maury Co., TN
Death	15 Oct 1855	Waterford MS
Spouse	Rachel Potts	
Marriage	30 Sep 1822	Williamson Co, TN
6 F	Lucinda Sage	
Birth	1 Apr 1803	Maury Co., TN
Spouse	Barrum Lamb	
Marriage	9 Mar 1822	Rutherford Co., TN
7 M	Abner Sage	
Birth	10 Apr 1808	Maury Co., TN
Notes for John Sage	<p>Mercer Co, KY Tax list, James Clark district 1795,b/date from Rev war pension applied in TN1756,b/date from David Sage Gen(1878) 1747,b/date MS Daughters and Ancestors by Parkes 1747, Listed on Petition Requesting the Establishment of Rutherford Co, Aug 10,1803 1811-1816, Maury Co, TN Taxables, 100 Acres On Little Bigby. 1804 Wilson Co, TN Tax list, Capt. Davis district. 1787 VA census, p.555 (next to Henry)</p>	
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The 1,000 mile migration of my Cobb clan

by
Betsy Tyson

Samuel Parnell COBB and Melissa GRIFFIN COBB reached Milam County, Texas in the early 1870s. This was the final westward push for my great great grandparents. As a young couple, the native South Carolinians had left Anderson County in the mid-1830s and traveled some 200 miles with his parents and brothers to the recently-opened Indian lands of northeast Alabama. There they settled in Benton (later renamed Calhoun), a newly-established county in the rolling foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. In 1840 Samuel COBB, his parents Robert COBB (b. 1769, Chatham Co. NC - d. 1857, Gadsden, AL) and Jemima GARNER (b. 1778), and his older brother Jesse Garner COBB (b. 1803, Anderson Co, SC - d. 1869, Arcadia, Bienville Parrish, LA) and wife Lucy GRIFFEN (b. 1802 SC- d. 1879, Bienville Parrish, LA), Melissa's older sister, were living in Benton County on separate farms with their growing families. Ten years later Robert and Jemima were living with Samuel and Melissa. Samuel's older brother Jesse Garner COBB may have already moved his family to Louisiana, and Samuel's younger brother, Dr. Presley G. COBB, (b. 1814, Pendleton, SC - d. 1881, Cherokee or Etowah County, AL) lived with his family in adjacent Cherokee County, which bordered Benton to the north.

In these Alabama hills, Samuel and Melissa raised two daughters and five sons. Margaret (b. 1833), James Clarke (b. 1835), Robert Griffin (b. 1838), Clarke Griffin (b. 1841), Mary Elizabeth "Bettie" (b. 1846), Richard Ira (b. 1848 - d. 1865) and Jesse (b. 1851) Little is known of their life there but in 1860, sons James Clarke and Clarke Griffin had joined the massive Alabama migration to Texas. (According to T.R. Fehrenbach's *Lone Star*, during this time period half the white population in Texas came from Alabama and Tennessee, primarily the smaller farmers who could not compete with the plantation owners.) When the Civil War broke out, James Clarke COBB became a first lieutenant in Company F 5th Regiment, Texas Calvary. Captured at Gettysburg, he was imprisoned until 17 May 1865 according to records. He never contacted his family upon release and whatever happened to him is not known. Clarke Griffin COBB fared better. After serving Texas in Company A, 1st Regiment, Texas Mounted Rifleman, he returned to Milam County. Known afterwards as "Captain Jack," he became a prominent cotton farmer in the county and was instrumental in bringing a number of Alabama families to Texas, including his parents and three siblings. Margaret, who had married I.C. GENTRY but may have been a widow, Bettie, and Jesse traveled some 800 miles with their parents to reunite with Clarke, who had by then married Mary Cornelia "Nelia" SMITH (b. 1849, Harris Co. TX- d. and started a family. Robert Griffin was in Louisiana. Bettie soon married Winford Kersey.

My great grandfather Jesse COBB first appeared on the Milam County tax rolls in 1873, paying taxes on 91 acres. He was 22. By the time he married Frances Neal "Fanny" ALLEN of Milam County in 1878, Jesse COBB owned 300 acres. His wife was also a native Alabaman, born in St. Claire County, adjacent to Jesse's Calhoun County. Fanny had come to Texas as a baby and though there is no record that the ALLEN and COBB families knew each other in Alabama; proximity makes it possible. In 1880, the Jesse and Fanny and their first born, Samuel Allen, were living with his parents - Samuel was now 69 and Melissa, 70. Jesse's mother died before the end of the year. When Jesse's sister Margaret married T.P. GENTRY, a rancher in adjacent Brazos County, Samuel apparently moved in with her until he died in 1890. Samuel and Melissa COBB are buried in Bryan City Cemetery.

By 1882 Jesse had acquired 800 acres in Milam County, land that peaked in value the following

year to \$7890. He had only 300 acres in 1888 and is last found on the Milam County tax rolls in 1890. Jesse's plight epitomized that of many small farmers who went bust during that decade, when the increased production of the increasing number of small farmers drove prices down; property taxes remained level; credit was harder to get and high. Though these factors led to the Populist Movement that swept Texas and the nation, Jesse remained a yellow-dog Democrat and unreconstructed Southerner. According to his youngest daughter, he called it the "war Between the States" and became very sarcastic when it was termed "The Civil War."

Jesse and Fanny lived in Maysfield during the 1880s instead of living on their land, a not uncommon practice and welcomed four more children: Jesse Clifford (b. 1881, my grandmother Ethel Ann (b. 1885), Mary Alice "Mamie," (b. 1887, and Margaret Elizabeth (b. 1890). His father Samuel, had moved to adjacent Brazos County to live with daughter Margaret, who had married T.P. GENTRY, a rancher.

Jesse and Fanny and their family had apparently left Milam County in 1891 and began an unsettled life still being researched. From 1892-1897, Jesse COBB's name appears on his homestead on Mitchell County, near the town which became Colorado City. His youngest son William Lawrence, nicknamed "Boy" was born there in 1895. The most cattle Jesse declared, 10, was in 1894. The most livestock, including horses or mules, cattle, jacks and Jenns was in 1896. In 1896 and 97, he declared no land value. In 1897 he declared 4 horses or mules and 6 cattle. He did not appear on the tax rolls after 1897 in Mitchell County. In the 1900 Kimble County census, Jesse listed his occupation as stockman. His children remember that he was foreman of a ranch in Coke County and worked on other ranches. The family lived in Fort McKavett in Menard County and Fort Concho in Tom Greene County. The forts had been closed and housing apparently available to those without property. The Jesse COBB family moved to Indian Territory (later Oklahoma) for several years to live with his oldest son. Al, who had lived with his Aunt Margaret while attending Texas A&M where he graduated in 1896 with a degree in Civil Engineering, was working for the U.S. Department of Interior there. In 1905 Cliff married Jen ROSS, great granddaughter of Chief John Ross of the Cherokee Nation and in 1908 Mamie, the only teacher at Sally Brown subscription school in Indian Territory, married one of her pupils, Wiley KELLEY. Jesse and Fanny COBB eventually returned to Texas with Ethel, Margaret, and William Lawrence. Margaret married a Baptist minister, Jesse Alonzo Morse in 1910 in Robertson County; in 1912 Rev. Morse performed the marriage ceremony for Ethel Cobb and Archie TYSON in Stockdale where he preached. Jesse COBB died in Bexar County in 1913 and Fanny in 1814 in Milam County. Both are buried in Port Sullivan Cemetery, not far from Maysfield, in Milam County, near her mother, Martha BEAVERS ALLEN.

Jesse and Fanny emphasized and supported their children's educational efforts. Margaret described Jesse and Fanny in conversation taped in 1977: "My parents were honorable, upright people - unlearned because of the time when they grew up. Father really had integrity - something rather rare these days. They loved reading and read all they could obtain. Mother said her one regret regarding the Civil War was that she got ver little of school."

Fanny and Jesse were the last of their line to live an agrarian life and the losses they endured had a profound effect on their children. Samuel worked as a highway engineer in California and Oregon. Cliff did appraisals for the oil industry in Texas. Mamie taught in Oklahoma City; Ethel taught in small Texas towns. Margaret's husband ministered to communities in Missouri. William Lawrence, who married Mae Surreddin in 1930, became an independent oil man and during the boom years worked the oil fields of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas, settling in Abilene.

Dramas from Old Dallas

By Meda Margaret Miller White

They say that when an old woman dies, a book dies with her. My mother's book, had she blessed us with one, surely would have been most lively and entertaining, for she was once quite a raconteur. But now that she is 93 and in failing health, it falls to me to try with less skill to record a few of the stories she told me.

Many of her stories concern her Kentucky-born grandfathers. Because she was the first-born grandchild on both sides of the family, and because she so greatly needed a stand-in for her alcoholic father, she was very special to each of her grandfathers and they to her. Happily, from 1904, when Joseph Traylor arrived, until 1934, when Dr. Taylor died, her two grandfathers lived so near each other in the Oak Cliff area of Dallas that she could easily run back and forth between their homes; in fact, she spent more of her waking hours at their homes than at her own.

Her grandfathers were opposites in many ways. The older man, Dr. Slade Josiah Kimble Taylor, born in 1849, was a scientific man, a man who often looked to the future. The younger man, builder Joseph Almadine Traylor, born in 1863, was an exceptionally devout man, a man who often looked back, back to the little brown church of his boyhood. Mama said that together they taught her that there are many different kinds of good people. A fierce egalitarian, she in turn taught us the same thing.

Dr. Slade Taylor liked to tell his grandchildren about how he tried to join the Confederate cavalry. The war was almost over. Although he was barely 15 and small for his age, he longed to help save the cause.

The old doctor would laugh at himself and shake his head to think that he ever wanted to be a part of such horror. And to think that he ever believed the colonel's promise to send for him as soon as he got more horses. Even if the colonel had had a whole herd of horses, he would never have sent into a war already lost Joseph Taylor's youngest son; little Slade was the only Taylor son not already in the conflagration. Dr. Taylor also shook his head to think that as an over-confident boy he never suspected that even without war his life was destined to have far more than its share of grief and of gore.

Unique cures. One of the first young doctors actually to study at a medical school, instead of merely apprenticing, the square-jawed young man with his chin in the air was prepared to take on the world when he graduated. Deploing outmoded "treatments," such as forcing tuberculosis patients to exercise, Dr. Taylor loved new therapies. He invented many treatments himself. His approach was holistic; he stressed body, mind, and spirit; diet and lifestyle. He relied heavily on nutritious foods packed with vitamins. For instance, he advised his teenage granddaughters to fight acne by drinking every day a yeast cake dissolved in warm water.

Amazingly, he was able to cure heroine addicts, at a time when they were thought to be incurable. He treated them at his own sanitarium, Westmoreland, on beautiful live-oak-covered grounds near Dallas.

The savvy doctor suspected that addicts did not need heroine as much as they thought they did, so after he had restored their physical health, he began diluting their heroine shots with distilled water. When he found out that diluted heroine worked as well as full-strength, he devised a double-blind experiment. He filled vials with various blends of heroine and water, then labeled them in code, and administered randomly the shots drawn from them; neither doctor nor nurses knew who got what. When the code was broken, it turned out that it did not matter who got what. Patients writhing from the agonies of withdrawal obtained relief from whatever shot they got, even a shot of just pure water. When the time was right, the Dr. Taylor would demonstrate to the patient that mere water had cured the pain. He proved that the "need" for heroine was all in the mind.

Parenthetically, it should be noted that many patients vowed that Mrs. Taylor, *nee* Mary Vitula Titchenor, deserved much of the credit for their cure. They said that she had such a strong spirituality that her mere presence was calming and uplifting. What makes her contribution to their healing all the more remarkable is that of the eleven children she had borne for Dr. Taylor, Mary had lost five.

Two Southern gentlemen. Dr. Taylor was at the Methodist hospital when the horrifying phone call came. His youngest child, Eunice Rhea, "Ula," only two years old, had swallowed a strong solution of flesh-eating carbolic acid. Somehow she had managed to pull a chair to the counter, stack some things, and reach the highest cabinet in the kitchen. Knowing that his toddler was mortally wounded and in agony, he rushed to his home, which mercifully was within sight, just up the hill on Bishop Street, right next door to his clinic.

As he approached his front porch, he met a young doctor from his own clinic coming down the steps.

"I did what I had to, Doctor," the younger man said, tipping his hat.

"Thank you, Doctor," Dr. Taylor replied, tipping his own hat in return. He knew that the younger doctor had chloroformed Ula, painlessly putting her to sleep forever.

Their exchange was so brief and so formal that it might sound cold to those unfamiliar with the old Southern ways. But Mama was always careful to explain that even under the greatest duress, these two Southern gentlemen took care to display their mutual respect. The brevity of their exchange proved that the understanding between them was so deep that few words were needed. For them, this emotional moment had been a profound affirmation of their friendship.

I always listened closely when my mother spoke of the traditional code of honor of Southern gentleman, because, although my father never spoke of it himself, he always lived by it.

"Show a little gumption!" In spite of—or perhaps because of—the many losses and traumas in his life, Dr. Taylor often exhorted his descendants to "Show some spirit! Show a little gumption!"

And show some spirit is exactly what his third youngest daughter did. With beautiful eyes, dark hair, and an oval face, Grace looked rather like actress Elizabeth Taylor. And as with the actress, her delicate beauty concealed an unusual amount of spunk.

Mama said that Grace, a gentle, affectionate girl, was the most daring kid in the neighborhood. She would always win at follow-the-leader. Mounting her tallest stilts, she would lead her followers across the top rails of fences, going faster and faster. Should any followers remain, she would head for the privy, carefully placing a stilt in each hole. Here Grace had an advantage, because her father had always encouraged his children to reject Victorian prudery and accept with gratitude, not disgust, their God-given bodily functions.

But far more important than mere daring-do was the courage that she exhibited when it really counted: during her 27-year struggle with the creeping paralysis of Parkinson's disease. Until the disease physically destroyed those parts of the brain where mind and personality dwell, she remained fun-loving and cheerful; in times of trouble, she was often the most unruffled person around.

Her father would have been proud.

The trestle. As soon as he heard the train whistle—so frantic, so insistent—he knew at once what it meant.

"Boys on the trestle again!" he exclaimed. Not waiting to be called, he ran to his buggy.

On the southern approach to Dallas, a long, dangerously high railroad bridge, or trestle, spans the Trinity River Basin. Boys loved to walk far out on the trestle, teetering high above the basin below, then to race back to terra firm when they heard a train coming.

One of those daring boys, perhaps running for his very life even as Dr. Taylor plied his horsewhip, might well be his most cherished grandson, Lewis McLaughlin. Lewis's mother, Meda, and her two children had lived with him since Lewis's father had died before Lewis was born. As a father to boys, Dr. Taylor had experienced only misfortune and disappointment. Three of his four sons had died; the surviving boy's three older sisters had spoiled him, with more than a little help from the doting father himself. In getting to help raise Lewis, Dr. Taylor felt he had been given a second chance to raise a boy right.

Nearing the trestle, he saw something dangling below it. A closer look showed it to be a boy with his shoulders wedged between the ties, a boy about the size of Lewis, but unrecognizable. The boy had no head.

Next Dr. Taylor spotted a group of men carrying a second boy up over the embankment. The doctor quickly ascertained that this boy had broken some limbs but showed no signs of major injury.

From the midst of a cluster of onlookers came the unearthly screeches of a third boy. As he made his way over, Dr. Taylor noted that the voice was totally unfamiliar; not only unlike Lewis's voice but unlike any sound he had ever heard come from a human being.

"Let me through. I'm a doctor."

When he broke through, he saw a boy in the center of the circle, lying in the arms of a man trying to comfort him. The boy was Lewis.

Mama says Lewis wasn't hurt at all—not physically, anyway. He scrambled off the trestle, then looked back to see one of his friends jump from a dangerous height. Twice the size of today's engines, the huge Iron Horse, still screaming at full blast, bore down on his second friend, who looked back, lost his footing, and fell between the ties. The wedge-shaped cowcatcher on the front of the train sent the boy's head flying high off to the side, toward Lewis. It landed nearby, and then started bouncing down the embankment, toward the boy who had jumped.

Mama says that for years Lewis would wake up screaming. But he must have made a full recovery eventually, for I remember Uncle Lewis as exceptionally easy-going, patient, and unflappable.

A few uncommon habits and experiences. Dr. Taylor left his grandchildren many memories to chuckle over:

- **His habit of always getting a bus transfer**, in case he ran into anyone he could give it to
- **The clever way he reported the black plague** (Asked to autopsy a foreigner who had been in this country for less than 24 hours, he discovered that all of her insides were totally black. To report the cause of death without lying and without causing undue alarm in Dallas, he decided to call the plague by the nickname "Black Measles," and then put on the death certificate just "measles," for short.)
- **His great popularity as a chaperone** for dances at his granddaughters' high schools. (A widower by then, the skilled dancer would don his tuxedo and gallantly give each girl there a twirl around the dance floor—for some, their only dance of the evening.)
- **The way he refused the judge's offer to dismiss charges against him** (Past the age of 80, the retired doctor assaulted and broke the arm of an addict in his 30's, a man he earlier had had arrested for stealing heroine from Westmoreland. Weeks later the man called him "a son of a bitch," fighting words, in those days. Let the record show, Dr. Taylor said, that he had defended his mother's honor.)
- **The way he always called his wife "Poopsie"** and she always called him "Dr. Taylor."

Joseph Traylor's eyes were as deep-set as those of Abraham Lincoln and as melancholy, too. A gentle sadness pervaded his being, a sorrow without bitterness. Like Lincoln, he had buried too many of his children; in Joseph's case, three of six. And like Lincoln, he was a high-minded man who fought against a terrible, uninvited weakness within. From his weakness, he got humility. From surrendering himself to a higher purpose, he got dignity.

In Joseph's case, the weakness was alcoholism. After a brief battle in his adolescence, he defeated it and never took another drink. But reminding him of his weakness was a strong craving that daily waxed and waned. When he was still growing tobacco in Kentucky, he would walk far out into the fields to make surrendering to his temptation impossible. Also reminding him of his weakness was the more prolonged struggle that his son Rollin had with the same problem; Rollin finally won, but not until he was 58 years old.

A Babv's Civil War Wound. Although he was not even born until 1863, Grandpa Traylor also had a Civil War story—and a wound to go with it.

"Some soldiers are coming home! They're coming over the hill!"

The family rushed outside to see who was coming and how they were wounded. Everyone was so excited that they forgot all about the baby. Joseph, who was at the crawling stage, saw his chance. He grabbed one of those twinkling red things from the hearth. The resulting burn was bad only for the last finger of his right hand. As Joseph grew and the scar tissue did not, his finger drew up and twisted. But since it did not prevent him from becoming a carpenter, he did not mind this small deformity. In fact, he seemed rather to enjoy it.

Grammar-school Sweethearts "I'm going to marry that girl some day," he vowed as he watched a cute little 10-year-old climb over a stile. For the rest of his life he would remember that she was wearing that day: a blue dress and a matching blue bonnet. They wed when he was 19 and Sarah Jane Luney/Looney was 17. For the rest of his life he would adore her. He would look at her with such love in his eyes, and whenever she was within reach, he would lean over and pat her hand.

Big house or little? Moving to Dallas when Rollin was 16, Joseph became a speculative builder, buying lots then building on them houses for sale. Rollin soon joined him. But family living habits were changing and the two could not agree on what size houses to build. Joseph wanted big, 2-story houses for an extended family, with room to take in any kinsman in need. Rollin wanted to build those popular 2-bedroom bungalows for a nuclear family. Soon they went their separate ways as builders. But the separation was a friendly one and they often cooperated. And they were in firm agreement about the fundamentals: a heavy foundation and a strong

roof. Many of their houses still stand, as square and sturdy as the day they were built, some almost one hundred years ago. But many of Joseph's large houses have been subdivided—Rollin was right.

Would you preach to us today? In his childhood back in Adair County, Kentucky, Joseph's life centered around the little brown church in the dell. There his relatives and neighbors gathered to share in worship and hymn singing, picnics and celebrations, funerals and weddings—many of the most important events of their lives. Ever seeking guidance, Joseph read and studied the bible whenever he could. At his new church in Oak Cliff, his bible knowledge and his wisdom were so valued that the minister would often ask, "Brother Joe, would you preach for us today?" Despite the short notice, he would always say yes and always preach a sermon that was well received. He was always mindful that the Lord deserved the credit for his sermons.

A Depression Dilemma? Joseph loaned families money to buy the houses he built. When the Great Depression crushed his buyers, they could not make their payments to him. Meanwhile, his suppliers, themselves in financial peril, wanted and needed Joseph to remit the considerable sums he owed them for building materials.

Under the law, Joseph could have evicted families from the many houses whose deeds he held. Then he could have resold the houses to pay his own debts. Should the re-sales not yield enough, he could have declared bankruptcy himself. Under Texas law, he could have kept his own nice homestead even after going bankrupt.

Joseph had no doubt what the Lord would want him to do. One by one, he visited the families living in his houses and handed them their deeds. Then he filed for bankruptcy himself. To repay his suppliers as fully as possible, he insisted that the bankruptcy sale include his own homestead.

Left with no assets and a welfare check of only \$14 a month, Joseph spent the rest of his life making rotating month-long visits to his children and grandchildren. Mama always pled with him to stay longer but he always refused. Doubtless he was in much demand elsewhere.

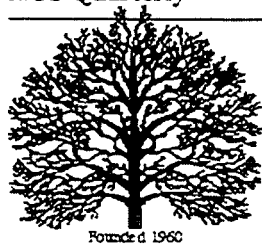
Some of Joseph Traylor's Habits. Joseph, too, left us some one-of-a-kind memories:

- **The way he always put on a three-piece suit before breakfast** (Every night he carefully brushed and folded his only suit, a tan tweed.)
- **The way he always wore a celluloid collar**, even in hot summertime
- **The way he penciled carpenter's calculations** on the square columns of our house
- **The way he rocked and sang to himself** his favorite hymn, "The Little Brown Church in the Dell"

A Paradoxical Postscript. Like other people, ancestors, ornery critters, won't stay in the boxes where we put them. So old-fashioned Joseph was the second man in Dallas to have a car—a green one, Mama said—while modern-minded Dr. Taylor used his horse and buggy as long as he could. "After a middle-of-the-night house-call," he would ask, "do you know of a car that can find its way home while I sleep?"

Dedicated to my mother and her two fine grandfathers.
May their memories live on in the hearts of their descendants.

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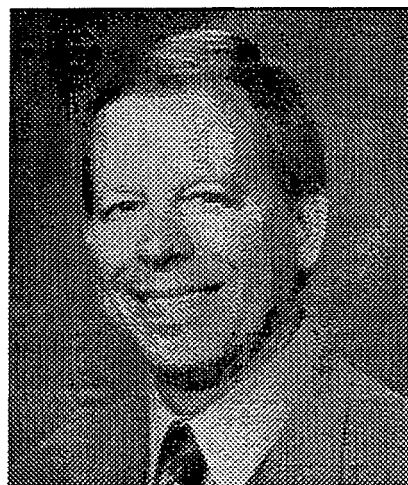
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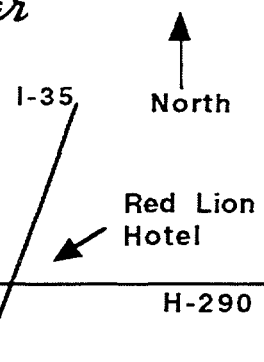
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