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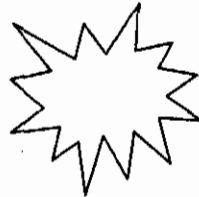
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Membership is by calendar year and may be entered at any time of the year. (Late subscribers will receive the year's back issues of the *Arkansas Family Historian*.) Individual membership is currently \$20.00 per year.

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Book Reviews

Authors and publishers who wish to have reviews or notices of their work published in the *Arkansas Family Historian* are invited to submit a copy of the work with ordering information and price, if applicable.

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President's Page

Our Beginner's workshop April 12th was a great success. We would like to thank Heritage Seeker's Genealogy Club of North Little Rock for co-sponsoring the event and Linda McDowell, Seminar Chair. Special thanks to our AGS members that presented the programs, Russell Baker, Susan Boyle, Jan Eddleman and Lynda Suffridge. We are fortunate to have such knowledgeable speakers as members of our organization.

So now we can direct our attention to the Fall Seminar and Book Fair, October 17th and 18th at the Holiday Inn-Airport in Little Rock. The theme this year will be "*Netting Our Ancestors*", and who better to teach us all about genealogy and the internet than *Cyndi Howells of Cyndi's List*. Cyndi is a very popular nationally known speaker and writer, so make your plans early to attend.

The AGS Board of Directors would like to have ideas from the membership on how we can better serve you. We would like to have more involvement from members and welcome your suggestions.

The Arkansas History Commission and State Archives received notice on March 20, 2003 that in light of world events and national/state security, State Building Services would implement a new security measure for #1 Capitol Mall. This new measure prohibits public access after hours and on weekends to the building will be prohibited. As a result the Arkansas History Commission will no longer be open on Saturdays. I would like to recommend the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies at Central Arkansas Library for Saturday research, also the William F. Laman Library in North Little

Rock. Both facilities have fine genealogy collections.

Our newest AGS board members are James J. Johnston of Fayetteville and Rebecca Wilson of Little Rock.

James J. Johnston replaces Peggy Hackler, who resigned due to work conflicts. James is well known for his long involvement in the Arkansas genealogical community. In 1989, Johnston started a Searcy County History Group which meets monthly for a program on some aspect of Searcy County history; he writes and edits a bimonthly newsletter, *Searcy County Ancestor Information Exchange*, and writes articles and books about Searcy County and north Arkansas during the Civil War. He also lectures about north Arkansas history, especially the Civil War period, Searcy County, and American foreign policy.

In 1990, he organized and held the first Searcy County Ancestor Fair, for about 150 participants in a Marshall, Arkansas restaurant. Since then the event has grown to 500+ participants, and has expanded to include surrounding counties. He also acted as advisor for Ancestor Fairs in Russellville, Morrilton, Clinton and Fayetteville, Arkansas, and Claremore, Oklahoma.

Rebecca Wilson replaces Ed Sanders who resigned due to family medical problems. Rebecca was born and raised

in Texarkana, Arkansas. Being a true "Texarkana Baby", her mother's ancestors came to East Texas around 1850 and her father's ancestors came to South Arkansas about the same time. She received a bachelor's degree in Mathematics from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and immediately went to work for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences as a computer programmer trainee. She worked at UAMS as a programmer for almost 20 years with the exception of a period in the mid-1960s when she worked in the space program in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Currently, she is president of a computer consulting firm based in Little Rock, Becky Wilson Consulting, Inc. Becky has been invaluable to AGS with her work on the Prior's Project. We are pleased to


have these talented people as a part of the AGS board.

The Arkansas Priors Birth Index Vol. II is nearing completion and should be ready to go to the printer on July 1, by then the volunteers will be working on Vol. III. Another bit of good news for the Arkansas researcher is that Russell Baker is revising his Arkansas Township and Post Office books. These books are invaluable to anyone doing Arkansas research. Thanks Russell!!


Again, let me encourage you to write AGS with ideas on how we can best serve you the members

Jan Hearn Davenport
President

This is Arkansas




ARKANSAS
COUNTY



NOT ALL ARKANSAS LOG CABINS WERE ALIKE. DIFFERENT BUILDERS USED DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES AND EUROPEAN IMMIGRANTS BROUGHT NEW IDEAS TO BLEND WITH NATIVE METHODS. ONE OF THE BEST STYLES, CAMFER AND NOTCH, IS ILLUSTRATED ABOVE. EACH NOTCH WAS CUT AT A DOWNWARD ANGLE TO ALLOW FOR RAIN DRAINAGE AND EXTRA STRENGTH. SOME OZARK LOG CABINS ARE OVER 100 YEARS OLD AND STILL VERY STURDY!

SIR HENRY STANLEY,
WHO EXCLAIMED
"DR. LIVINGTON, I PRESUME?"
AT THE END OF HIS
SEARCH FOR THE
NOTED AFRICAN
MISSIONARY, WAS
LIVING IN ARKANSAS
COUNTY WHEN THE
CIVIL WAR STARTED.
HE MADE HIS WAY TO
LITTLE ROCK AND JOINED THE
CONFEDERATE ARMY IN 1861.



CRAIG
OSWINE

Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism
One Capitol Mall, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

This feature presented as a public service by this publication.

Box 908

Grassroots, the journal of the Grant County Museum, 521 Shackelford Rd., Sheridan, AR 72150, is now in its 40th year. This is a fine publication that focuses on the history of Grant County.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) announces "Countdown to Discovery - A World of Hidden Treasures 2003" for 3-6 September 2003 at Renaissance Orlando Resort at SeaWorld, Orlando, FL. Contact FGS at PO Box 200940, Austin, TX 78720-0940 for registration information.

Edited from the *Valley Leaves*, published in Huntsville, AL, Dec., 1988, p. 101 - 102

Information taken from the Holmes Family Bible.

Daniel Henderson Holmes, b. Jan. 5, 1820, and Margaret Malinda Lynn, b. May 28, 1824, married in Morgan Co., AL, on Jan. 13, 1841. They soon moved to Itawamba County, Mississippi. They became the parents of William C., Kisey A. E., Mary F., James D., Louiser C., Elmira Ann, Sealy Jain, Rosey Lee, Daniel B. H., and John H. Holmes. They are listed in the 1850, 1860 and 1870 census of Itawamba County. Mary Frances, who married William S. Moore, remained in Itawamba County, where they died and are buried. The rest of the Holmes family moved in the fall of 1871 and went to Dardanelle, Yell County, AR. Daniel Henderson Holmes and Rosy Lee Holmes died there. About 1874 the family moved to Cherry Hill, Polk County, AR. Here Daniel E. Holmes married Nancie E. Standridge in 1895.

they and the rest of the family are all buried in Polk County, Arkansas, except William Calvin Holmes, who is buried in Talihina, OK

Seminars

Missouri State Genealogical Association has announced its 2003 Genealogical Conference for August 8 & 9, 2003 in Columbia, MO. Keynote speaker will be Curt B. Witcher. There will be several supporting speakers. Contact the registration chair, Robert Clinton, 9051 ER. Highway HH. Hallsville, MO 65255-9133 for registration information.

From *Tri-County Genealogy*, Spring 2003 (PO Box 580, Marvell, AR 72366) comes an interesting notice:

EMIGRATING CHOCTAW INDIANS - from the *Arkansas Gazette*, October 10, 1832

Interesting to Wagoners. - We understand Agents have been sent out in various directions, to employ Wagons and Teams of Horses and Oxen, to be engaged in transporting the Emigrating Choctaw Indians from their point of debarkation, at Rock Roe, on White river, to their destination on the Arkansas and Red rivers. The teams, we understand, are to consist of five horses or six oxen, and be capable of hauling a weight of 3000 pounds over the ordinary roads of this Territory. For such teams, the price of \$1 per day is paid, together with subsistence of the drivers and teams until their return. The number of teams required, we understand, will be upward of one hundred - most of which are already engaged.

**GUIDE TO EARLY ARKANSAS TAX
RECORDS
AVAILABLE ON MICROFILM
AT THE
ARKANSAS HISTORY
COMMISSION AND STATE
ARCHIVES
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
2003**

The following guide gives a detailed look at a new filming of the collection of early Arkansas tax records preserved by the History Commission since about 1911. Until now these records have been only available for use in our Research Room in Little Rock. However, the Family History Department of the LDS Church has recently re-filmed this entire collection. This organization has the facilities to make these records available to Arkansas researchers around the world through their interlibrary loan services. These services are available at most of the thousands of Family History Centers and Libraries operated by that denomination around the world. Check with your local LDS Family History Center for additional information. These records are not available for purchase or interlibrary loan through the Arkansas History Commission since we did not create the microfilm in question. However, we do have copies of each of these new rolls. Commission patrons may use them in our Research Room. They are filed in our General Microfilm File under "Tax Records". The guide gives the roll number and the dates for each county.

Obituary From Texas

Submitted by Marge Hurt, 2740 Palo Verde Drive, Odessa, TX 79762

Odessa American, Saturday, March 29, 2003: (with photo)

El Paso - Jetta Hardin, 91, passed away Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at Parks Methodist Retirement Village in Odessa, Texas. She was born May 19, 1911, to Andrew and Lucinda Mackey in Crystal Springs, Arkansas.

She moved from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to El Paso, Texas, in 1945. Mrs. Hardin moved from El Paso to Odessa, Texas, after the death of her husband, Mark Hardin in 1986.

Mrs. Hardin was preceded in death by her parents and sisters, Vesta Lizotte, Emma Freeman and Hilda Ennis of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

She is survived by her son, Milton Fritts, and wife, Mickey, of Lawton, Okla.; daughter Wilma Bagley and husband Frank, of Bunker Hill, Ind., and Cortez Pollard of Odessa; grandchildren, Scott Pollard of Cody, Wyo., Kelli Eddings and Jimmy Pollard of Odessa, Sherra Strahan of Kokomo, Ind., Leslie Nugent of Houston, Bobby Fritts, Tommy Fritts and Jimmy Fritts, all of Lawton, Okla., and Jackie Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla.; 19 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren....

The memorial service will be held at 11 a. m. Tuesday, April 1, 2003, at Restlawn Cemetery in El Paso, Texas. ...

Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry Report

By Jan Eddleman, 1807 Sunshine Mine Rd., Hackett, AR 72937

Arkansas Genealogical Society offers Certificates of Arkansas Ancestry issued in three categories:

Colonial - a resident of Arkansas before 1 January 1804;

Territorial - a resident of Arkansas before 14 June 1834;

Ante-bellum - a resident of Arkansas before 6 May 1861;

Nineteenth Century - a resident of Arkansas before 31 December 1900

Send SASE with \$0.60 postage (2 ounces) to AGS, PO Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908, for an application form for your certificate.

Nineteenth Century

Ancestor: Richard H. Lisk
County: Sevier
Submitted by: Barbara Ann Smith
Reining
1600 Morganton Road W3
Pinehurst, NC 28374-6861

Territorial

Ancestor: James Stotts
County: Poinsett
Submitted by Sarah Frances Mays
Dacus
1206 E. Country Club
Terrace
Jonesboro, AR 72401-4323

Antebellum

Ancestor: Caleb Hickman
County: Newton
Submitted by: Lou Ann Martin Kramer
For: Beatrice B. Martin)
114 E. Santa Anna
Waco, TX 76706



1832 Hot Spring County Tax List

Submitted by Mary L. Brown, 3129 Hwy. 270 West, Sheridan, AR 72150.

The following is a transcription of the 1832 Tax Rolls from Hot Spring County, Arkansas on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission, One Capital Mall, Little Rock, Arkansas. This list has been submitted to USGenWeb Archives for Hot Spring County, Arkansas to be placed on their site for public access online.

Recorded 22nd day of August 1832 by
Richard C. Hawkins

Jno. W. Calloway, Sheriff

A____, Mitchell
Amour, William
Anderson, Henry
Bankston, James
Bartlett, Henry
Bartlett, Jesse
Bassett, David
Bassett, Jonathan
Bassett, Samuel
Belding, L.
Best, John
Bobbins, Henry
Binge, Martin
Blakely, Adam
Blakely, John
Blakely, Wm.
Blaylock, Wm.
Bunton, James
Byram, Jeremiah
Calloway, J. T. T.
Clift, Hiram
Clift, Joseph
Collier, Alfred
Collier, Mary
Cox, Isaac
Cox, Lewis
Davis, James
Davis, William
Deen, Asa
Deen, Jessie
Deen, Levi

Denham, Warren
Fenter, Andrew
Fenter, Christian
Fenter, James
Fenter, Susan
Fenter, Wm.
Floyd, Samuel
Fox, David
Graves, Richard
Griffy, Christian
Griffy, George
Griffy, Hugh
Griffy, Joseph
Harrell, Benedict
Harrington, Wm.
Hawkins, Rich'd
Herrin, Wm.
Holbrooks, Daniel
Holman, Joseph
Holman, Thomas
Hooper, Jesse
Hughes, Walter
Irons, Jonathon
Irons, William
Jackson, David
Jackson, Evan
Jackson, James
Jackson, Timothy
Johnson, A. G.
Johnson, John
Johnson, T. W.
Jones, Edward
Kelly, William
Kettman, W. H.
Lovejoy, John G.
Martin, James

McAlister, Rich'd
McDonald, Zace
Merritt, Wm.
Miller, Jacob
Miller, Je'dh
Mitchell, Anderson
Mitchell, Moses
Neel, James
Perciful, Jno.
Perry, Evel
Peyton, John
Polk, Benj.
Polk, C.
Polk, James
Polk, John
Polk, Taylor
Polk, Wm.
Powell, John B.
Roberts, Mason
Robinson, Ira
Rogers, A. L.
Rogers, G. W.
Sabin, A. N.
Salter, Samuel

Scarborough, Jessie
Scarborough, Jos.
Scarborough, M.
Scarborough, Wm.
Sh__ty, Jacob
Smith, John
Solms, Jacob
Stokes, Sm'l
Taylor, S. P.
Trammel, David
Turner, Absalom
Turner, Ransom
Twedle, Elijah
Twedle, Isaac
Twedle, Jno.
Twedle, Joseph
Twedle, William
Twery, John
Ward, Martin
Wells, George
Wells, John
Williams, John
Wilson, James



Whiteside Cemetery

Logan County, Arkansas

Submitted by Christine Finney some time ago, (then living in Ozark, AR, and awaiting correspondence to complete the listing). This listing was also submitted to the Logan County Historical Society, who may have published it. Ms. Finney also commented on old copies of cemetery listings that contained numerous errors and suggested that family researchers make "on-the-spot" inventories to be totally accurate.

The cemetery is located one mile west of Roseville. There is no access road to the cemetery. It is in a woods, abandoned, overgrown and falling into ruin. Much care was taken to get every name and date correct, and update any other listing.

Arthure, Henry, born: July 9, 1848, died Mach 30, 1886

A loving husband, A father dear, a faithful friend, Lies buried here

Masonic Lodge symbol appears on headstone

Baker, C. A., born June 16, 1888, died June 26, 1888

Son of W. I. and M. E.

Brock, Carl B., born May 30, 1904, died April 26, 1909

Crossno, Gladiola, born September 11, 1907, died October 11, 1909

Edwards, Frank H., born October 19, 1885, died January 29, 1901

Son of D. K. and M.

Edwards, Joseph T., born Monday? 10, 1892, died December 14, 1895

Son of D. K. and M.

Fitzgerald, Abner, born 1820, died July 3, 1898

Aged 78 yrs Where we shall meet to part no more

Foster, A. R., (dates illegible); different stone than Amos R. Foster

Foster, Amos R., born August 24 1899, died September 1, 1899

Foster, S. M., born February 15, 1844, died January 13, 1902

Foster, Wesley C., born April 3, 1901, died May 1, 1901

(Preceding three names are on three sides of one tall square stone)

Harvel, Wilson D., born August 20, 1879, died July 24, 1882

Weep not Papa and Mama for me For I am waiting in heaven for thee

Higgenbottom, Della, born September 9, 1868, died August 28, 1886

A loving child A friend to all

Higgenbottom, M. S., born June 30, 1809, died November 9, 1890

Hight, Nora E., (headstone contained nothing but her name)

Kimberling, S. H., born June 11, 1854, died June 11, 1909

Kirkpatrick, H. O., born Monday [sic] 6, 1898, died June 12, 1899

Son of J. M. and S. L. Kirkpatrick

Kirkpatrick, Hugh, born August 15, 1817, died September 11, 1890

Kirkpatrick, Jane, born October 16, 1827, died September 15, 1875

Kirkpatrick, Leanner, born October 19, 1881, died August 30, 1882

Daughter of J. M. and S. L. Kirkpatrick

Ledgerwood, Mont, born March 3, 1889, died April 3, 1901

This love laid so young so fair Called here by early doom
 Just came to show how sweet a flower In paradise would bloom
 Ledgerwood, Our Babe, died November 11, 1880
 J. H. and P. A. Ledgerwood
 Ledgerwood, Polly A., born 1848, died 1930
 McCubbin, R. L. and F. B., born January 22, 1889, died, September 11, 1889
 McCubbins, Bush, born November 31, 1891, died January 22, 1899
 McElhanon, James T., born 1879, died 1918 (Metal Marker)
 McMurtry, Julia Mary, born April 30, 1922, died February 10, 1923
 "Daughter" on headstone
 Murphy, Lillie Belle, born December 6, 1886, died February 9, 1987
 Daughter of H. E. Murphy
 Osburn, Gabriel, born June 8, 1830, died January 23, 1883
 Osburn, James B., born January 9, 1861, died February 7, 1883
 Pruett, Albert Lee, born August 25, 1895, died August 11, 1896
 Pruett, J. Elisha, born March 176, 1888, died September 17, 1900
 Son of J. D. and Molly
 Reed, Carl T., born March 22, 1902, died September 19, 1902
 Gone from home but not from our hearts
 Reed, Thomas, born January 28, 1860, died July 29, 1903
 A precious one from us has gone A voice we loved is stilled
 A place is vacant in our home That never can be filled
 Ritter, J., born December 1881, died September 13, 1888
 Son of J. F. and M. E. Ritter
 Scott, Mary Ann, born March 22, 1874, died November 30, 1918
 "Mother" on headstone
 Scott, George N., born February 22, 1869, died January 12, 1944
 "Father" on headstone
 Stevens, Edward, born January 9, 1885, died February 6, 1899
 Son of N. P. and S. E. Stevens
 Stevens, Nathaniel P., born September 11, 1845, died February 12, 1899
 A loving husband, a father dear, a faithful friend lies buried here
 Stevens, Sarah E., born March 29, 1852, died February 20, 1899
 Wife of N. P. Stevens
 A loving wife, a mother dear, a faithful friend lies buried here
 (Preceding three names are on three sides of one tall square headstone)
 Weaver, Francis A., born March 31, 1862, died May 14, 1885
 Aged 23 Y's 2 M's 14 D's
 She was the sunshine of our home, an angel to us given
 Just when we learned to love her most, God called her back to heaven
 Webb, Lora, born November 3, 1910, died January 19, 1915
 Daughter of R. E. and Martha
 Webb, Martha L. born 1875, died 1947
 Webb, Ordra L., born June 26, 1906, died December 23, 1907
 Daughter of R. E. and M. L. Webb
 Webb, R. E., born 1875 (no death date indicated)
 Webb, Willis, born June 21, 1896, died July 28, 1896

Son of R.E. and M. L. Webb Sister in Heaven
 Whiteside, Lillie M., born November 24, 1878, died May 14, 1882
 Whiteside, Maglin S., born May 1855, died June 24, 1882
 Wife of O. D. Whiteside
 Whiteside, Minnie, born September 11, 1876, died August 28, 1879
 Daughter of J. T. and N. A.
 [NOTE: Minnie is in an enclosed site. Rectangular, border made with rocks placed
 like bricks, about two feet high. Two other footstones in the enclosed area initialed:
 J. J. W. and J. V. W. No headstones for initialed footstones.]
 Whiteside, Nancy Irene, born June 20, 1881, died November 8, 1881
 Daughter of J. T. and N. A.
 Whiteside, Talifaro Twitty, born November 23, 1880, died May 31, 1882
 Son of O. D. and Maglin S. Whiteside
 Williams, Blanch, born April 28, 1905, died July 29, 1906
 Wilson, Cary M., born June 8, 1882, died October 9, 1887

There are other headstones as markers but without inscriptions

These are two inscriptions that were on two headstones:

Our darling is gone before To meet us on the golden shore
 Weep not Papa and Mama for me I am waiting in heaven for thee.

Old Hickory Plains Cemetery

Prairie County, Arkansas

From the files of the Arkansas History Commission & State Archives

Branch, S. M., child of		
W. B. and M. V. Branch	May 5, 1836	May 13, 1857
Campbell, Virginia A.	Jul. 22, 1856	Jan. 21, 1859
Davis, Mary T.	Jul. 21, 1855	Sept. 20, 1856
Hood, Milton I.	Mar. 1, 1856	Mar. 3, 1858
Lackie, Sarah A., child of		
E. P. Lackie	Aug. 12, 1852	Mar. 7, 1857
Maupin, W. H.	Mar. 18, 1816	Oct. 19, 1866
Miller, Sarah Ann	Dec. 23, 1859	Sept. 1, ____
Pipkin, F., child of		
N. S. Pipkin	Feb. 22, 1836	May 24, 1857
Rascoe, M. H. Willia, wife of		
W. R.	Aug. 3, 1819	Sept. 7, 1858
_____, Frances T.	b. Mar. 9, 1830	

STUDENTS AT THE PARIS ACADEMY

Logan County, Arkansas 1895-96

Abstracted by

Janice Eddleman, 1807 Sunshine Mountain Road, Hackett, AR 72937

The following list of students was compiled from the 1896-97 catalog of the Paris Academy, which was a private school in Paris, Logan County.

All the students listed except those listed as "Foreign Students" were from Paris and all the students are listed in the order they appeared in the catalog. The hometown of most of the "Foreign Students" appears after their names.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT FIRST DIVISION

Lola Graves
Brunette Oppenheimer
Jaunita Parker
Carrie Morris
Ethel Carroll
Hermon Mathews
Frank Norfleet
Myrtle Brachenwagon
Newel Rhyne
Theodore Potts
Gertie Baker
Corinna Wood
Nina Williams
Annie Walker
Jewel Rodgers
Alberta Norfleet
Othello Norfleet
Lura Goodrich
Annie Barnes
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Nelse Kimberling
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Finis Ritchie
Susie Spires
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Birtie Burnett
Arthur Ritchie
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Frank Ward

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Alva Chism
Cari Foster
Edward Kimberling

Jim Goodrich
Homer Wolfe
Homer Bennett
Pet Bowers
Wyat Huey
Hubert Goldsworthy
Willie Greenwood
Edgar Hall
Emma Casey
Addie Morris
Arthur Lee
Archie Nicholson
John Ingle
Murray Corman
Buddy Lewis
Joe Pilgreen
Pearl Nichols
Minnie Goodrich
Addie Scarbrough
Ethel Rodgers
Zenia Stroup
Sue Carroll
Mamie Craig
Martha Casey
Kitty Norfleet
Lucy Craig
Cleve Hixson
Elma Hixson
Tommy Wise
Willie Sanders
Huey Ritchie
David Ritchie
Lemie Bradshaw
Robt. Bradshaw

Bunnie Webster
 Vernie Bennett
 Elmo Bennett
 Freeda Bowers
 Goldia Corman
 Alpha Roady
 Lila Gwaltney
 Sue Berry
 Isla Berry
 Myrtle Teague
 Allie Gwaltney
 May Herring
 Mattie Gibson
 Callie Gibson
 Gracie Compton
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 Lattie Gwaltney
 Ettie Lee
 Minnie Richie
 Mattie Mosley
 Arthur Wood
 Roy Wood
 Clyde Durham
 Ellis Jackson
 Dora Clay
 Bessie Morris
 Gracie Morris
 Annie Pendergrass

INTERMEDIATE
 DEPARTMENT

Esther Teague
 Minnie K. Gray
 Dollie Bowers
 Della Wigington
 Emma Ritchie
 Nita Goldsworthy
 Lottie Lee
 Willie Cobb
 Annie Goss
 Myrtle Rhyne
 Ida Welker
 Elsie Huey
 Mollie Huckaby

Jessie Dandridge
 Scottie Rodgers
 Rutha Mosley
 Ollie Sadler
 Mamie Freeman
 Ada Sanders
 Mary Cook
 Eva Ritchie
 Danley Wood
 Nevada Ayers
 Madie Berry
 Martin Benz
 Dove Dickerson
 Mabel Wood
 Frida Gerber
 Levenia Barnes
 May Spires
 Nora Webster
 Laura Ritchie
 Myrtle Wood
 Myrtle Wolfe
 Katie Rowland
 Clara Durham
 Lily Herring
 Irvin Cobb
 Walter Barlow
 Matt Burnett
 Martin Mosley
 Rob Norfleet
 Charley Harley
 Charley Zimmer
 Marshall Scarbrough
 Ott Roady
 Sam Goss
 Audley Potts
 Charley Scarbrough
 Beatrice Dandridge
 Jessie Harley
 Pearl Compton
 Nannie Whittaker
 Minnie VanHoozer
 Allie Morris
 Claude Thompson
 Ezra Bowers
 Oscar Hixson

Homer Craig
 Aubrey Rhyne
 Earl Wagner
 Everat Wolfe
 Albert Butler
 Jesse Butler
 Ernest Compton
 Tom Sanders
 Jake Koch
 Atha Wolfe
 Barnie Jackson
 Ollie Wood
 Joe Barlow
 Cuthbert Norfleet
 Arthur Parker

PREPARATORY AND
 ACADEMIC
 DEPARTMENTS
 RESIDENT PUPILS

Ashinhust, Albert
 Ashinhust, Cora
 Ashinhust, Emma
 Bennett, C. J.
 Bennett, Belle
 Bennett, Mark
 Bennett, Virgie
 Berry, Cathey
 Berry, Ernest
 Baker, Bettie
 Brackenwage, Diamond
 Bowers, Lillie
 Bowers, Etta
 Butler, Donnie
 Bradshaw, Neecy
 Chism, Etta
 Chism, Mary
 Carroll, May
 Cox, Vesta
 Compton, May
 Cobb, Dee
 Dandridge, Merle
 Dickerson, Clara
 Deberry, Preston

Dickerson, J. L.
Durham, Stella
Freeman, W.A.
Goss, Bennie
Goss, Ernest
Goldsworthy, Claude
Hardwick, Blanche
Hardwick, John
Harley, Willie
Harley, Edna
Hixson, Ada
Hixson, Ida
Hixson, Rome
Henley, Norman
Huckaby, Belle
Huckaby, Bulah
Huckaby, Bob
Huey, Bessie
Massey, Junius
Massey, George
Massey, Nettie
Maddox, John
McGlynn, John
McVay, Cora
McVay, Mattie
Mosley, Anna
Morris, Will
Nichols, Ellen
Norfleet, Sue
Norfleet, Tom
Potts, Charley
Potts, Os.
Roady, Sid
Roady, Ed
Sadler, Lewis
Sadler, Marion
Sadler, Dan
Sadler, Reg.
Shibley, Ida
Salmon, Ella
Sanders, John R.
Whittaker, Tom
Wolf, Nora
Wolf, A. F.
Wood, Mabel

Wood, Clark
Yunker, Annie

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Bass, J. F. K.; Revilee
Barlow, Asa; Booneville
Bennett, J. P.; Ellsworth
Biggs, S. J.; Paris
Buzbee, Reedy; Blaine
Birkhead, L. W.; Blaine
Carney, Robert; Hobart
Carney, Hayden; Hobart
Chitwood, B. B.; Ellsworth
Chastain, Henry;
Delaware
Durham, Baxter; Corley
Daniels, J. L.
Friar, Eddie; Spielerville
Grimmett, Homer; Utley
Hampton, Nora; Donald
Humphry, Watt; Utley
Jewell, Wade; Corley
Jones, R. V.; Prairie View
Jewell, Howard; Paris
Johns, Marshall;
Caulksville
Keller, Nathan; Donald
Lee, John C.; Paris
Lee, E. F.; Paris
Lee, Buford; Paris
Lipe, J. R.; Hobart
Lipe, Henry; Hobart
Lewis, Jas.; Driggs
McKinney, Henry;
Spielerville
Nichols, Warwick; Ozark
O'Keiff, Louis; Corley
Oliver, V. E.; Revilee
Parker, O. L.; Shoal Creek
Parker, O. C.; Caulksville
Plunkett, Lula; Brown
Plunkett, Riley; Brown
Quinn, Ella; Roseville
Reed, W. W.; Etna

Roberts, J. H.; Golden City
Smith, John; Spielerville
Sorter, Robert; Paris
Spieler, Birdie; Spielerville
Sizemore, F. W.; Patsie
Skinner, Arthur; Sugar
Grove
Tygart, Etta; Prairie View
Thompson, Clarence;
Donald
Thompson, Ed; Donald
Van Dalsen, B. B.; Aplin
Wear, John; Paris
Wear, Rote; Paris
Wear, Mary; Paris
Williams, Inez; Mexico,
Mo.
Williams, Isom;
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Williams, John; Springfield
White, Sam; Belleville

A PENSION FOR ROSE

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This is a true story about a woman from Newton County, Arkansas, and her effort to obtain her dead husband's military pension. Rose's story was reconstructed primarily from a copy of her Survivor's Mexican War Pension Application, Case #18631 on file at the National Archives and Records Administration. Additional information was extracted from federal census and county marriage records.

Roseanna I. "Rose" Crutchfield was born 16 May 1853 Western Grove, Prairie Township, Newton County Arkansas, the daughter of James W. and Sallie (Jones) Crutchfield. Her family had migrated from Orange County, North Carolina to Arkansas. By May of 1853 they had located in Newton County where her father purchased land near Western Grove and established a farm. Census records suggest that Rose had two older brothers, Bracken J. and Marion Crutchfield, both born in North Carolina. After their arrival in Newton County the family was blessed with the birth of Rose and two other children. In addition to Rose there was Rebecca born in 1855, and baby brother James A. born in 1857.

In December of 1870, at age 17, Rose decided to marry a young neighbor James Steel. He was also 17 years old and the son of Elizabeth Steel. The marriage was performed 23 December 1870 at Western Grove by the Justice of the Peace Mr. Cates. A witness to the marriage was James's next door

neighbor Mary "Fannie" Barnett, the wife of Albert Barnett. Also, attending was Rose's brother Marion Crutchfield. The young couple remained in Western Grove until the Fall of 1871 when on a visit to Marion Crutchfield's home in IZARD County Arkansas James left the marriage. In later years Rose stated that James left because he didn't want to support her. Marion Crutchfield in an effort to help his sister consulted an attorney at Evening Shade, Sharp County, Arkansas. As Rose remembered, the attorney advised them that after five years of desertion the divorce was automatic. Years later this would become a critical element in Rose's pension application.

Rose continued to live with her brother in IZARD County Arkansas for the next twenty-two years believing that after five years she was free to remarry. At age forty Rose was married again. On 7 June 1893 she married Alexander LaFevers of Fulton County, Arkansas. He was 67 years old, a widower, and had been a soldier in both the Civil and Mexican Wars. His second wife Mary (Cargill) LaFevers passed away the previous winter. Alex, a native of Burke County, North Carolina, had by 1853 moved west to Cherokee County where he married his first wife Rebecca Bradley. In 1871 he continued his westward movement to Hardin County, Tennessee and before 1878 he had migrated onto Fulton County, Arkansas.

After the marriage, Rose moved to Alex's farm at Bexar, in Fulton County. The second marriage was apparently successful as she remained with him until his death 15 January 1907. There

were no children from this marriage. However, Alexander had eight sons from his marriage to Rebecca Bradley. By mutual agreement, Alexander's estate, totaling \$1,325 dollars, was divided equally between his sons and Rose. She received \$147.22. She was also entitled to, as a surviving widow, Alexander's Mexican War Pension in the amount of \$12.00 per month. Between the two monies she would be able to live independent of the stepchildren.

Rose, at this point in her life, was in poor health. She was described, in a deposition, as a fleshy woman who was capable of doing only light housework. Not being able to work, Alex's pension was to be security for her. With the help of W. C. Singletery, a local attorney, Rose filed on 21 February 1907 a Mexican War Claim of Widow for Service Pension and the "legal red tape" was about to begin. Over the next seven years there would be at least 50 documents totaling approximately 150 pages accumulated in an effort to prove her claim. The total number of documents will never be known as the pension file is not complete.

Initially the pension examiners wanted confirmation of the deaths of both Alex's previous wives, records concerning the probate of the estate, and proof of Rose's marriage to Alex. Depositions from her stepsons were submitted to substantiate her statements concerning the deaths of Alex's previous wives and the settlement of his estate. Also, included was a copy of her marriage certificate to Mr. LaFevers. In a letter from the Pension Commissioner dated 27 May 1907, Rose was requested to "furnish testimony of competent witnesses as to the death or divorce of

first husband James A. Steel". The government's position was that unless there was a legal resolution to her first marriage she was not free to marry Alex. If her marriage to Alex was not legal then she had no claim to any pension benefits. Rose related to the Pension Commission what she had been told about Arkansas's statute concerning abandonment. However, there may have been some misunderstanding on the family's part as to what the statute contained. The statute as reviewed by the Pension Commission provided that if one party to a marriage shall depart the state and remain away for five consecutive years the other party may remarry without a decree of divorce and the marriage shall in all respects be deemed legal. So the hunt was on to find James A. Steel.

Rose, who could neither read nor write, faced a monumental problem. How do you find a man whom you haven't heard from in more than thirty years? The family enlisted the help of an attorney, I. L. Frank of Izard County, Arkansas. In the early days of the 20th century the best mass communication device was the newspaper. It is known that he placed some sort of an advertisement in a Newton County newspaper requesting that anybody having knowledge of James Steel to please contact J. B. Sparks, Justice of the Peace, Newton County. On the 11th and 12th day of February 1908 depositions were taken from J. J. Essex age 36, Rebecca Essex age 77, U. G. Adams age 36, and J. P. Robinson age 30. All were reportedly receiving their mail at the Limestone Post Office. Each testified that they were well acquainted with and had known James Steel for years and he died around 20 January 1898 and was buried in Limestone Valley. U. G.

Adams went on to testify that the said James Steel had talked to him about his previous wife and that he had referred to her as a Crutchfield. The depositions were sent to the Pension Commission, Washington, D.C. and received there 26 March 1908. The Pension Commission was quick to respond with a request for "a sworn statement and testimony of credible witnesses showing whether either of you or said James Steel applied for or obtained a divorce; and, if a divorce was granted, a certified copy of the decree should be furnished." The letter was dated 1 April 1908. The Pension Commission was not convinced that this James Steel was the husband of Rose. Even if this was the correct man, his death in Newton County in 1898 did not resolve the divorce problem. Rose had married Alex in 1893 while this James Steel was still alive and perhaps her legal husband.

There are no documents in the pension file to let us know what happened next. From April of 1908 until Nov. of 1911 there is a gap of missing information. Apparently round two of the pension fight started when on 11 November 1911 Rose signed a Power of Attorney with J. W. Morris, Attorney at Law and late Principal Examiner U. S. Pension Office in Washington, D.C. Rose was charged 50 cents, it to be used by Mr. Morris, for postage and other expenses. After the receipt of the Power of Attorney the Pension Commissioner repeated, in a letter to J. W. Morris, the request of 1 April 1908 for documentation as to the resolution of the marriage of Rose to James Steel.

There is another gap of some 14 months until the first part of 1913. From the information in the file it appears that there were three Special Examiners from

the Bureau of Pensions now working on the case: Leighton Hope at Little Rock, AR., O. W. Goodwin at Fort Smith, AR., and George G. Hoover at Pine Bluff, AR. The Government was starting to move in a new direction on the investigation of Rose's claim. They were now trying to find the known relatives of James Steel and locate and revisit all the witnesses that gave depositions in the past.

In an effort to locate people and setup interviews, letters were written to the Post Master of the last known town, in which the individuals lived, requesting their location and travel information. Several letters were written to U. G. Ham, Post Master at Limestone, Newton County AR, that gave some insight into what it was like traveling to Newton County in early 1900's. Mr. Ham replies that the nearest railroad station is at Cabin Creek 38 miles south of Limestone. In regards to a hotel, he wrote that traveling men stay with me. I will try to be in shape to take care of you. He also states that James Steel died here some years ago. J. J. Essex and R. E. Essex are living here, and U. G. Adams now receiving his mail at Allen, Oklahoma. There was no mention of how a traveler got from Cabin Creek to Limestone. I presume a person had to go by horse or horse and carriage. This may have been a bring your own horse situation.

In Fulton County the examiner found traveling conditions a little bit better. There was a train as far as Calico Rock in IZARD County. There you could hire a team and buggy for the 18-mile trip to up Bexar in Fulton. Once there the Post Master, J. W. Patterson, would direct the examiner to the individual's home.

In another letter dated 9 January 1913 written at Fort Smith, Arkansas by Special Examiner O. W. Goodwin, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D.C., to the Post Master at Western Grove, Newton County. Apparently Mr. Goodwin was angry that after two previous letters to the Post Master he still did not have a reply. Mr. Goodwin opens with the following: "This is the third communication I have addressed to your office, under cover of an official envelope, as they were on official business, and I enclosed an Officially Franked Envelope for reply, but so far I have heard nothing from them What Is The Reason? I have tried to locate the following named persons, who were there around Western Grove, some years ago. Where are they? Pick Martin, his wife Eliza Martin; Tuf Garner, his wife Minerva Garner; and Minor Steele." J. B. Taylor, who had only recently been appointed Post Master, replied: "Sir: I am unable to give any information of the above named persons, they are not patrons of this office. I have never known any of them."

The people he was seeking, Eliza Steel who married Sam "Pick" Martin, Minerva Steel who married Erastes "Tuf" Garner, and Minor Steel, all were the siblings of James Steel. It was thought, if found, they may have knowledge of their brother James.

About this time J. W. Morris, Pension Attorney in Washington, D.C., who had a vested interest in resolving this claim, requested a status report from then Pension Commissioner J. L. Davenport. Mr. Davenport responded in a letter of 11 Feb. 1913 that the matter of the

divorce of James Steel still needed to be resolved.

Throughout the year of 1913 and into the early part of 1914 government Special Examiners were conducting interviews and taking depositions in an attempt to bring this claim to resolution. The following is a list of some of the people they contacted.

Nathan F. Garner age 56, Bexar, Fulton Co. AR, Deposition 14 Nov. 1913
Jonathan H. LaFevers age 39, Bexar, Fulton Co. AR., Deposition 14 Nov. 1913
Franklin L. LaFevers age 59, Bexar, Fulton Co. AR., Deposition 14 Nov. 1913
Phillip B. LaFevers age 54, Bexar, Fulton Co. AR., Deposition 15 Nov. 1913
Henry H. Bradley age 75, Byron, Fulton Co. AR., Deposition 15 Nov. 1914
Rose LaFevers age 60, Bexar, Fulton Co. AR., Depositions 14 & 15 Nov. 1913
Ida A. (Crutchfield) Garner age 39, Stigler, Haskell Co. OK; Deposition 30 Jan. 1914
Catherine Mallard (of full age), Checotah, McIntosh Co. OK. Deposition 3 Jan. 1914
Thomas Garner age (not given), Larkin, IZard Co. AR., Letter 31 Jan. 1914
James A. Crutchfield age 56, Okemah, Okfuskee Co. OK., Deposition 4 Feb. 1914.

The investigation finally came to an end with the interview and deposition of Rose's brother James A. Crutchfield. He had received a letter dated 18 Jan. 1914 from Rebecca (Crutchfield) Martin, of Battles, IZard County Arkansas that their sister Rose had passed away the previous day. So the Government did not locate James Steel and Rose never received the pension. Thus ended what may have been one of the longest pension investigations on file.

From the research that I have done; James Steel left his wife Rose in Izard County and probably went to his brother Minor Steel's home in Searcy County, Arkansas. He was enumerated there on the 1880 Census living in the household of his brother at Richland Township. The census reported that he was 28 years old, divorced, and was born in Arkansas. Surviving divorce records in Searcy County only go back to 1881 making it doubtful that we will ever know if he did divorce Rose. By the 1900 Census James is no longer with his

brother in Searcy County and to the date of this writing remains elusive.

The James Steel that died in Newton County was also enumerated on the 1880 Census. This James Steel was living in Union Township, Newton County. He was reportedly 58 years old, born in Tennessee, and married to Mahala age 53. The investigators were correct in suspecting that he was not the husband of Rose.

Names and Locations

The following names are found in Rose LaFevers's Mexican War Pension File #18631. These documents date from 1887 to 1914. Within the documents there are people referenced that were deceased at the time and their names are also included.

Adams, U. G.	Limestone, Newton Co. AR
Barnett, Mary "Fannie"	Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
Bradley, Henry H.	Byron, Fulton Co. AR
Bratcher, A. D., Justice of the Peace	Bexar, Fulton Co. AR
Bratcher, S. J.	Bexar, Fulton Co. AR
Cargill, J. T., Justice of the Peace	Mitchell, Fulton Co. AR
Cates, Mr., Justice of the Peace	Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
Crutchfield, Matt (Female)	Melbourne, Izard Co. AR
Crutchfield, Robert	Okemah, Okfuskee Co. OK
Crutchfield, James A.	Okemah, Okfuskee Co. OK
Crutchfield, James W.	Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
Crutchfield, Marion	Melbourne, Izard Co. AR
Crutchfield, Sallie (Jones)	Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
Cunningham, G. L., Notary Public	Fulton, Co. AR
Davenport, J. L., Pension Commissioner	Washington, D. C.
Deveese, D. W., Clerk of Superior Court	Cherokee Co. N. C.
Dixon, A. C., Clerk & Recorder	Izard Co., AR
Ellis, A. W., Clerk Circuit Court	Fulton, Co. AR
Essex, J. J.	Limestone, Newton Co. AR
Essex, Rebecca	Limestone, Newton Co. AR
Franks, I. L., Notary Public	Fulton, Co. AR
Gardner, Neal B., Attorney	Stigler, Haskell Co. OK
Garner, Nathan F.	Bexar, Fulton Co. AR
Garner, Thomas	Larkin, Izard Co. AR
Garner, Ida A. (Crutchfield)	Stigler, Haskell Co. AR
Garner, "Tuf"	Newton Co. AR
Garner, Minerva (Steel)	Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
Garner, Will	Newton Co. AR

Goodwin, O. W., Special Examiner
 Hale, Will
 Ham, U. G., Post Master
 Hawkins, T. G.
 Hayes, H. H.
 Hoover, George, Special Examiner
 Hope, Leighton, Special Examiner
 Hudson, James V. ,Medical Doctor
 Hunt, "Taz". D., Clerk & Recorder
 Jones, Isabella
 Jones, Rebecca
 Kemp, W. H.
 LaFevers, Katie
 LaFevers, Franklin L.
 LaFevers, Phillip B.
 LaFevers, Alexander
 LaFevers, Johnathan H.
 LaFevers, Rebecca (Bradley)
 LaFevers, Rose (Crutchfield)
 LaFevers, Mary (Cargill)
 Latham, James W. Capt.
 Lawrence, W. E.
 Mallard, James
 Mallard, S. Catherine
 Martin, Rebecca (Crutchfield)
 Martin, Eliza (Steel)
 Martin, "Pick"
 Martin, Sam
 McElyea, Joseph, Circuit Clerk
 Morris, J. W., Attorney
 Neal, Ida
 Neal, Emma U., Post Master
 Northcutt, H. F., Circuit Clerk
 Payne, R. T. Col.
 Price, J. R., Justice of the Peace
 Roark, L. C.
 Roberck, J. A.
 Roberts, P. S., Justice of the Peace
 Robinson, J. P.
 Sanders, Sarah (Steel)
 Singletary, W. C.
 Sparks, J. B., Justice of the Peace
 Steel, James (No. 1)
 Steel, James (No. 2)
 Steel, Minor
 Taylor, J. B., Post Master
 Walker, W. P.
 Westmoreland, Turner
 Whitaker, James M.
 York, James C.

Ft. Smith, Sebastian Co., AR
 Cave Creek, Newton Co., AR
 Limestone, Newton Co. AR
 Byron, Fulton Co. AR
 IZARD, Co. AR
 Pine Bluff, AR
 Little Rock, AR
 Bryon, Fulton Co. AR
 Fulton, Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Fulton Co., AR
 Bexar, Fulton Co., AR
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 Bexar, Fulton Co., AR
 Bexar, Fulton Co., AR
 Bexar, Fulton Co., AR
 Cherokee Co. N. C.
 Bexar, Fulton Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Checotah, McIntosh Co. OK
 Battles, IZARD Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Newton Co. AR
 Newton Co. AR
 Fulton Co. AR
 Washington, D. C.
 Bryon, Fulton Co. AR
 Fulton, Co. AR
 Fulton, Co. AR
 Murphy, N. C.
 Fulton Co. AR
 Checotah, McIntosh Co. OK
 Fulton Co., AR
 Fulton Co., AR
 Limestone, Newton, Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Arkansas
 Newton Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co., AR
 Limestone, Newton Co., AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Western Grove, Newton Co. AR
 Valletown, Cherokee Co. N. C.
 Texas
 Valletown, Cherokee Co. N. C.
 Mitchell, Fulton Co. AR

Allen Martin Cemetery, Pulaski County, Arkansas The Discovery of an Old Abandoned Graveyard

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On 23 January 1986, a construction crew was clearing ground for a new Dillard's distribution center in Otter Creek Industrial Park, near the intersection of I-30 and I-430 in southwest Little Rock, Pulaski County. They discovered an old abandoned cemetery in a thicket, overgrown and long abandoned. Bulldozing was temporarily halted in that area while project managers investigated how to handle the situation. Authorities quickly decided the cemetery would have to be relocated so construction of the distribution center could proceed and, on Friday, 24 January 1986, a court order was obtained for the removal of the remains and headstones to the nearby Martin Cemetery.

But before disturbing the cemetery and graves, archeologist Skip Stewart-Abernathy, was given time to examine the site on Saturday, 25 January 1986. The cemetery was designated Site #3PU300 with the Arkansas Archeological Survey Department. Several volunteers, including Genevieve Meeker O'Neal, and myself, helped Stewart-Abernathy clear the cemetery for evaluation. At that time, a sixth tombstone was discovered, as well as pieces of a metal plate, which bore a partial name. When they raked away debris, the volunteers discovered that several of the tombstones sat in stone bases, which were then uncovered by the volunteers. Most of the tombstones

were then put back upright in their correct position on their base.

Thomas Rowland's headstone had the name of its maker engraved on its base: "J. Tunnah, L. Rock." Rowland's stone, as well as that of his wife, were the largest and were the only ones that were broken. All of the graves that were marked had footstones also.

Someone in the past apparently had dug into the graves of Thomas and Elizabeth Rowland to a depth of two to three feet, in an attempt, it is presumed, to find something valuable or of interest in the graves. The archeologist pointed out that probes of the graves indicated the caskets to be at a depth of about five feet, so greater persistence would have been required to reach any artifacts.

There were quite a few unmarked graves, most with white quartz rocks as headstones or surrounding the gravesite. Stewart-Abernathy pointed out that these quartz rocks were not indigenous to the site of the cemetery, although quite plentiful a few miles away. They must have been brought in specifically for the decoration for these graves.

The attorney that handled the court order moving the cemetery,ⁱⁱⁱ Mr. James Rhodes III, provided me with a copy of a warranty deed from the abstract that involved the cemetery property. It was dated 11 October 1905, and was recorded 17 November 1905:

C. F. Thornton, Ella Thornton, Carl Lillard, M. N. Lillard, and A. M. Nida, sole heirs at law of Josiah Stevenson

deceased and Nannie Stevenson, widow of Josiah Stevenson, deceased, to M. C. Hefner.^{iv}

That we C. F. Thornton, Ella Thornton, Carl Lillard, M., N. Lillard and A. M. Nida, sole heirs at law of Josiah Stevenson deceased for and in consideration of the sum of \$1650.00 paid by M. C. Hefner, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said M. C. Hefner and unto her heirs and assigns forever:

The West half of the south east quarter and the east half of the southwest quarter less one (1) acre, **including the Martin burial ground**, in the North west part of the North West quarter of the south east quarter of Section 9, Township 1 South, Range 13 West, containing one hundred and fifty nine acres more or less.

Covenants of general warranty of title:

Nannie Stevenson releases dower and homestead in body of deed.

Acknowledged Oct. 11, 1905, before J. F. Hopkins, a N. P. [Notary Public] of Pulaski County, Ark., in regular form by A. M. Nida.

Acknowledged Nov. 6, 1905, before Benj. F. Perdec, a N. P. of Vernon County, Mo., in regular form by C. F. Thornton and Ella Thornton, husband and wife; both execute and acknowledge as grantors.

Acknowledged Nov. 15, 1905, before W.A. Walker, a N. P. of St. Clair County, Mo., in regular form by Mary N. Lillard and Carl Lillard her husband; both execute and acknowledge as grantors.

Acknowledged Nov. 17, 1905, before J. F. Hopkins, a N. P., of Pulaski County, Ark., in regular form by Nannie Stevenson who acknowledged that she released dower in foregoing deed.

In 1986, when contacted by telephone, George Conery Martin^v of Mabelvale told me that Allen Martin, the brother of his great-grandfather, Jared Carswell Martin, began the cemetery.^{vi} He said that Jared C. Martin came to Pulaski County about 1827, when President James Monroe appointed him Federal Land Commissioner. Jared C. Martin was 21 years of age at that time. His brothers, John and Allen, also came to this area. Allen, John and Jared Carswell Martin were the sons of John and Elizabeth (Allen) Martin, who were originally from Georgia. In 1806, they left Georgia, en route to Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Their son Jared was born on the journey, in Cherokee Territory, Georgia, delivered by an Indian midwife. George Martin said that the Allen Martin that founded this old abandoned cemetery outlived most of his family and moved to Texas before the Civil War and, thus, was not buried in this cemetery he founded.

Allen Martin, the founder of the cemetery, and his wife Maria S. (Rowland) Martin appear on the 1850 Pulaski County, Arkansas, census, and on the 1860 Red River County, Texas, census, on page 109B, post office Clarksville. Allen Martin's obituary appeared in the *Arkansas Gazette* on Sunday, 10 November 1872, on page 1, column 1:

A good Man Gone to His Reward
Another of the hardy race of old
pioneers of Arkansas, after a long life
spent in labors of good and usefulness

has gone to the grave, full of years and full of honors. Allen Martin, for more than a quarter century a citizen of this county, died at his residence near Clarksville, Texas, on the 29th of October 1872, aged 71 years. He was a native of Georgia, whence he emigrated [*sic*] to the Missouri territory, of which Arkansas was then a part, in 1806, and lived in Cape Girardeau until 1817, when he removed to the present limits of Arkansas. He was a brother to John, Andrew, Jared C. and J. Hutchinson Martin, all men of note and sterling integrity in their day. The last named settled in what is now Argenta, opposite Little Rock, in 1815, while the aborigines still inhabited the country, and in advance of any white settlement at Little Rock. Allen Martin made his permanent residence in Pulaski County in 1825, and remained until 1857, when he moved to his late residence in Texas.

A civil engineer by profession, he was much employed during all his residence in Arkansas in prosecuting the surveys of the public lands for the general government. He represented this county in the legislature, and served one or more terms as its sheriff, and held other positions of honor and trust. He was a devout Christian, just and upright in all his dealings with his fellow-men. So far as we have heard his character is without stain.

Since 1863 he was a great sufferer, the consequence of early exposure, but his sufferings were borne with patience and fortitude until the end. To him the grave was but the portal of a blessed immortality. Many a heart in Arkansas will be sad when the news of his death is learned.

Most of the Martin family are buried in the large Martin Cemetery on the opposite side of the intersection of the

two interstate highways. Jared Carswell Martin, Allen's brother, founded this cemetery. Jared C. Martin was also notable for bringing a railroad station to Mabelvale, according to George Martin, who said that Jared donated 40 acres of land embracing the railroad tracks, with the provision that a railroad station be established there.

On Saturday, 25 January 1986, Mr. Douglas E. Eagle of 5809 "B" Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, contacted me. He said that his mother was a Martin, and that his sister in California had done extensive work on the family tree. He read to me some information she had supplied to him, which is similar to that I had found on file at the Arkansas History commission.^{vii}

John Martin I married Jenny Hutcherson [*sic*, Hutchinson or Hutchingson] and they were the parents of the following:

1. James Martin
2. Samuel Martin
3. Jenny Martin
4. Salley Martin
5. John Martin II, born 1753, m. Elizabeth Allen

John Allen (originally from Ireland) and his wife Jane (Beatie/Beatty) Allen were the parents of:

1. Elizabeth Allen: born 25 October 1764; married John Martin II c. 1784; died 28 June 1840.
2. Mary Allen
3. Nancy Allen
4. Isobell Allen

John Martin, Jr., and Elizabeth (Allen) Martin settled on a bounty land grant in Washington County, Georgia, and were the parents of (dates from George Martin):

1. Margarette Jane Martin: born 30

- July 1878; died 6 November 1811, Cape Girardeau, Missouri.
2. Samuel Martin: born 17 January 1786; died 2 November 1790, Georgia
 3. John Martin III: born 3 May 1789; married Rebecca Caldwell; died 27 September 1854; probably buried in Batesville, Arkansas, where he resided.
 4. Elizabeth Martin: born 16 February 1791; died 28 September 1792 Georgia
 5. Andrew Martin: born 12 April 1793; married Sarah Farrar and had a large family. According to the *Arkansas Gazette*, 23 September 1834, Judge Andrew Martin of Jackson, Missouri, died 6 September 1834.
 6. James Hucheson Martin: born 27 March 1796; married Martha Daniels; had two sons, both of whom died in infancy.
 7. Sarah Martin: born 2 February 1797; died 17 July 1797, age 5 months.
 8. Mary Ann Martin: born 8 September 1799; died 5 October 1805, Georgia.
 9. Allen Martin: born 10 November 1801; died 29 October, 1872; married (1) Mahala Collins Rowland, 1839; (2) Maria S. Rowland, 24 May 1842; both of whom were the daughters of Thomas and Elizabeth Rowland (who are buried in the Allen Martin Cemetery).
 10. Jared Carswell [Caldwell?] Martin^{ix}: born 11 Oct 1805; married Mary Douglas, daughter of John and Sarah Bell (Kellum) Douglas; died 7 November 1857.^{viii}

Douglas Family: John Douglas married

Sarah Bell Kellum and they were the parents of:

1. Uri Douglas: born 7 March 1807.
2. Mary Douglas: born 10 January 1809; married Jared Carswell Martin.
3. Martha Douglas: born 25 March 1810.
4. Emily Douglas: born 7 November 1811.
5. Henry Gibson Douglas: born 18 March 1813.
6. Sarah Douglas: born 15 March 1815.
7. George S. Douglas: born 30 April 1817.
8. Sophia Douglas: born 6 March 1819.
9. James Bell Douglas: born 11 July 1821.
10. Evaline Douglas: born 6 March 1823
11. William Douglas: born 6 March 1823.
12. John George Douglas: born 8 July 1824.

Allen Martin and his first wife, Mahala C. (Rowland) Martin, were the parents of only one child, as Mahala died 8 days after the birth of their son and was buried in the Allen Martin Cemetery, alongside her parents):

1. John Rowland Martin: died 1863, of Civil War injuries, at St. Mary's Hospital, in Tennessee.

Allen Martin and his second wife, Maria S. (Rowland) Martin, were the parents of:

1. Thomas Allen Martin: died during the Civil War
2. Mahala Isobell Martin: a spinster
3. Mary Elizabeth Martin: born 12

- April 1848; died 20 June 1852
(buried in Allen Martin
Cemetery)
4. Martha Jane Martin: born 28 August 1849, died in a scarlet fever epidemic, 4 November 1852 (buried in Allen Martin Cemetery).
 5. Jared Carswell Martin: born 4 March 1852, died in a scarlet fever epidemic, 25 June 1852 (buried Allen Martin Cemetery).
 6. Samuel Clark Martin
 7. Mary Eliza Martin
 8. Andrew Jared Martin
 9. James Alexander Martin
 10. Charles West Martin
 11. Maria LouAllen Martin

Inscriptions From the Tombstones

In Memory of Thomas Rowland, a native of North Carolina, who died the 4th day of July AD 1854, aged 61 years.

Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Rowland: born Nov. 30, 1792; died May 20, 1853.

Jared Carswell Martin: son of Allen and Maria Martin: born March 4, 1852; died June 25, 1852.

Mary Elizabeth, dau. of Allen and Maria S. Martin; born Aril 12, 1848, died June 20, 1852.

Mahala C. Martin, daughter of Thos. & Elizabeth Rowland, wife of Allen Martin; born May 14, 1819; died July 17, 1840.

Martha Jane, daughter of Allen & Maria S. Martin: born August 28, 1849; died November 4, 1852.

Josiah Steve ____: died Feb. 14 ____ (partial metal marker that has deteriorated).^{ix}

My own research indicates that the Thomas Rowland buried in this cemetery was born in North Carolina and married Elizabeth "Betsy" Sims, daughter of Littlepage and Mary Jane (Sherill) Sims, on 24 August, 1812, in Madison County, Alabama. They were the parents of at least three children, including Mahala Collins (Rowland) Martin, and Martha S. (Rowland) Martin. The will of Thomas Rowland was proved in Saline County, Arkansas.

Mahala Collins Rowland married Allen Martin on the 28th of May 1839, and died a little over a year later, only eight days after the birth of her son, John R. Martin, who was named in his grandfather Thomas Rowland's will. Allen Martin then married Mahala's sister, Maria S. Rowland, and three of their children are buried in this cemetery.

After completion of a thorough survey of the cemetery site, on Tuesday, 29 January 1986, the remains and stones were relocated to the larger Martin Cemetery across the highway, under the supervision of a funeral director and under the watchful eyes of George C. Martin and two other relatives of the deceased families. During the removal, three more unmarked graves were located, bringing the total discovered to nine burials. The *Arkansas Gazette* quoted Martin as saying "all that was found in the graves were a few buttons, some 'tiny' pieces of bones and a fragment of one wooden coffin, with a row of 'brass-headed tacks' that had been driven into it apparently for ornamental purposes. . . . [A]ll articles were placed in nine wooden boxes that were buried in a trench in the Martin Cemetery [T]he relocation was 'more symbolic than anything'."

Endnotes

ⁱ In 1870, James Tunnah was listed in the Pulaski County census as a 52-year-old

marble cutter, who was born in Scotland. At that time, he and his wife Helen McPherson Tunnah, also born in Scotland, had four children living at home, all born in Arkansas. See Charlotte Curlee Ramsey, "1870 Pulaski County, Arkansas, 4th Ward," read online at

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~arpulask/Pulaski1870-4Ward-1-01-20.html>.

ⁱⁱFor more information on the Tunnahs, see Desmond Walls Allen, *Arkansas Families: Glimpses of Yesterday-Columns from The Arkansas Gazette by Lucy Marion Reaves*, (Conway, Ark.: Arkansas Research, 1995), p. 8, "Mrs. Fannie Ashley Stevenson Tunnah and husband, Renton Tunnah."

ⁱⁱⁱ "Petition for Disinterment," by Construction Developers, Inc., filed and approved 24 January 1986, in the Chancery Court of Pulaski County, Arkansas, 1st Division.

^{iv} An Anna Sanders married a Josiah Stevenson in Pulaski County, Arkansas, on 27 March 1890, according to "Sanders Marriage Records," read online at <http://www.geocities.com/~rewoodham/sandma42.html>.

^v Martin told me he was born 25 July 1917.

^{vi} George Martin's father was Jared O. Martin, who was the son of James J. Martin (of a Batesville, Arkansas, branch of the family) and Mary "Mollie" Douglas Martin. Mollie was the daughter of Jared Carswell and Mary (Douglas) Martin. Jared C. Martin was the son of John and Elizabeth (Allen) Martin.

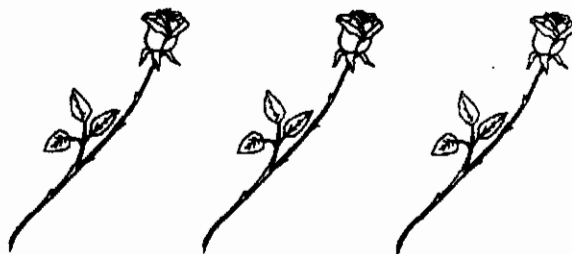
^{vii} Note that little of this information has been confirmed by research.

^{ix} For more information on Martin's marriage to Mary Douglas and their family, see Allen, *Arkansas Families*:

Glimpses of Yesterday, pp. 40-41, "Mr. And Mrs. Jared Caldwell Martin."

^{ix} This is probably Josiah Stevenson, who is mentioned in the previously quoted abstract, and, at one time, owned the land where the cemetery is located. According to the Stevenson web site located at

<http://servalstudios.com/stevenson/>, two members of the Tunnah family married Stevensons, so perhaps Josiah was related to the James Tunnah who carved tombstones.



Early Southwest AR Loose Marriage Certificates

Submitted by Ed Sanders, 10 Choctaw Drive, Searcy, AR 72143

These marriage certificates from the early 1800s are in the Southwest Arkansas Regional Archives, Old Washington, AR:

Amonett, William Jr., to Amelia Beaty, 1856

2. Avery, Rev. Alexander, to Miss Lucy Jane May, 1853

3. Ayres, Dr. E. D., to Miss Attelia Holt, 1865

4. Baily, George W., to Lydia Jane Hyden, 1859

5. Baird, John A., to Melvina Williams, 1850

6. Baird, William H., to Mary Arnold, 1854

7. Bankhead, Thomas M. R., to Elizabeth Ann Pryor, 1839

8. Banks, Alexander R., to Elizabeth Pratt, 1838

9. Betts, Chauncey J. H., to Louisa V. Foster, 1847

10. Black, James Harvey, to Nancy Barnett Wheaton, 1823

11. Block, David, to Almedia Trimble, 1848

12. Brunson, Robert A., to Mary Jane Johnson, 1841

13. Bruncon, Robert A., to Mrs. Ann E. Cryer, 1866

14. Conway, Dr. Joel D., to Charlotte Gray, 1837

15. Cooly, Isaac Macdonal, to Parthena Canady, 1865

16. Crouch, Augustus, M., to Sophia E. Holt, 1850

17. Crouch, G. W., to Elizabeth Smith, 1866

18. Elam, William J., to Cynthia Wheaton, 1820

19. Ellis, Lawson M., to Rosanna Savage, 1846

20. Etter, Robert B., to Roxie Griffin, 1872

21. Ferguson, Elijah, to Miranda Rochester, 1837

22. Fontaine, Benjamin, to Laurette Clark, 1850

23. Fowlks, Abner D., to Josephine Derrick, 1855

24. Garland, Augustus H., to Sarah Virginia Sanders, 1853

25. Garland, Rufus K., to Sarah Isabella Walker, 1853

26. Gratiot, John R., to Amanda B. Wheat, 1849

27. Green, William D., to Sarah Jane Reed, 1857

28. Hervey, Calvin M., to Eliza E. Fowlkes, 1846

29. Johnson, John, to Anna J. Pearsell, 1855

30. Magness, James, to Eliza Ann Carroll, 1845

31. Moss, Matthew, to Eveline Herrin, 1850

32. Mulkey, Stephen H., to Harriet Elizabeth Gill, 1853

33. Patterson, Tilman, to Rosina A. Mulkey, 1852

34. Pilkinton, John, to Lucy Ann Middlebook, 1873

35. Sitzes, Lawson M., to Martha G. Cantley, 1848

36. Smith, Hezekiah, to Nancy Johnson, 1846

37. Smith, Hezekiah W., to Elvira Reed, 1831

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Old Washington AR 71862

<<http://www.southwestarchives.com/>>

Arkansas Newspaper Items 1906 and 1916

Submitted by Jann Woodard, 12008
Ginger Lane, Benton, AR 72015

Arkansas Gazette July 11, 1906:

Paragould, AR - Brice McLeod was painfully injured while riding on the turn table at the Iron Mountain roundhouse at Paragould. His left foot was caught between the stationary and running tracks, and before the turntable could be stopped his foot was lacerated and the bones badly crushed.

Perryville, AR - A pet goat belonging to little Pauline Rickman was hanged in the court house yard at Perryville a few nights ago by unknown parties whom the Perry county authorities are trying to identify. All that was accomplished by the cruel joke was the torture of the goat and the wounding of the heart of a little child, who is sorely grieving over the loss of her pet.

Harrison, AR - Charley Swadley, who lives upon Terrapin creek, was taking a large groundhog to Harrison to dispose of to raise some Fourth of July money. The groundhog became unruly and Charley's right hand is considerably worse for wear. The animal caught hold of his hand and could not be released until his throat was cut.

Arkansas Gazette Jan. 8, 1916:

Booneville, AR - With the train going the maximum speed allowed by the condition of the track last night about half way between Little Rock and this place, B. B. Rice and Miss Dee Ellington stood up

between the seats, faced the preacher, steadied themselves as the car jolted and swerved, and plighting their troth were made man and wife, Rev. S. L. Halloway, pastor of the Baptist church here, performed the ceremony. The contracting couple were both from Booneville.

Waldron, AR - A man known here abouts only as Ernest and who lived with a friend on a homestead about 12 miles east of Polk on Cedar Creek, was found dead recently. The friend was hunting and when he returned he found Ernest sitting in a chair dead. Heart disease had caused his death.

Arkansas Gazette March 8, 1916:

Deaths:

Mrs. Grover Brock, at Murfreesboro
James Bennett Smith, at Rogers
Mrs. Della Williams, at East Warren
J. R. Nash, at Stuttgart
Mrs. Rebecca Williams, at Warren
Mrs. Mary Pace, near Denton
Mrs. T. J. Wells, near Hamburg
Mrs. Esther Baker Davis, near Hamburg
Mrs. F. N. Nelson, at Higden
William Nichols, near Heber Springs
Mrs. A. J. Adcox, near Darey

Marriages:

Walter D. Dent and Mrs. Emily
Dickenhorst, at Heber Springs
Robert Magness and Miss Nola Powell,
near Wilburn
James P. Cantrell and Miss Ida M. Mills,
at Rumley

E. L. Watts and Miss Dora Sullivan at Leslie
 W. C. Baughman of Harrison and Miss Lula B. Barnes of Rumley, at Rumley
 T. K. Gifford and Miss B. F. Rose, at Campbell
 Louis F. Ussury and Miss Bessie Tester at Elba
 George Mitchell and Miss Sara Moorehead, near Allendale
 R. P. Nobles and Miss Mattie Tumlison, at Milo
 D. C. Granham and Miss Mamie Denton, at Portland
 Grover Dixon and Miss Clara Willis at Benton
 Jay Rowsey of Goldfield, Colo., and Miss Blanche Childress of Denton
 Newton White and Miss Mabel Hathaway at Rogers
 Arthur Shields of Gentry and Miss Lelie Summers of Highfill
 Roscoe C. Know of Water Valley, Miss., and Miss Mattie Johnson of North Noble Lake, at North Noble Lake.
 John Burkhead and Miss Willard Bryant, at Rector
 Dr. B. C. Logan of Morrilton and Miss Daisy Shull of Alma, at Alma.
 Floyd W. Parrish and Miss Mary Gildersleeve, at Gentry
 Andrew Bryant and Miss Laura Williams, at Faber.
 Lee Epperson and Miss Naomi Plemmon at Gentry
 Alvy Jones and Miss Flora Bolen, at Datto
 Percy Brown of Pierce City, Mo., and Miss Edith Alfrey of Bentonville
 Eugene Williams and Miss Esther Wells at Wheatley
 Turney Williams and Miss Effie Patrick at Ozark.

Crawford County News

Van Buren Argus, Crawford County, Arkansas, February 26, 1902

CAPTURE OF CREEKS

Band of Thirty-Two Heavily Armed Indians in Their Camp by Marshal's Posse,

Muskogee, Indian Territory, Feb. 18.-

Nothing yet had been received from the home of Isparhecher, ex-Chief of the Creek Indians, who last night was surrounded in his home, near Beggs, Indian Territory, by twenty members of Crazy Snake's band, who demanded the surrender of an American Flag. Deputies with a posse were unable to leave Eufaula until after 3 o'clock this morning, and as the scene of the trouble is off the railroad and telegraph, news is late. Deputy Grant Johnson telegraphs the marshal's office here today that his posse has captured a band of heavily armed Creeks in their camp on Wolf Creek, near Henrietta. There are thirty-two in the band, among them being the principal chief, Lah-Tah-Micco, and Koh-Wak-To-Chee, the second chief, with members of their cabinets. The prisoners are being brought to the Muskogee Jail. The marshal has warrants for nearly 200 others. It is no secret that severe punishment awaits those arrested. There are a number of small bands roaming the country along Wolf Creek and diligent search is being made for them.

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Arkansas Queries

General guidelines for submitting queries:
Queries are limited to members only
Please submit no more than one query per
calendar year

Keep the query to approximately fifty
words

Neatness counts! If possible, type, double
spaced. Otherwise, print legibly leaving a
space between each line.

Capitalize surnames

Remember the 4 W's"

Who - Give complete names of interest

What - What do you want? Keep it short
and to the point

Where - Locality in ARKANSAS

When - Give a time period

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query appears. We do use all queries
received in a calendar year by the end of
that year. We continue to receive queries
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all-volunteer staff of this publication if you
send your query with your membership fee
to Arkansas Genealogical Society, P. O. Box
908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908.

Jones, Laverge Need info on Burt Jones
family of Mississippi Co., AR, 1880 and
in Johnson Co., AR, 1920s-1940s. Seek
info on any Laverge and variant
spellings, either as given or surname.
**Clarence Dawson, 2432 Blake, San
Bernardino, CA 92407-6104**

Williamson Seek information or sources
of information about John Williamson,
Senator, Arkansas Territory and early
state senator. **Michael J. Williamson,
5472 S.Castlebay Dr., Springfield, MO
65809-4668; Mikewmson@aol.com**

Ragsdale, Gregory Looking for parents
and ancestors of Adeline "Addie"
Ragsdale, b. 8 May 1880, Randleman,
Randolph Co., NC, d. April 1910
(alleged, not proven), bur. Brearley
Cemetery, Yell Co., m. Frederick Bryant
Gregory, 7 Feb. 1897, Dardanelle, Yell
Co., children: Emerson W. Gregory, Sr.,
b. Dec. 1897, AR; Alberta Florence
Gregory, b. Mar. 1900, Dardanelle, Yell
Co., AR. **JoAnna Dale, 704 Ponca Dr.,
Independence, MO 64056-2053**

Walker Seek parents of James Gilmore
Walker who was in 1850 census of
White Co., AR. Also researching Gwin,
Hendrix, Anderson and Wallace. **Eva
Walker Myer, 808 Treeline Dr.,
Brandon, MS 39042; Emyer808@cs.com**

Durning George Wm. Durning moved
from TN c1850 to Franklin Co., AR. He
d. 2 Nov 1857, leaving a widow,
Margaret (?), and a 7 year old son, John
Lewis Durning, probably in Boston
Twp. Need death or remarriage of
Margaret and death/burial of John
Lewis c1916, Franklin Co. **Amy
Clemens Cooper, 2329 Eagle Point Ct.,
Grand Junction, CO 81503**

Daniel, Joyce, Langford, Gilbert
Researching these lines in
Independence, white, Cleburne, and
Lonoke Counties. **John M. Daniel,
10508 Highway 13 N, Carlisle, AR
72024**

Kuykendall, Stuart Need name of wife,
date and place of death for Joseph
Kuykendall and Mary Kuykendall. Also
for Abraham Stuart. **Camille Ellis, 2124
N. Tyler, Little Rock, AR 72207-4500**

Wright/Freeman/Walker Need info on
these lines in early 1800s from Sevier

Co., AR. Probably came from VA. Seek same info on Paterson/Bishop connections in Little River Co. during and after Civil War.

Also seek realistic history for Sevier County. **Juanita Bitton, 1705 Mountain View Dr., McCammon, ID 83250**

Homesley/Homsley/Holmsly, Mullin, Murrin, James, Nickerson, LaFon Researching these lines in AR., Mrs. **Bradley Sue Howell, 722 Ridgeway, Dallas, TX 75214-4453**

Jones Need any information on Reason T. Jones, age 29 on 1880 census, Powell Twp., Craighead Co., AR, b. MS, parents b. TN, wife Winiford C., age 26, b.AR, parents b. NC. Children all b.AR: Elizabeth E., 9, Elijah O. 7, Mary V., 5, Nancy A. M. 3, Thomas A., 1, and Kezieah L., 5 mo. **Gene C. Snow, 37 Atchinson Stage Rd., Clayton, CA 94517-1144**

King Looking for Nicholas Wheeler King (b. NC) and wife Mary Frances (Jackson) King (b. GA); child b. AR 1881. 1900 census show Mary with children in OK. **Carol Cleland Dunn, 1200 Shannon Ln., Longview, TX 75604-6212**

Robinette Seek descendants of James Moses Robinette, b. 1826, Blount Co., TN, d. 1908, Saline Co., AR; wife Anna Reedmond, Monroe Co., TN, 1860 Benton Co., MO 1870, 1880, Cross Co., AR 1900 and Saline Co., AR, 1902. Children: James M., John W., Rachel M., Margaret A., George B., Matthew, Laura, Lila and Lyda. **Elizabeth Robinette Simmons, 19 Elliott Rd., Greenbrier, AR 72058**

Williams Seek information--certificates of birth, marriage, death of Lucy Ann Williams, b. c1845 VA, later moved to

Helena, AR, possibly m. Charlie Harris. Child: Winnie Kezzi Williams b. 2 June 1905. Lucy d. 1920. **Victoria A. Smith, 5368 Mulberry Dr., Greendale, WI 53129**

McCullum Researching John McCollum c1860 in the area around Lonoke County (then part of Prairie and Pulaski Cos.); also Howell Hicks family, same locations and dates. **Billie J. Lisenby Dougherty, PO Box 68, Cabot, AR 72023-0068; blisdou@aol.com**

Braly, Downey, McKinney Searching these lines in Hot Spring and Garland Counties. George H. Braly d. 1913 in Hot Spring Co. and is buried in Rockport Cemetery. Need date of death. **Peter J. Braly, 8401 S. Kolb Rd., No. 433, Tucson, AZ 85706-9119**

Spry Need any information about this line. **Della M. Rice, 2209 3rd Ave. North, Texas City, TX 75960-7215**

Gooseberry Researching African-American families in Jefferson Co., AR: Daphane Anna Gooseberry, b. 1860; Gabriel Gooseberry, b. 1890; Isaac Robinson, b. 1860; Mollie Jefferson-Robinson, Mariah Rodgers, b. 1858 and Si Rodgers, b. 1852. **Joyce Rucker, 116512 Stoneridge Dr., Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 Email: Rucker34@aol.com**

Book Reviews and Notices

Russell P. Baker

Index to Death Notices Appearing in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette July 1 to December 31, 2002 by Oscar G. Russell, 206 Loop Road, Sherwood, AR 72130-2216, 275 pages, hard and soft covers. The hardbound edition is \$34.00 and the softbound is \$21.00. Libraries and other institutions in Arkansas should provide Mr. Russell with their tax exempt number when ordering. Contact the publisher for a complete list of other publications. This is another in Mr. Russell's excellent series of obituary and death notices published in Little Rock's Arkansas Democrat-Gazette. If you are researching families that currently live in Arkansas, this volume is necessary for your research library. Each entry contains the name of the deceased, their place of residence, their age and complete reference to the obituary itself. Copies of the obituaries can be ordered from the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives, One Capitol Mall, Little Rock, AR 72201. [RPB]

Sketches of Prominent Tennesseans by William S. Speer (1888), 579 pages, hardbound with a partial index. This Goodspeed type publication, originally printed in 1888, was reprinted in 2003 by the Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 1001 N. Calvert, Baltimore, MD 21202. Contact this company for pricing and ordering information. This volume contains "biographies and records:" of many of the families who had "attained prominence in Tennessee" when it was published in 1888. The book consists of lengthy, flattering biographies of several

hundred doctors, lawyer, politicians or military men from the Volunteer State. One of the major problems with this volume has always been the lack of a comprehensive index. When first published, it contained a list of individuals whose biographies appeared in the volume. However, the list was far from complete. This new edition fails to correct this situation. Nevertheless, if you have pioneer families in Tennessee (and what Arkansas researcher does not), you should be familiar with this volume. [RPB]

Locating Your Roots: Discover Ancestors Using Land Records, Patricia Law Hatcher, (2003), soft cover, 211 pages, maps, illustrations, appendix and index. Order from Betterway Books, 4700 E. Galbraith Rd., Cincinnati, OK 45236; \$21.0909 plus shipping, etc. The author of this well presented and easy to understand work is a professional genealogist who specializes in problem solving. This, one of her several publications, is a "how to manual" for locating, using and understanding land and real estate records. It is a thoroughgoing work that leads the researcher systematically through the hows, wheres and whys of land records as a source of genealogical information. Illustrations and examples make the text even more informative. She also tackles many questions that have long puzzled family historians. A good example is a discussion of the subject of paying real estate taxes and the consequences of not paying them, escheatment. Her chapter on plating lands described in "Metes and Bounds" language and her glossary

or terms are well worth the price of the book itself. If you are serious about your research, you need a copy of this volume in your reference library. [RPB]

Cuyler Reynolds, Hudson - Mohawk Genealogical and Family Memoirs (originally published in 1911), 4 vols., soft cover, illustrations, photographs, full name index, 1847 pages plus. Reprinted in 2003 by the Clearfield Company, 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD, 21202, \$180.00 the set. If you have ancestors who lived in the Hudson and Mohawk River valleys of New York State, especially the counties of Albany, Rensselaer, Washington, Saratoga, Montgomery, Fulton, Schenectady, Columbia and Greene, you may wish to take advantage of this rare reprint of a standard work. Although the set has been reduced in size from the originals, each volume is complete. The four volumes are much like the Goodspeeds histories with which Arkansas researchers are so familiar. They consist chiefly of biographies and genealogies of important and prominent families in eastern New York. Many of the lines go back to early New England families. There are also short histories of area towns and communities. [RPB]



ANNOUNCING!!!!!!

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Arkansas Genealogical Society is now offering, as a bonus, the Arkansas Prior Birth Index, Vol. I CD free to the purchasers of the Arkansas Prior Birth Index, Vol. I Book. The price of the book is \$60.00. This offer will continue until the CD's are gone. It contains the same information as the book, but it is searchable by the child's name, the mother's maiden name, county, and date. This offering is to promote the book and the CD as the second volume and CD of 1942 will be available in September of 2003. If someone wishes to purchase just the CD and not the book, the price will be \$6.50 including shipping and postage. The address to order is:

Arkansas Genealogical Society, POB 908, Hot Springs, AR. 71902-0908

New Revisions of the Arkansas Township Atlas and Post Office Directory (From Memdag to Norsk, a Historical Directory of Arkansas Post Offices 1832-1971) by Russell P. Baker

These books are being updated and will be available soon. There will be an index to the Arkansas Township book as well as corrections. The Post Office book will be updated through later years as well as corrections. They should be ready in a few weeks. Our thanks go to Russell Baker for giving us such valuable research tools.

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**ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2003 FALL SEMINAR and BOOK FAIR
October 17-18, 2003
Holiday Inn – East I 440, Little Rock , AR**

Friday, October 17th

Select one class for each hour

4:30-9:00 PM Registration and Book Fair
6:00-7:00 PM Classes 1 - 5
7:45-8:45 PM Classes 6 – 10

Class 1 & 6	Paleography for Beginners: Reading and Understanding Old Records	Russell Baker
Class 2 & 7	Where Did Grandpa Get His Land?	Lynda Suffridge
Class 3 & 8	I Read It In the Paper: Arkansas Newspaper Sources	Jan Eddleman
Class 4 & 9	Searching the Web for Your Genealogical Records	Dave Burdick
Class 5 & 10	The Research Plan & The Research Kit	Rhonda Norris

Saturday October 18th

***“Netting Your Ancestors”
featuring Cyndi Howells***

8:30 AM	Registration & Book Fair
9:15 AM	Opening and Introductions
9:30-10:30 AM	<i>Guided Tour of Cyndi's List</i>
10:30-11:00 AM	Break & Book Fair
11:00-12:00	<i>10 Commandments of Internet Genealogy</i>
12:00-1:15 PM	Lunch & Book Fair
1:15-1:30 PM	AGS Annual Meeting and Door Prize Drawings
1:30-2:30 PM	<i>The Internet for Genealogy: Setting Straight the Myths and Misconceptions</i>
2:30-3:00 PM	Break & Book Fair
3:00-4:00 PM	<i>How to Cite Your Internet Sources</i>

Additional information, contact Linda McDowell, Seminar Chair, 100 Rock Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or call (501) 918-3056, E-mail: mcdowell@cals.lib.ar.us

Vendors: Contact Suzanne Jackson, Vender Chair, .1604 Wewoka Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72116 or e-mail: hickorychips@aristotle.net
Space is limited, please register early. All vendors must pre-register.

See our website at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~args/>

SPEAKERS

Cyndi Howells is the owner and "webmaster" of Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet—an Internet site that receives more than two million visits each month. Cyndi's List was voted the best genealogy site on the World Wide Web on three separate occasions. Before getting involved on the Internet, Cyndi worked as an international banker specializing in foreign exchange and computer networks. She is a member of the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogy Society in Washington state. Cyndi has authored numerous articles and several best-selling books. She lectures frequently at national, state, and local conferences, has appeared on ABC News, NBC News, and was featured in articles on genealogy in Time, Newsweek, and USA Today.

Russell Baker is the immediate past president of the Arkansas Genealogical Society and has served on its board since 1975. He is the Archival Manager of the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives in Little Rock, Arkansas and has been recognized as a certified Archivist by the Academy of Certified Archivists. He has authored four books on genealogical subjects, as well as many articles on family and southern church history topics.

David Burdick has been director of the Pine Bluff-Jefferson County Library System since 1993. A native of Sacramento, California, he earned a Master's of Library and Information Sciences from Brigham Young University and began his career working in the genealogy department there. He maintains the websites for the Pine Bluff-Jefferson County Library and the Rotary Club of West Pine Bluff. Burdick is a member of the American Library Association, Arkansas Library Association and Advocates for Arkansas Public Libraries.

Jan Eddleman taught history for over thirty years at Southside High School in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She is a past-president of the Arkansas Genealogical Society and has been involved in genealogy and family history for over forty years. She has published articles and served as editor of numerous historical journals.

*Rhonda Norris is a certified Genealogical Record Specialist (CGRS), genealogy instructor, lecturer and owner of Arkansas Genealogical Research. She has written articles for major genealogy magazines and has authored four books, the latest of which is *A Comprehensive Guide to Genealogical Research in the Natural State*.*

Lynda Childers Suffridge, BSE, MSE, is vice-president of the Heritage Seekers, editor of the Perry County Historical & Genealogical Society Newsletter and past-president of the Arkansas Genealogical Society. She served four years on the National Genealogical Society Board. She worked 12 years at the Arkansas History Commission assisting patrons in the Research Room.

Accommodations and Meals: Holiday Inn Airport-East, I-440, Exit 3 (Airport Exit). Call (501) 490-1000 for room reservations or the for adjoining Holiday Inn Express call (501) 490-4000. Saturday lunch is a southern buffet with drink and dessert.

REGISTRATION - postmarked before October 1
October 1

After

Friday only: \$15.00
Saturday only: \$30.00
Friday & Saturday: \$40.00

Friday only: \$20.00
Saturday only: \$40.00
Friday & Saturday: \$50.00

(Saturday prices include buffet lunch, drink, and dessert)

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____.

This payment is for () Entire Conference () Friday Only () Saturday Only

Enroll me in Class # _____ and Class # _____ for Friday evening.

Name _____
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() Enclosed is a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of receipt for registration.

Mail completed form and check to:

AGS Fall Seminar, 5415 C. Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205