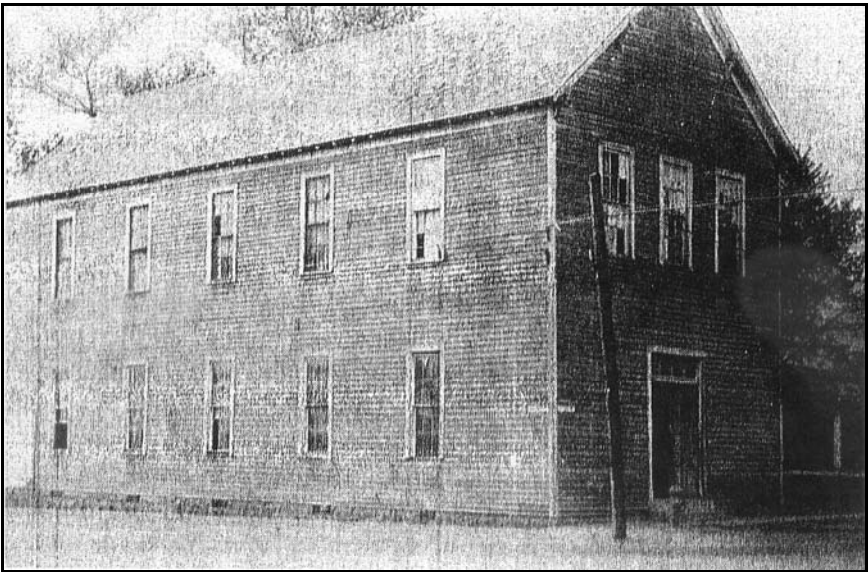


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On the Cover: Masonic Hall in Russellville, Pope County, Arkansas, in which the charter members of The Christian Church held their organizational meeting 29 January 1882. They met there for four years until their church building was constructed.
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EDITOR'S NOTES

The Arkansas Genealogical Society congratulates life member, long time board member, and former president Lynda Childers Suffridge who was awarded the Family History Writing Prize by the Arkansas Historical Association for her article *Descendants of Reuben Searcy and Isabella McDonald*. Her article also won first prize in the 2007 AGS Family History Writing Contest and was printed in the December issue of *The Arkansas Family Historian*. In this issue we bring you the third place contest entry about John Turner Dixon and his family who migrated from North Carolina to Saline County, Arkansas, shortly before the Civil War and endured the 1860s, but with many sacrifices.

Our cover article presents the original membership list of the Christian Church of Russellville, which is still in existence today and holds early records and photographs.

Part II of *The Drew County Advance* obituaries continues them through 1899, telling us much about Monticello, Arkansas, and environs at the time.

The fourth article in this issue consists of manumissions recorded in a miscellaneous volume of Washington County, Arkansas, records. These legal papers which freed slaves from their servitude often contain enough information to help descendants track them in pre-Civil War times.

An 1868 voter list from Hempstead County, Arkansas, covers Mosco and Columbus precincts, which roughly corresponded to Missouri and Saline townships, and include ages and occupations. The persons listed were required to prove that they had not aided the Confederacy during the war.

Small, isolated, country cemeteries are often overlooked. Spring Grove Cemetery in a corner of Garland County is not included in any published cemetery survey for that county or those adjoining. Russell Baker uncovered some names associated with a church of the same name located briefly in the same area.

It is difficult to track ancestors who were orphaned at an early age. The Odd Fellows and the Masons established two orphans' homes in Batesville in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Betty Clayton has written a history of each of those homes and supplied us with lists of inmates that lived there over the years. We bring you her first article about the I.O.O.F. Widows' and Orphans' Home in this issue as well as the earliest list of people who were admitted there. In coming issues we

will print the history of the Masonic Home and other lists of persons who lived at both homes.

As always, we bring you Arkansas Ancestry Certificate lineage charts, queries from researchers, and reviews of books you may find helpful or interesting.

Feel free to send us articles about your families, local history, a forgotten cemetery, or interesting documents or county records. Submit as many queries as you want at any time during the year by emailing them to Publications@agsgenealogy.org.

Family History Writing Contest entries are due by the end of June. You will find the rules and entry form in the back of this journal. Winners will be notified in September, and prizes will be awarded at the Arkansas Genealogical Society Fall Conference on 8 November 2008.

Susan Boyle

**2007 AGS Family History Writing Contest
Third Prize**

**TRYING TIMES:
THE JOHN TURNER DICKSON FAMILY OF SALINE
COUNTY, ARKANSAS, DURING THE CIVIL WAR**

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It would be interesting to know what was in John Turner Dickson's mind when he made the decision to leave his home on the Haw River in Orange County, North Carolina, and move his family to Saline County, Arkansas. John's mother, Ann Turner Dickson, had died in 1851, so perhaps he felt free of his obligation as the oldest surviving son to his widowed mother. Perhaps he saw several of his friends or acquaintances leave Orange County and relocate to Arkansas and thought that would be a good thing for him as well. Whatever the reason, he moved his wife Catharine and eight children to Arkansas in about 1852. Nothing is known about who he traveled with or what sort of journey it was. But it is very probable that he chose Saline County because of his friendship with the John Nelson family, also formerly of Orange County.

John Nelson, a widower of about four years, left Orange County with his seven daughters sometime in August or early September of 1848, joining a caravan of families who had the intention of going to Texas.¹ After eleven weeks of travel, they camped near Benton, Arkansas, for a few days rest. While there, a resident of the area advised John that going to Texas with seven daughters would not be safe at that time due to "an uprising of Indians in Texas."² He heeded the advice, ended his journey, and bought property near Benton in Saline County.

¹ Sarah A. Nelson letter to Menece Wilson, Hawfields, Orange County, North Carolina, 22 February 1849; Arkansas History Commission, Small Manuscript Collection, Box XIII, No. 3A.

² Interview of Mary Elizabeth (Nelson) Dickson Brown, age 85, at her home in Jacksonville, Texas, by her niece Jennie Dixon Miller in August 1925, during which this information was dictated. A copy of Mrs. Miller's notes is in the possession of this author.

John Dickson likewise settled in Saline County and on 15 February 1853, he purchased 264 acres from Thomas H. Bradshaw and his wife Eliza.³ He was obviously hoping for the good life in this new area as it had been described by Sarah Nelson, the second oldest daughter of John Nelson, in her letter to Miss Menece Wilson back in Hawfields, Orange County, North Carolina on 22 February 1849:

We have all enjoyed very good health ever since we left North Carolina. I like Arkansas very well so far—the people all seem very friendly...There is a school going on at this time two miles from us. The country is about as much broken here as it is in the Hawfields. We have good spring water here plenty and the people all look very well and I am in hopes that we will enjoy good health here.⁴

John and Catharine settled down on their farm with their three sons and five daughters. Life was apparently going well by the time their eldest daughter, Harriett Ann Dickson, married Thomas Jefferson Elrod on 29 January 1857.⁵ The first grandchild, John Allen Elrod, was born 10 July 1858.⁶

On 11 August 1859, John and Catherine's oldest son, William A. Dickson, married Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Nelson, the daughter of John Nelson.⁷ Two more grandchildren were born in September of 1860: Alonzo C. Dickson, son of William and Betty, on the first day of the month,⁸ and Elizabeth Catharine Elrod, daughter of Thomas and Harriett, on the eighth.⁹ The second oldest son, James Monroe Dickson, married Margaret Amanda Nelson, the youngest daughter of John Nelson, on 13 November 1860.¹⁰

³ Saline County Deed Book D: 191, County Clerk's Office, Benton, Arkansas; Family History Library [FHL] microfilm 1287338.

⁴ Sarah A. Nelson letter to Menece Wilson, 1849.

⁵ Saline County Marriage Book B: 136, County Clerk's Office, Benton, Arkansas; FHL microfilm 1287320.

⁶ Elrod Lineage Charts provided by Christine White Terry.

⁷ Saline County Marriage Book B: 198, County Clerk's Office, Benton, Arkansas; FHL microfilm 1287320.

⁸ Obituary of Alonzo Dixon, *Daily Progress*, Jacksonville, Texas, 2 March 1932; copy in possession of the author.

⁹ Elrod Lineage Charts provided by Christine White Terry.

¹⁰ Saline County Marriage Book C: 15, County Clerk's Office, Benton, Arkansas; FHL microfilm 1287320.

Unfortunately, following these happy events was the occurrence of the first of many sad times to come. The third daughter of John and Catharine, Isabella Catharine Dickson, died on 22 June 1860.¹¹ She was sixteen years old.

The following year, things happened which changed this family forever. On 6 May 1861, Arkansas seceded from the Union. In August of that year, John and Catharine's oldest son William joined Company E of the Saline Guards for two months' service.¹² In early 1862 he re-enlisted in Company F, First Arkansas Infantry.¹³ Sometime in January or February of 1862, their youngest son, George N. Dickson, and their son-in-law, Thomas Jefferson Elrod, joined Company B of the 25th Arkansas Infantry.¹⁴ During this same time another of their sons-in-law, William Shepherd, joined Company A of the 11th Arkansas Infantry.¹⁵ William was the husband of their second daughter, Martha J. Dickson. On 30 June 1862, the remaining son of John and Catharine, James Monroe Dickson, joined Company D, Hawthorne's Regiment, Arkansas Infantry.¹⁶

Now John and Catharine Dickson had three sons and two sons-in-law serving in the war. No matter which side of this terrible war one was on,

¹¹ Dorris Reeves Barber (Mrs. W. Bernard Barber), *Saline County Cemeteries*, Provincia De La Sal Chapter NSDAR, 1986, 3: 20, Lee Cemetery, Isabella Catharine Dickson entry.

¹² William A. Dixon, compiled military service record (private, Co. I, Crawford's Company First (Fagan's) Arkansas Infantry) [this company subsequently became Co. E, First (Colquitt's) Arkansas Infantry]; Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, Arkansas, National Archives [hereafter NA] microfilm M317, roll 47.

¹³ William Dickson, compiled military service record (private, Company I, First (Colquitt's) Arkansas Infantry); Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, Arkansas, NA microfilm M317, roll 47.

¹⁴ George W. [sic] Dixon, compiled military service record (private, Company B, 25th Arkansas Infantry), and Thomas J. Elrod, compiled military service record (private, Company B, 25th Arkansas Infantry), Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, Arkansas, NA microfilm M317, roll 185.

¹⁵ W. S. Shepherd, compiled military service record (Company A, 11th Arkansas Infantry), Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, Arkansas, NA microfilm M317, roll 121.

¹⁶ J. M. Dickson, compiled military service record (private, Company D, Cocke's Regiment, Arkansas Infantry), Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, Arkansas, NA microfilm M317, roll 244; see also William P. Dixon, "Hard Lot: James M. Dickson's Struggle to Survive the Civil War," Appendix in Anne Dixon Bryant, *Dixon Family History: From North Carolina to Arkansas*, privately printed, 2006, 210-211; and Anthony C. Rushing, *Along the Road to Glory*, Saline County History and Heritage Society, 1985.

it is agreed that it was a very trying time for all involved. Not only were the soldiers suffering from disease, injury, hunger, and inclement weather, with many making the ultimate sacrifice, but their families were suffering with hardship and grief as well.

Letters from the sons and one son-in-law of John and Catharine have provided a glimpse of what it was like. William Dickson wrote about having had the measles.¹⁷ James Monroe Dickson wrote to say he had no good news to write about the war. He said he would send them all “a ballad about us poor conscripts and you will see what we have to do...”¹⁸

Both George Dickson and Thomas J. Elrod wrote about being on the steamer *Okaw Belle* when it sank on the White River on 10 March 1862.¹⁹ Four men in Company B of the 25th Arkansas drowned in that incident. George and Thomas were lucky to be survivors. Both also wrote about how much sickness there was in the camp. In a letter to his wife dated 8 March 1862, Thomas Elrod wrote:

O hon, I would like to see you all very bad but don't know when I will ever see you. Harriet Ann I want you to do the very best you can. I will know what I will do in a minute or two. Well the boat came and we could not get on it. I wish we could for our fare is pretty rough. We haven't got anything hardly to cook out of nor not mush to cook.

On 24 April 1862, Thomas Elrod wrote telling his wife he was not well and that the boat he had been on ran up on a sand bar and was stuck all night. Eventually they got off but he wrote:

The weather was very cold. I never slept hardly any and was scared so bad that I could not eat. It made one third of the men that was on here sick and one man died since we got off.

He went on to say that he was feeling bad and his fever was pretty high. He wrote more about the war in general and then he said:

¹⁷ Letter from William Dickson to Thomas and Harriett Elrod, 13 October 1861; copy in possession of the author.

¹⁸ Letter from James Monroe Dickson to Patrick and Jane Scott, his sister-in-law and her husband, dated 20 June 1863; copy in possession of the author.

¹⁹ www.Couchgenweb.com/civilwar/25thfs&co.htm accessed 21 February 2008.

Hon, I feel very bad now. If it is just the chill I won't have to go to the hospital but if it is measles I expect I will have to go there. It is so far home. There would not be any chance to come home I guess.

Then he told her he felt so bad that he could no longer write.

The most devastating part of the war was, of course, the loss of loved ones. John and Catharine had more than their share. William Dickson fought in the Battle of Shiloh, in the area known as the Hornet's Nest, and was killed at 4 p.m. on 6 April 1862.²⁰ Two weeks later, Thomas J. Elrod was hospitalized with measles and pneumonia. He finally succumbed to camp fever on 1 June 1862, in Panola, Mississippi.²¹ William Shepherd died as a prisoner of war at Camp Douglas, near Chicago, Illinois, on 5 July 1862.²² George Dickson died in Walker's Division Hospital at Shubuta, Mississippi. His service record gives 23 Nov 1863 as his death date, but the Family Bible records his death as 21 August 1863. It is not known for sure whether he died of injury or illness, but his unit, the 25th Arkansas, was engaged in battle at Jackson, Mississippi, in July of 1863.²³

Even when the son was not killed but taken prisoner instead, the family most surely suffered over the uncertainty of his fate. James Monroe Dickson was captured at the Battle of Helena on 4 July 1863. His wife wrote in her Bible, "The 4th day of July 1863 is long to be remembered by me. Oh what a sad day." He remained a prisoner of war until he was released on 7 March 1865.²⁴ Even after he was freed, life was hard. A dishonest official stole the money he was supposed to have received to pay for transportation after he was let off the boat at New Orleans. Since he had no money, walking was his only option. He walked to Texarkana but got a ride from there to Benton. He arrived home suffering from extreme fatigue and malnutrition, from which it took a full year to recover.²⁵

²⁰ Dixon, "Hard Lot", *Dixon Family History*, p. 210.

²¹ Letter from George Roots to George Elrod dated 1 June 1862; copy in possession of the author.

²² W. S. Shepherd, compiled military record (private, Company A, 11th Arkansas Infantry), NA microfilm 317, roll 121.

²³ Dixon Family Bible; Dixon, *Dixon Family History*, p. 210.

²⁴ Dixon, "Hard Lot", *Dixon Family History*, p. 225

²⁵ Margaret Dixon Anderson interview of her father, William Paisley Dixon, who was a son of James Monroe Dickson.

In the short time from 1860 to 1865, John and Catharine Dickson lost two sons, two sons-in-law, one daughter and one granddaughter. The first-born daughter of James Monroe Dickson and Margaret Amanda Nelson, Martha J., was born 3 March 1862, and the family records say she died at about age two or two and a half years, which would have been in 1864. John and Catharine also spent almost two years knowing their only remaining son, James Monroe Dickson, was in prison and worrying about his condition and whether or not he would survive.

John apparently struggled to keep his farm going without any help. The Saline County tax records from 1854 through 1860 show he had horses and cattle as well as acreage. In 1861 he was still taxed on land, but no horses or cattle were listed. In 1865 he once again had one horse and three cattle listed. By 1866 he was apparently in financial trouble because he borrowed money from several men and women in the Saline County area.²⁶

It is not known if the stress and grief endured during the war was a contributing factor or not, but with his dream of the good life in Arkansas gone, John Turner Dickson died on 18 October 1867 at the age of fifty-eight.

Catharine, however, managed to survive all the misery plus a lengthy and troublesome probate of John's property. She lived until 15 September 1892, dying at age eighty-four.

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#### DICKSON LINEAGE

Thomas Dickson was born in Ireland in 1761 and died 9 April 1826. He married Ann Turner on 30 May 1793, in Orange County, North Carolina.<sup>27</sup> Ann was born 4 December 1771 and died in 1851.<sup>28</sup> The children of Thomas and Ann were:<sup>29</sup>

Matty Dickson, born 27 January 1795

<sup>26</sup> Saline County Loose Probate Records, County Clerk's Office, Benton, Arkansas; Saline County Records, Rolls 68 and 69, Arkansas History Commission, Little Rock, Arkansas; these films are FHL microfilms 987512 and 987513; John T. Dickson's probate file spans the two films.

<sup>27</sup> Ann Dickson file, no. W3963, *Revolutionary War Pension Applications*; NA microfilm M805, roll 270; Ingmire, Frances T., *Orange County North Carolina Marriage Records 1782-1868*, Volume I: A-F, p. 45.

<sup>28</sup> Letter from Fay Hempstead to the Commissioner of Pensions, 22 September 1898, Ann Dickson Revolutionary War pension file.

<sup>29</sup> Pages from Thomas Dickson Family Bible, Ann Dickson Pension file.

Mary Dickson, born 24 December 1796  
Ann Dickson, born 23 January 1799  
James Dickson, born 4 March 1801 and died 29 May 1802  
Margaret (Peggy) Dickson, born 16 January 1803 and died after 1880<sup>30</sup>  
Hannah Dickson, born 1 April 1805  
Elizabeth (Betsey) Dickson, born 22 July 1807 and died after 1836<sup>31</sup>  
John Turner Dickson, born 13 September 1809 and died 18 October 1867  
Thomas Dickson, born 20 May 1813

John Turner Dickson, the son of Thomas Dickson and Ann Turner, was born 13 September 1809 in North Carolina and died 18 October 1867<sup>32</sup> in Arkansas. He married Catharine Allen on 7 February 1832 in Orange County, North Carolina. She was born 6 October 1808 and died 15 September 1892.<sup>33</sup> The children of John and Catharine were:<sup>34</sup>

William A. Dickson, born 2 December 1832 and died 6 April 1862  
James Monroe Dickson, born 4 January 1835 and died 13 January 1918  
Harriett Ann Dickson, born 4 February 1837 and died 21 July 1913  
George N. Dickson, born 15 December 1838 and died 21 August 1863  
Martha J. Dickson, born 8 March 1842 and died 7 December 1872  
Isabella Catharine Dickson, born 4 February 1844 and died 22 June 1860  
Margaret E. Dickson, born 4 December 1846 and died November 1913  
Sarah Frances Dickson, born 20 September 1851 and died 12 January 1938

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<sup>30</sup> Edwin R. Dixon household, 1880 U.S. Census, Alamance County, North Carolina, population schedule, Graham township, ED 6, p. 79C, dwelling and family 381; NA microfilm T9, roll 950. Ancestry.com has indexed Edwin's surname as Diken.

<sup>31</sup> Register of Orange County, North Carolina Deeds, arranged by date, North Carolina State Archives, Roll C.073, November 1836.

<sup>32</sup> John Dickson tombstone, Pine Grove Cemetery, Sweet Home, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

<sup>33</sup> *Ibid.*, Catharine Dickson tombstone.

<sup>34</sup> Dixon Family Bible, Family Record.

**CHARTER MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
OF RUSSELLVILLE, ARKANSAS  
29 JANUARY 1882**

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The following is a verbatim transcription of the record of the organizational meeting of the Christian Church of Russellville, Arkansas, on 29 January 1882. The original document is handwritten on ledger book pages and is in the files of the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 103 S. Boston Ave., Russellville, Arkansas 72801.

Elders S. R. Ezzell and G. W. Harkey, who participated in the meeting, were already preaching at several Christian churches in the area.<sup>1</sup> Harkey joined the new Russellville congregation during this meeting and is listed in the report as charter member number 5.

**The Christain [*sic*] Church**

Russellville, Ark.

Jany 29/82

The Brothers & Sisters met at the Masonic Hall on the 29 day of Jany At night 1882 To organize Christain [*sic*] Congregation, S. R. Ezzell being present. Where oppon Lot were Cast for Elders and Fell on J. M. Yancey and T. C. Yourk. Lot Were Then Cast for Deatons [*sic*] and Fell on J. L. Shinn and J. S. Church Who Were Duly Ordained by Elds S. R. Ezzell and G. W. Harkey and Received Lectures and admonisions Ever to Walk and act as Such. J. M. Harkey was Then apointed Secretary and Treasurer.

<sup>1</sup> Lester G. McAllister, *Arkansas Disciples: A History of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Arkansas* (Nashville, Tennessee: Disciples of Christ Historical Society, 1984), 43, 57.

## The Congregation Consists of The Following names

|                      |    |                      |    |
|----------------------|----|----------------------|----|
| J. M. Yancey, Elder  | 1  | Mrs Bessie Shinn     | 30 |
| T. C. Yourk, Elder   | 2  | Josiah H. Shinn      | 31 |
| J. L. Shinn, Deaton  | 3  | Mrs Minnie C. Shinn  | 32 |
| J. S. Church, Deaton | 4  | Miss Maggie Williams | 33 |
| G. W. Harkey         | 5  | Miss Mattie Quinn    | 34 |
| Mrs L. J. Yourk      | 6  | Mrs Mary J. Ewton    | 35 |
| Mrs Martha Shinn     | 7  | James H. Battenfeld  | 36 |
| Miss L. M. Church    | 8  | Mrs E. A. Battenfeld | 37 |
| Mrs M. A. Yancey     | 9  | Miss Dora Harkey     | 38 |
| T. H. Elgin          | 10 | " Lucy Harkey        | 39 |
| J. M. Harkey         | 11 | R. L. Harkey         | 40 |
| Mrs E. P. Harkey     | 12 | J. P. Ewton          | 41 |
| Miss Alice P. Harkey | 13 | J. J. Burton         | 42 |
| W. J. Maple          | 14 | Mary M. Alison       | 43 |
| Mrs Mariah Maple     | 15 | M. Scottie Harkey    | 44 |
| Mrs Fanny Wadsworth  | 16 | Stellie Yancey       | 45 |
| A. F. Church         | 17 | W. T. Yourk          | 46 |
| J. Willis Shinn      | 18 | C. F. Yourk          | 47 |
| Mrs Emmy Shinn       | 19 | J. W. Pruitt         | 48 |
| W. H. Allison        | 20 | Mrs M. M. Pruitt     | 49 |
| Mrs Martha Luker     | 21 | W. E. Pruitt         | 50 |
| Mrs Louise W. Cooper | 22 | Mrs M. Battenfeld    | 51 |
| Mrs Ginny Scott      | 23 | " N. A. McCalister   | 52 |
| J. M. Shinn          | 24 | " A. C. Jones        | 53 |
| Mrs Julia A. Shinn   | 25 | " E. F. Judd         | 54 |
| Miss Mary L. Shinn   | 26 | Jesse Vick           | 55 |
| Ed Shinn             | 27 | Rueben M. Harkey     | 56 |
| Charlie Shinn        | 28 | Mrs Hood             | 57 |
| James H. Shinn       | 29 |                      |    |

### Charter Members of the Christian Church of Russellville



JOHN M. (J. M.) AND MARGARET ANNA (M. A.) YANCEY



BESSIE SHINN



GEORGE W. (G. W.) HARKEY



**THE DREW COUNTY ADVANCE (WEEKLY)  
MONTICELLO, ARKANSAS  
NEWSPAPER OBITUARIES AND DEATH NOTICES  
5 JUNE 1894–26 DECEMBER 1899**

Part II

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This index includes obituaries, death notices, memorials, tributes, resolutions of respect, and anything concerning administration or guardianship of an estate printed in the weekly *Drew County Advance* printed on Tuesdays. The newspapers abstracted for this index are accessible on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission and State Archives in Little Rock. They are filed under Monticello newspapers, *Drew County Advance* Weekly, Rolls 1 & 2. Very few issues are missing from the microfilm.

*The Monticellonian* was the other weekly newspaper published in Monticello in the same time period. It may contain the death notice for your person of interest if you do not find it in the *Advance*.

Each entry begins with the name of the deceased, followed by the date, page, and column of the newspaper, plus date of death and any descriptive information provided in the article.

Martin, E. Wray, 5 January 1897, p. 2, col. 3; former editor of the Sunday *Truth* of Pine Bluff died at home in that city 29 Dec 1896

Lephiew, H. H., 12 January 1897, p. 3, col. 6; one of oldest citizens of Drew County died at his home in Baxter last week, age about 80

Trantham, Marion, 12 January 1897, p. 3, col. 6; killed by Mrs. Ennis' boy last Monday morning; lived several miles north of this city

Farish, R. S., 2 February 1897, p. 3, col. 4; Administrator's Sale, D. C. Burford, Administrator

Owens, Wycliffe, 2 February 1897, p. 3, col. 4; little son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Owens died 25 Jan 1897, buried in New Cemetery on 26<sup>th</sup>

Roper, H., 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, W. H. Roper, Administrator of H. Roper, deceased

- Cavaness, J. H., 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, S. J. Matthews, curator of J. H. Cavaness heirs
- Dearmon, D. F., 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, J. I. Dunlap, curator of D. F. Dearmon's heirs
- Steadman, G. D., 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, R. F. Hyatt & R. C. Knox, Administrators of G. D. Steadman, deceased
- Swift, Annie Mae, 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, R. F. Hyatt, curator of estate
- Tomlin, W. I., 9 February 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, L. W. Wilson, Administrator of W. I. Tomlin estate
- Wells, James Knox Polk, 23 February 1897, p. 3, col. 6; known as J. K. or Jim; died 16 February 1897; born 1844 in Tenn., moved to Ark. in 1853; fought with 1<sup>st</sup> Arkansas; buried New Cemetery last Wednesday with K. of P. honors; leaves wife, five children and granddaughter Thursa Cotham of this city
- Walker, Sallie, 9 March 1897, p. 3, col. 5 & 6; Notice: Chas. T. Duke, Administrator, to sell lands to pay debts
- Jones, Roy, 30 March 1897, p. 2, col. 7; son of John T. and Fannie L. Jones died at home 19 March 1897, age one year and one month
- Ragland, J. H., 30 March 1897, p. 2, col. 7; one of Drew County's oldest citizens of near Green Hill died last week
- Tardy, Lizzie A., 11 May 1897, p. 3, col. 4; daughter of Dr. W. F. and Martha A. Bessellieu of this city died of typhoid fever at Lockhart, Tex., 4 April 1897, age 37
- Wilson, Pat, 15 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6-7; killed at home at Tillar Saturday by wife with hammer when he tried to kill her
- Berryman, Ina, 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; In Memoriam: only child of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Berryman died 7 June 1897; born 26 September 1895; signed Grandma
- Duncan, S. T., 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: Mattie Duncan, administrator of estate of S. T. Duncan, deceased
- Evans, Tanor, 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: Chas. H. Harding, administrator of estate of Tanor Evans, deceased

- Ford, W. D., 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: W. T. Wells, administrator of estate of W. D. Ford, deceased
- Harper, Ed., 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: Book Harper, administrator of estate of Ed. Harper, deceased
- Prosper, Jordan, 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: T. F. Tillar, administrator of estate of Jordan Prosper, deceased
- Taylor, R. H., 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: J. G. Taylor, administrator of estate of R. H. Taylor, deceased
- Whiting, C. L. S., 22 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: F. A. Whiting, administrator of estate of C. L. S. Whiting, deceased
- Henry, W. L., 29 June 1897, p. 3, col. 6; Notice: Mrs. B. A. Henry, guardian of W. L. Henry heirs
- Breedlove, James, 29 June 1897, p. 3, col. 5; farm hand hanged himself in Mr. Eli Rogers' barn; son of Ransom Breedlove
- Abston, Mirl, 6 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: died 21 March 1897, age seven months; leaves father, mother, two little sisters and a brother
- Bennett, Mrs. R. C., 6 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: consort of R. C. Bennett died Wednesday; buried New Cemetery by Rev. O. E. Goddard Thursday; leaves husband, six children and several grandchildren
- Crook, Iva, 6 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Crook died 29 June 1897 of erysipelas
- Haynes, Mrs. J. L., 6 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4-5; born December 1840 in Tippah County, Miss.; moved to Tenn. at early age; moved to Ark. December 1858; married J. L. Haynes 1860; leaves five sons and three daughters; three sons and husband predeceased her
- Hogue, Johnnie, 6 July 1897, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hogue died 23 June 1897 near Garnett; leaves father, mother, little sisters
- Beard, Dr. L. B., 10 August 1897, p. 3, col. 4; shot and killed by J. M. Muse at Yorktown near Star City last week

Beasley, Lee, 10 August 1897, p. 3, col. 5; alias Jim Smiley, wanted in Amite Co., Miss. for murdering Julie Jenkins in 1894, shot by Deputy Sheriff H. H. Peacock and son Jesse; died in Drew County jail yesterday

McQuabe, William, 10 August 1897, p. 3, col. 4; shot and killed by Paul Horton near Fordyce Friday

Lockhart, Oscar, 17 August 1897, p. 2, col. 3; son of Dr. G. N. Lockhart of Morrell murdered by Deputy Sheriff Merriweather 11 August

Bennett, Pat, 24 August 1897, p. 2, col. 3; youngest son of late William Bennet found dead 11 August at Columbia, La.; body sent here; funeral from R. C. Bennett home Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>; burial at Rough and Ready Cemetery; leaves mother, sister, several brothers

Hall, Etta, 24 August 1897, p. 3, col. 4; wife of Mr. A. B. Hall and eldest daughter of Capt. C. L. Burks died 16 August 1897 of congestion; services at residence of Rev. S. C. Alexander; buried New Cemetery on Tuesday

Williams, Ed., 24 August 1897, p. 2, col. 5; rapist killed three miles west of Baxter by sheriff and party

Jones, Maj. A. C., 31 August 1897, p. 2, col. 4; Resolutions of Respect passed by the Warren Bar

Williams, Ed., 31 August 1897, p. 4, col. 1; killed at Baxter by officers last Sunday

Harrison, Pamela Martha, 7 September 1897, p. 2, col. 4; wife of Judge Wm. M. Harrison died at home in Pine Bluff; born 15 June 1830 to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Fairchild at Hines Co., Miss.; married 19 November 1848; moved to Pine Bluff from Monticello in 1868; leaves husband, children John O. of Fayetteville, Wm. M. Jr. of Ind. Terr., Mrs. C. H. Owens of this city, Berry C. of Washington, James of this city; Charles died as infant; Mrs. Lizzie Knox wife of S. Y. T. Knox died 1878; copied from Pine Bluff Commercial

Hughes, Jerre M., 7 September 1897, p. 2, col. 5; foremost farmer and citizen crushed to death by timber; born in Murry [*sic*] Co., Tenn.; married Joanna Hankins 21 December 1882; leaves wife, two sons, three daughters; buried Wells burying ground four miles west of Monticello, Rev. O. E. Goddard officiating

- Bennett, 12 October 1897, p. 3, col. 4; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bennett died at Argenta; buried in Rogers Burying Ground at Rough and Ready near this city
- Cotham, Jack, 12 October 1897, p. 3, col. 3; infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cotham died 8 October 1897; buried in New Cemetery Saturday morning by Rev. O. E. Goddard
- Prewitt, Thad., 26 October 1897, p. 2, col. 5; old time friend and schoolmate died at Hickory Valley, Tenn.
- Gates, Darthula, 2 November 1897, p. 3, col. 4; eldest daughter of Mrs. Laura Gates died at Tillar 26 October 1897; buried at Selma on 27<sup>th</sup>; service by Rev. O. E. Goddard of this city
- Knox, Dorothy, 2 November 1897, p. 3, col. 4; little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. C. Knox of this city died of flux Sunday; buried in New Cemetery Sunday afternoon by Rev. O. E. Goddard of M. E. Church
- Sain, Loraine, 2 November 1897, p. 3, col. 4; died 29 October 1897 of swamp fever at Wilmar; aged about twenty years; remains shipped to Winchester Saturday for burial
- Burks, Charles G., 9 November 1897, p. 2, col. 5; died 1 November 1897; buried New Cemetery on Tuesday with K. of P. honors; leaves wife, children, father and other relatives
- Gates, Darthula, 9 November 1897, p. 2, col. 4; died 29 October 1897, age 21; Tribute signed D. C. Carroll, Tillar, Ark., 1 Nov. '97
- Knox, Dorothy, 9 November 1897, p. 2, col. 4; died 31 October 1897; 1 y, 5 mos., 12 days; daughter of J. C. & Effie Knox; by Grandma
- Harris, Richard, 23 November 1897, p. 3, col. 4; died 18 November 1897; Negro brakeman on the St. L., I. M. & S. killed at Winchester while coupling cars
- Wright, Miss Jeanette, 30 November 1897, p. 3, col. 4; died 27 November 1897 in Pine Bluff; born 14 September 1867; leaves father, mother, sister Mabel; buried New Cemetery Sunday
- Allen, Claude, 7 December 1897, p. 3, col. 4; only son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Allen died 1 December 1897; buried in New Cemetery

same day by Rev. S. C. Alexander of Presbyterian church; leaves father, mother, wife

Allen, Albert Jr., 14 December 1897, p. 3, col. 4; died 3 December 1897 of swamp fever, age about 20; brother of Prof. John Allen of Wilmar; was a student at Drew Normal institute

Wright, Jeannette, 14 December 1897, p. 2, col. 4; died 27 November 1897; Resolutions of Condolence: Monticello Home Forum Lodge; signed Miss Blanche Matthews, Mrs. C. A. Welsh, Mrs. A. M. Bell

Owens, Walter C., 14 December 1897, p. 2, col. 4; died Wednesday ` December 1897 at Kansas City; many years resident of Pine Bluff; Assistant manager of Ashland Hotel, KC; age 44; eldest of five children of who four now survive; copied from Pine Bluff *Press Eagle*; *Advance* added: native of this city, large number of relatives in this county

Penix, John W., 28 December 1897, p. 3, col. 5; Notice, Estate of John W. Penix; C. G. Davis, Administrator

Harris, John, 4 January 1898, p. 2, col. 4; shot from ambush and killed in December near Selma

Jones, Bob, 4 January 1898, p. 2, col. 4; killed at Collins last week by deputy sheriffs Henry Childress and Louis Messenger

Killian, Henry E., 4 January 1898, p. 3, col. 5; died 17 December 1897 at Parkdale of malarial rheumatism; buried there

Merriweather, Jim, 4 January 1898, p. 2, col. 4; shot and killed 19 December 1897 at Parkdale by deputy sheriff Frank Barnes; he was the murderer of Oscar Lockhart at Morrell in August 1897

Sowers, Mrs. John T., 4 January 1898, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Oslin died at parents' residence last Friday, 29 December 1897; of Terrell, Tex.; here for parents' 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary; buried at Handley Burial Grounds

Dollahite, Marcella G., 25 January 1898, p. 2, col. 3; died 20 December 1897, age 67; born 11 October 1830 in No. Car.; married C. C. Dollahite 19 September 1851; moved to Paris, Tenn. 1855 and to Dumas, Ark. 1871; member of M. E. Church, South; nine children, seven survive: Mesdames W. W. and M. W. Quilling, Pendleton,

- Ark.; Mrs. Dr. Bowles, Miss Sallie and James Dollahite, Dumas; J. H. Dollahite, Winchester, Ark.; Mrs. John Ahrens of this city
- Isom, Mrs. W. H., 25 January 1898, p. 2, col. 7; died 20 January 1898 at home near Selma; wife of Capt. W. H. Isom
- Austin, R. G. S., 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 4; died 31 January 1898 at Pine Bluff; formerly of Drew County; leaves wife and two sons
- Boyd, C. M., 8 February 1898, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: E. E. Boyd, Administratrix of C. M. Boyd estate
- Cavaness, J. H., 8 February 1898, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: S. J. Mathews, curator of J. H. Cavaness heirs
- Daniels, Robert, 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 4; died 2 February 1898 at home near Wilmar; buried at Andrews Chapel on the third
- Davis, G. C., 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 4; Drew County planter died 31 January 1898 at Allis of congestion; member of Murry and Davis mercantile firm at Allis
- Howell, Capt. W. C., 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 4; died 4 February 1898 at Tyler, Tex; had lived in Monticello in the fifties; moved to Pine Bluff 25 years ago; buried Pine Bluff Sunday
- Ragland, J. T., 8 February 1898, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: O. P. Bond, Administrator of J. T. Ragland estate
- Roane, Dr. James W., 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 3-4; from Covington, Tenn. *Leader Press*: eldest son of late Dr. T. W. Roane and Mary Roane died 18 January 1898 at home of mother near Mountcarmel, buried at Clopton; late of Wilmar; had Bright's disease; leaves wife and child
- Steadman, G. D., 8 February 1898, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: R. F. Hyatt, Administrator of G. D. Steadman estate
- Stokes, Wm. Riley, 8 February 1898, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: from *Mer Rouge Democrat*; born at Henry County, Ala.; son of J. J. Stokes; reared in Drew County; married M. E. Hughes, daughter of G. W. Hughes, 12 April 1868 at French Camp, Miss.; died at home near Mer Rouge, La.; leaves wife and seven children; signed J. B. Stokes

- Boyd, C. M., 15 February 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: E. E. Boyd, administratrix of C. M. Boyd estate, settlement filed
- Cavaness, J. H., 15 February 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: S. J. Mathews, curator of J. H. Cavaness heirs, settlement filed
- Ragland, J. T., 15 February 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: O. P. Bond, administrator of J. T. Ragland estate, settlement filed
- Steadman, G. D., 15 February 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: R. F. Hyatt, administrator of G. D. Steadman estate, settlement filed
- Manees, James W., 8 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; age 72, oldest mason in county died of heart disease 1 March 1898 at home of son J. R. Manees two miles west of city; born 1825
- McLaren, Claude, 8 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; oldest son of Mrs. J. E. McLaren of this city died 2 March 1898 at Waco, Texas
- Bennett, Mrs. Fannie, 15 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died 7 March 1898 of typhoid pneumonia at Argenta; buried in family burying ground at Rough & Ready on the 9th
- Bluthenthal, Sol., 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died 11 March 1898 at Memphis; dry goods man in Monticello in the '80s
- Carter, M. V., 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: Z. T. Wood, administrator of M. V. Carter estate, settlement due
- Kendall, Ida, 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; daughter of Mr. R. E. and Mrs. S. C. Kendall of Drew Co. died 8 February 1898
- Tyler, H. W., 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: J. C. Knox, administrator of H. W. Tyler estate, settlement due
- Walker, Sally, 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. T. Duke, administrator of Sally Walker estate
- Wells, Rebecca A., 22 March 1898, p. 3, col. 4; wife of R. D. Wells died on Sunday morning; buried in New Cemetery Monday following service by Rev. S. C. Alexander at Presbyterian Church; leaves husband and children
- Cobb, Jordan, 5 April 1898, p. 3, col. 3; shot and killed by Tom Wilson at Parkdale last week



- Fort, Elias W., 5 April 1898, p. 4, col. 4; prominent planter and stock raiser of Drew county died suddenly of heart disease
- Johnson, Armstead, 5 April 1898, p. 3, col. 3; killed at Phillips' mill near Morrell by John Gillam
- Lacy, Mrs. A. E., 5 April 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died at Arkansas City last week
- Murphy, 5 April 1898, p. 3, col. 3; Irish peddler named Murphy was murdered in North Louisiana last week
- Gear, Judge F. M., 12 April 1898, p. 2, col. 2; candidate for Attorney General died last Thursday at Russellville
- Davis, Mollie E., 19 April 1898, p. 3, col. 3; wife of J. W. Davis, editor of the Arkansas City *New Enterprise*, died 11 April 1898 at Arkansas City
- Hart, Erastus, 24 May 1898, p. 3, col. 4; son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hart of Hudspeth died 18 May 1898 at Hudspeth of swamp fever; interment in this city on the 19<sup>th</sup>
- Walters, Frank, 24 May 1898, p. 3, col. 3; ex-Confederate soldier and penman killed by train last week at Morrell
- Hyatt, Floyd William, 7 June 1898, p. 3, col. 4; eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. D. T. Hyatt died 6 June 1898 in this city; laid to rest in family cemetery just north of city this morning
- Wells, Barbara, 15 June 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died last Thursday aged in her 70s; buried in New Cemetery Friday; leaves one son and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren
- Cloud, Ella, 21 June 1898, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of W. W. and F. E. Cloud, age 6, died 17 June 1898 at Coleman; parents, five sisters, two brothers survive; one brother and one sister predeceased her
- Gabbert, Melba Kathleen, 21 June 1898, p. 3, col. 5; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Gabbert died 20 June 1898 at 13 months; buried New Cemetery
- Johnson, Lee, 21 June 1898, p. 2, col. 4; fireman on train killed by train robbers at Coleman, Tex. last Thursday; son of Mrs. Edna Johnson; nephew of Mrs. E. E. Boyd, Mrs. George M. Erwin; buried at Temple city cemetery; copied from *Temple Tribune*

- Turner, Walter, 21 June 1898, p. 3, col. 3; son of J. C. Turner drowned in the Ouachita river near El Dorado; once worked at Dermott
- Gabbert, Melba Kathleen, 5 July 1898, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Gabbert, age 13 months, died 20 June 1898
- Hyatt, Floyd Wilson, 5 July 1898, p. 3, col. 5; died 5 June 1898, age 22; Resolutions of the Monticello Baptist Sunday School
- Lambert, Mrs. C. V., 12 July 1898, p. 3, col. 3; died Wednesday morning, age 74; buried in the new cemetery Thursday; leaves five sons, two daughters, and grandchildren
- Scott, Judge Robert T., 12 July 1898, p. 3, col. 3; died last Sunday; born 1828 in Huntersville, Ala.; moved to Forrest City 25 years ago; leaves wife and son Frank H. Scott of Monticello; Methodist
- Shelton, Nancy J., 12 July 1898, p. 3, col. 3; wife of Joseph Shelton died Thursday morning; buried in New Cemetery Thursday afternoon; leaves aged husband and children
- Walker, Jim, 12 July 1898, p. 3, col. 5; died Sunday morning at depot
- Gladden, Pertie, 26 July 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died at her home near Camden; had attended school here last year
- Grisson-Wells, Rebeckah A., 26 July 1898, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam; died 20 March 1898; born 12 March 1864 in Tunica co., Miss.; came to Selma, Drew co. in 1867; married R. D. Wells 6 December 1892; lived in Cal. 1885; sons Bellfield and Travis, daughter Cora
- Johnson, Alex, 26 July 1898, p. 2, col. 3; died 21 July 1898; shot by mob at Monticello jail
- Redd, Jim, 26 July 1898, p. 2, col. 3; died 24 July 1898; shot by mob at Monticello jail
- Penick, John W., 9 August 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Administrator's Sale: J. H. Hammock, Administrator; lands in S9, T12S, R8W
- Bennett, Frank, 16 August 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died 8 August 1898; buried at Rough and Ready Cemetery on the 9th; leaves wife, son, daughter

- Dicken, Charles Henry, 16 August 1898, p. 3, col. 4; little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dicken died 9 August 1898 at Fountain Hill; buried in New Cemetery on 10<sup>th</sup>
- Donaldson, Jas. F., 23 August 1898, p. 3, col. 5; prominent merchant died at Collins last week from Bright's disease
- Miles, Mr. Dallas, 23 August 1898, p. 3, col. 3; died 14 August 1898 in Drew Co., buried in Old Pine Cemetery on the 15<sup>th</sup>
- Biggs, Jimmie, 30 August 1898, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam: son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Biggs died 16 August 1898; born June 1897
- Dishongh, Merle, 6 September 1898, p. 2, col. 2; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dishongh of Tillar died 26 August 1898; buried at Selma Cemetery on 27<sup>th</sup>
- Manees, Mrs. Z. H., 6 September 1898, p. 2, col. 2; former resident died 22 August 1898 in Memphis at home of daughter Mrs. Hafer
- Dishongh, Myrri, 13 September 1898, p. 3, col. 4; In Memoriam: daughter of J. B. and Anna Dishongh of Selma born 13 Jul 1896, died 26 August 1898
- Trice, Wallace, 20 September 1898, p. 3, col. 4; son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Trice of Collins
- Cotham, E. R., 27 September 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died Saturday and buried New Cemetery Sunday morning
- Cornish, Nora, 4 October 1898, p. 2, col. 3; wife of Ed Cornish and newborn infant died at Little Rock; daughter of Elbert Lambert of Dermott; leaves two-year-old daughter; Presbyterian
- Cornish, Ruth, 4 October 1898, p. 2, col. 3; age 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cornish
- Trice, Wallace, 4 October 1898, p. 3, col. 5-6; Tribute to the Memory of Little Wallace Trice
- Bassett, J. C., 11 October 1898, p. 3, col. 3; died 29 September 1898 at his home near Plantersville
- Henry, F. W., 11 October 1898, p. 3, col. 5; of near Tillar; assassinated by John English

- Spain, C. W., 11 October 1898, p. 3, col. 4; an old resident of this place died on Monday night of last week at his home near the depot; leaves a large family
- Spencer, James Vance, 11 October 1898, p. 3, col. 3; little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Spencer died 3 October 1898 of tonsillitis; buried in the New Cemetery on the 4<sup>th</sup>
- Manees, James W., 18 October 1898, p. 2, col. 5; In Memoriam: died 1 March 1898 at son James' house; born 16 December 1825 in Rutherford co., Tenn.; married 9 April 1850 to Julia T. Shore; came to Ark. 1854, settled two miles west of Monticello; veteran of Mexican and Civil Wars; had twelve children, seven survive
- Peacock, Mrs. H. H., 18 October 1898, p. 3, col. 5; died 5 October 1898 at Florence
- Peacock, infant, 18 October 1898, p. 3, col. 5; son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Peacock of Florence born and died 5 October 1898, one of twins
- Bassett, J. C., 25 October 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died 30 September 1898; tribute of Respect from Sunday School
- Williams, 1 November 1898, p. 3, col. 4; cut to death last Wednesday by Bob Christmas
- Cotham, E. R., 1 November 1898, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam by K. of H. of Monticello Lodge No. 1290
- Cotham, Howard, 1 November 1898, p. 3, col. 2; little son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cotham who live four miles south of city died 25 October 1898
- Green, 1 November 1898, p. 3, col. 3; William Oliver, sent up for killing a man named Green at Troy, was pardoned last week
- Cotham, E. R., 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 4; Memorial Resolutions by Council of Monticello
- Harris, A. E., 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: E. R. Cotham, executor of A. E. Harris estate, filed settlement
- Henry, F. W., 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam by Tillar Lodge No. 3215 Knights of Honor

- Herrod, J. M., 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 3; farmer, former resident of city, died 2 November 1898, age about 58; leaves wife and several children
- House, J. W., 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 3; one of county's oldest settlers died 5 November 1898 of swamp fever, age about 70
- Lee, Pink, 8 November 1898, p. 3, col. 5; Warning Order: Pink Willis Lee and Robert Lee, heirs of Pink Lee, warned to appear
- Houge, Vera, 15 November 1898, p. 3, col. 3; In Memoriam: daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Houge died 7 October 1898; "...in a better world with little brother Willie"
- Thompson, Harriett R., 15 November 1898, p. 2, col. 4; widow of Hon. Wood E. Thompson died Thursday in Little Rock at home of daughter Mrs. Carroll D. Wood; buried Monticello; leaves six sons and another daughter: Roy L., Claude C., Guy, Rev. French, Earl, Fay, and Miss Ione
- Wells, Sarah Gilbert, 22 November 1898, p. 2, col. 4; died 16 November 1898, age 79; born 7 November 1819; married Robert Wells 8 February 1844; leaves husband and several children; buried Green Hill cemetery Thursday
- Moore, Dr. B. F., 29 November 1898, p. 3, col. 4; died 18 November 1898 at Morrell
- Wells, Sarah G., 29 November 1898, p. 2, col. 3; died 16 November 1898 at home in Monticello, age 79; buried Greenhill cemetery; born 7 November 1819 at Washington, Wilkes co., Ga.; moved to Troup and then Meriwether co. where she married Robert Wells near Greenville 8 February 1844; had five children, three survive: R. T. Wells, Virginia F. White, and Georganne E. Wilson
- McQuiston, Helen Ruth, 6 December 1898, p. 3, col. 4; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McQuiston died 1 December 1898
- Berryman, Warden, 13 December 1898, p. 2, col. 3; died last Monday at home near Green Hill; brother Cleveland and sister Lelia
- Berryman, 13 December 1898, p. 3, col. 5; accidentally shot on the 5<sup>th</sup> by his brother Robert

- Rogers, Mrs. E. J., 20 December 1898, p. 3, col. 5; died 14 December 1898, buried at Rough and Ready Cemetery on the 15<sup>th</sup>
- Loper, Dr. F. M., 17 January 1899, p. 2, col. 3; former resident of this city died at his home in Pine Bluff last Wednesday of meningitis; remains brought to Monticello for burial by K. of P.
- Hoover, Mr. E., 31 January 1899, p. 3, col. 5; died 27 January 1899 at Arkansas City; came from Germany; buried in Jewish Cemetery in Pine Bluff on the 29<sup>th</sup>; son and daughter survive
- Miles, Dallas, 14 February 1899, p. 3, col. 6; Executors' Sale: by Lambert & Wood
- Massey, J. B., 21 February 1899, p. 3, col. 3; known as Josh, died 17 February 1899 at home near Barkada; buried at Andrews Chapel the 19<sup>th</sup>
- Rankin, Mettie E., 28 February 1899, p. 3, col. 3; wife of N. B. Rankin died Saturday night, age 48; buried in Rough & Ready cemetery Sunday
- Killian, Margaret A., 7 March 1899, p. 3, col. 4; age 64, died at home of daughter Mrs. W. R. Pope on Saturday night; buried in family cemetery at Lacey; mother of 16; eight living children: Mrs. W. R. Pope; Mrs. Bethune, Mrs. Curtis, and James H. of Snyder; Mrs. A. C. Wilfong and Mrs. E. L. Jones of Crandall, Tex.; George W. and D. Curtis of Parkdale
- Binns, Henry, 11 April 1899, p. 2, col. 4; shot at dance by Dixon Trotter on Friday, died Saturday
- Crook, Tilden, 11 April 1899, p. 2, col. 4; son of Mr. John Crook died 5 April 1899 at Arkansas City; buried at Scrouge Out on 6<sup>th</sup>
- Harris, Will, 11 April 1899, p. 3, col. 3; died Saturday; of Scipio; buried at Scrouge Out Sunday
- Carter, M. V., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: Z. T. Wood, administrator
- Daniels, R. H., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: Mrs. S. C. Daniels, administratrix of estate
- Davis, C. G., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: Mrs. M. A. Davis, administratrix of estate of C. G. Davis, dec'd

- Davis, Willis, 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: L. B. Brooks, administrator of estate of Willis Davis, dec'd
- Farrish, Sarah J., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. L. Pickens, administrator of estate of Sarah J. Farrish, dec'd
- Gammell, Chas., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: Fulton Chambers, curator of estate of Chas. Gammell, dec'd
- Haynes, Mrs. M. H., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: D. M. Hardy, administrator of estate of Mrs. M. H. Haynes, dec'd
- Lee, Enoch C., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; Notice: J. G. Williamson, curator of estate of Enoch C. Lee, dec'd
- Lillard, Marion, 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 4; L. E. York, curator of estate of Marion Lillard, dec'd
- Prosper, Jordan, 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: T. F. Tillar, administrator of estate of Jordan Prosper, dec'd
- Tomlin, W. L., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: L. W. Wilson, administrator of estate of W. L. Tomlin, dec'd
- Tyler, H. W., 18 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: J. C. Knox, administrator of estate of H. W. Tyler, dec'd
- Reep, Rachel, 25 April 1899, p. 3, col. 5; age 81, died 22 March 1899 at her daughter's home two miles north of Plantersville, Drew co.; born 17 February 1818 Fairfield co., So. Car.; married Jonas Reep 28 July 1836; joined Presbyterian Church in Chester co., So. Car.; family moved to Drew co. in 1859; leaves six sons and two daughters
- Carter, M. V., 2 May 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: Z. T. Wood, administrator of estate of M. V. Carter, dec'd, filed settlement
- Garner, Mrs. W. A., 2 May 1899, p. 2, col. 4; died 10 April 1899 at home at Stephens; taught for eight years at Rock Springs school
- Haynes, Mrs. M. H., 2 May 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: D. M. Hardy, administrator of estate of Mrs. M. H. Haynes, dec'd, filed settlement
- Morris, R. T., 2 May 1899, p. 3, col. 3; brother of Mrs. A. H. Dozier died at El Dorado

- Hall, Miss Elise, 16 May 1899, p. 2, col. 4; In Memoriam: died 17 April 1899, graduate of Hinemon University, teacher, eldest of three sisters
- Pollard, Mrs. W. A., 16 May 1899, p. 2, col. 4; wife of W. A. Pollard died Sunday night of brain paralysis; buried at Rough and Ready Cemetery on Monday
- Morris, Ruffin Tarver, 23 May 1899, p. 2, col. 4; died 19 April 1899 at home near El Dorado; born 1847 at Georgetown, Quitman co., Ga.; ex-Confederate soldier, lost arm at Richmond; went to Tex. after war, married, had daughter, wife died; went to So. Car., married Miss Laura Maxwell; moved to Union co., Ark.; leaves wife besides daughter Mrs. McCoy of Franklin, Tex.
- Bland, Richard Parks, 20 June 1899, p. 3, col. 3; died 15 June 1899 at his home near Lebanon, Mo.
- Biggs, H. C., 4 July 1899, p. 2, col. 3; age 84, respected citizen of Drew co. died Friday at his home ten miles southeast of this city
- Peoples, Brutus, 11 July 1899, p. 3, col. 3; substantial farmer killed by lightning 6 July 1899
- Smith, Squire, 11 July 1899, p. 3, col. 3; killed at Troy 5 July 1899 by McCormack who stabbed him 27 times with a knife
- Lowe, John D., 8 August 1899, p. 2, col. 4; Resolutions by the Woodmen of the World
- Ridgell, 8 August 1899, p. 3, col. 4; died 28 Jul 1899; age 7, accidentally killed by brother while playing with a loaded Winchester rifle six miles northeast of this city
- Wood, Zeph. J. Jr., 15 August 1899, p. 3, col. 3; second son of Judge and Mrs. Z. T. Wood died last Tuesday and was buried at New Cemetery same day
- Baker, "Uncle Billy," 22 August 1899, p. 3, col. 1; died at home of his daughter Mrs. Jno. Moore in this county, age 80
- Hall, J. R., 22 August 1899, p. 3, col. 4; died at home in this city 17 August 1899, buried in family lot in New Cemetery on Thursday; surviving children: Rev. John Hall in old Mexico, J. T. Hall this city, Mrs G. N. Hampton of Fordyce, Misses Maggie and Louie



Hall of this city, A. B. Hall of Morrell, William Hall of Arkadelphia, Mrs. J. F. Koonce this city, and B. A. Hall of Pine Bluff

Savage, Mr. P. K., 22 August 1899, p. 3, col. 1; died 16 August 1899; daughter Miss Mammie Savage of Portland

Welsh, Miss Ladelle, 29 August 1899, p. 3, col. 3; daughter of Mrs. C. A. Welsh and sister of Mr. J. D. Welsh died of consumption Saturday and was buried same day

Dicken, Mrs. J. J., 5 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; died Saturday of stroke, buried Sunday at New Cemetery; eldest daughter of Mrs. E. E. Boyd; leaves husband and two children

Roddy, Mrs. Fanny, 5 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; wife of W. D. Roddy of Portland died at home of swamp fever 28 August 1899 and was buried at New Cemetery in Monticello same day

Howell, T. P., 12 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; former resident of this county died Tuesday at Fordyce; Mason, buried at Odd Fellows; had mercantile establishment at Selma

Stanley, Dr. J. P., 12 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; father of Mrs. E. G. Styron of this city died 8 September 1899 at Pine Bluff; buried at Selma in Drew co. on 9<sup>th</sup>

Wells, Louise, 12 September 1899, p. 3, col. 4; baby daughter of Hon. and Mrs. H. W. Wells died 6 September 1899, interred New Cemetery on 7<sup>th</sup>

Patton, Miss Annie, 19 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; young

Ahrens, Maude, 26 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; age 14, died 20 September 1899, buried the 21<sup>st</sup> at New Cemetery

Dicken, Bessie Boyd, 26 September 1899, p. 3, col. 3; baby of J. J. Dicken died 23 September 1899 and was buried 24<sup>th</sup> at New Cemetery; mother recently died

Ahrens, Maude, 3 October 1899, p. 2, col. 3; Resolutions by M. E. Church Sunday School

Biggs, 3 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Biggs of Wilmar died Saturday

- Kennebrew, Shultz, 3 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; engineer on log train at Wilmar killed Tuesday by a falling log
- Neal, T. B., 3 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; merchant farmer of Lacy stabbed to death by aged farmer S. H. McElwee at Lacy Saturday
- Biggs, Blanche, 10 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; In Memoriam
- Bowles, Edgar, 10 October 1899, p. 2, col. 4; killed in duel at Reedville by nephew John J. Bowles Thursday
- Bowles, John J., 10 October 1899, p. 2, col. 4; killed at Reedville by uncle W. E. Bowles in duel Thursday
- Bulloch, Ruth, 10 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; In Memory: daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Bulloch died 28 August 1899 at home in Baxter, age seven years and six months
- Lowe, John D., 10 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; In Memory of ...by Philomathean Literary Society of Ouachita College
- Owens, Jane C., 17 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; wife of R. E. Owens died of typhoid fever at residence of son-in-law Mr. J. H. Colvert this morning; copied from Fordyce *Chronicle-Enterprise*
- Morris, Mrs. S. J., 24 October 1899, p. 3, col. 2; died 17 October 1899 at Wilmar of erysipelas; buried at New Cemetery on the 18<sup>th</sup>
- Pool, Gus, 24 October 1899, p. 3, col. 3; died at residence of J. H. Uptgrove on Friday; of Fountain Hill, Ashley co.; accidentally drank battery fluid
- Daniel, R. H., 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: Mrs. S. C. Daniel, administratrix of the estate of R. H. Daniel, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Farish, Sarah J., 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. L. Pickens, administrator of the estate of Sarah J. Farish, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Harris, A. E., 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. T. Harris & R. L. Hardy, executors of the estate of A. E. Harris, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court

- Penix, John W., 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: J. H. Hammock, administrator of the estate of J. W. Penix, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Rogers, E. Y. A., 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: Mrs. J. A. Rogers, administratrix of the estate of E. Y. A. Rogers, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Walker, Sally, 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. T. Duke, administrator of the estate of Sally Walker, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Williamson, Oscar, 31 October 1899, p. 3, col. 5; Notice: C. T. Harris, administrator of the estate of Oscar Williamson, dec'd, filed account for settlement at October term of Probate Court
- Hart, Arthur, 7 November 1899, p. 3, col. 2; eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hart died 2 November 1899 at Hudspeth; buried here at New Cemetery on Saturday
- Wells, Wallace B., 7 November 1899, p. 2, col. 4; brother of C. F. Wells died 2 November 1899 at home in Weatherford, Tex., age 43; leaves wife (nee Harcourt), and children Spencer and Lulu; reprinted from *Dermott Life*
- Jordan, Mrs. Jas., 28 November 1899, p. 3, col. 4; died 21 November 1899 at home of daughter Mrs. W. S. Jeter of Pine Bluff; buried here in New Cemetery
- Heflin, G. H., 5 December 1899, p. 3, col. 4; age 74; died of heart failure last Wednesday at home at Barkada; member of M. E. Church, South
- Connerly, J. C., 12 December 1899, p. 3, col. 3; prominent lawyer and planter of Lake Village shot and killed Saturday by A. D. Duncan, manager of Red Leaf Plantation

## WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, MANUMISSIONS<sup>1</sup>

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Know all men by these presents that I Littleberry E. Mason of Limestone County Alabama from motives of benevolence and humanity have manumitted and hereby do manumit and set free from slavery my negro woman Sally Fryer and her three female children Angelina Catherine and Frances Marion the said Sally being aged about twenty eight years and her children about eight years four years and eighteen months respectively and I do hereby give grant and release all her said children Angelina Catherine & Frances Marion unto the said Sally and her said children all my rights title and claim of in and to her person labor and service and of in and to the estate and property which she may hereafter acquire or obtain. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirty first day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty four

Witness present

The words “and her said children Angeline Catherine and Frances Marion being interlined before signing.

Edwin T. Atlee

Littleberry E Mason

Charles Gilpin

City of Philadelphia,

Personally appeared before me one of the Alderman of the city of Philadelphia Littleberry E Mason and acknowledged the within instrument to be his act and deed and desired the same might be Record as such. Witness my hand and seal this thirty first

Day of November 1835 J Barkham

Aldn

The foregoing instrument of writing was deposited in my office for record on the 27 inst with the words “and her said children Angeline

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<sup>1</sup> Washington County, Arkansas, Miscellaneous Record Book 1840-1879; Arkansas History Commission, Washington County Records, roll 68, also known as MFILM County Records 5461; Family History Library microfilm 1034270.

Catherine & Frances Marion and Littleberry E Mason interlined this 28 day of May 1841.

B H Pierson Clerk & Ex off

Received in the office for recording deeds etc for the City & county of Philadelphia in Miscellaneous Book A.M. No 2 page 337 etc  
Witness my hand and seal of office this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October A D 1835

A McCarahir Keel

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For and in consideration of the love and affection of my wife for my little negro girl (a slave) named Celia about two years of age I do by these presents henceforth and forever give to said Celia her liberty and freedom and in caution for the happiness and interest of the said Celia and through fear of some mistake mishap or accident I now hereby firmly bind myself heirs and representatives forever in accordance with this indenture of emancipation

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January AD 1846

Thomas B. Ballard *seal*  
Witness Charles J Baylor

State of Arkansas  
County of Washington

Be it remembered that on this day personally appeared before me clerk of the circuit court in and for the county aforesaid the above named Thos B Ballard and after being duly sworn acknowledged that he executed the foregoing indenture for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and set forth and the same to be his hand and seal

In testimony whereof I as clerk as aforesaid do hereby set my hand and office the seal of said court this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May AD 1846.

J C Pittman clerk

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Know all men by these presents that whereas my late husband in his life time, to wit, on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 1851 by a certain instrument in writing of the above date and which is duly filed and recorded in the Recorders office of the County of Washington in the State of Arkansas did provide and stipulate that if his servant Tom should serve his Mistress well during her life and pay his legal heirs the sum of four hundred dollars then the said Tom should be “freed and acquitted from the bonds of a servant by his compliance with the laws of the State of Arkansas” Now therefore I, Catherine MARRS widow of the late Isaac MARRS now deceased in consideration of the premises and also in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars to me in hand paid by the said negro boy Tom who was a slave for life and the property of my said husband, late deceased, do hereby forever manumit, emancipate and forever release all the right, title, interest and claim I have to the said Tom to his own use. The said Tom having faithfully served me and made full satisfaction for the service due me from him during his lifetime.

Given under my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1855,

her

Catherine x MARRS

mark

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Galvin M Kinney

Wm. H. MARRS

State of Arkansas

Washington County

Be it remembered that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November AD 1855 at the County aforesaid personally came and appeared the within named Catherine MARRS to me personally well known and the contents of the foregoing instrument being by me first duly read and explained to her she declared that she voluntarily executed and delivered the same for the uses purposes and consideration therein expressed and desired the same to be certified which I now accordingly do.

Given my hand as an acting and duly commissioned Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid this day and year above written

Sims Dearing J.P.

Filed & Recorded 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1855

T.R. Smith clerk &

ex officio Recorder

## HEMPSTEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS, VOTER LIST – 1868 MOSCO PRECINCT AND COLUMBUS PRECINCT

*Transcribed by Gloria Futrell*

In 1868 Hempstead County registered voters in eight precincts. The lists for two of those precincts are printed here. The source is the Register of Legal Voters of Hempstead County, State of Arkansas, 1868, in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Hope, Arkansas. The register is filmed on Family History Library microfilm 1007496.

These voter lists consist of two columns in which the registrant was to sign in the left column and the registrar wrote the name again to the right. Many of the registrants marked with an X and the registrar signed their name for them, and then wrote the name again in the other column. Others signed their own names, but there are often discrepancies between the signatures and what the registrar wrote to the right. In that case an attempt has been made to print the signature here. The persons registering to vote were affirming that, if they had taken the Oath of Allegiance to the Constitution of the United States during the Civil War, they did not afterward aid the Confederacy in any way. Some of Mosco precinct, or Missouri township, became part of Nevada County in 1871. Columbus precinct appears to correspond to Saline township, some of which went to Howard County in 1873.

### Mosco Precinct

| <b>September 10, 1868</b> |    |        |                  |    |        |
|---------------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|--------|
|                           |    |        |                  |    |        |
| George Williams           | 52 | Farmer | John Hamilton    | 38 | Farmer |
| James Glenn               | 34 | Farmer | Cimon Snell      | 50 | Farmer |
| Peter Glenn               | 25 | Farmer | Daniel Stroops   | 28 | Farmer |
| Frank Jones               | 37 | Farmer | Hampton Willey   | 25 | Farmer |
| Loyd Marryett             | 46 | Farmer | Eliza Draper     | 24 | Farmer |
| Gabe McKillion            | 37 | Farmer | Walker Phillips  | 30 | Farmer |
| Christian Willson         | 42 | Farmer | Scilus Primus    | 35 | Farmer |
| Scott Jones               | 61 | Farmer | Jake Black       | 25 | Farmer |
| Nelson Hanagan            | 56 | Farmer | Richard Phillips | 23 | Farmer |
| John Willson              | 60 | Farmer | Monro Vaughn     | 33 | Farmer |
| Isaac Glenn               | 23 | Farmer | Charls Wright    | 27 | Farmer |
| James Primus              | 43 | Farmer | Parker Simmons   | 70 | Farmer |
| John Willson              | 24 | Farmer | Ruben Webb       | 23 | Farmer |
| Berry Smith               | 33 | Farmer | Thomas Johnson   | 31 | Farmer |
|                           |    |        | William Angden   | 25 | Farmer |
|                           |    |        | John Johnson     | 36 | Farmer |

|                   |    |        |
|-------------------|----|--------|
| Wiley Gill        | 51 | Farmer |
| Billey Taylor     | 55 | Farmer |
| Henry Johnson     | 42 | Farmer |
| A. E. McGuire     | 27 | Farmer |
| Edmon Vaughn      | 33 | Farmer |
| Moses Thomas      | 25 | Farmer |
| Gad Arnol         | 24 | Farmer |
| Jack Gipson       | 51 | Farmer |
| Antney Bell       | 23 | Farmer |
| Monro Lacefield   | 26 | Farmer |
| Jeremiah Pittman  | 36 | Farmer |
| James R. Pollock  | 22 | Farmer |
| G. W. McCain      | 40 | Farmer |
| Leonard Wilson    | 43 | Farmer |
| R. O. Pollock     | 53 | Farmer |
| William Taylor    | 27 | Farmer |
| James R Norton    | 45 | Farmer |
| Sam Johnson       | 22 | Farmer |
| L. B. Clark       | 28 | Farmer |
| Crofford Andrews  | 45 | Farmer |
| Joshaway Huse     | 22 | Farmer |
| George Blanchit   | 40 | Farmer |
| Milton Cravens    | 29 | Farmer |
| B. D. Hicks       | 37 | Farmer |
| Burrell Jones     | 62 | Farmer |
| John D. Stone     | 23 | Farmer |
| Carroll W. Stone  | 33 | Farmer |
| K. T. Wilson      | 38 | Farmer |
| J. T. Stewart     | 22 | Farmer |
| Jim Scott         | 36 | Farmer |
| George Smith      | 23 | Farmer |
| Henry Williams    | 24 | Farmer |
| Asberry Warren    | 29 | Farmer |
| Thomas Vaughn     | 23 | Farmer |
| W. A. Snell       | 21 | Farmer |
| Thomas R. Burns   | 40 | Farmer |
| Lewis Borden      | 41 | Farmer |
| James Bate        | 43 | Farmer |
| Samuel Roe        | 73 | Farmer |
| Thomas B. Carlton | 55 | Farmer |
| H. C. Carlton     | 22 | Farmer |
| L. M. Richardson  | 41 | Farmer |
| John Billingsley  | 55 | Farmer |
| F. M. Price       | 30 | Farmer |
| Jno. W. Thompson  | 45 | Farmer |

**October 15, 1868**

|                  |    |           |
|------------------|----|-----------|
| David Brister    | 56 | Farmer    |
| Howell McCollum  | 50 | Farmer    |
| Robert Formby    | 22 | Farmer    |
| Henry Black      | 41 | Farmer    |
| John Henry       | 29 | Farmer    |
| Hawkins          |    |           |
| Joseph Jas Pagan | 47 | Farmer    |
| F. C. Tribbe     | 38 | Farmer    |
| T. R. Livingston | 41 | Farmer    |
| P. G. Dewoody    | 35 | Farmer    |
| J. J. Mayes      | 48 | Farmer    |
| W. H. Baird      | 38 | Farmer    |
| Jno S. Ward      | 66 | Farmer    |
| Robert Sanders   | 49 | Carpenter |
| John Dewoody     | 30 | Farmer    |
| F. M. McGlamery  | 47 | Farmer    |
| J. H. Murphy     | 47 | Mechanic  |
| T. W. Anderson   | 44 | Farmer    |

**October 16, 1868**

|                   |    |           |
|-------------------|----|-----------|
| Cimon Emerson     | 23 | Farmer    |
| W. G. Billingsley | 46 | Farmer    |
| Robert Gleghorn   | 54 | Farmer    |
| W. E. Arnold      | 28 | Physician |
| R. N. Crank       | 26 | Farmer    |
| Wm Callaway       | 23 | Farmer    |
| Jessie Newton     | 36 | Farmer    |

**October 17, 1868**

|                     |    |         |
|---------------------|----|---------|
| Carroll Williams    | 23 | Farmer  |
| Therodor Warren     | 24 | Farmer  |
| Linza Stamps        | 35 | Farmer  |
| Jacob Gillmore      | 35 | Farmer  |
| Charles Hill        | 26 | Farmer  |
| Wallis Johnson      | 21 | Farmer  |
| Dandridge Reed      | 25 | Farmer  |
| John Green          | 56 | Farmer  |
| John C. Billingsley | 52 | Farmer  |
| James M. Yancy      | 52 | Teacher |
| James Tompson       | 56 | Farmer  |
| J. H. Compton       | 23 | Farmer  |
| James S. Howard     | 42 | Farmer  |
| Mark Morrow         | 50 | Farmer  |



J. H. Jones 21 Farmer  
 W. V. Howard 28 Farmer  
 Dick Kent 34 Farmer  
 Sampson Williams 24 Farmer  
 A. D. Wren 26 Farmer  
 James C. Smith 23 Farmer  
 E. A. Riddels 35 Farmer  
 J. W. Vickers 38 Miller  
 M. C. Hatfield 44 Farmer  
 R. W. Raiford 24 Farmer  
 James H. Peyton 43 Farmer

Jonathan Black 62 Farmer  
 A. B. McCollum 50 Farmer  
 Daniel Tyree 24 Farmer  
 J. B. Tyree 24 Farmer  
 J. J. Tyree 32 Farmer  
 J. H. Ward 34 Farmer  
 Henry McKilliam 40 Farmer  
 Frances M. McCain 21 Farmer  
 Alfred Eaves 54 Mechanic

**October 21, 1868**

**October 20, 1868**

James J. Vickers Jr. 36 Farmer  
 F. E. Goodwyn 45 Farmer  
 James J. Vickers Sr. 62 Farmer  
 J. Timberlake 34 Farmer  
 D. C. Tyree 41 Farmer  
 A. B. Nelson 52 Farmer  
 T. J. Nelson 21 Farmer  
 G. W. Price 31 Farmer  
 William Burlison 21 Farmer  
 D. A. Moncrief 32 Farmer  
 William Alexander 25 Farmer  
 J. A. Stevenson 33 Farmer  
 Henry T. Vaughn 25 Farmer  
 Stephen Green 24 Farmer  
 Bosom Warren 22 Farmer  
 W. A. Moreland 36 Farmer

Stephen Arnold 68 Farmer  
 H. D. Warren 30 Farmer  
 John Vaughn 55 Farmer  
 A. W. Carson 34 Farmer  
 T. W. Williams 21 Farmer  
 Sam Cowhorn 35 Farmer  
 Jno. H. Arnold 37 Farmer  
 J. J. Anderson 30 Farmer  
 Isaac Anderson 55 Farmer  
 B. O. Ames 23 Farmer  
 R. W. Boyce 33 Farmer  
 M. R. Bass 45 Physician

Note: this last section for Mosco, dated 21 October, is separated from the rest of the list and follows Washington Precinct at the end of item 1 on the film.

**Columbus Precinct**

**September 21, 1868**

J. L. Stuart 29 Merchant  
 R. W. Walker 24 Farmer  
 S. S. Neal 35 Farmer  
 J. H. Johnson 23 Merchant  
 E. C. Stuart 43 Farmer  
 E. D. Williams 32 Farmer  
 P. R. Booker 55 Physician  
 J. D. Caldwell 50 Farmer  
 M. J. Turrentine 38 Farmer  
 J. E. Johnson 21 Farmer

N. D. Caldwell 28 Farmer  
 John Landers 55 Farmer  
 W. O. Bradley 41 Farmer  
 W. T. H. Williams 55 Farmer  
 W. A. Landers 23 Farmer  
 R. M. Wilson 52 Farmer  
 Finis Reed 57 Farmer  
 W. P. Stewart 28 Farmer  
 J. O. Williams 57 Farmer  
 Gadsen Michael 35 Farmer  
 George Johnson 45 Farmer  
 J. S. Cowling 60 Farmer



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|------------------|----|--------|
| Monro Furguson   | 21 | Farmer |
| Moses Cheatham   | 22 | Farmer |
| Henry Johnson    | 29 | Farmer |
| John Jackson     | 60 | Farmer |
| Lewis Auston     | 26 | Farmer |
| Richard Cheatham | 23 | Farmer |
| Franklin Smith   | 41 | Farmer |
| James W. Stuart  | 26 | Farmer |

**October 16, 1868**

|                    |    |        |
|--------------------|----|--------|
| Dick Johnson       | 60 | Farmer |
| Jim Ford           | 22 | Farmer |
| Frank Walker       | 27 | Farmer |
| Charley Fort       | 23 | Farmer |
| Richard Grownns    | 44 | Farmer |
| Jo Draper          | 56 | Farmer |
| Roll Trimble       | 28 | Farmer |
| Willi Ward         | 45 | Farmer |
| Jabez Bradley      | 48 | Farmer |
| Ed Lemon           | 30 | Farmer |
| Sandy Boyd         | 27 | Farmer |
| Orreng Boyd        | 30 | Farmer |
| Colmon Boyd        | 22 | Farmer |
| Benn Marshall      | 21 | Farmer |
| William Williams   | 53 | Farmer |
| Stephen Johnson    | 53 | Farmer |
| E. M. Landers      | 21 | Farmer |
| Daniel Boyd        | 22 | Farmer |
| King Johnson       | 45 | Farmer |
| Jefferson Cheatham | 24 | Farmer |
| Cylous Cheatham    | 34 | Farmer |
| Bill Cheatham      | 35 | Farmer |
| Jack Roberson      | 34 | Farmer |
| Abb Roberson       | 24 | Farmer |
| Sam Auston         | 24 | Farmer |
| Allen Jordan       | 37 | Farmer |
| Zeak Auston        | 22 | Farmer |
| Cross Thurmon      | 29 | Farmer |
| James Johnson      | 50 | Farmer |
| Sam Johnson        | 28 | Farmer |
| Benn Green         | 47 | Farmer |
| Lewis Johnson      | 28 | Farmer |
| Alford Hopson      | 47 | Farmer |
| Aberham Green      | 23 | Farmer |
| Jo Murser          | 23 | Farmer |
| Gid Booker         | 38 | Farmer |
| Jefferson Boyd     | 60 | Farmer |

|                 |    |        |
|-----------------|----|--------|
| Chester Rollens | 40 | Farmer |
| Brown Beard     | 48 | Farmer |
| Columbus Reid   | 21 | Farmer |
| Josh Walker     | 49 | Farmer |
| Step Moore      | 67 | Farmer |
| James L. Hicks  | 59 | Farmer |
| Edward Walker   | 21 | Farmer |
| Squir Johnson   | 38 | Farmer |
| Willis Paxton   | 21 | Farmer |
| Robert Johnson  | 22 | Farmer |
| Thomas Farrison | 54 | Farmer |
| Stephen Hatchet | 33 | Farmer |
| Fenton Merser   | 68 | Farmer |
| Tom Sampson     | 34 | Farmer |
| Samuel Scott    | 54 | Farmer |
| D. J. Grounds   | 26 | Farmer |

**October 17, 1868**

|                   |    |           |
|-------------------|----|-----------|
| James Gillmore    | 53 | Farmer    |
| Jorden Hopsin     | 24 | Farmer    |
| Harry Morrison    | 53 | Farmer    |
| Aaron Thorryngton | 24 | Farmer    |
| Adams Hopsium     | 25 | Farmer    |
| Anderson Bobb     | 24 | Farmer    |
| Chess Cannon      | 29 | Farmer    |
| Robert Harding    | 33 | Farmer    |
| Aaron Morrison    | 29 | Farmer    |
| Tom Hungate       | 38 | Farmer    |
| Carter Cannon     | 25 | Farmer    |
| Alex Deloney      | 54 | Farmer    |
| Decator Fowler    | 52 | Farmer    |
| Bazeal Auston     | 21 | Farmer    |
| Izeral Momdro     | 21 | Farmer    |
| Andrew Van        | 59 | Farmer    |
| James Stewart     | 30 | Farmer    |
| Jim Scroggins     | 27 | Farmer    |
| J. W. Johnson     | 25 | Farmer    |
| Dick Witter       | 56 | Farmer    |
| J. C. Reed        | 33 | Farmer    |
| T. N. Reed        | 23 | Farmer    |
| John Dickson      | 24 | Farmer    |
| Frank Sampson     | 29 | Farmer    |
| Lexy May          | 49 | Farmer    |
| John William      | 27 | Farmer    |
| Henry Guest       | 37 | Carpenter |
| Randle Nelson     | 28 | Farmer    |
| Lewis Stewart     | 35 | Farmer    |

|                   |    |        |
|-------------------|----|--------|
| W. D. Hicks       | 21 | Farmer |
| Jesse Mobes       | 45 | Farmer |
| Verjel Sampson    | 25 | Farmer |
| George Hartfield  | 25 | Farmer |
| William Hill      | 32 | Farmer |
| Washington Draper | 21 | Farmer |

### October 19, 1868

|                  |    |        |
|------------------|----|--------|
| Antney Stewart   | 21 | Farmer |
| Vergent Trimble  | 22 | Farmer |
| Jesse Dickson    | 23 | Farmer |
| John Walker      | 21 | Farmer |
| Chester Hill     | 21 | Farmer |
| Ruben Harpool    | 33 | Farmer |
| Al Cooper        | 40 | Farmer |
| John Hopson      | 27 | Farmer |
| Robert M. Bailey | 72 | Farmer |
| W. C. Reed       | 39 | Farmer |
| Dick Bale        | 56 | Farmer |
| Izarah Hill      | 26 | Farmer |
| Ned Johnson      | 70 | Farmer |
| Ivener Goodlow   | 24 | Farmer |
| Sims Crofton     | 45 | Farmer |
| Jo Cash          | 42 | Farmer |
| George Booker    | 29 | Farmer |
| G. E. James      | 36 | Farmer |
| S. M. James      | 28 | Farmer |
| A. C. James      | 24 | Farmer |
| John F.          |    |        |
| Benningfield     | 57 | Farmer |
| R. Little        | 36 | Farmer |
| W. L. Swytcer    | 28 | Farmer |
| J. M. Sissel     | 38 | Farmer |

|                        |               |                   |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| J. B. Sissel           | 26            | Farmer            |
| Thomas Hendrick        | 28            | Farmer            |
| F. A. Locke            | 40            | Farmer            |
| J. P. Henderson        | 23            | Farmer            |
| L. J. Henderson        | 30            | Farmer            |
| James M. Smith         | 38            | Farmer            |
| V. Tulles              | 36            | Farmer            |
| J. A. Fussell          | 26            | Farmer            |
| J. T. Henderson        | 25            | Farmer            |
| J. M. Moss             | 42            | Farmer            |
| Sam Jackson            | 45            | Farmer            |
| Stephen Jury           | 53            | Farmer            |
| Jesse Vaughan          | 57            | Farmer            |
| Dave Reed              | 26            | Farmer            |
| Smith Paxtal           | 35            | Farmer            |
| Cyrus Ward             | 24            | Farmer            |
| Sam Williams           | 21            | Farmer            |
| Thomas Latty           | 50            | Farmer            |
| Lewis Hill             | 48            | Farmer            |
| Joseph Johnson         | 38            | Farmer            |
| John Reed              | 50            | Farmer            |
| Green Henry            | 45            | Farmer            |
| S. H. McFarland        | 46            | Farmer            |
| Tom Milum              | 30            | Farmer            |
| William McAtee         | 26            | Farmer            |
| Benn Draper            | 35            | Farmer            |
| C. J. Fussell          | 25            | Farmer            |
| James Norwood          | 54            | Farmer            |
| J. M. Sikes            | 30            | Stock             |
|                        |               | Raser             |
| <del>A. D. Lewis</del> | <del>35</del> | <del>Farmer</del> |
| Henry Sikes            | 57            | Stock             |
|                        |               | Raser             |

**SPRING GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 1881-  
1896 AND SPRING GROVE CEMETERY  
GARLAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

*Russell P. Baker*

Nestled in the far southwestern corner of Garland County just north of Mazarn Creek is a small cemetery with a sign proclaiming it to be the Spring Grove Cemetery established in 1863. It is something of a mystery since it is not listed in the published cemetery books for Garland, Hot Spring, or Montgomery counties. Nor does it show up on county maps. Its oldest headstone is for Susannah Ray Kinsey, born 15 October 1819 and died about 1863. Its newest headstone is for Hal Wray Holton, born 17 February 1917 and died 2 October 1980. Evidently the area was once the location of a Missionary Baptist Church also called Spring Grove. It was founded about 1881 by a small number of families, some who had recently migrated from Alabama. Their names are listed below. Those who settled in the area before 1880 appear in the 1880 U. S. census of old Lee Township, Garland County.<sup>1</sup> All that now remains is the cemetery. There may also have been a school there at one time. W. H. Reeves who was active in the congregation served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War.<sup>2</sup> The following information is from the records of the Caddo River Baptist Association on microfilm at the Arkansas History Commission.<sup>3</sup>

1881, Pastor W. H. Caldwell, Messenger A. J. Howton, 6 members, by petition

1882 and 1883, the church was not represented

1884, Pastor A. Nelson, Clerk J. F. Harmon, Messengers G. M. and A. J. Howton, 12 members, Mazarn Post Office

1885, Pastor A. Nelson, Clerk J. F. Harmon, Messenger J. F. Harmon, 20 members, Hickory Station Post Office

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<sup>1</sup> For instance, see John P. and Andrew J. Houghton households, 1880 U.S. census, Garland County, Arkansas, population schedule, Lee township, enumeration district 75, p. 162B, dwellings 116 and 117, families 119 and 120; National Archives microfilm T9, roll 45.

<sup>2</sup> W. H. Reeves, Arkansas Confederate Pension Application, Arkansas History Commission, microfilm, Military, 39, roll 88.

<sup>3</sup> Arkansas History Commission, General Microfilm, 466, roll 01.

1886, Pastor A. Nelson, Clerk J. F. Harmon, Messengers F. W. Mullins and A. Howton, 20 members, Mazarn Post Office

1887, Pastor W. H. Caldwell, Clerk W. H. Reeves, Messengers W. H. Reeves and W. Mullins, 19 members, Mazarn Post Office

1888–1889, not represented

1890, Pastor E. P. Chitwood, Clerk J. M. Kilgro, Messenger W. H. Reeves, 8 members, Mazarn Post Office

1891, no minutes printed

1892, not represented

1893, Pastor R. W. Pate, Clerk Larking Melson, Messenger Larking Melson, 8 members, Myers Post Office

1894, Pastor R. W. Pate, Clerk L. M. Kelgroe, Messengers L. Melson and J. P. Hawthorn, 11 members, Mazarn Post Office

1895, Pastor R. W. Pate, Clerk J. M. Kilgro, Messengers J. M. Kilgro and J. P. Hawthorne, 10 members, Mazarn Post Office

1896, Pastor E. Wright, Clerk J. M. Kilgro, Messengers J. P. Hawthorn and M. Kilgro, Mazarn Post Office

The church was not represented at the association again after 1896. It was dissolved in 1897.

### **Arkansas Man Married in Kentucky**

[*Henry County Local*, New Castle, Kentucky, 21 November 1913; microfilm: University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.]

Married.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Johnson, of Frankfort, Miss Sarah Virginia Johnson to Thomas Berryman Arnn, of Little Rock, Arkansas, Nov 12, 1913.

The bride is the daughter of Rev. W. H. Johnson and wife, and one of the most popular teachers in the State, a favorite among her acquaintances, handsome and of a most pleasing personality. The groom is in the R. R. Postal Service and commands a splendid salary.

He made numerous friends upon his visits here.

The couple left immediately for their home in Little Rock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Johnson, uncle of the bride.

—Contributed by Sherry Smith

## **THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME IN BATESVILLE, INDEPENDENCE COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

*Betty Clayton, Paragould, Arkansas*

Information about the Widows' and Orphans' Home and the Masonic Orphans' Home in Batesville was abstracted from booklets, loose documents, and reports stored in a file at the Old Independence County Regional Museum in Batesville. The Widows' and Orphans' Home of the Sovereign Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Arkansas [I.O.O.F.] was the first home. Later the Masonic Orphans' Home was built in the same town. The records are public information at this time and can be viewed by anyone visiting the museum.

According to information found in the 1902-03 Annual Report of the President of the Widows' and Orphans' Home, the home opened 15 May 1898 and was remodeled in 1902, adding five additional bedrooms and two store rooms at a cost of \$295. During the fiscal year 1 October 1902 to 1 October 1903 the Home became debt free and maintained an average of thirty-five orphans at a cost per capita of \$126.25. The amount of boarding fees received was \$564.00. The amount paid out for the cost of running the Home was \$4,982.03. In this and other reports the children living in the Home were referred to as inmates.

The 1900-01 Annual Report of the Matron/Superintendent states the Home was midway into its fourth year and found reason for "congratulation and earnest gratitude to Him whose loving care and tender mercies have constantly surrounded and upheld us."

In addition to proper care for the children's well being, the Home strived to develop and direct their mental capacities and spiritual nature to prepare them for their future years laden with life's responsibilities and burdens. A list of categories for training and instruction was given: Industrial, Education, Moral and Religious Training, Peace Makers' Lodge and Debating Society. The girls would learn such things as sewing, cooking, and housekeeping; the boys would help till the garden and fields, assist in care of stock and poultry, clearing, and fencing. Education included instruction in several grades, including music, and observed the same hours as those observed by the public schools, six hours daily.

The Peace Makers' Lodge was an organization for the boys. They were required to pledge themselves not to use tobacco or whiskey, not to indulge in the use of profane or other bad language, not to quarrel or tell

an untruth, to endeavor to settle all disputes that may arise and to be kind to animals and to each other.

The Debating Society met weekly and was for those old enough to understand the questions discussed on literary, social, and historical topics. In this, as well as in the Peace Makers' Lodge, the children were taught to observe parliamentary law.

The name of the President of the Home was not in any of the documents found in the file this information was taken from, but the Treasurer was Z. P. Freeman.

Among various reports for 1898 through 1901 are lists of the inmates for each of those four years, with the date of entrance, the person's name and birth date, and the name and location of the Lodge sending the person. The Arkansas towns listed were Batesville, Chester, Corning, Fordyce, Gravett, Harrisburg, Hot Springs, Jonesboro, Lake City, Little Rock, Lonelm, Piggott, Rogers, Sulphur Rock, Union and West Fork. Forty-seven inmates were admitted to the Home during this period—three adults and forty-four children. One child died of pneumonia and ten names were listed as leaving the home, with the reason and the date.

Financial reports for each year include expenditures (list of purchases and expenses with the cost of each), itemized lists of money received (names of donors, boarding fees paid, Lodge donations), and an itemized list of contributions other than money (includes donor names and items donated). The donated items included food and candy, toys, clothing, sewing fabrics, linens, quilts, farm animals and equipment.

Improvements to the property were recorded as additional fruit trees, fencing, a new roof to replace the fire-damaged roof, an addition to the hen house, a hayshed and a cow shed. About three acres of land were cleared, plowed, and planted, and the trees converted into fuel. A 1,000 foot road leading through the farm was cleared and finished.

The 1913 Report of the Superintendent of the Widows' and Orphans' Home includes a Roster of Residents, with the age of each. There is also a list of seventeen children released from the Home from November 1912 to September 1913 including their ages and information about where they went or what they were doing after leaving the Home. There were four widows living in the Home. There is also a list of donated items and the names of the donors.

The next Annual Report of the Superintendent and Matron of the Widows' and Orphans' Home is for 1928-29. A account of Christmas Donations Received lists cash amounts donated by various Arkansas



I.O.O.F. lodges. After paying cash for articles purchased for the Christmas dinner, each resident of the Home received \$5.75 in cash for their share of the cash donations. Donated items were received for Christmas and distributed among the residents as equally as possible, including quilts, linens, clothing, food, fruit, nuts, candy and toys.

The report included the names and ages of residents living at the Home as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, with the name of the Lodge that sent them. Fifty-one children and widows were listed. The Lodges were listed by Lodge name or the town: Bergman, Caraway, Chickasawba, Dierks, Far West, Flippin, Fouke, Gassville, Grubbs, Guion, Independence, Robt. E. Lee, Magnolia, Oak Ridge, Paragould, John P. Paul Jr., Richwood, St. Paul, Saline, Strong and Tyronza. The names of sixteen inmates who had left the Home since "last report" were listed, as well as the names of two widows who had died. It was noted that one female would be 19 years old soon, but while still in the Home she would not be maintained through another school year by the Home on account of finances. Under the circumstances at the time, it was not deemed right to spend money on those who had passed the age of eighteen years and were able to care for themselves, while depriving the younger and helpless ones of necessities.

*Grand Lodge of Arkansas*  
1902-03 Annual Report of the President

HEALTH

The health of the Home has been remarkably good. Since the opening of the Home three and a half years ago, there has never been a case of severe illness among the inmates except that of Lula Newdorffer, who was very ill of pneumonia when she entered the Home.

INMATES OF HOME

**1898**

Davis, Frank, entered June 26, born 17 Dec 1885, sent by Hot Springs Val. Lodge #67 located at Hot Springs.

Tucker, Ollie entered October 26, born 1 Feb 1884, sent by Piggott Lodge #56 located at Piggott.

Newdorffer, Lula, entered November 16, born 8 March 1897, sent by Harrisburg Lodge #112 located at Harrisburg.

Newdorffer, Clara, entered November 16, born 22 June 1888, sent by Harrisburg Lodge #112 located at Harrisburg.

Newdorffer, Maude, entered November 16, born 2 September 1894, sent by Harrisburg Lodge #112 located at Harrisburg.

Newdorffer, Harry, entered November 16, born 14 August 1884, sent by Harrisburg Lodge #112 located at Harrisburg.

Hicks, Early, entered November 21, born 24 October 1886, sent by Last Link Lodge #129 located at Lonelm.

Gilstrap, May, entered November 22, born 8 October 1886, sent by Chester Lodge #16 located at Chester.

Gilstrap, Viola, entered November 22, born 9 September 1891, sent by Chester Lodge #16 located at Chester.

Gilstrap, Donnie, entered November 22, born 31 October 1893, sent by Chester Lodge #16 located at Chester.

Rhamy, M., widow, entered December 2, born 14 September 1851, sent by Nebo Lodge #118 located at Gravett.

Rhamy, Louis, entered December 2, born 14 September 1882, sent by Nebo Lodge #118 located at Gravett.

Rhamy, Daman, entered December 2, born 29 May 1886, sent by Nebo Lodge #118 located at Gravett.

Rhamy, Cecil, entered December 2, born 18 September 1889, sent by Nebo Lodge #118 located at Gravett.

Rhamy, Owen, entered December 2, born 15 May 1893, sent by Nebo Lodge #118, located at Gravett.

Price, Myrtle, entered December 19, born 25 May 1889, sent by Rogers Lodge #89 located at Rogers.

Price, Libbie, entered December 19, born 25 July 1891, sent by Rogers Lodge #89 located at Rogers.

### **1899**

Davis, Ethel, entered March 10, born 4 December 1887, sent by Corning Lodge #10 located at Corning.

Davis, Fred, entered March 10, born 30 August 1890, sent by Corning Lodge #110 located at Corning.

Clark, John, entered May 29, born 17 October 1891, sent by Mt. Zion Lodge #51 located at Jonesboro.

Clark, Clint, entered May 29, born 3 September 1896, sent by Mt. Zion Lodge #51 located at Jonesboro.

### **1900**

Holliday, Manda, entered January 3, born 30 June 1885, sent by Hot Springs Val. Lodge #67 located at Hot Springs.

Bloyed, Wm. C., entered April 2, born 8 October 1883, sent by West Fork Lodge #90 located at West Fork.

Killitz, Mrs., widow, entered September 17, born 27 June 1869, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Oscar, entered September 17, born 30 December 1886, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Clyde, entered September 17, born 24 November 1888, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Siddle, entered September 17, born 30 August 1891, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Mattie, entered September 17, born 7 June 1893, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Paul, entered September 17, born 31 July 1895, sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Killitz, Hugh, entered September 17, born 17 September 1887 [this may be a typo for 1897], sent by Home Lodge #63 located at Batesville.

Robinson, Ethel, entered October, born 24 March 1887, sent by Pike Lodge #12 located at Little Rock.

Robinson, Frank H., entered November 21, born 18 September 1889, sent by Pike Lodge #12 located at Little Rock.

Wilson, Harry, entered November 21, born 28 June 1890, sent by Pike Lodge #12 located at Little Rock.

Wilson, Hazel, entered in December, born 30 July 1893, sent by Pike Lodge #12 located at Little Rock.

### 1901

McCurry, Jessie, entered January 17, born 31 December 1895, sent by Sulphur Rock Lodge #52 located at Sulphur Rock.

Ferris, Martha, entered January 17, born 13 December 1888, sent by Oxford Lodge #99 located at Union.

Ferris, Tom, entered January 17, born 16 September 1892, sent by Oxford Lodge #99 located at Union.

Ferris, Kate, entered January 17, born 16 July 1894, sent by Oxford Lodge #99 located at Union.

Ferris, Edith, entered August 4, born 10 December 1897, sent by Oxford Lodge #99 located at Union.

Moore, Willie, entered August 4, born 1 May 1894, sent by Lake City Lodge #164 located at Lake City.

Moore, Dulsie, entered October 5, born 14 July 1897, sent by Lake City Lodge #164 located at Lake City.

Butler, Aldie F., widow, born 9 January 1871, sent by Fordyce Lodge #106 located at Fordyce.

Butler, Erma, entered October 5, born 25 September 1889, sent by Fordyce Lodge #106 located at Fordyce.

Butler, Ira, entered October 5, born 10 November 1892, sent by Fordyce Lodge #106 located at Fordyce.

Butler, Otis, entered October 5, born 20 October 1894, sent by Fordyce Lodge #106 located at Fordyce.

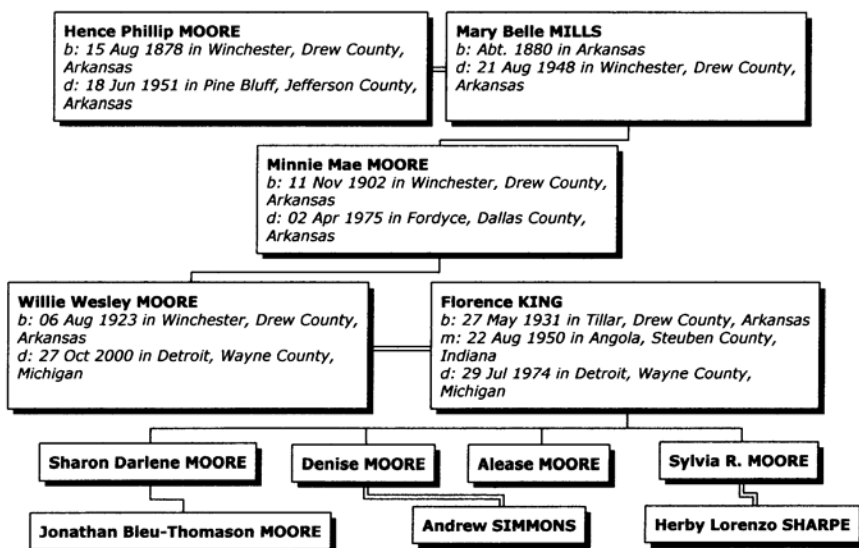
Butler, Olan, no date of entry, born 23 August 1899, sent by Fordyce Lodge #106 located at Fordyce.

## Arkansas Ancestry Certificates

### Nineteenth Century Ancestry Certificates for Jonathan Bleu-Thomason Moore, Denise Moore-Simmons, Alease Moore and Sylvia R. Moore-Sharpe

*Submitted by Sharon D. Moore  
1061 S. Deacon  
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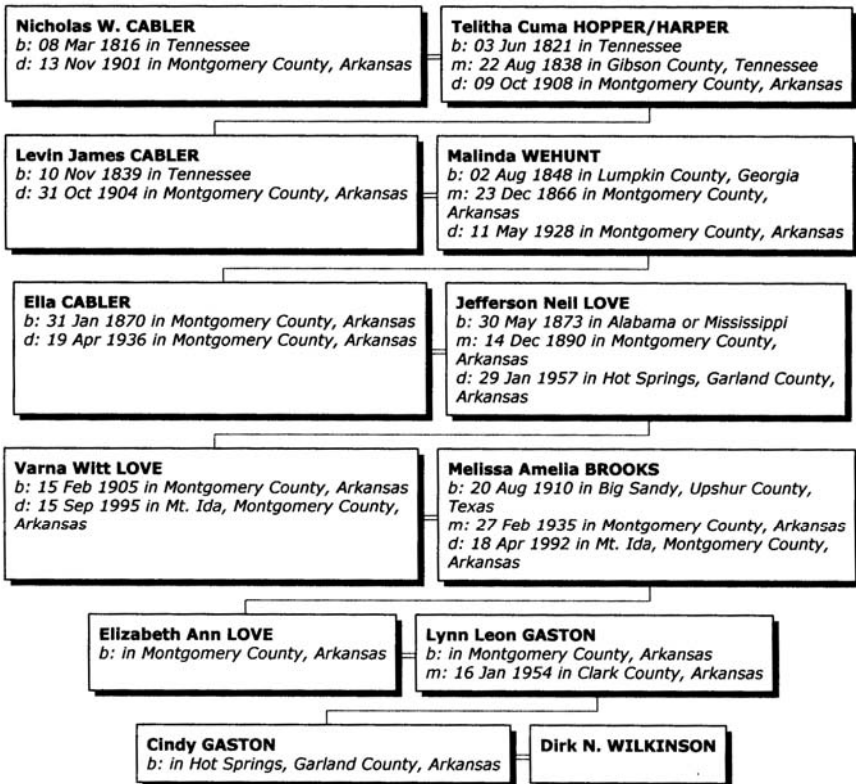
Jonathan Bleu-Thomason Moore, Denise Moore-Simmons, Alease Moore and Sylvia R. Moore-Sharpe each received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Nineteenth Century period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Nineteenth Century ancestor was Hence Phillip Moore. Hence Phillip Moore was born in Drew County on 15 August 1878.



## Antebellum Period Ancestry Certificates for Cindy Gaston-Wilkinson and Ann Love Gaston

*Submitted by Cindy Gaston-Wilkinson  
10600 Panther Mtn. Rd.  
N. Little Rock, AR 72113  
501-851-4527  
cjskeep@sbcglobal.net*

Cindy Gaston-Wilkinson and Ann Love Gaston each received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was Nicholas W. Cabler. Nicholas W. Cabler was in Montgomery County on or before 17 September 1850.



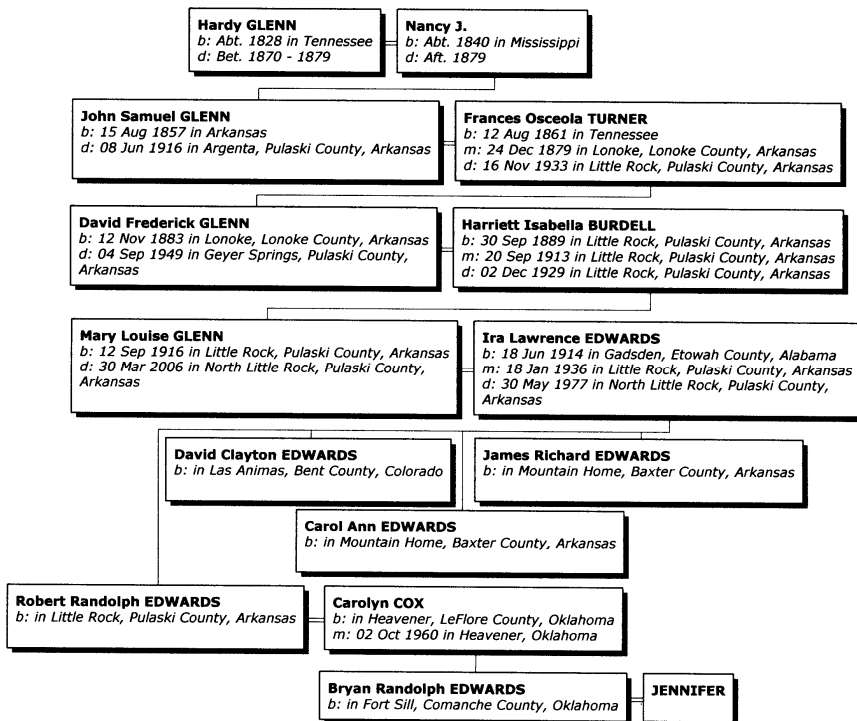
**Antebellum Period Ancestry Certificates  
for Bryan Randolph Edwards, Robert Randolph Edwards,  
David Clayton Edwards, James Richard Edwards, and Carol Ann  
Edwards Luzader**

*Submitted by Robert Randolph Edwards*

300 Lakeridge Drive  
Russellville, AR 72802-9276  
479-967-8720

*bobandcarolyn@suddenlink.net*

Bryan Randolph Edwards, Robert Randolph Edwards, David Clayton Edwards, James Richard Edwards, and Carol Ann Edwards Luzader each received a Certificate of Arkansas Ancestry for the Antebellum period based on documentation submitted for the following lineage. The Antebellum ancestor was Hardy Glenn. Hardy Glenn was in Dallas County on or before 4 October 1850.



## Arkansas Queries

Members may submit as many queries as they wish at any time. E-mail to [Publications@agsgenealogy.org](mailto:Publications@agsgenealogy.org) or post to AGS, PO Box 17653, Little Rock, AR 72222.

### **ADKINS – COSTON – ETHRIDGE – POWER – RUTHERFORD:**

I am interested in these families who settled in Hot Spring Co near Magnet Cove 1845-1890. **Ralph A. Coston**, PO Box 163, Warren AR 71671 [racoston@earthlink.net](mailto:racoston@earthlink.net)

**BAKER – FOSTER – GENTRY – THOMAS:** Seeking any information on James Thomas b 1808 Norfolk VA d 1875 Kinderhook AR m Elizabeth Foster b 1811 VA d 1876; also on their children 1) Sarah Jane b 1830; 2) Elisha b 1832 d bef 1910; 3) James b 1834 d 1875; 4) Elizabeth (Gentry) b 24 Feb 1836 d 1872; 5) William b 26 Feb 1839; 6) Mary E (Baker) b 17 July 1843; 7) Franklin b 1845 TN d 1914; 8) Newton b 1849 d 1914; 9) Pleasant b 1856. Most migrated to Cleburne, Faulkner and Van Buren counties. **Lynda Cook**, 26508 Sheldon Ave, Santa Clarita CA 91351 [mousecook@earthlink.net](mailto:mousecook@earthlink.net)

**BISHOP – SAMPSON – SYKES – WALKER – WHITE:** Seeking info on any of these individuals. Sarah Bishop and Rich White of Ozan AR 1900; John Sampson of Hempstead Co AR 1850; Lloyd Sykes of Little Rock AR 1920 and Jesse Walker of Hempstead Co AR 1900. **William Sykes**, PO Box 2524, Olathe KS 66063 [bragi\\_01@yahoo.com](mailto:bragi_01@yahoo.com)

**BRAY – MALES:** Seeking info on Thomas Bray and Ora Lee Males, West Fork, Washington Co AR. **Henry D. Hisel**, 2229 Eldorado Pkwy W, Little Elm TX 75068 [blazy2ranch@yahoo.com](mailto:blazy2ranch@yahoo.com)

**CARPENTER:** What is the maiden name of Sarah who m Emanuel/Amanuel/Alfred Carpenter? She was b about 1848-1850 in MS according to 1870 and 1880 census of Conway Co AR, Howard Twp. In 1880 her father was said to be b in GA and her mother in TN. Emanuel was b Carroll Co MS, son of John Carpenter and Sarah Jackson. Sarah and Emanuel's first child John was b in AR abt 1849. They could have m

in MS or AR. Amanuel entered land in Howard Co AR, in 1890. **Susan Boyle**, 57 Plantation Acres Dr, Little Rock AR 72210-3627 susanb1996@aol.com

**CRYER – MOBLEY:** Researching the families of David Mobley Sr. and his wife Anna Barbara Cryer dau of Morgan Cryer Sr who served in the Revolutionary War. David Mobley Sr and Barbara were m in Clark Co AR 8 July 1817. I need proof that David Mobley had a son by the name of David Mobley Jr. b 1825 in Clark Co AR. David Jr was m in Pike Co AR to Martha W in 1846. David Sr. d in Pike Co AR 5 March 1859 and his wife Barbara died in Pike Co AR 5 Feb 1885. **Benny Gene Mobley**, 912 Parker St, Azle TX 76020

**DODSON CEMETERY, BENTONVILLE, BENTON CO AR:** Are there any records for the Dodson Cemetery? **Bradley Sue Howell**, 722 Ridgeway St, Dallas TX 75214 bshowell@ont.com

**ANSWER:** A list of inscriptions for Dodson Cemetery in Benton County, AR, appears in *Cemeteries of Benton County*, Vol. 5, p. 103, published in 1976 by the Northwest Arkansas Genealogical Society. Russell Baker.

**EUBANKS:** Looking for the descendents of Dr. James Albert Eubanks b ca 1793 most likely from early Madison Co AR. **Mary Ellen Eubanks Johnson**, PO Box 496, Johnson AR 72741

**GREENHILL – LeMAY – WILLIAMS:** I am looking for any info on my g-grandparents William Henry Greenhill and his wife Amanda Josephine Williams. They died on or about 29 Oct 1883 in or around Charleston, Franklin Co AR. William Henry was b abt 8 Feb 1849 in AL and Amanda Josephine was b abt 1855 in TN. According to the 1880 census of Sebastian Co AR there were three children, including C G Greenhill, female b abt 1879 in AR who must have died with them. Guardianship was given for the other two children in AL on 7 Feb 1884 to an aunt and uncle Nathan P LeMay and Sara Jane Greenhill LeMay. The children were Ann Eliza Greenhill b 21 Jul 1873 d 9 May 1947 and my grandfather, Arthur Edgar Greenhill b 27 May 1876 d 3 Feb 1944. **Charles L Dinsmore**, PO Box 2368, Anniston AL 36202-2368 Ph 800-467-7635 cdinsmore@bellsouth.net



**HUBBLE – LANE – McKAY – MEON – ROUSE:** Seeking info on the families of Walter Hubble, Little Rock AR (Hubble Brothers Funeral Home); Sophia Lane, Fort Smith AR; Henry McKay, Little Rock AR; Isaac Meon, Pine Bluff AR; and Shular Rouse, Hot Springs AR. *Phae H. Dorman*, 2452 Deer Valley, Midland MI 48642 pdorman@aol.com

**KINARD – MORGAN – SEASE:** Seeking death and burial information for Daniel Kinard, b abt 1822 in Barnwell District SC, son of Graham & Eve Sease Kinard of Union Co AR and Union Parish LA. Daniel owned land in Union and Columbia counties AR and likely d between 1856 and 1859. Daniel's wife Winnie Morgan whom he m in Bibb Co AL in 1843 remarried Daniel's bro Jacob Kinard, in Union Co AR in Nov 1859. *Greg Boyd*, 2210 Research Park Blvd, Norman OK 73069 gboyd@arphax.com

**PHILLIPS COUNTY AR MARRIAGE BOOK NO 1:** Does anyone have copies of pages of this "missing" book? All that remains is the index with a few notes. *Dr. Barry Henson*, 221 Via Los Miradores, Redondo Beach CA 90277 bearzfacts@earthlink.net

**ANSWER:** The original earliest marriage book for Phillips Co. was apparently lost at some point. The earliest book available is called Marriage Transcripts Book 1 and the marriages date from 1831-1871. Marriage Book A begins in 1859. The transcribed early marriages as well as some dating to 1875 were published in 1982 by Mrs. Warren G. Bonner of Marianna, AR, as *Phillips County Marriages Before 1875*. Russell Baker

**PIERSON – WHITE:** Who are the parents of George W White who was listed in Scott Co AR 1860 census b in AR ca 1826. His wife was Martha Pierson dau of Jacob and Jenetta Pierson. George W is my gg-grandfather. *Bill Hanks*, 1217 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St, Little Rock AR 72201-1903

**WARREN:** Joseph L and Massila A Warren lived in Wayne Co TN 1870 census; ch 1) Harriet J.; 2) Frances E.; 3) William L.; 4) Marion D.; 5) Mary Ann A; 6) Sara D.; 7) "Eighter" (Ada). Need additional info especially on Joseph's d and p of birth etc. *Garry W. Warren*, 832 Olde Mill Trace, Cottdonvale AL 35453 garwinal@aol.com

**YEARGAIN – WHITE – TOMLINSON:** Seeking info on Andrew Yeargain of NC 1735, d aft 1800 whose descendant John Wesley Yeargain settled in Greene Co AR. Need info on James White of TN, father of Flavious Stapleton White b 1824 Clairborne Co TN, settled in Greene Co AR. Need parents of Thomas James Tomlinson b Weakley Co TN 1830, d Greene Co 1918. *Carol Tomlinson*, PO Box 1502, Paragould AR 72450.

**CORRECTION:** Alford, Davis, Hatch, Hudson, **Jester** [instead of Jestes], Orr, Spring/Springs, Watson query printed in March AFH: Patsy R. Livingston's address is now:  
23 Meadow View Dr, Texarkana, AR 71854

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## Book Reviews

*Yellow Tavern and Beyond, From Family Letters and Journals.* By Dorothy Francis Atkinson. Published by Willow Bend Books, an imprint of Heritage Books, 65 East Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5026. 2006. xvii, 436 pp. includes epilogue, index, bibliography, endnotes. Paper cover. To order go to [www.WillowBendBooks.com](http://www.WillowBendBooks.com).

Hanover and Henrico Counties, Virginia, contributed a large number of men to the Confederacy, saw a great deal of the opposing armies, and experienced more than their share of battles during the Civil War, no doubt a result of having the capital of the Confederacy in their front yard. The author's focus is the Battle of Yellow Tavern that took place in May 1864 just north of Richmond and resulted in the death of General J. E. B. Stuart. Having access to a number of letters saved and passed down in the various branches of her family and others, she set out to tell the story of the region and its people during the war. Because local soldiers fought at many of the major battles in the east, there are chapters about Kanawha Valley and Manassas, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and others.

After setting the scene with local and family history, the author skillfully blends information from published sources with information from letters, diaries, and family papers created before, during, and after the Civil War. The result is a complete and detailed account of the events in the area through which the reader is able to gain a general sense of living conditions and attitudes during the war. There is abundant genealogical information, as well as maps and numerous photographs.

This book is interesting reading on several levels: as Civil War history, as local history, and as family history. For researchers of this area or of families living there in the nineteenth century, this book is an excellent resource, presenting as it does, transcripts, extracts or abstracts of original documents that may not otherwise be accessible.

*Susan Boyle, Little Rock, Arkansas*

***Irish Names and Surnames.*** By Rev. Patrick Woulfe. Published Dublin, 1923. Reprint Genealogical Publishing Co., 3600 Clipper Mill Road, Suite 260, Baltimore, MD 21211-1953. 2007. xlvi, 696 pages includes bibliography and appendix of clan names. Hardcover. For price and ordering information, go to [www.Genealogical.com](http://www.Genealogical.com)

This book was originally published in Dublin in 1923 and has been reprinted four times by GPC. The compiler started collecting original Irish/Gaelic names in Lancashire before 1900, and continued while a chaplain at Limerick Workhouse and on trips to Scotland. Scholars elsewhere sent him lists as well. His resulting work is a classic which contains separate lists of men's names, women's names, and surnames—each presented twice—once in English to Irish translation and again in Irish to English translation.

But this book is more than lists of names and their translations; indeed it is an education in the Irish language and a guidebook to Irish names. The introduction is a history of the evolution of Irish names from patronymics and nicknames to actual first and last names. There is an explanation of the use of O and Mac and the effect of the Anglo-Norman invasion on both given names and surnames. The author included a helpful pronunciation guide which explains broad and slender vowels and provides examples of single letters, diphthongs, combination vowels and consonants, and irregular sounds of vowels and consonants.

The English to Irish lists are straight-forward, brief translations. The lists of Irish to English names on the other hand provide a history of each name. Allen, for instance, is called an ancient Irish personal name, probably a diminutive of a name starting with the Irish syllable for noble. For females, Bevin or Vivian was an ancient Irish name meaning “melodious lady”. The surname Cannon is from O Cannan or O Cananan derived from the word for wolf cub and is an old Tirconnell name, as is O'Donnell. MacDonald, on the other hand, is a name with three origins, one in Scotland and the other two in early Irish clans or families.

This book would be an asset to anyone researching Irish surnames and a fascinating read for those interested in the origins of names.

*Susan Boyle, Little Rock, Arkansas*

***North American Wills Registered in London 1611-1857.*** Compiled by Peter Wilson Coldham, Genealogical Publishing Company, 3600 Clipper Mill Rd., Suite 260, Baltimore, MD 21211; 2007. 156 pp., supplemental index of names, index of places, index of ships. Hardcover. See [www.Genealogical.com](http://www.Genealogical.com) for price and shipping.

Only the Prerogative Court of Canterbury could grant probate and administration for citizens of England and Wales who died at home or abroad leaving wills or assets worth more than £5. As Coldham states in his introduction, "...the survival in London of well over 2,000 wills relating to temporary or permanent inhabitants of North America has ensured that they, their relations and descendants have not only found a permanent place in historical records but have a provable link to English ancestry."

This updated version of several of Coldham's previous works reflects the British National Archives' progress in digitizing and indexing their holdings of the PCC registry copy wills which may now be accessed and ordered online, including newly accessible Canadian wills.

The introduction explains how to use the online index to obtain any will listed in the book and includes a list of abbreviations used. The abstracts are arranged alphabetically by surname of decedent and include place of residence, place of death, occupation, marital state, date of will, date of proof, names of legatees, executors, and witnesses, often relatives, as well as the all-important identifying PROB11 reference needed by the National Archives to send you the copy by internet or mail. Some entries also include references to where they have been previously printed.

The main list is followed by a supplementary index of all the other names that appear in the abstracts. An index of place names arranged by state, Canadian province, and counties of England, Scotland, or Wales plus a list of ships allows the researcher to look for people in several different ways.

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***The Genealogist's Address Book, version 5.3.*** By Elizabeth Petty Bentley. Bentley Enterprises, PO Box 58, Woodsboro, MD 21798-0058. CD, \$19.99.

Names, addresses, contact information, hours of operation, publications and various other appropriate items for 28,000 organizations and agencies of interest to genealogists are included in *The Genealogist's Address Book*. The organizations listed are mostly US and Canadian.

The CD contains a single pdf file so there is no special software to install because the only program needed to view the information is Acrobat Reader. The pdf file can also be copied from the CD to your local hard drive so it can be accessed without inserting the CD.

There are two ways of finding what you're looking for on the file. A set of bookmarks are included which serve as an expandable table of contents. The bookmarks are organized by US National and States, Canadian National and Provinces, Ethnic and Religious organizations, and numerous special resources such as lineage societies, registries, publishers, booksellers, and libraries.

The other method of navigating is by using the search tool of Acrobat Reader. A word or phrase may be entered and Acrobat Reader will quickly find and display all occurrences in the document *in context*. For example, I entered the word "railroad" and Acrobat Reader found 124 instances of "railroad" in the Address Book.

Probably the biggest problem with the Address Book is that much of the information is unavoidably out-of-date to some degree. There is a website the user can go to for updates and a one-year subscription for quarterly updated versions of the pdf file by e-mail can be requested. But the author doesn't have a very good way to get current information so the updates would be out-of-date too.

The biggest value of *The Genealogist's Address Book* is probably in identifying organizations that may exist. Current information about an organization of interest can be obtained from the organization's website.

*Rebecca Wilson, Little Rock, Arkansas*

***Eyewitness to American History: The Virginia Connection to the WPA Slave Narratives.*** By James M. Rose and Dr. Cassandra Newby-Alexander. CD.

*Eyewitness to American History* attempts to substantiate some of the genealogical, social and cultural information highlighted in the *American Slave Narratives*. The slave narratives are interviews of former slaves gathered in the 1930s by the Federal Writers' Project of the Works Progress Administration (WPA). The authors provide helpful historical background about the slave narratives collected by the WPA. The narratives often provide clues and insight into the genealogy of the interviewees. *Eyewitness to American History* claims to have uncovered connections of over 500 individuals with Virginia ancestry and includes supplemental maps, censuses, and death and marriage records.

An intriguing part of the CD contains photographs of some of the interviewees which can be scarce in some state narratives. In the bonus portion of the CD a genealogist and a descendant of one of the interviewees read and comment on portions of her ancestor's narrative, bringing viewers up to date on later descendants and showing the potential for use by other family historians.

*Linda McDowell, Black History Coordinator, Arkansas History Commission*

***Old Voices.*** By Patsy Campbell Womack. 2007. 240 pages. Photographs. \$20 + \$5 shipping. Order from author at 501-889-2293.

An Arkansas book written in Arkansas by an Arkansas native, *Old Voices* is a heartwarming memoir about family and growing up in rural Yell County. Patsy Womack doesn't present her entire family history, but she does record a family story. She reaches back three generations to her paternal and maternal great-grandparents to set the stage and uses the passed-down memories of others to tell their stories. She is grateful to those ancestors for the devotion, respect, values, and constancy they practiced and instilled in their descendants. She is thankful for the community of Gum Springs and the extended family that remained close and surrounded her with loving grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

The author uses words sparingly, but wisely, creating images of life gone by. Born in 1934, she channels her own memories, both good and bad, to lovingly describe in easy, flowing detail every aspect of life in the

last third of the twentieth century and before: home, play and church; farming and housework; food and clothing; farm animals and pets; new life and death; loss and sadness; holidays and hunting. She professes to have been profoundly influenced by her nature walks with her grandfather from an early age. “Those were years filled with valuable things, things that could not be bought with money or counted as time spent.” She tells the stories that were told to her because they bind the family members together and form a thread across the years.

Her words are sure to evoke your own memories and the author hopes that you will be encouraged to write your own family story. I think you may be, once you experience this tribute to the importance of the simplest things in life. All family stories are worth recording for posterity.

*Susan Boyle, Little Rock, Arkansas*

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Arkansas Genealogical Society  
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November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2008

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Friday Evening – Josh Taylor  
Nationally known author and lecturer  
Specialist in computer technology  
and its use in genealogy

Saturday – Wendy Bebout Elliott, Ph.D, FUGA  
Professor of History at California State University, Fullerton  
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# Arkansas Genealogical Society

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The Arkansas Genealogical Society began in 1962 and is incorporated as a non-profit organization. The purpose of this society is to promote and educate its members in genealogy, to publish articles pertaining to Arkansas ancestors, and to locate and preserve genealogical, historical, and biographical information determined worthy of publication.

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